

# DPIIC Restoration Subcommittee

## Meeting Summary

June 18, 2026



**Delta Plan Interagency  
Implementation  
Committee**

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

The Delta Stewardship Council (Council) established the Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee (DPIIC) after adopting the Delta Plan in 2013 and continues to oversee DPIIC activities as required by the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act. The Restoration Subcommittee (Subcommittee) was formed by the 2022 amendment to Chapter Four of the Delta Plan, which recommended the formation of a restoration subcommittee to address barriers to restoration in the Delta. The Subcommittee members collaborate to support a vision of the Delta that is a mosaic of natural and human communities, is resilient to stressors, adaptable, and is accessible for the public.

The recording of the meeting is available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aj-4i6Z-glg&list=PLqTHClIW1Hhrz6tcDB9FGWQLgAhmWQwjw>

Meeting materials can be found on the Council's website at <https://www.deltacouncil.ca.gov/dpiic/meetings>.

## Attendees

The following Subcommittee members attended in person:

Department of Water Resources

Charlotte Biggs

California Natural Resources Agency

Madeline Drake

Central Valley Flood Protection Board

Jordan Robbins

Delta Protection Commission

Amanda Bohl

Delta Stewardship Council

Julie Lee

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Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy

State Water Resources Control Board

US Army Corps of Engineers

US Environmental Protection Agency

US Geological Survey

US Fish and Wildlife Service

US Bureau of Reclamation

Campbell Ingram

Jay Ziegler

Nicky Schleeter

Sahrye Cohen

Anke Mueller-Solger

Heather Swinney

Todd Plain

## 1. Welcome and Introductions (Information Item)

Campbell Ingram, Executive Officer of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy, opened the meeting at 10:06 AM, welcomed the attendees, and provided opening remarks. He welcomed Subcommittee members to share announcements.

Announcements included:

- Julie Lee – The Delta Stewardship Council has several upcoming events. Information is available at <https://www.deltacouncil.ca.gov/events>.
- Jay Ziegler – The State Water Resources Control Board has three major actions coming before it.
- Jordan Robbins – The Central Valley Flood Protection Board is working on requirements and regulations related to levees.
- Nicky Schleeter - US Army Corps of Engineers has several projects in process that will provide mitigation for sensitive species.
- Sahrye Cohen – US Environmental Protection Agency will be announcing grant recipients soon.
- Amanda Bohl – The Delta Protection Commission is drafting a white paper to explore how to keep Delta farmers farming.
- Dr. Anke Mueller-Solger – US Geological Survey is providing data and working with partners on Lookout Slough and projects in Suisun Marsh.

- Madeline Drake – California Natural Resources Agency’s 30x30 and Cutting Green Tape initiatives have been successful in streamlining permitting and reducing costs.
- Heather Swinney - US Fish and Wildlife Service is looking at ways to streamline permitting.
- Todd Plain – The Bureau of Reclamation is partnering with the Department of Water Resources to meet the Suisun Marsh Preservation Agreement and on the Prospect Island Project.
- Charlotte Biggs – The Department of Water Resources is advancing thousands of acres of restoration in the Delta under Healthy Rivers and Landscapes and other multibenefit efforts.
- Campbell Ingram – The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy has provided funding through several recent solicitations and has applied for additional funding.

Campbell Ingram asked for Subcommittee comments on the meeting summary from August 7, 2025. There were none. He then asked for public comment. There was none.

## 2. Restoration Progress in the Delta and Suisun Marsh (Information Item)

Subcommittee members heard short presentations highlighting ecosystem restoration projects and related programs in the Delta and Suisun Marsh. Rachel Wigginton from the Delta Stewardship Council introduced the presentations and described their connection to the afternoon’s Delta Restoration Forum.

Presentations included:

- River Partners Tribal Stewardship – Austin Stevenot from River Partners  
More information available here: <https://riverpartners.org/news/elevating-tribal-leadership-in-californias-climate-future/>
- Mormon Slough Restoration Project – Artie Valencia from Restore the Delta and Karen Verpeet from San Francisco Estuary Institute  
More information available here: <https://restorethedelta.org/flood-and-land-restoration/>

- Zacharias Ranch Mitigation Bank – Madeline Baker and Chris McColl from Westervelt Ecological Services

More information available here:

<https://wesmitigation.com/projects/zacharias-ranch-mitigation-bank/>

- Goat Island Tidal Marsh Restoration and Public Access Project – Stuart Siegel from San Francisco Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve/Siegel Environmental and Erik Stromberg from Restoration Design Group

More information available here: <https://solanolandtrust.org/protected-lands/rush-ranch/goat-island-tidal-marsh-restoration.html>

- Department of Water Resources projects – Charlotte Biggs from Department of Water Resources

More information available here: <https://water.ca.gov/>

Subcommittee discussion followed. Campbell Ingram asked for public comment. There was none.

This section is viewable at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aj-4i6Z-gJg&list=PLqTHClIW1Hhrz6tcDB9FGWQLgAhmWQwjw> timestamp 36:50

### 3. General Public Comment

Campbell Ingram welcomed any public comments on items not on the agenda. There was one public comment from Matt Conover of John McCormack Company expressing concerns about the proper use of the Good Neighbor Checklist (<https://deltacouncil.ca.gov/pdf/delta-plan/2022-07-15-good-neighbor-checklist.pdf>) and the impacts of nearby restoration on flooding for neighboring agricultural fields. Matt Conover also brought up the potential for an upcoming El Niño and a desire to understand the planning efforts to prepare for flooding.

This section is viewable at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Aj-4i6Z-gJg&list=PLqTHClIW1Hhrz6tcDB9FGWQLgAhmWQwjw> timestamp 2:08:04.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM.