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**AGENDA**

**Meeting of the  
Board of Directors and Liaison Advisors for the  
SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA CONSERVANCY**

**Wednesday, March 23, 2016**

**9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

**Delta Conservancy Conference Room  
1450 Halyard Drive, Suite 6, West Sacramento, CA**

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Welcome and Introductions**
3. **Roll Call/Oath of Office**
4. **Public Comments (New Business)**
5. **Consent Calendar (*Action Item*)**
  - *January 27, 2016 Meeting Summary and Action Items (Attachment 1)*
6. **Executive Officer's Report, Campbell Ingram**
  - *Program Update (Attachment 1)*
  - *January 27, 2016 - Board Meeting Directives and Responses*
  - *FY 2015-16 Expenditure Report (Attachment 2)*
  - *Outreach-Delta Meeting Matrix (Attachment 3)*
  - *Correspondence(Attachment 4)*
7. **Program and Policy Subcommittee Update, Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon (Attachment 1)**
8. **Proposition 1 Grant Program Administrative Update, Campbell Ingram (Attachment 1)**
9. ~~**Request for approval to initiate the regional planning in the Cache Slough Region, Campbell Ingram (Attachment 1) (*Agenda Item 9 will not be presented to the Board*)**~~
10. **Habitat Restoration Project Tracking by EcoAtlas, Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon**
11. **2013 Data Platform Proof of Concept Project Overview, Mark Tompkins**
12. **Delta Stewardship Council Delta Plan Update, Jessica Davenport**
13. **California Water Fix and Eco Restore Updates, B.G. Heiland and David Okita**
14. **Potential Agenda Items May 25, 2016 (Attachment 1)**
15. **Public Comments**
16. **Board Closed Session for Executive Officer's Annual Performance Review pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(a)**
17. **ADJOURN**



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- Attachments and additional information can be found on the Delta Conservancy's website at: <http://www.deltaconservancy.ca.gov> .
  - If you have any questions or need reasonable accommodation due to a disability, please contact Jessica O'Connor, Delta Conservancy (916) 375-2090.
  - Public comments are generally limited to three minutes or at the discretion of the Chair.
  - The agenda items listed above may be considered in a different order at the Delta Conservancy Board meeting pursuant to the determination of the Board Chair. At the discretion of the Delta Conservancy Board, all items appearing on this agenda, whether or not expressly listed for action, may be deliberated upon and may be subject to action.

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**MEETING SUMMARY AND ACTION ITEMS**  
**Board Meeting – January 27, 2016**  
**1450 Halyard Dr., Suite 6, West Sacramento**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 9:02 am by Chair Jim Provenza.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

**Board Members Present:** Jim Provenza, Darla Guenzler, Mike Eaton, Todd Ferrara, Don Thomas, Karen Finn, Dolly Sandoval, Dan Taylor, Katherine Miller, Skip Thomson  
**Ex Officio Members Present:** None  
**Liaison Advisors Present:** Steve Chappell, Martha Ozonoff, Daniel Welsh, Erik Vink

**DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS TAKEN**

- 1. Agenda Item 5 – Consent Calendar (*Action Item*)**  
The Board unanimously approved the summary of the November 20, 2015 Board meeting. No other issues were included in the consent calendar.
- 2. Agenda Item 6 – Executive Officer's Report**  
The Executive Officer presented updates on Conservancy programs, Board Meeting Directives and Responses, and the Deputy Executive Officer presented budget and staffing updates. The Chair highlighted the need to discuss funding for legal support for the Conservancy and asked staff to provide detailed information at the next Program and Policy Subcommittee (PPS) meeting. The Board also asked staff to provide updated contact information for Board members and Staff, and an organization chart at the next Board meeting.
- 3. Agenda Item 7 – Program and Policy Subcommittee Update**  
The Deputy Executive Officer provided an overview of the December 4, 2015 PPS meeting. The Board Chair invited Board members to attend the upcoming PPS meeting scheduled for February 17, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Conservancy office.
- 4. Agenda Item 8 – Proposition 1 Grant Program Administrative Update**  
The Executive Officer presented updates on the Professional Review Panels for Full Proposals, Proposition 1 Planning vs. Project Expenditures, and Office Space Expansion. The Board discussed the importance of professional reviews and staff confirmed USFWS will be included as part of the review committee and will continue to work with the agencies to coordinate proposal reviews. Staff will present the list of professional reviewers to the Program and Policy Subcommittee at the

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April meeting. The Executive Officer provided an overview of potential scenarios for funding projects and planning efforts this fiscal year. The Board will continue to discuss the issue as planning efforts come to the Board for approval. The Executive Officer and Deputy Executive Officer discussed plans for space expansion and outstanding information that will be brought to the Board for consideration at both the PPS and subsequent Board meetings.

**5. Agenda Item 9 – Request for ratification of revisions to the Proposition 1 Grant Guidelines and Grant Application Packet *(Action Item)***

The Executive Officer presented staff recommendations for ratification of revisions to the Grant Guidelines and Grant Application Packet.

A roll call vote was taken with all Board members present voting to approve the motion and the action was approved.

**6. Agenda Item 10 – Request for approval to ask 14 projects to submit full proposal for the Proposition 1 Grant Program *(Action Item)***

The Executive Officer presented staff recommendation to request full proposals from the 14 proponents that achieved a review score of 85 or better per the Program Grant Guidelines. The Board requested that project summaries including staff analysis and recommendations for each full proposal be included in the final recommendation package. Members also requested that staff develop a map that identifies the location of all proposed projects. Example templates for project summaries will be presented at the next PPS meeting for discussion and input.

A member of the public provided clarification and additional information for the Board's consideration regarding a concept proposal.

A resolution was made to approve the 14 concept proposals recommended by staff to submit full proposals. A roll call vote was taken with all Board members present voting to approve the motion and the action was approved.

**7. Agenda Item 11 – Request for approval to receive funds from the US Environmental Protection Agency in the total amount of \$249,180 and subsequently enter into a contract with the San Francisco Estuary Institute/Aquatic Science Center in the amount of \$102,780 to improve reporting on performance measures for wetland restoration projects *(Action Item)***

The Deputy Executive Officer presented a summary of staff request for Board approval to receive funding from USEPA and enter into a subsequent agreement with SFEI/ASC.

A roll call vote was taken with all Board members present voting to approve the motion and the action was approved.

**8. Agenda Item 12 – Delta Stewardship Council Delta Plan Update**

The Executive Officer presented an update for the Delta Stewardship Council (Council) on behalf of the Council's Executive Officer, Jessica Pearson. The Council meeting on Wednesday, March 23,

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2016 will include presentation of the Council's 2016 priorities.

**9. Agenda Item 13 – California Water Fix and Eco Restore Update**

The Executive Officer presented an update on behalf of B.G. Heiland and David Okita. Erik Vink presented a brief update for the Delta Protection Commission (DPC) to inform the Board on DPC's continued work with the Delta Conservancy on the agricultural analysis project.

**10. Agenda Item 14 – Update on the California Drought and El Nino Conditions**

Board Member, Todd Ferrera presented an update on El Nino conditions and the California Drought and discussed how DWR and USBR are working to establish a 2016 drought plan – a roadmap for conditions moving forward.

**11. Agenda Item 15 – Potential Agenda Items for March 23, 2015**

Suggested agenda items included a presentation of the EcoAtlas Database project, and a presentation on the Data Pilot Project effort funded by the Bechtel Foundation in 2013.

**12. Agenda Item 16 – Public Comments**

A member of the public provided a summary of the local agency collaboration efforts and requested opportunities to work with Delta Conservancy and Delta Protection Commission to include a recreation component in the agricultural analysis project.

**13. Agenda Item 17 – Board Closed Session for Executive Officer's Annual performance Review and other personnel matters pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(a)**

**BOARD DIRECTIVES TO STAFF**

1. Staff will provide updated contact information for Board members and Staff, and a staffing update at the next Program and Policy Subcommittee (**Agenda Item 6**)
2. Staff will provide project summaries, staff analysis and recommendations for each full proposal. Example templates will be provided at the next PPS meeting for discussion and input. Staff will develop a map that indicates the location of all proposed projects to be included in the full proposal recommendation package. (**Agenda Item 10**)

**MEETING ADJOURNED by Chair Provenza at 11:05 am**

**EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION ADJOURNED at 12:21 pm**

**BOARD MEETING CLOSED at 12:22 pm**

*Respectfully submitted on February 2, 2016 by Jessica O'Connor, Interim Board Liaison*  
Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy

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**EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**  
**March 23, 2016**

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~ PROGRAM UPDATE ~

***Ecosystem Restoration***

Proposition 1 Grant Program: The Conservancy's Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program (Grant Program) focuses on the restoration of important species and habitat, on improving water quality, and on agricultural sustainability. The Conservancy received a total of 24 concept proposals during the concept proposal solicitation period. At the January Board meeting, the Delta Conservancy's Board approved staff recommendations for 14 concept proposals to submit full proposals for the Conservancy's Grant Program. In February, Conservancy staff sent out comment letters for all proposals. All applicants were offered the opportunity to meet with the Conservancy staff for feedback on full proposal or future submittal to Prop 1 Conservancy Grant Program. The full proposal solicitation period closes on March 15, 2016

Arundo Control and Restoration Project: In January of 2016, staff discussed the need for a no-cost time extension on the grant from DWR. By extending the timeframe of this grant to 2020, Solano RCD would have a full year of ground preparation and planting and four years of watering and replanting to fully establish native vegetation. Also, the Cultural Consultation for Army Corps of Engineers 404 permit was completed and submitted to the Corps. The National Marine Fisheries Service has sent a letter of concurrence in support of the Endangered Species Act, Section 7 consultation permit to the Army Corps of Engineers; we are waiting to hear from USFWS.

***Water Quality***

Delta Environmental Data for the Understanding of a California Estuary (DEDUCE): The DEDUCE project is a component of Delta WIN, and is working to make high priority data—which now exists in programmatic silos—accessible for decision-makers, scientists, and the public through an estuary-wide data center. This project is being implemented in partnership with the Delta Science Program, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), the Department of Water Resources, the State Water Board, and the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

The project focus is moving from soliciting and assembling data from multiple sources to quality assurance and quality control uploading datasets received to state data systems. The project workgroup is scheduled to convene in March 2016 to discuss progress on project implementation and to review project deliverables.

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### **Education and Outreach**

Waterway Cleanup: The next Delta Waterway Cleanup is scheduled for April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as part of the Sacramento, county-wide Creek Week. The Conservancy is coordinating with the Sacramento Area Creeks Council to plan the event. The Conservancy worked with the Ocean Conservancy to create a Delta Trash Report Form, which will assist citizens in collecting and reporting data on trash found in the Delta during this cleanup. The Conservancy has also developed environmental education materials related to using the online platform Litterati, for students and other members of the public to engage in citizen science while engaging in stewardship by cleaning up trash.

Delta Mercury Exposure Reduction Program (MERP): The Conservancy is conducting outreach with potential partners to prioritize locations in the Delta for posting Delta MERP signs. The sign is expected to be finalized spring 2016, with input from the community and will display information about how to safely eat fish that have been caught in the Delta.

The Conservancy is continuing to work closely with three community based organizations which received small grants from the California Department of Public Health Delta MERP small grants program in 2015-2016. A second phase of the small grants program solicitation was initiated in February of this year. Two grants of up to \$20,000 each will be awarded to successful applicants that propose community-based projects aimed at increasing public awareness and understanding of fish contamination issues to reduce exposure to chemicals from eating fish caught in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The Request for Proposal was released on January 21, 2015 and the deadline is April 13, 2016. The applications will be reviewed by a panel of reviewers internal and external to the Delta MERP, and funding decisions are expected to be announced no later than May 29, 2016.

### **Coordination and Collaboration**

Invasive Species Coordination (ISC): The ISC work group met for its quarterly meeting on February 11<sup>th</sup>. The workgroup reviewed suggested research topics, prioritized the topics using a scoring criteria developed for potential funding opportunities, and are currently developing a draft project description and scope of work for submittal to CDFW 2016-17 Prop 1 Program. The next ISC meeting is scheduled for May 12<sup>th</sup> 2016.

### **BOARD DIRECTIVES TO STAFF – January 27<sup>th</sup>**

1. Staff will provide updated contact information for Board members and Staff, and a program organization chart at the February Program and Policy Subcommittee meeting.

*Staff Response: staff updated contact information for Board members and Staff and sent an updated directory to the Board members. Staff also presented a staffing update at the February 17<sup>th</sup> Program and Policy Subcommittee meeting*

2. Staff will provide project summaries, staff analysis and recommendations for each full proposal. Example templates will be provided at the next PPS meeting for discussion and input. Staff will include a map in the staff recommendation for full proposals.

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*Staff Response: staff will prepare staff recommendations that will include project summaries, staff analysis and evaluation of criteria for each full proposal recommended by staff. An example template was provided at the February PPS meeting for discussion. Staff will incorporate the Subcommittee input on the draft template. Staff will develop a map that indicates the location of all proposed projects to be included in the full proposal recommendation package.*

### **DELTA CONSERVANCY BUDGET UPDATE**

Agenda Item 6.2: Delta Conservancy Updated Expenditure Report

### **OUTREACH-DELTA MEETING MATRIX**

Agenda Item 6.3: Outreach-Delta Meeting Matrix including most recent events and key dates of future meetings

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### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Agenda Item 6.4: Correspondence

Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy  
Projection and Expenditure Summary for FY 2015-16

**BUDGET SUMMARY**

*As of Jan 31, 2016*

FUND	FUND SOURCE TITLE	GOVERNOR'S APPROPRIATION	ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY	YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENDITURES	YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET BALANCE
0001	GENERAL FUND (GF): General operating expenses and equipment	\$1,188,000		-\$526,394	\$661,606
0140	ENVIRONMENTAL LICENSE PLATE FUND (ELPF): Office rent, workers comp.	\$77,000		-\$40,315	\$36,685
0995	STATE REIMBURSEMENT: Grants (2)	\$643,000		-\$420,825	\$222,175
0890	FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT: Grants (6)	\$408,000	\$812,956	-\$158,681	\$1,062,275
6083.1	PROP 1: Grant Program (Program delivery)	\$508,000		\$55,213	\$563,213
<b>Total State Operation Budget:</b>		<b>\$3,636,955.85</b>		<b>-\$1,091,002</b>	<b>\$2,545,954</b>
FUND	FUND SOURCE TITLE	GOVERNOR'S APPROPRIATION	ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY	YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENDITURES	YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET BALANCE
6083.2	PROP 1: Grant Program (Local assistance)	\$9,363,000		\$0	\$9,363,000
<b>Total Local Assistance Budget:</b>		<b>\$9,363,000</b>		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$9,363,000</b>

**EXPENDITURE SUMMARY**

FUND	CATEGORY EXPENDITURE TITLE	SSJDC PROJECTED BUDGET FY 2015-16	YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENSES	YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET BALANCE
<b>0001</b>	<b>GENERAL FUND</b>			
	<u>Salary/Benefits:</u>			
	(civil service employment)	<u>\$799,513</u>	<u>-\$431,761</u>	<u>\$367,753</u>
	<u>General Operating:</u>			
	Office Operating: (postage meter, business cards, office supplies, copier, etc.)	\$18,166	-\$3,194	
	Communications: (office phone, mobile phone, fedex)	\$5,500	-\$2,194	
	Travel: (parking permit, TEC's)	\$15,000	-\$3,960	
	Training: (tuition and registration fees)	\$20,000	-\$2,550	
	Info Technology: (software, hardware)	\$45,000	-\$243	
	Workers Comp: (July - October)	\$4,879	-\$4,879	
	<b>Subtotal General Operating:</b>	<b><u>\$108,545</u></b>	<b><u>-\$12,141</u></b>	<b><u>\$96,404</u></b>
	<u>Interdepartmental State Fee's:</u>			
	DGS: (general oversight processing)	<u>\$1,200</u>	\$0	<u>\$1,200</u>
	<u>Interagency Agreement (IAA):</u>			
	IAA: (DOJ - legal support)	\$35,000	-\$6,545	
	IAA: (DGS - administrative support- accounting, budget, HR)	\$150,000	-\$48,927	
	IAA: (SCO - CalATERS)	\$1,000	-\$94	
	IAA: (CTO - Calstrs)	\$4,000	\$0	
	<b>Subtotal IAA:</b>	<b><u>\$190,000</u></b>	<b><u>-\$55,565</u></b>	<b><u>\$134,435</u></b>
	<u>Unanticipated Additional Expenses Paid From General Fund:</u>			
	<sup>1</sup> DOJ personnel legal support: (using salary savings until resolved)	<u>\$88,742</u>	<u>-\$26,928</u>	<u>\$61,814</u>
	<b>SUMMARY GENERAL FUND PROJECTION AND EXPENDITURE TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$1,188,000</b>	<b>-\$526,394</b>	<b>\$661,606</b>

<sup>1</sup>Total for unexpected legal costs is estimated; however, it may be higher  
Salary savings from PM 1 (6 mo)

FUND	CATEGORY EXPENDITURE TITLE	SSJDC PROJECTED BUDGET FY 2015-16	YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENSES	YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET BALANCE
<b>0140</b>	<b>ENVIRONMENTAL LICENSE PLATE FUND</b>			
	<b>General Operating:</b>			
	Operating: (workers compenstation)	\$13,154	-\$8,690	
	Facilities: (office rent)	\$57,078	-\$28,539	
	Facilities: (lease surcharge)	\$1,181	-\$293	
	<b>Subtotal General Operating:</b>	<b>\$71,413</b>	<b>-\$37,522</b>	<b>\$33,891</b>
	<b>Interdepartmental State Fee's:</b>			
	DOF, SCO, CalHR: (pro rata)	\$5,587	-\$2,794	\$2,794
	<b>SUMMARY ELPF PROJECTION AND EXPENDITURE TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$77,000</b>	<b>-\$40,315</b>	<b>\$36,685</b>
<b>0995</b>	<b>STATE REIMBURSEMENT</b>			
	<b>Program Implementation (Internal):</b>			
	(limited term PY, operating expenses)	\$117,310	-\$52,925	\$64,385
	<b>Program Implementation (External):</b>			
	Consultant & Prof'l Services: (contract/grant agreements):	\$525,690	-\$367,900	\$157,790
	<b>SUMMARY STATE REIMBURSEMENT PROJECTION AND EXPENDITURE TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$643,000</b>	<b>-\$420,825</b>	<b>\$222,175</b>
<b>0890</b>	<b>FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT</b>			
	<b>Program Implementation (Internal):</b>			
	(limited term PY, operating expenses )	\$114,648	\$0	\$114,648
	<b>Administrative and Operating:</b>			
	<sup>2</sup> Indirect costs for managing executed agreements (USBOR)	\$238,415	\$0	\$238,415
	<b>Consultant &amp; Prof'l Services (External - Agreements):</b>			
	Consultant & Prof'l Services: (contract/grant agreements):	\$867,892	-\$158,681	\$709,211
	<b>SUMMARY FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT PROJECTION AND EXPENDITURE TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$1,220,955</b>	<b>-\$158,681</b>	<b>\$1,062,274</b>
<b>6083.1</b>	<b>PROP 1 (Program Delivery)</b>			
	<b>Program Implementation (Internal):</b>			
	(civil service employment)	\$338,000	\$67,332	\$405,332
	<b>General Operating:</b>			
	Office Operating: (postage meter, business cards, office supplies, copier, etc.)	\$3,000	-\$325	
	Facilities: (expansion of office)	\$119,000	-\$3,575	
	Travel: (TEC's)	\$2,000	-\$402	
	Training: (tuition and registration fees)	\$5,000	-\$1,400	
	<b>Subtotal General Operating:</b>	<b>\$129,000</b>	<b>-\$5,702</b>	<b>\$123,298</b>
	<b>Program Implementation (External):</b>			
	IAA: (DOJ - legal support)	\$40,000	-\$6,417	\$33,583
	<b>SUMMARY PROP 1 - PROGRAM DELIVERY PROJECTION AND EXPENDITURE TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$507,000</b>	<b>\$55,213</b>	<b>\$562,213</b>
	<b>GRAND TOTAL - STATE OPERATION EXPENSES:</b>		<b>-\$1,091,002</b>	<b>\$2,544,953</b>

<sup>2</sup> Indirect costs expenses only available for use when contract agreements are executed

FUND	CATEGORY EXPENDITURE TITLE	SSJDC PROJECTED BUDGET FY 2015-16	YEAR-TO-DATE EXPENSES	YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET BALANCE
6083.2	PROP 1 (Local Assistance)			
	<b>Prop 1 Competitive Grant Program:</b>  <div style="margin-left: 40px;">Local Assistance (competitive grants)</div> <div style="margin-left: 40px;">Consultant &amp; Prof'l Services: (contract/grant agreements)</div>	<div style="margin-left: 40px;"><u>\$9,363,000.00</u></div> <div style="margin-left: 40px;">TBD</div>	<div style="margin-left: 40px;">\$0</div> <div style="margin-left: 40px;">\$0</div>	<div style="margin-left: 40px;"><u>\$9,363,000</u></div>
	<b>SUMMARY PROP 1 - LOCAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTION AND EXPENDITURE TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$9,363,000.00</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$9,363,000</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL - LOCAL ASSISTANCE EXPENSES:</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$9,363,000</b>



Outreach – Delta Meeting Matrix					
ACTIVITY	MTG	PRES	SUMMARY	DATE	CONSERVANCY REPRESENTATIVE
Mercury Workshop	X		Attended the workshop on revisiting the 2003 Mercury Strategy for Bay Delta Ecosystem	01/26-28/2016	Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon, Aaron Haiman, Kathryn Kynett
EcoRestore Adaptive Management Meeting	X		Attended the EcoRestore Adaptive Management Meeting	01/29/2016	Campbell Ingram, Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon
CWMW Meeting		X	Participated in the California Wetland Monitoring Work Group Meeting	02/02/2016	Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon
Agricultural Analysis/RUCS Meeting		X	Met with Solano, Yolo and Sacramento County Staff, Agricultural Commissioners and Farm Bureau staff to discuss agricultural analysis/RUCS	02/03/2016	Campbell Ingram
Bureau Grant Meeting	X		Met with Water Education Foundation staff to discuss the Bureau grant requirements	02/04/2016	Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon, Kathryn Kynett, Jessica O'Connor
Prop 1 Professional Review Coordination Meeting	X		Met with Department of Fish and Wildlife staff to coordinate professional review process for Prop 1 Grant Program	02/09/2016	Campbell Ingram, Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon, Laura Jensen
Prop 1 Professional Review Coordination Meeting	X		Met with the Department of Water Resources staff to coordinate professional review process for Prop 1 Grant Program	02/09/2016	Campbell Ingram, Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon
Prop 1 Professional Review Coordination Meeting	X		Met with the DPC staff to coordinate Prop 1 professional review process for Prop 1 Grant Program	02/09/2016	Campbell Ingram, Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon, Laura Jensen
Agricultural Analysis/RUCS Meeting		X	Met with San Joaquin and Contra Costa County Staff, Agricultural Commissioners and Farm Bureau staff to discuss agricultural analysis/RUCS	02/10/2016	Campbell Ingram
Invasive Species Coordination Meeting		X	Convened and participated in ISC Quarterly Meeting	02/11/2016	Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon
EcoRestore Meeting	X		Attended the regular EcoRestore Update Meeting	02/11/2016	Campbell Ingram
Five County Farm Bureau Coalition Meeting		X	Attended the Coalition Meeting to present on agricultural analysis/RUCS	02/12/2016	Campbell Ingram
Prop 1 Professional Review Coordination Meeting	X		Met with the NOAA staff to coordinate Prop 1 professional review process for Prop 1 Grant Program	02/12/2016	Campbell Ingram, Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon

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ACTIVITY	MTG	PRES	SUMMARY	DATE	CONSERVANCY REPRESENTATIVE
Program and Policy Subcommittee Meeting		X	Participated in the Conservancy Program and Policy Subcommittee Meeting	02/17/2016	Campbell Ingram, Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon, Laura Jensen, April Dearbaugh
Delta Carbon Coordination Meeting	X		Convened a meeting of organizations actively involved in Delta Carbon projects to coordinate efforts	02/18/2016	Campbell Ingram, Kathryn Kynett
Prop. 1 Professional Review Coordination Meeting	X		Met with USFWS staff to coordinate professional review process for the Prop. 1 Grant Program	02/23/2016	Campbell Ingram, Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon, Laura Jensen
Advancing Natural and Working Lands to Achieve California's Climate Goals Workshop	X		Participated in the Natural and Working Lands Workshop	02/25/2016	Campbell Ingram
Regional San public draft CEQA/NEPA and NE Delta Regional Planning Overview		X	Presented an overview of the NE Delta Regional Restoration Planning effort	02/25/2016	Campbell Ingram
Department of Fish and Wildlife meeting	X		Met with the CDFW staff to coordinate with BIOS	3/2/2016	Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon
Delta as Place Interagency Work Group	X		Attended the second DAPIWG meeting	03/01/2016	Campbell Ingram
CWMW Level 3 Subcommittee Meeting		X	Participated at the CWMW L3 meeting	3/3/2016	Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon
Sierra Nevada Watershed Improvement Program Summit	X		Attended the Watershed Improvement Program Summit	03/03/2016	Campbell Ingram
Five County Coalition		X	Presented an overview of the agricultural analysis/RUCS to county supervisors, agricultural commissioners and Farm Bureau staff	03/04/2016	Campbell Ingram
California Land Conservation Conference		X	Participated at the California Land Conservation Conference	3/8-3/9/2016	Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon
Department of Fish and Wildlife	X		Met with CDFW Public Outreach Officer to coordinate the MERP in the Delta	3/11/2016	Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon
Natural Climate Solutions Symposium		X	Attended the Climate Solutions symposium	03/10/2016	Campbell Ingram
Senate Budget Subcommittee 2 Pre-Hearing	X		Participated in the Senate Budget Subcommittee Pre-Hearing	03/18/2016	Campbell Ingram, Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon
EcoRestore Adaptive Management Steering Committee Meeting	X		Participated in the first Adaptive Management Steering Committee meeting	03/22/2016	Campbell Ingram, Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon

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Key Events and Upcoming Dates	
Organization	Date
Strategic Growth Council (SGC) Meeting	April 11, 2016
Delta Protection Commission (DPC) Meeting	May 19, 2016
Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) Meeting	April 28 & 29, 2016



March 7, 2016

Jim Provenza, Chair  
Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy  
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Dear Mr. Provenza,

Thank you for your February 2, 2016 email regarding the Concept Proposal to the Delta Conservancy's Proposition 1 Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program submitted by Reclamation District 2035 (RD 2035). Your email stated that the District's project had been approved to submit a full proposal by March 15, 2016 in order to receive the requested \$2,000,000 in grant funds.

As you know, both RD 2035 and the Woodland Davis Clean Water Agency (WDCWA) are partners in the ongoing Joint Intake and Fish Screen Project (Project). The grant funds to be awarded by the Conservancy for the Project are to meet a substantial part of the state's cost share. However, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife has recently awarded RD 2035 the entire remaining state cost share of \$8,128,621 needed to complete the Project. As a result, RD 2035 will not be submitting a full proposal to pursue funding from the Conservancy.

Both RD 2035 and WDCWA are very grateful to the Conservancy for its commitment to this important fish screen project. The agencies are certain that forgoing the \$2,000,000 grant will allow the Conservancy to fund other worthwhile projects in the region that otherwise would have gone unfunded. Both RD 2305 and WDCWA look forward to our continuing relationship with the Conservancy.

Thank you again for your support and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert Thomas".

Robert Thomas  
Board President  
Reclamation District 2035

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dennis M. Diemer".

Dennis Diemer  
General Manager  
Woodland Davis Clean Water Agency

Cc: Campbell Ingram, Executive Officer, Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy  
Laura Jensen, Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy

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### **SUBJECT: FUNDING FOR ECOSYSTEM AND LAND USE PLANNING STUDY FOR THE CACHE SLOUGH REGION**

Chair Provenza and Members of the Delta Conservancy Board:

On January 12, 2016, the Solano County Board of Supervisors received a report on Delta Conservancy Board deliberations regarding potential allocation of Proposition 1 funding to support the study of ecosystem restoration opportunities in the Cache Slough region. Your staff has proposed that the Conservancy include funding for the County to lead a study of land use, agricultural sustainability, and water supply in the region as a companion to and concurrent with the overall study. The Board of Supervisors strongly supports this request. We believe that the multi-dimensional nature of the study is essential to better understanding the potential for restoration in the Cache Slough area and its likely impacts, including potential conflicts with agriculture designated by the County's General Plan for the region.

The land use and agricultural sustainability study described above — and the funding to accomplish it — will be critical to understanding the competing land uses in the region. It will also help us develop strategies by which existing land uses and proposed new ones, such as ecosystem restoration, can co-exist compatibly. We know that the State and Federal governments have a great deal of interest in ecosystem restoration in this area and we see the proposed study as an opportunity to develop a critical baseline of information that will better inform future restoration activity.

While the County supports improved Delta ecological health and overall restoration efforts, we firmly believe that ecosystem planning in this region should not occur in a piecemeal fashion. Patchwork restorations will not only create less valuable habitat, but will also result in significant negative impacts on the County, including revenue losses and increased service costs. The State and Federal governments should prioritize moving forward quickly with this study, in order to better inform how future projects are planned and implemented.

A collaborative, multi-objective, and multi-jurisdictional approach is a foundational component to successful ecosystem planning and project implementation in the Delta. Solano County believes that this study will be essential to informing these efforts and achieving our mutual goals in the region. We appreciate your consideration of this proposal, and look forward to working collaboratively with the Conservancy on this matter of great shared interest.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Erin Hannigan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Erin" being larger and more prominent than the last name "Hannigan".

Erin Hannigan, Chairwoman  
Board of Supervisors

cc: John Laird, Secretary, California Resources Agency  
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**From:** Ryan.Wulff@noaa.gov  
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**Cc:** Rea, Maria@NOAA; Brian.Ellrott@noaa.gov; ambrose, charlotte@noaa.gov; Azimi-Gaylon, Shakoora@SSJDC  
**Subject:** NMFS comments regarding Delta Conservancy Prop 1 Concept Proposals

This email is sent on behalf of Maria Rea, Assistant Regional Administrator, NOAA Fisheries, West Coast Region, CA Central Valley Area Office:

Dear Delta Conservancy Board Chair Jim Provenza and Executive Officer Campbell Ingram:

Unfortunately, NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) will not be able to have a representative at tomorrow's Board Meeting on my behalf. Therefore, I am writing to express NMFS' support for the Delta Conservancy's Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality grant program and its focus on the California Water Action Plan's objective to restore important species and habitat. Based on our review of the 14 concept proposals recommended by Delta Conservancy staff, five appear to best line up with the grant program's focus and our Central Valley Chinook Salmon and Steelhead Recovery Plan (Recovery Plan). The following five proposed projects are largely consistent with the Recovery Plan, and one of them (Conservancy #011) is specifically recommended in the Recovery Plan.

San Joaquin River Levee Improvements and Channel Margin Habitat Project (Conservancy #011)  
Three Creeks Parkway Restoration Project (Conservancy #009)  
Lower Marsh Creek and Sand Creek Watershed Riparian Restoration Planning (Conservancy #019)  
Fish Friendly Farming Certification Program for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Conservancy #005)  
Petersen Ranch Natural Lands Corridor (Conservancy #004)

We appreciate this opportunity to share our enthusiasm and support for these concept proposals, and we encourage the Delta Conservancy to select these concept proposals for the next step of full proposal submission.

We trust that the Conservancy will best use the \$9 million that has been allocated for fiscal year 2015-2016. If the Conservancy determines that the full \$9 million cannot be spent due to a lack of quality proposals, then we encourage the Conservancy to consider rolling over excess funds to future years. As this is the first year of the grant program, it is likely that proposals will be more numerous and robust in subsequent years.

I would appreciate if you could share these views with the Board tomorrow. Please feel free to contact Ryan Wulff, 916-307-9052 or [ryan.wulff@noaa.gov](mailto:ryan.wulff@noaa.gov), if you have any questions.

Regards,  
Maria

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**PROGRAM AND POLICY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY REPORT**  
**February 17, 2016**

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**SUMMARY**

A quorum was established with the following Subcommittee members present: Darla Guenzler, Jim Provenza, Mike Eaton and Steve Chappell. Board member Todd Ferrara, Liaison Advisor Erik Vink and Counsel Nicole Rinke attended the meeting.

The meeting agenda included discussions of Proposition 1 issues, Conservancy legal support, conflict of interest policy, regional planning update, staffing update and a draft template of staff recommendations for full proposals for Board consideration.

[Proposition 1 Budget](#)

The Executive Officer presented an overview of the Proposition 1 budget for planning and monitoring over the lifetime of the bond. The Subcommittee discussed distribution of funds among planning efforts and possible alternatives for the planning projects. Staff responded to questions and will continue to work to develop scopes of work that are supported by the collaborative partners for review and approval by the Board.

The Deputy Executive Officer presented an overview of the Proposition 1 budget for Program Delivery including staffing and office space needs. The Subcommittee discussed the vacant positions and office space requirements and recommended that both the Accountant position (funded by Prop. 1) and the Program Manager position (funded by the General Fund) remain vacant and that the Conservancy not pursue an office space expansion at this time. Savings from the vacant positions and the avoided expansion will support program delivery and legal expenses.

[Proposition 1 Professional Review](#)

The Executive Officer presented an update on the coordination of professional reviewers for the full proposals. Staff will provide information on agencies' reviewers to the Subcommittee in April.

[Conservancy Legal Support](#)

The Deputy Executive Officer presented an update on legal services and available resources for FY15-16. The Subcommittee discussed additional unforeseen legal expenditures and directed staff to leave the Program Manager position open to cover unexpected legal costs.

### Conflict of Interest Policy Discussion

The Deputy Executive Officer presented a rough draft discussion paper on a Conflict of Interest policy. Nicole Rinke, Conservancy's legal counsel questioned the need for the Conservancy to develop its own policy. Staff, Subcommittee and counsel discussed a letter that counsel provided to new Board Members stating the obligations pertaining to ethics and conflicts of interest of the Board. The Subcommittee directed the counsel to send this letter to all Board members and liaison advisors as a first step to determine if this letter is sufficient or if a Policy is needed

### Regional Planning

The Executive Officer presented a brief overview of regional planning and agricultural analysis efforts. It was agreed that the topic had been extensively covered with Agenda Item #1.

### Staffing Update

The Deputy Executive Officer presented an updated staff roster and organization chart, and provided an update on the status of current recruitments.

### Draft Template for Staff Recommendations for Full Proposal

The Deputy Executive Officer presented a template for staff recommendation of full proposals. The Subcommittee commented on the draft and provided input to staff. Staff will revise the template to address comments received from the Subcommittee and will present a revised template at the April Subcommittee meeting.

### Future Agenda Items

The Subcommittee requested staff to include a Draft Contract Manual and a legislative update in the April Subcommittee meeting. The Deputy Executive Officer will work with the Subcommittee Chair and the Board Chair to develop the April Subcommittee meeting agenda after the March Board meeting.

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## **Proposition 1 Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program Update**

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### **Staff Report**

#### **PROGRAM UPDATE**

During the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the Delta Conservancy ran an open solicitation for the Proposition 1 Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program, and received 24 concept proposals in December 2015. At the January 27, 2016 meeting the Conservancy Board approved 14 concept proposals to submit full proposals to the Grant Program. The requested full proposals are for projects that will:

- Restore upland, floodplain, wetland, and channel margin habitat
- Enhance habitat on working lands
- Acquire flood and conservation easements
- Promote agricultural sustainability
- Remove invasive species
- Improve water management to benefit species

In February 2016, Conservancy staff sent out comment letters for all 24 concept proposals, providing detailed feedback to applicants. Those applicants submitting full proposals received additional feedback and instruction from Conservancy staff.

The Conservancy received 13 full proposals by the close of the full proposal solicitation period on March 15, 2016. Full proposals will be evaluated by April 15, 2016 by Conservancy staff, Legal, and an external review panel consisting of staff from the following six agencies: Delta Protection Commission, Delta Stewardship Council, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Department of Water Resources, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Marine Fisheries Service. Conservancy staff will determine final scores and funding recommendations, and will bring these to the Board for consideration at the May 25, 2016 Board meeting.

The Conservancy expects to complete grant agreements for approved projects during the first quarter of the 2016-17 fiscal year.

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## BACKGROUND

The Conservancy's Proposition 1 Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program (Grant Program) is focused on restoring Delta ecosystems, improving water quality, and enhancing agricultural sustainability. The Grant Program identifies projects to protect and restore California rivers, lakes, streams, and watersheds that may be funded with Prop. 1 funding (Sec. 79732 *et seq*). Both Prop. 1 and the Conservancy's enabling legislation emphasize focusing on projects that use public lands and that maximize "voluntary landowner participation in projects that provide measurable and long-lasting habitat or species improvements in the Delta."

During the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the Conservancy ran its first grant cycle for the Prop 1 Grant Program. The Conservancy anticipates administering at least one grant cycle each fiscal year for five years. The Grant Program is a two-part competitive program, with a concept proposal solicitation open to the public, and a full proposal solicitation open to qualifying concept proposal applicants. Full proposals are subject to a rigorous scoring and evaluation process by both staff and an external review panel, and will be recommended based upon score and funding availability.

## BUDGET

Proposition 1 identified \$50 million for the Delta Conservancy "for competitive grants for multi-benefit ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration projects in accordance with statewide priorities (Sec. 79730 and 79731)." For the 2015-2016 fiscal year, up to \$9.3 million has been allocated to the Conservancy for the Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality grant program.

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### May 25, 2016 *PROPOSED AGENDA*

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Staff is seeking input from the Board regarding additional agenda items for the May 25, 2016 meeting scheduled to be held in the Conservancy offices in West Sacramento, *or* for future Conservancy Board meetings.

A tentative list of agenda items includes:

- **Executive Officer's Report**
- **Program and Policy Subcommittee Report**
- **Proposition 1 Grant Full Proposal Funding Recommendation**
- **Future Board Meeting Schedule – length of meetings to accommodate informational items**

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