



SACRAMENTO - SAN JOAQUIN

DELTA CONSERVANCY

A California State Agency

STATE COASTAL CONSERVANCY/SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA CONSERVANCY
JOINT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The San Francisco Bay region and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta connect and together constitute the Bay-Delta region, which hosts the largest estuary on the west coast of North and South America; and

WHEREAS, The nine counties comprising the San Francisco Bay constitute a region with unique natural and outdoor recreational resources; and the San Francisco Bay is the central feature in an interconnected open-space system of watersheds, natural habitats, waterways, scenic areas, agricultural lands, and regional trails; and

WHEREAS, The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta is a unique natural resource of local, state and national significance with distinct natural, agricultural and cultural values; and

WHEREAS, The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta provides water to more than 25 million Californians and three million acres of agricultural land; and

WHEREAS, The State Coastal Conservancy, established in 1976, is charged with protecting, restoring, and enhancing the natural, open-space, agricultural, and urban resources of the coast and San Francisco Bay region, and providing access to these areas, working with local governments, other public agencies, nonprofit organizations, and private landowners; and

WHEREAS, The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy is charged with implementation of ecosystem restoration in the Delta and supporting efforts that advance environmental protection and the economic well-being of Delta residents; and

WHEREAS, the two conservancies each seek to protect wetlands, migratory waterfowl, anadromous and other fish, other wildlife; and recreational, economic, and tourist opportunities in the Bay-Delta region; and

WHEREAS, the Bay-Delta region provides homes and jobs to millions of people, and contributes many billions of dollars annually to the state's economy; and

WHEREAS, The warming climate has begun to cause sea level rise and other problems, adversely affecting plants, wildlife, agriculture, water resources, and infrastructure in the Bay-Delta region, and to increase saltwater intrusion; and

WHEREAS, through the California Water Action Plan, the Delta Plan, the San Francisco Bay Plan, and the California Eco Restore initiative, the Administration is committed to

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restoration of wetlands and other sensitive habitats in the Delta and San Francisco Bay to enhance the Bay-Delta ecosystem and adapt to the changing climate;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the State Coastal Conservancy and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy recognize the interconnection and overlap between the San Francisco Bay region and the San Francisco-San Joaquin Delta and the need to work together to address issues of common importance to the area and the state, including protection and enhancement of natural and water resources, creation of economic, recreational, and tourist opportunities, and a changing climate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the two agencies will work together to educate the public about the resources and problems of our overlapping regions; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the two agencies will identify and jointly implement, as appropriate, projects that benefit both regions and that implement the California Water Action Plan, the Delta Plan, the San Francisco Bay Plan, and the California Eco Restore initiative, working in consultation with the Natural Resources Agency, the Delta Stewardship Council, the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the two agencies will work together to seek adequate public and private financial resources to meet their common goals in the Bay-Delta region.

Resolution jointly adopted in Sacramento, California this June 25, 2015

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Douglas Bosco, Chair

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