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AGENDA

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

Wednesday, September 28, 2016

5:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Jean Harvie Community Center

14273 River Road

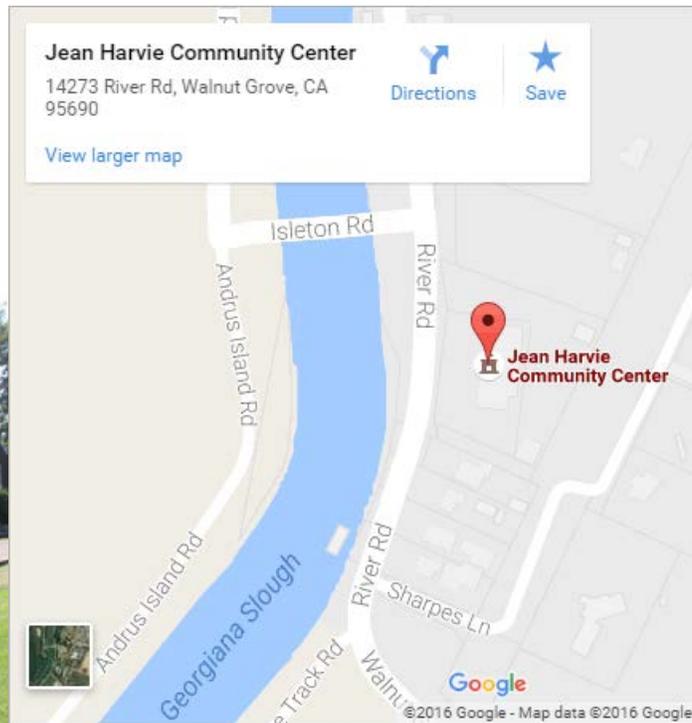
Walnut Grove, CA 95691

Directions Attached

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*)**
 - *August 24, 2016 Meeting Summary and Action Items (Attachment 1)*
6. **Executive Officer's Report, Campbell Ingram**
 - *Program Update (Attachment 1)*
 - *August 24, 2016 - Board Meeting Directives and Responses*
 - *FY 2016-17 Expenditure Report (Attachment 2)*
 - *Outreach-Delta Meeting Matrix (Attachment 3)*
 - *Correspondence(Attachment 4)*
7. **Proposition 1 Grant Program Approved Project Updates, Campbell Ingram (Attachment 1)**
8. **Delta Conservancy Strategic Plan Update: Survey Results and Initial Feedback, Campbell Ingram**
9. **Delta Stewardship Council Delta Plan Update, Campbell Ingram**
10. **California Water Fix and Eco Restore Updates, Campbell Ingram**
11. **Delta Protection Commission Update, Erik Vink**
12. **Potential Agenda Items November 21, 2016 (Attachment 1)**
13. **Public Comments**
14. **Board Closed Session for Executive Officer's Annual Performance Review pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(a)**
15. **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 Brandon Chapin, Delta Conservancy (916) 375-2091.
 - 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.



Jean Harvie Center Auditorium

14273 River Road, Walnut Grove, CA 95691

Directions:

From Contra Costa County: take the CA-160 exit off of CA-4, follow CA-160 until Walnut Grove Bridge, turn right on the Walnut Grove Bridge, turn right on and follow River Road. The Jean Harvie Center is on the left just past the Isleton Road Bridge.

From Sacramento/Yolo County: take I-5 South to Twin Cities Road, turn right on Twin Cities Road, turn left (South) on River Road. The Jean Harvie Center is on the left just past the Isleton Road Bridge.

From San Joaquin County: take 1-5 North to Exit 493, turn left on W Walnut Grove Road, turn right on River Road. The Jean Harvie Center is on the right before the Isleton Road Bridge.

From Solano County: take 113 South, turn left on CA-12 East, turn left on CA-160 North, turn right on the Walnut Grove Bridge, turn right on River Road. The Jean Harvie Center is on the left just past the Isleton Road Bridge.

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MEETING SUMMARY AND ACTION ITEMS
Board Meeting – August 24, 2016
1450 Halyard Dr., Suite 6, West Sacramento

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 9:04 am by Chair Jim Provenza.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken and a quorum was established.

Board Members Present: Jim Provenza, Darla Guenzler, Katherine Miller, Skip Thomson, Todd Ferrara, Dolly Sandoval, Mike Eaton, Dan Taylor
Ex Officio Members Present: None
Liaison Advisors Present: Sandra O’Roak, Matt Gerhart, Steve Chappell, Martha Ozonoff, Natasha Nelson for Erik Vink

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

DISCUSSION AND ACTIONS TAKEN

1. Agenda Item 5 – Board Election of Vice Chair

Chair Provenza opened nominations for the position of Vice Chair and let the Board know that Vice Chair Guenzler has chosen not to run for reelection as Vice Chair. The Chair, Board members, and staff thanked Vice Chair Guenzler for her service. Vice Chair Guenzler thanked everyone for their support over her term and she looks forward to continuing to work with everyone.

MOTION: Board Member Taylor moved, seconded by Board Member Ferrara, to nominate Dolly Sandoval to serve as Vice Chair of the Delta Conservancy Board for the 2016-2017 term.

Board Member Sandoval accepted the nomination. No other nominations were moved.

A roll call vote was taken with all Board Members present voting to approve the nomination.

2. Agenda Item 6 – Consent Calendar (Action Item)

MOTION: Board Member Thomson moved, seconded by Board Member Sandoval, to approve the summary of the July 27, 2016 Board meeting. No other issues were included in the consent calendar.

A voice vote was taken with all Board Members present voting to approve the motion.

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3. Agenda Item 7 – Executive Officer’s Report

The Executive Officer presented updates on the Proposition 1 Grant Program, Arundo Control and Restoration Project, and the Delta Conservation Framework. The Executive Officer also presented the meeting matrix and an overview of correspondence received. The Board discussed the recent Delta Conservation Framework workshop and the current status of the Cache Slough regional planning effort.

4. Agenda Item 8 – Program and Policy Subcommittee Update

The Executive Officer provided an overview of the August 17, 2016 Program and Policy Subcommittee (PPS) meeting. The Board Chair invited Board Members to attend the upcoming PPS meeting scheduled for October 19, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Conservancy office. The subcommittee discussed the changes made to the Proposition 1 Draft Grant Guidelines, the strategic plan revision process and a staffing update was provided.

The Board discussed the current status of the recruitment of a Deputy Executive Officer.

5. Agenda Item 9 – Proposition 1 Grant Program Approved Project Updates

Laura Jensen provided an overview of the current Proposition 1 Grant Program approved projects and their respective status. Three projects are currently being prepared for routing, three projects are currently at the point of removing their conditional approval status, and three other projects are currently within their timelines.

The Board discussed the status of approved projects and the role of staff overseeing the program.

6. Agenda Item 10 – Request to Approve the 2016-2017 Proposition 1 Grant Program Grant Guidelines and Open the Solicitation on September 1, 2016. (Action Item)

The Executive Officer presented the draft Grant Guidelines, an overview of the public comment process, and the timeline for the solicitation period. Laura Jensen went over the changes made to the draft Grant Guidelines.

The Board discussed the indirect costs changes, how fair market value of land acquisitions will be assessed, and the legal requirements for land acquisitions. The Board also discussed whether land acquisition projects already approved by the Board will be following the land acquisition checklist of the previous version of the Grant Guidelines or this new version. Legal Counsel Rinke explained that the Board could take action to require the current projects to follow the new checklist, if it desired. The Board requested that staff look into whether the new checklist should be used to gather the required information and documents needed to execute the conditionally-approved land acquisition grant from the 2015-2016 grant cycle.

The Board requested that a citation to the applicable statute, and the Department of General Services Guidelines on land acquisition appraisals, be added to the Grant Guidelines. Legal Counsel Rinke also requested a wording change to a passage referencing CEQA on page 11 of the document.

***MOTION:** Board Member Guenzler moved, seconded by Board Member Miller, to approve the Grant Guidelines for fiscal year 2016-2017, with the recommended changes stated during the discussion, so that staff may open the 2016-2017 grant solicitation on September 1, 2016.*

A roll call vote was taken with all Board Members present voting to approve the motion.

7. Agenda Item 11 – Revision of the 2012 Strategic Plan Process Update

The Executive Officer presented the draft Toolkit for Stakeholder and Public Involvement that the consultant Kearns & West will be using to gather public input on the Delta Conservancy's Update to the 2012 Strategic Plan. The surveys and public outreach are expected to begin during the last week of August and go throughout September and October. The Executive Officer stated his three goals for the new plan: more user-friendly; concise but with good performance measures; and aspirational yet achievable.

The Board discussed the list of stakeholders that will receive the public input surveys and the goals of the Strategic Plan. Members of the Board stated priorities for the Strategic Plan Update such as emphasizing accomplishment to date, the development and implementation of good projects, focused yet aspirational goals, aspiring to be a 'true' Conservancy, and ensuring agricultural sustainability is addressed.

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

The Executive Officer presented an update on the Delta Stewardship Council Delta Plan. The Delta Stewardship Council will meet on August 25th and 26th and will consider a draft set of revisions for state levee investments, the 2014 habitat investment paper, a demonstration of their Delta View internal tracking system, and the Delta Conservation Framework. A recent press release indicated that the Stewardship Council has filed an appeal to the Sacramento Superior County ruling that invalidated the Plan.

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

The Executive Officer presented an update on both the California Water Fix and Eco Restore. California Water Fix is continuing to work through their public comments on the final EIS/EIR and it is currently unknown when the process will finish. Point of Diversion hearings with the State Water Resources Control Board are ongoing with the engineering and modeling discussions starting the week of August 29, 2016. The Executive Officer invited Board Members to follow the proceedings on the Cal/EPA or Water Board websites.

Eco Restore currently has 6 projects being considered with 4 moving forward. The Hill Slough project is applying for permits and will start construction in late 2016. The Interagency Adaptive Management Integration Team is making progress on a white paper that will summarize their adaptive management vision and structure and is expected to be available in late September 2016.

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Steve Chappell stated that the Tule Red project has received its last permit and that they are hopeful to break ground in September 2016. The Executive Officer also mentioned that the Arundo Control and Restoration Project is currently having permit issues and that timing may cause the Conservancy to miss the projected work window.

10. Agenda Item 14 – Delta Protection Commission Update

Natasha Nelson gave the Delta Protection Commission's update for Erik Vink. The Commission will be having a workshop on financing Delta levee improvements on September 27, 2016 and is currently exploring whether to have additional workshops depending on the results of the initial workshop. The target audience of the workshops is any beneficiary who might be asked to help finance the improvement of the delta levees. The next Delta Protection Commission meeting is October 20, 2016 in West Sacramento.

11. Agenda Item 15 – Potential Agenda Items for September 28, 2016

The September 28, 2016 Board Meeting will be held in the Delta from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Staff is in the process of securing a venue. The Board would like to discuss the status of the Proposition 1 Grant Program approved projects and provide input on the strategic plan update process at the meeting. The Board also discussed and agreed upon moving the scheduled November 23, 2016 Board meeting to November 21, 2016 in order to accommodate the Thanksgiving holiday.

12. Agenda Item 16 – Public Comments

No public comment received.

BOARD DIRECTIVES TO STAFF

- 1) The Board requested that staff look into whether the new checklist should be used to gather the required information and documents needed to execute the conditionally-approved land acquisition grant from the 2015-2016 grant cycle. **(Agenda Item 9)**
- 2) The Board requested that a citation to the applicable statute, and the Department of General Services Guidelines on land acquisition appraisal requirements, be added to the Grant Guidelines. Legal Counsel Rinke also requested a wording change to a passage referencing CEQA on page 11 of the document. **(Agenda Item 9)**

MEETING ADJOURNED by Chair Provenza at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on August 29, 2016
Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy

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Audio files of Board meetings are available on the Board Meeting Materials section of the Delta Conservancy web page at www.DeltaConservancy.ca.gov. Board meetings are typically three hours in length; using the meeting agenda to help locate topics of interest within the audio file is recommended.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT August 24, 2016

~ 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 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). On September 1st, the Conservancy opened its concept proposal solicitation for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Concept proposals are due on September 30th and will be brought before the Board at the November Board meeting. For the 2015-2016 funding cycle, the Conservancy has approved, conditionally approved, or reserved funding for 9 projects that have requested approximately \$6.3 million in grant funding. To date, program staff has completed four draft grant agreements, two of which have been sent to the grantee for execution.

Arundo Control and Restoration Project: The Arundo Control and Restoration Program permits issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for the Ulatis Creek restoration site are still in progress. This process has been delayed due to comments from the Yocha Dehe tribe to the US Army Corps of Engineers, and is now in review by the State Historic Preservation Office. Once issued, these permits will be sent to the Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB), which will allow CVFPB to issue an encroachment permit. This will be the final permit required for the habitat restoration work at Ulatis Creek. The timelines for the SHPO review process, the final process to receive signatures from the Army Corps, and the final issuance of the encroachment permit from the CVFPB will extend beyond the October first deadline for work to begin this year imposed to avoid take of Giant Garter snakes. This means that we will have to wait until May of 2017 when the Giant Garter snake work season opens to begin ground preparation and plant installation at this site.

Delta Conservation Framework: The second Delta Conservation Framework outreach workshop was held on September 21, 2016 at the Jean Harvie Center in Walnut Grove. The workshop built on the purpose, principles and challenges that were developed in the first workshop, to develop high level goals and strategies for Delta restoration. The next workshops are tentatively scheduled as follows:

- Thursday October 20th, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.; Jean Harvie Community Center
- Wednesday November 30th, 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.; Jean Harvie Community Center

Economic Development

Delta Marketing Program: The Delta Marketing website and marketing plan are the second phase in the Delta Awareness Campaign. Phase one was the development of the Delta logo, which was completed by the Delta Protection Commission (DPC) in 2014. Conservancy staff has been working closely with DPC staff on the project.

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The Conservancy has selected Design Media, Inc. as the Marketing Consultant for the project. Design Media will be continuing the work done up to this point and will be working collaboratively with the Delta Marketing Task Force to develop a Delta awareness website and 5-year marketing plan for the Delta.

BOARD DIRECTIVES TO STAFF – August 28th

1. Staff will look into whether the new checklist should be used to gather the required information and documents needed to execute the conditionally-approved land acquisition grant from the 2015-2016 grant cycle.

Staff Response: The new checklist outlines a clearer process for grantees pursuing land acquisitions; it requests items not referenced on the old checklist and provides an improved sequencing for when materials are required to be submitted to the Conservancy. Asking the project proponents for the Paradise Cut easement project, the existing conditionally approved land acquisition grant from the 2015-2016 cycle, to adhere to the new checklist will ensure that staff is following the most complete, clear, and up-to-date process for collecting information from the grantee before dispersing money into escrow. Staff proposes to ask project proponents to provide the information in step 1 of the new checklist as a condition of their approval. When these materials are brought before the Board, staff will request that the Board formally transition the project to the new checklist.

2. Staff will add a citation to the applicable statute, and the Department of General Services Guidelines on land acquisition appraisal requirements, be added to the Grant Guidelines. Legal Counsel Rinke also requested a wording change to a passage referencing CEQA on page 11 of the document.

Staff Response: The requested changes have been made. See pages 11 and 18 of the final 2016-2107 Grant Guidelines.

DELTA CONSERVANCY BUDGET UPDATE

Agenda Item 6.2: Expenditure Report

OUTREACH-DELTA MEETING MATRIX

Agenda Item 6.3: Outreach-Delta Meeting Matrix

CORRESPONDENCE

Agenda Item 6.4: None

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Outreach – Delta Meeting Matrix					
ACTIVITY	MTG	PRES	SUMMARY	DATE	CONSERVANCY REPRESENTATIVE
Delta Mercury Exposure Reduction Program (MERP) Steering Committee meeting	X		Interagency coordination meeting supporting the implementation of Delta MERP	8/30/16	Kathryn Kynett & Lauren Baehner
Inter-Agency Ecological Program (IEP) Aquatic Vegetation Project Work Team	X		Kick off meeting for new team focused on aquatic vegetation status, control efforts, and potential needs	9/1/16	Becky Stanton
Bay Delta Science Conference Planning Meeting	X		Attended planning meeting for the Bay Delta Science Conference to take place in November	9/1/16	Kathryn Kynett
2016-2017 Grant Solicitation Public Workshop		X	Hosted workshop for applicants to the 2016-2107 Delta Conservancy grant program	9/8/16	Campbell Ingram, Laura Jensen, Becky Stanton, Kathryn Kynett, Aaron Haiman, Brandon Chapin
California EcoRestore	X		Regularly scheduled EcoRestore meeting to update on restoration projects	9/8/16	Campbell Ingram
Data Management Workgroup Steering Committee	X		Attended the first Data Management Workgroup Steering Committee meeting focused on providing guidance to the Data Management Workgroup of the Water Monitoring Council	9/9/16	Campbell Ingram
CA Roundtable for Agriculture and the Environment	X		Attended a regularly scheduled meeting of CRAE. Topic - promoting a biomass economy for California	9/13/16	Campbell Ingram
California Estuaries Monitoring Workgroup	X		Quarterly meeting	9/14/16	Campbell Ingram, Becky Stanton
Westside Sacramento IRWM Committee		X	Presented overview of Conservancy's grant program to committee members	9/14/16	Laura Jensen
Delta Protection Commission	X		Attended regularly scheduled DPC meeting	9/15/16	Campbell Ingram
Delta Restoration Network, Delta Conservation Framework Workshop		X	Provided opening and closing remarks for the second public workshop to get input for the development of the Delta Conservation Framework	9/21/16	Campbell Ingram
Inter-agency Adaptive Management Integration Team (IAMIT) meeting	X		Continue work on EcoRestore Adaptive Management white paper	9/23/16	Becky Stanton
Wetland Happening – Cortopassi Family Foundation	X		Toured restoration sites conducted by the Cortopassi Foundation	9/28/16	Campbell Ingram

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Key Events and Upcoming Dates	
Organization	Date
Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) Meeting	September 29, 2016
Delta Protection Commission (DPC) Meeting	October 20, 2016
Strategic Growth Council (SGC) Meeting	October 11, 2016

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Proposition 1 Grant Program Approved Project Updates

Staff Report

APPROVED PROJECT UPDATE

At the May 25, 2016 and June 27, 2016 Board meetings, the Delta Conservancy's Board approved, conditionally approved, or reserved funding for nine projects that advance ecosystem restoration, water quality, and agricultural sustainability in the Delta. These projects have requested approximately \$6.3 million in grant funding.

Each of the nine projects has been assigned a Conservancy staff member who is acting as the grant manager for that grant. Grant managers are responsible for working with grantees to gather all of the required information needed prior to drafting a grant agreement, and coordinating final approval by the Board, if necessary. Once the required information has been gathered, the grant manager drafts the scope of work and budget for the grant agreement, then hands off the grant agreement to the administrative team to review and assemble the complete grant agreement, and to route it for execution. Complete grant agreements will first be sent to the grantee for their signature, then to the Conservancy's legal counsel for review, and finally executed by the Conservancy's Executive Officer. The expected time to draft, review, route, and execute a grant agreement is approximately six to eight weeks, although this time may vary depending upon the length of time the grantee requires to review and execute the agreement.

The attached tracking sheet lists all of the 2015-2016 projects for which the Board approved, conditionally approved, or reserved funding. Project information, Board action, and comments/notes are included for all projects. For conditionally approved projects, the tracking sheet also lists the items required for full approval, the date by which those items are required, and the date that they were received (if applicable). For all projects for which funding has been reserved, the Conservancy must make Responsible Agency findings under CEQA. As grant agreements are executed, this information will be filled out, as well.

At this time, Conservancy staff is working with all conditionally approved and reserved funding projects to ensure that they move forward within the timeframes initially approved by the Board. Three draft grant agreements are currently being routed for execution:

1. Fish Friendly Farming Certification Program for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Prop 1-Y1-2015-005)
2. Lower Marsh and Sand Creek Watershed Riparian Restoration Planning (Prop 1-Y1-2015-019)
3. Habitat Improvement for Swainson's Hawk at Elliott Ranch (Prop 1-Y1-2015-014)

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One grant agreement is under development and will be routed by the end of September:

1. Sherman Island Wetland Restoration Project Phase III (Prop 1-Y1-2015-008)

Two projects have satisfied the conditions of their approval and grant agreements are being prepared:

1. Paradise Cut Conservation and Flood Management Plan (Prop 1-Y1-2015-012)
2. Wildlife Corridors for Flood Escape on the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area (Prop 1-Y1-2015-016)

The CEQA findings for the Three Creeks Parkway Restoration Project (Prop 1-Y1-2015-009) will be brought before the Board at the November meeting. The remaining two projects are on track to meet their deadlines for satisfying conditional approvals.

2016-2017 GRANT CYCLE UPDATE

On September 1st, the Conservancy opened its concept proposal solicitation for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Concept proposals are due on September 30th and will be brought before the Board at the November Board meeting. Staff has proposed an outline for the concept proposal recommendations to the Board. The outline is attached to this report.

On September 8th, the Conservancy hosted a public workshop for those interested in applying to the grant program. In addition to providing information about the Conservancy's current grant cycle, staff invited presentations on Delta Plan consistency (delivered by the Delta Stewardship Council), adaptive management (delivered by the Delta Science Program), and monitoring (delivered by the State Water Resources Control Board). Applicants to the previous grant cycle struggled to address these three topics in their proposals. The workshop's supplementary presentations served to educate applicants about topics of importance for our grant program, and for Delta water-related projects generally. Fifteen people attended or called into the workshop. Several attendees asked questions, which have been posted to the [Proposition 1 Questions and Answers](#) page on the Conservancy's website.

BACKGROUND

The Conservancy's Proposition 1 Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality 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

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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 are recommended based upon score and funding availability.

BUDGET

Proposition 1 identified \$50 million for the Delta Conservancy “for competitive grants for multibenefit ecosystem and watershed protection and restoration projects in accordance with statewide priorities (Sec. 79730 and 79731).” For the 2015-2016 fiscal year, \$9.3 million was allocated to the Conservancy for the Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality grant program. For the 2016-2017 fiscal year, \$10 million will be available for the grant program.

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2016-17 Concept Proposal Recommendation Outline

Project Title			
Applicant			
Project Number		Category	
County		Funding Request	\$
Score		Total Project Cost	\$

Project Description:

This should be a high level description that explains the project's objectives, and the specific components that the Conservancy is being asked to fund. Limit to one, short paragraph.

Consistency with State Priorities:

This should be a high level explanation of how the project is consistent with Proposition 1, the California Water Action Plan, the Conservancy's enabling legislation, and the Delta Plan. Describe why staff believes the concept is sound. Limit to one, short paragraph.

**Delta Conservancy Prop 1 Grant Program
FY15-16 Conditionally Approved Project Tracking**

	Project Information	Board Action	Deadline	Requirement	Date Completed	Comments/Notes - September 2016	Contract Execution Date
Project #	Prop 1-Y1-2015-003	Reservation of Funds and Conditional Approval	Mar-2017	Completion of CEQA and approval of Responsible Agency Finding		Bylaws received.	
Project Name	Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Habitat and Drainage Improvement Project			Verification of Adequate Water Rights			
Applicant	Ducks Unlimited			Landowner Agreement	Post-Execution		
SSJDC Staff Lead	Kathryn Kynett			Habitat Maintained for 15 Years	Landowner Agree.		
				Bylaws	7-Jun-2016		
Project #	Prop 1-Y1-2015-005	Board Approved				Grant Agreement submitted to Grantee as of 12-Sept-2016.	
Project Name	Fish Friendly Farming Certification Program for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta						
Applicant	California Land Stewardship Institute						
SSJDC Staff Lead	Kathryn Kynett						
Project #	Prop 1-Y1-2015-008	Conditional Approval				Grant Agreement in review by admin staff as of 19-Jul-2016.	
Project Name	Sherman Island Wetland Restoration Project Phase III			Bylaws	7-Jun-2016		
Applicant	Ducks Unlimited						
SSJDC Staff Lead	Kathryn Kynett						
Project #	Prop 1-Y1-2015-009	Reservation of Funds and Conditional Approval	Sep-2016	Completion of CEQA and approval of Responsible Agency Finding		CEQA has been posted and comments have been incorporated. The Flood Control District will be meeting to approve the CEQA document and make their Lead Agency Findings on 9/27/2016. The Delta Conservancy Board will make their Responsible Agency Findings at the Nov. board meeting and also vote to give final approval for the project. Verification of Water Rights have been submitted and sent to the Delta Watermaster for review. Landowner Agreement is in progress. With the completion of these items, the Grantee will have met the deadline set by the Delta Conservancy Board. Drafting of the SOW is in progress as of 9/19/2016.	
Project Name	Three Creeks Parkway Restoration Project			Verification of Adequate Water Rights			
Applicant	American Rivers			Landowner Agreement	Post-Execution		
SSJDC Staff Lead	Aaron Haiman			Habitat Maintained for 15 Years	Landowner Agree.		
Project #	Prop 1-Y1-2015-010	Reservation of Funds and Conditional Approval	Mar-2017	CEQA Filed and Approved by Board		Grantee would prefer to use the new checklist for governing their pre-award conditions. They are in the process of determining whether or not the project qualifies as a covered action under the Delta Plan. Project team is working on an easement template. Once finalized, it will be brought to landowners.	
Project Name	Paradise Cut Flood and Conservation Easement Acquisition			Checklist 1			
Applicant	San Joaquin RCD			Checklist 2			
SSJDC Staff Lead	Laura Jensen			Checklist 3			
Project #	Prop 1-Y1-2015-012	Conditional Approval	Jul-2016	Monitoring Plan	27-Jul-2016	Requested additional information for grant agreement from applicant; grantee is working on responses. Have requested budget modification: instead of subcontracting for public outreach, would like to use the money to fund in-house capacity and augment grant administration budget. Scope of Work under development; anticipated hand-off to Admin of early Oct.	
Project Name	Paradise Cut Conservation and Flood Management Plan						
Applicant	San Joaquin RCD						
SSJDC Staff Lead	Laura Jensen						
Project #	Prop 1-Y1-2015-014	Conditional Approval	31-Aug-2016	Applicant to Appear at Meeting	27-Jun-2016	Landowner Agreement and habitat maintenance contract stipulating 15 years is in progress by applicant. Requested, and received, completed Covered Action Checklist from Grantee. Grant Agreement was handed off to admin staff on 8/30/2016.	
Project Name	Habitat Improvement for Swainson's Hawk at Elliott Ranch			Habitat Maintained for 15 Years	Landowner Agree.		
Applicant	Environmental Defense Fund			Verification of Adequate Water Rights	27-Jun-2016		
SSJDC Staff Lead	Aaron Haiman			Landowner Agreement	Post-Execution		
				Local Outreach	27-Jun-2016		
Project #	Prop 1-Y1-2015-016	Conditional Approval	Sep-2016	Verification of Adequate Water Rights	23-Aug-2016	Water rights confirmed by Delta Watermaster. Grantee is working with landowner (CDFW) to develop an agreement to provide land tenure and habitat maintenance for 15 years. Draft grant agreement in progress. Yolo RCD in early consultation with DSC re: Delta Plan consistency.	
Project Name	Wildlife Corridors for Flood Escape on the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area			Landowner Agreement	Post-Execution		
Applicant	Yolo RCD			Habitat Maintained for 15 Years	Landowner Agree.		
SSJDC Staff Lead	Becky Stanton						
Project #	Prop 1-Y1-2015-019	Board Approved				Grant Agreement was sent to Grantee for their review on 9/7/2016.	
Project Name	Lower Marsh and Sand Creek Watershed Riparian Restoration Planning						
Applicant	American Rivers						
SSJDC Staff Lead	Aaron Haiman						

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November 21, 2016 **PROPOSED AGENDA**

Staff is seeking input from the Board regarding additional agenda items for the November 21, 2016 meeting at the Delta Conservancy's office in West Sacramento.

A tentative list of agenda items includes:

- **Executive Officer's Report**
 - **Proposition 1 Grant Program Approved Projects Update**
 - **Delta Conservancy Strategic Plan Update**
 - **Request for approval for Proposition 1 Grant Program 2016-2017 Concept Proposals**
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