Program and Policy Subcommittee Update
September 16, 2020

In attendance were Vice Chair Leo Winternitz; Board Member Dolly Sandoval; Liaison Advisor Erik Vink; Deputy Attorney General Nicole Rinke, counsel to the Conservancy; Executive Officer Campbell Ingram; Deputy Executive Officer Debra Kustic; several Conservancy staff; and members of the public.

EASEMENTS AND LAND OWNERSHIP ASSESSMENT
The Executive Officer provided an overview of the Conservancy’s authorities related to easements and land ownership, described the potential need to support sister agencies (CDFW and DWR) by holding ecosystem restoration project and levee maintenance mitigation project easements, and described current understanding of the requirements and processes to effectively manage easements. Vice Chair Winternitz suggested that staff identify one or more specific easement projects that can be used as real-world examples to explore resource requirements and processes.

Next Steps
Staff have identified two projects with two separate entities that will need easements in place within the next 12 to 24 months. The project proponents have agreed to support our learning effort. Staff will provide regular updates to the Program and Policy Subcommittee and the Board on this effort.

PROPOSITION PROGRAM UPDATES
Staff presented updates on the Proposition 1 and Proposition 68 programs.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
The next Program and Policy Subcommittee meeting is proposed to be conducted on November 18, 2020 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. An update on the progress of easement exploration projects will be provided.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
None

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