May 26, 2021 Board Meeting Summary and Action Items

AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order
Meeting called to order on Zoom at 9:02 a.m. by Chair Karen Mitchoff.

Agenda Item 2 – Welcome, Roll Call, and Introductions
Roll call was taken and agenda items were heard by the Board in the order indicated below.

Board Members Present:
- Karen Mitchoff
- Leo Winternitz
- Katherine Miller
- Mitch Mashburn
- Don Nottoli
- Bryan Cash
- Sally Lukenbill
- Dolly Sandoval
- Sandi Matsumoto

Ex-Officio Members Present:
- Timothy Grayson

Liaison Advisors and Counsel Present:
- Jim Waters
- Natasha Nelson
- Steve Chappell
- Moira McEnespy
- Nicole Rinke

Agenda Item 3 – Public Comment
None

Agenda Item 4 – Consent Calendar

Motion: Board Member Mashburn moved, seconded by Board Member Sandoval, that the Board approve the following:
- March 24, 2021 Board Meeting Summary and Action Items

A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed with six (6) yes and three (3) abstain votes.
Agenda Item 8 – Consideration of the Proposition 1 Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program Final Cycle 5 Grant Guidelines
Proposition 1 Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program Draft Cycle 5 Grant Guidelines (Guidelines) were approved at the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy January 27, 2021 Board meeting and posted to the website for a 30-day comment period. After this period, the Guidelines were finalized. If approved by the Board, staff will open the Proposition 1 Cycle 5 solicitation no later than August 1, 2021.

Motion: Board Member Mashburn moved, seconded by Board Member Nottoli, to approve the Proposition 1 Delta Conservancy Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program Cycle 5 Grant Guidelines.

A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 5 – Executive Officer’s Report
The Executive Officer briefly highlighted several items within the written report. Staff presented the current Budget and Expenditure Report.

Agenda Item 6 – Proposition 1 Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program Update
Staff reported that ten (10) grant agreements have been executed for Cycle 4, and that Cycle 5 is scheduled to open by August 1, 2021.

Agenda Item 7 – Proposition 68 Community and Economic Enhancement Grant Program Update
Staff reported that the Proposition 68 Community and Economic Grant Program Update format now includes approved projects. A grant agreement is being developed for the Pittsburg Boat Launch Facility & Central Harbor Park Upgrade.

Agenda Item 9 – Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) Committee
Staff delivered a slide presentation overview of the Conservancy’s JEDI efforts. Staff training was initiated in June of 2020 with Conservancy-wide implicit bias training, and continues with learning sessions and optional brown bag lunches. Staff plan to continue collaboration with the Delta Protection Commission (Commission) and the Delta Stewardship Council (Council) and develop JEDI principles.

Agenda Item 10 – Delta Stewardship Council Update
Amanda Bohl, Special Assistant for Planning and Science at the Council, presented an update.

Agenda Item 11 – Delta Protection Commission Update
Natasha Nelson, Assistant Executive Director at the Commission, presented an update.

Agenda Item 13 – EcoRestore Update
Charlotte Biggs, Program Manager II at the California Department of Water Resources, presented an update.
Agenda Item 14 – Potential Agenda Items for the July 28, 2021 Meeting

- Consideration of Award of Proposition 68 Community and Economic Enhancement Grant(s)
- Delta Conservancy 2022-2027 Strategic Plan, Presentation of Initial Draft
- Board Elections

Agenda Item 12 – Delta Conveyance Update
Carrie Buckman, Environmental Program Manager at the Department of Water Resources, presented an update and introduced Genevieve Taylor, Executive Director of Ag Innovations. Ms. Taylor provided results of the “Your Delta Your Voice Environmental Justice Community Survey.”

Agenda Item 15 – Public Comment
None

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- Provide a link on the Conservancy website for the “Your Delta Your Voice Environmental Justice Community Survey.”
- Provide a link on the Conservancy website for the Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) Committee PowerPoint presentation from Agenda Item 9. Continue to report on the integration of JEDI work with the Delta community.
- Plan a future Conservancy Board meeting at a project location.

MEETING ADJOURNED by Chair Mitchoff at 10:27 a.m.

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