



SACRAMENTO - SAN JOAQUIN

DELTA CONSERVANCY

A California State Agency

March 27, 2024 Board Meeting Summary and Action Items

Video and audio of the meeting is available here:

<https://youtu.be/62dFMLguSr8?si=ChrDIPQ9iXS2iQbN>

AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 9:04 a.m. by Chair Mashburn.

Agenda Item 2 – Welcome, Roll Call, and Introductions

After roll call, agenda items were heard by the Board in the order indicated below.

Board Members Present:

- Mitch Mashburn
- Leo Winternitz
- Diane Burgis – teleconference
- Tom Patti – teleconference
- Stephen Benson
- Nancy Vogel
- Lilliana Udang

Ex-Officio Members Present:

None

Liaison Advisors and Counsel Present:

- Mike Villines
- Nicole Rinke (Counsel)

Agenda Item 3 – Public Comment

None

Agenda Item 4 – Consent Calendar

There were not enough returning Board members to pass the motion for the October 25, 2023 Board Meeting Summary and Action Items, so it was not voted on.

Motion: Board Member Udang moved, seconded by Vice Chair Winternitz, that the Board approve the following:

- Approval of January 24, 2024 Board Meeting Summary and Action Items (Attachment)

A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously with 7 ayes.

Agenda Item 5 – Executive Officer’s Report

The Executive Officer briefly highlighted several items in the staff report. A report entitled Equity Year in Review from the California Natural Resource Agency was shared. The Conservancy, acting on an interagency agreement with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, received a bid for work on a continuation of feasibility planning for Franck’s Track. The 2024 State of the Estuary Conference on March 12, 2024 was postponed and four of the five posters that the staff prepared to present at this event were on display in the boardroom.

Agenda Item 6 – Ecosystem Restoration and Climate Adaption Grant Program Update

Conservancy staff highlighted items from the staff report. As of March 11, 2024, there are 17 active projects, three awarded projects with grant development underway, and 19 closed projects. Nature Based Solutions (NBS) funding is fully allocated with two executed grants and two grant agreements to be executed before the next Board meeting. Since the last meeting the Stone Lakes Restoration Project planning grant was completed.

Agenda Item 7 – Community Enhancement Grant Program Update

Conservancy staff highlighted items from the staff report. As of March 4, 2024, there are 12 active projects, one approved project, and one working proposal. Staff are working with applicants on several additional proposals.

Agenda Item 8 – Consideration of Award of Community Enhancement Grant Program Funds for Isleton Museum in the Bing Kong Tong Building Phase 2

Staff highlighted the proposed project by the Isleton Museum for additional displays and signage in the Bing Kong Tong Building, which complements a previous grant at the same location.

Motion: Board Member Udang moved, seconded by Supervisor Burgis, that the Board award funding up to \$13,442 to the Isleton Museum from the Proposition 68 Community and Economic Enhancement Grant Program for the Isleton Museum in the Bing Kong Tong Building, Phase 2 project.

A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously with 7 ayes.

Agenda Item 9 – Outcomes and Lessons Learned through Implementation of the Fish Friendly Farming Program in the Delta

Staff and program partner Laurel Marcus, Science Director with the California Land Stewardship Institute, shared the outcomes and lessons learned from the Fish Friendly Farming Program that was recently completed.

Agenda Item 10 – Delta Adapts Draft Adaptation Plan Overview

Morgan Chow, Senior Environmental Planner at the Delta Stewardship Council, shared a presentation entitled Delta Adapts: Draft Adaption Plan Overview. [A link is available](#) for the presentation on the Delta Conservancy website.

Agenda Item 11 – Delta Stewardship Council Update

Morgan Chow, Senior Environmental Planner at the Delta Stewardship Council, presented an update on Council activities.

Agenda Item 12 – EcoRestore Update

Charlotte Biggs, Program Manager at the California Department of Water Resources, highlighted four efforts of the EcoRestore program that are reaching significant milestones this year.

Agenda Item 13 – Delta Protection Commission Update

This agenda item was not presented.

Agenda Item 14 – Delta Conveyance Update

Janet Barbieri, Consultant to the Department of Water Resources managing the communication program for the Delta Conveyance Project, presented an update.

Agenda Item 15 – Potential Agenda Items for the May 22, 2024 Board Meeting

- Consideration of Amendment to Ecosystem Restoration and Climate Adaptation Grant Program Agreements
- Wetland Mosaic Landscape on Webb Tract Project Update
- Consideration of Award of Community Enhancement Grants
- Consideration of Amendment to Community Enhancement Grant Program Agreements

Agenda Item 16 – Public Comment

None

BOARD DIRECTIVES TO STAFF

None

MEETING ADJOURNED by Chair Mashburn at 10:36 a.m.

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