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DELTA CONSERVANCY

A California State Agency

October 23, 2024 Board Meeting Summary and Action Items
1450 Halyard Drive, Suite 6, West Sacramento, CA 95691

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[October 23, 2024 Board Meeting Recording](#)

AGENDA ITEMS

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Hume.

Agenda Item 2 – Welcome, Pledge of Allegiance, 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 – teleconference
- Pat Hume
- Diane Burgis – teleconference
- Gloria Sandoval
- Sandi Matsumoto – arrived at 9:06 a.m. after consent calendar vote
- Lilliana Udang
- Michele Perrault

Ex-Officio Members Present:

- None

Liaison Advisors and Counsel Present:

- Steve Chappell – not on agenda; attending as member of the public
- Marge Kolar
- Todd Plain
- Nicole Rinke (Counsel)

Agenda Item 3 – Public Comment

None

Agenda Item 4 – Consent Calendar

Motion: Supervisor Mashburn moved, seconded by Board Member Udang, that the Board approve the following:

- July 24, 2024 Board Meeting Summary and Action Items

- Amendment to Budget and Term of Ecosystem Restoration and Climate Adaptation Grant Program Agreement for the Delta Working Waterways Habitat Restoration Planning Project
- Amendment to Budget, Scope, and Term of Ecosystem Restoration and Climate Adaptation Program Agreement for Little Franks Tract Invasive Weed Removal and Restoration Implementation Project

A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously with seven ayes with a notation to the July 24, 2024 Board Meeting Summary and Action Items: Agenda Item 14 was not included, and that Marge Kolar was in person and not participating by teleconference. The Board gave direction to staff to make those corrections.

Agenda Item 5 – Executive Officer’s Report

The Executive Officer briefly highlighted several items in the staff report.

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

Conservancy staff highlighted items from the staff report. As of September 20, 2024, there are 18 active projects and 21 closed projects.

Agenda Item 7 – Community Enhancement Grant Programs Update

Conservancy staff highlighted items from the staff report including a project status update. As of September 20, 2024, there are 13 active projects, one approved project, one working proposal and one closed project. Several applicants are working on proposals.

Agenda Item 8 – Consideration of Award of Community Enhancement Grant Program Funds for Freeport, Delta Gateway Monuments Acquisition Project

Conservancy staff highlighted the project for consideration. The purpose of this grant is to fund the acquisition activities for three properties in the Town of Freeport for the Freeport, Delta Gateway Monuments Project, which is a three-phase project that seeks to ultimately install two gateway monuments: a freestanding structure and one interpretive sign in the unincorporated community of Freeport.

Motion: Board Member Perrault moved, seconded by Supervisor Burgis, that the Board award funding up to \$164,300 to the County of Sacramento from the Proposition 68 Community and Economic Enhancement Grant Program for the Freeport, Delta Gateway Monuments Acquisition Project.

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

Agenda Item 9 – Introduction to the Lean Six Sigma Board Packet Preparation Project

Conservancy staff is participating in the Lean Six Sigma Training Program, which seeks to create an integrated approach to process improvement. This agenda item introduced the Lean Six Sigma concepts and identified the focus of this training to be the Board packet preparation process.

Agenda Item 10 – Update on the Reorienting to Recovery: Central Valley Salmon Recovery Project

Rafael Silberblatt, Senior Director at Kearns & West, shared a slide presentation on the status of the Reorienting to Recovery: Central Valley Salmon Recovery Project.

Agenda Item 11 – Update on Nutria Control Activities in the Delta and Suisun Marsh

Valerie Cook, Nutria Eradication Program Manager, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, gave a presentation on the CDFW nutria project from inception to present.

Agenda Item 12 – California Department of Water Resources Multibenefit Restoration Program Update

This agenda item was not presented.

Agenda Item 13 – Delta Stewardship Council Update

Amanda Bohl, Special Assistant for Planning and Science, Delta Stewardship Council, presented an update.

Agenda Item 14 – Delta Stewardship Council’s Tribal and Environmental Justice Issue paper

Amanda Bohl and Meghan Thomson, Environmental Scientist, Delta Stewardship Council, presented on the Tribal and Environmental Justice Issue paper.

Agenda Item 15 – Delta Protection Commission Update

This agenda item was not presented.

Agenda Item 16 – Delta Conveyance Update

Janet Barbieri, Consultant to the Department of Water Resources managing the Communication Program for the Delta Conveyance Project, presented an update on the Delta Conveyance Project’s current activities.

Agenda Item 17 – Potential Agenda Items for the January 22, 2025 Board Meeting

- None

Agenda Item 18 – Public Comment

None

BOARD DIRECTIVES TO STAFF

None

MEETING ADJOURNED by Chair Hume at 10:29 a.m.

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