



SWRCB hearing officers issue ruling

On February 21, the State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB) hearing officers [issued a ruling](#) that responds to objections received to the admission of evidence in the hearing on the joint water right change petition filed by DWR and the U.S. Department of Interior for the California WaterFix Project. The letter also rules on the testimony and exhibits offered into evidence by the parties participating in Parts 1A and 1B of the hearing, establishes the deadline for written rebuttal testimony and exhibits, and provides notice of hearing dates for the rebuttal phase of Part 1 of the hearing.

Also, the [California Natural Resources Agency](#) has posted a new 11-page fact sheet about California WaterFix, titled [California WaterFix: Significant Progress and Next Steps](#).

Two brown bag seminars feature presentations by Delta Lead Scientist candidates

The Delta Stewardship Council (Council) and the U.S. Geological Survey are conducting brown bag seminars to allow candidates for the Council's Delta Lead Scientist position to showcase their work. Both seminars, March 20 and 21, occur 12:00–1:00 p.m. and are at Park Tower Plaza, second floor conference center, 980 Ninth St., Sacramento. The candidates and dates are:

- John Callaway, Ph.D., Professor and Graduate Program Director, Environmental Management, University of San Francisco — **March 20**.
- William Cooper, Ph.D., Program Director, Environmental Engineering, National Science Foundation, Professor, University of California, Irvine — **March 21**.

Delta ISB requests public comments on monitoring the Delta

The [Delta Independent Science Board \(Delta ISB\)](#) is requesting public comments on its [draft planning prospectus](#) to undertake a broad and comprehensive review of monitoring in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The review will encompass inventories of physico-chemical, biological, and social science monitoring programs. Send comments to science@deltacouncil.ca.gov by March 15.

Council's Administrative Performance Measures Dashboard tracks Delta Plan decisions

The Delta Stewardship Council (Council) has released the [Administrative Performance Measures Dashboard](#). This new tool tracks the decisions made by policy-makers and managers to finalize plans or approve resources (funds, personnel, projects) that implement a program, or group of related programs, recommended by the Council's [Delta Plan](#).

DWR maps provide snapshot of levee conditions

DWR has given the Delta Stewardship Council [maps and other information relating to the existing conditions of Delta levees](#). This information includes maps constructed by DWR, which indicate its best estimate of levee miles conforming to existing levee guidance and standards. DWR has also provided supporting information, including transmittal documents, data summary tables, analytical assumptions and limitations, and disclaimers relating to the submitted information.



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