



SWRCB issues ruling on rebuttal to California WaterFix Phase 1

The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) hearing officers have issued a new [ruling letter](#) regarding the following issues pertaining to the Part 1 rebuttal phase of the water right change petition hearing for California WaterFix: 1) admissibility of written rebuttal testimony, 2) location changes for certain hearing dates, 3) order of presentation for rebuttal testimony, 4) time limits for rebuttal testimony and cross-examination, 5) surrebuttal, and 6) changes to the hearing team. There is also a [revised hearing schedule](#) and an [order of presentation for Part 1 rebuttal](#).

California State Assembly Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife hearing includes delta smelt

The [California State Assembly Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife](#) will conduct a hearing April 25, 9:00 a.m., at the State Capitol, room 444. Among the agenda items are the delta smelt, the California Endangered Species Act, and experimental populations. A live audio stream of the meeting is [here](#).

Delta Conservancy Board meeting is April 26

The Delta Conservancy Board will meet April 26 in West Sacramento. The agenda includes a request for approval of staff recommendations for the second solicitation cycle of the Proposition 1 Grant Program and a request for approval to post the public draft of the Delta Conservancy's 2017 Strategic Plan. Agenda and meeting materials are [here](#).

Delta Stewardship Council meeting will discuss amendments to the Delta Plan

The Delta Stewardship Council (Council) will meet April 27–28 in Sacramento. The main focus of this 2-day meeting is to discuss amendments to the Council's [Delta Plan](#), which is the only legally enforceable and comprehensive management plan for a sustainable Delta. Public meeting notice is [here](#).

DPIIC posts policy paper on Delta modeling

The [Delta Interagency Implementation Committee](#) (DPIIC) has posted a policy paper, titled [Integrated Environmental Modeling of Estuarine Systems: Lessons for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta](#). The paper is about lessons learned for the Delta that developed from a 2015 workshop on integrated modeling and a subsequent report to the National Science Foundation, which co-funded its development. The recommendations identify key best practices for integrated ecosystem modeling in the Bay-Delta system.

USGS posts recorded video presentation about mercury and rice in the Delta

The U. S Geological Survey (USGS), Natural Research Program, has posted an approximately 1-hour-long recorded video of a presentation by Dr. Lisamarie Windham-Myers, an ecosystem ecologist specializing in wetlands, titled [Mercury and Rice in the California Delta: Lessons Linking Wetlands to Water to Wildlife](#).



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