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Current issues affecting the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Map shows California's dependency on Delta water

A map from the California Natural Resources Agency shows how water that travels through the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta supplies 25 million Californians, which is water that sustains the state's economy.

CVFPB meeting includes report on the Lower Elkhorn Basin Levee Setback Project

The Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB) will meet December 16 in Sacramento. Agenda items include the Sacramento River General Reevaluation Report by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and an update on the plans for the Lower Elkhorn Basin Levee Setback Project by DWR. Agenda, location, and remote access information are here.

SWRCB posts third revised public meeting notice for Delta water quality plan amendment hearings

The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) has posted the third revised notice on the amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary and supporting draft revised Substitute Environmental Document (SED). Note that the Merced hearing location has changed to the Merced Theatre, 301 W. Main Street. An audio broadcast of the meetings held at the CalEPA building will be at https://video.calepa.ca.gov. A broadcast of the Stockton, Merced, and Modesto hearings are at http://www.cal-span.org/State_Webcast/stream_index.php?agency=SWRCB&captioned=false&player=jwplayer. More information is here.

DWR posts 2016 draft Central Valley Flood Protection Plan Conservation Strategy

DWR has posted the 2016 draft Central Valley Flood Protection Plan Conservation Strategy (Conservation Strategy), which is a primary component of the 2017 Update to the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan. It outlines a comprehensive, long-term approach to improve riverine and floodplain ecosystems and provides guidance on how multi-benefit projects can provide ecological benefits while protecting public safety. The Conservation Strategy and other related materials are here.

MWD Special Committee on Bay-Delta posts agenda, meeting materials, and recorded meeting video

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's (MWD's) Special Committee on Bay-Delta has posted the November 22 meeting's agenda, meeting materials, and a recorded video of that meeting.

UC Davis publishes *Human Use of Restored and Naturalized Delta Landscapes*

University of California, Davis, (UC Davis) authors Brett Milligan and Alejo Kraus-Polk have published *Human Use of Restored and Naturalized Delta Landscapes*. This one-year study builds on other research projects that have explored the Delta from an integrative human-environment perspective. The report's findings are based on surveys, interviews, reviews of existing Delta planning literature, field work, and specific landscape case studies.







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