



Final report on draft BDCP Effects Analysis Review is online

The final report from the independent science panel convened by the Delta Stewardship Council's Delta Science Program for the [third phase review of the draft Bay Delta Conservation Plan \(BDCP\) Effects Analysis](#) is now online.



Also, the Delta Stewardship Council's [March 2014 newsletter](#) is now online.

USACE eases up on its stance against trees on levees

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has decided it will no longer force local levee agencies to choose between keeping trees on their levees and losing federal money for disaster assistance. The USACE announced in a new "interim" policy that it will not disqualify levees that fail to meet its maintenance criteria from receiving disaster relief funding, essentially granting a reprieve to thousands of miles of California riverside habitat.



Science Program workshop covers Delta flows

The Delta Stewardship Council's Science Program will conduct a workshop April 16-17 in Sacramento to inform the State Water Resources Control Board's (SWRCB's) upcoming decisions regarding Delta interior flows objectives. The workshop will include a panel assessment of the state of scientific knowledge about effects of interior Delta flows and other stressors on fish species of concern and the Delta ecosystem. More information is [here](#).

Yolo Basin Foundation offers "Exploring the Delta" workshop/tour

The Yolo Basin Foundation will offer a one-day workshop/tour, "Exploring the Delta: Water, Farms, and History," April 12 in Davis. The workshop features an overview of the Delta and its water issues, a tour of Twitchell Island to observe the phenomenon of subsidence and discuss research projects to reverse it, a visit to Locke to learn about the Chinese influence in the Delta, a picnic lunch, and a visit to Greene and Hemly's pear and apple operation and Bogle Winery to learn about agriculture in this unique ecosystem. Campbell Ingram, Executive Director of the Delta Conservancy, will lead the workshop and tour. Registration and more information is [here](#).

CVFPB meeting includes USACE and DWR updates

The Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB) will meet March 28 in Sacramento. [Agenda](#) items include a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) briefing on levee inspection results, an update on DWR's Division of Flood Management activities, and an update on the FloodSAFE Environmental Stewardship and Statewide Resources Office activities.



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