

Delta Science Program will present independent scientific California WaterFix peer review

At the request of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, select staff from the Delta Stewardship Council's Delta Science Program will convene an independent scientific peer review for the joint Biological Opinion and 208 1(b) Incidental Take Permit analyses of the California WaterFix aquatic science. The [event](#) takes place April 5-6 in Sacramento. Review materials, supplemental documents, background information, and presentations are [here](#).

New invasive species regulation takes effect April 1

The California Office of Administrative Law has approved a [regulation](#) proposed by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to prevent and control the invasive species, dreissenid mussels (quagga mussels), throughout the state. The regulation becomes effective April 1 and provides a process to impound conveyances, which may be carrying dreissenid mussels, and enables a permitting (i.e., disposal) process for the possession of dead dreissenid mussels.

MWD Special Committee on the Bay-Delta posts meeting video

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) Special Committee on Bay-Delta has posted its [March 22 meeting agenda, meeting materials, and a recorded video of the meeting](#).

Reclamation releases Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers Basin Study Report

The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) has released the [Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers Basin Study Report](#), which found climate change will cause earlier runoff and refill reservoirs earlier in the year, potentially affecting reservoir operations and water storage. The report was prepared in partnership with DWR, El Dorado County Water Agency, Stockton East Water District, California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley, and Madera County Resource Management Agency.

USGS study traces history of metal contamination in the Delta

U. S. Geological Survey (USGS) scientists have published a research article, titled "A Millennial-Scale Record of Pb and Hg Contamination in Peatlands of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta of California, USA," in [Science of the Total Environment](#). The study examined more than 6,000 years of lead and mercury concentrations in the region, exploring historical factors that may have contributed to increased contamination levels throughout time.

The 2016 IEP Annual Workshop will held April 20-22

The Interagency Ecological Program (IEP) Annual Workshop will be held April 20-22 in Folsom. This is an informal event for sharing new research results and technical analyses that advance the understanding of scientific topics important to the IEP and the larger Delta science community. The registration deadline is April 17. More information is [here](#).



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