

DWR releases RFP for fish restoration projects

DWR has posted a [Request for Proposal Secondary \(RFP\) for fish habitat restoration projects](#) within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and Suisun Marsh in the lower Sacramento River Basin. Technical questions may be submitted in writing to DWR by September 28, 2:00 p.m., and DWR will issue answers to technical questions by September 30, 2:00 p.m. There will be a mandatory pre-proposal conference for contractors in order to have their proposal accepted. The mandatory pre-proposal conference will be held October 13, 1:00 p.m., at DWR, 3500 Industrial Blvd, room 119, West Sacramento. RFPs are due November 30. Note that this is an extensive and complex RFP.

Delta Protection Commission meeting will be in Stockton

The Delta Protection Commission will meet 5:30–7:30 p.m., September 15, WorkNet Center, 2nd floor 56 S. Lincoln St., Stockton. [Agenda](#) items include report on the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California purchase of four Delta islands and a report on blue green algae (cyanobacteria) in the Delta. Meeting materials will be published on the [Delta Protection Commission's website](#) September 9.

Delta Stewardship Council releases DeltaView and requests feedback

The Delta Stewardship Council has released a new database, [DeltaView](#), which is designed to capture and track various types of project data, is now available for beta testing by the public. After working with the new tool, send comments to DeltaView@deltacouncil.ca.gov.

Also, the Delta Independent Science Board requests public comments on [Draft Report: Delta Earthquakes and High Water as Levee Hazards in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta](#), which is based on a [one-day science workshop about Delta levees](#) that took place July 14, 2016. Submit comments to kelly.souza@deltacouncil.ca.gov, which are due September 22.

Conservancy requests Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program proposals

The Delta Conservancy (Conservancy) requests concept proposals for the 2016–2017 Ecosystem Restoration and Water Quality Grant Program. The Request for Concept Proposals is [here](#) and the final Grant Guidelines are [here](#). Concept proposals are due September 30. All interested parties are strongly encouraged to attend a Concept Proposal Solicitation workshop September 8 at the Conservancy's office in West Sacramento. More information about the workshop is [here](#).

Initial monitoring results suggest a delta smelt habitat success

Farmers, State, federal, and local agencies teamed up in July to test a theoretical strategy for improving delta smelt habitat conditions. Initial monitoring results show signs of success. DWR and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife worked with federal and local agencies to coordinate the release of agricultural water diverted from the Sacramento River into the Yolo Bypass, which initiated a significant bloom of phytoplankton near Rio Vista. Phytoplankton are the bedrock of the delta smelt food web, the absence of which has been putting additional strain on the endangered fish species. The action is part of the [Delta Smelt Resiliency Strategy](#), which guides and coordinates delta smelt recovery efforts. More information is in this [news release](#).



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