



### Review of draft Delta Plan on next week's agenda for DSC

This month's meeting of the Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) will be Thursday, Jan. 26, in West Sacramento. The [agenda](#) includes a summary of changes leading to the fifth staff draft of the Delta Plan and discussion on the framework for reviewing the Bay Delta Conservation Plan. Meeting materials, including a parking map, are available [here](#).

### Final field hearing on Delta Plan draft EIR set for tonight

Tonight is the final field hearing for public input on the [draft environmental impact report](#) (EIR) for the Delta Plan. It will be held in Willows and will be the fifth hearing hosted by the DSC in the state this month. Hearing details and information on submitting comments on the draft EIR, by mail or email, are posted on the [DSC website](#). The comment deadline is Thursday, Feb. 2.

### An update on making the Delta a national heritage area

An update on the process of making the Delta a national heritage area is on next week's [agenda](#) for the Delta Protection Commission. It will be meeting on Thursday, Jan. 26, in Stockton. Commissioners will receive an update on a draft national heritage area [feasibility study](#), including the review process by the National Park Service.

### Environmental review on tap next week for BDCP

A meeting to update the [environmental review](#) process for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) is on the calendar for Wednesday, Jan. 25, in Sacramento. There will also be discussion on other BDCP documents. A conference call system will be in place for those unable to attend. Dial-in information and meeting details will be made available [here](#).

### Report suggests thinning forests to improve water runoff

Scientists from the University of California and the Environmental Defense Fund have [released a report](#) that says runoff from the Sierra Nevada can be enhanced by thinning forests. [Forests and Water in the Sierra Nevada: Sierra Nevada Watershed Ecosystem Enhancement Project](#) suggests runoff can be increased by selectively removing trees, which use large amounts of water.



### Board ready to receive Central Valley Flood Protection Plan

The [Central Valley Flood Protection Board](#) will receive the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan during its [meeting](#) on Friday, Jan. 27, in Sacramento. A draft version of the plan is available [here](#). The board will also outline the protocols for review and submittal of public comments on the plan.

### Climate change workshop will focus on valley flood risk

A look at how climate change may affect flooding in the Central Valley will be the focus of a [DWR workshop](#) in West Sacramento on Tuesday, Feb. 14. It will include examples of programs to reduce flood risk. The workshop is being held as a complementary event to Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr.'s recent [conference](#) on the potential threat extreme climate risks have on California's economy, public health, and natural resources.

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