



Delta Stewardship Council active as it gets started

- ▶ The CALFED Science Program is now the Delta Science Program in support of the Delta Stewardship Council. The Science Program has set a June 30 deadline for its 2010 Proposal Solicitation Package ([read more](#)). About \$8 million (with the potential for additional funding) will be available for research in four topic areas. The program's latest issue of Science News is now available exclusively online. [Click here to read](#).
- ▶ The Council is seeking proposals for the structure of—and items that should be included in—an interim Delta Plan. [Go here for more information](#).
- ▶ The Council has selected a team headed by CH2MHill to assist in the development of the comprehensive long-term management plan for the Delta required in legislation passed last November. [Read the press release](#).

DWR's Delta Levees Branch releases \$15 million habitat PSP

A \$15 million Proposal Solicitation Package for habitat projects in the Delta has been released by DWR's FloodSAFE Environmental Stewardship and Statewide Resources Office. [A copy of the PSP and information is posted here](#) (scroll to bottom of page). All proposals are to be postmarked or hand carried to DWR by May 24. The FloodSAFE Environmental Stewardship and Statewide Resources Office administers the Delta Levees Special Flood Control Projects Program. This is a grants program that works with more than 60 reclamation districts in the Delta and Suisun Marsh on the flood control system, including habitat. Only local agencies, such as reclamation districts and other levee maintaining agencies, can apply.

Spring storms prompts DWR to increase water allocations

Persistent spring storms will allow DWR to increase its allocation of State Water Project deliveries to 40 percent. However, despite the heavy snowpack, California's water crisis remains. "Although the snowpack has reached its highest May 1 levels since 2006, and allows us to raise our projected deliveries to communities, farms and businesses, we must not be lulled into a false sense of complacency" said DWR Director Mark Cowin. [Read the press release](#).

Alluvial Fan Task Force seeks comments on 'Guidance Documents'

The DWR Alluvial Fan Task Force is seeking public comment on draft Guidance Documents. They include "The Integrated Approach for Sustainable Development on Alluvial Fans." Also included are tools and a model ordinance for local government decision support and a "Findings and Recommendations Report." [You can find more information here](#). Comments are due June 3.

Bay Delta Conservation Plan updates its schedule

The Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) schedule has been updated, [and it can be viewed here](#). The BDCP aims to identify a set of water flow and habitat restoration actions to contribute to the recovery of endangered and sensitive species and their habitats in the Delta. The goal of the BDCP is to provide for both species/habitat protection and improved reliability of water supplies.

USFWS extends comment period on Sacramento splittail endangered status

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service last week announced it will accept comments through May 20 regarding a review of the endangered status of the Sacramento splittail. To ensure that the status review is comprehensive, the service is asking for scientific and commercial data, and other information regarding the fish. [Read more](#).



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