



## **CALFED launches website to track Delta performance metrics**

CALFED has launched a website to assist State and federal implementing agencies with tracking and reporting of performance measures associated with the Delta. The Program Performance and Tracking team uses collaborative management to work closely with partner agency staff, program stakeholders and other parties interested in the overall ecosystem health, water supply reliability and beneficial uses of the Delta. [The website is located here.](#)

## **Comment period for Delta test-drilling extended to Aug. 9**

The comment period for the Delta in-water geotechnical drilling in support of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan environmental review process has been extended. The public now has until Sunday, Aug. 9, to comment. DWR is planning in-water geotechnical boring in the Delta to obtain information for proposed intake structures and tunnels for proposed water conveyance alignments associated with the BDCP. [Go here for more information.](#)

## **CALFED Science reviews 2-Gates Fish Protection Demonstration Project**

Public participation and comment is invited on an alternative management strategy to achieve protection of the Delta smelt. The 2-Gates Project proposes to install and operate temporary, removable gates in two channels in the central Delta at Old River and Connection Slough. The gates will be used to manipulate flows and key water quality components of Delta smelt habitat in order to reduce entrainment of Delta smelt at the export facilities. The meeting will be held Thursday, Aug. 6, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at CALFED headquarters. Access the meeting notice and the link to the 2-Gates Project Summary Document [here.](#)

## **Delta Protection meeting postponed; abandoned boat session cancelled**

The Delta Protection Commission will meet next on Wednesday, Aug. 19. [Additional information can be found here.](#) Also, the Delta Abandoned Vessels Removal Discussion Group meeting facilitated by the Delta Protection Commission and scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 5, in Walnut Grove has been cancelled. [Read more.](#)

## **Mandatory furloughs force changes in meeting dates**

Because of the state budget crisis, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger has ordered most State workers furloughed on the the second, third and fourth Fridays this month and on the first, second and third Fridays in subsequent months until June of next year. This has prompted several changes in meeting calendars.

- The next Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB) meeting, originally scheduled for July 17, has been changed because it falls on a State government furlough day. The meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, July 30. The meeting will take place at the Resources Building in the first floor Auditorium at 8:30 a.m. [The schedule can be found here.](#)
- The Joint Delta Habitat Advisory Committee and the California Bay Delta Levee Committee members voted to postpone their July 10 meeting because of furloughs. It's been rescheduled for Friday, July 31. [You can find more info here.](#)
- The California Water Plan Update 2009 staff rescheduled its Advisory Committee's July 24 meeting because it falls on a furlough Friday. It will be held instead on Thursday, Aug. 13, at the Doubletree Hotel in Sacramento. The agenda and meeting materials are posted [here.](#)



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