



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors

From: John Kopchik, Director, Conservation & Development Department

Date: April 26, 2022

Subject: Update on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta

RECOMMENDATION(S):

ACCEPT update on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta water policy issues and the activities of the Delta Counties Coalition and PROVIDE direction to staff.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Administrative report with no specific fiscal impact.

BACKGROUND:

A healthy, vibrant Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary (Delta) is closely tied to the physical, societal and economic health of those who live, work and recreate in the San Francisco Bay-Delta region and throughout much of the state. The eastern portion of Contra Costa County is located within the Delta and the County's entire northern border is bounded by waterfront that flows from the Delta to the Bay. Thus, Contra Costa County lies at the heart of the Bay-Delta region and the future of this nationally significant resource substantially influences the future of the County. Restoring the health of the Delta protects the Bay which is linked to the long term success of the County as a whole.

Contra Costa County is a part of the Delta Counties Coalition (DCC). The DCC is a

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ADMINISTRATOR

COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **04/26/2022** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor

Candace Andersen, District II
Supervisor

Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor

Karen Mitchoff, District IV
Supervisor

Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: April 26, 2022

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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consortium of five Delta Counties, including Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano, and Yolo, that work collaboratively to give one voice to the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta System and its four million area-wide residents. The DCC advocates to (1) protect and enhance Delta communities, and (2) improve water quality and the Delta ecosystem, while also being practical about the responsibility to provide a more reliable water supply for the State.

The attached presentation will cover the priorities and advocacy of the DCC, provide an update on the tunnel project describing the Bethany Alternative, and briefly review the current conditions of water quality and salinity in the Delta in light of the third year of drought.

Staff recommends the Board accept the update on the Delta and provide direction as appropriate.

CLERK'S ADDENDUM

Speakers: No Name Given; Caller 6770; Edgar.

ATTACHMENTS

Power Point Presentation