

**SOLANO
City-County Coordinating Council**

**AGENDA
December 13, 2012**

Location - Solano County Water Agency, Berryessa Room,
810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Suite 203, Vacaville, CA.

7:00 P.M. Meeting

MEMBERS

Jack Batchelor
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Vice Chair
Supervisor, District 2

Elizabeth Patterson
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PURPOSE STATEMENT – City County Coordinating Council

“To discuss, coordinate, and resolve City/County issues including but not necessarily limited to land use, planning, duplication of services/improving efficiencies, as well as other agreed to topics of regional importance, to respond effectively to the actions of other levels of government, including the State and Federal government, to sponsor or support legislation at the State and Federal level that is of regional importance, and to sponsor or support regional activities that further the purpose of the Solano City-County Coordinating Council.”

Time set forth on agenda is an estimate. Items may be heard before or after the times designated.

ITEM

AGENCY/STAFF

I. CALL TO ORDER (7:00 p.m.)

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (7:00 p.m.)

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (7:05 p.m.)

Pursuant to the Brown Act, each public agency must provide the public with an opportunity to speak on any matter within the subject matter of the jurisdiction of the agency and which is not on the agency's agenda for that meeting. Comments are limited to no more than 5 minutes per speaker. By law, no action may be taken on any item raised during public comment period although informational answers to questions may be given and matter may be referred to staff for placement on future agenda.

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IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Approval of Minutes for November 8, 2012
(Action Item)

Chair Batchelor

V. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

1. “Moving from Poverty toward Prosperity” – Solano Safety Net Summits on Poverty (7:05 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.)

Presenters: Christina Arrostituto,
Executive Director, First 5 Solano

2. Update on Delta Water Issues
(7:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.)

Presenters: Roberta Goulard,
Solano County, and Bill Emlen,
Director of Resource Management,
Solano County

3. Approval of 2013 Calendar / Work Plan (Action Item)
8:00 p.m. – 8:10 p.m.)

Presenter: Michelle Heppner, Solano
County Administrator's Office

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

VII. CCCC CLOSING COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT: The next City-County Coordinating Council special meeting scheduled for January 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Solano County Water Agency – Berryessa Room, 810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Suite 203, Vacaville, CA.

CITY-COUNTY COORDINATING COUNCIL
November 8, 2012 Meeting Minutes

The November 8, 2012 meeting of the Solano City-County Coordinating Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Berryessa Room at the Solano County Water Agency located at 810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Ste 303, Vacaville, CA 95688.

I Roll and Call to Order

Members Present

Jack Batchelor, Chair	Mayor, City of Dixon
Steve Hardy, Vice-Chair	Mayor, City of Vacaville
Elizabeth Patterson	Mayor, City of Benicia
Harry Price	Mayor, City of Fairfield
Pete Sanchez	Mayor, City of Suisun
Osby Davis	Mayor, City of Vallejo
Linda Seifert	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 2)
Jim Spering	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 3)
John Vasquez	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 4)
Mike Reagan,	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 5)

Members Absent:

Jan Vick	Mayor, City of Rio Vista
Barbara Kondylis	Solano County Board of Supervisors (District 1)

Staff to the City-County Coordinating Council Present:

Birgitta Corsello	County Administrator, Solano County
Sean Quinn	City Manager, City of Fairfield
Bob Macaulay	Solano Transportation Authority
Michelle Heppner	Legislative, Intergovernmental, & Public Affairs Office, Solano County

Other Staff Present

Laura Kuhn	City Manager, City of Vacaville
David Okita	General Manager, Solano County Water Agency
Bill Emlen	Solano County
Matt Walsh	Solano County

I. Meeting Called to Order

The meeting called to order at 7 pm.

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda was made by Mayor Price and seconded by Supervisor Spering. Agenda approved by 10-0 vote.

III. Opportunity for Public Comment
There were no public comments.

IV. Consent Calendar
a. Approval of minutes for August 9, 2012

Motion to approve the August 9, 2012 minutes was made by Mayor Patterson and seconded by Mayor Sanchez. Minutes approved by 10-0 vote.

V. Public Hearing

1. Public Hearing to Receive Oral and Written Comments on the Proposed Solano Subregional Housing Unit Methodology and Allocation.

Matt Walsh provided the CCCC with an update on the RHNA project. Mr. Walsh reminded the committee that the cities and the Solano County formed a subregion within Solano County with the purpose of allocating ABAG regional housing allocation. In July 2012, ABAG assigned the Solano Subregion 6,977 units. Since then, staff have been working to assign housing numbers within the subregion in a fair and equitable manner. On October 9, 2012, a notice of public comment period was released, a sixty-day notice, where the public and each of the cities within Solano County have the ability to comment on the draft allocation in public. The state statute requires at least one public hearing be held to collect written or verbal comments. Mr. Walsh reminded the CCCC that the document that has been published is in draft form and may change as a result of city requests, public comments, or ABAG requested changes. The final version will be brought back to the CCCC in January 2013 for final approval and adoption of a resolution that will be submitted to ABAG to meet their February 1, 2013 deadline.

Mayor Patterson requested information on the public outreach efforts to receive comments. Mr. Walsh responded that a noticed was submitted to all the newspapers and staff from the seven cities were asked to provide known groups or interested parties to whom the notice may be distributed. Mr. Walsh further stated that he had not received any comments written or verbal on the item to date but that the comment period would remain open until December 7, 2012.

Chair Batchelor opened the public hearing. No comments were offered. The public hearing was closed.

VI. Discussion Calendar

1. Presentation on Center for Disease Control (CDC) Grant and Appointment to the Grant Committee.

Robin Cox, Health Education Manager, Health Promotion & Community Wellness Bureau, Solano County Public Health Services, provided an overview of the CDC Community Transformation Grant and requested participation from one or more CCCC members to serve on the leadership team for managing the Community Transformation Grant. She noted that the leadership team currently meets quarterly and the meeting last approximately one and half hours. In addition, Ms. Cox requested

members of the CCCC whether or not they volunteered to serve on the leadership team, to play a vital role in helping the team work with policy-makers in the cities and the County and to consider as she highlights the strategy of the grant program, how that may play in to the cities overall long-range plans. For example, add health goals in the General Plan when next it is updated. Ms. Cox further noted that agencies such as Solano Transportation Authority, Kaiser Permanente, the American Cancer Society, some school representation, and nutrition agencies, among others serve on the leadership team.

As part of her overview of the grant program, Ms. Cox noted that Solano County was one of twelve counties who received the grant and the priority is to improve access to fresh fruits and vegetables including joint use agreements with schools to increase the consumption of fresh produce. The aim of the grant is to reduce chronic disease (strokes, heart attacks, Diabetes, and certain cancers) in the County. There are four strategic directions in the chronic disease prevention initiative are 1) promoting smoke-free multi-unit housing, 2) limiting access to sugary beverages, 3) chronic disease self management program, and 4) safe routes to school and related policies to enhance walkable communities.

Supervisor Seifert request Ms. Cox remind the CCCC how much the grant was. Ms. Cox responded it is a five-year grant totaling \$1.266 million.

Mayor Patterson volunteered to serve on the leadership team noting that her community did not necessarily fit the profile however she is most interested in the subject and is looking forward to working with Mayor Davis on the team in conjunction with the wellness program in Vallejo and creating a partnership. Mayor Davis willing agreed to volunteer to serve on the leadership team. Similarly, Mayor Price and Supervisor Vasquez followed suit.

2. Priority Development Areas (PDA) Implementation Criteria.

Bob MacCaulay provided an update on the One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) and the project selection criteria which are incorporated in the ABAG guideline released in December 2011. Mr. MacCaulay noted that a number of public hearing of projects, honing in on those that exist and those that can be funded. To date, there are twenty-four grant applications totaling approximately \$25 million but over the four-year period of the OBAG, the total funding is between \$6.5 and \$6.8 million that can be allocated.

Mr. MacCaulay noted that some of the projects met the OBAG CMAQ Project and Program Eligibility Criteria as well as STA's OBAG Prioritization Criteria. He noted that three of the STA criteria were very clear in that 1) the project has to be identified in an STA adopted draft plan, 2) must be delivered by a public agency, and 3) must be funded within the timeframe of March 31, 2016.

Once the STA Board has determined projects that meet the OBAG CMAQ Project and Program Eligibility Criteria, then they will be rank against STA's thirteen OBAG Prioritization Criteria. Based on the answers, the STA Board will rank the projects for eligibility. Mr. MacCaulay discussed the following two of the thirteen criteria:

1. Does the project benefit a large number of residents or businesses, including multi jurisdiction? Mr. MacCaulay noted that the item did not pertain to the “largest”, rather whether it benefitted a large number, regardless of how many that may be. Supervisor Seifert requested clarification that the way the item was written in the staff report was correct. Mr. MacCaulay affirmed that it was.
2. Is the project located in a jurisdiction that is taking its fair share of the County’s housing allocation in the upcoming Regional Housing Needs Allocation process? Mr. MacCaulay noted that the STA Board asked the planning directors to review and discuss this item. The planning directors had concerns with the phrase “fair share” could result in Solano County being allocated less funding overall. The planning directors drafted alternative language, which they are forwarding to the STA Board. Their suggested language is “Is the project located in a jurisdiction that is taking more than its proportional share of the County’s allocation in RHNA?” The STA Board has not acted on this language yet.

Supervisor Sperring asked about the inclusion of PCA’s. Mr. MacCaulay responded that it was mentioned in the report but will be more flushed in future. Supervisor Sperring took a moment to recognize Mr. MacCaulay for his work on the OBAG process and noted he was becoming an expert in protecting Solano and other rural counties who lack the urban aspect.

3. Energy Chapter Climate Action Plan (ECCAP) Administrative Drafts for Dixon, Fairfield, Rio Vista, and Suisun City.

Bob MacCaulay noted this item was an action item for the CCCC to approve the draft ECCAP’s be heard at the planning commissions of the respective cities. Mr. MacCaulay provided an overview of the process to date and introduced consultant, Jeff Goldman with AECOM, who worked on the draft ECCAP’s who provided an overview of the draft ECCAP’s. Mr. Goldman explained the process occurred in three steps, 1) the process of developing energy efficiencies, 2) template used develop the draft ECCAP’s, and 3) structure and commonalities of each plan. Mr. Goldman also noted that a lot of outreach was done and the feedback include clarifying the relationship between climate science and state requirements which is the driving factor for doing climate action planning. Mr. Goldman also described how using the template document allowed each city to include unique items pertaining to each city.

Mayor Batchelor noted a potential “Cool Roofs” project coming to Dixon is an example a difference between cities and demonstrates the individuality of the ECCAPs.

Mayor Patterson provided two comments, firstly that the biggest challenge Benicia faced was the outreach and in the process learned that the word “assessment” is friendlier than using the word “audit”. Secondly, Benicia discovered there were approximately 120 action items and their initial action was to prioritize the action items. Mayor Patterson suggested it would save a lot of time if staff incorporated prioritizing action items in each plan.

Mayor Patterson also asked if there was an electric vehicle corridor in common with each plan. Mr. MacCaulay responded that the electric vehicle corridor was primarily a transportation issue and was not covered in the ECCAPs and secondly the demand for electric stations is so small it does not make a significant difference in reaching the

ECCAP goals. Mayor Patterson wanted to ensure the region is speaking with one voice when pursuing cap-and-trade funds.

Supervisor Seifert made a motion to forward the ECCAP's to the respective cities planning commissions. The motion was seconded by Mayor Patterson. The item was passed unanimously by the CCCC.

4. Legislative Update

Michelle Heppner introduced Paul Yoder from Shaw, Yoder and Antwih and Nancy Bennett from the League of California Cities noting that they would provide the City-County Coordinating Council with an oral update of county related and city related legislative issues.

Nancy Bennett provided the following update pertaining to City specific legislation:

- The League's spent its efforts mostly on the dissolution of the redevelopment agencies.
- Last year's three strategic goals were to support sustainable pensions, promote local control for stronger cities, and develop stronger partnerships for a stronger golden state. Ms. Bennett noted how the League met each goal.
 - Pension Reform
AB 340, pension reform bill, reached the Governor's desk. The League took a role in working with the Governor's office and the Legislature on the bill. The Governor realized he needed to address pension reform in order to make the case to the voters to pass Proposition 30.
 - Local Control
The League had to play "hard defense" on several bills aimed at reducing local control. One example is the bankruptcy bill reintroduced after the League fought it off in 2011. Other examples of bills were uniform parking standards, sidewalk repairs, and medical marijuana laws, which the League was successful at eliminating.
 - Building Strong Partnerships
The League struggled with this goal and initially tried to partner with California Forward on Proposition 31. The League supported the proposition as it pertained to the state but as far as local governments, the League had several concerns with it. Once the proposition was in print, the campaign was not willing accept amendments. Fortunately, the measure failed.
- Relative to Redevelopment, a trailer bill in the Governor's May Revise, had provisions that could be devastating to cities and the League worked with the Administration but the Governor signed the bill into law. As a result, the League was forced to file a lawsuit with their partner, the City of Vallejo.
Supervisor Spring noted his concern regarding the lack of professional courtesy displayed by the League by not informing the County they were filing a lawsuit naming the County.
- Ms. Bennett mentioned the disappointment of the League for a bill they worked on with Senator Wolk for Infrastructure Financing, a new redevelopment/economic development tool, but was ultimately vetoed by the Governor.

- Ms. Bennett noted the importance of getting in front of legislative proposals, especially in light of the Democrats supermajority in the Legislature. With a supermajority, and the incoming Legislature, several member who have up to twelve years in one house and will have the ability collectively to vote to raise taxes, pass urgency bills, put measures on the ballot, and override the Governor's veto without any Republican's contribution.

Mayor Patterson asked for clarification on why the Governor vetoed the Infrastructure Financing bill. Ms. Bennett responded that in his veto message, the Governor wanted to wait to settle redevelopment issues before considering new tools.

Mayor Price asked what the status was of city membership in the League. Ms. Bennett responded that only less than ten cities were not members at this point.

Paul Yoder provided an update on County related legislative issues as follows:

- Mr. Yoder noted that Proposition 30 passed and the only accurate poll was the election. The three major polls conducted in the ten days leading up to the election were not even in the margin of error. Similarly for the Presidential election, where the polls were not even within ten points.

Mayor Patterson enquired whether the passing of Proposition 30 helped California's credit rating. Mr. Yoder responded that it does and that one of the two major rating agencies, he believe was Moody's, already commented that it will improve the credit rating for California.

- Mr. Yoder noted that Proposition 39 which include funding for energy projects but also a half a billion dollars that goes in the State's General Fund.
- Mr. Yoder offered clarifying comments to Ms. Bennett's comment regarding the supermajority in that it was not official until Galgiani defeats Berryhill and the election results are not yet final. In addition, two Legislatures, Vargus and Mcleod were both elected to the US Congress. Mr. Yoder noted that the Governor would likely call those special elections to fast track filling those seats.
- Mr. Yoder further noted that the Governor had not wanted to raise taxes anymore and the Senate Pro Tem, Daryl Steinberg and Speaker John Perez are aware of this but have indicated their willingness to address tax reform.
- Mr. Yoder echoed Ms. Bennett's observation that a supermajority would make it difficult for local governments to kill bad bills. They would also have the ability to put measures on the ballot by themselves, without even the Governor. The Senate Pro Tem and Speaker are already talking about ballot measure reform.
- The Governor held a press conference and announced five priorities for 2013, namely regulatory reform, high speed rail, water, education standards and testing, and budget deficit reduction.

Supervisor Spering commented that he thought the supermajority is an opportunity to getting the threshold for tax measures lowered to 55%. He was planning to discuss it with Ms. Heppner and Supervisor Seifert to be included in the 2013 legislative platform also. Supervisor Spering also suggested the cities look at measure that could

be beneficial to the County by taking advantage of the Legislature's supermajority status. He noted we have Legislatures who are sympathetic to the County's needs and the County should develop a legislative strategy accordingly to get legislation passed.

5. Discussion of the 2013 Calendar / Work Plan

Ms. Heppner presented the draft work plan and noted that the 2013 calendar had been changed to remove the September 2012 meeting that was subsequently canceled. Ms. Heppner requested input from the CCCC on the 2013 work plan and informed them it would be placed on the December 13, 2012 agenda for final approval.

Supervisor Seifert mentioned that Supervisor Spering wanted to lead the charge to consolidate the Fire Districts and engage the CCCC during 2013.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Batchelor reminded the CCCC about the STA Awards presentation to be held at the Dixon Fairgrounds on Wednesday, November 14, 2012.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m. The next meeting will be December 13, 2012 in the Berryessa Room at the Solano County Water Agency located at 810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Ste 303, Vacaville, CA 95688.

**SOLANO
City County Coordinating Council
Staff Report**

Meeting of. December 13, 2012

**Agency/Staff: Christina
Arrostuto, Executive Director, First 5 Solano/
Office of the County Administrator**

Agenda Item No: V. 1

Title /Subject: “Moving from Poverty toward Prosperity” – Solano Safety Net Summits on Poverty

Background: Since 2010, representatives of government, business, education, faith and community organizations have been meeting to identify and implement activities aimed at reducing poverty and growing prosperity in Solano County. Participants are working to raise income and education levels in Solano. Activities are designed to align with United Way of the Bay Area’s campaign to cut poverty in half by 2020.

To that end, the Solano Safety Net Summit Steering Committee (comprised of representatives from Kaiser, UWBA, First 5 Solano, CAP Solano and the Children’s Network of Solano County) are making a series of presentations to key electeds and other policymakers to offer the opportunity for them the opportunity to endorse the UWBA “Roadmap to Cut Poverty.” The Roadmap lays out the goals and metrics of the campaign for each stage of life – early childhood, children/youth, adults and seniors. UWBA Roadmap Partners pledge to publicly support the campaign and participate in activities that move the goals of the Roadmap forward.

Representatives of the Solano Safety Net Summits committee are available to make follow-up public presentations to city councils, boards of education and other policy and community groups

Discussion:

Solano Safety Net Summits on Poverty - Since 2010, community partners across Solano County have been meeting and working to address local poverty, in line with efforts led by United Way of the Bay Area in its campaign to cut Bay Area poverty in half by 2020. First 5 Solano, United Way of the Bay Area, Children’s Network of Solano County and Kaiser Permanente have hosted 5 “Solano Safety Net Summit on Poverty” meetings to date, during which representatives of government, education, the non-profit and faith communities, community residents, business and many others have participated in activities including education and awareness about poverty issues, reviewing local data, formulating short- and long-term plans with goals and measurable outcomes, and committing to collective action for reducing poverty in Solano County.

Poverty in Solano County, while nothing new, has been significantly exacerbated by the Great Recession of 2008, the effects of which are still being felt in 2012/13. The 2011 American Community Survey (U.S. Census Bureau) indicates that 12.4% of Solano County residents live below the Federal poverty line, including 19.4% of Solano’s children and 8.9% of our Seniors. Over 18% of our lowest-income residents lack a high school diploma

While unemployment in Solano County as a whole stands at 10.3%, Solano County residents living in poverty are burdened with an unemployment rate of 22%. Moreover, 28% of these lowest-income individuals reported working full-time, year-round in the 12 months prior. These statistics illuminate the growing problem of a “new” sector of persons living in poverty – “middle-class” workers who now find themselves unable to support their families.

Based on data such as is listed above, Solano Safety Net Summit on Poverty participants identified “education” and “jobs” as the two highest-priority issues to address in relation to poverty. They wasted no time in establishing and committing to short-, medium- and long term projects activities that address poverty. These projects are briefly described below.

- In the short term, Solano Safety Net Summit on Poverty participants helped develop a comprehensive “System Scan” of not only the services available in the county, but the “fit” between services and the populations needing help, as well as the overall capacity of the system to serve them. The group is using this information to address service gaps and to help local providers work together more efficiently and effectively.
- As a “medium-term” activity, the group developed and held the 2012 Solano “Bridging Poverty” Opportunity Conference on May 19 at Solano Community College. 100 persons living in poverty (“Neighbors”) spent the day working with scores of community volunteers, under the leadership of Dr. Donna Beegle (a leading national poverty expert who herself grew up in generational poverty), to learn ways to escape poverty. 30 local volunteers (“Navigators”) were trained and connected with Neighbors that day, to provide ongoing mentoring and support. Solano County Library, which secured a State Library Grant for a “Compassion to Action” community book project, was instrumental in recruiting volunteer Navigators for the event.
- The longer-term activity, to develop and carry out a 5-year collective action plan that aligns with United Way’s 10-year campaign to address poverty, was approved by the participants of Solano Safety Net Summit on Poverty #5 in July 2012. At that meeting, participants agreed to form 4 work groups representing the strategic directions that the Solano poverty-reduction efforts will take. These include:
 - Fiscal approach – priorities include generating more funds to address poverty in Solano County, such as securing available state, federal and foundation grants;
 - Policy approach – priorities include participating in efforts to incorporate language into federal reauthorizations that make “suburban” communities like Solano County more competitive for state and federal funds;
 - Program approach – working to help more Solano County residents obtain a GED; and
 - Safety Net approach – ensure that while we are working to alleviate poverty, we continue to actively address the basic needs of our community residents still needing support.

The 2013 Solano “Bridging Poverty” Opportunity Conference is scheduled for April 27, 2013 and the planning group is meeting every two weeks. The Fiscal, Policy, Program and Safety Net work groups are forming and will meet between now and February 2013.

In addition, Christina Arrostuto of First 5 Solano was invited to participate on the United Way of the Bay Area “Founding Steering Council,” a series of meetings of partners from across the Bay Area to move its 10-year campaign forward. She serves as liaison between the two groups.

Al Ekin of Alza Corporation and Laura Escobar of United Way, co-chair the Opportunity Conference

Planning Committee. Among the members is Heather Devaney of Solano Coalition for Better Health, who has played a major role in organizing sponsors and donations for the event, along with Peggy Yost and Joanne Wright of Solano County Library, who support monthly “Navigator” brown-bag lunch meetings to keep the momentum going.

Ms. Escobar, Kim Thomas (Children’s Network), Cynthia Verrett (Kaiser Permanente), Kari Rader (CAP Solano) and Ms. Arrostuto act as the informal “Steering Committee” to plan the Safety Net Summit meetings, the next of which will be held in Feb-March 2013 to assess progress, and to continue deepening and strengthening the community commitment to collection action to address poverty in Solano County.

United Way of the Bay Area Poverty Reduction Campaign - Partners across the Bay Area are formally endorsing United Way’s campaign by signing the UWBA “Partner Pledge for the Bay Area Roadmap to Cut Poverty.” The Roadmap outlines the goals and metrics of the UWBA campaign to cut poverty. Organizations signing the pledge agree to publicly support the goals of the Roadmap and to actively participate in activities that help achieve the goals of the campaign.

Solano Safety Net Summit partners plan to bring reports to policymakers across Solano County (City Councils, Chambers of Commerce/service clubs, School Boards and others) in the coming months, to raise awareness of poverty issues, generate support for Solano Safety Net Summit on Poverty activities, and also to make them aware of the opportunity to sign the UWBA “Partner Pledge for the Bay Area Roadmap to Cut Poverty.”

Poverty is a complex and multi-faced problem. It drains the vitality of the local economy and the hope and motivation of the individuals and families across Solano County who seek a more productive, stable and prosperous life. The Safety Net Summit participants are convinced that only through long-term, collective community action can it be effectively addressed.

Since poverty is the root cause of so many of the socially disruptive and costly problems impacting Solanoans on a daily basis – illiteracy, lack of education, unemployment, welfare, child abuse and neglect, and incarceration, to name a few – poverty-reduction activities can yield financial and human benefits far beyond the minimal investments needed to move the efforts forward.

Recommendation: Receive the “Solano Safety Net Summits” report and consider endorsing the United Way of the Bay Area’s “Partner Pledge” to support the Roadmap to Cut Poverty.

Attachments:

**SOLANO
City County Coordinating Council
Staff Report**

Meeting of: December 13, 2012

**Agency/Staff: Bill Emlen/ Roberta Goulart,
Solano County**

Agenda Item No: V. 2

Title /Subject: Receive an update on Solano County efforts to address current State/Federal Delta Water Initiatives

Background/Discussion:

Solano County and the Solano County Water Agency (SCWA) have collaborated on Delta Water issues for many years. Staff from both agencies as well as Steve Chappell from the Suisun Resource Conservation District and Mike Hardesty from Reclamation District 2068 meet regularly on issues of mutual interest and concern. The SCWA Board gets regular updates from General Manager David Okita on the status of key Delta projects such as the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP). This update from County staff on Delta issues overlaps prior reports to the SCWA Board to some degree, with greater emphasis on land use and economic issues that are particularly important to the County.

Timing of this presentation corresponds to the status of two key Delta initiatives, the Delta Plan and BDCP. The final draft Delta Plan, prepared by the Delta Stewardship Council and intended to provide a long term vision and management plan for the Delta, was released for public review and comment on November 30th. The BDCP, which is being spearheaded by the State and Federal government, along with State and Federal Water Contractors, is a combined Habitat and Natural Communities Conservation Plan (HCP & NCCP) and contains various options for conveying water to the south, the most likely of which are underground tunnels. Sometimes referred to as the new version of the peripheral canal, the Plan also includes numerous measures to mitigate impacts of water deliveries. Most notable are proposals to create 100,000 + acres of habitat areas in the Delta, much of which will require conversion of prime agricultural land. Administrative drafts of the BDCP continue to be developed with a new draft expected to be released sometime early next year.

Staff's presentation will focus on key Solano County interests and issues with those proposals as they move forward. There are portions of the County that could be profoundly affected, most notably the Suisun Marsh and the Cache Slough area which is generally southeast of Dixon and north of Rio Vista. Key issues are water quality, quantity, changes in freshwater flows and the impacts of conversion of tens of thousands of acres of privately held farmland to public ownership, the location and success/failure of habitat creation/restoration efforts, and the potential detrimental effects on agriculture and the overall County economy. There are also potential major service issues with establishment of such large acreages of publicly held land.

The County has taken a measured approach in responding to the processes that are underway. The County works closely with the other four Delta Counties (Yolo, Sacramento, San Joaquin and Contra Costa) as the Delta Counties Coalition (DCC) to advocate for our interests in the Delta.

There has been a great deal of frustration about the lack of meaningful inclusion of local Delta communities in the development of the BDCP and Delta Plan. Many of the Delta Counties' comments in preliminary drafts of the BDCP and Delta Plan have not been addressed. Hopefully with the next phases of these projects there will be more substantive consideration of local Delta concerns.

Attached are several documents. They include the most recent principles and assurances document relating to Delta issues that was endorsed by the Board of Supervisors and a recent report to the Board on the status of various Delta issues and efforts. Also included is a recent Op-Ed article prepared by Supervisor Reagan that appeared in the Vacaville Reporter. Staff's presentation will address some of the issues discussed in these documents in greater detail. The intent of this presentation is to increase awareness of the magnitude of the Delta initiatives that are under consideration, and the potential effects they will have on the County. Although the targeted areas and impacts will mostly affect unincorporated areas, the effects will be felt by each community in the County to some degree.

Attachments: A - CCCC Attachment A - Delta Water Principles
 B - CCCC Attachment B - Significant Issues Memo
 C - CCCC Attachment C - Delta Stewardship Council OpEd

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Attachment A

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August 22, 2012

City County Coordinating Council

SUBJECT: SOLANO COUNTY DELTA WATER PRINCIPLES/ASSURANCES

Dear City County Coordinating Council Members:

On August 14, 2012 the Solano County Board of Supervisors approved a document entitled 'Delta Water Planning Process, Solano County, Principles/Assurances' (Principles/Assurances document). That document is attached. It represents a compilation and consolidation of past and present County policies and positions related to Delta water issues. It will provide the foundation and guidance for Solano County going forward in responding to the many plans, programs and projects being contemplated by the State and Federal government now and in the future that have the potential to affect the County.

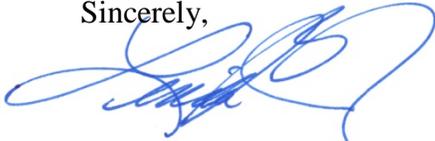
As part of our action, the Board of Supervisors requested that the Principles/Assurances document be forwarded to the City County Coordinating Council (CCCC), all cities in the County, the Solano County Water Agency, the Reclamation and Water Districts, and ask that each agency consider adopting this document. The intent of the Board's action was to keep our partner agencies in the County up to date on issues the County is currently addressing relative to the State and Federal water proposals and to develop a unified position on these matters. As follow up, County staff will provide a briefing on Delta water issues to the CCCC at an upcoming meeting. Several of the large scale Federal and State water proposals are entering critical phases and it is becoming increasingly important for all entities in the County to be informed and ready to respond to these proposals as the potential impacts could be detrimental to the entire region.

In addition to the Principles/Assurances document, also attached is the Delta Counties Coalition (DCC) Resolution on Water and Delta Related Issues, which is incorporated by reference in the attached County Principles/Assurances document. The DCC Resolution contains 12 Principles which are key and foundational to any position on Delta issues. The DCC includes Solano, Yolo, San Joaquin, Sacramento and Contra Costa Counties. The collaboration of the five counties has been pivotal in increasing awareness of how the Delta region will be affected by various Delta water project proposals.

We hope these documents are helpful in providing perspective on the County's position on Delta water issues and look forward to further discussion during our CCCC meeting. Please let us know if further discussion with your respective jurisdiction would be useful. County staff would be available to present to your governing body as appropriate.

On behalf of the Solano County Board of Supervisors, thank you for your continued interest in the Delta water issues.

Sincerely,



Linda Seifert, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors

Cc: John Currey, Dixon Resource Conservation District
Christopher Rose, Executive Director, Solano Resource Conservation District
Steve Chappell, Suisun Resource Conservation District
Reclamation Districts #2068 and #501
Maine Prairie Water District
Rural North Vacaville Water District
Solano Irrigation District
Solano Water Agency

Delta Water Planning Process

Solano County

Principles/Assurances

General Principles

Meaningful decision-making role in Delta planning process and governance: The Delta counties including Solano County have had no role (other than as outside commentator) in the processes to date. Key Delta decisions are still controlled by the water contractors and related State/Federal agencies. Local agencies and other directly impacted entities need a key decision-making role. Specifically;

- Full collaboration with the County from inception on planning, programs or projects occurring within the County, including studies to accomplish common understanding among all parties and sufficient detail to plan successfully for change.
- Respect local land use authority; close coordination with locals: Historically, and to the current day, Solano County has developed and implemented highly effective policies for agricultural land preservation and environmental stewardship. Solano County believes the state and federal government should respect Solano County's General Plan and work with the County in regards to Delta Plans and projects currently under consideration.

Strive for net benefit / No harm to Solano County: A commitment to net benefit to Solano County, rather than simply trying to avoid harm. Other regions in the State will clearly benefit from improved water reliability, water quality and supply from the projects being contemplated. Solano County should not receive harm as a result. We should expect a goal of net benefit in areas including (not limited to) water quality, flood management, agricultural production, economic prosperity and environmental quality. This would include;

- Identification of impacts. Detailed and appropriate identification of the broad array of interrelated impacts of a proposed action. Solano County will require oversight of a suite of detailed studies of impacted areas to ensure all impacts (as well as secondary impacts) are identified and mitigated over the long term.
- Full and comprehensive mitigation of impacts. There should be clear and unequivocal provisions in key state/federal Delta planning documents for a complete and detailed review of impacts on Solano and other counties covered by the BDCP. This shall include related projects and a clear commitment for full mitigation for the range of impacts identified. This includes a commitment of financial resources and revenue streams to ensure impacts are mitigated in both the short and long term.

Delta Plan, BDCP process and timing:

- Defer approval of the Delta Plan until a full range of information is available to allow for thoughtful and informed decision making, including necessary detail related to BDCP (an Interim Plan is in place).
- BDCP: public process; BDCP should follow a transparent, public, scientifically-based process, with science driving the process and results rather than political will. Each Plan should inform and complete the other.

Reduce reliance on Delta exports: The BDCP and Delta Plan should require proof of south-of-Delta planning for regional self-sufficiency over time as a measurable performance goal by those exporting water from the Delta. This should be inherent in any plan or program contemplating water supply or quality export, thereby reducing reliance on the Delta consistent with applicable law.

Implement early actions immediately, (including levee repair and rehabilitation, fish screens, agricultural intake screens, etc.) as a good-faith effort to restore the Delta and respect Delta as a Place.

DCC Principles: This document incorporates by reference the Delta Counties Coalition 12 Principles (Solano County Resolution 2008-150 and Resolution 2010-78)

Assurances**Water Quality, Supply**

- Water quality shall be protected and improved.
- Establishment of flow standards for a healthy Delta: Scientifically-based, proven, enforceable flow standards to ensure a healthy Delta must be established prior to any major changes to points of diversion and/or changes in exports.
- Provisions of the North Delta Water Agreement, including water quality, flow protection shall be retained and respected.
- Water quality in the Suisun Marsh shall not be degraded from current legally mandated levels identified in the Suisun Marsh Preservation Agreement (and including subsequent protections). Water quality standards and adequate flows must be retained.
- Area of origin and other senior, appropriative and riparian water rights in Solano County shall be protected and preserved.
- North Bay Aqueduct Alternate Intake Project: Support state and/or federal funding for the NBA Alternate Intake Project. Moving this drinking water diversion point would provide environmental benefits and improve water quality and reliability for Solano water users.

Ecosystem

- Public lands: land conversion: public lands should be utilized first for the purposes of land conversion for ecosystem purposes. Active management of public lands is required (absentee landowner creates additional impacts to County).
- Acquisitions: willing seller: acquisitions for the purposes of ecosystem restoration should be on a willing-seller basis where practicable and shall not adversely affect other agricultural areas in the vicinity.
- Acquisition or purchase of land: notification: In Solano County, acquisition of land destined for change in use must be reported to the County immediately. County permits are required for conversion of agricultural lands.
- ESA take protection shall be provided to Solano County farm and municipal operations that might otherwise be adversely affected by proximity to new habitat restoration projects and introduction of endangered species associated with these projects (Safe Harbor agreement).
- Habitat restoration planning, implementation: habitat restoration planning must be accomplished in close collaboration with the County, consistent with Solano County Water Agency Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Communities Conservation Plan and in accordance with studies done in collaboration with the County. Ecosystem restoration is exceedingly difficult to accomplish and has a correspondingly low rate of success. As a result, a phased approach and detailed alternative plan is critical to any implementation strategy. Adaptive management, although a critical component of any plan, is not a sufficient alternative strategy, nor should it be justification for moving forward with ill-conceived plans. Long term management of these lands is also required to be in the Plan.
- Protection of Suisun Marsh: any contemplated actions to Suisun Marsh need to be consistent with the Suisun Marsh Preservation Act and the Suisun Marsh Habitat Management, Preservation and Restoration Plan. Impacts need to be clearly identified, and mitigated, striving for net benefit.

Local Land Use Authority: collaboration

- Local land use authority must be respected: any state/federal plans with potential to conflict with the County General Plan must be accomplished in close collaboration with the County.
- Full transparency and local inclusion in state/federal Delta water planning efforts. No studies shall occur in or on lands adjacent to or in the County without the County being notified and a funded, active participant in such efforts from their inception. This includes at a minimum, studies in the Bypass area in geographically and hydrologically-linked Yolo County, and in Suisun Marsh.

Agriculture

- Preservation of agriculture: agriculture with prime or actively farmed lands with senior area-of-origin water rights shall not be sacrificed for agriculture where junior water rights prevail, especially in areas experiencing soil contamination problems and which are unsustainable over time.
- Existing farmland preservation: agriculture preservation policies must be foundational to any planning for conversion done for the region: agriculture and its associated economy must be protected, made whole at minimum, and improved if possible.
- Conversion of prime or actively farmed lands for habitat restoration shall not occur without concurrence from the County and mitigation agreements in conjunction with a state/federal/local collaborative planning process.
- Ag conservation/reclamation: recycling (reuse) and other irrigation efficiencies/practices should be included in any plan or program contemplating the export of Delta water as a measurable performance goal over a prescribed period of time.

Flood Control/Levees

- The County's flood control and levee system shall not be compromised and in fact should benefit from habitat restoration and flood control projects that may be initiated in conjunction with various Delta planning efforts. Flood protection for Rio Vista should be improved.
- Continue the Existing Levee Subvention Program at 75%.
- Stipulate PL 84-99 as the appropriate minimum levee standard.
- Commit to protection of Ryer Island from habitat restoration or conveyance projects including secondary effects from such projects including limitations on access, or stresses on the islands protective levees from nearby flood control or habitat projects.
- Commit to protection of lands south of the Bypass, including Rio_Vista from changes to the Bypass and land conversion to ecosystem restoration by ensuring levee rehabilitation to the **PL-84-99** standard at a minimum and other flood infrastructure as appropriate.
- Fund and restart the Delta Long-Term Management Strategy (DLTMS), a process to ensure dredging and beneficial reuse of dredged material for levee repair, as is done in the Bay Area.

Projects: Financing

- Obtain funding to conduct independent scientific and other studies to review data, modeling and determine extent of impacts from the range of contemplated projects with potential to affect change in Solano County.
- Secure financial support for infrastructure needs (including but not limited to) transportation corridors, levees/flood control/storage, water delivery systems and improved emergency response, including rock stockpiles specifically for levee repair.
- Require mitigation for lost tax revenues, public health and safety, and other impacts.

Areas requiring study (not exhaustive)

The state and federal government should make funds available for county-specific studies of potential impacts of contemplative plans, policies and projects. These funds should be provided with 'no strings attached' relative to the County. The studies should consider the full range of impacts and provide for full collaboration at all levels. The list below is a baseline and will likely grow over time as more information becomes available.

- Cache Slough Complex (phased approach): includes baseline land use/economic study; detailed economic work (secondary impacts, regional considerations); infrastructure; flood control; ecosystem restoration
- Flow; altered hydrology: county-wide
- Water quality change: county-wide
- Ecosystem Restoration Suisun Marsh (in concert with approved Plans as described under Ecosystem section)
- Levee restoration Cache Slough Complex, downstream; east county region
- Levee restoration, maintenance, dredging Suisun Marsh

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-78

DELTA COUNTIES COALITION RESOLUTION ON WATER AND DELTA RELATED ISSUES

This Resolution is effective upon passage by the COUNTIES OF CONTRA COSTA, SACRAMENTO, SAN JOAQUIN, SOLANO AND YOLO, political subdivisions of the State of California (hereinafter collectively referred to as "the COUNTIES").

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta is at risk from many factors, and in addressing these threats the state may make large-scale changes to the Delta's legal boundaries and ecosystem, land use authority within the Delta, water conveyance through and around the Delta, water rights and water management statewide and many other aspects related to the Delta; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTIES of Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano and Yolo believe there is value in developing a coalition on issues concerning the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta and greater Bay/Delta Estuary; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTIES wish to collectively articulate the issues and interests from the perspective of the Delta region itself, from the people who call the Delta home and perhaps best understand the tremendous resource the Delta represents; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTIES have identified a need for joint action and advocacy in areas of mutual interest on Delta related issues; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTIES wish to educate and maintain positive working relationships with regional, state and federal governmental agencies and the public on Delta related issues; and

WHEREAS, through this Resolution, the COUNTIES have adopted a statement of basic principles describing their joint interests, which may be refined over time.

NOW THEREFORE, the COUNTIES agree that:

The COUNTIES adopt this Resolution for the purpose of articulating mutual interests on Delta issues. The COUNTIES resolve to work together to better understand Delta related issues from a regional perspective and to use their unified voice to advocate on behalf of local government in available forums at the federal and state levels. Our mutual interests are as follows.

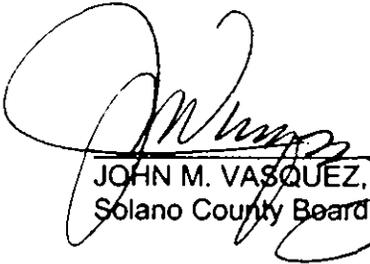
Management of the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta and greater Bay/Delta Estuary must:

1. Protect and improve water quality and water quantity in the Delta region and maintain appropriate Delta outflow for a healthy estuary;
2. Protect the existing water right priority system and legislative protections established for the Delta;
3. Respect and safeguard Delta Counties' responsibilities related to land use, water resources, flood management, tax revenues, public health and safety, economic development, agricultural stability, recreation, and environmental protection in any new Delta governance structures;
4. Represent and include local government in any new governance structures for the Delta;

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5. Protect the economic viability of agriculture and the ongoing vitality of communities in the Delta;
6. Support rehabilitation, improvement and maintenance of levees throughout the Delta;
7. Support the Delta pool concept; in which the common resource provides quality freshwater supply to all delta users, requiring mutual responsibility to maintain, restore and protect the common resource;
8. Support immediate improvements to through-Delta conveyance;
9. Require that any water conveyance plan for the Delta be aligned with the principles established by this resolution and supported by clearly demonstrated improvement to the entire state's water management;
10. Protect and restore the Delta ecosystem, including adequate water supply and quality to support it in perpetuity;
11. Include the study of storage options and implementation of conservation, recycling, re-use, and regional self sufficiency as part of a state-wide improved flood management and water supply system; and
12. Support those conservation actions that are aligned with the principles established by this resolution and that are in accordance with habitat plans and programs of the Delta Counties.

Dated this 6th day of April, 2010



JOHN M. VASQUEZ, Chair
Solano County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
Michael D. Johnson, Clerk
Solano County Board of Supervisors

By: Myra Chivela deputy
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To: Board of Supervisors
 From: Birgitta Corsello, County Administrator
 Date: October 23, 2012
 Subject: Significant Issues Update on Developments in Delta Water Topics

The coming months and into next year will be potentially critical period on Delta issues. Both the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) and the Delta Plan may be released as formal plans, with the Delta Plan release likely before the end of 2012 and the BDCP expected out sometime in 2013. Much of the County staff work revolves around these two projects, although significant activities are also under way on several other fronts. Below is a summary of where we are on various Delta related issues.

The Delta Stewardship Council and Delta Plan

After releasing seven preliminary drafts, the Delta Stewardship Council is nearing completion of the Delta Plan. The final draft Plan and updated/recirculated environmental documents are scheduled to be released in November 2012. While Solano County and the other Delta Counties have provided detailed comments and criticisms on all of the drafts that have been released, there have been relatively minor changes to the plan in response to these concerns. County staff will be taking a fresh, in-depth look at these documents and preparing detailed comments, including comments on how successfully and to what level of detail the Plan addresses (or fails to address) the Council's legal mandate, including the co-equal goals.

Senator Wolk's Senate Select Committee on Delta Stewardship

The Senate Select Committee on the Delta (Attachment A) held a hearing in Contra Costa County on October 15, 2012. Both Supervisor Seifert and Supervisor Vasquez attended. The hearing featured recent coalition work on consensus-based projects that would benefit the Delta in the short-term. The Committee heard from the Coalition to Support Delta Projects and the San Joaquin Valley Partnership (discussed below), as well as from state and local representatives. Next steps to help fund and implement these projects were discussed, and a round-table lunch was provided to continue the dialogue.

The Coalition for Delta Projects, discussed at length during the hearing, is comprised of a list of agreed upon projects submitted by a diverse group of interests and agencies that are usually at odds on key Delta issues (Attachment B). This group and their projects list have generated a great deal of attention from various state agencies, legislators, the press and others. Solano County and the Delta Counties are part of this Coalition. The Coalition has gotten a lot of press; the group has not yet determined what its next steps will be to continue to raise awareness and convince State and Federal agencies to commit funds for implementation of the various projects.

The Delta Counties Coalition (DCC) and San Joaquin Valley Partnership are involved in a similar process. The 12-county group has developed a list and project narrative of projects in the Delta and in the Central Valley that all can support, that are not associated with BDCP in any way and do no harm to any of the parties. The list includes projects that improve water quality and supply, storage, ecosystem restoration, and conservation. The draft list has not yet gone to the respective 12 Boards of Supervisors for approval and is not yet available for review.

Congressman Garamendi press release

In his October 18, 2012 press release, Congressman Garamendi praises the Coalition for Delta Projects' work and actively advocates for some of its projects, among them levee projects and the Rio Vista Estuarine Research Station. Congressman Garamendi also discusses his levee legislation HR 6484, the Safe Levee Act, and will hold a press conference on the legislation at an (as yet unknown) location near Freeport at 10:00 a.m. on October 24, 2012. Congressman Garamendi has indicated a willingness to work with the Counties on this legislation, and Solano County will be providing comments. The DCC is preparing a letter indicating conceptual support.

Cache Slough Study, Bay Delta Conservation Plan

The state Resources Agency offered Solano County \$100,000 on behalf of the BDCP for Solano County to do a study in the Cache Slough Complex. The County agreed, made a consultant selection, a scope of work was drafted and provided to BDCP, who then referred it to the State and Federal Contractors Water Agency (SFCWA). SFCWA approved the \$100,000 with an additional \$50,000 for their consultant's oversight of the study.

Relative to the study scope, (which lays out a land use baseline of information and initial work on an economic study considering impacts on agriculture of habitat creation) SFCWA had issues related to aspects of the scope. Subsequently a series of meetings ensued among the County, Contractors, SCWA, RD 2068 and the consultants. The last meeting occurred on October 16, 2012. Tentative agreement was reached, pending agreement of a revised scope of work and resolution of other key issues. The Contractors had questions about the University of California, Davis experts work on the agriculture valuation component, and Contractors wanted a full examination of benefits from recreation and habitat construction, etc. Agreement on a framework for a revised scope was reached. A revised scope is due out next week. Once the revised scope has been signed off by all parties, a report to the Board will be forthcoming, to accept funding from the Contractors and to approve a consultant contract to do the work.

BDCP – Second Round of Administrative Draft

A second round of administrative draft BDCP environmental documents are anticipated to be released to the public sometime in late fall to year end. County staff has been pressing for early release of documents (without success) describing impacts to and detailed studies of areas within the County for review and early comment. Some information will be forthcoming if the Cache Slough study (described above) moves forward. As a priority issue, County staff will be conducting an in-depth review to the best extent of available resources on the thousands of pages of BDCP documents, due to the significant breadth and scope of impacts to Solano County if this project moves forward. The public draft Plan and environmental documents are projected to be released in early 2013.

Central Valley Flood Protection Plan

The state completed the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan (CVFPP) in December 2011. Since that time, the state has issued guidelines establishing several large regions (within the state plan of flood control) throughout the state. Each region is to prepare a Plan that details and prioritizes projects for available funds. Yolo County and the Bypass area were bifurcated

into three regions. Yolo County initiated a series of meetings to revise the regional boundaries; an agreement was reached that the Lower Sacramento-Delta North region encompasses the area from Knights Landing south through the Bypass, through Solano to and including Rio Vista. Areas also in the region include Sacramento County on the east side of the Sacramento River along the Bypass down to and including the islands within Sacramento County in the Delta.

Recently, a Steering Committee for the region and subsidiary Coordinating Committee structure was established to enable the development of a proposal for a state grant to then enable preparation of the Plan. It is anticipated that the Coordinating Committee (there are two for the region) will be the arena in which decisions are made, with the Steering Committee focused on the technical aspects of consultant oversight. The Coordinating Committees are larger entities and will be a forum to gain stakeholder insight among other things. The Steering Committee is a 7-member group, comprised of 3 representatives from each Coordinating Committee, and WSAFCA, as the initial funder (funded consultants to facilitate process) and administrative lead.

In part because representation for rural levees is so critical, the three candidates selected for the Steering Committee from the Westside are Mike Hardesty, Lewis Bair and Ross Peabody, all Reclamation District representatives. It was also decided that Yolo and Solano Counties stand as alternates. The Eastside Coordinating Committee has selected a SAFCA representative, a Reclamation District representative and Sacramento County to comprise the full Steering Committee.

At this time a grant proposal is being prepared for submittal to the Department of Water Resources (DWR), and in anticipation of the grant, consultants are being selected to prepare the report. It is anticipated that as a more formal expression of the organizational structure becomes apparent, a full report to the Board will be forthcoming.

Attachments:

- A. Agenda – Senate Select Committee on Delta Stewardship & Sustainability
- B. Coalition for Delta Projects Letter dated Oct. 17, 2012

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Attachment B

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CALIFORNIA'S WINE INDUSTRY
EXCELLENCE & INNOVATION
IN STATE GOVERNMENT
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SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON DELTA STEWARDSHIP & SUSTAINABILITY

Informational Hearing

THE NEXT DECADE IN THE DELTA

Monday, October 15, 2012

9:30AM

Contra Costa County Board Chambers

651 Pine Street, Rm. 107 Martinez, CA 94553

AGENDA

- I. WELCOME AND OPENING COMMENTS
- II. CONSENSUS ON PROMISING NEAR TERM PROJECTS
 - Coalition to Support Near Term Delta Projects
 - Doug Brown, Delta Counties Coalition
 - Greg Gartrell, Contra Costa Water District
 - Jonas Minton, Planning and Conservation League
 - Randall Neudeck, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
 - Jason Peltier, Westlands Water District
 - Tom Zuckerman, Central Delta Water Agency
 - Susan Sherry, Center for Collaborative Policy
 - San Joaquin Valley Partnership
 - Sunne Wright-McPeak, Delta Vision Foundation
- III. FUNDING AND POLICY NEEDS FOR NEAR TERM PROJECTS
 - Anton Favorini-Csorba, Legislative Analyst Office
- IV. STATE & LOCAL PERSPECTIVES AND NEEDS
 - Phil Isenberg, Chair of the Delta Stewardship Council
 - Ken Vogel, Chair of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy
 - Don Nottoli, Chair of the Delta Protection Commission
 - Mark Cowin, Director of the Department of Water Resources
 - Jim Provenza, Yolo County Supervisor, District 4
- V. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- VI. CLOSING REMARKS

October 17, 2012

Governor Edmund G Brown Jr.,
c/o State Capitol, Suite 1173
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Brown,

Near-Term Delta Projects We Support To Move Forward in the Process(es)

The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta is the focus of several planning and regulatory processes that are often characterized by conflict and tension among agencies and stakeholders. Parties have recognized there are good and worthy near-term projects that seem to get lost in the tensions surrounding these processes. This year a very diverse group of stakeholders came together as an ad hoc group of individuals in six meetings. The goal was to identify near-term Delta projects that should move forward through the regulatory and other processes.

We, the undersigned, are writing to urge you to provide leadership to achieve implementation of a significant number of near-term projects.

Criteria used to identify projects for this list were:

- A. Projects that have wide support
- B. Projects that can be on line within 5 to 10 years
- C. Projects that are “no risk or low risk for any regrets” and do not prejudice the outcome of BDCP or the Delta Plan
- D. Projects that can be funded
- E. Projects supported by local landowners
- F. Projects we could learn from
- G. Projects that are designed or refined/redesigned to avoid impacts and provide multiple benefits
- H. Projects supported by science, and that come with specific monitoring or performance criteria, but absolute certainty of outcome not possible or required
- I. Projects that could foster cooperation

J. No “red flagged” projects

The list of projects we support to move forward in the process(es) is attached as Table 1. Table II provides more information on project costs and timing.

Some of these projects are already underway while others require detailed engineering or design work to confirm feasibility. In some cases the proposals are still in the conceptual stage.

These are projects that should receive timely and complete environmental and permit review. We recognize that in the environmental or permit review for specific projects some fatal flaws might emerge.

In many cases these projects could be eligible for funding from existing sources. This process is not intended to cause reallocation or reprioritization of existing funding sources. We also recognize that the total cost of these projects exceeds currently available funding. Therefore we anticipate cooperating in the advocacy for additional funding from a variety of sources.

Several permitting or funding agencies participated in our meetings. Their comments and questions helped the group understand potential issues. However, they are unable to express support in any way that could be considered “pre-decisional.”

The last scheduled meeting of the Coalition to Support Delta Projects was September 26, 2012. Participants are currently discussing how to continue this consensus process. Future activities are likely to include review of additional projects as they are brought forward and determining the best ways to help get worthwhile near-term projects implemented.

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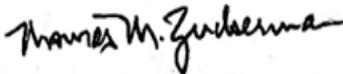
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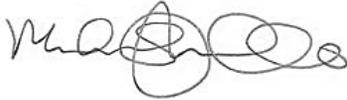
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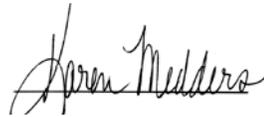
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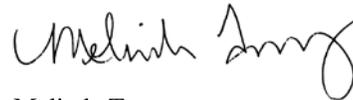
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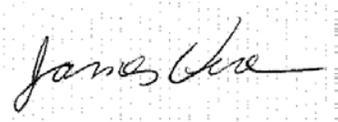
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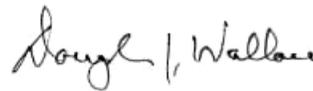
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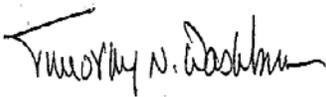
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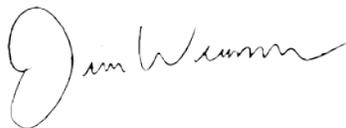
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Attachments

Table 1: Near-Term Delta Projects Supported to Move Forward in the Process(es):
Summary Information

Table 2: Near-Term Delta Projects Supported to Move Forward in the Process(es):
Cost and Timing Information

cc's: John Laird, Secretary for Natural Resources

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Brian P. Kelly, Acting Secretary Business, Transportation and Housing Agency

TABLE 1 Near-Term Delta Projects Supported to Move Forward in the Process(es): Summary Information 10.11.12

Project numbers are for identification purpose only and indicate order of submittal

Proposed Project	Proponent	Estimated Cost	Project Description	Readiness
Levee / Flood Mgmt. Emergency Response Projects				
13 RD 2038-Lower Jones Tract	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2038	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Lower Jones Tract (Reclamation District 2038) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	1
14 RD 2039-Upper Jones Tract	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2039	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Upper Jones Tract (Reclamation District 2039) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	1
16 RD 2072-Woodward Island	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2072	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Woodward Island (Reclamation District 2072) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	1
19 RD 684-Lower Roberts	Dante Nomellini, Sr., 684	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Lower Roberts Island (Reclamation District 684) by adding crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	1
21 RD 2024-Orwood Palm Tracts	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2024	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Orwood Palm Tract (Reclamation District 2024) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	1
47 Contra Costa Canal Levee Elimination and Flood Control Project	Leah Orloff, Contra Costa Water District (CCWD)	\$ 50 million	Replace the unlined portion of the Canal with reinforced concrete pipeline.	1
1 RD 756 Bouldin Island	David Forkel, Delta Wetlands	\$20 million	Rehabilitation of 2.3 miles of the east levee along Little Potato Slough, 4.5 miles of the west levee along the Mokelumne and San Joaquin Rivers and 4.3 miles of the north levee along the South Mokelumne River.	2
07 RD 2068 Yolo Bypass Levee Slope Modification	Mike Hardesty, RD 2068	\$500,000 (engineering/design only)	This levee protection and habitat development project envisions a new environmentally friendly approach that benefits the ongoing aquatic species habitat development being proposed by the Yolo Bypass/Cache Slough region and the adjacent federal project levees.	2

45 Bacon Island Levee Rehabilitation Project	Gilbert Cosio/Nate Hershey, RD 2028	\$30-60 million	Levee improvements on Bacon Island (Reclamation District 2028).	Attachment B
12 RD 2027-Mandeville Island	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2027	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Mandeville Island (Reclamation District 2027) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and to berms.	3
15 RD 2040-Victoria Island	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2040	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Victoria Island (Reclamation District 2040) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	3
17 RD 2117-Coney Island	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2117	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Coney Island (Reclamation District 2117) by adding crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	3
18 RD 2119-Wright Elmwood	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2119	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Wright Elmwood (Reclamation District 2119) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	3
20 RD 2023-Venice Island	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2023	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Venice Island (Reclamation District 2023) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	3
22 RD 548-Terminus Tract	Dante Nomellini, Sr., 548	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Terminus Tract (Reclamation District 584) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	3
25 RD 2037-Rindge Tract	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2037	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Rindge Tract (Reclamation District 2037) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	3
26 RD 2041-Medford Island	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2041	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Medford Island (Reclamation District 2041) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	3
27 RD 2065-Veale Tract	Dante Nomellini, Sr., RD 2065	\$2-5 million	Strengthen levee on Veale Tract (Reclamation District 2065) by adding fill to crown, landside slopes and toe berms.	3
33 Smith Canal Gate	Roger Churchwell, SJAFCA, RD 1614 and 828	\$30 million	The Smith Canal Gate would provide flood protection for 7,500 homes and be operated as needed to prevent high tidal flows from entering the residential area.	3

40	Emerg. Preparedness & Flood Response Program in the Delta	Michael Machado, Delta Protection Commission	\$250,000	Improve emergency preparedness in the Delta for dealing with levee failures after they occur and the need to treat the Delta as a coordinated area of operation emergency planning and response.	3
43	Sierra Northern Rail Line Acquisition	Tim Washburn, SAFCA (Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency)	\$21.7 million	Acquire, demolish and possibly relocate approximately nine miles of the Sierra Northern rail line between Yolo County Road 102 west of the Cache Creek Settling Basin and the Union Pacific rail line in the City of West Sacramento	3
48	Mormon Channel Ecosystem Restoration & Central Stockton Flood Bypass Project	Roger Churchwell, San Joaquin Area Flood Control Agency (SJAFC)	\$ 50 million	Reestablish the flow connection from Mormon Slough to Lower Mormon Channel and use Mormon Channel as a flood bypass during flood events. Reestablishing perennial flows would also allow for ecosystem restoration of Mormon Channel.	3
49	Paradise Cut Flood Bypass Expansion	John Herrick, Esq., South Delta Water Agency	\$ 80 million	Increase the capacity of Paradise Cut and add an additional weir upstream of the current one to allow for a greater amount of flow to enter the Cut during high flow times, including necessary dredging and levee work downstream of the Cut to safely pass the additional flow into the deeper Delta channels at acceptable or no additional risk to lands of that area. Project will include overflow and tidal habitat where feasible in coordination with fishery agencies.	3
06	Knightsen Biofilter	Mitch Avalon, Contra Costa County Public Works Dept.	\$12.1 million	Combined flood protection, habitat restoration, and storm water/drinking water quality improvements. Unique nature of project site also provides the opportunity to develop a "Delta Shoreline" habitat area.	3

Ecosystem Projects

02	McCormack-Williamson Tract	Leo Winternitz, The Nature Conservancy	\$20 million	Implement integrated flood control improvements that benefit flood management, aquatic and terrestrial habitats, and species and ecological processes.	1
28	Elk Slough Flood Control and Habitat Improvement Project	Erik Ringelberg, RD 999 and 150	\$5.2 million	Reconstruct the head gate structure to allow fish passage and construct an operable downstream flood control gate to establish a flood protection corridor by removing 18 miles of levees from primary flood control. This project would also improve aquatic and riparian habitat along the corridor.	3

11 Dutch Slough Tidal Marsh Restoration	Patty Finrock, DWR	\$35 million, (\$30.7 million already committed)	Restore tidal, riparian, and upland habitats, thereby providing critically needed habitat for native fish and wildlife in the Delta, while providing an opportunity for research on tidal restoration.	1	Attachment B
08 The Nigiri Project Yolo Bypass Floodplain Enhancement	David Katz, Cal Marsh and Farm Ventures, Knaggs Ranch	\$67,000,000	Seasonal creation of floodplain habitat for endangered native fishes and water flow during winter and spring on fields that remain in agricultural production in summer and fall.	3	
37 Lower Putah Creek Restoration	Robin Kulakow, Yolo Basin Foundation	\$1 million	Enhance and restore 300-700 acres of tidal freshwater wetlands and create 5 miles of new creek channel, entirely within the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area.	3	

Water Supply/Water quality Projects

05 Mt. Diablo Mercury Mine	Mitch Avalon, Contra Costa County Flood Control & Water Conservation District	\$4.1 million	Point source cleanup of the mine site and cleanup of deposited mercury washed downstream to the Marsh Creek Reservoir. Improves public health and safety by reducing mercury contaminations in fish and sediments in Marsh Creek and the Delta.	3	
42 South Sacramento County Agriculture & Habitat Lands Water Recycling Project Phase 1	Lysa Voight, Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (SRCSD)	\$106 million	Design and construct Phase I of a multi-phased project that will provide up to 65,000 acre feet per year of recycled water and irrigate up to 16,000 acres of agriculture, habitat mitigation and conservation lands in South Sacramento County.	3	

Research, Investigation, and Education Projects

34 Delta Subsidence Reversal/Carbon Sequestration	Bryan Brock, DWR	\$12.25 million (funding approved)	Convert significant acreage on Sherman and Twitchell Islands from conventional agriculture to practices that promote subsidence reversal, while quantifying carbon sequestration rates to aid in protocol development and lessen flood risks.	1	
52 Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Watershed Models for Water Supply /Water Quality	Lysa Voight, The Central Valley Drinking Water Policy Workgroup	\$300,000	Complete the combined WAMF, DSM2 and CalSim II Sacramento - San Joaquin Delta Watershed Models for water supply / water quality. This model was developed to evaluate flow, nutrients and salinity, but can be expanded for other uses.	2	

38 Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Public Use	Robin Kulakow, Yolo Basin Foundation	\$1 million	Increase existing and provide new long-term opportunities for appropriate wildlife dependent public use.	Attachment B
50 Methylmercury Impacts Analyses for the Yolo Bypass	Philip Pogledich, Yolo County	\$100,000	Collect data and analyze changes in methylmercury production and bioaccumulation that could result from (1) a proposed project to enhance fisheries habitat in the Yolo Bypass; and (2) a Central Valley Flood Protection Plan Proposal to expand the Yolo Bypass to improve flood capacity and help identify and describe management practices that could minimize methylmercury production and loads from the proposed projects.	3
35 Delta Methylmercury TMDL	Dr. Stephen McCord, Delta TMDL Nonpoint Sources Workgroup	\$198,000	Provide a clearinghouse for information and facilitate a regional study management program for the control of methylmercury from wetlands and irrigated agriculture in the Sacramento - San Joaquin Delta.	3
51 Clarksburg Flood Protection Feasibility Study	Philip Pogledich, Yolo County	\$200,000	Feasibility study of alternatives to provide a 100-year level of protection to the Clarksburg region.	3
04 Rio Vista Estuarine Research Station	Ted Sommer, DWR	\$80 million	Consolidate over 160 agency employees into a single location and provide modern facilities for science and research efforts.	3
09 Planning for Delta Narratives Project	Jane Wagner-Tyack, Restore the Delta	\$107,795 (funding under review by NEH)	A plan for multi-location exhibits, which situates the Delta's narratives in regional and national history, links sites of cultural significance, outlines the responsibilities of each exhibition partner, and delineates how various audiences will be able to access the information provided.	3
24 Delta Working Landscapes	Michael Machado, Delta Protection Commission	\$1 million	Planting vegetative buffers along irrigation canals and hedgerow plantings to improve water quality by reducing runoff of pesticides and sediment and farming approaches which can benefit wildlife and other environmental aspects.	3
36 Pacific Flyway Center Delta Gateway	Robin Kulakow, Yolo Basin Foundation	\$13 million	Proposed educational facility and site to serve the general public, Central Valley area school districts, various public sector agencies, and special environmentally focused events and activities.	3

53 Delta Branding Project	Susan Roberts Shakoora Azimi -Gaylon, Sacramento - San Joaquin Delta Conservancy (Conservancy)	\$500,000	Develop a Delta Brand, including branding collateral, and a 2-5 year marketing plan to promote the Delta as a destination and the Delta's significance to Californians.	3 Attachment B
10 Reclamation Districts Archive	Jane Wagner-Tyack, Restore the Delta	\$40,000 (starting cost)	The project would expand on an effort currently underway in San Joaquin County to preserve and make more widely available historical records related to Delta levee construction and maintenance and other reclamation district activities.	4

Project Number*	PROPOSED PROJECTS									
	Levees/ Flood Management/ Emergency Mgmt.**	Ecosystem	Water Supply	Water Quality	Other (Research, Investigation, Education)	Readiness	Construction/Implementation Start	Cost for Next Step/Phase***	Total Cost (remaining for projects underway)****	
	Number with the resource as "Primary" focus: (numbers do not add to 43 projects - some projects have two primary purposes/benefits)									
	24	6	3	12	43					
Levee / Flood Mgmt. Emergency Reponse Projects										
13	RD 2038 - Lower Jones Tract	P				1	2014	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	
14	RD 2039 - Upper Jones Tract	P				1	2014	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	
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21	RD 2024 - Orwood Palm Tracts	P				1	2014	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	
47	Contra Costa Canal Levee Elimination and Flood Control Project	P	X	P		1	2013	\$50,000,000	\$50,000,000	
1	RD 756 Bouldin Island	P				2	2013	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	
7	RD 2068 Yolo Bypass Levee Slope Modification	P	X			2	2013	\$500,000	\$7,700,000	
45	RD 2028 Bacon Island Levee Rehabilitation Project	P				2	2013	\$30,000,000	\$60,000,000	
12	Reclamation District No. 2027 (Mandeville Island)	P				3	2014	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	
15	RD 2040 - Victoria Island	P				3	2014	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	
17	RD 2117 - Coney Island	P				3	2014	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	
18	RD 2119 - Wright Elmwood	P				3	2014	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	
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22	RD 548 - Terminus Tract	P				3	2014	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	
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26	RD 2041 - Medford Island	P				3	2014	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	
27	RD 2065 - Veale Tract	P				3	2014	\$5,000,000	\$10,000,000	
33	Smith Canal Gate	P				3	2015	\$30,000,000	\$30,000,000	
40	Emergency Preparedness and Flood Response Program in the Delta	P				3	2013	\$250,000	\$250,000	
43	Sierra Northern Rail Line Acquisition	P				3	2014	\$2,300,000	\$21,700,000	
48	Mormon Channel Ecosystem Restoration & Central Stockton Flood Bypass Project	P	X			3	2017	\$5,600,000	\$50,000,000	
49	Paradise Cut Flood Bypass Expansion Project	P	X	X		3	2016	\$500,000	\$80,000,000	
6	Knightsen Biofilter	P	P	X	X	3	2015	\$6,000,000	\$12,100,000	

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Ecosystem Projects (see also Knightsen Biofilter project above)													
2	McCormack-Williamson Tract	X	P		X	2	2014	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000				
28	Elk Slough Flood and Habitat Improvements Project	X	P			3	2013	\$1,400,000	\$5,200,000				
11	Dutch Slough Tidal Marsh Restoration		P		X	1	2013	\$7,400,000	\$35,000,000				
8	The Nigiri Project Yolo Bypass Floodplain Enhancement		P		X	3	2016	\$7,000,000	\$66,935,000				
37	Lower Putah Creek Restoration		P			3	2016	\$1,000,000	\$10,000,000				
Water Supply/Water quality Projects (see also Contra Costa Canal project above)													
5	Mt Diablo Mercury Mine		X	P		3	2015	\$500,000	\$4,100,000				
42	The South Sacramento County Agriculture & Habitat Lands Water Recycling Project (South County Ag Project) Phase 1		X	P		3	2017	\$12,000,000	\$106,300,000				
Research, Investigation, and Education Projects													
34	Carbon Sequestration	X	X		P	1	2013	\$2,350,000	\$12,250,000				
52	Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Watershed Models for Water Supply /Water Quality			X	P	2	2013	\$300,000	\$300,000				
38	Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Public Use				P	2	2013	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000				
50	Methylmercury Impacts Analyses for the Yolo Bypass		X	X	P	3	2013	\$100,000	\$100,000				
35	Delta Methylmercury TMDL			X	P	3	2013	\$198,000	\$198,000				
51	Clarksburg Flood Protection Feasibility Study	X			P	3	2013	\$200,000	\$200,000				
4	Rio Vista Estuarine Research Station				P	3	2015	\$12,000,000	\$80,000,000				
9	Planning for Delta Narratives Project				P	3	2014	\$107,795	\$1,000,000				
24	Coalition to Support Delta Projects Working Landscapes				P	3	2013	\$250,000	\$1,000,000				
36	Pacific Flyway Center Delta Gateway				P	3	2017	\$1,000,000	\$13,000,000				
53	Delta Branding Project				P	3	2013	\$200,000	\$500,000				
10	Reclamation Districts Archive Proposal				P	4	2012	\$40,000	TBD				
Total number of projects that address the resource		28	14	8	16								
Total Costs for Next Step/Phase		\$187,150,000	\$39,800,000	\$37,500,000	\$17,745,795			\$282,195,795					
Total Remaining Cost for Full Implementation		\$440,700,000	\$143,185,000	\$135,400,000	\$109,548,000			\$828,833,000					

Key: Category: P = Primary purpose/benefit X = Additional purpose/benefit

Notes

- * Project numbers are for identification purposes only and simply indicate order of submittal.
- ** The total cost for levee improvements along the Middle River conveyance corridor to improve seismic resiliency is estimated at \$60 million.
- *** Costs for next step/phase include all remaining costs to complete the next phase or step (likely completed in less than 5 years).
- **** Total Costs includes all remaining costs to complete the project (possibly over the next 10 to 20 years). Where there were ranges identified, the high end of the range is listed here.

Count	Readiness Scoring:
8	1 = Underway - Significant funding and permits secured
6	2 = Ready to Move Forward - Design complete, partners committed, CEQ/NEPA compliance, ready to apply for permit and funding
28	3 = Concept Fleshed Out - Project concept clearly articulated; at least initial discussion with potential partners; potential sources of funding identified
1	4 = Idea Stage - A potential promising idea; no details at this time

OpEd on the Delta Stewardship Council's Delta Plan

By Supervisor Mike Reagan

11/25/12

In coming months, residents of the Delta region should closely follow several key initiatives that could change the Delta landscape we know today. Most notable are the Delta Plan and the Bay Delta Conservation Plan.

The scenarios being considered could result in tens of thousands of acres of productive farmland in Solano County being converted to tidal wetland areas, with little consideration of economic compensation to Solano County or its residents. Water-quality deterioration from salt intrusion, caused by reduced fresh-water flows, could further impact farmlands and fresh-water supplies. It is essential that we all stay engaged in these processes to ensure the worst-case scenarios do not occur and that the county receives fair mitigation.

Most immediately before us is the Delta Plan Environmental Impact Report, which the Delta Stewardship Council will release Friday for a 45-day review and comment period. Releasing this critical public policy document during the holiday season is unfortunate and questionable; nonetheless, paying attention to it is critical.

Most everyone agrees that having a comprehensive, balanced Delta Plan is the state's best opportunity for addressing what is stressing the Delta. Under normal circumstances, crafting this plan would be challenging, particularly given the number of federal, state and local agencies with their own, sometimes conflicting mandates regarding the Delta. The process has been compounded by high-level involvement of interests that do not have the well-being of those living in the Delta as their highest priority. The result has been a draft Delta Plan that seems to be fair and balanced for everyone *except* those of us who live here.

In 2009, the Delta Stewardship Council's charge to develop the Delta Plan was clearly outlined in a state law that says the plan must further the "two co-equal goals of providing a more reliable water supply for California and protecting, restoring and enhancing the Delta ecosystem." Further, the statute says: "The co-equal goals shall be achieved in a manner that protects and enhances the unique cultural, recreational, natural resource and agricultural values of the Delta as an evolving place."

I don't believe the Stewardship Council has met all of those objectives. The council seems focused solely on two identified outcomes: a reliable water supply and restoring the ecosystem of the Delta. While both are important, the council fails to provide appropriate attention to other statutory requirements, such as improving flood protection "to ensure an increased level of public health and safety" and protecting agricultural lands "from the intrusion of nonagricultural uses."

The council has directed a significant amount of regulation and policy at local government agencies; however, the same level of oversight is not being leveled at state agencies or agencies

that export water from the Delta. (This is ironic, considering it is the water exports that have largely caused today's ecological and water-quality problems the Bay-Delta estuary.) The Delta Plan implicitly endorses the still-incomplete Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) and provides little oversight by the Stewardship Council. This premature endorsement is silent on the impact of the proposed construction of massive tunnels capable of diverting most of the Sacramento River flows beneath the Delta and the conversion of a significant portion of productive farm land into habitat, most of which is planned to be carved out of Solano County. There is no real demonstrated commitment to the stewardship of the Delta itself, just to the water resources that can be extracted from it. The Delta Plan provides little direction and no specific endorsements for near-term projects that could be helping the Delta today, despite repeated suggestions and submittals of no-regrets projects that have broad agreement among all stakeholders and wouldn't conflict with the BDCP.

Finally, if implemented, the regulations/policies described in the Delta Plan will come at an unmitigated cost to Solano County. For example:

- The Delta Plan would impose a complex, restrictive "covered actions" review process on property in the Delta's "secondary zone," where the state now has no land-use authority. Such reviews could affect the contemplated 1,300-acre deep-water port and green-tech industrial zone included in our adopted County General Plan, among other projects.
- The Stewardship Council could look at areas outside the legally defined Delta region if it thinks they relate to its mission. That should chill leaders in most of northern Solano County's cities.

It would be easier to swallow this dramatic scale of change if our community were being treated fairly, if all parties were making similar sacrifices and if we were a significant part of the planning process. Sadly, that has not been our experience to date. Solano County will be conducting a thorough review of this latest document on the Delta. We hope other Solano stakeholders do, as well.

The author represents District 5 on the Solano County Board of Supervisors. The Delta Plan is available for review at <http://deltacouncil.ca.gov/delta-plan>.

**SOLANO
City County Coordinating Council
Staff Report**

Meeting of: December 13, 2012

**Agency/Staff: Bill Emlen/ Roberta Goulart,
Solano County**

Agenda Item No: V. 3

Title /Subject: Approval of the CCCC 2013 Meeting Schedule and Work Plan for 2013

Background/Discussion:

The CCCC is asked to approve the 2013 Meeting Schedule (Attachment A) and Work Plan for 2013 (Attachment B)

The 2013 Work Plan focuses on presentations and discussions on three general topic areas: state and federal budget and legislative impacts; Healthcare reform; and a workshop on Economic Development and Job Creation. Other topics that may be of interest include regional collaboration and Realignment Phase II.

At their November 8, 2012 regular meeting, the CCCC reviewed the Draft 2013 Work Plan. A request was made by Supervisor Seifert to include "Consolidation of Fire Districts" to the Work Plan. Staff added this item under the proposed March 2013 Workshop along with Economic Development / Job Creation.

Recommendation:

Approve the CCCC 2013 Meeting Schedule and the 2013 CCCC Work Plan.

Attachments: A - CCCC 2013 Meeting Schedule
 B - CCCC 2013 Work Plan

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City-County Coordinating Council**

Revised Meeting Schedule

Meeting Location & time (unless otherwise scheduled):

Solano County Water Agency
810 Vaca Valley Parkway, Suite 203
Vacaville, CA 95688

Proposed 2013 Meeting Dates

January 10 (<i>Replaces February 14</i>)	Regular Meeting (RHNA Approval for ABAG February 1 deadline)
March 14	Workshop
May 16	Regular Meeting
August 8	Regular Meeting
November 14	Regular Meeting

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**SOLANO
City-County Coordinating Council
2013 Work Plan – Draft 2**

January 11, 2013

Proposed meeting topics:

- Adoption of the RHNA Resolution (ABAG)
- Adoption of 2013 CCCC State and Federal Legislative Platform
- Report on Governor's January State Budget Plan

Include informational items on agenda:

- CCCC 2013 Roster

March 14, 2013

Workshop on Economic Development / Job Creation (EDC / County)
Consolidation of Fire Districts (Supervisor Spering)

May 16, 2013

Proposed meeting topics:

- Report on Governor May State Budget Revisions

August 8, 2013

Proposed meeting topics:

- Healthcare Reform

November 14, 2013

Proposed meeting topics:

- State and Federal Budget and Legislative Update
- Discussion of 2014 CCCC State and Federal Legislative Platform

Other Suggestions/Meeting Topics

Proposed meeting topics:

- Opportunities for Regional Collaboration
- Public Safety Realignment 2
- WRDA Dredging