

Briefing about tunnel conveyance in the Delta available to public

A briefing about tunnel conveyance in the Delta is available to the public. The presentation was given to the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) Steering Committee. You can find it here. The presentation said: "As we all know, BDCP has two co-equal goals: improved water supply reliability and an improved Delta ecosystem. Conveyance is only one component of the overall BDCP. Other conveyance options are still being evaluated. No final decisions



have been made about conveyance size, alignment, operations, or configuration."

DWR extends comment deadline on Delta drilling plans

The public now has until Sunday, July 31, to comment on geotechnical engineering studies for the Bay Delta Conservation Plan and for preliminary engineering studies for the Delta Habitat Conservation and Conveyance Program. DWR extended the dead-line from July 15. For instructions on commenting please go here. DWR is the lead State agency under the California Environmental Quality Act and has prepared a Draft Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration for upcoming geotechnical work.

Lower Yolo Bypass Forum releases draft of 13 goals for the area

The Lower Yolo Bypass Planning Forum has released its "preliminary draft" planning goals. The 13 goals include water quality, flood protection, habitat, agriculture, recreation and invasive species. The purpose of the Lower Yolo Bypass Planning Forum is to discuss the future management of the lower portion of the Yolo Bypass and to prepare consensus recommendations for its management. You can find it here.

National Academy of Sciences panel to meet next week Scientists of the National Academy of Sciences who are studying the Delta will meet next week from Tuesday, July 13, to Thursday, July 15, in Sacramento. <u>The agendas for all three days are posted here</u>.

DWR releases draft handbook for communities implementing flood laws DWR has released for public review and comment a draft report titled *Implementing California Flood Legislation into Local Land Use Planning: A Handbook for Local Communities*. The draft handbook describes new legislative requirements that affect city and county responsibilities related to floods. Read more.

DWR plans workshops on flood planning this month The Department of Water Resources' Central Valley Flood Planning Office will host a series of 11 workshops about flood protection planning this month. The workshops will focus on such things as regulations, ecosystems, flood warning and finance. They will be held beginning July 19 and ending on July 29. Read more.



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