

## THE GREAT CALIFORNIA DELTA TRAIL SYSTEM

### What is the Great California Delta Trail System?

Recognizing the unique natural resources of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, the growing demands for public access to these resources, and the increasing recognition of the importance of outdoor recreation in addressing childhood obesity, the California Legislature passed, and the Governor signed, Senate Bill 1556 (Senator Torlakson) supporting the creation of a Delta trail network.

### Where will the Trail network be located?

The vision is for the trail to link the San Francisco Bay Trail system and planned Sacramento River trails in Yolo and Sacramento counties to present and future trail ways around and in the Delta, including Delta shorelines in Contra Costa, San Joaquin, Solano, Sacramento, and Yolo counties.

### How will the Trail network be planned?

The Delta Protection Commission will facilitate the feasibility and planning process. The 23-member Commission is comprised of landowners, and representatives from local, state and regional entities. To assure a stakeholder-driven process, the Commission will establish a Stakeholder Advisory Committee that will include representation from groups interested in the environmental and ecological protection of the Delta, groups representing agricultural, private and other business uses of the Delta's land and water, and groups involved in bicycling, walking, boating, horseback riding, and other relevant recreational activities.

### How will the Trail network be implemented?

Trail network planning will include the establishment of a Technical Advisory Committee that will review planning, implementation, and funding proposals that evolve throughout the planning process from a feasibility perspective. This committee will include members and staff of appropriate regional government associations, local jurisdictions and districts. This technical input into the final recommendations will become critical when the network is developed and provided to local Delta entities, such as the counties, to consider for implementation in their jurisdictions.

### How will the Trail network be funded?

- Cities, counties, and regional governments are eligible to consider allocating Transportation Funding for bicycle and pedestrian facilities planning toward the Trail network planning process.

- Funds established as mitigation for discontinued public access to natural resources areas will be considered sources.
- Grants and bonds (particularly 84 and 1E) will be considered sources.
- Public/Private partnerships.

#### Opportunities for Involvement

Meetings will be public and there will be extensive outreach to include all perspectives in the Trail network planning process. Check out the Trail link on the Delta Protection Commission web site: [Delta.ca.gov](http://Delta.ca.gov). Contact Linda Fiack, Executive Director at [lindadpc@citlink.net](mailto:lindadpc@citlink.net) or (916) 776-2292.