Preliminary Meeting Agenda

Delta Measurement Experimentation Consortium

Convener: Office of the Delta Watermaster, State Water Resources Control Board

Date: Thursday, January 5, 2023 **Time:** 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM

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Meeting Objectives:

- Update on transition in the Office of the Delta Watermaster
- Provide regulatory updates potentially impacting Delta water rights
- Review progress on Delta Alternative Compliance Plan (Delta ACP) implementation
- Report on preliminary design of diversion/OpenET correlation research project
- Share updates on Consortium member initiatives

Agenda:

- Welcome and Self-introductions
- SWRCB Updates: (Michael George)
 - Introduce the next Delta Watermaster
 - SWRCB action on revised regulations
 - Conforming to legislative consolidation of water use periods (water year) and reporting deadline (February 1)
 - · Clarifying requirement for notification of water right changes
 - Process and timing
 - Extension of time to comply with measurement regulations
 - Waiver of enforcement against late filing, subject to filing by April 5, 2023
 - Concept for legislative clarification of order for reporting water diversion and use under the most senior water right available
 - The Delta Conservancy's 2023 Delta Drought Response Pilot Program
- Delta Alternative Compliance Plan implementation: (Lindsay Kammeier/Brett Baker)
 - Digitized polygon development to delineate places of use and associate them with points of diversion/statements
 - Delta ACP User Interface
 - Update on participant application for coverage
 - Additional Workshop on participating in the Delta ACP to be held virtually, February 9th
- Delta Telemetry Pilot Program (Laurel Dodgen, Division of Water Rights)
- Next steps in research and experimentation (Russ Ryan/Lisa Crowley/Patrick Neu)
 - Initiative to develop correlations between metered diversions and crop ET in the Delta
 - MWD/MBK pilot project tested concepts and identified a series of challenges
 - Interested Consortium members have conducted two Subgroup meeting
 - Next steps:
 - Begin with simplest case (on an individual-field level)
 - Develop and attempt to close mass balance of water use (accounting for passive surface water diversion)

- Identify and include additional metered diversions to expand universe of metered diversions
- Incorporate additional data from DDRPP fields
- Track costs for both compliance and research
- Develop common data standards for associated telemetry
- Plan for data repository and access
- Consortium Member Updates and Developments
 - Metropolitan Water District/MBK Engineers
 - The Nature Conservancy
 - Department of Water Resources
 - The Freshwater Trust
- Group Discussion
- Adjourn

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