



# CCVFCA'S Flood Flash

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## CALENDAR ALERTS

### September 29

Delta Science Program [seminar](#) on species impacts from historical Delta reclamation and water supply export system, 12:00-1:00 pm, 980-9<sup>th</sup> St, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Sacramento.

### October 12

Delta Levee Investment Strategy Workshop – Presentation of Modeling Tool, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm, 980-9<sup>th</sup> St., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, Sacramento. [Click here](#) for meeting information.

### October 13

San Joaquin Co. Preseason Flood Coordination meeting, 9:00-11:00 am, Cabral Center (SJC EOC), 2101 E. Earhart Ave, Assembly Room 3, Stockton. Click [here for meeting flyer](#).

### October 15

Sutter Region Preseason Flood Coordination Meeting, 9:00-11:30 am, Whiteaker Hall, 44 Second St, Yuba City.

### October 19-24

California Flood Preparedness Week. [Click here](#) for more information.

### October 22

Sacramento Region Preseason Flood Coordination Meeting, 9:00-11:30 am, CVRWB, 11020 Sun Center Dr, Rancho Cordova.

### October 22-23

Delta Stewardship Council Meeting. Park Tower Plaza, 980 Ninth Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Sacramento.

### October 29

Public Workshop on Folsom Dam Water Control Manual Update, 9:00am-Noon, Sterling Hotel, 1300 H St., Sacramento. **Please RSVP by sending email to [ssherry@ccp.csus.edu](mailto:ssherry@ccp.csus.edu) with a simple “YES,” “NO” or “MAYBE.”** Direct any questions regarding this workshop to [Cynthia Brooks](#), Senior Project Manager, Joint Federal Project, Sacramento District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, (916) 557-6745. To review information previously provided on the Manual Update, [click here](#).

### October 30

Deadline has been extended 60 days to comment on BDCP's new Preferred Project and EIR/EIS. Documents and information about the new alternatives and where to submit written comments available on BDCP's website:

<http://baydeltaconservationplan.com/2015PublicReview/PublicReviewRDEIRSDEIS/>

### November 9

[Deadline to submit comments](#) on [CA WaterFix 404 permit](#) application submitted by DWR to USACE for construction of new conveyance facilities in the Delta.

## FEATURED ASSOCIATE MEMBER

## **KEEPING UP**

### **Changing of Guard in Local Congressional Staff**

Nathan Dietrich, a congressional staff person that many CCVFCA members have come to know and rely on over his years working on flood protection issues as District Director for Representative Doris Matsui, is leaving that position to work on federal and state issues for California State University, Sacramento.

Rep. [Matsui's letter](#) disclosing Nathan's departure also announces that after working on legislative issues in her Capitol office for the past five years, Sacramento native Sam Stefanki will take over as District Director.

There are more staff changes occurring in neighboring congressional district as well. Andrew March recently reached out to CCVFCA to introduce himself as the new Constituent Services Representative replacing Brandon Minto in Congressman John Garamendi's office. Born and raised in Yuba City, Andrew is looking forward to working on Delta and flood protection issues.

The Association will miss Nathan and Brandon expertise and commitment to flood control and Delta issues, but wishes them well in their new positions, and looks forward to working with Sam and Andrew.

### **Delta Levee Investment Decision-Support Tool to Be Unveiled at Public Workshop**

The Delta Stewardship Council has scheduled a public meeting on the morning of Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> (see above) to have the consultants developing the methodology and Planning Tool for the Delta Levee Investment Strategy (DLIS) to demonstrate the draft decision-support modeling tool. DSC staff will also discuss the next steps including the use of conceptual investments to reduce risk and their cost-effectiveness.

CCVFCA members and staff, and other Delta stakeholders interested in flood protection have expressed concern with the methodology and guiding Principles developed thus far. The Association has pointed out that the Delta Levees Program (Subventions and Special Projects) is one of two successes in the Delta over the last three decades and therefore questioned the need to replace it with an untested new tool that an [Independent Science Panel review](#) warned is not scientifically sound.

According to the current [schedule for DLIS](#), the Council plans to complete a Draft EIR and release a Final Draft Strategy in December with the intent to adopt DLIS as an enforceable regulatory policy in the Delta Plan at their June 2016 meeting.

### **WSAFCA Newest Member of CCVFCA**

The Association is pleased to welcome the West Sacramento Flood Control Association (WSAFCA) as its newest member. Formed in 1994 through the adoption of a joint exercise of powers agreement between the City of West Sacramento and RDs 537 and 900, WSAFCA is working with state and federal partners to design and build flood risk reduction facilities to protect more than 47,000 people and over 13,000 acres of property valued at over \$4.2 billion. To find out more information about WSAFCA and their projects, [click here](#).

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## **IN THE NEWS**

(Clicking the links will take you to news organization websites, where you can read the full stories. CCVFCA is not responsible for content on these external sites.)

### **El Nino news . . .**

- [California drought and impending El Niño raise fears of levee breaks](#)
- [As El Niño approaches, lessons from the '55 flood](#)
- [California won't likely benefit from El Niño rains](#)
- [El Niño may provide temporary solution to California drought](#)
- [Tijuana prepares for El Niño](#)
- [How much rain will it take to end state's drought](#)
- [Opinion: What will 'Godzilla' El Niño Mean for the Southwest?](#)

- [How El Niño Might Have Fed the Valley Fire's Strange Ferocity](#)
  - [Flood-prone Newport Beach is getting ready for El Niño](#)
  - [Scientists predict increased coastal erosion due to stronger El Niño events](#)
  - [Floods after drought: why El Niño might not revive California](#)
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