



One Water and Stewardship Committee

Bay-Delta Manager's Report

Item 7b

September 11, 2023

Sites Reservoir Water Rights Application

- Protest period ended August 31st, 2023 with 15 total protests received
- Next steps: Sites is working with protestants to find resolution. Unresolved protests will go to hearing

State Water Contractors Protest

- Supportive of the proposed Sites Reservoir Project
- Existing SWP and future Delta Conveyance Project water rights could be impacted
- Protest process provides a forum for ensuring that the water rights of all parties are protected

Sites Reservoir Planning Updates



Bay-Delta Costs and Expenditures

Memo Transmitted on September 7th, 2023

- Follow-up to Board direction given during the Bay-Delta 101 Workshop held on July 25th, 2023
- Includes costs and expenditures related to:
 - Delta Conveyance Project
 - Sites Reservoir
 - Bay-Delta Science Activities
 - Metropolitan's Delta Islands



COEQWAL

Grant

Equitable Stewardship of California's Water in a Changing Climate



Berkeley Rausser
College of Natural Resources

- **Grant**: \$8.2 million California Climate Action grant awarded to UC Berkeley
- **Deliverables**: flexible and accessible version of water operations model used by state & federal agencies for water planning in California
- **Overarching goal**: advance underlying science, identify needs for improving existing models and build a foundation for collaborative decision making to advance equitable, sustainable and climate-resilient water stewardship in California
- **Community partners**: Tribal communities, TNC, Restore the Delta, DSC, PPIC, State and Federal agencies, and others

MWD Contribution: \$150K matching funds and in-kind services

