



THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT  
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

# Board Report

## Bay-Delta Resources

- **Bay-Delta Management Report**

### Summary

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This report provides a summary of activities related to the Bay-Delta for December 15, 2025 – January 15, 2026.

### Purpose

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Informational

### Detailed Report

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#### **Decide on Sites Reservoir and Protect our Bay-Delta Interests**

##### Delta Conveyance Project

In November 2025, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) issued the Delta Conveyance Project Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement. USACE is the lead agency under the National Environmental Policy Act, and cooperating federal agencies also include the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. The public comment period closed in January 2026. A Record of Decision is expected in 2026.

##### Bring Sites Reservoir Analyses and Options to the Board for Consideration

The Sites Reservoir Committee recommended, and the Authority Board approved, a voluntary reassignment of 6,234 acre-feet of storage capacity from Wheeler Ridge–Maricopa Water Storage Replenishment District to Santa Clara Valley Water District at the December 19, 2025, Joint Reservoir Committee and Authority Board Meeting.

##### Advance Science and Multi-Benefit Solutions That Improve the Sustainability of the Delta and Inform Regulation

Staff reviewed the draft Restoration Management Permit and submitted revisions to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) related to the Webb Tract Wetland Restoration Project (Webb Tract Project). A Follow-up consultation meeting with CDFW is scheduled. Staff expects the permit to be issued in late January 2026.

The USACE initiated formal consultation with the USFWS under the Endangered Species Act and the State Historic Preservation Officer under the National Historic Preservation Act on the Webb Tract Project.

The completed Basis of Development package for the Webb Tract Project is expected to be released in early February 2026.

Installation of water diversion meters on Bacon Island commenced in early January. Completion of meter installations on all Metropolitan Delta Island agricultural diversions is expected to be completed by the end of March 2026.