



Bay-Delta Resources

- **Bay-Delta Management Report**

Summary

This report provides a summary of activities related to the Bay-Delta for October 2024.

Purpose

Informational

Detailed Report

Long-Term Delta Actions

Delta Conveyance related Joint Powers Authority

At the October 17 Delta Conveyance Design and Construction Authority (DCA) Board of Directors meeting, the DCA Board was presented findings of the Independent Technical Review (ITR) Committee. The ITR Committee was convened by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) to review early technical materials developed by the DCA related to potential innovations for the Delta Conveyance Project. In a workshop environment, the ITR Committee discussed, debated, and ultimately came to agreement and recommendations on the eight innovations reviewed.

At the October 17 regularly scheduled Delta Conveyance Finance Authority (DCFA) Board of Directors meeting, the DCFA Board received and filed the fiscal year 2023/24 audit demonstrating that the financial controls of the DCFA are strong. The DCFA Board also approved the one-year extension of the contract with Brian G. Thomas Consulting, LLC to provide executive director services.

Near-Term Delta Actions

Regulatory and Science Update

Staff attended and presented at the Bay Delta Science Conference 2024. Staff participated in a kick-off meeting for the first White Sturgeon Technical Team (WSTT). White Sturgeon has recently been petitioned for state and federal listing. The WSTT is tasked with developing and implementing science and a monitoring plan to determine the effects of the State Water Project on White Sturgeon.

The Reorienting to Recovery (R2R) Project held workshop #4 in October with the R2R Structured Decision-Making Workgroup to review the most recent round of balanced recovery scenarios. The purpose of the R2R Project is to identify preferred, broadly supported management scenarios that support salmonid recovery in the Central Valley. Final recommendations will be documented in a report that will be available at the end of 2024.

Delta Islands

On October 15 and October 16, staff from the Waterschap Hollandse Delta, based in the Netherlands, traveled to Northern California for a peer-to-peer workshop and tour. The workshop facilitated an exchange of information and approaches related to levee safety, real-time levee monitoring, nature-based solutions, innovation, and stakeholder engagement. On October 16, staff provided a tour of Metropolitan's Delta Islands to the group from the Netherlands. Staff will continue to exchange information and gain international perspectives to discover novel solutions to shared challenges.

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Metropolitan Bay Delta Conservation Plan/California WaterFix and EcoRestore/Delta Conveyance Project (BDCP/CWF-CER/DCP) Expenditures

The following is a summary of Metropolitan’s cumulative BDCP/CWF-CER/DCP expenditures updated for the quarter ending September 2024. This report includes the total internal costs related to the BDCP, the CWF-CER and the subsequent DCP efforts with the state administration.

Staff will continue to provide this report on a quarterly basis in the Bay Delta Management Report.

Total (July 2005 – September 2024)

| BDCP/CWF-CER/DCP Internal MWD | Total Costs (19.25 yrs.) |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Labor & Benefits ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 38.78M |
| Professional Services | \$ 7.20M |
| Travel | \$ 1.80M |
| Other ⁽²⁾ | \$ 0.21M |
| SUBTOTAL | \$ 47.88M |
| Administrative Overhead | \$ 14.07M |
| TOTAL | \$ 62.06M |

⁽¹⁾ Labor costs include salary, leave and non-leave benefits

⁽²⁾ Other includes charges for materials and supplies, trainings & seminars, conferences & meetings, reprographics, and other incidental expenses

Quarterly Summary (Oct 2023 – Sep 2024)

| | FY23-24 Q2 | FY23-24 Q3 | FY23-24 Q4 | FY24-25 Q1 |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | Oct-Dec 2023 | Jan-Mar 2024 | Apr-Jun 2024 | Jul-Sep 2024 |
| Labor | 0.152M | 0.249M | 0.253M | 0.221M |
| Professional Services | 0.006M | 0.004M | 0.002M | 0.001M |
| Travel | 0.001M | 0.004M | 0.000M | 0.000M |
| Other | 0.000M | 0.000M | 0.000M | 0.000M |
| SUB-TOTAL | 0.159M | 0.257M | 0.184M | 0.222M |
| Admin. Overhead | 0.046M | 0.048M | 0.038M | 0.062M |
| TOTAL | 0.205M | 0.305M | 0.223M | 0.284M |

The following is a summary of the DCFA costs for member’s share of administrative expenses:

Quarterly Summary (Oct 2023 – Sep 2024)

| | FY23-24 Q2 | FY23-24 Q3 | FY23-24 Q4 | FY23-24 Q1 |
|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | Oct-Dec 2023 | Jan-Mar 2024 | Apr-Jun 2024 | Jul-Sep 2024 |
| TOTAL | 0.002M | 0.001M | 0.002M | 0.002M |