

**Date:** June 9, 2017

**To:** Member Agency Managers

**From:** Jeffrey Kightlinger, General Manager

**Subject:** Delta Stewardship Council pending action on draft Delta Plan amendments

The Delta Stewardship Council (DSC) faces an important milestone on June 22 as it considers whether to launch the environmental review process to incorporate amendments into its Delta Plan that would expand the Plan's guidance for conveyance, storage and operations. The final permit in the California WaterFix process will be for the Department of Water Resources to certify that this conveyance process is consistent with the Delta Plan. Opponents of WaterFix have been trying to either stop this DSC process or alter the plan amendments in a way that would be harmful to a proposal such as WaterFix.

While there are still some line-item concerns about some of the draft language, overall Metropolitan remains supportive of the direction of this process. It recognizes the importance of constructing new intakes in the Delta, for example.

We believe that providing feedback at this stage in the process is helpful, and we encourage you to sign this group letter. Please let Manjit Kaur (MKaur@mwdh2o.com) know if we can add your agency to the letter. We would be delighted if you or any of your representatives wish to come to Sacramento to provide public comment on June 22. I encourage you to contact Dee Zinke if you are interested in participating in the DSC meeting on June 22.

This milestone is one of several we anticipate in the not too distant future. This is an important time to focus on California WaterFix and on the Stewardship Council.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 213-217-6211 or Steve Arakawa at 213-217-6052.

Thank you