

IEP PWT Chair & Stakeholder Meeting Agenda

May 13, 2026, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Hybrid meeting. Attendance in-person at [1010 Riverside Parkway, West Sacramento 95605](#) in the Garibaldi Conference Room #114



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- Welcome and introductions** (5 min)
Stephanie Fong, IEP, Stephanie.Fong@wildlife.ca.gov
 - PWT Chairs Updates** (10 min) – Chairs will share updates on activities in their PWTs
PWT Chairs (as available)
 - Delta Smelt Summer-Fall Habitat Action Synthesis** (final report available) (30 min)
Rosemary Hartman, Rosemary.Hartman@water.ca.gov
DWR has been leading a multi-agency team in evaluating efficacy of previous Fall X2 and Suisun Marsh Salinity Control Gate operations for Delta Smelt in summer and fall. A final report on the outcomes of the work is now available.
 - Updates on the Yolo Bypass Monitoring Program and Big Notch Operations** (30 min)
Mackenzie Miner, Mackenzie.Miner@water.ca.gov
Hailey Mico, Hailey.Mico@water.ca.gov
 - Updates from the Delta Science Program** (10 min)
Henry DeBey, Henry.DeBey@deltacouncil.ca.gov
 - Updates on the Science Plan from the State Water Contractors** (10min)
Darcy Austin, State Water Contractors Science Manager, daustin@swc.org
 - New Golden Mussel Research: Lifecycle and Control Studies** (20 min)
Lu Han, lhhan@ccwater.com
This presentation outlines two new research projects evaluating golden mussel lifecycle triggers and the efficacy of chemical or UV control treatments. Using the 2025 spawning delay as a starting point, we will detail our upcoming studies on local spawning windows and mitigation testing.
 - 2026 IEP Workshop Summary** (5 min)
Adam Nanninga, Adam_Nanninga@fws.gov
 - IEP Work Planning & Programmatic Updates** (5 min)
Stephanie Fong, IEP, Stephanie.Fong@wildlife.ca.gov
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Do you have something you want to share with the group or want more information on a topic at the next meeting? Send a request to iep@wildlife.ca.gov.

2026 IEP PWT Chair & Stakeholder Group Meeting Schedule

- August 12, 2026 from 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- November 12*, 2026 from 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. (*Thursday due to Veterans Day)

Recent IEP-Related Publications (Newsletters, Technical Reports, IEP Datasets)

- Early view of a final publication “[Investigating the efficacy of tidal wetland restoration in enhancing aquatic food web resources for native fishes](#)” from the Fish Restoration Program (Gabriel Ng et al.) in a special issue of Restoration Ecology called “Cultivating the Living Laboratory Concept through Wetland Restoration”.
- The 2024 issues of the IEP Newsletter are now available:
 - [2024 Volume 43, Issue 1](#) and [2024 Volume 43, Issue 2](#)
- 2025 field season data for [Summer Towntnet \(STN\)](#) and [Fall Midwater Trawl \(FMWT\)](#) surveys are now available on the CDFW ftp site. Data will be posted to EDI for these surveys after the 2026 field season.
- November 2025 publication from Khanna et al. (NCEAS study) [Floodplain inundation and lateral connectivity promote productivity in a manager river ecosystem](#).

Other Announcements:

- [Bay-Delta Science Conference](#) is coming this fall on **September 28-30, 2026**. Interested in presenting your research? Fill out the [Call for Abstracts](#)! Submissions are due **May 29**.
- Delta Plan Interagency Implementation Committee’s Restoration Subcommittee Meeting (10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.) and Delta Restoration Forum (1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.) on **June 18, 2026**. View the [flyer \(PDF\)](#) and register to attend the Restoration Forum.
- The [California Environmental Data Exchange Network \(CEDEN\)](#) website has a new look and a new URL! Also, the [CEDEN Data Checker](#) was updated. Check out the Resources section on the CEDEN website for more information on CEDEN 2.0.
- State Water Board launched a new weekly digital publication called [Ebb and Flow](#) that will explore water-related topics and provide insight into the work being done across their nine regions, divisions, and offices.
- The San Francisco Estuary Institute updated their [State of Our Estuary](#) website.
- Check out the latest edition of the USGS California Water Science Center newsletter – [California Waters - Spring 2026-Vol. VI, Issue 1](#).
- New high-resolution elevation map for the entire Bay-Delta under the [San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary 2025 LiDAR Collaboration](#) project. See the [Delta Science Tracker activity](#) page.

IEP Website, Blogs & Video Links:

- [IEP Homepage](#) – Home page is updated monthly.
- [IEP Subscription page](#) – Subscribe to receive updates on IEP activities.
- [Science Stories: Adventures in Bay-Delta Data](#) – A blog managed by IEP Synthesis Team Lead, Rosemary Hartman
- IEP Playlist on [CDFW YouTube Channel](#) - videos of the workshop and other events.
- [IEP Calendar of Events](#) for upcoming IEP Project Work Team meetings

Career Opportunities

Looking for a new opportunity? Don't forget to check the [IEP Career Opportunities](#) page. [Subscribe to the Job Opportunities email list](#) to receive announcements directly to your email.