# DELTA CONVEYANCE PROJECT (DCP)

A STATE-OF-THE-ART REAL SOLUTION TO MODERNIZE, REPAIR AND PROTECT CALIFORNIA'S AGING WATER DELIVERY SYSTEM FROM THE NORTH



## STATE WATER PROJECT (SWP)

The State Water Project (SWP), built and operated by the California Department of Water Resources, is a massive water delivery system that provides water to more than **27 million** Californians and **750,000 acres** of farmland. Even with newly developed local supplies and more conservation, imported water will remain a critical water source.



NEARLY 50% OF ORANGE COUNTY'S TOTAL WATER SUPPLY IS IMPORTED

## SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN BAY DELTA



The Sacramento-San Joaquin Bay Delta (Delta) is the focal point for water distribution through the state, serving as the hub through which water passes from north to south. Its complex maze-like waterways, supported by a series of man-made dirt levees, are highly susceptible to damage from flooding and earthquakes.

## THERE IS A 62% chance of a 6.7 magnitude earthquake hitting san francisco bay by 2032.



Since the 1800's, each of the Delta islands and tracts have flooded at least once. There have been about 100 levee failures since the early 1890s. The last levee break was repaired at a cost of \$90 million dollars.

## WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?



#### WASTED WATER

The current system cannot adequately capture and store water when it is available.

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#### COST OF DOING NOTHING IS TOO GREAT

Impacts without the DCP could include species decline, water supply disruption, loss of jobs, and higher food and water prices.

#### OUTDATED AND UNRELIABLE SYSTEM

50-year old dirt levees in the Delta are all that protect this vital water supply from earthquake damage, salt-water intrusion, rising sea levels, storms and floods.



#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DECLINE**

Since the 1800's the Delta has been altered to support farming, transportation, commerce and housing development, which has in effect, harmed native and non-native species that inhabit or pass through the Delta.

## WHY A DELTA CONVEYANCE PROJECT?



#### STORM WATER CAPTURE

A PLAN FOR EMERGENCIES

The DCP is designed to capture storm water which is currently flowing out to the ocean. A modernized system will effectively help refill reservoirs throughout the state.









The DCP will help ensure that we have the supplies we need in critical times of drought and other emergencies.

Most southland water in reserves is imported.

#### EARTHQUAKES

If dirt levees collapse, water supplies from the north will be destroyed and water deliveries throughout the state will be threatened.

#### PROTECTING INVESTMENTS

Ratepayers have already invested hundreds of millions of dollars to build and maintain the SWP system. Modernizing the system will help protect this valuable investment.

#### **JOB CREATION**

The DCP will create over a hundred thousand *new* construction jobs and will *protect* nearly a million jobs statewide.

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Separate from The Delta Conveyance Project, California EcoRestore is a multi-agency initiative launched in 2015 to restore at least 30,000 acres of critical habitat in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta), Suisun Marsh, and Yolo Bypass region.

## WHAT IS CALIFORNIA ECORESTORE?

Native wetlands have been dredged and diked since the 1800's to support farming, transportation, commerce and housing development. Channelization of Delta waterways, the discharge of pollutants, and the introduction of non-native species have all contributed to the degradation of water quality and native habitat. EcoRestore is a California Natural Resources Agency initiative executed in coordination with state and federal agencies, whose focus is implementing a complete suite of habitat restoration actions to support the long-term health of the Delta, and its native aquatic and wildlife species.



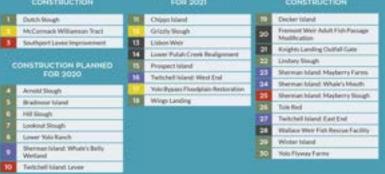


- **RESTORATION PROJECTS** contribute to the long-term health of the Delta.
  - PLANNING specific actions for the region to help direct restoration efforts.
  - ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT utilizes a multi-agency approach to guide and monitor habitat management.

## ECORESTORE STATUS

Completed





## In permitting

#### Planned



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