



Briefing on the Delta Stewardship Council's Water Storage Issue Paper

Background

Randy Fiorini, Vice-Chair of the Delta Stewardship Council, will brief the Commission on an issue paper on water storage entitled, *"Don't Just Think 'Big' When Adding to State's Water Storage Capacity."* The paper discusses the successes of many local public water agencies in constructing small storage projects, and suggests the State consider small, as well as large scale storage projects to address California's water storage needs. Specific recommendations include:

- The California Water Commission should conduct a statewide survey of public water agencies to determine locations that have been considered locally or regionally for water storage but have not been pursued. To ensure public water agency participation the California Water Commission should partner with the Association of California Water Agencies to prepare for and conduct the survey. A reasonable deadline for completing this survey and producing the inventory list would be March 31, 2014.
- Once a statewide survey of possible storage locations is complete and a comprehensive list of locations has been identified, DWR and the California Water Commission should evaluate and identify which locations with local support have a public benefit.

Attachment

Issue Paper: Don't Just Think 'Big' When Adding to State's Water Storage Capacity

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