

*This summary is provided as a resource for committee members and the public to have brief highlights following SEC meetings. In addition to this summary, meeting minutes and video will be available on the [dcdca.org](http://dcdca.org) website.*

## MEETING PURPOSE AND OVERVIEW

At the first meeting of the Stakeholder Engagement Committee (SEC), committee members:

- introduced themselves
- were introduced to staff members from DCA and DWR
- received an orientation regarding the SEC's purpose and scope and were briefed on the Brown Act and Public Records Act (PRA) laws governing the committee meetings.

The meeting agenda, presentation and supplemental materials are available for review on our website at [dcdca.org](http://dcdca.org).

## HIGHLIGHTS TO SHARE

- The information SEC members provide is not directly a part of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) process. Instead it will help inform DCA's engineering work that will be provided to DWR to assist in its environmental review.
- The committee is an invaluable resource for providing local feedback to DCA regarding specific design elements and the possibility to optimize, reduce, avoid or offset community effects. Further, members are vital liaisons for sharing information between the DCA and their local communities.
- DWR staff indicated that early to mid-December is the target release date for the Notice of Preparation (NOP) that will begin the scoping process for the Environmental Impact Report under CEQA for the Delta Conveyance Project.
- A target date of April has been set for DWR to begin review of the DCA's draft engineering documents.
- To that end, each meeting's purpose moving forward will be 1) for DCA engineering staff to obtain specific design features input from the SEC members, 2) for committee members to bring forward information, questions and/or concerns they would like to discuss.
- As an FYI to committee members, DWR shared that soil analyses from various locations through the Delta to support environmental review and design of the proposed Delta Conveyance Project is being considered. Area stakeholders and committee members will soon receive notice of the public comment period for the draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND), set to minimize overlap with the projected scoping schedule for the Delta Conveyance project.

## NEXT MEETING

**DATE:**  
December 11, 3-6 pm

**LOCATION:**  
Belle Vie Vineyard,  
19900 Sherman Island  
Cross Road  
Rio Vista, CA 94571

**PURPOSE:**  
Review NOP (if released)  
and provide members  
with system and siting  
overview

## MORE QUESTIONS?

- Meeting minutes and video will be available at [dcdca.org](http://dcdca.org)
- Contact us at [SEC-info@dcdca.org](mailto:SEC-info@dcdca.org)

## COMMITTEE THOUGHT EXCHANGE

The following are next steps resulting from meeting discussion:

- At members' request, DCA will provide a general roadmap of what is planned for discussion at each meeting from December 2019 through April 2020, with the understanding that the SEC members could address additional agenda items that came up.
- Meeting materials will be available the Friday before SEC meetings, sooner when possible.
- Agendas will be posted on the website, sent via email to the DCA mailing list and physically posted at both the DCA offices and the meeting location on the day of the meeting. Additional postings/distribution by committee members in their local communities are encouraged.
- DCA will provide a document outlining how meetings are noticed. Members are encouraged to augment noticing through their local networks and groups.



- Members encouraged posting agendas at libraries and post offices, and paid advertisements in local newspapers to support greater participation in the SEC.
- Committee members expressed a preference for increasing the 30-day public comment period for the draft IS/MND for soil analysis to extend past the holiday season. An extension will potentially create a longer overlap of this comment period with the proposed Delta Conveyance Project's likely scoping period, but this was preferable to members (as opposed to over a 30-day public comment period planned to minimize such an overlap).
- DWR will pursue accommodation of that preference and advised committee members the notices have already been sent to the printer indicating a Dec. 20 deadline. DWR will consider the request for extension and provide notice if extended.
- During public comment, the SEC committee formation process and membership was questioned and clarification was requested in defining the SEC's role.