

Bay-Delta Tour

FIELD TRIP

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Go deep into California's water hub. Travel from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta - a 720,000-acre network of islands and waterways that support a diverse ecosystem and transport water to the state's largest water projects - to the San Francisco Bay. This is a critical time for the Delta as regional water projects face pumping restrictions while fish populations continue to decline. And debate continues over the proposed tunnels that would carry water underneath the Delta to the state and federal pumping plants.

This 3-day, 2-night tour features experts who will discuss the issues and controversies about California's most crucial ecological resources. This tour gives participants the opportunity to view significant features firsthand, hear from representatives of the many interest groups involved in the Bay-Delta and gain a better knowledge of the challenging issues for this region.

Topics to be discussed include:

- ▶ State & federal water project operations
- ▶ The proposed tunnels project
- ▶ Delta farming
- ▶ Flood management, levee integrity & subsidence
- ▶ Water quality & saltwater intrusion
- ▶ Urban water supplies & drinking water treatment
- ▶ Ecosystem restoration projects, wetlands & waterfowl
- ▶ Climate change, land use & infrastructure challenges
- ▶ Fish populations & pumping restrictions

Tentative stops include:

- ▶ Delta islands & levees
- ▶ State fish screens
- ▶ Clifton Court Forebay
- ▶ Delta Cross Channel
- ▶ Federal pumping plant at Tracy
- ▶ Los Vaqueros Reservoir
- ▶ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Bay Model
- ▶ San Francisco Bay via ferry
- ▶ Aquarium of the Bay
- ▶ Suisun Marsh

This fast-paced tour begins at Sacramento International Airport at 7:30 a.m. **Wednesday, June 15** and will end at approximately 6 p.m. **Friday, June 17** at Sacramento International Airport.

Registration – \$790 per person for single occupancy, **Early Bird Discount if purchased by Monday, May 16** is \$765. Fee includes all tour meals, hotel accommodations on June 15 and 16, tour transportation, materials and bus snacks and drinks. Participants are responsible for their own transportation to and from Sacramento International Airport.

All reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis. **Deadline to cancel and receive a full refund is June 1 at 5 p.m. due to hotel, meal and transportation bookings.**

Substitutions may be made through **Monday, June 13.**

The tour is cosponsored by the Bureau of Reclamation, Mid-Pacific Region and the California Department of Water Resources. Additional tour sponsors are CH2M, ESA, GEI Consultants and HDR Engineering.

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