California State Parks’ Recreation Proposal for the Delta and Suisun Marsh

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Delta Reform Act of 2009

Goals

1. Provide a more reliable water supply and restore the Delta ecosystem in a way that protects and enhances the Delta’s unique cultural, recreational, natural, and agricultural values

2. Protect and where possible enhance the Delta environment, including recreational activities

California State Parks’ Proposal

1. Expand the network of state recreation areas, combining existing and new areas

2. Incorporate existing plans, including Central Valley Vision

3. Submit to Delta Stewardship Council and Delta Protection Commission
A network of recreation areas, combining existing and newly designated areas.
Delta Recreation Experiences

Fun with Family and Friends

- Picnicking
- Walking and hiking
- Camping

- Wildlife viewing
- Bicycling
- Swimming
Delta Recreation Experiences

Boating

A lifestyle

- Powerboating
- Waterskiing
- Paddle boats
- Sailing
- Houseboats
- Waterfront living
Delta Recreation Experiences
Nature Based Recreation

- Birdwatching
- Outdoor photography
- Fishing
- Waterfowl hunting
Delta Recreation Experiences
Food, Wine, and Heritage

- Scenic drives
- Historic or cultural sites
- Festivals, reenactments, and outdoor cultural events
- Wineries, ethnic cuisine and agritourism
Delta Recreation Resources
Delta – Where the Central Valley meets the Bay Area

Projected Delta County Population 2050

New Residents

San Joaquin County – 1,042,000
Contra Costa County – 736,000
Sacramento County – 725,000
Solano County – 374,000
Yolo County – 121,882
Changing Delta Landscape
Change: Opportunity or Risk?
State Park Recommendations

1. Delta Meadows/Locke Boarding House
2. Stone Lake
3. Brannan Island SRA
4. Old Sacramento SHP/Ca Indian Heritage Center
5. Caswell Memorial SP
6. Bethany Reservoir SRA
7. SHP at John Marsh’s home
8. Benicia SRA/Benicia Capitol SHP
9. Barker Slough
10. Elkhorn Basin
11. Wright-Elmwood
12. South Delta