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Community Input Sought for Habitat Restoration and Dust Suppression Projects at Salton Sea

Virtual Workshops to be Held on Newly Released Draft Project Description to Revitalize Environment and Protect Public Health

SACRAMENTO – The California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) has released a <u>draft Project Description</u> for the Salton Sea Management Program Phase I: 10-Year Plan and announced a series of three virtual public workshops for community input.

The draft Project Description identifies habitat restoration and dust suppression projects around the Sea to revitalize the environment and protect public health.

The workshops will solicit input on the draft Project Description goals and objectives as well as the sizes, locations, and types of projects being proposed and anticipated impacts. The State is also seeking feedback as to how the public would like to access the Sea and what compatible community amenities should be prioritized.

The input acquired will help inform the development of a range of alternatives for approximately 30,000 acres of projects that will be part of a forthcoming larger Environmental Assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

The public workshops will be hosted via Zoom online and by phone on three different dates:

Tuesday, Sept. 22 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 23 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 24

6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

The workshops will have simultaneous translation available from English to Spanish and vice-versa. More information, Zoom link and meeting materials will be available soon at the Salton Sea website at https://saltonsea.ca.gov/ssmp-draft-description-project/.

In addition to the public workshops, written comments on the Project Description will be accepted through Sept. 30 at cnra-saltonsea@resources.ca.gov.

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