

Delta Counties Coalition

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July 31, 2025

California State Parks, Division of Boating and Waterways Attn: Ethan Tratner Clean Vessel Education and Outreach Program P.O. Box 942896 Sacramento, CA 94296

Re: Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy's Application for the 2026 Clean Vessel Act Education and Outreach Program - Support

Dear Mr. Tratner:

The Delta Counties Coalition (DCC) supports the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy and its participation in the Clean Vessel Act Program. Through their Ecological and Community Programs, the Delta Conservancy works in the Bay-Delta Estuary to protect and improve water quality, promote environmental education, and advance recreation and tourism opportunities.

In addition to implementing ecosystem restoration, the mission of the Delta Conservancy is to advance environmental protection and the economic well-being of the Delta community. Recreation and tourism are major economic drivers in the Delta. However, poor water quality, aging infrastructure, and inadequate facilities have been identified as barriers to advancing the recreational and tourism economy. The Delta Conservancy's continued participation in the Clean Vessel Act Education and Outreach Program will help address these issues, support the boating community, and provide broad, multi-benefit impacts to the Bay-Delta Estuary.

The Conservancy proposes to build upon their success from this past year by conducting in-person and direct education, outreach, and capacity building with the boating community to work towards a cleaner, healthier Bay-Delta Estuary.

The Conservancy has a long and successful history of working with diverse groups, including nonprofit organizations, local public agencies (cities, counties, resource conservation districts), other State agencies, the Federal government and for-profit organizations in the region. In recognition of this impactful work, the DCC supports the Delta Conservancy's 2026 Clean Vessel Act Grant Application.

Sincerely,

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Oscar Villegas, Supervisor Yolo County

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