

The Great California Delta Trail



What is the Great California Delta Trail?

The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta is a unique region that supports a wealth of natural resources, vibrant communities, agriculture, and recreation. In 2006 legislation, the Delta Protection Commission was tasked with developing the Great California Delta Trail System in response to the growing demand for public access to the Delta's natural resources, recognition of the importance of natural and rural places, and to acknowledge the value of outdoor recreation to healthy lives and communities.

What is the Great Delta Trail Master Plan?

The Great California Delta Trail Master Plan (Master Plan) provides a framework for local and State agency trail development decisions. It is meant to guide local agency planning efforts and is not a mandate for local agency land use changes. The Commission strives to help Delta residents, recreationists, and public agencies understand the goals and strategies for the Great California Delta Trail (Delta Trail), the possible benefits from the trail, and opportunities for them to shape the development of the Delta Trail.

Where Will the Trail Be Located?

Ultimately, the vision from the legislation is to link the San Francisco Bay Trail system and planned Sacramento River trails in Yolo and Sacramento counties. Additionally, the Delta Trail will link to existing park and recreational facilities on land and water trail systems throughout the Delta.

The Delta Protection Commission has adopted the following trail segments:

- Sacramento River Parkway – from the confluence of Sacramento and American Rivers southbound
- East Bay Regional Park – from the Big Break Visitors' Center to the Marsh Creek Trail
- West Sacramento – Sycamore Trail, Riverwalk Trail, and the Clarksburg Branch Line Trail
- Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail

How Do I Get Involved?

Do you live, work, or recreate in the Delta? Are you a member of a biking, running, riding, or paddling club? We need to hear from you! Call or e-mail the Delta Protection Commission to share your vision for the Great Delta Trail at 916-375-4800 or e-mail us at submit@delta.ca.gov

The Great California Delta Trail Milestones

2006

Great California Delta Trail legislation signed into law (Public Resource Code 5852-5855)



2010

Western Blueprint Report completed (Solano and Contra Costa Counties)



2012

Commission designates Sacramento River Parkway as a segment



2016

Commission designates Big Break Regional Trail, Clarksburg Branch Line Trail, and West Sacramento Riverwalk as segments



2017

Commission designates Carquinez Strait Scenic Loop Trail as a segment



2018

Logo updated and new signs installed in Sacramento and West Sacramento



2019

Eastern Blueprint Report completed (San Joaquin, Yolo, and Solano Counties)



2019

Master Plan kick-off; Stakeholder and Technical Advisory Committees meet



2020

Public outreach and review of the draft Master Plan



2021

Commission adoption of the Master Plan

