



CULTURAL HERITAGE BOARD
345 N EL DORADO STREET, STOCKTON, CA 95202

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Mayor Kevin J. Lincoln and Councilmembers

RE: **SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA**

The Sacramento – San Joaquin Delta National Heritage Area (NHA) was created in 2019 when the John D. Dingell, Jr., Conservation, Management and Recreation Act was signed into law. NHAs are designated by congress as places where natural, cultural, historic and recreation resources combine to form a nationally important landscape.

The Delta NHA excludes the City of Stockton, and the Cultural Heritage Board members believe that the boundary should be amended to include Stockton being a historically significant delta community. There is precedent for a local agency pursuing an NHA boundary change, and by this letter the Board recommends that the Council pursue such a change so that the Delta NHA boundary can be modified to include the City of Stockton. This would provide greater attention to Stockton and allow for opportunities to pursue funding for historic preservation other supportive resources.

The attached Fact Sheet describes the Delta NHA, provides FAQs and includes general information about related projects and coordination.

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Attachment