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STRATEGIC PLAN 2017 UPDATE

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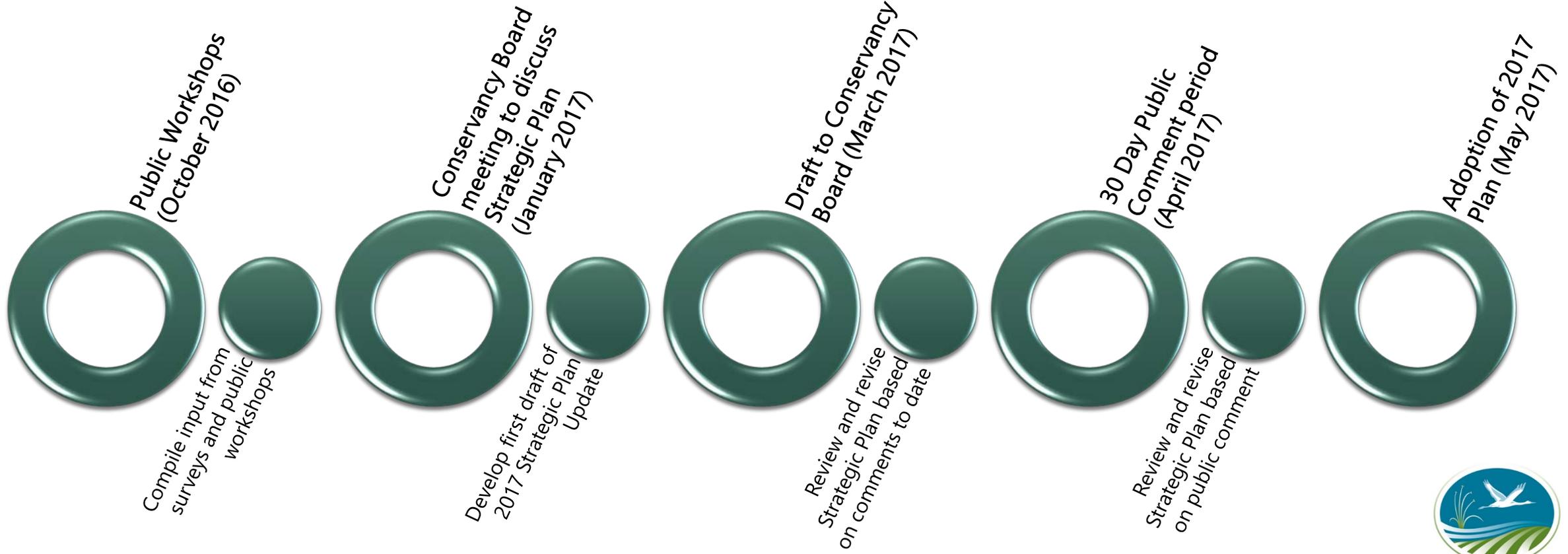
OCTOBER 26, 2016: BIG BREAK VISITORS CENTER, OAKLEY

WORKSHOP PURPOSE

Opportunity to review the structure and content of the 2012 Strategic Plan and discuss key issues for the Strategic Plan Update including:

- Land Ownership and Land Management

- Water Rights

- Economic Development Activities

- Updates to the Conservancy's 2012 goals and strategic priorities

STRATEGIC PLAN TIMELINE AND NEXT STEPS

Public Workshops (October 2016)

Compile input from surveys and public workshops

Conservancy Board meeting to discuss Strategic Plan (January 2017)

Develop first draft of 2017 Strategic Plan Update

Draft to Conservancy Board (March 2017)

Review and revise Strategic Plan based on comments to date

30 Day Public Comment period (April 2017)

Review and revise Strategic Plan based on public comment

Adoption of 2017 Plan (May 2017)

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Overview of 2012 Strategic Plan and Conservancy Accomplishments

3. Breakout Sessions: Updating Conservancy Priorities for the 2017 Strategic Plan Update

4. Report Back from Breakouts

5. Next Steps and Closing Remarks

6. Adjourn

OVERVIEW OF THE CONSERVANCY

- Established by the Delta Reform Act of 2009

- A lead agency for ecosystem restoration and efforts to promote the environmental protection and economic well-being of the Delta

- 12 mandates in three functional areas:

    1. ecosystem restoration

    2. protecting agricultural/working landscapes

    3. increasing opportunities for recreation and tourism

- First Strategic Plan adopted in 2012

- Governing Board includes county supervisors, members of the public, state agency representatives, and other experts from Delta-related agencies

- PRIMARY ROLE: Partner and collaborator

CONSERVANCY MANDATES

1. Protect and enhance habitat and habitat restoration.

2. Protect and preserve Delta agriculture and working landscapes.

3. Provide increased opportunities for tourism and recreation.

4. Promote Delta legacy communities and economic vitality in the Delta in coordination with the Delta Protection Commission.

5. Increase the resilience of the Delta to the effects of natural disasters such as floods and earthquakes, in coordination with the Delta Protection Commission.

CONSERVANCY MANDATES (CONT.)

6. Protect and improve water quality.

7. Assist the Delta regional economy through the operation of the conservancy's program.

8. Identify priority projects and initiatives for which funding is needed.

9. Protect, conserve, and restore the region's physical, agricultural, cultural, historical, and living resources.

10. Assist local entities in the implementation of their habitat conservation plans (HCPs) and natural community conservation plans (NCCPs).

11. Facilitate take protection and safe harbor agreements under the federal Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. Sec. 1531 et seq.) and the California Endangered Species Act (Chapter 1.5 (commencing with Section 2050) of Division 3 of the Fish and Game Code) for adjacent landowners and local public agencies.

12. Promote environmental education.

OVERVIEW OF CONSERVANCY ACCOMPLISHMENTS TO DATE

- Provide $50 Million in Prop1 grants ($9M/yr) through 2020 for ecosystem restoration efforts
- Developed regional restoration strategies
- Invasive Species (Arundo)
- Delta Carbon Protocol
- Delta Marketing
- Restoration Tracking/EcoAtlas
- Regional Data Center for Water Quality
- Mercury Exposure Reduction Program
- Watershed Program

INFORMATION NEEDS FOR THE 2017 UPDATE

Ecosystem Restoration

- Land Management
- Water Rights
- Impact to the Delta Economy

Agriculture and Working Landscapes

- Land Ownership and Property Rights
- Agriculture Viability Assessment
- Contributions to the Delta Economy
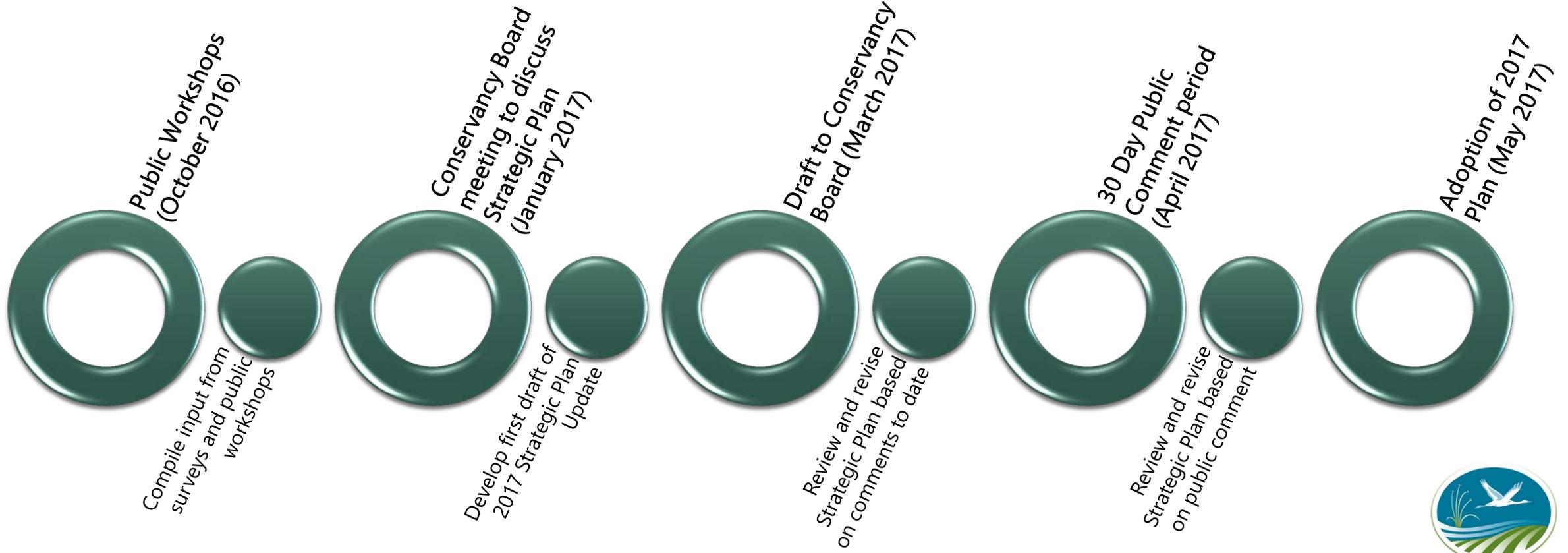
Recreation and Tourism

- Access and Impacts to Private Lands
- Interactions with the Delta Ecosystem
- Contributions to the Delta Economy

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS?

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THANK YOU!!