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Delta Conservancy 2019 Implementation Plan Status Update and Consideration of 2020 Implementation Plan

Staff Report

This report provides a year-end status update for the 2019 Implementation Plan and presents for Board consideration the 2020 Implementation Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends Board approval of the 2020 Implementation Plan.

DESCRIPTION

The annual Implementation Plan is a companion document to the Conservancy's Strategic Plan. The 2017-2022 Delta Conservancy Strategic Plan provides a high-level road map and sets objectives and performance measures to achieve them. The annual Implementation Plan provides a more detailed accounting of the tasks the Conservancy will undertake in a given year to implement the Strategic Plan. The Implementation Plan has a summary of each initiative, provides an overview of progress and achievements to date, outlines major program objectives for the year, and notes steps for the future.

Each July, Conservancy staff updates the Board on progress made toward meeting the goals and objectives of the Strategic Plan and provides a mid-year update of progress toward the goals in the Implementation Plan. Each January, staff presents a year-end Implementation Plan status update for the year past and requests approval of the Implementation Plan for the upcoming year. Because the January Board meeting was cancelled, this process was delayed to March. Accordingly, there are two documents accompanying this staff report:

- 2019 Implementation Plan, Year-End Status. This table, presented to the Board for informational purposes, summarizes the Conservancy's progress toward achieving the goals outlined in the 2019 Implementation Plan.
- 2020 Implementation Plan (Draft). This draft plan, presented to the Board for consideration of approval, describes the goals the Conservancy has set for 2020.

Of particular note regarding the 2019 Implementation Plan Year-End Status is the absence of a goal related to website accessibility. Unknown to the Conservancy at the time the 2019 Implementation Plan was developed, Assembly Bill 434 (Statutes of 2017) mandated that all State agencies certify that their website is accessible in compliance with Sections 7405 and 11135 of the Government Code and the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0. Conservancy staff dedicated a significant amount of time in 2019 to this effort. On July 1, 2019, the Conservancy certified partial compliance, and on December 31, 2019 the Conservancy was able to certify full compliance with the mandate.

SUGGESTED MOTION LANGUAGE:

Move that the Board approve as final the Draft Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Conservancy 2020 Implementation Plan as presented in this item.

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