Delta Conservancy Strategic Plan Update for 2022-2027, Overview of Process and Timeline

Staff Report

DESCRIPTION
The Conservancy updates the Strategic Plan at five-year intervals. The upcoming update will cover the period of 2022 to 2027. Staff envisions conducting this, the third update of the Strategic Plan, in house with staff resources. Staff met in February to review the current Strategic Plan and discuss concepts and a timeline for the update. The following is a summary of the process and timeline.

Staff will conduct up to two additional work sessions to update and refine the structure and content of the Strategic Plan. At the May 2021 meeting, the Board will receive and provide feedback on an overview of expected revisions. Staff will consider feedback and produce an initial draft of the revised Strategic Plan. At the July 2021 meeting, the Board will consider and provide feedback on the initial draft. The agenda item will include time for in depth review and discussion. Staff will incorporate feedback into a public draft. At the October 2021 meeting the Board will consider the public draft. If approved, Staff will post the public draft for a 30-day comment period. Staff will consider public comments and produce a final draft for consideration by the Board at the January 2022 meeting.

BACKGROUND
The Conservancy’s enabling legislation requires the Board to prepare and adopt a strategic plan to achieve the goals of the Conservancy (Public Resources Code section 32376). The plan is required to be consistent with the Delta Plan, the Delta Protection Commission’s resources management plan, the Central Valley Flood Protection Plan, the Suisun Marsh Preservation Act of 1977, and the Habitat Management, Preservation and Restoration Plan for the Suisun Marsh. The Board determined that the Strategic Plan should be updated every five years. The initial plan was adopted in 2011 and covered the period of 2012 to 2017. The Board adopted the first revision of the plan in 2016 to cover the period of 2017 to 2022. The Board approves an annual Implementation Plan that describes Conservancy programs, work products, and metrics for the upcoming year and how they support the vision and goals described in the Strategic Plan.

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