



## WHAT WAS THE CALIFORNIA FISH AND WILDLIFE STRATEGIC VISION PROJECT?

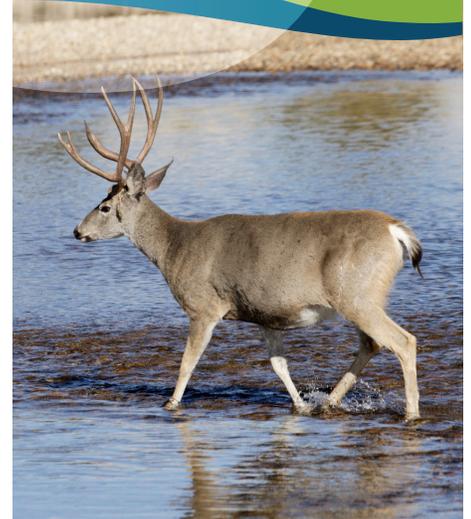
The California Fish and Wildlife Strategic Vision (CFWSV) Project developed a strategic vision for the California Department of Fish and Game (DFG) and the California Fish and Game Commission (F&GC) to help improve their ability to successfully tackle the challenges of the 21st century. The strategic vision addresses, among other things, enhancing DFG's and F&GC's capacity and effectiveness in fulfilling their public trust responsibilities for protecting and managing the state's fish and wildlife. This project represented a tremendous opportunity to help make these two agencies more effective and functional through an open, transparent and collaborative public process.

## WHY THIS PROJECT?

In September 2010, Assembly Bill 2376 (Huffman, 2010) was signed into law, requiring the California Natural Resources Agency to convene a committee to develop and submit to the governor and California State Legislature, by July 1, 2012, a strategic vision for DFG and F&GC. The executive committee was a cabinet-level committee that included the secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, the director of DFG, the president of F&GC, the chair of the California Energy Commission, and a representative of the University of California. Members of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service also participated.

## HOW DID THE VISION PROCESS WORK?

The CFWSV Executive Committee adopted three deliverables: a draft interim strategic vision in November 2011, an interim strategic vision in February 2012, and a strategic vision in April 2012. A blue ribbon citizen commission (BRCC) and a stakeholder advisory group (SAG) assisted in developing these products through working groups and joint meetings. The BRCC comprised a diverse range of experience and perspectives, and included strategic problem solvers with expertise in policy, management and fiscal issues. The stakeholder advisory group represented a wide range of interests affecting state policies related to protecting and managing fish and wildlife, including fishing and hunting interests, non-profit conservation organizations, non-consumptive recreational users, landowners, scientific and educational interests, and others dedicated to protecting public trust resources. SAG members also served as a communication link to their broader constituencies. Please visit the project website at [www.vision.ca.gov](http://www.vision.ca.gov) for executive committee, BRCC and SAG membership lists.





## WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?

The adopted CFWSV was released to the public on April 23, 2012. In addition, a barriers to implementation report was developed and released to help understand why past efforts to implement recommendations were unsuccessful or incomplete. A supplemental background document helps readers understand the reasons for the project as well as a brief history. All three documents are available on the CFWSV [website](#).

Successfully implementing the strategic vision will require efforts on multiple fronts. DFG intends to update its strategic plan, which will address issues raised during the strategic vision process as well as seek additional input from stakeholders. If you would like to remain updated on these efforts, please click [here](#) to sign up for the DFG news list server.

Legislation to enact some of the recommendations in the strategic vision has already been introduced in both houses of the California State Legislature. A [summary of bills](#) related to the strategic vision was presented during the April 9, 2012 executive committee meeting; to remain updated on the status of these or other emerging bills, visit the [California Legislative Counsel's website](#).



## HOW DO I STAY INVOLVED?

- Sign-up for the [DFG electronic list server](#)
- Send an email to [FGC@fgc.ca.gov](mailto:FGC@fgc.ca.gov) to receive agendas for upcoming F&GC meetings
- Provide your input or comments via email to [FGC@fgc.ca.gov](mailto:FGC@fgc.ca.gov)
- Follow the progress of fish and wildlife legislation as it moves through the Legislature by visiting <http://leginfo.ca.gov>

## PROJECT TIMELINE

Milestone	Nov 2011	Dec 2011	Jan 2012	Feb 2012	Mar 2012	Apr 2012
DRAFT INTERIM STRATEGIC VISION released for public review	● Nov 22					
Public comment on the draft interim strategic vision		■ Nov 22-Jan 5				
Public meetings to provide input on draft interim strategic vision		■ Dec 5-8				
BRCC, SAG and Executive Committee (EC) meetings to complete and adopt interim strategic vision			■ Jan 5-Feb 16			
INTERIM STRATEGIC VISION delivered to legislature, governor and public				● Feb 24		
Public comment on the interim strategic vision				■ Feb 24-Mar 12		
Public workshops and BRCC, SAG and EC meetings to complete and adopt final strategic vision					■ Mar 1-Apr 9	
STRATEGIC VISION delivered to legislature, governor and public						● Apr 23

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