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§ 79473. Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta; development of strategic plan to achieve a sustainable delta; plan components

The Secretary of Resources, in collaboration with the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing, shall develop a strategic plan to achieve a sustainable Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The plan shall include all of the following:

- (a) A description, characterization, or definition of a sustainably managed delta, including the delta's multiple resources and uses for each of the following:
 - (1) Ecosystem functions, including aquatic and terrestrial flora and fauna.
 - (2) Land use and land use patterns.
 - (3) Transportation uses, including streets, roads and highways, and waterborne transportation.
 - (4) Utility uses, including aqueducts, pipelines, and power transmission corridors.
 - (5) Water supply uses.
 - (6) Recreation uses, including current and future recreational and tourism uses.
 - (7) Other aspects of sustainability determined to be desirable by the Secretary of the Resources Agency or the Secretary of Business, Transportation and Housing.
- (b) Measurable goals and objectives for achieving a sustainably managed delta.
- (c) A list of necessary actions to achieve a sustainably managed delta.
- (d) Recommendations for institutional changes, including creating new institutions, necessary for achieving a sustainably managed delta. The recommendations may include a discussion of any of the following:
 - (1) Oversight authorities.
 - (2) Implementation authorities.
 - (3) Land use authorities.

(e) A strategic financing plan, including provisions for delta beneficiaries to pay their share for the benefits that they receive.

(f) Contingency plans addressing all of the following:

- (1) Response plans for local impacts, such as a levee failure on a single island.
- (2) Response plans for widespread catastrophic losses, such as losses that may occur as a result of a significant seismic event.
- (3) Adaptive management.
- (4) The likely impacts of global warming, climate change, and sea-level rise.