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SUBJECT: California Coastal Commission Public Review Draft Five-Year Strategic Plan. Continued Public Hearing to Review Public Comments. No Commission action.

On December 6 2019, Commission staff released the Coastal Commission Public Review Draft Strategic Plan for 2020 – 2025. The Public Review Draft Strategic Plan updates and builds on the Commission’s previous strategic plan. The updated plan provides a framework of 9 goals, 49 objectives and 189 specific actions to guide the agency’s performance over the next five years. Staff believes these goals, objectives, and actions will support effective implementation of the Coastal Act and achievement of the Commission’s mission and vision.

The Public Review Draft Strategic Plan was available for public review and comment from December 6, 2019 through February 14, 2020. The Commission held two public hearings to provide additional opportunity for public comment. The Commission received 64 comment letters or emails and five members of the public provided comment on the Draft Strategic Plan at the February 12, 2020 public hearing.

The purpose of this staff report is to provide the written public comments to the Commission for review (see Exhibit 1). At the March hearing, Coastal Commission staff will present a summary of the public comments received, highlighting common themes, issues of concern and suggestions from the public. Staff will also provide a high level cost estimate and approximate timeline for plan implementation.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1 – Written Public Comments Received on Coastal Commission Public Review Draft Strategic Plan for 2020 - 2025