

## FAC Strategic Plan Development

Status Update and Inputs from Partners August 2024 Strategic Plan for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Fish and Aquatic Conservation Program: FY2016-2020

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# Why We Are Updating Our Strategic Plan

- *Improve* collaborative conservation approaches with our partners.
- **Build** awareness of conservation benefits.
- **Expand** our efforts to new partners.
- Innovate how we deliver our program.





### FAC Strategic Plan Guiding Tenets

- Informed by a wide variety of perspectives
  - Survey of FAC Personnel
  - Interviews and engagement with partners/stakeholders
  - Outreach and engagement to tribes and tribal consortia
  - Feedback from existing federal advisory committees
- Focused on where we can catalyze, fill a particular niche or leverage our resources
- Opportunity for review of draft plan

#### **Our Key Program Areas**

Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration	Hatcheries / Aquaculture	Fish Health and Medicines	Managing Aquatic Nuisance Species
Sport Fishing, Boating & Recreation	Tribal Trust Responsibilities	Federal Agency Mitigation Support	Assessment and Monitoring



## Key External Partner Groups

- State Fish and Wildlife Agencies
- Tribal Consultation
- Cooperating Federal Agencies and Programs
- Conservation NGOs
- Fishing and Boating Interests
- Fish Health, Fish Tech, and Aquaculture
- Federal Advisory Groups

Seeking Feedback on Following Themes

Strengths and weaknesses of current FAC activities

FAC's most unique/important offerings

New focus/innovation areas

What does success look like in 10 years?



Letter from AD-Miko to State Directors with cc to Fish Chiefs seeking initial interview request.

Draft plan will be available for to review in late October/early November

Thank you!