

- Added a new Executive Summary.
- Per comment asking us to “consider removing the word stakeholder throughout and replacing with wording without a colonialist past,” we have removed or replaced with “interested parties.” (Learn more: <https://wildhub.community/posts/the-term-stakeholder-no-longer-used>; <https://www.ictinc.ca/blog/9-terms-to-avoid-in-communications-with-indigenous-peoples>).
- Deleted “draft” in referencing NOAA strategic plan in Vision section.
- Revised Mission statement to read “Sea Grant’s mission is to enhance the use and conservation of coastal, marine and Great Lakes resources to create a strong and sustainable economy, a healthy environment and resilient and inclusive communities.”
- Edited and enhanced the How We Work section.
  - Condensed some redundancy.
  - Added that Sea Grant provides “communities and individuals information, tools and services for making informed decisions about important, and sometimes controversial, issues in a factual and timely manner without advocating for specific positions or policies.” The addition here draws heavily from language suggested by the Sea Grant Extension Assembly Executive Committee and Regional Leads, but is in lieu of inserting it as a Cross-Cutting Principle.
  - Added a graphic depicting the relationship of functional and focus areas with an explanatory caption.
  - Specified in “Research” that Sea Grant conducts both scientific and legal research.
  - Revised “Education” per SGEN feedback.
- Added “non-advocacy” to Core Values in response to multiple comments.
- Added “Bringing Sea Grant’s Work into Focus for 2024-2027” to transition to key part of the plan, the Cross-Cutting Principles and Focus Areas.
- ELWD:
  - changes to made to language in several Goals, Actions, and Desired Outcomes to remove free choice learning (subsumed in nonformal learning), to use “educators” instead of “teachers” and consistently include “nonformal”;
  - second Goal edited based on comments; and
  - third Action under first Goal and second Goal substantially redrafted.
- HCE: only changes were to replace the term “stakeholder” as noted above.
- SFA: small changes made to language of first and second Goals, the first Action under first Goal, as well as the second Desired Outcome under first Goal, second Action pursuant to comments, and again the term “stakeholder” was replaced.
- RCE: only changes were to replace the term “stakeholder” as noted above.
- Map added for “Where We Work.”
- Within Appendix A: Definitions, we removed “Free-choice learning” (subsumed in definition of nonformal); changed “teachers” to “educators” in “Formal education”; revised the definition of “Justice”; changed “informal” to “nonformal” in “Lifelong learner and Lifelong learning”; specified that “Traditional and local knowledge” includes “Indigenous knowledge.”
- Revised Appendix B to be in anticipated final list form.
- Included information on the National Sea Grant College Program Sea Grant Collection at the NOAA Library as Appendix C, with a new introductory blurb.