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Dr. Richard W. Spinrad
Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and
Atmosphere & NOAA Administrator
Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 6811
14th Street & Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20230

Dear Dr. Spinrad:

Subject: Transmittal of the SAB Tsunami Science and Technology Advisory Panel Strategic Plan

On behalf of the NOAA Science Advisory Board (SAB), I am pleased to transmit to you the Tsunami Science and Technology Advisory Panel (TSTAP) *Strategic Plan*. This Strategic Plan was approved by the TSTAP's parent working group, the Environmental Information Services Working Group, before being presented to the SAB at its August 30-31, 2022 meeting, at which the SAB approved it by unanimous consent.

The TSTAP Strategic Plan was developed to provide a framework for the on-going activities of this advisory panel. The vision and strategic goals included were derived primarily from the TSTAP Terms of Reference and TSTAP-specific language in the Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Act of 2017 (Weather Act). The TSTAP and SAB would like to emphasize that Strategic Goal 4 is not meant to produce a stand-alone after-action report following a tsunami event impacting U.S. shorelines. A TSTAP report in this situation would serve to provide observations and make connections to previous TSTAP recommendations.

This Strategic Plan is considered a planning document for the TSTAP, while it does not contain recommendations for action by NOAA, the TSTAP is happy to work with the agency to ensure it continues to address the most relevant concerns. The SAB and TSTAP appreciate the opportunity to continue to support NOAA and its mission.

Very Respectfully,

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Attachment: SAB Tsunami Science and Technology Advisory Panel Strategic Plan