

Delta Regional Monitoring Program

Welcome!

Stakeholder Meeting

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Delta Regional Monitoring Program Plan

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How did we get here?

- **Delta in Crisis**
 - Pelagic Organism Decline
- **Water Boards Strategic Workplan**
 - Comprehensive Monitoring Program
- **Federal Action Plan**
 - Water Quality Monitoring



Stakeholder Kick-Off Meeting

- **Start small and focused**
- **Strive for cost neutrality**
- **Consecutive phases**
- **Program reviews and adaptation**
- **Stakeholder approach**



Stakeholder Workgroups

- **Governance**
- **Monitoring Questions**
- **Coordination with other Programs**
- **Data Integration**
- **Funding**

What's happened since then?

- **Additional strawman proposals posted**
- **Individual stakeholder interviews**
- **Contaminants Synthesis**
- **Draft Program Plan**
- **Monitoring Directory**



Draft Program Plan

- **Program Scope**
- **Program Infrastructure**
- **Monitoring Objectives Framework**
- **Data Access and Integration**

Program Scope

- **Goal:**
 - **To collect, coordinate, integrate, and synthesize data**
 - **Communicate information to support management decisions**
- **Evaluate beneficial use attainment**
- **Focus on water quality - contaminants**



Program Infrastructure

- **Organizational structure (governance)**
- **Funding**
- **Coordination with other programs**
 - Shared sampling
 - Expanded data sharing
 - Standardized methods
- **Peer review process**



Monitoring Objectives Framework

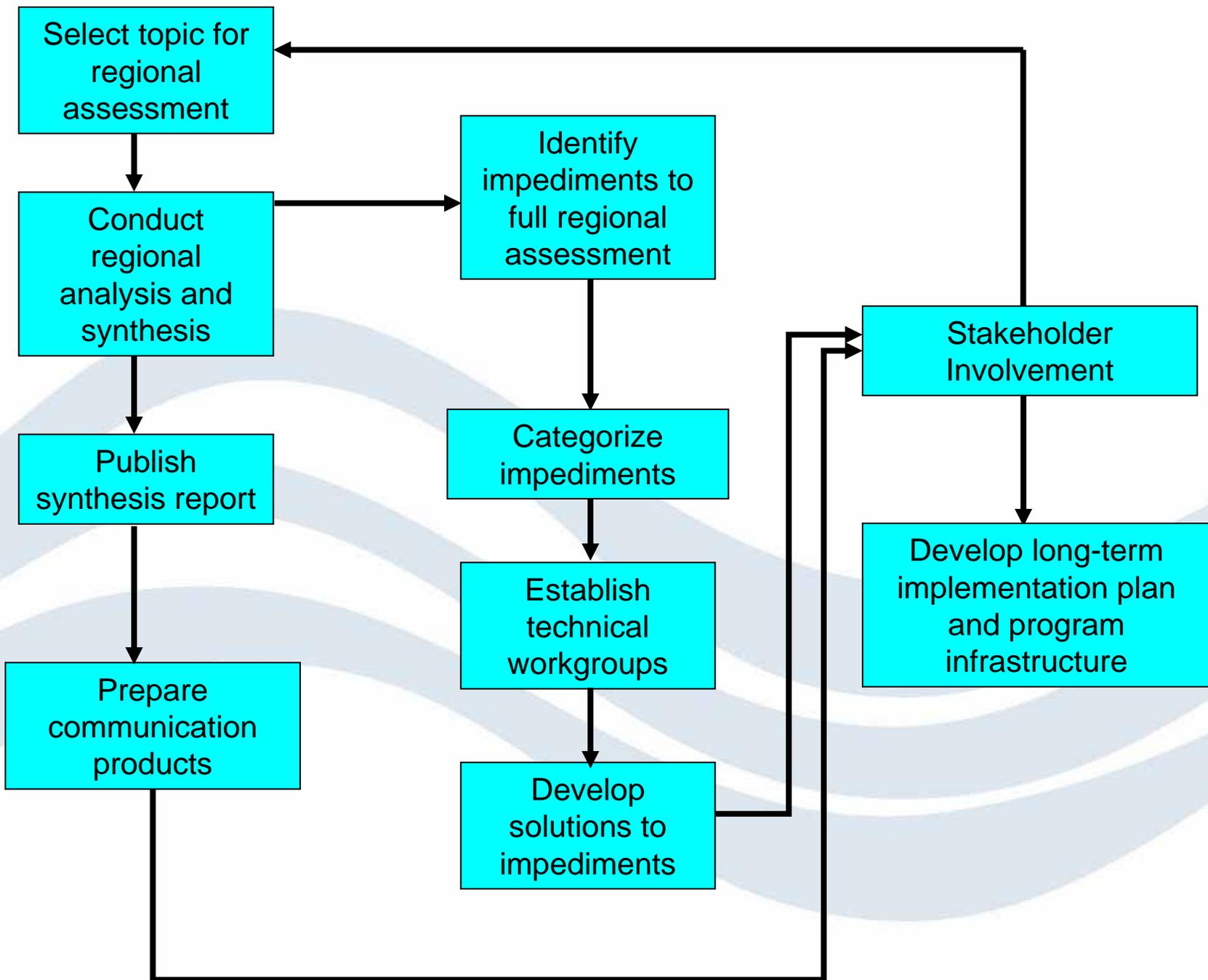
- **Needed to ensure relevance of information**
- **Multi-tiered approach**
 - **Fundamental core questions**
 - **Specific assessments**

Data Access and Integration

- **Data collection and management**
- **Analysis and assessment**
- **Information access and dissemination**

Program Implementation

- **Pilot Phase**
 - Validate underlying assumptions
 - Increase support
 - Develop capabilities
 - Repeatable as necessary
 - Produce long-term plan
- **Long-Term Program**
 - Based on experience from pilot



Pilot Phase Project

- **Infrastructure**
- **Scope**
- **Communication product**
- **Additional synthesis report(s)**
- **Technical, issue-specific workgroups**
- **Stakeholder Outreach**

Pilot Infrastructure

- **Overall program coordination**
- **Led by Central Valley Regional Water Board**
 - **With stakeholder input**
 - **Aquatic Science Center support**

Pilot Scope

- **Communication product**
- **Creation of technical workgroups**
- **Initial program management infrastructure**

Based on Contaminants Synthesis Report

Communication Products

- **Meant to be useful to you**
- **Substantial review and input**
- **Drastically different results possible**

Aiming for final product end of 2010

Pilot Workgroups

- Resolutions requiring varying expertise
- Identify specific adjustments, as needed
- Determine implementation of adjustments

Stay Tuned!

Stakeholder Outreach

- **Lots of opportunity**
 - For both input and evaluation
- **Periodic status updates**
- **Website**
- **Workgroups and other meetings**

What do you want to see?

Future Synthesis Reports

- **Goal:**
 - To improve capacity for regional assessments
- **Additional insights**
- **What do you want to know?**
- **What topics are of most interest to you?**

Pilot to Long-Term?

- **Same basic elements**
- **Requires a formalization**
 - **Structured procedures**

**All will become clearer as
we move forward**

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