



OPENING THE CALL FOR PROJECTS SETTING A PROCEDURE FOR INCLUDING PROJECTS

OWOW PLAN UPDATE 2018

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- IRWM Plans include a list of projects that, once implemented, will help achieve the goals of the plan.
- 2016 IRWM Plan Standards contains guidance on how to include projects
- OWOW Program has done this before, has learned lessons, now must gear up to do it again



Preparing

Preparing to compete for IRWM implementation grants

Complying

Complying with Stormwater Resources Management Planning Act

Supporting

Supporting pursuit of other funding opportunities

Seeking

Seeking prestige or visibility for a project or program

Simplifying

Simplifying effort to build collaboration or multi-benefit project

WHY HAVE YOUR PROJECT IN OWOW PLAN UPDATE 2018?

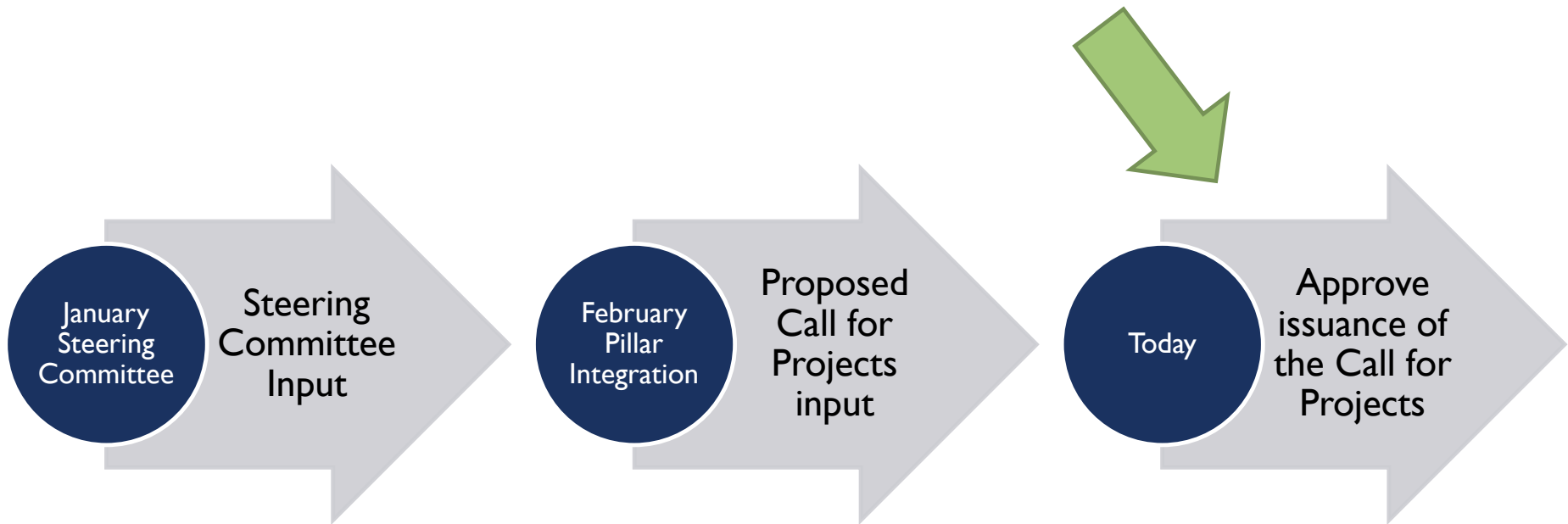
ROLES OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE

1. Setting the policies for the OWOW Plan Update 2018 call for projects to be included in the plan
2. Setting policy for how the OWOW Program, outside a plan update process, can receive and include projects
3. Setting priorities so that projects competing for funding can be scored / ranked



Next Up!

TIMELINE



PROPOSED PRINCIPLES FOR THE CALL FOR PROJECTS FOR INCLUSION IN THE PLAN

01

All projects that meet threshold of requested information will be included.

Judicious use of the term “required”

02

Project proponents must assert and describe how projects help achieve the OWOW Plan Update 2018 Goals & Objectives

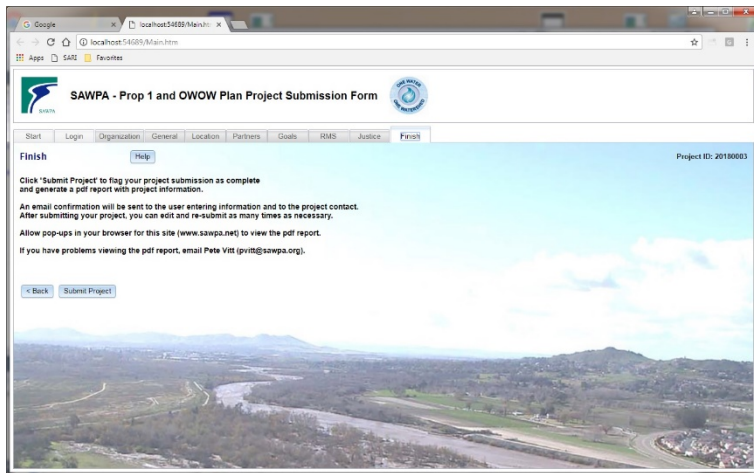
03

All project information, once submitted, will be visible to the public on a map and within the database

04

Other project databases will be input directly to the OWOW database, insofar as is technically feasible

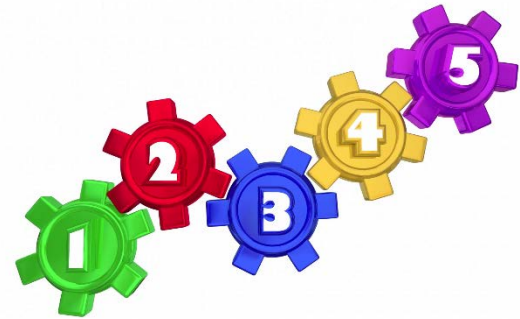
DEMONSTRATION



- Online Data Tool
- Imported projects
 - OC Plan (2018)
 - Santa Ana River Parkway & Open Space Plan (2018)
 - Orange County Stormwater Resources Plan (2017)
 - IEUA Integrated Resources Plan (2016)
 - Chino Basin Stormwater Resources Plan (2016)
 - OWOW 2.0 Plan Round 4 (2015)
 - Upper Santa Ana IRWMP (2014)

PROCEDURE FOR ACCEPTING PROJECTS

1. Project submittal tool always open
2. OWOW Plan Update 2018 will include projects in database when finalized
3. Outside plan update cycle:
 1. A need to be able to “include” projects
4. Curating the project database
 1. Projects remain up-to-date
 2. Proponents receive annual reminders to update
 3. A system for removing a project no longer tended by a proponent
5. The OWOW Plan Update 2018 will include a written section describing this procedure so that others who adopt the Plan are aware, and through their approval, supportive of the procedure.



RECOMMENDATIONS

1. ...that the OWOW Steering Committee approve the opening of the OWOW Plan Update 2018 Call for Projects.
2. ...that the OWOW Steering Committee approve the proposed procedure for managing the inclusion of projects to the OWOW Plan Update 2018 from a continuously-open call. (*agenda packet page 10*)

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PROP I IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS PROJECT RANKING & RATING

OWOW PROGRAM



PROP I IRWM GRANT FUNDING DWR COMMUNICATION

May

Draft PSP for
Prop I IRWM
Implementation
grants

May -
June

Three regional
meetings about
draft PSP

June

Draft PSP
Comments
Close

Summer

Final PSP
Released

Summer –
December

Regional
Workshops

December
2018

Grant
Proposals
Due

WHY RATING & RANKING?

1

The structure of a regional competition for grants

2

Describes our current most critical needs

- “Among our priorities, what do we need to do with the available resources?”

3

Encourages project development

- Draws together partnerships
- Drives towards innovation

PRINCIPLES FOR RATING & RANKING PROJECTS

Steering Committee responsible for selecting suite of projects for regional grant application



The region benefits from a competitive process



Competition complies first with Prop 1 Guidelines, second with regional priorities



Built transparently by stakeholders, approved by Steering Committee

STEERING COMMITTEE ACTION IN 2016

- For the most part, language to ensure Prop 1 compliance.
- An important preamble to the approved criteria (emphasis added):
 - *IRWM is a collaborative effort to manage all aspects of water resources in a region. IRWM crosses jurisdictional, watershed and political boundaries; involves multiple agencies, stakeholders, individuals and groups; and attempts to address the issues and differing perspectives of all entities involved through mutually beneficial solutions. **Our goal is to seek benefits which improve the entire watershed and are not achieved at the expense or detriment of another.***
- (agenda packet page 17)



PROP 84 ROUND 4 – OWOW RATING & RANKING

Benefit Class:	Factor(s):	Points:
Benefit to the watershed	Population served, area served	20 points
Water supply	New supply, dry year yield augmentation	40 points
Hydrology & flood control	Flood risk reduction, natural hydrology	15 points
Enhancement of natural environment	Functional habitat value, invasive plant species, rec or open space	10 points
Pollution management	Nonpoint source, contaminant & salt removal, GHG	25 points
Cost efficiency	Ration grant dollars to benefits	10 points
Disadvantaged Community benefit	(presence / absence)	5 points

TIMELINE

Today

Steering
Committee
input

**April Pillar
Integration**

Develop
draft system

**May Steering
Committee**

Review &
Advise draft
system

TIMING

DWR Draft PSP
OWOW Draft Rating &
Ranking

DWR Final PSP
OWOW Call for projects
competing for grants

July

May

August

OWOW Final Rating &
Ranking

-that the OWOW Steering Committee receive this presentation and provide guidance to SAWPA staff about the effort to establish a rating and ranking system for projects competing for Proposition I IRWM implementation grants.

RECOMMENDATION

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Sustainability Assessment for the Santa Ana River Watershed

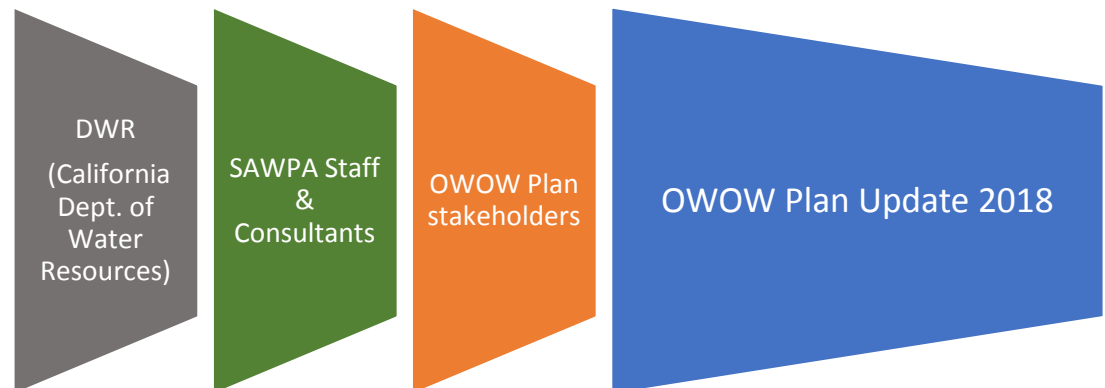
OWOW Plan Update 2018

Betty Andrews, PE, Environmental Science Associates (ESA)
And Peter Vorster, The Bay Institute (TBI)

Steering Committee Meeting
March 22, 2018

Presentation

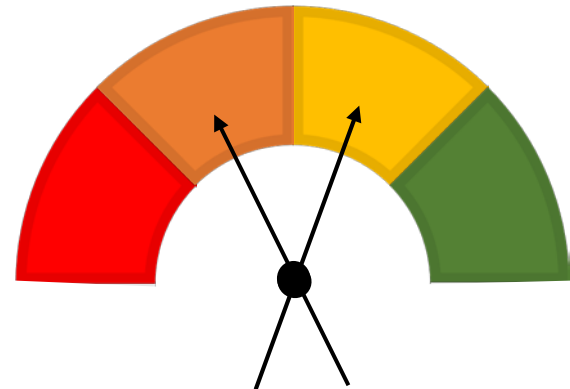
- Why a sustainability assessment?
- Where we've come from
- Where we're headed
- Next steps



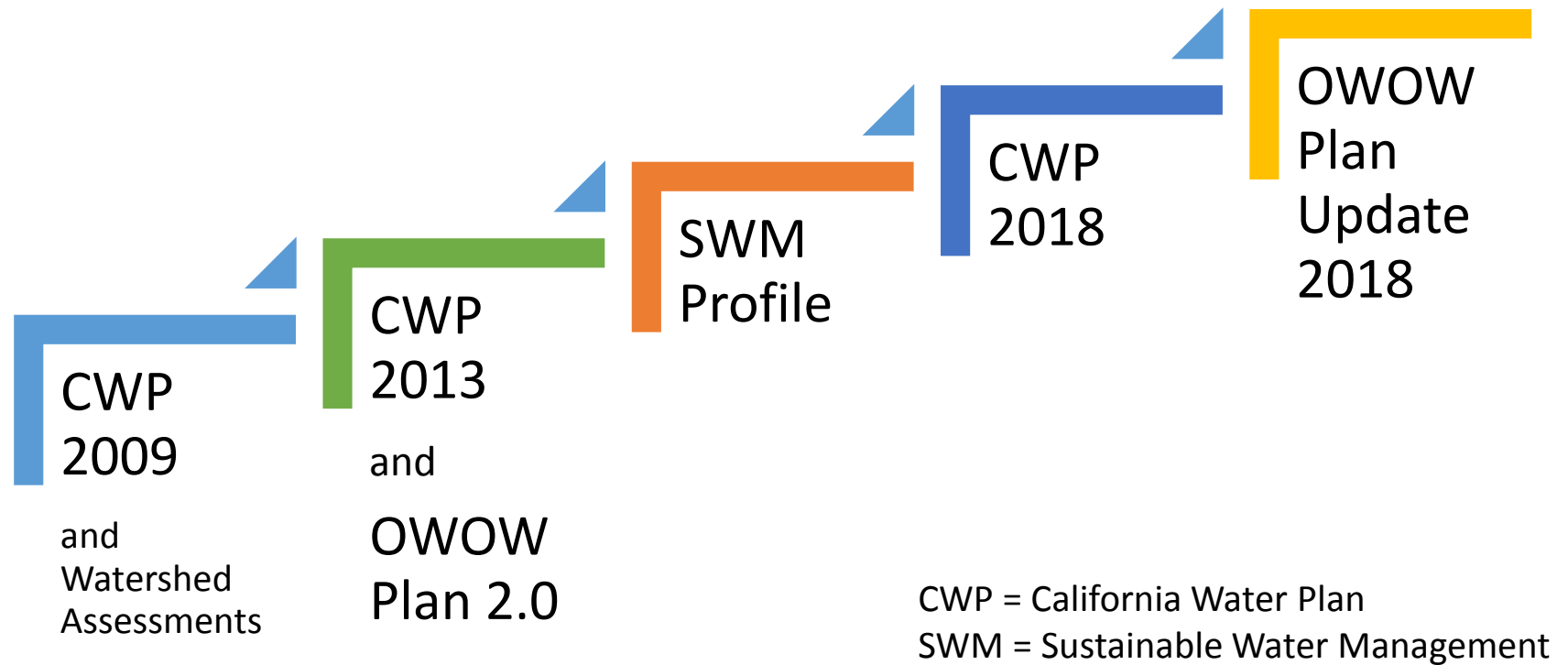
Why a sustainability assessment?

Monitoring to accomplish the following:

- Inform our prioritization of, and investment in, actions
- Demonstrate progress
- Enlist support
- Educate



Where we've come from: history



Where we've come from: Sustainability Assessment

Framework

Indicators

Assessment

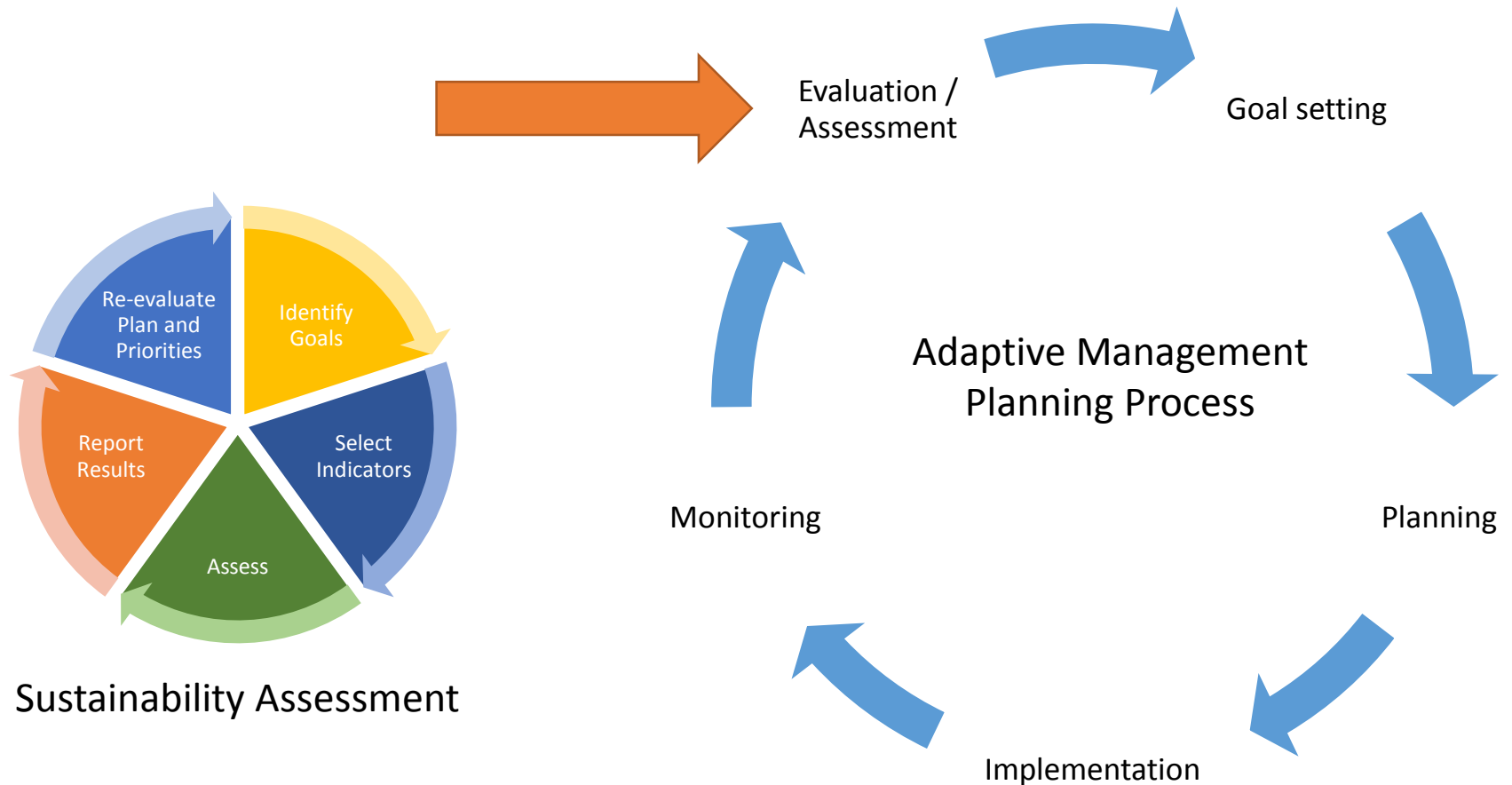
Valuation

Metrics

Results

Communication

Where we're headed: OWOW Planning Context



Where we're headed: Process



Where we're headed: Selection of Indicators

Goals



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Indicators

- If our efforts were advancing a given OWOW Plan goal, what evidence would we see of change in the watershed?

Where we're headed: Selection of Indicators

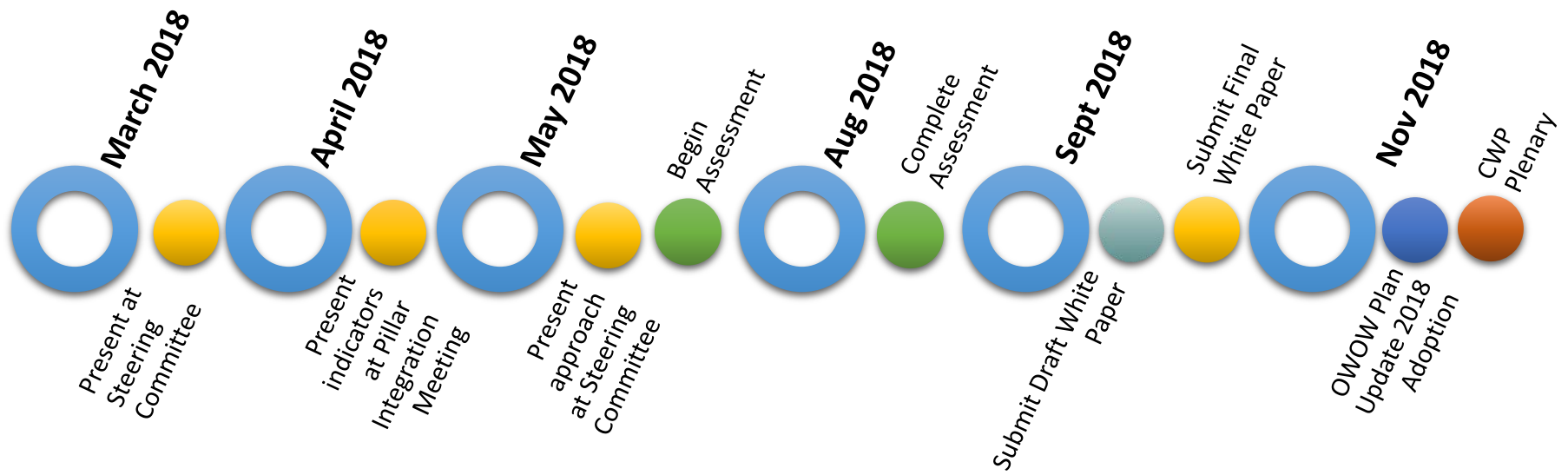
Indicators will be:

- Easy to understand
- Meaningful to decision-makers
- Responsive to actions
- Easy to implement

and will:

- Draw heavily from indicators previously identified through other efforts.

Where we're headed: Next Steps



Feedback? Questions?



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