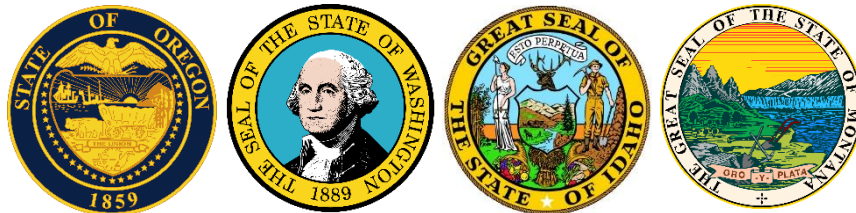


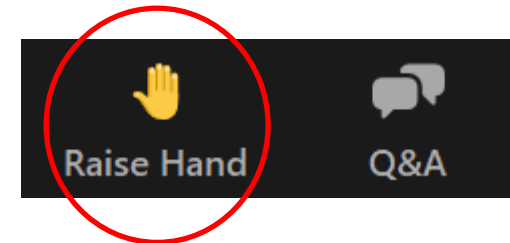
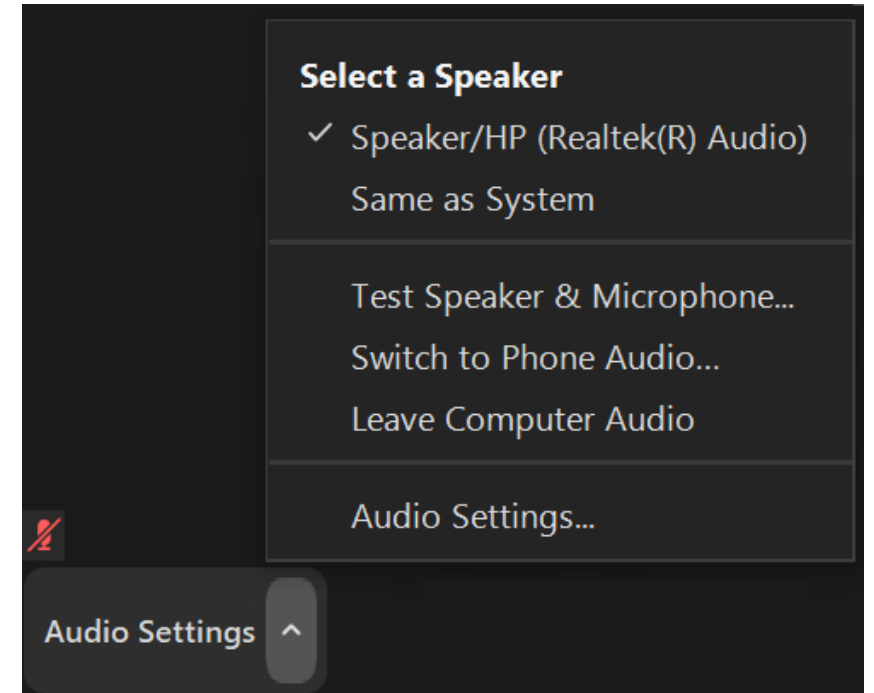
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# Welcome, Opening Remarks, and Agenda Review

# Agenda Review

Time (PT)	Topic
9:00 – 9:15 am	Welcome, Opening Remarks, and Proposed Agenda
9:15 – 9:30am	Workshop Introductions
9:30 – 10:15am	High-level Overview of CBC Purpose and Proposed Approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Please hold questions until end of presentation</li></ul>
10:15 – 10:20am	<i>Stretch Break</i>
10:20 – 11:40 am	Opportunity for Input and Feedback
11:40 – 12:00pm	Approach Going Forward, Confirm Upcoming Topics, Next Steps, and Summary
12:00pm	<i>Adjourn</i>

# Ground Rules

- Honor the agenda
- Listen to understand and ask questions to clarify
- Focus on the substance and content, soft on people and their style
- Seek common ground
- Provide a balance of speaking time
- If it has been said, do not repeat

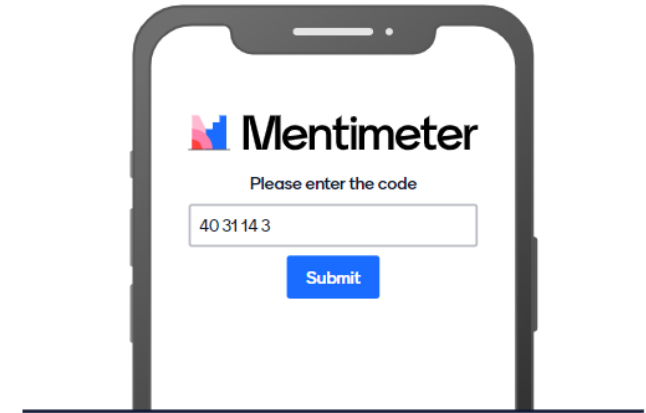


# Workshop Introductions

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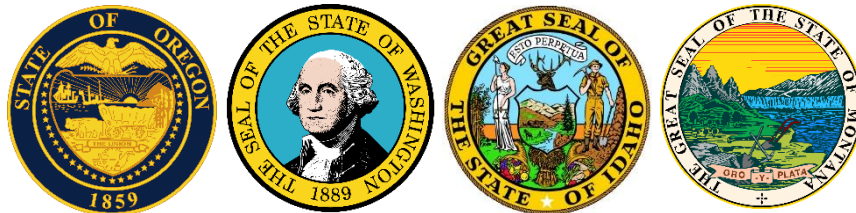
# High-level Overview of CBC

## Purpose and Proposed Approach



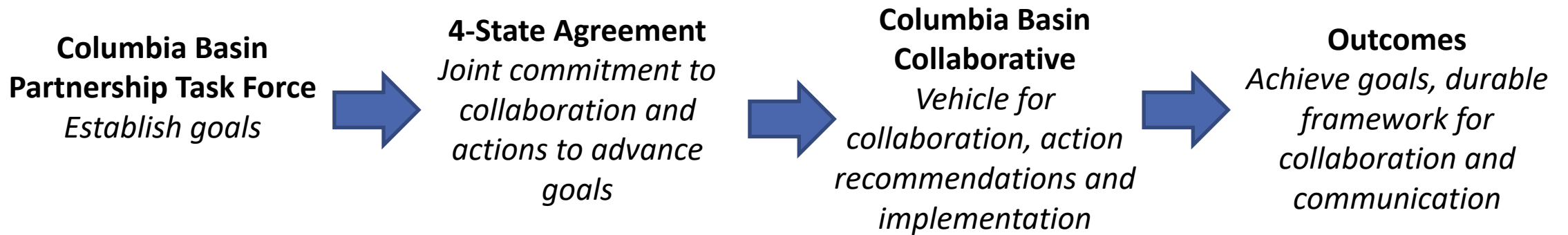
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*Why are we here?*



# Columbia Basin Partnership Task Force

**Focus:** Develop goals for salmon/steelhead stocks (broad-sense recovery including sustainable and harvestable)

**Scope:** Holistic, basin-wide perspective for historic range of anadromous fish.

**Process:** Inclusive; 3-yr collaboration among Columbia Basin sovereigns and stakeholders

**Outcome:** Consensus on a regional vision, and qualitative and quantitative goals for all 27 Columbia Basin stocks of salmon and steelhead.

- MAFAC consensus adoption and NOAA Fisheries acceptance Oct 2020



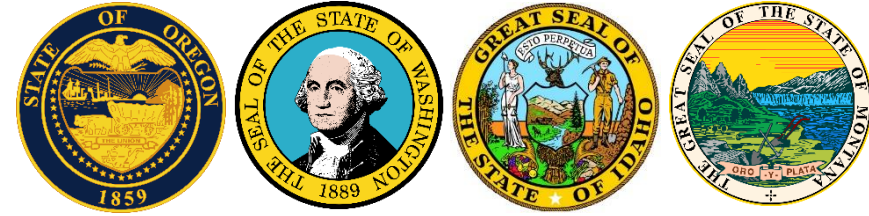
# Columbia Basin Partnership Task Force

**Path forward:** Create inclusive collaboration to develop actions to reach goals

- Call to action to address fish declines urgently; embracing a salmon ethic, strong leadership and collaboration
- Address complex social/cultural/economic/ecological factors necessary for bold actions
- Integrate strategies and actions across management entities
- Key message: Science plus accountability delivers healthy ecosystem and vibrant quality of life



# Four State Agreement



- Signed by WA, OR, ID, MT governors October 2020
- Acknowledges roles of Tribes, Stakeholders, and Federal Government
- Advances the CBP (Columbia Basin Partnership) qualitative and quantitative goals
- Commitment to establish a collaborative framework to advance goals
  - Holistic regional context to explore short and long-term opportunities
  - Broad-based participation
  - Accountable, transparent, science-based
  - Uphold tribal rights
  - Support fisheries and river-dependent economies
  - Support state clean energy goals and an efficient, reliable and affordable energy system



# Letters to Governors

June 23, 2020: Letter from a group of utilities, ports and NGOs encouraging state leadership to:

- Support development of comprehensive solution that recovers salmon and moves everyone forward together;
- Maintain their commitment to a collaborative process;
- Support dialogue among key stakeholders;
- Identify ways state government can help address problems and obstacles; and
- Encourage the support and engagement of congressional delegation.

Fall 2020 letters

- October 26, 2020: Letter from 28 environmental and fishery NGOs
- December 17, 2020: Letter from 18 environmental, fishery and clean energy NGOs
- December 23, 2020: Letter from 10 Northwest Utility General Managers

# Columbia Basin Collaborative

## *Vision*

The States of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana envision a collaboration that:

- Commits to identify and support actions that strive for abundant and harvestable salmon and steelhead and advance the quantitative and qualitative goals of the CBP;
- Acknowledges, respects, and protects tribal cultural values, consistent with treaty rights, and promotes the trust responsibilities of the federal government to tribes;
- Appreciates and addresses the needs of the regional economies, including but not limited to agriculture, transportation, fishing, recreation, port operations, and state and tribal fisheries; and
- Recognizes the importance of a future regional power system that is reliable, affordable, and that furthers decarbonization.

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# **Columbia Basin Collaborative**

## *Guiding Principles*

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**Regional Scope**

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**Focused on outcomes**

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**Nimble and opportunistic**

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**Effective**

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**Inclusive**

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**Knowledgeable**

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**Timely**

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# Columbia Basin Collaborative

## *Approach*

- Develop collaborative framework
- Identify actions necessary to advance CBP goals
- Assess social, cultural, economic and ecological considerations associated with those actions
- Develop recommendations for actions to advance CBP goals that also address social, cultural, economic and ecological considerations
- Remain nimble and opportunistic
- Provide communication and education on relevant issues

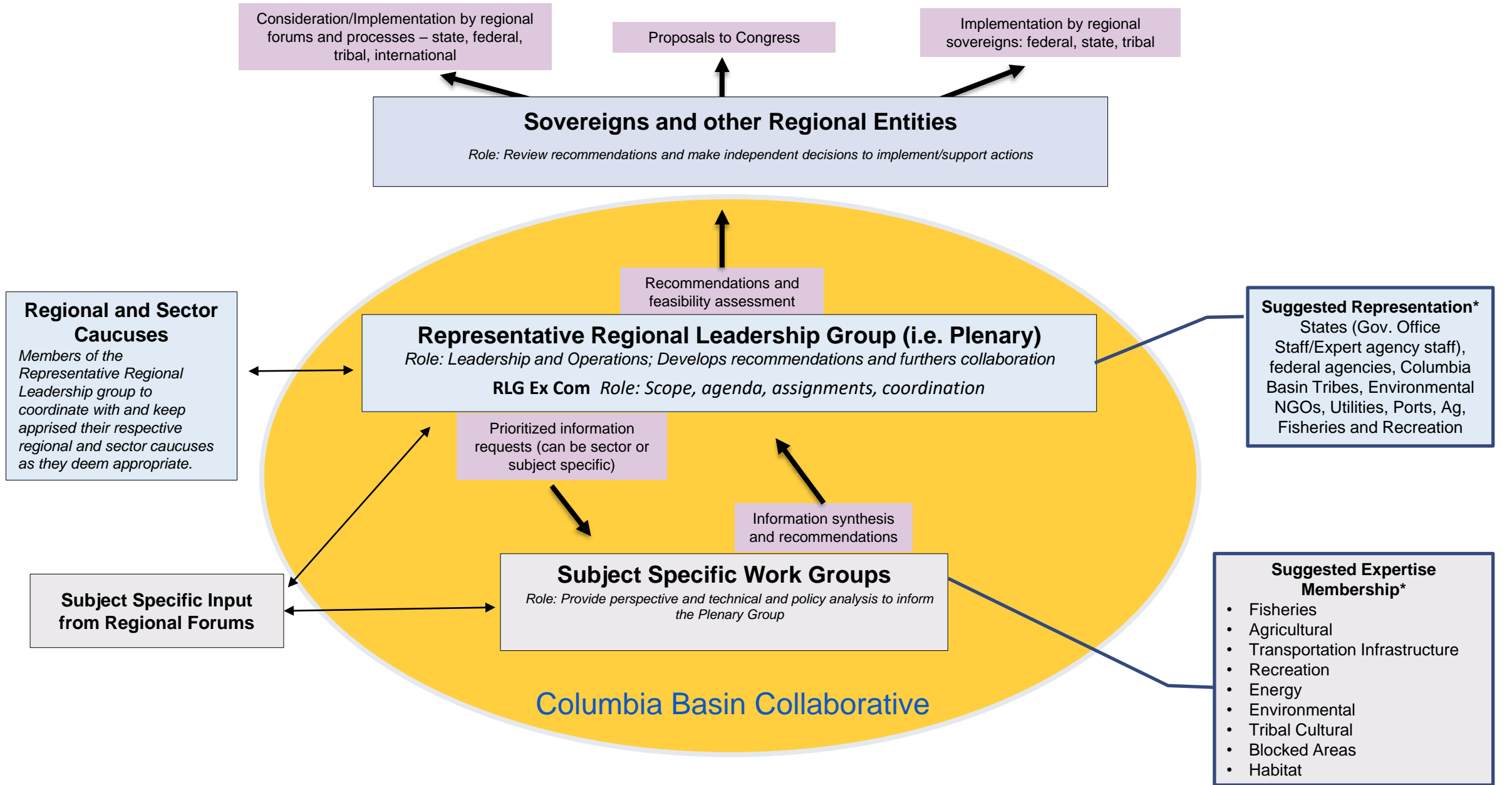


# CBC...“Remain nimble and opportunistic”

## *What about the Simpson concepts?*

- Congressman Simpson released concepts on February 8, 2021
- More information can be found: <https://simpson.house.gov/salmon/>
- Until CBC initiated, ad hoc convening group will:
  - Keep tabs on any new concepts and funding opportunities
  - Be available as a resource to facilitate expertise and information exchange
  - Evaluate synergies with the CBC goals and objectives
  - Individually or collectively, may explore opportunities for engagement consistent with CBC vision and goals

# A regional approach to achieving the Columbia Basin Partnership goals



# Columbia Basin Collaborative

## *Breakdown of Guiding Principles*

### **Regional Scope**

- Members represent their respective organizations and interests;
- Commit to participate in a process with a basin-wide focus;
- Strive to understand and appreciate the unique aspects and challenges facing particular sub-basin areas; and do so in the spirit of collaboration and compromise.

### **Focused on outcomes**

- Individual and collective commitment to develop recommendations likely to advance CBPTF goals for fish abundance; and
- Maintain/enhance regional prosperity.

### **Nimble and opportunistic**

- Focused on a deterministic process and framework to achieve CBC vision, but also nimble enough to recognize and act on short and long term opportunities that help expedite and achieve the vision.

# Columbia Basin Collaborative

## *Breakdown of Guiding Principles*

### **Effective**

- Collective representation of key sovereigns and stakeholders necessary to help advance recommendations.

### **Inclusive**

- Commitment to transparently represent their sovereign and stakeholder interests;
- Do so in spirit of hearing, respecting and appreciating differing perspectives and interests; and
- Understand compromise will be necessary for consensus recommendations.

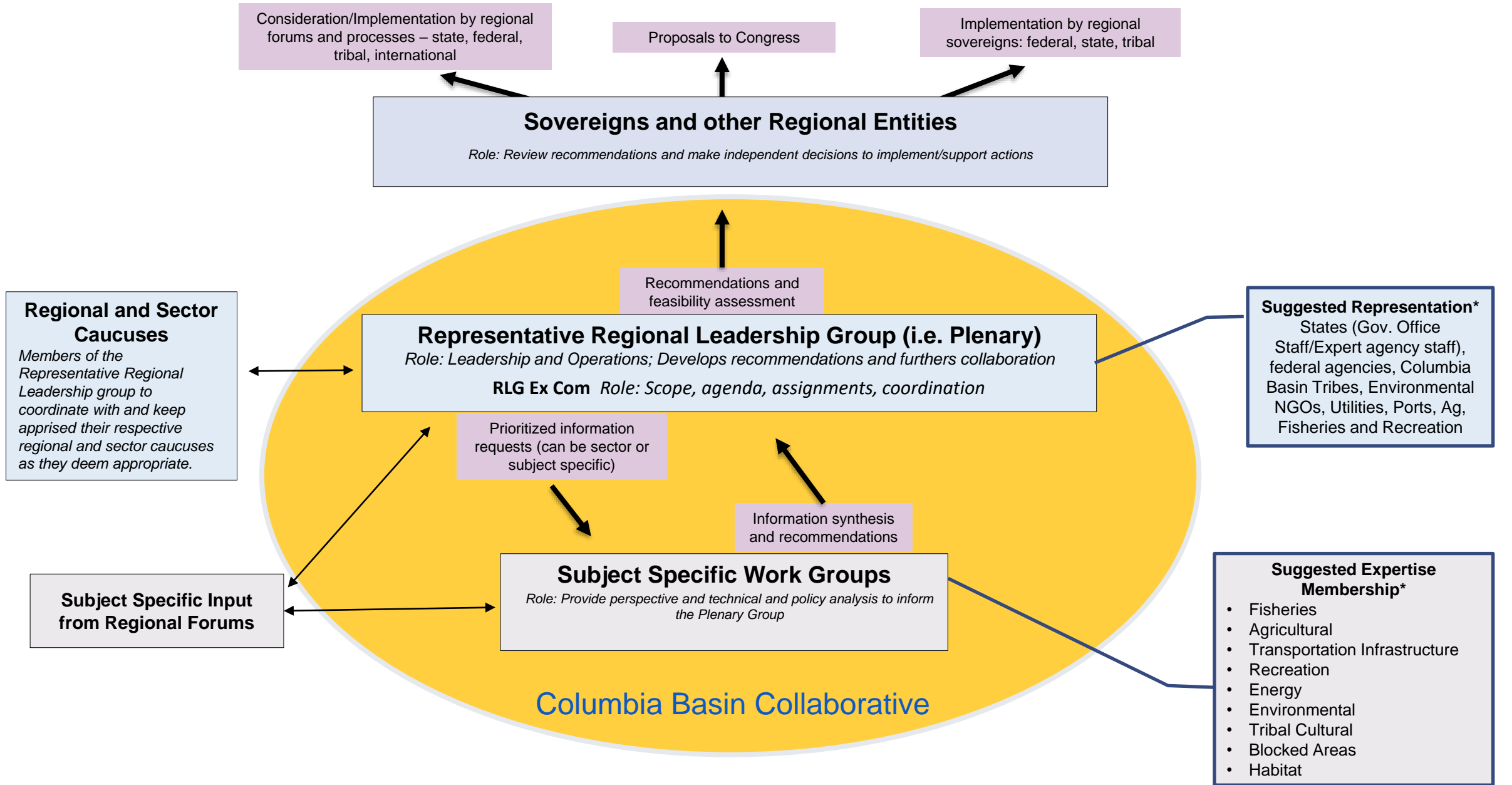
### **Knowledgeable**

- Individual and collective wealth of experience and understanding of key issues; and
- Willingness to seek additional expertise and input to ensure the best science and diversity of perspectives are considered in recommendations.

### **Timely**

- Commitment to move as quickly as practical toward outcome-based recommendations; and
- Build on available information, supplemented as necessary with new information.

# A regional approach to achieving the Columbia Basin Partnership goals





# Regional Leadership Group (Plenary)

## Membership

- Approximately 15-20 members for functional efficiency
- Represent states, tribes, feds and stakeholders
- Members nominated through their respective caucuses
- **States** (4 seats): Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana
- **Columbia Basin Tribes**: To be determined by tribes
- **Federal Government** (up to 4 seats): To be discussed with Federal Agencies
- **Stakeholders** (4 seats):
  - *Utilities* (1): BPA customers, PUDs, investor-owned utilities
  - *River Economies* (1): Agriculture, Ports, Transportation, Municipalities
  - *Non-tribal Fisheries* (1): Ocean and river, sport and commercial
  - *Conservation* (1): Environmental and energy NGOs
- Opportunity exists for input through RLG, regional caucuses, working teams, regional forums, and technical expertise



# Regional Leadership Group (Plenary)

## *Roles and Expectations*

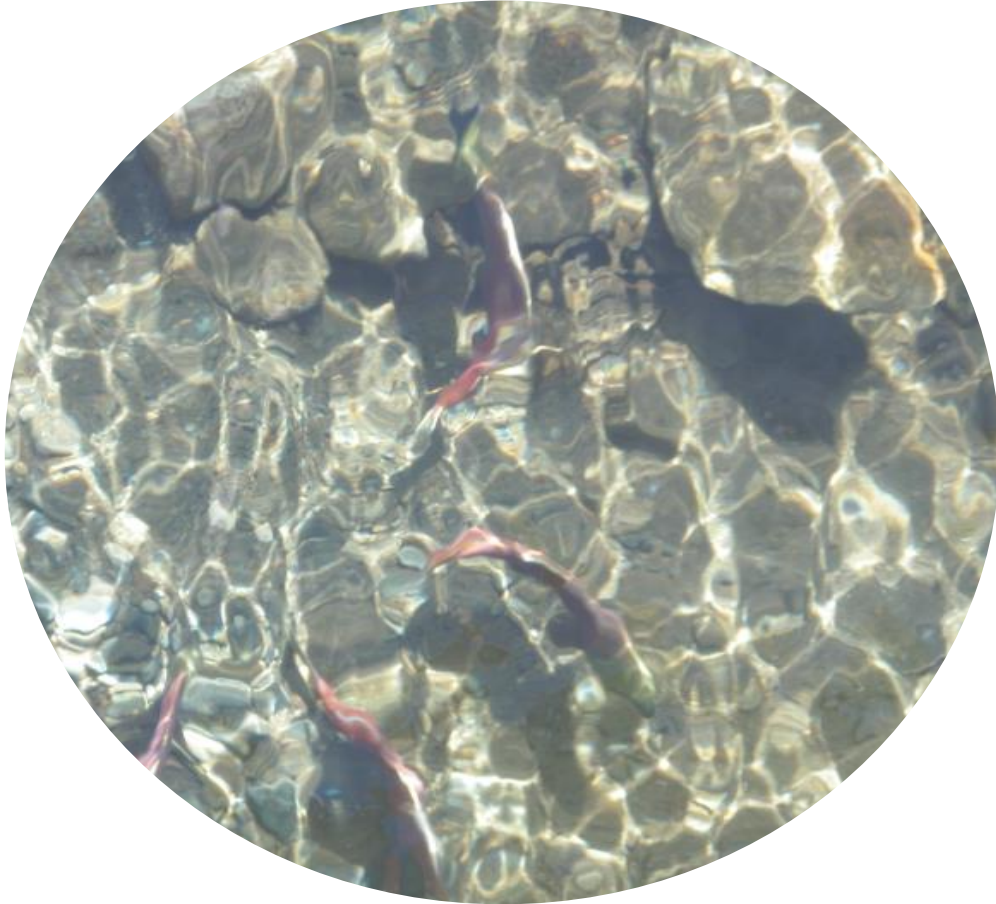
- Identify and prioritize key issues and needs for achieving CBPTF goals
- Solicit information from regional forums regarding subject-specific actions, gaps, and implementation processes
- Request information, analyses and associated recommendations from Work Groups
- Develop recommendations for actions to help achieve goals in consideration of social, cultural, economic and ecological issues
- Seek consensus on recommendations
- Promote recommendations to decision makers





# Regional Leadership Group (Plenary)

## *Roles and Expectations continued*



- Provide clearing-house forum for understanding, promoting and acting on short and long-term opportunities that arise external to the CBC but help fund and advance actions to achieve CBPTF goals and CBC vision
- Provide education and outreach on relevant issues
- Individual members are expected to coordinate with, and represent, constituencies within their broader caucuses

# Work Groups

## *Membership, Roles and Expectations*

- Subject specific work groups made up of regional experts, sector leaders, and advisors
  - e.g., Energy, River Economies (Ag/Transport/Ports/Municipalities), Tribal culture, Habitat, Fisheries, River Recreation, Environmental, Blocked Areas
- Work collaboratively to clarify and assess subject-specific issues and potential actions and solutions consistent with RLG (Plenary) direction and priorities
- Coordinate/collaborate across Work Groups for complementary analyses and solutions
- Develop recommendations for actions to help achieve goals in consideration of social, cultural, economic and ecological issues
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# Regional Forum Representatives

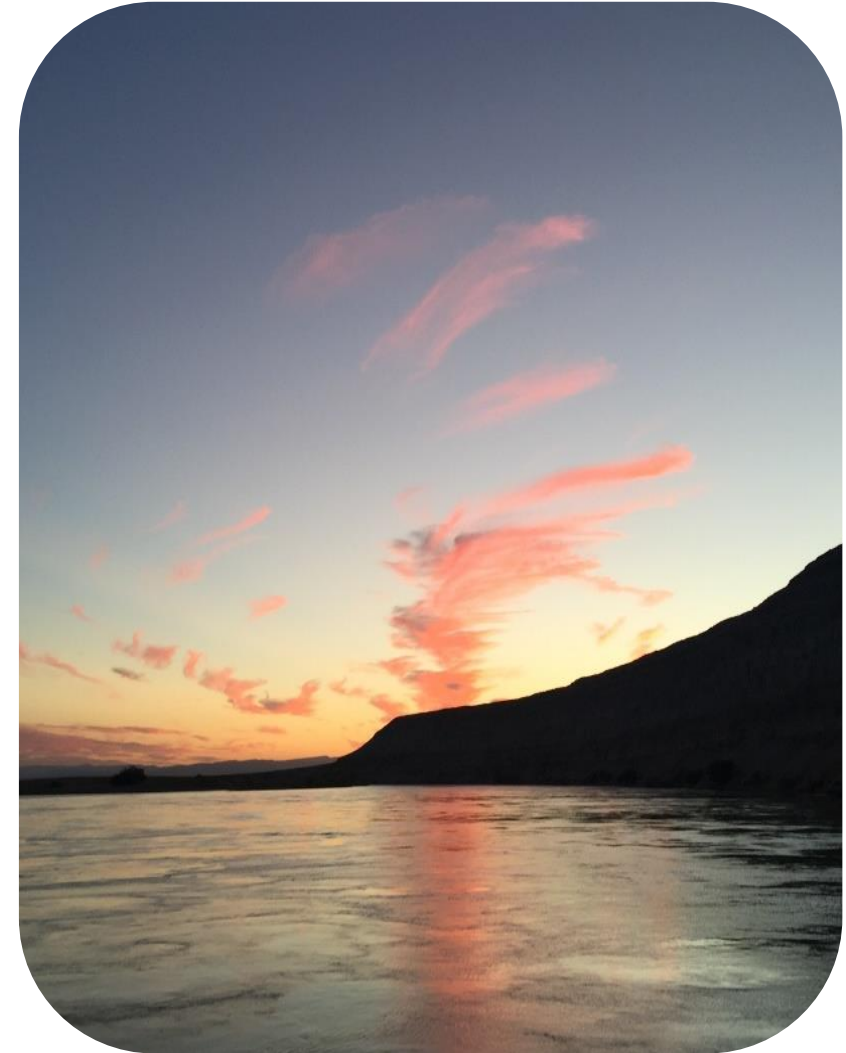
- Provide expertise regarding subject-specific processes, agreements, authorities, and other pertinent decision-making information
- Interact with the Plenary Group and Working Teams to provide baseline information on current actions, gaps, and potential road map to implementation through existing forums and authorities
- Respond to subject-specific information requests from the Plenary Group

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## *Moving Forward*

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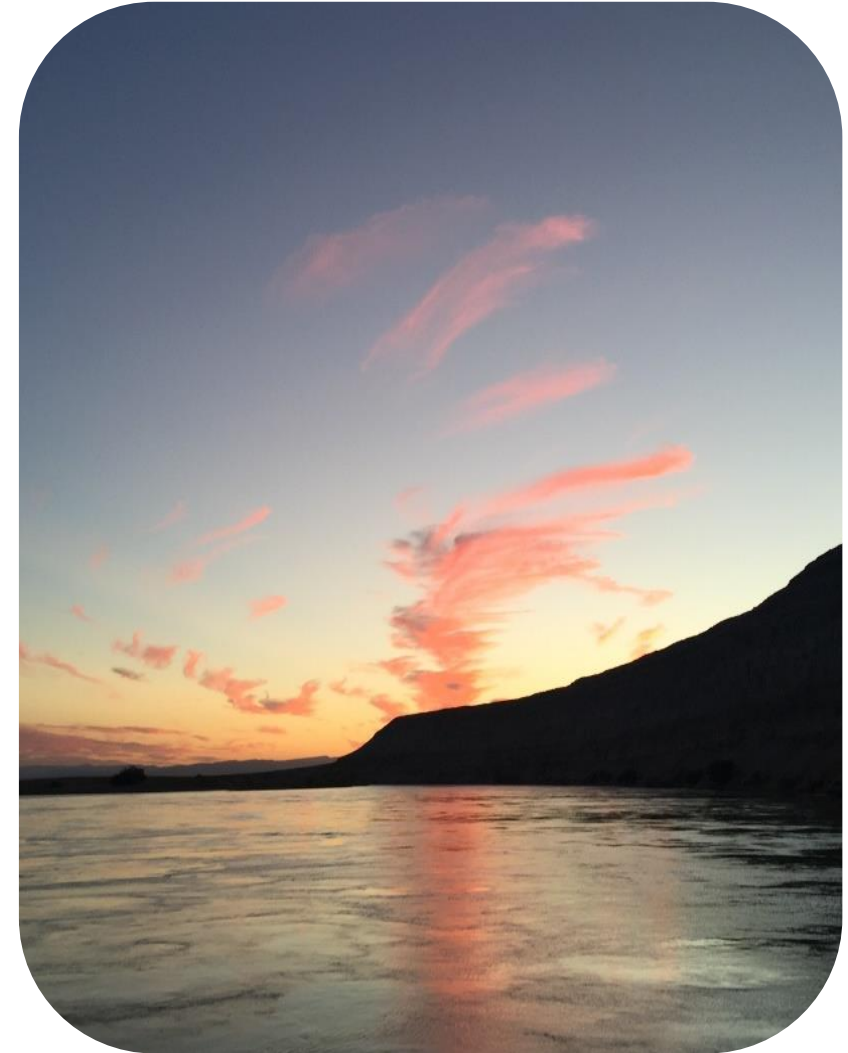


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## Stretch break



# Opportunity for Input and Feedback

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- Now we want to open up the conversation with workshop participants
- We are inviting members of sovereign tribes to speak first, followed by others
- We will be seeking a balance of representation throughout the discussion
- We ask that people raise their hands if they'd like to speak, as a reminder, if you're joining by phone please press \*9 to raise your hand
- We will do our best to call on as many people as possible, we request people keep their comments/questions brief to make space for others
- As a reminder you can type questions into the Q&A box and "like" to upvote the questions of interest
- As we will likely not have time to hear from everyone, we are also providing a survey at the end of the workshop to provide additional input and feedback



# Opportunity for Input and Feedback

What are some ideas and suggestions for:

- A constructive and productive basin wide process?
- What topics to address when?
- Membership and representation?
- Proposed approach going forward?
- Anything else?

**Approach Going Forward,  
Confirm Upcoming Topics, Next Steps,  
and Summary**

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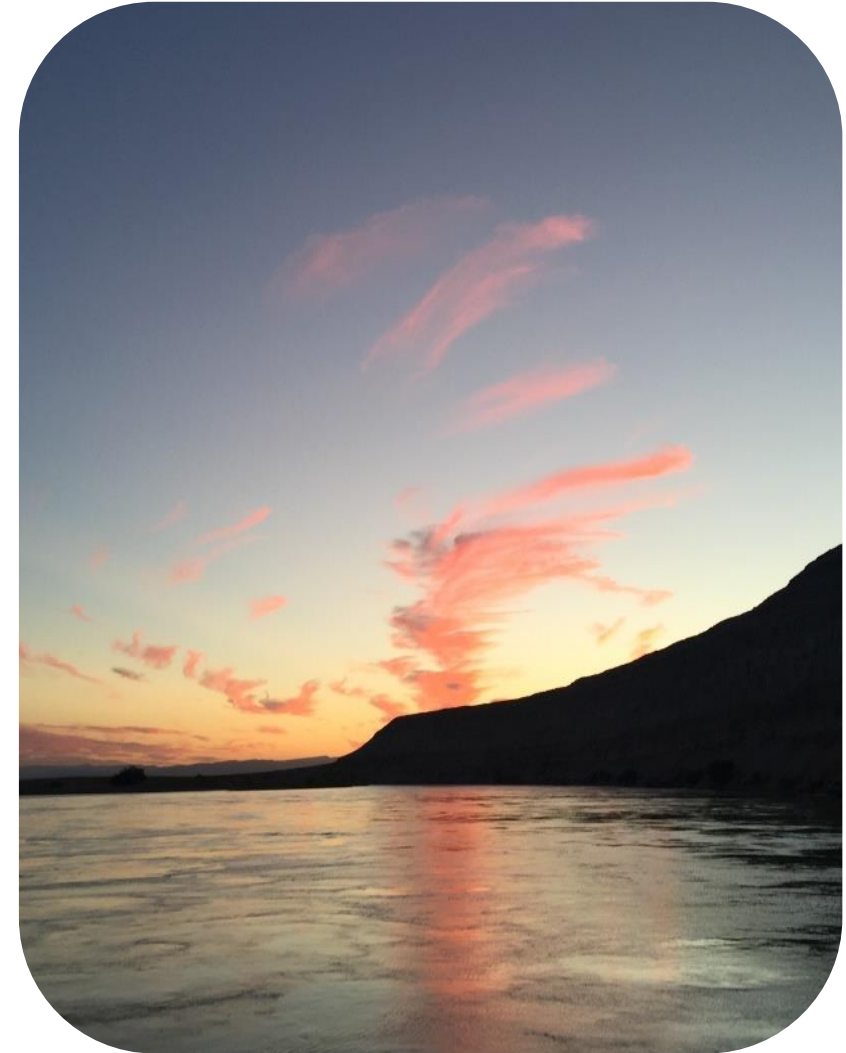
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# Next Steps, Action Items, and Summary



- Confirm topics, tasks, and next steps
- How can regional partners help?
- Confirm via feedback survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HX2JGHC>
- Share key tasks and timeframes for moving towards a CBC kick-off
- Acknowledgments and summary



Thank You!