



San Francisco Littoral Cell

Coastal Regional Sediment Management Plan

Governance Presentation to
CCAG Water Committee

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Introducing Kearns & West

- Stakeholder outreach, engagement, and dispute resolution expertise
- Offices in San Francisco, Davis, Portland and Washington DC
- Track record with Bay Area agencies and communities, and governance
- Extensive experience on marine and coastal projects throughout the US

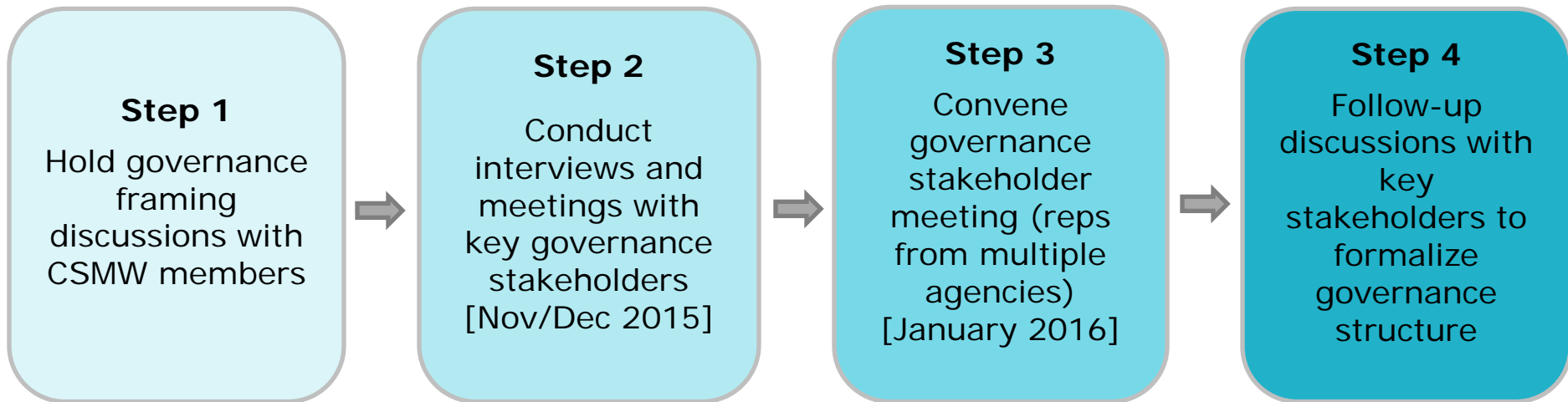


Kearns & West Governance Scope

1. Review and analyze governance structure options
2. Solicit input from relevant stakeholders on governance
3. Provide recommendations, incorporate into Governance chapter
4. Develop *Future Steps for Implementation* report



Governance Identification Process





Importance of Governance

- Provides framework for decision-making and sharing of resources and information across jurisdictional boundaries
- Accountability – creates opportunities for citizens to provide input
- Need for managing sediment *regionally*
 - Sediment crosses jurisdictional boundaries
 - Actions of one jurisdiction can impact others





SFLC CRSMP and Governance

- SLFC CRSMP cannot be “implemented”; intended to inform and guide future regional sediment management decision-making
- Focused on coordinating regional sediment management activities and information moving forward:
 - Data/technical analysis
 - Stakeholder outreach
 - Agency-to-agency coordination
 - Planning
 - Securing funding
 - Project implementation





Regional Needs





Initial Findings

- Multiple entities with jurisdiction in littoral cell
- Varying priority levels across region
- Not likely an existing entity that can be leveraged for governance
- Limited resources, concerns with resource-intensive governance approach
- Limited history, current lack of coordination across 3 cities and 2 counties in littoral cell





Key Considerations and Recommendations

- Should be resource efficient
- Will require leadership and commitment
- Potential impact on local efforts should be considered
- Governance should be scale-able and adapt to changing needs
- Focus initially on information sharing and coordination
- Should be linked to other relevant efforts in region
- Should help agencies and staff (perceived need/benefit); not be another commitment





Relevant Efforts in Region

- San Mateo County Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment
- San Mateo County CCAG Water Committee
- Ocean Beach Master Plan
- SFPUC Coastal Adaptation Actions
- San Francisco Bay CRMSP





Governance Options (SFLC CRSMP)





Governance Options in SFLC CRSCP

- Status Quo
- Coordinating Network
- Lead Agency
- Special District
- Joint Powers Authority





Findings from Jan.26 Governance Meeting

- Need for improved coordination on SLR and coastal management in region
- Broad support for Coordinating Network
- Quarterly meetings
- Importance of identifying lead and securing commitments
- Define Network's "objective"
 - Clarify why agencies should participate, drivers
 - Sediment management requires regional approach
 - Avoid being in crisis mode
 - Identify projects/jointly pursue funding





Next Steps

- Initial Coordinating Network meeting in April 2016
- Follow-up presentation on SFLC CRSMP to CCAG Water Committee (if desired)
- Other?





Discussion Questions

1. What should governance achieve for CCAG?
(near-term and long-term)
2. What are CCAG's capacity and resources to lead or participate?
3. How soon should a governance structure be identified and developed?





Thank You!

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