



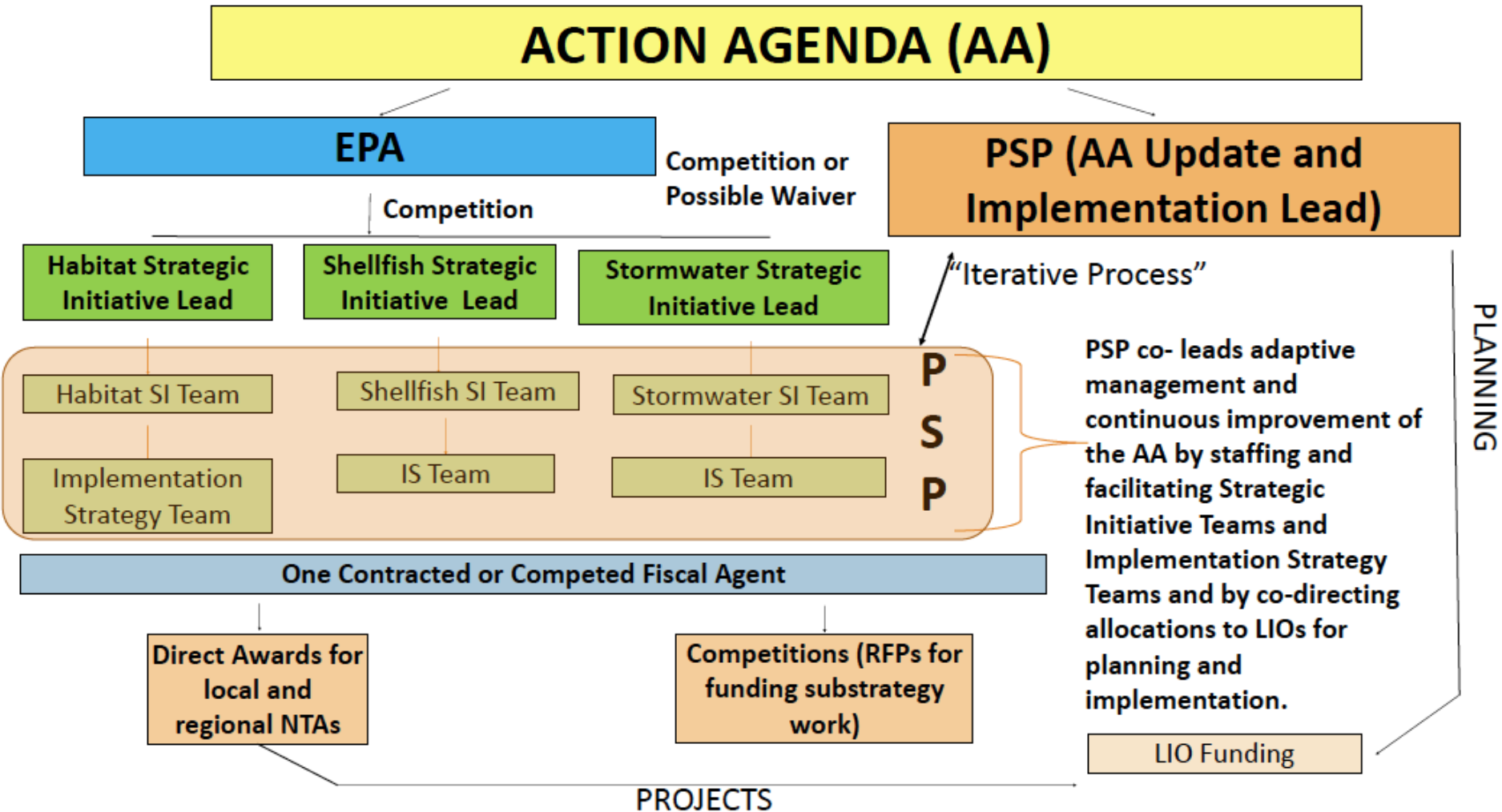
HCCC LIO NTA Planning

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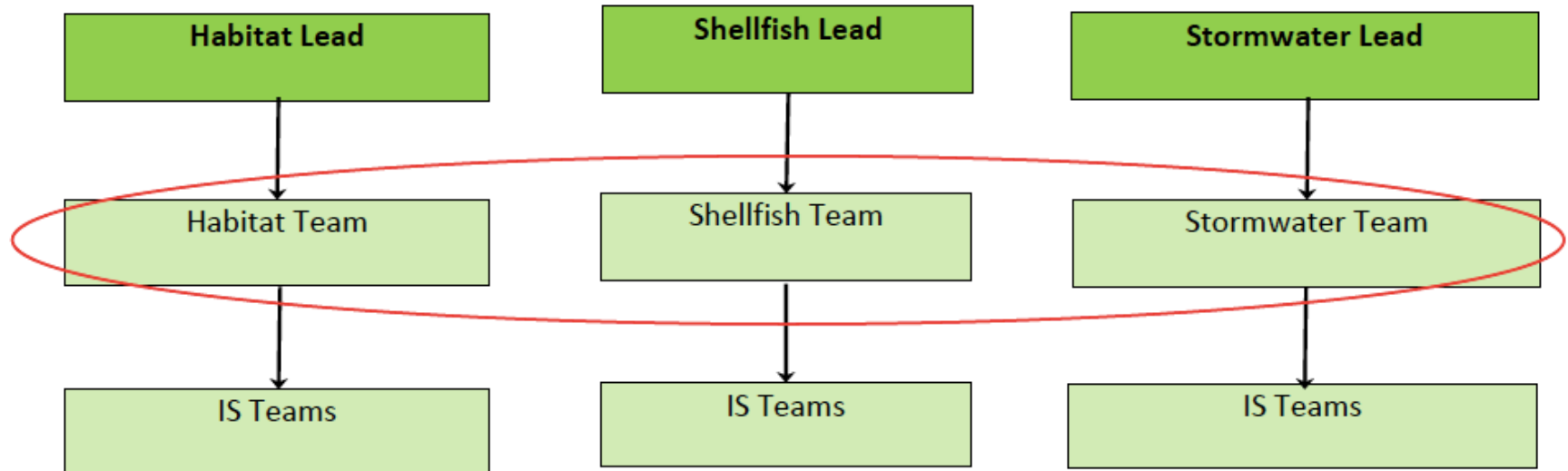
AGENDA

- EPA National Estuary Program funding model changes
- NTA planning timeline
- HCCC NTA planning process
- HCCC NTA selection criteria
- HCCC NTA updates & recommendations

EPA/PSP National Estuary Program Funding Model



Action Agenda Planning: *Strategic Initiatives Teams*



SI Teams are comprised of technical experts, including program managers, and policy specialists. Team members will also be recruited from Tribes, LIOs, academia and NGOs to provide a variety of perspectives.

Teams are responsible for formulating recommendations on AA priorities; soliciting, reviewing and recommending near-term actions for AA updates.

SI Teams are intended to be standing and supported teams.

Action Agenda Planning:

The recovery strategies and the work.

- LIOs – LIO-scale strategic recovery plan
 - directly aligned with the goals and strategies of the regional plan (i.e. Action Agenda goals, Vitals Sign Indicators, strategies and sub-strategies)
 - start from existing work – LIO priorities and near-term actions in the 2014 AA
 - relatively static (5 years)
- LIOs – implementation plan (the work plan)
 - updated every two years (per statute)
 - focus on local actions addressing regional priorities
 - Strategic Initiatives for 2016

Stormwater Strategic Initiative

Local Integrating Organization	C1.1	C2.1	C2.2	C2.3	C2.4	C2.5	D6.1
Hood Canal Coordinating Council (HC)							
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Habitat Strategic Initiative

Local Integrating Organization	A1.2	A1.3	A4.2	A5.1	A5.2	A5.4	A6.1	A7.1	B1.2	B1.3	B2.1	B2.2	B5.3	C8.1	C8.2
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PSP Action Agenda Planning Schedule (Tentative)

- Regional priorities established – Summer '15
- Planning and development of NTAs – Spring to Winter '15
- Draft 2016 Action Agenda – Q1 2016
- Adoption of Action Agenda – Q2 2-16

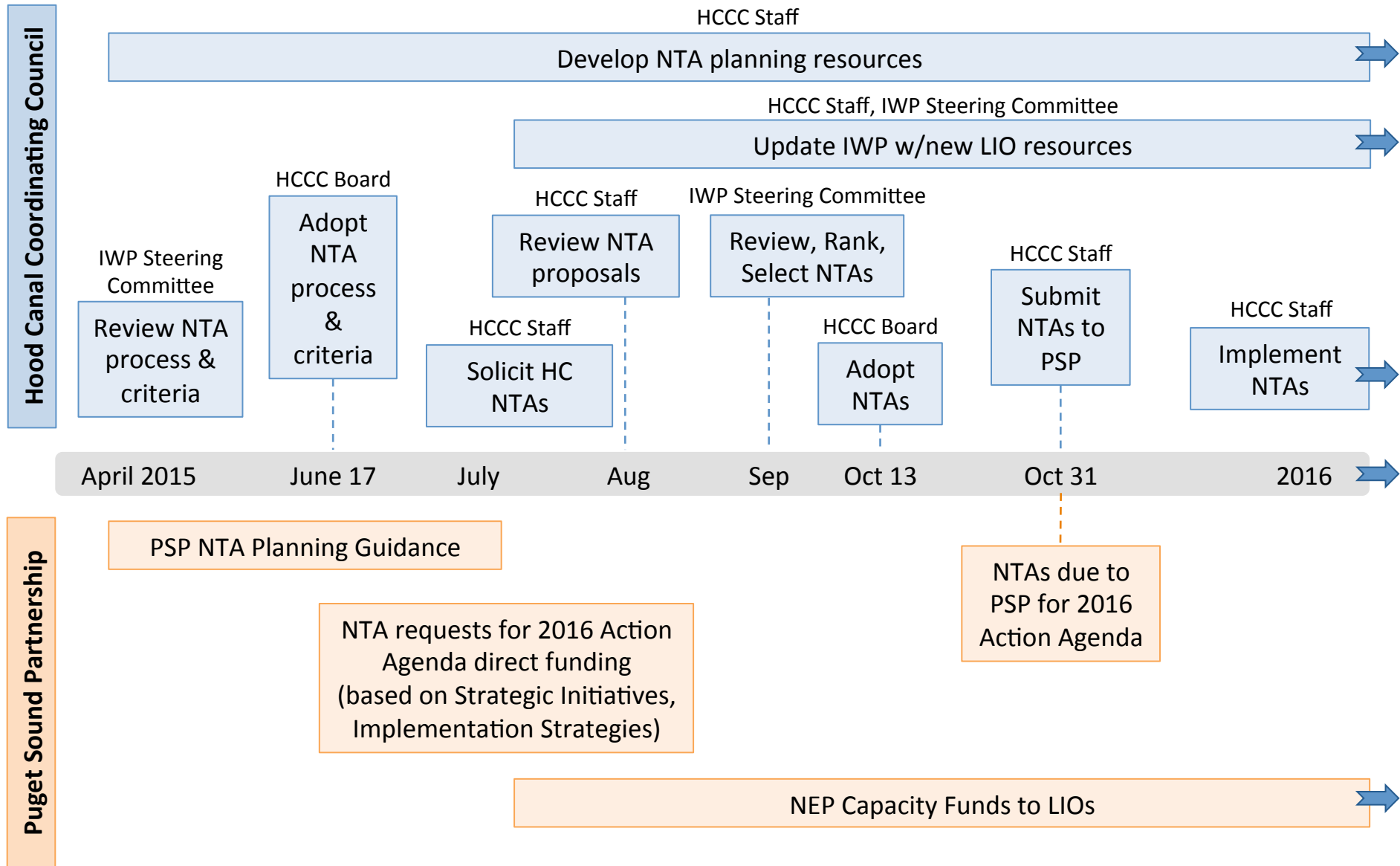


HCCC NTA Planning Process

1. HCCC Develops NTA selection criteria (approved by Board)
2. Public solicitation for NTA proposals
3. Review and ranking of NTA proposals
4. Selection of final NTAs (approved by Board) to submit for inclusion in 2016 PSP Action Agenda

Hood Canal Coordinating Council Near Term Actions Planning Timeline

for the 2016 Puget Sound Action Agenda, and Beyond...



NTA Selection Criteria

Near Term Action (NTA): An action that contributes to strategic priorities and a project or series of projects to achieve the action.

Proposed NTAs will be evaluated by the following characteristics:

- The action's **contribution to IWP Strategic Priorities** is specific and demonstrated
- The project(s) proposed to address the action is defined, specific, and addresses IWP priorities
- The action is **regional in nature**; it addresses Hood Canal-wide pressures, and achieves shared outcomes that further HCCC's IWP goals.
- The **critical pressures targeted** by the action are identified and contribute to pressure reduction goals specified in the IWP

NTA Selection Criteria, cont...

- The action's **owner(s) are specific** and engaged in the development of the proposed action
 - The action's owner(s) and/or responsible parties have the capacity to perform the proposed action within the Action Agenda's biennial timeframe
 - The action's owner(s) and/or responsible parties are committed to managing the proposed action and projects, including project management, financial reporting and progress reporting
- The action **engages regional partners**
- The proposed action **contributes to Puget Sound Recovery** as outlined in the Puget Sound Action Agenda:
 - Strategic Initiatives and Sub-Strategies
 - Vital Signs and Recovery Targets
- **Cost** of proposed action