



One Water & Stewardship Committee

Update on State and Federal Bay-Delta Regulatory Processes

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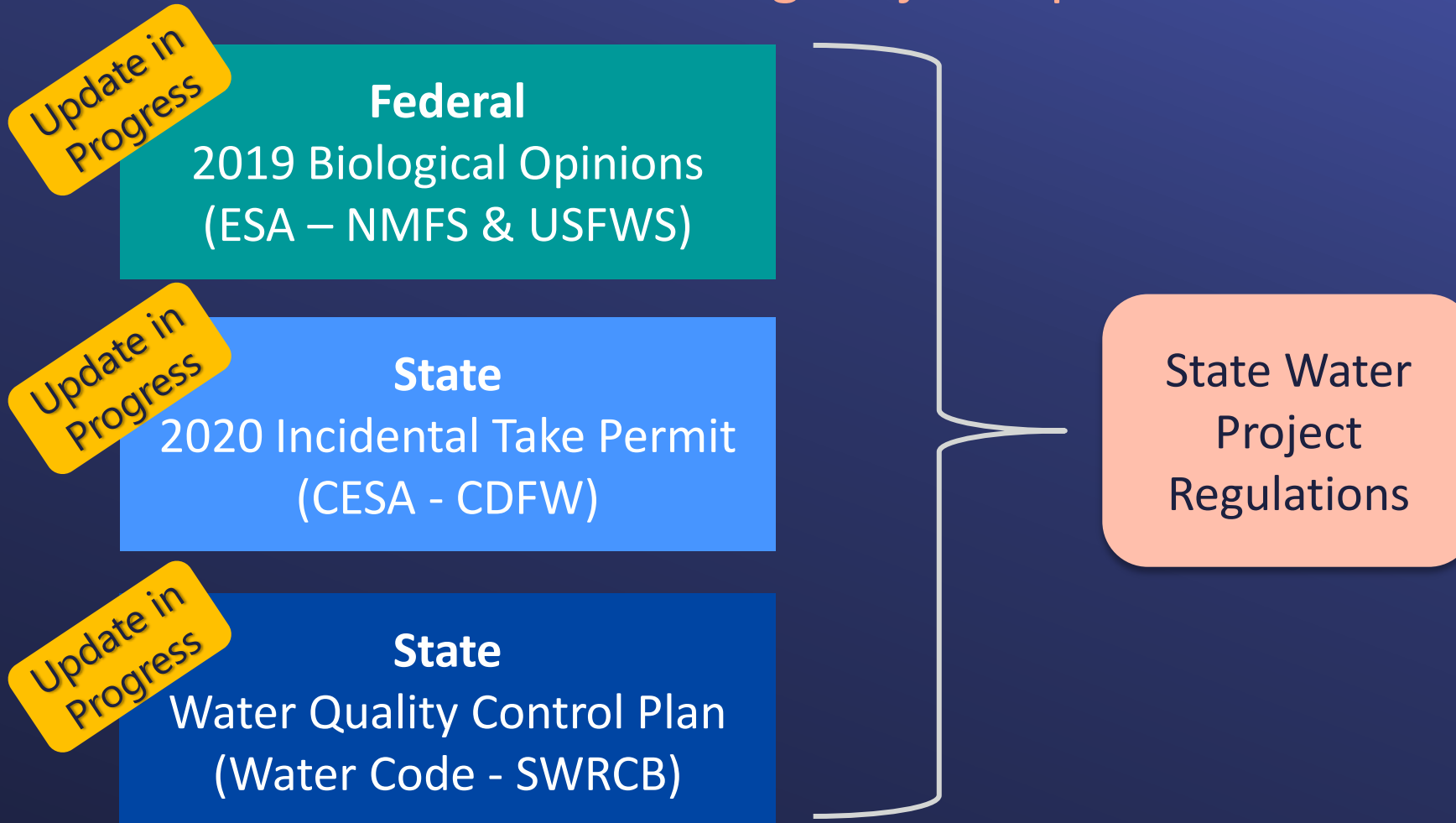
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Presentation Summary

- Regulatory Overview
- Reinitiation of Consultation on Long-Term Operations of the SWP and CVP
- Water Quality Control Plan Update and Proposed Healthy Rivers and Landscapes Program
- Next Steps

SWP Regulatory Overview

Key Permits and Standards Governing Project Operations



ESA = Endangered Species Act

CESA = California Endangered Species Act

NMFS = National Marine Fisheries Service

USFWS = United States Fish and Wildlife Service

CDFW = California Department of Fish and Wildlife

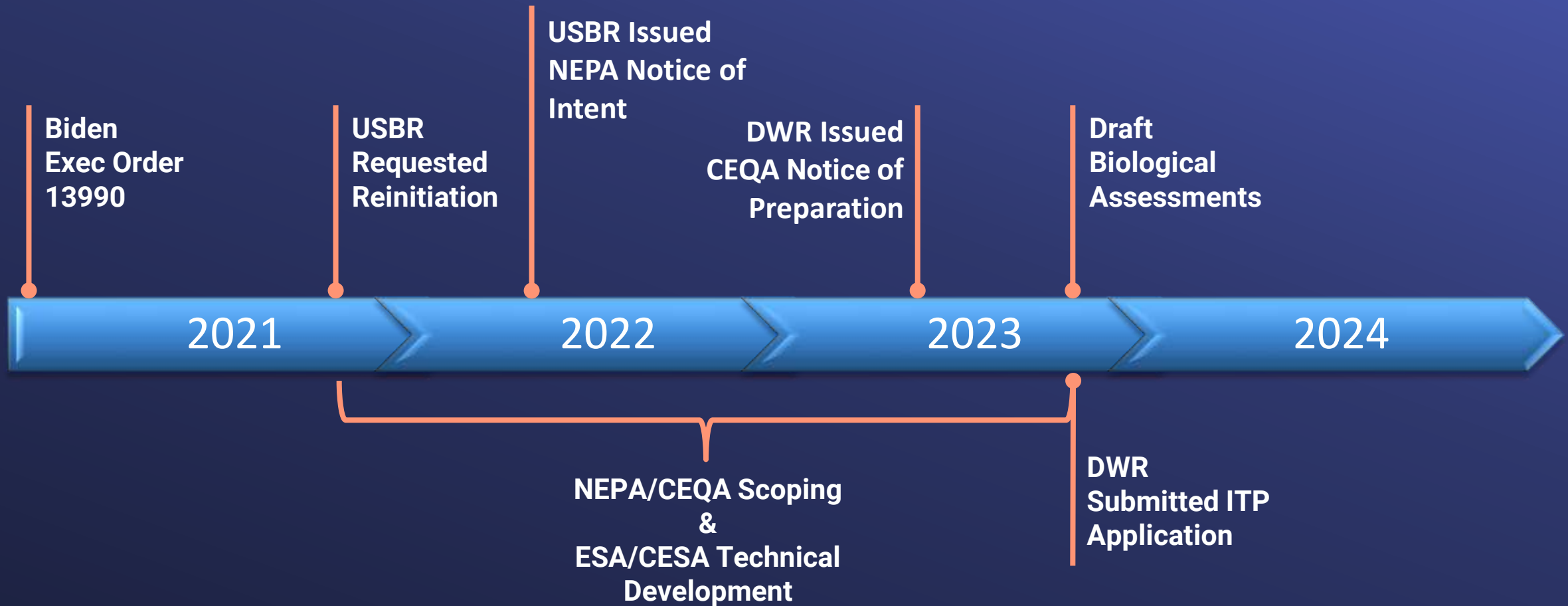
SWRCB = State Water Resources Control Board



Reinitiation of Consultation on Long-Term Operations of the SWP and CVP

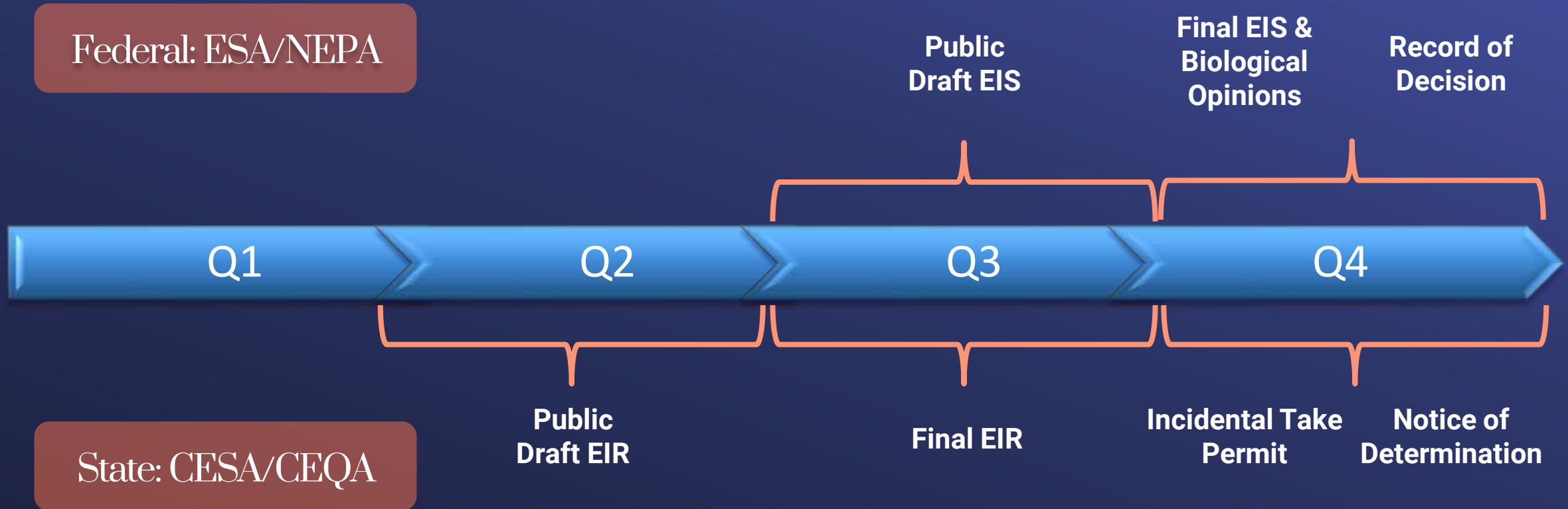
Reinitiation of Consultation on Long-Term Operations

Timeline Milestones



Reinitiation of Consultation on Long-Term Operations

Anticipated 2024 Milestones



Current Areas of Interest

- Incorporation of Healthy Rivers and Landscapes Program into new permits
- Potential ESA listing of Longfin Smelt and White Sturgeon
- Approaches to better address Steelhead and Winter-run Chinook salmon take

Reinitiation of
Consultation
on Long-Term
Operations





Water Quality Control Plan Update and Proposed Healthy Rivers and Landscapes Program

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Healthy Rivers and Landscapes Program

Supplemental Materials March 29, 2024

- Rounds out materials provided in Fall 2023
- Provided State Board essential details ahead of public workshop
- Includes:
 - Flow and Non-flow Measure Accounting
 - Global Agreement
 - Implementing Agreements
 - Enforcement Agreements

Workshop on Proposed Voluntary Agreements

Day 1
April 24, 2024

Overview of Proposed
Healthy Rivers &
Landscapes Program

Session 1: Integration of
VA Flow & Non-Flow
Measures

Session 2: Flow Measure
Accounting

Day 2
April 25, 2024

State Board opening
remarks & staff
presentation

Session 3: Non-flow
Measure Accounting

Session 4: Science Plan

Individual Public
Comments

Day 3
April 26, 2024

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Session 5: Governance
& Participation

Session 6: Enforcement,
Accountability,
Transparency, &
Implementation

Individual Public
Comments



Next Steps Upcoming Board Items

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Next Steps

- Long-Term Operations Process
 - Biological Opinions end of year 2024
 - Incidental Take Permit Q3 2024
- Water Quality Control Plan Process
 - Updated Bay-Delta Plan anticipated mid-2025

