

The Phase 6 Chesapeake Bay Program Watershed Model

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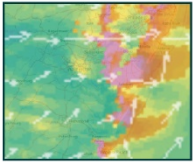
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Data and Model Inputs

Pollution Control Data
Land Use Data
Point Sources Data
Septic Data
U.S. Census Data
Agricultural Data



Land Use
Change
Model



Airshed
Model

Precipitation Data
Meteorological Data
Elevation Data
Soil Data

Phase 6 Watershed Model/CAST

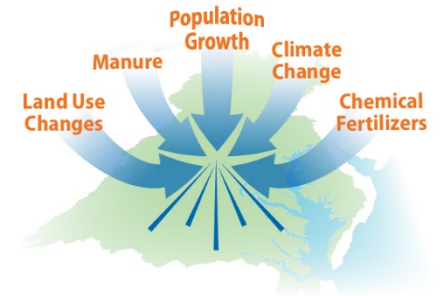


Estuary Model

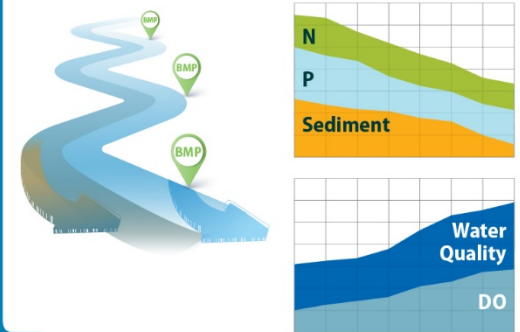


Model Outputs

Prediction of Impacts



BMP Implementation Results



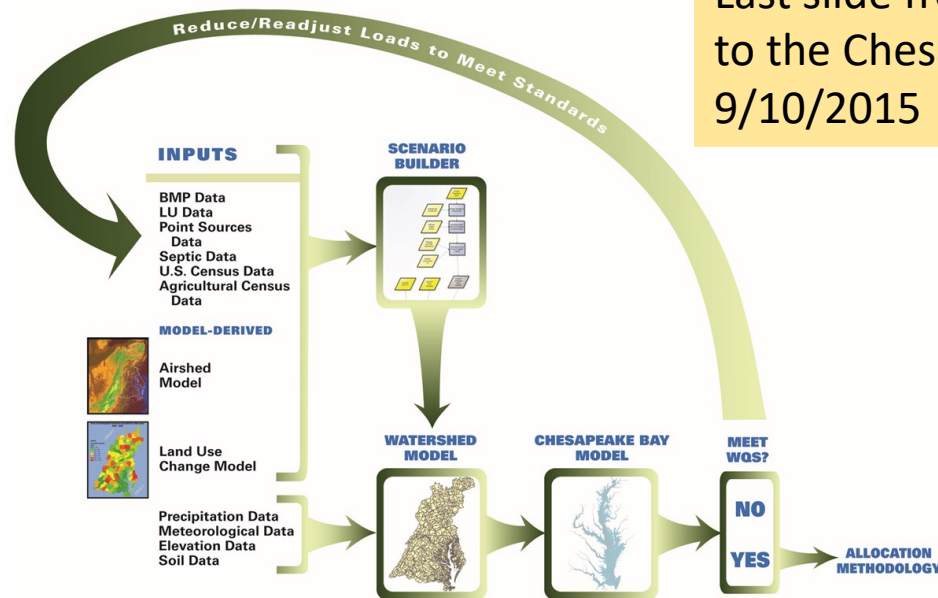
What management practices to we need to implement to achieve appropriate dissolved oxygen?

Effects

Allocations

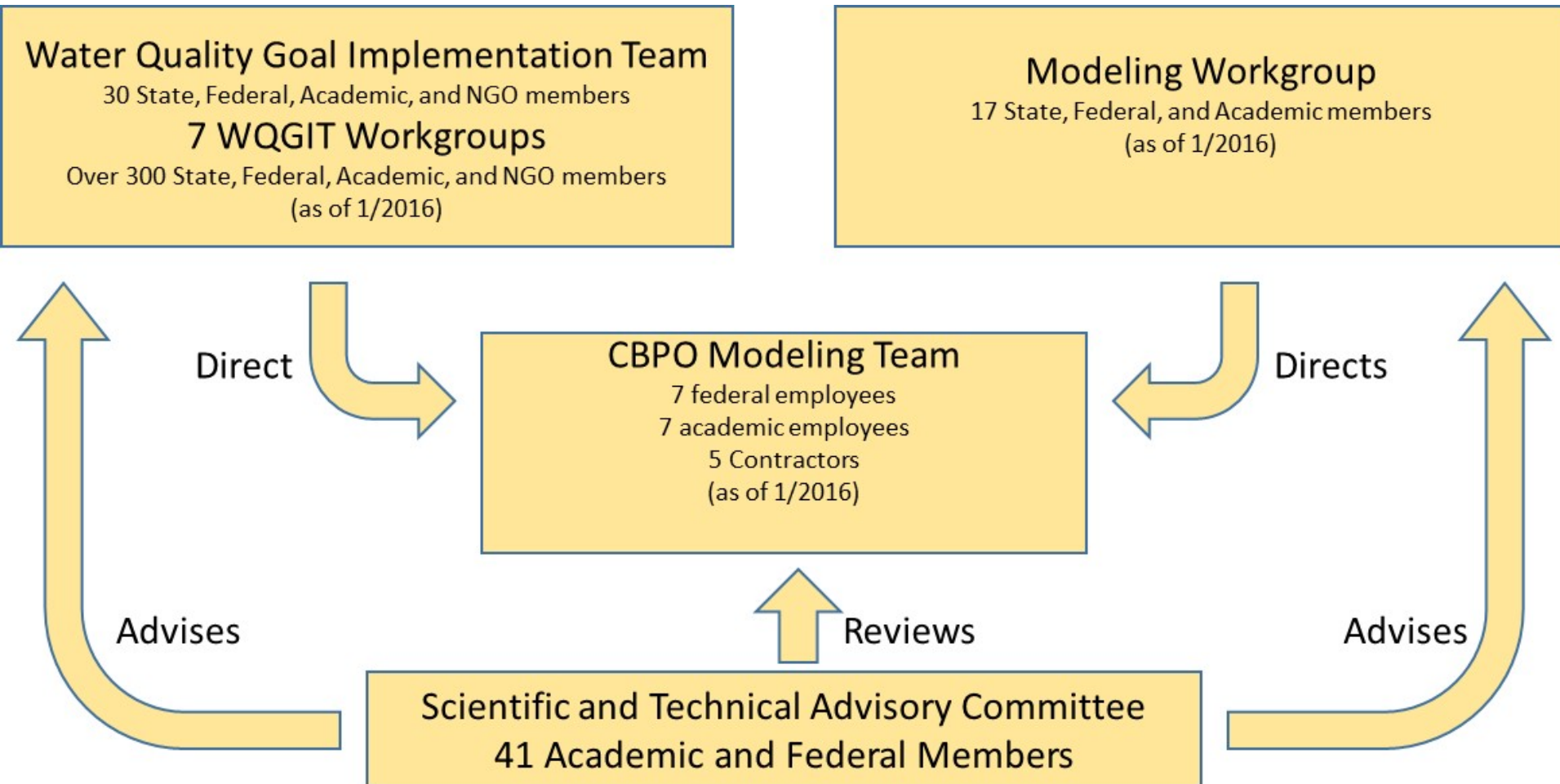
Goal – Stakeholder understanding

- Understandable model
- Inclusive process
- Better and more local input data
- More monitoring data



Last slide from previous presentation to the Chesapeake Bay Commission 9/10/2015

Participatory Modeling



Phase 6 Model Structure

Average Load + Δ Inputs * Sensitivity

Land Use Acres

BMPs

Land to Water

Stream Delivery

River Delivery

Direct Loads

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Keep It Simple

Average Load + Δ Inputs * Sensitivity

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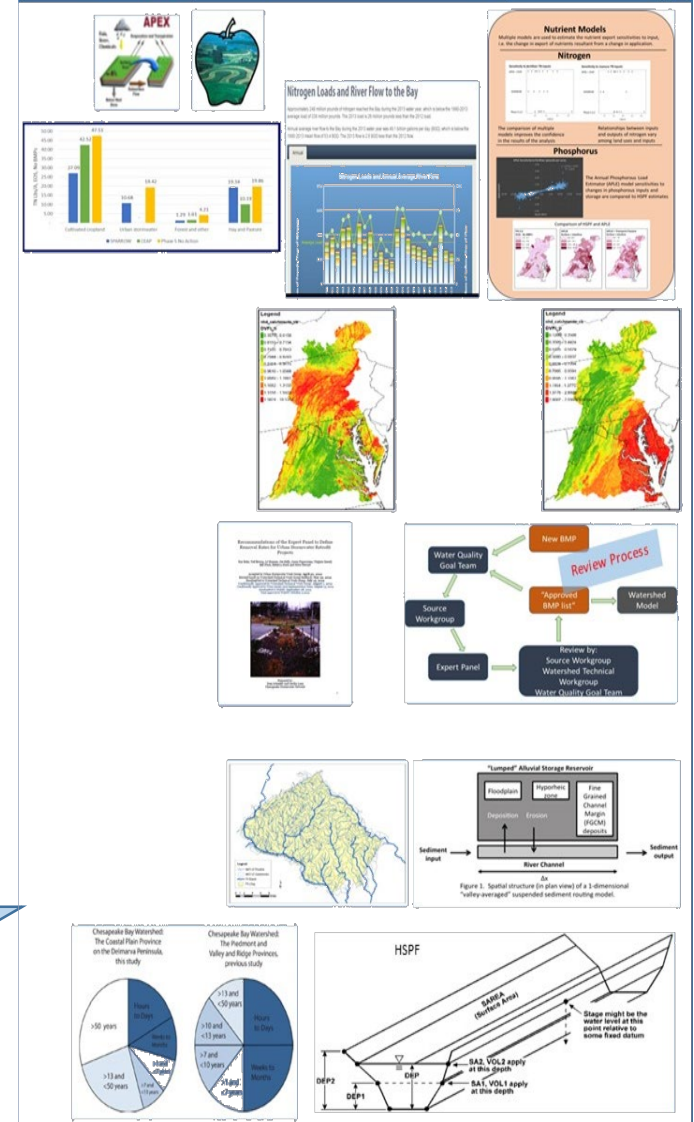
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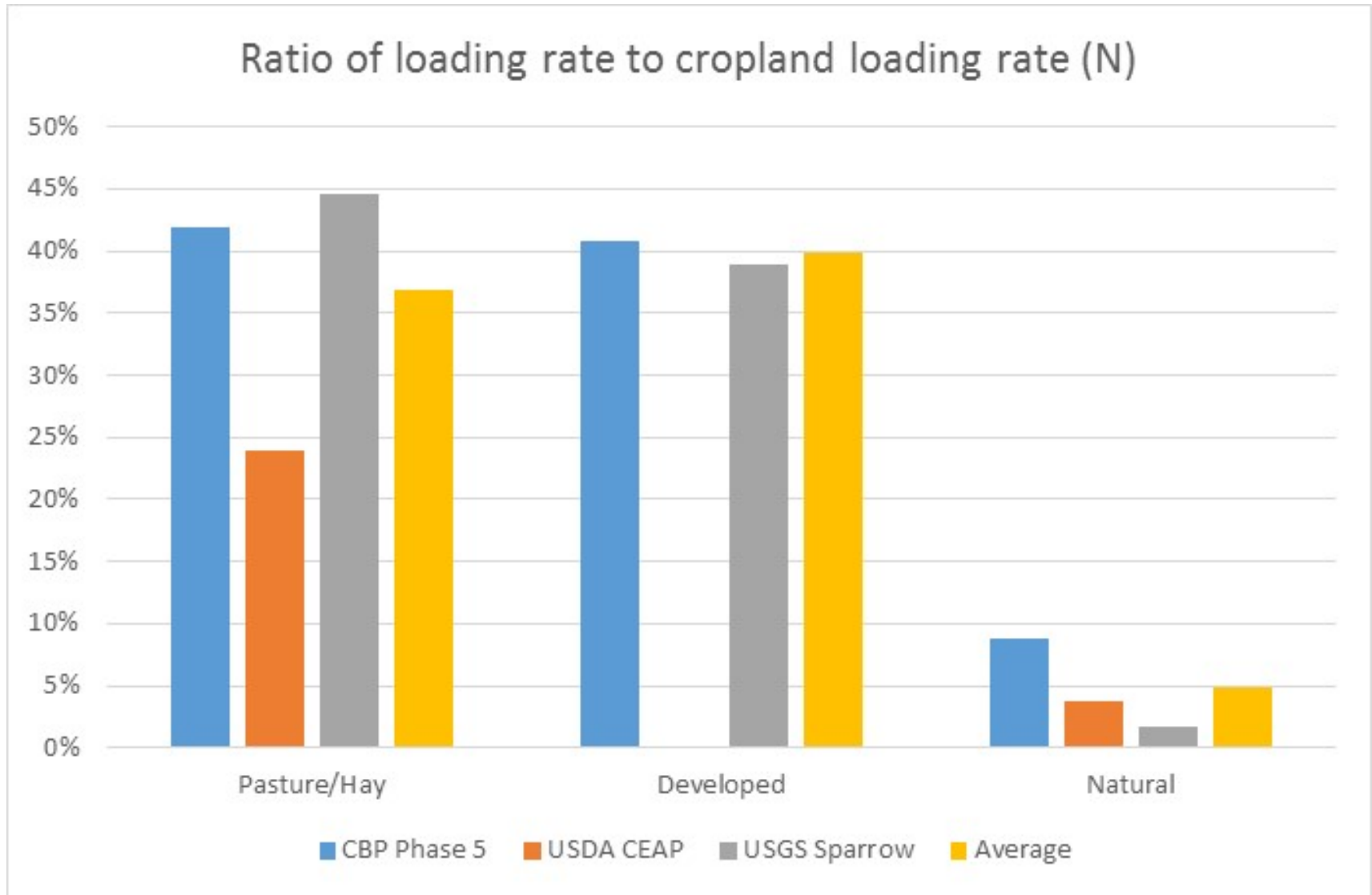
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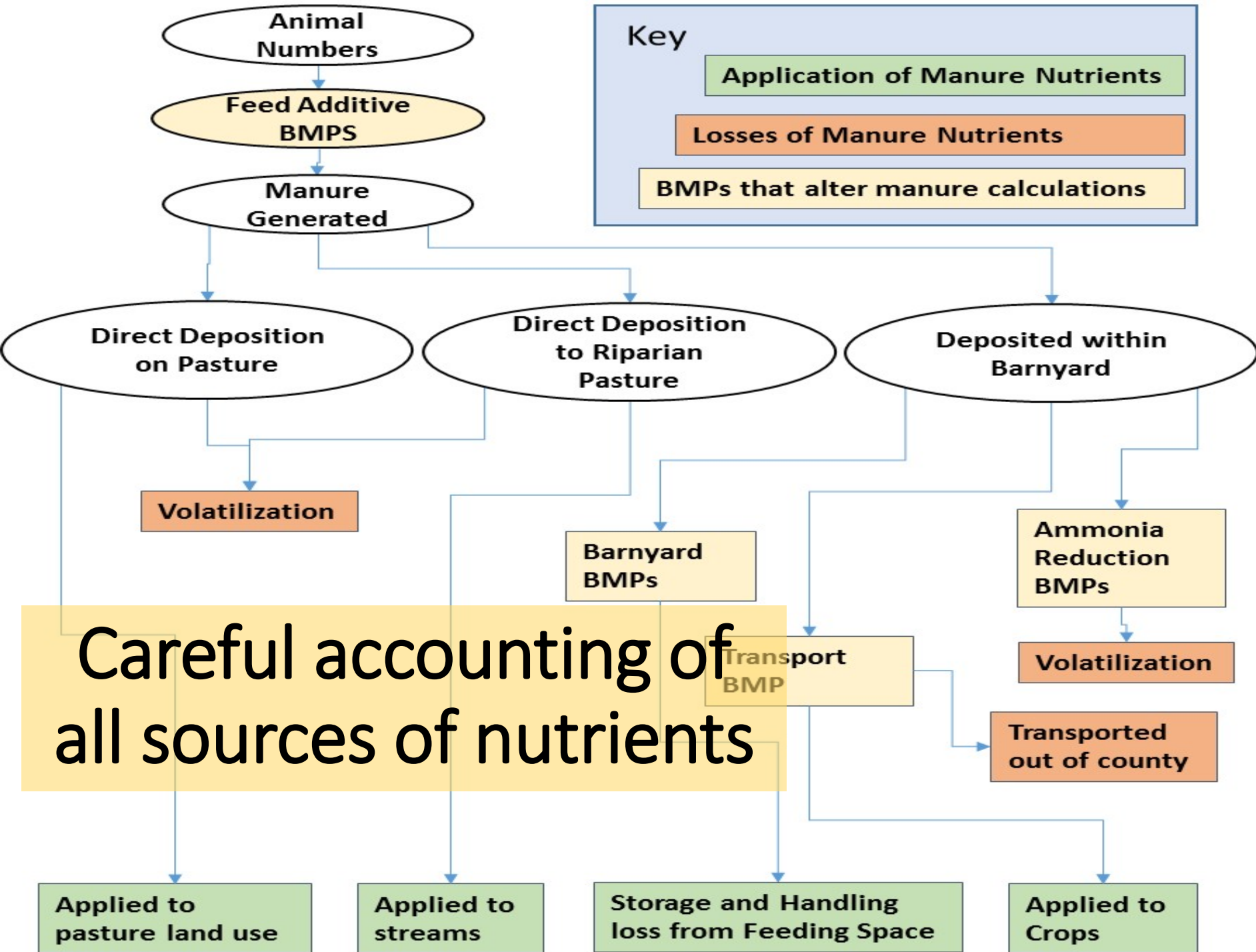
Include Everything



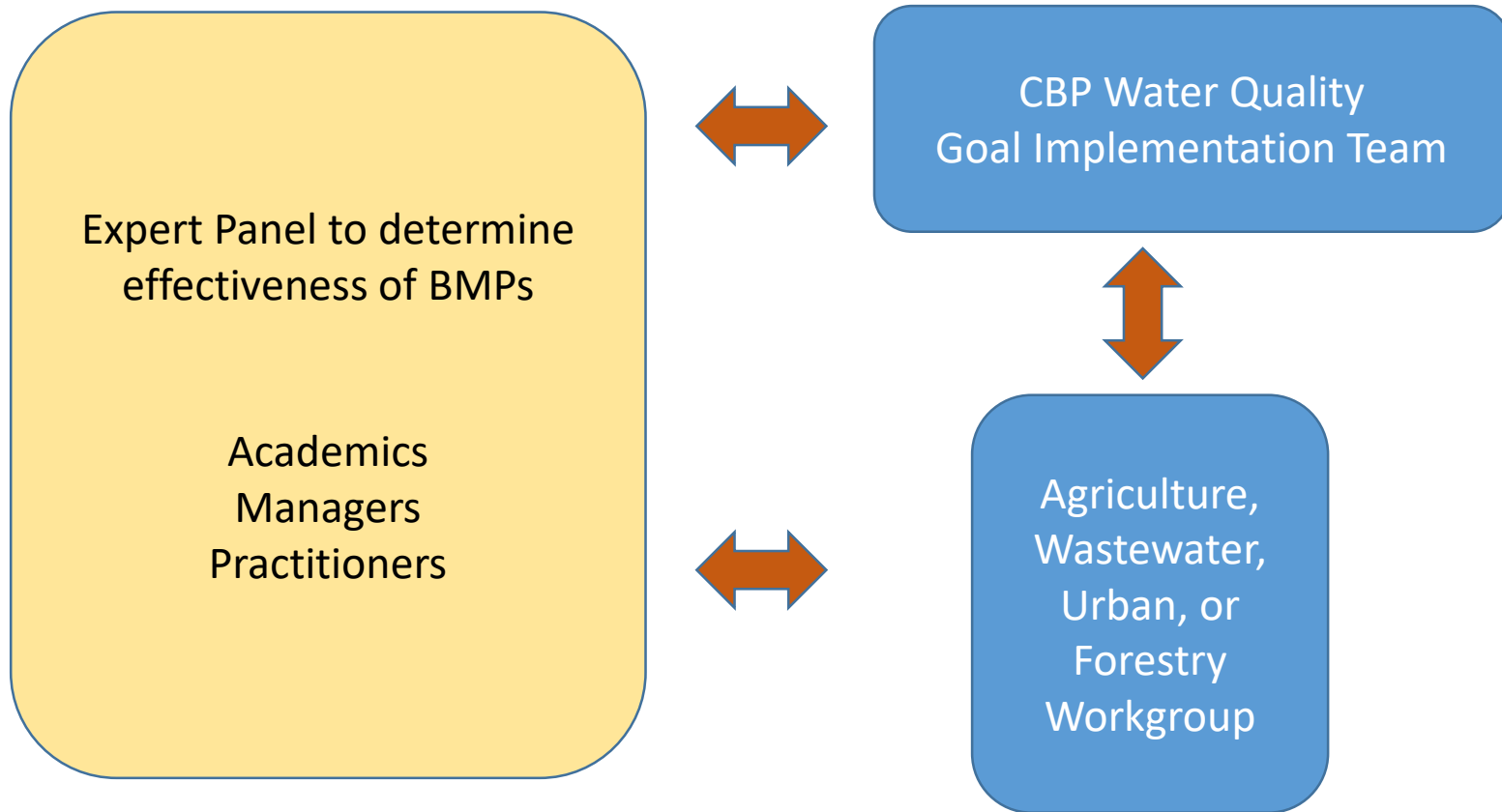
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Gathering Knowledge from Multiple Sources

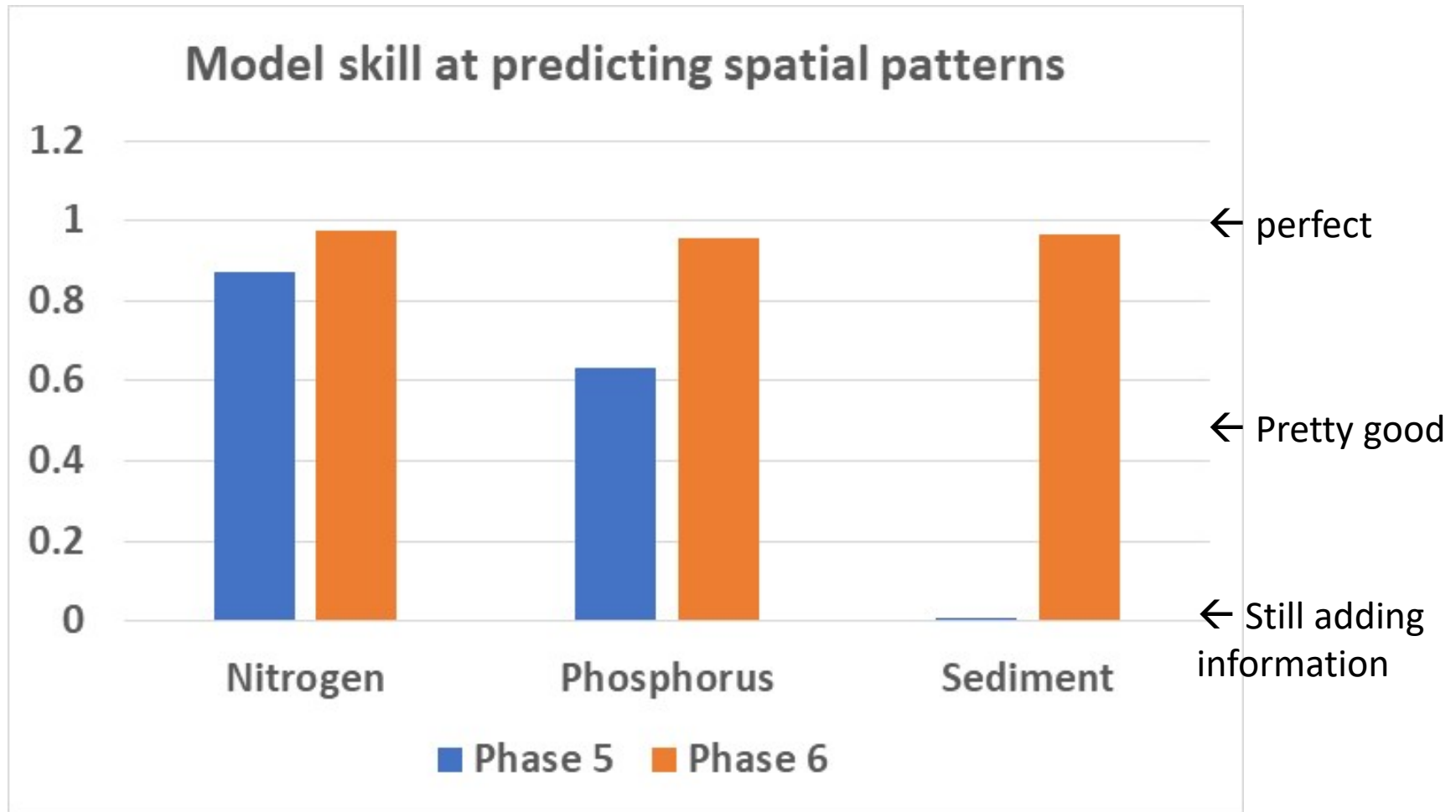




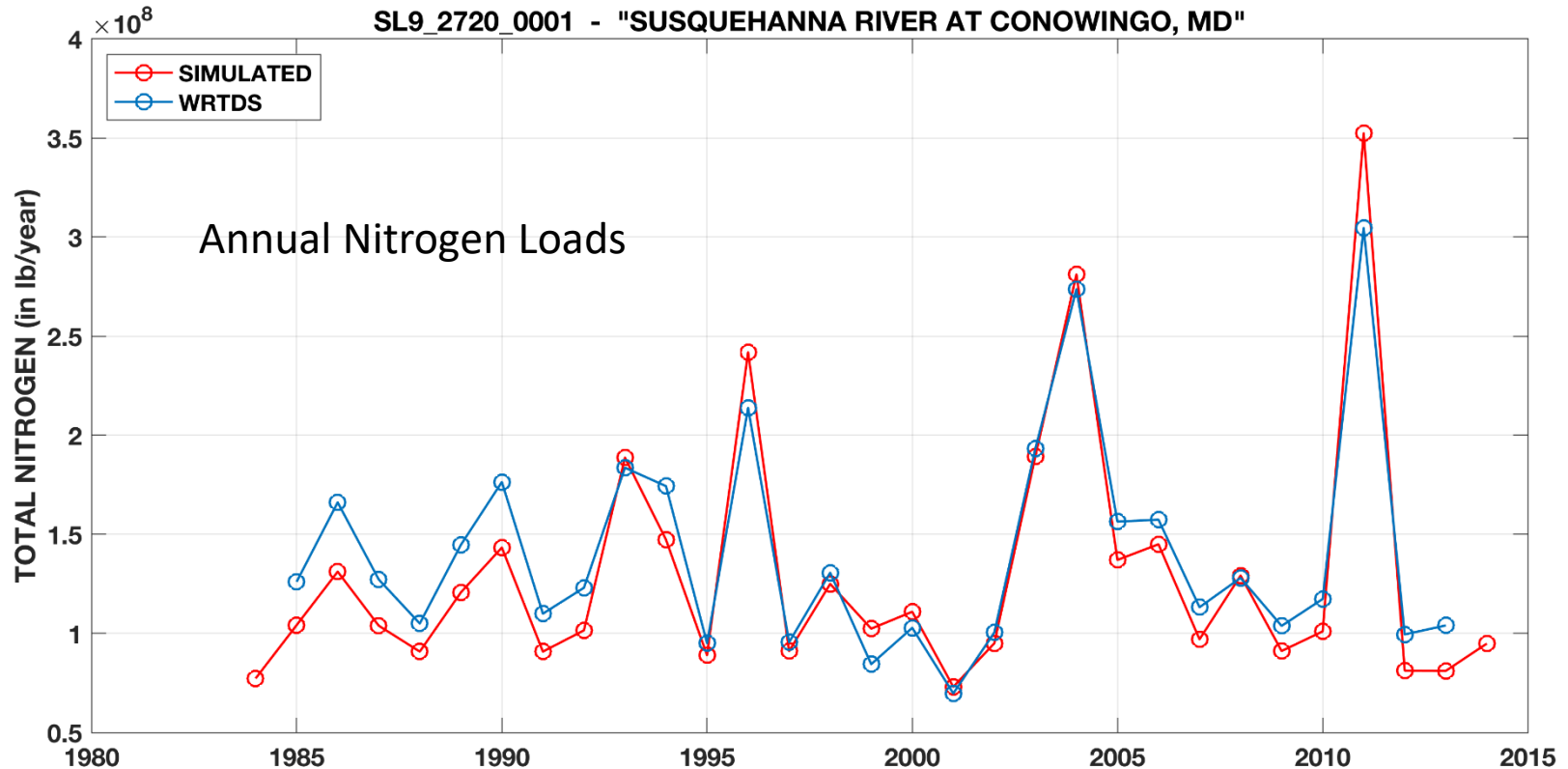
Collaborative Stakeholder Processes



How did it work?



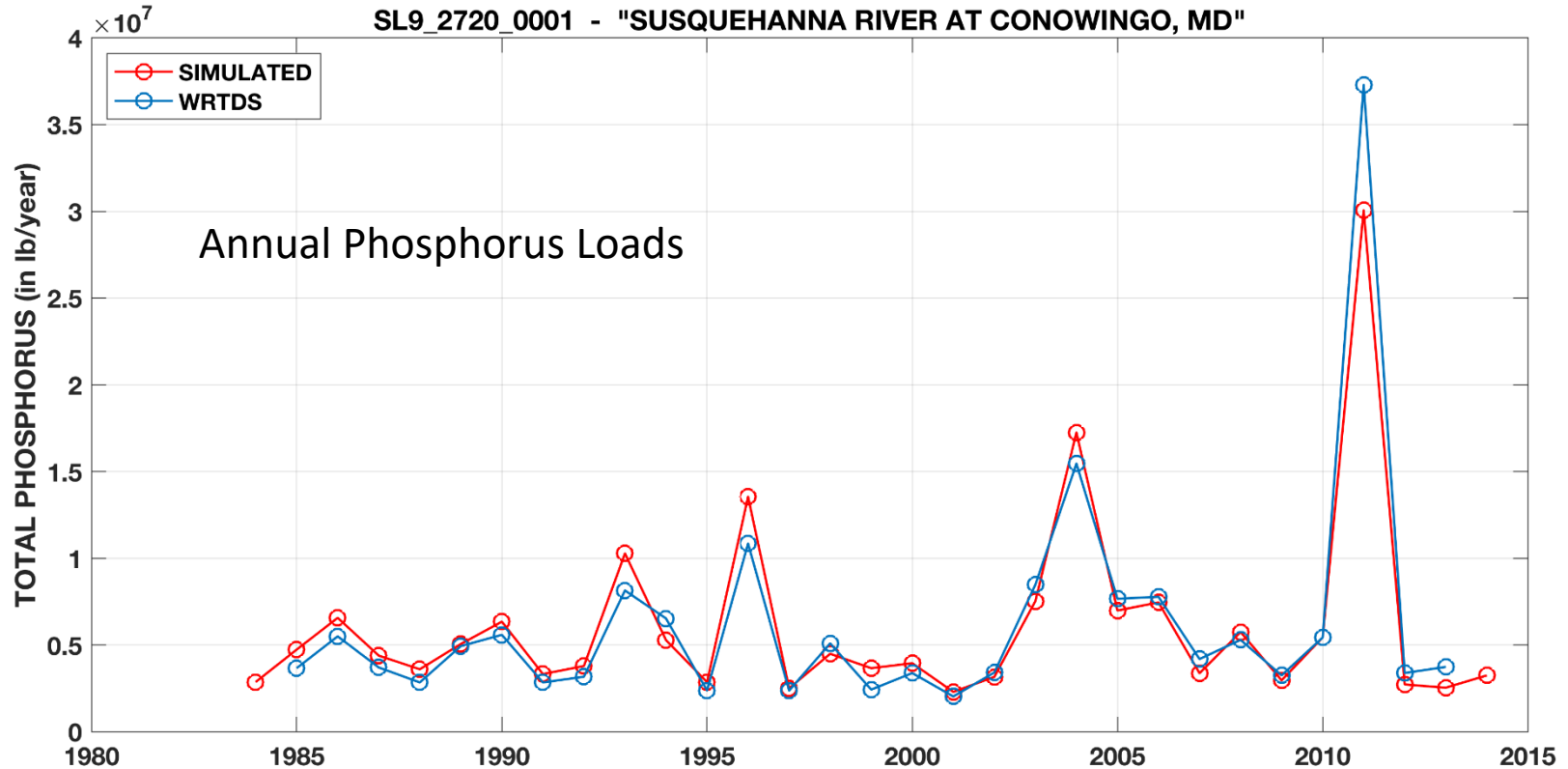
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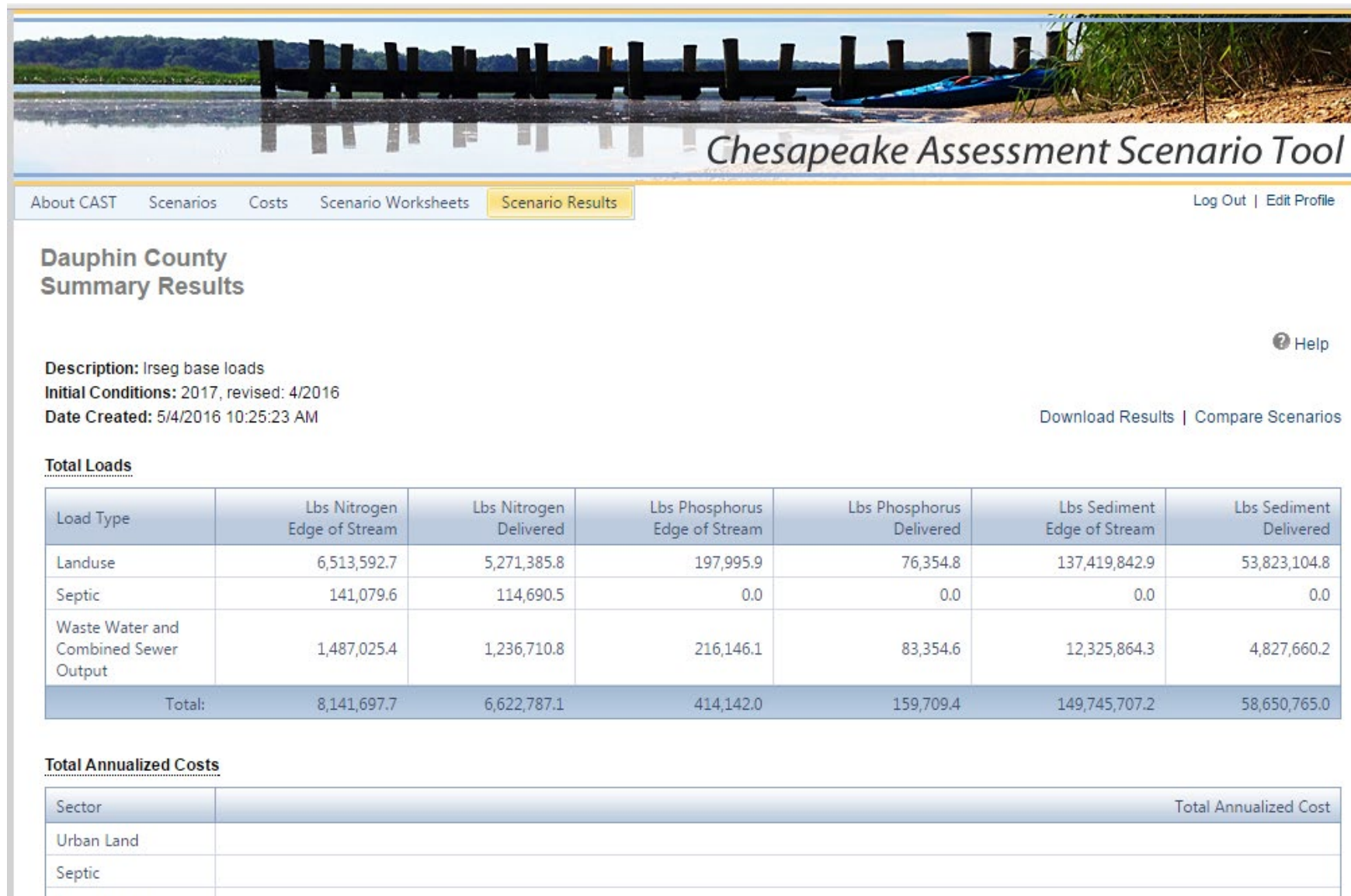
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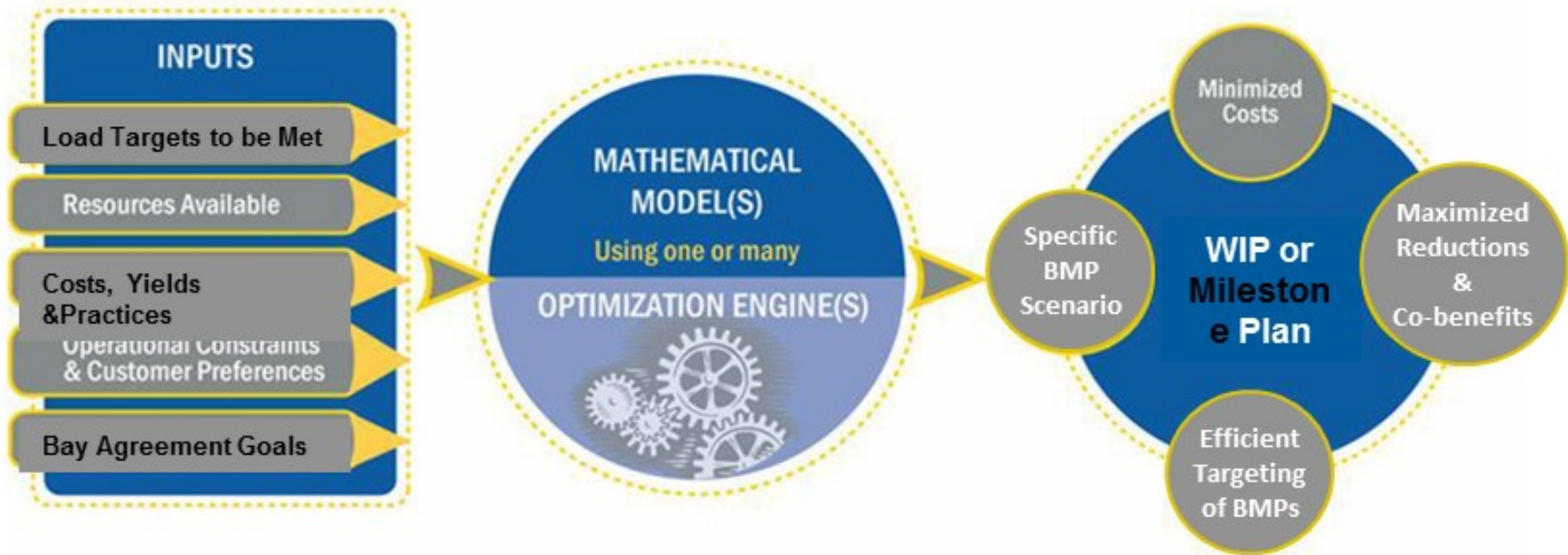
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On Line Version -- CAST



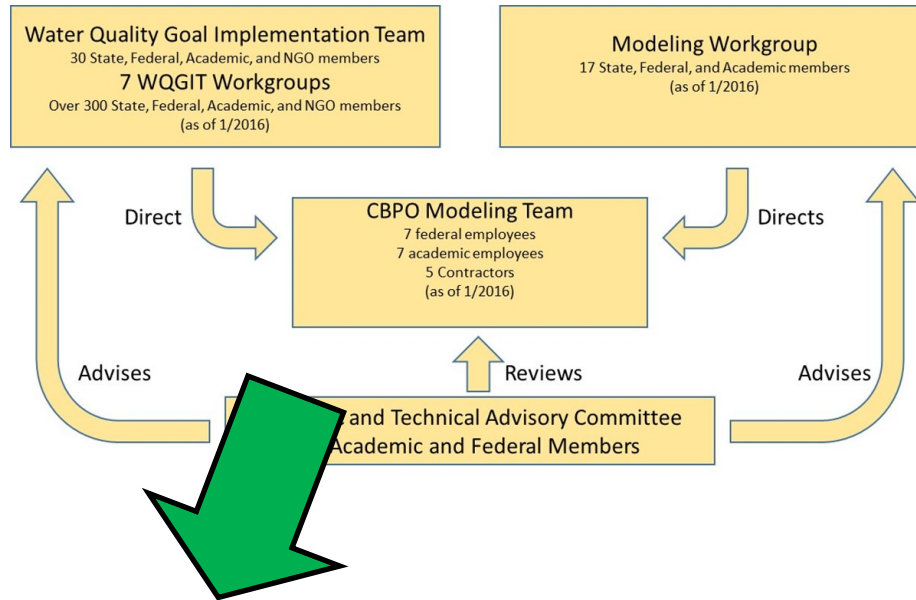
OPTIMIZATION Calculation Engine

Users input objectives, tool outputs BMPs in the plan that maximize effectiveness at minimum cost.



* Still in vaporware stage

Extensive partnership involvement...

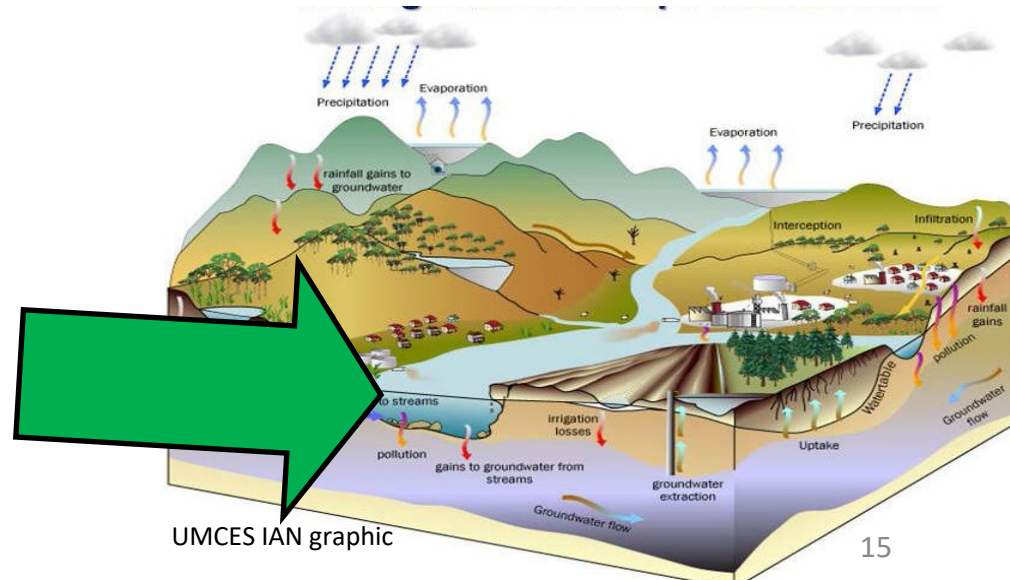


...Which Leads to a robust model of the watershed

...Leads to collaborative thinking...



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