

Agriculture Workgroup BMP Reevaluation Process Overview

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There is interest
in reevaluating
the CBP's Soil
and Water
Conservation
Plan BMP

This
reevaluation
could
potentially
result in the
formation of an
expert panel

There are
several steps
before deciding
to form an
expert panel

We will go over
the approved
process for
reevaluating a
BMP within the
AgWG

What is the process?



What is a BMP evaluation request?

Formal ask generally containing:	A clear and concise definition of the practice and why an evaluation is being requested
	References to available science/data on the nutrient and sediment removal efficiencies to support the request
	Types of data the jurisdiction(s) currently track and report, and how the request could impact these efforts
	A general description of how the panel will be supported, if convened.

What is the purpose of an Expert Panel Establishment Group (EPEG)?

To determine if there is a need for forming an Expert Panel to review an individual practice or groups of practices,

If so, to recommend to the WG an expert panel's potential:

- **Scope of Work**
- **Panel Charge**
- **Suggested Panel Member Expertise**

What are the responsibilities and products of an EPEG?

AgWG will:

Compile a group of volunteers recommended by the WG

Evaluate:

- request,
- the new or existing BMP(s)
- available supporting data

Write a recommendation report outlining the need or lack thereof for an expert panel

If an expert panel is recommended, provide:

- a scope of work
- charge
- suggested panel member expertise

What is the role of an expert panel?

To establish pollutant load reduction estimates to an individual practice or groups of practices.

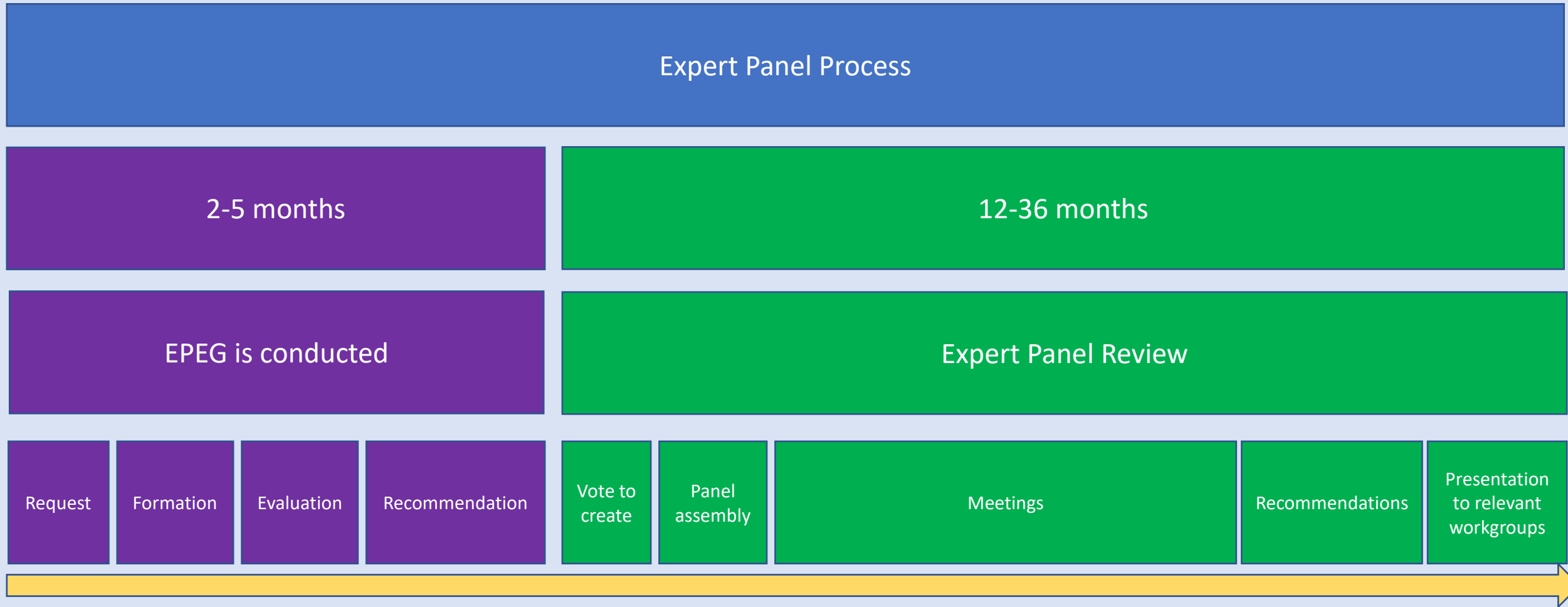
- **Consistent**
- **Transparent**
- **Scientifically defensible**

What are the responsibilities and products of the AgWG for an expert panel?

AgWG will:

Provide scope of work	Charge	Compile a list of recommended expert participants	Provide technical support and ensure the panel meets regularly and follows the WQGIT panel protocols	Coordinate with panel to provide recommendations to the AgWG, relevant workgroups, and WQGIT for approval
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How does this process work?



Questions?