# CHESAPEAKEDECISIONS: THE DISCOVERY PROCESS

A Presentation to the Management Board February 11, 2016



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# THE ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT DECISION FRAMEWORK

A guiding principle of the Watershed Agreement

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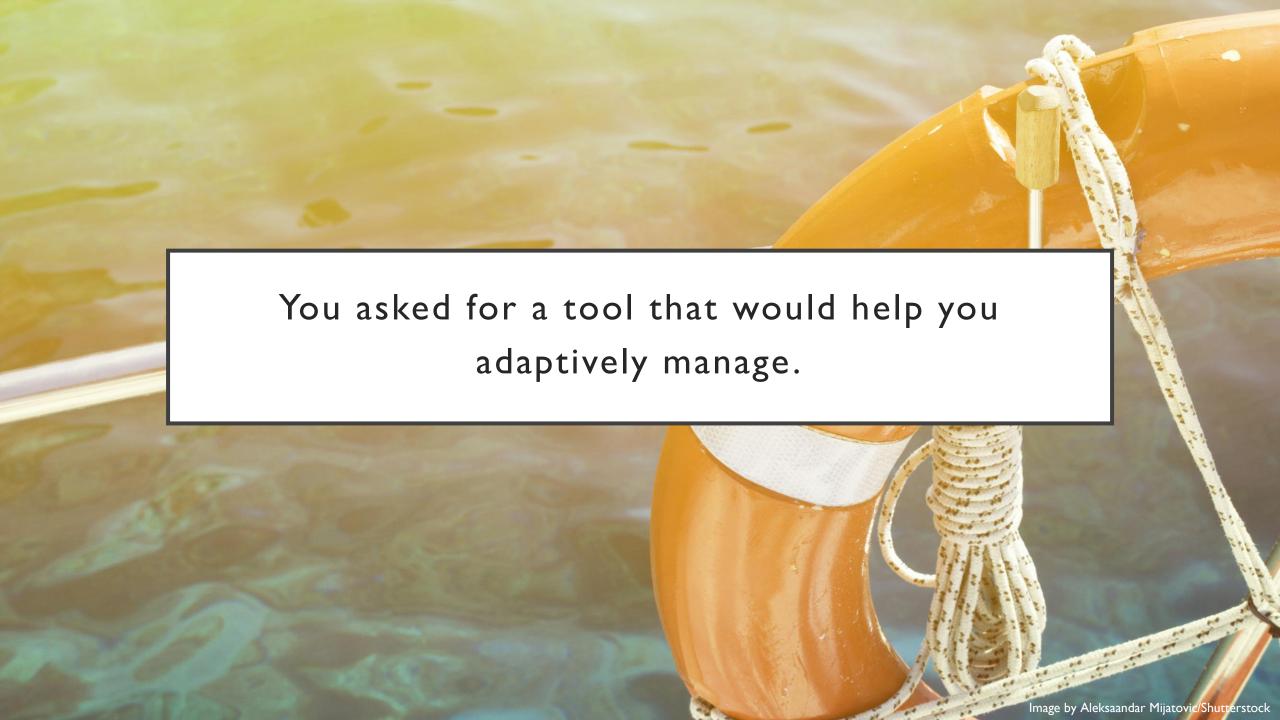
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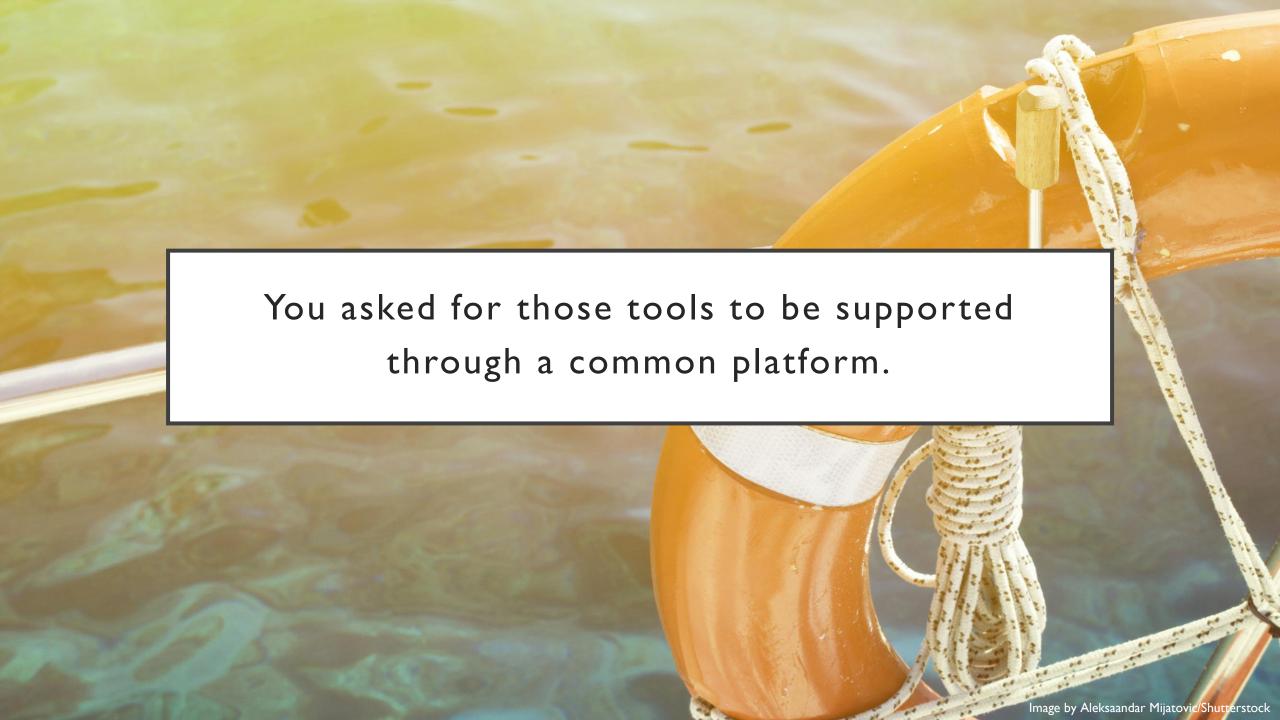
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What does this framework have to do with ChesapeakeDecisions?







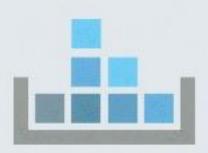




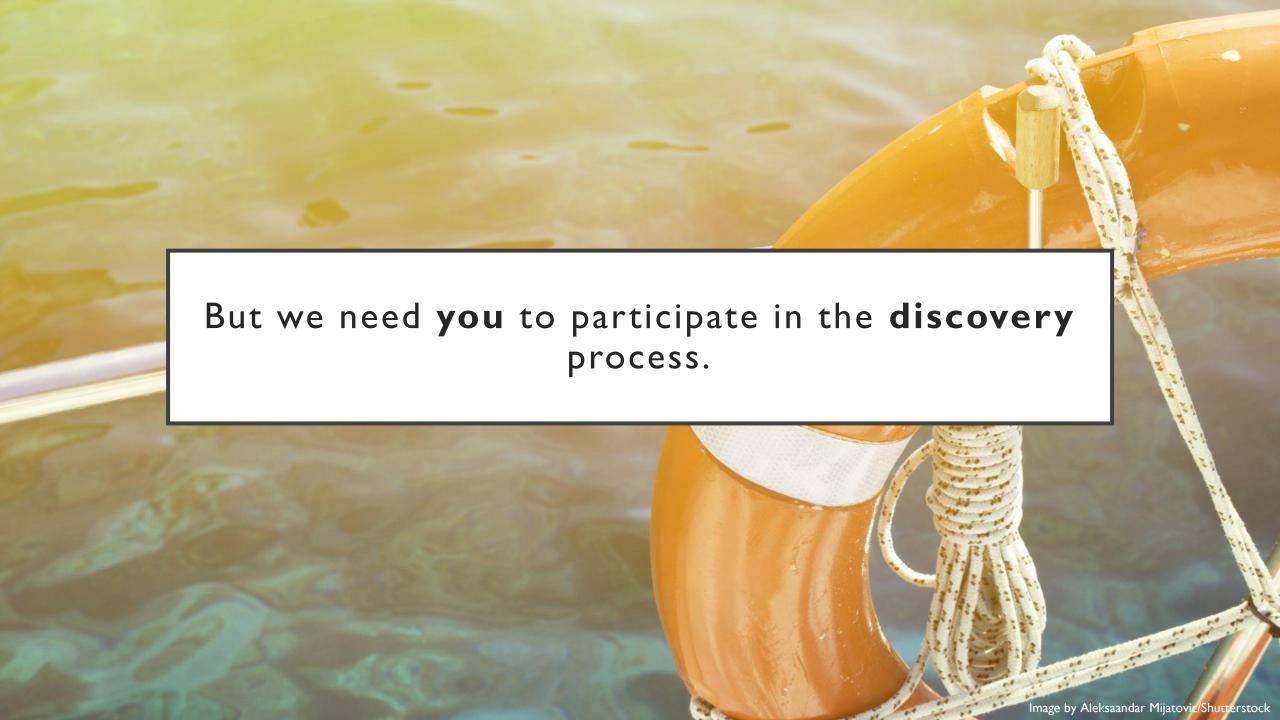
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DECISIONS



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### THE CORE PROJECT TEAM



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Doreen leads the ChesapeakeStat team and ensures data is used to improve our decision-making and communicate our progress.

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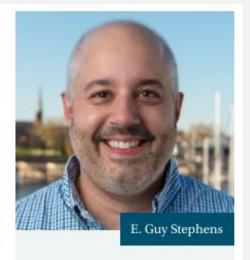
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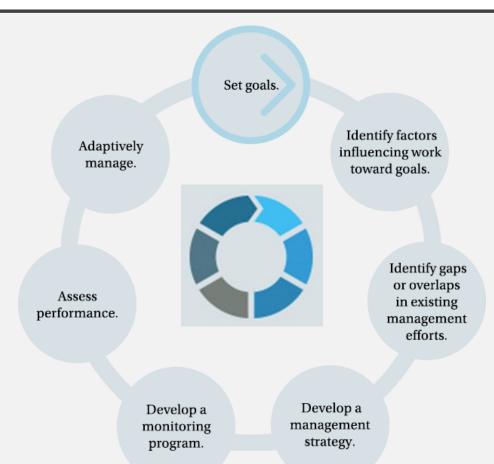
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#### THE BUSINESS CASE

ChesapeakeDecisions will serve as a decision support tool that helps the Chesapeake Bay Program and its partners work together and adaptively manage their strategies to achieve the goals and outcomes of the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Agreement.



#### THE TOOL'S PLACE IN OUR WORK



#### Now, We Must Validate Our Assumptions

How do our users make decisions?

How do our users collaborate?

How do our users apply adaptive management to their work?

How do our users hold themselves and each other accountable?



Asking these questions before we build will help us determine what is needed to create an effective product.

#### THE SCHEDULE

Feb. 17 – 25	Conduct in-person group discussions with user groups.
March 7 – 16	Conduct interviews with individual stakeholders.
March 10	Conduct group discussion with Management Board.
March 16	Conduct group discussion with STAC.
March 25	Receive report from CSRA.
Early April	Share findings with stakeholders.
Mid-April to Mid-May	Test information architecture and conceptual designs with stakeholders.
Mid-May to Mid-June	Develop content strategy and governance plan.

## How Should Participants Prepare?

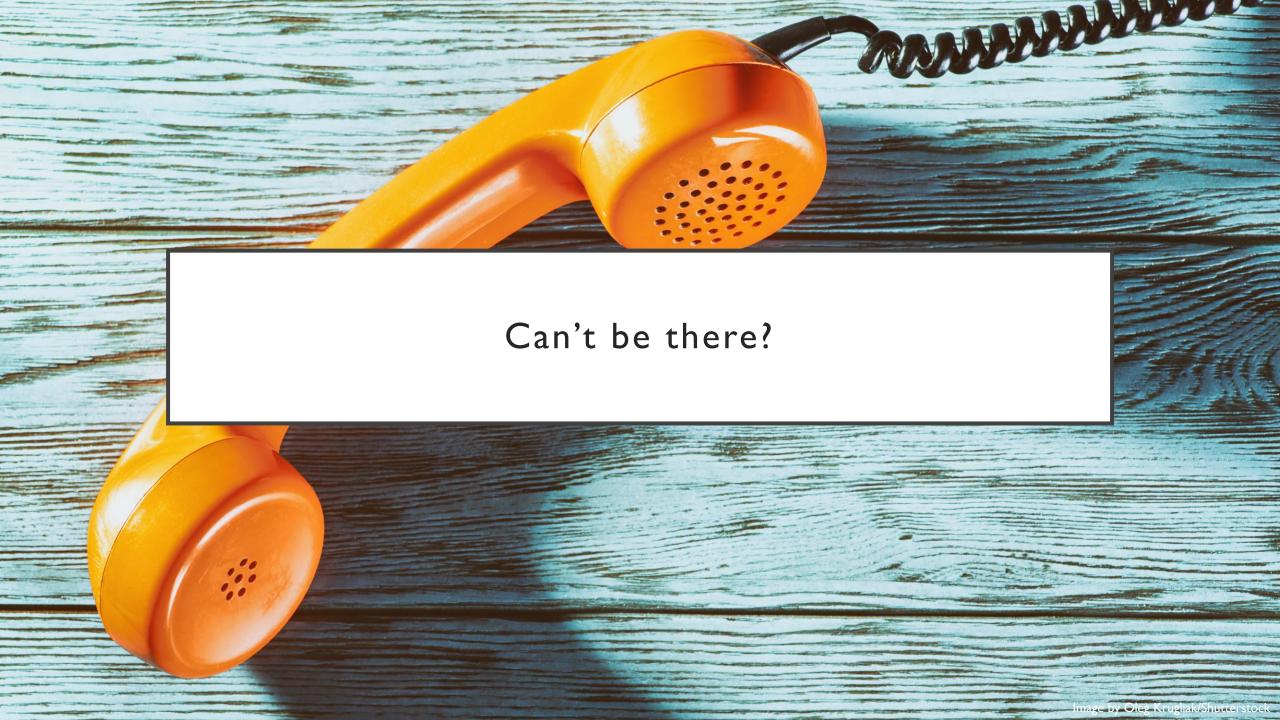


Bring an open mind and honest dialogue.

## WHAT SHOULD PARTICIPANTS EXPECT?







#### YOU CAN EXPECT

2 hour session at the start of the March 10 meeting.

Later: Updates from the Project Team.

Requests to test what is built.

#### WHAT WE ASK OF YOU

Please be responsive.

Please participate.

Please attend the March 10 Management Board meeting in person if possible.

## QUESTIONS?

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