

Initiatives in Analysis Methods

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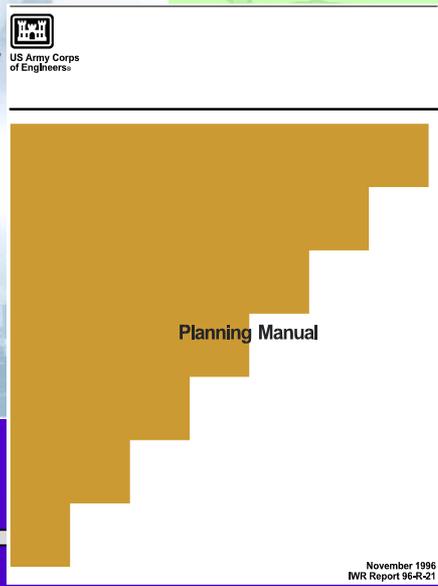
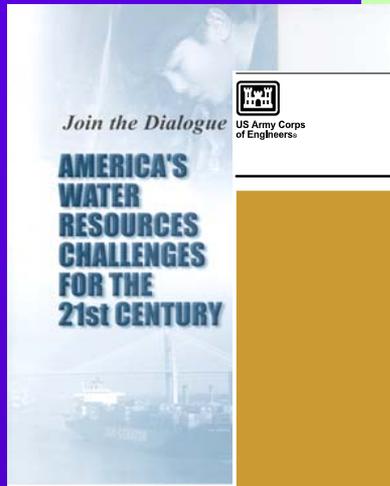
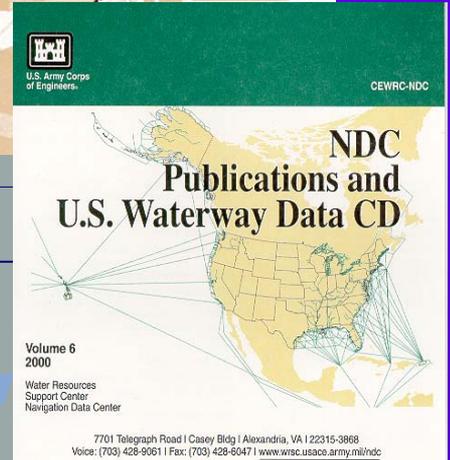
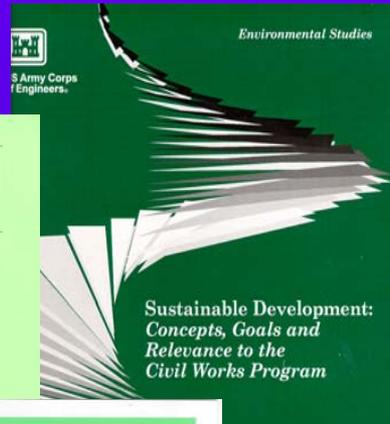
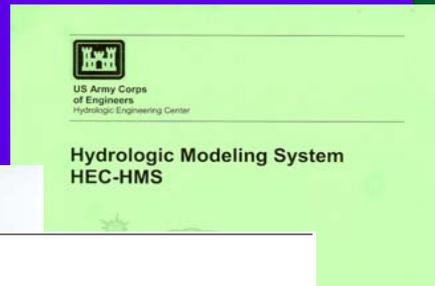
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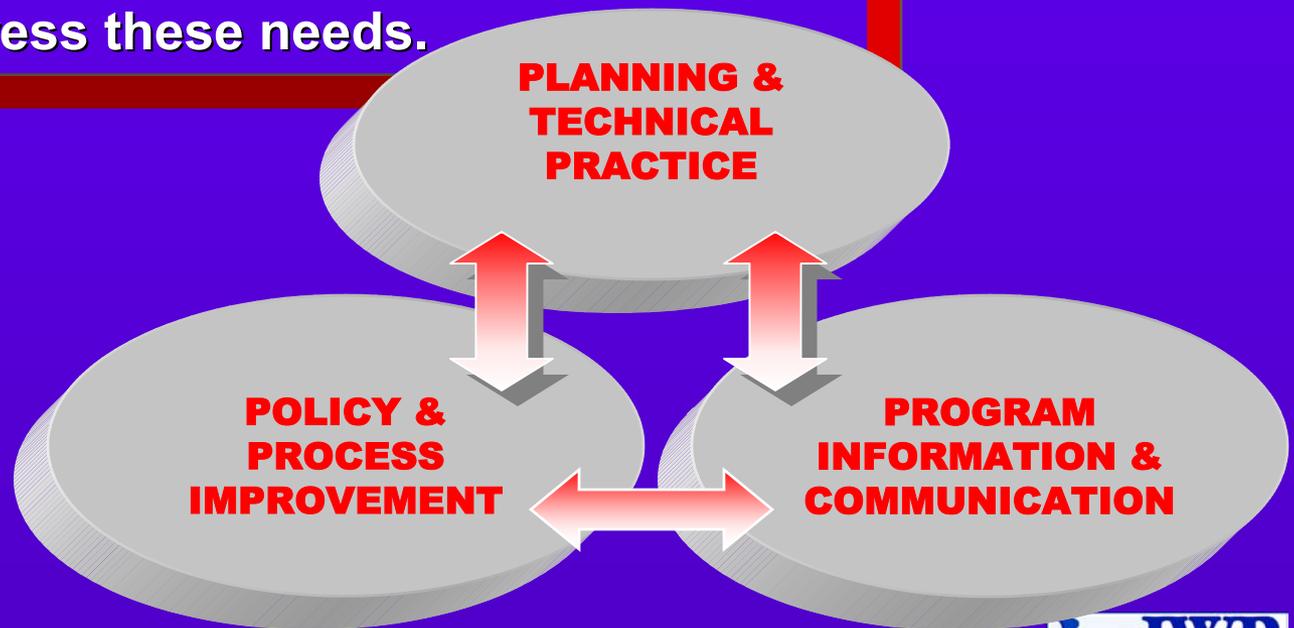


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- Environmental Evaluation
- Policy & Program Analysis
- Public Involvement & National Outreach
- International Water Resources
- Shared Vision Planning
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Drought Preparedness
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- Regulatory Program
- Wetlands Mitigation Banking
- Surface Hydrology
- Hydrologic Statistics
- River Hydraulics
- H&H Forecasting
- Reservoir Systems
- Water Management Control
- Waterborne Commerce Statistics
- Lock Statistics & Navigation Infra
- Dredging Information
- Information Systems Design
- Trade & Fleet Forecasts
- Maritime Transportation
- Navigation Systems Analysis



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Improvements for EBA (Environmental Benefits Analysis)

“White Paper” Mar 2001

TRACK 1 – Improve Current Procedure

- Analytical Protocol for NED/NER analysis
- Link evaluation to broader range of ecological models

TRACK 2 – Next Generation

- Develop NER/EQ account to reflect “goods and services” approach
- Expand ecological models to include process (simulation) models
- Initiate interagency dialogue



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Near Term Protocols

	Small Studies/Projects	Large Studies/Projects
Single Purpose	<i>e.g.</i> , CAP 1135, 206,204	<i>e.g.</i> , 1103, Ohio River, CWPPRA
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Ecological analytical methods (e.g., HEP, IBI) •Economic framework •Cost allocation •Cost sharing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Ecological analytical methods (e.g., IBI ,HEP, HGM) •Economic framework •Cost allocation •Cost sharing
Multipurpose	<i>e.g.</i> , Challenge 21 (Sec 212)	Everglades, Louisiana 2050, Lake Ontario/St Lawrence
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“Next Generation”

- EBA Report
- Develop NER/EQ Accounting Framework for “environmental goods and services”
- Improve Ecological evaluation methods, especially process simulation models (for larger projects)
- Corps Economic & Environmental Wkshop
- Interagency Workshops

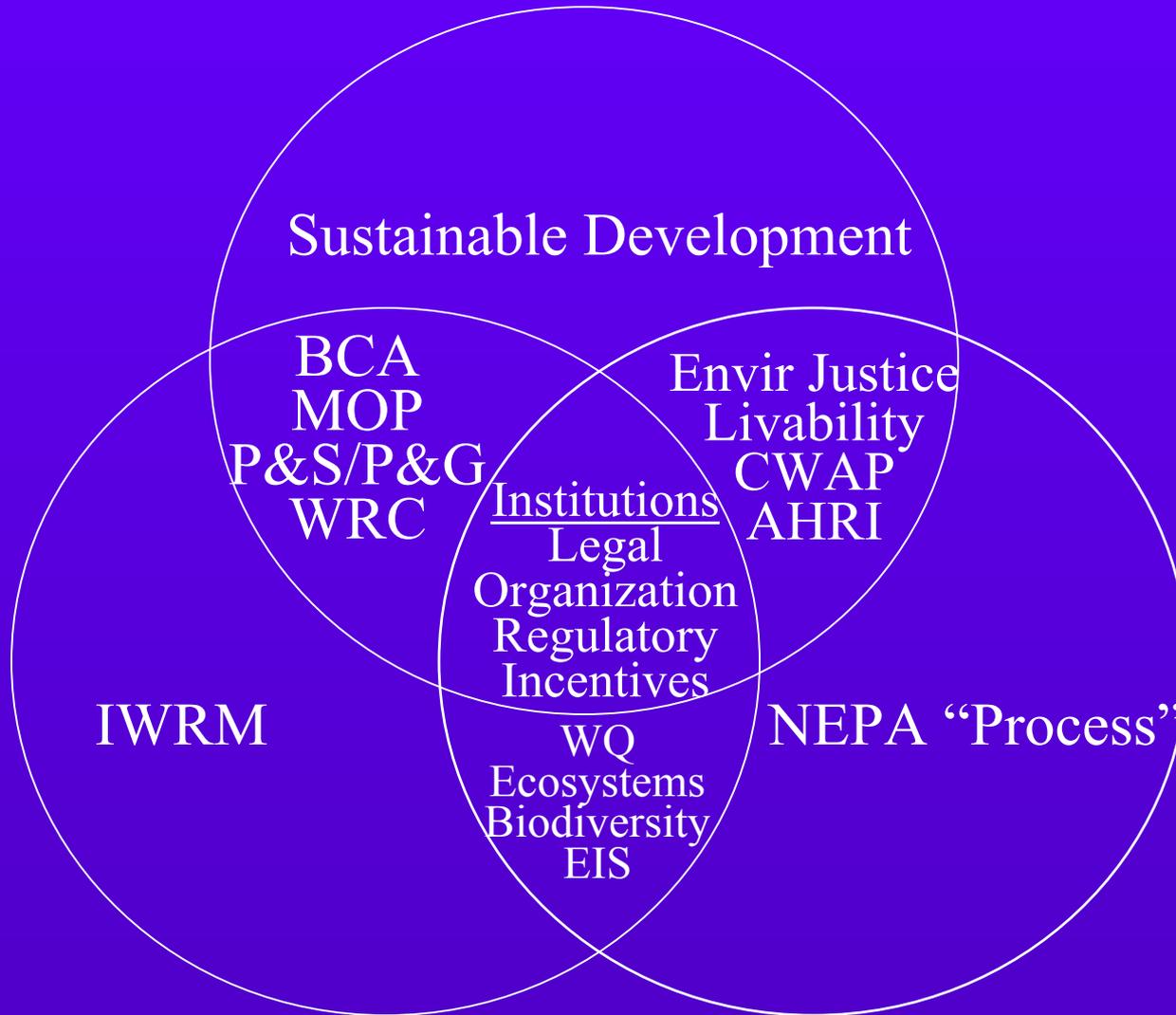


Precursors to EBA

- Policy Study: “New Directions for Corps Environmental Activities” (1993)
- Policy Study: “Incremental Cost Analysis” (1995)
- Policy Study: “Civil Works Environmental Action Plan” (1995)
- Policy Study: “Sustainable Development Concepts” (1998)
- NRC Report on Corps Planning (1999)
- Policy Study: “Implementation Steps for SD (’02)



Context for Decisionmaking



PLANNING

(Multiobjective River Corridor Management)

Protection

(Regulatory Program)

- SAMPS
- ADIDS
- General Permits
- Nationwide Permits
- No Net Loss of Wetlands
- Wetlands Mitigation
- Banking

Development

(GI Program)

- Flood Damage Reduction
- Water Supply
- Navigation Channels, Dredging
- Reservoir Reallocation
- Ecosystem Management

Management

(O&M Program)

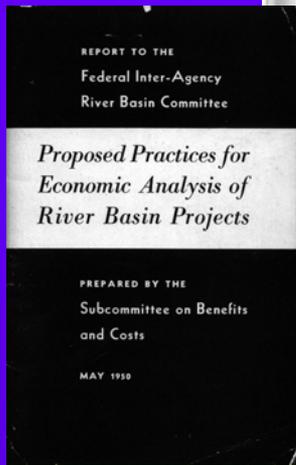
- Environmental Restoration
- Dredging Material Disposal
- Drought Contingency Planning
- Dam Safety
- Lock and Dam Rehabilitation
- Reservoir Systems Optimization



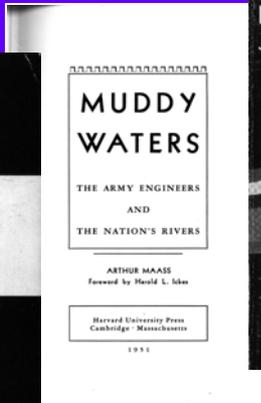
Existing Planning/Evaluation Paradigms

- **Descriptive** (NOAA/CZM, McHarg, GIS)
- **Indicative** (normative, P&S/P&G, BCA)
- **Prescriptive** (regulatory “planning”)
- **Proscriptive** (to avoid, NEPA/EIS)
- **ERSATZ** (“Ecorestoration sitting around the table *Zeitgeist*”) (see EPA Watershed guide)
- **“Garbage Can” Planning** (see Ersatz)

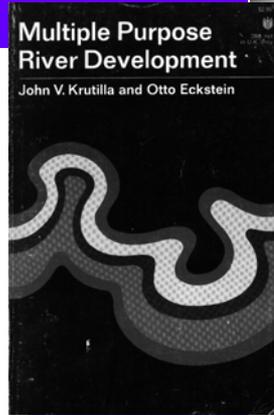




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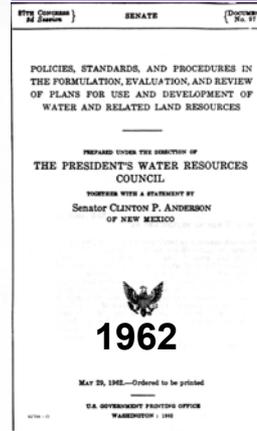
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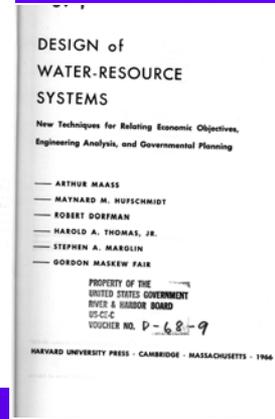
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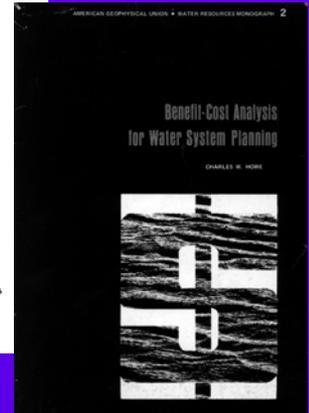
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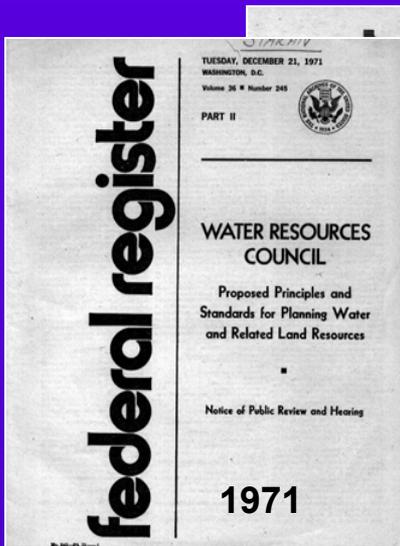


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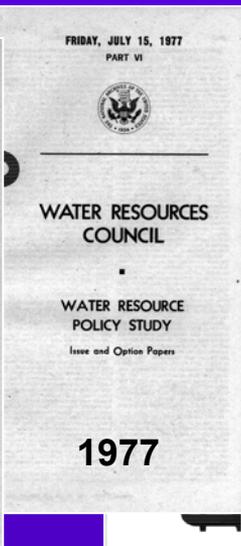


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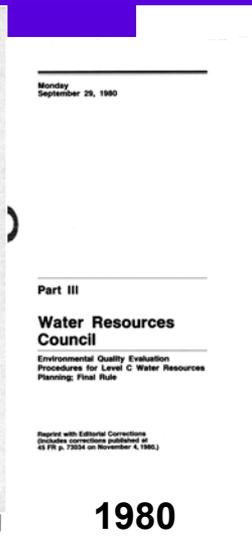
EVOLUTION OF FEDERAL WATER RESOURCES PLANNING GUIDELINES



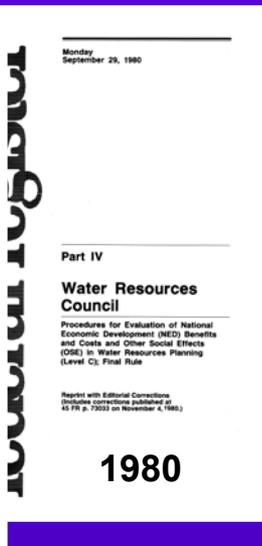
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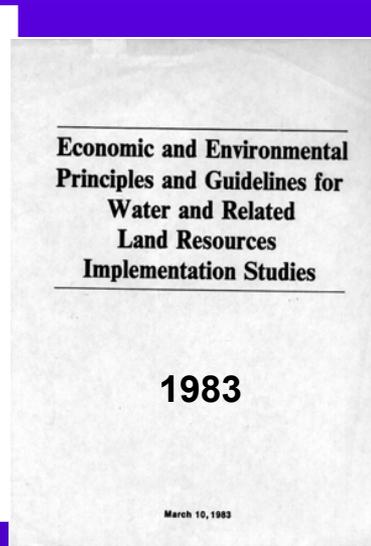
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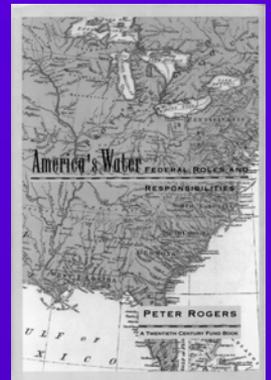
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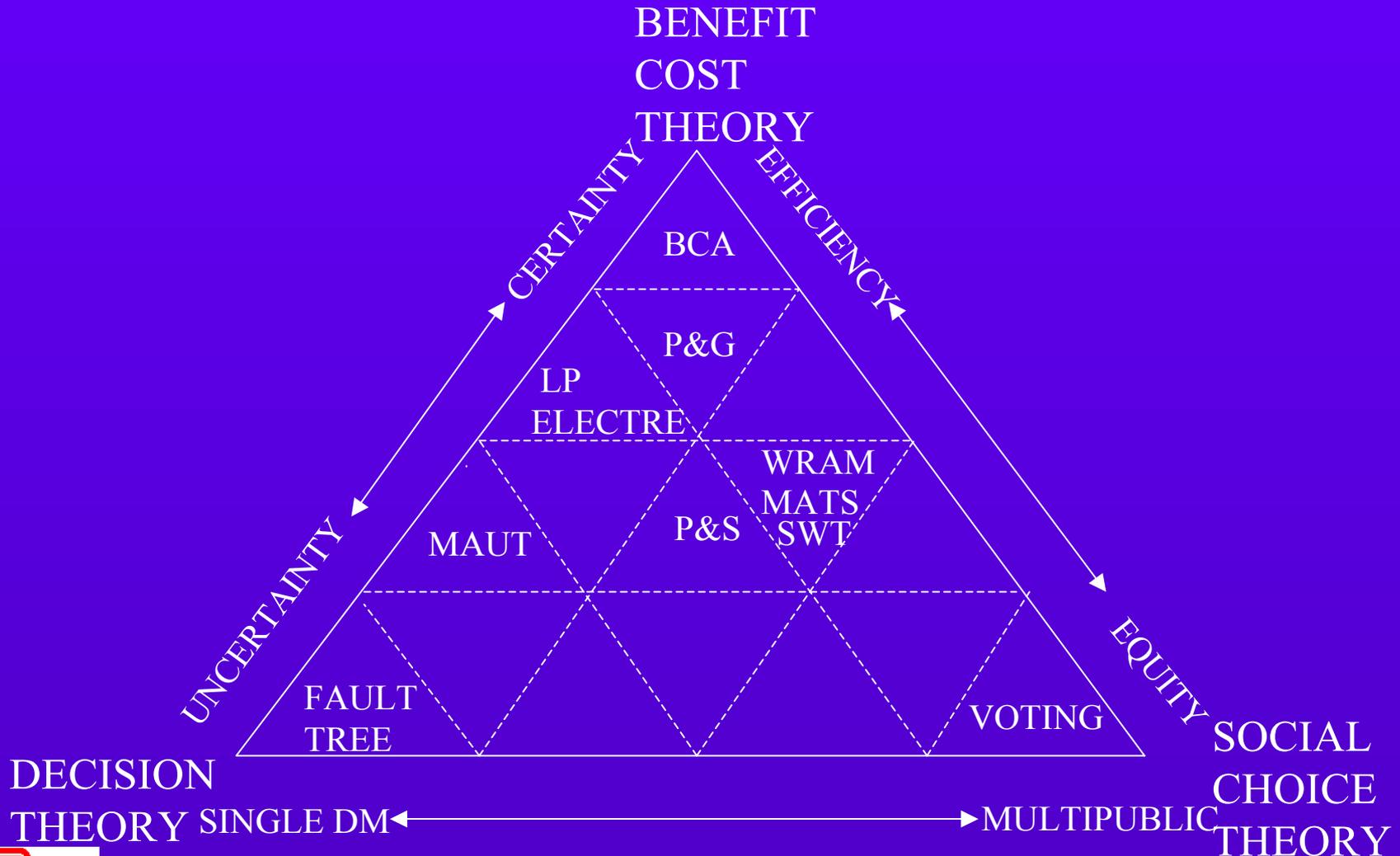
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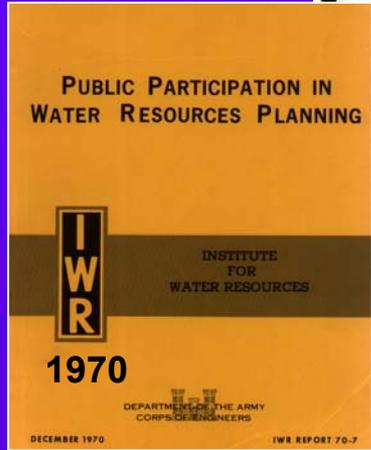
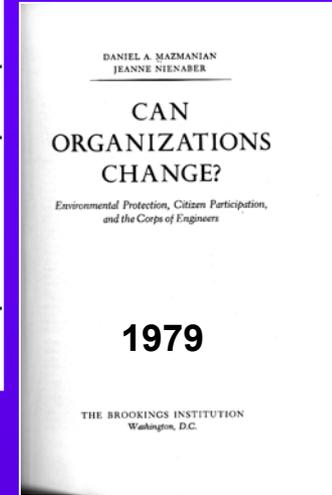
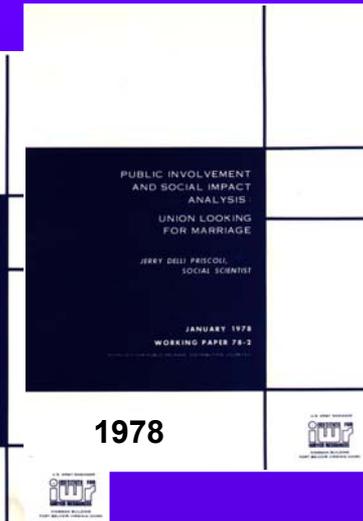
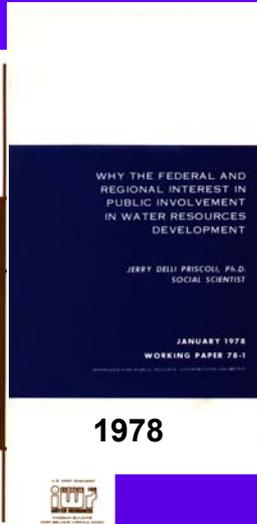
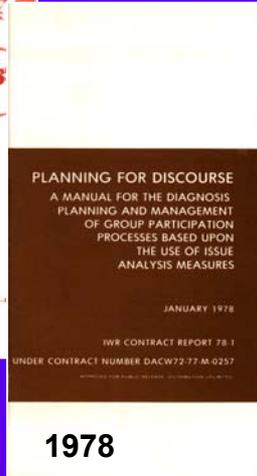
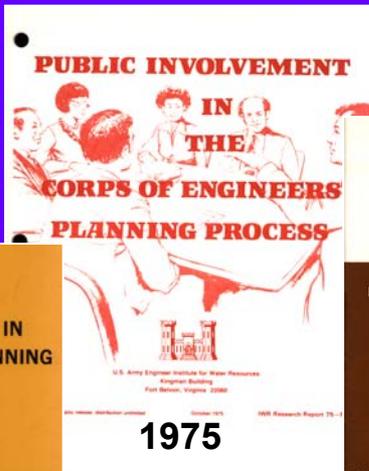


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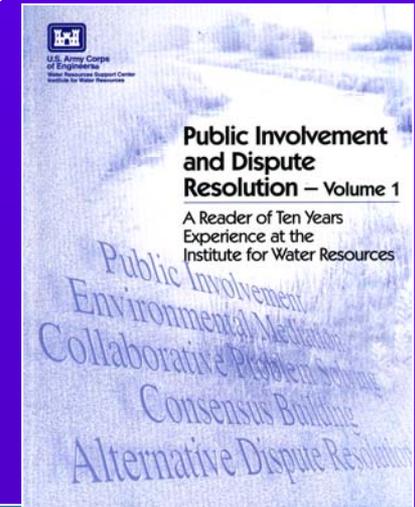
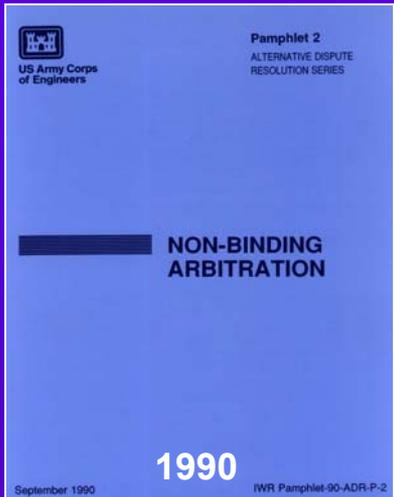


Normative Evaluation Philosophies

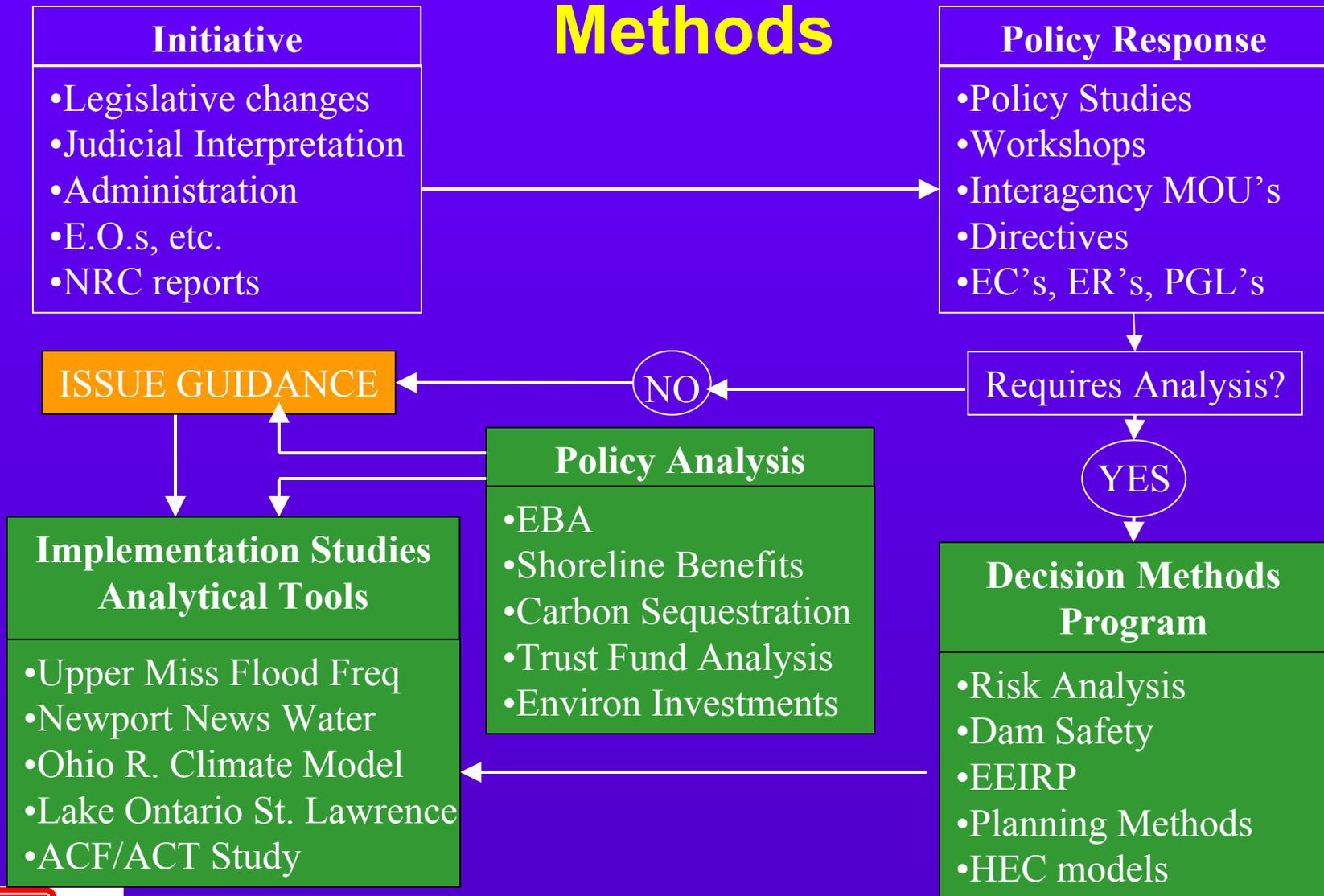




EVOLUTION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/ADR IN THE CORPS' PLANNING PROCESS



Process for Developing Analytical Methods



IWR National Studies

- National Hydropower Study (1978-82)
- National Waterways Study (1979-83)
- National Drought Study (1991-95)
- Nat. Wetlands Mitigation Banking (93-96)
- Federal Infrastructure Strategy (93-96)
- Nat. Shoreline Study (2002-2007)



National Drought Study (1992-96)

- Report to Congress 1995
- National Drought Atlas (use L-moments)
- Shared Vision Planning applied to 5 areas
- IWR-MAIN water demand forecasting
- 20 technical reports
- Analysis of California Drought Impacts

**Multiobjective Planning/
Harvard Water Program
1962/P&S/P&G/ -
Updated IWR 1994**

**Adaptive Environmental
Management
C.S. "Buz" Hollings
1978**

**Shared Vision Model
Richard N. Palmer 1981,
1992**

The Shared Vision Model

**Stakeholder
Value Judgements**

Demand Forecasts

Hydrology

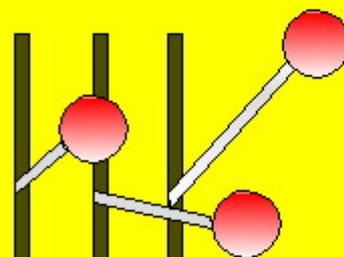
Economic Functions

**Environmental
Functions**

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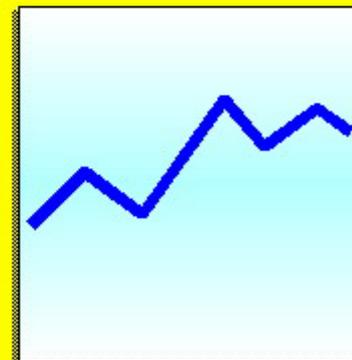


Assumptions



**Shared Vision
Model**

**System
Performance**



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Time Scales and Water Resources

Seasonal to Interannual GCIP

Ohio River Basin

Use of Forecasts in Reservoir Operations

Interdecadal
CLIVAR

Upper
Mississippi
River

Climate Change

8 River Basins

Flood Frequency
Analysis and Levee
Certification

Operations and
Vulnerability
Assessments



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Climate Change Analysis

- Intergov. Panel on Climate Change (I,II,III)
- National Climate Assessment (1998-2001)
- Climate Change Impacts on 8 river basins
- Upper Miss. R. Flood frequency Analysis
- Ohio R. Basin Climate Forecasting Model
- World Water Council Climate Forum



Related Policy Analytics

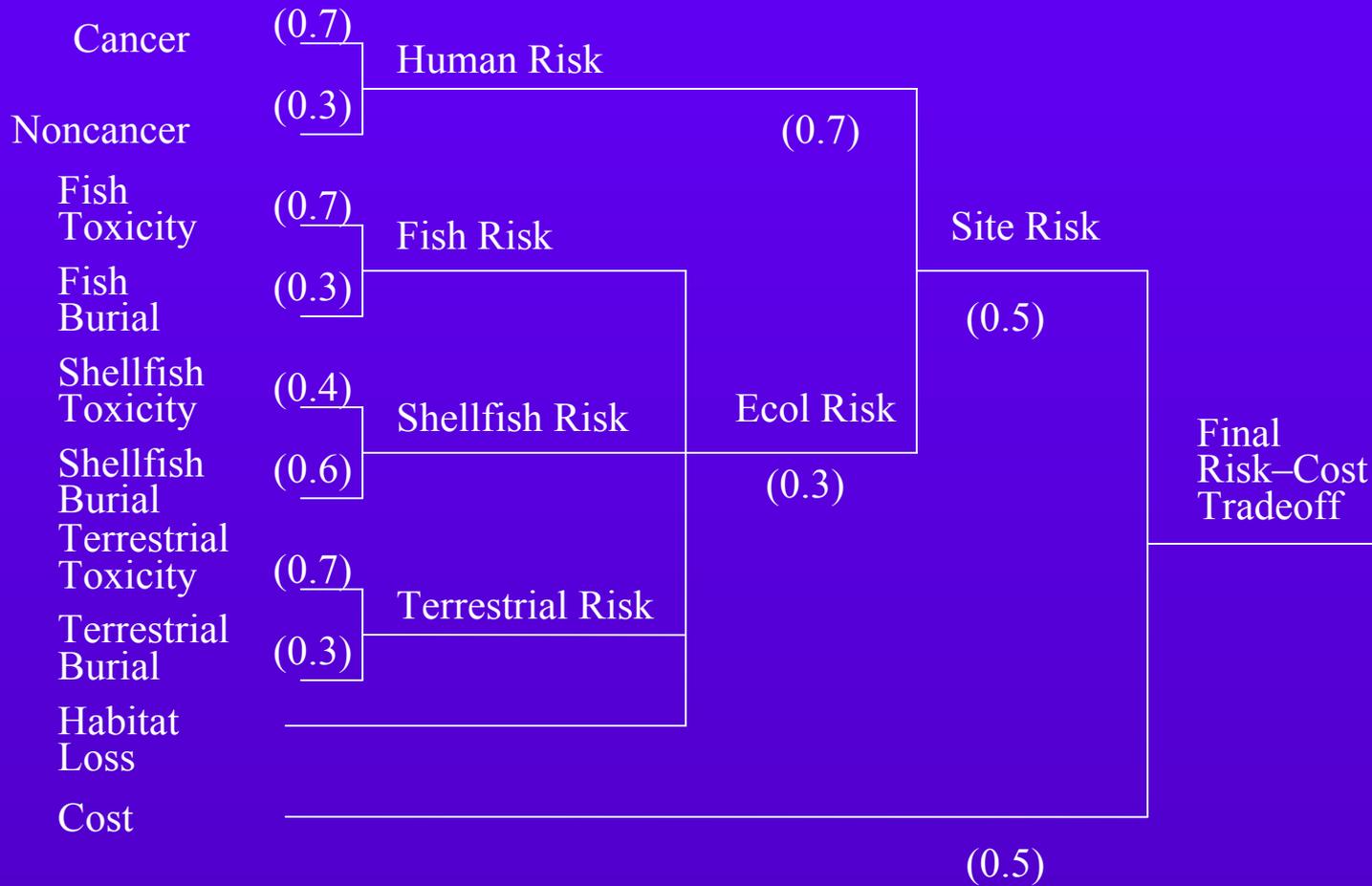
- US Harbor Traffic Projections
- Corps Civil Works Capital Stock Update
- US Hydropower Capacity Potential
- US Harbor Maint. Trust Fund Analysis
- Envir. Investments Upper Miss Basin
- Emissions Impacts of Navigation

Level 1

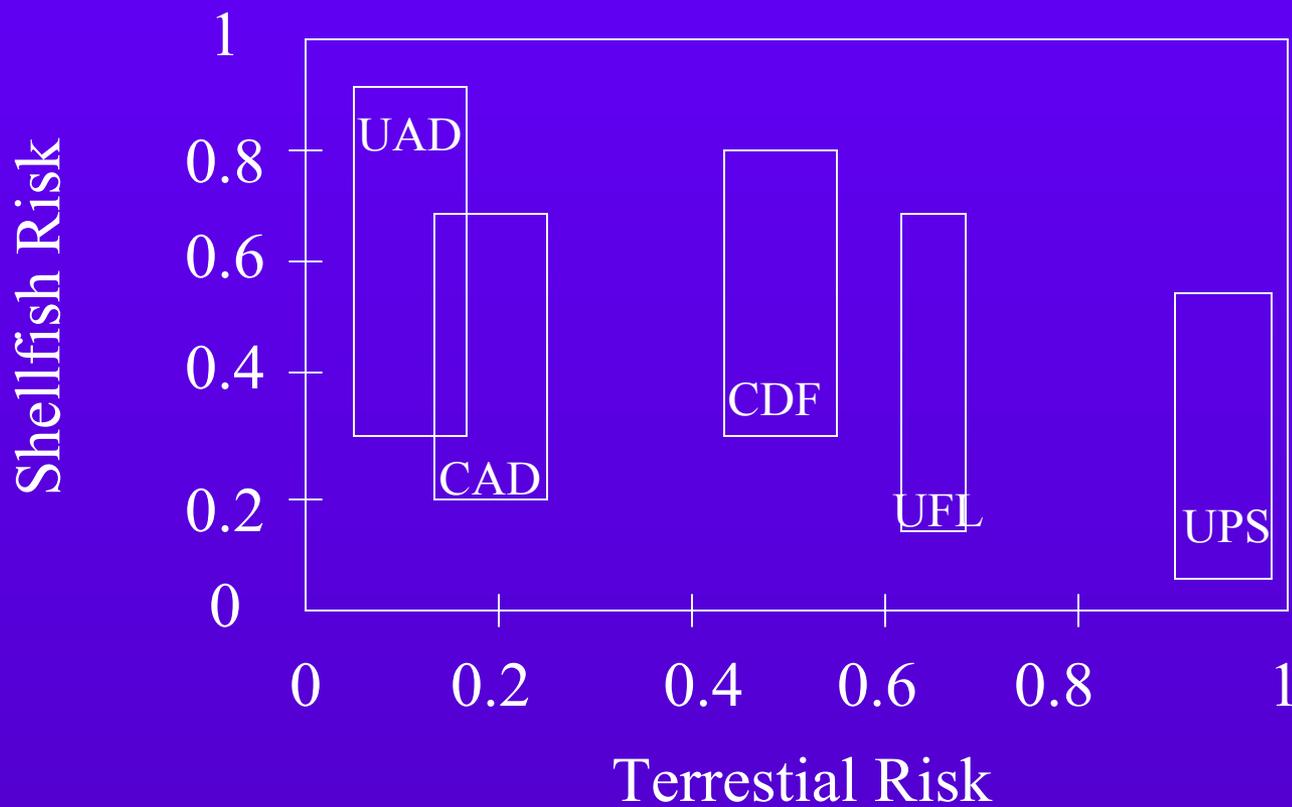
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Level 3

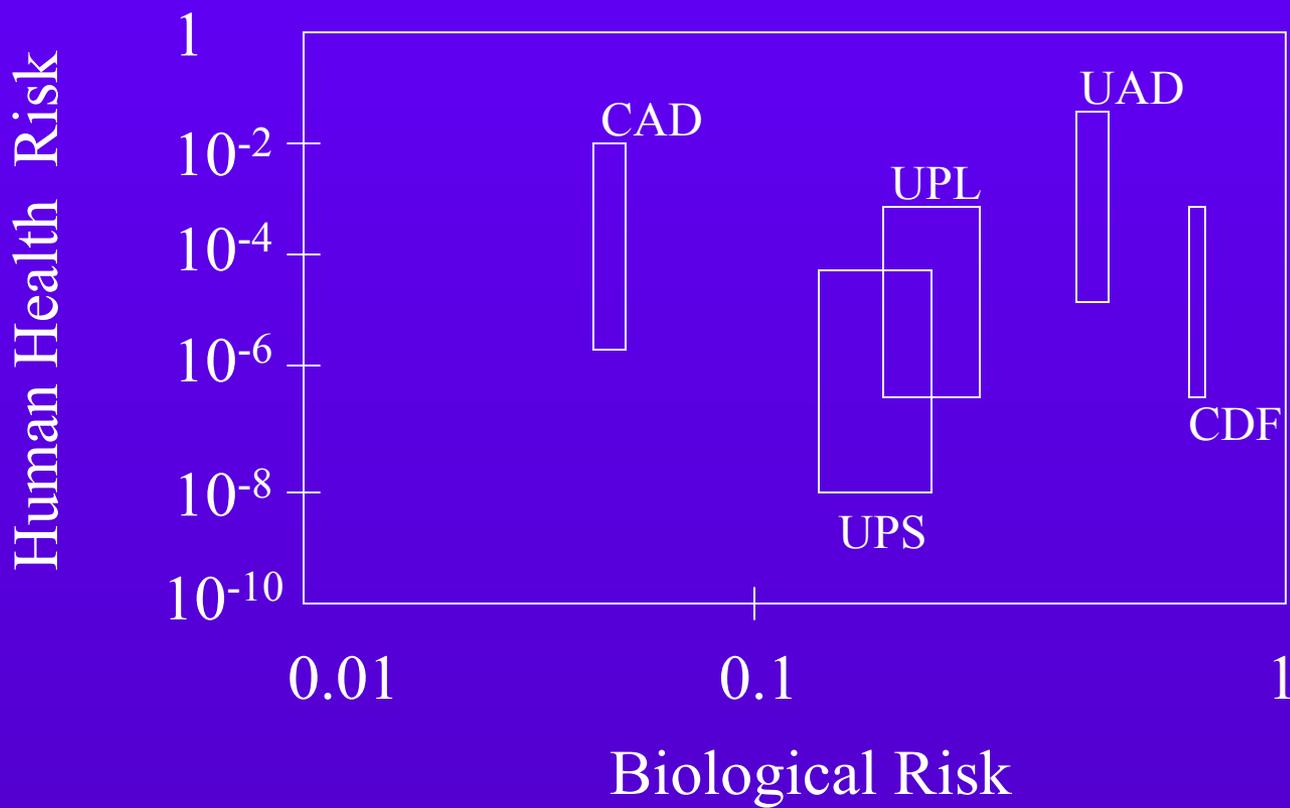
Level 4



Level 2 Analysis



Level 3 Analysis



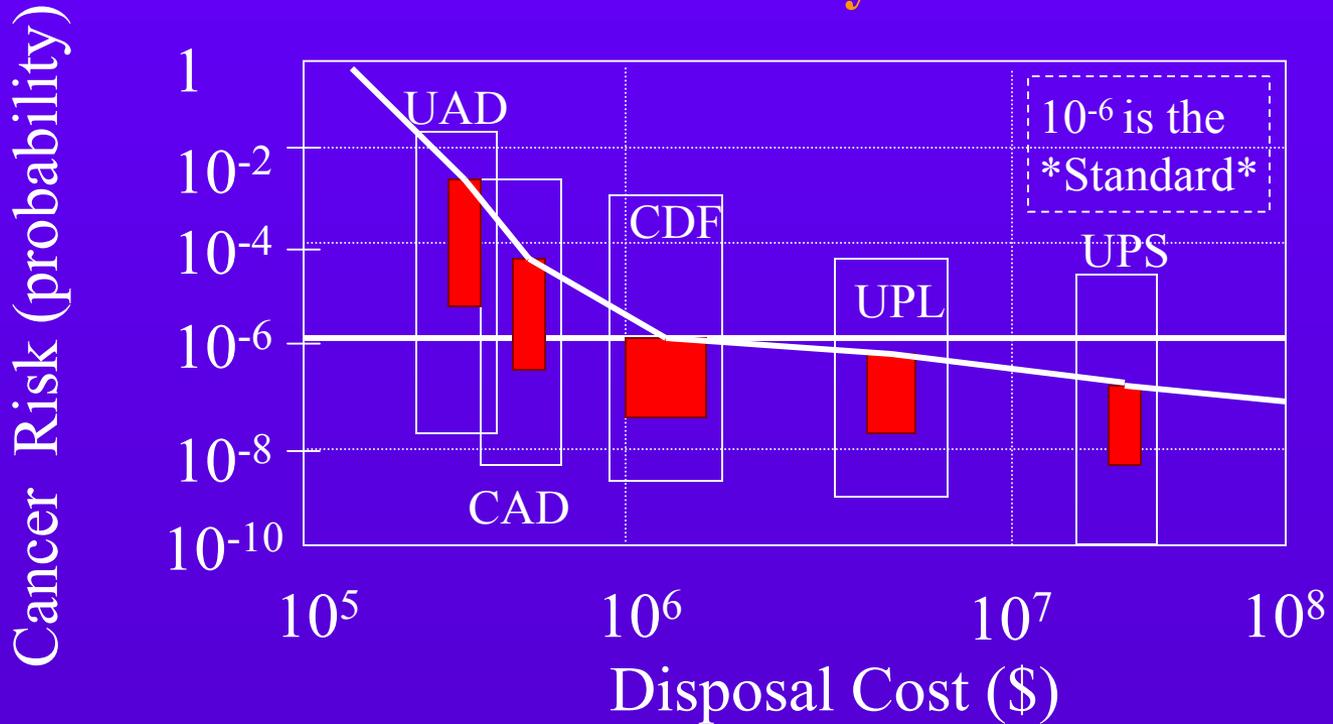
Goal Objective ⇒ Criteria	Sustainable Development				Reduce Vulnerability	
	Econ.	Envir.	Equity	SWB	Safety	Reliability
Mgmt. Measure	\$ Costs & Benefit	W.Q. Habitat Diversity	Income Distribution	Relocate	Population at Risk	Frequency of Failure
MM ₁						
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MM _i						
...						
MM _n						

Management ⇒
(Adaptive)
Measures

- Structural / infrastructure
- Legal / legislative
- Institutional / administrative
- Regulations (land use, zoning, standards)
- Education

- Financial incentives, subsidies (+)
- Taxes, tariffs, user fees (-)
- Research and development
- Market mechanisms
- Technology development

Level 4 Analysis



UAD – unconfined aquatic disposal

UPL – upland disposal

CAD – capped aquatic disposal

UPS – upland source

CDF – confined disposal facility



Analytical Methods

- Risk Analysis Applications
- Innovations in Navigation Analysis
- Environmental Restoration Evaluation
- Water Use and Water Conservation
- Hydrologic Planning Technologies

Risk Analysis

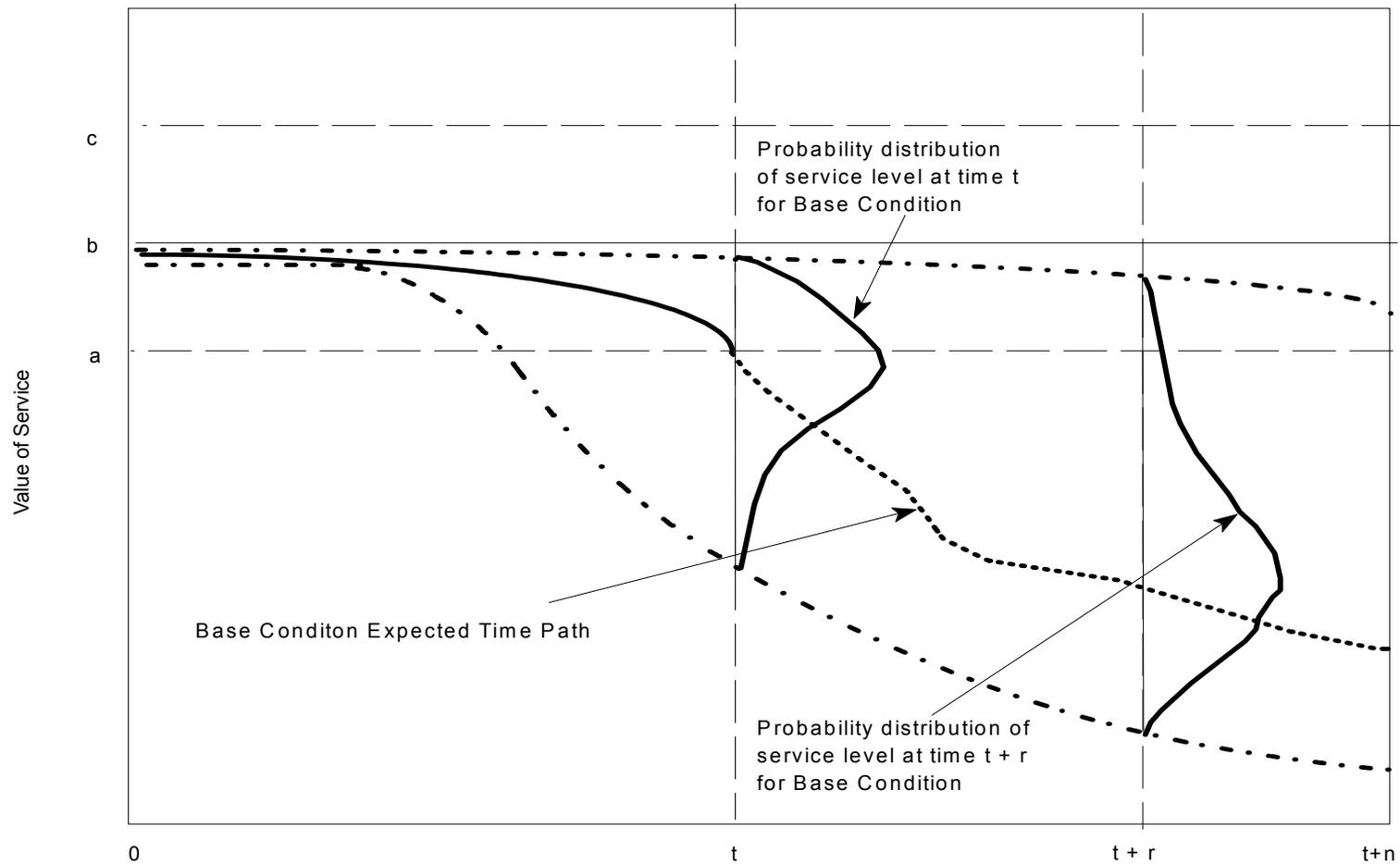
- Part of P&S but extended in P&G
- Part of specific evaluation requirements since 1991
 - Implemented by ER's

Major Rehabilitation

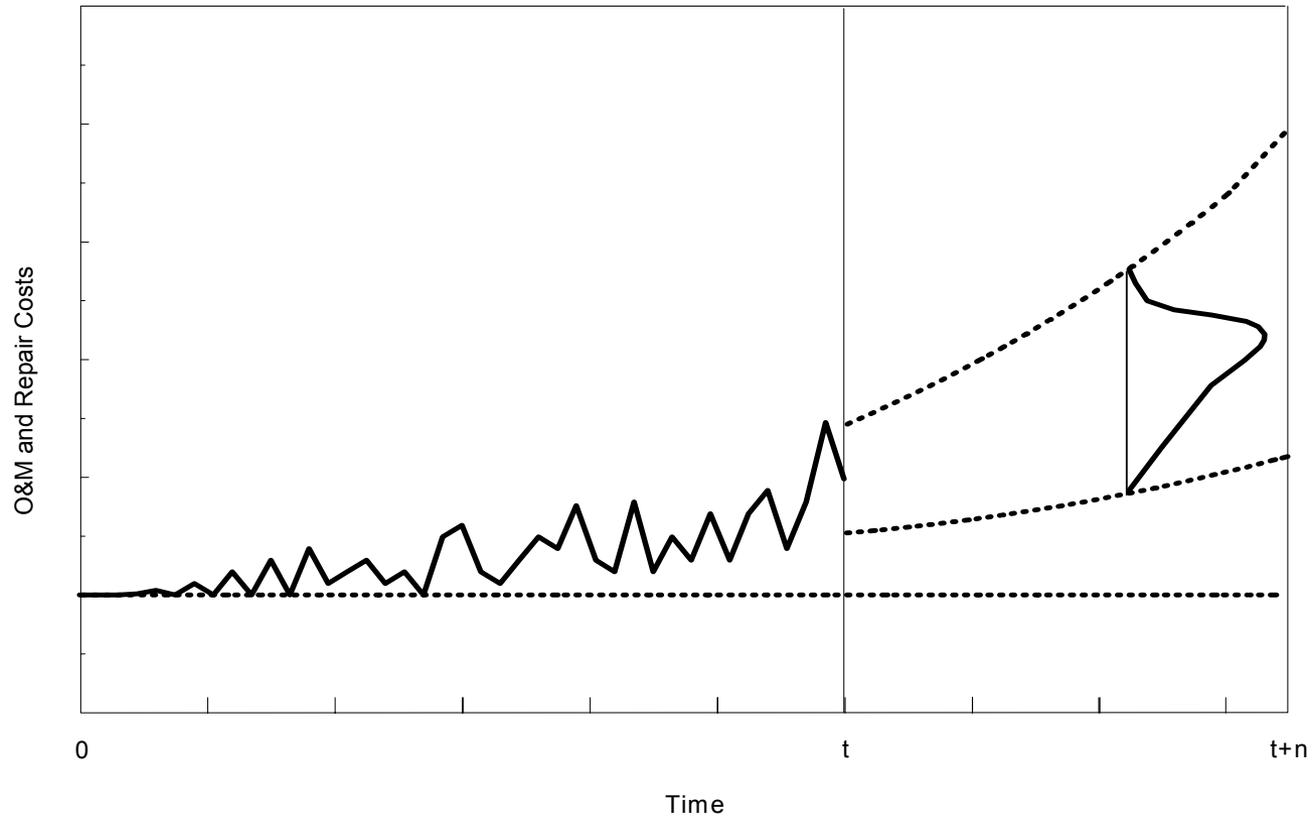
- Uncertainty in benefits and costs quantified
 - Analysis equivalent to planning studies
- Life-cycle approach
 - Risk of component failure
- Base condition assumes fix as fail
- Investment strategies beyond immediate rehab required to be formulated



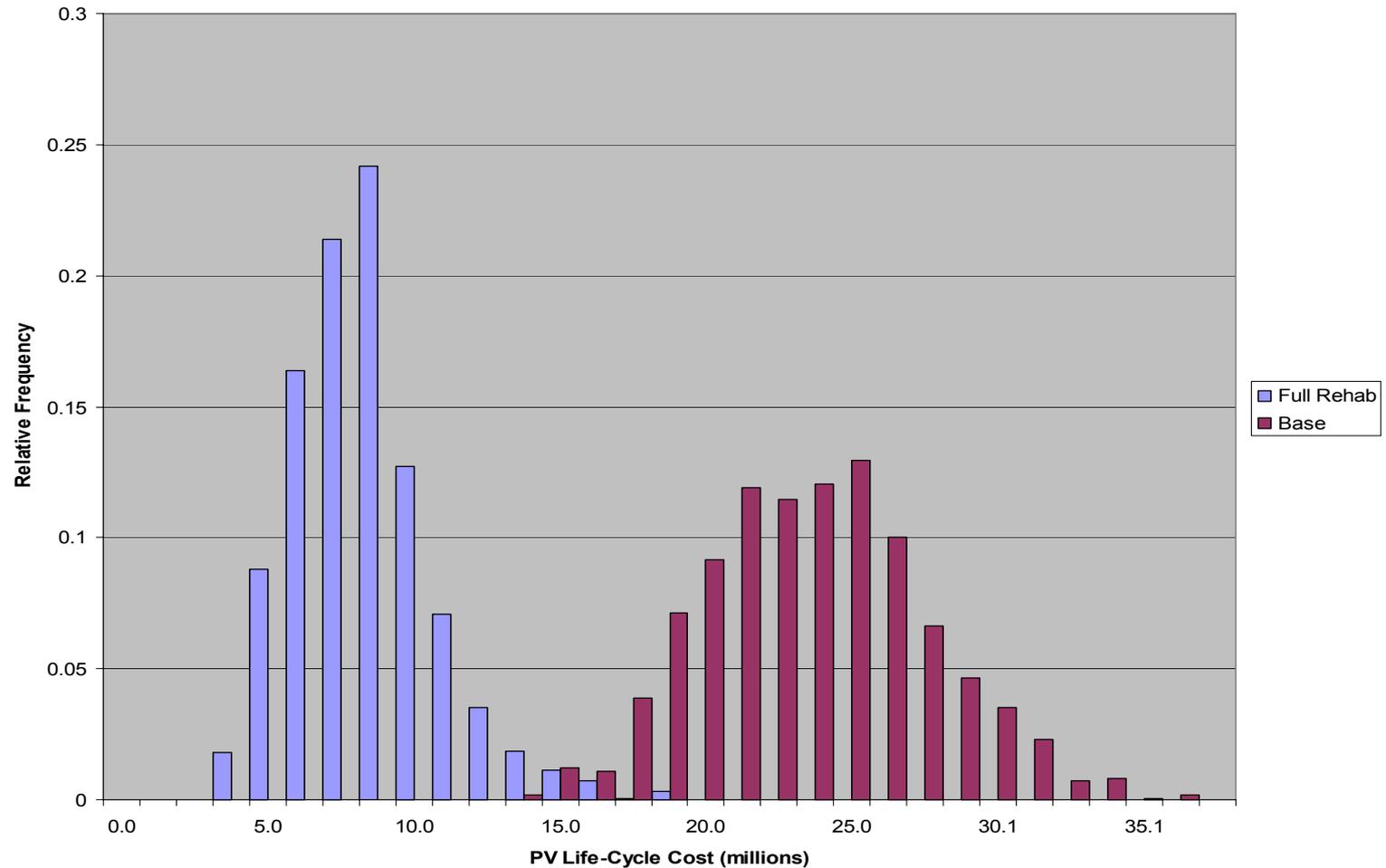
The Base Condition Performance Time Path



The Base Condition O&M Cost Time Path

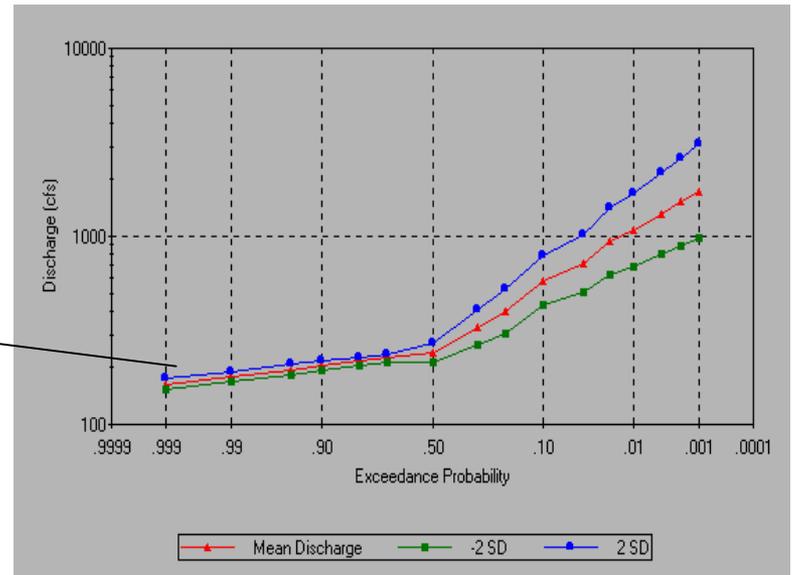
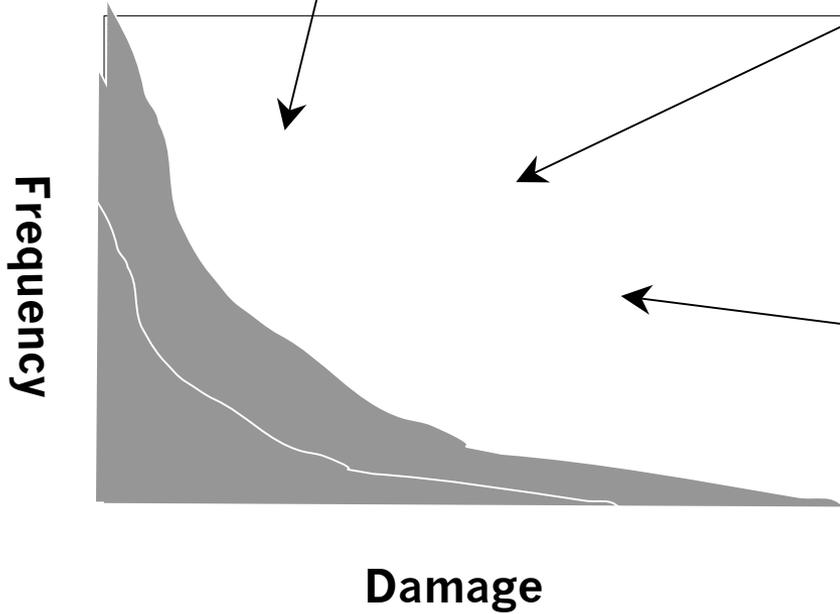
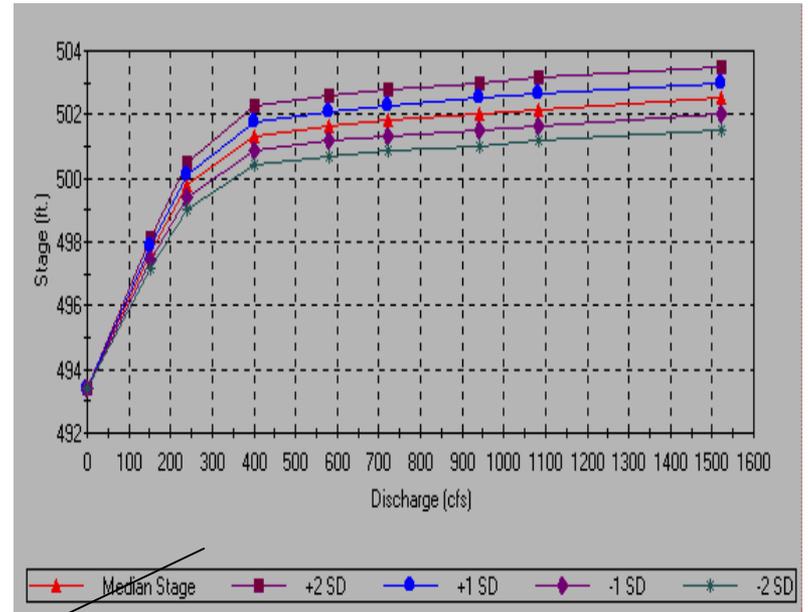
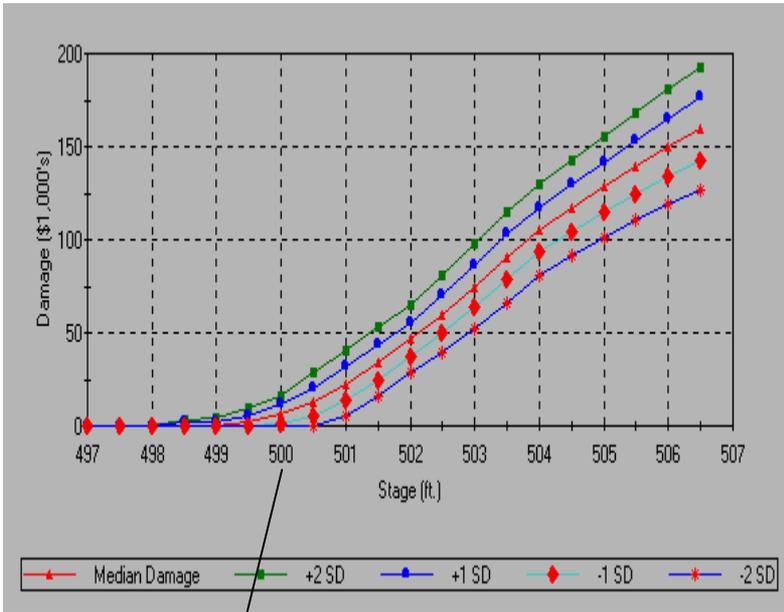


Distribution of Life-Cycle Cost

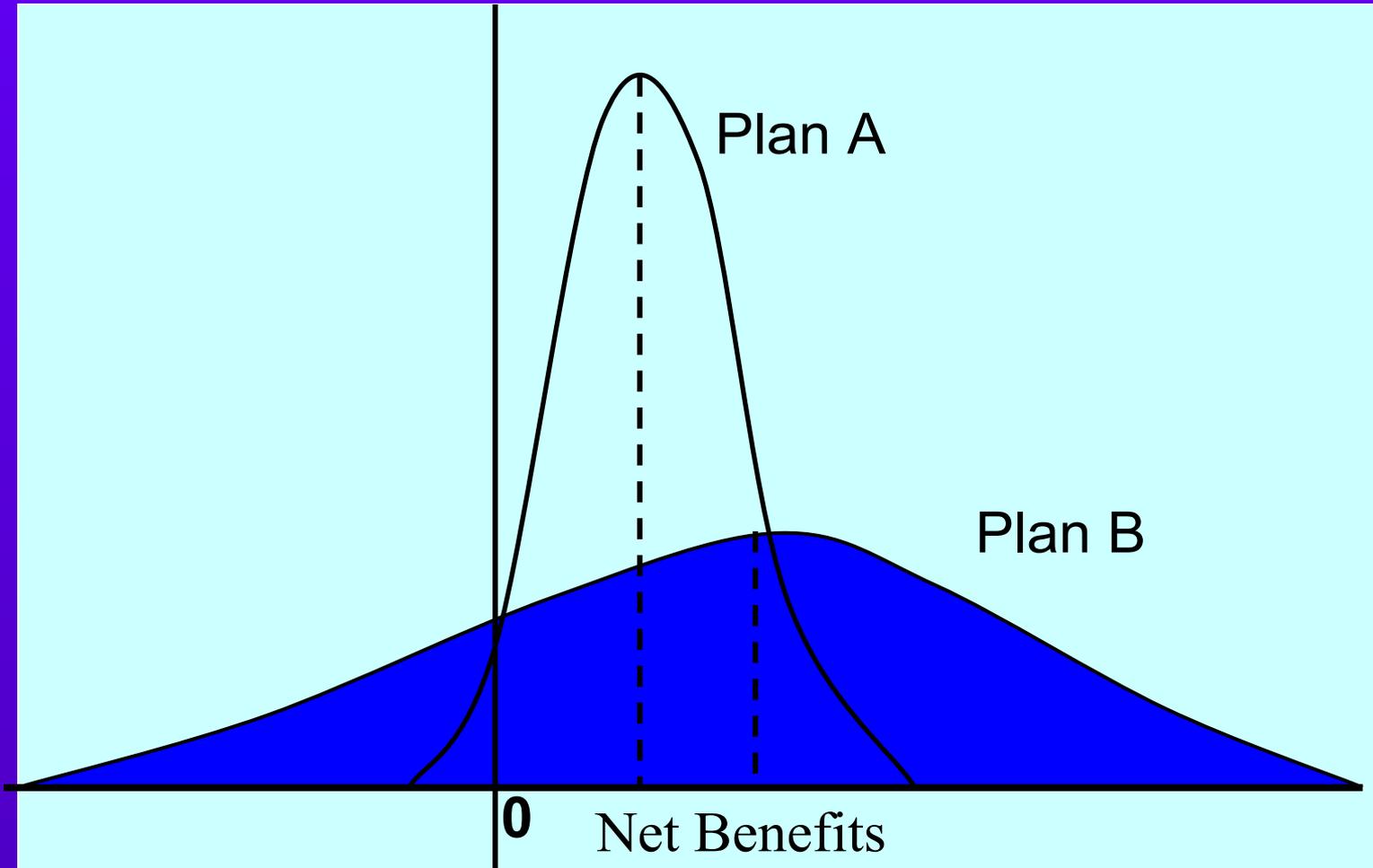


Flood Damage Reduction

- Extended then existing risk analysis approach
 - Quantified uncertainties in discharge, stage, and damage
 - Conjoined uncertainties using Monte Carlo process



Distribution of Net Benefits



Flood Damage Reduction

- Approach reviewed by NAS committee with report in 2000
- Corps concurred with many suggestions for improvements in method
 - Disagreed with some
 - Funding has not been available to implement improvements

Dam Safety

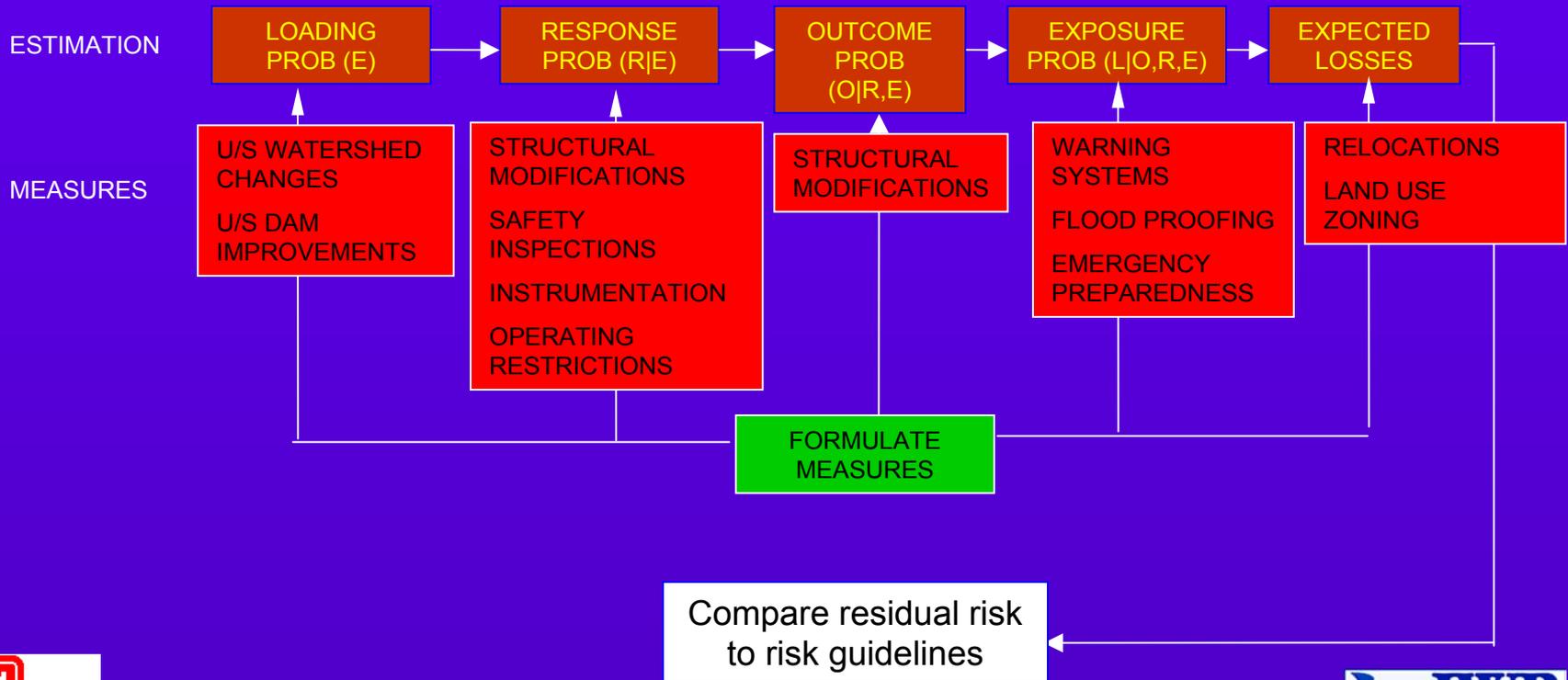
- R&D Programs
- 1984-87: Hazard Assessment
- 1999-present: Risk Analysis
- Objective

Develop methodologies, frameworks and software tools necessary for the USACE to proactively manage the overall level of human and economic risk from our inventory of dams

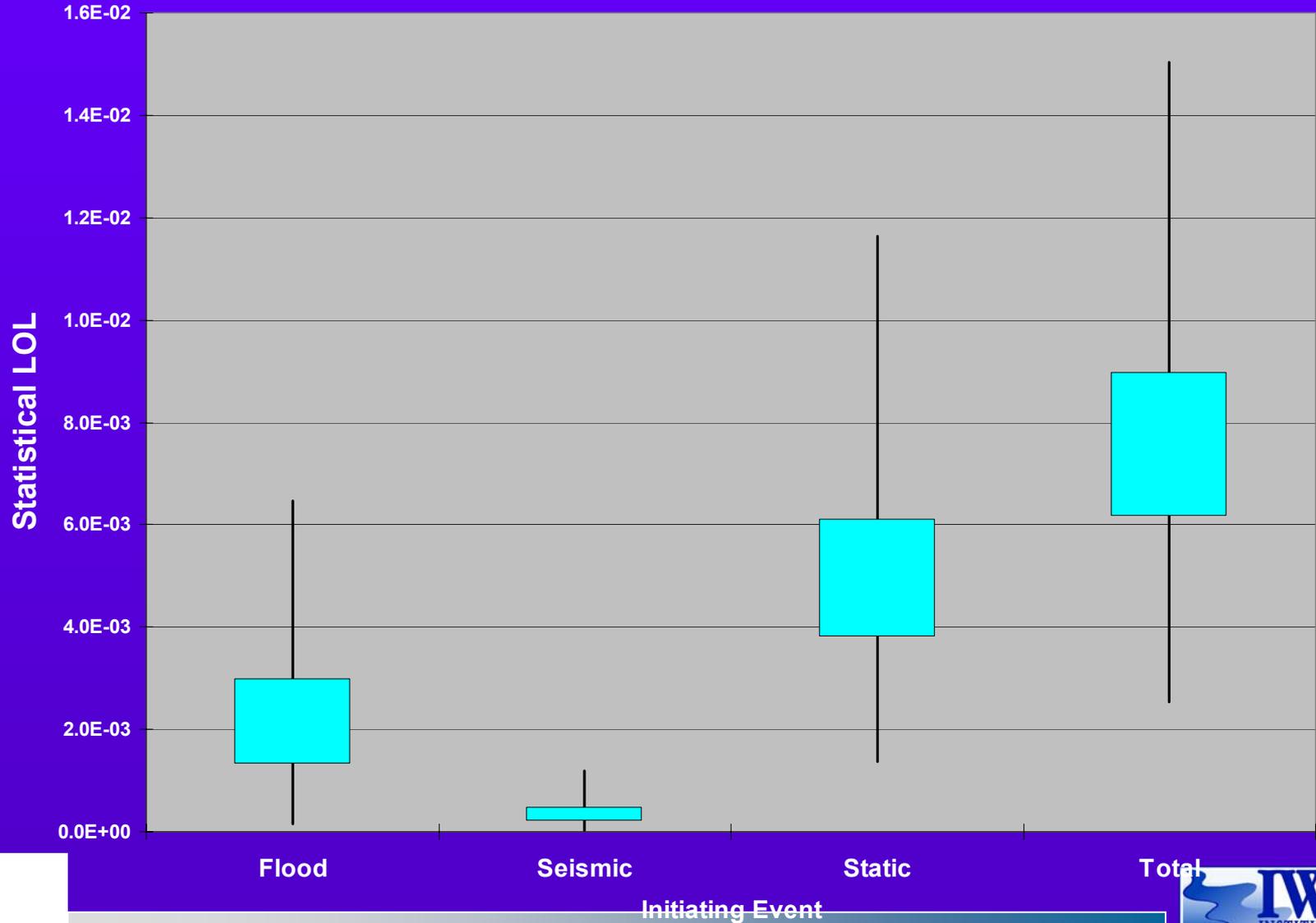


FRAMEWORK FOR RISK ASSESSMENT

	INITIATING EVENT	SYSTEM RESPONSE	OUTCOME	EXPOSURE	CONSEQUENCES
IDENTIFICATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STATIC LOADING • FLOOD • EARTHQUAKE • U/S DAM FAILURE • LANDSLIDE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OVERTOPPING • SLOPE FAILIURE • CRACKING • PIPING • STRUCT/FND FAILURE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BREACH • PARTIAL BREACH • NO BREACH 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TIME OF DAY • SEASON • WARNING TIME 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LOSS OF LIFE • ECONOMIC • ENVIRONMENTAL • SOCIAL



LOL Risk Results



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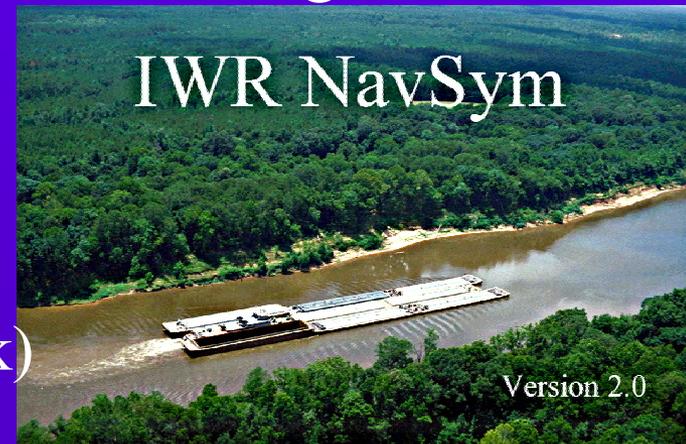


Innovations in Navigation Analysis

- IWR-NavSym
- Non-traditional Benefits and Costs

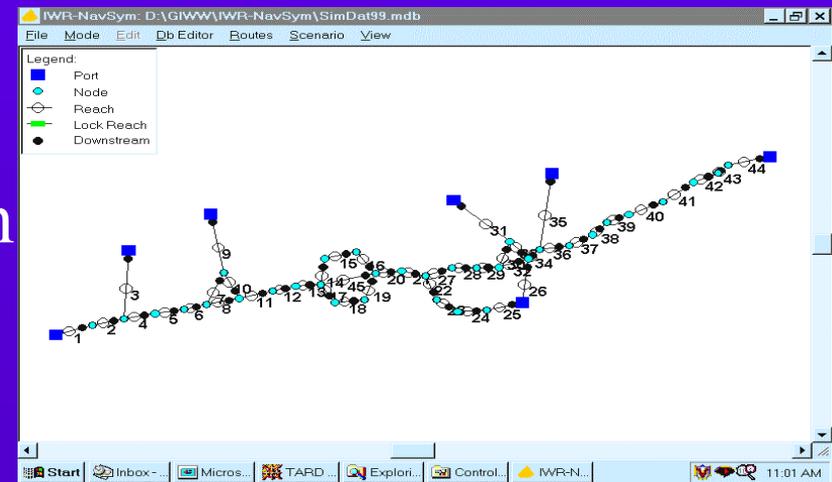
IWR-NavSym

- Discrete event Monte Carlo model
 - Simulates movements of tows along a waterway network.
 - Quantities transportation cost and saving
 - Discrete events:
 - trip generation
 - tows entering a reach (or lock)
 - tows traversing a reach (or lock)
 - tows arrival at destination port



IWR-NavSym

- Risks
 - Casualties
- Uncertainties
 - Trip generation
 - Tow travel time in reach
 - Reach choice
- Other factors
 - congestion / traffic rules



IWR-NavSym and Navigation Improvements

- Reduces Tow Travel Time in Reach
- Reduces Congestion
- Changes Traffic Rules
- New reach / route
- Expressed in Model as Data for:
 - reaches
 - tow transit time in reach

Non-traditional Benefits and Costs

- Each transportation mode has energy-use and environmental characteristics that have impacts on the environment
- National Economic Development evaluation tools and procedures can be developed to assess at least part of economic benefits and costs of modal shifts

Emission Reduction Benefit

- District studies
 - Soo Locks
 - Chickamauga Lock
- IWR has developed a framework for analysis to estimate with and without project emissions.
- Studying the value of reduced carbon emissions and the health cost of increased pollutants

Proposed Extensions

- Change In Emission Profile
 - Tools to estimate changes in total emission due to a Corp project
- Affect on human health
 - Evaluate existing method to associate changed emission profiles to human morbidity and mortality
- Place Economic Value on Changes in Emissions.
 - Methodologies to quantify the impacts of changed emission in NED terms

IWR-PLAN

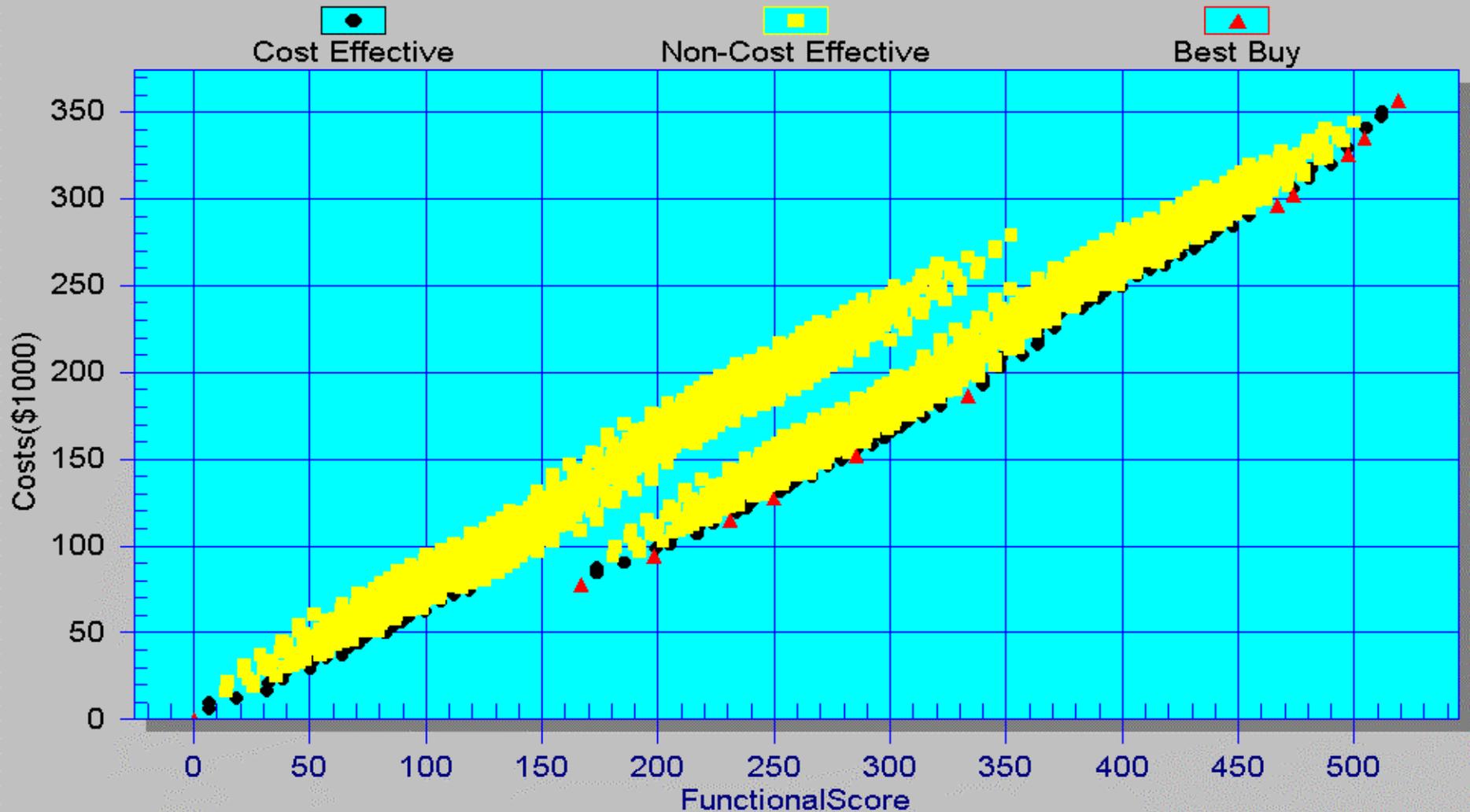
- **Assists in plan formulation**
 - Builds “all plan combinations”
 - 26 solutions, 20 scales each
 - Dependency & combinability relationships
- **Up to 10 variables, including:**
 - Costs
 - Outputs
 - Other “effects”
 - “Derived” (combined) outputs
- **Performs CE/ICA**
 - CEA: Cost effective plans
 - ICA: Best buy plans



Formulate All Plan Combinations

Elizabeth River Environmental Restoration

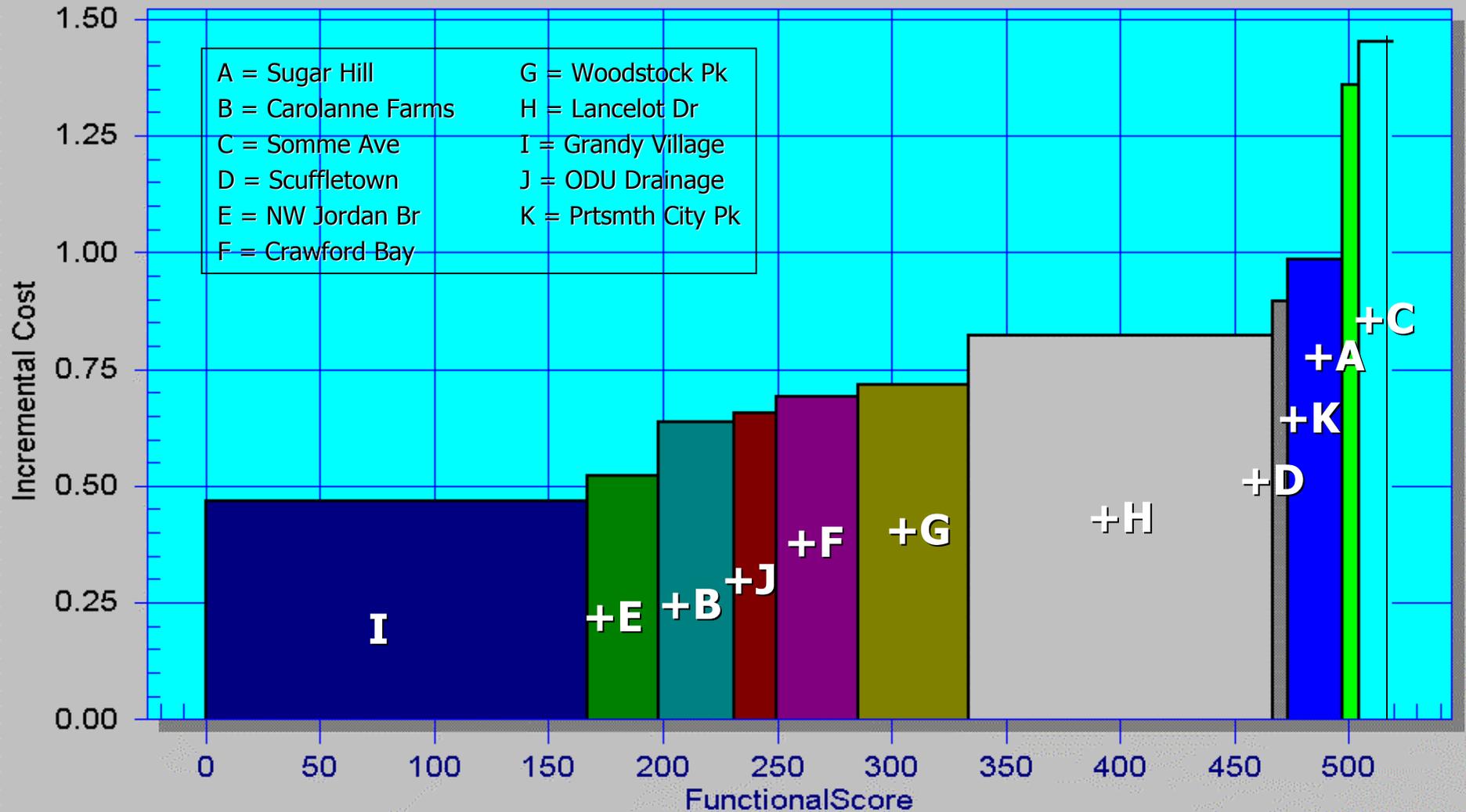
Wetlands Functional Assessment - All Plan Combinations



Incremental Cost Analysis

Elizabeth River Environmental Restoration

Wetlands Functional Assessment - Best Buy Plans



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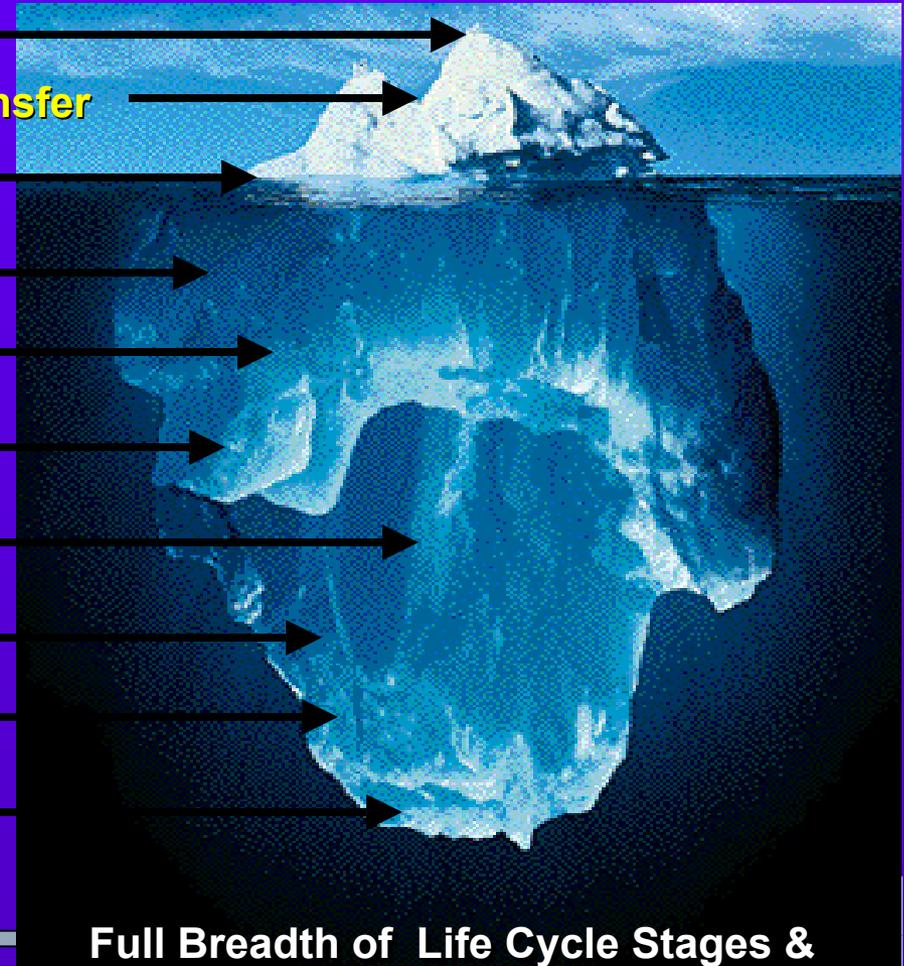
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