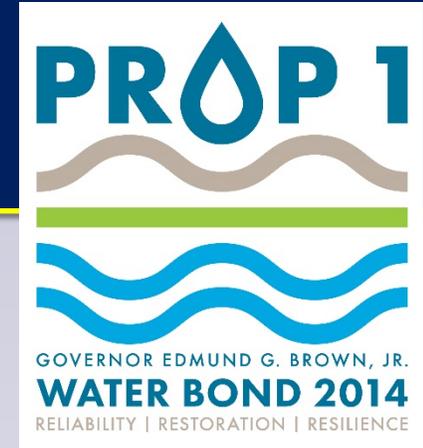


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California Water Commission **Water Storage Investment Program** Commission Updates

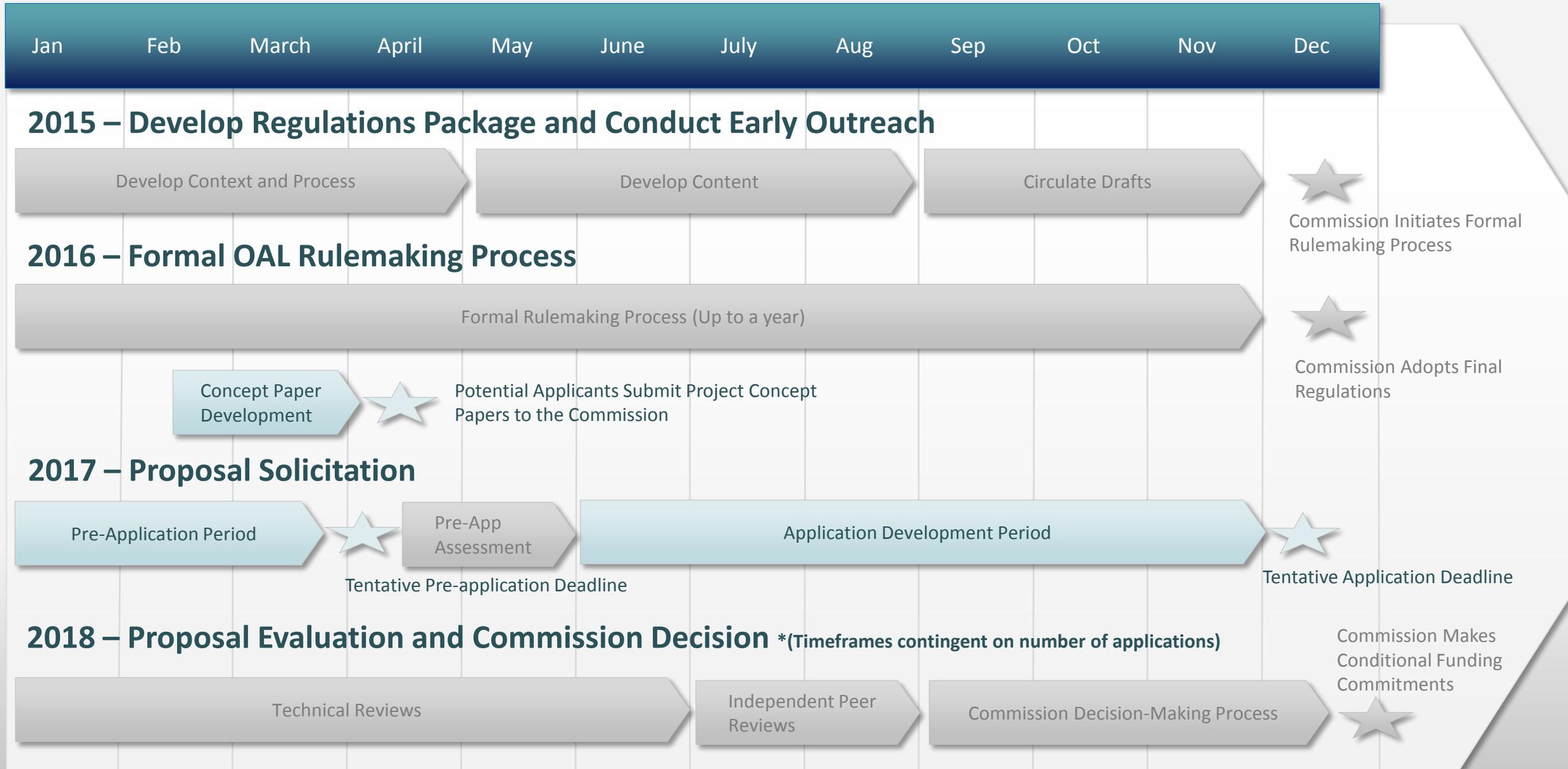
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Agenda Item #8 Update on Program and Administrative Activities

Administrative Update

- Working through consultant team selection process
- Planning out 2016/2017 detailed activities schedule and staffing

WSIP TIMELINE PROJECT PLANNING FOR RULEMAKING AND PROPOSAL SOLICITATION



Regulations Work Group

- Compiled comments received in October/November
- Updating rulemaking package based on revised regulations
- Developed pros/cons of multiple solicitations, set asides, and small project assistance
- Continued drafting application package guidance document

Engineering & Economics Work Groups

- Worked with DWR's climate change group to develop potential options for climate change analysis
- Continued compiling technical guidance appendix for application instructions
- Continued work to develop potential unit values of water
- Continued conducting literature search for examples of monetizing ecosystem benefits
- Continued developing evaluation criteria and metrics

Ecosystem/Water Quality Work Group

- Responded to comments on updated priorities, relative values, and management and monitoring section of the regulations
- Developed draft confidentiality agreement between partner agencies
- Discussed potential metrics for determining ecological health of the Delta

C&E Updates

- Planning 2016 C&E activities
- Compiled comments received during October outreach
- Received redline or comments from
 - Group of 10 ag interests
 - California Farm Bureau Federation
 - Association of California Water Agencies
 - California Groundwater Coalition
 - Contra Costa Water District
 - Group of 6 NGOs
 - Union of Concerned Scientists
 - The Nature Conservancy

Coming Up...

- Staff will be at December ACWA conference to share WSIP information
- December 16 Commission meeting (Sacramento)
- 45-day public comment period – starts with initiation of formal rulemaking process
- Public hearing on regulations (TBD)
- Public meeting series on draft application instructions (TBD)
- Technical workshops (TBD)

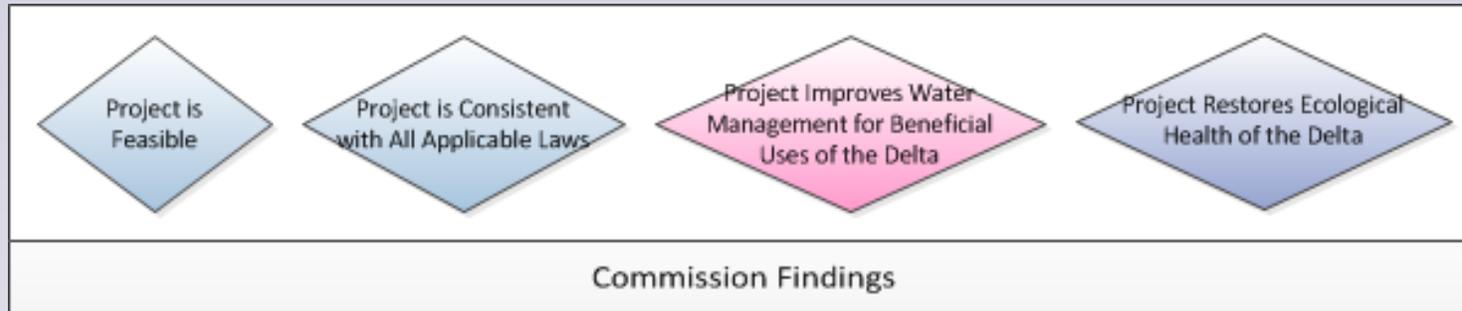
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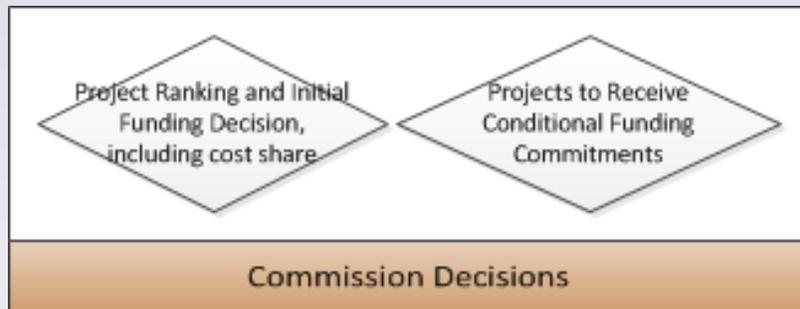
Agenda Item #9 Decision Making Process

Commission Findings and Decisions

- Commission Findings (Statute)

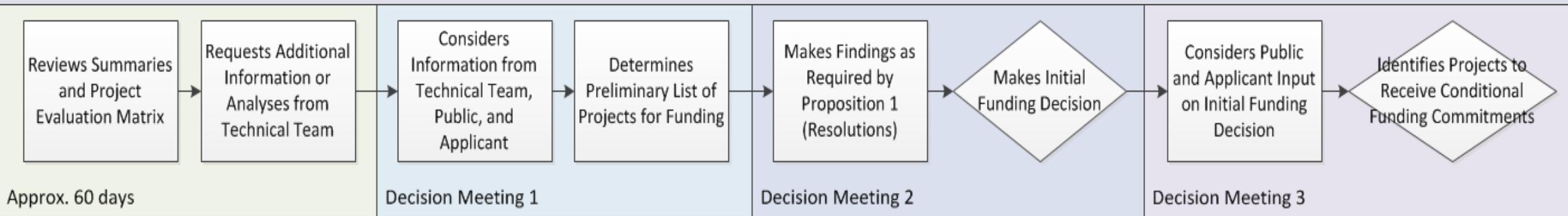


- Commission Decisions (Regulations)

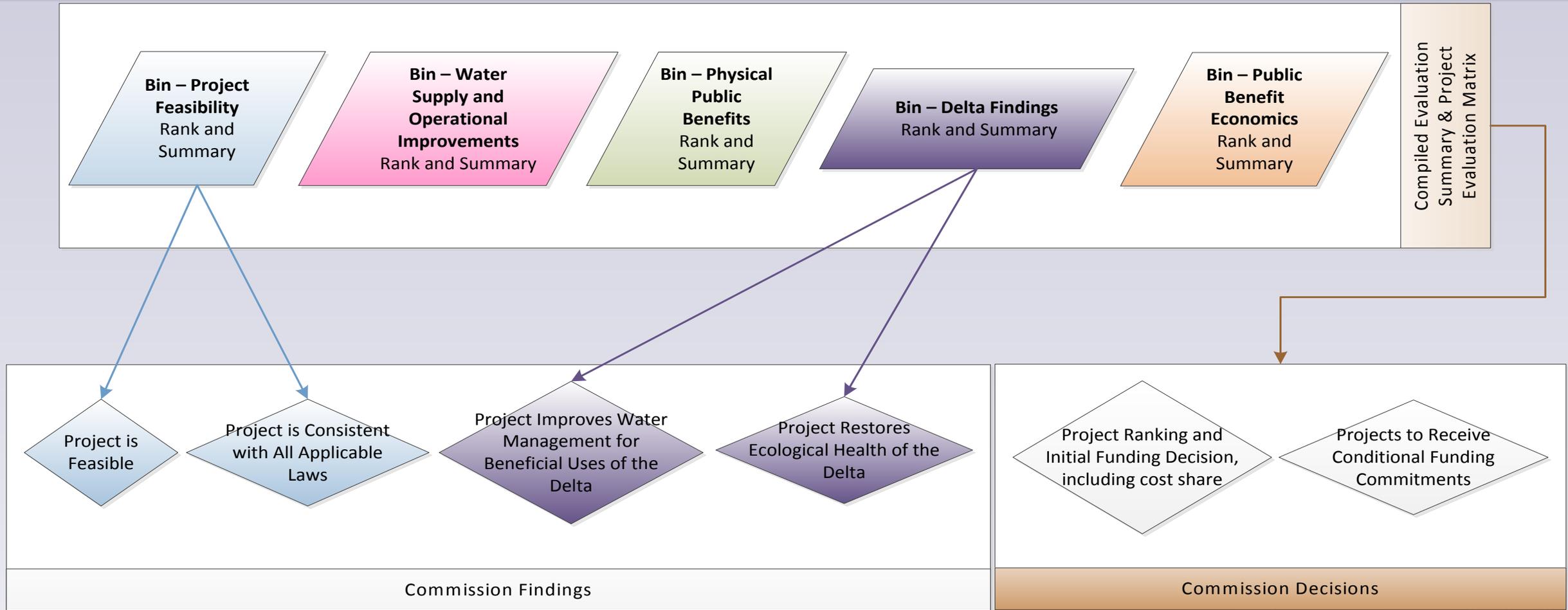


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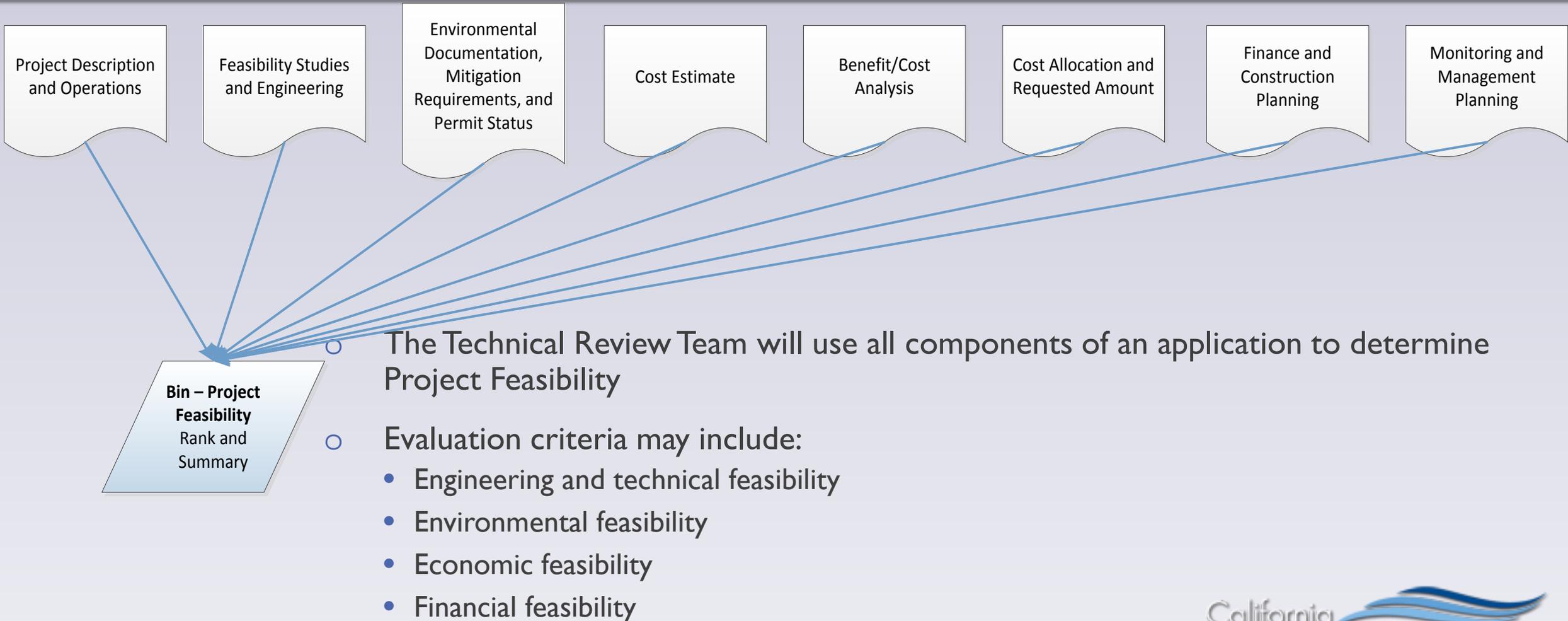
- Decisions will be informed by the technical review process and comments made by the public or applicants during Commission meetings
- The Commission:



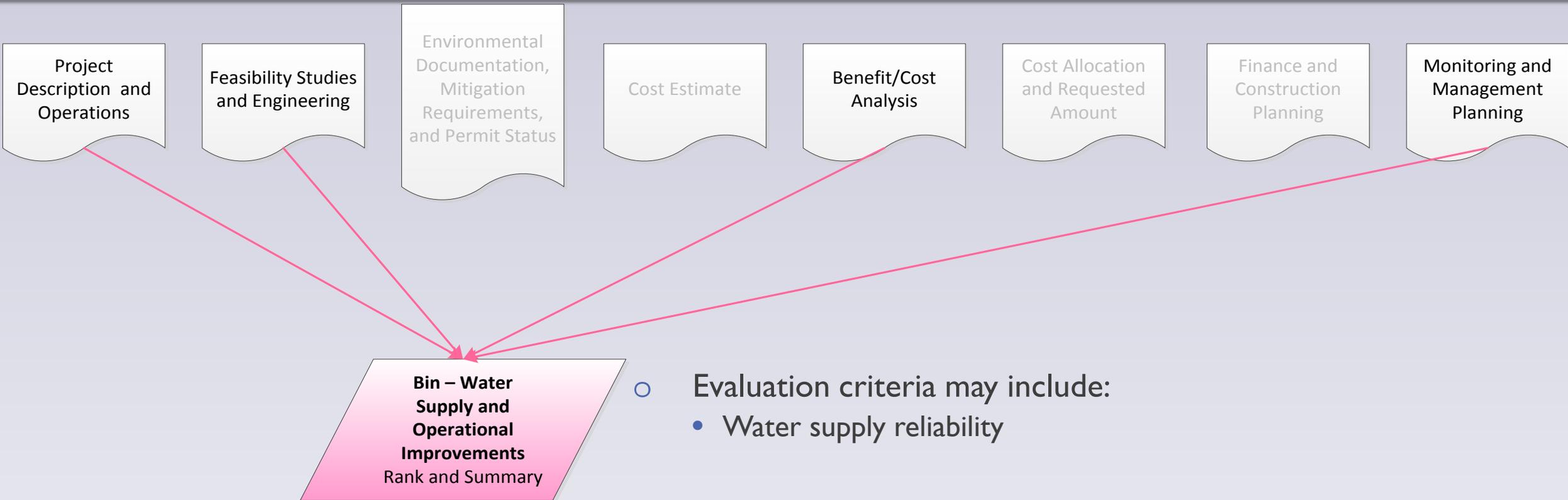
How Will the Decisions Be Informed?



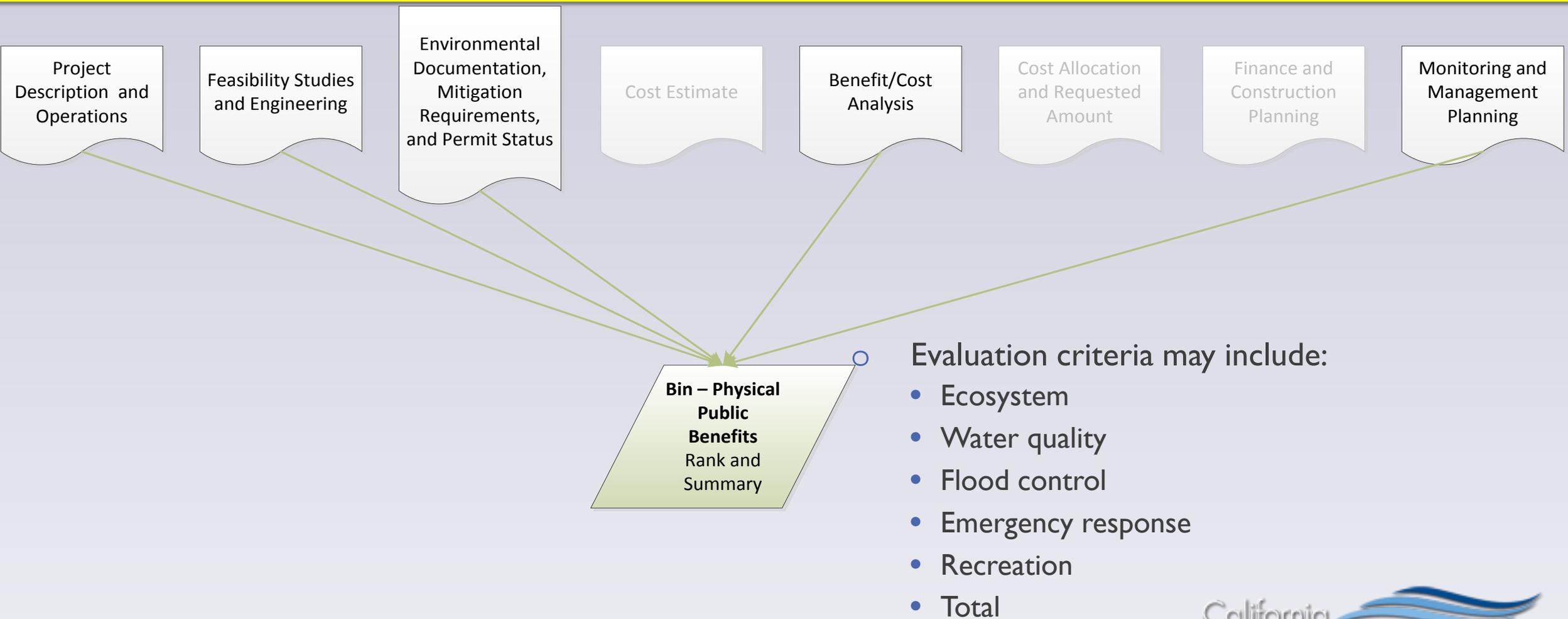
What Informs Project Feasibility?



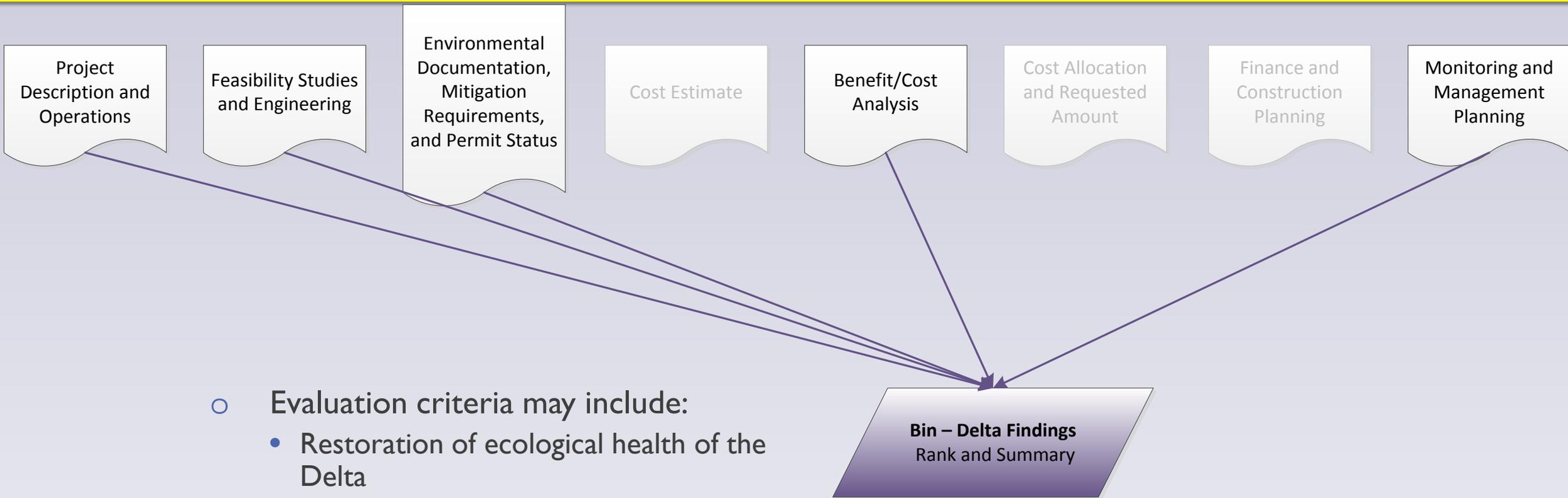
What Informs Water Supply and Operational Improvements?



What Informs Physical Public Benefits?



What Informs Delta and Delta Tributaries Ecosystem Improvements?



- Evaluation criteria may include:
 - Restoration of ecological health of the Delta
 - Water management for beneficial uses of the Delta

What Informs Public Benefit Economics?

Project Description and Operations

Feasibility Studies and Engineering

Environmental Documentation, Mitigation Requirements, and Permit Status

Cost Estimate

Benefit/Cost Analysis

Cost Allocation and Requested Amount

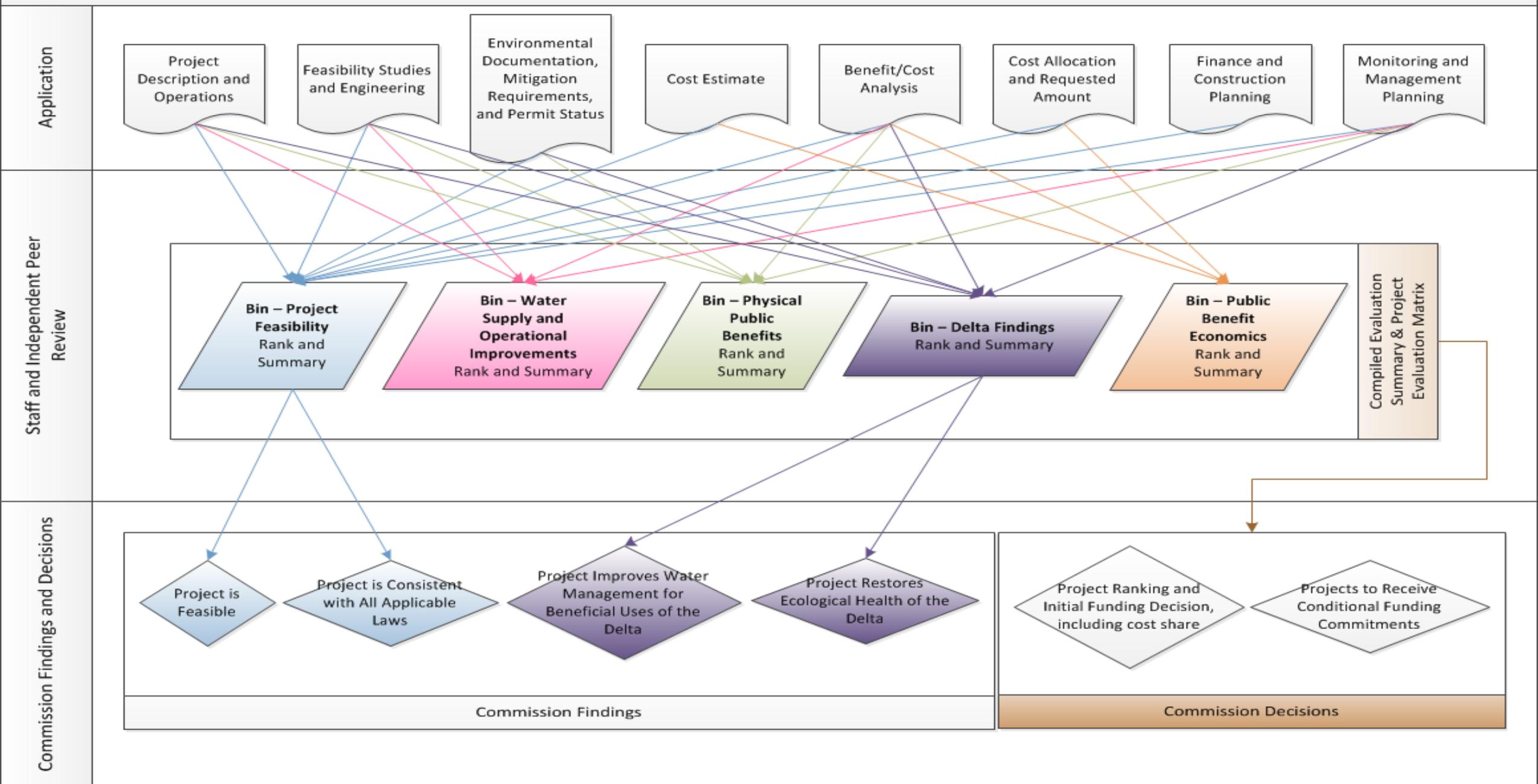
Finance and Construction Planning

Monitoring and Management Planning

- Evaluation criteria may include:
 - Cost effectiveness
 - Return on investment
 - Quality of analysis

Bin – Public Benefit Economics Rank and Summary

Water Storage Investment Program Application Review Information Map



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