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**Sustainable
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Fisheries Allocation

Presentation for the
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Outline NOAA Fisheries Guidance

- **Background**
- **Recommended Practices**
 - Evaluate and Update Objectives
 - Identify User Needs
 - Minimize Speculative Behavior
 - Plan for Future Conditions
- **Factors for Considerations**
 - Ecological
 - Economic
 - Social
 - Indicators of Performance
- **Appendix: Existing National Policy**

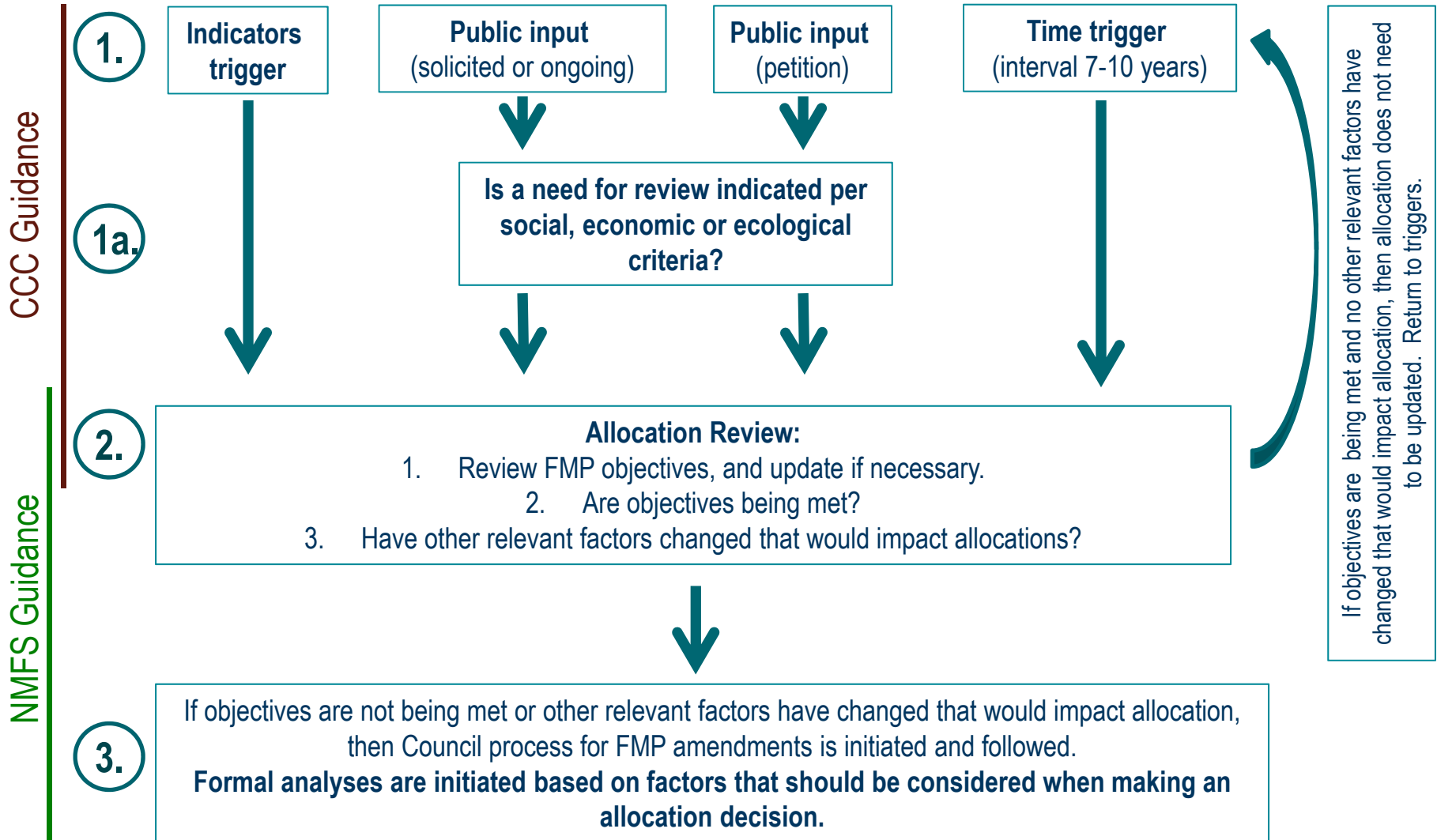


Overview of Revisions

- Comments and edits were received from Councils, CCC working group, Regions, General Counsel for Fisheries, and Office of Science and Technology.
- Based on comments we received several changes were made to the original draft.
 - Reorganization of sections
 - Plain language
 - Language complementary to CCC working group document
 - Better linkage to mandates
 - More examples



Steps in Adaptive Management of Allocations



Next Steps

- Approval from CCC
- NMFS incorporation of guidance into a policy document (Policy Directive System)
- Ongoing work on best practices (technical guidance on economic and socio-cultural analyses)



Discussion

- CCC “triggers” document - What is a feasible timeframe for identifying triggers for each FMP?
- What should be the format of the final products? (e.g., formal policy in Policy Directive System)
- How will Councils operationalize guidance?