Water Quality Portal

Panel: National Water Quality Portals- do we need more than one?

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Background

2003 USGS-EPA

Memorandum of Understanding

"Working with the National Water Quality Monitoring Council (NWQMC), [USGS and EPA] will develop a geospatial internet based query tool. This tool should be designed to facilitate the greatest possible sharing of data from all sources to all users..."
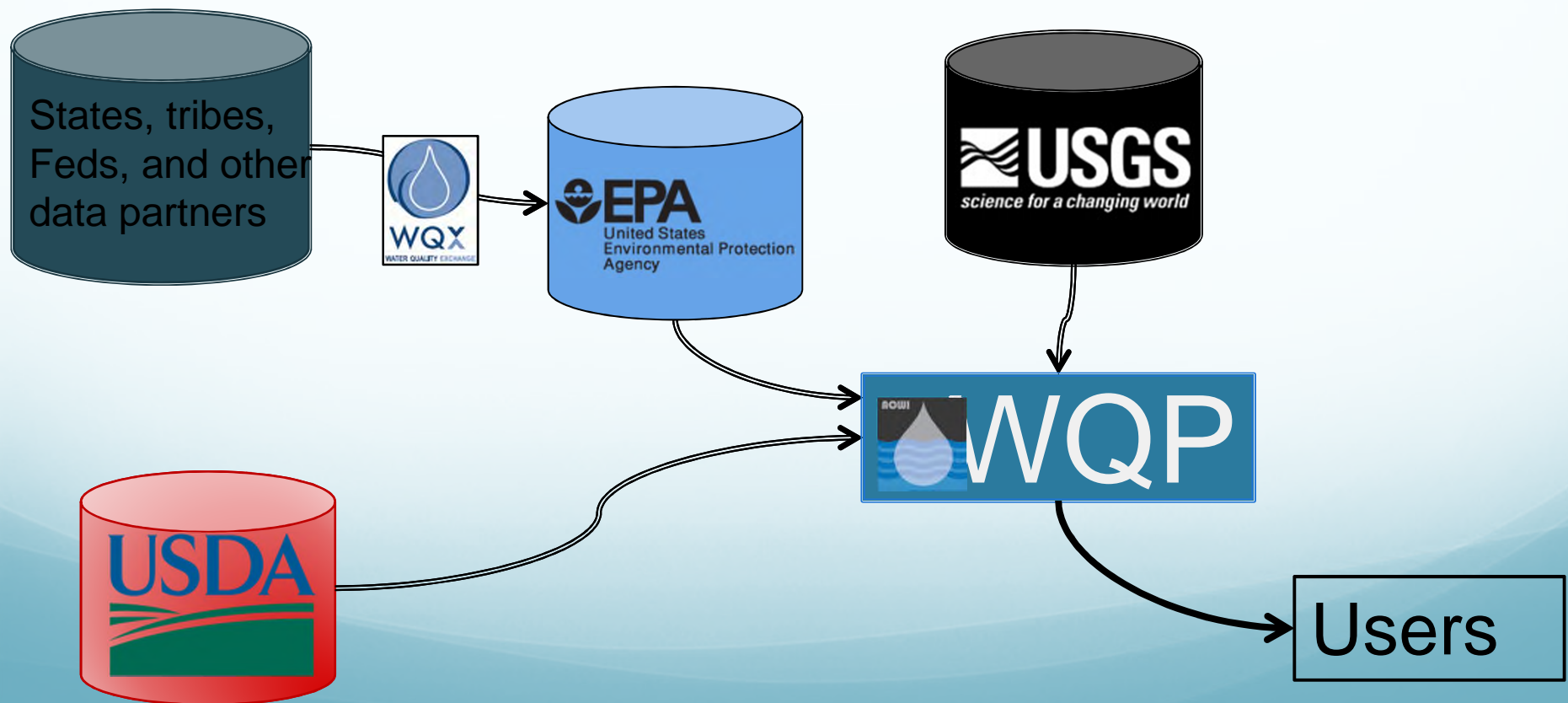
Background

- Started with "Mini Portals"

- WQP Launched at 2012 NWQMC
  - STORET and NWIS

- USDA Agricultural Research service added in February 2014

Background

- Over 200 million samples

- 2 million sites

- Can download directly
  - Can stream entire dataset if you so desire

- Web services
  - Allow for mash-up with other datasets
  - Support other applications and tools
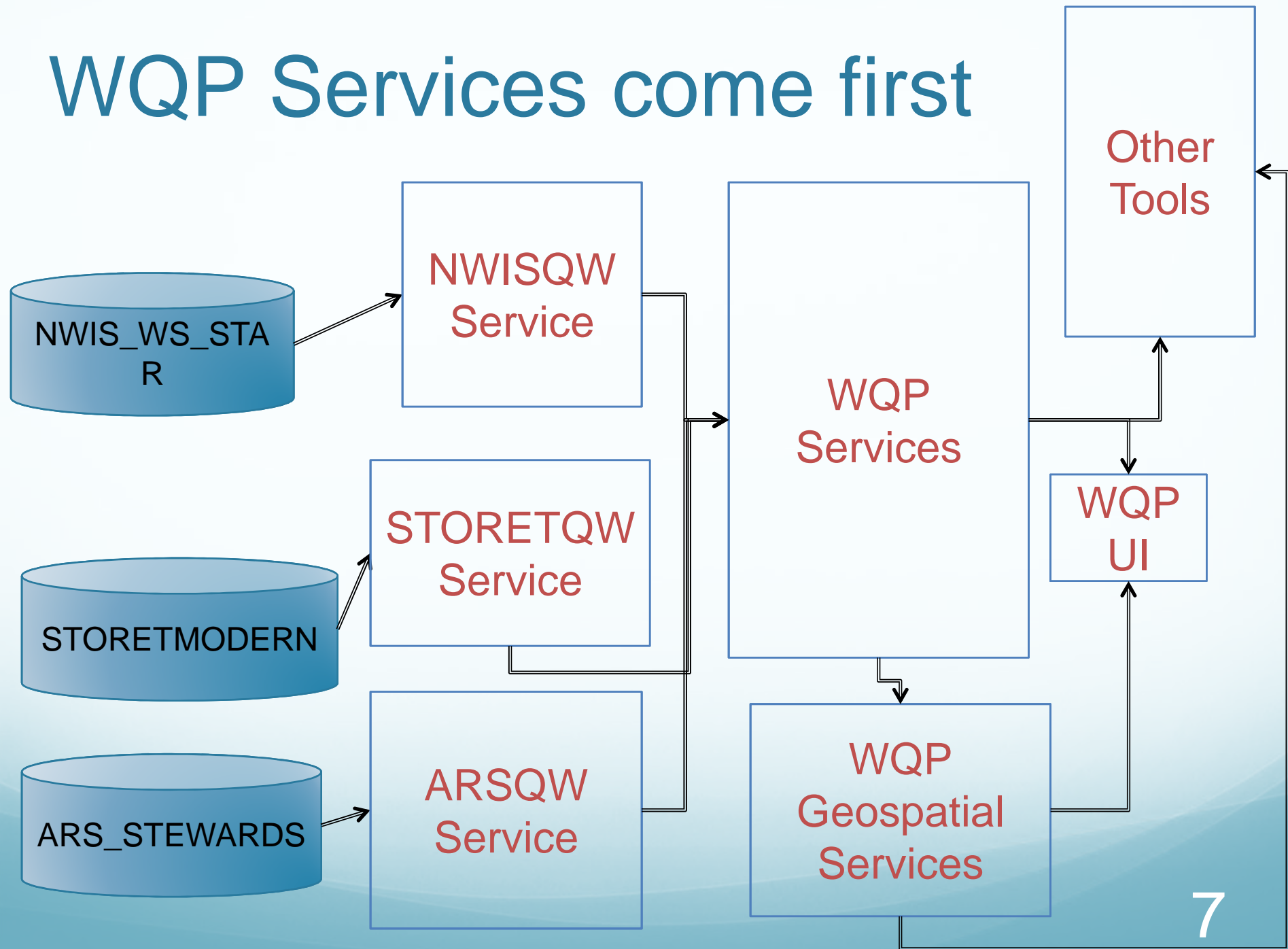
Interagency cooperation

The WQP integrates publicly available water-quality data from the USGS National Water Information System (**NWIS**), the EPA STOrage and RETrieval (**STORET**) Data Warehouse and the USDA Agricultural Research Service STEWARDS Database (**STEWARDS**).

WQP is a Big Tent

WQP Services come first

NWIS_WS_STAR

NWISQW Service

STORETMODERN

STORETQW Service

ARS_STEWARDS

ARSQW Service

WQP Services

WQP Geospatial Services

Other Tools

WQP UI

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Future

- Improved services
  - OGC Mapping services
  - True REST services for data consumption
  - Services to serve sensor data

- More integration with other tools
  - Extend NEMI integration
  - National Reference watersheds
  - NWIS

- Reporting and discoverability