

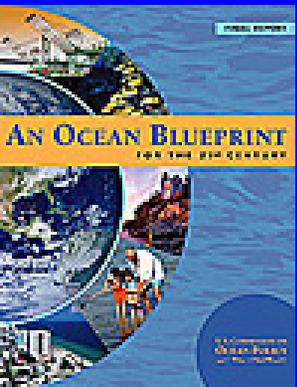
Advisory Committee on Water Information
Subcommittee on Ground Water

Update on Activities
NWQMC Meeting
Portland, Oregon
July 21, 2009

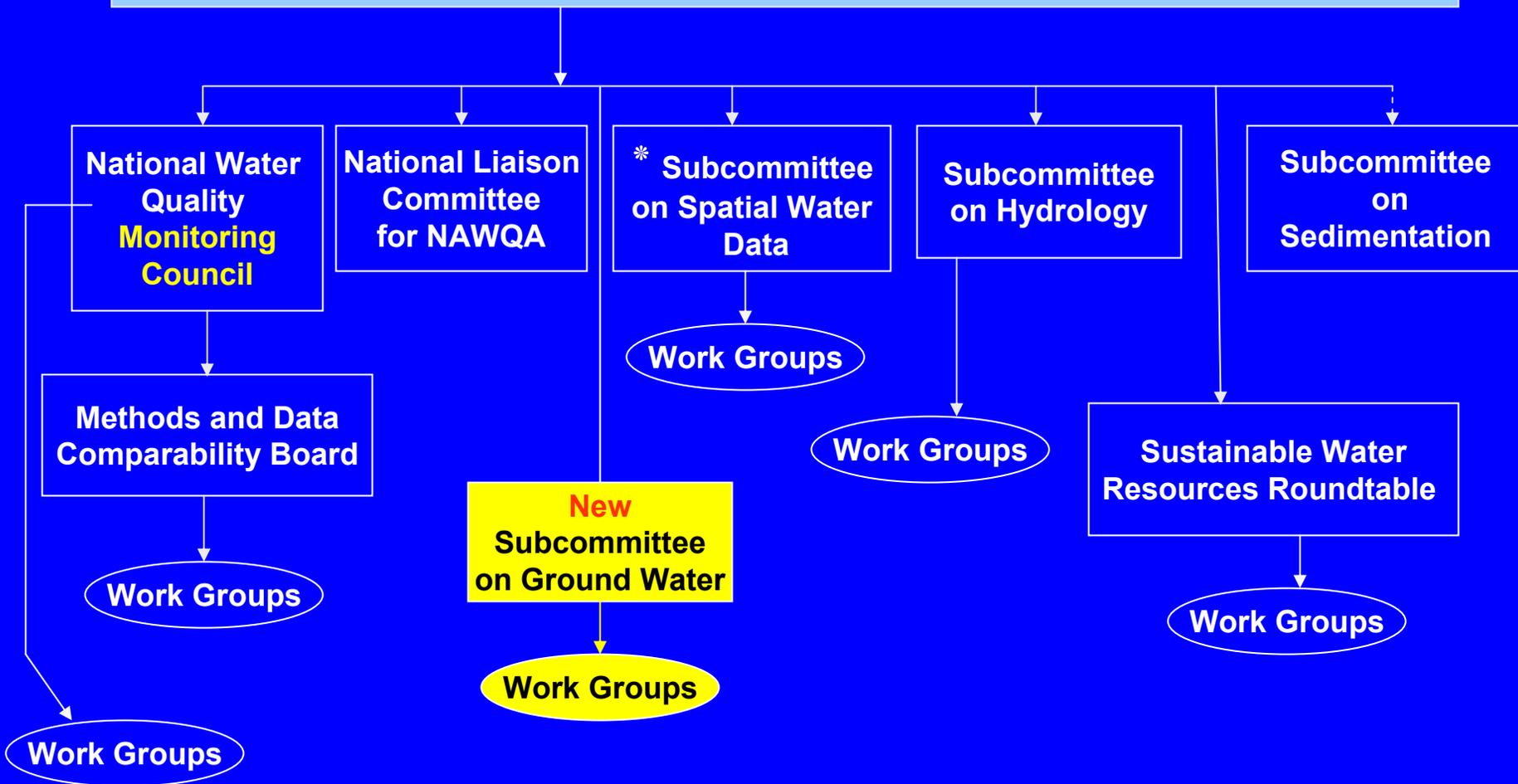


2004 Oceans Study Committee Report:

- Charged ACWI with preparing a framework for monitoring the nation's coastal waters
- NWQMC was tasked with developing the plan, which emphasized surface waters in coastal watersheds. GW was recognized as important component, but was not being addressed in appropriate manner
- Recognizing the need for nationwide ground water monitoring, some NWQMC members, professional associations and others championed the creation of the Subcommittee on Ground Water under ACWI
- SOGW established in 2006



ACWI SUBGROUPS



* Also reports to Federal Geographic Data Committee

Work Groups

**Subcommittee on
Ground Water (12)**
Bob Schreiber, ACWI – ASCE
Bill Cunningham, USGS

Executive Secretary
Chris Reimer, NGWA

**Monitoring
Inventory
Work Group (13)**
Bill Cunningham, USGS
Mike Wireman, USEPA
Emery Cleaves, AASG

**Data Standards
and Data
Management
Work Group (11)**
Chuck Job, USEPA
Scott Andres,
DE Geological Survey

**Field
Practices
Work Group (10)**
Rod Sheets, USGS
Mike Nickolaus, GWPC

**Monitoring
Design
Work Group (15)**
Bob Schreiber,
ACWI- ASCE
Kevin Frederick
WY DEQ

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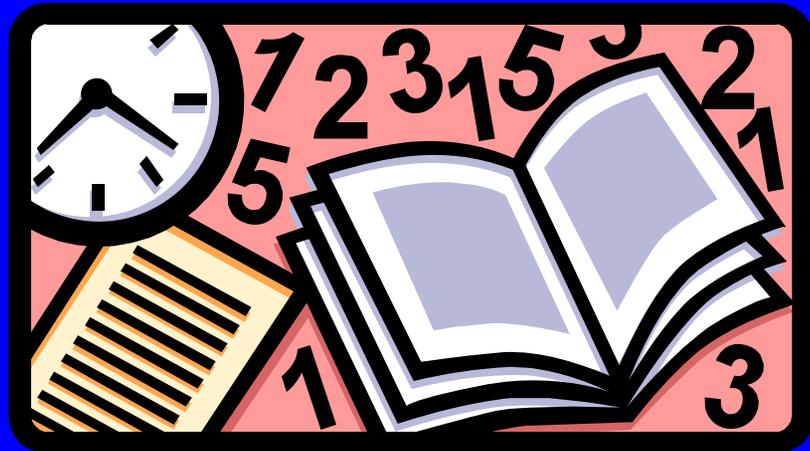
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SOGW Final Report

- Scheduled to be available on SOGW website in mid-July



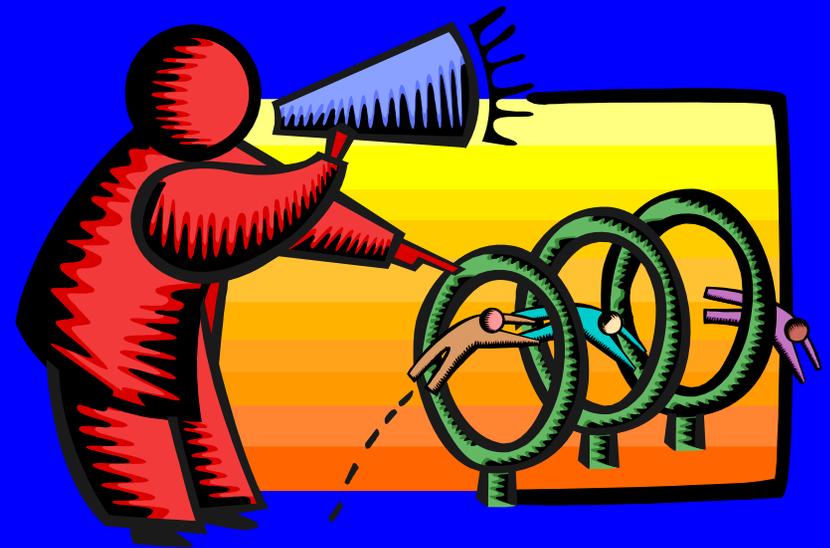
Pilot Studies

- SECURE Water Act, passed as part of Omnibus Lands Bill, includes provision for USGS to establish a national GWMN
- No funds in budget for 2010
- SOGW will proceed to enlist participation on a volunteer basis
- Request for Statement of Interest (RSOI) scheduled to be released in mid-September

Pilot Studies – Tentative Schedule

- Mid-July -- final report posted
- Mid-August – webinar to introduce RSOI for pilot projects
- Mid-Sept – RSOI released (3-4 week window)
- Early Oct – follow-up webinar
- End of Oct – deadline for submission of RSOI
- Mid-Nov – select Oversight Work Group
- Mid-Dec – inform states of status
- Jan 2010 – oversight workgroup convened, work begins
- Jan 2011-March 2011 – final report of pilot effort

- Council members with ideas for targeted groups (e.g. State Water Councils with ground-water monitoring networks?) to receive the RSOI can forward their names to Sheila Mercer (NGWA) at: smerc@ngwa.org



Questions?

