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COASTAL STORM RISK MANAGEMENT: WHO QUALIFIES AS A FEDERAL BEACH?



Main Criteria are:

- There is **public access** every $\frac{1}{2}$ mile
Private shores owned by beach clubs and hotels and publicly-owned beaches which are limited to use by residents of the community are not eligible.
- There is an adequate amount of free/reasonably priced parking facilities open and available to all on equal terms
Street parking is considered acceptable in lieu of parking lots if curbside capacity will accommodate the projected use demands.



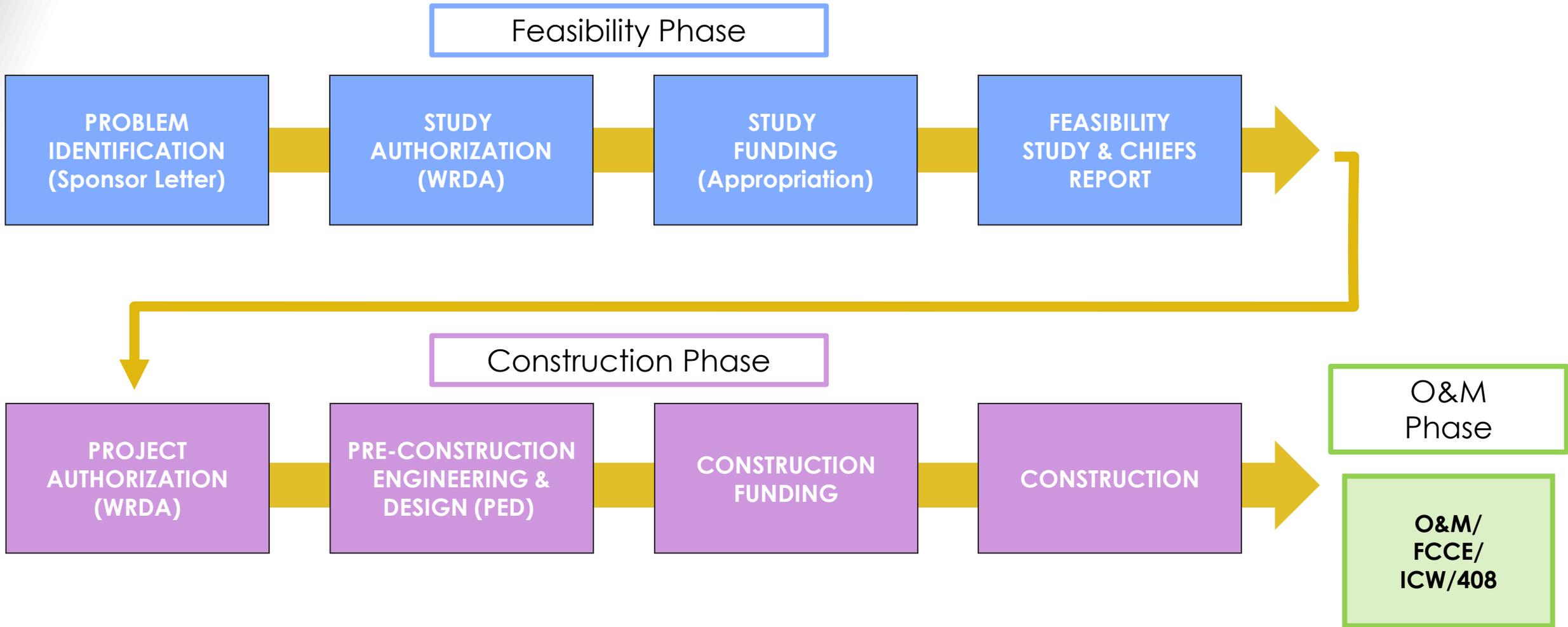
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USACE CIVIL WORKS LIFE CYCLE



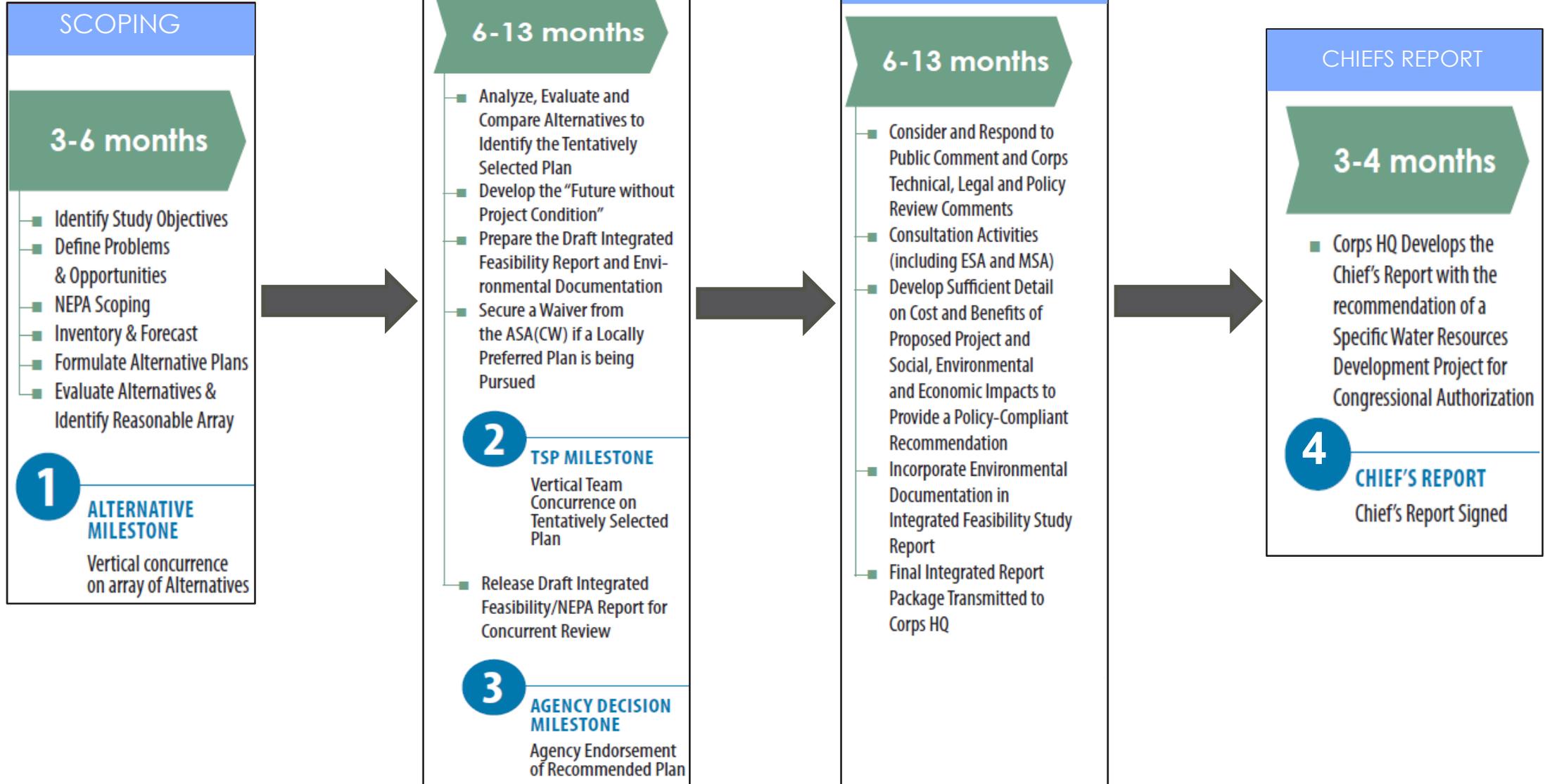
3 Phases to all Civil Works projects:

- 1) Feasibility
- 2) Construction
- 3) Operation and Maintenance





FEASIBILITY TIMELINES & MAJOR MILESTONES





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STEPS TO CONSTRUCTION



- ✓ The Chief's Report documents the Recommended Plan and is signed by the Chief of Engineers (currently LTG Spellmon)
- ✓ Plan must be *Authorized* by Congress and
- ✓ Congress must *Appropriate* funding to move to the next phase in the life-cycle.

Construction is Cost Shared 65% Federal/35% Non-Federal

- Non-Federal Sponsor is responsible for all Lands, Easements, Rights-of-Way, Relocations and Dredged Material Disposal
- For a Beach Project this means the Non-Federal Sponsor must obtain a *Perpetual Easement* along the entire length of the project so that USACE may place sand when required



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OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE AND PUBLIC LAW 84-99



- Non-Federal Sponsor Responsible for O&M
 - PED and Construction results in an official O&M manual that the non-Federal sponsor must comply with
- Inspection of Completed Works
- PL 84-99 - Federal support after Emergencies

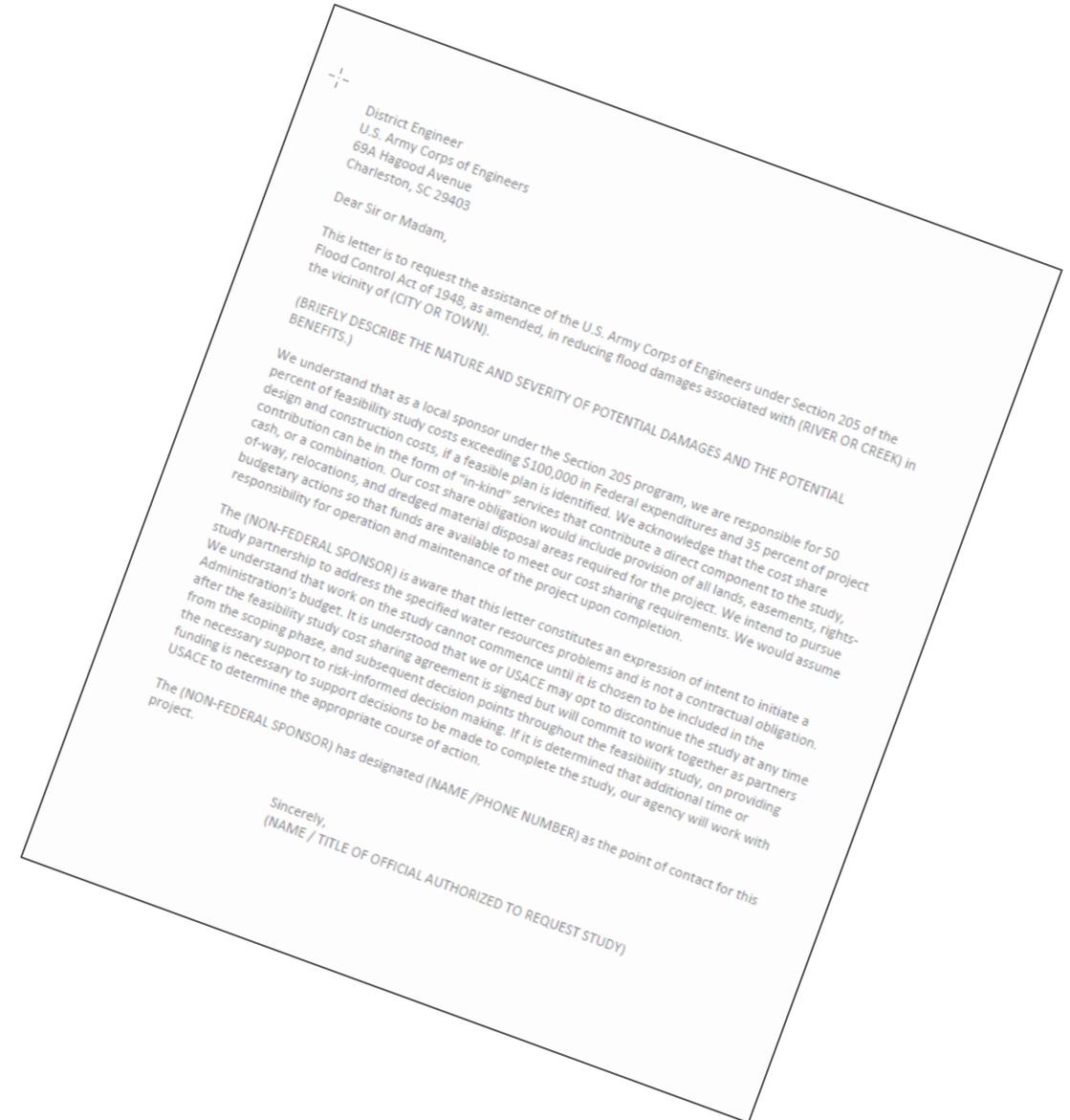


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SOUND GREAT? HERE ARE THE NEXT STEPS



- City of IOP submits a formal Letter of Intent/Interest to the Charleston District Commander, LTC Robert Nahabedian
- The Charleston District will then include the study in our budget request
 - We are working on FY 27 budget now
 - We must get “new study start” permission and funding from Congress to begin





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