

Socially and Environmentally Responsible Aggregates (SERA) Current Progress & Planning Update





Presentation Overview

- Standards Development Panel
 - Description & Update
 - Progress of the Panel
 - Next Steps
- SERA communication plan
 - General overview
 - Highlight public delegation est. time lines
- Most Importantly
 - Questions?
 - Input



SDP – Description & Update

- **A Description of the SDP:**

The Standards Development Panel is designed as a forum for discussion of, and reaching consensus on, evolving the Draft SERA standards. The SDP consists of eNGO & Industry caucuses. Each of the caucuses discuss and reach common ground before SDP discussion of details – to facilitate discussion and consensus on developing the Standards

- **Some Recent SDP additions:**

- First Nations – Paul General, Six Nations
- Bob Gardner, The Coalition of Concerned Citizens (Caledon)
- Penny Richardson , The Coalition of Concerned Citizens (Caledon - Observer)
- Keith Brooks (Observer), Environmental Defense
- Helen Purdy (Observer), Gravel Watch
- Michael Zeidenberg, Sutherland Construction
- Caucus Meetings proving to be productive in reaching consensus before SDP meetings



SDP – Progress of the Panel

Principle	Status	Notes
1: Compliance with laws	Finalized with the SDP	
2: Community consultation and involvement	Currently in progress	Caucuses to propose some final details for Mar 15 th
3: Respect for First Nations rights and culture	Discussing at Mar 15 th SDP meeting	Paul General – Six Nations representative has taken this to council for their review and recommendations before discussion at the SDP
4: Benefits to local communities and workers	Finalized with the SDP	Split into two main sections: Being a good neighbour & being a good employer
5: Environmental and water impacts and site stewardship	Discussing at the SDP over the course of next few months	Very technical area. SDP is going to discuss one section at a time, consulting experts.
6: Resource Efficiency	To be discussed	Main focuses are: - Reducing consumptions & using renewable resources - Recycling, reducing raw materials, maximizing use of existing sites
7: Traceability	To be discussed	
Audit Standards & Preamble	To be discussed	Continuously in discussion but will likely be the last finalized section



SDP – Next Steps

- The SDP has agreed to meet each 3 weeks as opposed to each 4 weeks, to help achieve its ambitious goals. So far the SDP has demonstrated success in reaching consensus and maturing the standards so that they improve the aggregate industry's sustainability while remaining achievable.
- Key Next Steps are:
 - Receiving Six Nations input on Principle #3 – Respect for First Nations rights and culture
 - Reviewing Principle #5 – Environmental and water impacts and site stewardship and coming to agreement about expert consultation before working on the principle section by section
 - Finalizing Principle #2 Community Consultation and involvement
 - Reviewing Principles #6 & 7

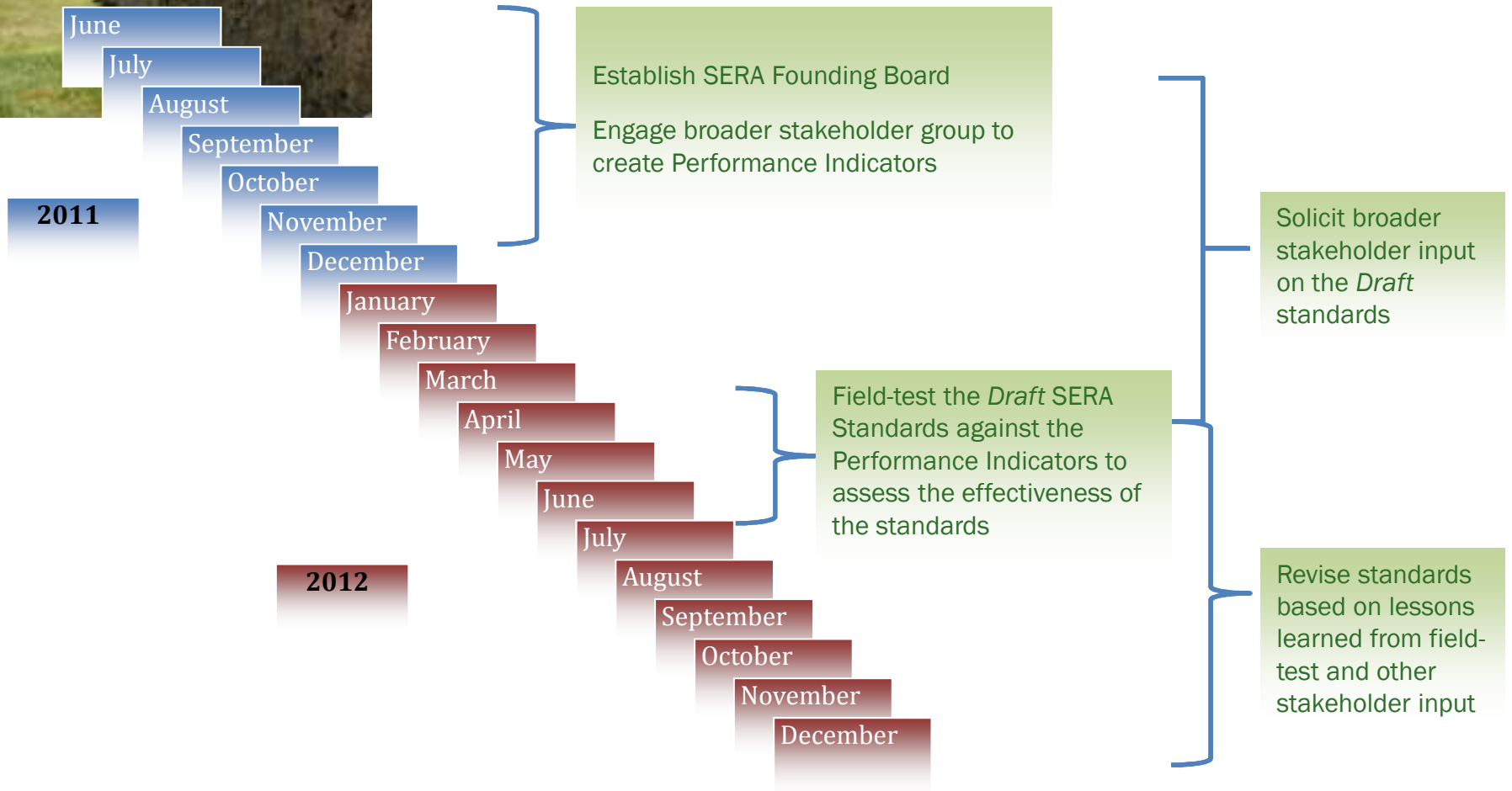


SERA Communications Plan

- Consultation is key for the Standards' success. The SDP only evolves the Standards, after which they are presented to the board and the broader public for their input.
- SERA consultation strategy as approved by SERA Board Feb 24th proposal includes:
 - Next CUI State of The Debate 'close to market' (Apr)
 - Delegation to AMO (Mar 30th)/Individual Municipalities (Mar-Apr)
 - Announce & post updated Principles with online survey for broader consultation
 - First Nations Consultation (started)
 - Announce & post updated Principles with online survey (July-Nov)
 - Mini & Online Town Hall meetings (July–Nov)
 - Revision to standards & presentation to Board (Nov-Dec)
 - Board review & specific stakeholder concerns (Dec-Jan)



What Next?



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Most Importantly:

- Your Questions?
- Your Comments?
- Your Input?
- Your Concerns?

Thank You!



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