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Introduction to FirstNet



Why FirstNet?



***The First Responder Network Authority
shall hold the single public safety wireless license
and take all actions necessary to
ensure the building, deployment, and operation
of the nationwide public safety broadband network***

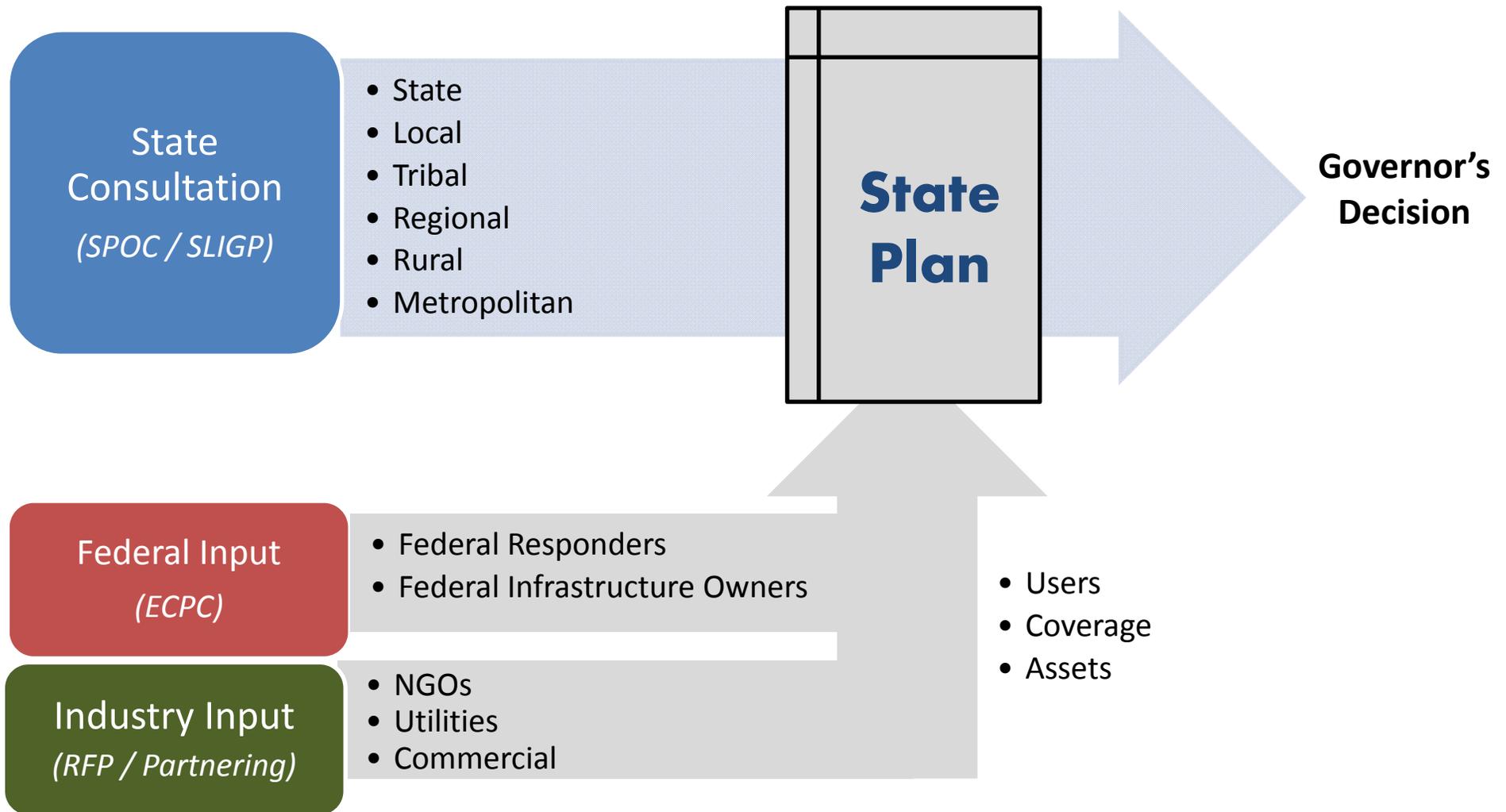
Overview Of Consultation Process



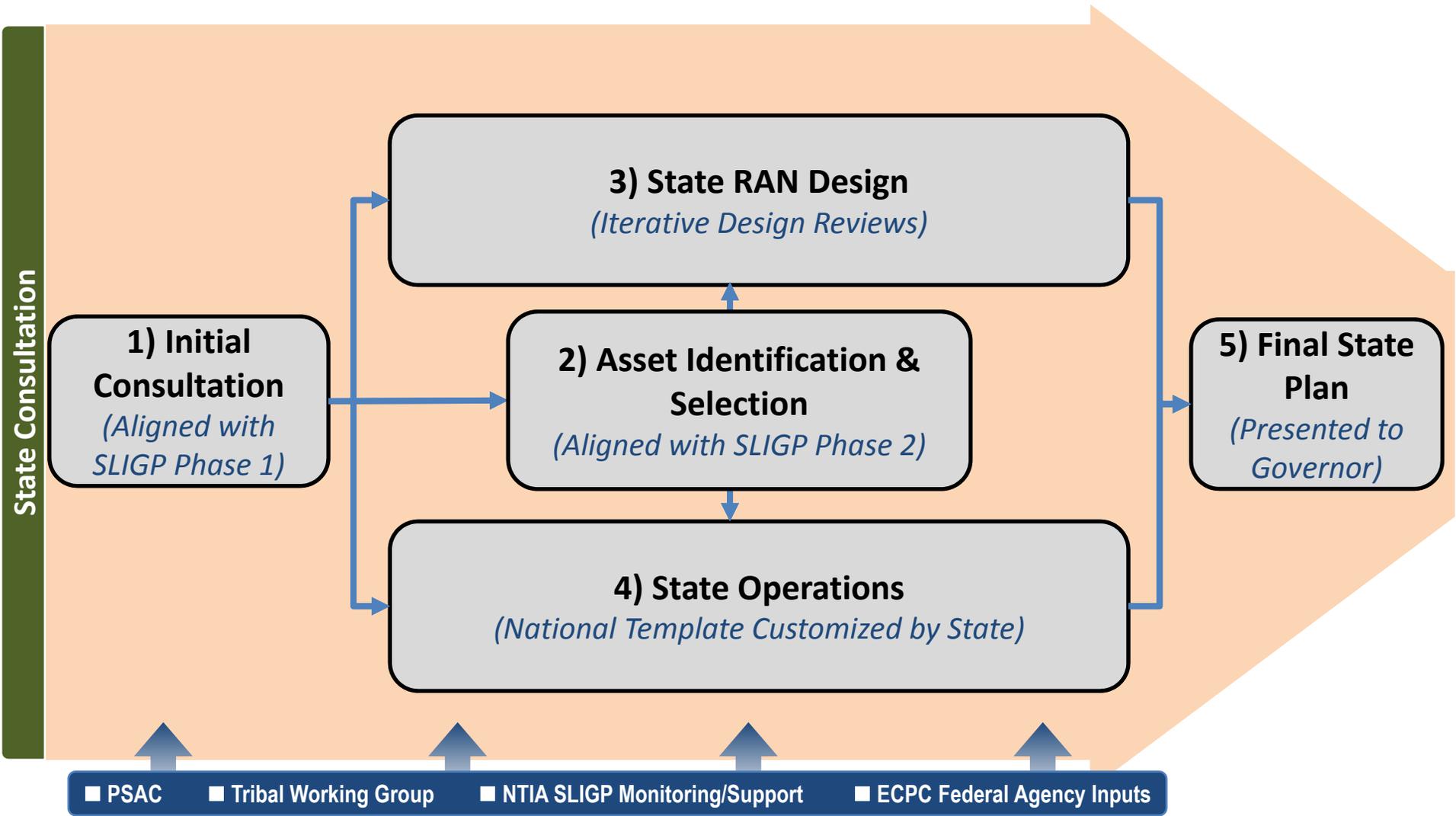
- Consultation is an iterative process, not a single event
- FirstNet will communicate the consultation process and necessary roles and responsibilities
- Consultation will focus on critical information and data
- Plan development will be iterative
- Consultation culminates with the creation of the state plan

Together, stakeholders and FirstNet will have engaged in a process that provides meaningful and thorough information for the state plans

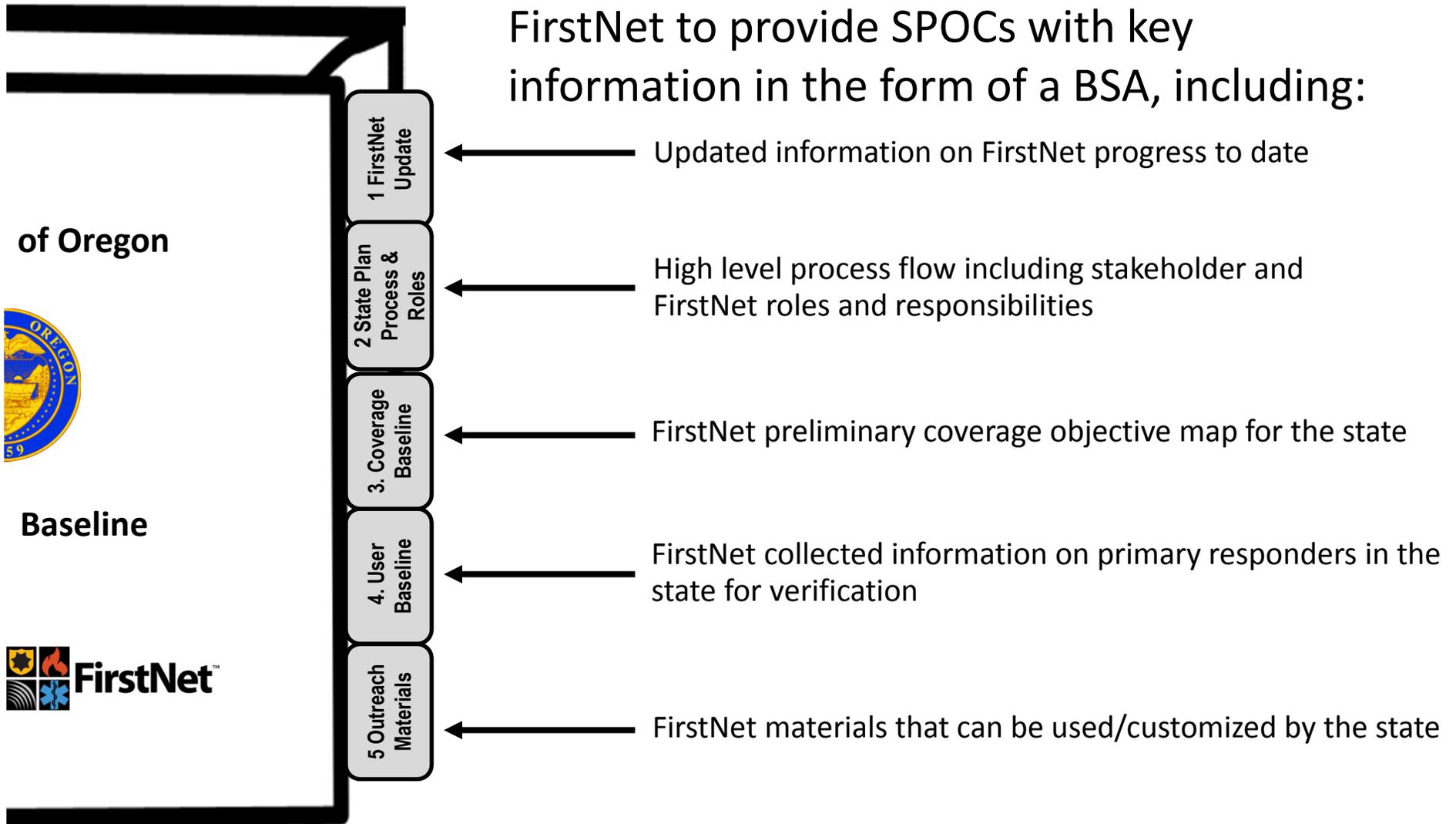
Wide Range Of Stakeholder Consultation



Defining the Process



Initial Consultation – Baseline State Analysis (BSA) Getting Ready for Consultation



Getting States Ready For Consultation (cont.)



- Consultation readiness checklist
 - FirstNet is developing a checklist for SPOCs to use as a guideline prior to consultation
 - This checklist's topics are consistent with deliverables required by SLIGP
- Examples of consultation checklist items may include:

Governance:

- Functioning governance body in place
- Date/time of next governance body meeting
- Formal relationships documented with state's tribes

Assessment and Validation:

- User agencies identified / proposed
- Secondary users identified / proposed
- Key stakeholders with assets that could assist with the network build out are identified

Outreach and Education:

- Statewide outreach plan created
- Large metropolitan area contact list built
- Tribe contact list built
- Rural contact list built
- Established email list for all public safety leadership in state
- Calendar of existing state, regional, and national public safety association events

Asset Identification & Selection (Aligned with SLIGP Phase 2)

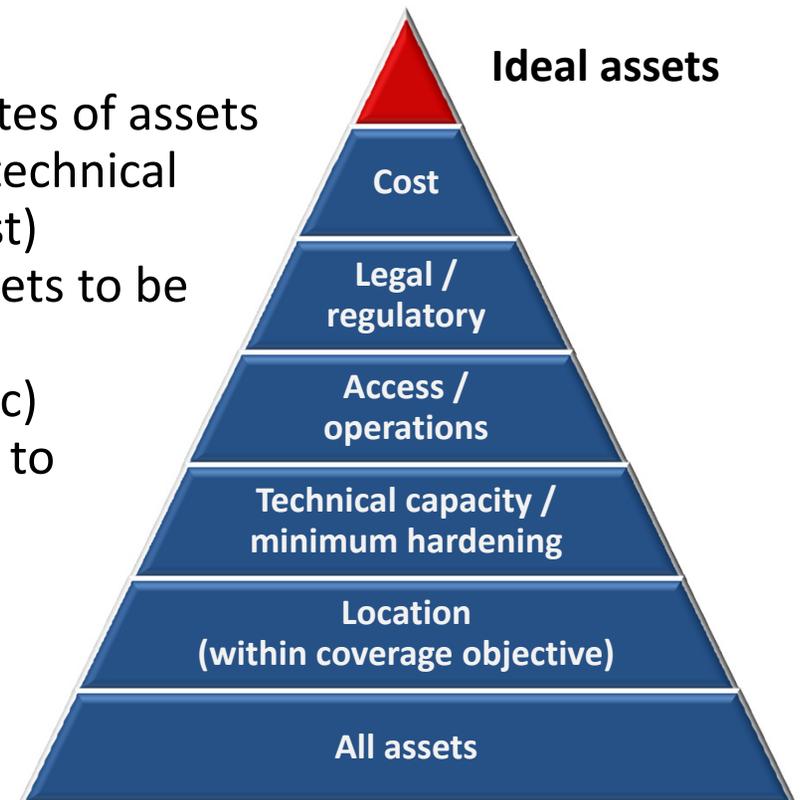


■ Key Steps

- Define minimum recommended attributes of assets for consideration (Coverage objective/ technical capacity/site access/operations/low cost)
- Request data collection on available assets to be considered
- Assess all assets (commercial and public)
- Select assets based solely on best value to the FirstNet network

■ Guiding Principles

- Limit data collection to viable assets to save the state time/effort
- Leverage assets to provide better coverage at a lower cost
- Leverage assets to deploy quicker



State RAN Design Process

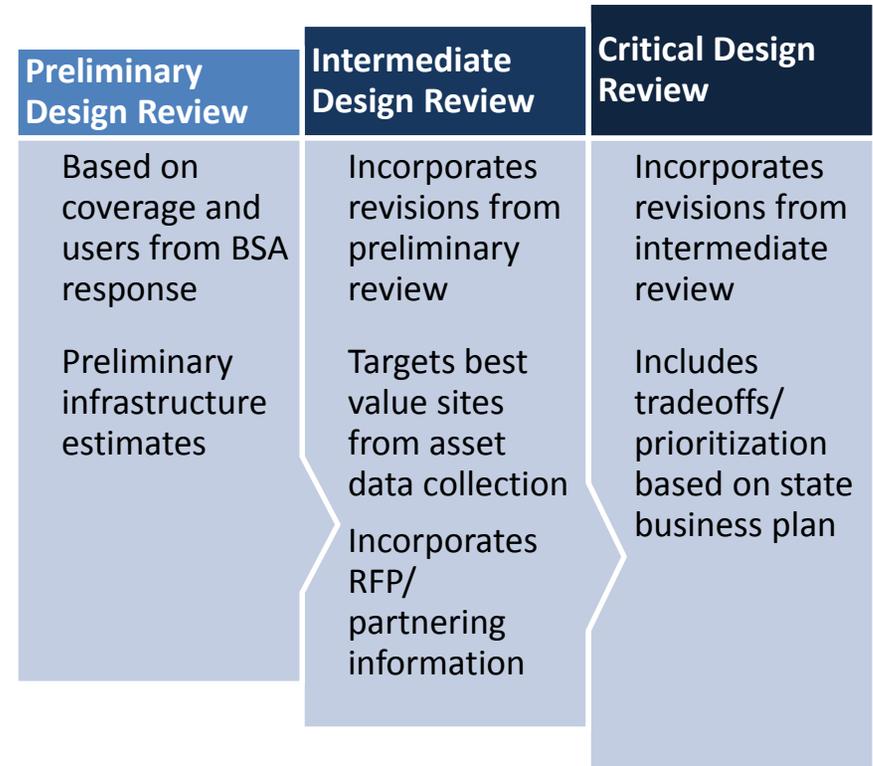


■ Key Steps

- Multi-phase (preliminary/intermediate/critical design) reviews with state to refine design based on identified priorities
- Incorporate feedback and additional data as it is collected (SLIGP Phase 2/RFP Process)

■ Guiding Principles

- Ensure on-going review/refinement process with state
- Jointly develop tradeoffs and priorities



State Operations

- Key Steps
 - Leverage PSAC and others to discuss overall approach to:
 - Local control
 - Prioritization
 - Training
 - Security
 - Develop operations template with areas for input/customization
 - Develop system cost structure/business plan for state based on preliminary RAN design and potential user base
 - Customize based on public safety stakeholder input

- Guiding Principle
 - Address areas of consultation required by law
 - Ensure state RAN design is supported by business planning and cost considerations



Final State Plan



■ Key Steps

- Document proposed coverage and associated cost
- Supply projected funding level
- Provide final review opportunity by state's SPOC / governing body
- Submit to the Governor

■ Guiding Principles

- Address areas of consultation required by law
- Ensure public safety stakeholders have had robust involvement before state plan is presented

State Plan Requirements

- Completion of the RFP process
- Details of proposed build-out in the state
- Funding level for the state

