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# Pioneer Relocation Update

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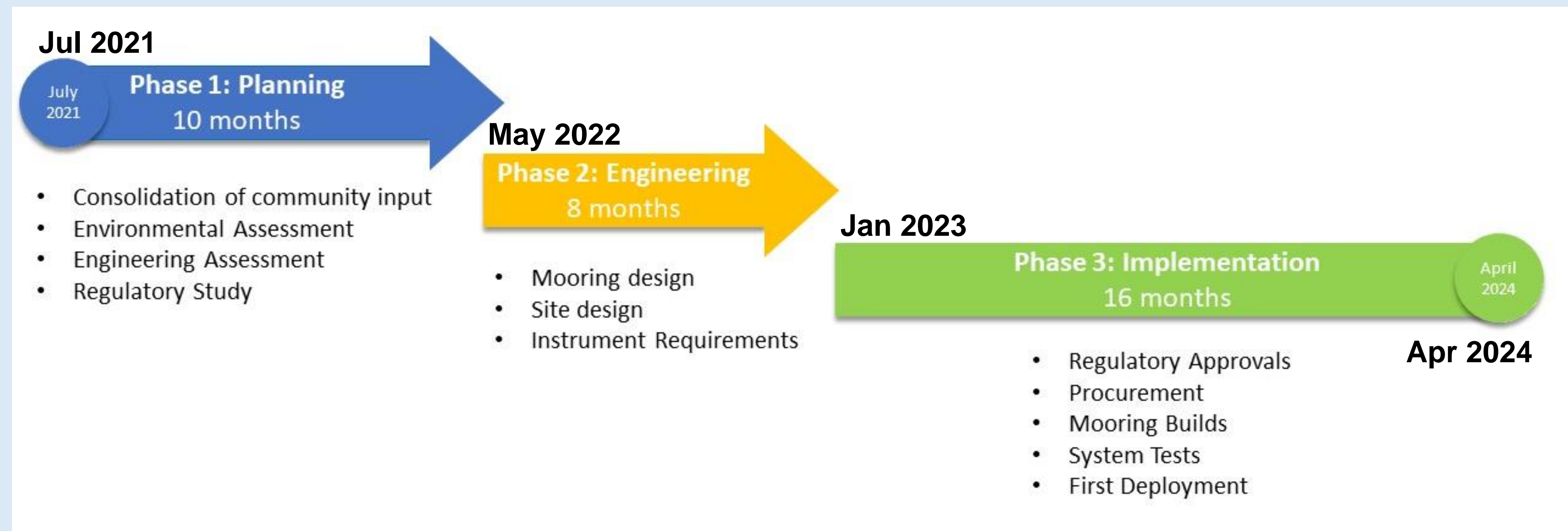
OOIFB Fall meeting  
7 December 2021



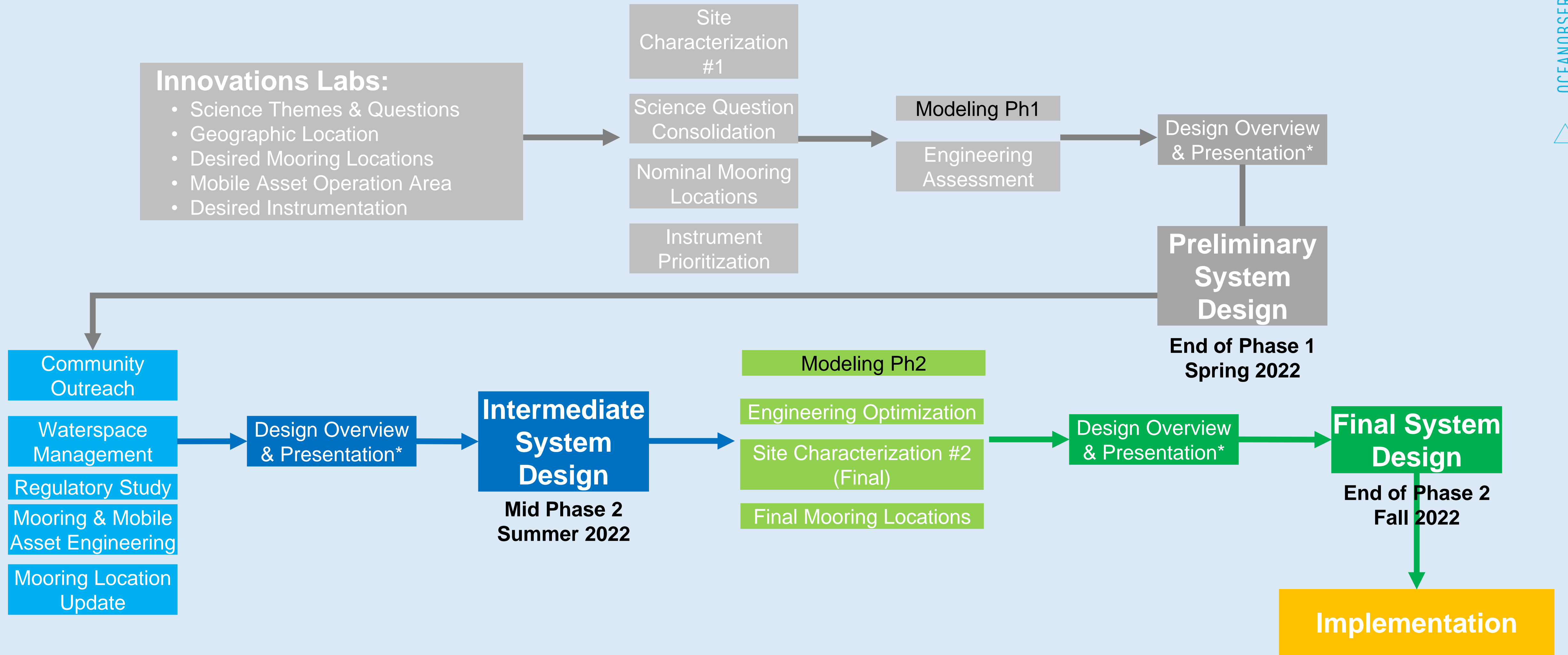


# Relocation Timeline

- Decision to relocate: Announced Apr 2021
- Innovations Lab report: Sep 2021
- Relocation has three phases: Planning, Engineering, Implementation



# Workflow



\*Focus Group feedback

# Planning Phase Status

- Consolidation of Innovation Labs input
  - Underway, Focus Group established
  - Scope: science themes, array design, instrumentation
- Site Characterization
  - Team in place, kickoff next week
- Regulatory Study
  - RFQ on the street, vendor selection Jan 2022
- Engineering Assessment
  - Spring 2022





# Consolidation: Science Themes




- Approach
  - Reviewed Innovations Lab input and ranking
  - Developed themes based on highly ranked science topics
- High level themes
  - Dynamics of shelf/slope exchange
  - BGC cycling and transport; ecosystem response
  - Extreme events

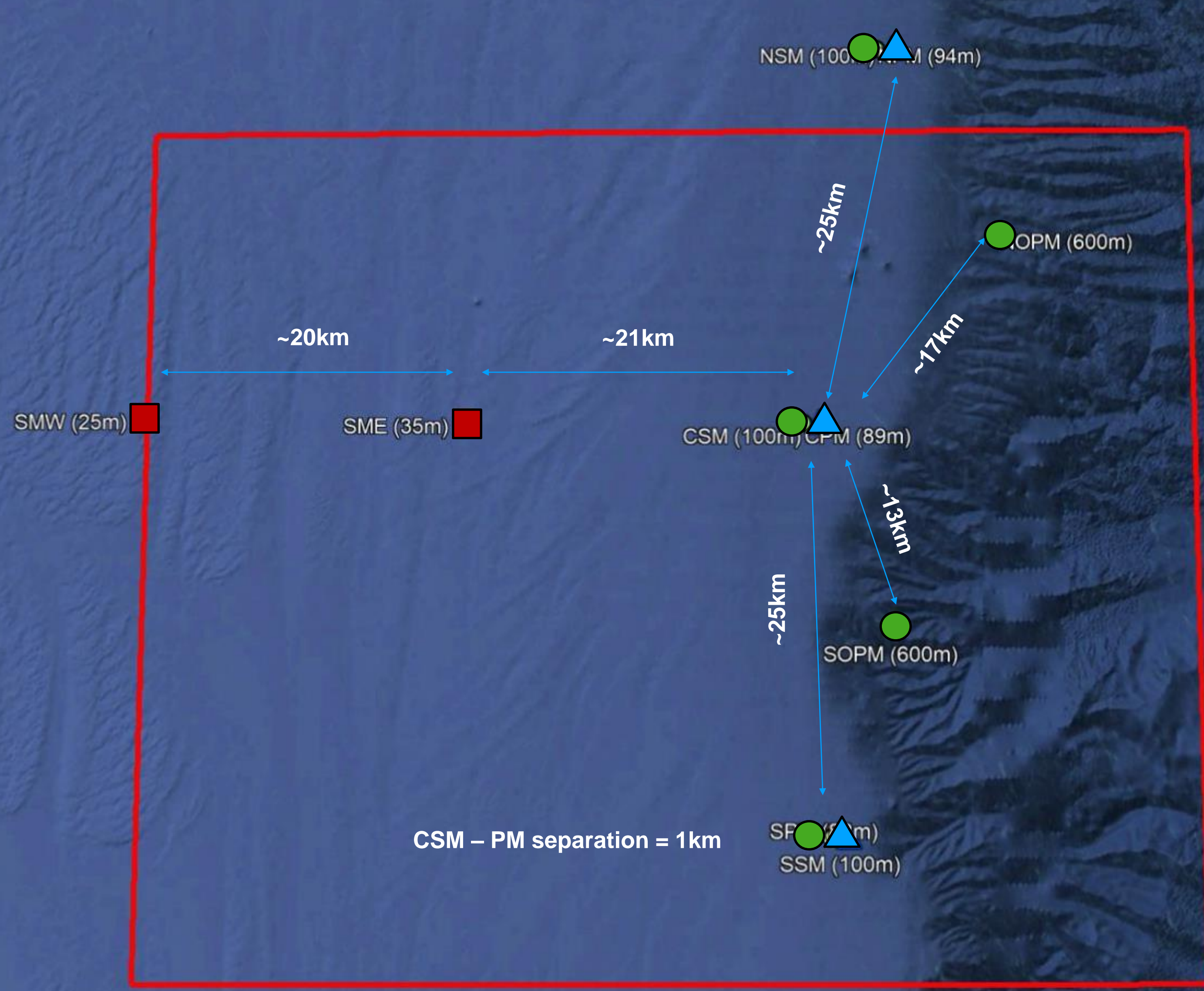


# Consolidation: Array Design

- Approach
  - Reviewed Innovations Lab preliminary designs
  - Assessed results relative to practical implementation
- Array Elements
  - 5 CPMs, 3 CSMs, 2 shallow moorings, gliders, AUVs
- Challenges
  - Shallow water mooring design
  - Instrumentation



-  Coastal Surface Mooring
-  Coastal Profiler Mooring
-  Shallow Water Mooring



Deep profiler moorings on the slope. Maybe push deeper and use GS and GA HYPMs?



# Site Characterization

- Approach
  - CGSN Team, with support from WHOI Tech Staff
  - Outline developed, kickoff meeting next week
- Multiple iterations leading to final array design
  - Desktop study, extract data from existing sources
  - Follow up on actionable items from Regulatory study
  - Feedback to array layout and mooring design
  - Finalize based on regulatory and waterspace requirements





# Regulatory Study

- RFQ for Regulatory Study went public late Nov
  - Desktop study for regulatory/permitting process
  - Basis is NES infrastructure and proposed MAB array design
  - Five vendors: AECOM, CSA, TetraTech, RPS Group, ECO-49
- Timeline
  - Questions from vendors by 8 Dec
  - Vendor responses by 22 Dec
  - Vendor selection by end of Jan 2022
  - Target for completion – 3 months





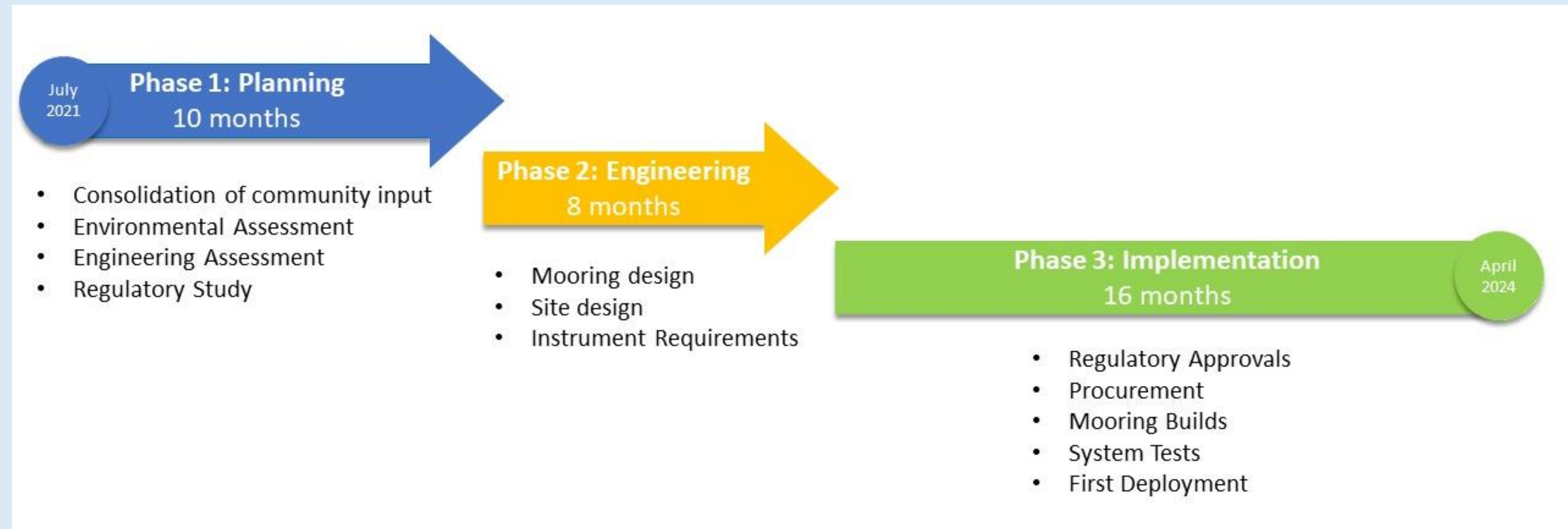
# Outreach and Communication

- Focus Group, PI discussions, site visits
- Waterspace management (fishers, wind farms, Navy, USCG)
- Program meetings (PMO, SOC, OOIFB/NSF)
- Updates at national meetings
- Updates on website, newsletter and social media
- Program documents on OOI website and Alfresco
  - Site Characterization, Engineering Docs, Sampling Plan
- **Recommendation:** Southern MAB Pioneer science workshop
  - OOIFB lead, Spring/Summer 2023



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- Three main phases: Planning, Engineering, Implementation





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# Questions?

