



Chehalis River Basin Flood Warning System – Accessibility

Accessibility – Outline

- How did the topic arise?
- Why consider it?
 - Community safety
 - Regulatory and policy environment
 - Increase grant competitiveness
- Where do we stand now and what's next?

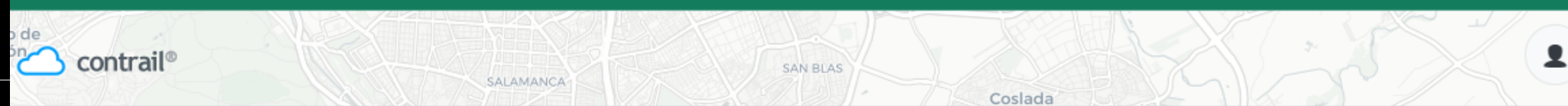
How did the topic arise? Gage Master Plan

Conrail server upgrade mentions:

- Spanish language translation service offering

Doesn't detail:

- Need for Spanish language translation in Chehalis Basin
- Alternative options for translation services
- Conrail service offering cost
- Scope of services, e.g. whether the services would cover the email alerts

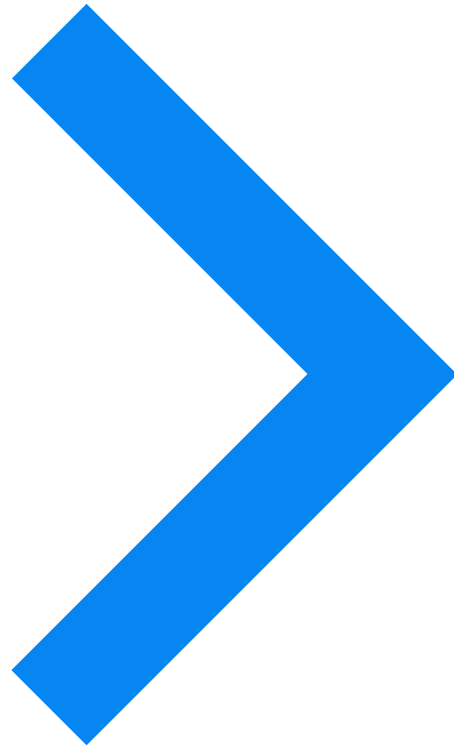


Inicio



- Temperatura
- Punto de condensación
- Humedad relativa
- Altímetro
- Velocidad de viento
- Todos Sensores





**Why consider
accessibility?**

Community safety

**Reach more
people**

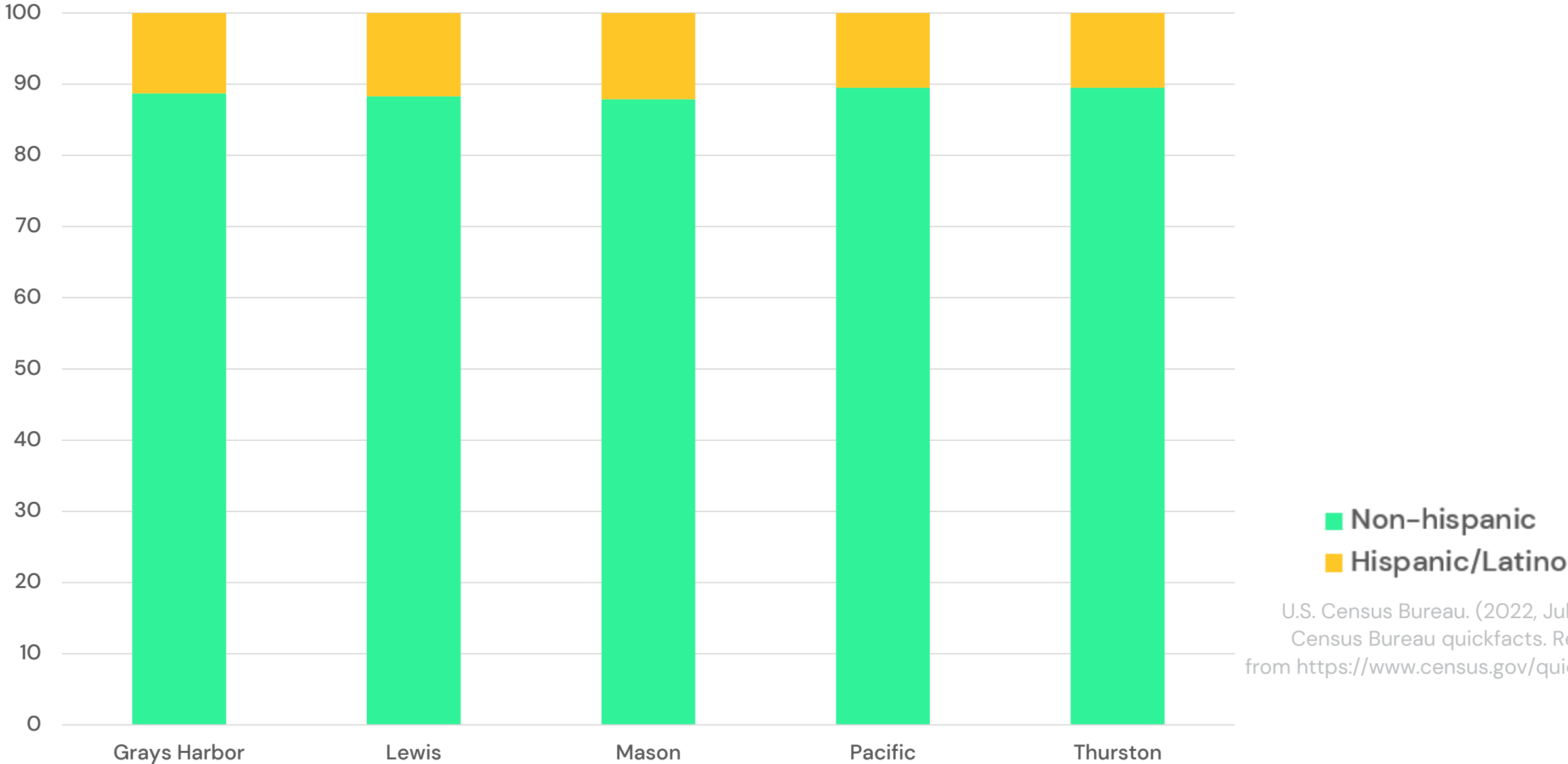
**Save time during
an emergency**

**Increase
community
engagement**

**People with
impaired vision**

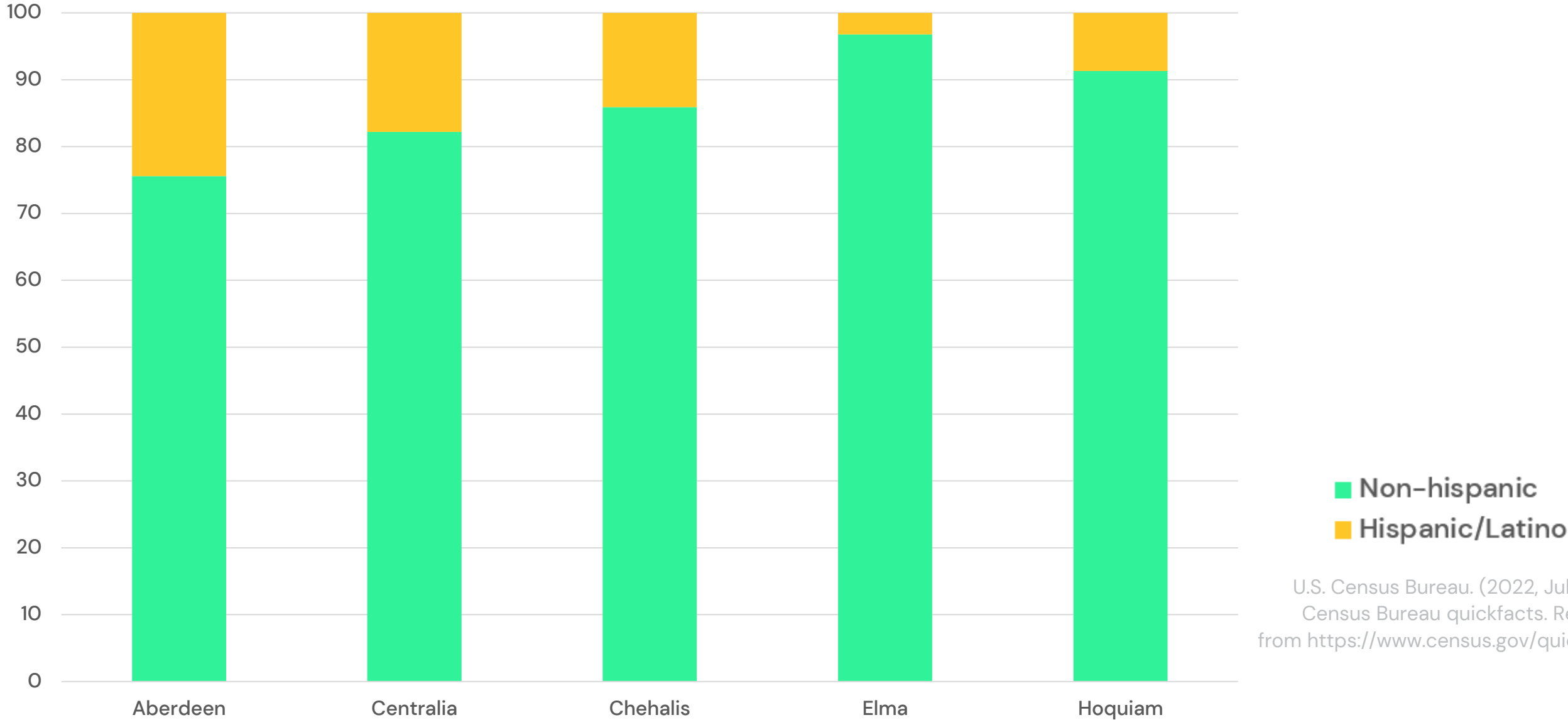
**People for whom
English is a
second language**

2022 US Census Hispanic/Latino population estimates - Counties



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Policies and Regulations may Apply

Federal, state, and local governments may have existing regulations and policies promoting bilingual services and accessibility.

ADA

Americans with Disabilities Act.

Color contrast standards.

Alternative text for figures.

Screen reader capabilities.

Title 38

RCW

38.52.070 requires “emergency management organizations to include a communications plan which identifies “significant population segments” (5% or 1,000 people¹) that have Limited English Proficiency (LEP) and defines how life safety information will be disseminated to those populations during an emergency or disaster.”²

Policy 188

Washington Accessibility Policy adopted in 2019 ensures people with disabilities have access to and use of information, data, and services.

Covers websites, web-based applications, software systems, electronically published documents.

Requires agencies to identify a coordinator, develop policies and processes, and develop an Accessibility Plan.

Technical (100 pts)



20 pts

Mitigates Risk to Critical Infrastructure



10 pts

Nature Based Solutions



20 pts

Applicant Adopted Int'l. Building or Residential Code 2015/2018



5 pts

Population <3,000 & Per Capita Income <80% of National Average



15 pts

Mitigates Risk to Community Lifelines



10 pts

Project Generated from Previous HMA Award



15 pts

Subapplicant Building Code Effectiveness Grade is between 1 & 5



5 pts

Non-federal Cost Share Exceeds 25%

Qualitative (100 pts)



35 pts

Reduces Risk & Improves Resiliency through Innovation and Project Benefits



15 pts

Implementation Measures. How the cost and schedule will be managed.



15 pts

Leveraging Partnerships who support the and promote the proposed project



15 pts

Proportion of the population impacted. Especially vulnerable members of population



15 pts

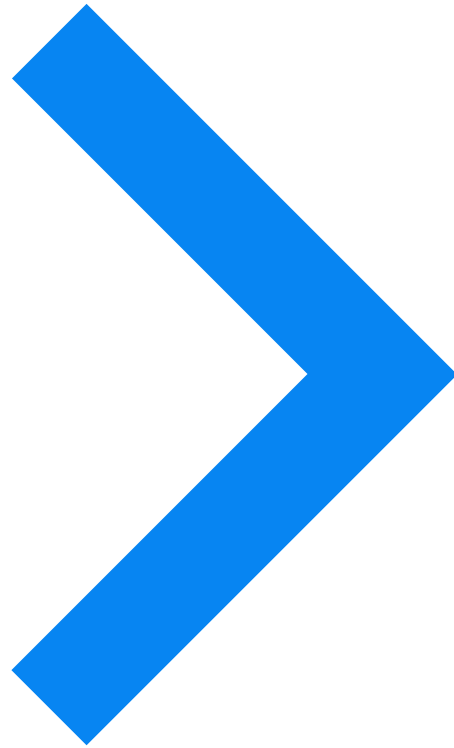
Integrates Future Conditions into Design



5 pts

Outreach Activities. How stakeholders contributed to project planning

Grant Funding Competitiveness – FEMA BRIC Grant example



Where do we Stand and What's Next?

Where we stand: What do we already know?

Community Needs

- What do we know about bilingual needs?

Policies, Regs, Standards

- What do we know is required?

Coordinators and Plans

- Who is already working on it?

Current Performance

- To what extent is the service already accessible?

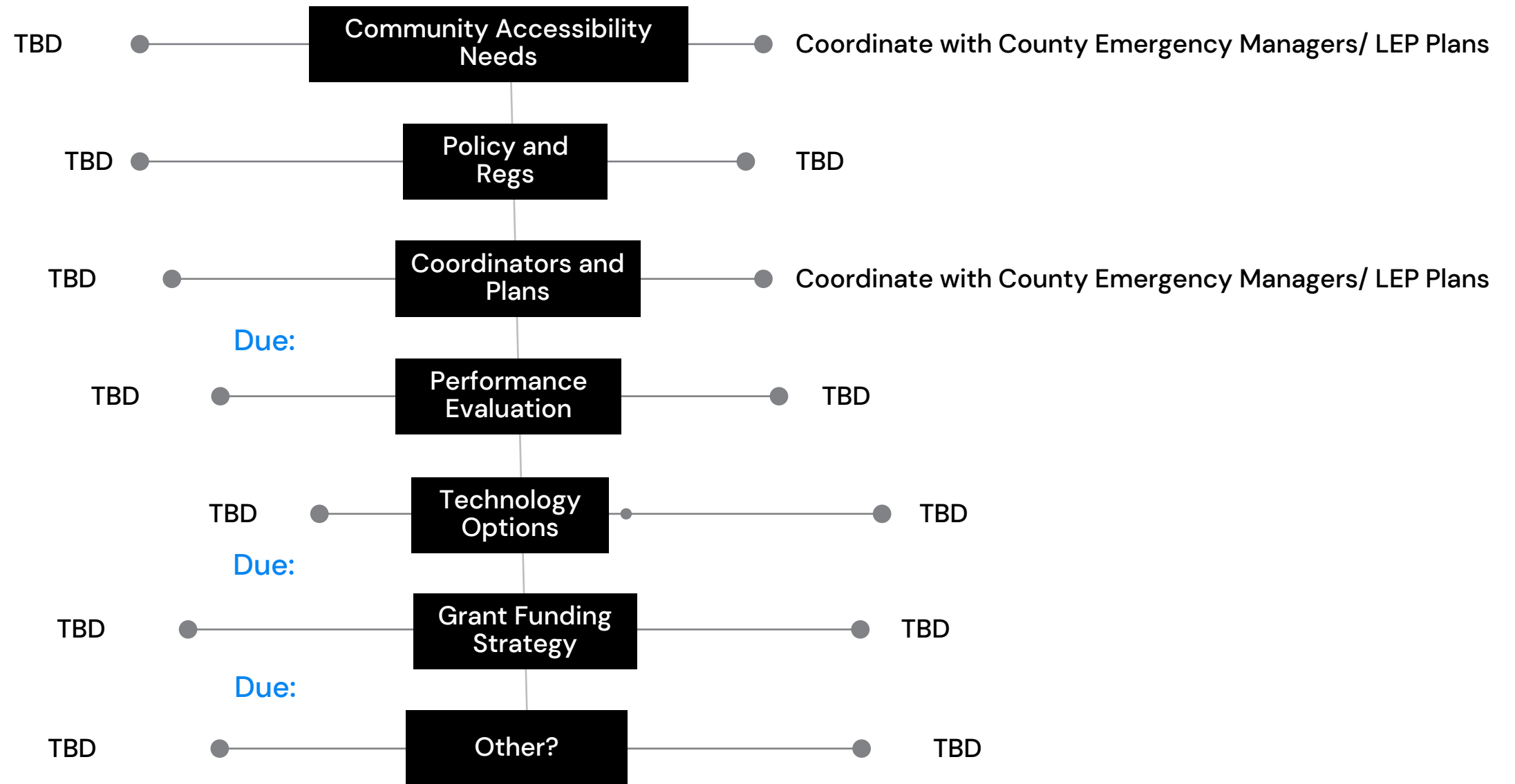
Technology Options

- Contrail
- Google translate extension

Grant Funding Strategy

- Is the Board interested in exploring a grant funding strategy?

What's Next: What do we want to find out, by when?





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