

REGIONAL WORKING TABLES

Coordinating Systems & Capacity

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Why We're Here



Reduce Duplication

Better coordination saves time, money, and effort



Strengthen Partnerships

Shared solutions across regions and communities



Deliver on Priorities

Align resources and capacity to what matters most

What We're Trying to Accomplish



Explore coordination opportunities within and across communities



Learn what's working elsewhere and apply it at home



Identify gaps in systems, capacity, and data

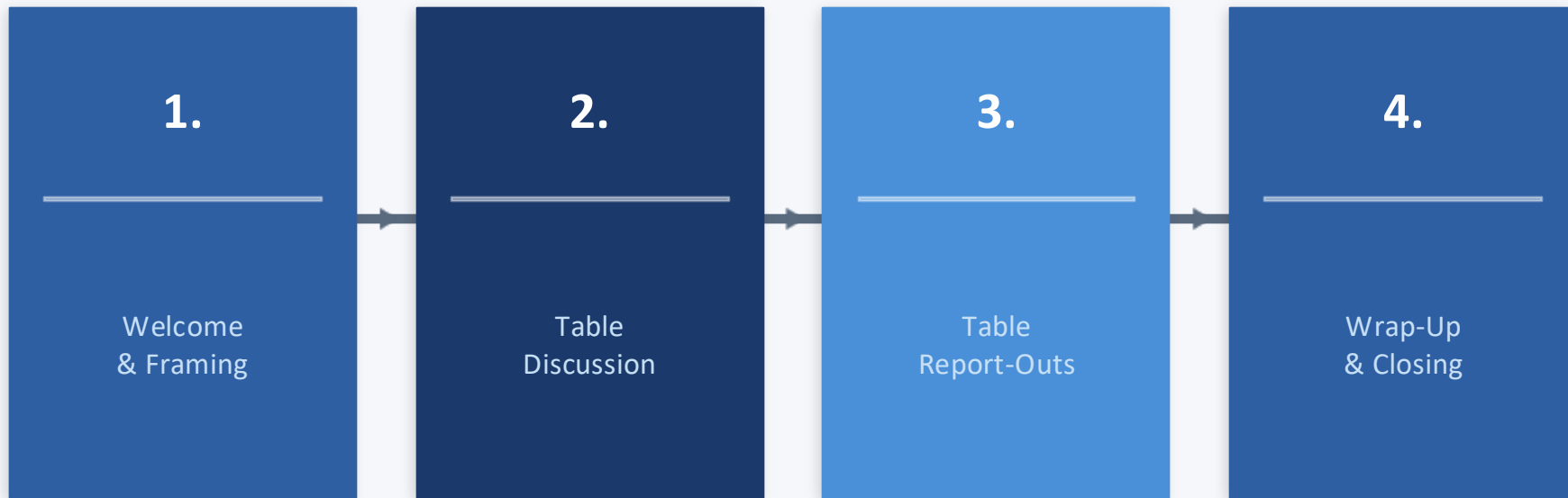


Surface practical ideas that can be acted on with existing partners and funding



Inform how we better align resources to deliver on shared priorities

How Today's Session Works



Four Things to Capture at Your Table

You'll share these after each round — about 1 minute per table



Biggest Challenge

Capture your table's key point



Best Coordination Idea

Capture your table's key point



Where Coordination Matters Most

Capture your table's key point



What We're Taking Home

Capture your table's key point

What's Happening Now

Takeaway: Current Coordination & Collaboration Landscape

Q1 What does coordination and collaboration look like in your region or community today — formal or informal?

Q2 Where is coordination helping projects move forward or making work easier?

Q3 Where do you experience challenges or gaps that slow things down or create duplication?

Q4 Who do you regularly coordinate with, and who is missing from those conversations?

 **Facilitator tip:** Ask for a specific project or example — it grounds the conversation quickly.

ROUND 1 REPORT-OUT

Each table: ~1 minute



Biggest Challenge



Best Coordination Idea



Where Coordination Matters Most

Where Coordination Gets Difficult

Takeaway: Where and When Coordination and Alignment Get Difficult

Q1

Where does coordination across systems (transportation, energy, water, wastewater, broadband) become most important — and most difficult?

Q2

At what stage do coordination challenges tend to show up? (planning, funding, permitting, construction, operations)

Q3

What is one recent project where coordination helped — or where lack of alignment created delays or challenges?

Q4

Is there any one specific regulation or policy that hinders project coordination?



Facilitator tip: Push groups to name a specific lifecycle stage — 'planning' vs. 'construction' lead to very different conversations.

ROUND 2 REPORT-OUT

Each table: ~1 minute



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Where Coordination Matters Most

Systems & Capacity

Takeaway: How Systems, Data, and Capacity Connect

Q1 Where do infrastructure systems depend on each other in your region? (e.g., energy for water systems, broadband for monitoring)

Q2 What happens operationally when one system has an issue — what else is affected?

Q3 What data do you have (or need) to better coordinate across systems or make decisions?

Q4 Where are the biggest gaps in operations and maintenance capacity?

Q5 Are there opportunities for shared services — operators, asset management, data, maintenance, procurement?



Facilitator tip: If the group gets abstract, ask 'Can you give an example from the last 12 months?'

ROUND 3 REPORT-OUT

Each table: ~1 minute



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Where Coordination Matters Most

What Would Actually Help

Takeaway: Practical Coordination and Collaboration Solutions

Q1

What is one shared service, agreement, or partnership that would improve coordination and reduce duplication or delays?

Q2


What would 'working smarter together' look like in your region in the next 1–3 years?

Q3

Where could better coordination help move projects forward faster or make better use of funding?

Q4

What is one idea or approach you've seen that your region could adapt or apply at home?

 Facilitator tip: Anchor groups to what's realistic — 'What could you do with existing partners and funding?'

ROUND 4 REPORT-OUT

Each table: ~1 minute



Biggest Challenge



Best Coordination Idea



Where Coordination Matters Most

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Thank You

- ✓ Notes from all tables will be compiled and shared.
- ✓ Ideas raised here feed into broader planning and coordination efforts.
- ✓ Keep the conversations going — coordination happens between sessions too.