

Source Water Assessment and Protection and Regional Water Planning

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Outline

- Introduction
- Background on the SWAP Program
- Current Region G activities
- Ways of Getting Involved
- Next Steps

The State's comprehensive, integrated approach to safeguarding our water



Why protect source waters?

SWAP is an important part of water conservation and cost savings for the future.

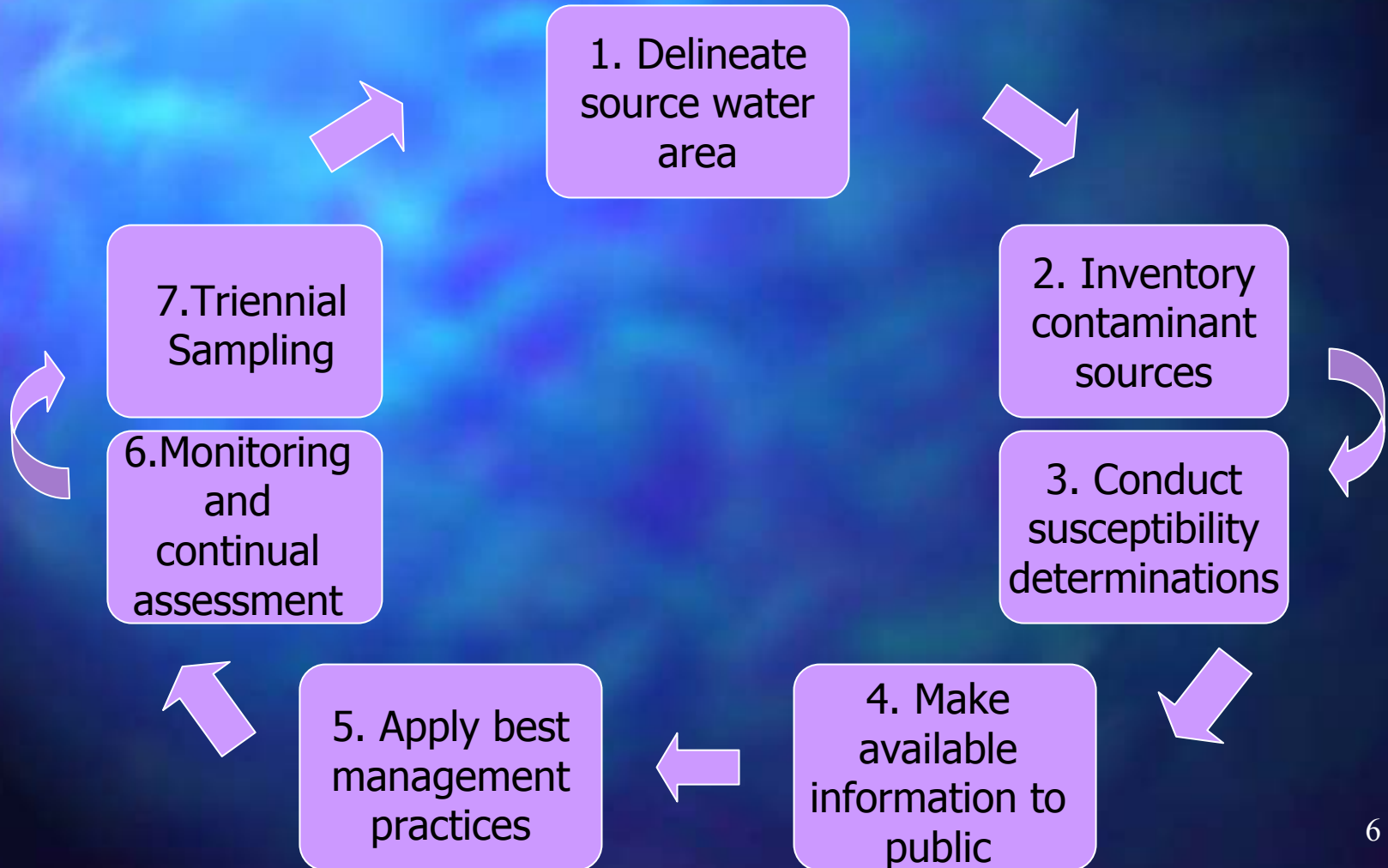
- Avoid costs of removing contamination
- Save money through prevention
- Other economic benefits
- Health benefits
- Quality of life benefits



Source Water Assessment and Protection Program

- A voluntary program developed by TCEQ and designed to assist Texas communities in protecting their drinking water sources.
- Goal: to increase public awareness on the importance of protecting drinking water sources and actions that can be taken to protect their drinking water sources.

SWAP Process



Current SWAP Sites in Region G

- Stillhouse Hollow
 - Steering Committee emphasizing protective measures - 501(c)(3)
 - Public and private individuals
 - Integrated with Clean Rivers Program
- Cisco, Texas
 - First meeting April 2005

Possible Future SWAP Activities

Include source water assessment and protection as a basic component of water resource planning.

- Increase public awareness
- Recommend and encourage implementation of Best Management Practices in future outreach opportunities
- Create a link to H2O Website for SWAP information for local communities -- **h2opartnersusa.com**
- Utilize regional approaches through Clean Rivers Program

Teamwork will Strengthen this Effort

- Working together will help to ensure that the common goals of the SWAP Program and Regional Planning Groups are realized.

