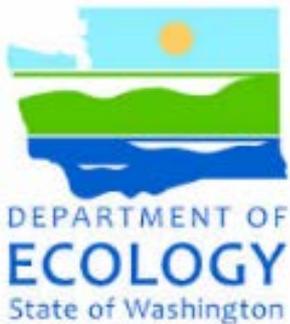


Washington State Alternatives Assessment Advisory Group



Washington State Department of Ecology

October 7, 2014

Agenda

- Review of Feedback on Guide
- Facilitated Discussion
- Governor's Policy Discussion



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Objective

Develop a flexible alternatives assessment framework for businesses to identify and use safer chemical alternatives that works for Washington State.

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- *Four Core Modules: Hazard, Performance, Cost & Availability, and Exposure.*
- *Optional Modules: Materials Management, Social Impact, or Life Cycle.*
- *Use the Sequential Framework, but flexible on the use of the other frameworks such as “Simultaneous” or “Hybrid” frameworks.*

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- *Start with the hazard module followed by other modules in a flexible order.*

Examples:

- *Use Initial Screen or Level 1 quick chemical hazard assessment (QCAT) for small-to-medium sized companies.*
- *Use Level 2 publically available GreenScreen® Evaluation for large businesses that have technical capacity or a particular need.*
- *Other publically available tools that are created or enhanced in the future.*

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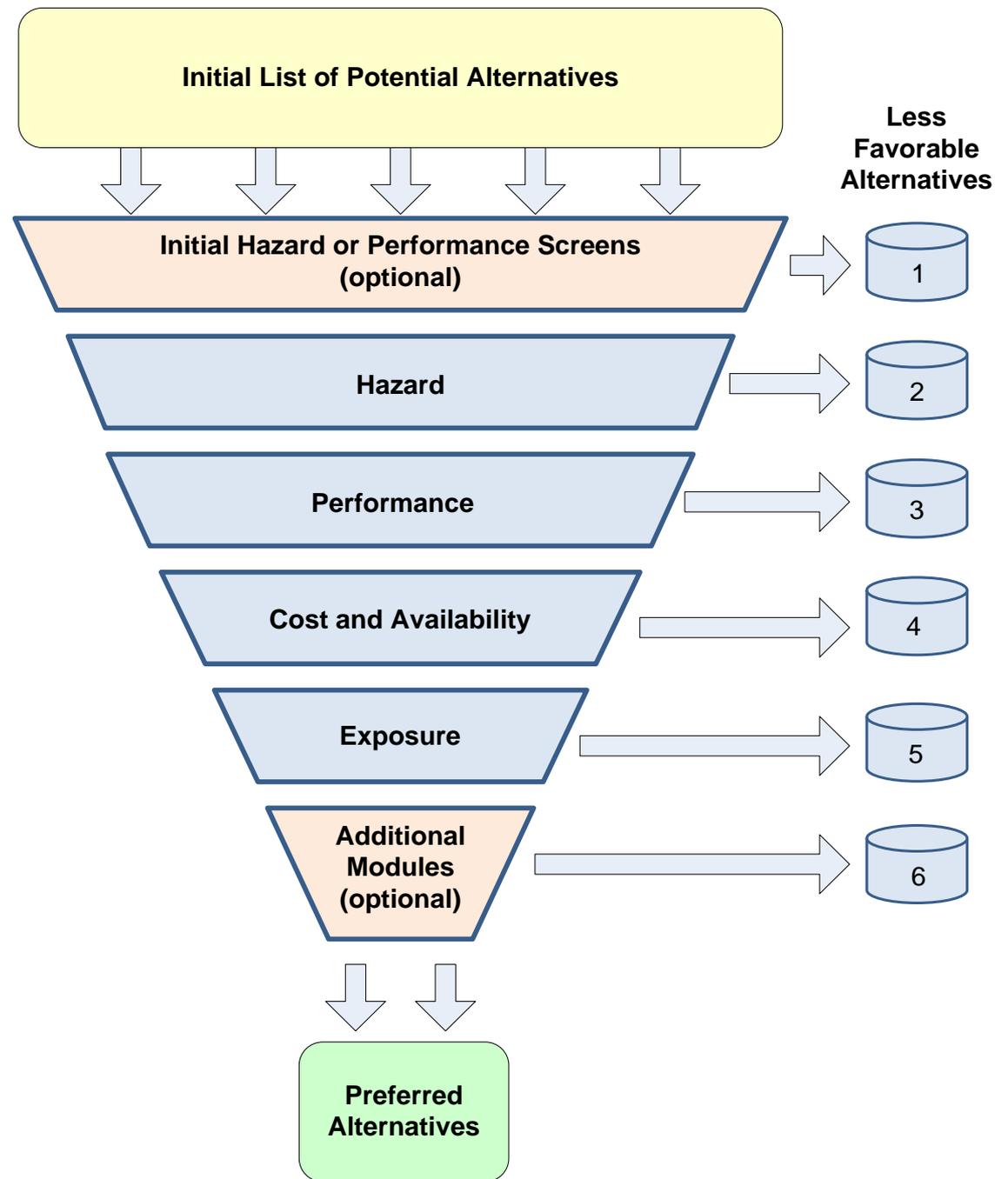
- *Includes “Levels of Effort” evaluation:*
 - *Initial Screen, or*
 - *Basic Level 1 Evaluation, or*
 - *Advanced Level 2 Evaluation*
- **Example: Performance Module**
 - **Level 1 Basic evaluation: asks basic questions to determine if the alternative performs the function in the product.**

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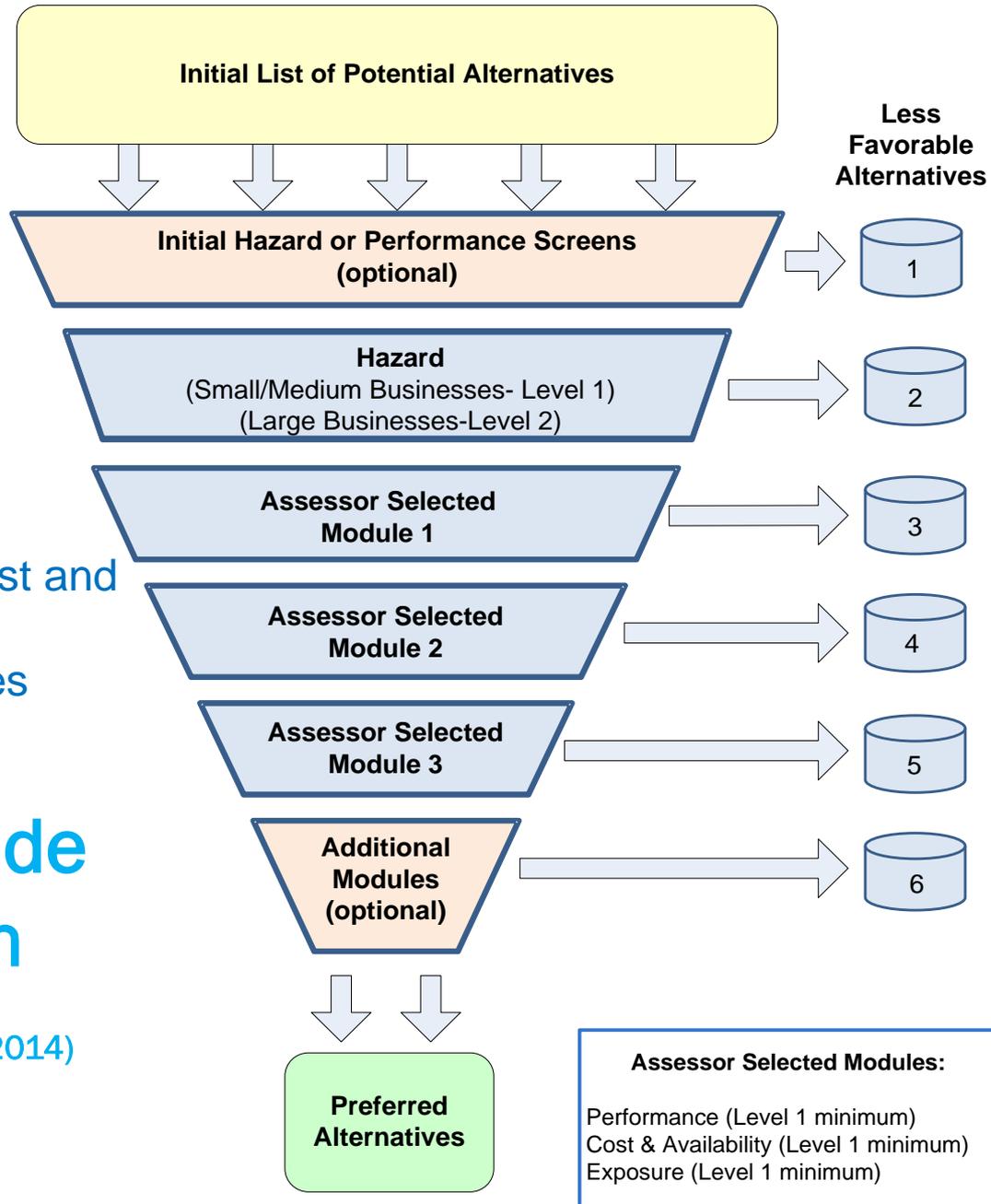
Other Feedback We Heard

- *Create a option for high performing businesses to use a 3rd party certification or transparent industry standard that meets the goals of the WA AA Guide.*
- *Provide business technical assistance to assist with implementation of the guide.*
 - *Use Ecology staff and contractor assistance to help businesses conduct basic hazard assessments and evaluations.*
- *Support state and national efforts to create a community of practice for alternatives assessment.*

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Flexible Framework:



Flexible Order of:
Performance; Cost and
Availability; and
Exposure modules

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Facilitated Discussion

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