Monitoring

Spokane River Collaboration

FULL GROUP

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Thoughts…

- Measuring performance is easier if you have predetermined factors to **monitor**
- It's often helpful to **study** how things work if you are trying to make them work better
- You can save a lot of effort if you can better **model** the impacts of changes to predict them before making them

Monitoring

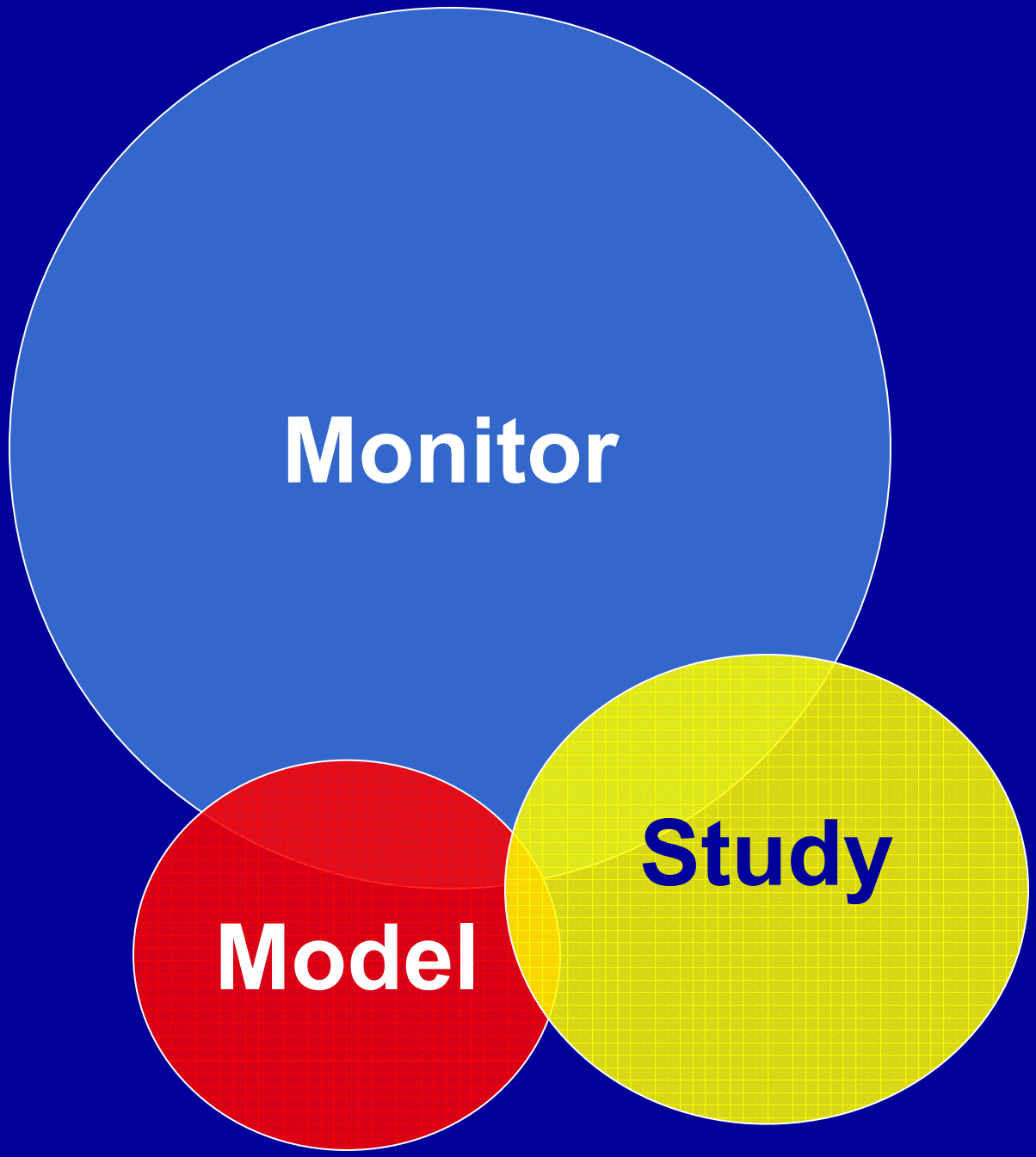
- Consistently measure river health
- Check impact of implementation
- Decide if we're done yet
- Identify unexpected changes

Studying

- Find out in more detail how some factors affect the river
- Learn more about how different river factors inter-relate
- Know more about what actions help most

Modeling

- Use additional data and better understandings to improve the model's ability to answer "What ifs?"


Monitor
Study
Model

Proposed Approach

- Create a "***Workgroup Light***" to describe the Monitoring Program
- Ask them to consider things like…
  - How do we use existing monitoring?
  - What additional monitoring is needed?
  - Suggest studies and ways to prioritize them
  - How do we assure good coordination among monitoring, studying and modeling?
  - Who pays and how do we run the program?
- Finish fast!

Possible Workgroup Members

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- Stan Miller for Spokane County
- Bob Cusimano of Ecology

- Joel Mossman for the Sierra Club
- A City of Spokane person
- A local Ecology person

Items of Interest

- SCOPE:
  Monitoring, Study and Modeling? …or something more, less or different?
- CHARGE:
  What's the list of ***Workgroup Light's*** things to do?
- MEMBERS:
  Who needs to be volunteered?

Discussion!

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