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Main Points

1. Who and Where
2. What actions/credits are available
3. Site Protections (durability)
4. Administrative detail
5. Approval Process

Who and Where?

- Who?
  - Internal transfers only. Limits to debit project proponents.

- Where?
  - Public land in SGMA. Location eligibility dictated by authorizations from agencies. (Door is open for state land).

What credits and actions are available?

- Credits:
  - Land management agencies are responsible for some level of management. Additionality standard dictates only **uplift credits** will be available.
  - Baseline set by pre-project condition.

What credits and actions are available?

- Actions:
  - Pinyon-Juniper removal
    - Results in immediate uplift when trees are removed
    - 14,352,424 Acres
    - 9,574,921 Acres Phase 1 & 2
  - Meadow uplift
    - Time delayed uplift (depending on water availability and actions), 8X multiplier
    - Late Brood-Rearing habitat most limiting factor in Nevada

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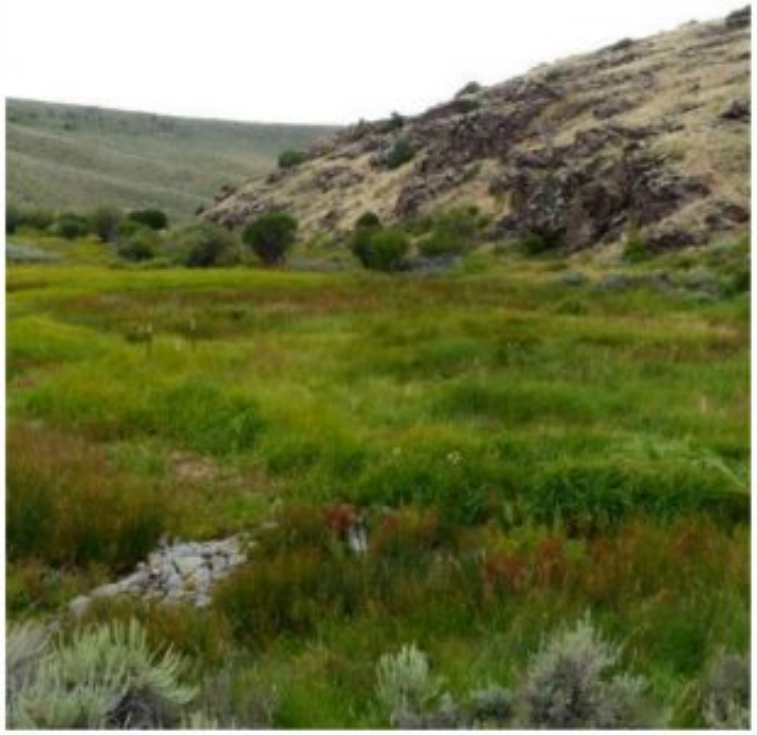

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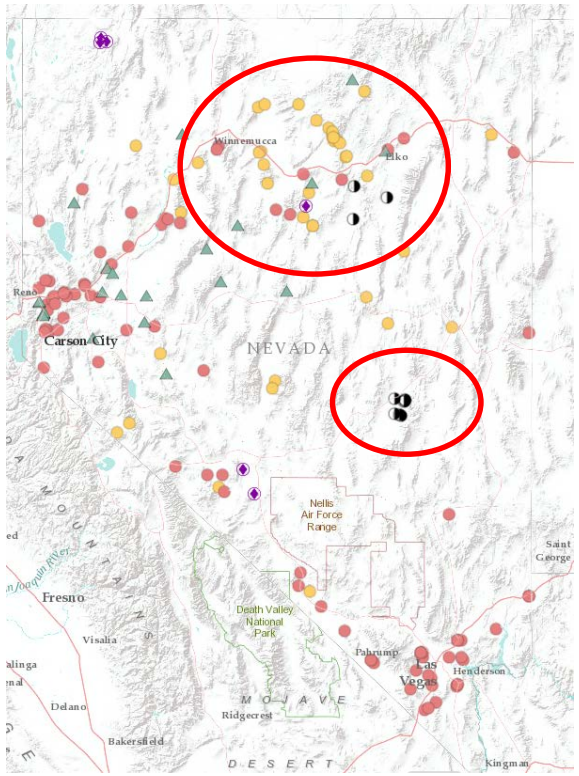

NEVADA CONSERVATION CREDIT SYSTEM

CREDIT SITE VALIDATION CHECKLIST

This Credit Site Validation Checklist is used to express interest in generating credits within the Nevada Conservation Credit System, and provide basic information about a potential credit project in order to confirm the project is eligible to generate credits. The Credit Site Validation Checklist is filled out by the Credit Developer or a knowledgeable Technical Support Provider or Aggregator ('Authorized Agent') to the best of their ability, and submitted to the Sagebrush Ecosystem Technical Team (SETT).

The SETT will evaluate the proposed project and may follow-up with the Credit Developer to collect additional information. If the credit site validation criteria are met, the SETT will issue a Notice of Validation letter to indicate the proposed project will likely be eligible to sell credits, and may move forward with project design. The Notice of Validation letter is not a confirmation of the quantity of credits to be issued.

SIGNATURE

I am submitting this Credit Site Validation Checklist to indicate interest in generating credits within the Nevada Conservation Credit System. I recognize that not all projects may be eligible for participation. To be awarded credits under the Nevada Conservation Credit System, my project must fulfill all requirements described in the Nevada Conservation Credit System Manual. Credit estimates must be verified by the SETT. I attest that the information provided in this form is accurate to the best of my ability.

Credit Developer _____ Date _____

CREDIT SITE VALIDATION SUMMARY (SETT USE ONLY)				
Project ID	Date Received	WAFWA Zone	PMU	BSU

CREDIT DEVELOPER CONTACT INFORMATION		AUTHORIZED AGENT'S CONTACT INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)	
Credit Developer Name	Provide first and last name of Credit Developer.	Contact Person Name & Title	Provide first and last name of authorized agent and agent's title.
Mailing Address	Provide mailing address for Credit Developer.	Mailing Address	Provide mailing address for authorized agent.
Telephone	Provide telephone number where Credit Developer can be reached (home, work or cellular).	Telephone	Provide telephone number where authorized agent can be reached (home, work or cellular).
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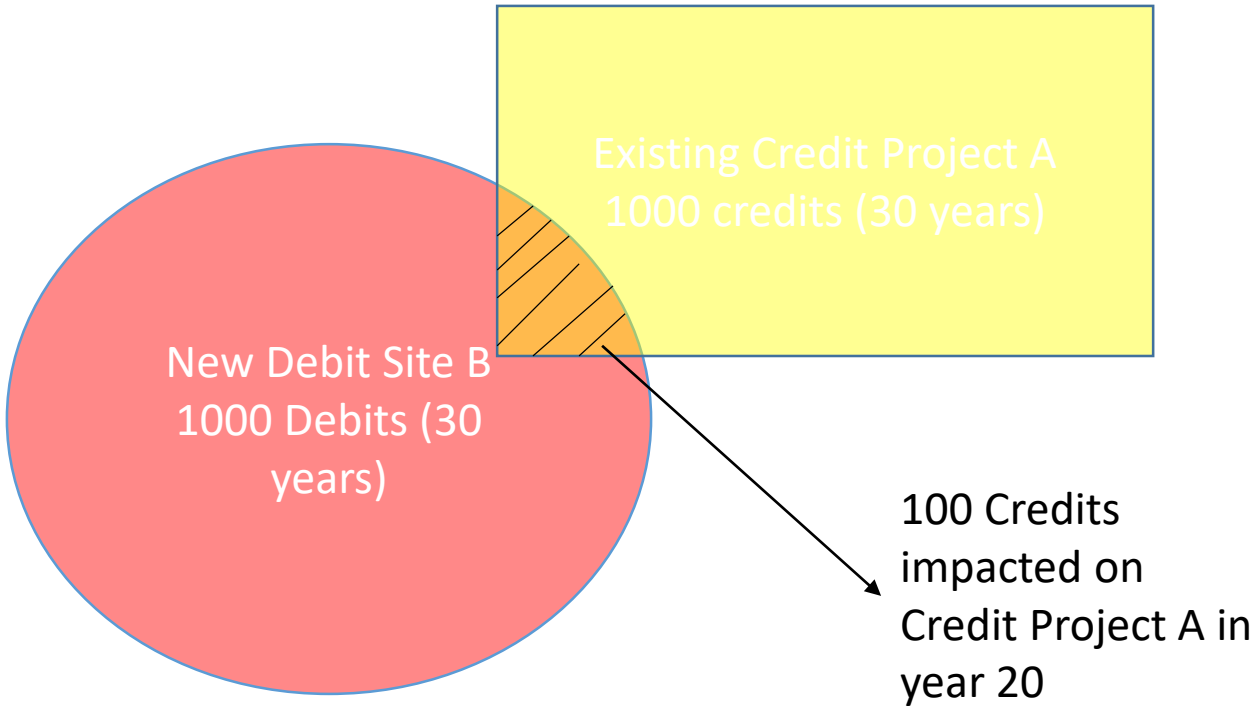

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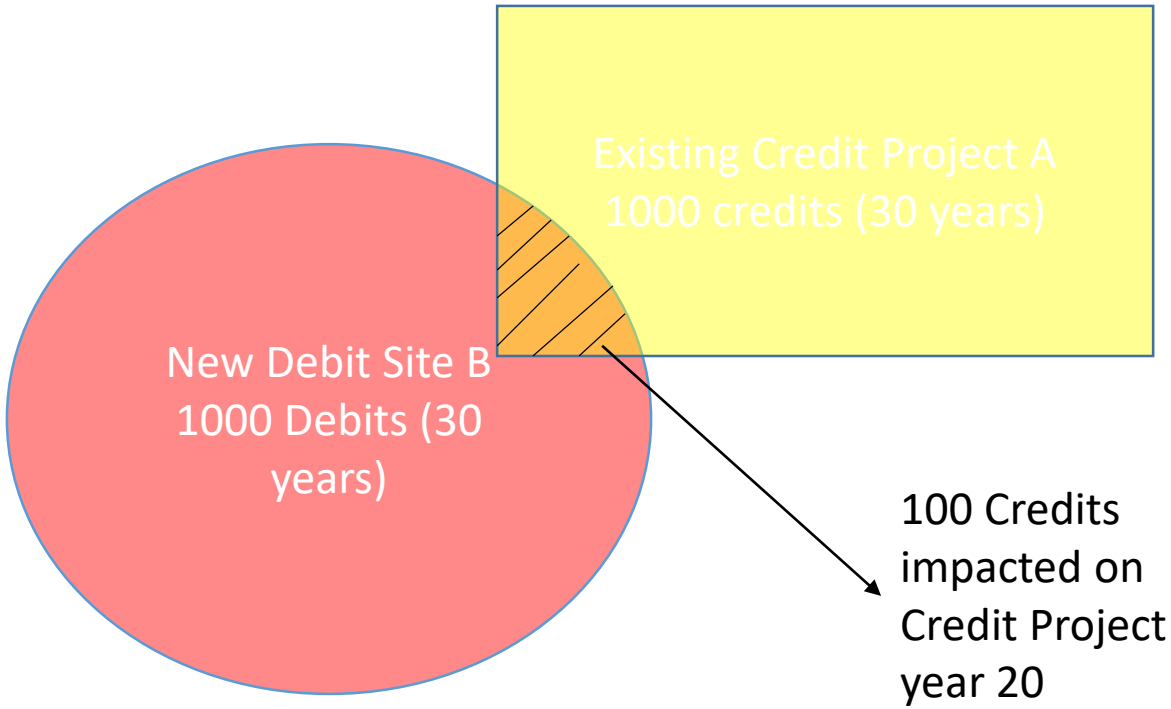

100 Credits impacted on Credit Project A in year 20

Time remaining / Original term

10/30=0.333

1000 + (100 * 0.333) = 1033.33
Debit Site B Required to Offset

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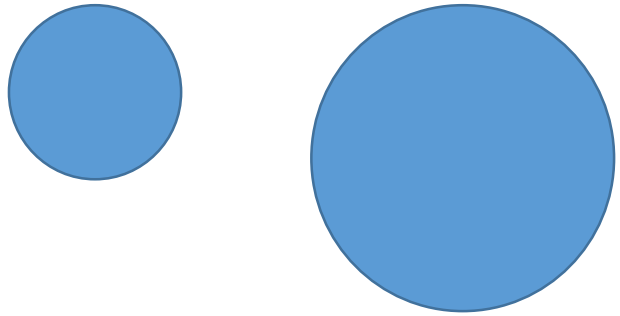

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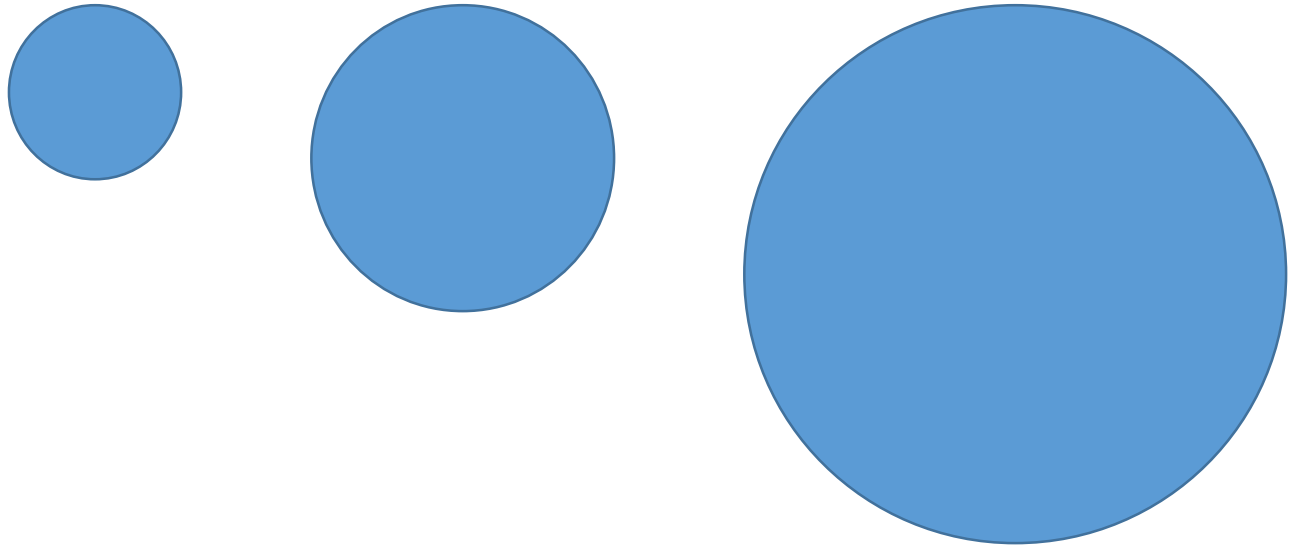

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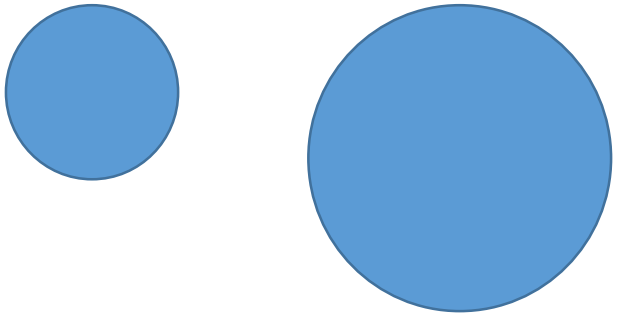

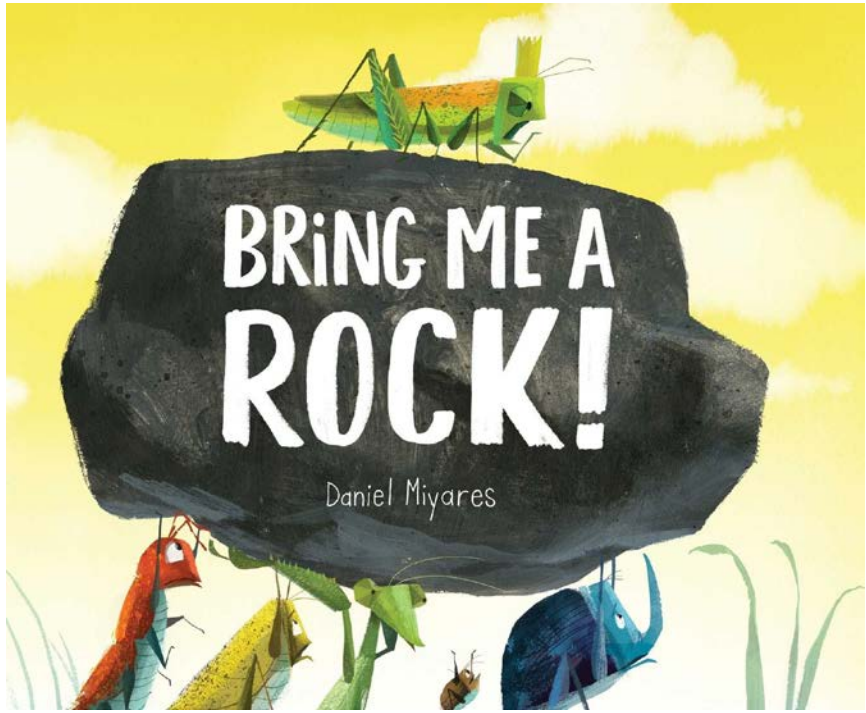

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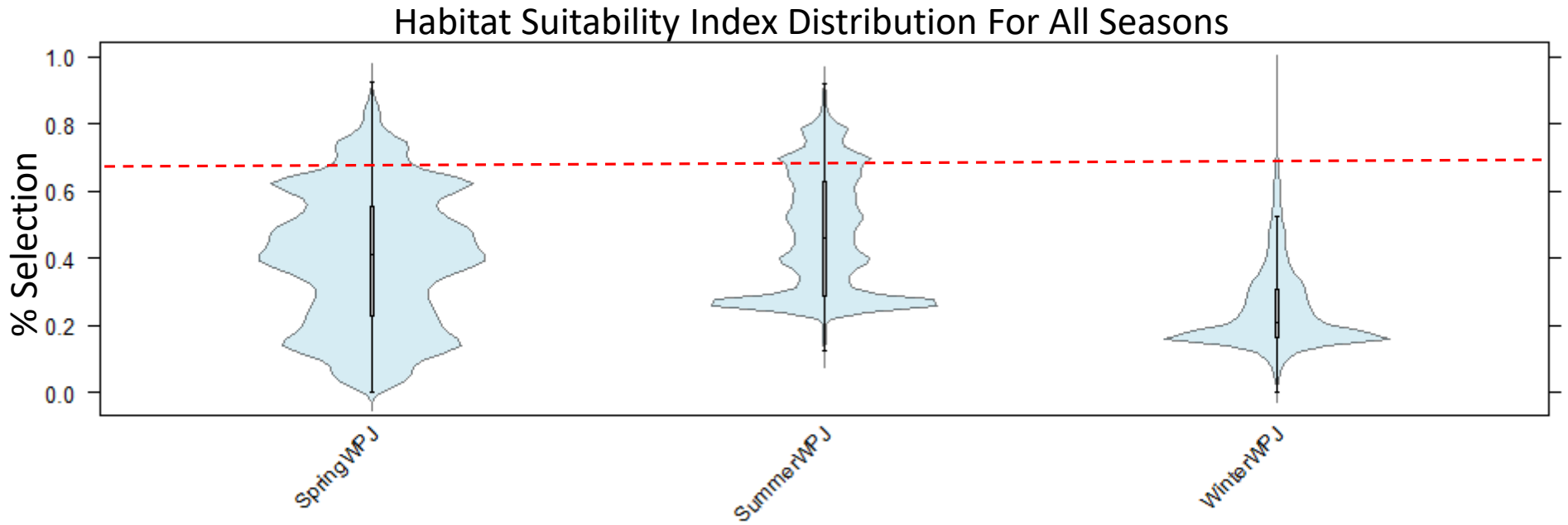

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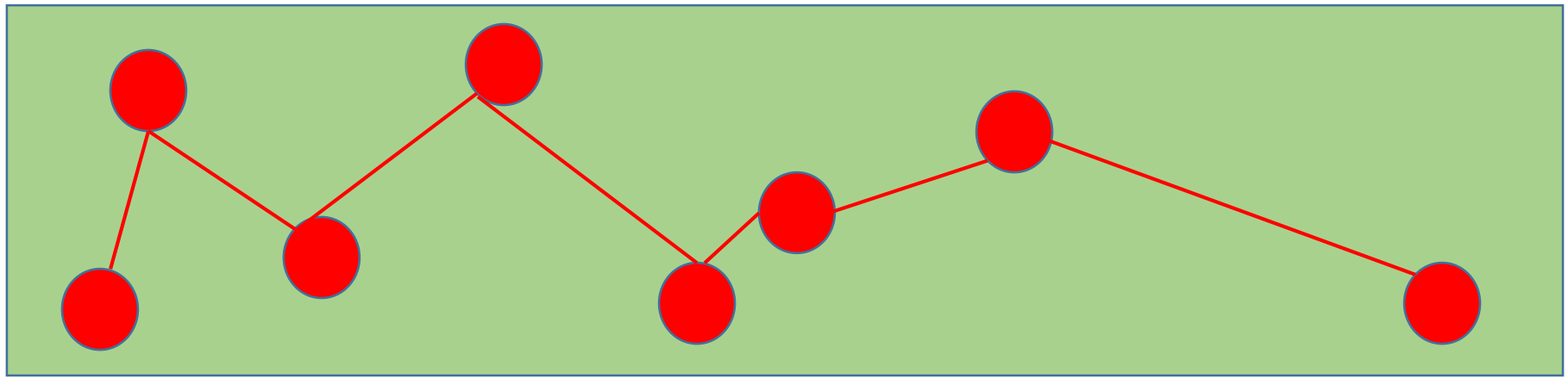

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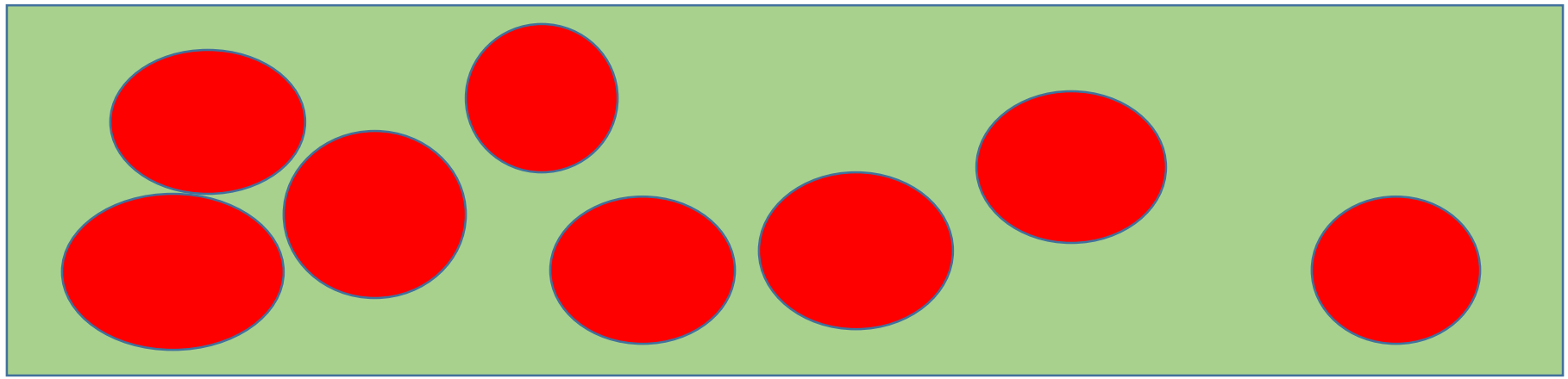

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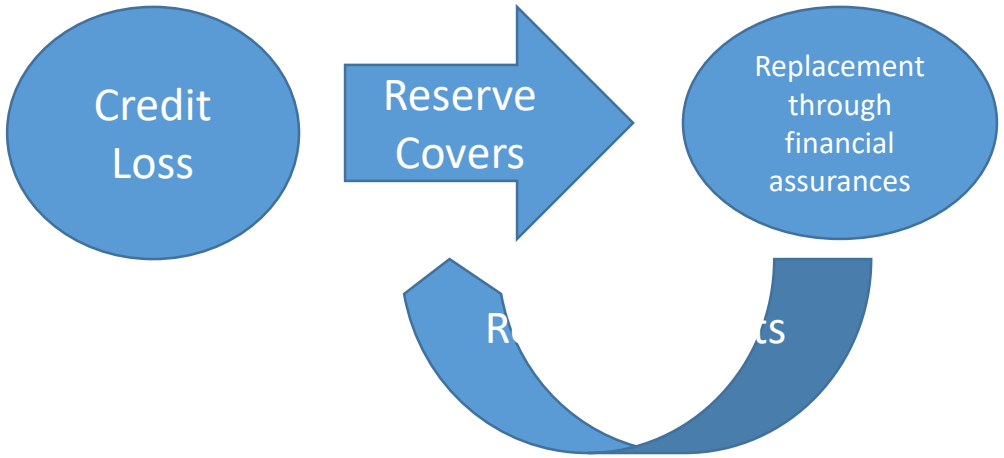
- Current Reserve Account Function



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  - 2 reserve accounts
    - Tracking
    - Appropriate adjacent site impacts

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- SETT will convene working group in near future to ensure reserve account functionality

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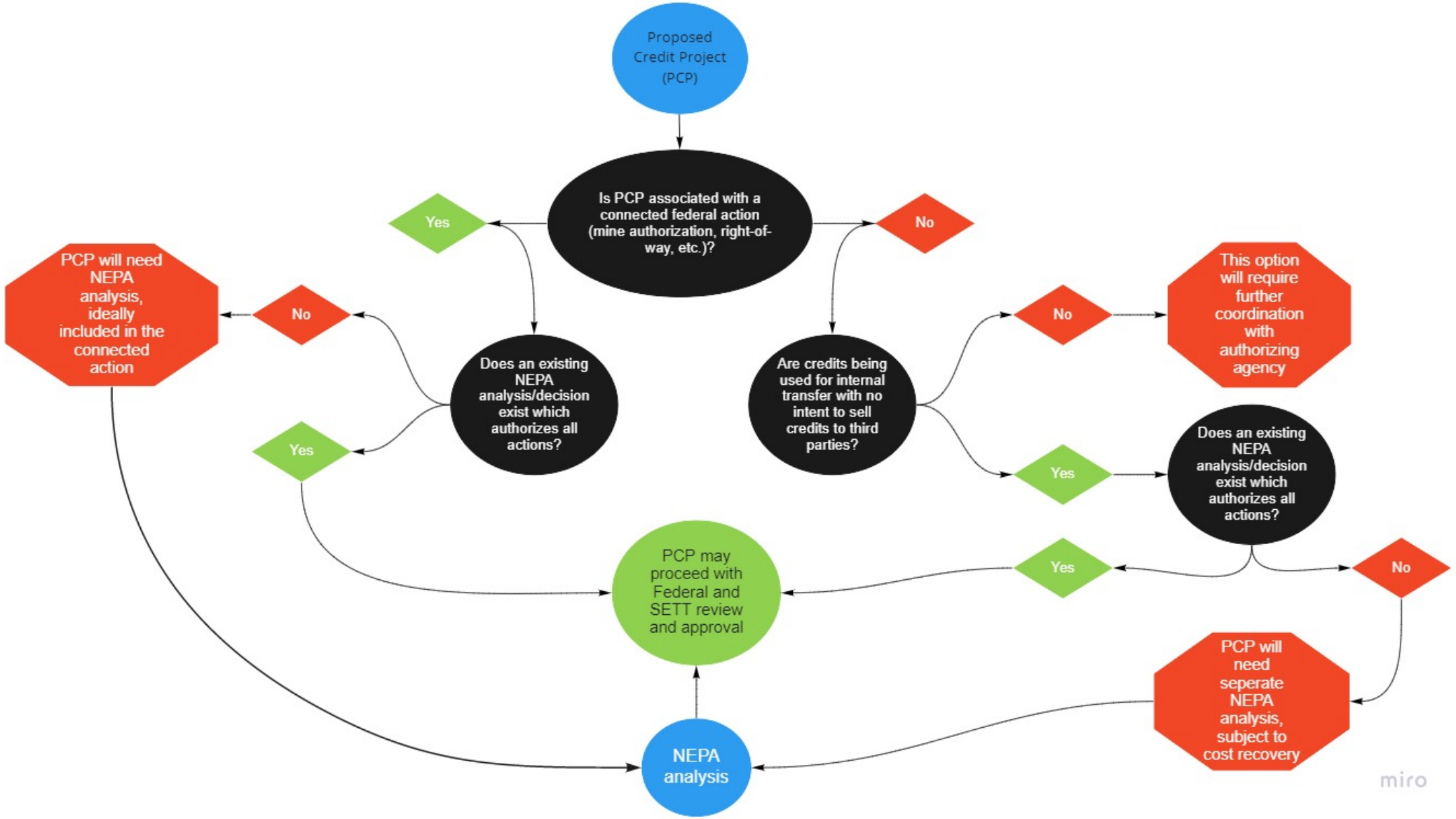
- Proponent responsible for receiving federal approval
- High degree of coordination between SETT and federal agency

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