



Supporting California local governments



Tools for Implementation, Monitoring and Reporting June 18, 2015

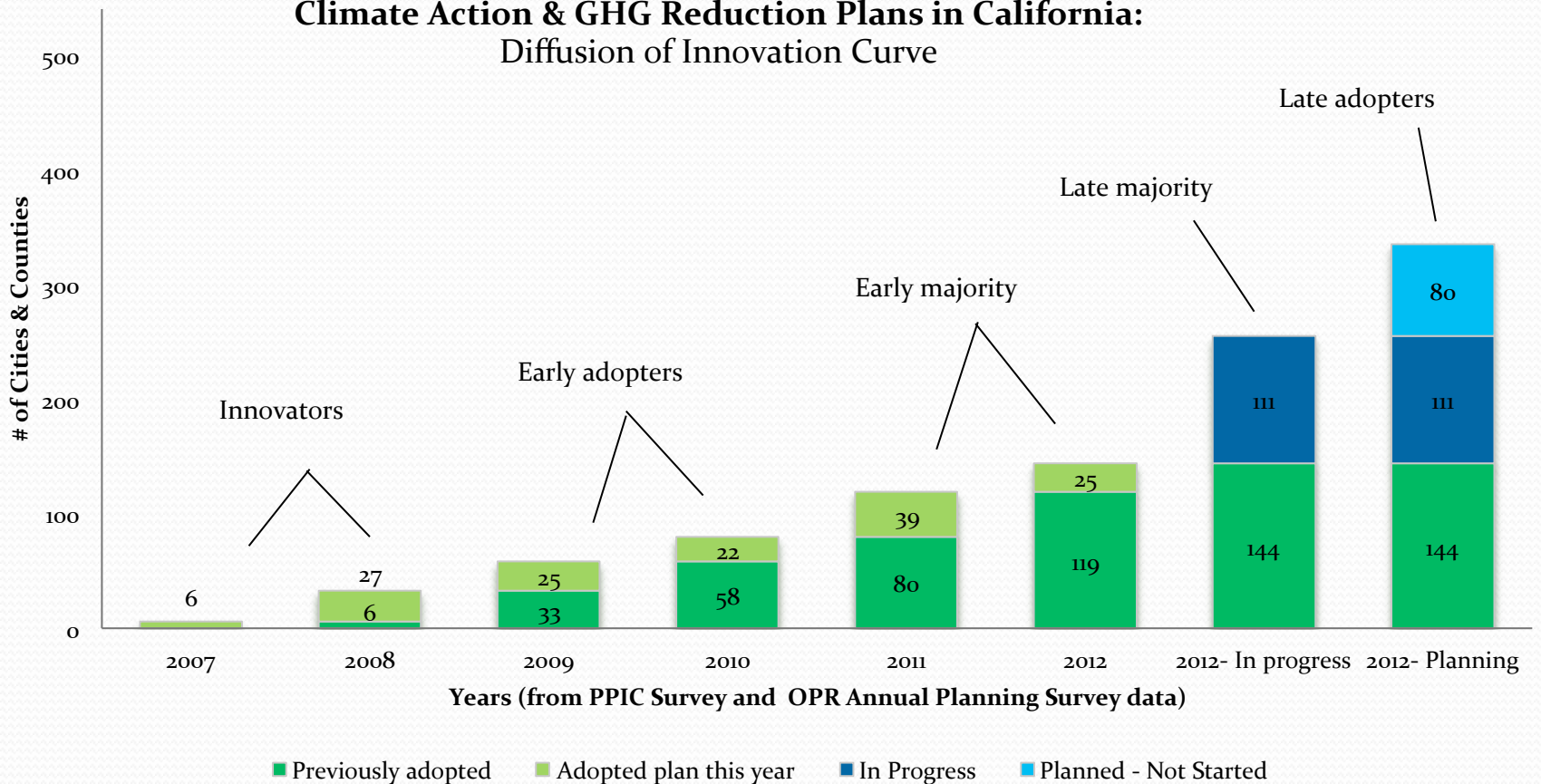
Goal of this Session:

- To address the common challenges that local governments face when implementing, monitoring and reporting on their energy and climate efforts.
- Provide tools for success

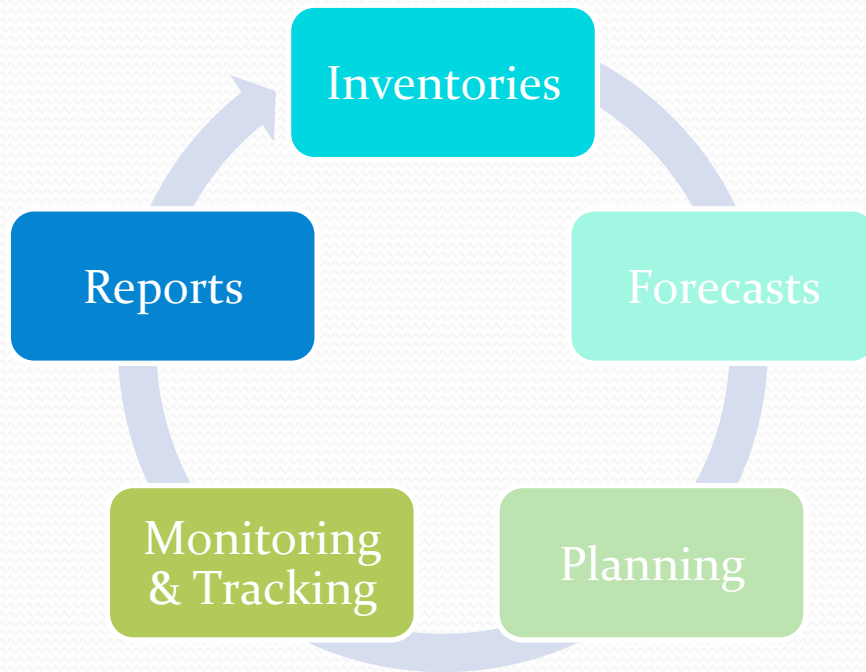


CAP Innovation Curve

Climate Action & GHG Reduction Plans in California:
Diffusion of Innovation Curve



The Current State



Most of the CAPs in California outline a monitoring strategy in their CAP, but only half of the cities regularly track CAP implementation progress.



Barriers to Climate Action Implementation

- ❖ Lack of staff & resources
- ❖ Lack of quality tools & training
- ❖ Lack of accountability & structure
- ❖ Lack of accurate data
- ❖ Lack of a systematic framework

- bren.ucsb.edu/research/2014Group_Projects/documents/CAPS_FINALREPORT_v2redacted.pdf



What is your current challenge?

1. Write down your thoughts

2. Work in a pair (find someone with similar shoes)

3. Find a second pair – Deeper discussion as a group of 4

- Group discussion can be standing up or pull together chairs
- You will have about 5-6 minutes for discussion
- Report out 1 challenge





Report Out

Christine O'Rourke, Marin Climate & Energy Partnership



Christine O'Rourke is a planning consultant and serves as the Sustainability Coordinator for the Marin Climate and Energy Partnership.

She develops climate actions plans and greenhouse gas inventories for the member agencies, and assists in implementing MCEP projects and outreach.



Cory Downs, City of Chula Vista



Cory Downs is a Conservation Specialist with the City of Chula Vista. He coordinates the City's residential energy and water efficiency outreach efforts and Climate Action Planning.

Before working with the city he was an Environmental Scientist with AECOM who helped local agencies develop Climate Action Plans.



J.R Killgrew, ICLEI USA



JR is lead for ICLEI's national membership network as well as assistant project manager for ICLEI's partnership with SEEC. JR works on ICLEI's Climate Team focusing on mitigation, adaptation and equity programmatic offerings.





Insert Christine's Presentation



Insert Corey's Presentation



Insert J.R's Presentation

Five “C”s for Success

- Create Clear Objectives
- Cultivate Champions
- Collaborate with your Community
- Celebrate Success
- Communicate!





The Beacon Program

- The Beacon Program honors local governments' voluntary efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save energy and adopt sustainability best practices.
- It provides a framework to collect data and share best practices that create healthier, more vibrant communities.



Join Beacon

The Beacon Program provides a framework for local governments to share best practices that create healthier, more efficient, vibrant communities. The program honors voluntary efforts by local governments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save energy and adopt policies and programs that promote sustainability.

- ▶ To learn more about the Beacon Program, visit www.ca-ilg.org/BeaconProgram.

Achieve Results

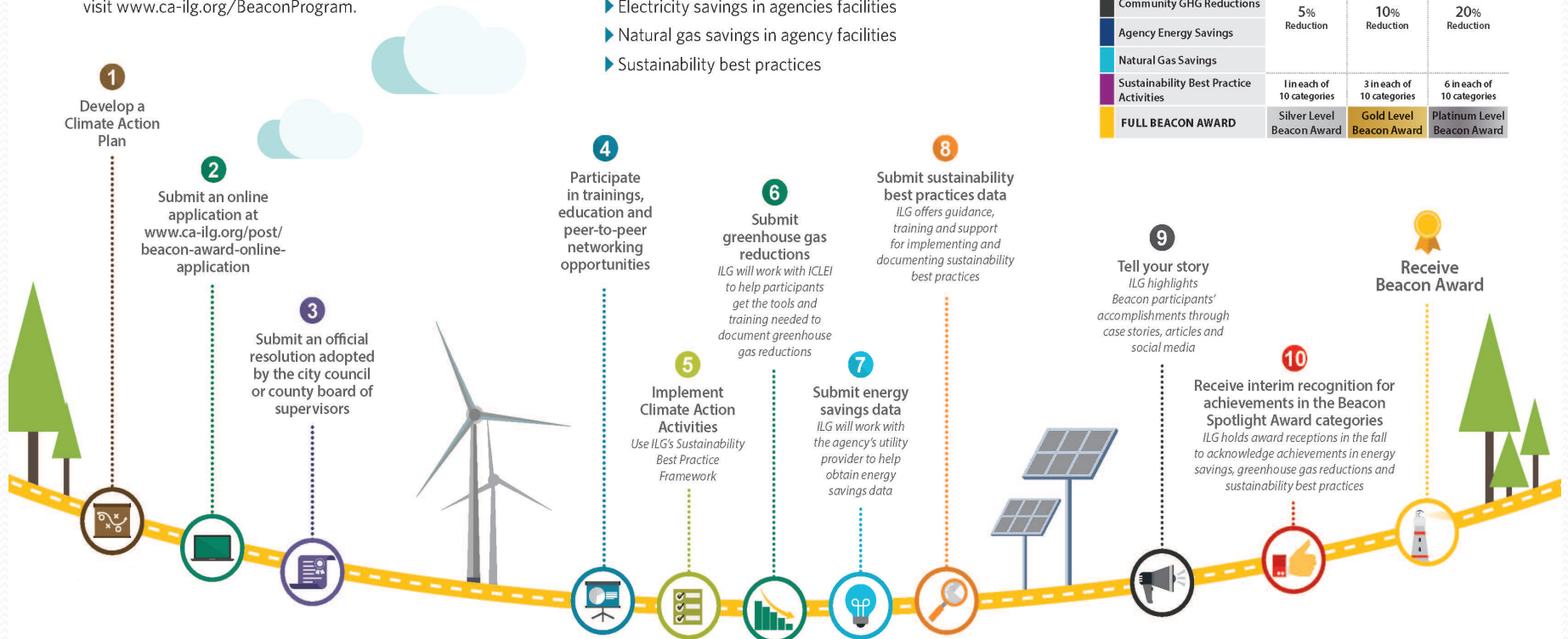
The Institute for Local Government provides resources and technical support to assist participants in their journey through the Beacon Program. Through our partnerships within the SEEC collaborative, we are able to help participants obtain and record achievements in five areas of accomplishment.

- ▶ Reducing agency greenhouse gas emissions
- ▶ Reducing community greenhouse gas emissions
- ▶ Electricity savings in agencies facilities
- ▶ Natural gas savings in agency facilities
- ▶ Sustainability best practices

Celebrate Success

Within each area, a participant can earn Beacon Spotlight awards-silver, gold and platinum- based on level of achievement. To win a full Beacon award, participants are required to demonstrate achievement in all five areas.

SPOTLIGHT AWARD Areas of Accomplishment	SILVER LEVEL	GOLD LEVEL	PLATINUM LEVEL
Agency GHG Reductions			
Community GHG Reductions	5% Reduction	10% Reduction	20% Reduction
Agency Energy Savings			
Natural Gas Savings			
Sustainability Best Practice Activities	1 in each of 10 categories	3 in each of 10 categories	6 in each of 10 categories
FULL BEACON AWARD	Silver Level Beacon Award	Gold Level Beacon Award	Platinum Level Beacon Award



Thank you for Participating!



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