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# **Climate Justice Working Group**


**Friday, March 12, 2021**

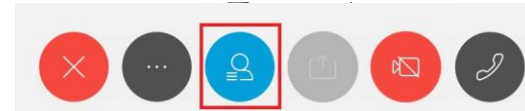
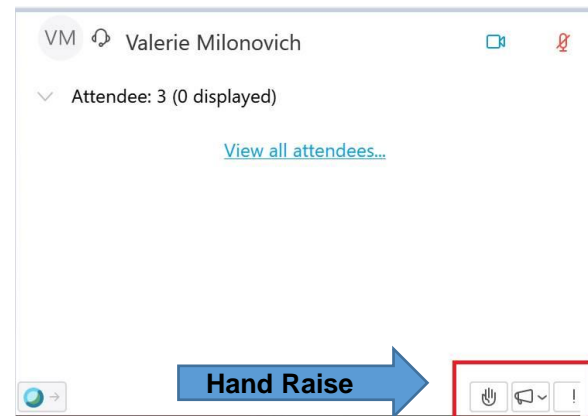
# Meeting Procedures

## Before beginning, a few reminders to ensure a smooth discussion:

- Working Group Members should be on mute if not speaking.
  - If using phone for audio, please tap the phone mute button.
  - If using computer for audio, please click the mute button on the computer screen (1<sup>st</sup> visual).
- Video is encouraged for Working Group members, particularly when speaking.
- In the event of a question or comment, please use the hand raise function (2<sup>nd</sup> visual). Click the participant panel button (3<sup>rd</sup> visual) for the hand raise function. Rosa or Alanah will call on members individually, at which time please unmute.



You'll see  when your microphone is muted



# Welcome and Roll Call



# Agenda

- > Welcome and Roll Call
- > California Discussion
- > Business Items
- > Update on Data

# California Discussion

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Executive Director

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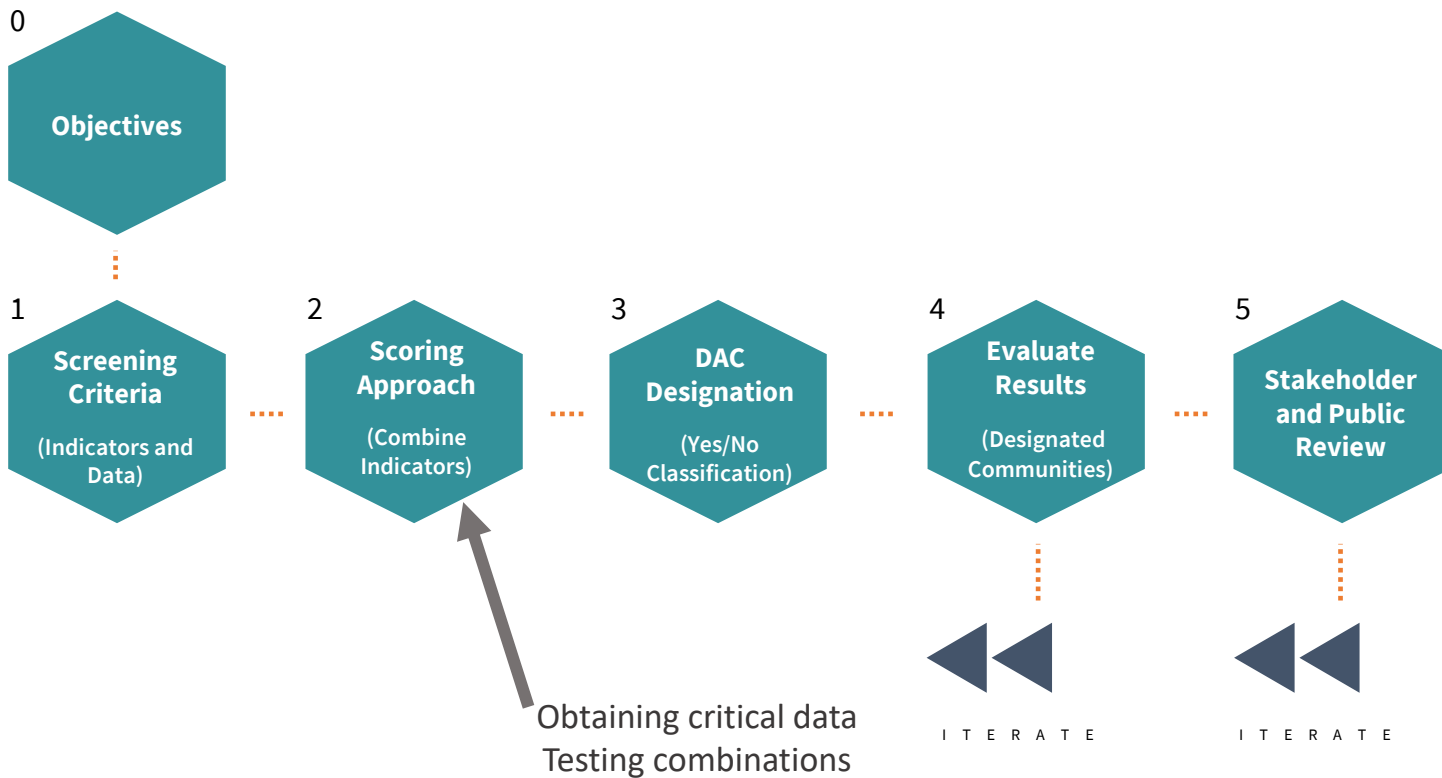
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# Business Items

- > Reflection on February 24<sup>th</sup> Meeting
- > Approval of Minutes

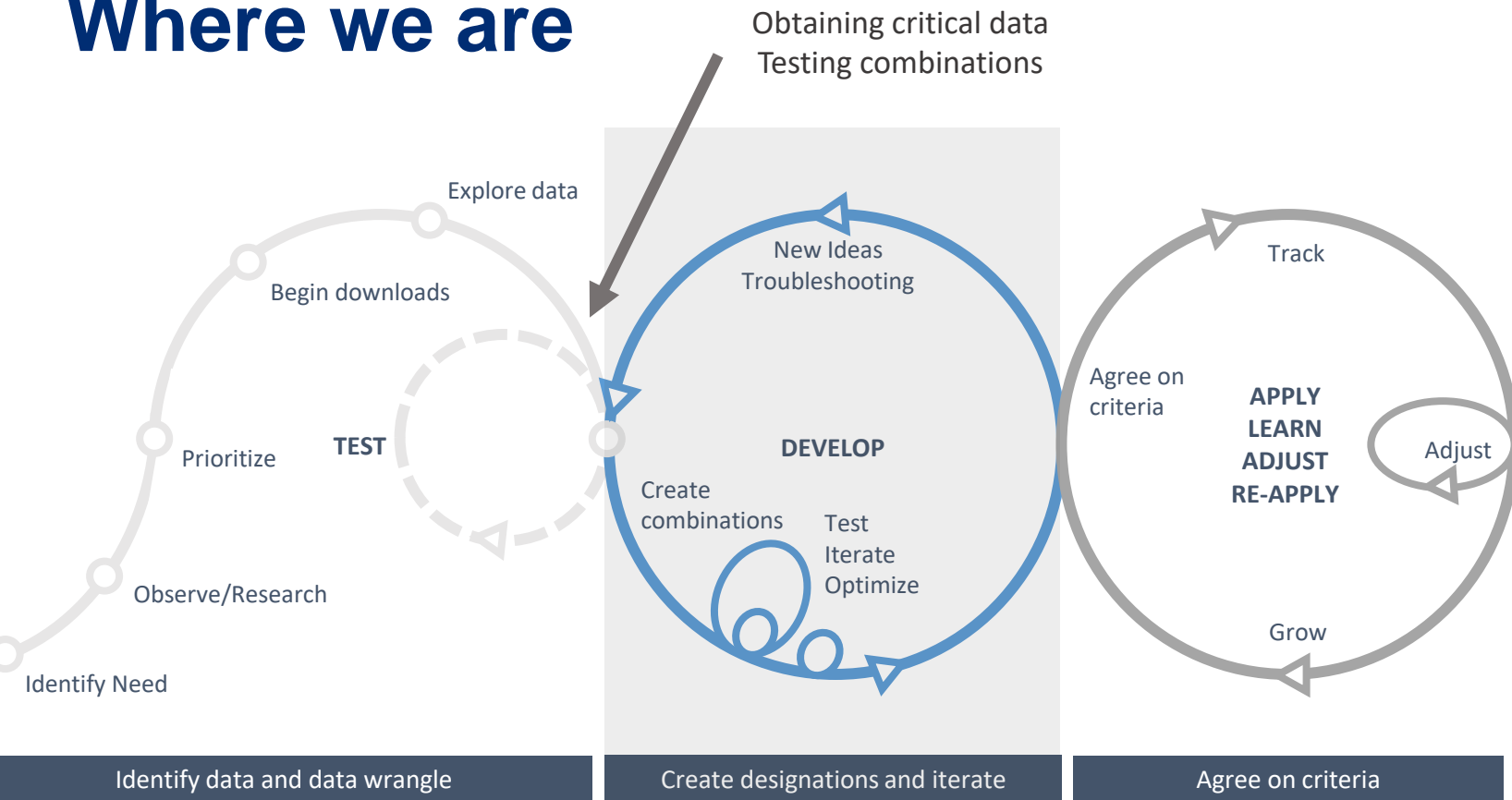
Where we are in the process

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# Currently we are...

1. Working to obtain critical data pieces
2. Exploring how indicators “work together” (more on this next)
3. Starting to create example combinations of criteria



# Threats vs. Vulnerabilities Framework

## Threats

(Exposures, Burdens, Hazards, Land Characteristics)

The conditions, burdens and risks people face in the built and natural environment

Pillar 1: Pollution burdens, air toxics

Pillar 2: N/A – Mostly vulnerabilities

Pillar 3: Coastal flood/storm risk, urban heat island, access/distance to services

## Vulnerabilities

(Population Characteristics, Health Effects)

The resources and capacity people and communities have to respond or adapt

Pillar 1: Negative public health effects

Pillar 2: All characteristics including impacts of structural racism and historical discrimination

Pillar 3: Age, disability status, health insurance, internet, vehicles



# What we need from CJWG members

1. List of census tracts that you think should be considered a disadvantaged community
2. List of census tracts you think should definitely NOT be a disadvantaged community
3. Reasons why you chose the tracts you did



# How to do this

Go to [https://public.tableau.com/views/NYCensustracts/NYMap?:language=en&:display\\_count=y&:origin=viz\\_share\\_link](https://public.tableau.com/views/NYCensustracts/NYMap?:language=en&:display_count=y&:origin=viz_share_link)

Hover over the map to get the census tract name – it's a long number

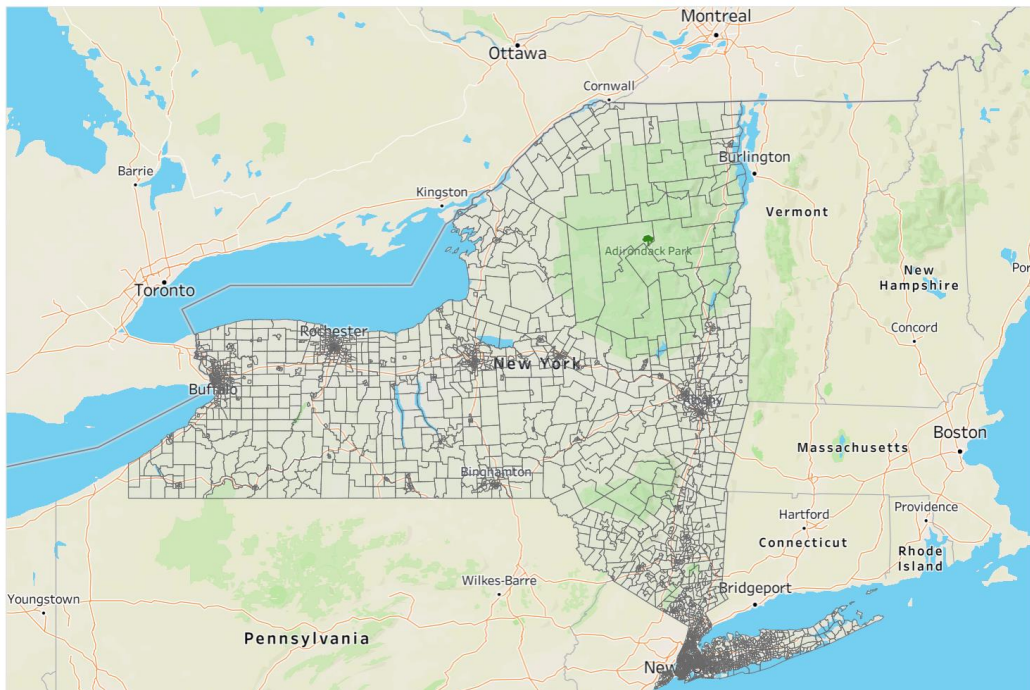
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  - Reasoning why – just a sentence, phrase etc.
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# Demo

New York Census Tracts



# Email to help us groundtruth

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# Next Steps

