

SMART Planning

FY15 Interagency Projects

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Webinar Outline

- Goal and Overview of Previous Interagency Projects
- Submission and Selection Process
- FPMS Program



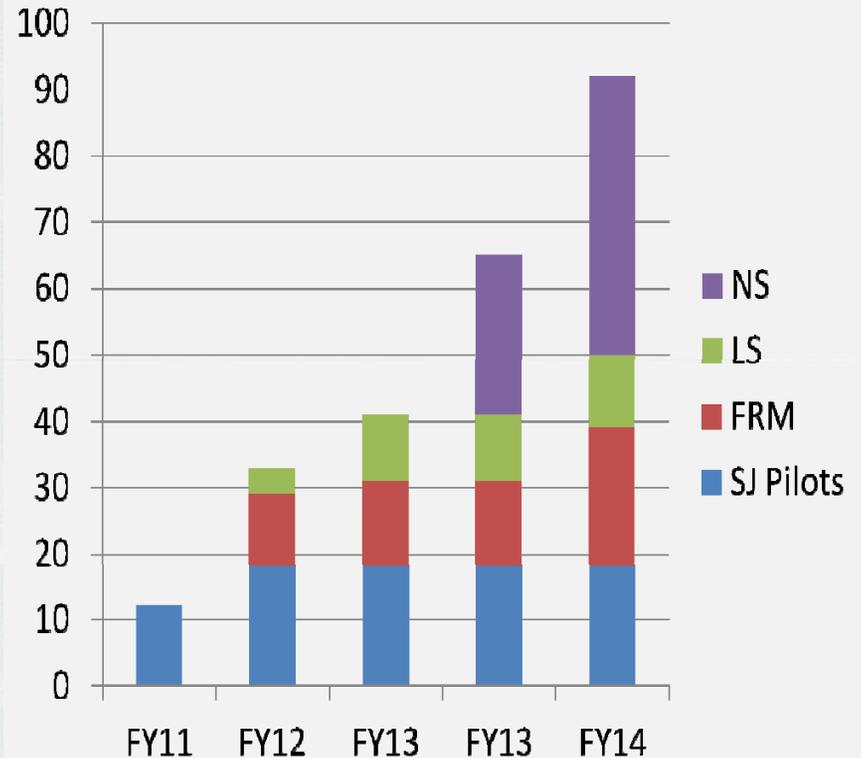
Context

- As in previous years, a portion of FY15 Flood Plain Management Services (FPMS) funding is apportioned to interagency projects.
- Interagency projects promote USACE participation in small projects (typically under \$100K) undertaken with partners in order to achieve flood risk management (FRM) benefits that could not be achieved by any one agency alone.
- Silver Jackets (SJ) teams are one way to build an interagency proposal
- Nonstructural (NS) remains a focal area.
- Levee Safety (LS) projects are funded through Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies (FCCE), not FPMS



Overview of Interagency Projects

- 91 projects initiated in 40 states:
 - 18 SJ Pilots (FY11 and early FY12, FPMS)
 - 20 SJ FRM Projects (FY12-14, FPMS+NFRMP)
 - 11 SJ LS Projects (FY 12-14, FCCE)
 - 42 Interagency NS Projects (FY13-14, FPMS)
- USACE funded projects that:
 - Support state priority in FRM
 - Leverage partner resources, and
 - Will demonstrate tangible benefits
- Selections based on
 - above criteria and
 - available funds (varies each year)



Cumulative Total Interagency Projects



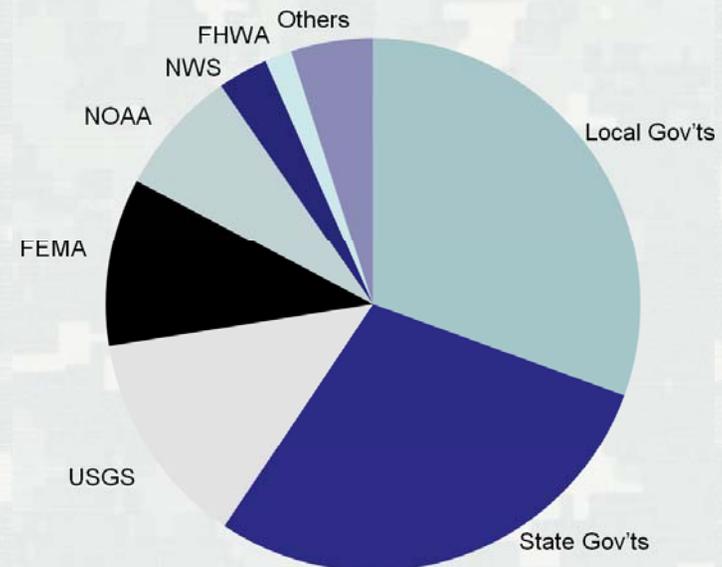
FY15: Call for Interagency Proposals sent 17 September 2014



Importance of Leveraging

Leveraging resources allows more comprehensive solutions in FRM:

- Projects must leverage partner resources; no single agency has sufficient funds or authority to manage flood risk
- Resources: funds or in-kind services
- Leveraging demonstrates commitment of all partners to collaboratively managing/reducing flood risk
- *Leveraging is a key criterion in evaluating project proposals*

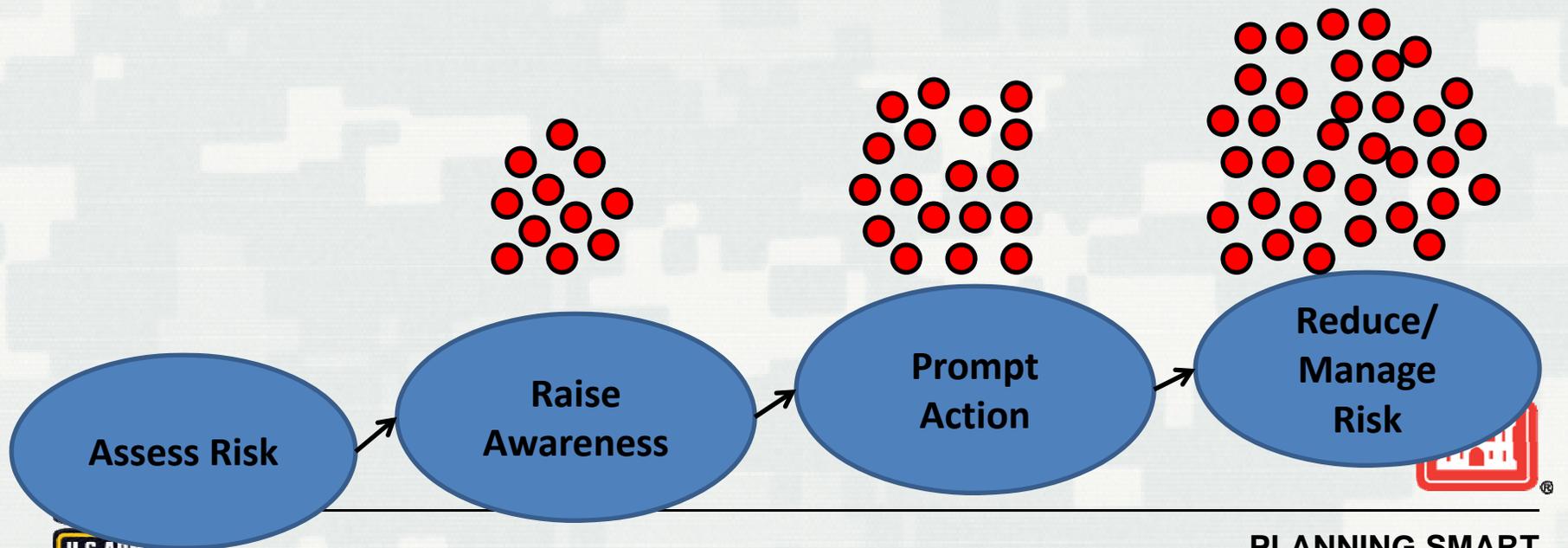


Projects leveraging 113% in partner resources against \$7.5M USACE



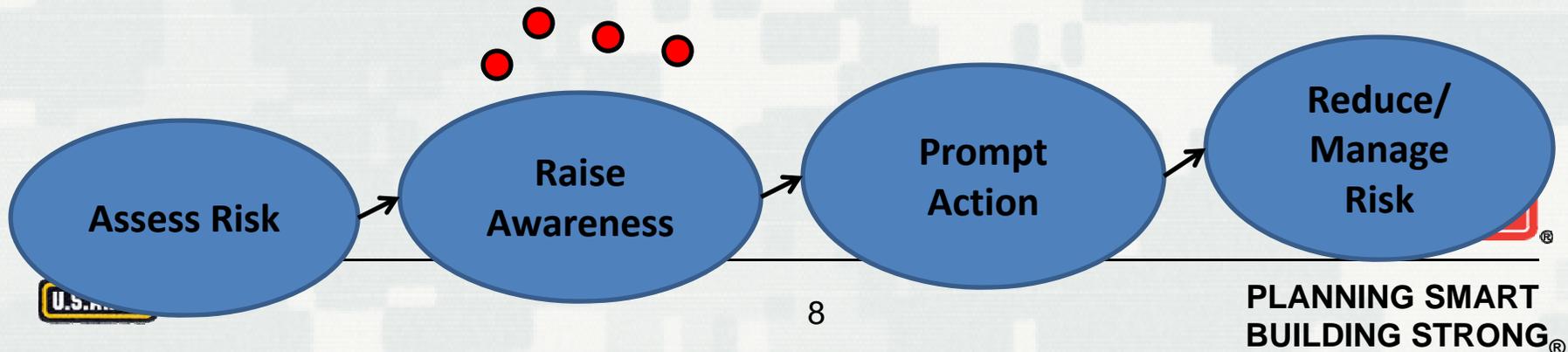
Getting to Tangible Benefits (Outcomes)

- Goal of projects = Shared Resources = Shared Responsibility = Reduced flood risk
 - Support action by those who have the authority to reduce flood risk
 - Upfront engagement during project scoping helps ensure action
- Progression from assessment and awareness, through action, to reduced risk



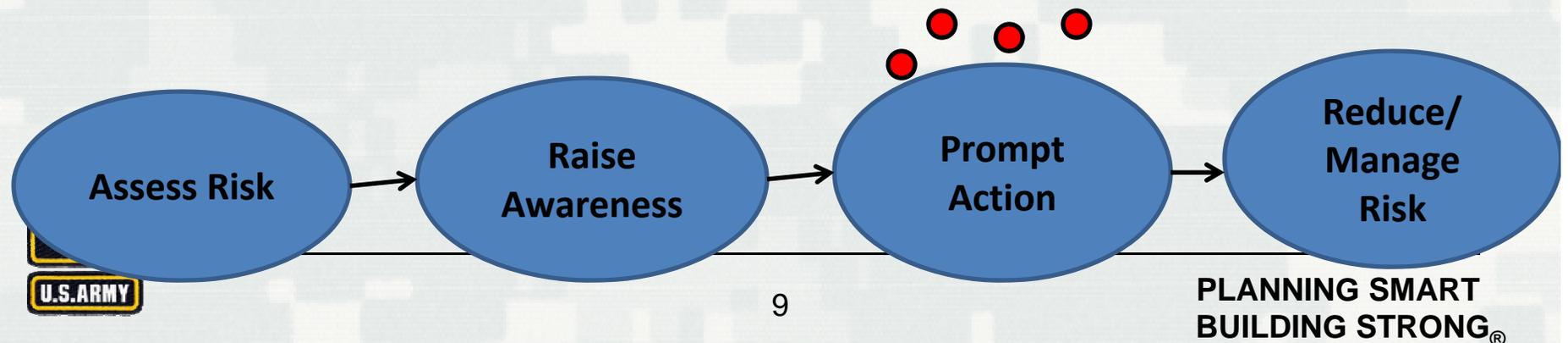
Outcomes: Raise Awareness

- MD LS Outreach Brochure
 - Informs public citizens of risk
 - Presents risk reduction actions, including insurance and preparedness tips
- AK Data Gathering and Dissemination
 - Gather High Water Marks in 10 Northwest Arctic Borough communities
 - Outreach using English/Inupiaq posters with flood risk information and individual risk reduction measures.
- GA, KS Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service (AHPS)



Outcomes: Prompt Action

- FL High Water Mark (HWM) Strike Team
 - State-wide database, local input throughout FL
- GA Macon LS
 - County and City officials pursuing nonstructural options to reduce risk and reduce insurance rates even if levee system is not accredited.
- GA Augusta NS
 - City/County pursuing buy-outs
- NV Flood Chronology
 - Watershed tour facilitated community application for assistance with sedimentation to reduce flood risk and benefit fish.
 - Tribe requested help in starting tribal Hazard Mitigation Plan.



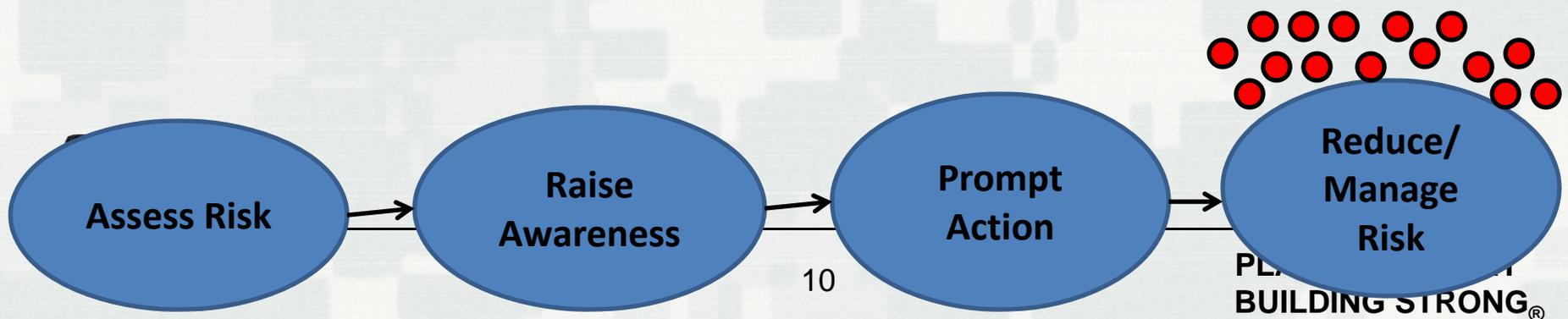
Outcomes: Reduce/Manage Risk

- Improved Response:

- NJ, MO, KS, KY, PA, MI, MN, GA Inundation Mapping
 - Improved Response: EM use updates to coordinate evacuation, road closures, infrastructure and critical facilities decisions
 - Falmouth, KY: Local officials estimate that if they had had the kind of warning the FIM project will give, they could have saved 5 lives and thousands of \$ in damage
- MS Hazard Communication Plan and Tabletop : ID gaps pre-disaster
- MO, KY, MN Emergency Action Plans (and template)
- OR Rapid Assessment of Flooding Tool (RAFT)
 - RAFT identifies levees close to overtopping, prioritize most effective flood fighting.

- KS Wildcat Floodplain Mgmt Plan

- New ordinance requiring additional 2 ft in elevation for new bldgs

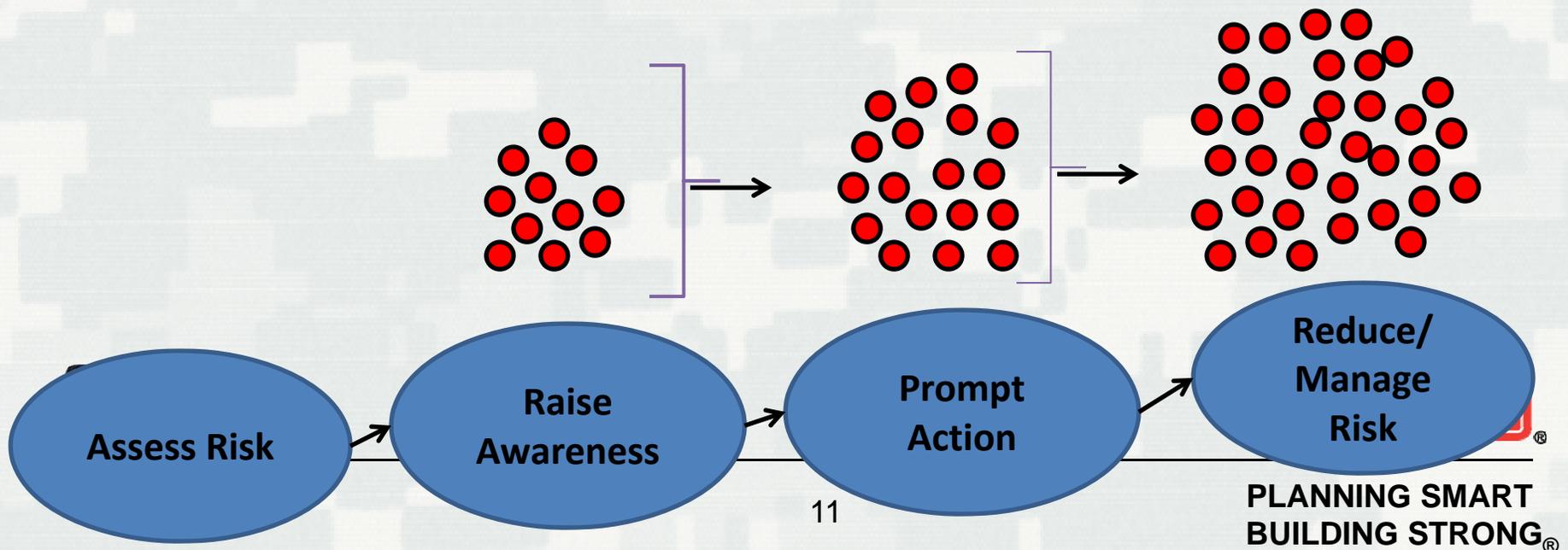


Tracking Tangible Outcomes

At project conclusion, projects often result in an assessment or awareness product that informs or enables action.

Over time, we look forward to working with our partners to

- maximize the impact of these products and
- documenting how these projects lead to reduced risk.



Submission and Selection Process

Key Information Regarding Proposals:

- **FPMS is not a grant.** Funds enable USACE to provide technical services to local, county, state, or other partners in support of their action to manage risk.
- All proposals must be interagency and must leverage resources invested by others.
- All proposals must include or enable flood risk management action.
- **All proposals must be for \$100,000 or less of requested FPMS funding, with a timeline not to exceed 12-18 months from project initiation.**
- **A maximum of two proposals per state will be considered. No prioritization between states is required.**
- Proposals must be appropriately coordinated within USACE:
 - Interagency proposals should first be coordinated within the District and with the FPMS PM
 - The District FPMS PM should forward proposals to the MSC FPMS PM
 - MSC FPMS PMs should coordinate with MSC FRM BLMs, MSC SJ PM, and MSC FRM PM, and consider the proposal's acceptability within the FPMS program and the capacity to undertake the proposed effort
 - Coordination with the Levee Safety or other Communities of Practice may be needed
- **Proposals must be submitted by 6 November 2014 by the MSC FPMS PM to IWR**



Submission and Selection Process

Summary of Proposal Selection Criteria:

- Manages Flood Risk: directly protects life safety, reduces or stems increases in loss of property, and/or increases resiliency; or reduces future costs
- Promotes shared responsibility
- Addresses priority in State or Local Hazard Mitigation Plan
- Leverages partner resources AND is completed in collaboration with partners
- For nonstructural proposals, increases innovation in evaluating nonstructural benefits, and/or advances development of policy, including non-monetary benefits.

**Note: Common distinguishing factors observed by the review committee during FY14 are available in the Call for Proposals (Enclosure 2, page 8)*



Submission and Selection Process

Key Information Regarding Project Selection and Funding:

- Proposals selected by interdisciplinary committee, including HQ Planning, FRM, NFPC
- Review questions will be directed to the identified USACE Project POC, with the MSC FPMS PM cc'd for response within one week
- Notification and funding of selected proposals is anticipated late November or early December 2014.
- **Funds for selected projects will be provided via MIPR to the District; funds will be provided solely for the Fiscal Year in which the work is being done.**
- Proposals not funded through this process should be considered for FPMS funding at the District/Division level



FPMS Program Management

- During a Continuing Resolution there is no interruption, ceilings are determined at the beginning of the FY based the lesser of House and Senate Bills
- Special Initiatives are funded first, draft amounts for FY15:
 - Non-Structural Initiative - 1.5M
 - Hurricane PCX - 500K
 - Silver Jackets - 0
 - SAGE – 1M
 - NFPC – 420K
- “New Starts” do not exist in the FPMS Program – New initiatives and studies within the program may start without delay



FPMS Funding Calculation

After the Special Initiatives are funded:

- TOTAL = ALL FY Unobligated funds (New appropriations plus funds carried into the FY Corpswide)
- MSC Share = MSC 3yr Expenditure Average/ Corpswide 3 yr Expenditure Average
- MSC Ceiling = New FY funds (MSC Share times TOTAL minus MSC unobligated carry-in).



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