# Designing Enduring Organizational Change *A Participatory Roundtable*

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### Goal for Institutional Change

"To go beyond individual awareness and actions and move towards a changed institutional culture, by creating a durable sustainability ethic and a sustainable way of operating the physical infrastructure of agencies."

### 2012 Change Model

Individual Behavior Change

Motivation \* Ability \* Trigger

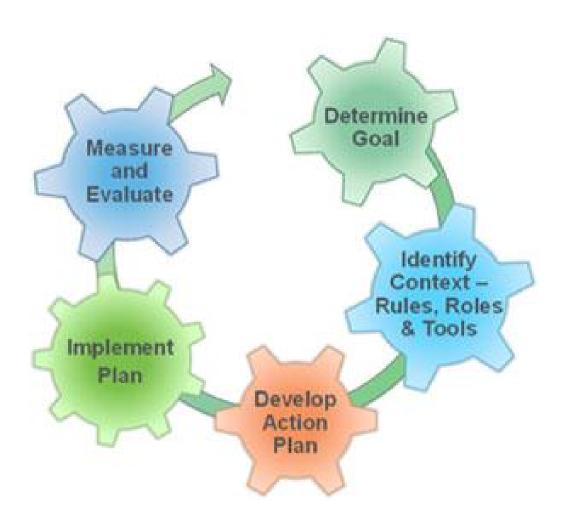
### 2013 Change Model

Institutional Change

Motivation \* Ability \* Context

And sometimes a T (trigger) is needed

### Process for Change



### Framework for Change

Identify the importance and understand the mechanisms for change in:

- Roles
- Rules
- Tools







- Who are the players that impact sustainability?
- What are their roles, implicit and explicit?
- What influences these players to change their behavior to further sustainability?

## Roles (Examples)

- Chief Sustainability Officer
- Procurement Specialist
- Building Operator
- Tech Support

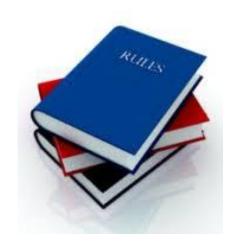






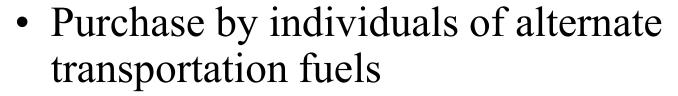
### Rules

• What are the rules that impact sustainability?



- How are they enforced?
- What is the incentive so people succeed?
- What is the penalty--if any--for failure to implement the rules?

## Rules (Examples)





- Procurement of green-preferred products
- Selection of A&E teams for new design and retrofits
- Building operator training

### **Tools**

- What are the tools usually employed?
- How can they be made more effective?
- What standard operating procedures are needed in the toolbox?



### Tools (Examples)

- Standard business practices and procedures
- Education, training, & feedback
- Modeling, recognition, and award
- Many others



## Eight Principles of Institutional Change



#### **Engage**

#### 1. Social Network

People take their cues from others, so identify and highlight change in peers

#### 2. Social Empowerment

People often seek engagement to higher purpose, so provide opportunities for involvement in planning and delivery

#### 3. Social Commitment

Success is more likely when people make specific, public commitments



## Eight Principles (cont.)

#### **Educate**

#### 4. Leadership

Support for change must be visible and consistent

#### 5. Multiple Motivations

Different people will be attracted to different elements of change – look for and highlight variety of benefits

#### 6. Information and Feedback

Information must be actionable, relevant, and timely

## Eight Principles (cont.)



#### **Enable**

#### 7. Infrastructure

Provide defaults and incentives that encourage and reward the desired outcome

Support the development of new habits through checklists and triggers

#### 8. Continuous Change and Innovation

Identify critical actions and achievable steps

Cultivate an environment of opportunity

Develop *process*, not outcome.

# Navy Achieved 50% Savings through integration of Technology and Behavior

#### Roles, Rules, and Tools

The **roles** were the newly defined "Building Energy Monitors," the contact points for communication with the core energy management team.

The **tools** included Monthly Energy Reports, that pointed out energy anomalies and increased awareness about energy consumption.



#### **Principles**

The Navy applied three social science principles:

- 1. Social Network & Communications
- 2. Leadership
- 3. Information & Feedback

Lean Green Teams saved the US Postal Service more

than \$41M in FY 2011

#### Roles, Rules, and Tools

Roles: USPS created cross-functional teams rather than individuals; the idea is that, in their roles as building inhabitants, drivers, water and consumer product users, and waste disposers, staff can work together to create a conservation culture that results in energy and waste savings.



#### **Principles Applied**

The USPS activities applied four social science principles:

- 1. Leadership
- 2. Commitment
- 3. Information & Feedback, and
- 4. Social Empowerment.

# Fish and Wildlife Service achieves savings through "field level up" strategies

#### Roles, Rules, and Tools

David Guthrie created a network of energy managers that all have clearly defined **roles** and responsibilities.

His **tools** that include training of energy managers, checklists for meeting FWS guidelines, tracking databases for energy and water consumption, and presentations



#### **Principles Applied**

The FWS applied three social science principles:

- 1. Social Networking & Communications,
- 2. Leadership, and
- 3. Social Empowerment.

## Tips & Strategies



- Based on social science principles
- Can't use all of them all the time
- Worth experimenting and evaluating their effectiveness

### Scenarios

- A. Getting workers to use alternate fuels
- B. Engaging staff in recycling and waste reduction
- C. Changing the culture for green procurement
- D. Shutting of lights and computers
- E. Wild card



### Resources

### DOE-FEMP Institutional Change Web page:

<a href="http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/program/i">http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/program/i</a> nstitutional change.html

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