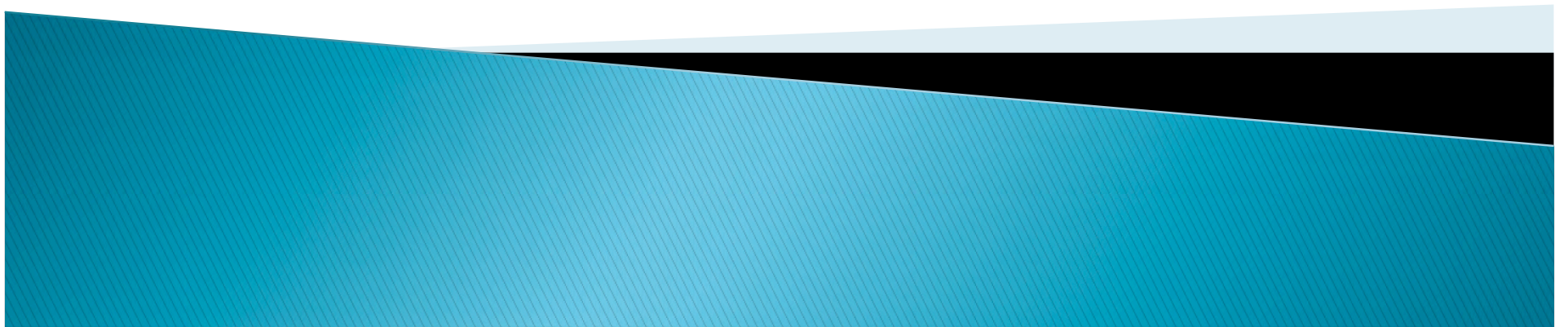


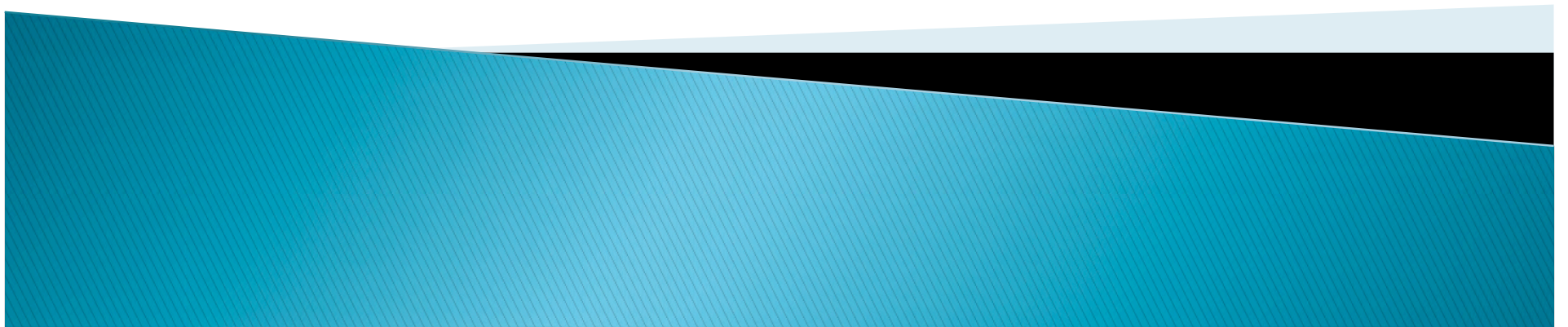
# Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council 2010 Catch Shares Workshop

“Where do we go from here?”



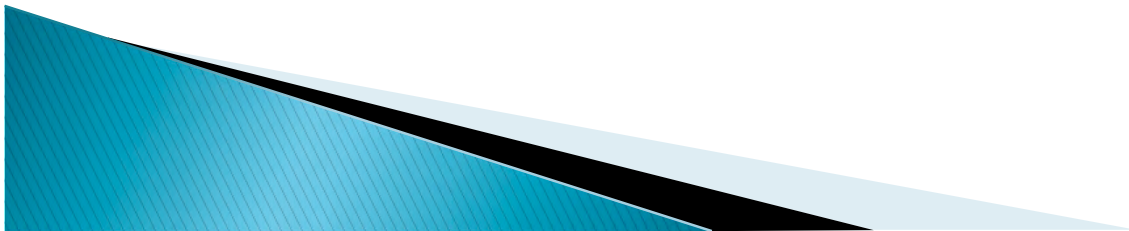
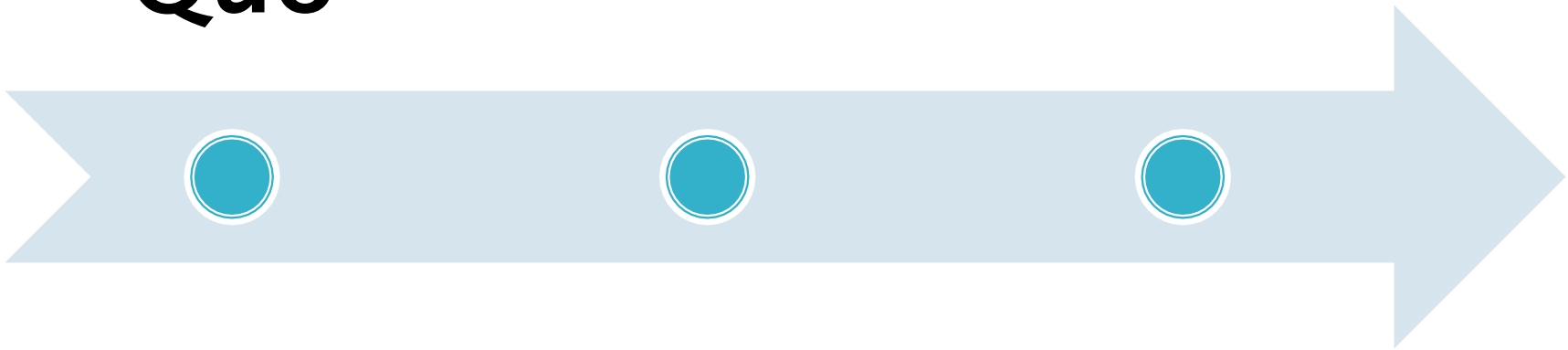
# Continuing education and investigation

Topical panels on specific areas of interest to  
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A range of possibilities...

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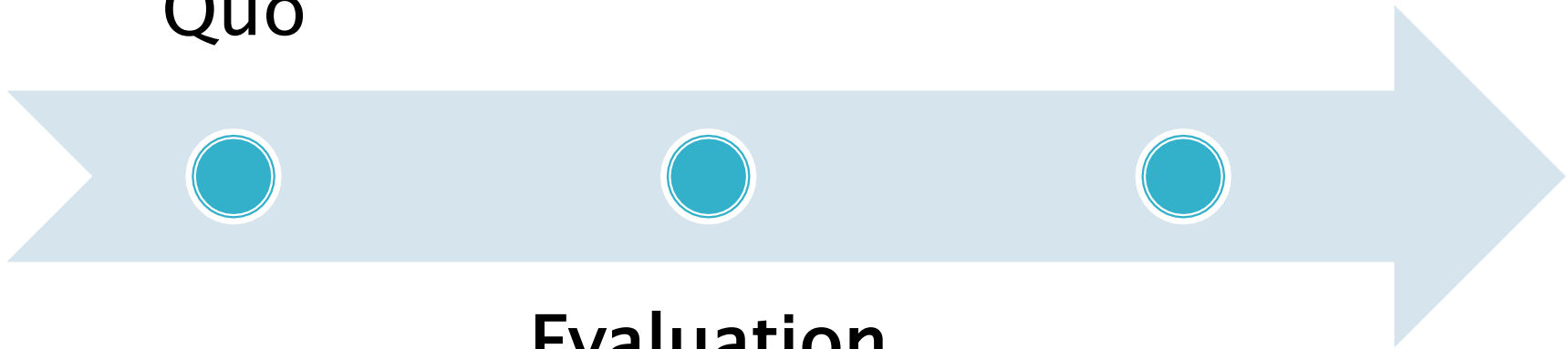
# Status Quo

- ▶ Consider Catch Shares, as a potential tool in the management “toolbox” on a case-by-case basis when developing management actions.
- ▶ Consider Catch Shares in response to stakeholder requests.



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**Evaluation**



# Evaluation

- ▶ Could initiate a broad-based evaluation of our FMPs, collaboratively with Staff, species committees, advisors and partners.
- ▶ Assess how effectively the plans are meeting their management objectives.
- ▶ Identify problems and opportunities within the existing management plans, review and update management objectives if indicated.

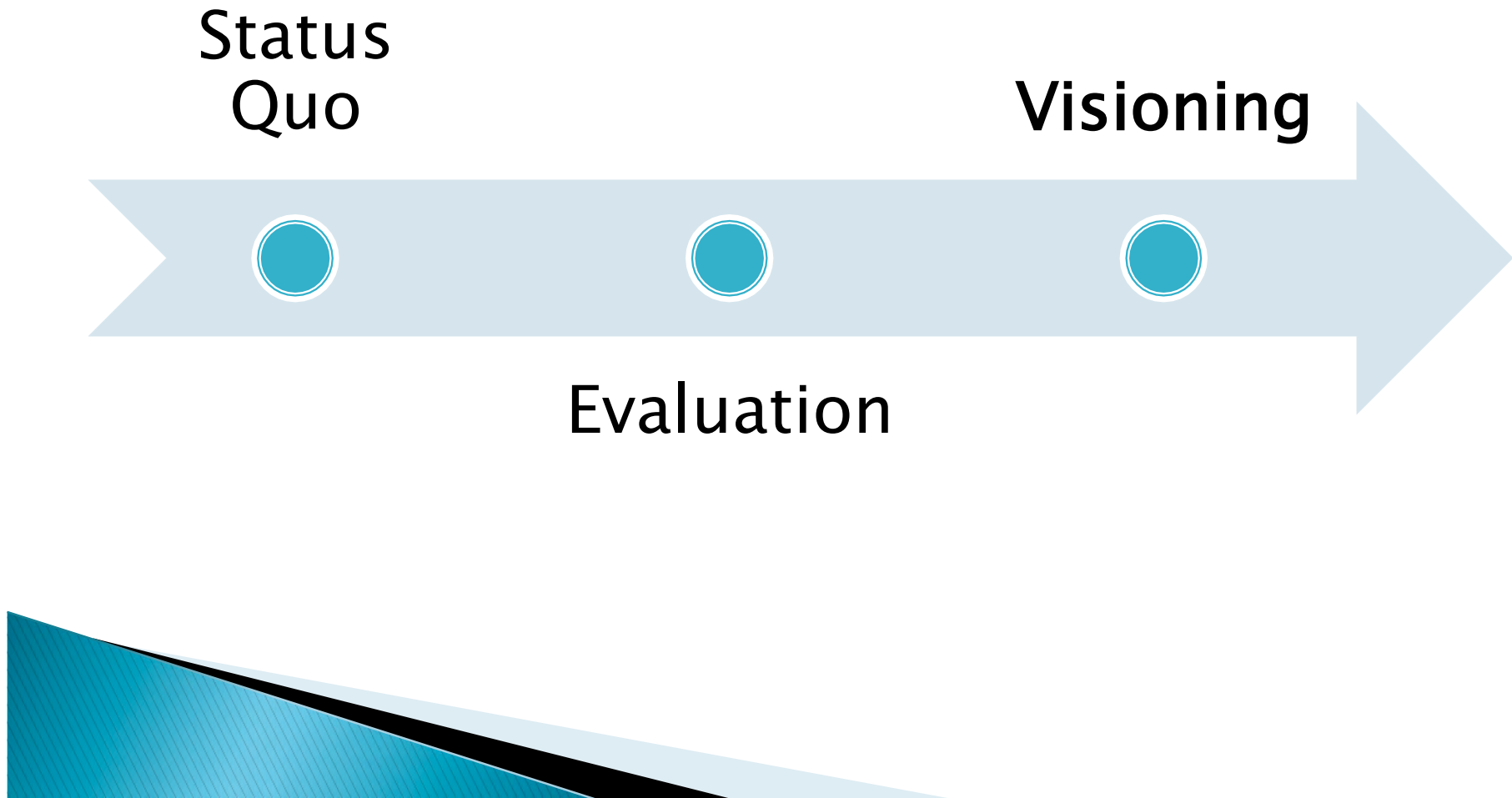


# Evaluation

- ▶ If an update of management objectives or strategies is indicated, Council and management partners could initiate management action.
- ▶ Process would be Council-driven, with stakeholder input through existing methods (public hearings, committee meetings, etc.)



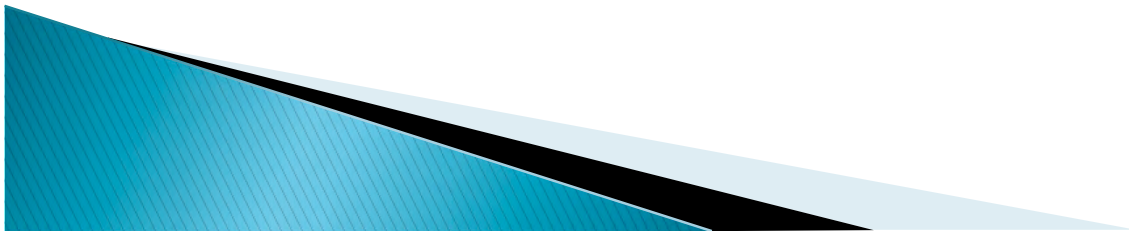
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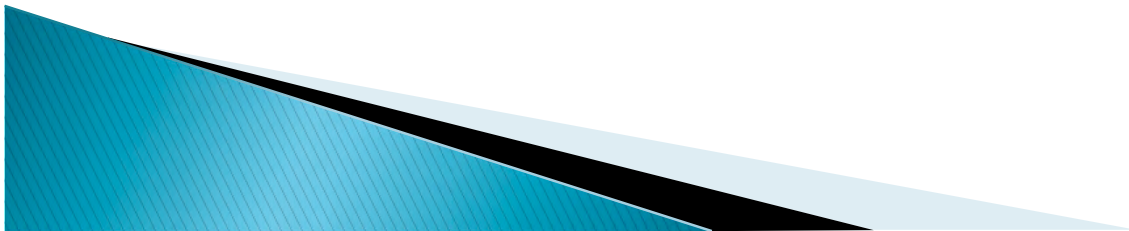
# Visioning

- ▶ Clearly defined management objectives are essential to effective fisheries management, regardless of the specific management model.
- ▶ Defining the question of what “we” (i.e. the Council, the public, etc.) want the fishery to look like is an inherently difficult question to answer at the regulatory table.



# Visioning

- ▶ Consider developing an updated Council vision for our FMPs based on a stakeholder-driven process.
- ▶ Consider using a combination of stakeholder (commercial, recreational, public) surveying and workshops to determine what the constituents want to see the fisheries look like in the future, and to assess what is working well and what can be improved within existing management plans.



# Visioning

- ▶ The information developed through a Council-initiated, stakeholder-driven visioning process could then be utilized to review and update the management goals for the FMPs. Management strategies could then be tailored to meet the updated goals and objectives, at which point catch shares would be one of many arrows in the quiver.

