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Lessons Learned - An Investor's Perspective

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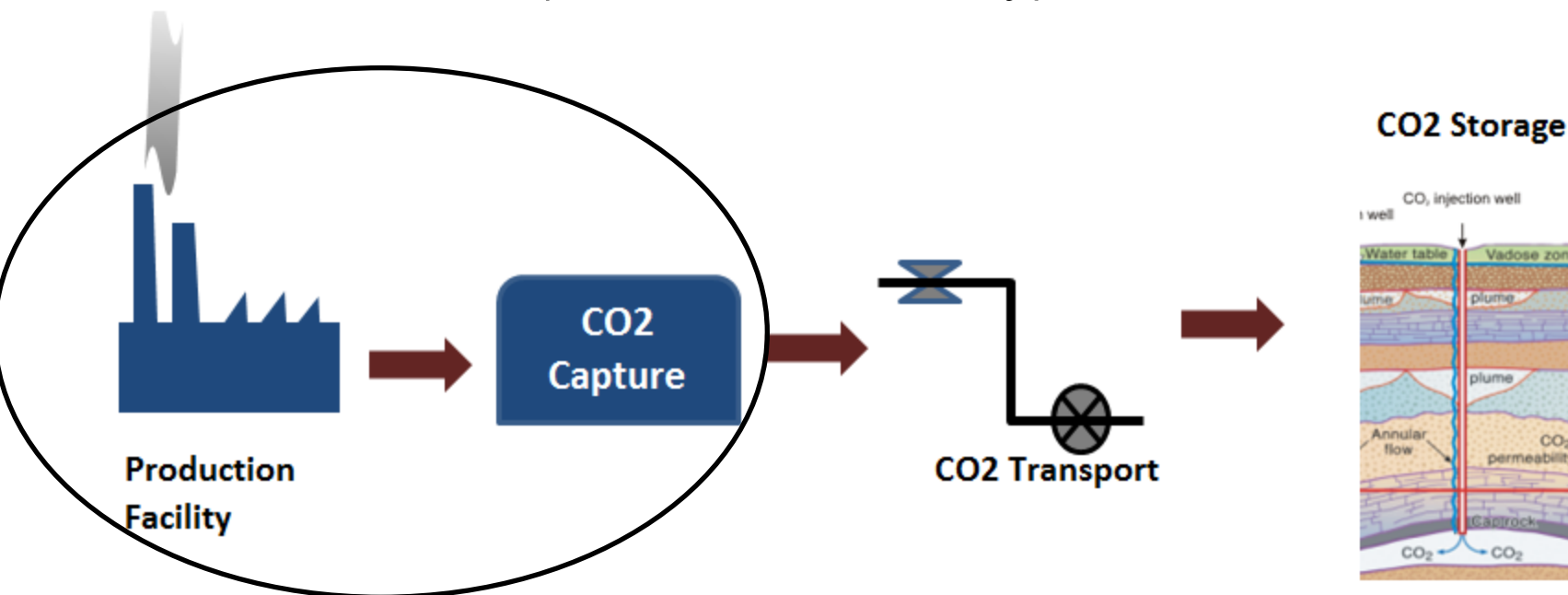
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Scope of Presentation

- ▶ Lessons Learned
- ▶ CCS Development Roadmap
- ▶ Differentiating Storage (S) and CO₂ Capture (CC) risks & uncertainties
- ▶ Management of Integrated CCS projects
- ▶ Investment decision making & due diligence
- ▶ Exploration strategy & programs for CO₂ Storage
- ▶ Review processes

CCS Supply Chain

- Project developers often focus on the value added industrial link (Production Facility) in the CCS chain



- Capture & transport are easy to study and evaluate
- **But without a cost effective, rate matched storage resource there is no CCS**

But many CCS projects have done just this

- **ZeroGen - Australian CCS Flagship Case Study:**
 - Coal fired power generation with CCS – commenced 2008.**
 - ▶ Power plant & CO₂ capture technology
 - Scale to be full industrial commercial (400 MW Net)
 - IGCC with pre-combustion capture
 - ▶ CO₂ storage
 - specified acreage granted (**not yet explored or characterised**)
 - No alternative resources for contingency
 - Regulations still to be developed
 - ▶ General
 - Schedule – fully operational in 2015.
 - **Project abandoned after investing ~ \$100 M because of insufficient suitable storage and high Capex (Plant)**

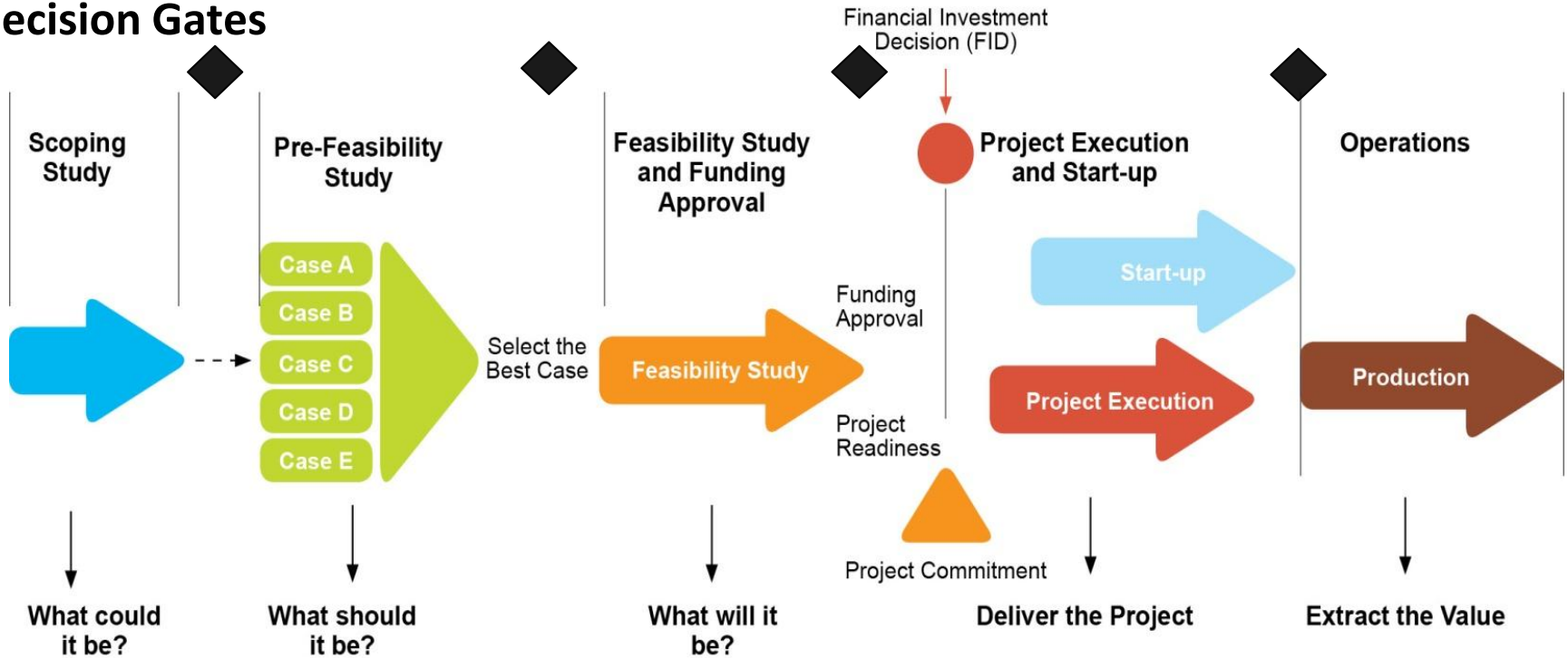
Lessons Learned from Coal Power Coal Power with CCS Demonstration

- CO₂ Storage is a natural resource, a **portfolio exploration and appraisal approach is needed**
- Measured management of pace (stage-gating) of “first-mover” projects is critical to success and wider deployment
- **Pre-FEED and feasibility risks and costs are heavily weighted to the search for storage**
- When defining storage resources requirements it is essential to understand the linkage between **injection rate requirements** versus **cumulative volume estimates**.
- High front-end engineering loading is needed for first-of-a-kind CO₂ capture technology applied to coal fired power is immature —
- Industrial-scale, coal fired power with CCS is not currently economic (absent a significant carbon price) and requires government support.

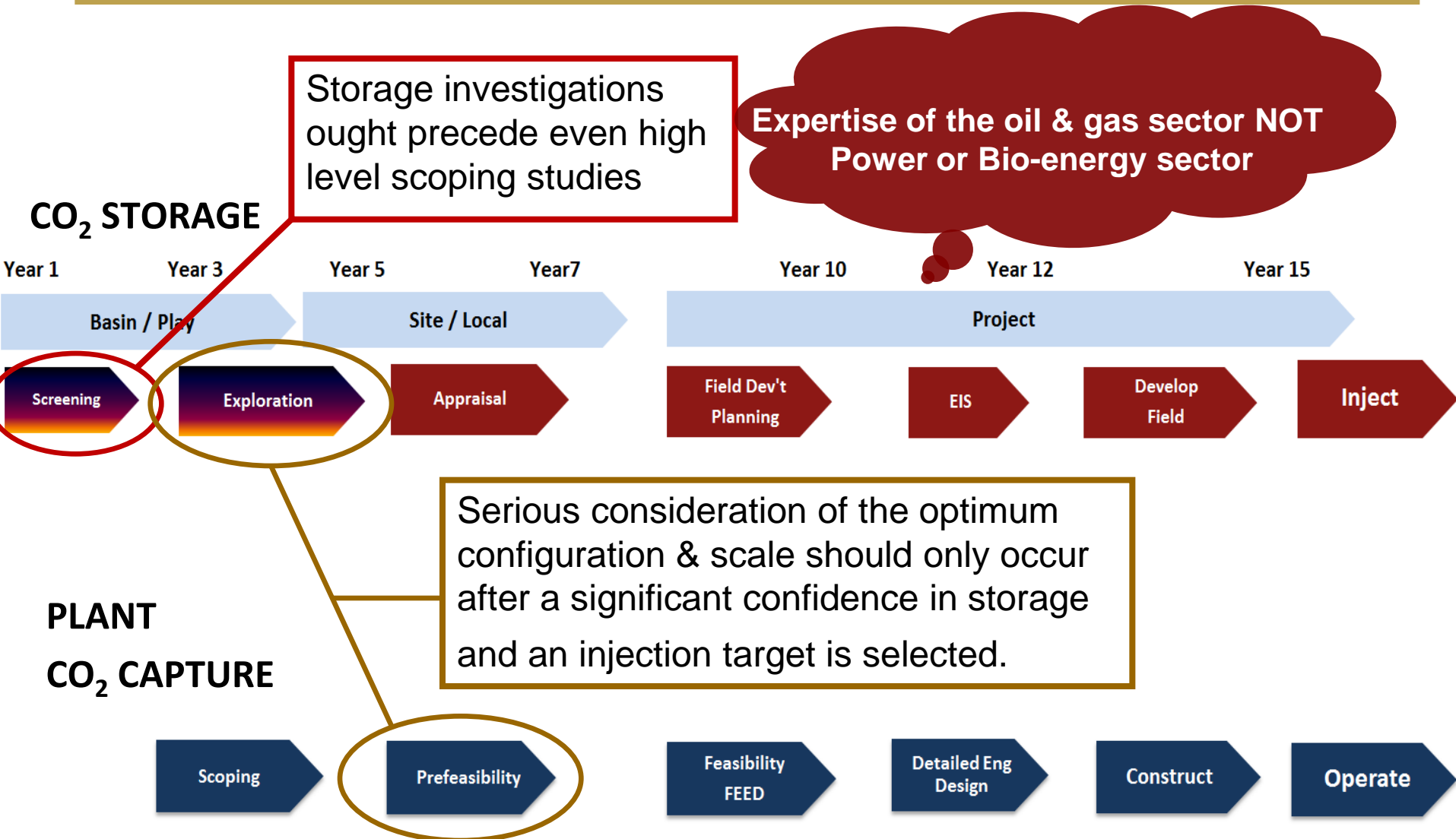
Project Development

2 common systems for phasing

Decision Gates



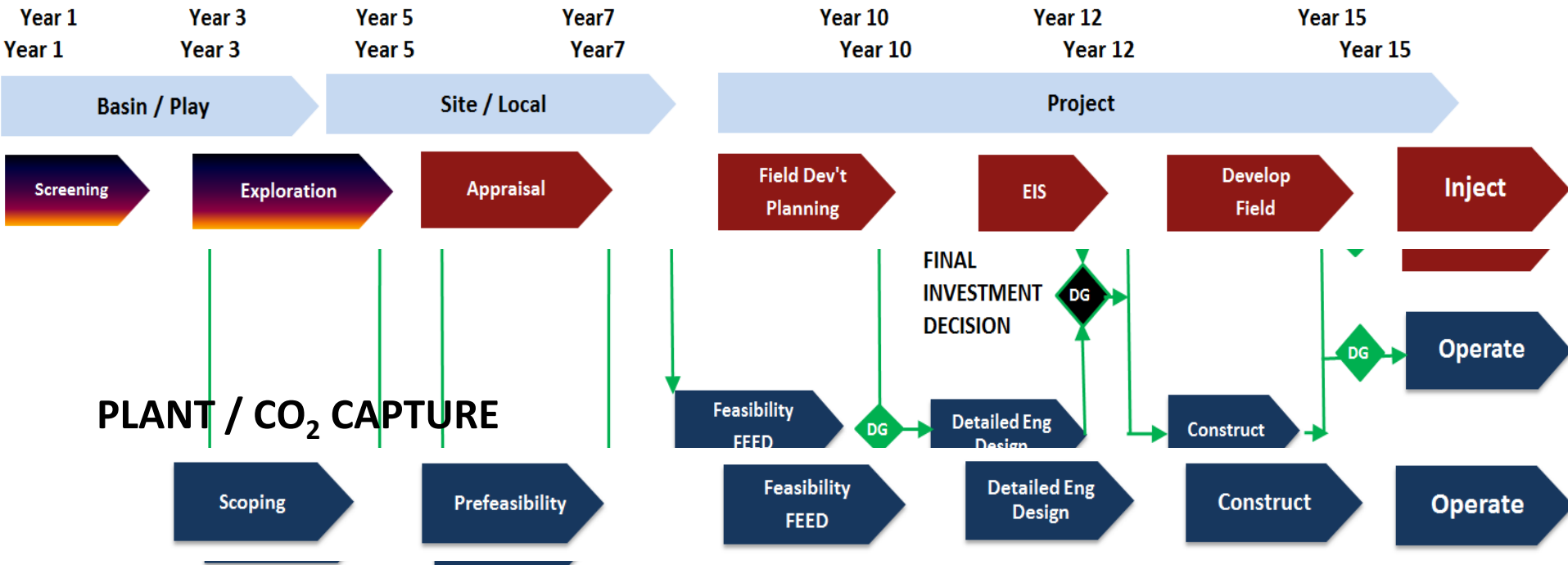
BUT CCS development needs to synchronise with the search for STORAGE



Integrated CCS Projects

From Sequencing to Investment Decision Framework

CO₂ STORAGE



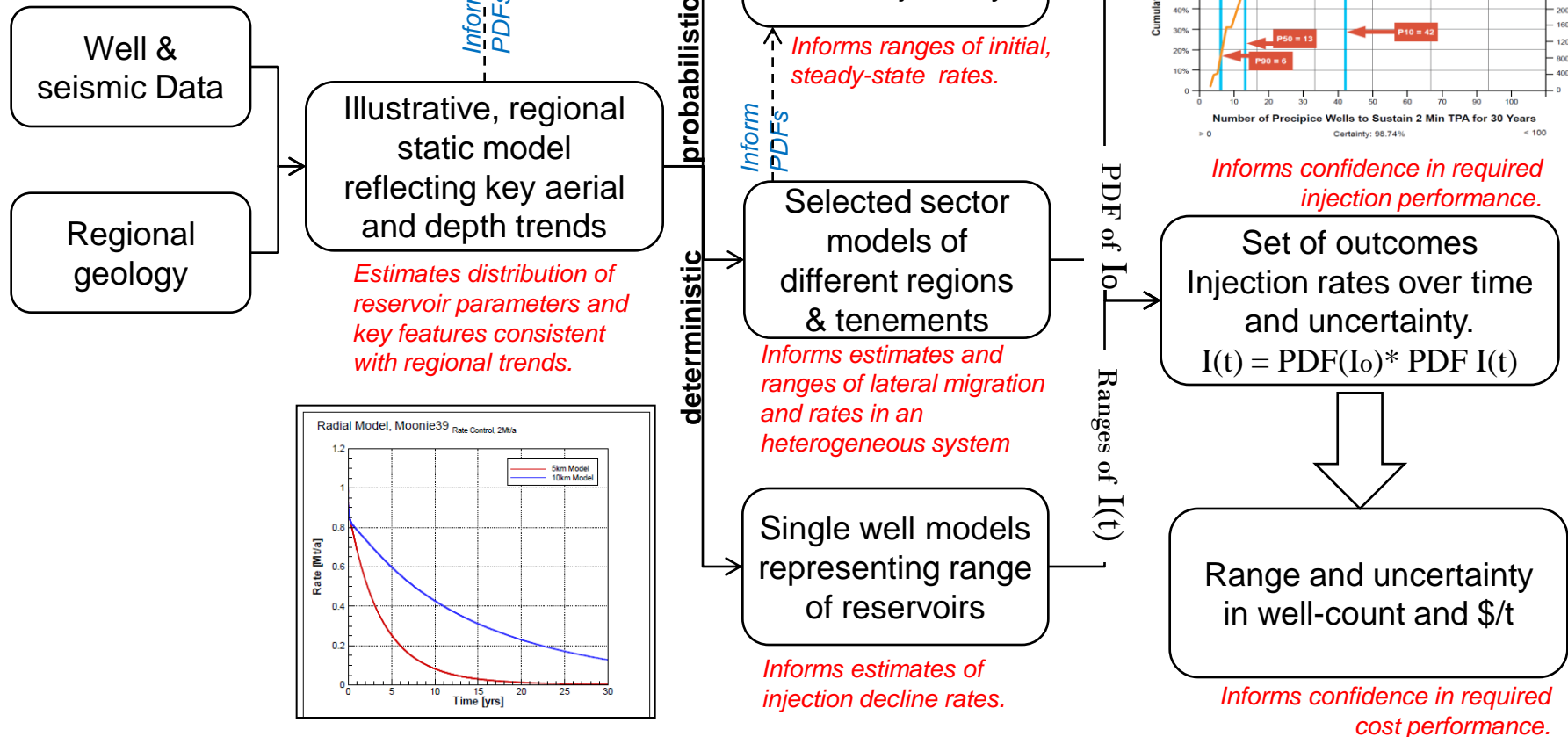
Each Decision Gate should be informed by competent, rigorous independent review

Storage Exploration & Appraisal Estimation Method Overview

Static model

Dynamic models

Economic model



- Need to establish confidence that in all cases X million tpa and 30 X million tonnes total can be injected for less than \$C /tonne – **Critical to establish rates and decline** early on ... and where !.
- Main 2 technical uncertainties on economics
 - Absolute (in-situ) permeability including the ‘upscaling’ effect of local and far-field heterogeneity
 - Pressure build up (injection decline) as a function of time.
- Injectivity data acquisition must focus on:-
 - **DYNAMIC (water) TESTS**
 - Calibration of absolute, in-situ, k
 - Calibration of contributing net (NTG & h_{gross}) e.g. PLT/spinner
 - Extended Well Tests - detecting barriers out to approximately 3-4km.
 - **CALIBRATION**
 - Acquisition of complimentary core & log to form calibration set with tests and
 - Calibrate the non-tested intervals
 - achieve a reduction in future expensive dynamic testing.

- **CCS Projects require a stage gated development** in which effort and dollars are invested to reduce risk and uncertainty so as to justify investment in future stages
- **Storage resources must underpin any CCS project** – Finding and characterising storage represents the highest risk & investment prior to FID for an integrated CCS project.
- **Storage, capture and transport studies must be synchronised** to a logic such that each informs investment decisions about the other.
- Main 2 technical uncertainties on storage economics
 - Insitu **permeability** incl. local and far-field **heterogeneity**
 - Pressure build up (**injection decline**) as a function of time.
- Storage capacity **probability distribution of injection rate & cost** over time cannot be determined without exploration wells over the target site, production (or injection) tests and dynamic modelling.