



# Ruffe Control Program Review

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Requested by National ANS Task Force

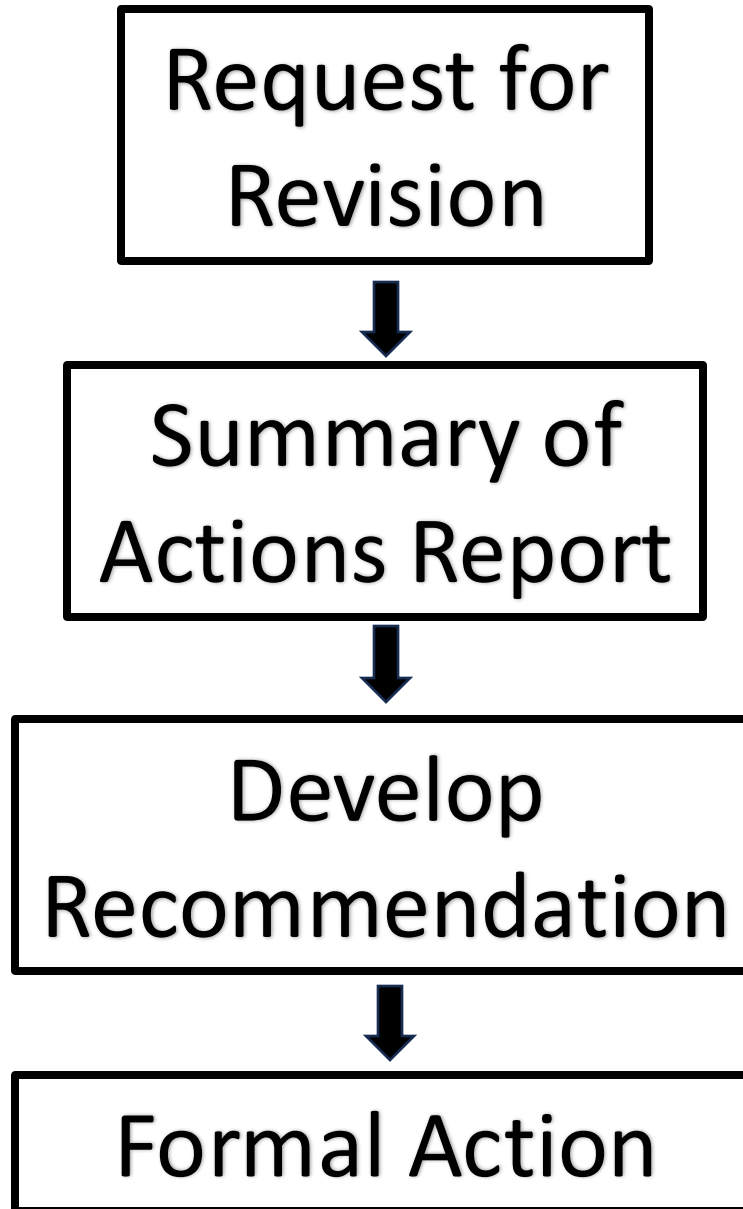
Based on documented information and data

First time considering archiving an ANS plan

Work with appropriate panel established by ANS Task Force (GLP)

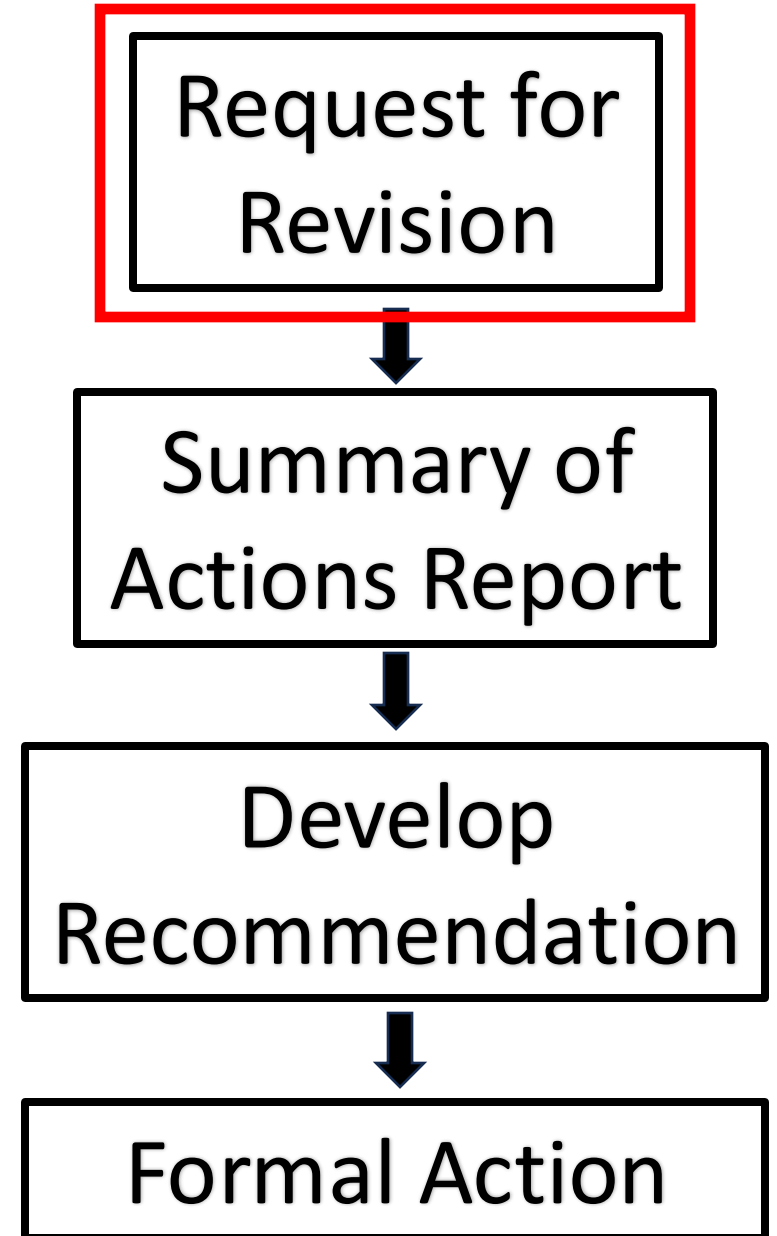
Goal: Provide multiple opportunities for input and comments and provide a recommendation to the National ANS Task Force

# Timeline



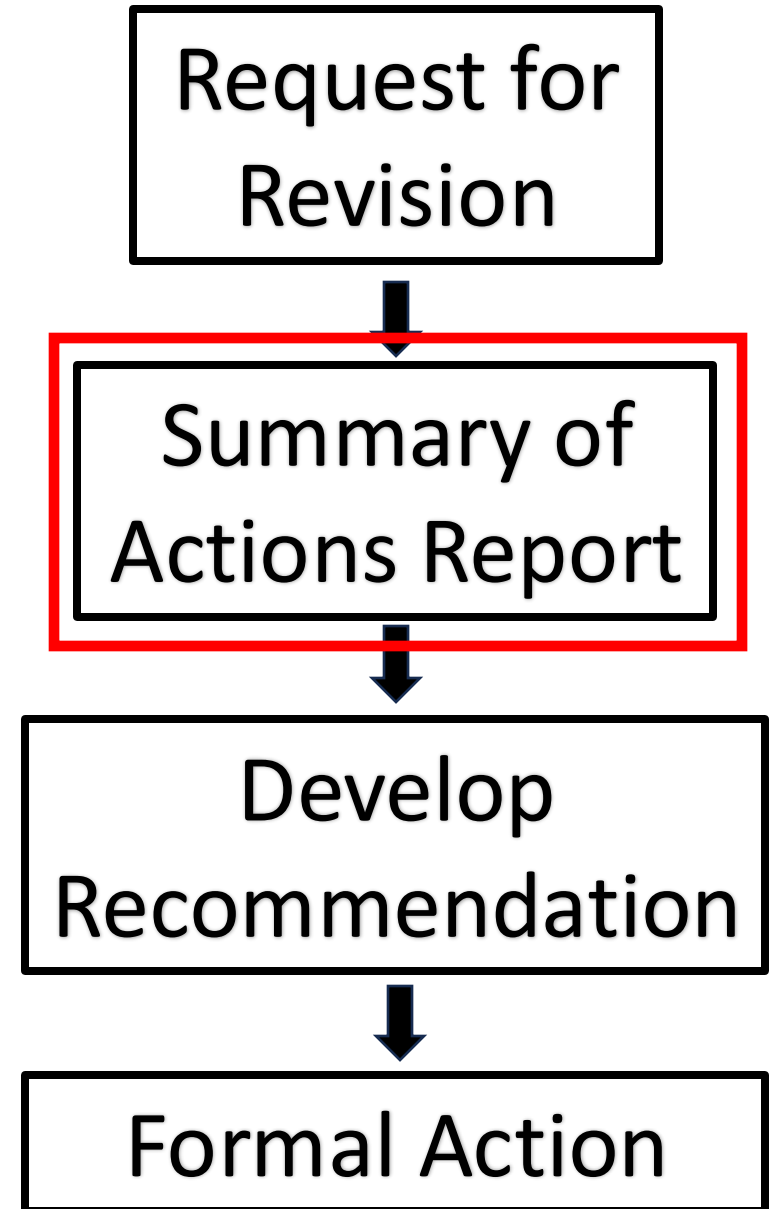
# Timeline

- 2022
  - National ANS Task Force approaches FWS with a request for revising the Ruffe Control Program
  - Plan last updated in 1997.
  - Determined a need for compiling research and management actions which had occurred since 1997



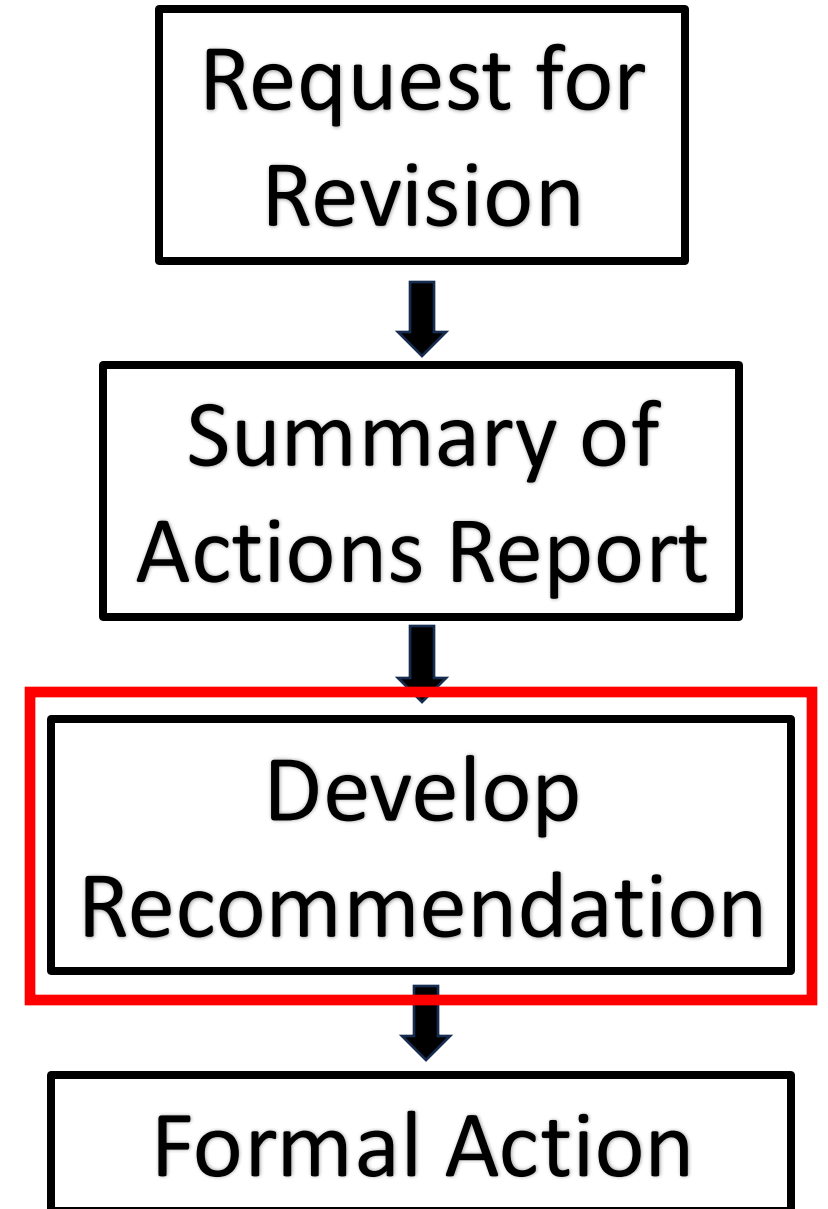
# Timeline

- 2023
  - January - March
    - Summary report needed
  - April-September
    - Gathered info
    - GL agency consultations
  - September
    - First draft completed
    - Internal FWS document review
  - October
    - Incorporated feedback
  - November
    - Presented at Great Lakes Panel Meeting for ANS
    - Report distributed for review to Great Lakes partners
- 2024
  - January
    - Incorporated external feedback
    - Finalized report



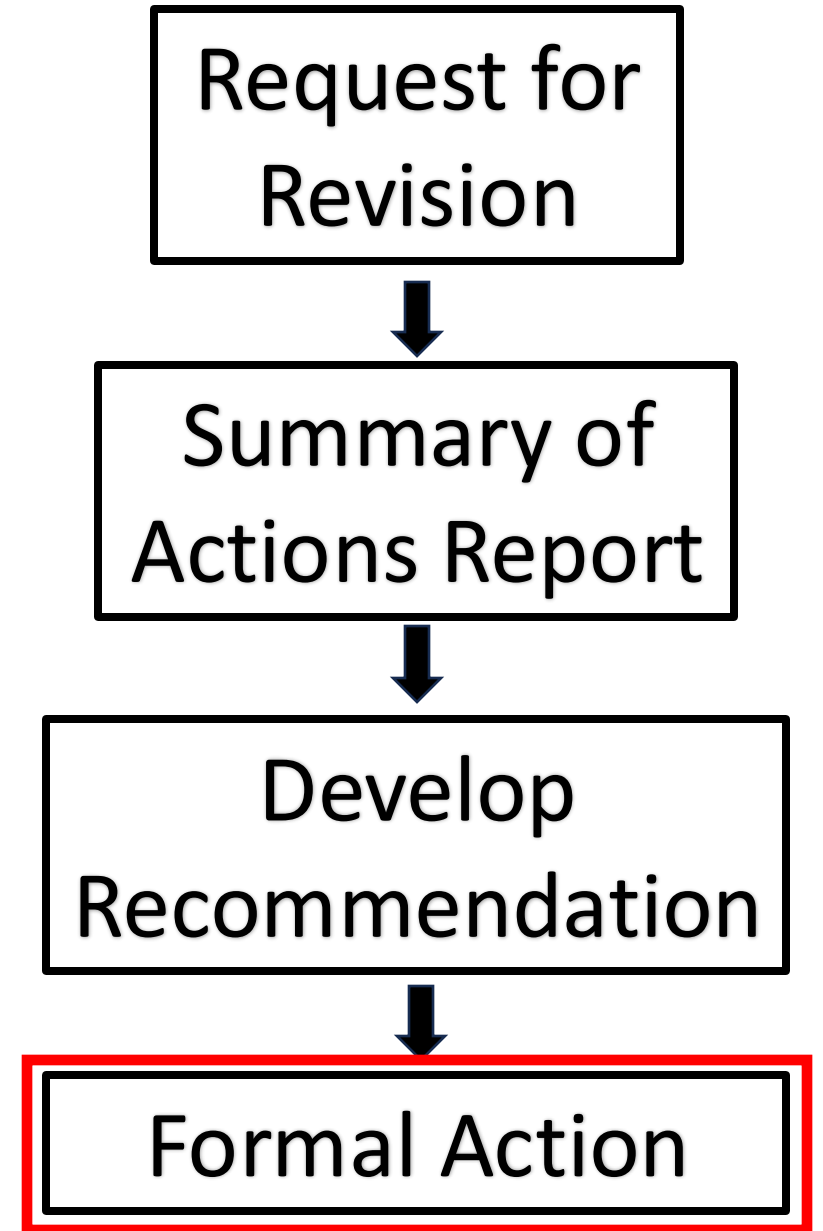
# Timeline

- 2024
  - February
    - Presented report at GL IEDRR meeting
    - Begin conversation on FWS recommendations
  - April
    - Draft recommendations letter completed
    - Presented to GLP & CLC in webinar
  - May
    - Letter comment period
  - June
    - GLP formal action



# Timeline

- 2024
  - July/August
    - FWS and GLP will work collaboratively to deliver Ruffe document package to National ANS Task Force
      - Summary of Actions Report
      - FWS Letter of Rec
      - GLP documents
  - November
    - National ANS Task Force formal action



# Questions

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