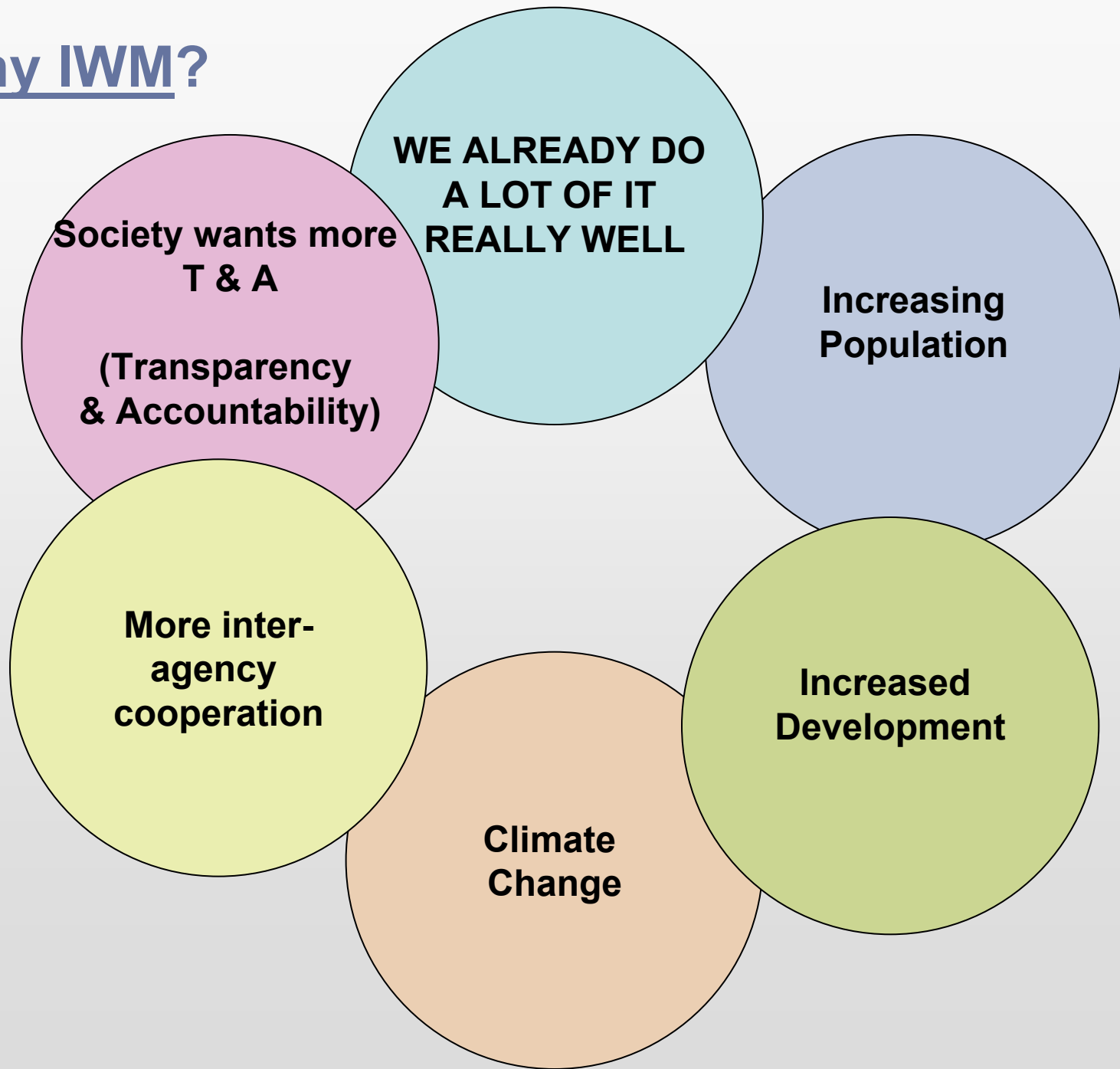


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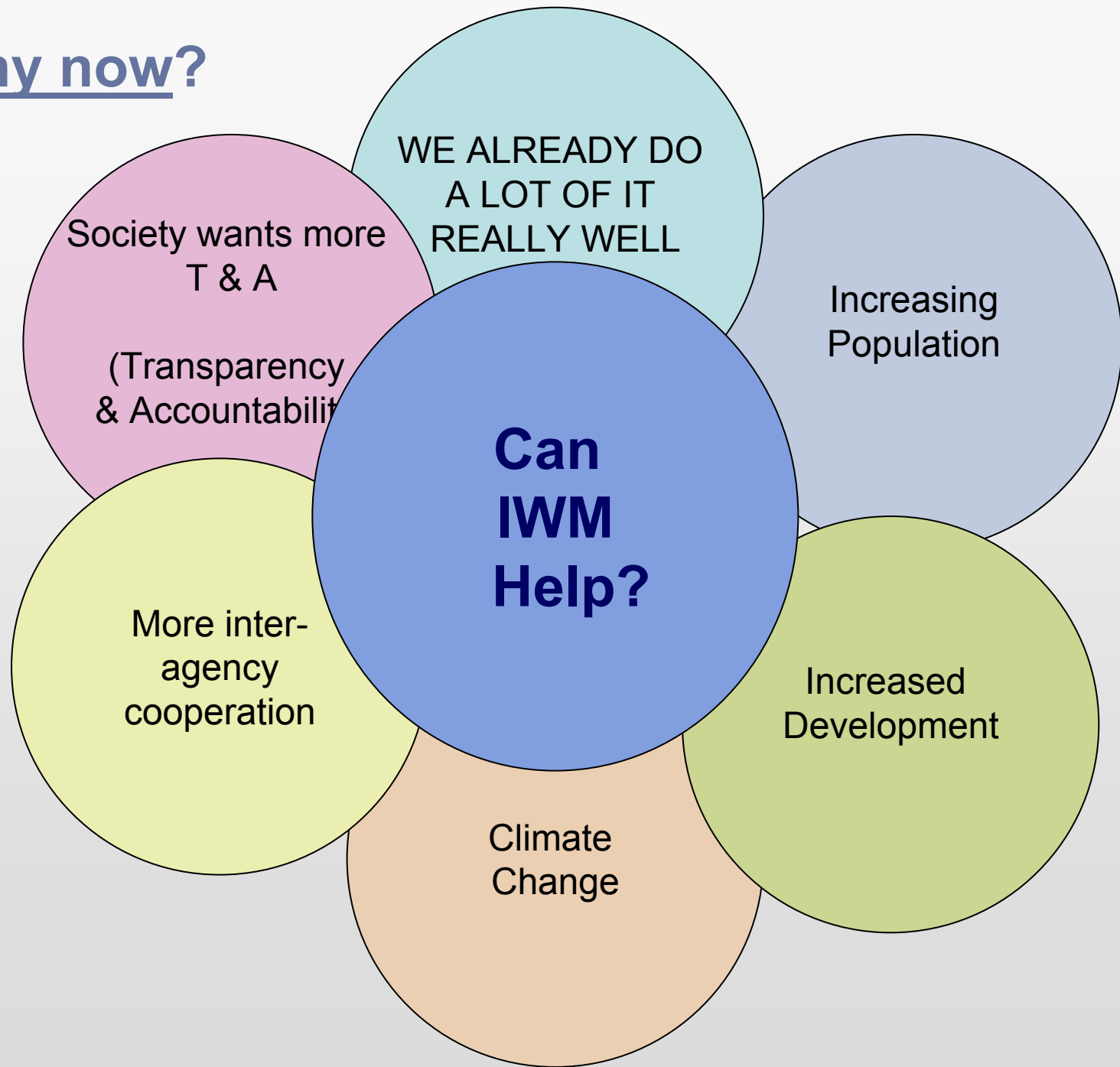


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Why IWM?



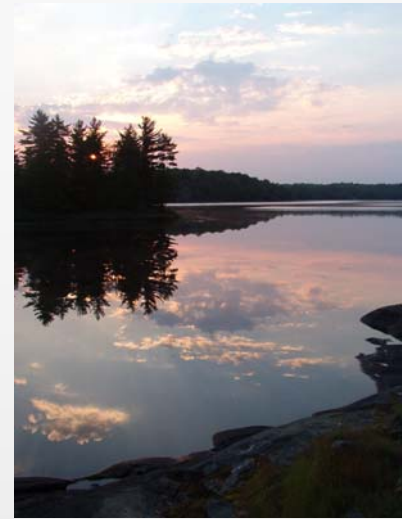
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Some Thoughts from the OHI

We are here today as a neutral facilitator but we think that:

- **IWM might help society look upstream in a more holistic manner**
- **IWM might help address existing headwater policy gaps**
- **IWM might help us develop and incorporate headwater metrics into watershed report cards**



Format for the Day



- **Current Conditions**
- **Key Challenges**
- **Existing Strengths and Future Goals**
- **Community Consultation, and**
- **Closing Plenary**

**Personally, I am
very optimistic**



- **Ontario has a strong ethic and positive history regarding stewardship;**
- **We have core programs in place, from CAs and the CWA to the GLWQA, SARA, & the Bio-diversity Strategy, etc; and,**
- **There is a wave of support for the improved protection of water that will only crest as we become hotter and more crowded**

...It is now my pleasure to introduce Minister Jeffrey