



Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative

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Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Update Climate Leaders Meeting

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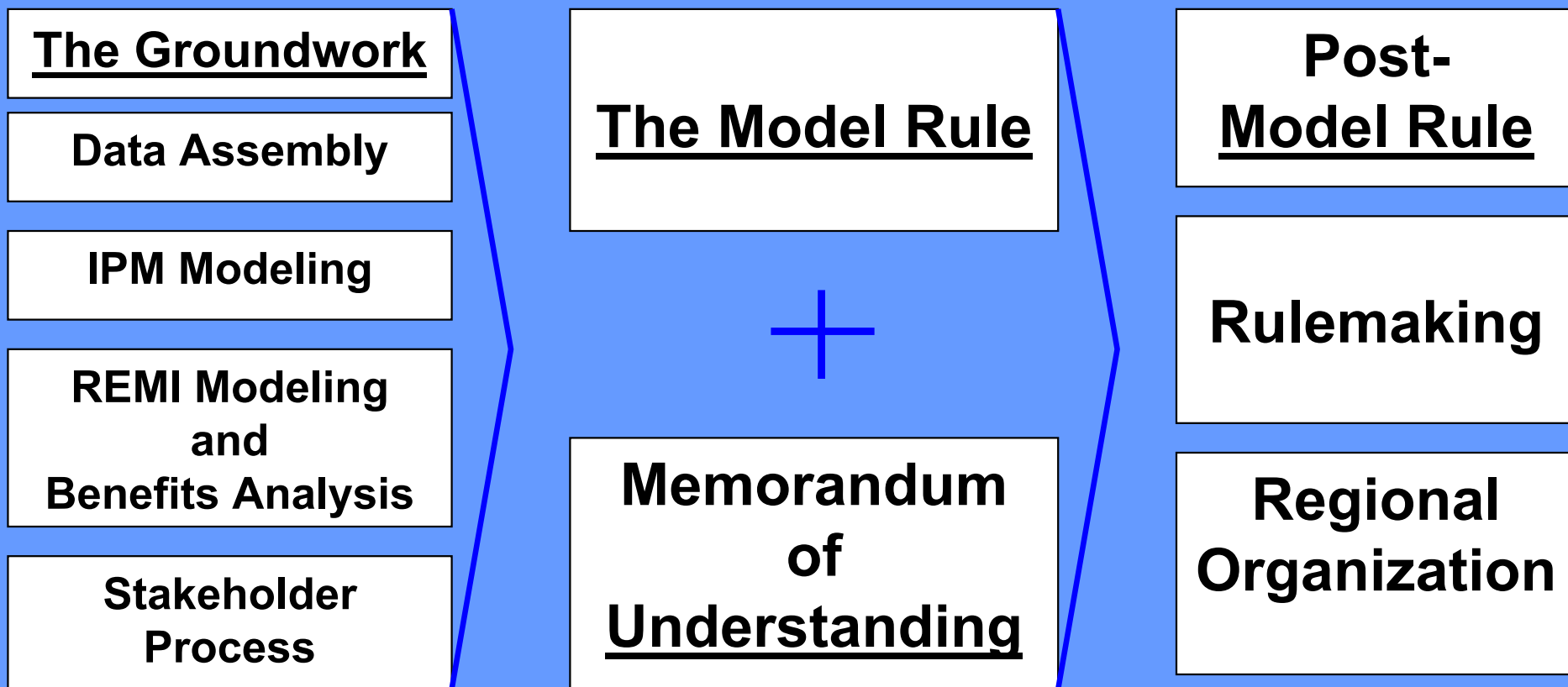
Goal of RGGI

Design a Regional
Cap-and-Trade
Program Initially
Covering CO₂
Emissions from
Power Plants.





RGGI Process





RGGI Groundwork

The Groundwork

Data Assembly



IPM Modeling

**REMI Modeling
and
Benefits Analysis**

**Stakeholder
Process**

- Identify Sources
- Gather emissions data
- Gather generation data



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- Estimate Impact on Electricity System:
 - Prices
 - Fuel mix
 - Allowance prices
 - New builds



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- Estimate Impact on Economy:
 - Jobs
 - Growth
 - Identify Industries that will Benefit



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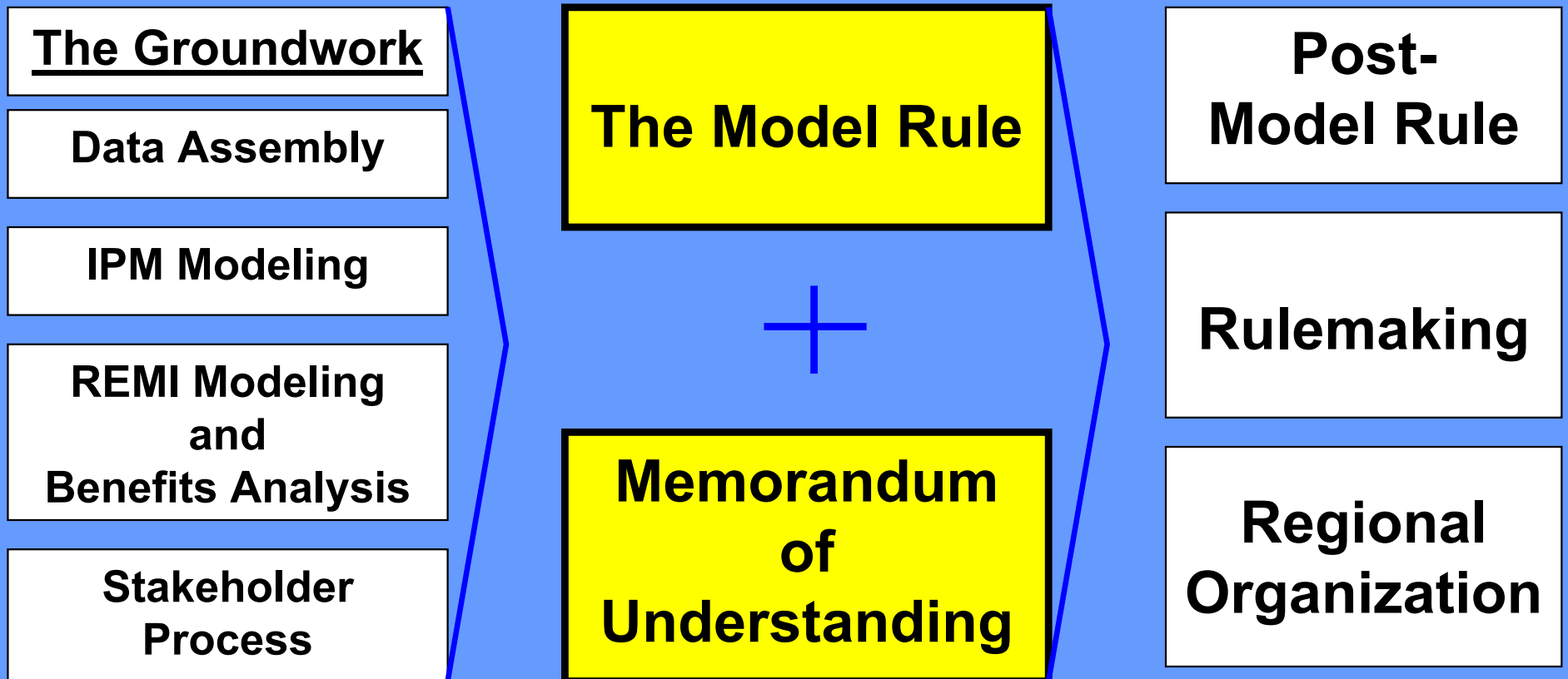
Stakeholder
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- Formal Stakeholder Group with Subgroups
- Informal Stakeholder Outreach
- Individual State Processes—Like NY's
- Website—www.rggi.org
- Resource Panel



RGGI Process





Key Components of Model Rule & MOU

The Model Rule



**Memorandum
of
Understanding**

- **Regional Cap Size**
- **State Allowance Budgets (State Caps)**
- **Offsets**
- **Allocation of Allowances**
- **Regional Body**



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RGGI Homestretch

Pocantico Agency Heads' Conference



Early July Agency Heads' Meeting



Reach Agreement on Draft Model Rule & MOU



Draft Model Rule "Tour"



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