

# **ANS** Meetings **IT'S GO TIME**

Creating Momentum Toward Transformational Change

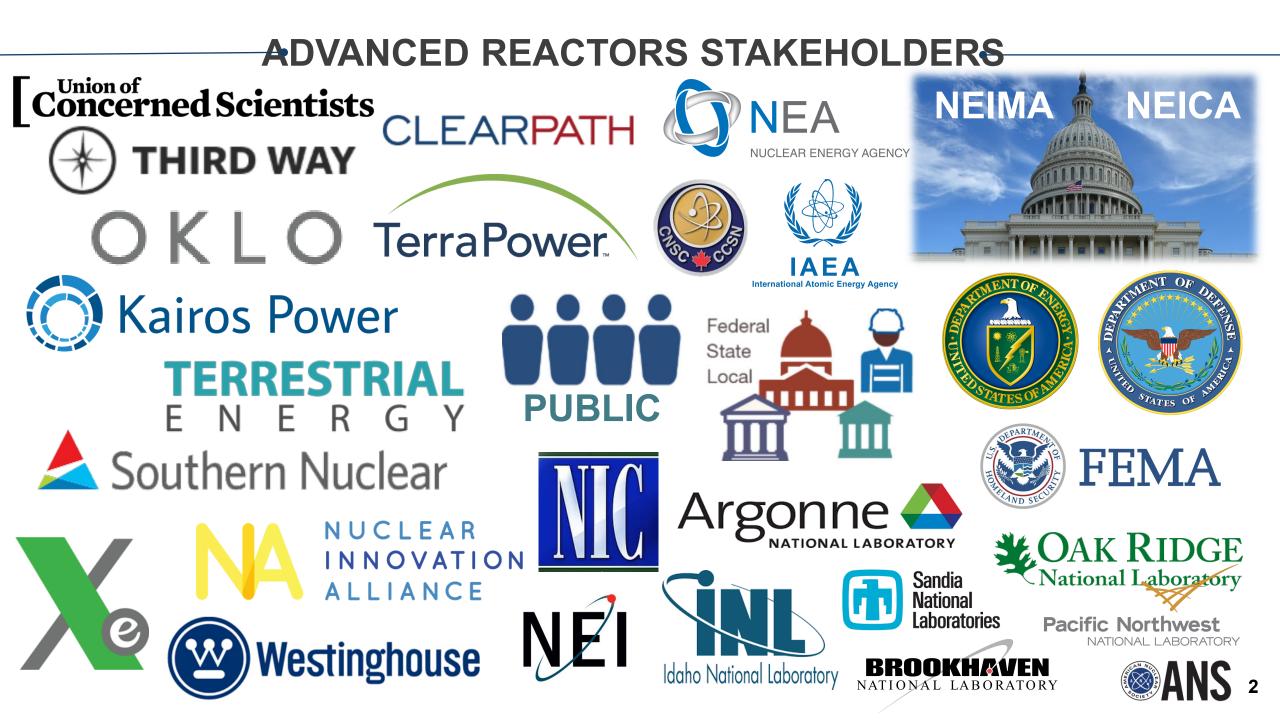
# Modern Risk-Informed Regulatory Framework

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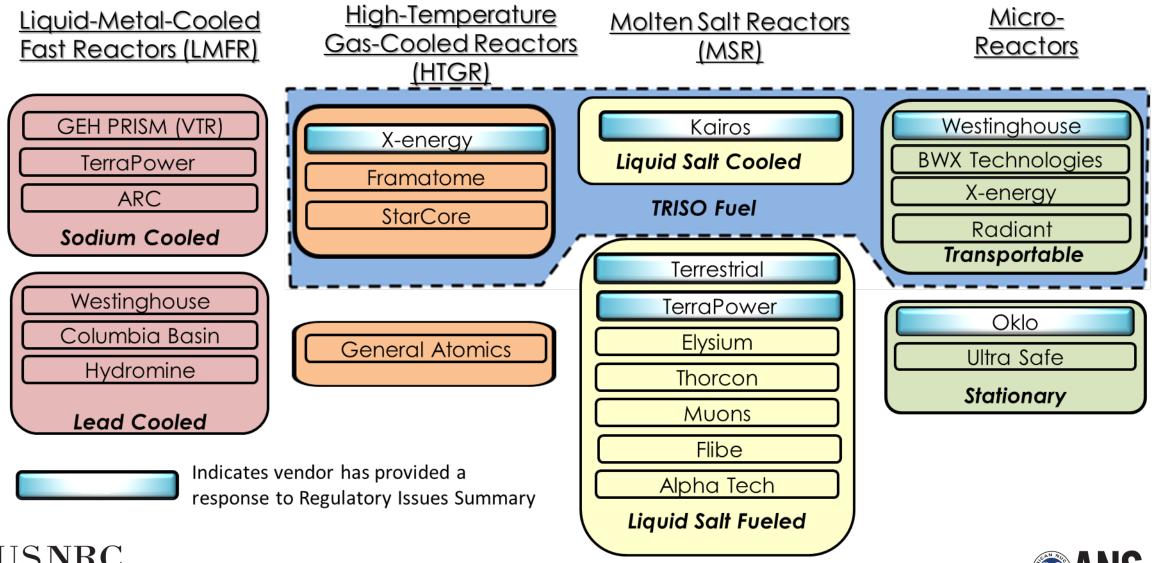
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## **Broad Landscape of Designs**



Protecting People and the Envir



# **Advanced Reactor Vision and Strategy**

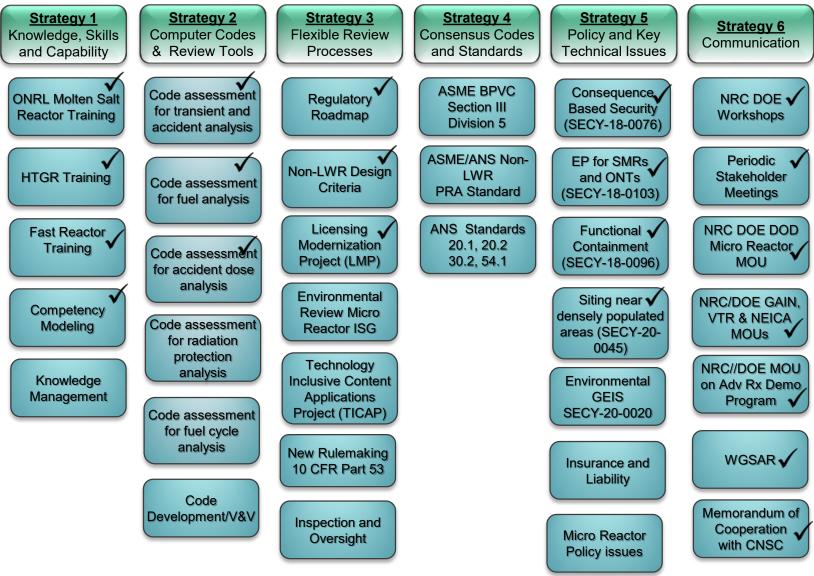


#### We Make SAFE Use of Nuclear Technology POSSIBLE





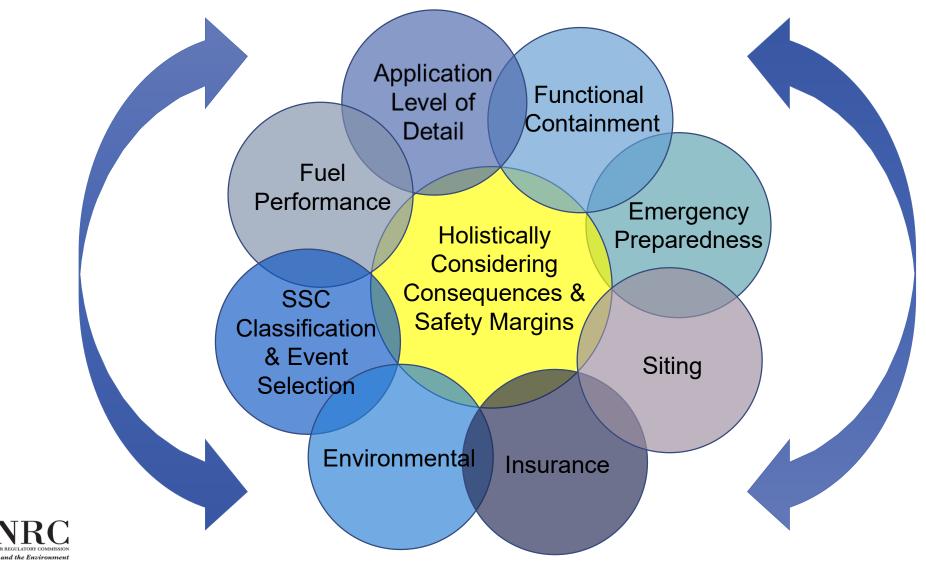
### **Advanced Reactor Readiness**





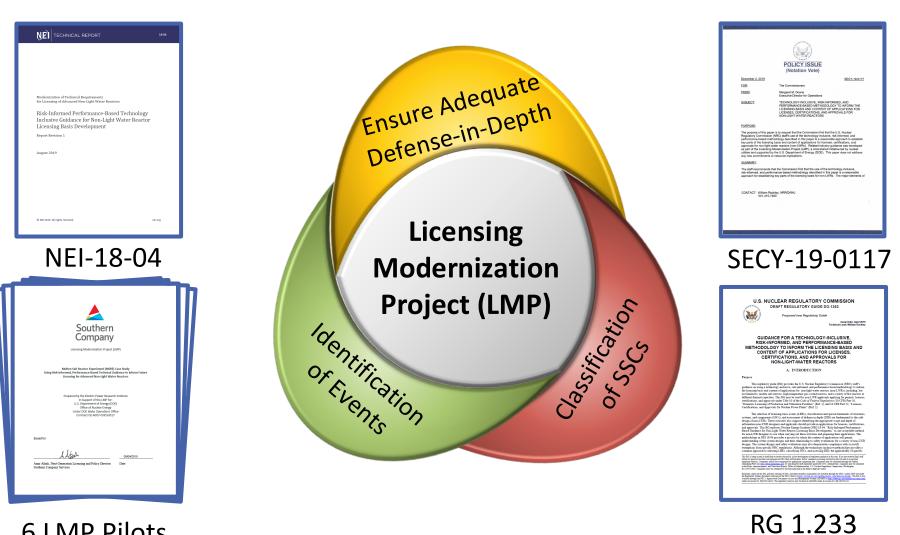


## Facilitating Innovation with an Integrated Safety Approach





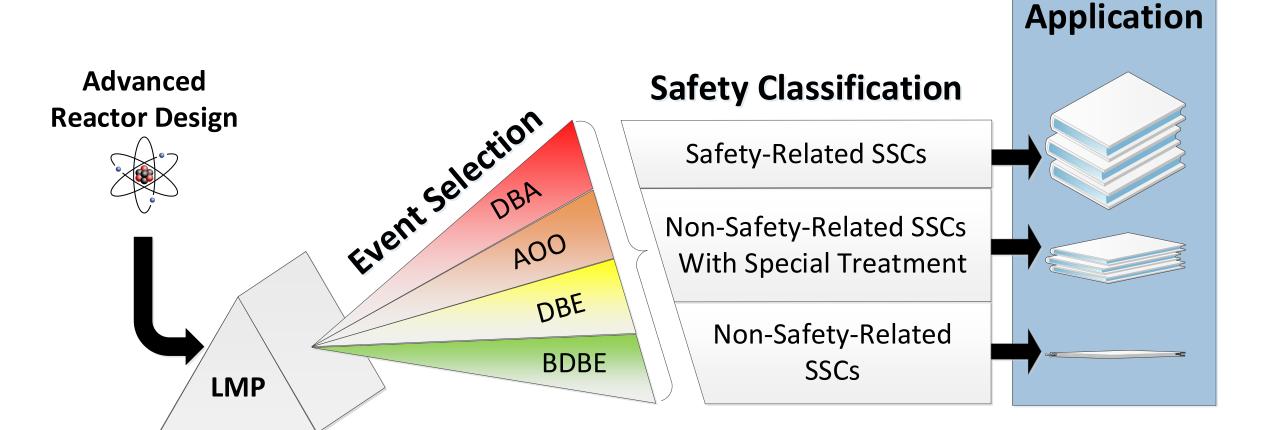
# **Developing a Modern Risk-Informed Framework**



6 LMP Pilots



# **Risk-Informing the Content of Applications**







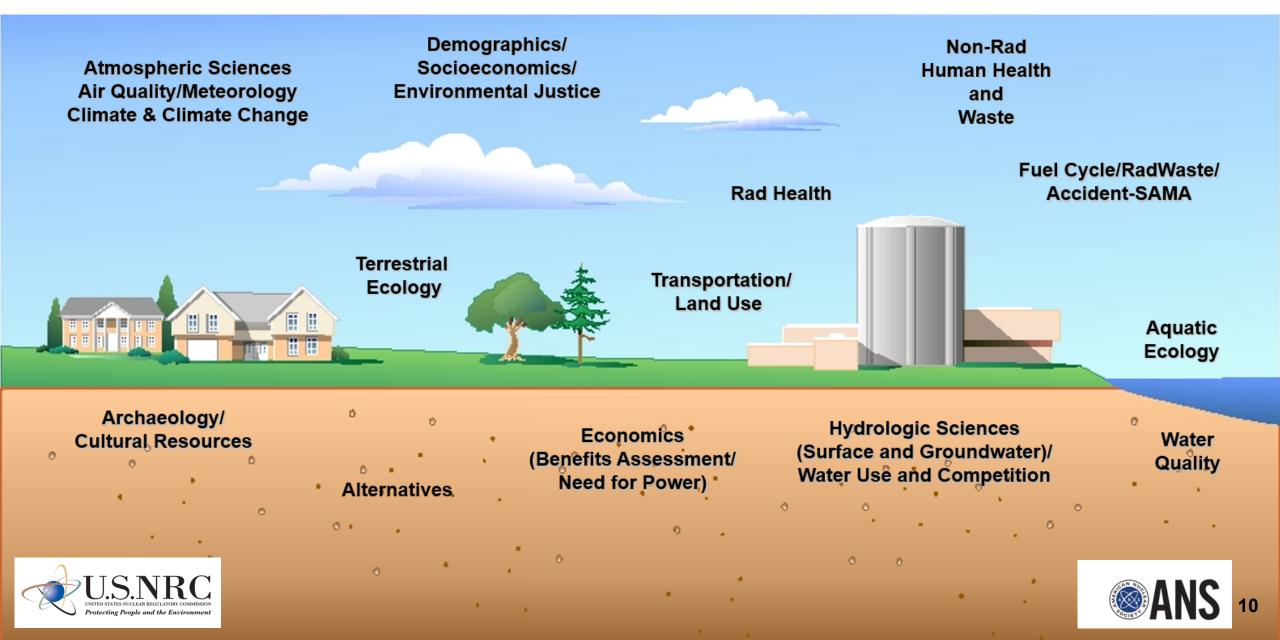
### Pathway to New Regulatory Framework

- "Part 53"
  - NEIMA required rulemaking to establish a technology-inclusive, riskinformed and performance based regulatory framework
- Rulemaking Plan Issued in April 2020 SECY-20-0032
- Builds on current activities including the Licensing Modernization Project
- Significant stakeholder engagement planned





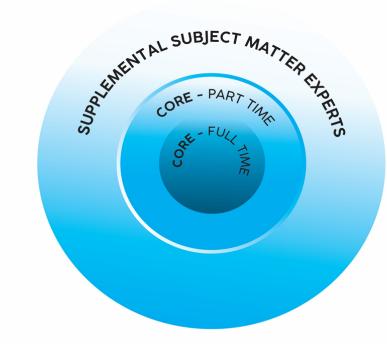
## **Modernizing the Environmental Review**



## **Executing Strategies for Near-Term Reviews**

- OKLO Aurora COL application docketed
- Preapplication reviews underway
  - Meetings/White papers/Topical reports
- Timely and effective reviews
  - Core review team
  - Integrated safety review to reach reasonable assura protection finding
  - Exemptions where appropriate for non-LWR technologies
- Guidance available
  - Advanced Reactor Design Criteria (RG 1.232)
  - Licensing Modernization Project (RG 1.233)
  - ISG for environmental review
- Key policy issues resolved
  - Functional containment
  - Risk-informed event selection
  - SSC classification
  - Defense-in-depth

OKLO INTEGRATED REVIEW — PROJECT TEAM STRUCTURE



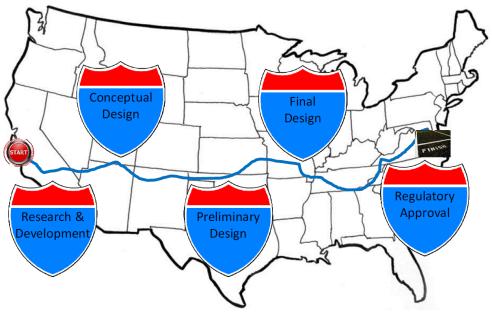
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### **Pre-Application Engagement is Encouraged**

- Regulatory Review Roadmap
  - Encourages early engagement with NRC
  - Stresses use of Regulatory Engagement Plans
  - Interact in meetings or in review of white papers, technical reports, topical reports, etc.



- Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2017-08
  - Request pre-application and application plans
- Robust pre-application engagement program
  - May lead to shorter and more predictable review schedules





### References

#### NRC's Advanced Reactor Website

 <u>https://www.nrc.gov/reactors/new-</u> <u>reactors/advanced.html</u>



