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# CATS

## Central Arizona Transmission Study Process

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# What Does CATS Provide?

- A common foundation for planning
- Forum for technical discussions and resolution of problems
- Long range plan with regional benefits
- Basis to develop projects

# Concepts for CATS Work

- **Volunteer organization supported by its members - No staff**
- **Everyone allowed to participate**
- **No ideas turned down**
- **Rely as much as possible on technical studies done in other forums**
- **Generally entities that want specific studies have to do the work or arrange for it to be done**

# CATS Studies

- **Focus on regional needs**
- **Consider a variety of alternatives**
- **Comply with NERC & WECC standard, guidelines, procedures and policies**
- **Follow mutually agreed to study plan**
- **Work from common data base**
- **Results are made public in annual report**
- **Document results:**
  - **Summary report**
  - **Individual reports**

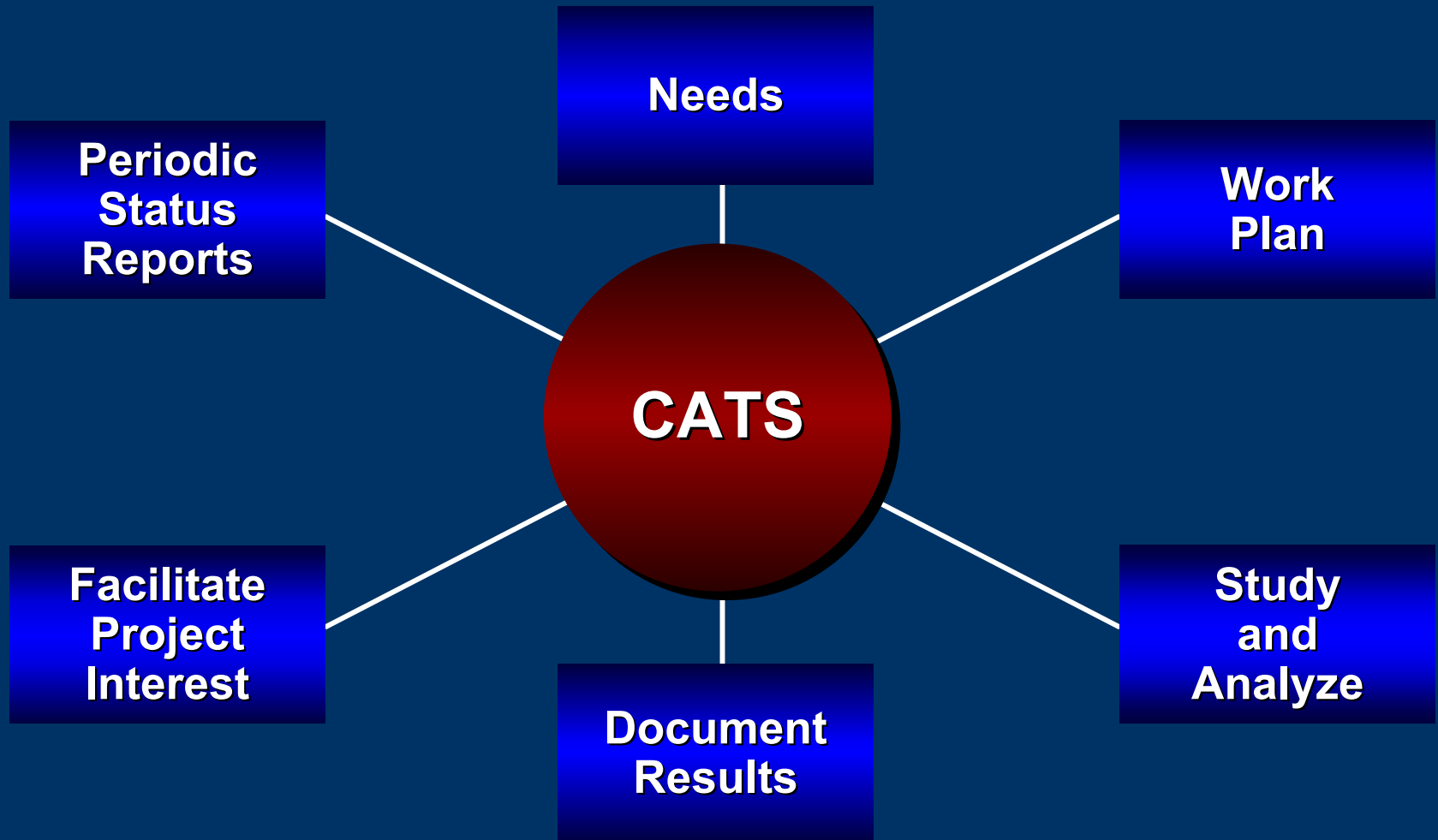
# Study Plan

- **Need and purpose**
- **Objectives**
- **Information and data base requirements**
- **Methodology**
- **Resource requirements & study responsibilities**
- **Schedule**

# **Work Closely with Regulatory and Government Agencies to:**

- **Gain input and insight concerning energy policies and other issues**
- **Provide input to the various regulatory and governmental agencies primarily through the involvement of personnel at CATS meetings**
- **Help enhance and streamline facility permitting processes.**

# CATS Annual Cycle



# End Results of CATS

- **Communication**
- **Coordination**
- **Information**
- **Consensus**
- **A BETTER PLAN FOR THE FUTURE**