



## Public Power Cybersecurity Roadmap

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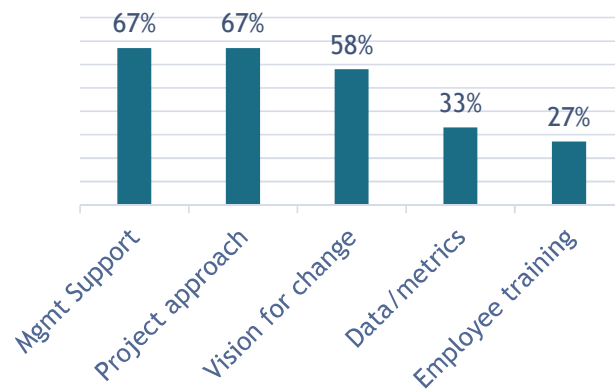
# Overview

- ▶ About the Cybersecurity Roadmap Advisory Council
- ▶ Initial findings from the CRAC team
- ▶ Introduction to the Public Power Cybersecurity Roadmap
- ▶ Next Steps

# Public Power Cybersecurity Roadmap Advisory Council

## Designed approach to cybersecurity maturity implementation

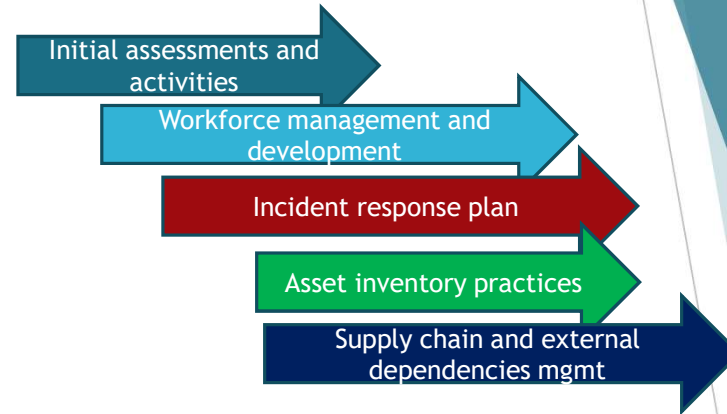
- ▶ Establish management buy-in
  - ▶ Security program
  - ▶ Budget and resources
- ▶ Assess the need and set the vision



- Prioritize and treat cybersecurity maturity like a project
- Develop successful employee training
- Establish data/metrics for security program

# Public Power Cybersecurity Roadmap

- ▶ Clear actions and outputs for small- to med-public power utilities
- ▶ Focused on priority pathways



Function	Category	ID
Identify	Asset Management	ID.AM
	Business Environment	ID.BE
	Governance	ID.GV
	Risk Assessment	ID.RA
	Risk Management Strategy	ID.RM
Protect	Supply Chain Risk Management	ID.SC
	Identity Management	TIER 1
	Access Control	TIER 2
	Awareness and Training	TIER 3
	Data Security	
Detect	Information Protection Processes & Procedures	
	Maintenance	
	Protective Technology	
	Anomalies and Event Monitoring	
	Security Continuous Monitoring	
Respond	Detection Processes	
	Response Planning	
	Communications	
Recover	Analysis	
	Mitigation Improvements	
	Recovery Planning	RC.RP
Recover	Improvements	RC.IM
	Communications	RC.CO

- Driven by Cybersecurity Roadmap Advisory Council
- Informed by industry

Public Power Cybersecurity Roadmap bridges the gap between assessment and action.

Initial assessments and activities

## Getting Started on the Roadmap Path

- ▶ Target profile for small-to-medium public power utilities
- ▶ Dedicate time to planning, especially risk assessment and measurement
- ▶ Perform baseline assessment and consider independent review/assessment
- ▶ Follow a risk-based approach
- ▶ Gain senior management support and buy-in
- ▶ Establish a project-based approach to cybersecurity
  - ▶ Develop cybersecurity strategy
  - ▶ Create data and metrics to measure security program
  - ▶ Prioritize actions to take
  - ▶ Create a project management plan
  - ▶ Include communications, outreach, and continuous learning



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Workforce management and development

## Developing a culture of awareness and building knowledge

### Assess

- ID weak knowledge areas
- Consider independent assessments

### Policies

- Data classification
- Incident response
- Password mgmt
- Enforcement strategies

### Organizational Design

- Cybersecurity lead with appropriate org purview
- Create clear roles and responsibilities for security

### Training

- Security training strategy
- Incentives for staff
- Educate board/leadership via workshop or dedicated training

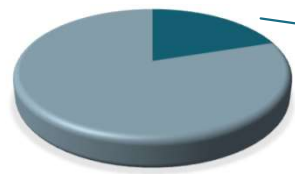
### Outreach and Partnerships

- Regular staff and key stakeholder communication
- Real examples, creative messaging
- Contacts with cyber groups and law enforcement
- Education/training partnership with local educational institutions

# Why is (organizational) Change Management so important to cybersecurity projects?

Focus on technology > Impact on people?

People make your organization work (or fail)



20% of employees willing to sell passwords to a third party\*

44% willing to do for less than \$1,000

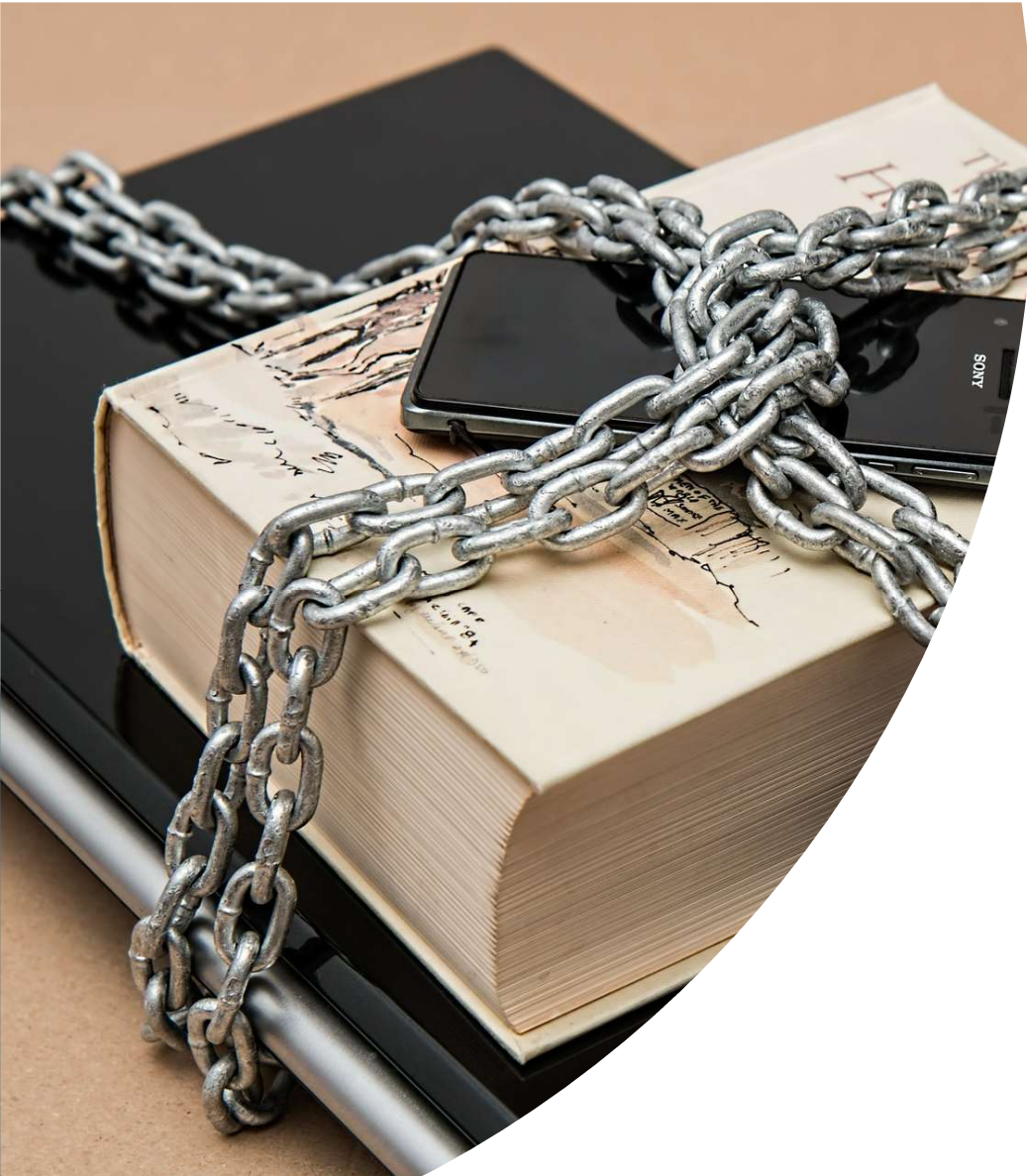
Some would do it for \$100

 Trap: The value of technology improvements are self-evident

\*SailPoint Market Pulse Survey (2016)







## Change Management Challenges for Cybersecurity Adoption

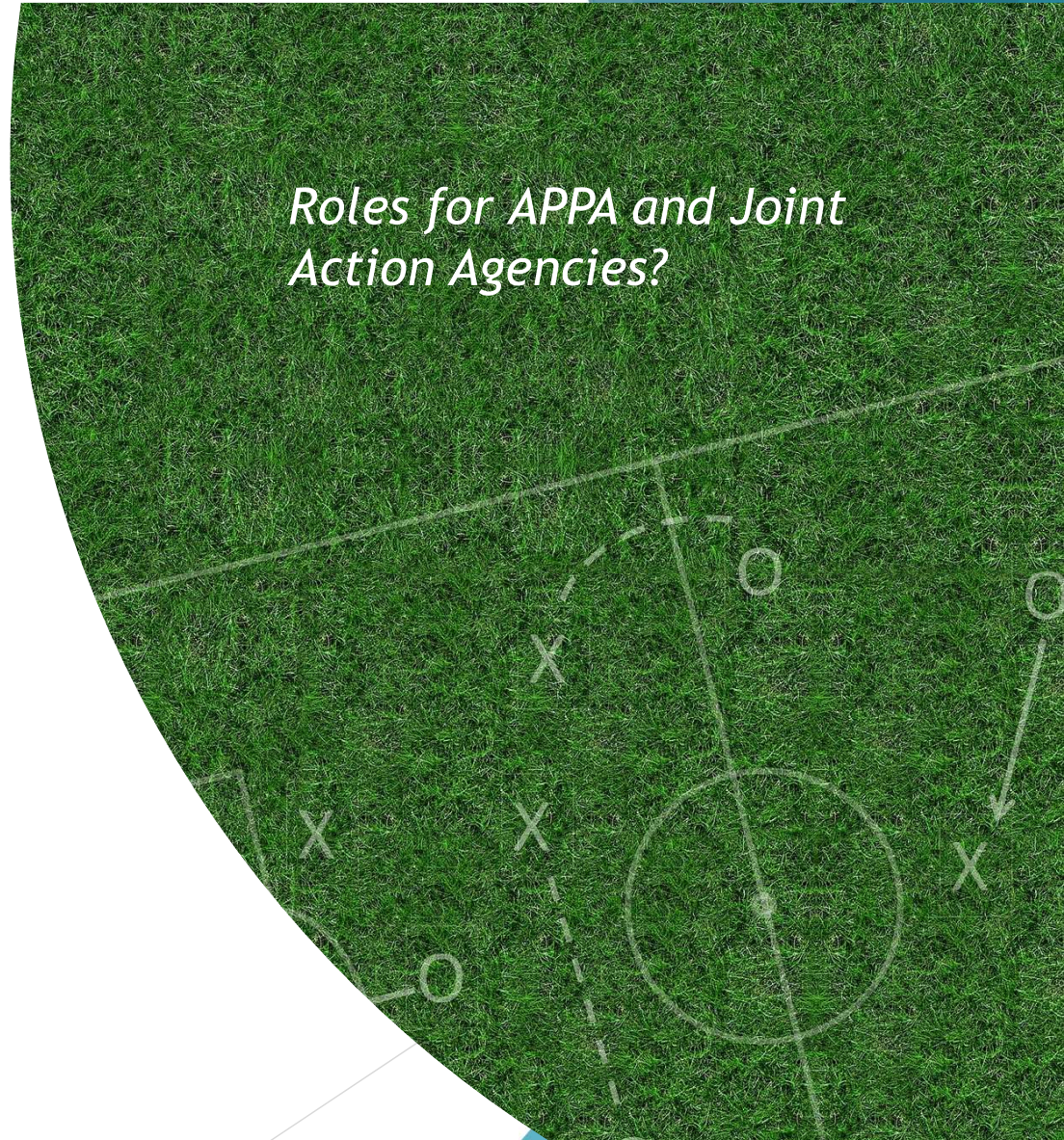
- Security is the enemy of productivity!
- Cybersecurity has never been an issue for us before.
- We are a small utility in a small town. We're not on the radar screen.
- We can't afford it!
- I already have 3 day jobs. How do I have time for one more?

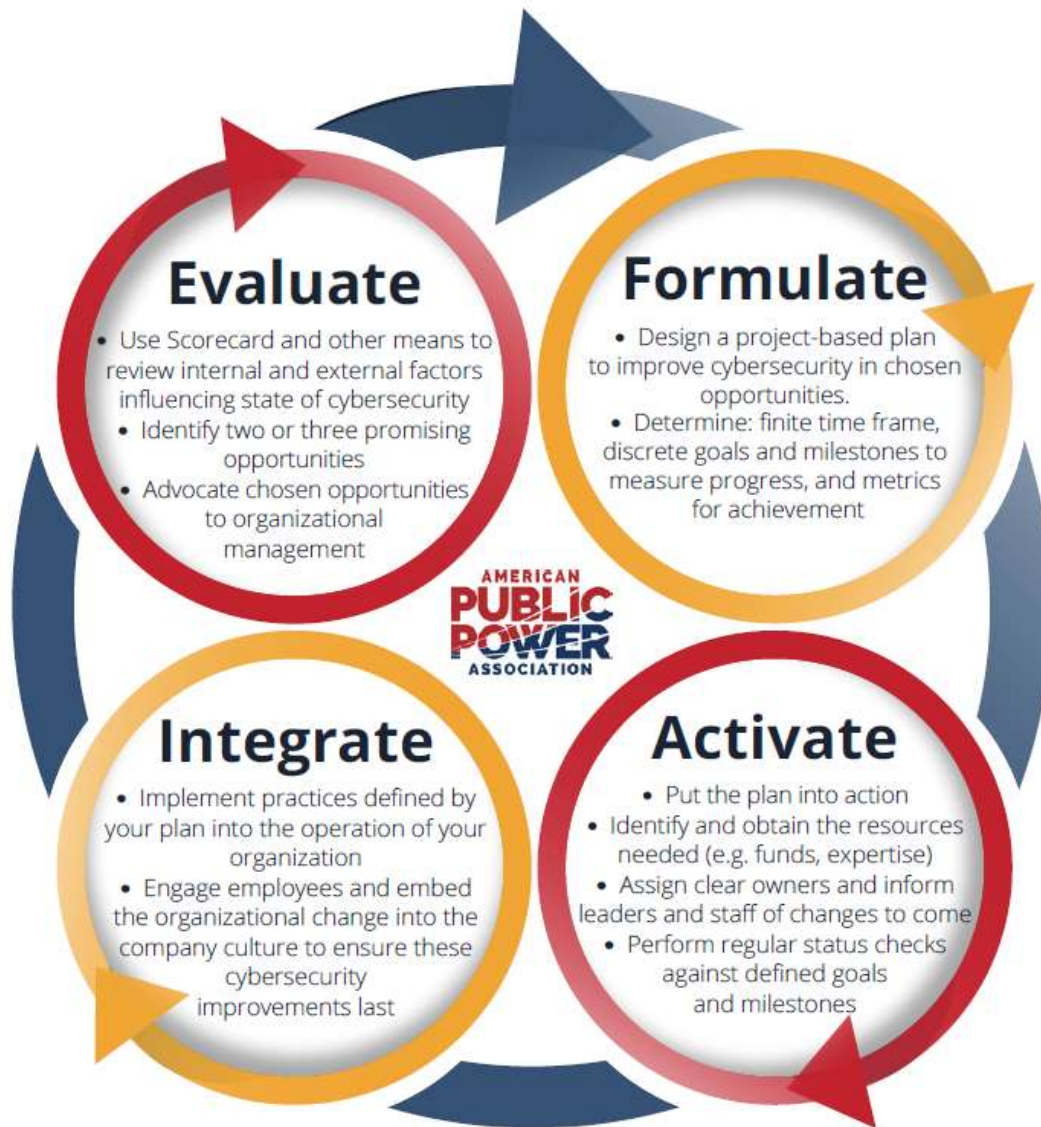
# Playbook and Preparation

Incident response plan

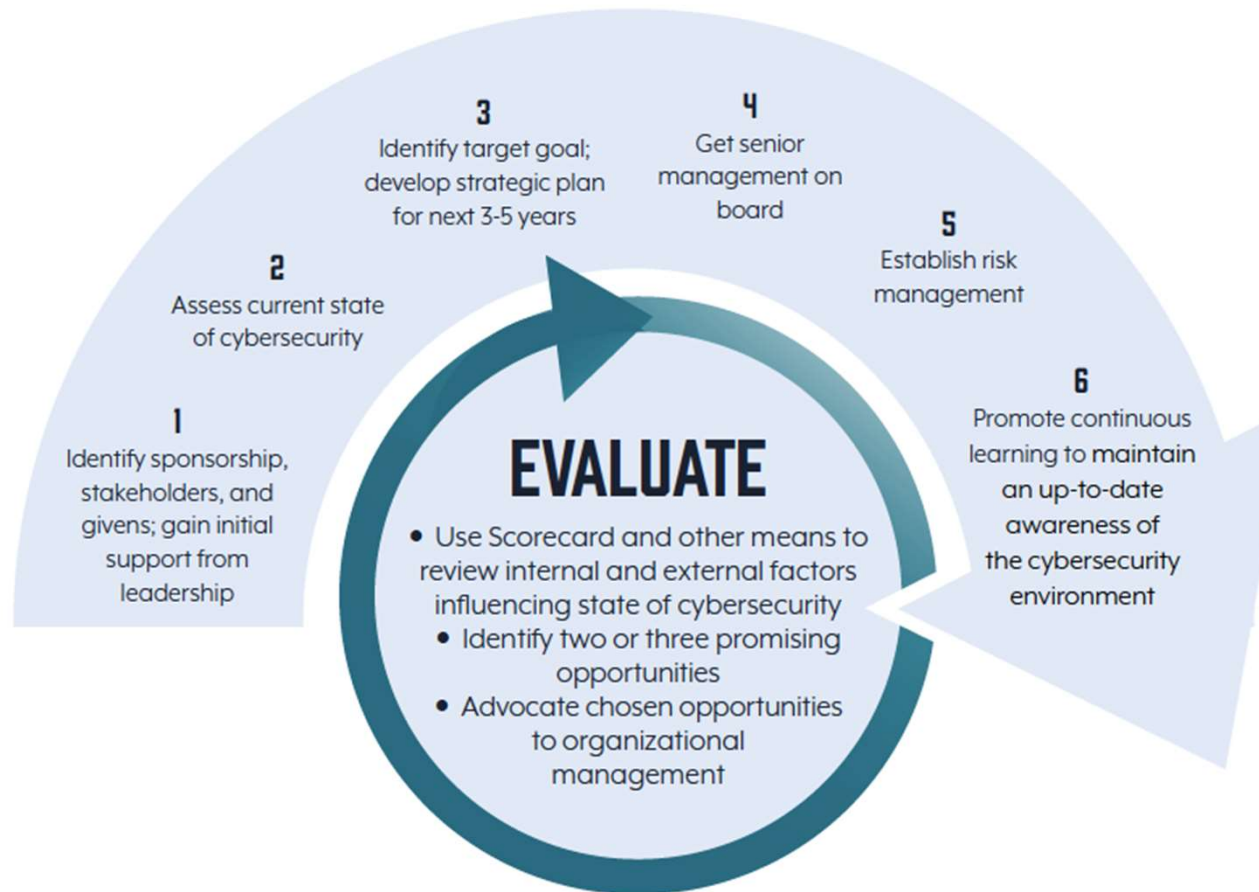
- ▶ Make policies and actions very clear in advance (e.g. pre-approval for kill switch authority)
- ▶ Clear roles and responsibilities (staff, SMEs, vendors)
- ▶ Engage and share plan with law enforcement/FBI/National Guard
- ▶ Weigh pros and cons of engaging outside entities and be clear on actions for the plan.
- ▶ Use cyber mutual aid as both a communications and resource support tool
- ▶ Integration with corporate business continuity and emergency response plans
- ▶ Reinforce the plan through training, exercises
- ▶ Leadership signoff

*Roles for APPA and Joint Action Agencies?*

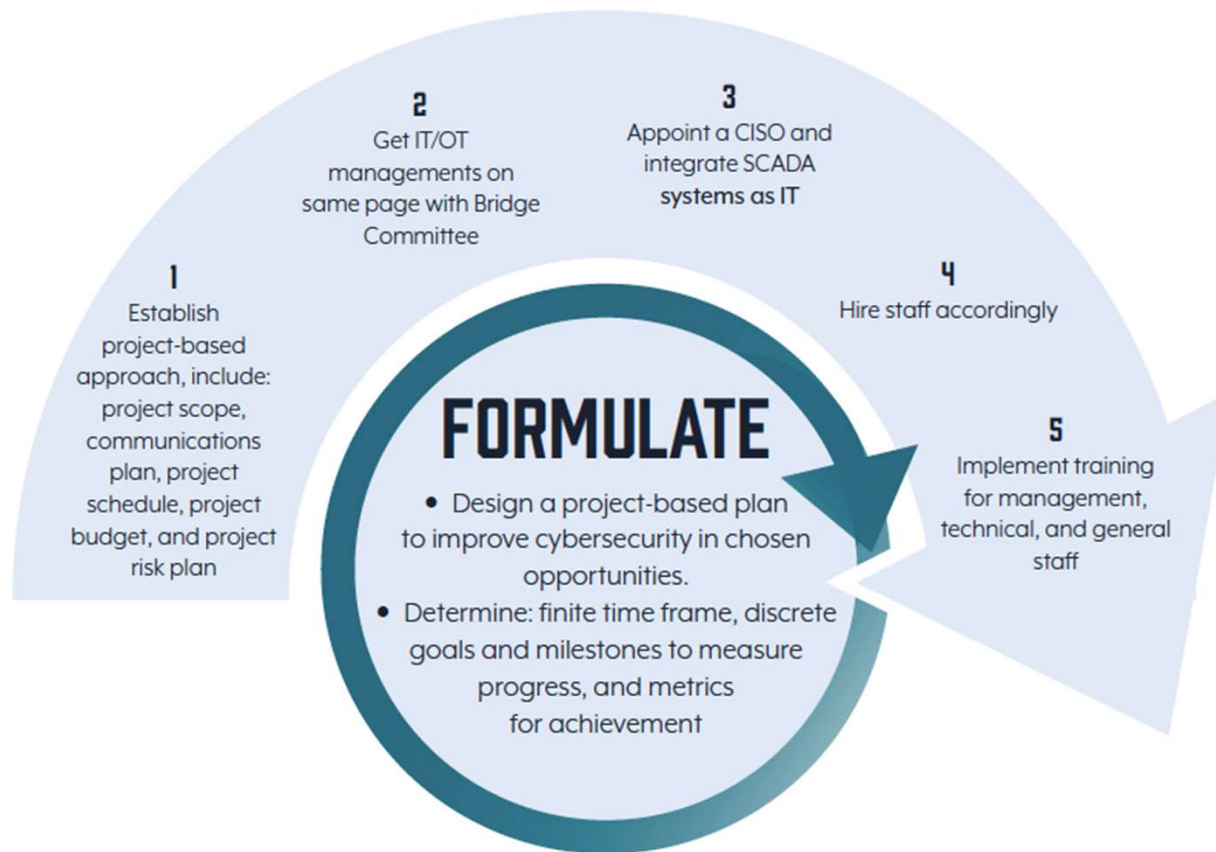




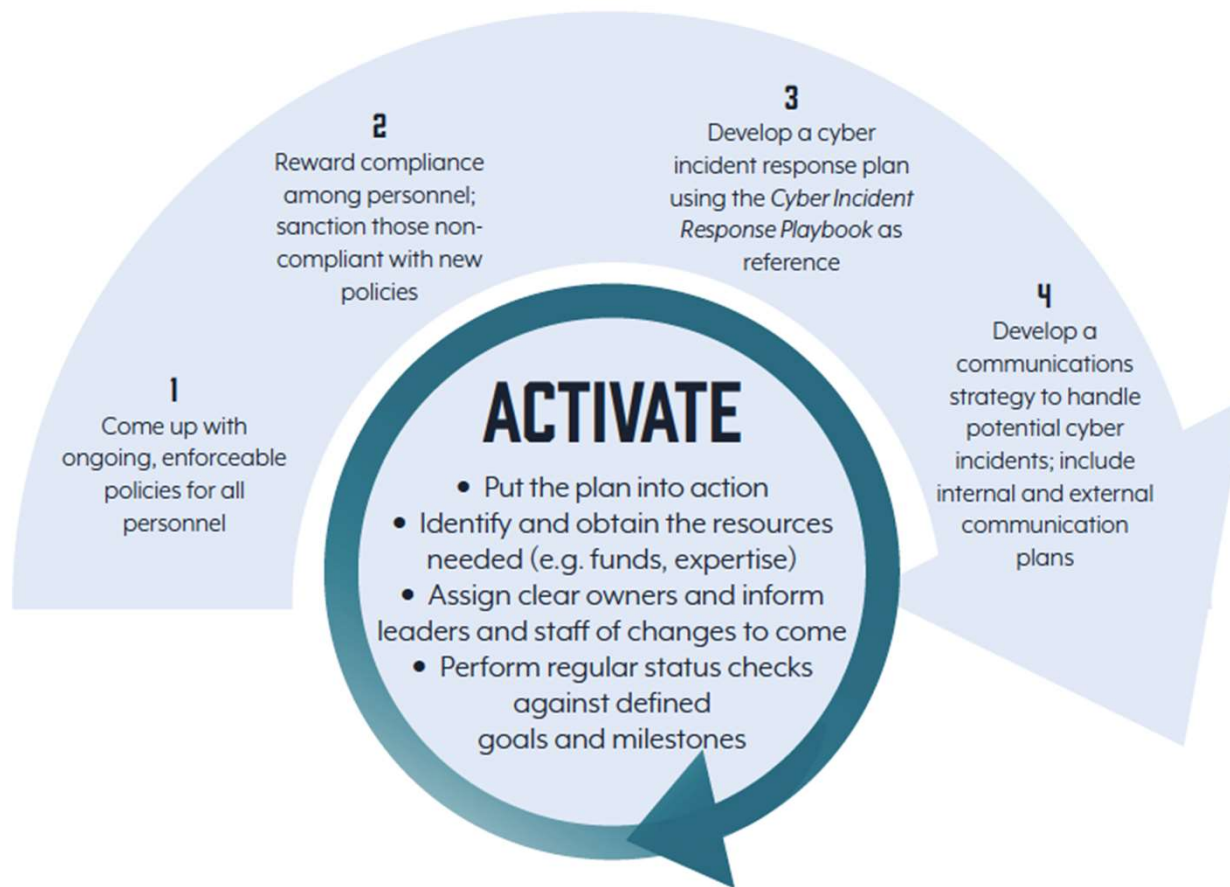
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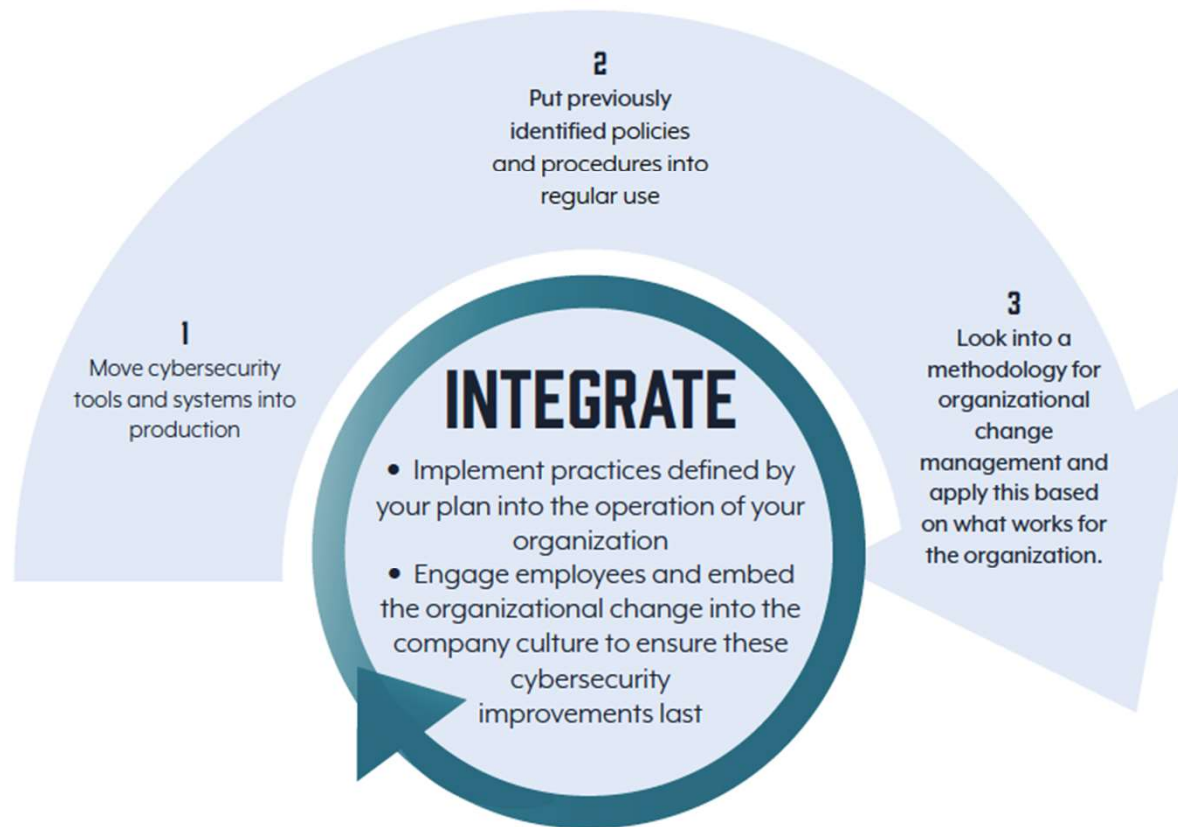
## Stage 2: Formulate



## Stage 3: Activate



## Stage 4: Integrate





# Next Steps



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- ▶ The Roadmap serves as a guide
- ▶ Success of any project lies in its execution
  - ▶ The Roadmap should help chart a path to an improved state in the future.
- ▶ Communication among peers and collaboration with APPA and experienced subject matter experts may be necessary,
- ▶ Working together we can improve the cybersecurity of the entire public power sector
- ▶ Maintain a posture of continuous cybersecurity improvement, no matter the size of your public power utility.
- ▶ Take advantage of resources and tools available to public power utilities referenced in the Roadmap.
- ▶ For the latest recommendations visit APPA's website at: <https://www.PublicPower.org> or email [Cybersecurity@PublicPower.org](mailto:Cybersecurity@PublicPower.org).

# Questions?

