

SAB/BOSC Joint Meeting

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- Evolving environmental challenges

- Evolving science

- Evolving budgetary, legal, societal, economic, political environment

...EPA cannot be static

What does **sustainability** mean
for EPA science?

How do we complement our excellence
in problem assessment with equal
excellence in **solutions empowerment**?

How do we incorporate **systems thinking** into all aspects of science— from problem formulation, to implementation, to impact?

What **emerging science** will be most helpful to EPA?

What are the emerging threats to human health and the environment and how can we ensure the **agility** needed to address them?

How must our science **evolve** to align with new approaches to risk?

How must our scientific work force
evolve over time?

Process questions:

- As we move from 16 program areas to 6, how must our science **evolve**?
- How will our research planning and implementation need to **change**?
- How can we ensure our assessments, tools, and information are both **relevant** and **responsive**?