



Studying the Effects of the Block Island Wind Farm on Recreation, Tourism, and the Block Island Experience

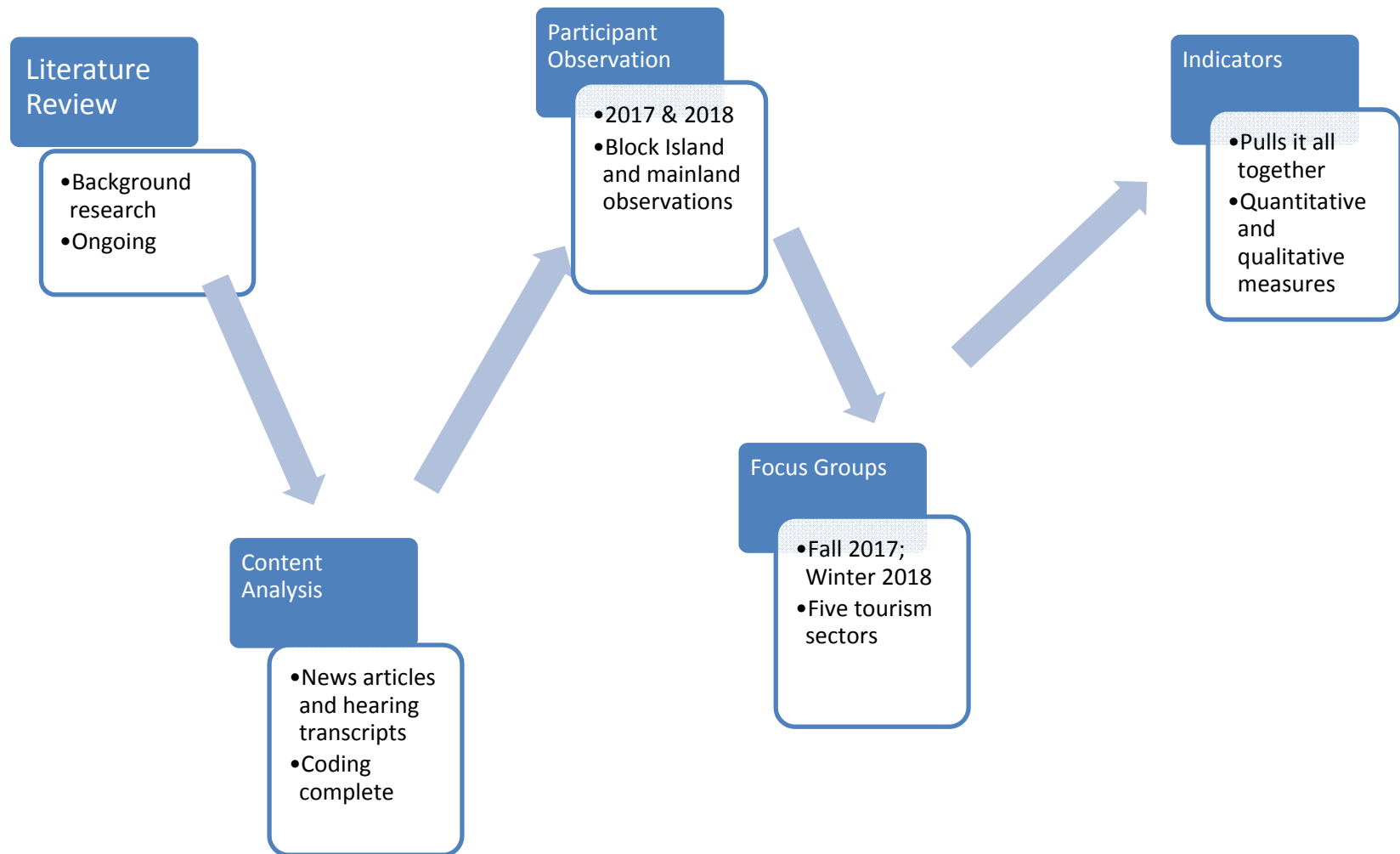
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**BOEM Project
No. M16PC00016**

BOEM Project Purpose

- **Document the effects** of the Block Island Wind Farm (BIWF) on recreation and tourism, in order to:
- Identify **measures (“indicators”)** to evaluate the potential effects of the Block Island Wind Farm and future U.S. offshore projects

Project Components





PARTICIPANT OBSERVATION







- **Next Steps for PO**

- Team interpretation of data and trends in Year 1
- Recommendations for Year 2 PO, focus groups, ideas for possible indicators
- Year 2 PO
- Summary of PO fieldwork in final 2018 report

- **Next Steps for BOEM Project**

- Second round of focus groups
- Integration of project components
- Recommendations for final indicators

