

# Criteria Development

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*Criteria will be used to determine the relative priority of cleanup actions when choices are driven by budget constraints.*

- **Measurable and consistently applied** – they distinguish the relative degree of impact across cleanup actions (qualitative or quantitative)
- **Understandable** – they illuminate the consequences and trade-offs clearly to participants
- **Practical** – the information to assess them can be reasonably obtained
- **Filter or Discriminating:**
  - Filter = All cleanup activities have to meet this criterion
  - Discriminating = Success in meeting this criterion can be traded off to defer another criterion