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Testing of the Public Participation in the Upper Vistula Pilot Basin



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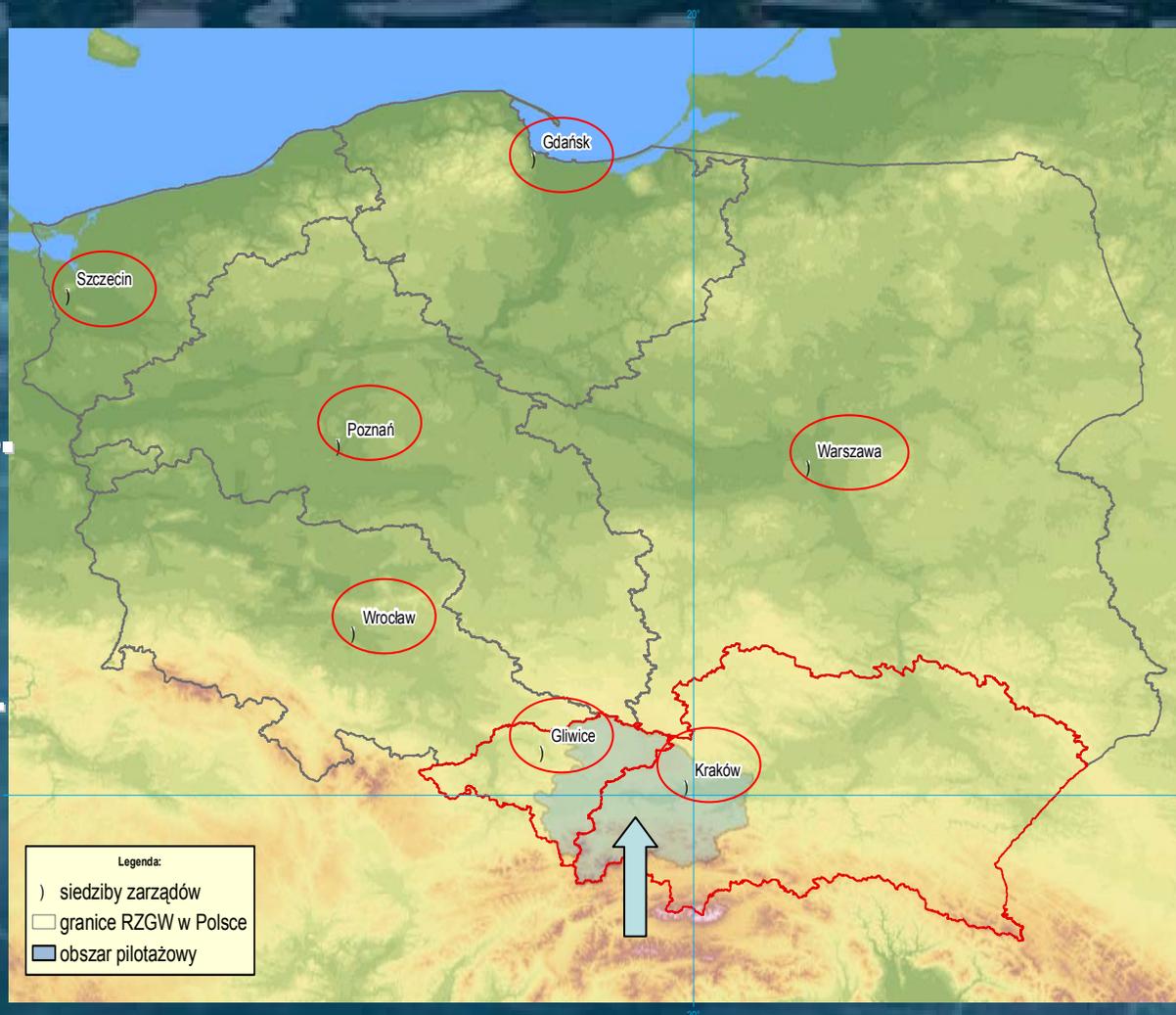


The Upper Vistula pilot basin

There are eight hydrographical regions in Poland.

On the area of these eight regions there are seven regional water management authorities.

The pilot area – the Vistula basin from its sources to Raba estuary – includes the total region of the Small Vistula and a part of the Upper Vistula area.

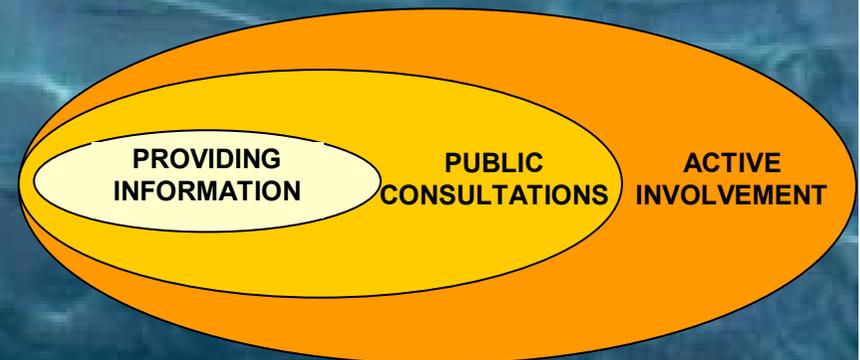




Test of the public participation - objectives

- ⇒ Testing the adaptation of the European guidance on public participation in the Upper Vistula pilot basin, application of this document in the Polish context, and receiving feedback of this application
- ⇒ Identification of the possible difficulties that might occur during the implementation process, and of the necessary improvement
- ⇒ The results of the testing will be the basis for drafting the first national guidance on the public participation on the regional level, taking into account the Polish institutional and legislation context

Within the activities on the pilot area all three forms of public participation are tested





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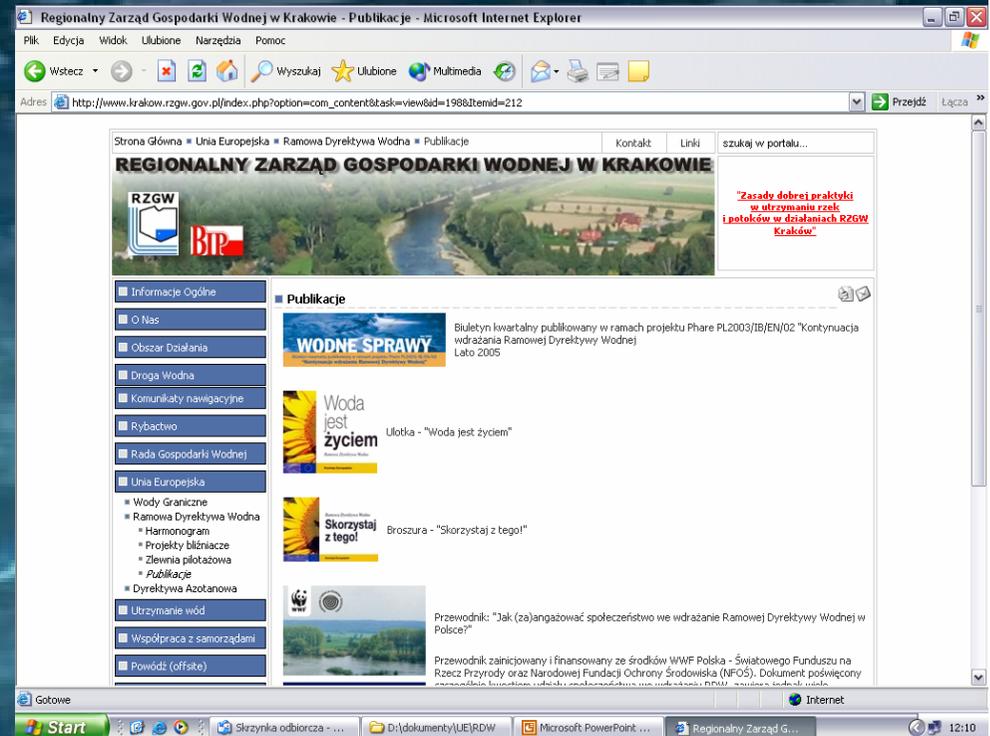
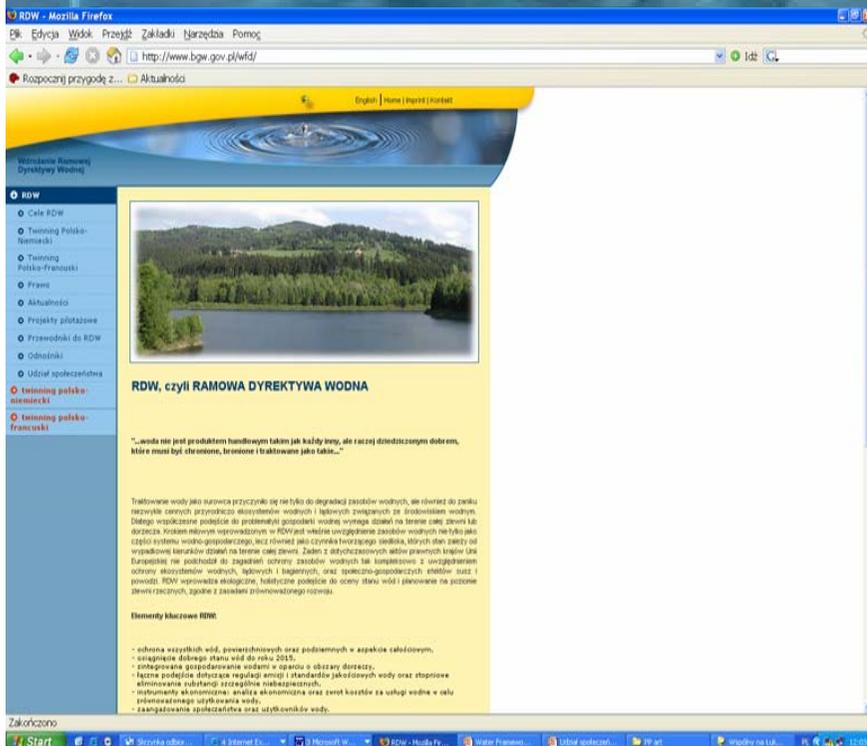


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Information

All the information about the activities performed on the pilot basin can be found on the web sites of the Water Management Office and Water Management Authorities

www.bgw.gov.pl/wfd



www.krakow.rzgw.gov.pl



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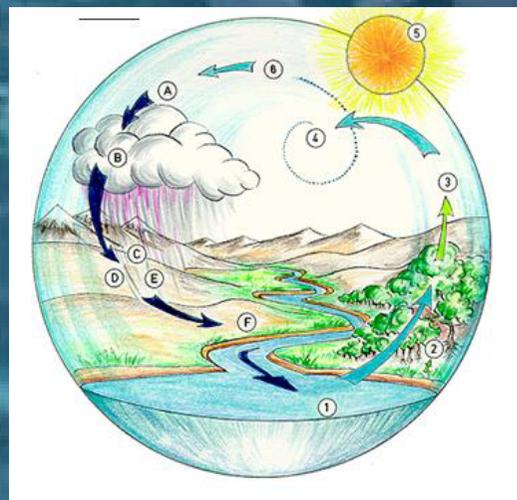
The glossary of the definitions concerned with WFD



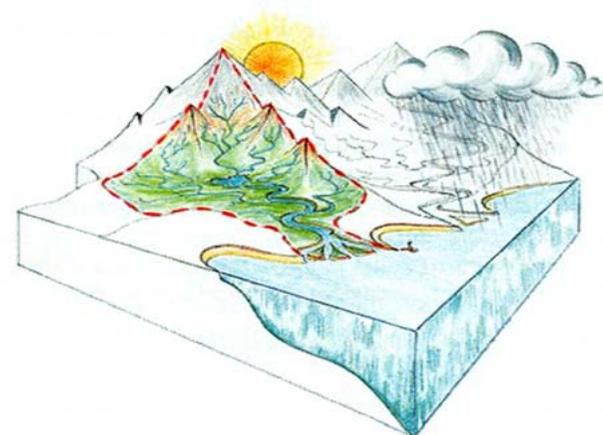
Słowniczek

wybranych pojęć
związanych z procesem
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Zlewnia—rozumie się przez to obszar lądu, z którego cały spływ powierzchniowy wód jest odprowadzany przez system strug, strumieni, potoków, rzek i kanałów do wybranego punktu biegu cieku.



Zrównoważony rozwój - rozumie się przez to taki rozwój społeczno-gospodarczy, w którym następuje proces integrowania działań równowagi przyrodniczej oraz trwałości podstawowych procesów przyrodniczych, w celu zagwarantowania możliwości zaspokajania podstawowych potrzeb poszczególnych społeczności lub obywateli zarówno współczesnego pokolenia, jak i przyszłych pokoleń. Rozwój ten przebiega przy zachowaniu równowagi przyrodniczej oraz bez zakłócania podstawowych procesów przyrodniczych. Podstawą rozwoju określonego regionu są miejscowe zasoby surowców naturalnych, w tym wód zwykłych (słodkich), mineralnych i termalnych.



Active involvement

Active involvement of interested parties is realized through the Informal Public Participation Committee of the Water Management Councils in the Pilot River Basin of the Upper Vistula

The committee consists of 20 representatives. The members of the committee have been elected from among the members of the Water Management Councils of the Small Vistula Region and the Upper Vistula Region.



The committee members represent various interested parties: local government authorities, economic, agricultural, fishing, and ecological organizations whose activities refer to water management and water users (companies).



The activity areas of the informal committee

- ⇒ **Dissemination of information** to the interested parties about:
 - ⇒ WFD – its objectives, the stage of the implementation process in the pilot area
 - ⇒ system of water management organization in the pilot area
- ⇒ **Consultation** of the activities connected with the developing of the RBMP in the pilot river basin
- ⇒ **Expressing opinions** on:
 - ⇒ drafts of the reports required by the WFD (the pressure and impact analysis, economical analysis, baseline scenario,) with reference to the pilot area
 - ⇒ draft of the documents that will be submitted to the public for consultation (the main issues of the water management, program of measures)
 - ⇒ organization of the public consultations in the pilot area

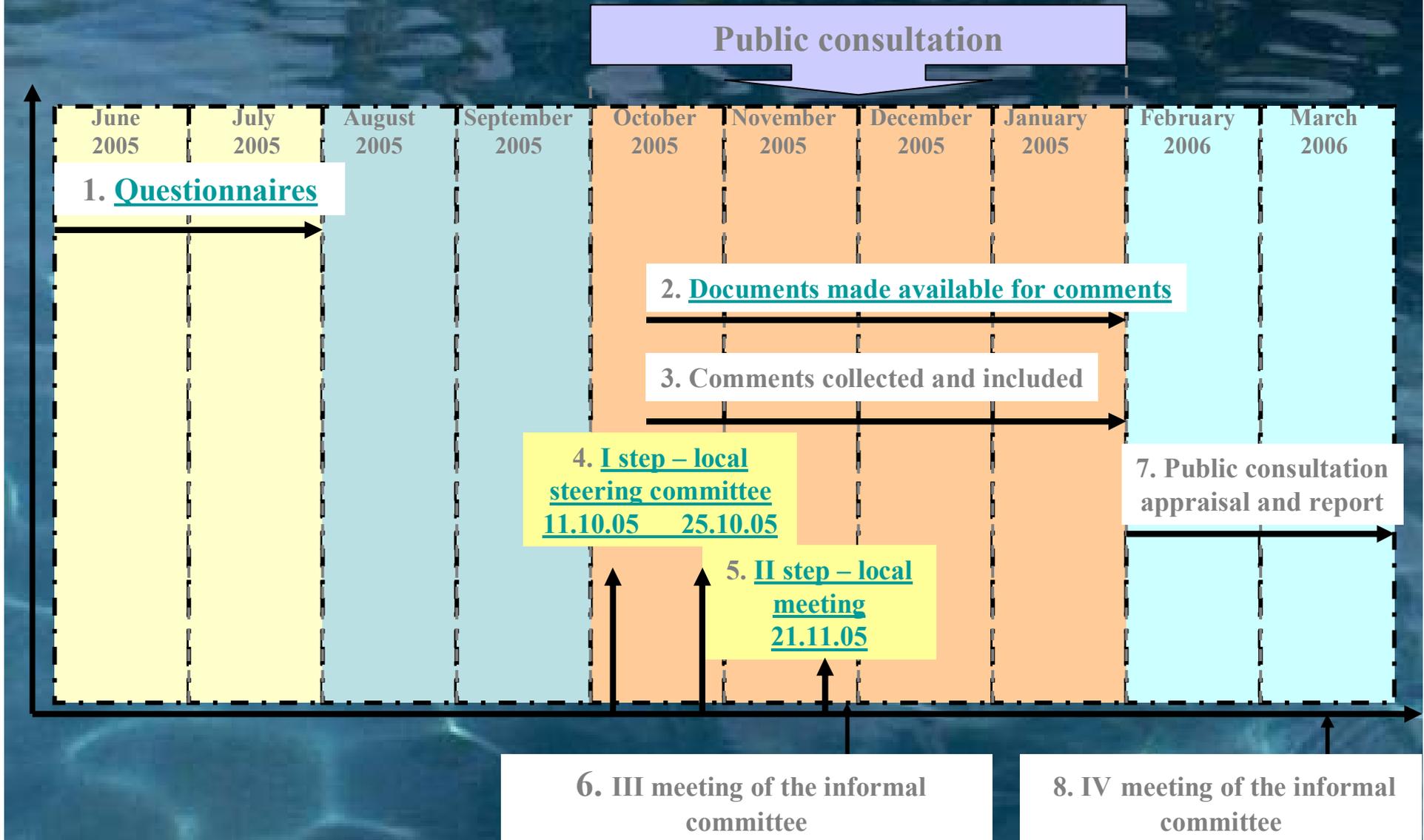


Meetings of the informal committee

- ⇒ Meetings of the informal committee are organized depending on the work progress on the pilot area.
- ⇒ So far: two meetings of the committee
- ⇒ Some of the result:
 - ⇒ The glossary of the definitions concerned with WFD
 - ⇒ The initial „Report on the main issues of the water management on the area of the Upper Vistula pilot basin” with comments of the committee included– after consultation with the committee, **the flood control issues, and hydrologic balance** of the pilot area were also included in the report on the main issues.



Public consultation - schedule





Public consultation - questionnaires

Questionnaires concerned with environmental issues, especially with water management, addressed to inhabitants

Objective:

- ➔ Identification of the main issues of the water management
- ➔ Identification of the direction of the necessary information regarding the water management issues

Questionnaires concerned with public participation addressed to local governments authorities

Objectives:

- ➔ Identification of local governments' experiences in public participation
- ➔ Identification of „leaders” involved in solving of local environmental issues.

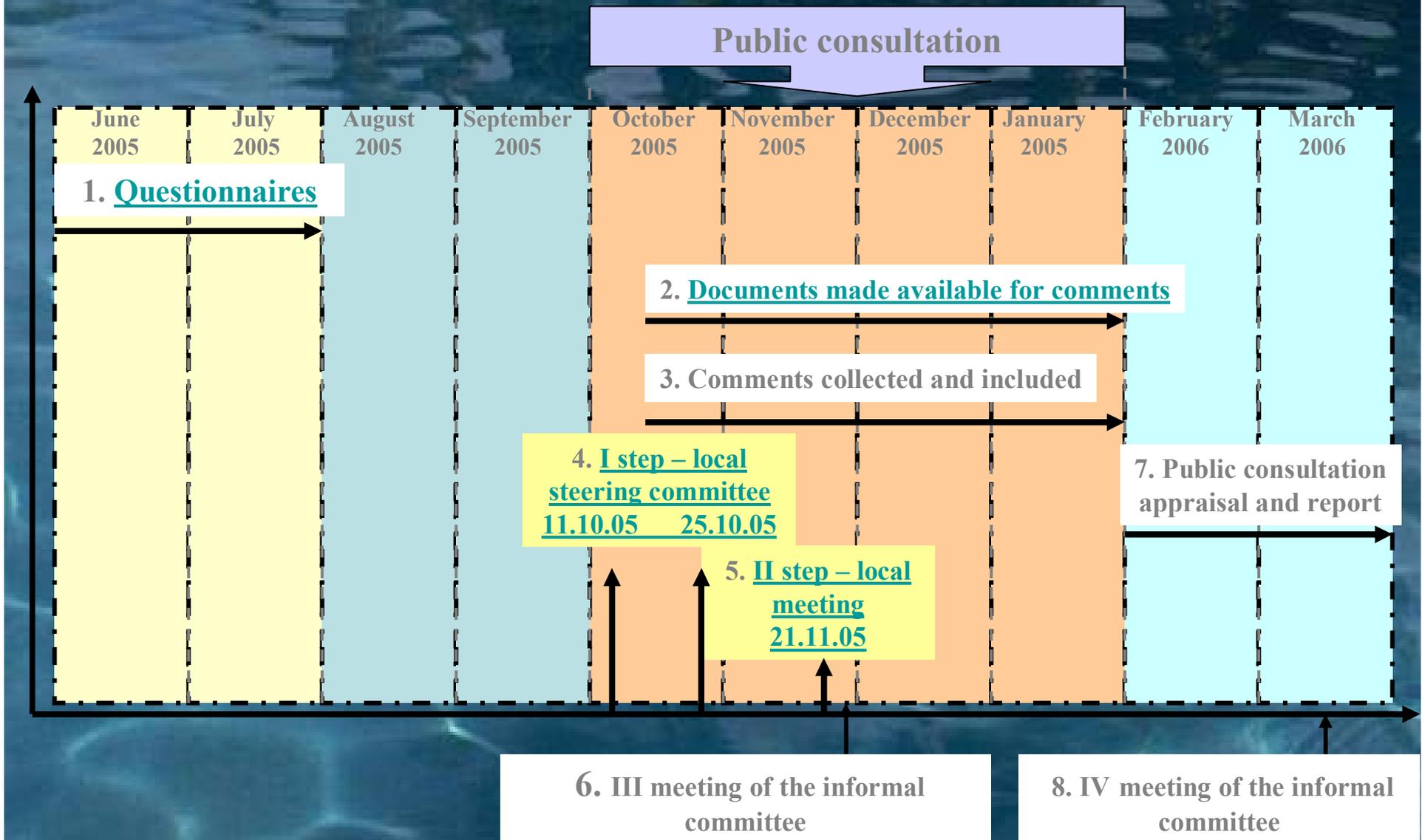
ANKIETA DLA MIESZKAŃCÓW
DOTYCZĄCA PROBLEMÓW OCHRONY ŚRODOWISKA
I GOSPODARKI WODNEJ

Jakie są główne problemy w miejscowości/gminie dotyczące środowiska?
Proszę zaznaczyć „X” 3 najważniejsze problemy

Zagadnienie	zaznaczyć „X” 3 najważniejsze problemy	Krótki opis problemu
Jakość wody do picia		
Brak kanalizacji		
Brak wody		
Zagrożenie powodzią		
Dziki wysypiska odpadów		
Brak kontenerów/ pojemników na odpady		
Dziki wylewiska nieczystości		
Zanieczyszczone powietrze		
Hałas (drogowy/z zakładów produkcyjnych)		
Inne (jakie?)		



Public consultation - schedule





Public consultation – documents available for comments

➤ Within the public consultation testing activities on the pilot basin, the **„Report on the main issues of the water management...”** will be consulted.

➤ **Summarize of the „Report...”** has been developed and published to make reading easier for public

➤ **Questionnaire** regarding the summarize of the „Report...” has been developed to make giving comments easier for public

➤ Documents will be available:

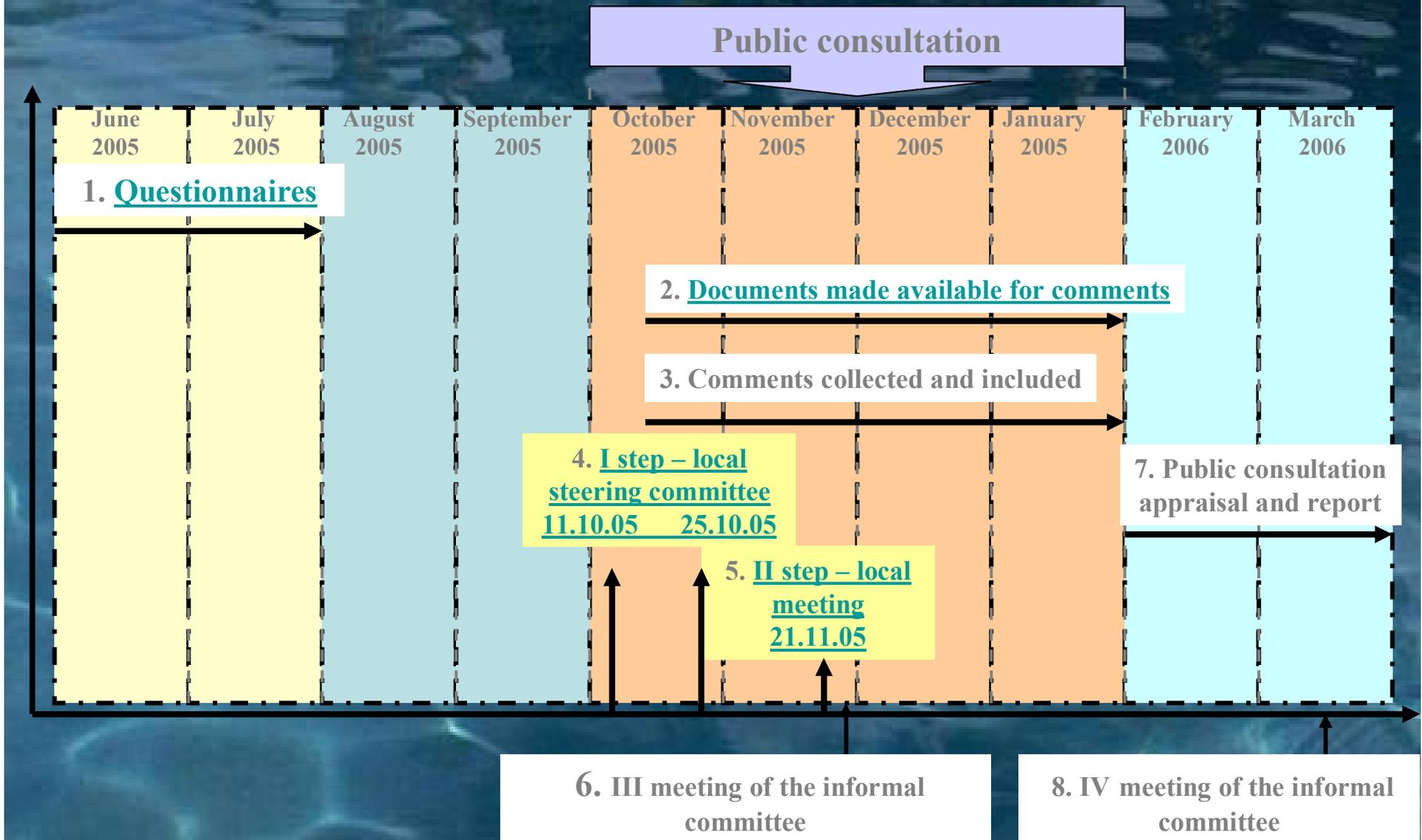
➤ On the web site of the RZGW and BGW (Water Management Office)



➤ In „public locations”: sites of the local governments, schools,



Public consultation - schedule





Public consultation – step 1, “leaders”

⇒ **Local steering committee** helping organize public consultation:

- 20 people („leaders”)
- representatives of local elected officials, water users (agriculture, forestry, fishery, tourism, industry...)
- NGOs



Local steering committee – objective:

- ⇒ Support in organization of public consultation meeting (identification of interested parties, identification of local water management issues, proposition of meeting agenda)
- ⇒ Involvement of „leaders” in the public consultation meeting (presentation, moderators of groups during workshop)



Public consultation – step 2, consultation meeting

⇒ Public consultation (local meeting):

- 60 – 80 people
- representatives of local elected officials, water users (agriculture, forestry, fishery, tourism, industry...)
- NGOs
- media
- experts
- broad public

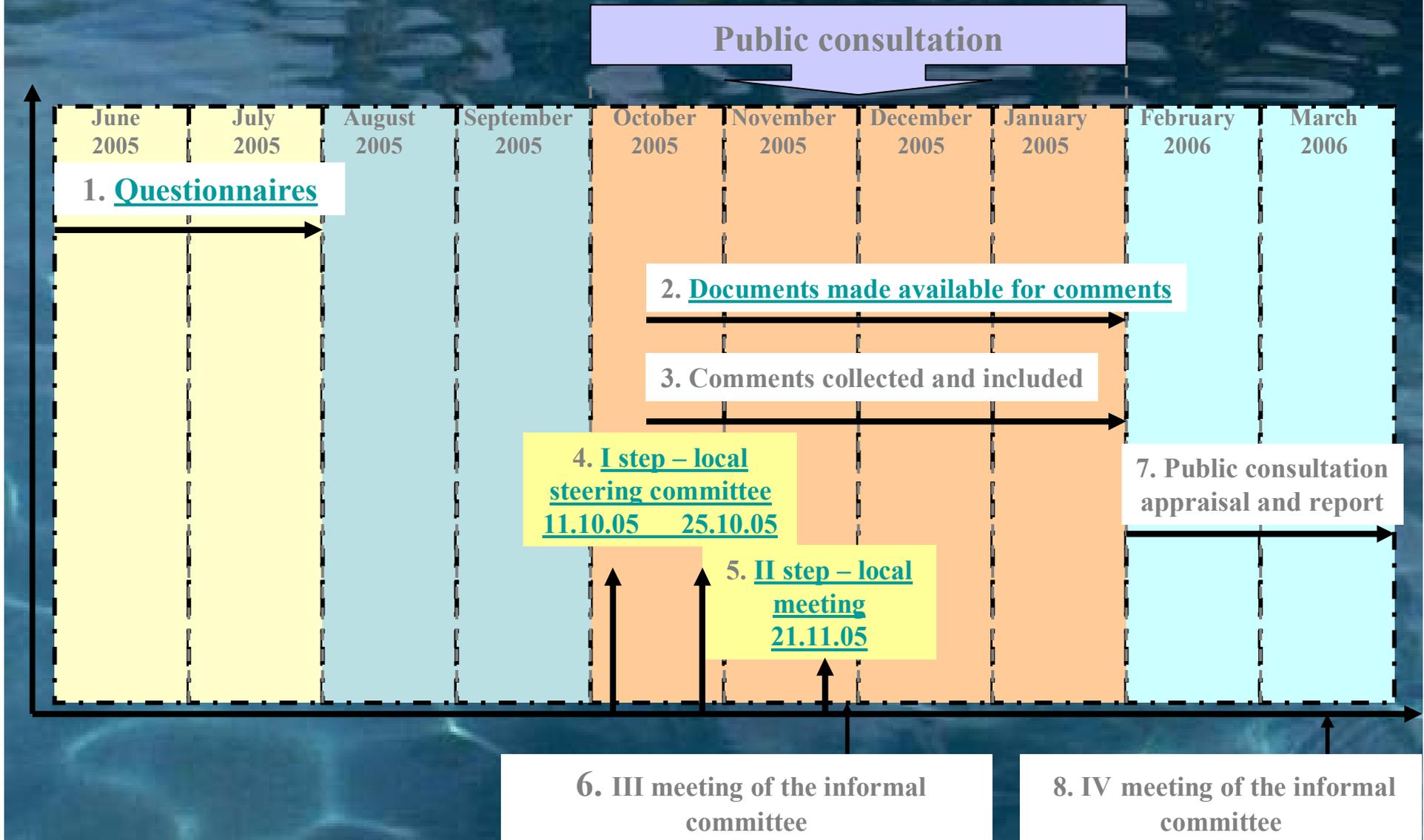


Public consultation meeting – proposal of the agenda:

- ⇒ Information part: WFD, initially identified water management issues presentations of „leaders” (i.e.: water contamination, water usage)
- ⇒ Workshop:
 - ⇒ 5-10 people groups
 - ⇒ Identification of the main water management issues
 - ⇒ Choice of the 3 the most important issues
- ⇒ Results presentation



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