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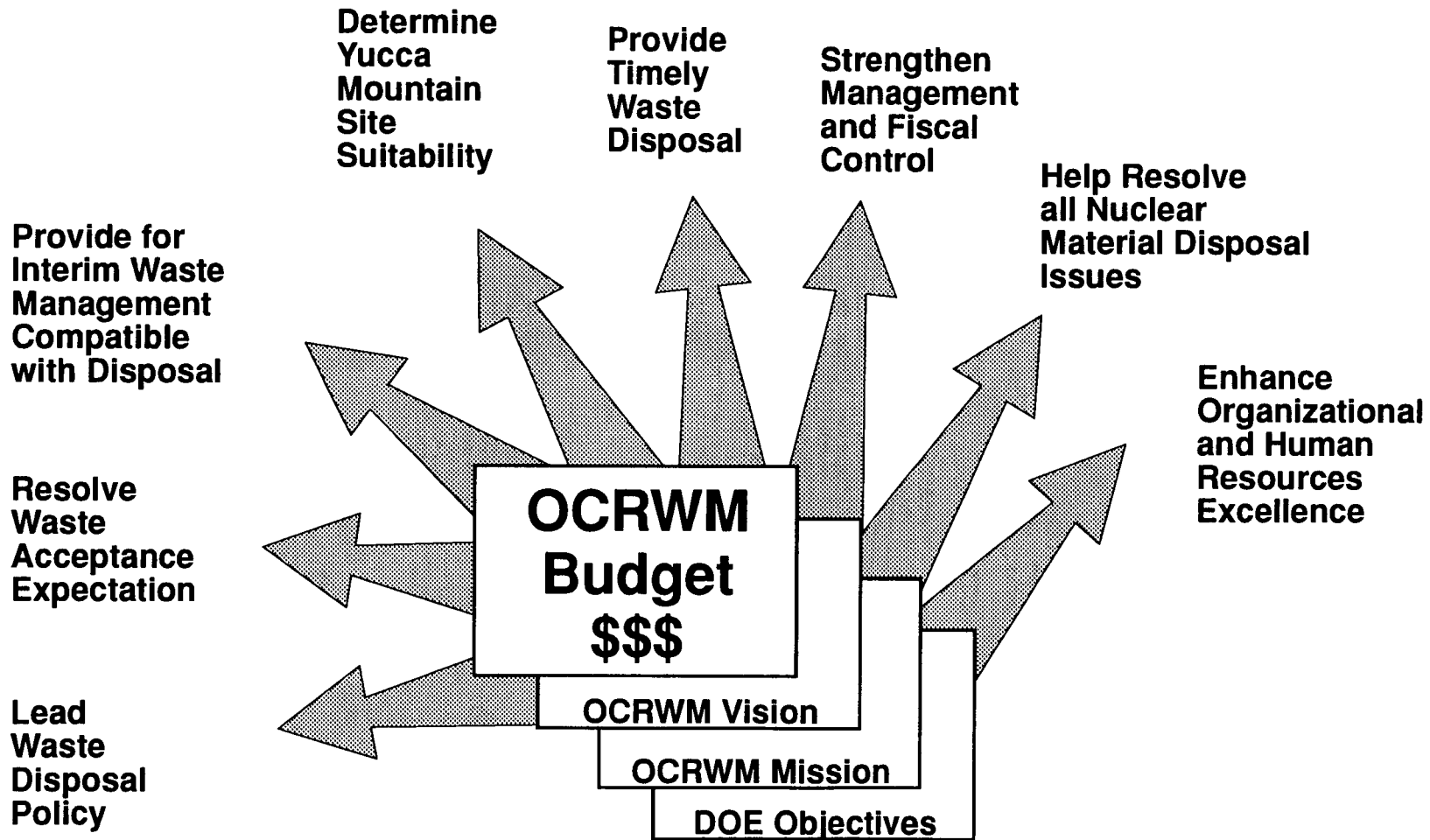
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# Strategic Goals Supported by the OCRWM Budget



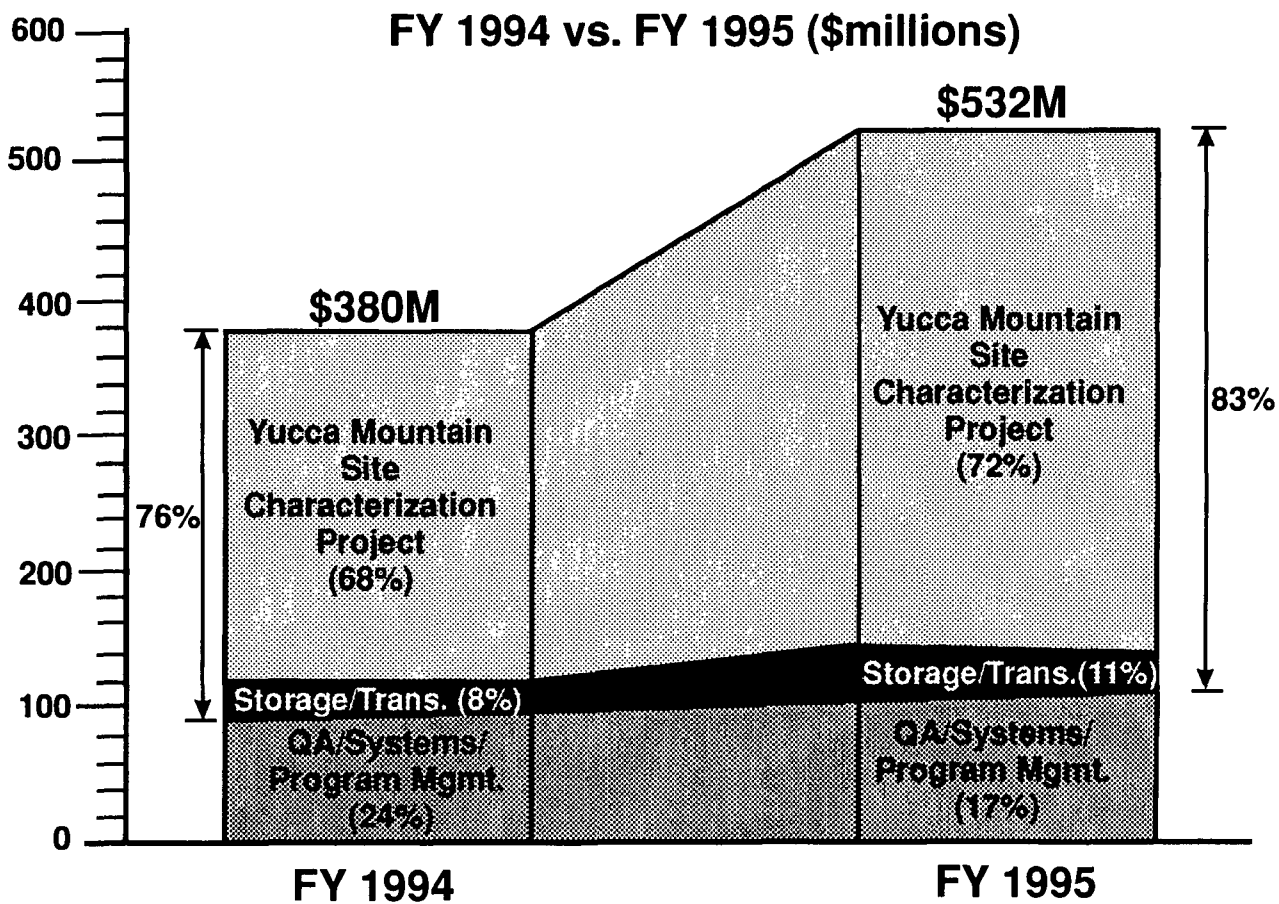
# Current Program Situation

- **Current program, as described in the SCP and implemented in the ESAAB approved baseline cannot be accomplished with projected funding levels**
- **Congressional expectations: streamline program to show demonstrable progress at reduced cost**
- **DOE has proposed new direction intended to:**
  - **Address waste acceptance and near-term storage issues**
  - **Focus site characterization program on most significant issues to assure efficient progress toward determining suitability of Yucca Mountain site and, if suitable, proceeding with site recommendation and licensing**

# **New Funding Approach**

- **Appropriations from Nuclear Waste fund (NWF) and defense nuclear waste disposal appropriations continued**
- **Additional portion of each year's utility fee receipts is made available**
- **Implementation of proposal would:**
  - **Provide access to \$1.3B in additional NWF collections through FY 1999**
  - **Emphasize scientific site suitability investigation at Yucca Mountain**
  - **Develop advanced technologies for near-term storage and resolution of waste acceptance issue**

# Budget Distribution Comparison

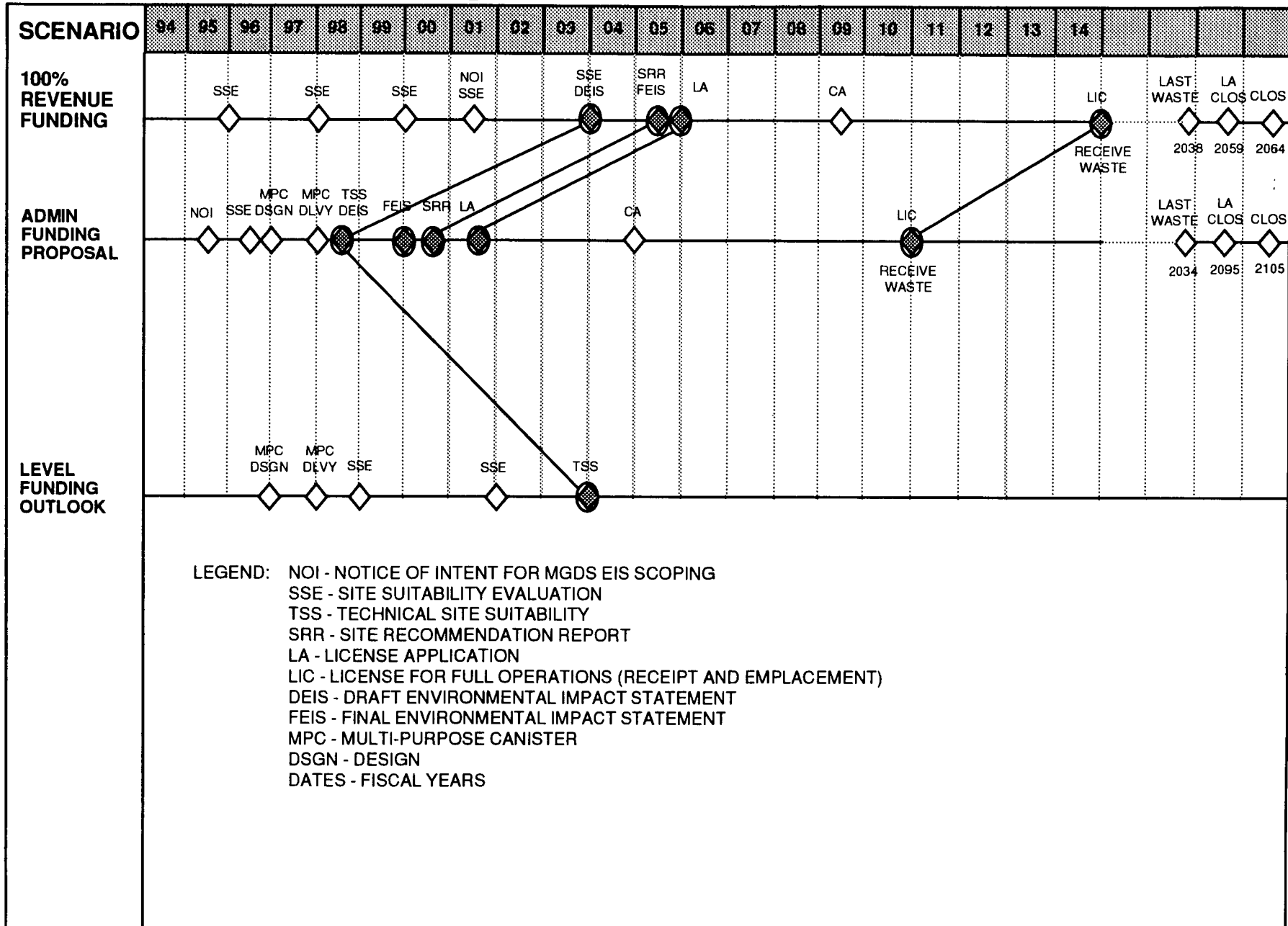


# **Proposed OCRWM Program Yucca Mountain**

**Increase funding to Yucca Mountain to emphasize scientific/engineering activities**

- **Focus activities on technical site suitability finding of the Yucca Mountain candidate repository site**
  - **Continue excavation for the Exploratory Studies Facility**
  - **Conduct surface-based activities**
  - **Analyze data and develop models to support suitability evaluation**

# Comparative Schedules





# **Proposed OCRWM Program Waste Acceptance/Storage/Transportation**

- **Resolve 1998 waste acceptance issue**
- **Develop multipurpose canister (MPC) system concept**
- **Support voluntary MRS siting process**
- **Maintain transportation capability**

# **Proposed OCRWM Program Management**

- **Focus organizational roles and responsibilities**
  - **Federal staff**
  - **Contractors**
- **Improve program management system**
- **Develop teamwork across entire program**
- **Encourage constructive relationships with oversight groups**