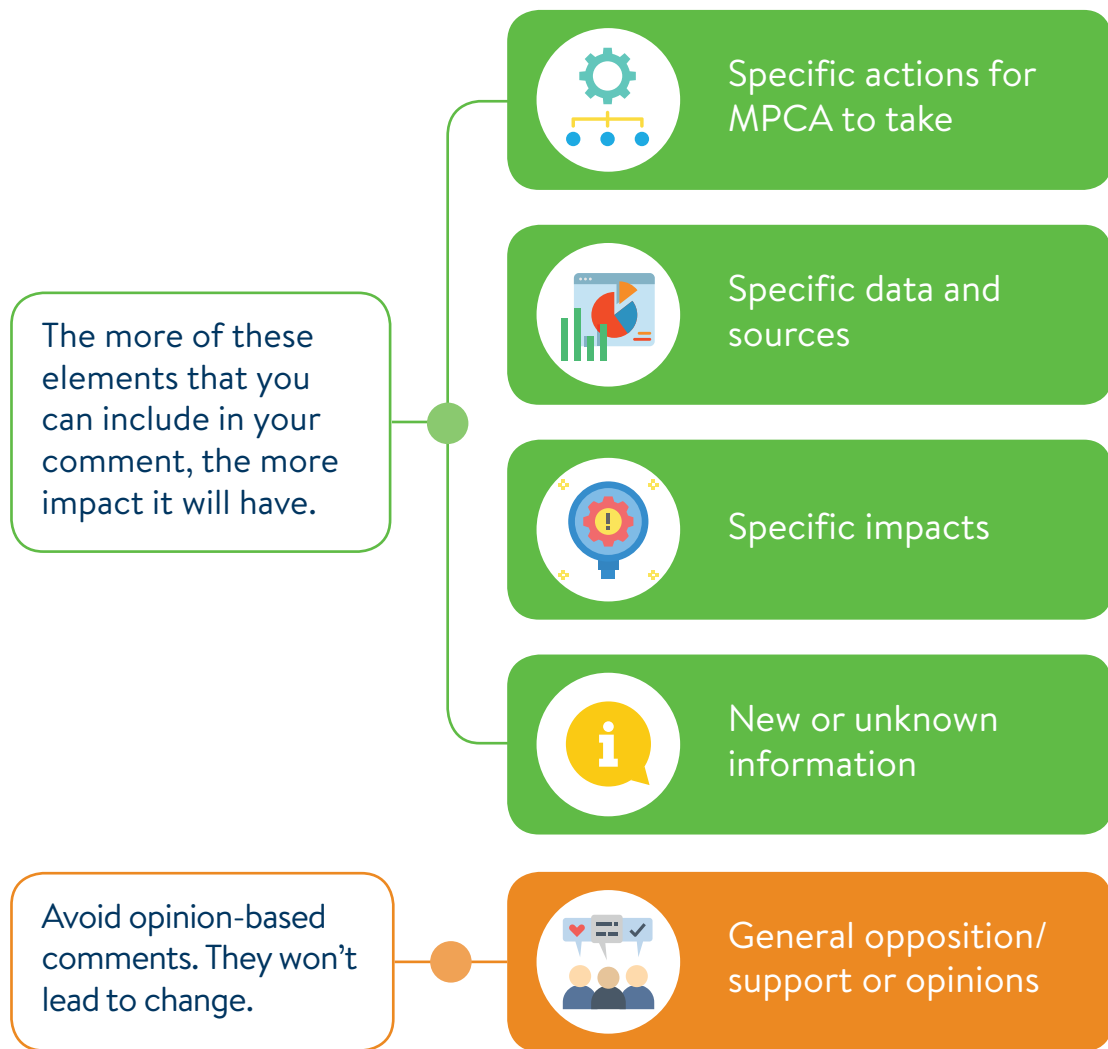
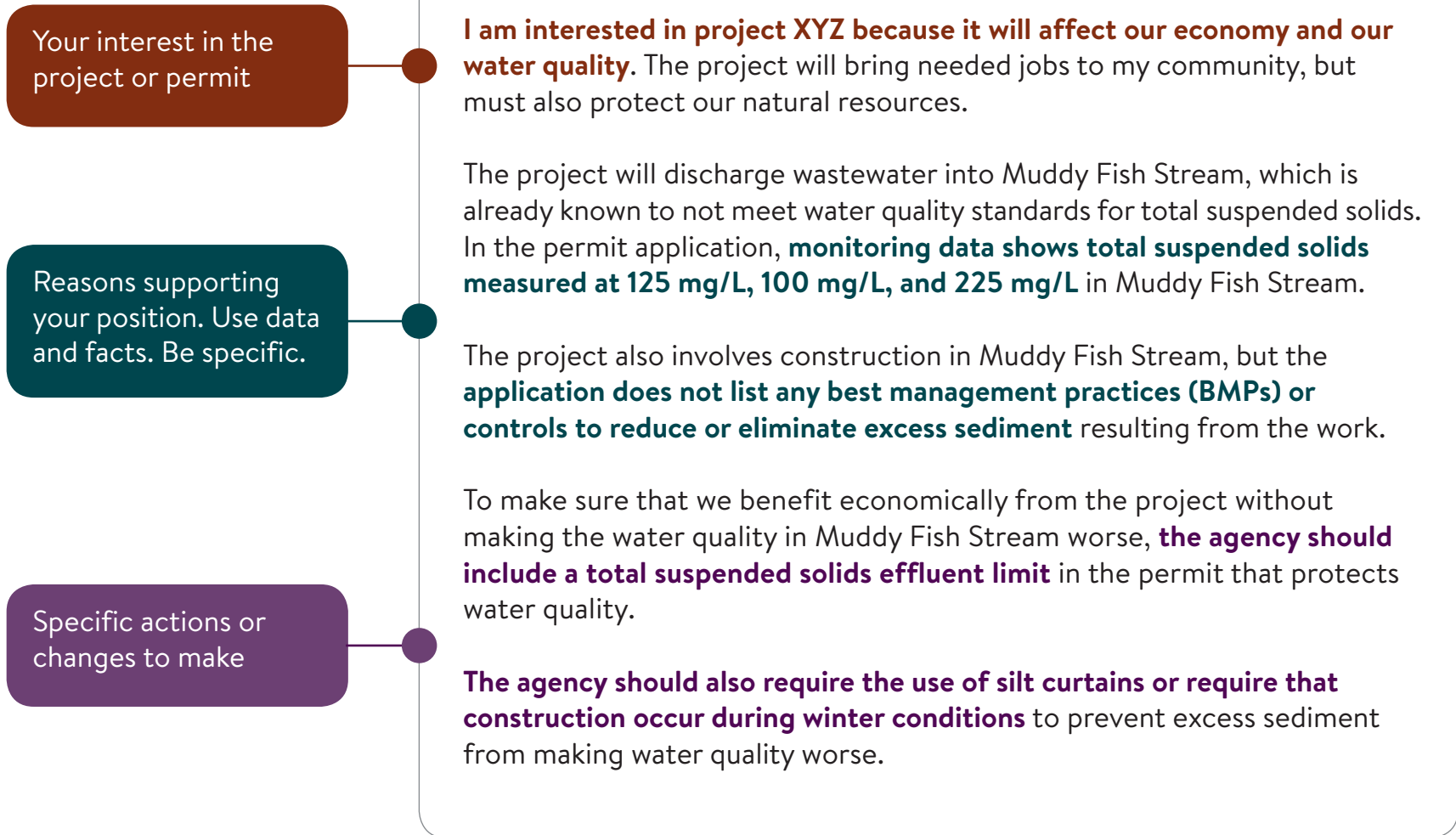


Effective public comments

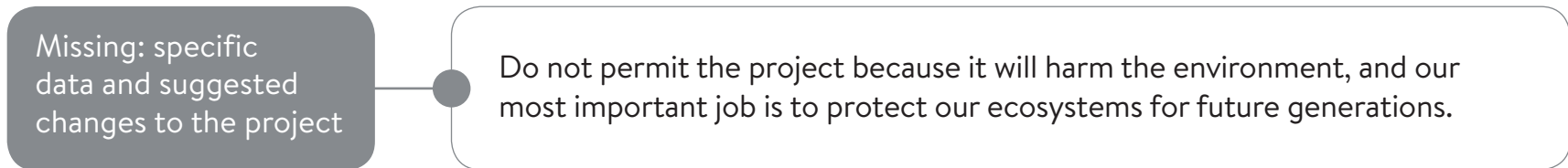
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Anatomy of an effective public comment



Comments that are less effective



Important things to remember

- Good comments can **improve the final permit.**
- The permit process is to **make sure a project can comply with environmental laws**, not to stop the project.
- Comments should be **fact and data based.**
- Comments are not votes.** Approval is not based on the number of comments for or against the permit.