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Creating Sustainable Change

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Discussion Topics



ORNL's Change
Management
Capabilities



What is Change
Management



Readiness and
Sustainability



Application

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Change Management Mission

What We Do

- Apply a disciplined approach to successfully plan, evaluate, manage, and sustain changes that staff will *accept, adapt to, and trust*

Why We Do It

- Address the need for a systematic approach to change that empowers and assists ORNL individuals in navigating through transition
- Aid in the change adoption process to help ORNL be agile, evolving, and successful

Create a change-ready ORNL



Why should we care about Change Management?



Speed of Adoption

How **quickly** are people up and running on the new systems, processes and job roles?



Ultimate Utilization

How **many** employees (of the total population) are demonstrating “buy-in” and are using the new solution?



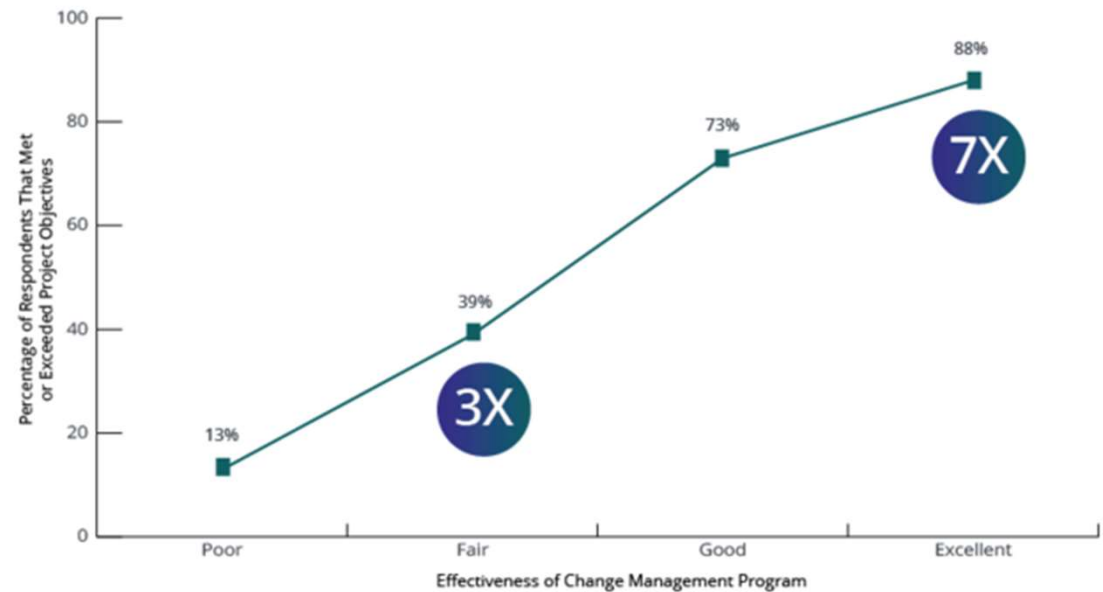
Proficiency

How **well** are individuals performing compared to the level expected in the design of the change?

Applying change management principles leads to better delivery of project objectives

Research consistently shows that initiatives with excellent change management are seven times more likely to meet objectives.

In fact, by simply moving from “poor” to fair” change management practices increase the likelihood of meeting objectives three-fold.



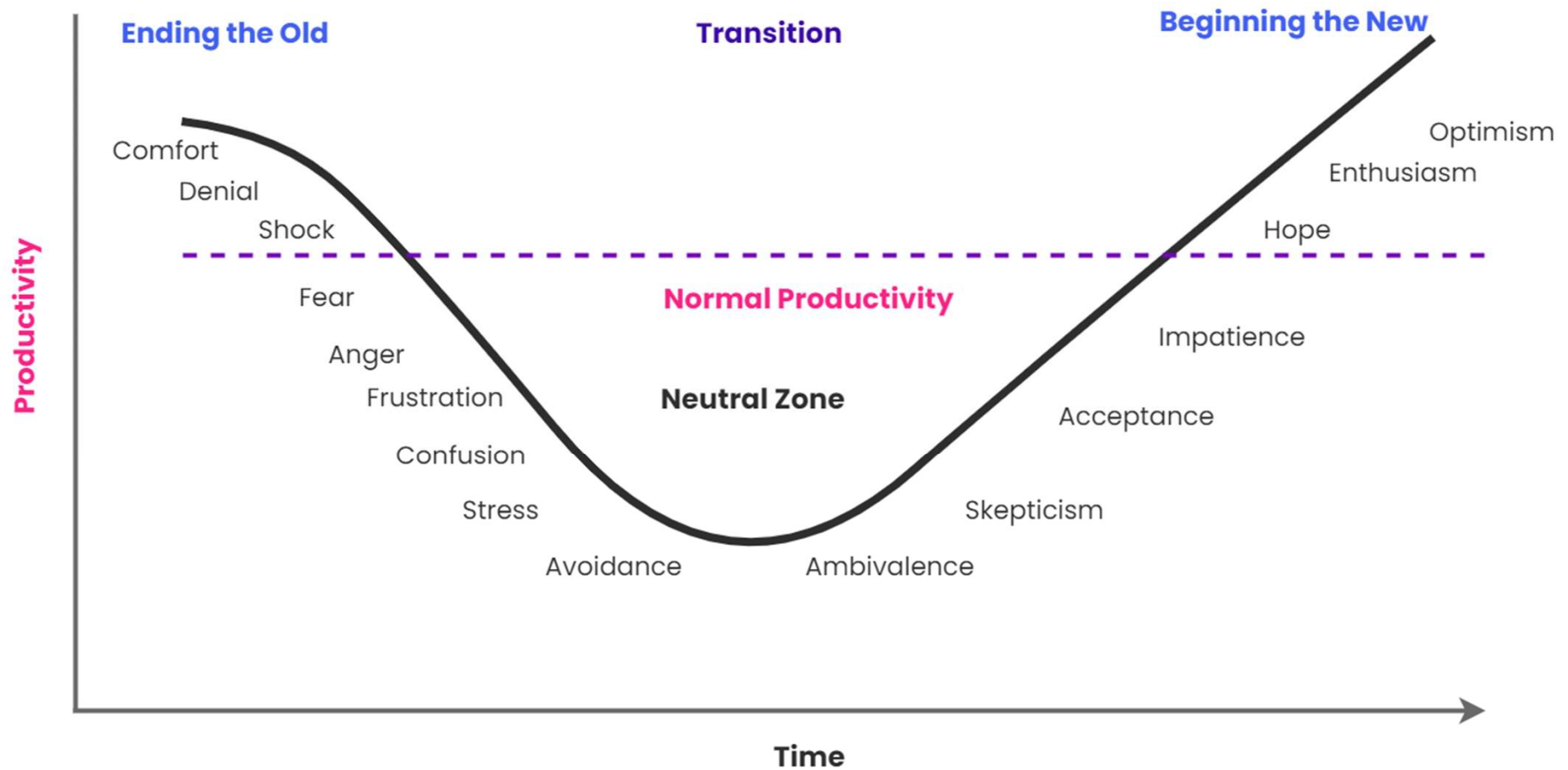
38% of people like to leave their comfort zone. When these people are presented with a change, they think, "Hey, this is so exciting."

The other **62%**, however, look at that same exact statement and immediately feel fear and discomfort. They may think, "Oh great, this change will effect my career growth." or "I will not do what I like doing any more." or "Will they keep me in?"

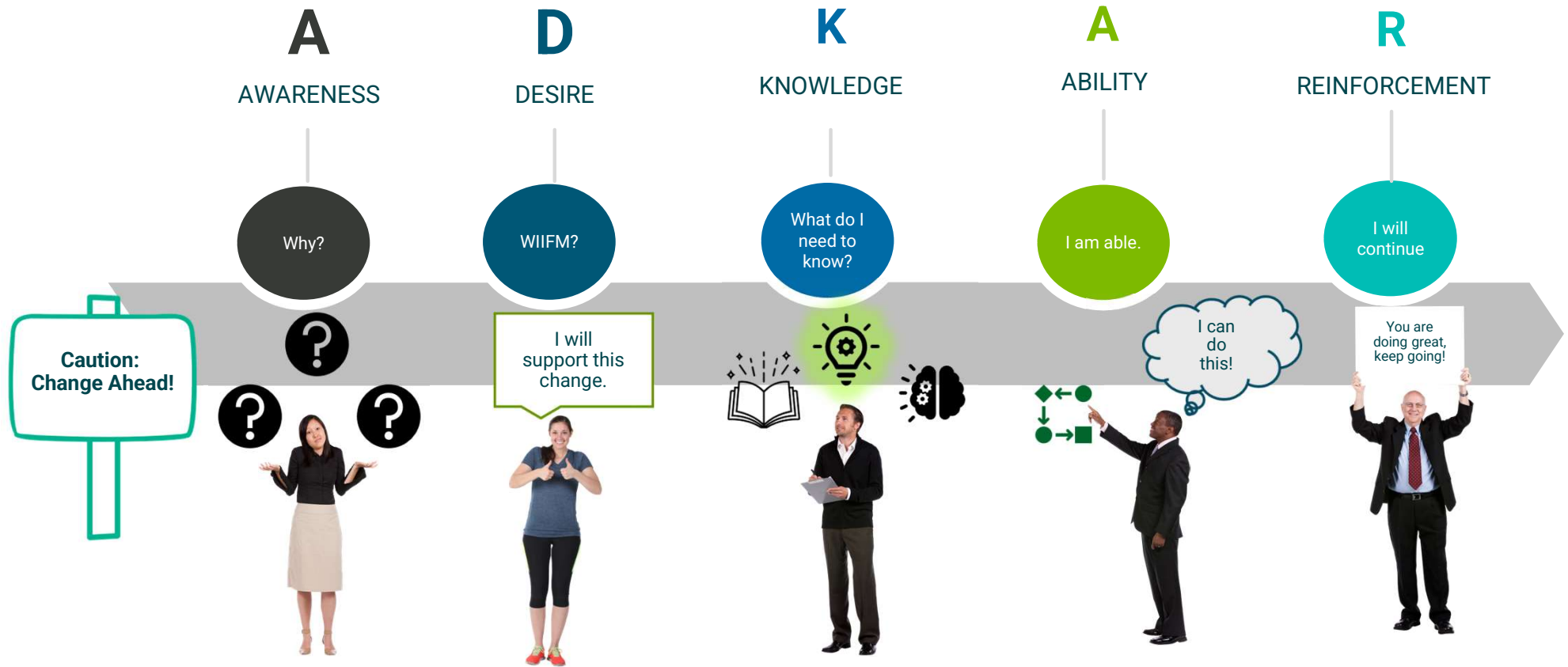
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Bridges' Transition Model

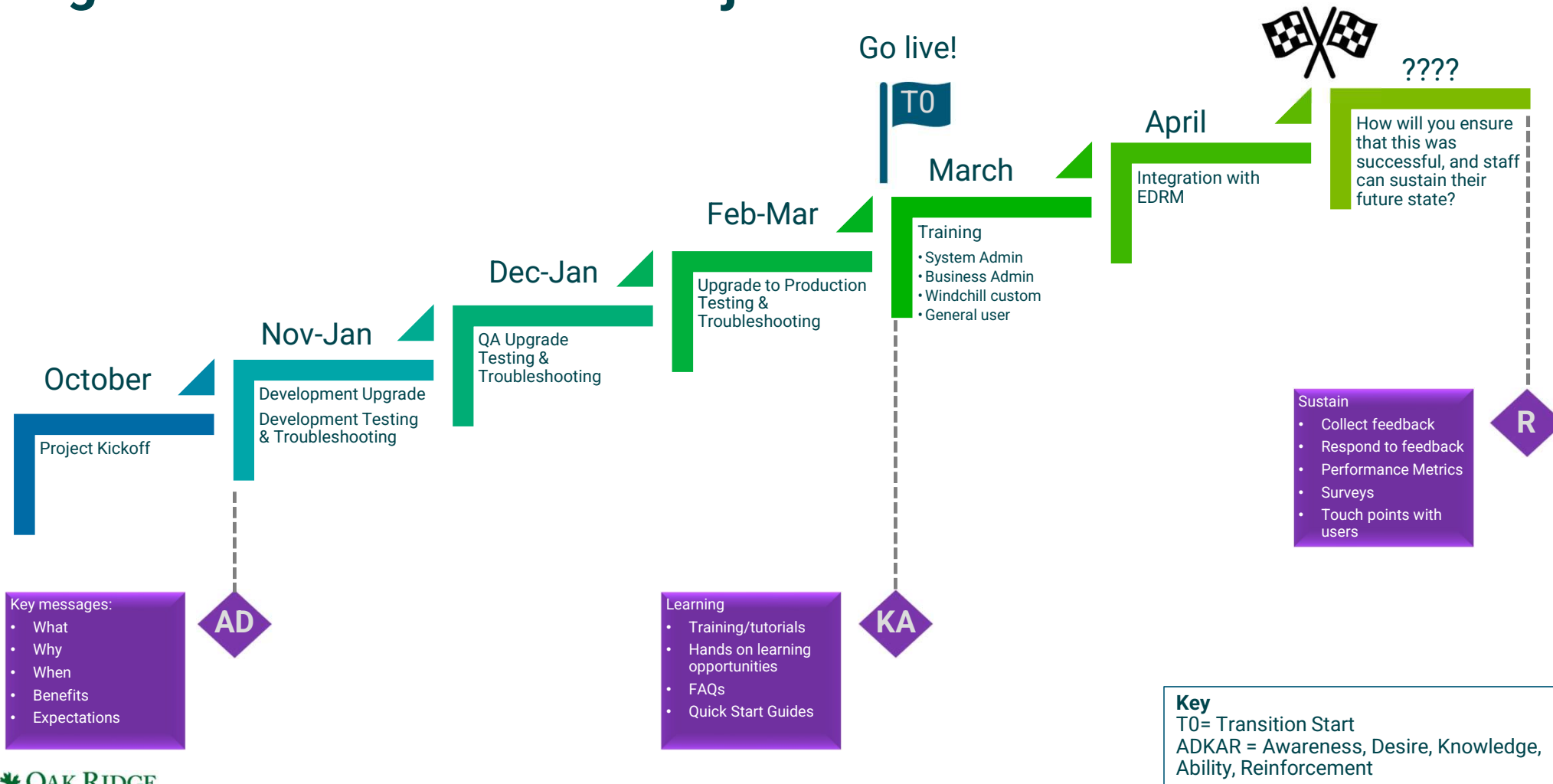
Coming to terms with change



Organizational change requires individual change



High-level ADKAR-Based Project Schedule



Application Example

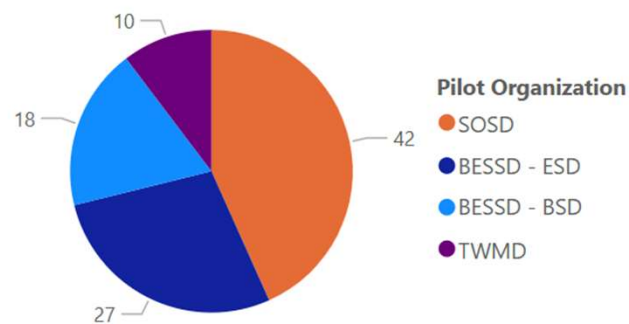
Measuring readiness and sustainability of change

SOSD Knowledge/Ability Survey

February 2025

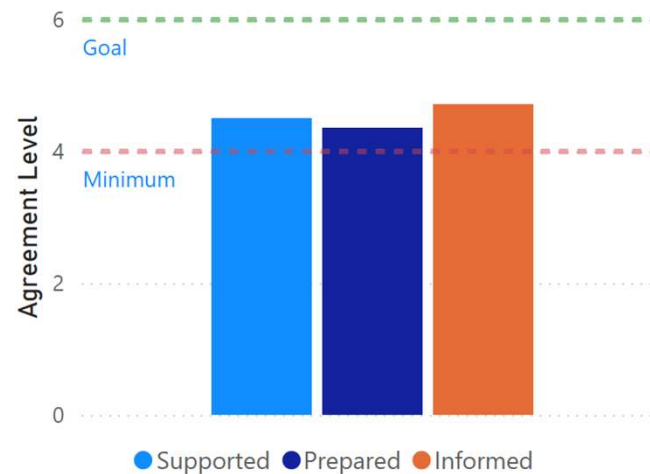
On a scale of 1 to 6, where 1 is bad and 6 is good...

Breakdown of Pilot Organization



42 Participants in SOSD, ~42% of SOSD staff

SOSD Knowledge Survey



4.71
Adequately Informed

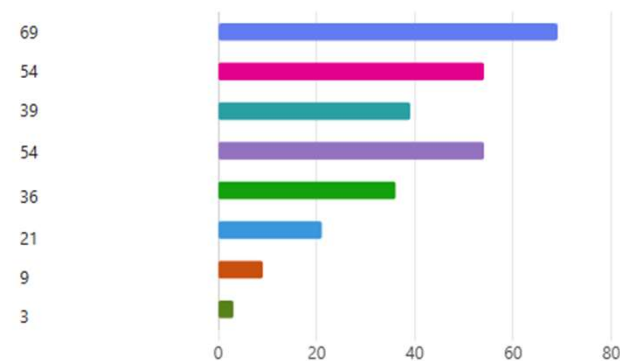
4.36
Prepared to Transition

4.50
Resources & Support

Score out of 6

Pilot Participation in Engagement Opportunities
(all pilot groups)

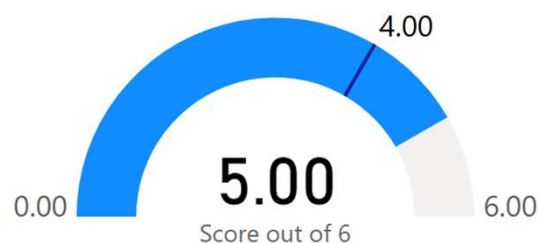
- Q&A and demo sessions
- Hands-on learning sessions
- Meetings with the project teams
- Informal discussions with colleagues or operations support teams.
- Exercises to break down work control into activities and tasks.
- Viewing tutorial videos
- None.
- Other



Leadership Snapshot – February 2025

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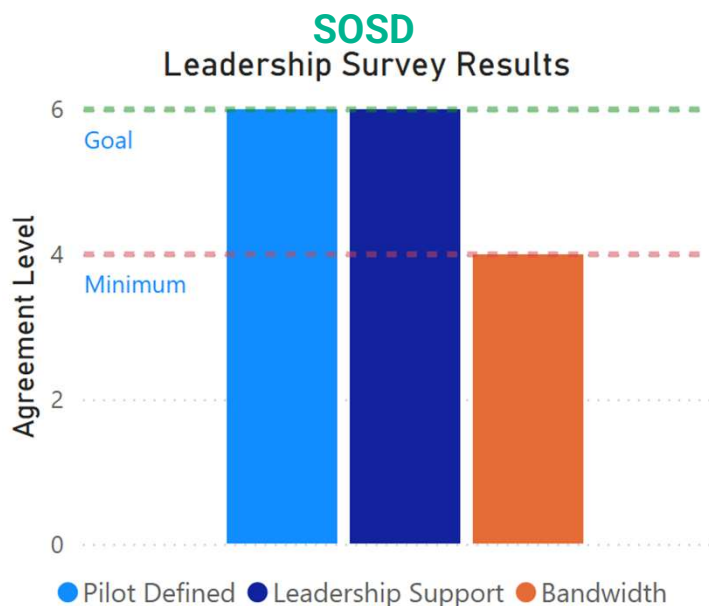
I feel I have the necessary resources, support (from my management and the project team), and time to oversee this change amongst my staff efficiently.



I feel my staff have the necessary resources and support to navigate this change efficiently.



3 Participants in SOSD, 50% of leadership team



5.90

Sponsor Confidence

6.00

Clear Impact & Pilot Definition

6.00

Leadership Support

4.00

Bandwidth for Activity Plans

Score out of 6

SOSD Launch Assessment February 2025

On a scale of 1 to 6, where 1 is bad and 6 is good...

A 5.30
Awareness

D 5.73
Desire

K 4.71
Knowledge

A 4.75
Ability

Assessment based on the surveys / user
perspective (people focused)

P 5.51
People

M 5.21
Material

E 4.74
Equipping Success

I 5.02
Information

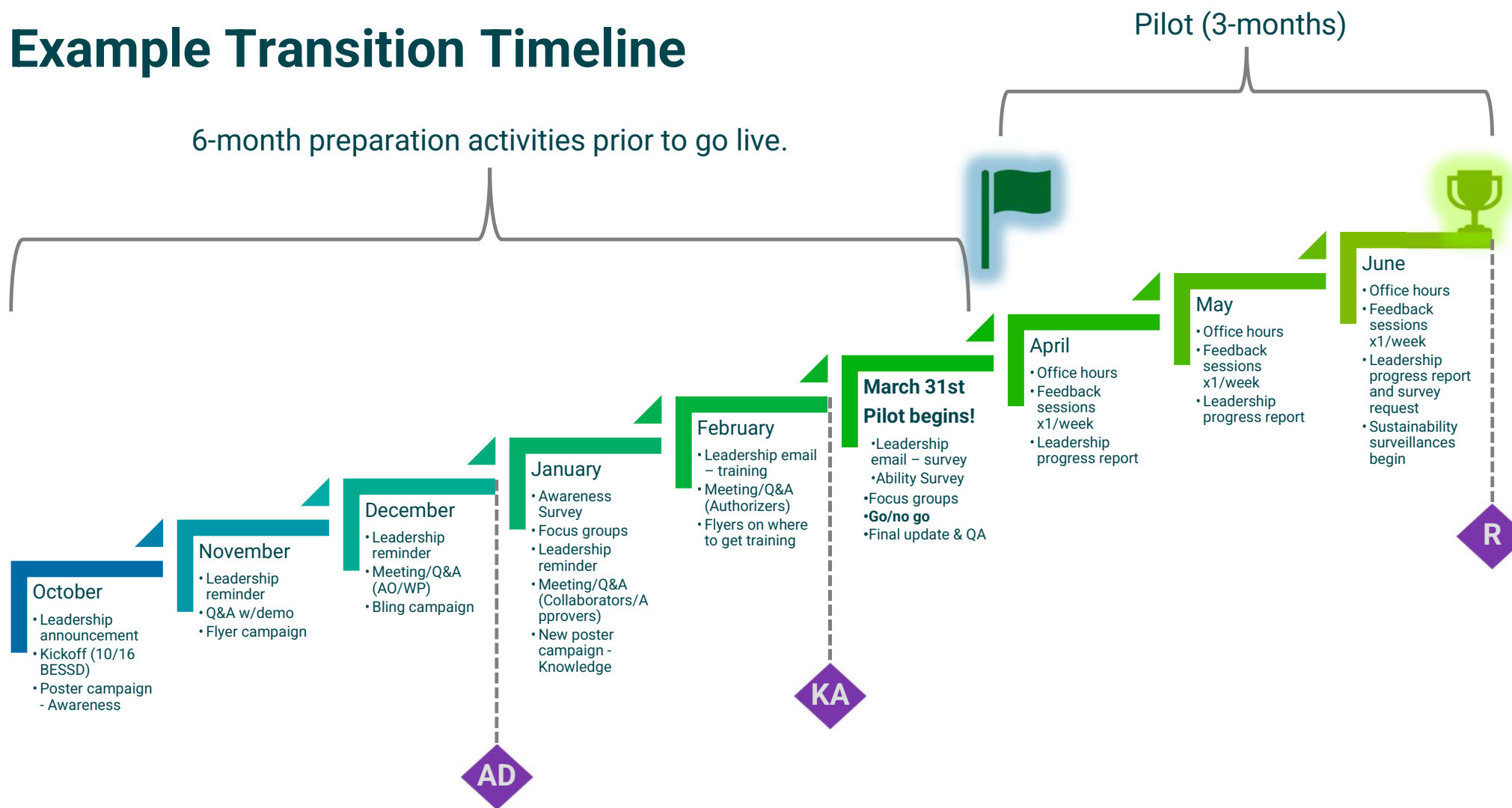
Assessment based on the perspective of
the project team and change practitioner
(pilot / project focused)

Applying the same tools to corrective and preventive action development

Success depends on fully understanding the change



Example Transition Timeline



Change management can be a very powerful tool to improve the effectiveness of your action strategies

Not easy, must be people-centered, requires reinforcement

