



2024 DASP CSA update

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CSA and DASP

- DASP is eligible for “Canadian Student Participation in Space Conferences and Training Events”
 - Available to Canadian citizen or permanent resident (only 3 students this year)
 - Can the grants go to Universities instead?
- CSA is willing to host DASP once every 3 or 4 years

General news

- New CSA logo
 - Top Google search for “Canadian Space Agency Logo”
- Pierre Langlois currently working in Astronomy
 - Kyle Murphy working for CSA as a content expert
 - Next month we anticipate a new casual hire focused on contractual work
- CSA work has been dominated this year with managing significant financial cuts





CSA funding status

- Significant cuts felt across the federal government for the next several years.
- Every project/agreement evaluated to determine if it could be reduced/cut
- Anything ending this year, trying to find a path for extension was cut
- Based largely on the community roadmap, ROSS was most affected
- Current cuts predominantly affecting the next 2 years, unclear beyond that



ROSS AO

- 12 proposals received
- 9 proposals funded
- Evaluation
 - 1 CSA reviewer
 - 1 non-CSA government reviewer
 - 1 reviewer from academia outside Canada
- Only able to fund the first year of grants
 - We understand that this is far from ideal
- No new ST ROSS AO calls for 2 years
- This choice largely informed by the Roadmap

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- Top community priority
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- Successful argument:


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Clear Canadian
citizen need



Federal agency
willing to champion
a solution

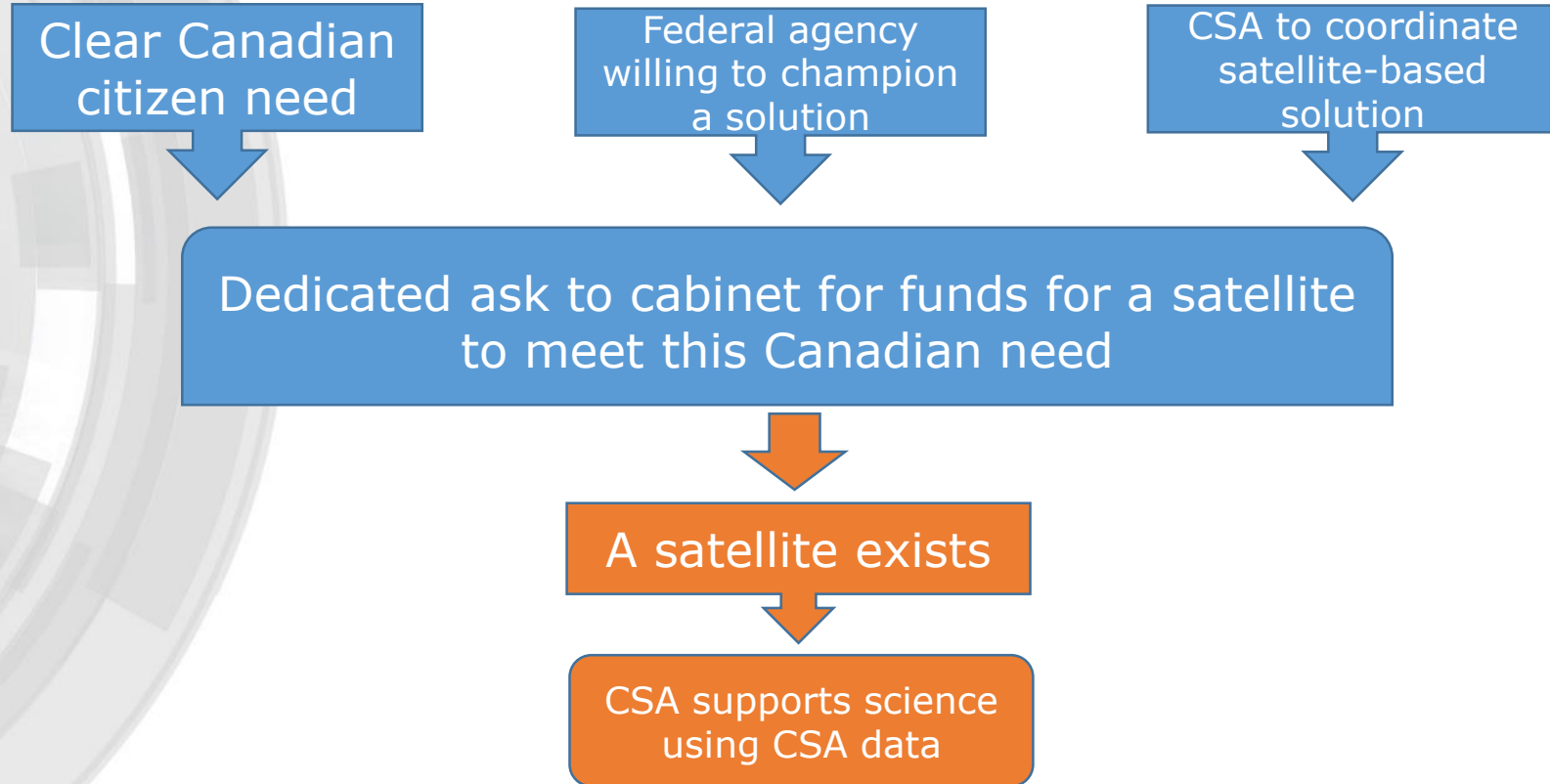


CSA to coordinate
satellite-based
solution



Dedicated ask to cabinet for funds for a satellite
to meet this Canadian need

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High level points

- Finances significantly constrained for the next 2 years
- ROSS is popular at the agency, I expect it to return
- The roadmap is important, we use it frequently
- Improving CSA attitude towards GBO is a constant effort, but is currently improving
- Feel free to reach out with questions and concerns

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