

400GPL Timeline Considerations

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Introduction

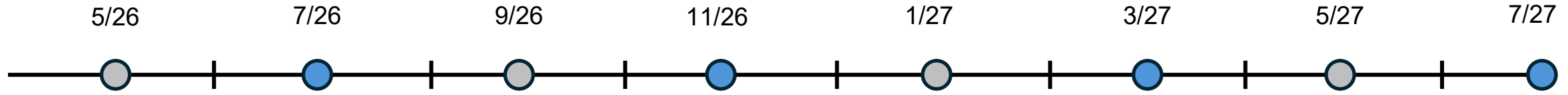
- A focused project enables rapid progress towards a specification – **time to market!**
- **Project documentation approvals are the key** to the transition to Task Force
- **Task Force makes technical decisions**, including selecting baseline proposals
- Agreement on documentation in May achieves **Task Force in late September 2026**

Note: Additional E4AI efforts are anticipated to start in 2027

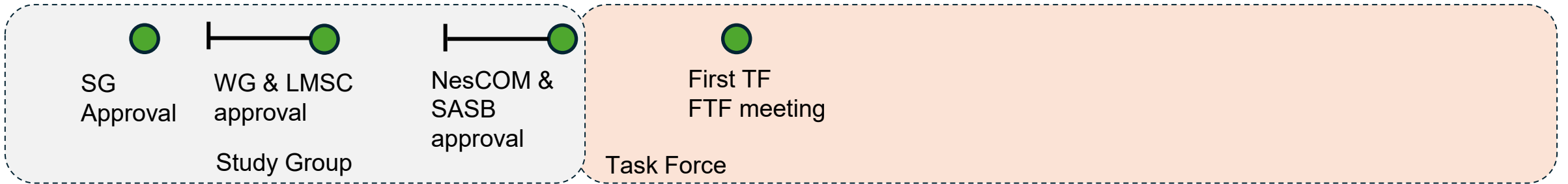
Timeline to Get to Task Force

Legend:

- Interim
- Plenary



TEF, ECOC,
OCP, etc.



- This is the path to avoid schedule complications

Key Date	Notes
16 June 2026	LMSC Pre-submission deadline (30 days)
17 July 2026	LMSC Meeting at July Plenary
14 August 2026	NesCom submission deadline
14-17 September 2026	IEEE 802.3 September 2026 Interim meeting
25 September 2026	NesCOM & SASB Meeting

Summary

Goal: First Task Force meeting after September 2026

To achieve this, at the May Meeting we must accomplish (at the SG level):

- **Approval of *draft* PAR**
- **Approval of *draft* CSD**
- **Approval of a *sufficient set of objectives* to demonstrate the project's viability**

Refine and approve final project documentation at July Plenary

Thank You!

IEEE Standards Association Governance Meetings Schedule

2026

JANUARY	JULY	January	February	March
28: NesCom and RevCom teleconferences	28-30: CAG meeting, Austin, Texas, USA, in-person only	S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31
29: CAG meeting, virtual-only	AUGUST			
FEBRUARY				
04-05: BOG meeting, Bridgewater, New Jersey, USA	SEPTEMBER			
11-16: IEEE BOD meeting series, Austin, TX, USA	02-03: BOG meeting, virtual-only			
MARCH	21-25: SASB meeting series, virtual-only	April	May	June
24-26: SASB meeting series, Bridgewater, New Jersey, USA	OCTOBER	S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30
APRIL	21: NesCom and RevCom teleconferences			
15-16: CAG meeting, Bridgewater, New Jersey, USA, in-person only	NOVEMBER			
29: RevCom teleconference	18-23: IEEE BOD meeting series, Washington, DC, USA	July	August	September
30: NesCom teleconference	DECEMBER	S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W TH F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30
MAY	02-03: CAG meeting, Dublin, Ireland, in-person only			
05-07: BOG meeting, San Jose, Costa Rica	04-05: BOG meeting, Dublin, Ireland			
JUNE	06: Awards Ceremony, Dublin, Ireland			
02-04: SASB meeting series, Tokyo, Japan	07-09: SASB meeting series, Dublin, Ireland			
17-22: IEEE BOD meeting series, Nashville, TN, USA		October	November	December
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NesCom/RevCom Submittal Deadlines:
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 13 February 2026 [for March 2026 mtgs]
 20 March 2026 [for April 2026 mtgs]
 24 April 2026 [for June 2026 mtgs]
 14 August 2026 [for September 2026 mtgs]
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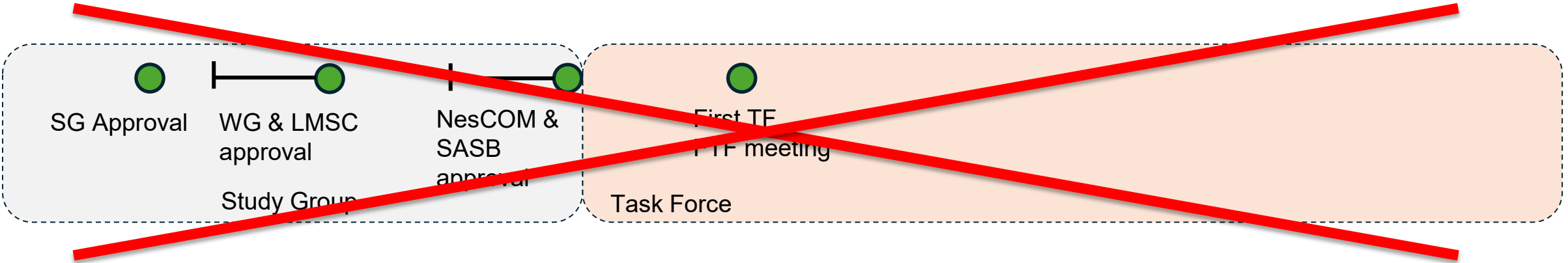
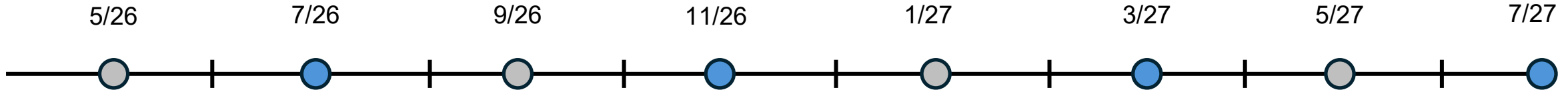
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FEBRUARY	30-31: SASB meeting series, virtual-only			
17-22: IEEE BOD meeting series, Orlando, Florida, USA	SEPTEMBER			
MARCH	01-02: SASB meeting series, virtual-only			
09-11: BOG meeting, New Delhi, India	08-09: BOG meeting, virtual-only	April	May	June
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Alternate Timeline

Legend:

- Interim
- Plenary



Path #2

