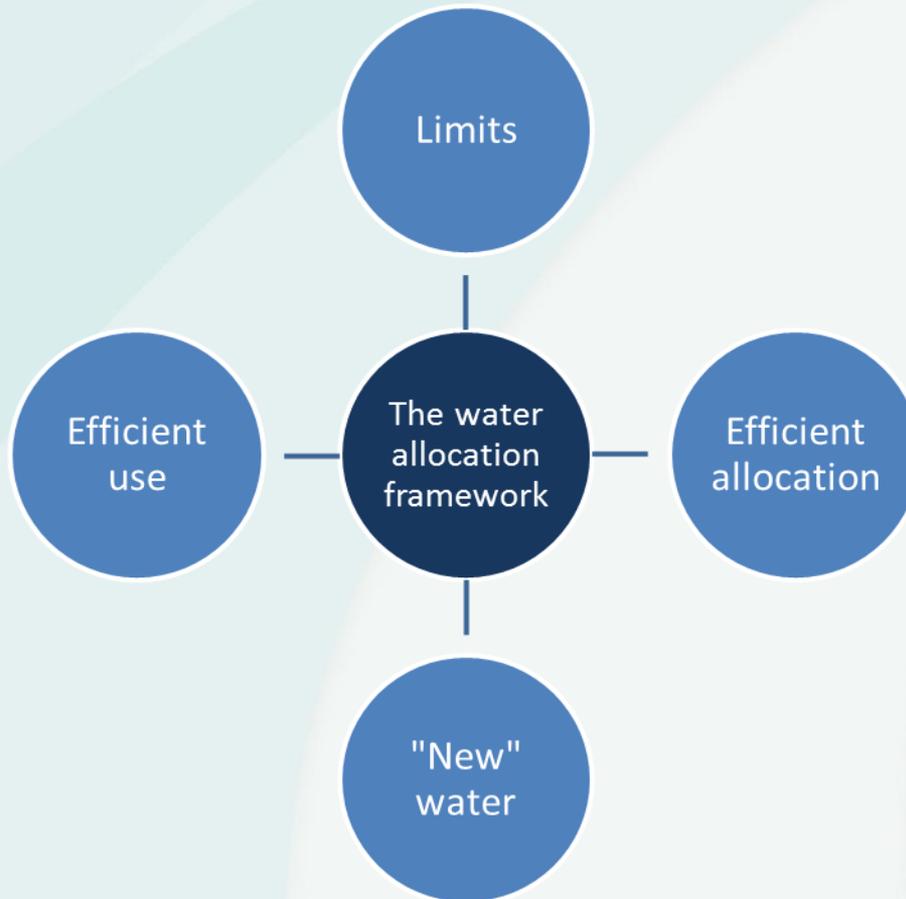


The water allocation framework



Key issue

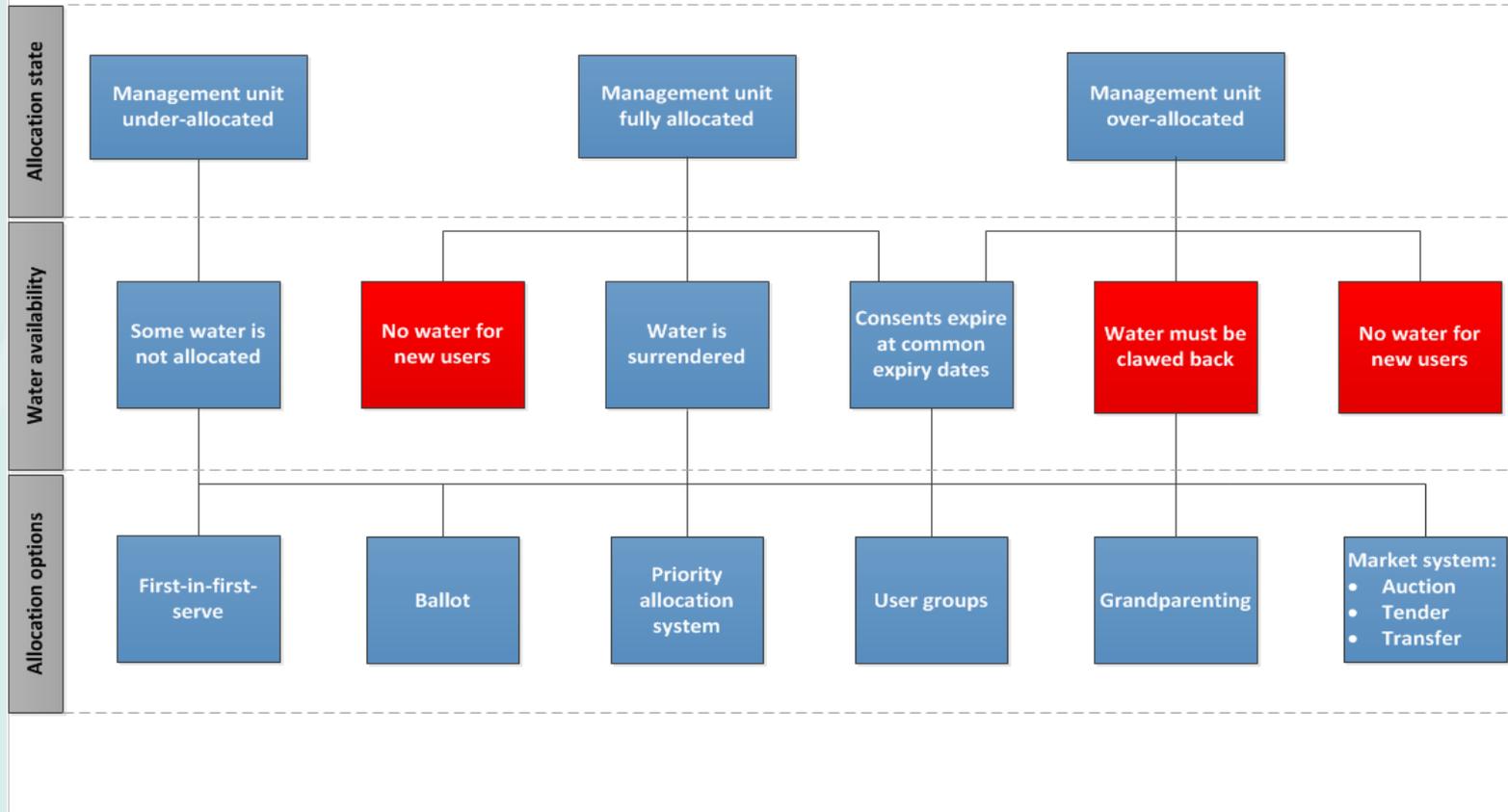
How is water allocated when it becomes available?

- **on common expiry dates for resource consents**
- **when water is given up**

Re-allocation of water



Re-allocating water



Current water availability at full allocation

No water is available to new users when resource consents expire because existing users trump new users = grandparenting

What the RMA says

When considering an application [for renewal of resource consent] ... a consent authority must have regard to the value of the investment of the existing consent holder (RMA s104 (2A))

Key considerations

How will the Committee address allocation on expiry of resource consents?

- Potential allocation approaches:
 - status quo
 - market e.g. auction, tender
 - administrative e.g. priority allocation system, user groups, ballot,
- Equity vs existing investment?

For discussion

- **the pros and cons of allocation options**
- **equity**
- **which allocation options should be explored further**