

## **Peninsula Clean Energy**

## **Environmental, Social, and Governance Investment Solutions**

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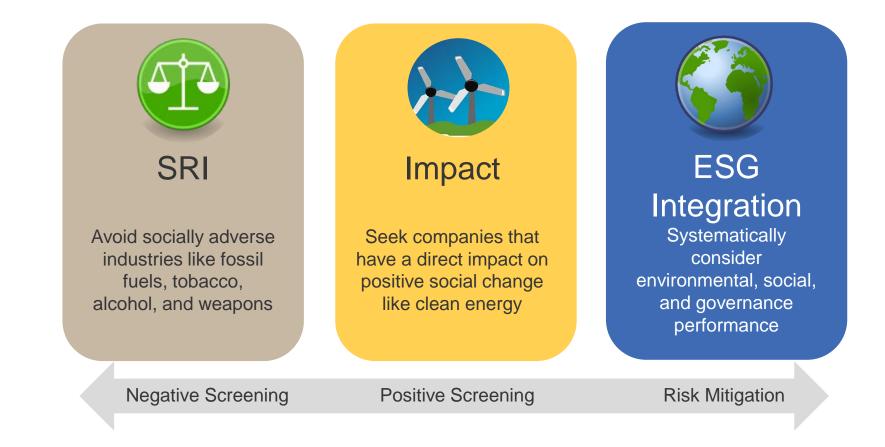
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# Introduction to ESG Investing



#### **Approaches to Sustainable Investing**





### What is ESG Investing?

- ESG investing is a sustainable investment approach
  - More inclusive than Socially Responsible Investing (exclusionary approach)
  - Broader in scope than thematic and impact investing
- Incorporates <u>measurable non-financial ESG factors</u> into an investment analysis

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL**

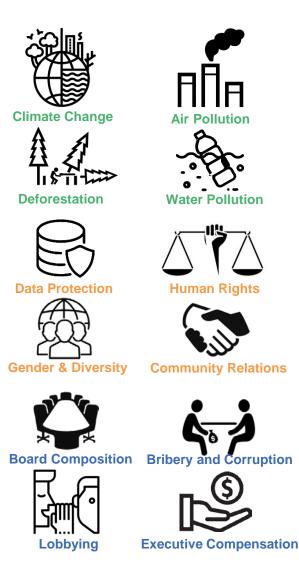
How a company limits its environmental impact and carbon footprint

#### **SOCIAL**

How a company treats its employees, customers, community, and other companies with which it interacts

#### **GOVERNANCE**

How a company is led, including executive pay and any internal controls



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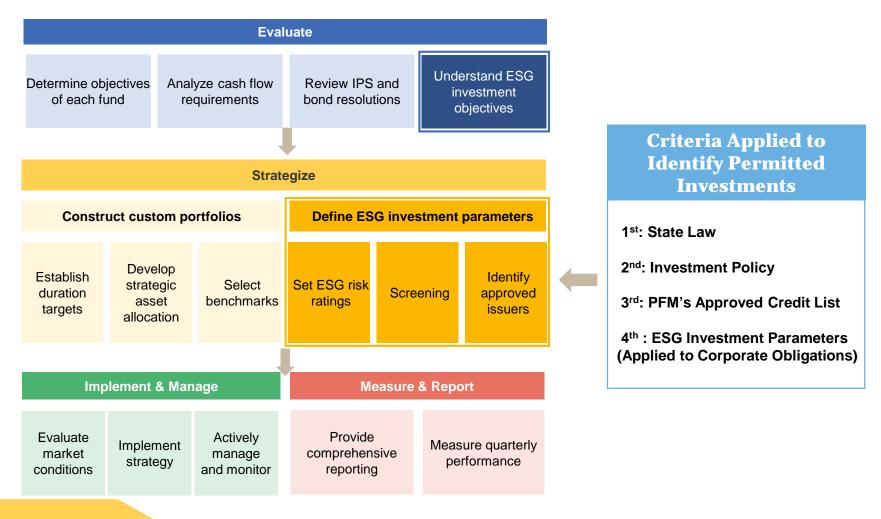


# PFM's Fixed Income ESG Investment Approach



### **PFM's Fixed Income ESG Investment Solution**

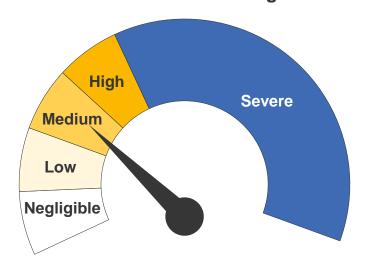
• Our approach provides our clients with the tools and methodology to implement a customized ESG fixed income investment solution for their Separately Managed Accounts



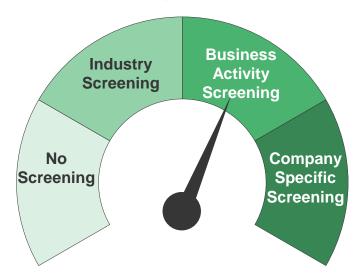


#### **Our ESG Solution Offers Many Advantages**

- Flexibility to implement customized ESG strategies (based on Sustainalytics framework)
- Transparent, practical, not overly complicated
- "Rules-based" approach eliminates ambiguity by setting defined ESG parameters (based on Sustainalytics framework)



Maximum ESG Risk Rating Level



#### **Screening Preferences**



# **ESG Investment Criteria Options**



### **Potential ESG Approaches**

ESG Approaches	ESG Evaluation Focus	
Approach #1	<ul> <li>Issuers with significant exposure to material environmental risks, such as:</li> </ul>	
Limit Environmental Risk	<ul> <li>Emissions, Effluents, and Waste</li> </ul>	ESG
Exposure	Carbon Output & Impact	Approach #1
	Land Use & Biodiversity	
	Resource Use	
	Limit exposure to fossil fuel industries.	
	<ul> <li>Limit exposure to issuers with significant exposure to material social risks, such as:</li> </ul>	
Approach #2	Community Relations	ESG
Limit Fossil Fuel Exposure	Data Privacy & Security	Approach #2
Limit ESG Risk Exposure	<ul> <li>Human Rights &amp; Human Capital Management</li> </ul>	
	Occupational Health & Safety	
	Evaluate corporate governance practices	

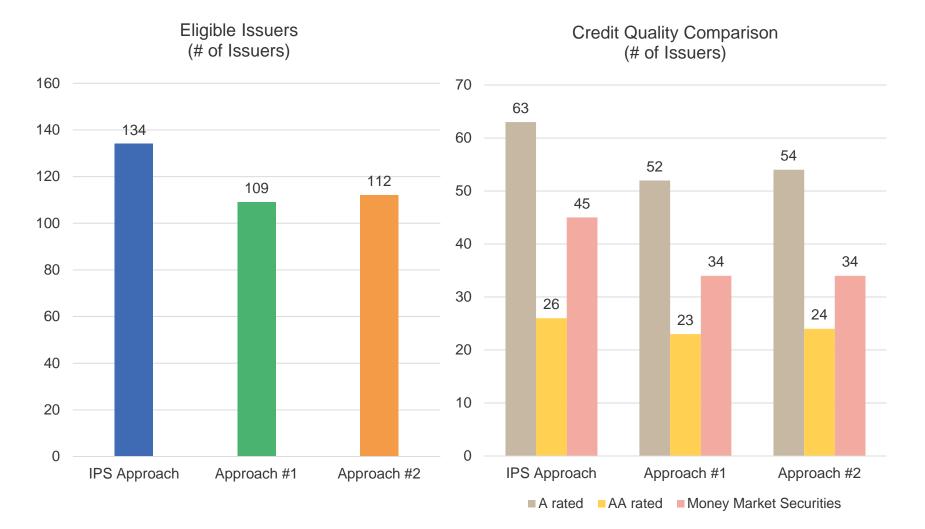


### **ESG Investment Approach Summary**

ESG Approach	ESG Criteria	Strategy Considerations
ESG Approach #1 Limit Environmental Risk Exposure	An eligible issuer's environmental risk exposure can be no greater than 7.5 points of its ESG risk score	<ul> <li>Broader based environmental risk management approach.</li> <li>Would significantly reduce exposure to issuers and industries with materially higher environmental factors.</li> </ul>
ESG Approach #2 Limit Fossil Fuel	<u>Exclusions</u> – Exclude issuers in the Energy Services, Oil & Gas Producers, Refiners & Pipelines Industries	<ul> <li>Reduces environmental risk exposure by excluding issuers involved in the exploration, direct production, refinement, and transportation of fossil fuels.</li> </ul>
Exposure Limit ESG Risk Exposure	Issuer ESG Risk Category - Medium or lower <u>Top ESG Performers Exception</u> – Issuers in the "High" ESG risk category that are also in the top quartile (25%) of their subindustry may be included in the portfolio	<ul> <li>Incorporates broader ESG assessments, including socially related risk exposure.</li> <li>Top ESG Performers exclusion rewards top performers in industries with higher ESG risk exposure.</li> </ul>



### Impact on Eligible Issuers





### **Evaluating & Comparing Direct Costs and Potential Opportunity Costs**

Direct Costs & Opportunity Costs	Approach #1 (Environmental Approach)	Approach #2 (Environmental Exclusions & ESG Approach)		
PFM Fee Impact	1.0 additional basis points (+0.01%) on AUM	1.5 additional basis points (+0.015%) on AUM		
Custody & Trading Costs	N/a – Change in approach would not change custody fees or significantly impact trading activity			
Diversification Opportunities	Reduction in approved issuers. Remaining approved issuers provide diversification opportunities			
Yield & Investment Return Impact	<ul> <li>Undetermined. Dependent on a num</li> <li>Portfolio composition</li> <li>Liquidity</li> <li>Credit quality</li> <li>Change in yield spreads</li> <li>Direction of interest rates</li> </ul>	quidity edit quality nange in yield spreads		



- Work with the PCE to determine ESG investment objectives & parameters and incorporate any changes to the Investment Policy Statement
- Execute an amended investment advisory agreement

# **Next Steps**

- Identify ESG eligible permitted investments based on ESG investment parameters
- Monitor the ESG risk ratings of the investments in the PCE's portfolio
- Review, discuss, and refine the investment approach as needed



# Appendix: Measuring & Monitoring ESG Risk Exposure



### Who is Sustainalytics & What is the ESG Risk Rating?



- A firm dedicated to independent ESG and corporate governance research, ratings, and analysis
  - Supports investors around the world with the development and implementation of responsible investment strategies, as it has done for over 25 years
  - Continuously conducts in-depth research and analysis on over 16,000 public and private companies
- Sustainalytics' ESG Risk Ratings enable investors to evaluate different organizations, using a consistent methodology, by quantitatively defining a company's material ESG exposure on a scale of 0-100

#### ESG Risk Rating Scale

Negligible	Low	Medium	High	Severe
0-9.99	10-19.99	20-29.99	30-39.99	40-100

#### **Lower scores = lower ESG risk**



#### How is ESG Risk Exposure Determined?

- The ESG Risk Rating measures economic value at risk based on exposure to unmanaged ESG Risks
- An organization's ESG risk assessment is based on two primary factors:
  - ESG Risk Exposure Determined at the subindustry level with adjustments for company-specific risk exposure levels
  - Management of ESG Risk Exposure Based on policies, programs, quantitative performance, controversies, and corporate governance

Unmanageable Industry-specific risks (carbon for oil companies)

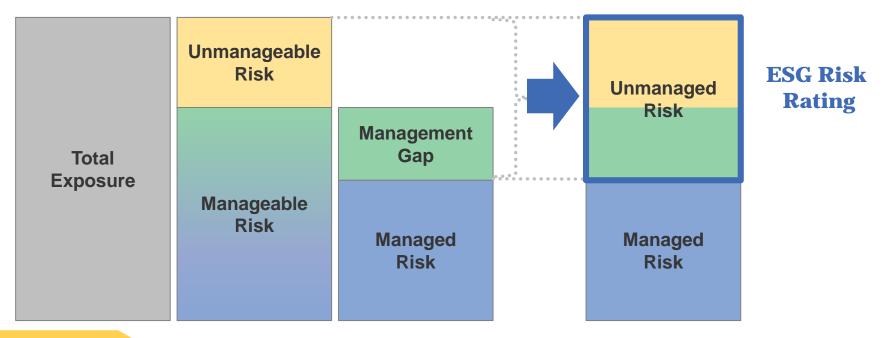
Manageable ESG Risk that is not being managed

ESG Risk Rating = Unmanageable ESG Risk + Management Gap



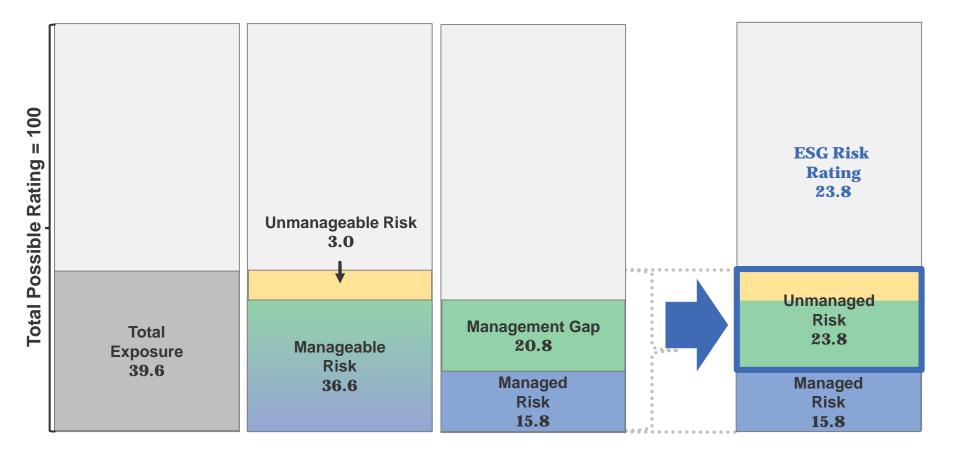
#### **ESG Risk Rating Decomposition**

- Total Exposure is the starting point for a company's exposure to material ESG issues
- Some companies have Unmanageable Risks, e.g. an oil company will always face risks related to carbon until it changes its business model
- Of the Manageable Risk, a portion is managed through a company's policies, programs, management services, etc.; the remainder is considered unmanaged (Management Gap)
- The ESG Risk Rating evaluates unmanaged ESG risk





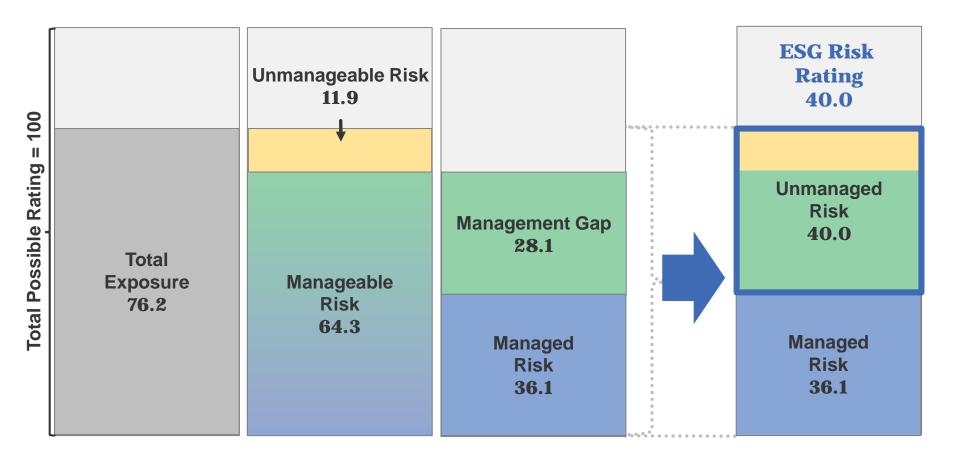
#### **ESG** Risk Rating Example Calculation – Apple Inc.





#### **ESG** Risk Rating Example Calculation – Chevron Corp.





Source: Sustainalytics. Last updated March 31, 2020. Illustration not drawn to scale.



#### **ESG Risk Rating Decomposition Example Calculation**

Apple Inc. ESG Risk Rating 23.8			Chevron Corp. ESG Risk Rating 40.0			
ESG Breakdown Material ESG Issue Scores		ESG Breakdown	ESG Breakdown Material ESG Issue Scores			
			Environment 18.3	Emissions, Effluents and Waste Carbon - Own Operations Carbon - Products and Services Land Use and Biodiversity	5.0 5.2 5.4 1.0	
Environment 1.3 (5%)	Carbon - Own Operations Product Governance (E)	0.5 0.8	(45%)	Resource Use Occupational Health and Safety	1.1 0.7	
Social 11.8 (50%)	Data Privacy and Security Human Rights - Supply Chain Human Capital Product Governance (S)	5.2 1.1 5.3 0.2	Social 11.4 (29%)	Community Relations Human Capital Occupational Health and Safety	4.8 1.7 4.9	
Governance 10.7 (45%)	Corporate Governance Business Ethics	3.6 7.1	Governance 10.3 (26%)	Corporate Governance Bribery and Corruption Business Ethics	4.0 3.9 2.4	



#### **Sustainalytics Industry Categories**

- Sustainalytics has categorized each rated organization into 42 different industries and 137 subindustries
- ESG criteria may include an exclusionary component with exclusions based on specific industries and subindustries

Aerospace & Defense	Construction & Engineering	Electrical Equipment	Industrial Conglomerates	Precious Metals	Technology Hardware
Auto Components	Construction Materials	Energy Services	Insurance	Real Estate	Telecommunication Services
Automobiles	Consumer Durables	Food Products	Machinery	Refiners & Pipelines	Textiles & Apparel
Banks	Consumer Services	Food Retailers	Media	Retailing	Traders & Distributors
Building Products	Containers & Packaging	Healthcare	Oil & Gas Producers	Semiconductors	Transportation
Chemicals	Diversified Financials	Homebuilders	Paper & Forestry	Software & Services	Transportation Infrastructure
Commercial Services	Diversified Metals	Household Products	Pharmaceuticals	Steel	Utilities



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