## **Association Merger Preferred Timeline**

1. Acceptance of Case Statement: February 25

2. Annual Gathering & Meeting Presentation: June 7

3. Virtual Town Halls: Sometime between the beginning of July & mid-September

4. Votes at All Six Association Fall Meetings on Merger, Constitution & Bylaws, Budget, Articles of Incorporation, Rescinding 2017 Pastoral Ethics Guidelines (and thoughts on new guidelines that we might adopt in 2026 in conversation with the Keystone Conference), etc.: Sometime between the beginning of September and the end of November

5. Beginning of Penn West (Keystone West, whatever we choose to call it) Association: January 1, 2026

## **Association Merger Contingency Timeline**

1. Acceptance of Case Statement: February 25

2. Annual Gathering & Meeting Presentation: June 7

3. Conversations at Fall Association Meetings & Vote to Rescind 2017 Pastoral Ethics Resolution:

Sometime between the beginning of September & end of November

4. Virtual Town Halls, regarding the proposed Constitution & Bylaws: Sometime between the beginning of January, 2026 & end of March, 2026

5. Hybrid Meeting of All Six Associations: Sometime between the beginning of April, 2026 and end of September, 2026 for conversation

6. Votes at All Six Association Fall Meetings on Merger, Constitution & Bylaws, Budget, Articles of Incorporation, New Pastoral Ethics Guidelines (in conversation with the Keystone Conference), etc.: Sometime between the beginning of September, 2026 and the end of November, 2026

7. Beginning of Penn West (Keystone West, whatever we choose to call it) Association: January 1, 2027