

Land Stewardship

A program of responsible stewardship for lands held for conservation purposes

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Why?



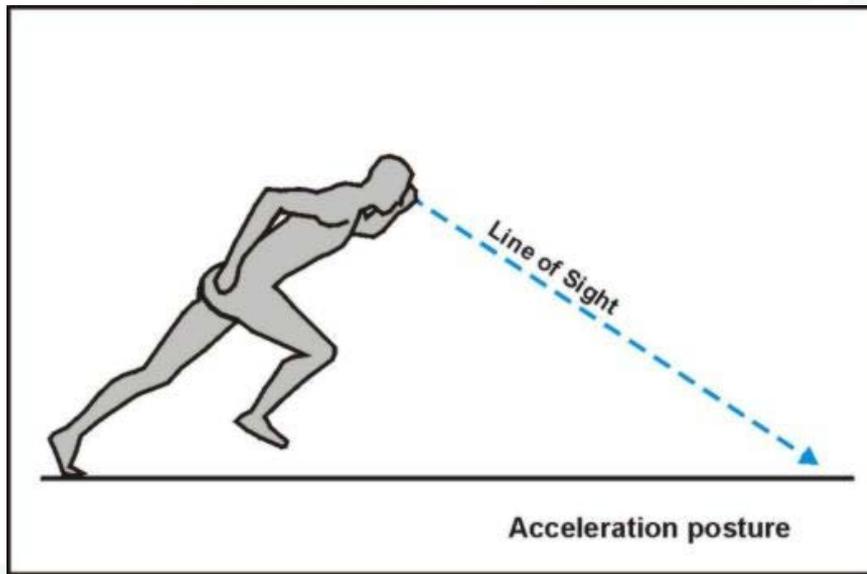
12B. Land Management and Stewardship

- Develop a written land management plan for each conservation property within 12 months after acquiring the land to:
 - Identify the property's conservation values, including any significant cultural, Indigenous, historical and natural features, and identify threats to those features
 - Identify the overall management goals for the property
 - Identify activities and timeline to achieve the goals and to reduce any risks or threats to the conservation values
 - Specify the uses that are appropriate for the property, in keeping with the property's conservation values, any restrictions and donor or funder requirements
- Manage each conservation property in accordance with its management plan, and review and update the plan periodically
- Perform administrative duties (such as paying insurance, filing required forms, keeping records) in a timely and responsible manner
- Maintain the property in a manner that retains the land trust's public credibility, manages community expectations and minimizes risk consistent with the land trust's mission

12C. Inspecting Land Trust Properties

- Determine the boundaries of land trust properties and physically mark them to the extent possible or necessary
- Inspect properties at least once per calendar year for potential management problems and promptly document the outcomes of the inspection
- Address management problems, including encroachments, trespass and other ownership challenges, in an appropriate and timely manner and document the actions taken

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Management Plan

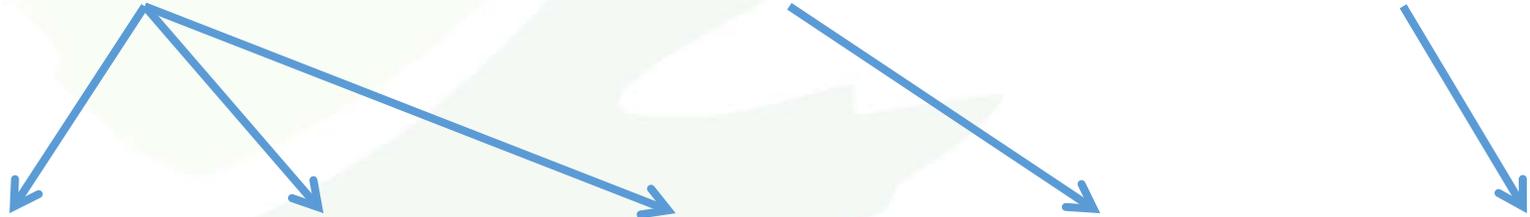
- Scope and Vision
- Conservation Targets
- Threats
- Goals, Strategies and Activities
- Land Uses
- Budget
- Effectiveness Measures



It starts with a vision...

- Why have you protected this land?
- What are you trying to achieve?
- What do you want to conserve?

Targets: what's unique?



Threats: what can impede conservation vision?



Operation of
Dams



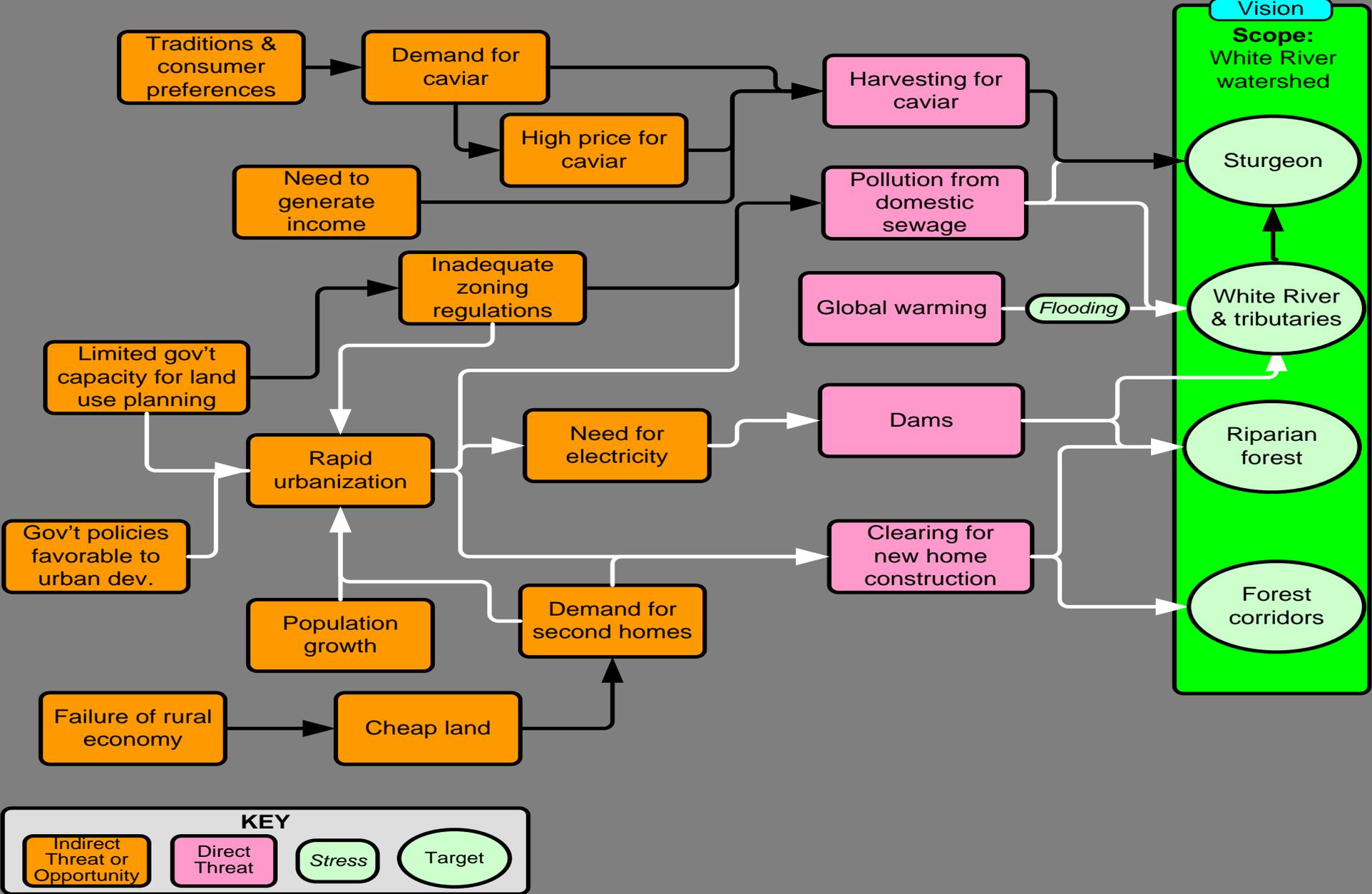
Unsustainable
Logging



Residential Development



Exotic/Invasive Species



Vision

Scope:
White River watershed

Sturgeon

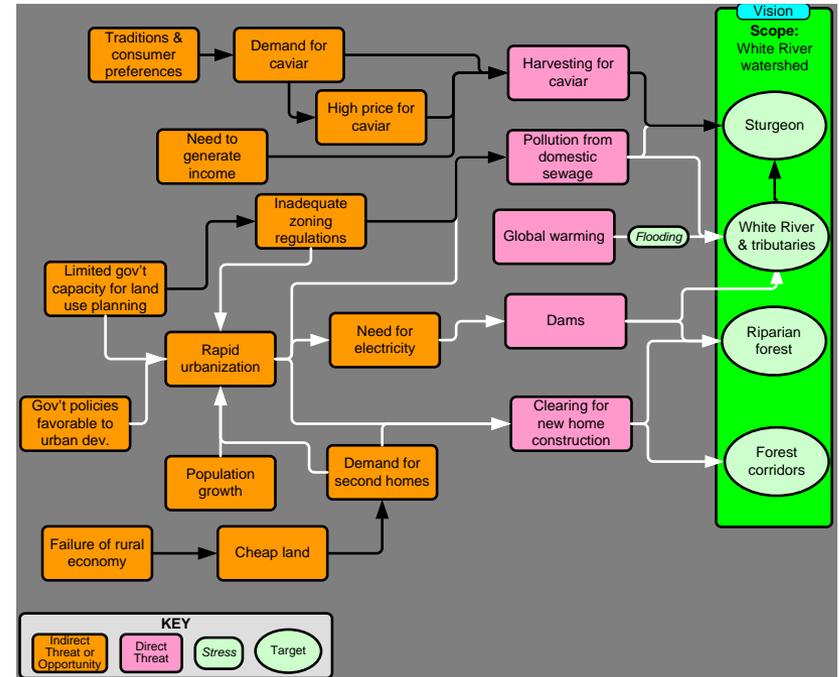
White River & tributaries

Riparian forest

Forest corridors

Strategies and Activities

- What strategies can you implement to achieve your visions?
- What threats can you work on?



Adaptive Management

- Are we achieving an impact?
 - Are we doing the right things?
 - Are we doing them well?
- Effectiveness measures and indicators

Other things to consider...



- Permitted Land Uses
 - Change in Use
 - Stewardship Principles
 - Incompatible uses
- Liabilities
 - Anthropogenic Features
 - Public Safety
 - Hazards
- Partnerships
 - Key Stateholders
 - Allies
 - Influencers

Property Inspections

- Early detection of land management problems
- Prevention
- Identification of urgent intervention
- Documentation of the issues
- Documentation of the actions taken





Property Taxes

Trails

Anthro features

Restoration

Agricultural practices

Right-of-way

Buildings

Volunteers

Trespassing

Neighbors

Resources Extraction

Incompatible Land Uses

Species reintroduction

ATVs

Wildlife tracking

Agreements

Hunting

Erosion

Public Access

Human disturbance

What are your Conservation Strategies?

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Thank You!