

State Wildlife Action Plans and Landscape Conservation Cooperatives

How to implement
landscape-scale
conservation

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Florida's State Wildlife Action Plan

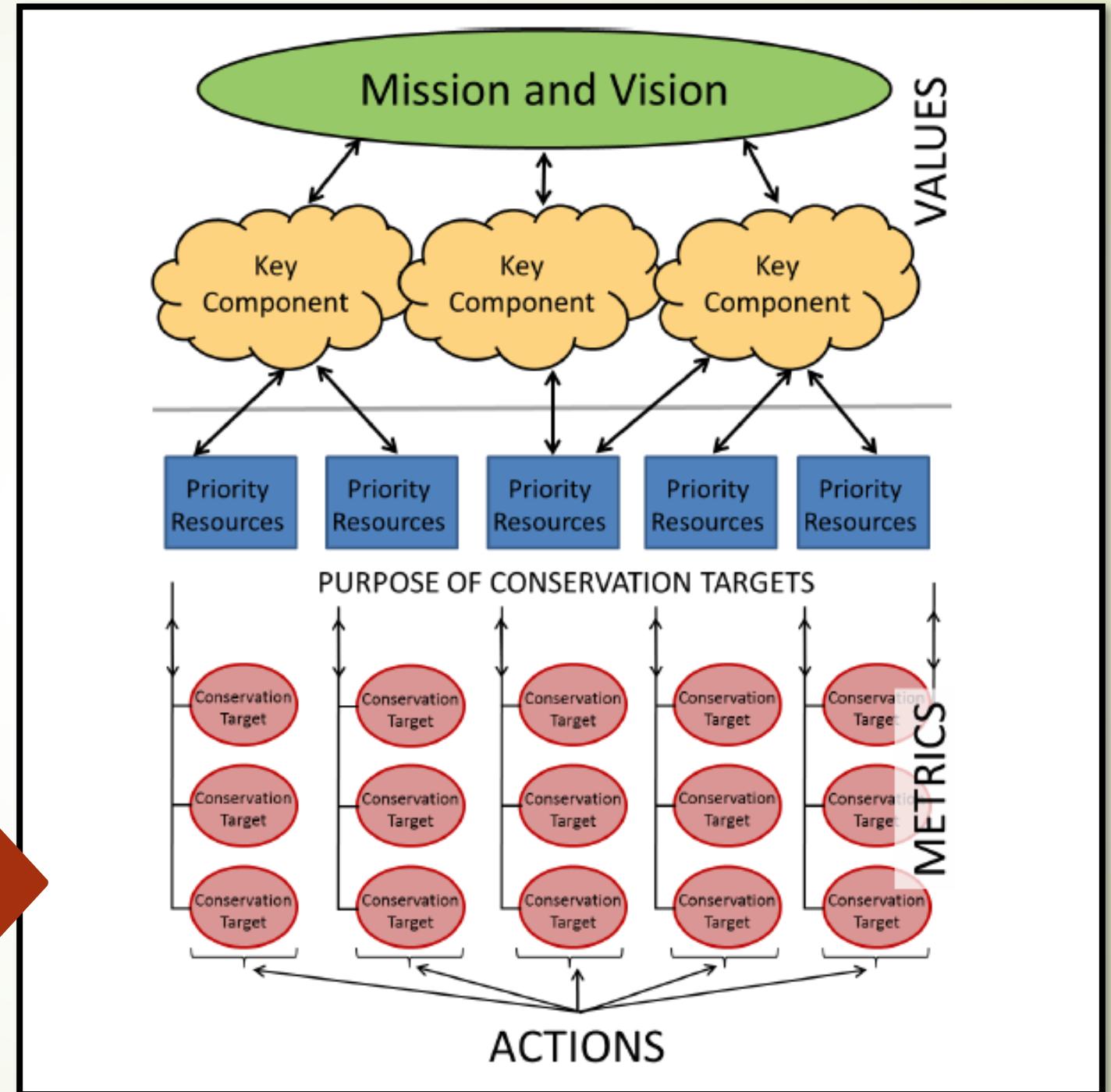


A comprehensive wildlife conservation strategy

FLORIDA'S
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The PFLCC Structural Framework



SWAP's and LCC's Share Similar Values



Comprehensive approach for all fish, wildlife, and their habitats

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Incentive-based, proactive, non-regulatory effort

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Cooperative – all partners, not just FWC-USFWS

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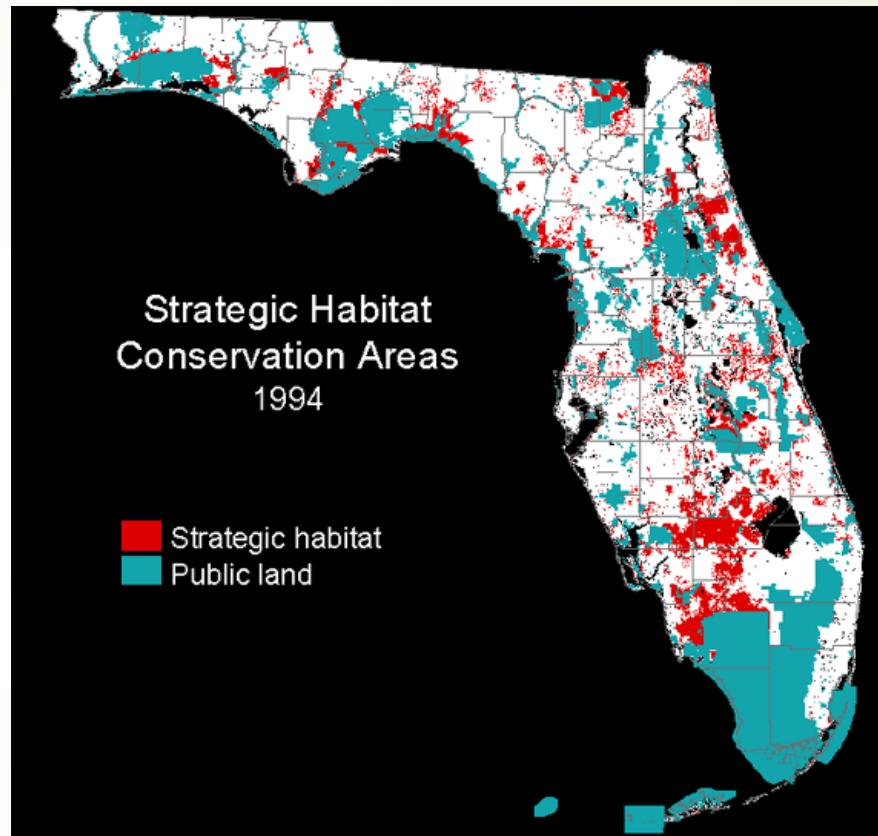
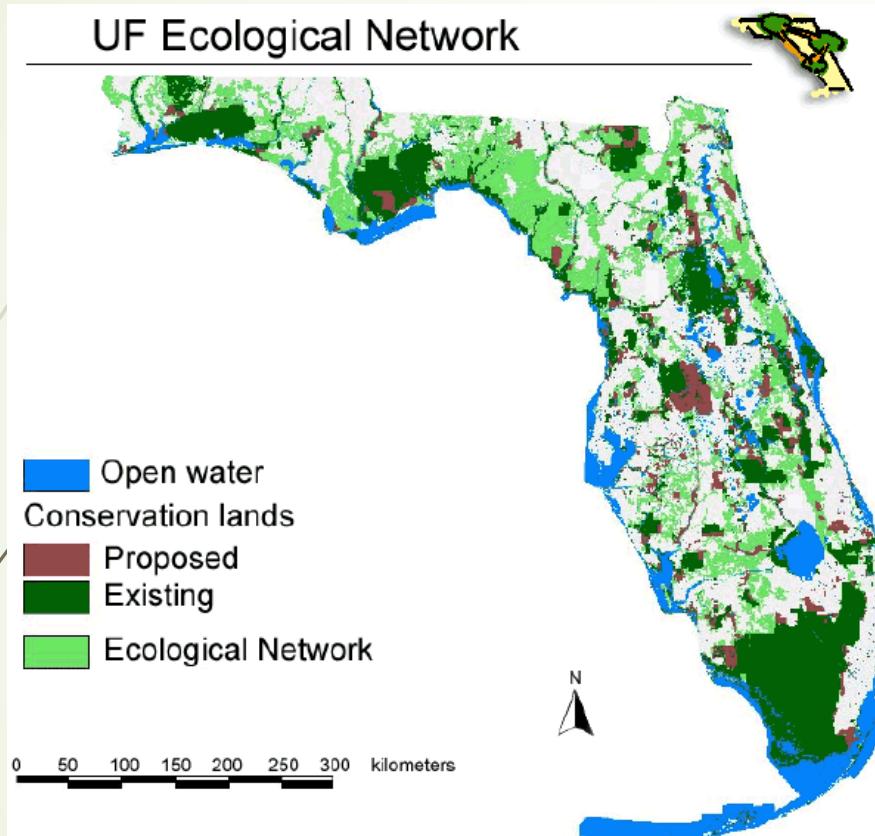
Strategic, Business, Science Plans



State Wildlife Action Plans

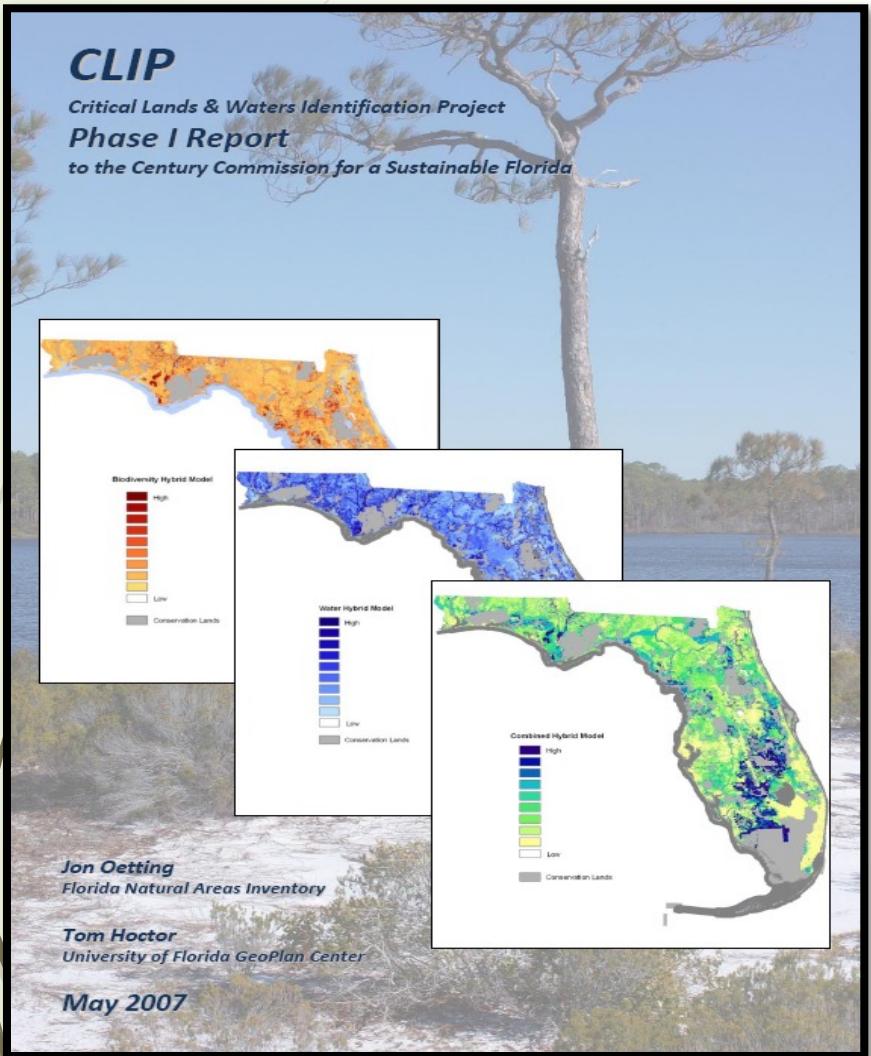
- High level, comprehensive plans
- Prioritize efforts
- Guiding documents for actions, projects, resources

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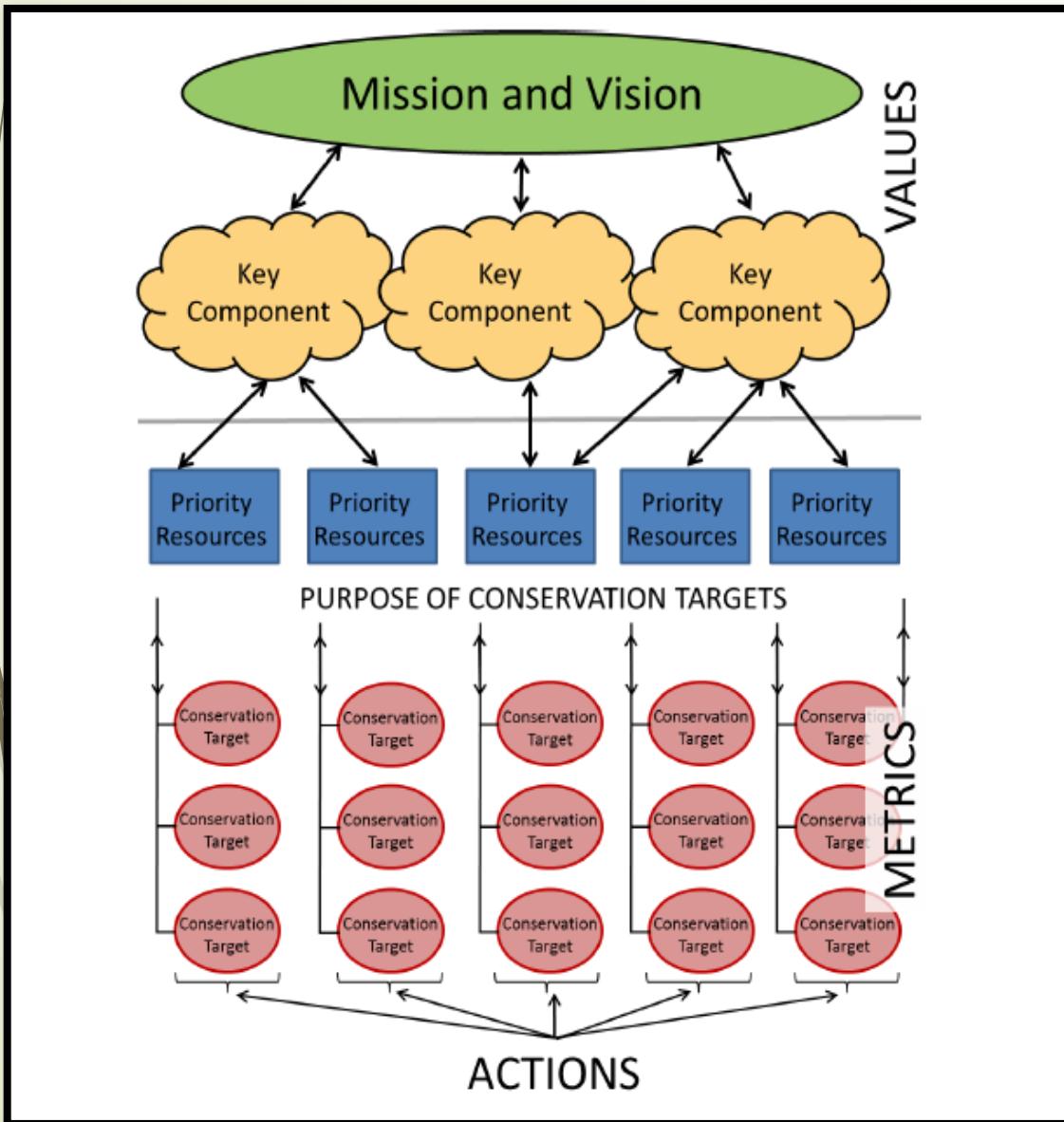
Build upon existing information

Critical Lands and Waters Identification Project (CLIP) = Science Foundation



- Derived from and updates existing data sources
- Prioritizes biodiversity, landscapes, water
- Multi-organization technical advisory group

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The Steering Committee decided to use:

- Critical Lands and Waters Identification Project (CLIP)
- Florida Cooperative Land Cover
- FL SWAP

2017 Revision of the FL SWAP



- Uses Florida Cooperative Land Cover
- Uses CLIP
- Aligning with PFLCC Blueprint to Structure Performance (Outcome/ Output) Monitoring

2017 FL SWAP Revision Ecosystems

Terrestrial

Freshwater

Marine

Caves

Freshwater Non-Forested
Wetlands

Intertidal

Hardwood Forested Uplands

Freshwater Forested Wetlands

Hard Bottom

Coastal Uplands

Lakes

Soft Bottom

Pine Flatwoods & Dry Prairie

Rivers & Streams

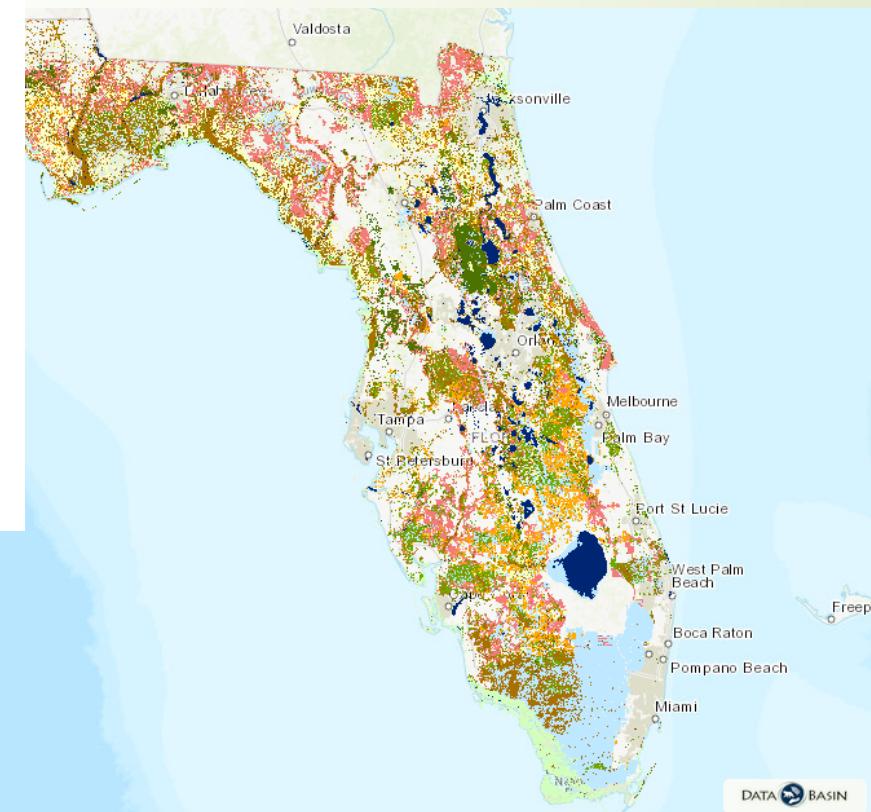
High Pine & Scrub

Urban and Working Lands

PFLCC Blueprint Priority Resources

▼ PFLCC Blueprint V.1

- Coastal Uplands
- Connectivity
- Estuarine - Partial
- Freshwater Aquatic
- Freshwater Forested Wetland
- Freshwater Non-Forested Wetland
- Hardwood Forested Upland
- High Pine and Scrub
- Pine Flatwoods and Dry Prairie
- Working Lands I
- Working Lands II



Priority Resource	Conservation Target	
	Measurable attribute	Metric
High Pine and Scrub	Amount of regularly burned habitat patches	Number of patches, Hectares of burned patches
	Gopher tortoise population status	Density - number of tortoises per hectare of habitat, Fitness - annual recruitment
	Area of burned pyric communities	Acres burned at desired return interval
	Bird habitat suitability	Index of habitat suitability for 3 bird species
	Area of high-quality amphibian habitat	Hectares of Priority Amphibian and Reptile Conservation Areas



Integrating SWAP's and LCC's

Keys to Success:

- Align planning tools
- Align revision and development phases
- Integrate staff and Steering Committee
- Work complimentary

Questions?

FLORIDA'S *W*ildlife Legacy Initiative

Using the State Wildlife Action Plan and State Wildlife Grant funds to leverage resources with partners to sustain Florida's legacy of native wildlife and their habitats

