

Skill Check Week 3: Objectives Step of PrOACT

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Instructions:

You will generate objectives for the following hypothetical management scenario (upon completing the exercise you will be prepared to share your list of objectives to the rest of the class)

Lizard management scenario:

Imagine you are the manager of a wildlife refuge developing a management plan for an endangered lizard. The species benefits from prescribed fire (though your budget for such activities is limited. The species is susceptible to road mortality. The Refuge receives substantial visitation by bird watchers, some of whom like to travel by car.

TASK 1: Write a list of objectives

Identify your concerns and translate into objectives:

- What are you hoping to accomplish?
- What do stakeholders want?
- What do you or they want to avoid?

And write a list of your objectives:

TASK 2: Generate objectives hierarchy

- Revisit **Task 1** potential objectives
- Circle your fundamental objectives
 - Identify fundamental/means/process/strategic objectives
- Then draw an objectives hierarchy

TASK 3: Measurable attributes

- Describe measurable attributes for your fundamental objectives and determine attribute type.

TASK 4: Share objectives

- Each group will share your objectives (fundamental/means/strategic/process) and your attributes