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## Conservation Planning...

Step 1: Identify Problems and Opportunities

## Nine Step Process to Success...



Planning can start with a problem, an opportunity, shared concerns, or a perceived first identified based on readily available information provided by the client(s).

Step 5: Formulate Alternatives


The purpose of this step is to achieve the problems, taking advantage of opportunities, and meeting the social, economic, and environmental needs of the planning project.


The 3 phases of the 9 step conservation planning process..

Step 2: Determine Objectives


During this step, the stakeholders identif their objectives. A conservationist guides needs and values as well as the resource use regarding on-site and off-site ecological protection.

Step 6: Evaluate Alternatives


Evaluate the alternatives to determine heir effectiveness in addressing the client's problems, opportunities and objectives. values protected by law or executive order.
t this point the landowner chooses which project or plan will workbest for their situation. The planner prepares the documentation. with the installation of adequate and properly-designed conservation practices.

Step 4: Analyze Resource Data


Study the resource data and clearly define xisting conditions for all the natural resources, desired use. This step is crucial to developing plans that will work for a landowner and their land.

In this step, appropriate natural resource, economic and social information for the planning area is collected.
The information will be used to further define the problems and opportunities. It will also be used throughout the entire process to define alternatives and to evaluate the plan. It is important that as much information as possible can be collectedso that the plan will fit both the needs of the landowner and the natural resources.


Conservation planning is an ongoing process, that continues long after the implementation of a conservation practice. By evaluating the effectiveness f a conservation plan or a practice within a plan, takeholders decide whether to continue

