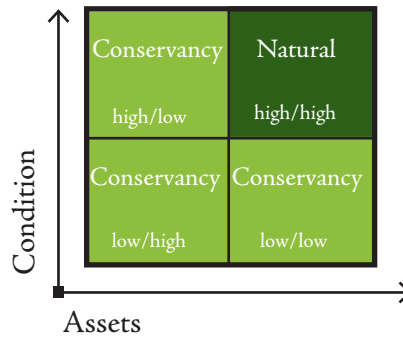


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STEP 1: ASSIGN PRELIMINARY DESIGNATION

Assign each Analysis Unit (AU) a preliminary designation of *Natural* or *Conservancy* based on ecological condition and asset score derived from the Characterization

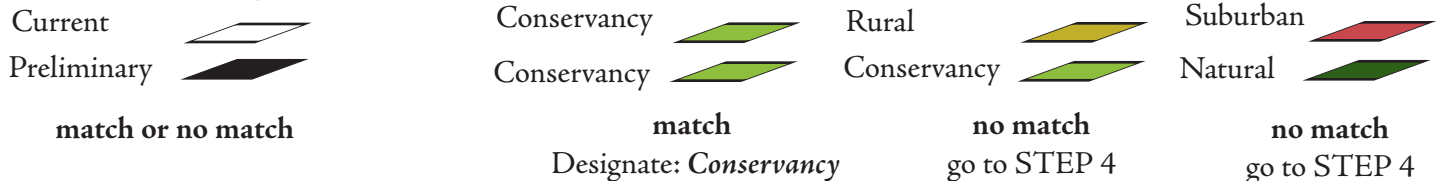


STEP 2: ASSIGN NATIONAL FOREST PRELIMINARY DESIGNATIONS

Assign AUs in National Forest a *Natural Designation* if inaccessible by roads,
Assign AUs in National Forest *Conservancy Designation* if roaded or partially developed

STEP 3: EVALUATE PRELIMINARY DESIGNATIONS AGAINST CURRENT SMP

Overlay current SMP designations (1975) with new preliminary designations (step 1) and look for matches to see where new Natural or Conservancy AU fall. Retain designation if current SMP is the same as preliminary, ie no change in designation. See examples below:



STEP 4: ASSIGN POSSIBLE DRAFT DESIGNATION BASED ON ABOVE COMBINATIONS AS PER TABLE

CURRENT	NATURAL	CONSERVANCY
NATURAL	match: Natural	Riverine, Conservancy
RURAL	Natural, Riverine, Rural Conservancy or Conservancy	Rural Conservancy, Riverine, Conservancy, Shoreline Residential, Shoreline Recreation
CONSERVANCY	Natural, Riverine or Conservancy	match: Conservancy
SUBURBAN	Urban Conservancy, Shoreline Residential	Urban Conservancy, Shoreline Residential, High Intensity
URBAN	Urban Conservancy	Urban Conservancy, Shoreline Residential, High Intensity

STEP 5: REVIEW CURRENT LAND USE PATTERNS, FLOOD PLAIN EXTENT, BANK STEEPNESS, OWNERSHIP, AND CRITERIA OF SMA TO GUIDE FINAL DESIGNATION

- Land use patterns: review level of subdivision, comp plan and sub-area land use designations, anticipated development (known applications or plats), number and type of structures in AU, setbacks, current uses (based on DOR use codes), and zoning (within UGAs).
- Flood plain extent: if river exhibits wide flood plain or channel migration is possible, assign Riverine, Natural, or Conservancy
- Bank Steepness: if river is incised and erosion potential low, assign Conservancy, Rural Conservancy, Shoreline Recreation or Shoreline Residential
- Ownership: if AU falls primarily in public ownership, including the PUD, assign Conservancy or Shoreline Recreation
- Criteria: check criteria of SMA Designations for consistency