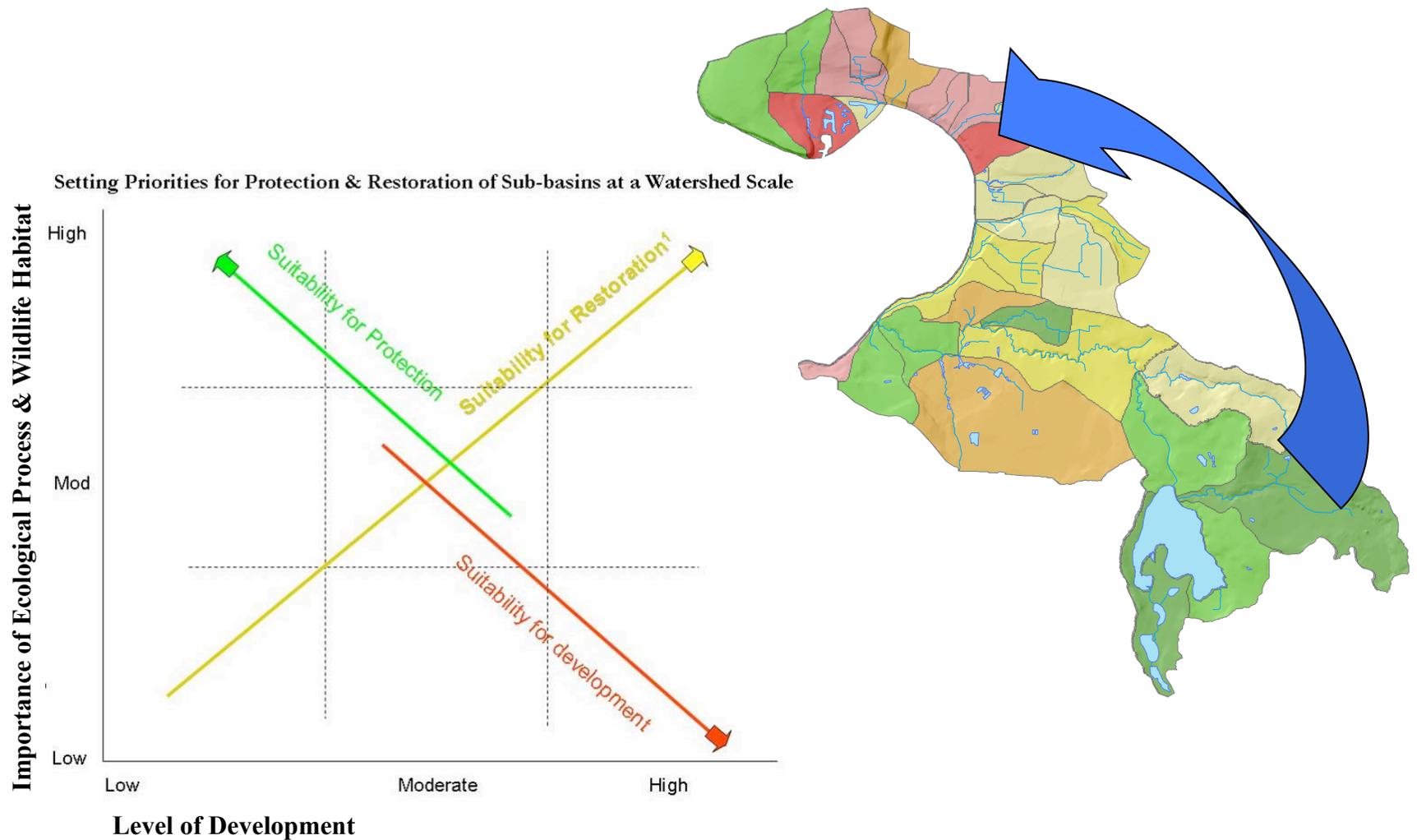


Watershed Characterization

#1 Priority for Action Agenda Strategy A– Protect because they can:

- Guide acquisition and restoration decisions;
- Assist local government in updating or modifying local Shoreline Management plans , Critical Area Ordinances and other land use regulations; and
- Support many other Action Agenda priorities

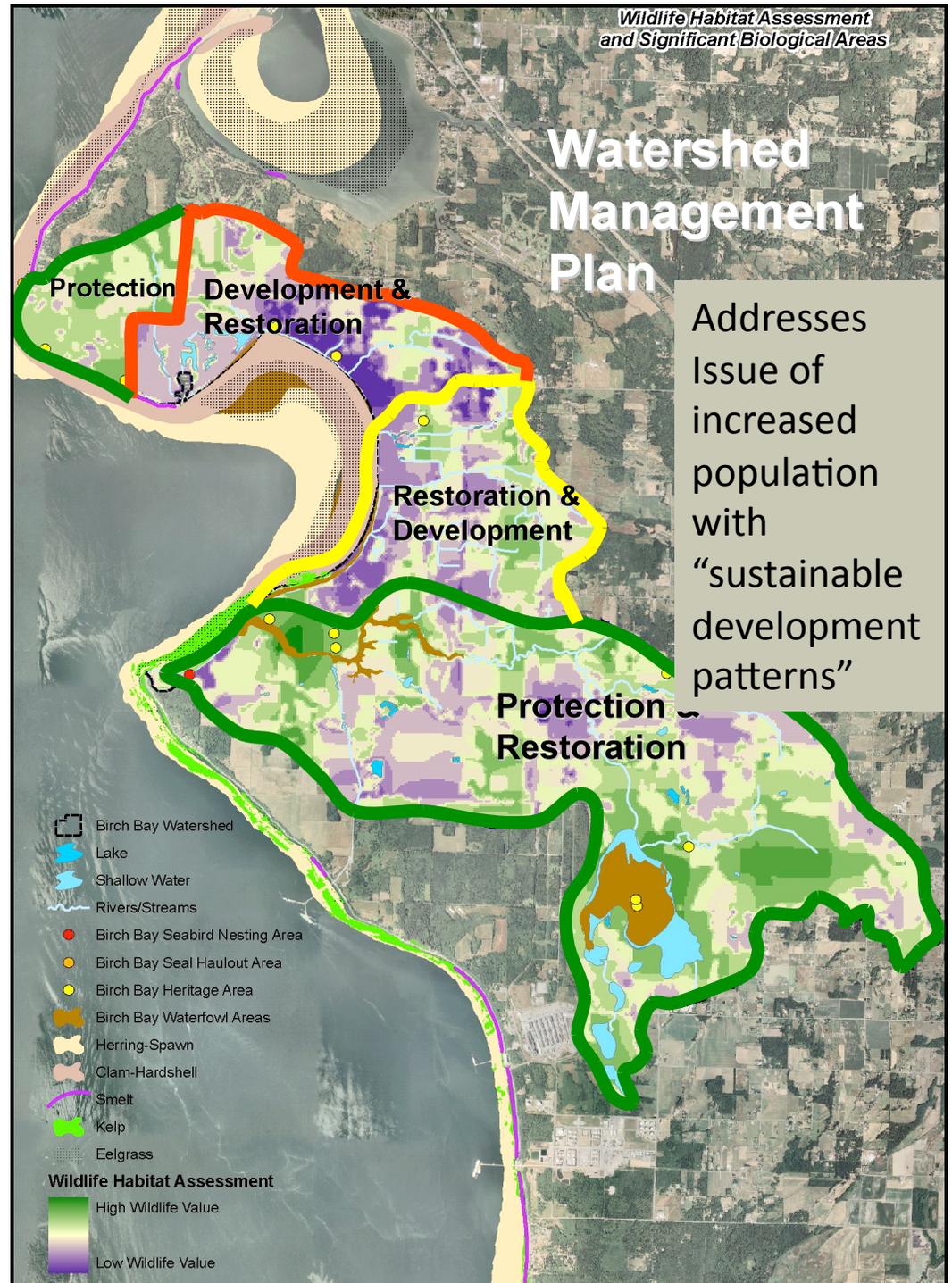
Watershed Characterization



Watershed Characterization

Generally:

- Protect (green)
- Restore (yellow)
- Develop (red)



Watershed Characterization

Next Steps

- Convene technical team (within 30 days)
- Complete course scale analysis (December 2009)
- Complete 1st priority mid-scale analysis (April 2010)
- Complete rest of mid-scale analysis (April 2011)
- Implementation (planning is ongoing)

In Lieu Fee Mitigation

Action Agenda Priority D Near Term Action and Mitigation That Works Priority Action Because:

- Existing mitigation fails too frequently
- Overall net-loss of function has been the norm
- Need new tools for a watershed based approach
- Existing system is cumbersome and confusing to applicants... an option is needed
- Experts should select and implement compensatory restoration projects

In Lieu Fee Mitigation

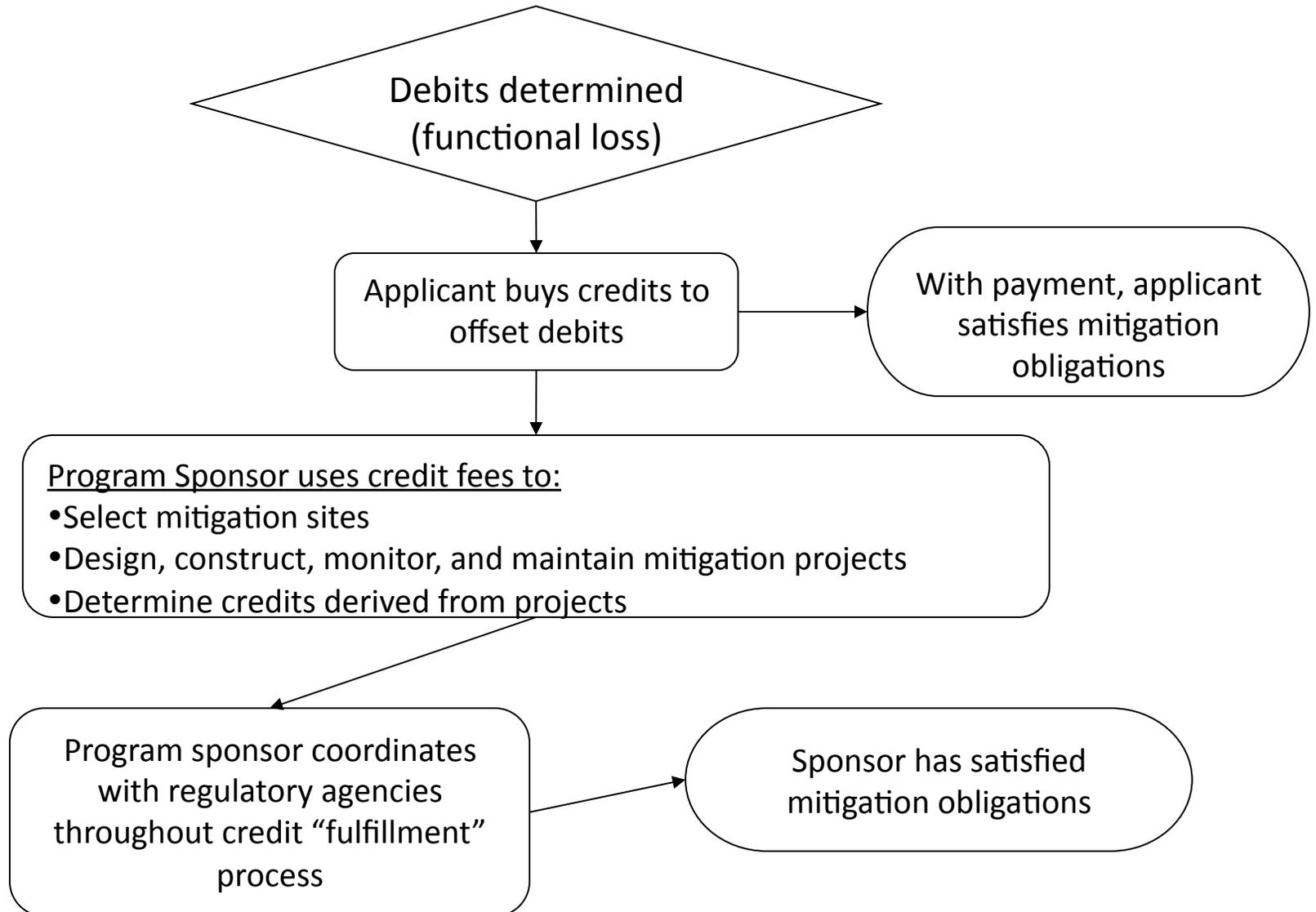
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In Lieu Fee Mitigation

- Next Steps
 - Collaborate with King County and other interested sponsors
 - Continue working with multi-stakeholder steering committee
 - Identify watersheds to begin implementation
 - Identify sponsors appropriate to initial watersheds

Puget Sound Partner Process

Developing a process to respond to:

“The partnership shall develop a ***process*** and ***criteria*** by which ***entities*** that consistently achieve outstanding progress in implementing the action agenda are designated as Puget Sound partners.” (RCW 90.71.340 [4])

Puget Sound Partner Process

- What is an entity?
 - An entity receives state grants and loans that contribute to Puget Sound recovery efforts:
 - Tribes
 - Cities
 - Counties
 - Conservation Districts
 - Ports
 - State programs
 - Etc.

Puget Sound Partner Process

“State Agencies shall work with the partnership to revise their grant, loan, or other financial assistance allocation criteria to create a preference for entities designated as Puget sound partners for funds allocated to the Puget Sound basin, pursuant to RCW...” (RCW 90.71.340 [4])

Puget Sound Partner Process

Elements of process that will be developed:

- Certification based on criteria (to be developed)
- Tailored to different types of entities
- Regular recertification necessary?
- Increasingly rigorous requirements?

Puget Sound Partner Process

- Next steps
 - Work with a multi-stakeholder group to develop the process and criteria
- Schedule
 - Present to ECB and Leadership Council for input in summer
 - Adopt Process in fall
 - Begin implementation