

2016 Survey: AppLCC Steering Committee & Partners (Aug)

Next 5-Year - SUCCESS

Q7 NEXT 5-YEARS: What does success look like in the delivery phase?

PARTNERSHIP – Serving the LCC Community & Engagement Roles and Communications (*Enhancing the Partnership*)

1. Increased interaction with partners to help them implement tools and research products that have already been developed.
2. a move from the research and planning stages to a focus on implementation
3. Putting applicable and effective tools in managers' hands and seeing measureable on the ground results in terms of protecting and restoring habitat. Communicating successes and translating the value of these actions in terms of ecosystems services to community/political decision makers is critical.
4. Agency, non-profit, and partnerships all working in true collaboration across this geography.
5. Partners having support they need to support local actions that are valuable across multiple spatial scales (e.g., regional). Improving the visibility of conservation planning products, partners, and process. One of the deliverables of the LCC should be developing people!
6. Increased awareness outside of the LCC partners
7. More ownership of LCC goals by partners; implementation of conservation projects
8. Hosting more coordinated partnership meetings to pull more collaborators together. A more regular series of meetings throughout the region to provide updates on LCC projects and direction.
9. Simply put, more and more people and organizations are integrating a landscape-scale perspective into the work they do and the decisions they make. This can be both a philosophical shift within the conservation / preservation community, but also much more mundanely, people using the data we are providing.
10. AppLCC reports on the progress of conservation efforts and the value to the communities. Actions taken at the community and partnership level can be shown to have positive impacts on habitat, cultural resources, and the communities within the AppLCC. Agencies are able to leverage their resources and the value can be demonstrated.
11. Partners using the products to make a difference in the region; variety of partners engaged and contributing in a variety of ways, including financially; making a difference on the ground.
12. On the ground conservation delivery through partners with adaptive management in play.
13. some work on the ground
14. Active engagement
15. Continue down a similar path and find ways for state agencies to take more advantage of the tools that the ALCC has provided

16. LCC has dedicated science staff to work with partners on delivering science products; SC agencies in each state are next level to push tools out to smaller scales of the conservation network.

SCIENCE FRAMEWORK – Foundation & Forum

Science Products and Delivery (*Science in the Hands of...*)

SCIENCE PRODUCTS OR PROGRAM FOCUS

17. More products on the table; seeing concrete results from the products on the table; making sure we have the right representatives at the table
18. Further refinement and understanding of what products will build on existing accomplishments; identifying specific and strategic science gaps that the LCC partnership is uniquely able to address. Solidifying the niche they can fill in the region and be the most value added.
19. Development of more "tools" that can be used by the partnerships. Many of these tools could not be developed by the individual partnerships, but the LCC can fill that role with its broader mission. Perhaps a better climate predicting tool, groundwater mapping tool, and others that would affect cold-water aquatic systems and their persistence over time.
20. Completion of an acceptable conservation design including aquatic resources based on a focal group of indicator species needs well interfaced with adjacent LCCs in a national network design
21. Continued refinement to develop DSS tools for restoration.
22. Well-defined gaps in priority conservation areas being filled with multiple conservation tools, from tax incentive programs to public ownership and everywhere in between.
23. Supporting projects that address clearly identified needs and their outcomes (i.e., how the information benefitted the project). Essentially, a monitoring report on the impacts of the work. Supporting multi-state needs identified in State Wildlife Action Plans

DELIVERY // TRAINING // CAPACITY

24. Active science translation throughout the region, working to downscale science products and the LCD, funnel science based feedback.
25. Well-developed BOTH online and in-person training opportunities scored using supporting implementation and capacity building; successful examples of partners using LCC tools in decision making leading to implementation, development of indicators of success.
26. A series of pilot projects across the region to test the application of these results with an eye towards scaling them up.
27. Enhanced training opportunities for agency staff on the effective use of existing and future tools prepared/funded by the AppLCC; active participation in the Steering Committee by all states within the AppLCC.
28. Implementation. If something can be delivered that can be used to guide implementation then I think it would be successful. However, this implementation

cannot just be as stated by some but as determined by the folks that are actually implementing projects. Implementation also requires buy-in by the partners so that they WANT to implement the products. I think the level of buy-in could be increased by showing them where they fit into the processes.

29. There is a clear and definitive mechanism for the delivery and facilitated application of LCC science and decision tool. A “network of conservation networks” can be named, which uses LCC generated information and tools as a foundation of its fundamental work. Consensus exists across the network that their interaction depends on this information and delivery system in order to connect conservation work effectively across the landscape. Connections and integrated work across LCC boundaries particularly that of JVs and FHPs, are evident to the partners who comprise the network.

IMPACT // IMPEMENTATION // COMMUNICATING THE SCIENCE

30. informed, substantive management actions
31. A suite of user-friendly tools that are widely adopted and are being used in the field to affect conservation outcomes.
32. A partnership who are effectively engaging both the LCC and their home institutions, which as a result are substantively engaged with (i.e., using) LCC science delivery
33. People aware and utilizing science to guide applied conservation at multiple scales.
34. Communication of AppLCC message and products to large number of diverse audiences throughout region.
35. Our LCD is a great product. I think there are couple of important aspects in the delivery phase. State Wildlife Plans need to be incorporated into the LCD somehow as an "accounting system" of sorts to understand what is taking place at finer scales within the broader project area. Also there is a challenge with how we addressed aquatic systems which differ so much from terrestrial systems in their landscape context. Permanent fragmentation form extensive reservoir systems has left remnants of free flowing reaches that will never be truly connected. What is the best of the best in terms of connectivity? Are there measures that need to take place to mitigate that fragmentation. The USFWS upper TN river strategy is a good example of this in terms of managing species across reservoir systems (hope that made sense)
36. That partners use the products and tools to enhance conservation. But more importantly, that the LCC aids the community in knowing what is taking place on the landscape (both in terms of risks/challenges/opportunities and also in terms of what initiatives/projects/partnerships are already in place and where the LCC can be value added by engaging and providing additional capacity).

PROGRAMMATIC – Conservation Vision & Purpose of LCCs Strategic and Operational Planning (*Sustaining the Partnership*)

37. more partnerships on ongoing work, continued science-based direction, more connective tissue to the national LCC network and other national networks (e.g., the CSCs)

38. Regional priorities reflected throughout state wildlife action plans and other economic and ecological planning, specific funding and implementation actions at scale on priority areas, enhanced sustainability of funding flows and key support for LCC structure and staff
39. Partners used to, and using the conservation design tools to coordinate conservation efforts in the most important areas.
40. Partners, others using the information, models, tools in a way that improves conservation outcomes from the status quo.
41. Measurable outcomes
42. Landscape Conservation Design geospatial tool that partners can and will use to focus conservation efforts and funding opportunities (including grants). Effective collaboration facilitated by steering committee reps in multiple focal areas amongst partner networks to conserve and restore habitat and protect listed or at-risk species. Delivery products that enable new partnerships or develop new opportunities for existing partnerships by identifying mutual goals and facilitate sharing of resources and successful grant funding.
43. A strong tie to national strategic goals
44. Partner agencies and others are actively implementing products of the LCC and those products are contributing to effective, efficient, better conservation on the ground -- the mission of the LCC is being accomplished!
45. Application of tools and implementation of programs that can measurably enhance conservation efficacy at landscape scales.
46. The APP LCC assisting state agencies in science and funding support in implementing state wildlife action plans as well on the ground projects.

(2 Response NA or Don't know)