Englishman River Watershed Ecosystem-Based Management (EBM)

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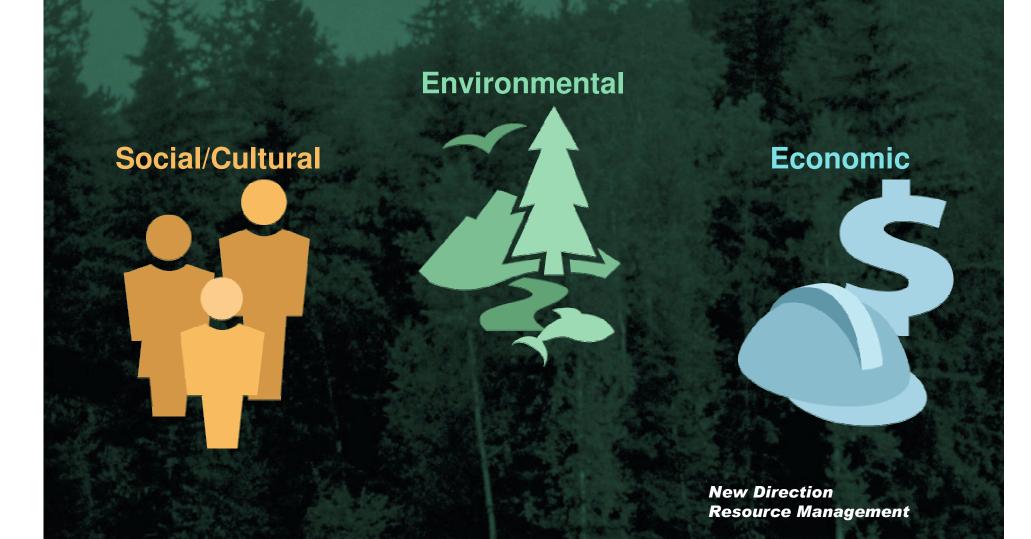
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Presentation Outline

EBM Concept – resilient communities

- EBM Framework
 - Fundamentals
 - Governance
 - Structure
 - Communications

EBM - Resilient Communities Express diverse values



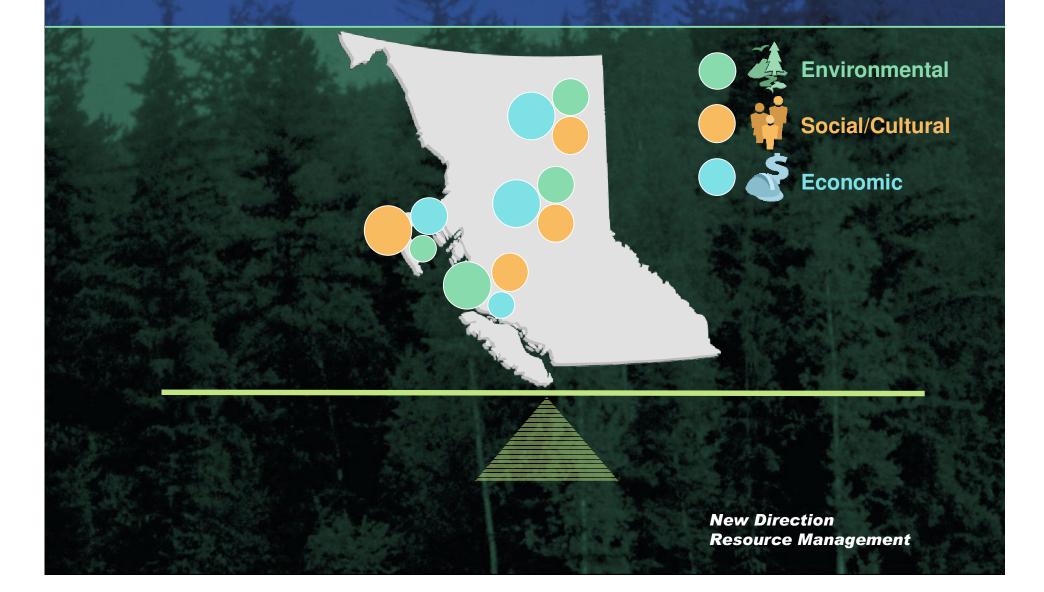
EBM - Resilient Communities Maintain a balance of values



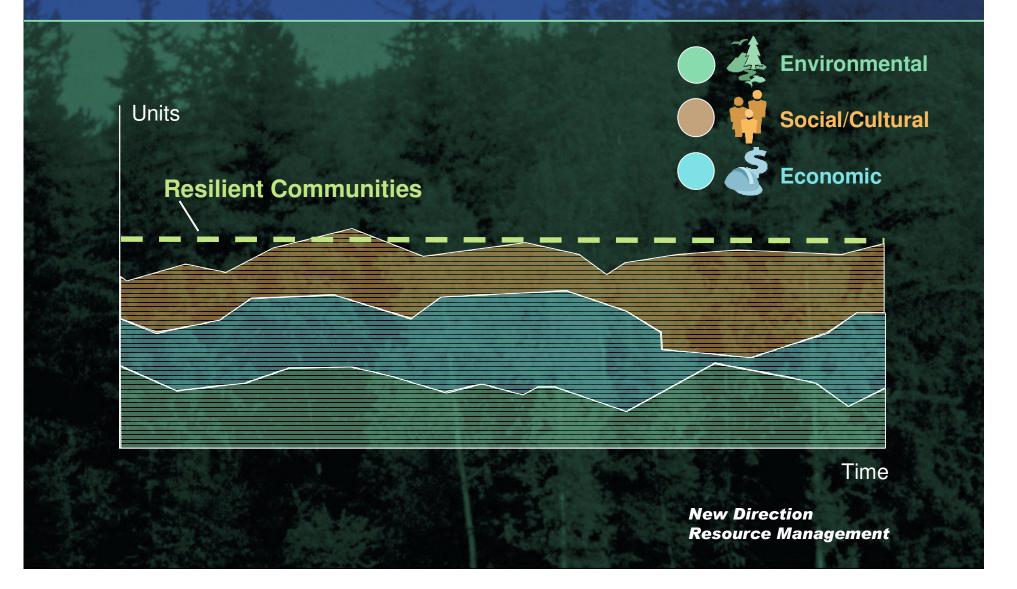
EBM - Resilient Communities Meet or exceed minimum thresholds to sustain values



EBM - How to Balance Values Over space



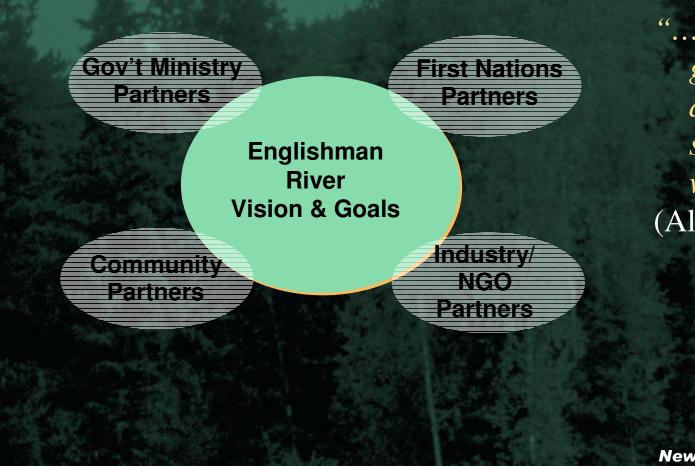
EBM - How to Balance Values Over time



EBM - How to Balance Values A collaborative decision



EBM - Resilient communities Partnership



".... for you to gain, those you deal with should gain as well."
(Alan Greenspan)

EBM Fundamentals Commitments

- Collaboration
- Vision
- Goals
- EBM planning
- Operating principles



EBM Fundamentals Collaboration

Agreement to work toward common (inclusive) goals

- Team approach
- Interest based problem solving not negotiations
- Respect for interests of others
- Acceptance of mandates
- Transparent process

Governance EBM Implementation Team

Key constituencies/interests

- E.g., Local Gov't, First Nations, BCTS, conservation, recreation, forest tenure holders, private land owners
- Terms of Reference in brief
 - Balancing ecological integrity & human well-being guidance
 - Advisory to tenure holders & Government
 - Oversight of EBM Implementation
 - Policy direction to EBM Technical Team
 - Responsible for communications to interested parties
- Recovery Steering Committee?

Governance EBM Technical Team

Technical expertise from:

- Primary resource operating companies in watershed
- Government
- First Nations
- Local experts
- Terms of Reference in Brief
 - Technical exercise
 - Develop a technical EBM strategic plan
 - Monitor the implementation of strategic plan
 - Identify priority resource data gaps
 - Develop adaptive management & monitoring plan

EBM Structure Components



Values

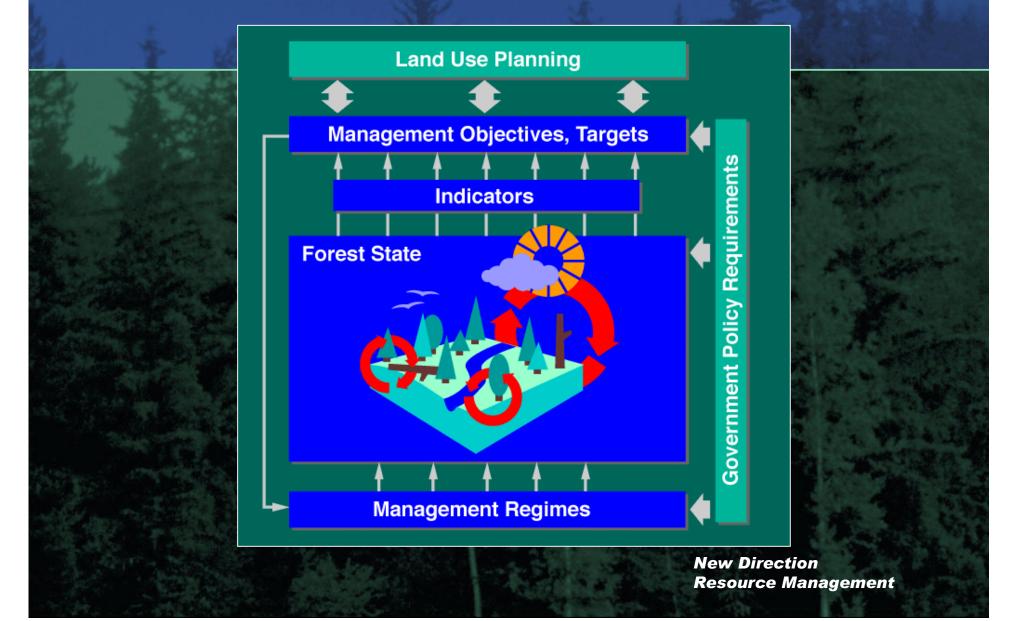
- Management objectives
- Analytical framework
- Strategic plan
 - Personnel

EBM Structure Values and Objectives

EBM values – potential sources

- Englishman River watershed recovery plan
- First Nations land use plan
- Regional land use plan
- Other guidance documents
- EBM management objectives
 - Existing documents

EBM Structure Analytical Framework



EBM Structure Strategic Plan

Spatially and temporally explicit plan

- Required to balance EBM components
- Social choice mechanism required

Incorporates adaptive management & monitoring

- EBM is a process of constant learning & change
- Used to guide development of operational plans
- Updated every 5 years

EBM Structure Personnel

Desired skill sets

- Technical
- Interpersonal
- Communications

Performance measures must include:

- Innovation
- Long and short term measures
- Collaborative successes
- Communications to interested parties
- Meeting strategic and short term objectives/goals
- Annual budget/plan goals

EBM Communications

 Extension - internal & external
 Third party audit – certification
 Utilize ISO and potential certification
 integrate operational monitoring, Gov't auditing & certification

Public reporting

Are we doing what we said we would do?

EBM Framework Summary

EBM Concept - collaborative partnership in building resilient communities

- Balancing social, cultural, environmental and economic values & interests
- Fundamentals

- Commitment to a vision, goals, EBM, operating principles, mandates & collaboration
- Collaborative governance structure involving implementation & technical teams
- EBM implementation structure including
 - Values, goals, management objectives, analytical framework & personnel skills
- Operations that include key components to implement & report progress on EBM
- Communications that demonstrates progress, provides opportunity for comment & recognizes achievements