

Process for Assessing
Proper Functioning Condition
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PFC – What it is and What it isn't



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- PFC results can be used in watershed analysis (results aggregated and analyzed at watershed scale).
- It is appropriate to use PFC assessment at the Landscape Plan level in order to have something to say about current conditions (physical function) of the planning area.
- Since PFC does not equal desired conditions for all r-w areas, include goals and objectives for both physical function and desired conditions.



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- If PFC assessment are used to develop the landscape level plan, the information can be used to make statements about issues, priority areas, and landscape level monitoring.
- Provide examples you are familiar with.



Institute the Process Project Level

- Determine potential and existing riparian-wetland condition using the PFC process and standard checklist.
- Decide if any validation is needed (trend, “no” answer, final rating near a threshold, etc.,)
- With landscape level goals & objectives in mind, use the “no” answers to help guide project objectives for attributes and processes that need improving.

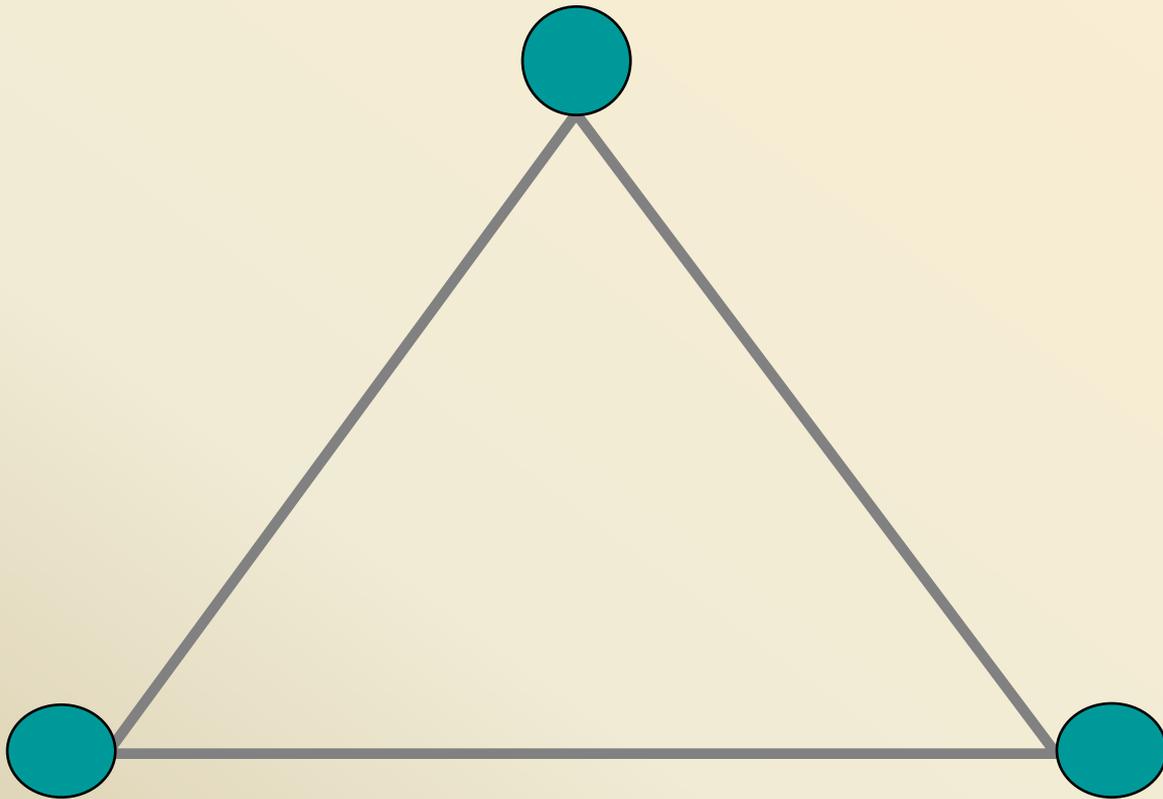


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- Design management actions to achieve PFC and then desired conditions.
- Design monitoring.
- Implement the project and the monitoring.
- Flexibility – use interpretation of monitoring data to feed back into yearly or longer management decisions within the project.

Riparian-Wetland Attributes & Processes

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