

Functions and Values Exercise

This exercise provides an opportunity to learn about what working group members care about and find to be critical for the economy, public health and safety, community and environment in our project area. We call these functions, values, and assets. The process of identifying these functions and values as a group can help to clarify the purpose and focus of the project for all participants. They serve as the basis for the project's *resilience goals*, which provide a way to obtain agreement on the main objectives of the project, and will help shape later project decisions about adaptation responses.

Directions: In this exercise you will begin by identifying a set of functions, values, and assets that you care about located in your area. You will use the color-coded stickers to characterize them according to the four sustainability frames. Below are some example functions, values, and assets (already categorized) to get you started. Feel free to apply some of these examples to the map or create your own color-coded stickers.

Society and Equity	Environment	Economy	Governance
Affordable housing	Habitat	Goods movement	Coalition of community organizations to improve environmental health
Public health and safety	Flood protection	Commuter movement	Multi-agency ownership or management
Coordinated emergency response	Water quality	Local jobs	Public/private/NGO partnerships
Neighborhood cohesion	Biodiversity	Tax revenue	Joint powers authority of shoreline managers
Recreation	Super fund site	Major employment centers	Infrastructure maintenance/renovation cycles and funding restrictions
High density housing	Endangered species habitat	Jobs at diverse skill and income levels	
High percentage of renters	Fringe habitat		
	Flood risk reduction (tidal creeks and channels)		
	Marsh restoration		

Next step (at the next meeting): Review draft resilience goals

ART program staff will use the results of this exercise to help inform draft resilience goals, based on the functions map, key words and phrases suggested by stakeholders, and their current understanding of the project area. Each of the four frames is addressed in at least one goal. In order to draft locally-appropriate resilience goals, ART staff will need to synthesize stakeholder input from this activity with existing knowledge of the area and project partners. Keep in mind; stakeholders will have a chance to review and revise these draft resilience goals at the next meeting.