

# MODULE 7: MASTER PLAN GOALS AND RESOURCE OBJECTIVES

## Key Concepts

- Master Plan Goals
- Definition of Resource Objectives
- Examples of Resource Objectives

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# Master Plan Goals

- The Goals for the Master Plan should express the overall desired end state of project lands and resources (goals can be equated to vision statements)
  - ▶ Example Goal: To protect and manage project natural and cultural resources through sustainable environmental stewardship programs
  - ▶ Example Goal: To provide public outdoor recreation opportunities that support project purposes and public demands created by the project itself while sustaining project natural resources\*

\*Source: ER 1130-2-550, Chapter 16



# RESOURCE OBJECTIVES - DEFINITION

- Clearly written statements that set forth measureable and attainable management activities that support the stated goals of the MP
- Must be consistent with authorized project purposes, Federal laws, directives, regional needs, resource capabilities, and expressed public interests



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# RESOURCE OBJECTIVES - EXAMPLES

## General Objectives

- Coordinate planning with Federal, State, Local, and Citizen Interests
- Administer Project lands to avoid exclusive use of Federal lands and facilities
- Improve control of Project lands through boundary delineation

## Project Operations

- Maintain, operate, renovate project structures in a manner that allows them to effectively fulfill project purposes
- Reserve adequate areas for operations activities that are required to meet overall project purposes



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# RESOURCE OBJECTIVES –EXAMPLES (CONT.)

## Recreation

- Provide for camping and day-use opportunities
- Maintain a diverse natural community to provide hiking and sightseeing opportunities, and to control shoreline and soil erosion
- Manage forest resources and other vegetation for balanced uses of recreation, wildlife, and fisheries
- Control noxious weeds and other pests in a manner that avoids damage to existing vegetation and sensitive areas (wetlands and streams)



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# RESOURCE OBJECTIVES – EXAMPLES (CONT.)

## Multiple Resource Management

- Accommodate and support non-consumptive resource uses, such as hiking, bird watching, photography, nature study, wildlife observation, and/or the pursuit of peace and solitude
- Employ good stewardship practices, such as the use of soil conservation measures
- Preserve and protect existing wetlands and other sensitive or unique habitats that support threatened and endangered species, along with other wildlife
- Interpret cultural resources to benefit visitors' understanding, while preserving and monitoring the integrity of resources

## Easement

- Ensure that the USACE rights to enter and flood the property according to terms and conditions of the legal easement remain unimpeded
- Promote an understanding of USACE's boundary and mission

