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Resource Conservation Draft Implementation Strategies					
FARMS					
Strategy Number	Implementation Strategies	Scale	Potential Partners	Timeframe	Funding Source
102	Reduce acreage requirement for Voluntary Agricultural District and/or Present Use Value designation	Local	Local Governments	Long	Ongoing Work Programs
124	Develop regional agriculture and forestry infrastructure plan	Regional	LOSRC, NC Cooperative Extension	Long	Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (USDA)
125	Conduct a Community Food Assessment to analyze local supply and demand, and develop list of opportunities by crop/product	Regional	LOSRC, NC Cooperative Extension	Mid	Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (USDA)
126	Establish a goal for percentage of food sourced locally for school lunches	Regional	Schools	Mid	Ongoing Work Programs
119	Establish utility service agreements between jurisdictions to limit the extension of utilities into priority agriculture areas	Local	Local Governments	Short	
118	Identify eligible farms and assist with Century Farm designation through the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	Regional	LOSRC	Short	
121	Establish baseline data for number of farms and farm size in the region and track progress	Regional	LOSRC and Counties	Mid	
133	Conduct a regional Transfer of Development Rights Feasibility Study	Regional	LOSRC	Mid	
143	Preserve farmland leading to economic profitability. Support all farmers.	Regional	Steve Duckett and Jeanine Davis, NC Department of Agriculture, Farm Bureau, Land Trusts, Commodity organizations, SWCD, NRCS, Agricultural Advisory Board (Counties), Finance Entities (Banks/farm lenders), Agribusiness, micro-loans/crowd-sourcing, farmers	Ongoing	USDA, Local, State of NC, Local banks
144	Create a farmland and forestland database	Regional			
122	Use Linking Lands and Communities (LLC) Agricultural Assessment to prioritize areas for directing funds for conservation easements	Regional	Land Trusts	Mid	Ongoing Work Programs
103	Preserve character of rural "edges" of towns and urban areas through the focused preservation of contiguous landscapes (i.e. farmland, forested riparian areas)	Regional		Long	

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WATER					
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105	Implement improved vegetative riparian buffer requirements based on recommendations in the NC Wildlife Resources Commission Green Growth Toolbox, particularly along impaired streams and streams supporting endangered species and important trout habitats	Local	Local Governments	Mid	
106	Reduce the amount of development in critical watersheds through more restrictive development regulations.	Local	Local Governments	Long	
107	Partner with NGOs to permanently protect properties in the region's headwaters	Regional		Short	Land and Water Conservation Fund
110	Investigate the potential for a regional designation of "Trout Friendly" developments	Regional		Mid	NCWCRC, NGOs
111	Develop site design criteria that use innovative techniques to improve stormwater management and reduce impervious surfaces	Regional		Mid	
113	Require pervious pavements when developments exceed a maximum parking space threshold	Local	Local Governments	Mid	
114	Limit stream crossings in headwaters	Local	Local Governments	Short	
115	Work with state agencies to investigate the feasibility of creating a cost share program for spanning structures to limit impact of private stream crossings on water quality	Regional		Long	DWQ
130	Ensure data and other resources are readily available regarding impaired streams and important aquatic endangered species and trout habitats.	Regional	LOSRC	Short	
199	Develop regulations for buffers on ephemeral streams and vernal pools	Local	Local governments	Mid	
200	Develop a regional Intelligent Rivers program to monitor and analyze the management of water resources in the region	Regional	Colleges and Universities	Mid	
137	Enhance Riparian Buffers by working with private landowners, farmers, and municipalities	Local	Local	Short	Grants, private funding
131	Incorporate the Brook Trout Joint Venture datasets into development review and comprehensive planning	Local	Local Governments	Short	
112	Adopt ordinances that allow and encourage the use of innovative stormwater management techniques including pervious pavements, greenroofs, and rain gardens	Regional		Mid	

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108	Encourage access to cold water fisheries through co-locating greenways on trout waters	Local	Local Governments	Mid	NCDOT, STP-DA
HABITATS					
Strategy Number	Implementation Strategies	Scale	Potential Partners	Timeframe	Funding Source
104	Support continued enforcement of Trout Buffer regulations	Regional		Short	
132	Prepare a guidance document and promote the adoption of local ordinances that will require preservation of open space within new development or redevelopment in a manner consistent with the designation of prime habitats and key ecological corridors from the Linking Lands and Communities Study	Regional		Mid	
120	Implement Linking Lands and Communities by adopting policies and regulations at the local level that preserve open space and natural features in conjunction with development.	Local	Local Governments, Land Trusts		
109	Encourage Wildlife-Friendly Developments and other forms of conservation subdivisions	Regional		Short	NCWCRC, NGOs
FORESTS					
Strategy Number	Implementation Strategies	Scale	Potential Partners	Timeframe	Funding Source
116	Allow extended year permitting for small forest landowners	Local	Local Governments	Short	
117	Establish a regional community forests program	Regional	LOSRC, Local Governments	Mid	USDA Forest Service Community Forest Program
123	Develop a refined forestry assessment map to augment the LLC Agricultural Assessment	Regional	LOSRC	Short	Ongoing Work Programs
VIEWSHEDS					
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127	Utilize existing viewshed studies to determine and mitigate potential impacts on views from viewsheds of National significance (i.e. Blue Ridge Parkway, Appalachian Trail)	Regional		Short	
128	Conduct additional studies to determine viewsheds of regional significance (i.e. views from scenic byways, overlooks and high volume land and water based recreational trails)	Regional	LOSRC	Mid	Partner with NGO or Colleges

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129	Promote the use of A Neighbor’s Guide to The Blue Ridge Parkway, The Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation, David Hill, Hill Studio, 2009	Local		Short	
CULTURAL RESOURCES					
Strategy Number	Implementation Strategies	Scale	Potential Partners	Timeframe	Funding Source
141	Arts-based Development	Local	WAANC, MHO-AAAC-LLC Partners, Affordable Housing, Arts Council, developers, Local Governments, philanthropy, Chamber of Commerce, EDC, Large Employers like Mission, Mountain Bizworks, AAAC	Mid	LINC, Artplace, Small Art Initiative, NEA Our Town, private developers, federal housing tax credits, subsidy (County-New Belgium), Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta
172	Identify a method to track outdoor cultural events and incorporate into metrics	Regional	TDA	Mid	
179	Preserve, restore, and cultivate our natural and cultural landscapes and resources.				
EDUCATION & AWARENESS					
Strategy Number	Implementation Strategies	Scale	Potential Partners	Timeframe	Funding Source
195	Develop a "citizen scientist" program to collect local natural resource data	Regional	Colleges and Universities	Mid	
196	Develop a "water efficiency" education campaign	Regional		Mid	
197	Develop local sustainability plans	Local	Local governments	Short	
148	Develop an ad campaign that focuses on natural resource resiliency and limits		UNCA, conservation organizations, WNCA, Landowners, land trust communities, Sierra Club, Schools-Board, greenways advocates/friends groups, Transition Town: Asheville, Hendersonville, Black Mountain, Sylva, local governments, Maggie Ullman	Short to Mid	