

Appendix 6.9

CT SWAP Vision, Goals and Objectives and short questionnaire

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The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP) has been working with subject-matter experts and other partners on a revision of Connecticut's State Wildlife Action Plan ([CT SWAP](#)). One product of their effort is a draft set of overall (general) intentions—vision statement, goals and objectives—for future fish and wildlife conservation activities in CT. Gaining partner input on these intentions is part of the process for revising the SWAP.

From a recent survey of organizations and agencies in CT, including yours, we learned that 86% of respondents thought that having clear goals and objectives would be important in their decision to participate in implementing Connecticut's SWAP. Consequently, we ask that you help us ensure such clarity by taking a few minutes to review the draft vision, goals and objectives for Connecticut's SWAP and answer a few questions about them. Please note that these are meant to be high-level statements for the CT SWAP overall. You will be asked for your input regarding specific threats and actions in a survey to be implemented this Fall.

We will use the input we receive to refine and improve the vision statement, goals and objectives before we move forward with identifying conservation actions and evaluation metrics for Connecticut's SWAP.

CT SWAP Vision: Connecticut's diverse native fish, wildlife and associated habitats are conserved for the benefit of current and future generations.

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What is your overall impression of the vision statement?

- ☐ The vision statement is good as written
 - ☐ The vision statement is good but needs some minor revisions
 - ☐ The vision statement needs major edits
 - ☐ The vision statement is good but is not relevant to my organization/agency
 - ☐ No opinion
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If you have any specific input on the vision, please add it here:

Goal 1: Healthy and diverse populations of Connecticut's native fish and wildlife

Objective 1.1: Recover, maintain and increase the abundance, distribution, and diversity of native fish and wildlife

Goal 2: Healthy and diverse habitats supporting populations of Connecticut's native fish and wildlife

Objective 2.1: Expand, maintain and improve the quality, distribution, functions and processes of Connecticut's native fish and wildlife habitats

Goal 3: Threats facing Connecticut's native fish, wildlife and their habitats are identified and understood

Objective 3.1: Identify the types, extent and impacts of key threats to Connecticut's native fish, wildlife and their habitats

Goal 4: Effective actions are taken to conserve Connecticut's native fish, wildlife and their

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habitats

Objective 4.1: Implement actions to minimize threats to Connecticut's fish, wildlife and their habitats

Objective 4.2 Implement actions to recover and increase the abundance of declining or vulnerable species

Objective 4.3 Implement actions to increase the quality, quantity, and diversity of Connecticut's habitats

Goal 5: Connecticut's native fish, wildlife, habitats, associated threats and actions taken to minimize threats are monitored and evaluated to ensure goals and objectives 1-4 are being met

Objective 5.1: Monitor and evaluate the status and trends of Connecticut's native fish, wildlife and their habitats

Objective 5.2: Monitor and evaluate effectiveness of actions taken to benefit Connecticut's native fish, wildlife and their habitats

Goal 6: People are informed about and engaged in the stewardship of Connecticut's native fish, wildlife and their habitats

Objective 6.1: Increase familiarity, interest and engagement of a diversity of partners in the implementation and evaluation of actions to benefit Connecticut's native fish, wildlife and their habitats

Objective 6.2: Increase the public's familiarity, interest and engagement in stewardship of Connecticut's native fish, wildlife and their habitats

Objective 6.3: Ensure equitable access to the benefits of Connecticut's native fish, wildlife, and their habitats among all members of the public

What is your overall impression of the goals?

- ☐ The goals are good as written
 - ☐ The goals are good but need some minor revisions
 - ☐ The goals need major edits
 - ☐ The goals are good but is not relevant to my organization/agency
 - ☐ No opinion
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If you have any specific input on the goals, please add it here. If your comment is regarding a specific goal or objective, please include the number of the goal with your comment.

What is your overall impression of the objectives?

- ☐ The objectives are good as written
- ☐ The objectives are good but need some minor revisions
- ☐ The objectives need major edits
- ☐ The objectives are good but are not relevant to my organization/agency
- ☐ No opinion

If you have any specific input on the objectives, please add it here. If your comment is regarding a specific goal or objective, please include the number of the objective with your comment.

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Generally, are the vision, goals and objectives complementary to the interests of your organization/agency

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Maybe
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know
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Why or why not?

Do you believe your organization/agency would find this vision and associated set of goals and objectives important enough to motivate it to participate in implementing Connecticut's State Wildlife Action Plan?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Maybe
- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know
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Why or why not?

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