

G2. Conservation Targets

Goal 2: *The Lower Hudson PRISM protects the rich, native biodiversity of the Lower Hudson Valley by focusing on priority targets for conservation.*

Priority Strategies (ranked):

1. Coordinating Partners
2. Managing IS Strategically
3. Assessment and Monitoring Network
4. Public and Local Government Engagement

*Conservation targets are species, sites, areas or ecosystems to be protected

YEAR ONE (2014)		
Objectives	Actions	Outputs
<p>Coordinating partners</p> <p>2.1. Partners engaged, i.e. Natural Heritage Program - internal and external partners - engaged in discussions that will assist in identifying potential priority targets</p> <p>2.2. List of potential priority targets and ID data Gaps is developed</p>	<p>2.1.1. Identify host for conservation target data (GIS capacity) and working group members</p> <p>2.1.2. Develop statement of project and needs from cooperators. What info you are looking for.</p> <p>2.1.3. Identify potential partners</p> <p>2.1.4. Outreach to Partners and survey of their conservation target priorities and perceived threats from invasives.</p> <p>2.2.1. Assemble existing conservation target information</p> <p>2.2.2. Develop criteria for target prioritization with PRISM input</p> <p>2.2.3. Conduct initial conservation target prioritization</p> <p>2.2.4. Identify data gaps</p> <p>2.2.5. Present highest priorities and data gaps to PRISM</p>	<p>2.1.1a. Data host and working group selected (May also be most appropriate to use a contractor, rather than a working group).</p> <p>2.1.2a. General statement of project philosophy, needs, definitions of terms, and cooperators role</p> <p>2.1.3a. Partners list</p> <p>2.1.4a. Form letter describing project and requesting data</p> <p>2.2.1a. List of conservation targets</p> <p>2.2.2a. Target ranking criteria</p> <p>2.2.3a. Initial prioritized list of targets</p> <p>2.2.4a. List of areas where we lack information</p> <p>2.2.5a. PRISM meeting to review prioritized conservation targets</p>