# Adaptation Planning and Practices Online Course – Project Idea and Description

**Please use this worksheet to share an initial description of your project idea**. We ask participants to bring real-world projects to get the most from this [course](https://www.forestadaptation.org/app). Ideally, this is a project from your work, such as a management plan or another effort that you're currently working on. During the course, we will use the [Adaptation Workbook](http://www.adaptationworkbook.org/) to help you consider how climate change could affect your project area and your management goals, and help you customize adaptation responses. You'll be able to make changes to your project description at the beginning of the course. *Contact us with any questions*: <https://www.forestadaptation.org/team>

**Project Area or Property –** Name the project area or property.

**Location –** Describe the geographic location of the area that you are using for this project.

**Management Topics –** List the major management topics for the project, which could include major ecosystem types, land uses, or other management issues that are relevant to your project area. These items are related to your management goals and objectives, and can be geographic areas (e.g., a forest stand, a park) or a topic area (e.g., recreational uses, invasive species).

**Management Goals –** List the management goals for the project. Management goals are broad, general statements, usually not quantifiable, that express a desired state or process to be achieved. These could include desired future ecosystem conditions, habitat characteristics, forest products, or other services. They are often not attainable in the short term and provide the context for more specific objectives. Management goals may include the desired future forest types or conditions, habitat characteristics, the manufacture of products, or other ecological features or services.

**Management Objectives –** List any management objectives for the project. Management objectives are concise statements of measurable planned results that correspond to the management goals and help to achieve a desired outcome. Objectives form the basis for further planning to define the precise steps to be taken to achieve the identified goals. There may be multiple objectives for a single management goal.

**Time Frames** – List approximate time frames for implementing management actions and for achieving management goals and objectives.

### Examples of Management Goals, Objectives, and Time Frames:

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| Management Goals | | Management Objectives | | | Time Frame | |
| Increase urban tree cover to reduce urban heat island | | Increase urban street tree cover to 30% of developed areas. | | | 30 years | |
| Increase stream connectivity along the Lazy River | | Remove structures that impede natural flows or create barriers to aquatic organisms. | | | 15 years | |
| Enhance habitat conditions in northern hardwood forests | | Increase structural diversity through a series of forest regeneration harvests. | | | 30 years | |
| Reduce invasive species cover | | Reduce area covered by invasive buckthorn from 10% to no more than 5% | | | 10 years | |
| Project Area or Property: | | | | **Location:** | | |
| Management Topics or themes | | **Management Goals** | | **Management Objectives** | **Time Frames** | |
|  | |  | | *Please be descriptive and clarify the directionality of your objectives. Feel free to use the questions below to help with this thinking (answer IF applicable to your project).*   * *What are you hoping to* ***increase*** *on this site?* * *What are you hoping to* ***maintain*** *on this site?* * *What are you hoping to* ***reduce*** *on this site?* |  | |

# Online Adaptation Planning and Practices Course Schedule

**We are offering several courses in 2022**. Please visit our website for more information!

*\*\*Note: Course dates are tentative and subject to change.\*\**

## Course dates and focus:

* **All topics** related to ecosystem management: January 24 – March 16, 2022
* **Wildlife** habitat management and conservation, focused course: February 28 – April 20, 2022
* Managing **forested ecosystems for carbon**, focused course: March 21 – May 11, 2022

General information and course registration links: <https://forestadaptation.org/courses-2022>

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