

Municipal Natural Capital Initiative

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Value proposition

Moving from:

- Natural assets assessed case by case, service by service, if at all
- Hard to replicate
- Lack of structured approach to assets and/or understanding of natural capital role



Moving to:

- Increasingly standard, common methodology that includes natural assets:
- Ease of replication
- Lower risk & costs, better decision-making



Snapshot

Phase 1: (complete). Stakeholder consultation/engagement.

- Provided multi-stakeholder validation and input

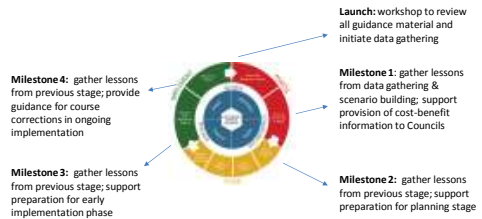
Phase 2: (now funded). April 2016 start to December 2017

- 5 municipal pilot projects
- Initial focus: stormwater & related issues
 - Guidance material
 - Kick-off workshop, regular check-ins, help-desk function throughout
 - Research on issues identified in Phase 1
 - Coordination across pilots to ensure common approach
 - End of pilot: understanding of assets, condition, value; planning scenarios, operations and maintenance plans, financial plans

Phase 3: wide-spread scale up (2018+)



Municipal Natural Capital Initiative: key pilot project steps



Throughout process: "helpdesk function" to support municipalities



MNCI – current & next steps

- Final pilot selection (April)
- Sign letters of intent (May)
- Work through pilot process (June onwards)
- “Pre-audit’ package to help interested municipalities decide whether to become pilots & how to prepare
- Start expanding methodology for other services



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What can I do now?

1. Get on our mailing list to stay abreast
2. Start initial thinking of nature as asset within LAMP:
 - what are the natural assets in my community and what services do they provide?
 - What role do natural assets play in key priorities e.g. ISWMP?
 - What condition are my natural assets in?
 - What are potential management objectives for identified natural assets?
 - How could we operate / maintain asset, what would this cost and how could I link this into financial plans?
 - Consider a natural asset policy / directive
3. Work through pre-audit package (once available)



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Information

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