

# Why set an explicit goal?

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- Attract additional sources of conservation funding for the Southeast
- Identify new opportunities for collaboration
- Improve connections with “non-traditional” partners
- Provide a simple description of what SECAS is trying to do

# DRAFT SECAS Overarching Goal

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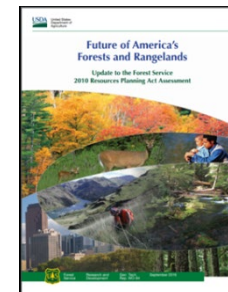
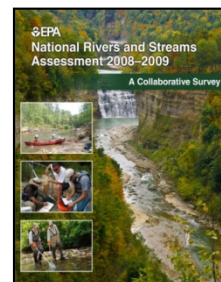
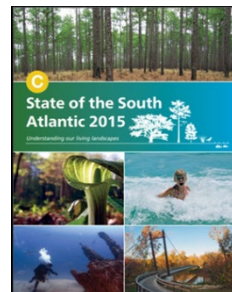
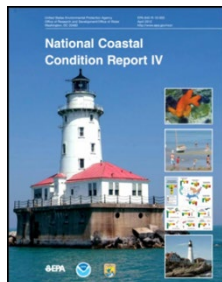
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# Summarized by ecosystem

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Upland hardwood



Beach & dune



Pine & prairie



Freshwater marsh



Forested wetland



Estuarine



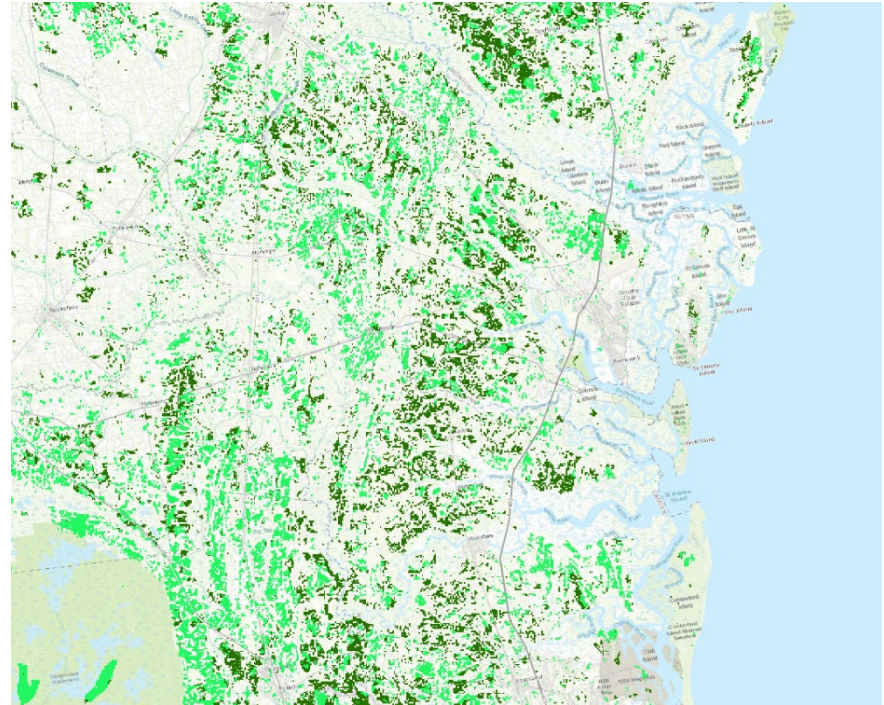
Freshwater aquatic



Marine

# Measuring progress: A quick longleaf example in GA

- Quick assessment of pine & prairie ecosystem in GA
- ~ 9,000 additional acres of longleaf restoration every year on public and private land in GA
- If most of that is within the Blueprint, we're on track to meet the goal in that ecosystem in GA



Potential Bachman's sparrow habitat



Current



Future with restoration

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