



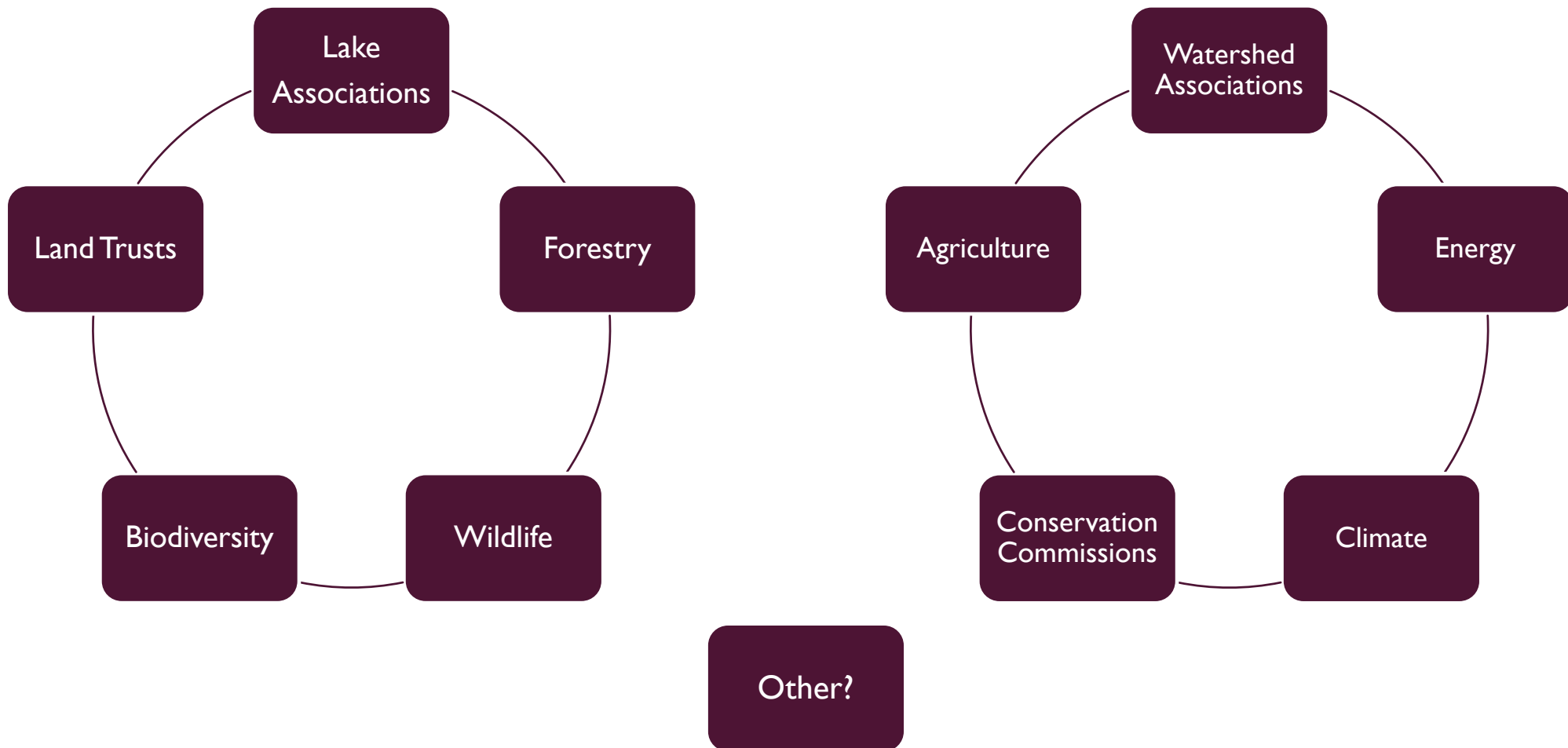
FRAMEWORK FOR A LAND & WATER CONSERVATION COLLABORATIVE (LWCC) IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

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TOPICAL AREAS OF CONSERVATION IN NEW HAMPSHIRE



TIERS IN NH CONSERVATION - CITIZENS, LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS, TOPICAL STATEWIDE HUBS



TOPICAL STATEWIDE HUBS – WHAT ARE THEY?

- NGO's that have a statewide or broader focus that serve local environmental groups in NH within a certain area or "topic" of conservation
- Government agencies such as NH State Conservation Committee or educational institutions such as UNH Cooperative Extension might offer some topical statewide hub services

POTENTIAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY TOPICAL STATEWIDE HUBS

- Collaborative events like Lakes Congress
- Best management practices dissemination
- Technology tools such as Lake Smart
- Outreach & educational materials that can be co-branded with local organizations
- Scientific and technical online portals that deliver cutting edge research
- Citizen activism empowerment and education programs like Action Alerts, Forest Advocate, Lake Advocacy Network to coordinate and mobilize a sizable block of voters to participate in legislative and advocacy campaigns

LAND & WATER CONSERVATION COLLABORATIVE – WHAT IS IT?

Statewide environmental collaborative comprised of:

- Statewide Topical Hubs (NHCLA, NH Audubon, TNC, SPNHF, NH Land Trust Coalition...)
- Statewide and Federal Government Agencies (NH Fish & Game, NHDES, NH Dept. of Agriculture, NRCS...)
- Statewide Resource Providers (UNH Cooperative Extension with GRANIT)
- Statewide Funders (NHCF, ARM Fund, NHDWTF, LCHIP...)

LWCC – POTENTIAL IMPACTS

This group would be capable of forming a prioritized, comprehensive statewide conservation framework that:

- Coordinates and leverages initiatives while avoiding overlap
- Leverages resources and best practices
- Expands the pool of funding
- Acts as a communication hub connecting member organizations & their constituents into a coalition

LWCC – IMPLEMENTATION

- Voluntary, no cost participation
- Initially light on funds and resources, but long on communication & coordination
- Bruce Pardoe has volunteered to facilitate for 2 years to build momentum
- Minimum of 2 meetings per year
- Public meeting notes offered for education, input & coalition building