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Overview of RMP Goals and Structure

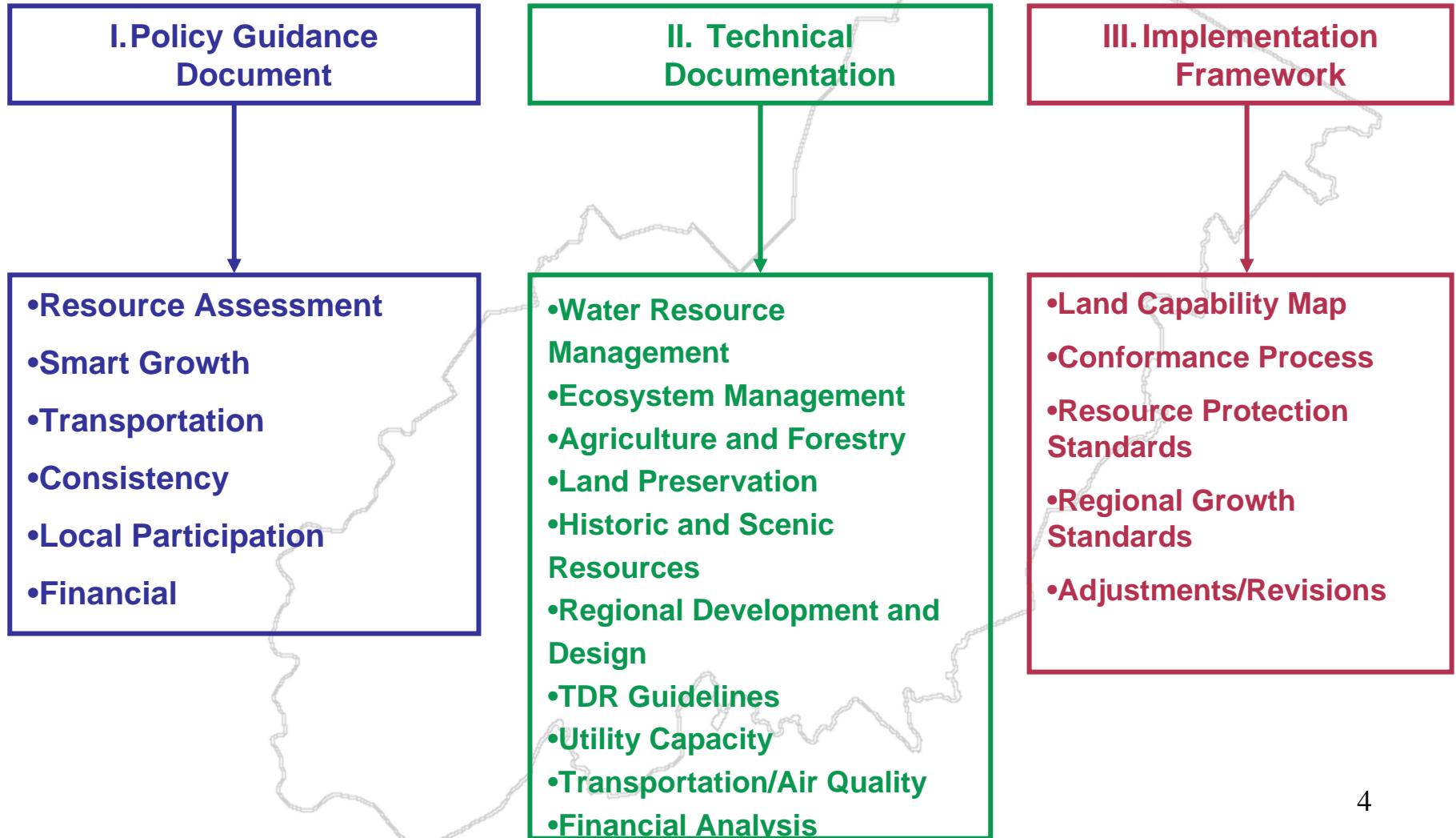
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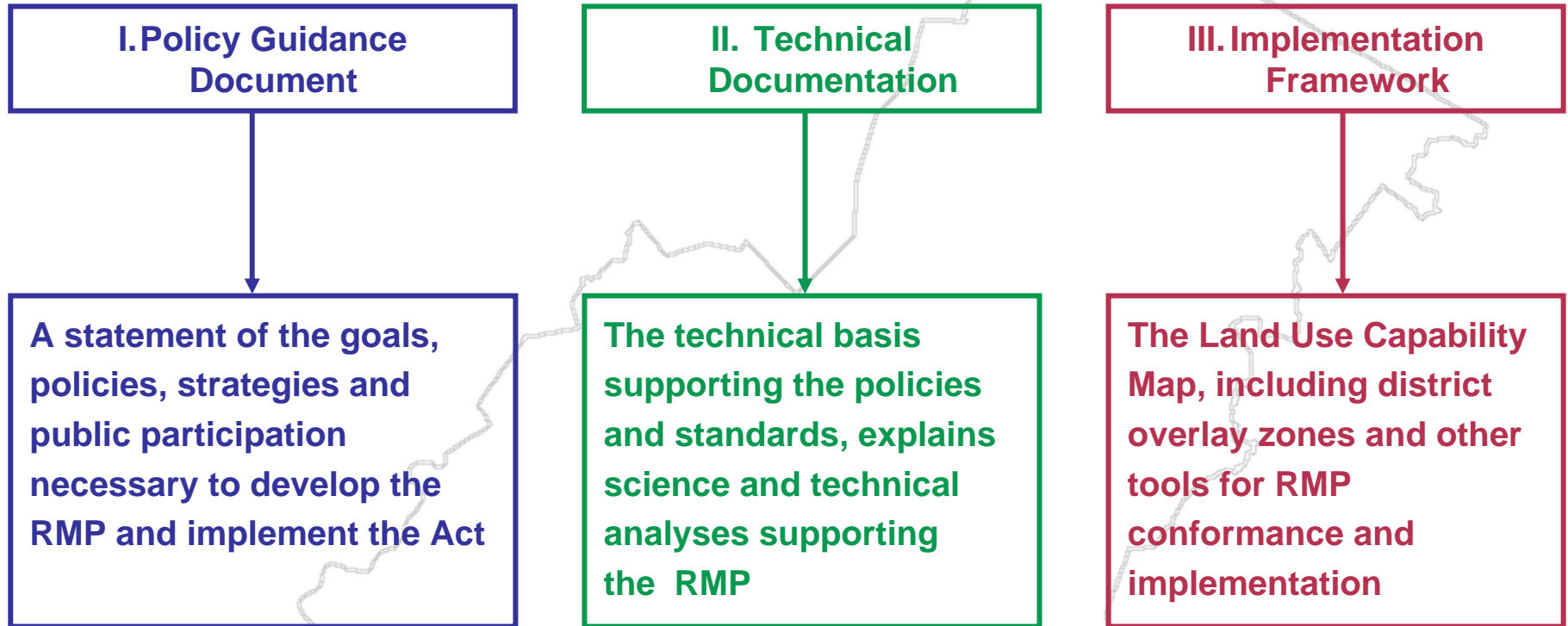
Goals of the Act

- **Protect and conserve the quality and quantity of drinking water**
- **Protect natural, scenic, recreational, cultural and historic resources**
- **Preserve contiguous lands in their natural state**
- **Preserve farmland and farming**
- **Promote appropriate patterns of development, redevelopment and economic growth**
- **Promote a sound and balanced transportation system**

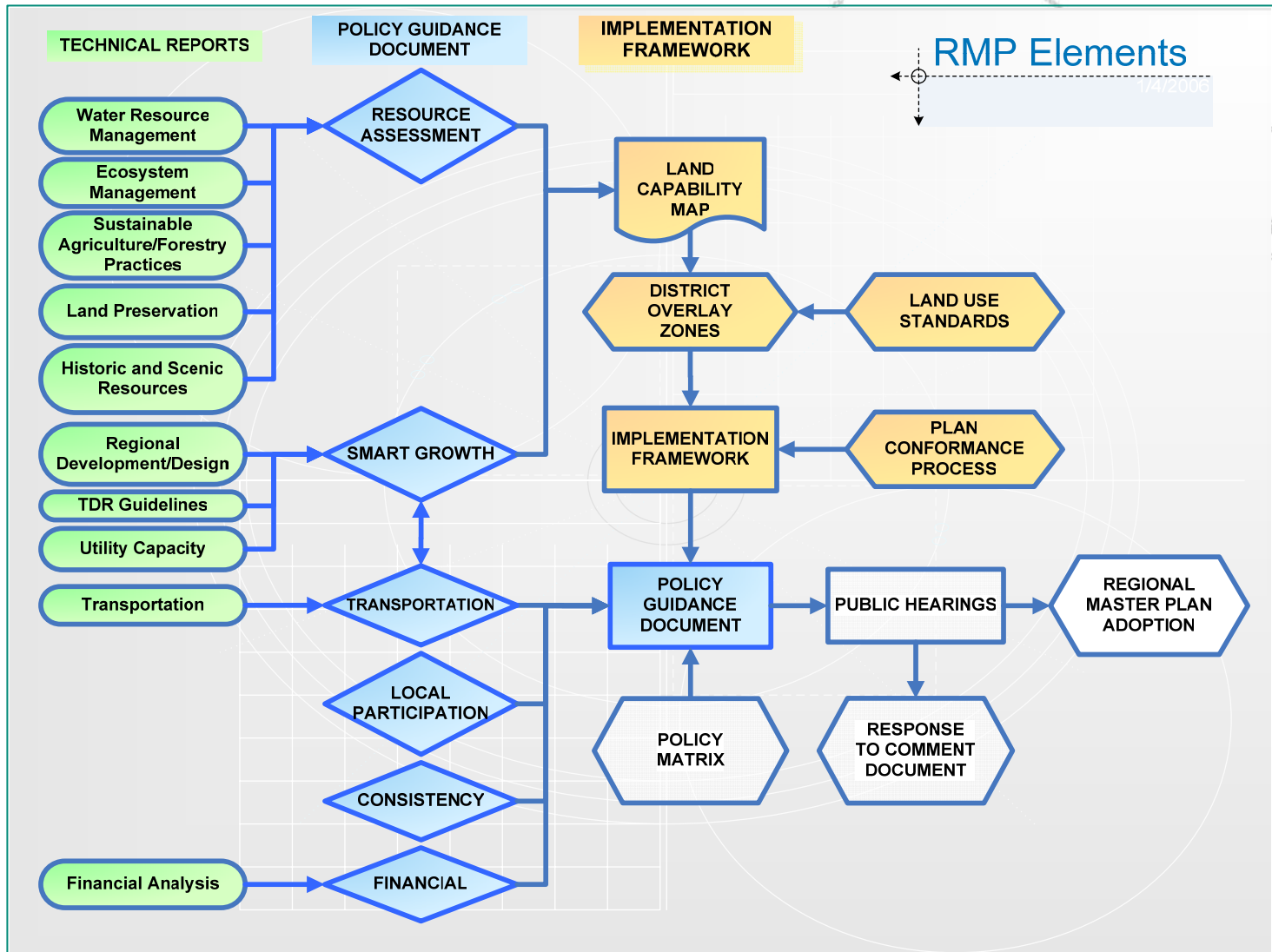
Highlands Regional Master Plan




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Requirements of the Highlands Act**

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Requirements of the Act

Assess the “scenic, aesthetic, cultural, historic and outdoor recreation resources of the region, together with a determination of overall policies required to maintain and enhance such resources.”

Highlands Act, Section 11, N.J.S.A. 13:20-11.a(1)(b)

Establish a natural resources inventory “for the purpose of encouraging ecologically based tourism and recreation.”

Highlands Act, Section 11, N.J.S.A. 13:20-48



Technical Approach and Methods
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Program Objectives

- Identify cultural, historic, scenic, recreation areas for preservation
- Develop methods to help preserve and protect identified resources
- Promote stewardship of Highlands cultural, historic, scenic and recreation areas on public and private lands



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Data Sources

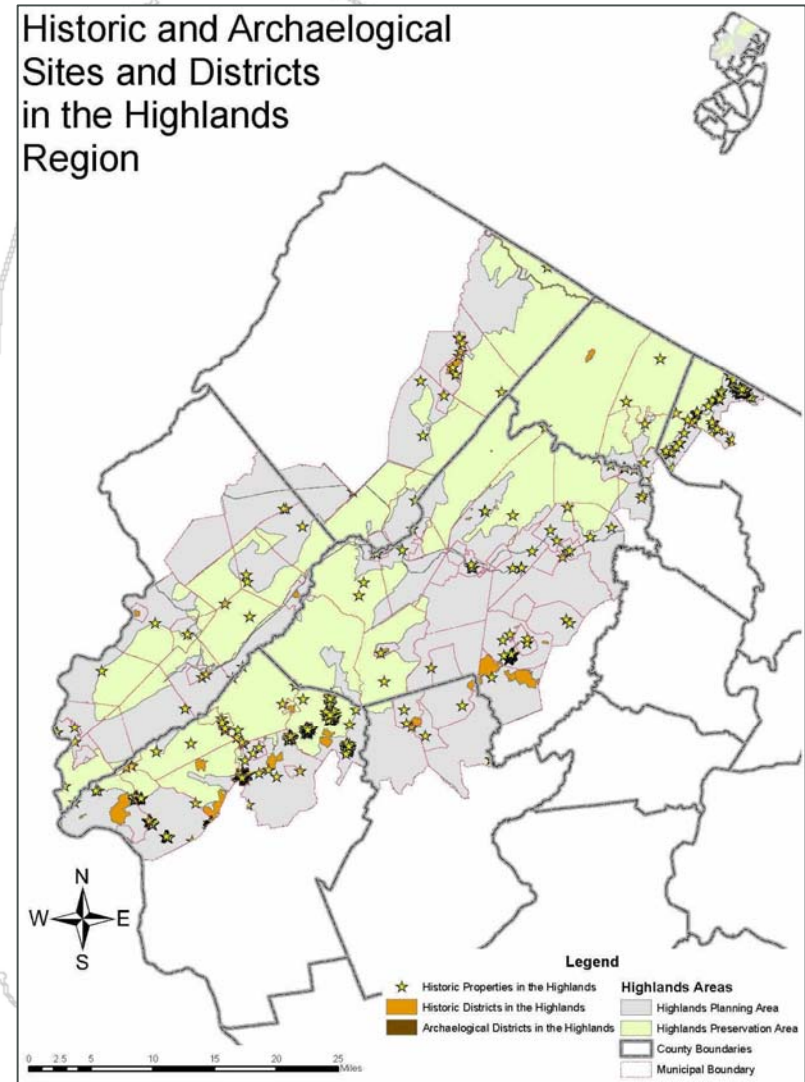
- **State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) known historical sites**
- **US Forest Service (USFS) data**
- **County & municipal open space inventories**
- **County & municipal planning documents, including natural resource inventories, historic preservation elements, open space plans, recreation and park management plans**



Cultural, Historic, Scenic & Recreation Resource Preservation

Technical Approach

- Identify Existing Cultural, Historic, Scenic and Recreation Resources
- Develop Cultural, Historic, Scenic and Recreation Resource Protection and Stewardship Strategies



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Identify Existing Cultural, Historic, Scenic & Recreation Resources

- Identification of cultural and historic resources based on protocols established by SHPO.
- Identification of recreation, aesthetic and scenic resources based on USFS reports, preserved land inventories, municipal and county planning documents, inventories from state and county park agencies, and input from other informed parties.

Develop Cultural, Historic, Scenic and Recreation Resource Protection and Enhancement Strategies

- Identify funding, legal, institutional, research, technical assistance and educational tools and ways to promote partnerships.



Problem Statements
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Problem Statement #1

- How do we identify historic, cultural, aesthetic, scenic and recreation resources in the Highlands region given that many are unknown and some private landowners are reluctant to volunteer presence of resources on their properties?

Problem Statement #2

- How do we promote the protection of cultural, historic, scenic and recreation resources in communities, with a special focus on those areas identified as appropriate for growth?

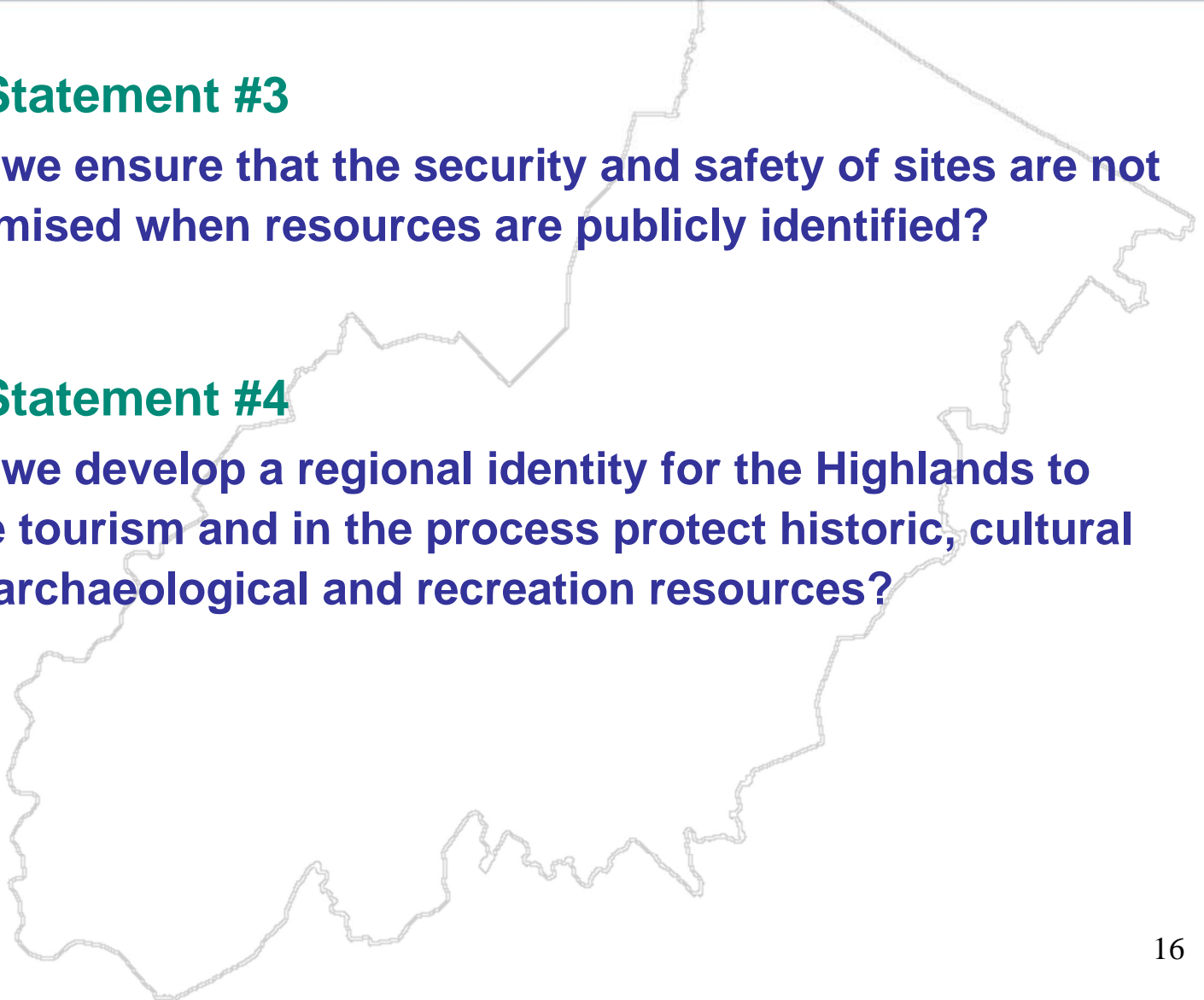
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Problem Statement #3

- How do we ensure that the security and safety of sites are not compromised when resources are publicly identified?

Problem Statement #4

- How do we develop a regional identity for the Highlands to promote tourism and in the process protect historic, cultural scenic, archaeological and recreation resources?



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Problem Statement #5

- **What mechanisms and resources are needed to support stewardship of historic, archaeological, cultural and recreation resources on public lands? How do we reconcile potential conflicts between activities that promote tourism and recreation and natural/historic resource protection goals of the Highlands?**

