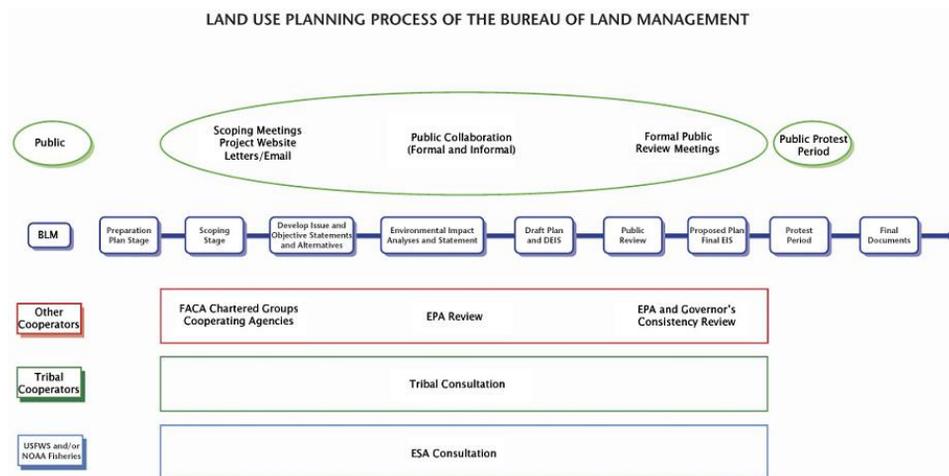


# Unit 3.1

## Overview of the Planning Process



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## Unit Objectives

- ◆ Describe why we do planning
- ◆ Differentiate between land use planning & implementation planning



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## Why Do Planning?

- Legally required
- Good practice as land managers
- Benefits of planning
- Downside of planning

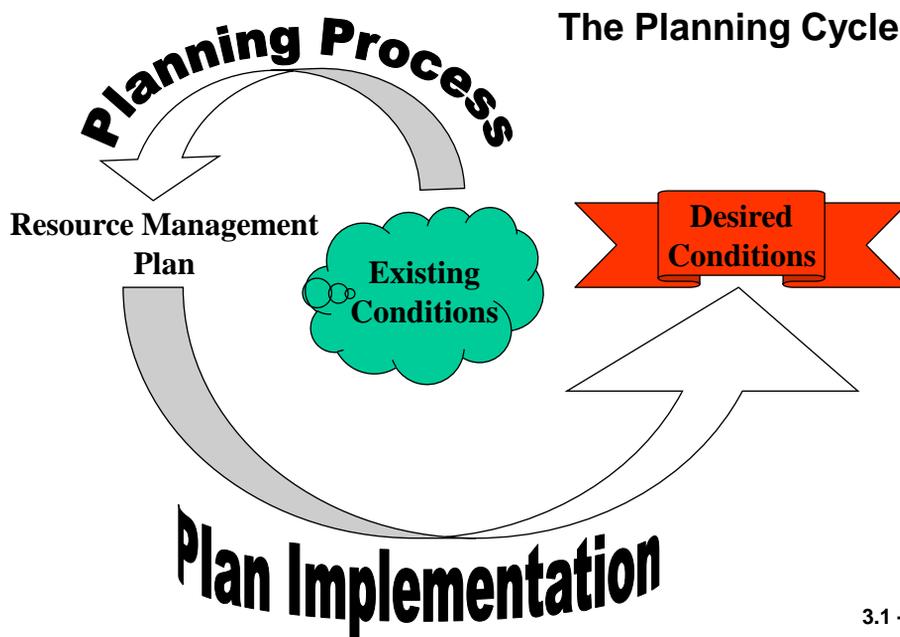


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## Areas of Emphasis in BLM's Planning Process

- Collaboration with stakeholders
- Multijurisdictional
- Interdisciplinary
- Natural rather than political boundaries
- Adaptive management
- Collaborative implementation
- Use of Information Technology
- Integration with related legal requirements
- Supported by a complete administrative record

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## Land Use Planning vs. Implementation Planning

- Land Use Planning
  - ◆ regional, or zonal, level decisions
  - ◆ use an EIS approach
  - ◆ use of protest process
- Implementation Planning
  - ◆ more site- and/or action-specific
  - ◆ may be in RMP
  - ◆ uses concept of tiering
  - ◆ relies primarily on EAs
  - ◆ may be affected by appeals and IBLA

See Appendix C and Section D page 30 in BLM Planning Handbook

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## Differences between Programmatic EIS and Project-Level NEPA Documents

	Programmatic EIS	Project-level NEPA document
Tier	First-tier	Second-tier
Proposed Action	RMP	Specific facility or activity
Alternatives	Built into plan; have different objectives	Different ways to meet same objective
Affected Environment	Broad geographic area	Individual site
Impact focus	Cumulative	Direct and indirect
Mitigation	Generic and built into plan	Specific and added to proposal

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