

## **Recovery Planning and Implementation (Module 3)**

### **Slide 1: Title Slide**

Welcome to the recovery planning and implementation section of our “Endangered Species Act Overview” course. I’m Debby Crouse. I presented the earlier session on the findings, purposes, policy, and definitions of the Endangered Species Act.

I’ve worked for 30 years in conservation biology, focusing on recovery of endangered and threatened species. For my doctorate, I used population modeling to assess the effectiveness of different recovery actions on loggerhead sea turtles. And I’ve taught endangered species recovery planning and implementation at the National Conservation Training Center since 1998.

Let’s start with what makes a good recovery program for a listed species ...

### **Slide 2: Objective**

In our last module, we studied critical habitat. Now we’ll learn about the primary reason for listing a species – achieving recovery through recovery plans, implementation, and partnerships.

Shortly, you’ll be able to recognize if a recovery plan has all the required elements under Section 4 of the Endangered Species Act. You’ll also learn about additional aspects of recovery plans that ensure their effective implementation.

### **Slide 3: Topics**

I invite you to scan this list of topics we’ll treat – the recovery process overall ... the statutory and functional requirements in recovery planning ... development and implementation of recovery plans ... and some regulatory and policy tools to help with the above. Then we will address 5-year reviews, reclassifications, and de-listings. Finally, we’ll have some exercises to test your new knowledge.