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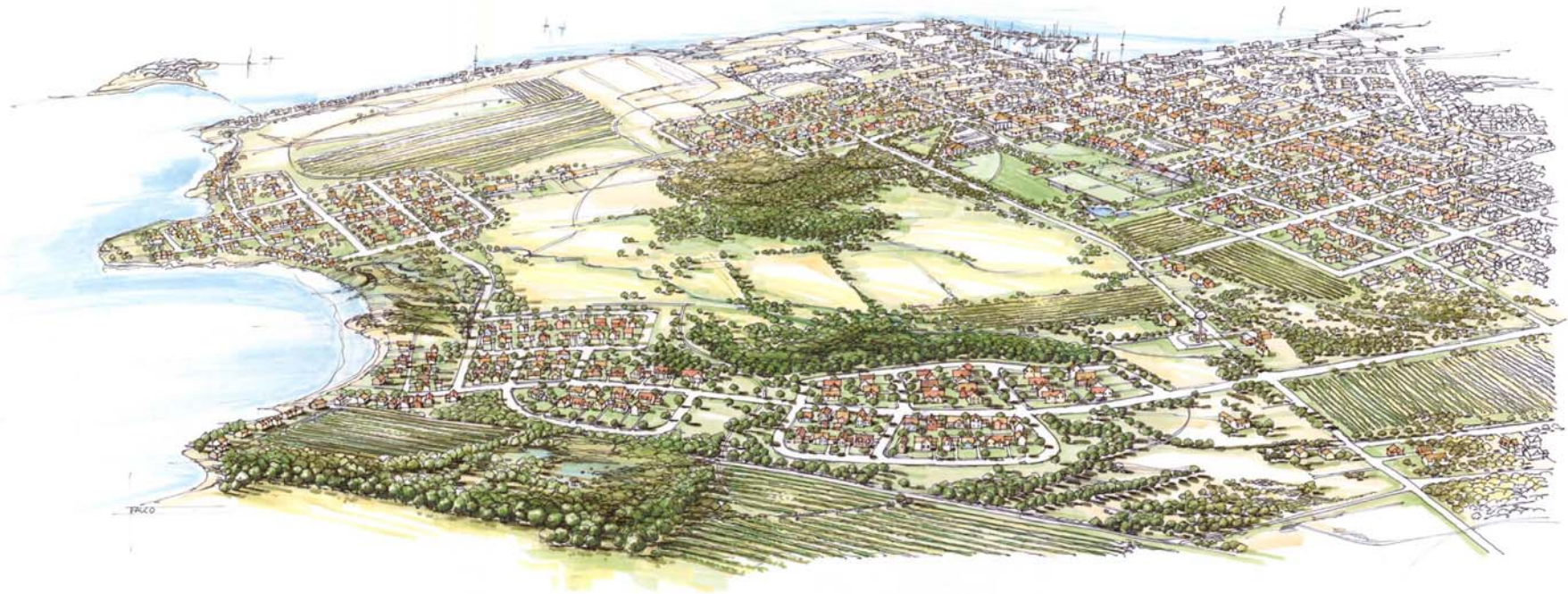
community/ land use planning
landscape architecture
civil engineering
cultural resources
environmental regulatory services
GIS and mapping
visualization and graphic design

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difficulty of defining the term:

*NYS Department of State/ Department of
Environmental Conservation-*

an area of land or water that either remains
in its natural state or is used for agriculture,
free from intensive development for
residential, commercial, industrial, or
institutional use



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broad constituency, many perspectives:

- other public agencies
- taxing authorities
- landowners, farmers
- taxpayers
- wildlife
- recreational users/tourists
- developers
- industry
- conservation community



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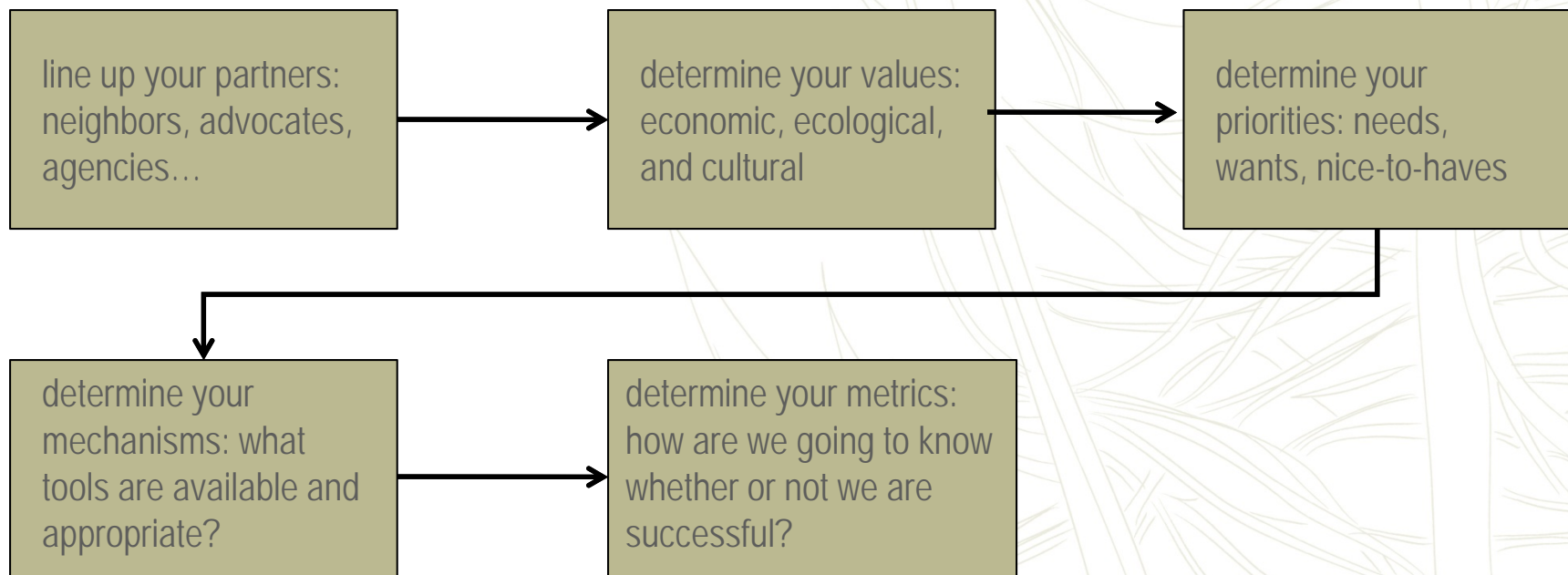
why plan for it?

1. conservation
2. recreation
3. scarce public resources
(growth management)



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tools should either be part of, or consistent with, the Comprehensive Plan:

- purchase/transfer of development rights
- other conservation easements (term, public access)
- water/sewer extensions (or lack thereof)
- subdivision ordinances
- base density
- overlays/ districting

...and be mindful of other forces at work:

- local, state and federal tax policy



Open Space Planning: additional resources

Local land trusts: CNY Land Trust, Finger Lakes Land Trust,
New York Agricultural Land Trust

State agencies: Department of State's *Local Open Space Planning Guide*,
Department of Environmental Conservation's *2009 Open Space
Conservation Plan*, NYS Smart Growth Cabinet

National organizations: Trust for Public Land, The Nature Conservancy,
Lincoln Institute of Land Policy