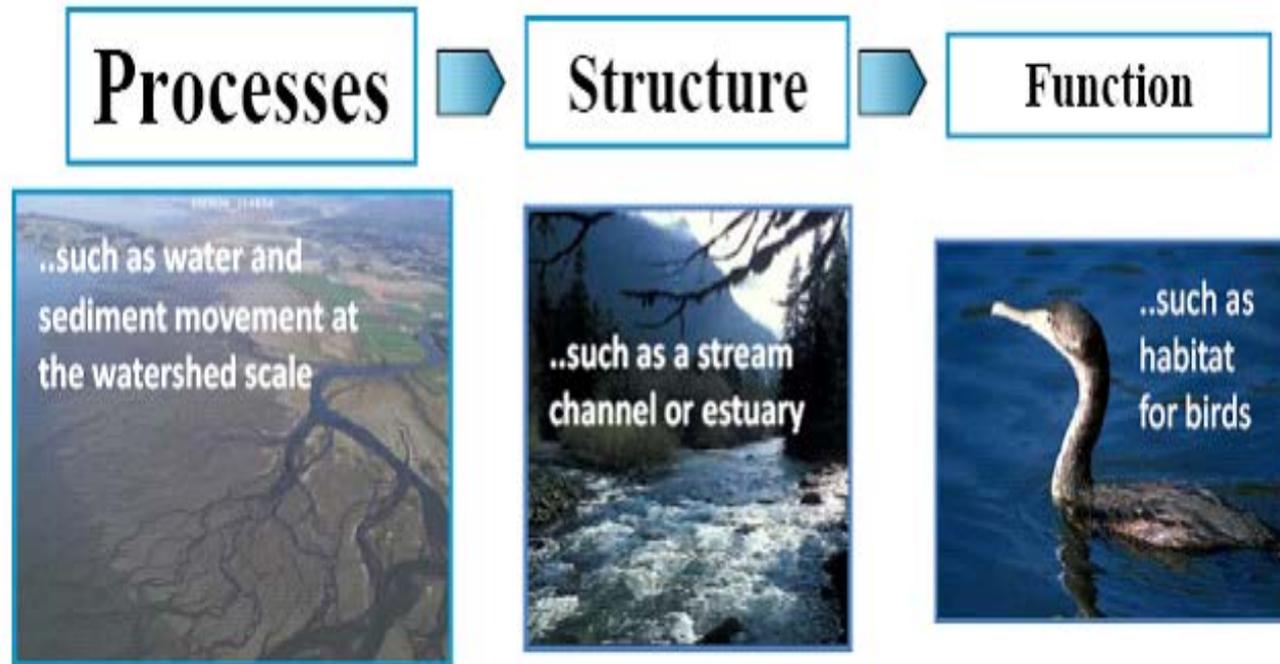
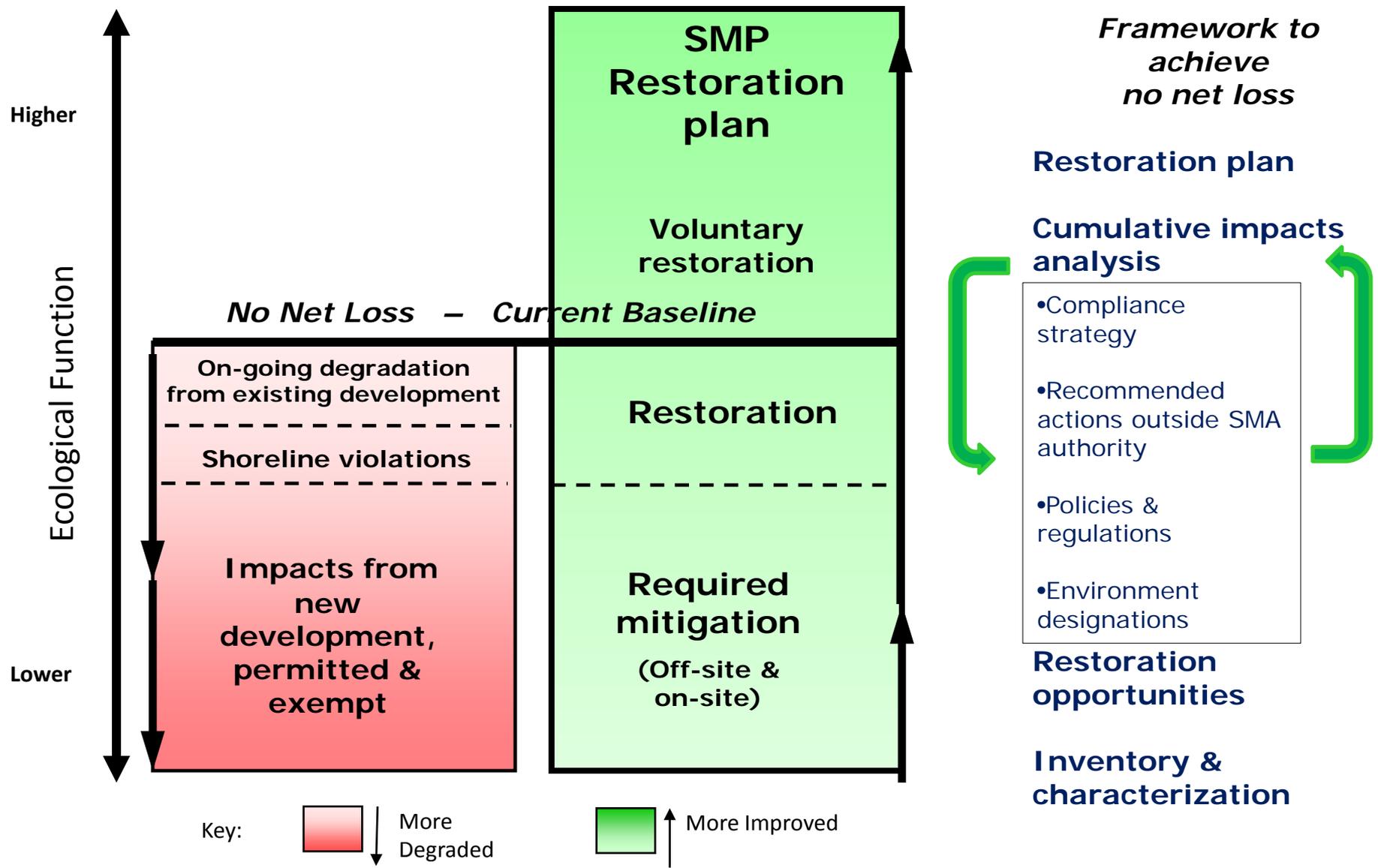


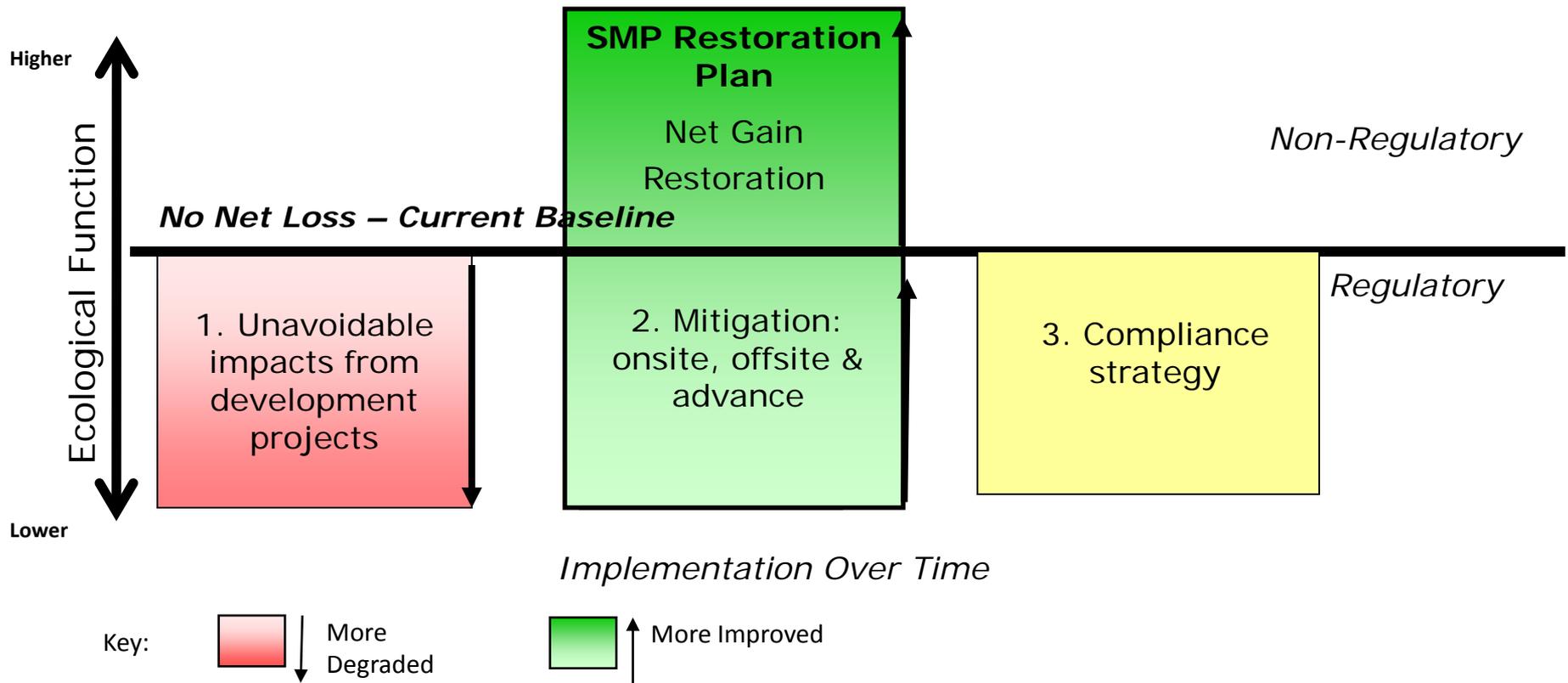
Shoreline Ecological Processes and Functions



SMP updates: Achieving no net loss of ecological function



Achieving no net loss of ecological functions at the project level



1. Impacts from shoreline development projects, after mitigation and restoration measures. SMP should encourage appropriate use of innovative measures such as clustering, TDRs, site specific BMPs, etc. to reduce impacts.

2. On-site, off-site and advance mitigation. SMPs should lay out the conditions when off-site mitigation will be allowed or preferred. Innovative techniques such as wetland banking (advance mitigation) should be addressed in SMPs. SMP restoration plans should help identify priority sites and types of sites for the most effective off-site restoration activities.

3. A compliance strategy should include a mechanism to document project review actions and a method to periodically evaluate the cumulative effects of authorized shoreline development. The compliance strategy should include inspection of development projects, and identify priorities for enforcement to improve protection of the most significant shoreline features and functions.