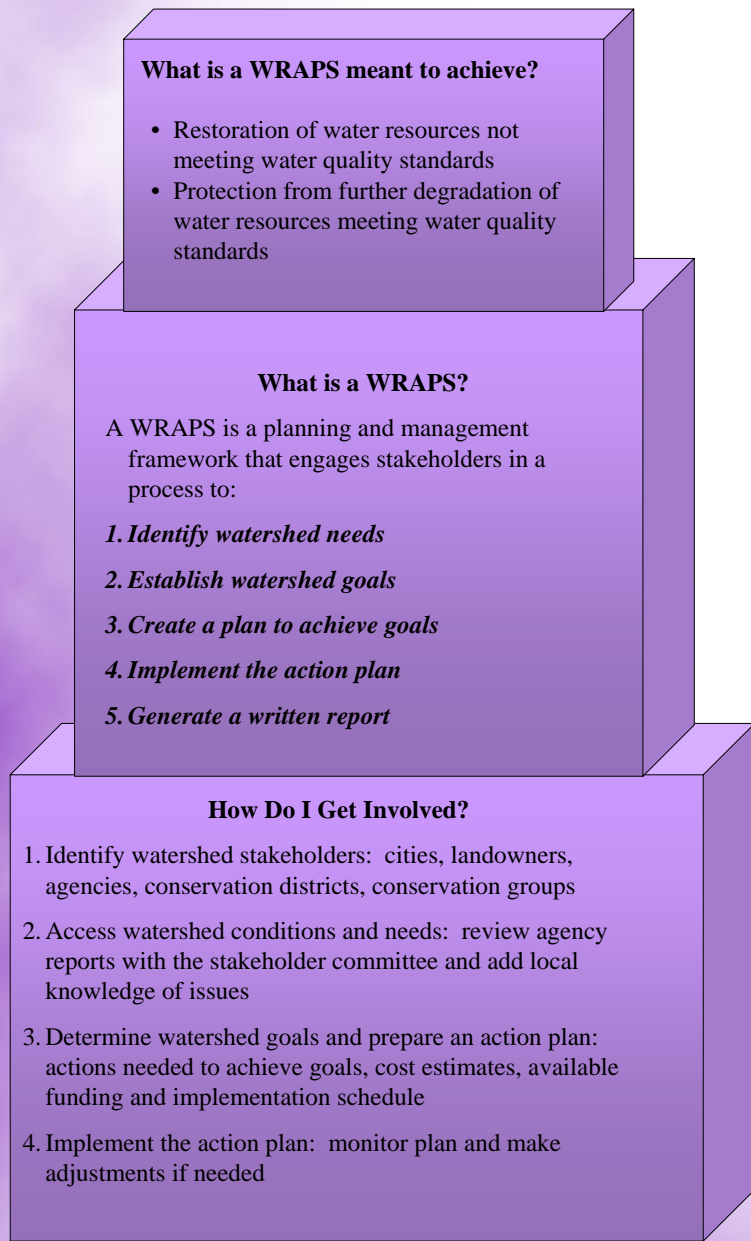


Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy (WRAPS) Building Blocks for Watershed Management in Kansas



Little Arkansas River WRAPS Project

A stakeholder committee, including farmers, urban residents and local citizens together with agency personnel as advisors, was formed in 2002. During the next three years, 14 meetings, tours and workshops were conducted involving 661 local stakeholders.

The WRAPS plan identified public outreach methods, required monitoring activities, specific water quality problems, educational needs, actions needed to be taken to achieve water quality goals and outcomes, the schedule for implementation of needed restoration measures, and funding needs.

Water quality goals for the watershed that were identified by stakeholders:

- Reduce atrazine herbicide
- Reduce fecal coliform
- Reduce nutrients and sediment

Implementation of actions determined by water quality goals has begun in the watershed. Funding has been secured by the city of Wichita, Kansas SCC, KDHE EPA 319 grants, NRCS cost-share, and a USDA competitive grant.

A copy of the WRAPS report can be found at:
www.kdhe.state.ks.us/nps/wraps/LittleArk_Final_wraps.pdf