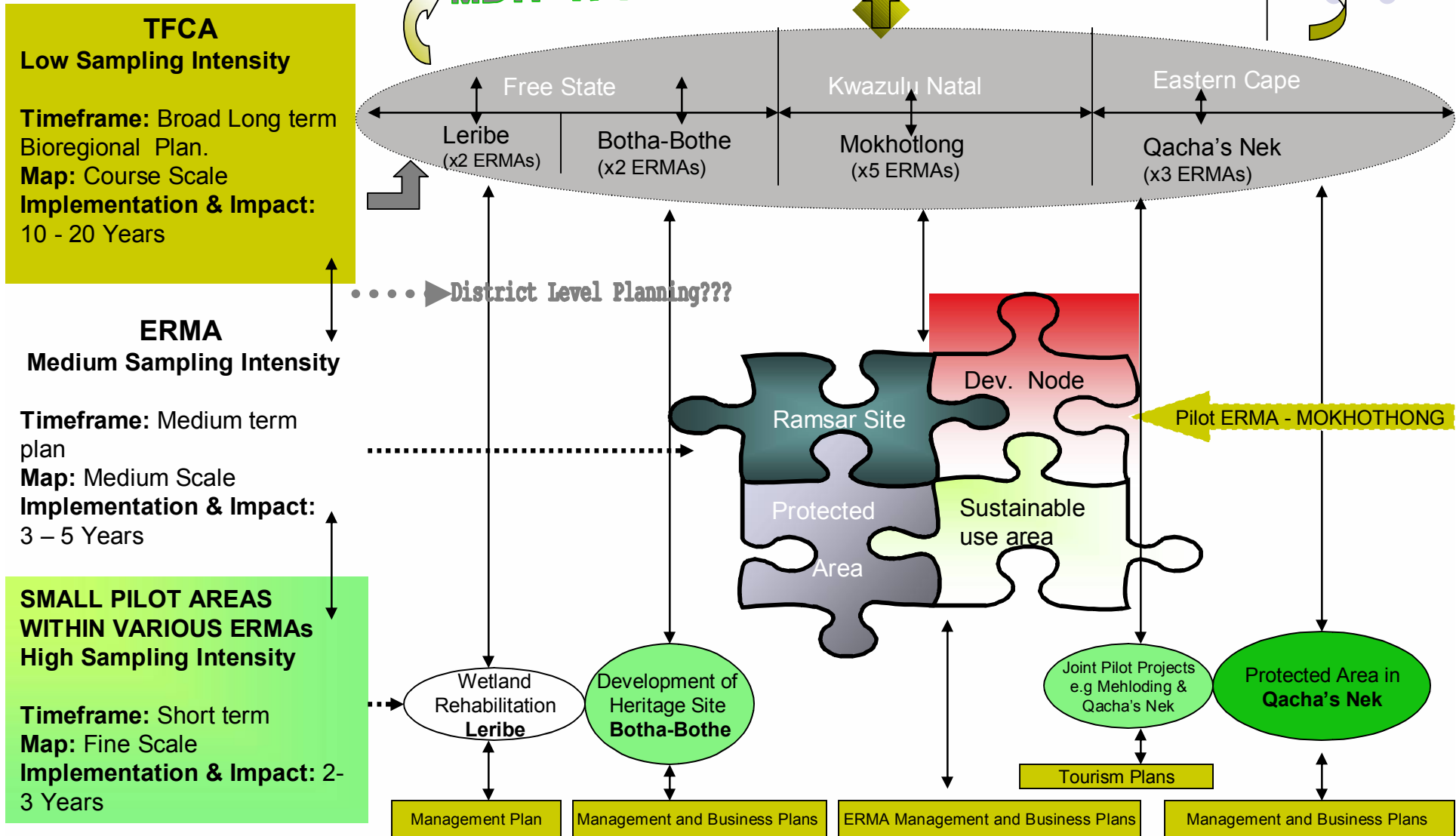


MDTP LEVELS OF PLANNING

The Three Levels Involve Parallel Processes That Feed Into Each Other.



Conservation Plans in the Botha-Bothe District



- Protection and Preservation of Botha-Bothe Plateau.
- Protection and Preservation of archaeological remains in the Sekubu Caves.
- Biodiversity Conservation in the 'Moteng region.
- Promotion of eco-tourism at Ha Molapo.
- Establishment of a Protected Area at Liqobong.
- Biodiversity Conservation in the Mafik'a Lisiu region.

Establishment of a Protected Area at Liqobong



- Community Consultations and organisation for consensus on the concept.
- Acceptance of the concept by all concerned.
- Management of the Protected area by the people entails the following:
 - Soil conservation projects;
 - Biodiversity management projects;
 - Improvement of wildlife;
 - Identification and enhancement of eco-tourism opportunities;
 - Traditional healers opportunities;
 - Water conservation through wetlands management;
 - Awareness and youth education on conservation issues

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- Fire management
- Alien and invasive plant control
- Challenges
 - Cross-border wild fires
 - Illegal import/export of the following:
 - Fire-arms
 - Livestock and other contraband
 - Drugs
 - Poaching and uncontrolled hunting
 - Illegal trade in medicinal and other important commodities.
 - Lack of control at Mononts'a border, which promotes the following:
 - Stocktheft
 - Crime
 - Wildlife crossing the border

Biodiversity Conservation at Mafik'a Lisiu



- Consultations with the surrounding communities to obtain consensus.
- Acceptance of the concept and establishment of the area limits.
- Management of the area by the community representatives include the following:
 - Soil conservation projects
 - Projects of biodiversity improvement (reseeding etc)
 - Livestock improvement programmes
 - Identification of tourism opportunities
 - Establishment of resource user associations (Range management, healers associations, handicrafts associations etc)
 - Water conservation through wetland management;
 - Awareness for those interested in associations



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- Control and management of fire
- Control and management of alien invasive plants

- Challenges
 - Crossborder wildfires
 - Grazing control mechanisms
 - Illegal trading in plants and other important commodities
 - Introduction of levy for resource use

Expectations From This Workshop



- Development of Joint Action Plan to address the following:
 - Illegal trade in plants and other important commodities
 - Illegal grazing of livestock across the border
 - Illegal cross-border operations involving the following:
 - Fire-arms
 - Livestock theft and other commodities
 - Drugs trafficking
 - Poaching and illegal hunting
 - Enhancement of control at the Mononts'a border
 - Cross-border movement of wildlife
 - Continued good relations such as this workshop
 - Sharing of technical know how
 - Establishment of Joint Management Structure