



WINTER RIVER - TRACADIE BAY WATERSHED ASSOCIATION

Public Meeting to Review the Draft of the Watershed Management Plan

November 15, 2012

Grand Tracadie School

7:00 **Welcome, purpose of the meeting**

Overview of the report

-- Planning process

-- Goals and Objectives

7:30 **Small group discussion. Key questions:**

- a. Is the report a good reflection of what you told us in the public consultations? Did we 'get it right?'
- b. What is your reaction to how we're addressing the watershed's issues in the report?
- c. What may be missing? Is there something else important that we should include?
- d. Other comments

8:00 **Meeting of the whole group**

Present results of small group discussions

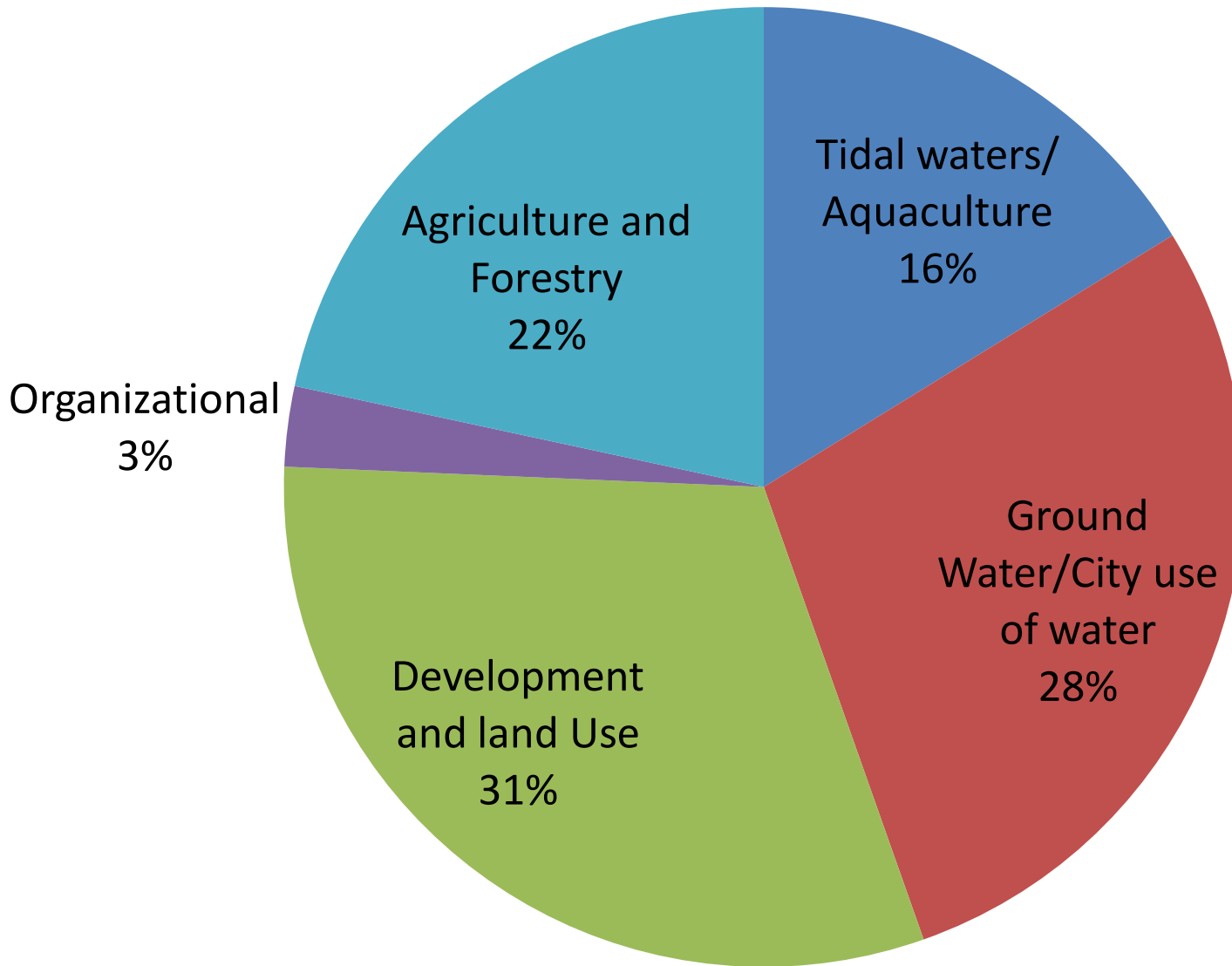
Further discussion of key questions, points

8:45 **Concluding. Next steps.**

Public Presentations in 2010-2011

- Agriculture, Agricultural Practices and Opportunities:
Shawn Hill, Alternate Land Use Service, Province of PEI; Erica MacIlsac, PEI Department of Agriculture; and Jennifer Roper, PEI Federation of Agriculture.
- Groundwater Management:
Yefang Jiang, Hydrogeologist, Province of PEI
- Wetlands:
Allie MacLennan, Wetlands Technician, Province of PEI
- Aquaculture:
Dr. Jon Grant, Marine Biologist, Fisheries and Oceans and Dalhousie University
- Streams and Recreational Fishing:
Rosie MacFarlane, Recreational Fisheries Biologist, Province of PEI
- Climate Change, General:
Erin Taylor, Climate Change Coordinator, Province of PEI
- Climate Change, Impact on PEI Forests:
Michael Montigny, Forester, Province of PEI

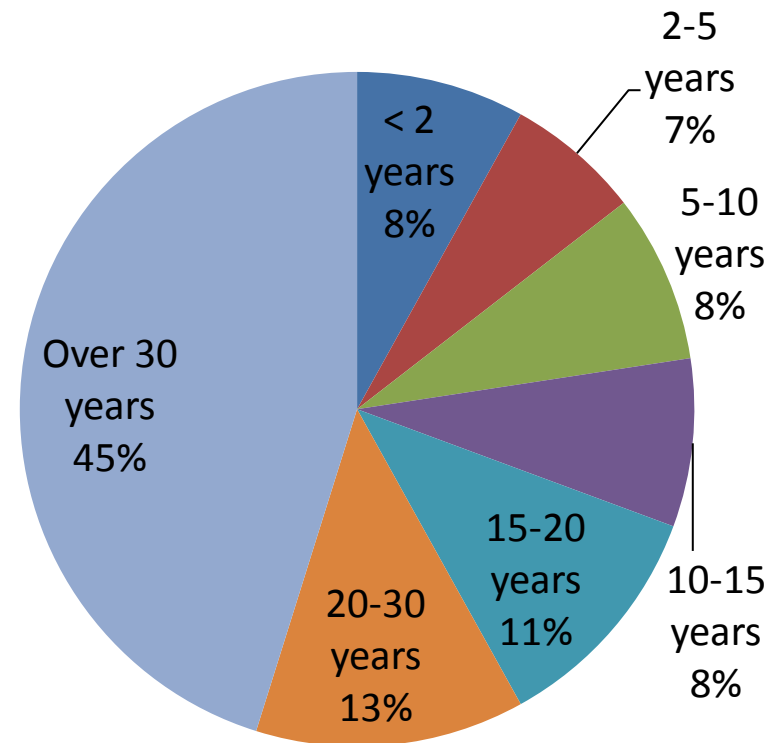
Themes brought up during public meeting



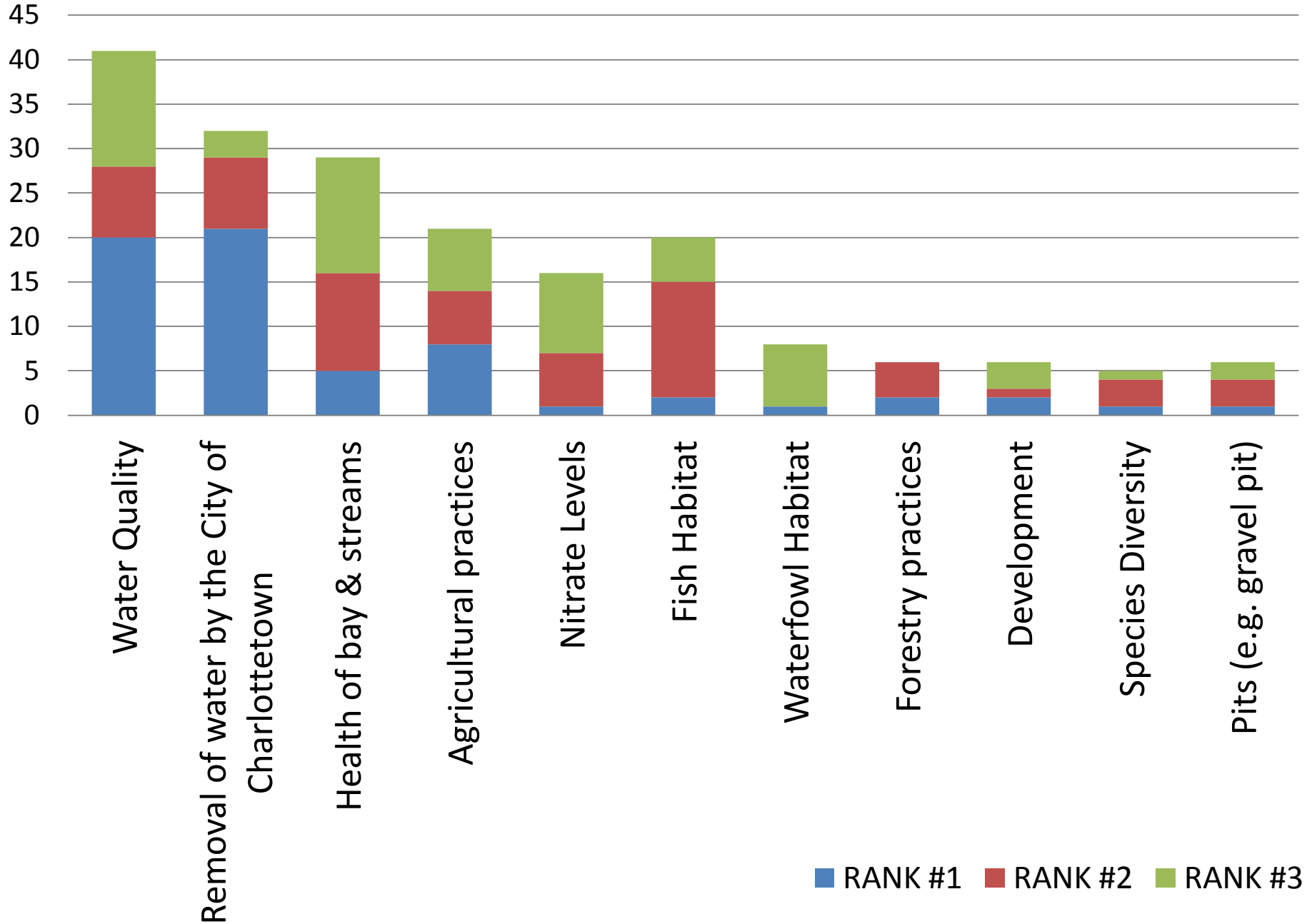
Demographic information about survey participants

I am a year-round resident	92%
I am a land owner	81%
I am a walker/hiker	79%
I have children and/or grandchildren	62%
I enjoy bird watching	60%
I canoe/kayak	41%
I am a recreational fisher	30%
I own a woodlot or forested land	30%
I am involved in tourism	11%
I own a business based in the watershed	11%
I am a farmer	10%
I am involved in aquaculture	8%
I am a commercial fisher	3%
I am a seasonal resident	3%

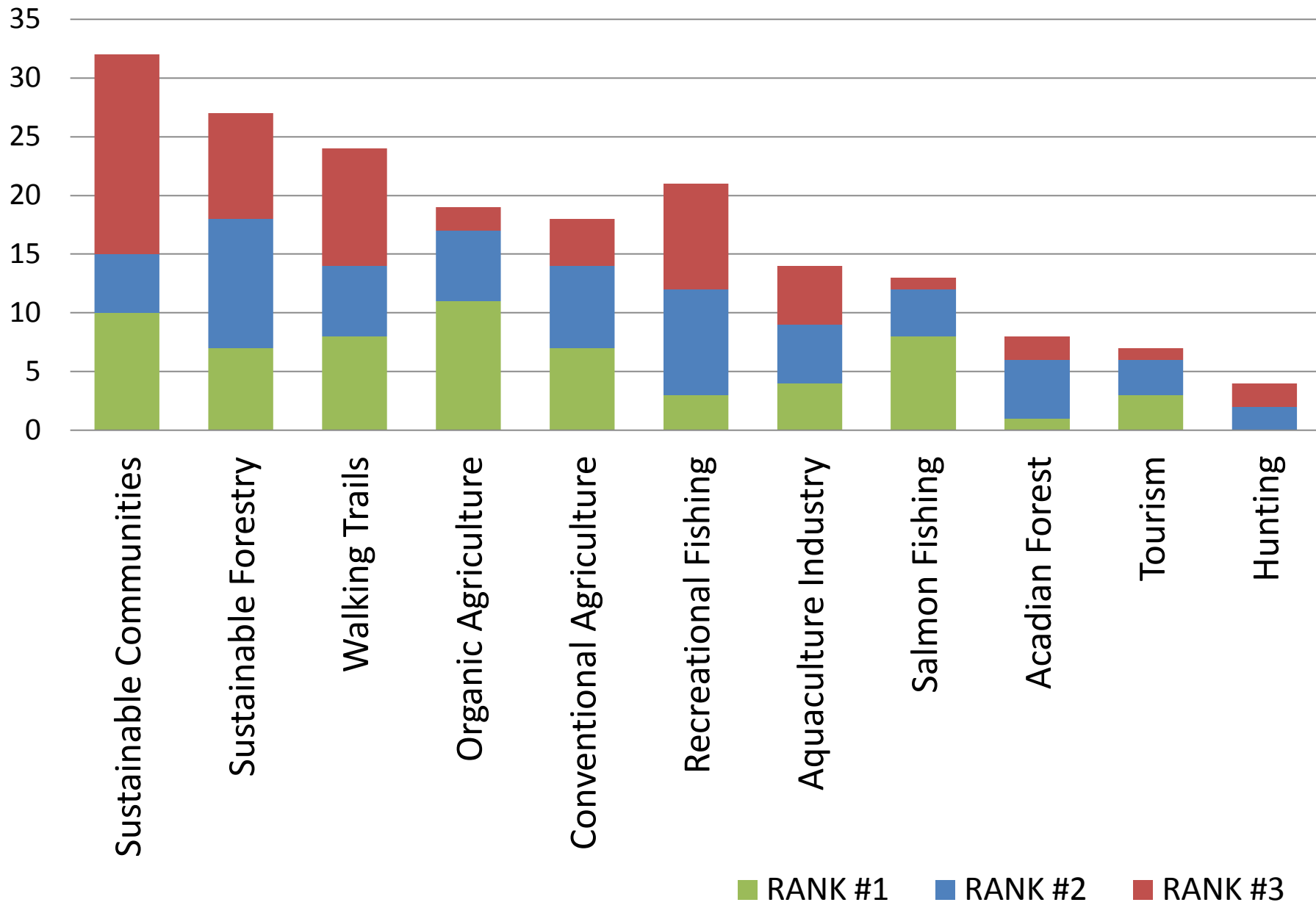
How long have you lived in the watershed?



3 Most Important Issues Identified during Survey



3 Most Important Visions Identified during Survey



Issues and Concerns

The issues and concerns have been summarized primarily from the public meeting and the survey results. They are presented in order of their relative priorities to the residents.

- 1. Quality of Water**
- 2. Quantity of Groundwater - Water Extraction for Charlottetown**
- 3. Health of Bays and Streams**
- 4. Agricultural Practices**
- 5. Fish Habitat**
- 6. Other Issues**
 - a. Waterfowl/Wetland Habitat
 - b. Forestry Practices
 - c. Shale Pits
 - d. Species Diversity
 - e. Climate Change