

RESTORATION TECHNIQUE: Reptile/Amphibian Habitat

HABITAT TYPE: Sheltered Embayments and Coastal Wetlands

Extensive emergent vegetation

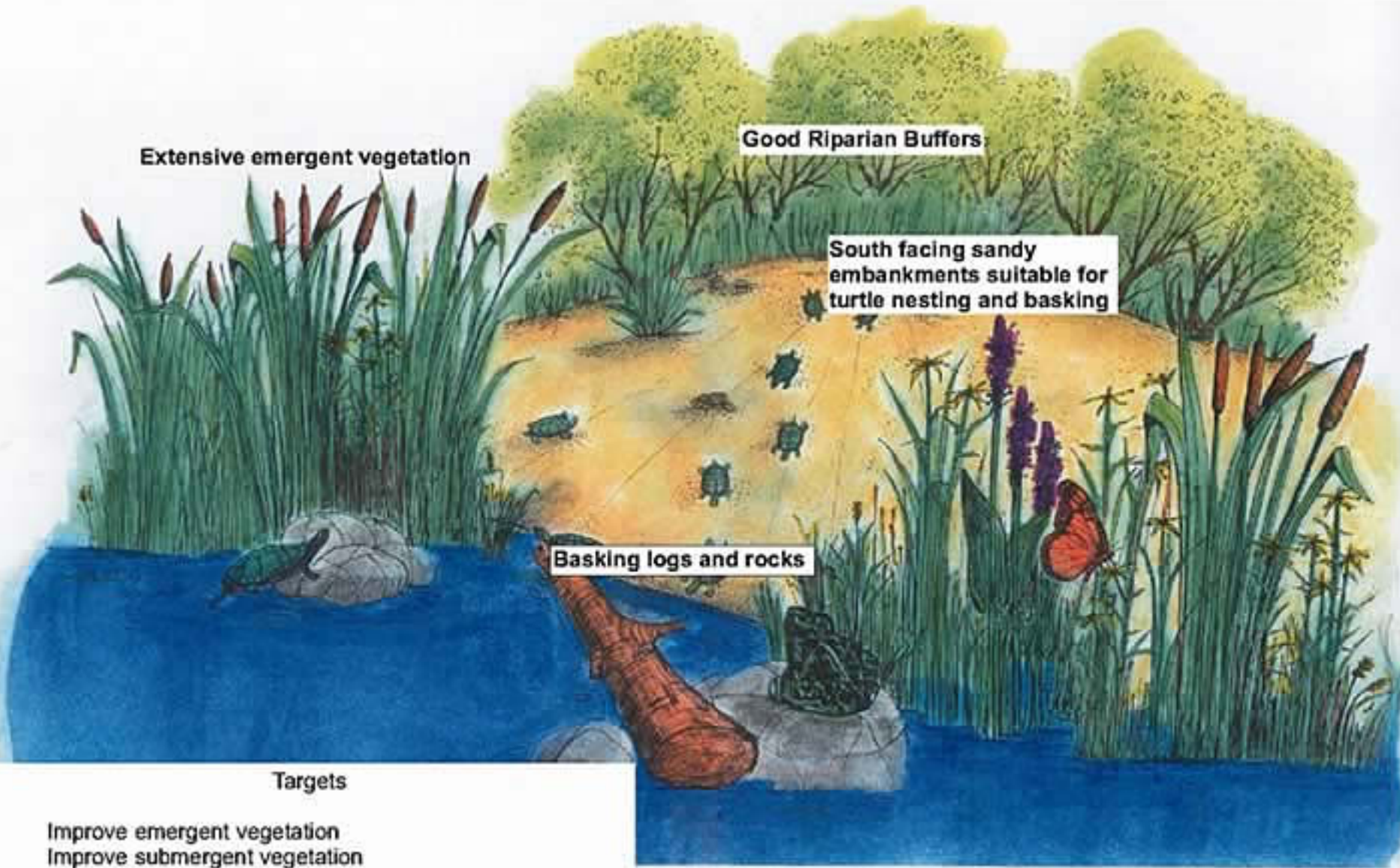
Good Riparian Buffers

South facing sandy embankments suitable for turtle nesting and basking

Basking logs and rocks

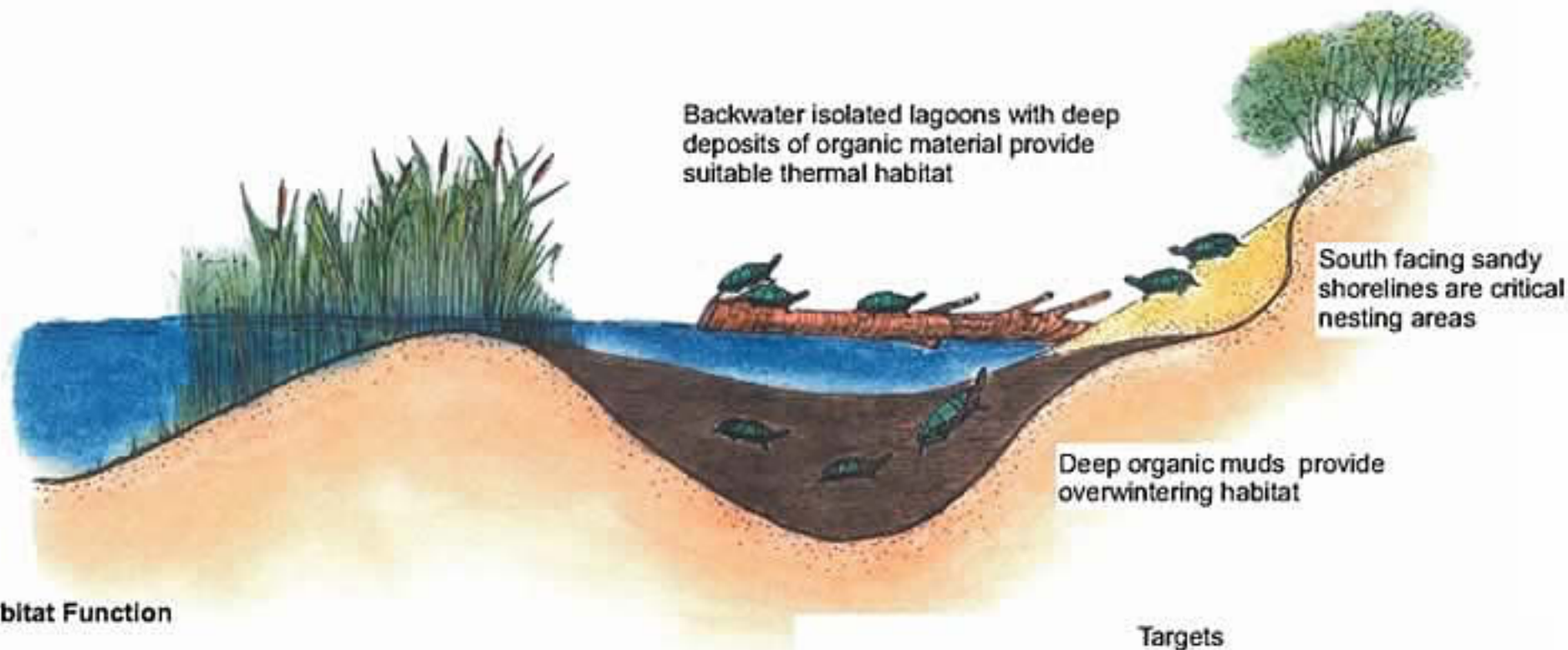
Targets

- Improve emergent vegetation
- Improve submergent vegetation
- Increase high quality riparian vegetation
- Increase areas of primary production
- Improve forage for aquatic and terrestrial species
- Add structural elements to improve near shore habitats



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Turtle habitat is improved by a number of key factors:

- Basking areas (rocks and logs) in back water lagoons
- Thermally isolated backwater areas that are protected from the cold lake water.
- South facing shoreline exposures and areas of sandy shoreline suitable for nesting
- Deep deposits of organic material that are suitable for overwintering

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