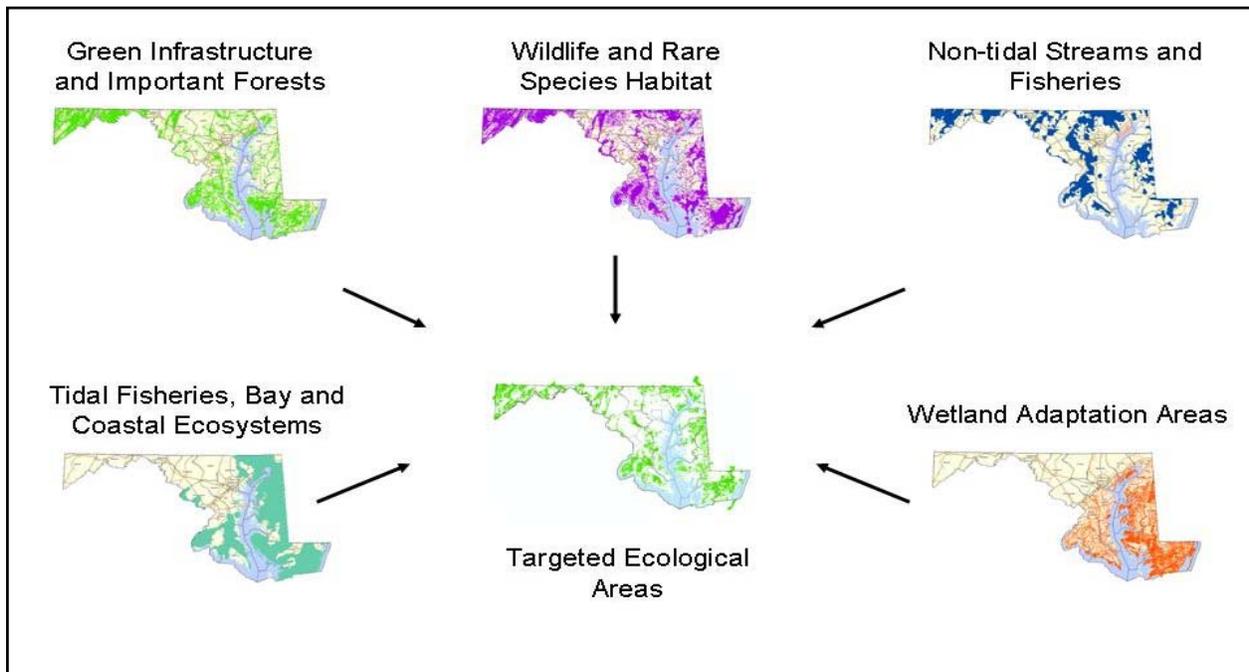


Figure 18: GreenPrint TEAs Conservation Priorities



Once a project or potential land acquisition with a willing landowner is identified that falls within a TEA, it is then forwarded to an internal stewardship review team for additional evaluation based on field assessments, public access and recreation opportunities, and management responsibilities. Based on this stewardship review and the ecological GreenPrint benefits, DNR will decide if the project should be considered for funding, and if so, will present the project to the Board of Public Works (BPW) for approval. The BPW is the highest administrative body in Maryland state government and consists of the Governor, the Treasurer, and the Comptroller. Together, the BPW members are responsible for the expenditure of all capital appropriations and the oversight of nearly all state public works projects.

The [Maryland GreenPrint website](#) (sample page shown in **Figure 19**) provides access to the TEA map through an interactive mapping application. Land trusts, conservancy organizations, and other government programs can use this application to identify cooperative projects that meet Stateside POS ecological criteria. Local governments can identify areas suitable for resource conservation zoning that complements state land conservation investments. Maryland GreenPrint also ensures transparency and accountability by tracking the location of all state funded conservation projects and the funding amount approved by the BPW.