



## DRAFT STRATEGIES AND ACTIONS: PLANNING

Deliverables for this project include two stand-alone documents - the Natural Heritage & Urban Forest Strategy (NH&UFS) and the Urban Forest Management Plan (UFMP). The Strategies are from the NH&UFS, while the supporting Actions are from the UFMP.

STRATEGY #1: Improve interdepartmental coordination and information sharing

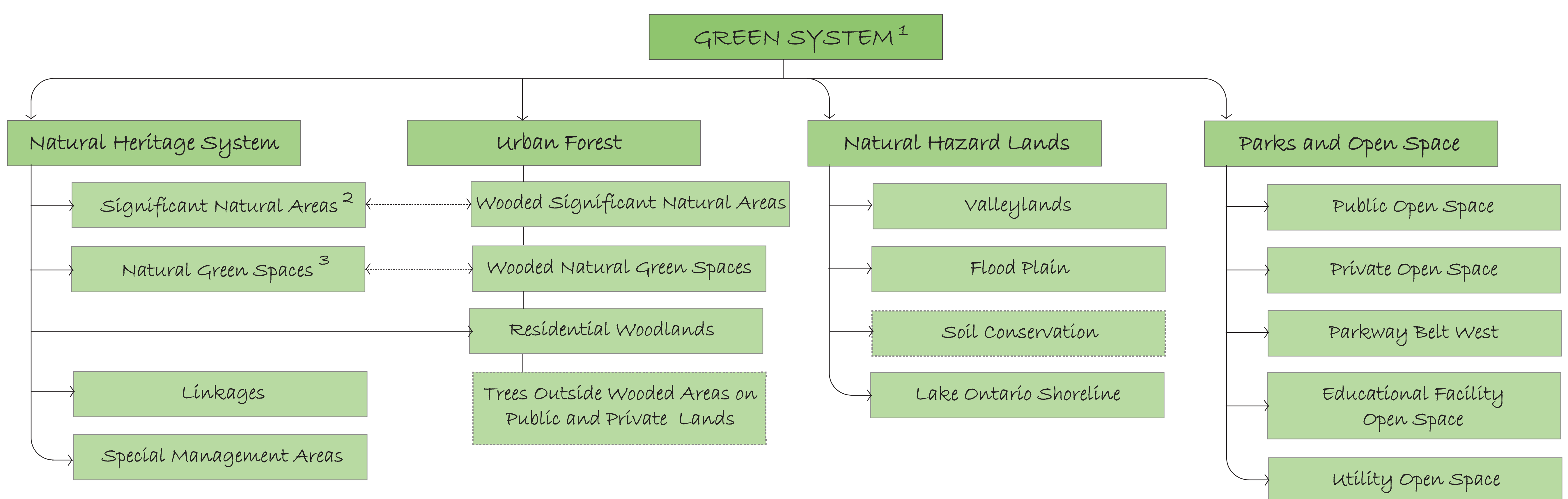
- Action #3: Formalize involvement of City Forestry staff in the City planning and information sharing related to trees
- Action #19: Improve and maintain awareness among City departments about current natural heritage and urban forest policies, by-laws and technical guidelines

STRATEGY #2: Revise the City's Green System framework to clarify natural heritage feature categories and include the urban forest

STRATEGY #3: Revise Official Plan policies related to the Natural Heritage System to be more consistent with Provincial and Regional policies

STRATEGY #4: Clarify and strengthen Official Plan policies related to the Natural Heritage System

STRATEGY #5: Refine Official Plan policies to better support connectivity of the Natural Heritage System



1. Although illustrated separately, many of the Green System components fall within multiple categories. For example, the Credit River is a Significant Natural Area, is also subject to Valleyland and Flood Plain policies, and includes areas designated as Public and Private Open Space.
2. Significant Natural Areas include: Significant Wetlands, Significant Woodlands, Significant Valleylands, Significant Wildlife Habitat, Significant Habitat for Endangered or Threatened species, ANSIs, ESAs, and Fish Habitat.
3. Natural Green Spaces include: Other Woodlands, Other Wetlands, and Other Watercourses and Waterbodies.

**Legend**  
 Areas that form part of the Green System but are not readily mapped on an Official Plan Schedule