

An aerial photograph of a river winding through a lush, forested valley. The trees are in various shades of green and yellow, suggesting an autumn setting. In the background, rolling hills are visible under a cloudy sky. The text "Pennsylvania's Office of Outdoor Recreation" is overlaid in white, sans-serif font across the center of the image.

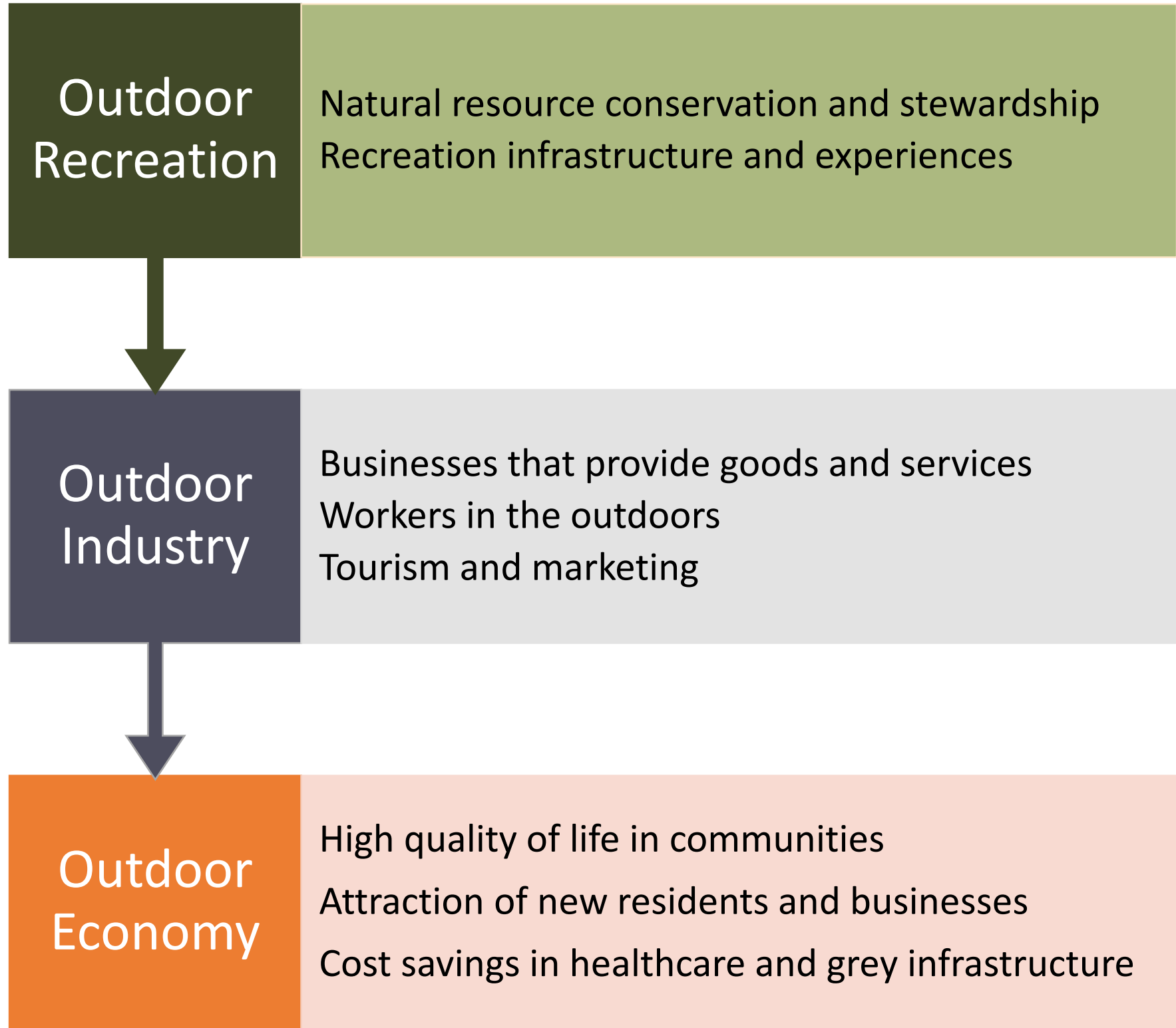
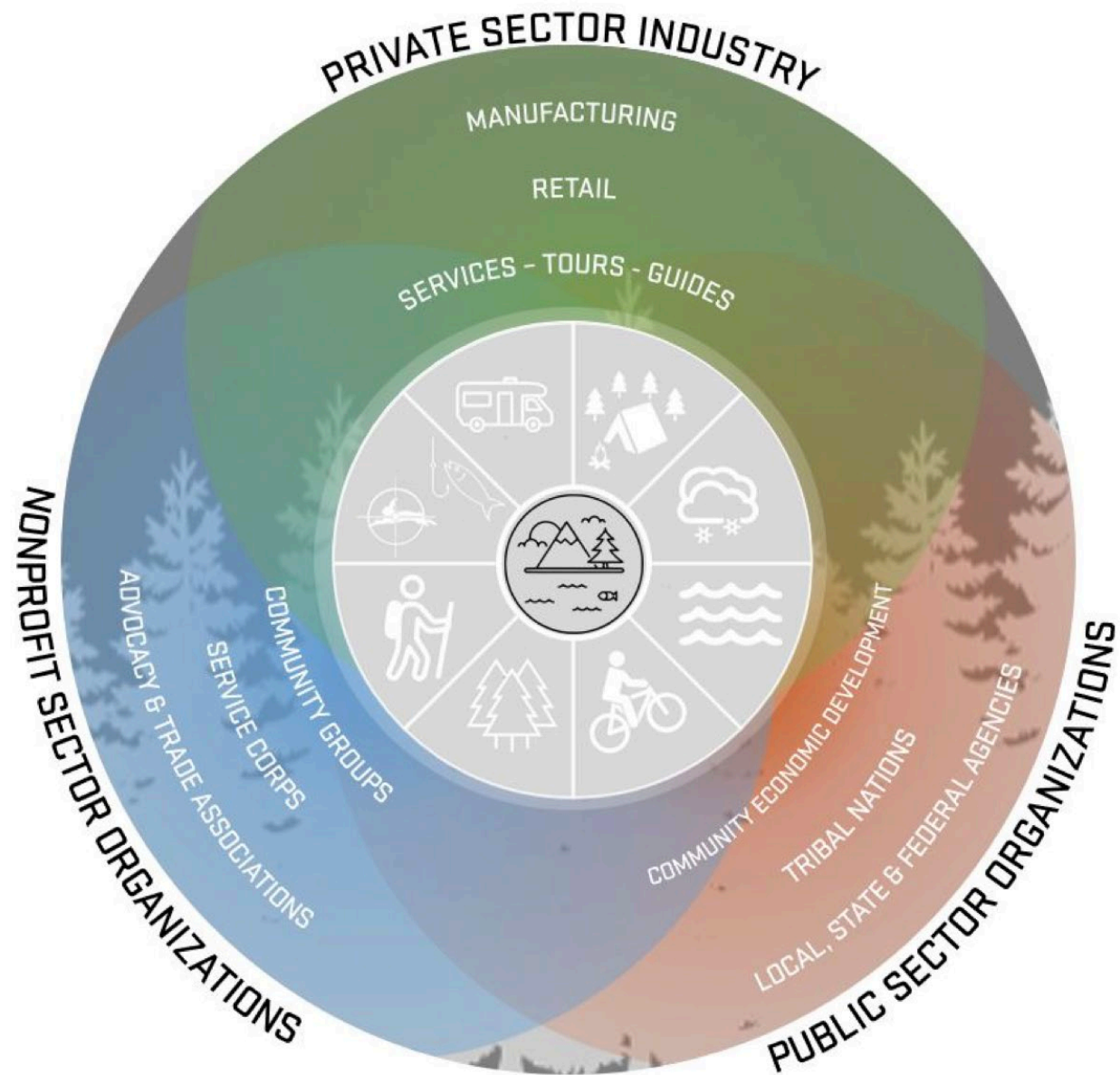
# Pennsylvania's Office of Outdoor Recreation

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Let's Go Fishing Pittsburgh





## Mission

Unite, grow, and  
strengthen  
Pennsylvania's  
outdoor economy

# Why Now?

Outdoor recreation is booming.

Quality of life has become a critical component of community and economic development.

We've seen early successes and have an opportunity to capitalize for more.

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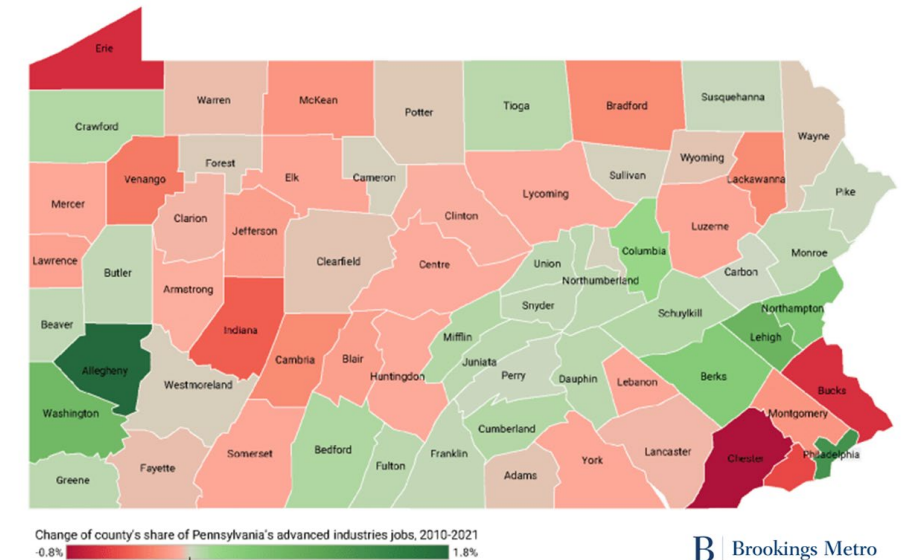
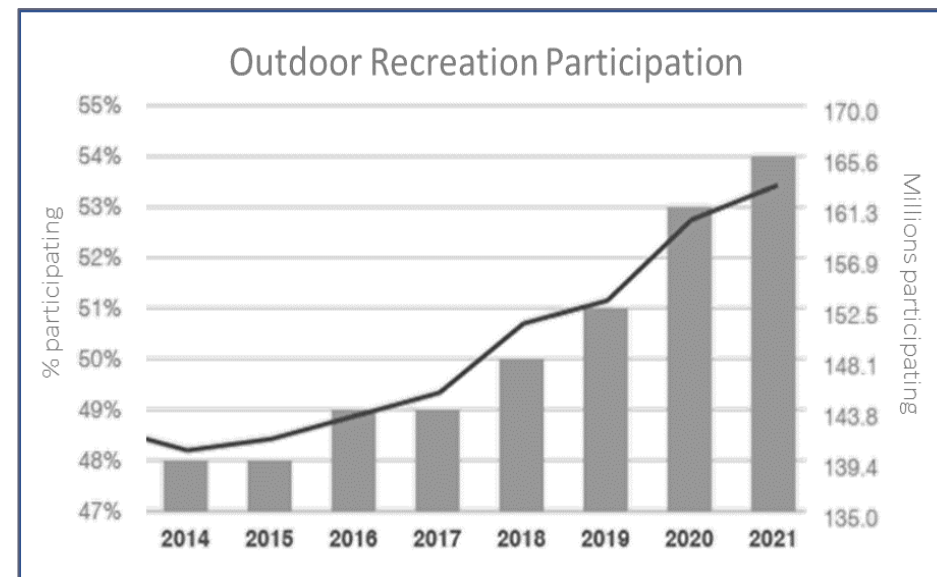
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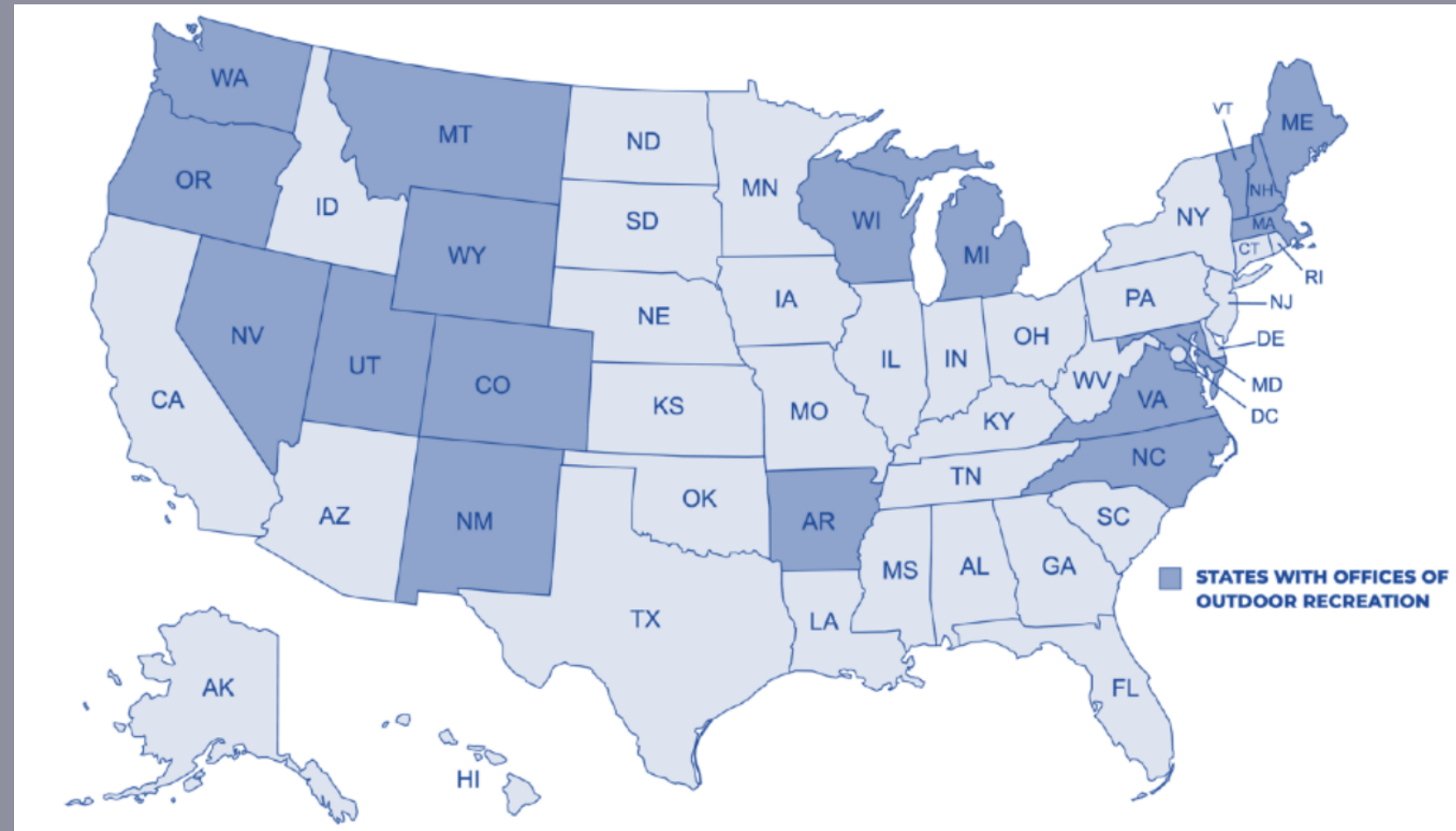


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Outdoor recreation is recognized and organizing as a significant industry.

Policy and funding needs and opportunities continue to increase.

A national network of state offices is leading this movement and Pennsylvania should join.



## America's Outdoor Recreation Act of 2023 Section-By-Section Summary

### TITLE I—OUTDOOR RECREATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

#### Subtitle A – Declaration of Policy

# *Core Strategy:* Build Outdoor Industry Capacity



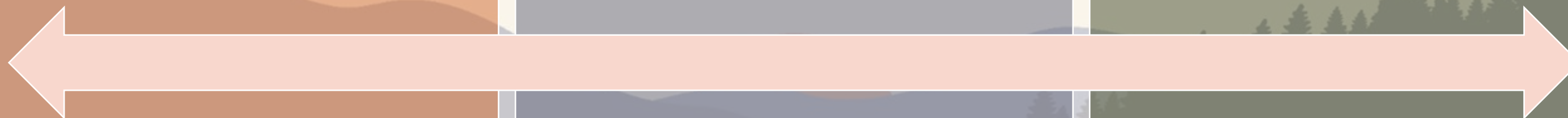
**Organize the  
outdoor industry**



**Develop our  
outdoor  
workforce**

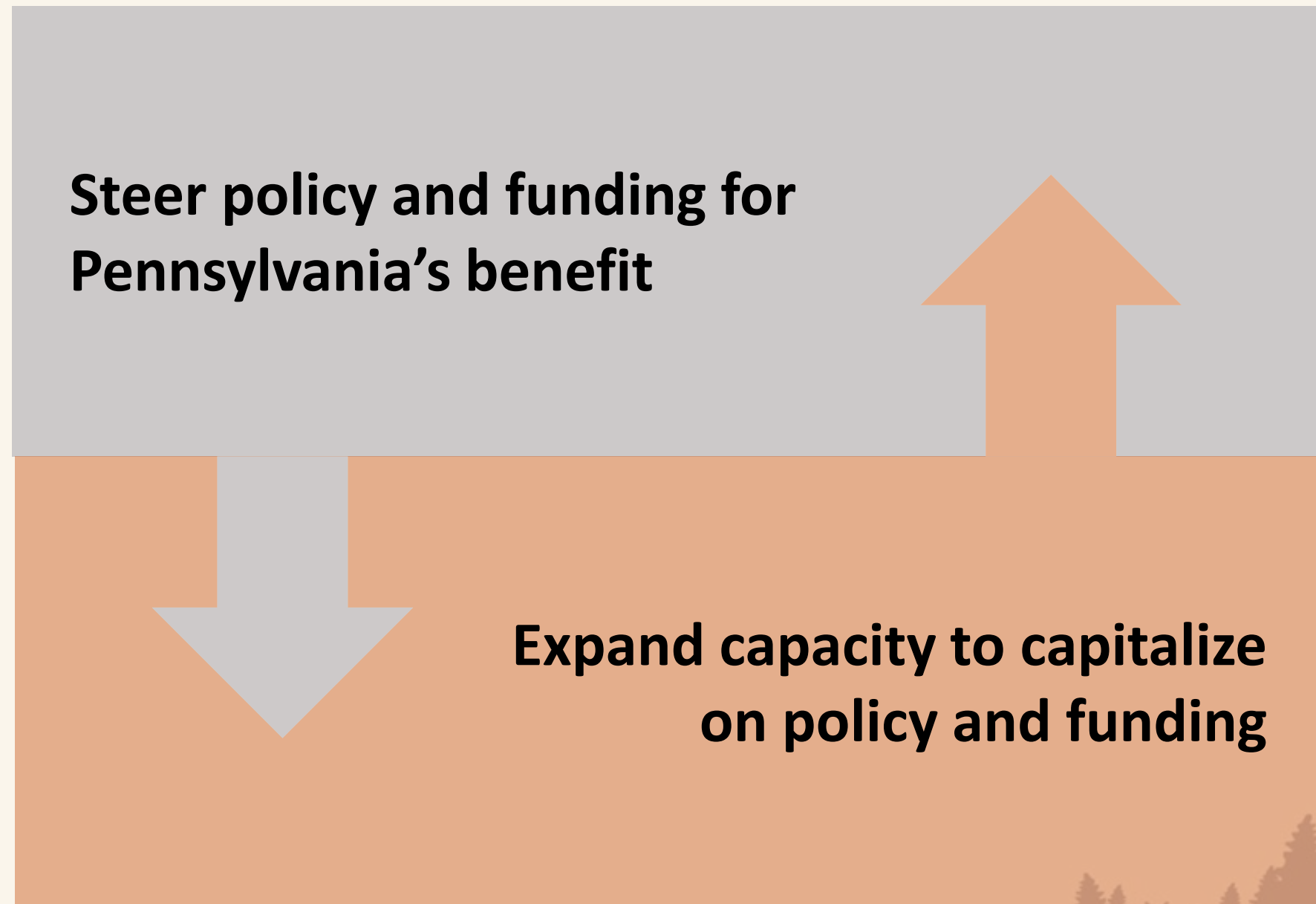


**Communicate  
the value of the  
outdoors**



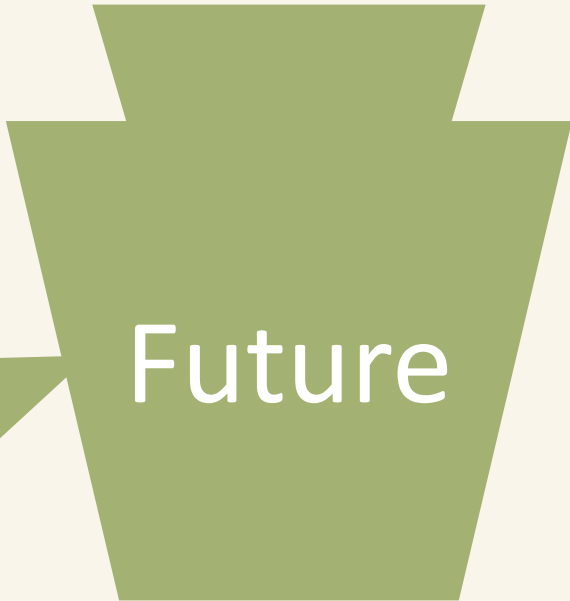


*Core Strategy:*  
Build Capacity  
for Community  
and Economic  
Development  
through the  
Outdoors



# *Core Strategy:* Build Capacity for Inclusive and Equitable Wellbeing through the Outdoors

Empower ALL Pennsylvanians to derive benefits from the outdoors




Prepare the outdoors for Pennsylvania's future



**Thank you very much**

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A photograph of three children walking away from the camera on a dirt path through a forest. The children are holding hands. The child on the left is a girl with long dark hair wearing a red t-shirt and blue jeans. The child in the middle is a smaller child wearing a light blue hoodie and blue jeans. The child on the right is a boy wearing a red hoodie and blue jeans. The path is surrounded by lush green foliage and trees.

**Thank you very much**  
**I am looking forward to walking this path with you...**

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