

# European Topic Centre on Land Cover

#### WORKSHOP ON LAND COVER APPLICATIONS - NEEDS AND USE

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1 1	LAND USE AND LAND CAPABILITY. PRESSURE AND STATE INDICATORS
	OF THE EVOLUTION OF ECOSYSTEMS

Domain: Land Degradation

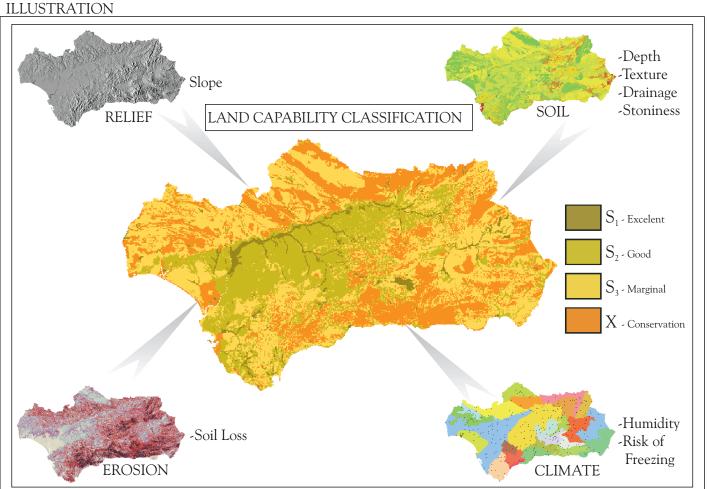
Driving force | Pressure | State | x | Impact | x | Response |

TARGET/POLICY RELEVANCE: Ecosystems Monitoring and Evaluation. Elaboration of indicators showing current land use adaptation to potential land capability.

METHODOLOGY: Assessment of land capability, considering erosion as one of the limitating factors. Corine Land-Cover aggregation into 4 main ecosystems types. Through the integration of both outputs, three different indexes are defined: - Conservation Index, relates the surface covered by natural ecosystems to that of areas of non productive capability. - Restoration Potential Index, indicates the regeneration capacity of Modified Ecosystems in order to convert them in Natural Ecosystems. It relates the adition of areas covered by natural or modified ecosystems to areas of non productive capability. - Agrological Adaptation Index, indicates current land use accommodation respect to potential land capability. Addition surfaces with excellent or good land capability are related to that of Agricultural Ecosystems.

DATA REQUIREMENTS: Land Cover, Land Use, DTM (slope degree, length of slope), Soil Database (depth texture, drainage, stoniness, erodibility), Climate database (humidity, risk of freezing, erosivity).

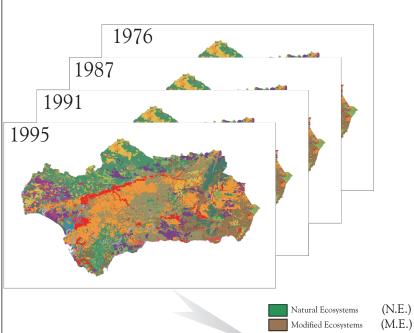
FEASIBILITY Short term x Medium term Long term

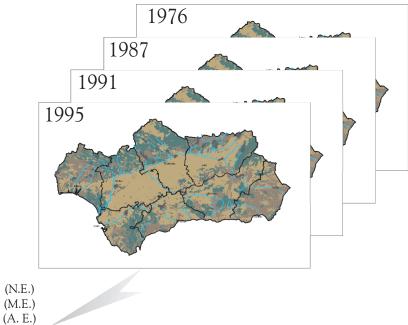


### EVALUATION OF THE DYNAMIC OF ECOSYSTEMS

## Land Cover Multitemporal Analysis

## Main Ecosystems Classification



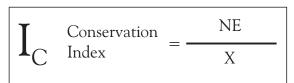


#### MULTITEMPORAL INDICATORS OF ECOSYSTEMS ADAPTATION TO LAND CAPABILITY

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Agricultural Ecosystems

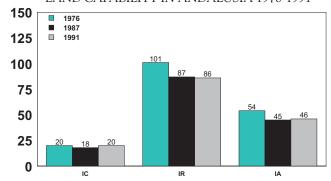
Built Up Ecosystems



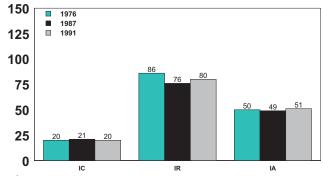
$$I_{R}$$
Restoration
Potential
Index
 $=$ 
 $X$ 

$$I_{A} \begin{array}{c} Agrological \\ Adaptation \\ Index \end{array} = \frac{S_1 + S_2}{AE}$$

EVOLUTION OF INDEXES OF ECOLOGICAL ADAPTATION TO LAND CAPABILITY IN ANDALUSIA 1976-1991



EVOLUTION OF INDEXES OF ECOLOGICAL ADAPTATION TO LAND CAPABILITY IN THE PROVINCE OF MALAGA 1976-1991



NE = Natural Ecosystems AE = Agricultural Ecosystems ME = Modified Ecosystems  $S_1 = Excelent$  Land Capability  $S_2 = Good$  Land Capability  $S_3 = Good$  Land Capability  $S_4 = Good$  Land  $S_4 = Good$  Land