

County Committee Decisions

How much money does your town have after 5 years? _____

How many of each card does your town currently have, after going to the watershed map and seeing how other towns' pollution affects your town (use the graph you just made to help you)?

Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health

As a county, discuss the options below and circle the one you have decided on. Think about which town in the county creates the most air and water pollution and DECIDE which town you want to invest your money. Everyone has to agree on one choice to take back for approval to your town council.

1. Should Rabbit go totally organic? This proposal will help Rabbit go completely organic, certifying all of the farms in the town and helping Rabbit with the costs of transition and certification. This organic food will help feed the surrounding towns, improving everyone's human health and overall ecosystem services. **Total Cost: \$8,000**

For Rabbit	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	
Organic farming in Rabbit	+3	+5	+1	+5	
For Woods, View, Moose City	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	Cost
Organic farming in Rabbit	+1	+2	0	+2	How much are you willing to contribute?
For Hawk	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	Cost
Organic farming in Rabbit	+1	0	0	+1	How much are you willing to contribute?

2. Should Moose become an eco-city? This means creating open space, reducing private transportation and increasing public transportation options, using renewable energy, buying hybrid cars/trucks for the city fleet, etc. This is a huge upfront cost, but will lead to increased human health and improved ecosystem services. **Total Cost: \$15,000**

For Moose	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	
Moose becomes an eco-city	+5	+5	+1	+5	
For Woods, View, Rabbit, Hawk	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	Cost
Moose becomes an eco-city.	+2	0	0	+2	How much are you willing to contribute?

3. Should Hawk develop wind energy on its land? This may lead to more intense use of the forest, but would create income for the residents. If Hawk developed wind energy, some residents and tourists might be upset, since the views would be changed. However, Hawk could make energy for its residents, and sell energy to other towns if they produce enough. This would also reduce the amount of air pollution in other towns, since they wouldn't need as much energy from coal. **Total Cost: \$10,000**

For Hawk	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	
Build windmills for energy	+4	+3	-1	+2	
For Woods, View, Rabbit, and Moose	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	Cost
Receiving green energy from Hawk	+3	+2		+3	How much are you willing to contribute?

4. **Should Woods become certified to provide sustainable wood products?** Woods is a classic “old American” town that was built on the use of natural resources. One possible idea is creating sustainable forest products, which costs a lot more money in terms of management and certification, but also provides a premium price for the finished product. Certified sustainable wood means creating forests that are managed to produce wood forever, and the forest is maintained in an environmentally positive way. **Total Cost: \$8,000**

For Woods	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	
Sustainable logging in Woods	+5	+4	+3	+3	
For View, Rabbit and Moose City	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	Cost
Sustainable logging in Woods	+1	+2	+1	+1	How much are you willing to contribute?
For Hawk	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	Cost
Sustainable logging in Woods	+1		+1	+1	How much are you willing to contribute?

5. **Should View ‘green’ their currently existing development?** View has some hard decisions to make. They are both needing and wanting to develop, but also wanting to stay a quaint, small village. Improving energy efficiency of current homes, and remodeling abandoned buildings in a green way are two ideas. **Total Cost: \$10,000**

For View	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	
Sustainable home building in View	+2	+3	+1	+3	
For Hawk, Woods, Rabbit	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	Cost
Sustainable home building in View	+1	0	0	+1	How much are you willing to contribute?
For Moose City	Air Quality	Water Quality	Biodiversity	Human Health	Cost
Sustainable home building in View	+1	+1	0	+1	How much are you willing to contribute?