

Rural communities are thriving and stewarding the lands and waters in the coastal temperate rainforest of North America



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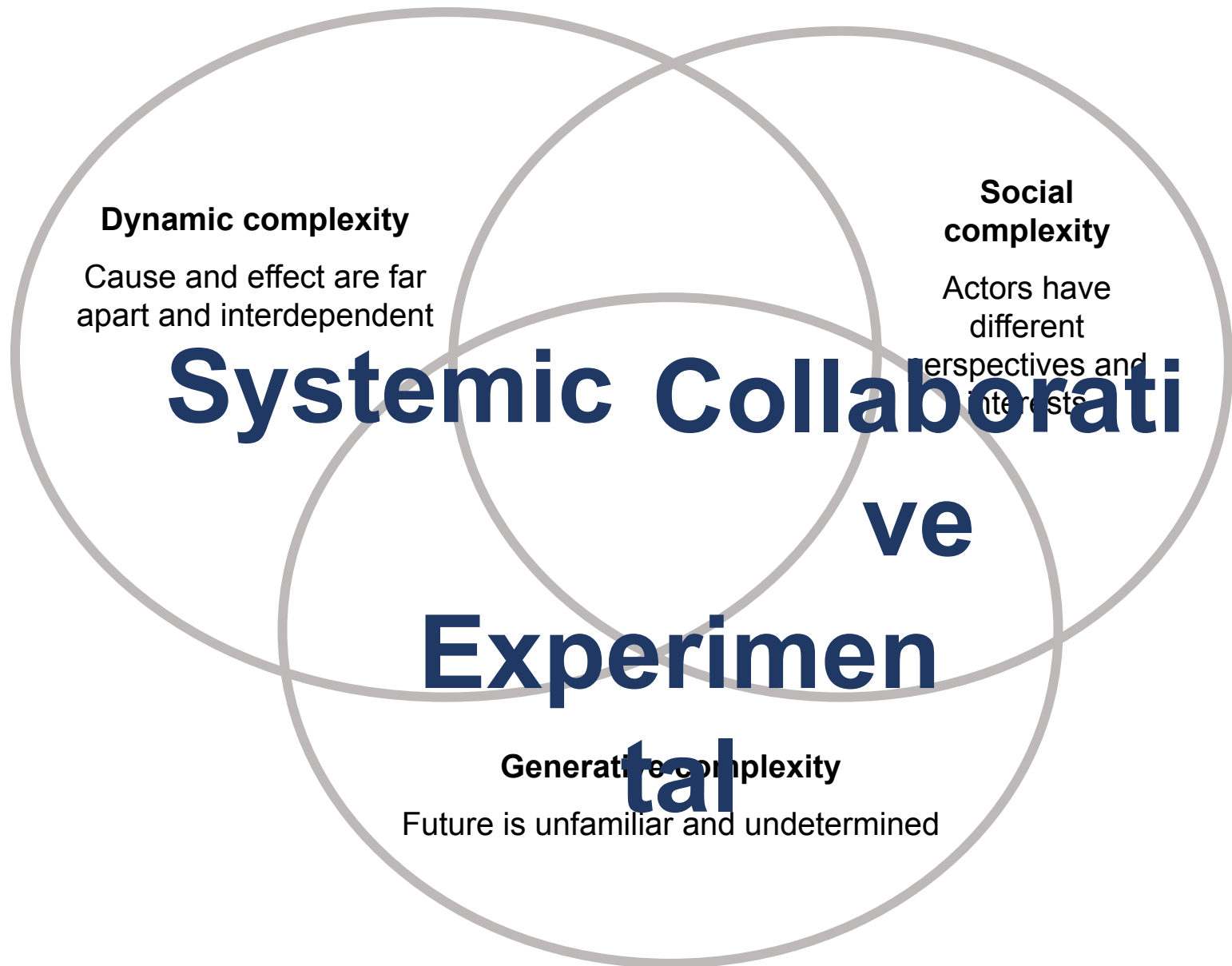


Map: The Nature Conservancy, Erica Stoniker





How do we create sustainable economic development opportunities that enable well-being and healthy ecosystems rural communities?



Dynamic complexity

Cause and effect are far apart and interdependent

Social complexity

Actors have different perspectives and interests

Generative complexity

Future is unfamiliar and undetermined

Systemic Collaborative Experimental



*Brazil Education
Scenarios*

Constructing a foundation
for the education debate in
Brazil



*Electricity Innovation
Lab*

Breaking down barriers to a
resilient, renewable
electricity grid in the US



Aboriginal Health Lab

Healing a multigenerational
health crisis in Australia



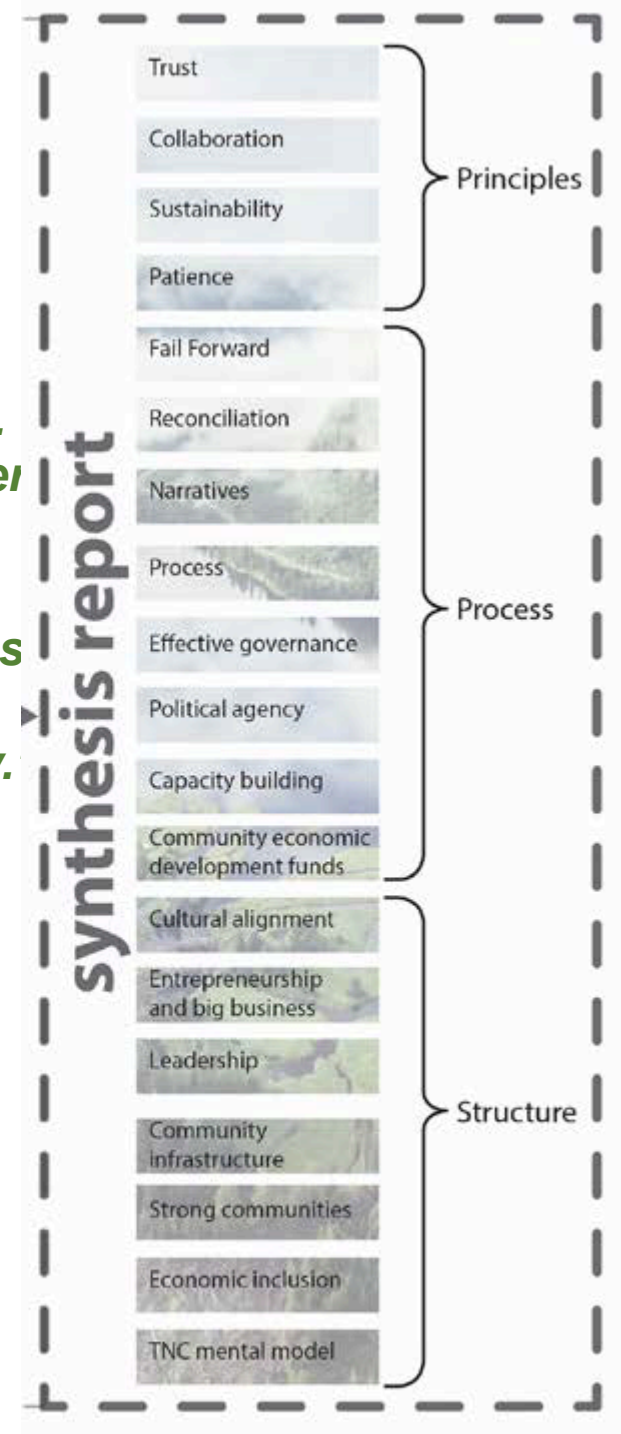
Communities, Economies, and Place Initiative

“If it is barren of trust, it is barren of innovation.”

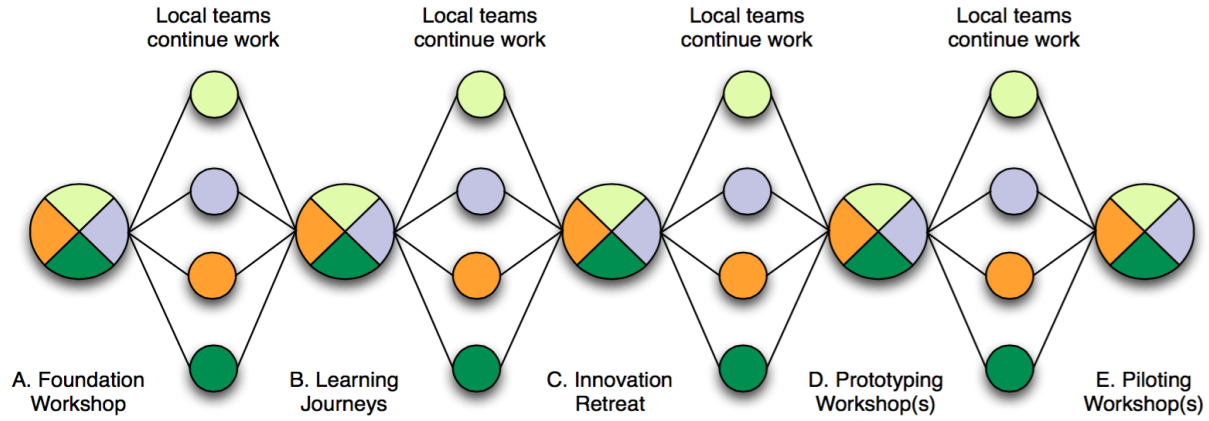
“It’s hard to get an 8th grader to know what they want to do in life. It’s pretty easy to ask an 8th grader if they want to stay in the community or not. Looking for culturally compatible opportunities – any process that allows people growing up in a community to stay.”

“ Sharing stories and supporting each other might lead to more broad success rather than isolated success.”

“Find where the strengths are and inject different forms of capital to help strengths flourish.”



Schematic Phase 2 process (draft) approx. 30 months



All participants work together to build understanding, share learning and build new skills



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Resilient Peoples and Place



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