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**Axios Delta benefits from
applying
Adaptive Management**



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Legend

-  Axios Authority
-  National Park
-  SPA
-  SCI

Axios delta

- 46.800 ha
- 278 birds
- 17 mammals
- 25 reptiles & amphibians
- 15 habitat types
- Ramsar
 - SPA
 - 2 SCIs
- National Park



Next to Thessaloniki city: pressures & opportunities

**Axios Authority is
facing a very
hostile and
unstable
environment**

especially

**For nature
conservation**



Axios authority's management efforts are led by adaptive management CMP Open Standards

- Identified conservation targets (incl. N2000 species and habitats)
- Prioritised direct treats
- Created the conceptual model of "reality"
- Selected strategies based on priority threats
- Created results chains – measurable results to be achieved
- Use indicators the measure performance of action and **adapt** when needed



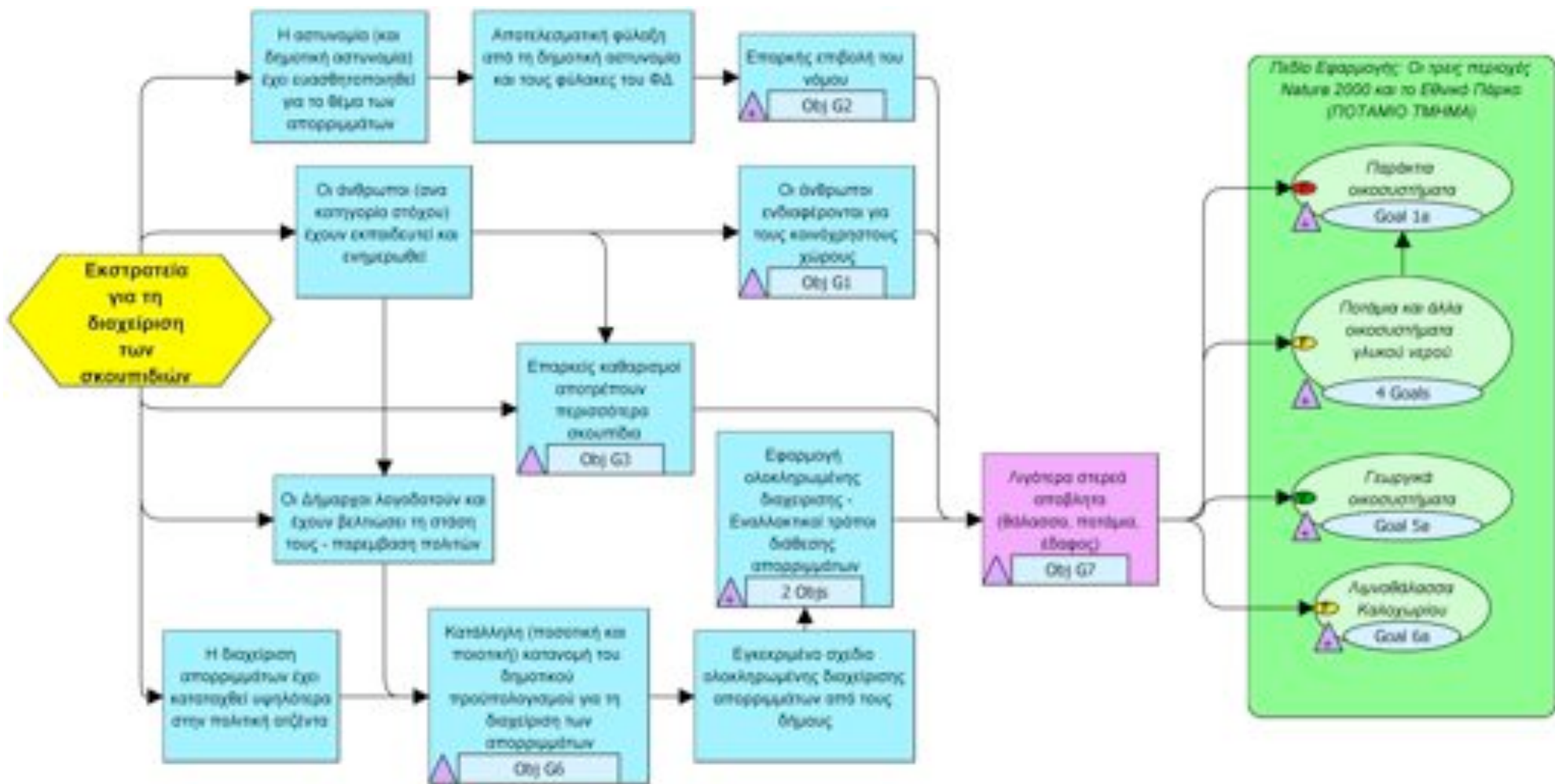


Fig 10 RC GB

EXAMPLE : Results chain for Garbage Strategy

Garbage strategy for 2011-12

- **Participatory planning with Region, Municipality and Organization of Greater Thessaloniki for common actions**
- **Clean ups with volunteers, NGOs from Thessaloniki and locals**
- **Environmental educations with schools of the area**
- **Mobilize funds for cleaning up the area**
- **Public awareness event with art created from garbage**

Adaptive management increased the Axios team capacity

So now we

- Know where we want to go, what results to achieve, to maintain biodiversity
- We can lead other competing authorities and stakeholders
- Communicate better - increase learning

We are practicing participatory adaptive management!



Thank you
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