FRAMEWORK WORKSHOP

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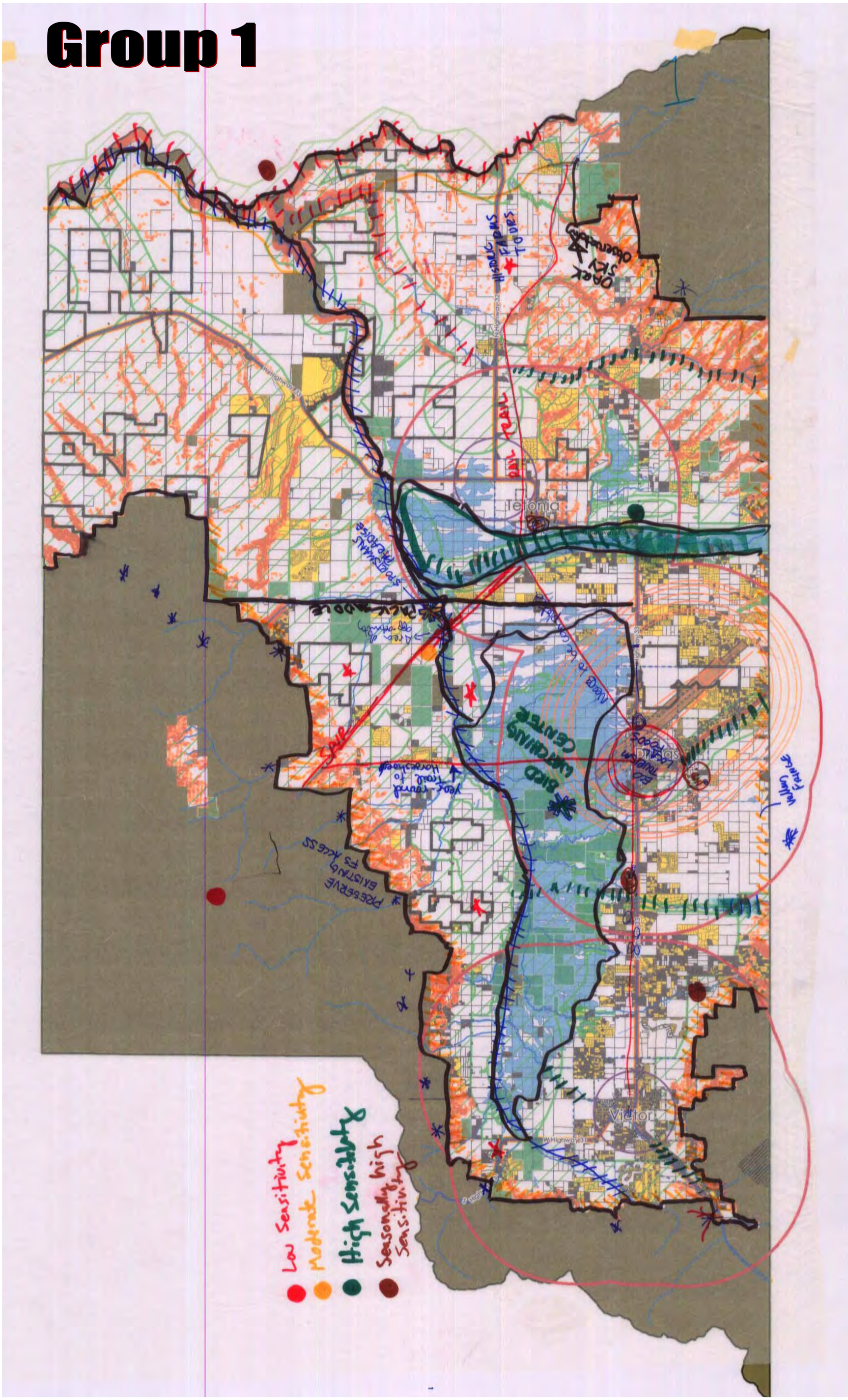

Group 1

Presentation Notes

- Important natural resource areas were identified and ranked by sensitivity
- Cities identified as areas to concentrate growth – no new cities or neighborhoods were identified
- Transportation plan is important to identify corridors
- Rail Trail completion a priority
- Recreation center was discussed but not located on the map. Discussed how to pay for a recreation center and that it should be located in a population center (city)
- Identified manufacturing or industrial uses should be located in existing industrial areas
- Big Ideas
  - Sportsman's Center – large commercial fishing access along the Teton River with information available in town.
  - Bird Watching Center
  - Dark Sky Community – observatory
  - Local Heritage Farm Tour – identified with red stars on map

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- It was hard to distinguish which black outlined parcels – these are like blank slates
- Discussion of 3 mile buffer around towns – these are areas of influence
- Issue – Recreation Centers
  - The whole area is a recreation center. High school kids shouldn't dictate
  - Some disagreed, winter is long and rec center would be good for kids
  - If Jackson rec center was in Driggs it would get used
- Issue – Natural Resources
  - The wildlife overlay map doesn't follow ownership, but instead, wildlife usage
  - We need access/attraction to Teton River to bring in more fishermen – improved /developed river accesses
  - We need overnight campsites on the river
  - Attraction is the lack of development
  - There is a lack of good maps and river maps
  - Lack of conference centers, retreat center, naturalist retreat, dude ranches, hunting ranches
  - There are different mechanisms for how the northern end can be preserved – TDR's, Incentives, etc.
  - Identified important wildlife areas 1) Teton River Canyon System 2) Teton River Valley Reach 3) Cottonwood galleries 4) Valley fringe 5) Areas that maintain connectivity
  - Big Idea—Observation points for wildlife, Bird Watching Center
  - Economic Development is not at odds with natural resources
- Agriculture Tourism – Potatoes, Historic Farms
- Manufacturing needs to be incentivized in already existing areas
- Windfarms – controversial. Some support the idea, others don't
- We need a future transportation map – need easements to protect or maintain transportation overlay
- Complete the rail trail on the map, need to protect spur out to Packsaddle and Horseshoe area
- Trestle bridge is an area of opportunity