

Tidal Mitigation Ratio & Mitigation Project Location Selection Flowcharts*

The Tidal Mitigation Ratio flowchart describes how the total compensatory mitigation ratio is calculated. The ratio is determined by considering the impacted tidal resource (1a) and the type of mitigation activity proposed (1b) to determine the final, appropriate mitigation ratio. The mitigation ratio is, then, multiplied by the impacted area to calculate the area of mitigation required.

The Mitigation Project Location Selection flowchart covers the order of preference for mitigation project location selection. Mitigation projects should be designed to replace the values and functions associated with the impacted wetlands.

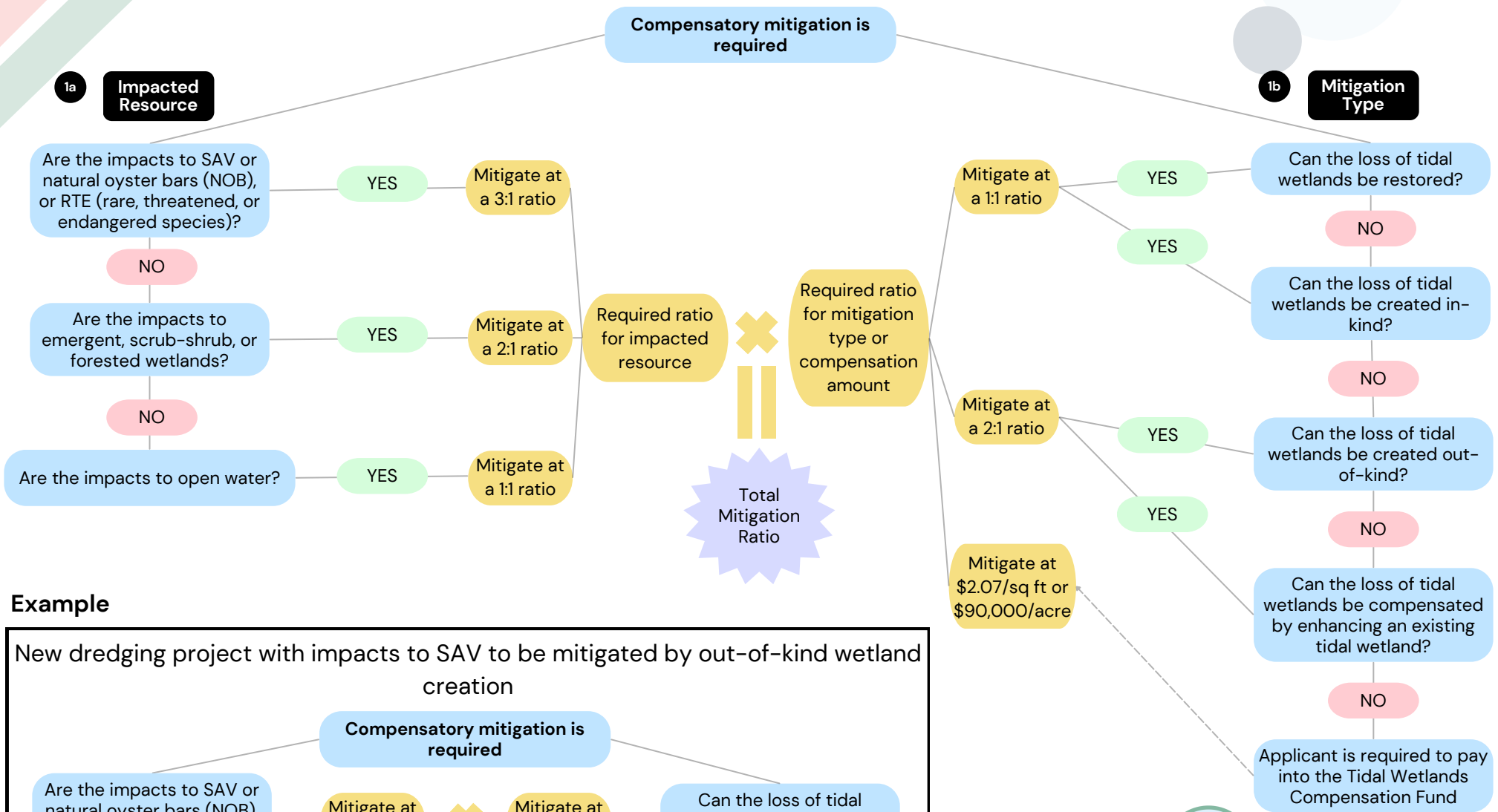
Refer to the Tidal Mitigation Trigger flowchart to determine if mitigation **may** be required for a specific activity.

Note about projects with multiple resource impacts:

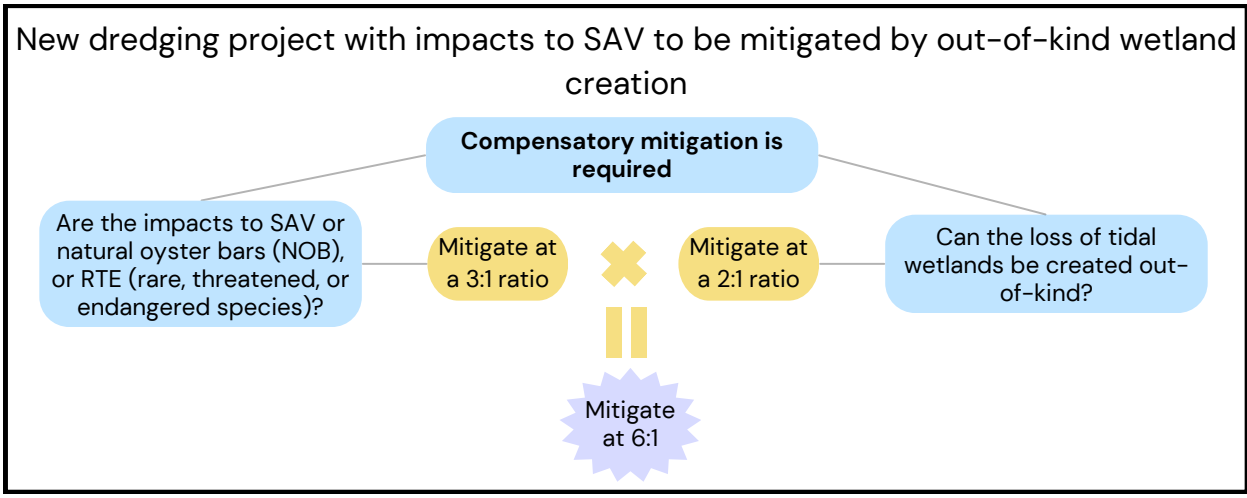
The resource with the highest mitigation ratio takes precedence if within the same area. If multiple resources impact different areas, use their respective ratio to calculate the mitigation area.

*Flowcharts should be used for guidance and planning purposes only. Final agency decisions on an application for a tidal wetlands license or permit are made at the conclusion of the project application review process following all applicable law and regulations.

Tidal Mitigation Ratio Calculation

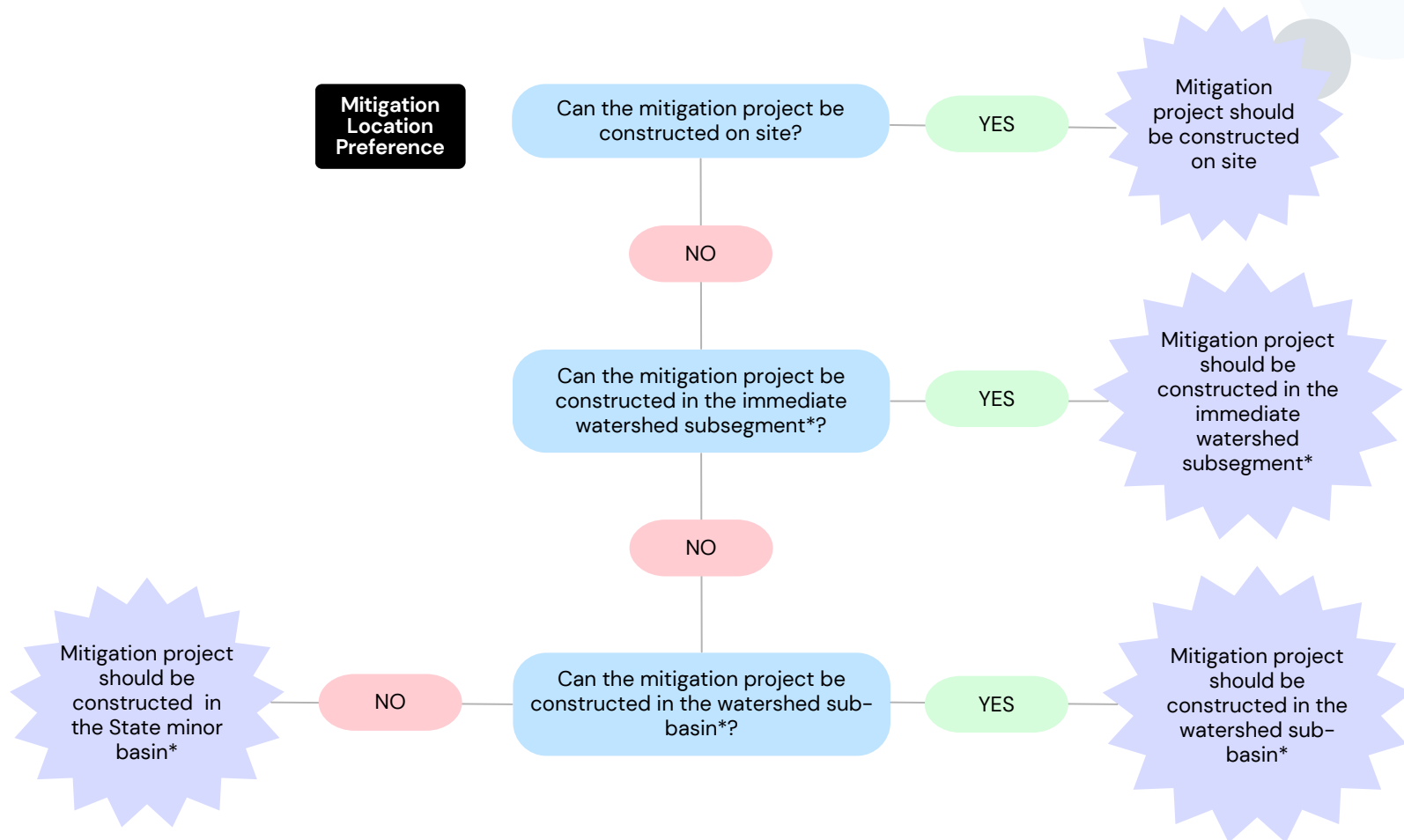


Example



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Mitigation Project Location Selection



*Watershed Definitions:

Immediate watershed subsegment is within the same 8-digit State watershed as the impact site

Watershed sub-basin is within the same 6-digit State watershed as the impact site

State minor basin is within the same drainage basin as the impact site