

Emerging National Trends in Stormwater

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AGENDA

CONTEXT PLANNING APPROACHES FUNDING APPROACHES TECHNOLOGY ADVANCES

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"NATIONAL" TRENDS AND DRIVERS





CONTEXT



JOHNSON COUNTY STORMWATER PROGRAM 2016 Strategic Business Plan

- Benchmarking Effort Review of similar programs around the country
- Determine Best Practices
- Evaluate National Trends



STORMWATER – MAJOR TRENDS Johnson County Benchmarking Effort

- King County, WA
- County of Asotin, WA
- Orange County, CA
- Santa Clara County, CA
- Pikes Peak Stormwater Task Force, CO
- Southeast Metro Stormwater Authority, CO
- New Braunfels, TX
- City of Springfield/Green County, MO
- DuPage County, IL
- Cook County, IL
- Lake County Stormwater
 Management Commission, IL
- City of Frankfort/Franklin County, KY

- York County, PA
- Wake County, NC
- Stormwater Coalition of Albany County, NY
- Westchester County, NY
 - Stormwater Galition of Monroe County Y
- Nassau County, NY

- Montgomery County, MD
- St. Georges County, MD
- Hampton Roads Regional SMP, VA
- Augusta-Richmond County, GA
 - Long Creek Watershed Towns, ME

KEY ISSUES FROM NATIONAL BENCHMARKING Asset Management

- System Definition
- Condition Assessment
- Risk-based Analysis
- System Investment (Capital Improvement, O&M)



KEY ISSUES FROM NATIONAL BENCHMARKING Watershed-Based Organization

- Holistic Approach
- Westchester County, New York





VALIDATION OF BENCHMARKING

- "Rainfall to Results: The Future of Stormwater" by WEF
- Objectives for Stormwater Success:
 - Work at the watershed scale
 - Transform stormwater governance
 - Support innovation and best practices
 - Manage assets and resources
 - Close the funding gap
 - Engage the community
- Link to the Document:
 - <u>http://www.wefnet.org/stateofstormwater/index.html</u>





PLANNING APPROACHES



INTEGRATED PLANNING Considers All Watershed Pollution Sources



Many potential sources of pollution

INTEGRATED PLANNING Considers Multiple Stakeholders

Utilities

- Manage the system
- Develop plans to improve water quality
- Responsible compliance entity
- Quality drinking water relies on VA and MD

Researchers

- Can help to understand physical/biological processes
- Leading edge for emerging contaminants of concern

Regulators

- Federal and State
- Protect water quality
- Involvement can ease the approval process
- Help to evaluate potential site specific standards

NGOs

- Vested interest in health of local waters
- May be vocal and adversarial
- Buy in will help process

RESILIENCE PLANNING System Resilience

• IRAM (Infrastructure Resilience Analysis Methodology)







More or less, the vertical red arrow represents diminished capacity (reliability) – independent.

The horizontal red arrow represents duration of diminished capacity (resilience) – dependent.

The area of the "dip" represents cumulative system impact.

RESILIENCE PLANNING

- Climate Change
 - Hydrologic Impacts
 - How do we plan?
- Sea Level Rise Planning



STORMWATER PLANNING PERSPECTIVES Social Justice





STORMWATER PLANNING PERSPECTIVES Socio-Economic Modeling





FUNDING APPROACHES



INNOVATIVE FUNDING FOR STORMWATER D.C. Water and Sewer Authority

Environmental Impact Bond

- Pay for Green Infrastructure projects
- Performance-based
- Tiered success rates tied to repayment terms for investors
- Exploring P3 Approach for Program Management



Optimized Green and Gray Infrastructure



INNOVATIVE FUNDING FOR STORMWATER Unique Programs

- Urban Forestry
- Liability Reduction
- Another P3 Opportunity







TECHNOLOGY ADVANCES



REMOTE SENSING SHOWS WATERSHED SOURCES OF PHOSPHORUS



REMOTE SENSING SHOWS HOTSPOTS OF COPPER CONTAMINATION



USING SPOT 1.5 METER RESOLUTION -IMPERVIOUS SURFACE AUGUST 2015



COPPER BUILD-UP AND WASH OFF RESULTING FROM 2" RAIN EVENT IS VISUALIZED

ROADS



12/31/2015



01/08/2016



REAL-TIME CONTROLS

- CSO Applications
- Detention Basin Applications



MULTI-OBJECTIVE EVOLUTIONARY ALGORITHMS (MOEAs)





MULTI-OBJECTIVE EVOLUTIONARY ALGORITHMS (MOEAs) Six Objective Functions



27 Decision Variables

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MULTI-OBJECTIVE EVOLUTIONARY ALGORITHMS (MOEAs)



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