

Date: Thurs Time: 1:30-3:30pm

Session: Case Studies

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Notes From Discussion:

1. How to encourage interaction and involvement with agencies
 - a. Communication, inclusiveness, and effective time management (planning)
 - b. Overarching projects that encourage large collaborations, bigger projects bring us together and help with funding, including looking outside the stream and the need of visionary individual
 - i. Pay attention to what other people are doing to enable and work with other organizations for the same goal
 - ii. Public private partnerships and communication and knowing what roles are and distribution of work and credit.
2. Preservation vs. restoration
 - a. Getting ahead of urbanization will cost less when compared to restoration and future water supplies will benefit
 - b. The public doesn't always appreciate what they have till it is gone, and then they want it back. Bringing awareness to the spaces that do exist to help increase preservation instead of restoration. Needs educational effort to increase awareness that preservation now will cost less than restoration later.
3. Growing awareness of ecological assets, but need to work and helps to work with private companies (oil and gas, and developers) to encourage preservation of natural resources and creek protection to help save money later
 - a. More economic incentive focus (fees with O&G and property values with developers)
4. Education for tax appraisers for increasing awareness that land appraisal not based on animal minimums and a better way to value agricultural land