



Council Resolution 20110113-038

1. Creek Protection
2. Floodplain Protection
3. Development Patterns and Greenways
4. Improved Stormwater Controls
5. Mitigation Options
6. Simplify Regulations and Maintain Opportunity
7. Coordinate with Regional Partners

Stakeholder Input

Adoption Schedule

Stakeholder Meetings	Sep 2011 – April 2012 <small>(Meetings approx. every two weeks)</small>
1. Creek Protection:	Sep 9, 23, Oct 7
2. Floodplain Protection:	Oct 14, Oct 28
3. Development Patterns & Greenways:	Nov - Dec
4. Improved Stormwater Controls:	Dec - Jan
5. Simplify & Clarify Regs/Maintain Opportunity:	Jan - Feb
6. Mitigation Options (Desired Development Zone):	Feb - Mar
7. Draft Ordinance:	Apr
Boards & Commissions	May – June 2012
City Council	August 2012
Travis County Commissioner's Court	Fall 2012

Work Session Summary: Creek Protection

Session No. 1 (Sep. 09)

- Introduction
- Riparian Zone Benefits
- Problems & Costs of Stream Encroachment
- Existing Stream Setbacks

Session No. 2 (Sep. 23)

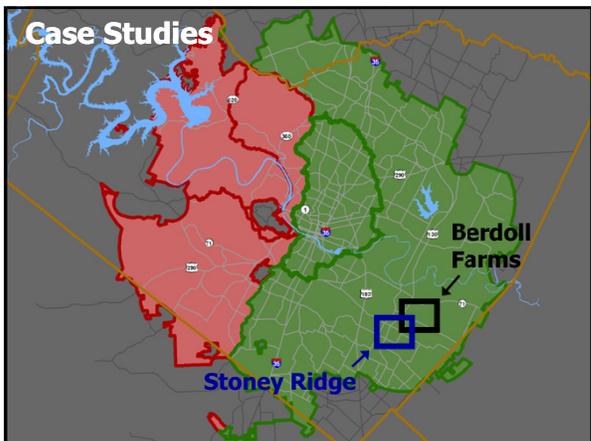
- Case Studies
- Potential Strategies
- Work Group Analysis & Feedback

Session No. 3 (Oct. 07)

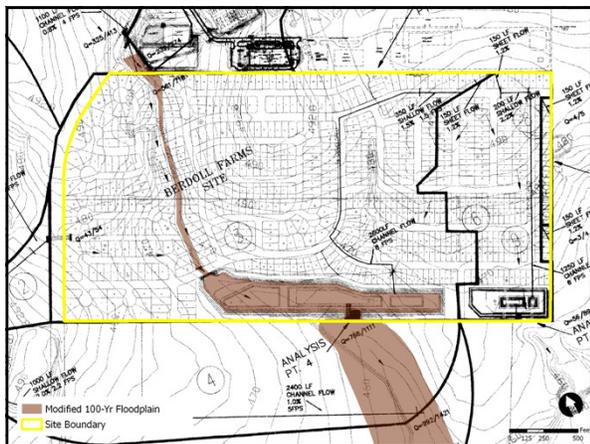
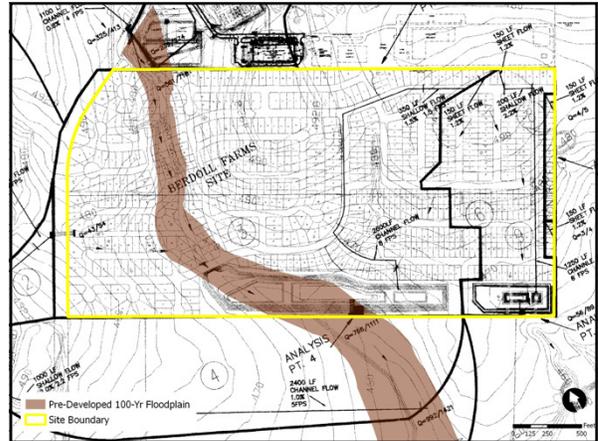
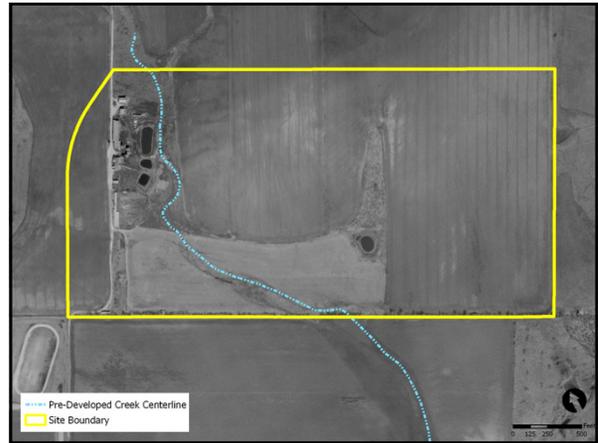
- Discussion & Stakeholder Feedback

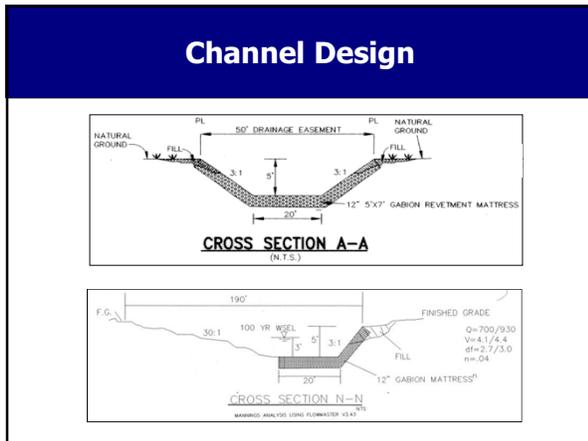
Riparian Summary

- Riparian zones/stream buffers have multiple benefits
 - Small area with big impact
 - Headwaters especially important
- Significant problems & costs when riparian zone is not protected; prevention critical
- Austin an early pioneer with stream setbacks: since 1980, much experience
- Existing buffer system does not protect headwaters in eastern creeks





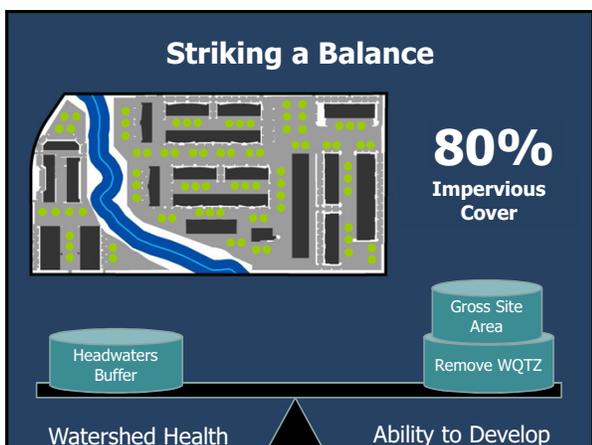
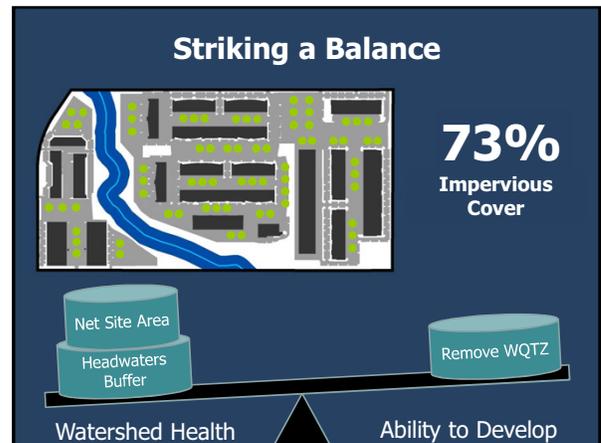
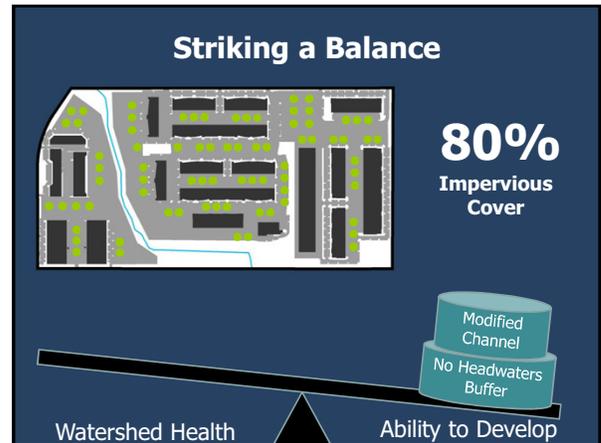




Creek Protection: Potential Strategies

- **Extend creek buffers into headwaters**
 - 64-acre drainage area threshold
- **Establish buffer widths to cover Erosion Hazard Zones & protect water quality**
 - 100-feet from centerline: minor waterways
- **Identify strategies to maintain existing development potential & increase flexibility (Desired Development Zone)**
 - Gross Site Area
 - Eliminate Water Quality Transition Zone





- Work Group Exercise**
- Review sample plan
 - Explore options for increased headwaters protection
 - Identify options to maintain existing development potential & increase flexibility
 - Discuss potential opportunities & impacts
 - Report preliminary findings to larger group
 - Explore additional options in the next two weeks prior to the next meeting