White Rock Creek Master Plan and Downstream Assessments

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History

- Prior to 2012
 - Frisco criteria required detention to single-family Rational Method conditions
 - Single-family development required no detention



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History

- 2012 Design Criteria
 - Frisco criteria required detention to pre-development Rational Method conditions
 - In lieu of detention, provide a Downstream Assessment
 - If development is larger than 20 acres, required study of downstream system to evaluate capacity. Requires unit hydrograph study.

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Downstream Assessment Issues

- Inconsistent studies between projects
- Complaints from community regarding requirements

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Increased review time

Watersheds and Downstream Assessments

- City prepares Master Plan base models for each watershed
- Provides developers with base models for downstream assessments

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- Consistency
- Fully-developed conditions
- Updated for new development

Watersheds





White Rock Creek Watershed

- Watershed has seen major changes in development over the past 30 years
- Storm sewer inadequacies have been noted by residents
- Special Flood Hazard Areas from new FEMA maps impact multiple properties



White Rock Creek Watershed







XPSWMM Modeling

- Storm sewer
- Channels and lakes





















Storm Sewer Modeling

- Results show over 150 inlets that would surcharge in the 100-year existing event
- Only 2 additional inlets would be surcharged in fully-developed conditions





Channel and Pond Modeling

- Multiple existing structures were shown in the floodplain in existing conditions
- Fully-developed conditions has little to no impact on properties in the northern portions of the watershed
- Development in the southern portion of the watershed can result in increased flooding potential





Downstream Assessments

- Results of the modeling can help focus requirements for downstream assessments
- Development in the northern portions of watershed will have little to no impact on flooding
- As long as increased impervious over Future Land Use Plan is not anticipated, downstream assessment can just reference master plan

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 Southern portions of the watershed can update the model to anticipate impacts

Downstream Assessments





Future Improvements

 Master Plan shows improvements to specific roadway crossings will impact existing residences





2D Modeling

 2D modeling of areas where flow has escaped the banks of the channel can more accurately estimate the number of structures potentially impacted by the 1% annual chance of flood event



