# Eastwood Lake Subwatershed Study Report & Recommendations



May 5, 2021



### **Decision Points**

- Adoption of the Eastwood Lake Subwatershed Study and Appendices
- Approval of the merged priority lists of projects







### Background

Town Council approved stormwater goals in 2004.

Goal 1 – Develop and implement a comprehensive Stormwater Program Master Plan that supports all the stormwater program priorities.





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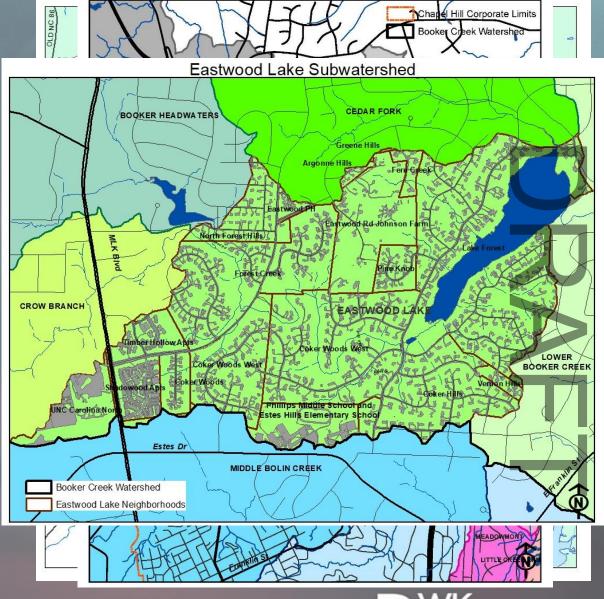
The Stormwater Master Plan is a framework that links the Councilapproved program mission and strategic goals to the day-to-day stormwater program activities townwide. It is both a comprehensive strategic plan and operational work plan.





## Town Watersheds

- Booker CreekWatershed
- Eastwood LakeSubwatershed







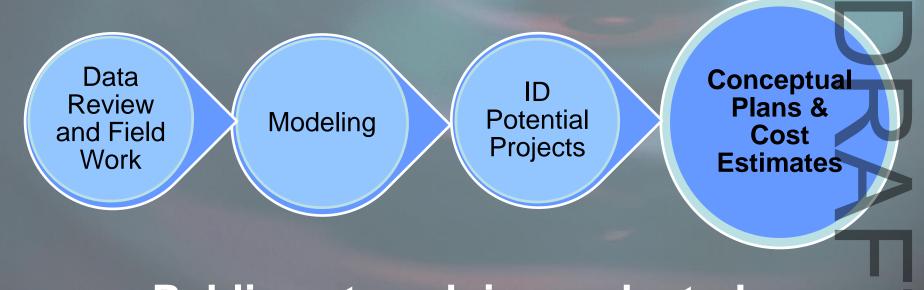
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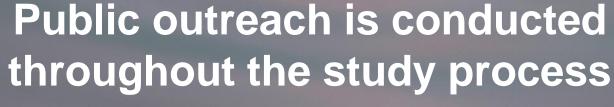
Subwatershed	Area (ac)	Existing Impervious	Future Impervious	Percent Increase
Booker Headwaters	864	21.7%	30.4%	40%
Cedar Fork	895	20.0%	26.8%	34%
Crow Branch	435	8.4%	48.8%	480%
Eastwood Lake	703	19.6%	25.2%	29%
Lower Booker Creek	1,127	30.1%	36.9%	23%
Booker Creek Watershed Total	4,024	21.8%	32.5%	48%





### **Subwatershed Study Tasks**





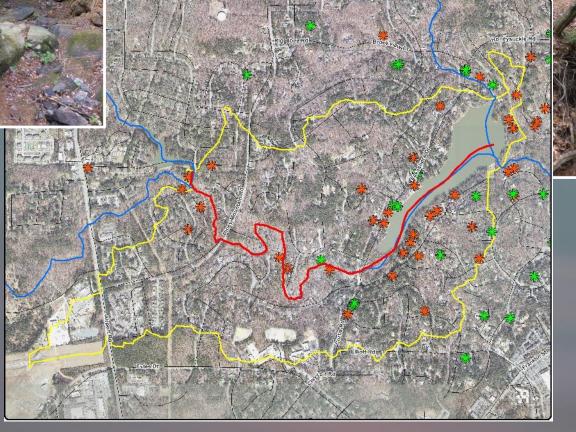


### **Public Outreach**

- Questionnaires
  - 54 total responses
  - 27 indicated some type of flooding
  - 33 respondents located in Eastwood Lake subwatershed
  - Additional 9 surveys received for the Eastwood subwatershed during TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL the LBC study
- Stakeholder update meetings
  - Public Information
  - Stormwater Management Utility Advisory **Board**
  - Lake Forest Association



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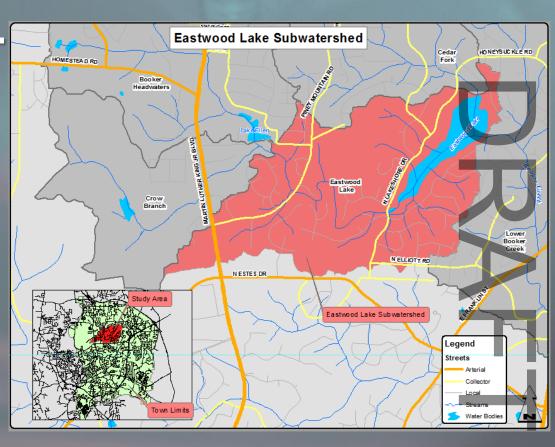






### **Subwatershed Characteristics**

- Predominantly singlefamily residential
- All drainage goes to Eastwood Lake
- Steep terrain in upland areas
- Drainage system is largely open channel and culverts







### **Project Recommendations**

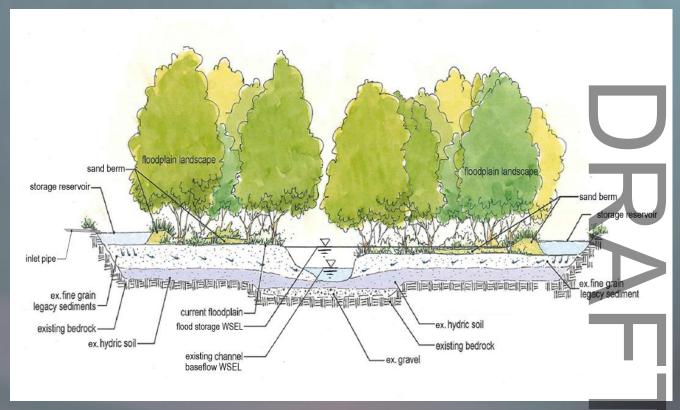
- Design for future conditions (full buildout) land use
- Address:
  - -Flooding (by increasing flood storage, increasing capacity, infiltration)
  - Water quality, including stream stabilization
- Proactive Maintenance





### Floodplain Storage

- Grading and excavation in floodplain to provide detention and lower water surface elevation
- Floodplain
   remains dry
   except for rainfall
   events



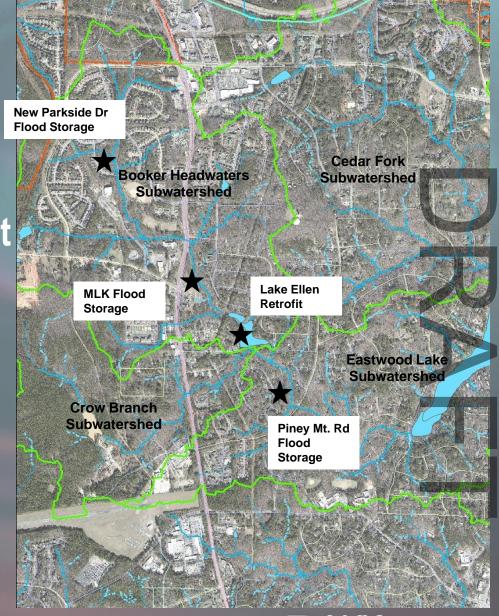
 Floodplain areas can be landscaped and include passive recreation (e.g. walking trails)



Lower Booker
Creek Study
Flood Storage Sites

These upstream flood storage projects can impact downstream flows in the Eastwood Lake subwatershed by delaying the peaks

- New Parkside Dr & PineyMtn. Rd are Town property
- MLK and Lake Ellen are private property





### Flood Reduction Project Prioritization

- Public health and safety
- Street flooding
- Cost effectiveness
- Effect of improvements
- Project dependency

- Water quality
- Open channel erosion control
- Implementation constraints
- Grant funding
- Constructability





### Prioritization

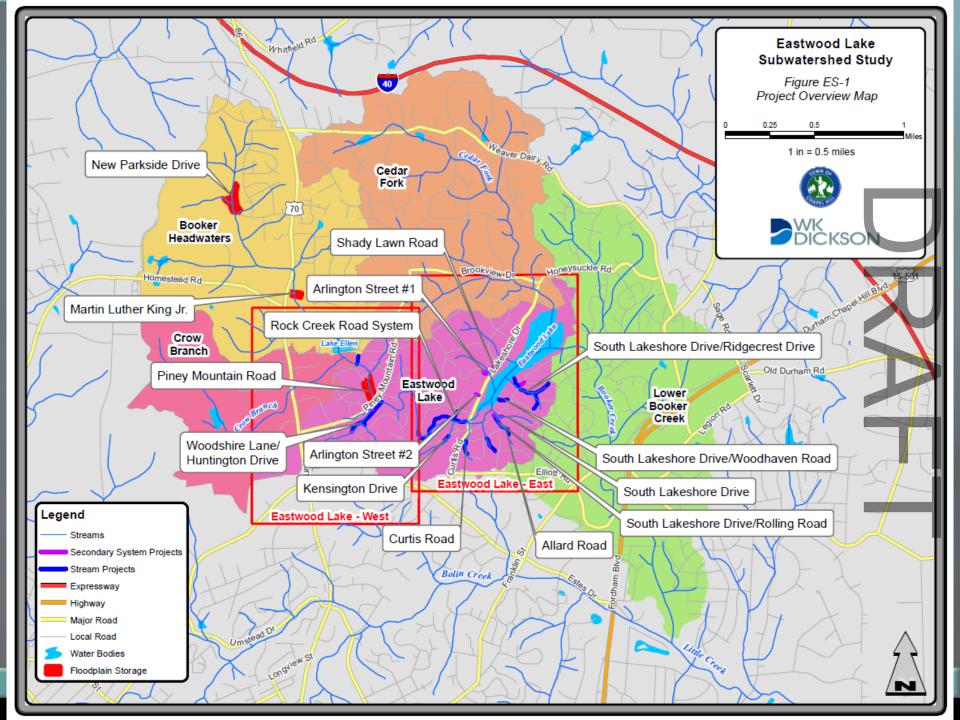
#### **Table ES-1: Flood Control Project Prioritization – Primary Systems**

Prioritization	Project	Cost
1	Piney Mountain Road Culvert	\$456,800
	Total	\$456,800

#### **Table ES-2: Flood Control Project Prioritization – Secondary Systems**

Prioritization	Project	Cost
1	South Lakeshore Dr/Ridgecrest Dr	\$125,200
2	South Lakeshore Dr/Rolling Rd	\$216,800
3	Arlington St #1	\$104,400
4	Woodshire Ln/Huntingdon Rd	\$372,300
5	Shady Lawn Rd	\$153,300
6	Arlington St #2	\$133,100
	Total	\$1,105,100



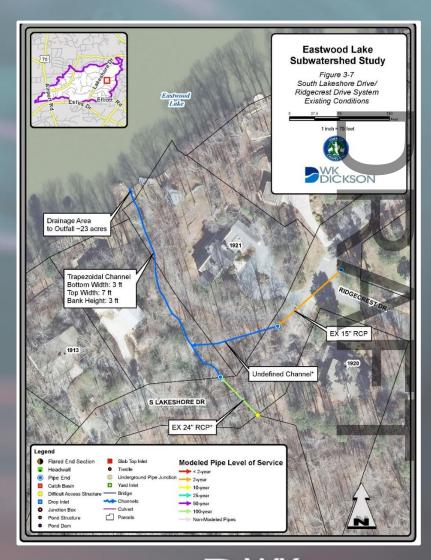


### South Lakeshore/Ridgecrest

- Pipe system improvements
- Upsize 15" culvert to 18"
   RCP under Ridgecrest and
   S. Lakeshore
- Stream stabilization









### **Improving Water Quality**

- Incorporate water quality treatment into drainage projects
  - -Storage areas
  - -Outfall treatment
  - -Stream stabilization
  - -Reestablish buffers
- Treat runoff at the source
  - -Neighborhood retrofits
  - -Pilot projects





### Stream Stabilization

- Streambank erosion
  - Lack of vegetation on banks
  - -Direct connections from piped systems
  - -Steep terrain and high flows
- Typical solutions
  - -Vegetate banks & flatten side slopes
  - -Grade control
  - -Hardened banks





### Allard Road/Curtis Road

### Stream stabilization projects









### **Policy Recommendations**

Based on the existing flooding in the watershed, it is highly recommended the Town review any development/redevelopment applications that will increase the impervious area and determine if additional stormwater measures are required. It is also highly recommended that the Town requi green infrastructure and low impact design to the extent possible for new development and redevelopment to promote infiltration and minimize increases to peak flow and volumes.





### Merged PRIMARY System Project List

PRIORITY	PROJECT	STUDY	COST*
	Elliott Storage (Booker Creek Park) – substantially completed	Lower Booker Creek (LBC)	\$2,900,000
1	Red Bud Storage	LBC	\$1,058,000
2	Lake Ellen	LBC	\$1,160,000
3	Piney Mtn Rd Storage	LBC	\$2,206,000
4	Booker Creek Rd U/S	LBC	\$1,488,000
5	Honeysuckle Rd	LBC	\$408,000
6	Dobbins	LBC	\$232,000
<mark>7</mark>	Piney Mtn Rd - Culvert	Eastwood	\$529,000
8	Willow	LBC	\$4,642,000
9	New Parkside Dr	LBC	\$3,225,000
10	Daley Storage	LBC	\$3,635,000
11	Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd	LBC	\$4,386,000
12	Foxcroft Dr	LBC	\$764,000
*2021 Dolla	rs	TOTAL	\$23,733,000

### Merged Secondary System Project List

PRIORITY	PROJECT	STUDY	COST*
1	Old Oxford/Booker Creek Rd	LBC	\$718,000
2	Markham Dr/Old Oxford Rd	LBC	\$522,000
3	S Lakeshore/Ridgecrest Dr	Eastwood	\$145,000
4	S Lakeshore Dr/Rolling Rd	Eastwood	\$251,000
5	Chesley Ln Closed System	LBC	\$169,000
6	Booker Creek Rd/Lakeshore Ln	LBC	\$214,000
7	Arlington St #1 System	Eastwood	\$121,000
8	Old Oxford Rd	LBC	\$341,000
9	Wood Cir/Velma Rd System	LBC	\$197,000
10	Woodshire Ln/Huntington Rd	Eastwood	\$431,000
11	Ephesus Church Rd	LBC	\$1,210,000
12	Shady Lawn Rd System	Eastwood	\$177,000
13	Summerfield Crossing System	LBC	\$95,000
14	Arlington St #2 System	Eastwood	\$154,000
*2021 Dolla	rs	TOTAL	\$4,745,000

### Fiscal Impacts/Resources

- There are funds in the FY21 Stormwater for the design of Red Bud Flood Storage.
- Construction Red Bud and the design & construction of the next projects will use the remainder of the 2015 Stormwater Bond funds.
- FEMA BRIC (Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities) grant application, which would fund the design and construction of up to five projects.





# Stormwater Management Utility Advisory Board Recommendation

- Adoption of the Eastwood Lake Subwatershed Study Report and Appendices
- Approval of the merged lists of primary and secondary system projects from the Lower Booker Creek and the Eastwood Lake Subwatershed Study Reports
- Supports pilot and demonstration water quality and stream stabilization projects
- Supports non-structural policy recommendations for additional stormwater measures, low impact design, and green infrastructure





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