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Nonpoint Education for Municipal Officials

An Overview



Nonpoint Education for Municipal Officials

NEMO is an educational program for land use decision makers addressing the relationship between land use and water resource protection.









Polluted Runoff is the **#1 Water Quality Problem in the U.S.***





Waters Impaired by Urban Runoff*



*These waters are listed on the 2006 303(d) List as Impaired with Urban Runoff as a Source

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Sources of Impairment

	<u>Stream Miles</u>
Crop Production	3,040
Channelization	1,821
Municipal Point Sources	1,519
Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers	1,145
Animal Feeding Operations	690
Combined Sewer Overflows	327
Livestock Grazing	238
Industrial	191

All communities struggle with the need to balance...



Resource Conservation

and

Economic Development





NEMO's Goal:

Assist Local Officials to

Ask the right questions.



Put development in greater context.

Get started on natural resource-based planning.

The NEMO Equation







PICK YOUR BUZZWORD!

- liveable communities
- sustainable development
- sprawl



"Basic" NEMO Linking Land Use to Water Qual

What you can do

- Impact of development on waterways
- The pollutants in polluted runoff
- Using watersheds as a framework
- Land use impacts on water quality
- Impervious surfaces as an indicator

Development Impacts on the Water Cycle



The Pollutants in Polluted Runoff

Ú Nutrients

Pathogens Sediment Toxic Contaminants Debris Thermal Stress



Nutrients such as nitrogen and phosphorus are substances needed for growth, but elevated levels can cause a health hazard in drinking water *and* stimulate excessive aquatic plant growth, which can ultimately lower dissolved oxygen levels.

Sources: animal waste, fertilizers, septic systems, auto emissions

What to Look

Polluted runoff from Agriculture & Open Space areas



Nutrients:fertilizer from farms, parks, golf coursesPathogens:domestic animal & wildlife wasteSediment:erosion from agricultural fieldsToxic:pesticides from ag. lands & golf coursesDebris:litter & illegal dumpingThermal:removal of streamside vegetation,
shallow water impoundments



Natural Resource Based Planning NEMO's 3-tiered approach to NPS:

1. Planning

2. Site Design

3. (Mechanical) Best Management Practices



Land Use Plans are blueprints for regulations & policies



Open Space Developments



same number of housing units

- 10-50% less impervious surface
- up to 50% open space
- water resources protected

From Randall Arendt



Not less engineering...

Overflow Parking



Conventional Parking

...different engineering!

Driveway Tips



design shorter and narrower drives

design wide turnaround areas only where needed

design drives to follow contours & drain to pervious areas

use pervious alternatives

Residential Roofs



Redirect down spouts to pervious areas
Rain gardens
Rain Barrels



Encourage Maintenance of BMPs





Cleaning Catch Basins

National NEMO Network



Network focuses on the relationship of land use to natural resource protection, sharing information, materials and educational models.



Network Growth







Local programs for local issues

- Changes to Regulations
- Changes to Plans
- Changes to the Decision Making Process
- Research and Information Gathering
- On the Ground Changes



Illinois NEMO

• Conferences

- American Public Works Association Illinois Chapter annual meeting
- American Planning Association Illinois State Section meeting
- Annual Conference of the Illinois Association for the Floodplain and Stormwater Management
- Educational materials
 - Fact sheets
 - Website
 - News releases
- Reviewed and offered comments on ordinances
- Workshops
 - Cities
 - Regional Area
 - State Wide Telenets

It's Not Just About Water...



So Why Do This?

It's More Than Quantity of Pavement...



...it's Quality of Life!

Water Quality is directly dependent upon Land use and Land use is decided at the local level.

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Illinois Watershed Management Clearinghouse

protecting our greatest economic and social resource



GETTING INVOLVED IN	HELP FOR EXISTING	FEATURED CONTENT
WATERSHED MANAGEMENT Why Watershed Management Matters Roles in Watershed Planning	Mapping Tools (Links will launch in a new window) • Resource Management Manning Service	Check out the new Guidance for Developing Watershed Action Plans in Illinois. Learn more
Ν	IEPA Mapping Engine	CALENDAR
Building Watershed Committe®s Developing Watershed Plans Locating Resource Data	Funding for Watershed Groups Funding Sources Grant Writing Help 	Stormwater and MS4s Strategies for Permit Compliance Sept 25 East Peoria
Completed Watershed Plans	REFERENCES & RESOURCES	Venat It Means to be GREEN Sept 27 Peoria
Find Your Local Watershed Group	Related Websites and Tools	All Events
Nonpoint Education for Municipal	Educational Materials	ASK THE EXPERT
Illinois Watershed Association	Conservation Connections	Frequently Asked Questions
		Send us your questions

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Illinois Watershed Association Mission

The mission of the Illinois Watershed Association is to improve information sharing and technical support among watershed organization, advocate sound watershed management practices and programs, and amplify local watershed group's public outreach and educational efforts.

Goals

- Identify funding & resources to support watershed programs
- Foster working relationships with agencies & organizations having watershed-related interests
- Gather & distribute information on financial & technical assistance for watershed groups
- Develop website with current information on Illinois watershed
 groups
- Provide outreach at watershed conferences & workshops
- Host a watershed list serve for information sharing
- Be a source of information on education & training opportunities
- Provide information & resources on how to form a local watershed group
- Provide direction for watershed resource planning
- Offer guidelines & examples on Best Management Practices
- Provide information on searching for & writing grants

Members

- Open membership:
 - Primary interest in the improvement & sustainability of Illinois watershed
 - Support Association mission
- Members :
 - Watershed groups
 - Individuals
 - Conservation and Wildlife Organization
 - Business Companies
 - Corporation
 - Education Institutions
 - Government entities

Dues and Support Level

- Dues
 - \$10 Individual Membership
 - \$25 Not-for-Profit Membership
 - \$50 Commercial Membership
- Annual Support Level
 - \$100 + Bronze
 - \$250 + Silver
 - \$500 + Gold
 - \$1000 + Platinum