Kinkaid Creek Watershed-based Plan Initial Stakeholder Meeting

November 17, 2020 6:00 PM





Agenda

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Watershed Basics
- III. Overview of the Planning Area
- IV. Elements of a Successful Watershed-based Plan
- V. Future Plan Involvement
- VI. Discussion

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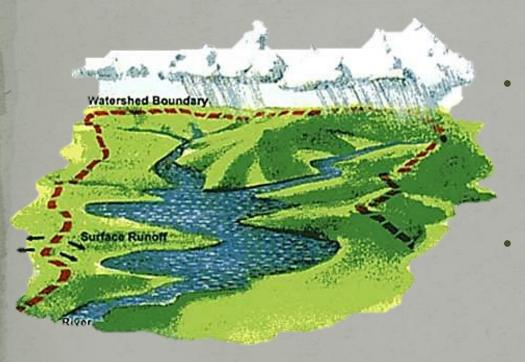
Illinois Environmental Protection Agency



IEPA- 604(b) Program

- Water Quality Management Planning Grant
- Greater Egypt's 604(b) grants include:
 - watershed-based planning
 - coordinating the Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program (VLMP)
 - stormwater management & educational materials

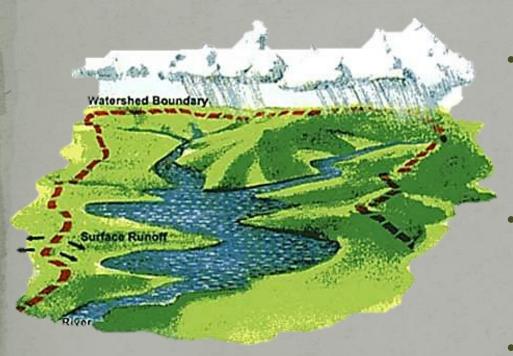
Watershed Basics



• What constitutes a watershed?

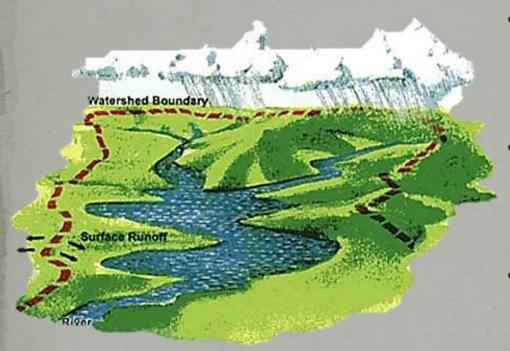
• What are the components of a watershed?

What is a Watershed?



- An area of land where all of the runoff flows to a common waterbody
- Boundaries are generally the highest points
- Watersheds can vary in size

Watershed Components



- Surface Water
 - Creeks, Lakes, Wetlands
- Riparian Areas
 - Natural area along banks
- Uplands
 - Steep terrain
- Groundwater
 - Bedrock, Sand and Gravel

Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC)

- Identify a hydrologic feature (watershed)
- Six levels of HUC

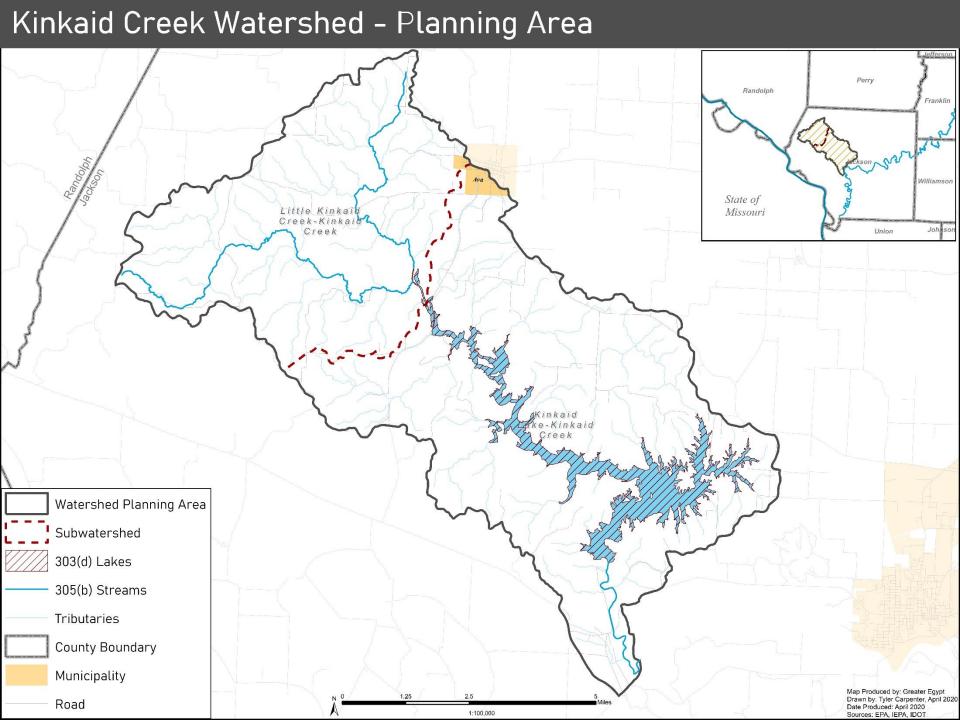
Name	Level	Digits	Average size (square miles)	Number of HUCs (approximate)	Name	Code (HUC)
Region	1	2	177,560	21	Upper Mississippi	07
Subregion	2	4	16,800	222	Upper Mississippi-Kaskaskia-Meramec	0714
Basin	3	6	10,596	352	Upper Mississippi-Meramec	071401
Subbasin	4	8	700	2,149	Big Muddy	07140106
Watershed	5	10	227	22,000	Kinkaid Creek	0714010611
Subwatershed	6	12	40	160,000	Little Kinkaid Creek-Kinkaid Creek	071401061101
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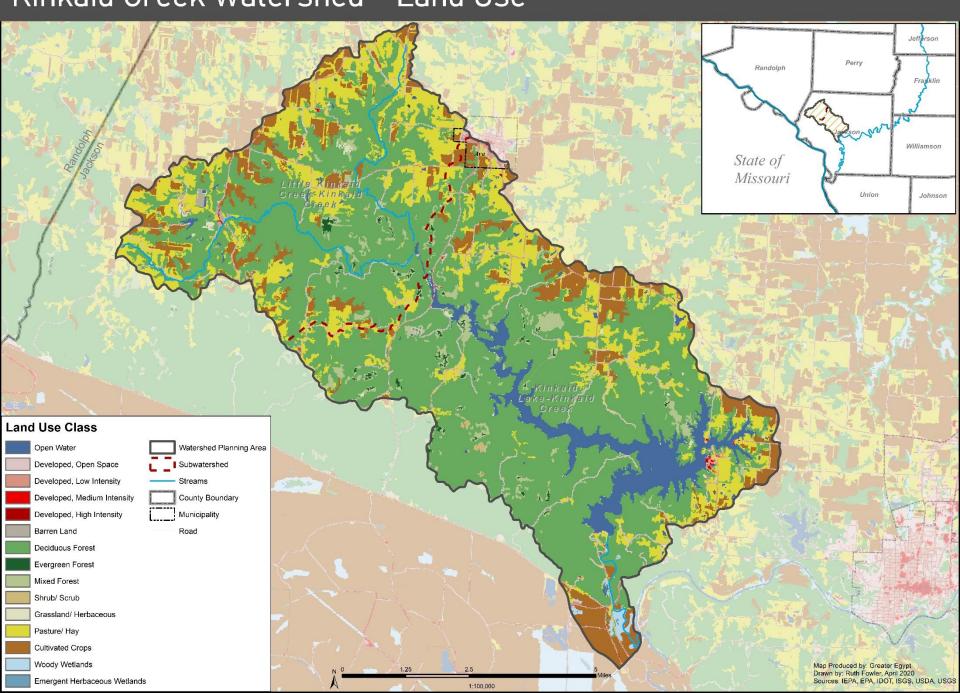
Kinkaid Creek Watershed

- 41,225 acres, or 64 square miles
- Located in Jackson County
- Two separate HUC 12 watersheds:
 - Little Kinkaid Creek-Kinkaid Creek
 - 15,534
 - Kinkaid Lake-Kinkaid Creek
 - 25,708

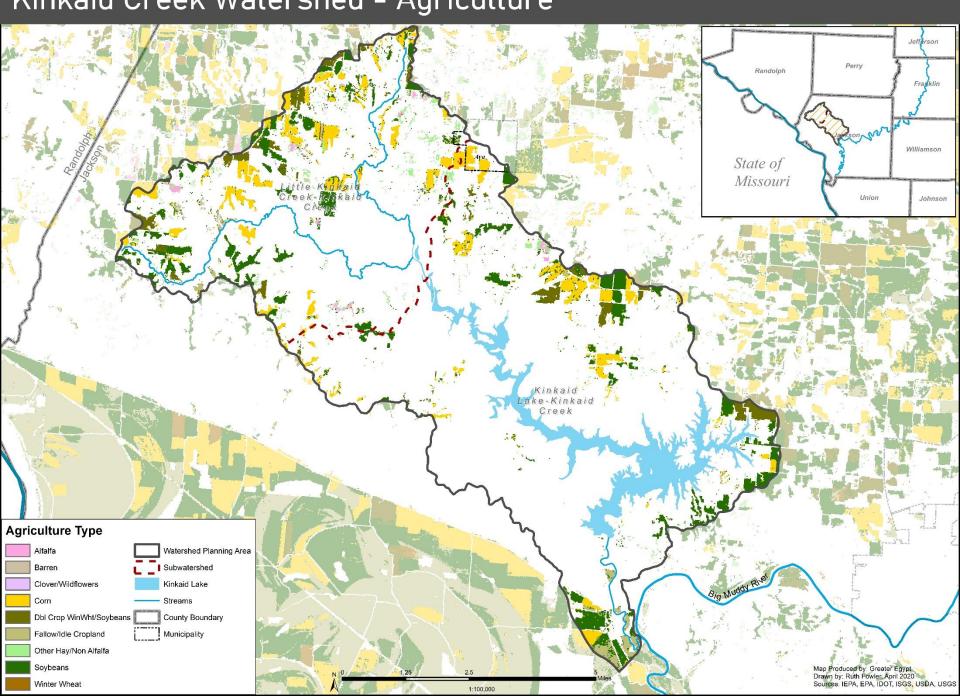
- Municipalities include:
 - Ava



Kinkaid Creek Watershed - Land Use

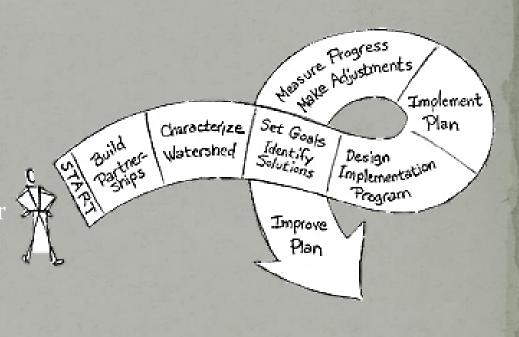


Kinkaid Creek Watershed - Agriculture



Watershed-based Planning

- Summarizes the overall condition of the watershed
- Provides a framework to restore water quality in impaired waters
- Protects water quality in other waters adversely affected or threatened by point source and non-point source pollution
- Allows for funding of water quality projects through EPA 319 Program



Types of Water Quality Pollution

Point Source

- Domestic WTP
- Industrial WTP
- Combined Sewer Overflows
- Sanitary Sewer Overflows
- Mine Discharges
- Landfills

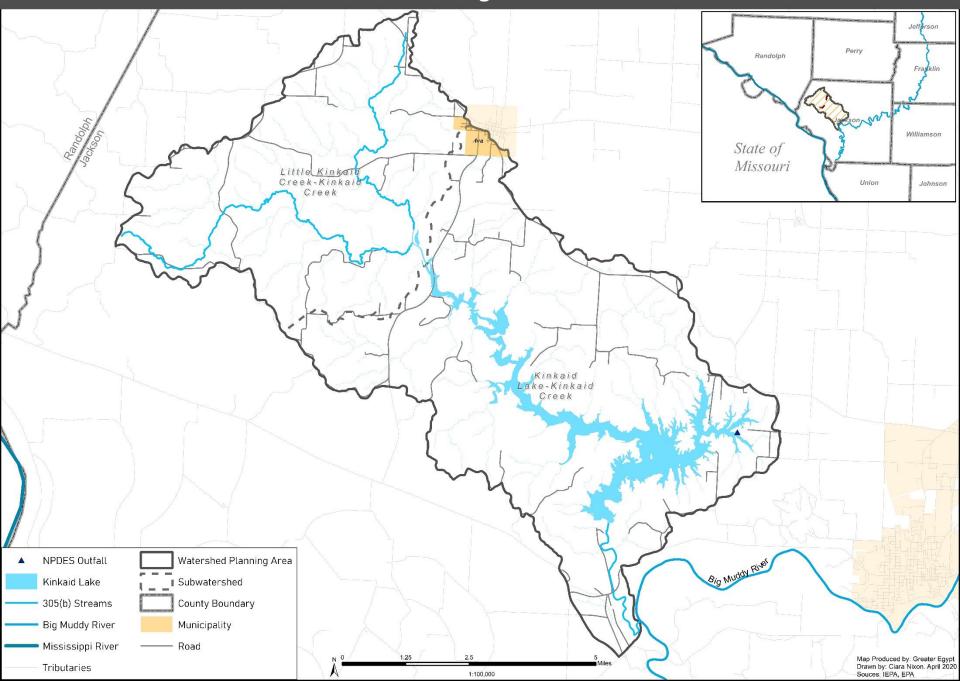


Nonpoint Source

- Stormwater Runoff
- Golf courses
- Crop Production
- Livestock Grazing
- Erosion
- Failing Septic Systems



Kinkaid Creek Watershed Planning Area - NPDES Outfall Location



Why Develop a Watershed-based Plan?

Benefits can include:

- Reduction of pollution on surface and groundwater
- Restoration of water bodies to a healthy state
- Conservation of farmland
- Partnerships and collaboration among stakeholders

- Support of sustainable communities and economic growth
- Prevention and reduction of flooding
- Funding for various management measures
- Ten-year Plans

Elements of a Successful Watershed-based Plan

Collaboration of Stakeholders

- Stakeholder-supported approach to improving and protecting water resources
- Stakeholders can include representatives from local government, conservation groups, businesses, landowners, etc.
- The success of a watershed-based plan is dependent on the involvement of the stakeholders



Nine Elements of a Watershed-based Plan

- 1.) Identify causes and sources of water pollution and estimate existing pollutant loads
- 2.) Set water quality goals and load reduction targets to achieve those goals, and estimate load reductions expected from recommended management measures
- 3.) Describe the management measures needed to achieve load reductions targets
- 4.) Describe the technical and financial assistance and relevant authorities needed to implement the plan
- 5.) Enhance public understanding through outreach measures

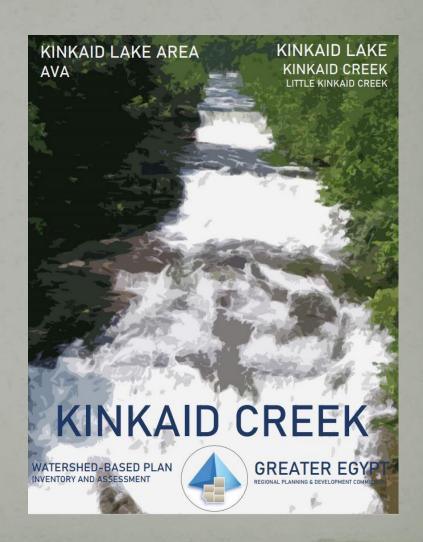
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- 6.) Provide a schedule for implementing the management measures identified in the plan
- 7.) Identify interim, measurable milestones for determining whether management measures are being implemented on schedule
- 8.) Identify interim benchmarks to measure progress in meeting water quality goals and load reduction targets
- 9.) Describe a monitoring component

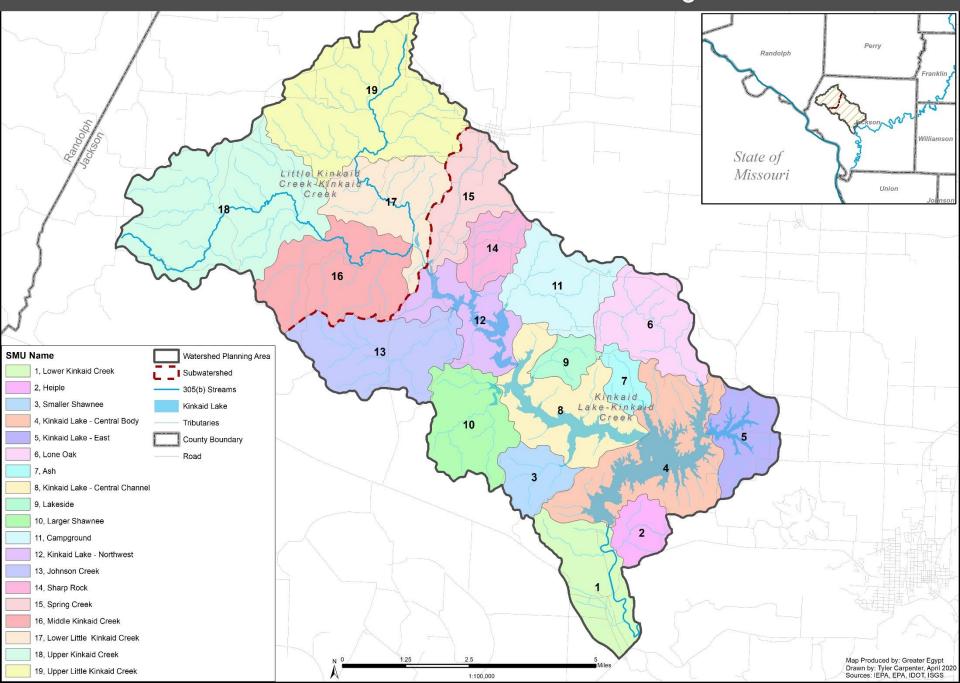
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Watershed Resource Inventory

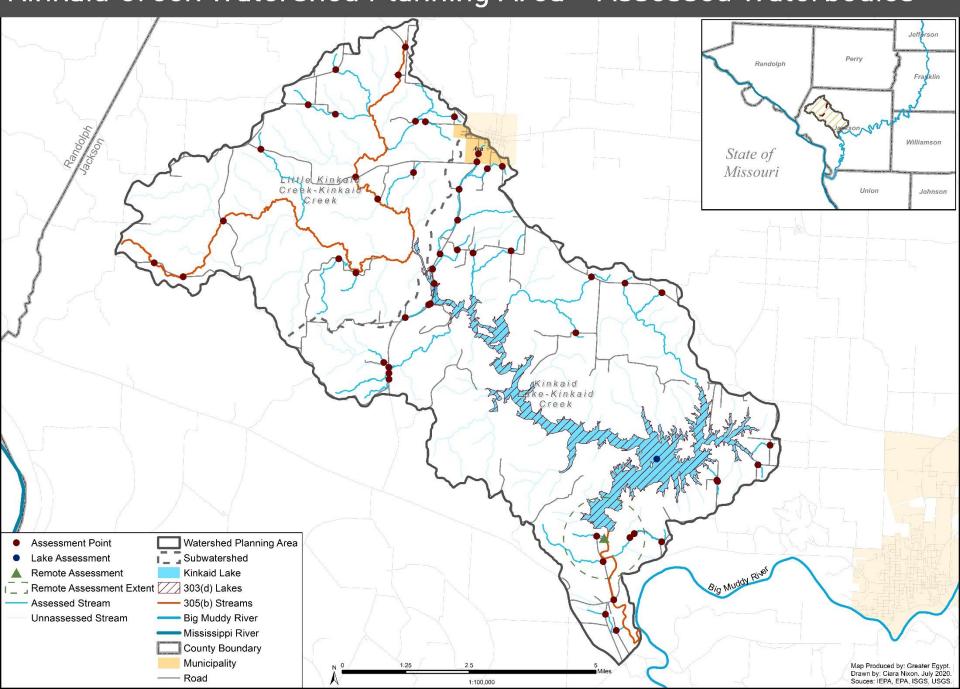
- Documentation of existing conditions in the watershed and subwatersheds
- Inventory and assessment of components such as: geographic boundaries, land use, and drainage
- Field assessment of erosion, riparian areas, and channelization



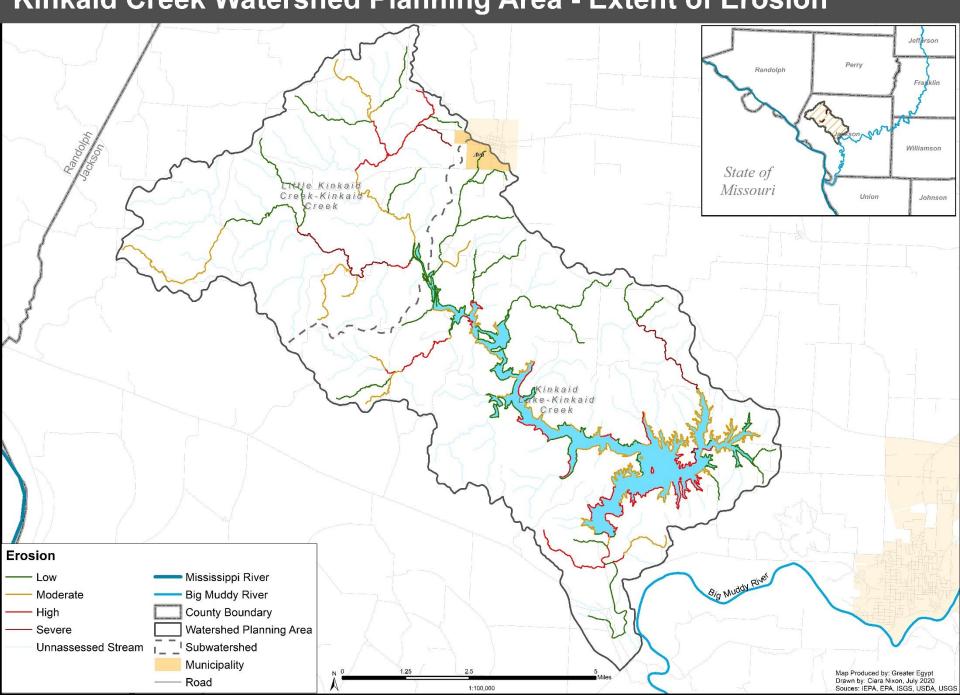
Kinkaid Creek Watershed - Subwatershed Management Units



Kinkaid Creek Watershed Planning Area - Assessed Waterbodies



Kinkaid Creek Watershed Planning Area - Extent of Erosion

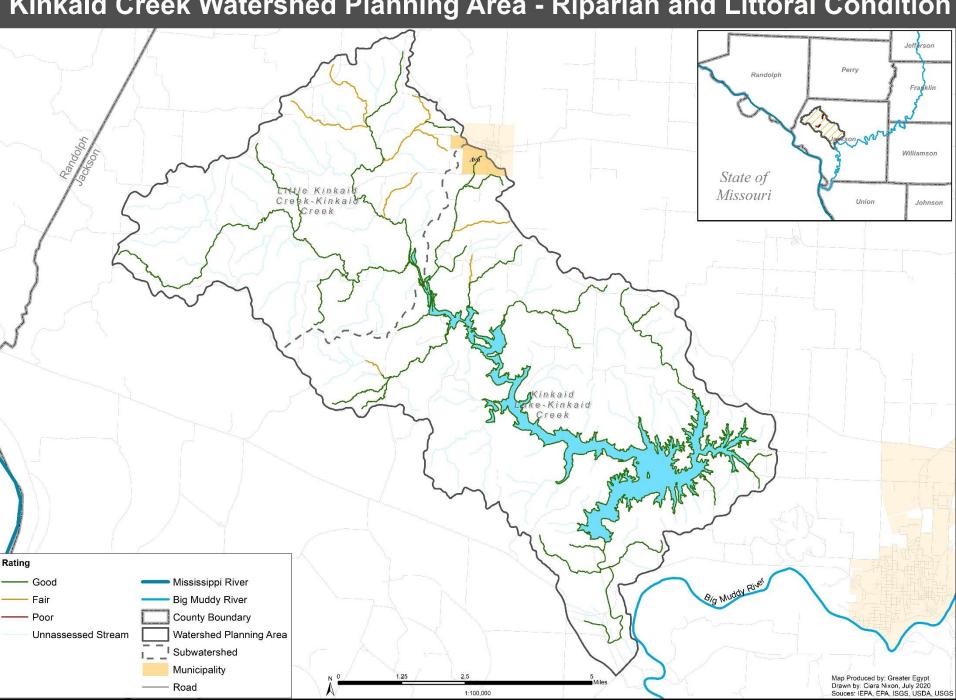




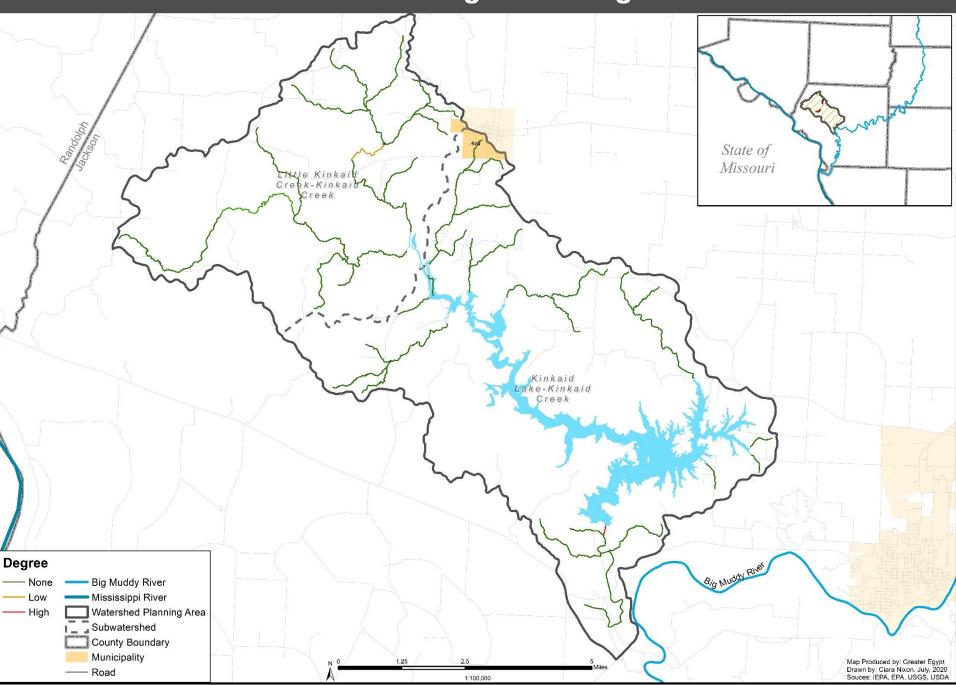




Kinkaid Creek Watershed Planning Area - Riparian and Littoral Condition



Kinkaid Creek Watershed Planning Area - Degree of Channelization



Estimated Pollutant Loads

Source	N Load (lb/yr)	Percent of Total Load	P Load (lb/yr)	Percent of Total Load	Sediment Load (t/yr)	Percent of Total Load
Urban	11,832.86	5.95%	1,820.87	4.39%	271.96	0.77%
Cropland	43,772.39	22.02%	13,645.37	32.90%	9,265.99	26.36%
Pastureland	46,777.47	23.54%	6,789.55	16.37%	3,307.70	9.41%
Forest	7,370.98	3.71%	3,352.98	8.08%	903.57	2.57%
Streambank	34,245.29	17.23%	13,184.43	31.79%	21,405.91	60.89%
Groundwater	54,740.79	27.54%	2,681.41	6.47%	0.00	0.00%
Total	198,739.78	-	41,474.60	-	35,155.12	-

2.) Set Water Quality Goals and Load Reduction Targets

- Achieve water quality standards and total maximum daily loads for specific pollutants
- Base nutrient reduction goals off of the IL Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy

• Identify load reduction targets for specific nutrients/ pollutants

Waterbody	Assessment Unit ID	Size	Causes of Impairment(s)	Sources of Impairment(s)
Kinkaid Lake	IL_RNC	3,475 ac	Mercury	Atmospheric Deposition-Toxics, Source Unknown
Little Kinkaid Creek	IL_NBA	16.9 mi	N/A	N/A
Kinkaid Creek	IL_NB	9.66 mi	N/A	N/A
Kinkaid Creek	IL_NB-01	3.38 mi	N/A	N/A

IL Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy (ILNLRS)

- Collaborative effort between IEPA, IL Dept. of Agriculture, and the IL NLRS Policy Working Group and subcommittees
- Develop strategies and promote best management practices (BMP) for nutrient runoff
- Goals include: 25% reduction in phosphorus load (2025)

15% reduction in nitrate-nitrogen load (2025)

Eventual goal is 45% for both nutrients

3.) Describe Management Measures Needed to Achieve Load Reduction Targets

Management measures should:

- Identify best management practices (BMP) to achieve water quality objectives and load reduction targets
- Identify priority areas and practices





4.) Describe the Technical and Financial Assistance Needed to Implement the Plan

- EPA 319 Grants offer a 60 percent cost share
- Other funding sources can come from various state/ federal agencies:
 - USDA
 - IDNR
 - USFWS

Best Management Practice	Funding Sources	Notes/Cost Share Rates
Filter strips and riparian buffers Dry dams (WASCBs) Grass waterways Terraces Diversions Wetland creation Blind inlets and tile drainage management Nutrient management Cover crops	Illinois EPA – 319 program NRCS – EQIP program FSA – CRP program SWCD – CPP program USFWS – Acres for wildlife program IDNR/SWCD – CREP program IDNR – SWG program NRCS – WHIP program IDNR – Special Wildlife Funds Grants	CREP eligible acres must be in the 100-year floodplain and/or have cropped ground with an erodibility index of 8 or greater adjacent to riparian zones; must have cropping history as defined by the USDA. SWG program requires 50% state match and must address goals/species outlined in the State of Illinois Comprehensive Wildlife Plan. NRCS, FSA, and SWCD programs generally provide 60% cost-share, however, some special programs and practices can provide up to 90%. FSA, CREP and some NRCS programs also provide annual rental payments for taking ground out of production.
Streambank/lake shore stabilization and in- stream grade control or other grade control	Illinois EPA – 319 Program SWCD – SSRP program NRCS – EQIP program	Illinois EPA 319 offers 60% cost share SSRP offers 75% cost share EQIP offers 60% cost share
Wetland restoration and other habitat practices	Illinois EPA – 319 program NRCS – EQIP program NRCS – WRP program FSA – CRP program USFWS – Landowner Incentive Program IDNR/SWCD – CREP program IDNR – SWG program IDNR – Special Wildlife Funds Grants	WRP program – multiple/stringent eligibility requirements. NRCS, FSA, and SWCD programs provide a minimum of 60% cost-share, however, some special programs and practices can provide up to 90%. FSA, CREP and some NRCS programs also provide annual rental payments for taking ground out of production.
Livestock/equestrian practices, including fencing, stream crossings, pasture management, watering systems etc.	Illinois EPA – 319 program NRCS – EQIP program IDNR – Forestry Development Act funding (FLEP)	FLEP is applicable to livestock fencing for woodlands. Livestock management recommendations outlined in this report that includes wetland and/or habitat restoration can be funded by other programs such as the US F&W – Landowner Incentive Program EQIP typically provides 60% cost-share

5.) Enhance Public Understanding Through Outreach Measures

Measures could include:

- Public meetings
- Informational pamphlets regarding watershed planning efforts
- Workshops
 - Stormwater management
 - Agricultural activities





6.) Construct an Implementation Schedule for Measures in the Plan

Schedule should include:

Recommended BMP

- Information and Education components
- Monitoring component

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	Pha	ise I		Phase II			Phase III			
Goal	Short-term (2 yr)			Mid-terr	n (3-6 yr)	Long-term (7-10 yr)			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Establish watershed action council	х									
Hold public meetings to gain input	х	x	х							
Hold workshops to inform public on stormwater management		х		х		х		х		
Continue researching funding and technical assistance	Х	х	х							
Select site-specific BMPs for preliminary designs	Х	х	х							
Submit grant applications based on BMPs in plan		х	х	х	х	х	х	х		
Meet with landowners to review BMPs in plan		х	х	х	х	х				
Implement and execute BMPs			х	х	х	х	Х	х	Х	х
Monitor progress of implementation				х	х	х	х	х	х	х
Announce success of plan implementation					х	х	Х	х	Х	х
Evaluate Accomplishments					х	х	х	х	х	х

7.) Identify Milestones to Determine if Management Measure are Being Implemented on Schedule

Interim Measurable Milestones								
Goal	Indicator	Short (2-year)	Mid (6-yr)	Long (10-yr)				
	Educational Brochures for Stormwater Management	500	1000	1500				
	Educational Brochures for Agricultural Management	500	1000	1500				
Outreach and	Electronics Drive	1	2	3				
Education	Number of Litter Cleanup Days	3	6	9				
	Public Meetings Held	4	10	14				
	Agricultural Management Workshops Held	1	3	5				
Reduce/Mitigate	Detention Basin	-	-	1				
Flooding	Infiltration Basins	<u>-</u>	1	1				

8.) Identify Interim Benchmarks to Measure Progress in Meeting Water Quality Goals

Benchmarks should include:

- Load Reduction Targets of:
 - Nitrogen
 - Phosphorus
 - Sediment
 - Other pollutants

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Benchmark Period	Nitrogen (percent)	Nitrogen (lbs./ yr.)	Phosphorus (percent)	Phosphorus (lbs./yr.)	Sediment (percent)	Sediment (tons/yr.)			
2 Year (Phase I)	-	-	-	-	-	-			
6 Year (Phase II)	7%	13,911	10%	4,147	10%	3,515			
10 Year (Phase III)	15%	29,810	25%	10,368	25%	8,788			

9.) Describe a Monitoring Component

Recommends future assessment activities to be undertaken and can be designed to:

- Better identify potential causes and sources of pollution
- Assess BMP effectiveness
- Track and evaluate the effectiveness of plan implementation

Monitoring Component	Phase I			Pha	Phase II			Phase III			
World of the Component	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Ambient Lakes Monitoring Program	Х					х					
Sediment Monitoring	Х		х		х		х		х		
Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program	Х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	
Watershed Basin Surveys		х					х		-		

Future Plan Involvement Development of a Planning Committee

Should include individuals who...

Have authority to implement change:

- Mayors
- Wastewater Authorities
- Public Works
- County/ City Planners
- Health Departments
- State/ Federal Departments

Have local knowledge of the watershed:

- Water Departments
- Street Departments
- Landowners
- Businesses

Are impacted by waterrelated issues:

- City officials
- Businesses
- Landowners
 - Farmers

Future Plan Involvement

Kinkaid Creek Watershed-based Plan									
Action	2020	2021							
ACTION	QTR 4	QTR1	QTR 2	QTR 3					
Initial Stakeholders Meeting	11/17/2020								
Watershed Planning Elements Meeting									
Best Management Practices Meeting									
Implementation and Monitoring Strategy Meeting									
Final Meeting									
Draft Plan				6/1/2021					
Final Plan				8/1/2021					

Questions/Comments

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