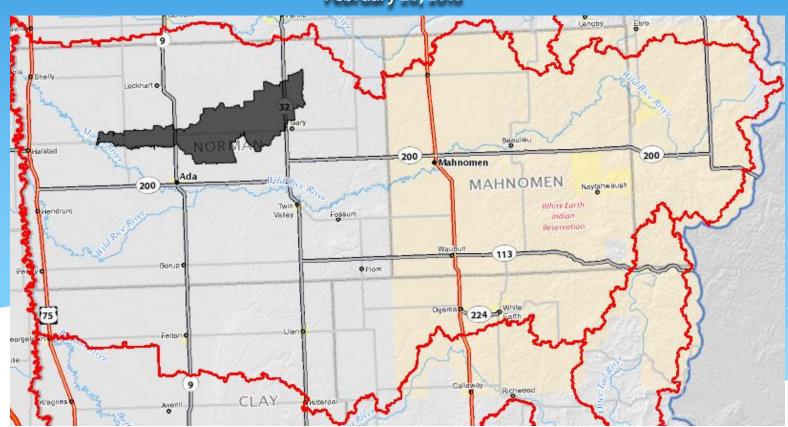
Wild Rice Watershed District

Green Meadow Watershed

Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)
Public Meeting



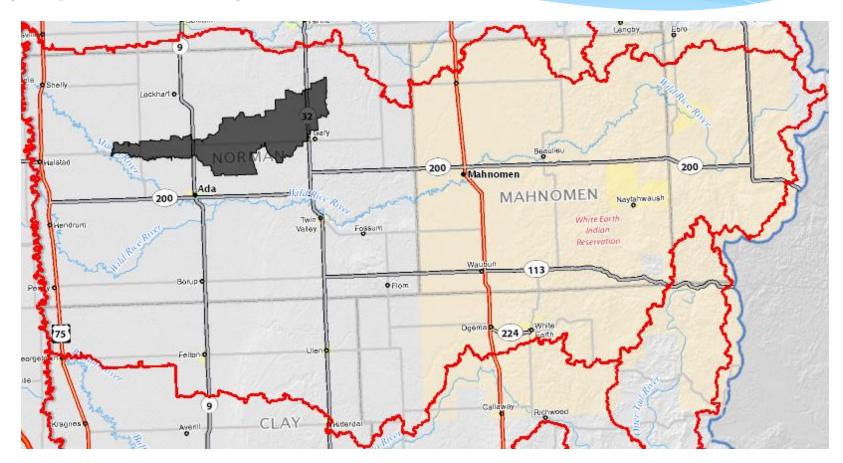


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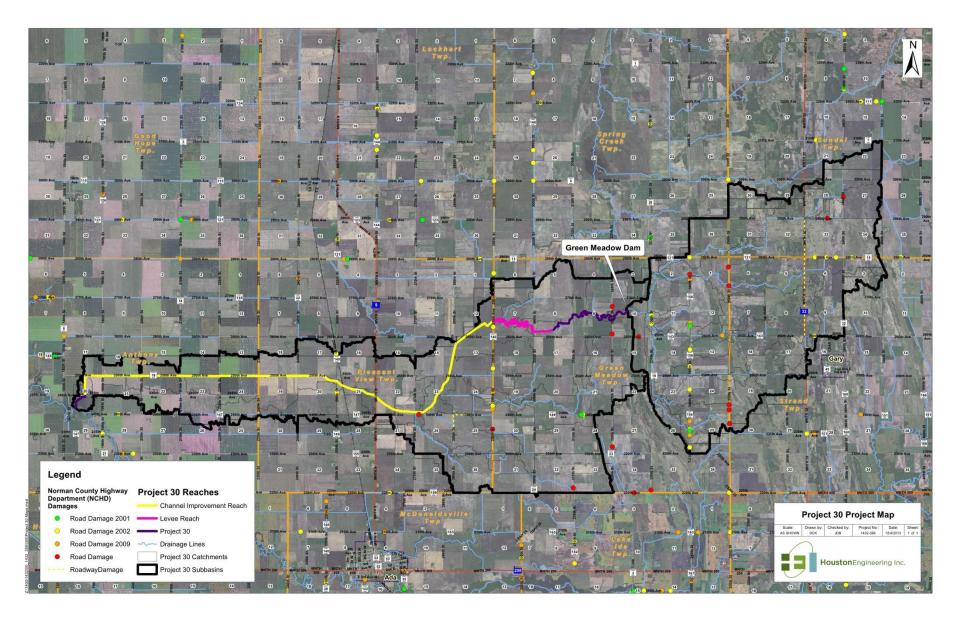
- Green Meadow Subwatershed Overview
- * GM Project Team Status
 - * Local
 - * RCPP Process Overview
- * Hydraulics/Damages Summary To Date
- Public Law 566 Planning Process Status
- * Additional Problem Area/Concern Identification/Discussion
- * Overview of Next Steps
- * Adjourn

Existing Conditions

- Marsh River Subwatershed
- * Approximately 69 Square Miles
- Contains Upper Green Meadow Dam
- Project 30 WRWD Project



Existing Conditions



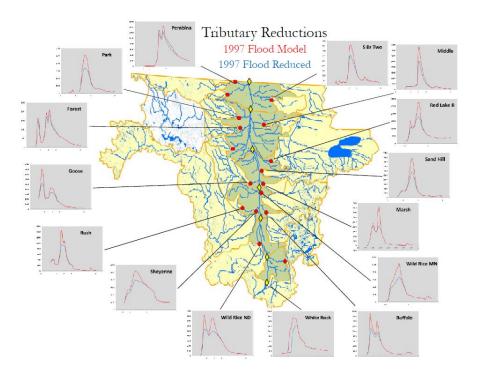
GM Project Team Status – Local Interagency Project Team (2013)

NAME	STAKEHOLDER				
Brett Arne	Board of Water and Soil Resources				
Shawnn Balstad	Natural Resources Conservation Service				
Steve Bommersbach	Norman County Commissioner				
Mark Chisholm	Landowner				
Mike Christensen	Wild Rice Watershed District Manager				
Mark Christianson	Soil and Water Conservation District				
Duane Erickson	Wild Rice Watershed District Manager				
Diane Ista	Landowner				
Curt Johannsen	Wild Rice Watershed District Manager				
Tara Mercil	Minnesota Pollution Control Agency				
Larry Puchalski	US Army Corps of Engineers				
Emily Siira	Department of Natural Resources				
Dave Vilmo	Landowner				

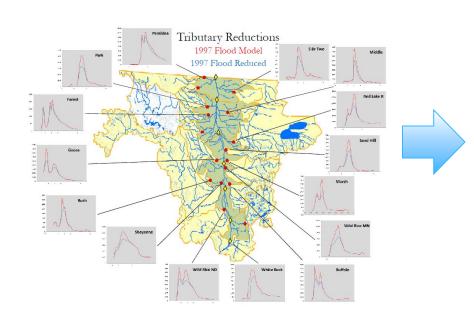
Red River Basin Commission Basinwide Flow Reduction Strategy

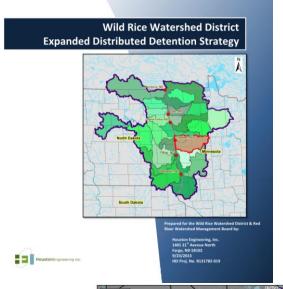
20% Reduction Model						1/20/2010		
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Summary of Tributary Flow Reductions								
1997 Spring Flood	Deel	DI						
	Peak Flow	Peak Flow	Volume	Volume				
			Reduction			Reduction Focus		
Gaged Tributaries	%	cfs	%	acft				
BdS R @ White Rock	20%	1542	20%	61760		Store early water		
Ottertail R @ Orwell	0	0	0	0		No reduction		
Wildrice ND @ Abercrombie	35%	2854	17%	57908		Peak flow reduction		
Sheyenne R @ Harwood	23%	2401	11%	68395		Peak flow reduction		
Rush R @ Amenia	35%	508	13%	4324		Peak flow reduction		
Buffalo R @ Dilworth	35%	2930	17%	38158		Peak flow reduction		
Wild Rice MN @ Hendrum	35%	3610	20%	74385		Peak flow reduction		
Goose R @ Hillsboro	35%	2820	16%	35356		Peak flow reduction		
Marsh R nr Shelly	51%	2100	18%	15247		Peak flow reduction		
Sand Hill R @ Climax	35%	1510	21%	22161		Peak flow reduction		
Red Lake R @ Crookston	35%	9600	13%	119097		Peak flow reduction		
Turtle R nr Arvilla	10%	90	13%	4615		Store late water		
Forest R @ Minto	14%	300	7%	5875		Store late water		
Middle R @ Argyle	35%	1330	23%	15067		Store late water		
Park R @ Grafton	35%	1800	20%	26462		Peak flow reduction		
S Br Two R @ Lake Bronson	27%	1100	14%	15208		Store late water		
Tongue R @ Akra	7%	50	4%	1580		Store late water		
Pembina R @ Neche	13%	1900	9%	51113		Peak flow reduction		
Average/Total	22%		13%	616709				
Ungaged Areas	%	cfs	%	acft				
Rabbit R @ TH 75 ung	35%	2108	26%	24377		Peak flow reduction		
BdS ungaged	13%	1135	9%	12119		Peak flow reduction		
Ottertail ung	13%	500	12%	7217		Peak flow reduction		
Fargo ungaged	13%	3000	13%	30433		Store late water		
Halstad ung	13%	7500	13%	81002		Store late water		
RLR ung	12%	1600	10%	11427		Otoro lato water		
GF ungaged	12%	4400	10%	32015		Store late water		
Snake R ung	16%	1367	15%	17128		Store late water		
Tamarac R ung	13%	563	12%	7179		Store late water		
Drayton ung	8%	1370	10%	22208		Store late water		
Emerson ung	7%	3000	7%	23364		Store late water		
Average/Total	14%		12%	268468				
Total volume of flow re	eduction on the tributaries			acre-feet				
				13%	of	total volume		

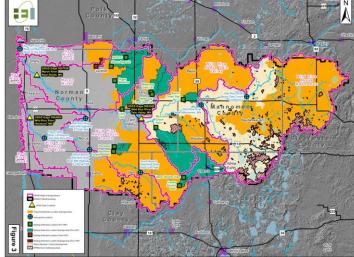
- Part of Long Term Flood Solutions Report
- Reduce Red River main-stem flows by 20%
- Based on 1997 Spring Flood Event
- Applied to HEC-HMS Synthetic Hydrology



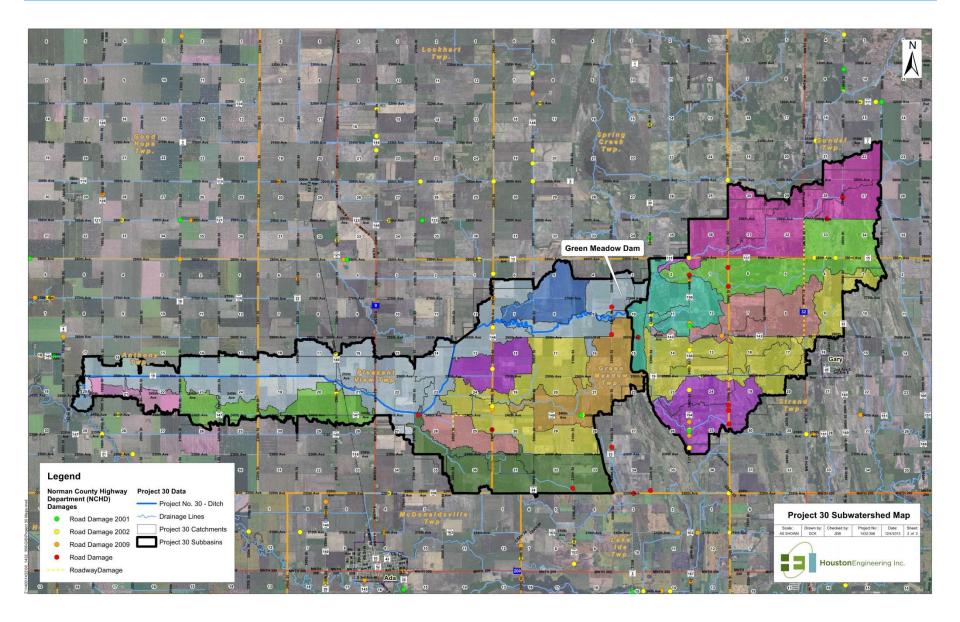
Distributed Detention Report



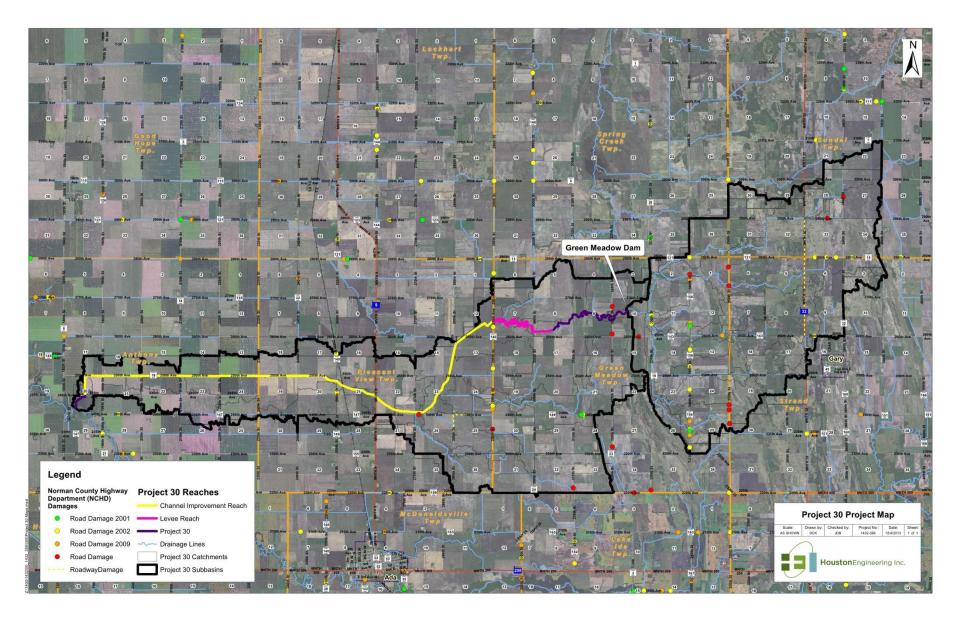




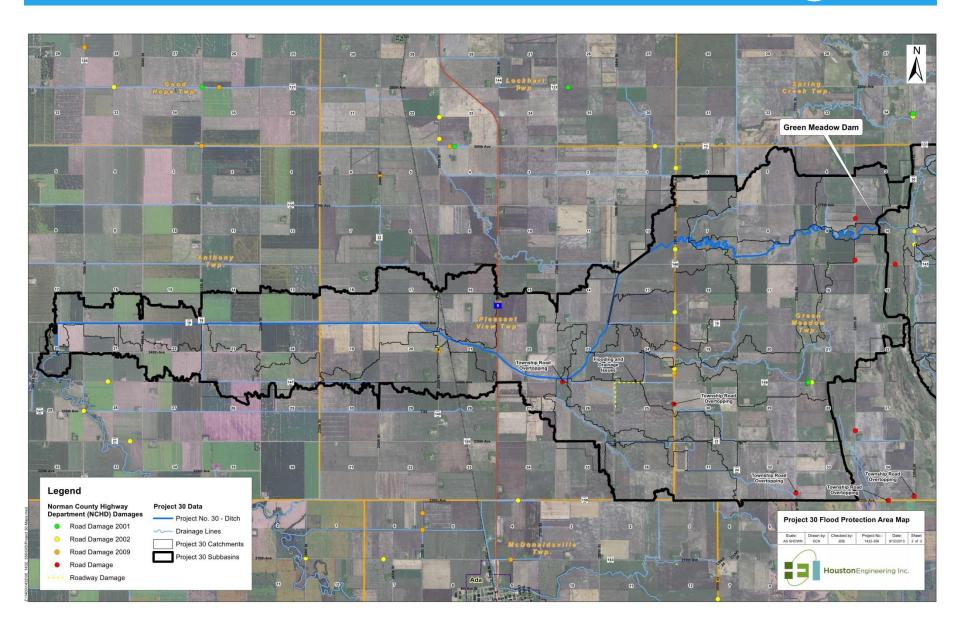
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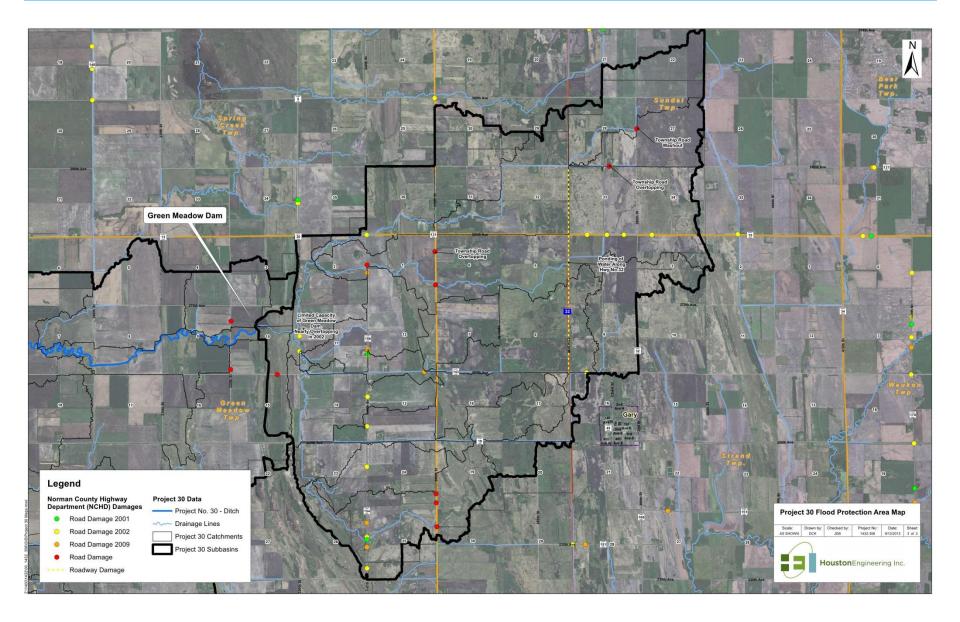
Existing Conditions



Problems - Infrastructure Damages



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Existing Conditions

Green Meadow Dam

- Location
 - * Sections 10 and 15 of Green Meadow Township (Norman County). West of Gary, MN
- * History
 - * The dam was constructed in approximately 1973 by the Soil Conservation Service.

* It was later added to become part of the downstream ditch system as part of WRWD

Project No. 30.



Existing Conditions

* Green Meadow Dam

- * Drainage Area
 - * 29.6 SM±
- * Storage
 - * 2,200 AC-FT (1.4" of runoff from contributing watershed)
- * Soils
 - * Poor / Granular





Green Meadow Dam
Limited Capacity



- Green Meadow Dam
 Substantial Repair (2006)
 - Erosion Repairs
 - * Clay Liner Partial







Channel Erosion

Middle Reach – Erosion on Setback Levees

Riprap and Levee Setbacks



Lower Reach Channel – 2011 Repair

Substantial Repair (2011)

Section 20-24 (Anthony Township) and Section 19 (Pleasant View Township)

FEMA Funding Assistance



Lower Reach Channel – 2011 Repair FEMA Approved Repair Method

- Backslope at 5:1
- Restore Gradeline and Grade Control
- * Re-Establish Grass Buffers



WRWD Project Team – Points of Concurrence Process

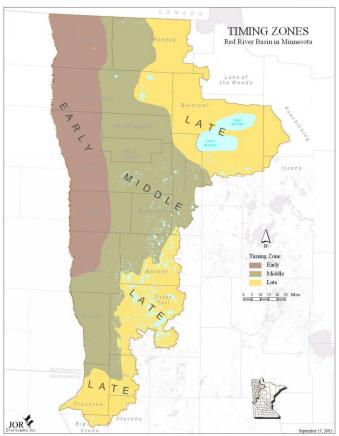
- Concurrence Point 1: Project Purpose and Need
- Concurrence Point 2: Array of Alternatives and Alternatives Carried Forward
- Concurrence Point 3: Identification of the Selected Alternative
- Concurrence Point 4: Design Phase Impact Minimization

Evaluate Range of Alternatives

* Overall TP 11 Strategy/Alternative Elimination

Red River Basin Flood Damage Reduction Framework

Red River Basin Flood Damage Reduction Work Group Technical and Scientific Advisory Committee Technical Paper No. 11



Reduce Flood Volume

* Construction or Restoration of Depressional Wetlands, Cropland BMPs, Conversion of Cropland to Perennial Grassland, Conversion of Land Use to Forest, Other Beneficial Uses of Stored Water

Increase Conveyance Capacity

* Channelization, Agricultural Drainage, Diversions, Setting Back Existing Levees, Increasing Road Crossing Capacity

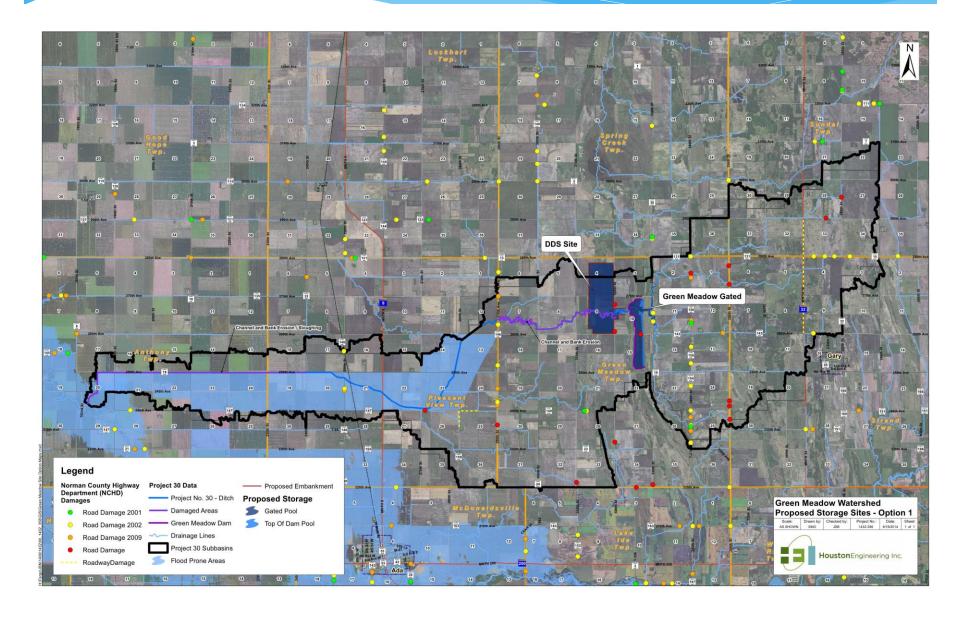
Increase Temporary Flood Storage

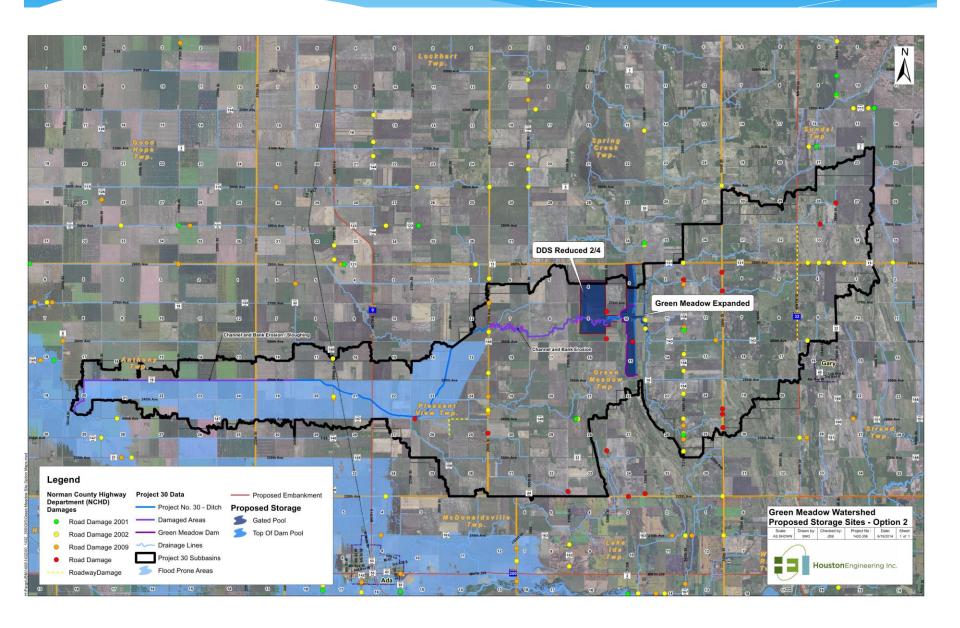
* On Channel Impoundments, Off Channel Impoundments, Restored or Created Wetlands, Drainage, Culvert Sizing, Setting Back Existing Levees, Overtopping Levees

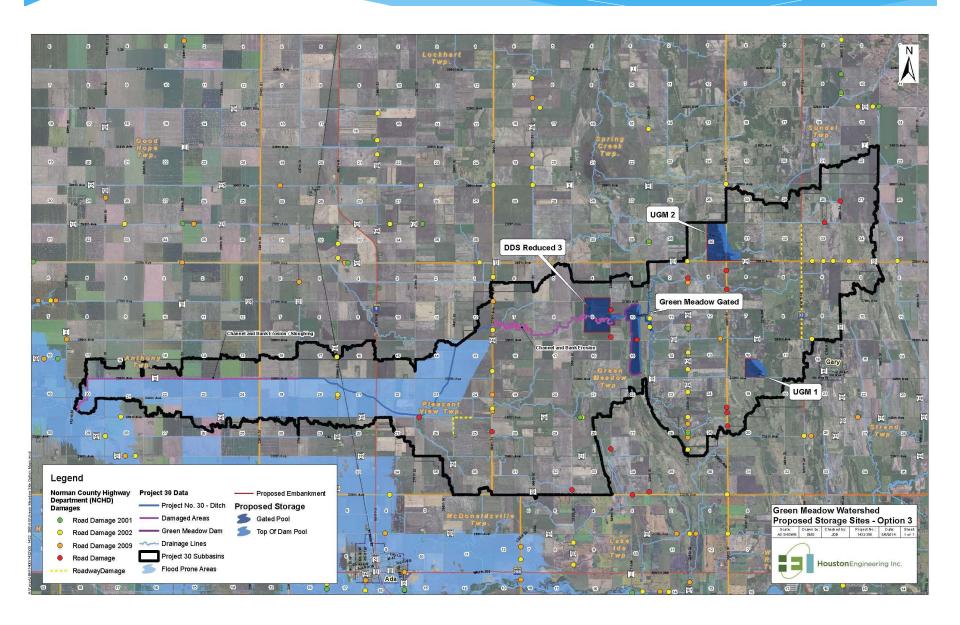
Protection / Avoidance

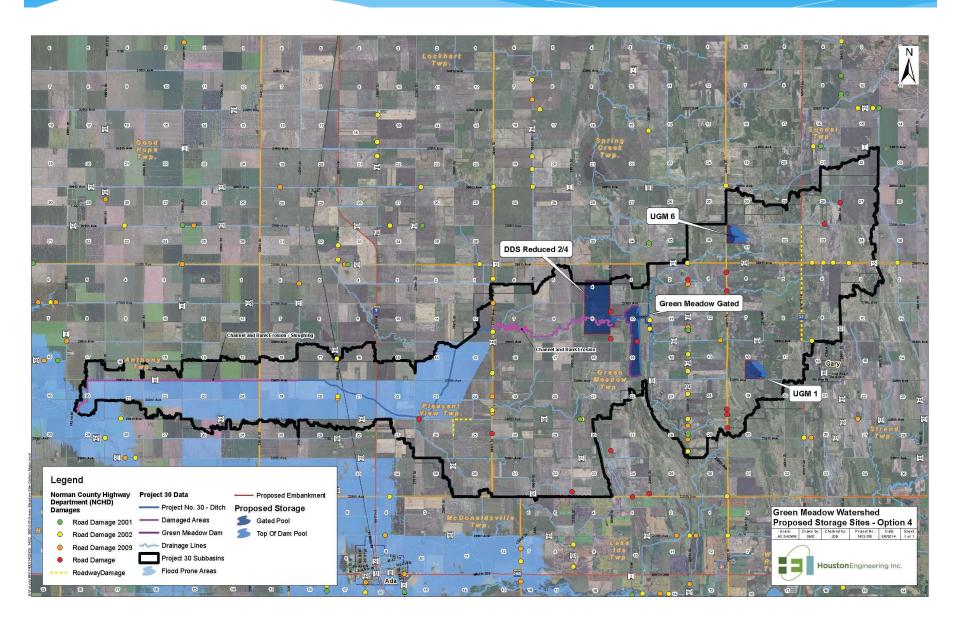
* Urban Levees, Farmstead Levees, Agricultural Levees, Evacuation of the Floodplain, Floodproofing, Flood Warning and Emergency Response Planning

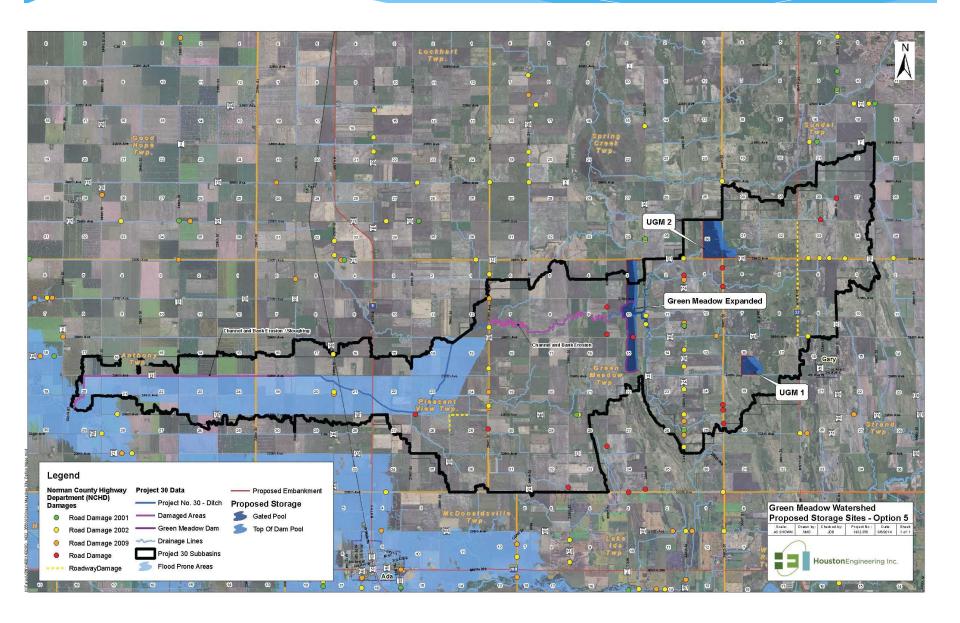
Option 1 – Distributed Detention Plan

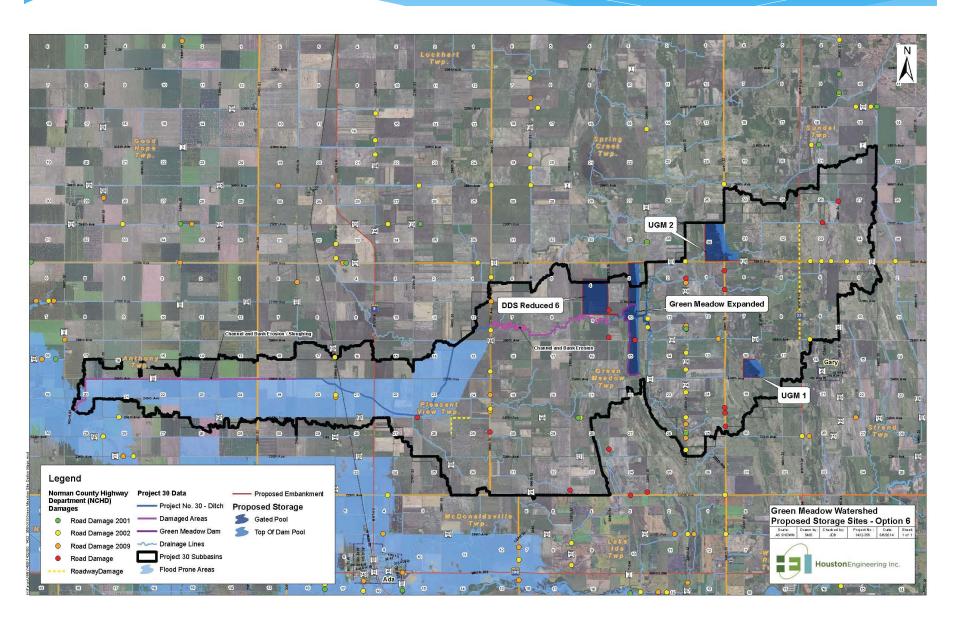


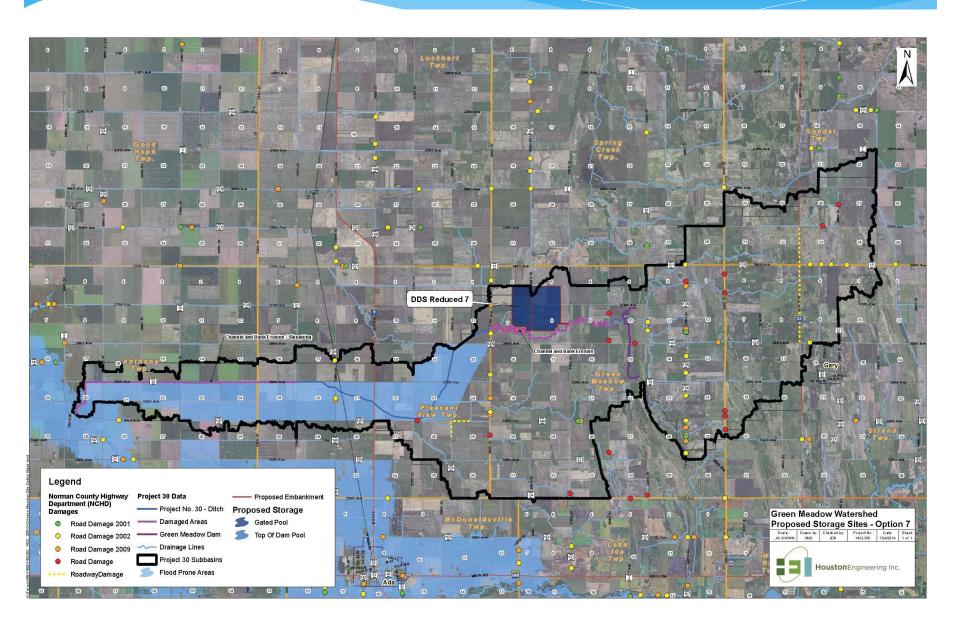












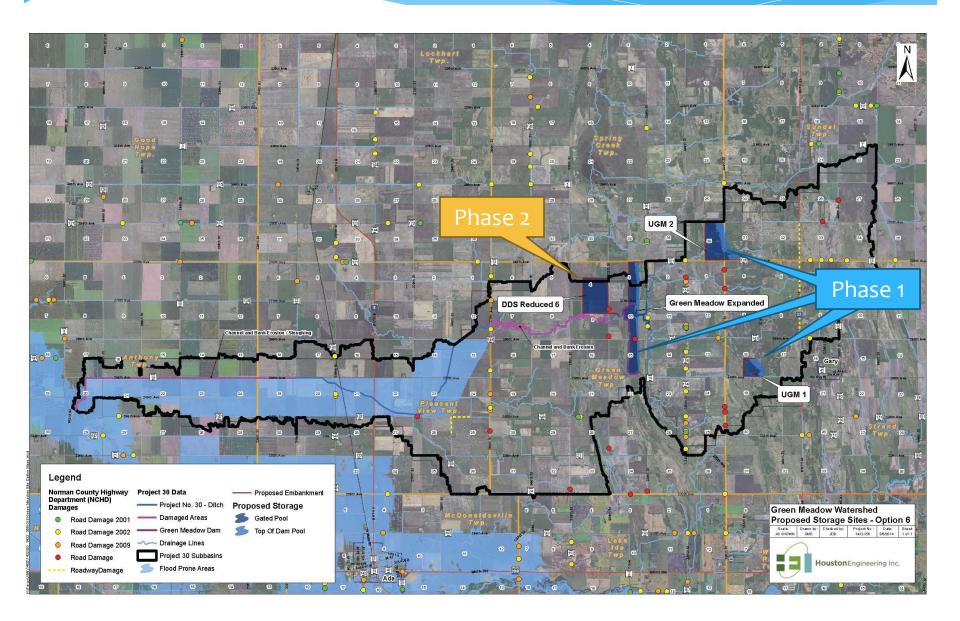
Project Team Preferred Option

Green Meadow Project Team (GMPT) - Option 6:

- Project B (GM Expanded): Green Meadow Dam Expanded 2,300 acre feet gated storage
- Project C (UGM1): 315 Acre feet of gated storage at Klask site
- Project D (UGM 2): 1,370 acre feet of gated storage
- Project I (DDS 6): 2,490 acre feet of off channel gated storage below Green Meadow Dam site

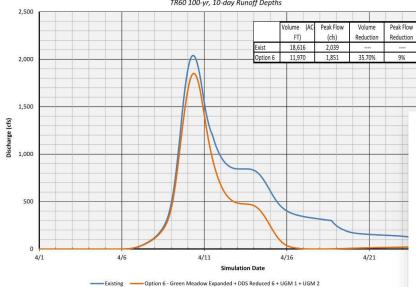
The GMPT prefers that Option #6 be implemented in 2 phases.

- Phase 1 GM Expanded, UGM1, and UGM 2 above the existing Green Meadow Dam.
- Phase 2 off-channel impoundment below the existing Green Meadow Dam. The GMPT recommends the Wild Rice Watershed District continue to explore opportunities to establish a practicable (e.g. willing landowners) floodwater storage project below the existing Green Meadow Dam of sufficient size to substantially meet the flood damage goals set forth by the GMPT.



Green Meadow / Project 30 at Confluence with Marsh River Red River Basin Standardized Melt Progression

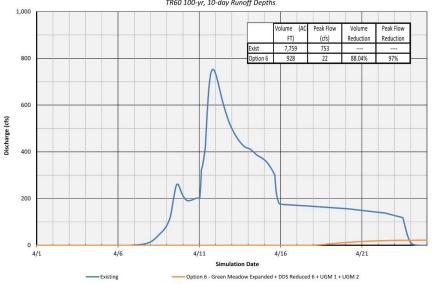
TR60 100-yr, 10-day Runoff Depths



Total Current Estimated Cost - \$25.5M

Downstream of DDS Site

Red River Basin Standardized Melt Progression TR60 100-yr, 10-day Runoff Depths



WRWD Green Meadow - Status

- CP No. 1 and 2 USACE Approved
- CP No. 3 On Hold Pending Additional Field Studies
- Conceptual Designs (5% or less) <\$40K
- No On-site Geotechnical Reviews
- Limited Public Involvement and Landowner Coordination
- Project Team and Inter-agency Support

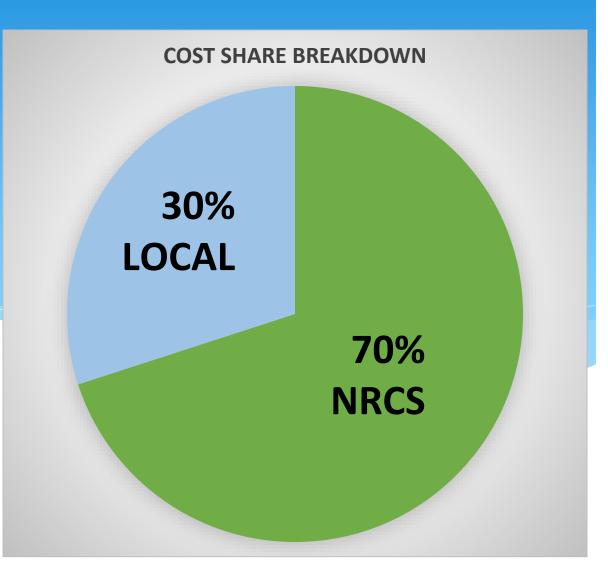
Next Steps on \$25.5M± Project – Expensive!

Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)

- 2014 Farm Bill
- Red River Retention Authority awarded \$12M
- RRRA approved 20 Watershed Planning Efforts
 - 14 Minnesota, 6 North Dakota
- WRWD
 - Green Meadow, South Branch, Moccasin Creek

Why RCPP?

- Cost Share (70% Federal)
- Public Involvement
- Additional Detailed Design
- Field Surveys
- Geotechnical Review
- Environmental Reviews
- Possible Future Funding (Federal)
- Others



RCPP Planning Process

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GREEN MEADOW SUB-WATERSHED

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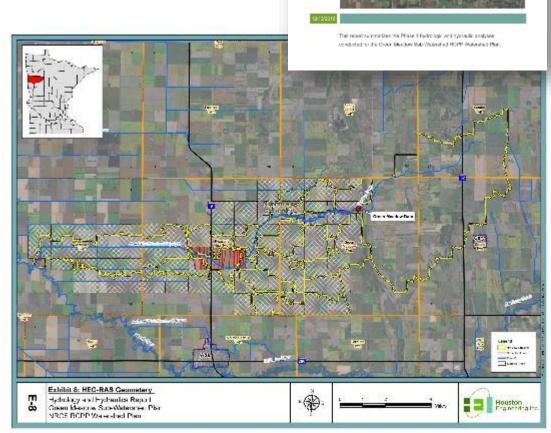
NRCS RCPP WATERSHED PLAN

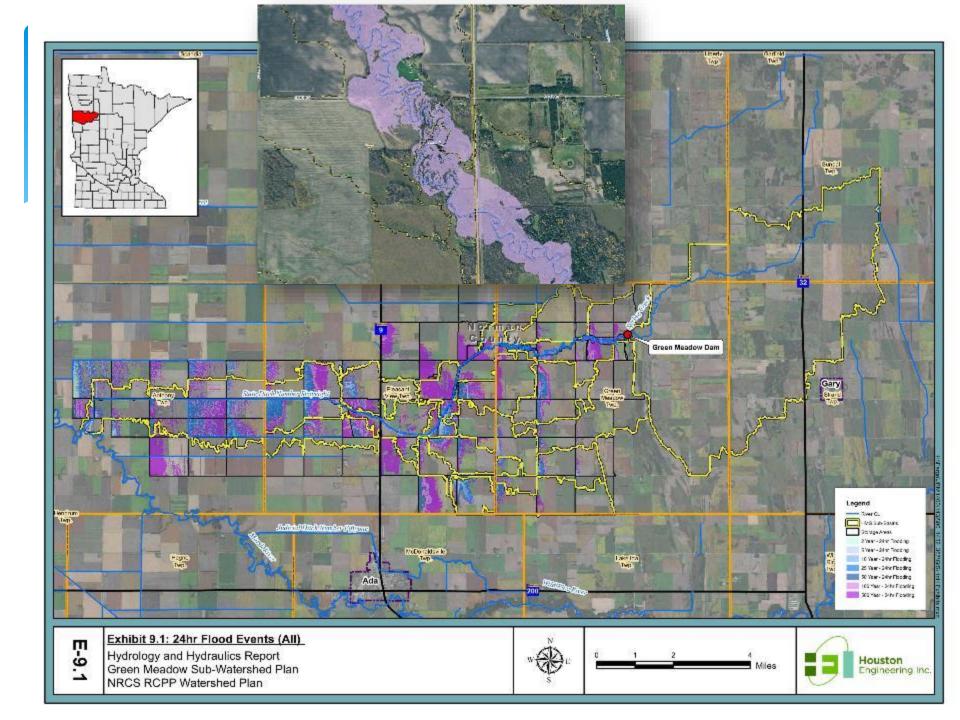
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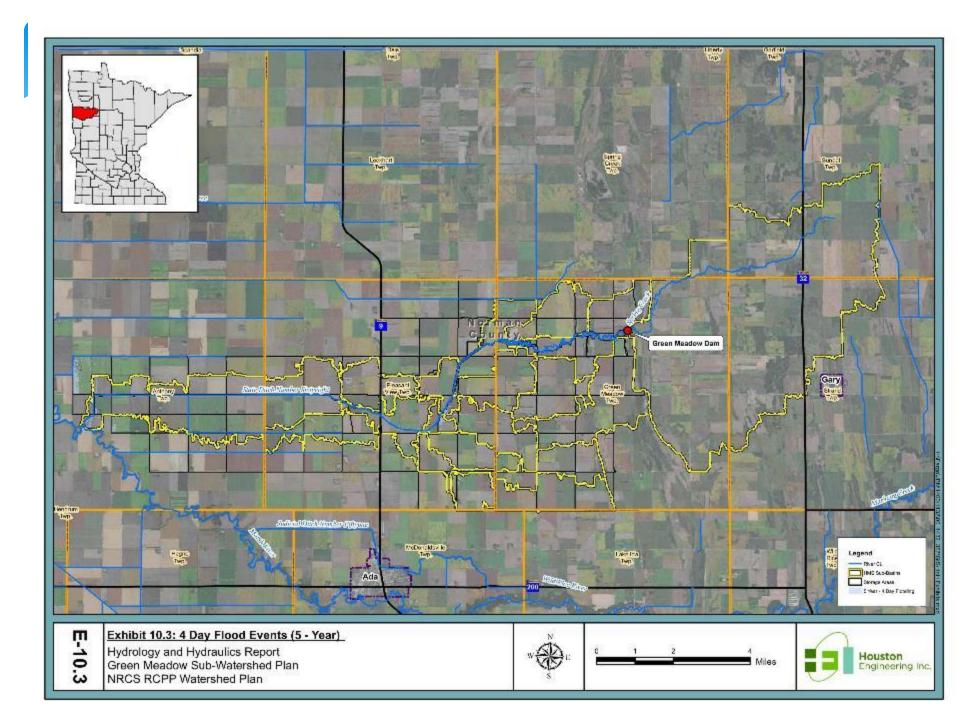
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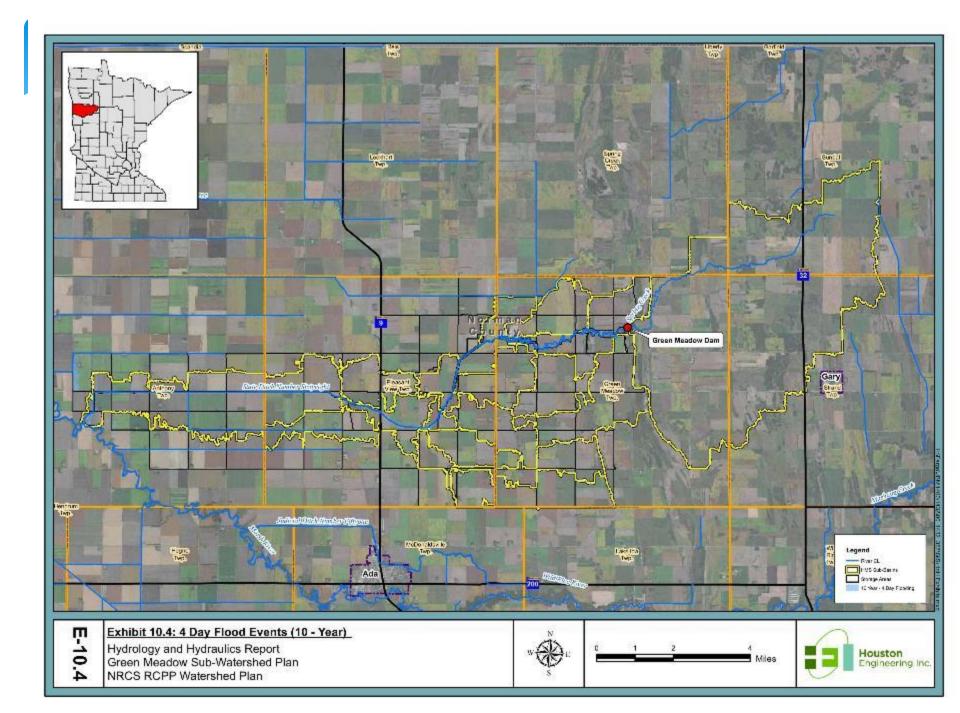
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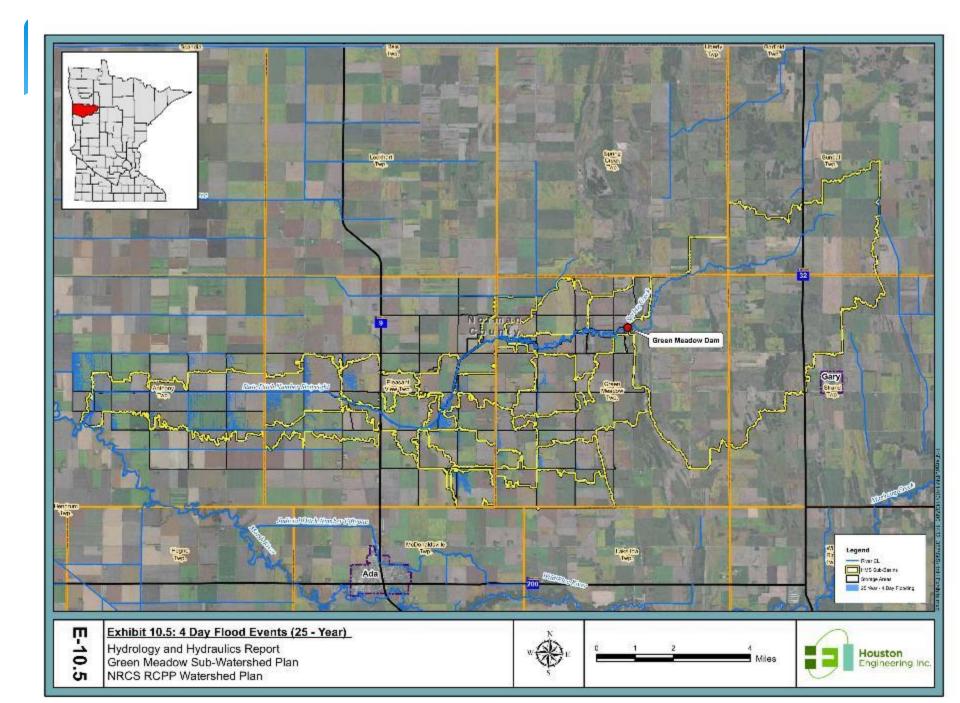
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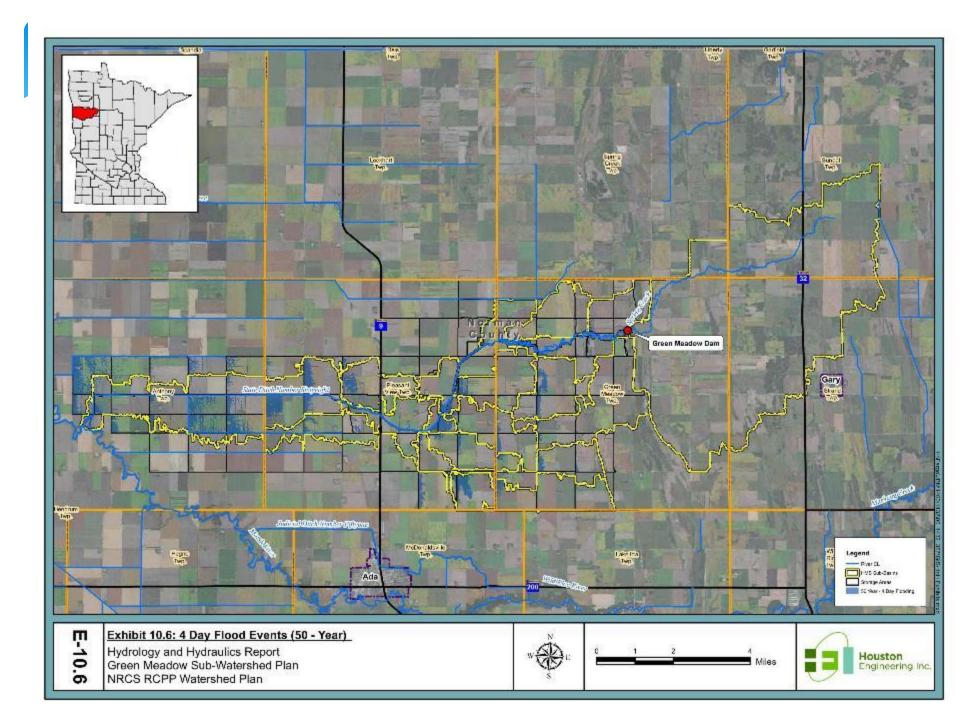


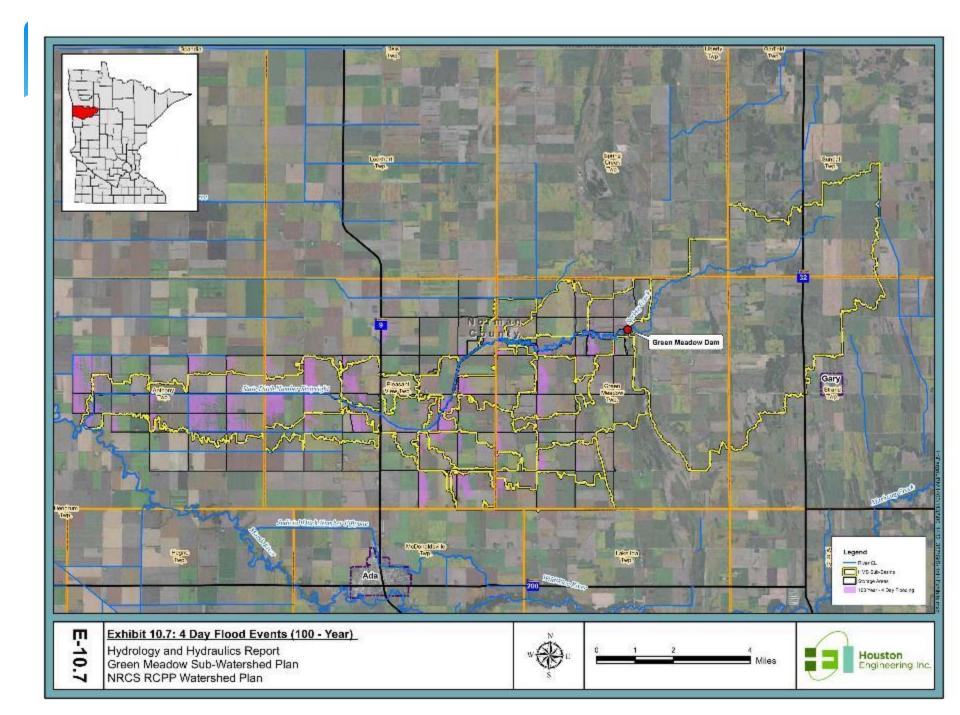


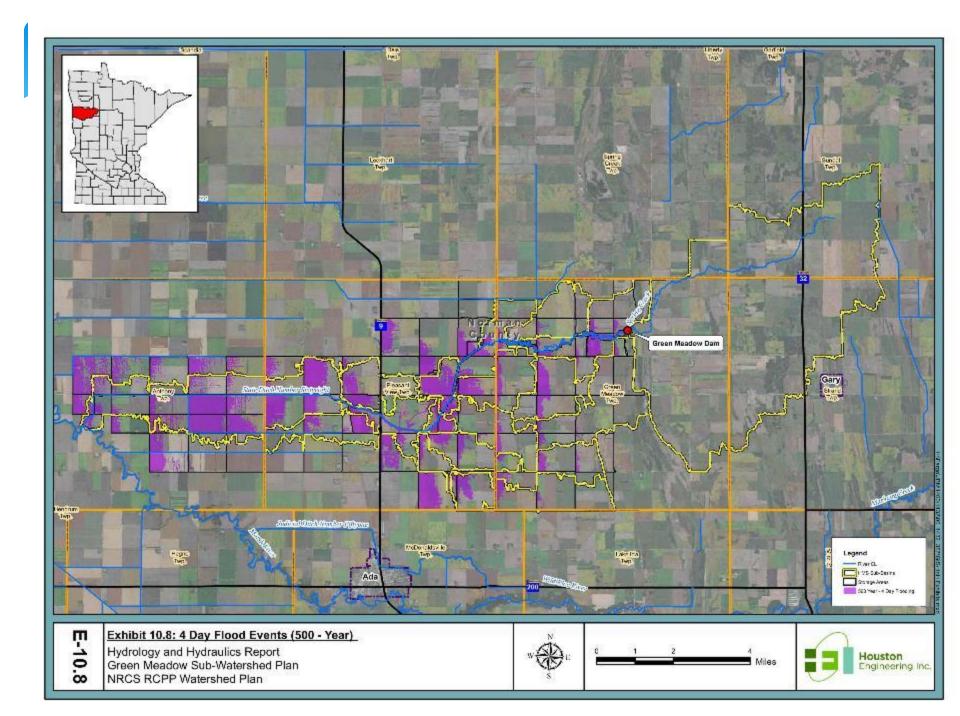


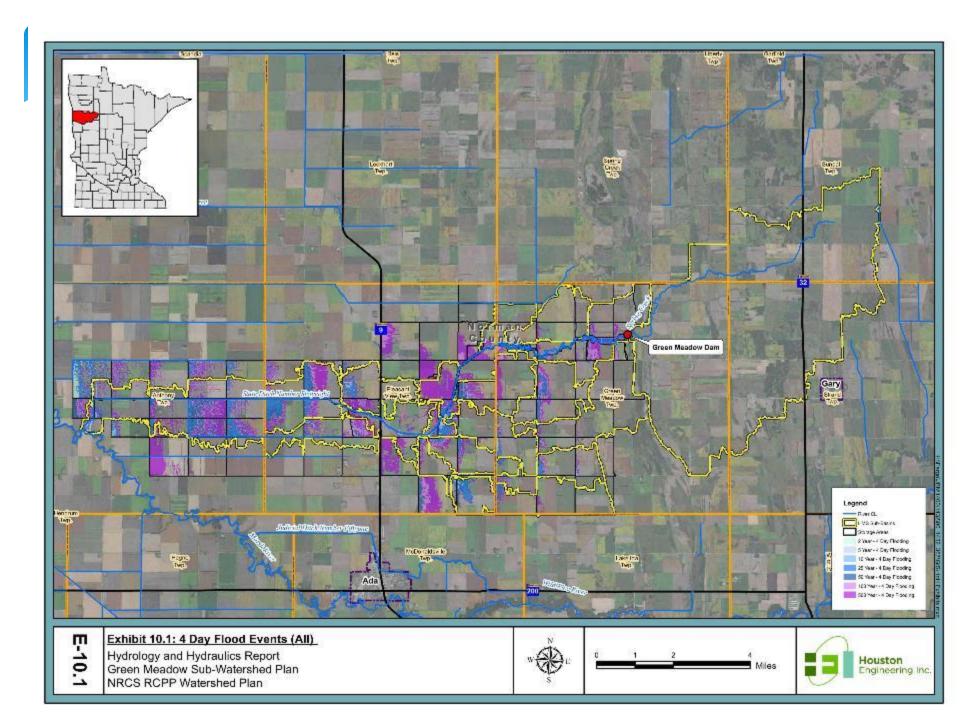














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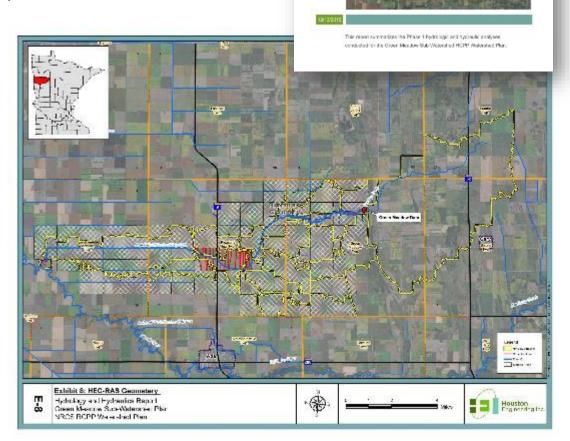
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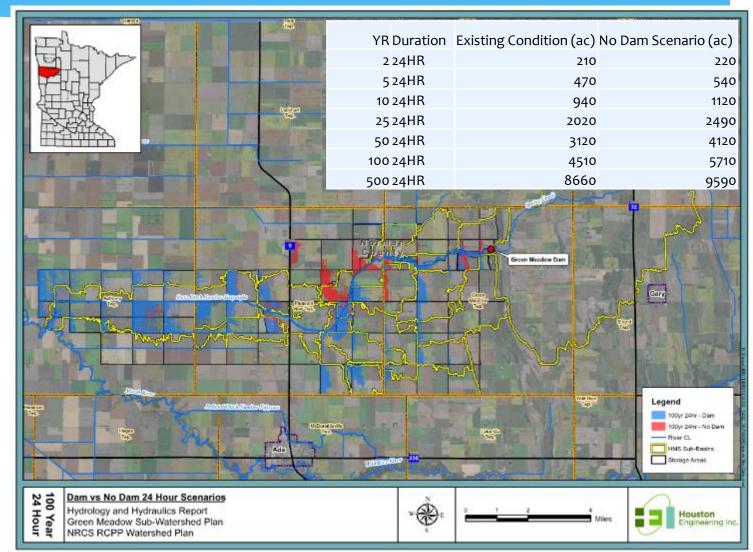
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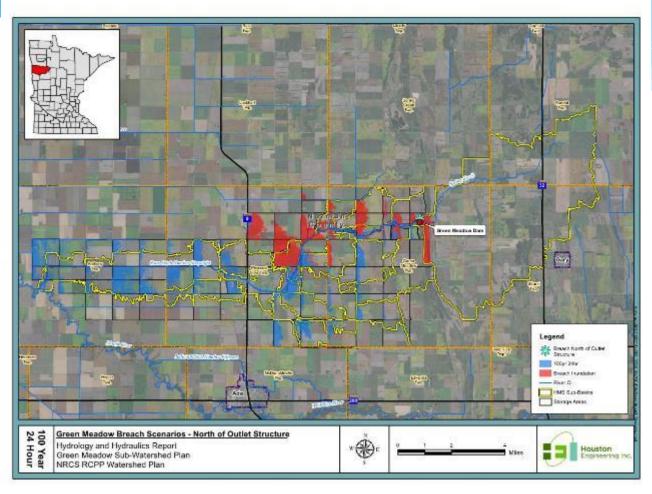
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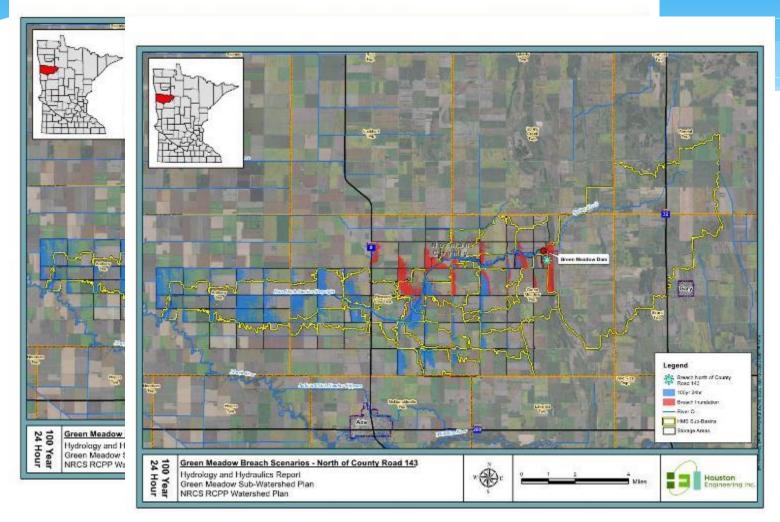
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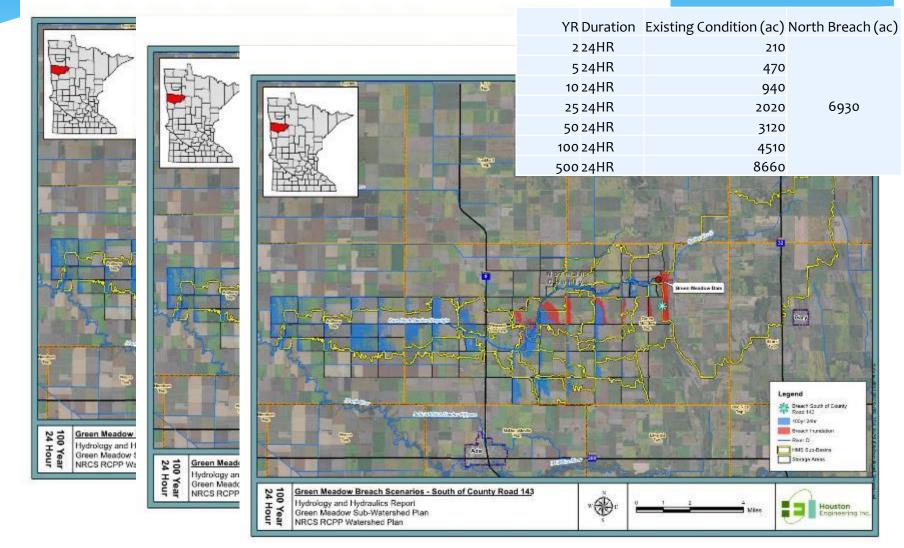
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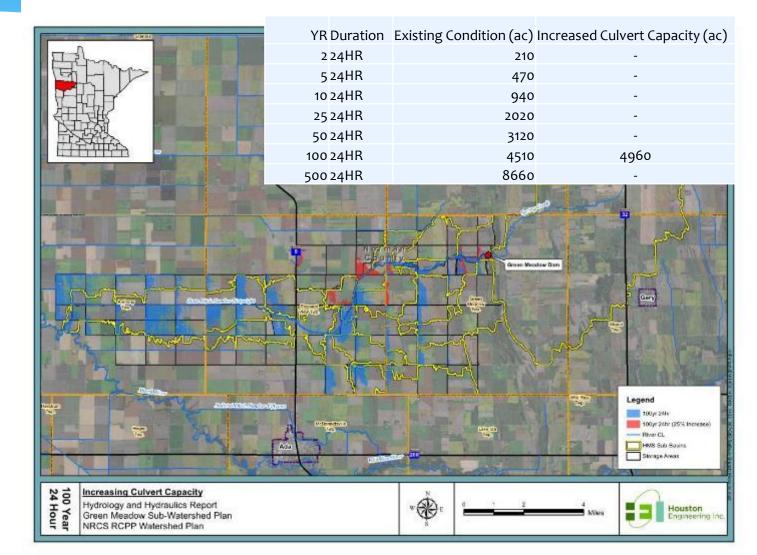
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Model Results – Other Scenarios – Increase Drainage Upstream



Purpose and Need - RCPP

- Draft Purpose/Need 1-25-2017
 - * FDR
 - Primary local flooding
 - * Secondary RRBC Basinwide
 - * NRE
 - Degraded streams
 - Degraded wetlands
 - Flashiness of streams (altered hydrology)
- Revised Purpose/Need Considerations Need Public Input
 - * 10yr Maybe 25yr level of ag protection?
 - * Look at upstream issues/modeling?
 - * Roadway infrastructure protection?
 - * Improved Dam Safety (basically making sure that the Dam meets current design standards)?
 - Others? Entire Watershed Study Area Need Public Input

Questions/Comments/ Form Completion

Public Input

Public Scoping Meeting Comment Form Green Meadow Sub-Watershed NRCS Watershed Plan February 28, 2018

Background

The Wild Rice Watershed District (WRWD) secured funding through the Red River Retention Authority for Watershed Planning under the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP), administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS). The RCPP funding was made available for watershed planning in the Green Meadow Sub-Watershed and it is required to follow Public Law 83-566 requirements.

The Watershed Planning must also comply with the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) requirements. Tasks required for the NRCS Watershed Plan are described in the Feasibility Study and Plan of Work document, and generally include: Identifying a Purpose and Need, Developing an Environmental Assessment, Identifying the Affected Environment (resource problems), Developing Alternatives, Identifying Environmental Consequences of the alternatives, determining a Preferred Alternative, and creating an overall Watershed Plan. Public participation will be a vital component throughout the entire planning process, beginning with this public meeting.

Purpose of Today's Meeting

The purpose of today's meeting is to obtain input from all interested parties including federal, state, and local agencies and other interested groups or persons. Initial input will be focused on resource concerns in and adjacent to the Green Meadow Sub-Watershed. In order to gather input on resource concerns, we would request that the attached comment form be completed and provided to the WRWM.

Identified Resource Concerns:

- Flooding/Flood Damages (i.e. agricultural effects from delayed planting, prevented planting, crop flood inundation, road damages, culvert/bridge damages, breakout flows, field erosion/deposition, floodplain management, etc.)
- <u>Water Quality/Erosion and Sedimentation</u> (water quality, water resources, soil resources, field erosion/deposition, channel erosion/deposition, etc.)
- <u>Wildlife and Habitat</u> (Fish and wildlife, wetlands, endangered and threatened species, invasive species, migratory birds, forest resources, etc.)
- Other

Please fill out the following information based on your priorities for the Green Meadow Sub-Watershed. Comment forms will be accepted for all forms postmarked on or before *March 28, 2018*. Completed comment forms can be mailed to the WRWD office at:

Wild Rice Watershed District 11 East 5th Avenue Ada, MN 56510

Or via email to tara@wildricewatershed.org

Name:								
Phone Number:	-							
Address:								
-								
Affiliation:								
agency, resident, commission	er, mayor, etc)							
	iate ranking for each concern listed					f each	ranking. Concer	
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Additional Comments:								

Public Input

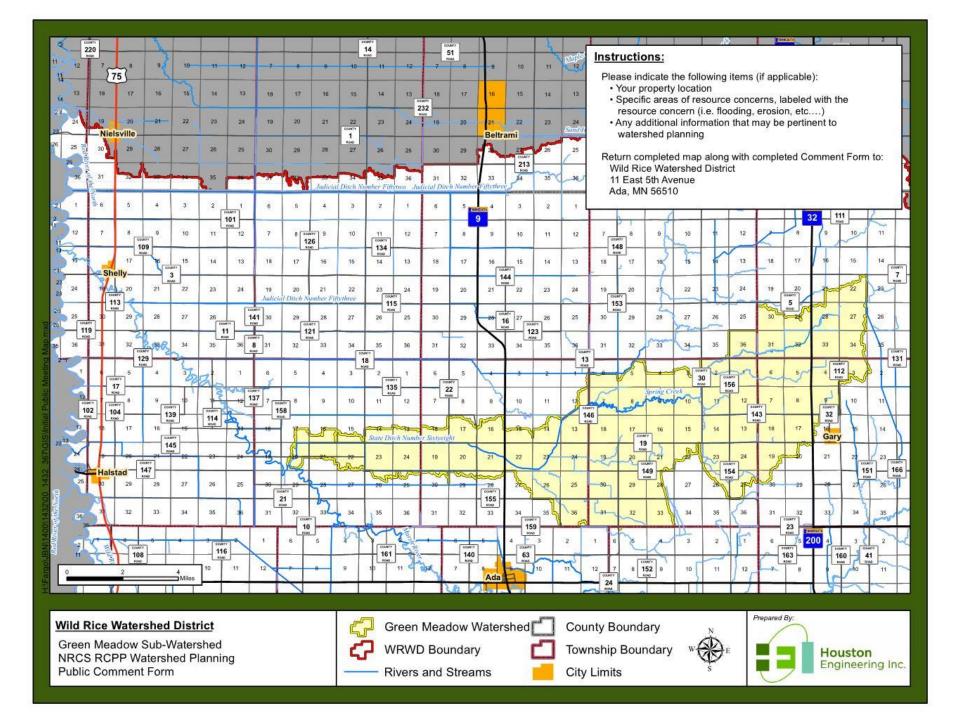
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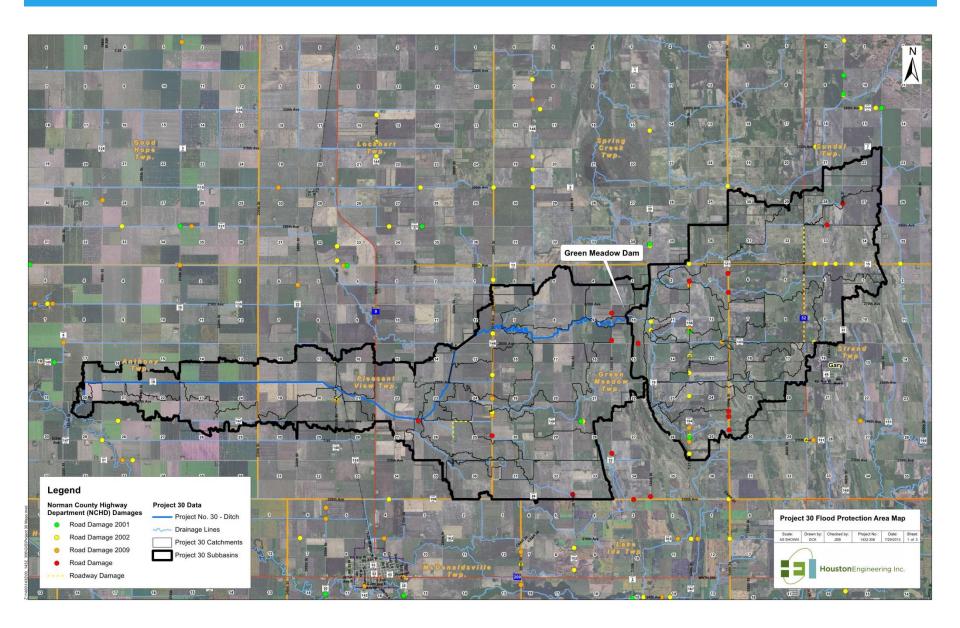
Circle the most appropriate ranking for each concern listed below. Refer to the KEY for definitions of each ranking. Concerns where the degree of concern is not indicated will be considered a zero value (No Concern or Not Relevant).

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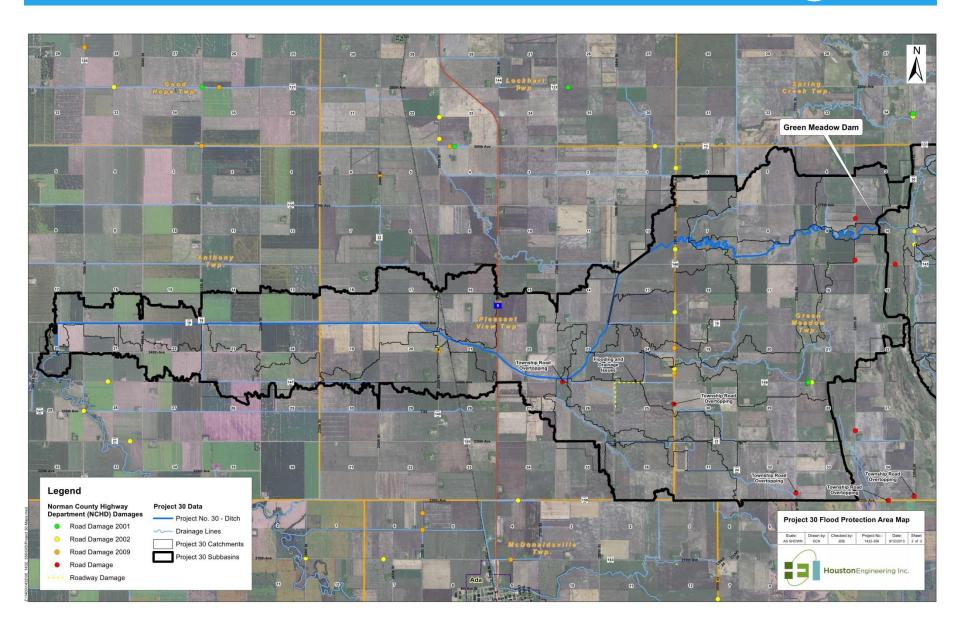
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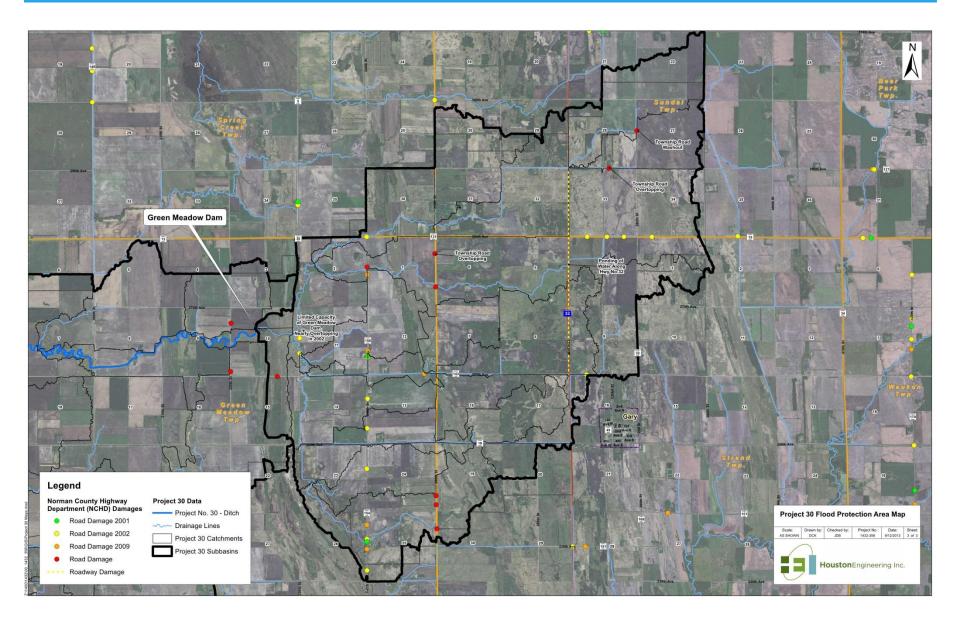
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Next Steps

- * Review Outcomes from today with WRWD Board
 - * Continue or Stop?
- Project Team Meeting
 - * Update membership
- * Revised Review Point No. 2 Purpose/Need
- Revised Alternatives Consideration / Development
- Public Input
- * Select Preferred Alternative
- * Permitting/Request Funding/Final Design/Construction.....

Questions