Non-Point Source Pollution Assessment and Management **NPS Pollution Stakeholder** Meeting September 27, 2017



GBM^c Experience in Watershed Assessment, Management and NPS Reductions

- Written five Watershed Management Plans (WMP) in Arkansas
- Written one Wetland Management Plan in Arkansas (using watershed approach)
- Been principle investigator in seven additional watershed studies in Arkansas, Oklahoma and Missouri.
- Designed and oversaw construction of multiple NPS treatment features

Primary Non-Point Source (NPS) Classifications

Agricultural

- Pasture/hay
- Animal feed lots
- Row crops
- Urban/developed areas
 - Residential
 - Commercial
 - Industrial

All transported in storm water run-off

Common Agricultural NPS's

Nutrients, Manure sediment. Agrochemicals pesticides, herbicides, heavy Land erosion metals, bacteria, pharmaceuticals Over grazing Lack of soil BMPs on row crop land Riparian destruction and stream bank erosion

Major Gully Erosion



Over 100 tons of soil



Stream Bank Erosion (riparian buffer?)

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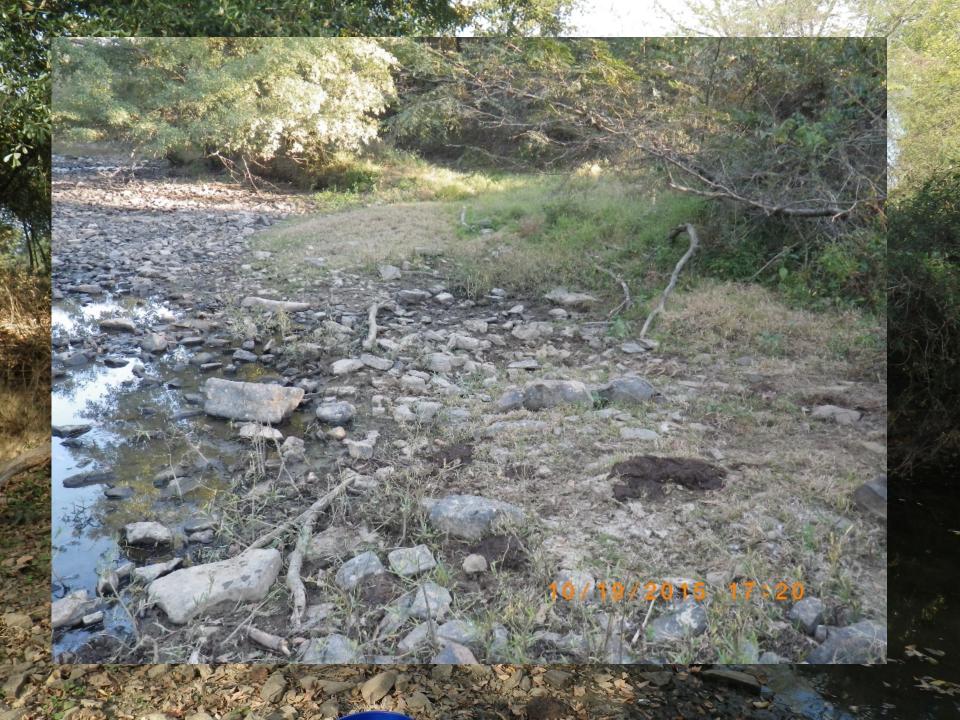


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Common Urban NPS's

Impervious surfaces

- Pavement (roads, parking lots)
- Roof tops
- Typical city storm water systems
 - Curb and gutter
- Turf grass
- Construction sites

Oil residue, gasoline, exhaust residue, bird droppings, chemicals from shingles, and roof sealants, lawn chemicals and fertilizer, pet waste, soils from erosion, trash, garbage, leaves, grass clippings.....

BOD, hydrocarbons, heavy metals, sediment, nutrients, pesticides/herbicides, bacteria.....

Recycling/Waste Transfer Stations







Watershed Management Planning

Assessment

- Data Analysis and Area Ranking
- Management Plan Development
- Implementation
- Adaptive Management

All Stakeholder Guided

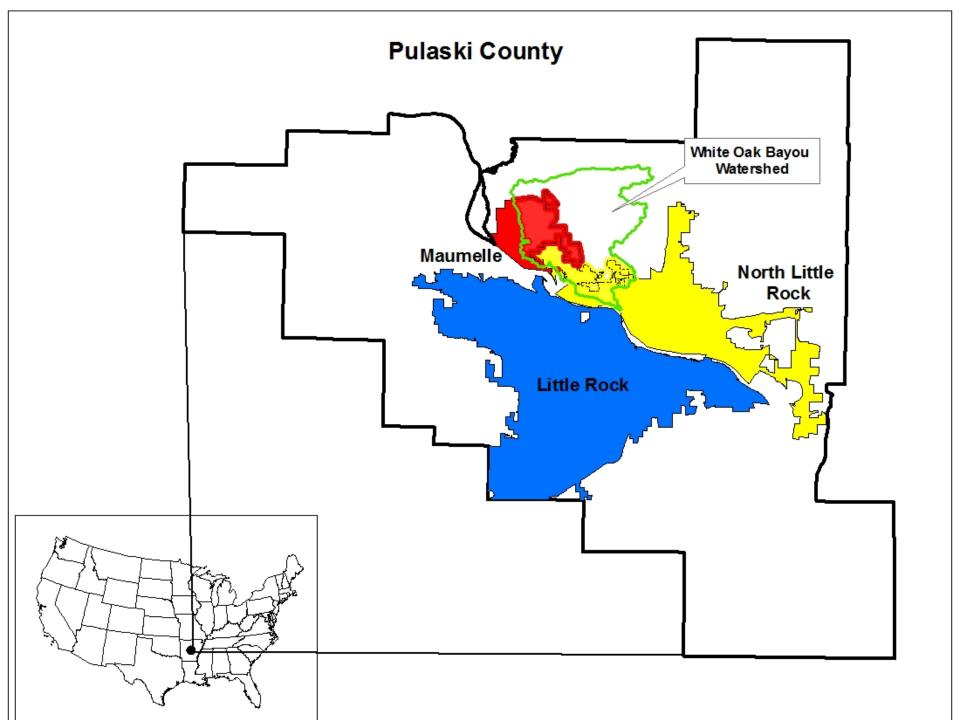
Keys to effective NPS identification and reduction

- Boots on the ground
- Storm water run-off sampling
- Watershed inspection during run-off events
- Stakeholder input
- Stakeholder buy-in

White Oak Bayou Management A watershed approach to wetlands management







White Oak Bayou Stakeholders

- City of Maumelle
- Citizens of the Steering Committee
- US EPA Region 6
- USACE Little Rock District
- Arkansas Natural Resources Commission
- Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality
- University of Central Arkansas (UCA)
- Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission
- City of North Little Rock and Pulaski County

http://www.whiteoakbayou.com/

Management Plan Tasks Engage Stakeholders Identify, Classify and Prioritize Wetlands Protect and Manage Wetlands Physical protection (easements/deed restrictions) Smart growth planning NPS Management! Storm water quality controls Educate Public **Disseminate information**







Technical Advisory Committee

focused on science/technical issues

Steering Committee

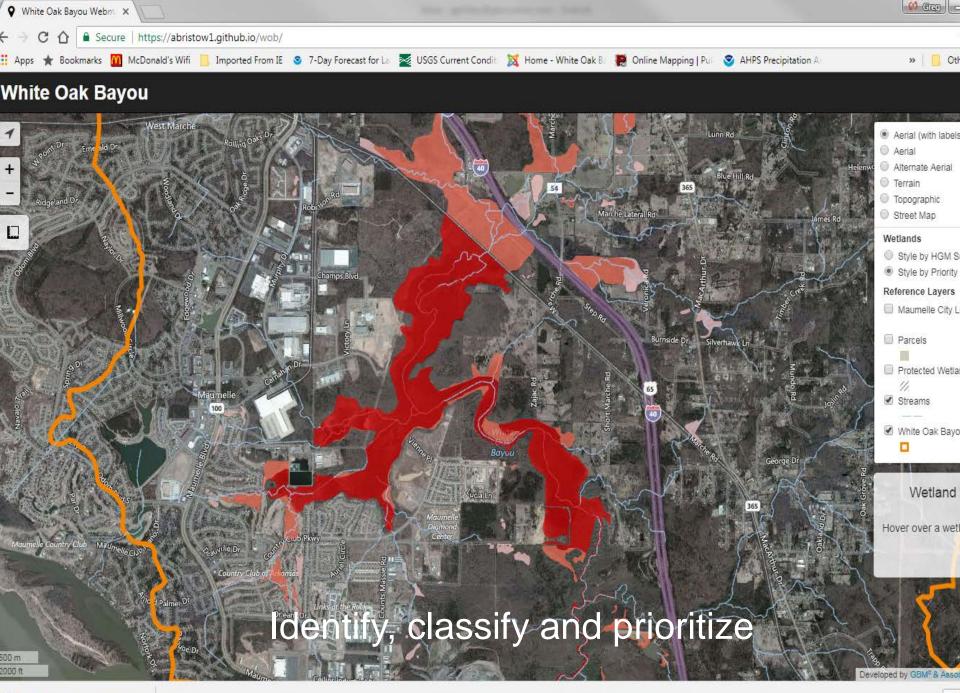
- developed Mission Statement
- focused on social and economic issues
- formulated and steer goals and objectives





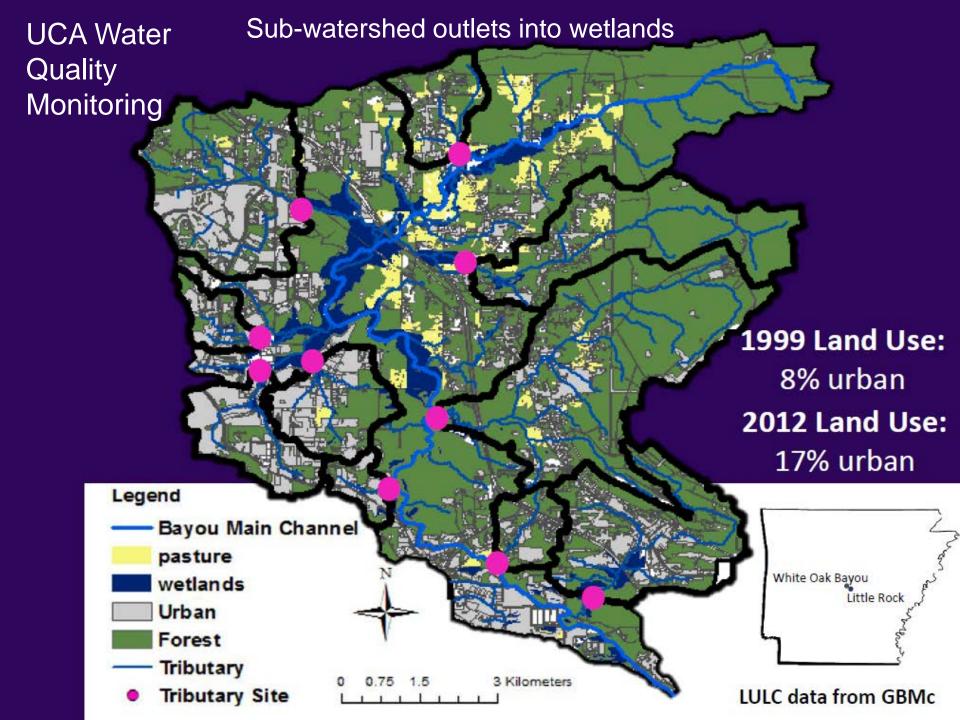






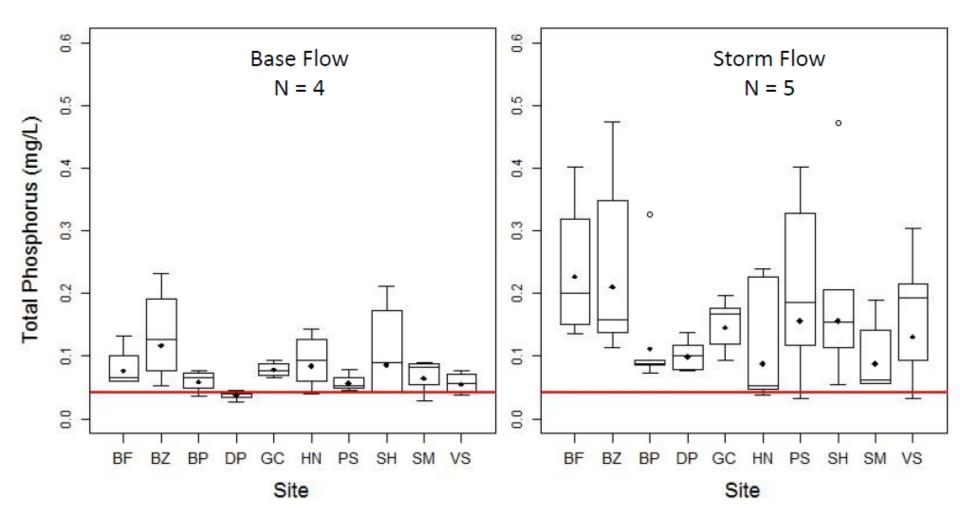
Water Quality Management

- Monitoring water quality
- Identify key sub-watersheds and NPS's
- Manage storm water run-off from urban/suburban and rural areas
 - Ordinances
 - Storm water treatment features
 - Education



Total Phosphorus compared to the ARV

TP reference = 0.0425mg/L



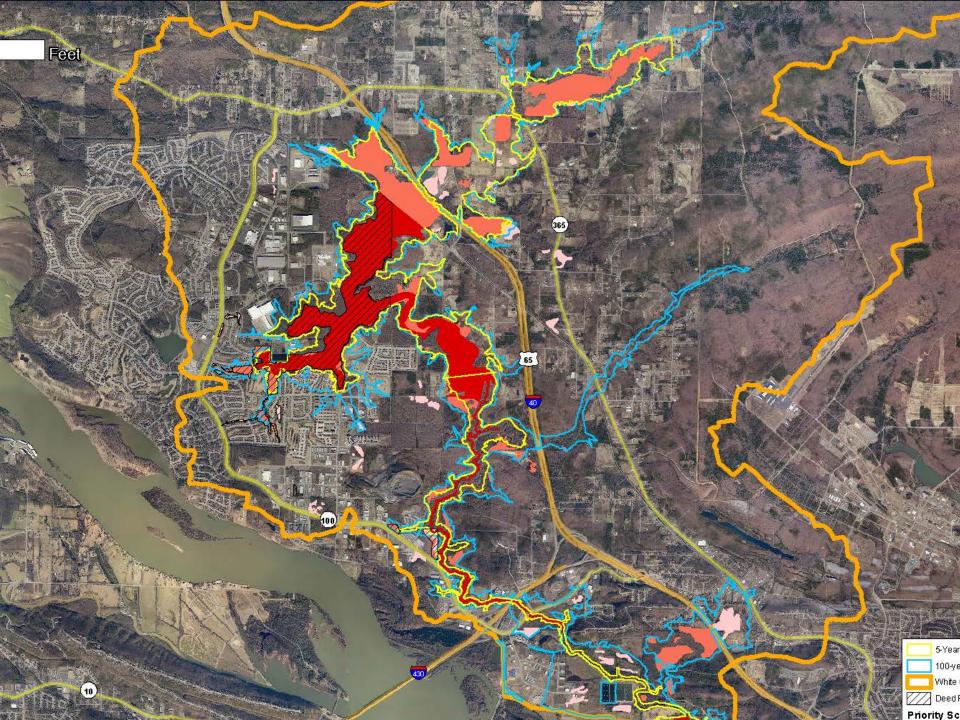
Existing City Ordinances

- Storm Water Drainage
 - Post Development Detention
- Storm Water Pollution Prevention and Erosion Control
 - Construction Storm Water Control
 - Storm Water Treatment (Post development)
- Riparian Buffer??
 - No ordinance, but......
 - Incentives as Part of Wetland Mitigation

Detention



Main purpose usually to control the peak flow hydrograph.



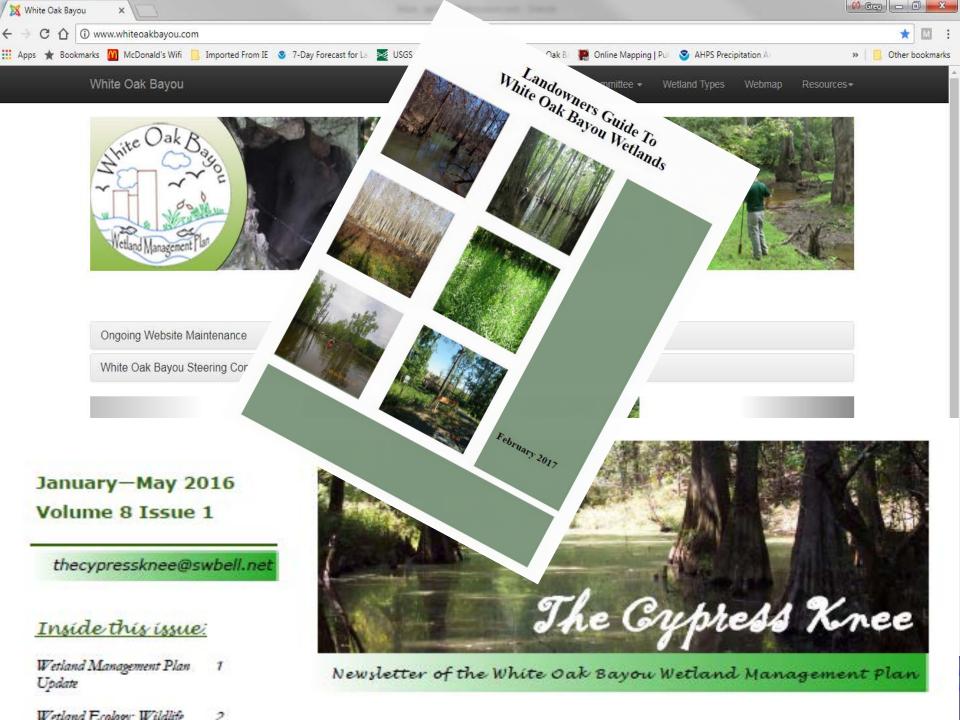
Vegetated Swales

Mostly WQ benefits and improved shallow GW recharge. 07/17/2015 09:29

Education, Education.....

Partner with Schools
Trails Program
Booths at local events
Public forums
Wetland Hikes
Bayou Floats
The Cypress Knee

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The Public are our Stakeholders

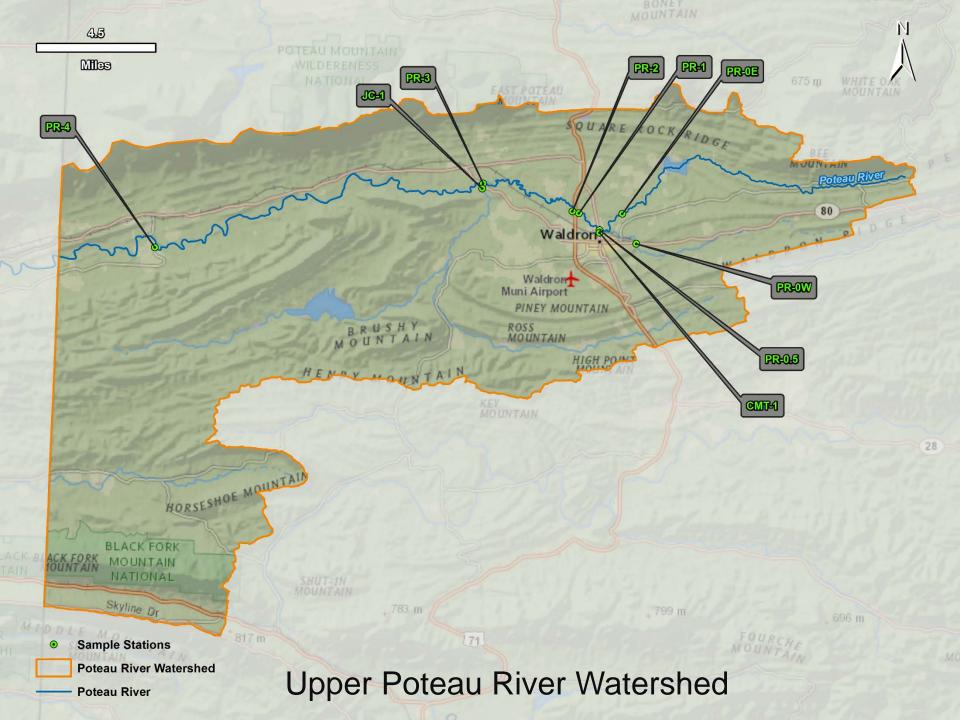
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Sponsored float in 2015

Poteau River Watershed Assessment

Stakeholders City of Waldron Tyson Poultry → ANRC EPA Region 6 Local Farmers/Landowners

Funded by a 319 Grant from ANRC and EPA



Main Project Tasks

- Water Quality Data Collection (baseflow and storm flow)
- Flow Gauging (to provide load calculation)
- Unified Stream Assessment
 Historical Data Analysis

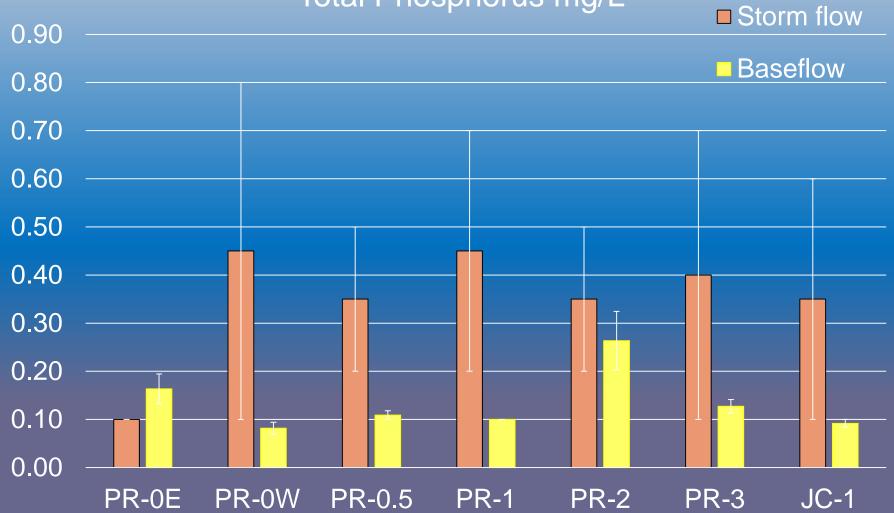


Storm Water Flow on the Poteau River

Same Day!

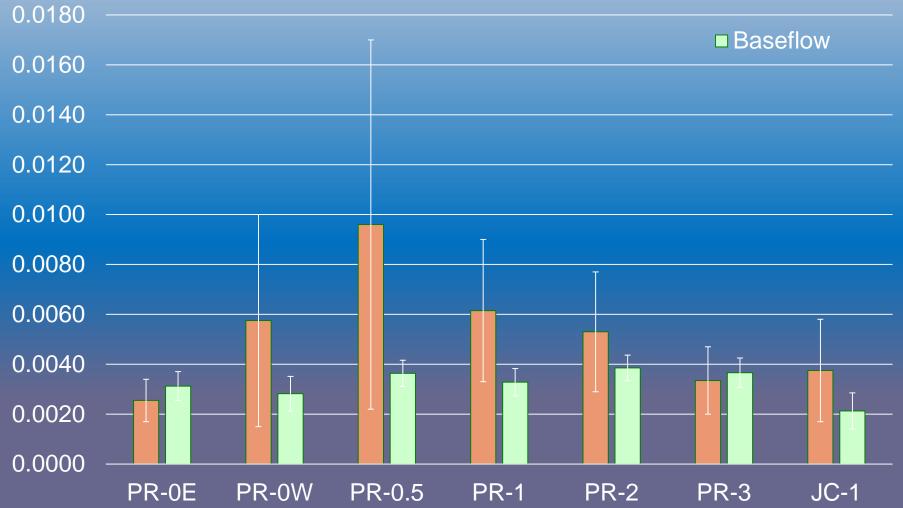
Storm water in road side ditches in Waldron

Total Phosphorus mg/L



Copper mg/L

■ Storm Flow



Questions?

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