Best Management Practices for Streambank Protection

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Goals and Objectives

- Demonstrate best management practices in urban areas
- Collect physical, chemical, and hydrological data on the site
- Collect geomorphologic data to characterize the current rate of stream bank erosion
- Collect geomorphologic data to design restoration project
- Reduce bank erosion, increase channel stability and decrease long-term sediment loading to the system
- Conduct educational workshops for regional planners



Completed to Date

- Land-use inventory
- GIS mapping
- BEHI and NBS (over 400 sites)
- Geomorphic survey
- Restoration design and re-design and re-design
- Permit submittal and re-submittal and resubmittal
- Chemical and physical data collection and analysis

Land Use Analysis





Level I Land Use Description	Area (mi ²)	% of total
Urban or Built Up Land	4.18	57.4%
Agricultural Land	2.11	29.0%
Forest Land	0.36	4.9%
Water	0.08	1.1%
Barren Land	0.55	7.6%
То	tal 7.28	100.0%

Illinois River Watershed in the State of Arkansas

Blossom Way watershed in the Illinois River Watershed



Streambank Inventory

- Bank Erosion Hazard Index (BEHI)
- Near-bank Sheer Stress
- Osage Creek and tributaries within the project area
- 400 individual streambanks evaluated



Toe Pin Installation

- 9 sites
- 30 cross-sections
- 39 toe pins





Blossom Way Creek

Rogers High School

PHASE II

Rogers Greenway Trails

Geomorphic Characterization

Incised channel Eroded Bank

Head cut

Water Quality and Quantity Monitoring

- NO3-N
- NH3-N
- TN
- TP
- PO4
- TSS

- Conductivity
- Turbidity
- Temperature
- pH
- Flow



Phase II – Pre-Construction



Removing the Sod



Digging the Flood Plain





Flagged Channel



New Channel Construction



Constructed Flood Plain



Flooded



Access Road



Remaining Tasks

- Continue water quality monitoring
- Continue bank pin monitoring
- Complete stream restoration/ construction
- Educational presentations