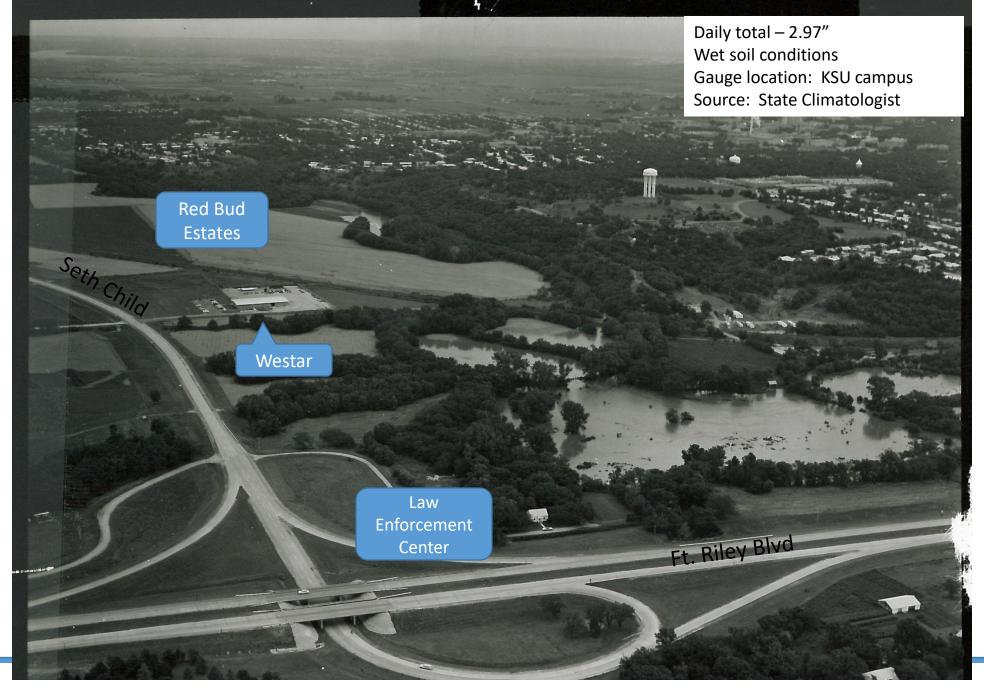
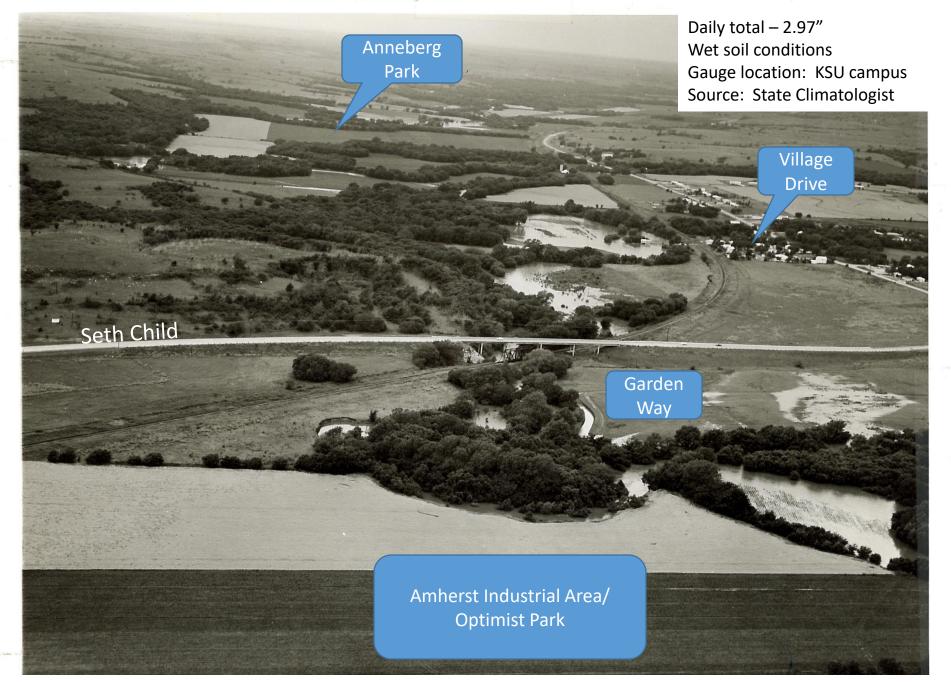
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June 28, 1965 Wildcat Creek Flood Event



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## Wildcat Creek Floodplain Management Plan

For Communities Along Wildcat Creek















#### Wildcat Creek Watershed Working Group

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### Wildcat Creek Floodplain Management Plan – Action Plan

Wildcat Creek Floodplain
Management Plan adopted in 2013
as part of the Manhattan Urban
Area Comprehensive Plan, and in
2015 with the Comprehensive Plan
update.



Action Item	City	County	Timeline
Adopt the Wildcat Creek Floodplain Management Plan (FMP)	✓ x	<b>✓</b> x	3 months
Create a City/County Development Coordination Process	<b>√</b> x	<b>✓</b> x	3 months
Amend the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan to include the FMP		<b>√</b> x	6 - 12 months
Research and, if acceptable, form a Wildcat Creek Watershed District		х	2+ years
Develop a comprehensive flood hazard mitigation plan	<b>√</b> x	х	2+ years
Adopt Future Conditions model and Flood Insurance Rate Maps	<b>√</b> x	<b>√</b> x	1 year
Research and adopt higher standard floodplain regulations	<b>√</b> x	Х	1 year
Develop a Wildcat Creek recreation plan	х	х	12 - 18 months
Develop a comprehensive public outreach plan	✓ x	Х	12 months
Research and update, where needed development policies and regulations	✓ x	<b>√</b> x	12 months
Adopt stormwater detention/retention policies	✓	х	12 - 18 months
Join the Community Rating System	✓	✓ x	12 - 18 months
Maintain and expand the existing flood warning systems	✓ x	<b>✓</b> x	On-going

### Manhattan Floodplain Regulations

Future Conditions Flood Mapping

Lowered the threshold for substantial damage & improvements

Increased the "freeboard" for new construction

Compensatory Storage Requirements

## Community Response after the 2011 Flood

Wildcat Creek Watershed Working Group was formed

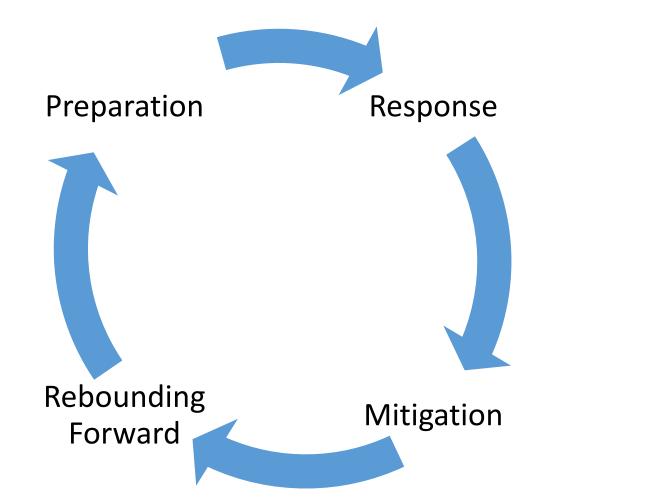


**Stream Gauges** 

NOAA Advance Hydrologic Prediction Service



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Striving to improve each phase of disaster management to reduce the impacts of the event`

# Resiliency in Disaster Management

### Resiliency planning steps

- 1. Vision & Goal Creation
- 2. Social Vulnerability Assessment = "who is being flooded"
- 3. Physical Risk Assessments = "what is being flooded"
- 4. Level of Risk Acceptances & Solutions Brainstorming
- 5. Test Solutions
- 6. Develop Action Plan & Budget
- 7. Adoption
- 8. Monitoring and Evaluation

### Understand who the flooding impacts

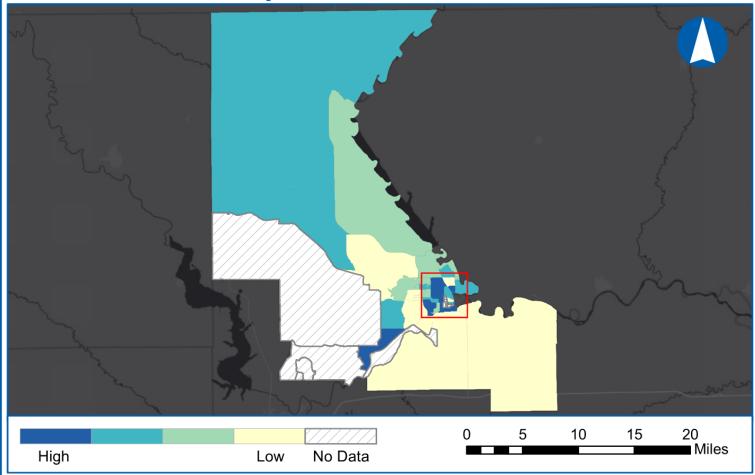
- Who lives in the floodplain
- Who has flood insurance
- What are the emergency response needs
- What are the recovery needs
- What is the best way to protect and mitigate the risk

**Customized Social Vulnerability Index 2017** 

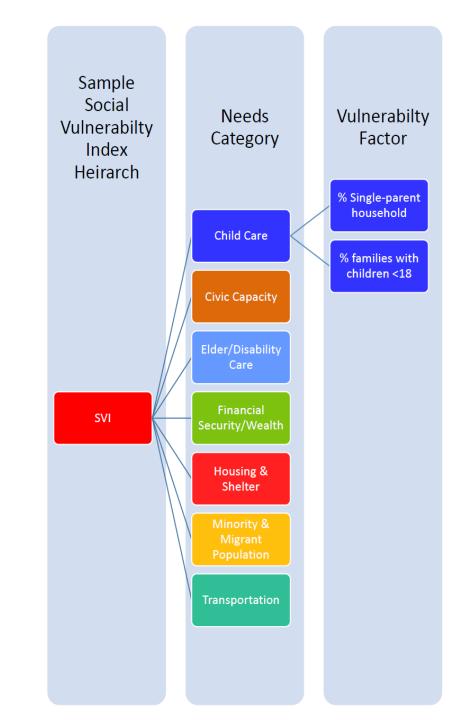
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**Overall Social Vulnerability** 



# Social Vulnerability Index



## Identify the problems & EVALUATE SOLUTIONS



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## Planning working group make-up

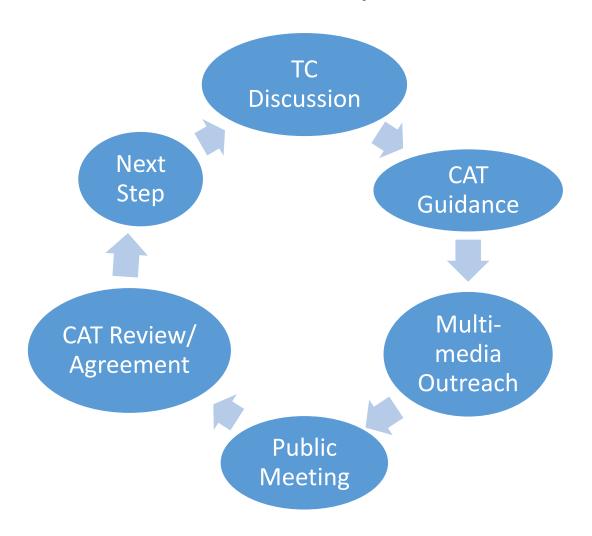
### **Citizen Advisory Team**

- Homeowners 2
- Business owner 1
- Rental property owners -2-3
- Rental tenants 2-3
- Farmer 1
- City Commissioners
- County Commissioners

### **Technical Committee**

- City & County staff
- Emergency response personnel
- MPO/ATA
- State & Federal partners
- Kansas State University partners
- Area design professionals
- Social service partners

## Planning and Outreach process



### MUST CONTINUE TO MITIGATE & PREPARE

- FLOODPLAIN REGULATIONS
- PURCHASING SEVERE FLOODPRONE PROPERTIES
- IMPROVE PREPARATION
- IMPROVE WARNING AND RESPONSE TO EMERGENCIES

### Summary

Comprehensive planning process to better understand the flooding problem and developing sound solutions to help residents, business owner and property owners "bounce forward" after a flood.

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