Cottonwood Creek and Vine Creek Stormwater

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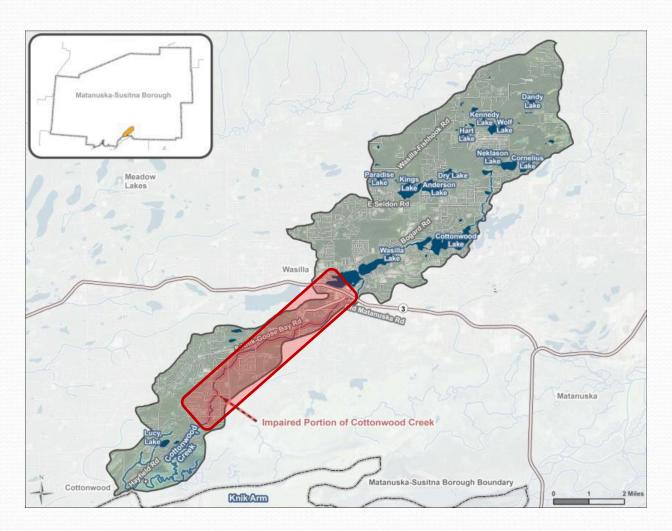


- 13 miles of stream
- Groundwater fed
- Flows through several lakes
- Wetland areas
- Supports coho & sockeye salmon; other native fish, & waterfowl
- More densely developed area of greater Wasilla
- Recreation uses
- Receiving water stormwater discharge



Cottonwood Creek Bacteria





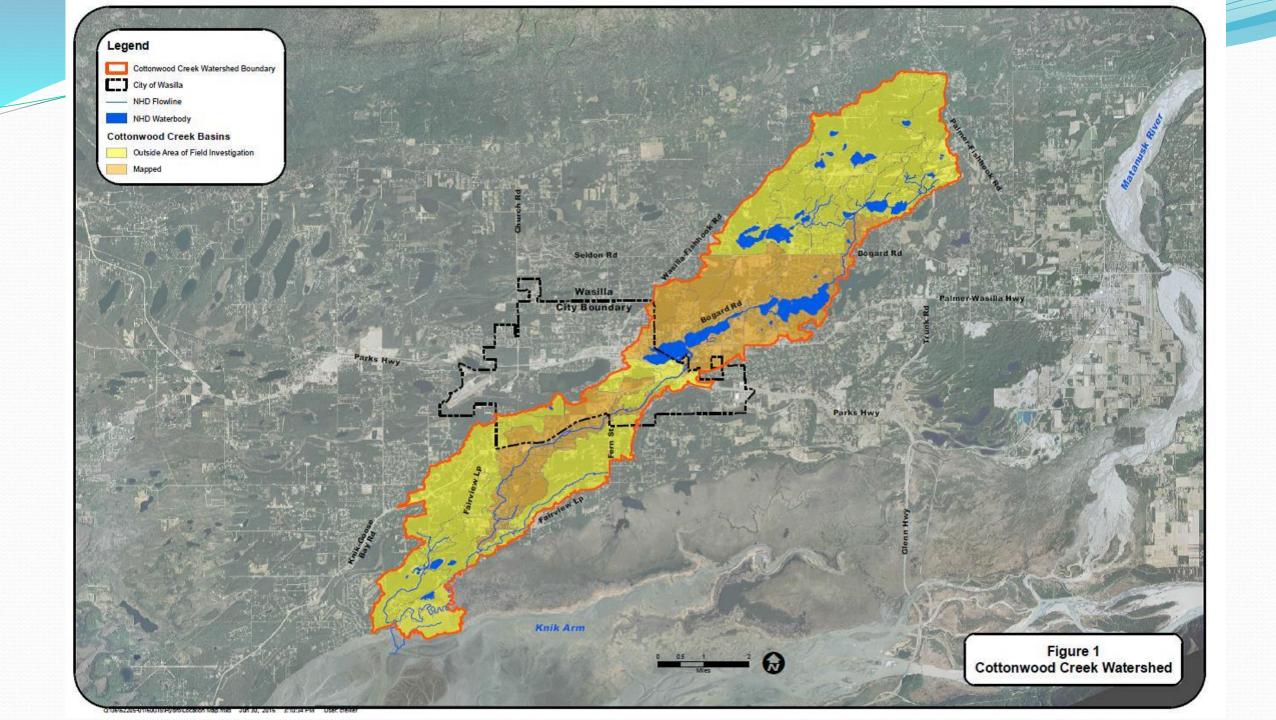
- Water quality monitoring
- Listed impaired 2010 (7 miles)
- Fecal coliform bacteria
- Microbial source tracking bacteria speciation through DNA markers
- Horse, waterfowl, dogs, human
- Bacteria increased during times of stormwater runoff.



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- Stormwater quality sampling in 2011-2012.
- Increased levels typical urban pollutants of sediment, specific conductivity, copper, lead and zinc during periods of stormwater runoff.

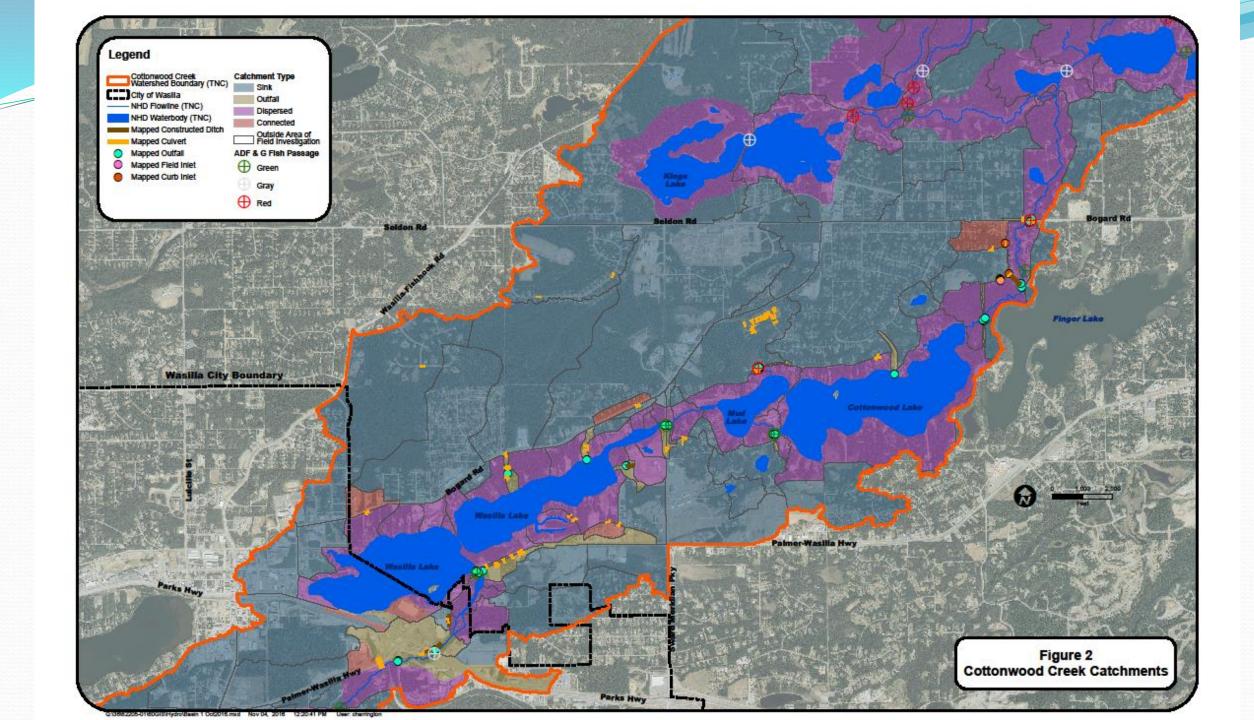


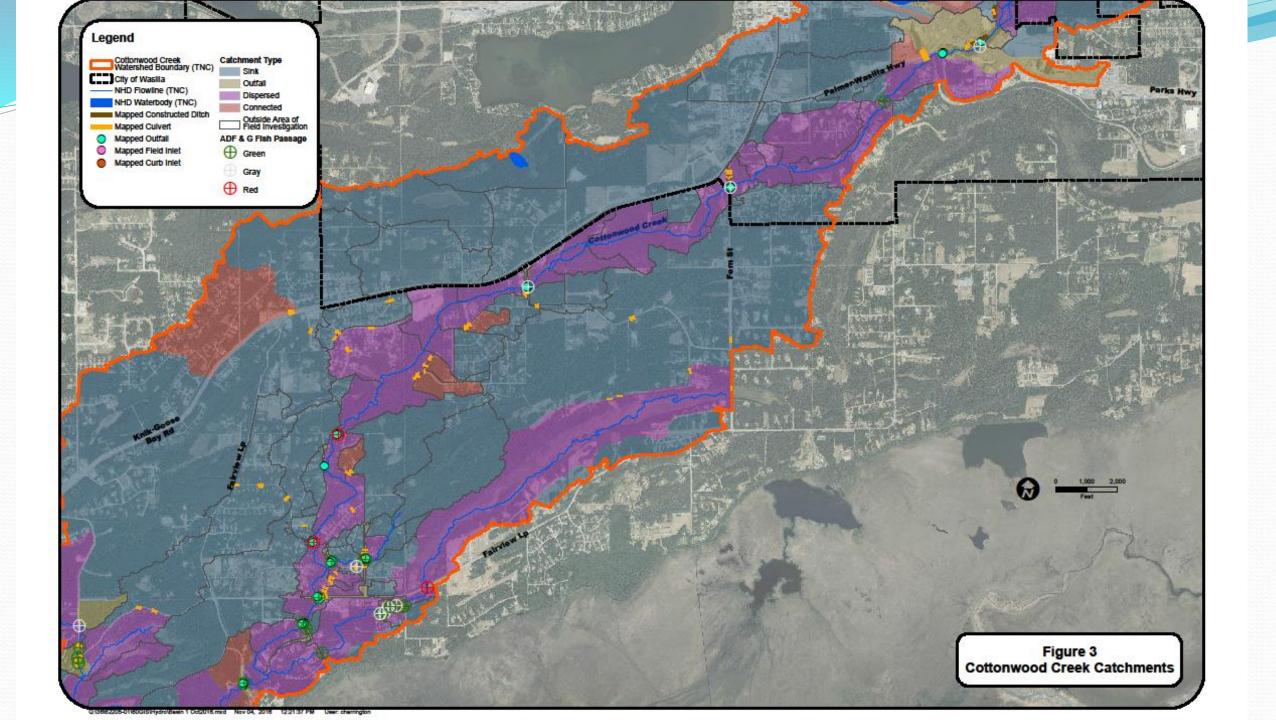


Stormwater Analysis Scope

- Use GIS data and field investigations to develop mapping of stormwater discharge areas along creek – used 2011 LiDAR, NHDPlus, impervious surface area data
- Develop Map of the stormwater system including sub-basins, creek inflow points, stormwater structures (catch basins, culverts, etc.)

- Look for evidence of potential fecal coliform inflow
- Estimate flow volumes at inflow points
- Identify inadequate storm drain collection and treatment systems

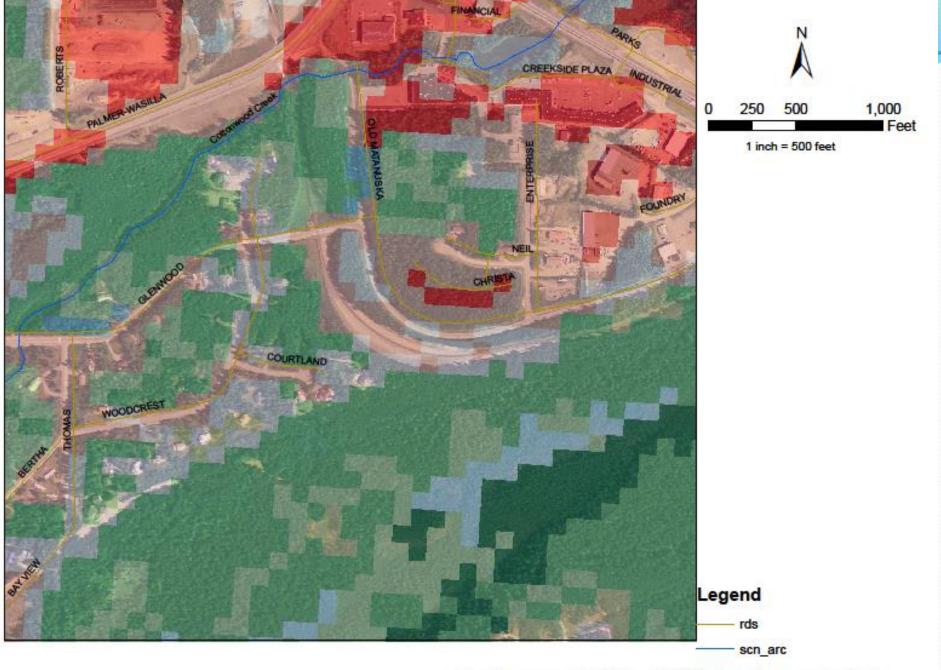




Photos







Cottonwood Ck - 2011 land cover data

Vine Creek Background

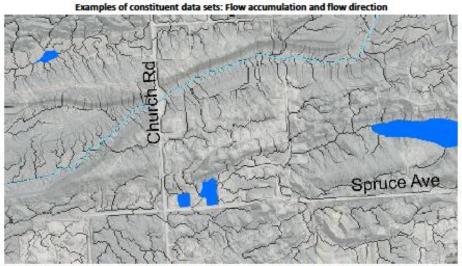
- Not an officially recognized waterbody, however, provides a natural drainage for a large area north and west of Wasilla from Memory Lake to Lucille Creek near Vine Road
- No fish present, not a water of the U.S.
- Past issues with flooding and development within the drainage way have led to operational and capital costs

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Vine Creek Drainage/Hydro Analysis Examples



<u>Flow Accumulation</u>: Each 5-meter grid cell is populated with the total area (in square meters) which drains into that cell. Cells with high drainage areas tend to be drainage channels (in black, above).



Flow Direction: Each 5-meter grid cell is populated with the cardinal direction surface water will flow out of that cell.

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