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Wingra West Watershed Study Public Information Meeting No. 2

by City of Madison Engineering Division
July 23, 2020

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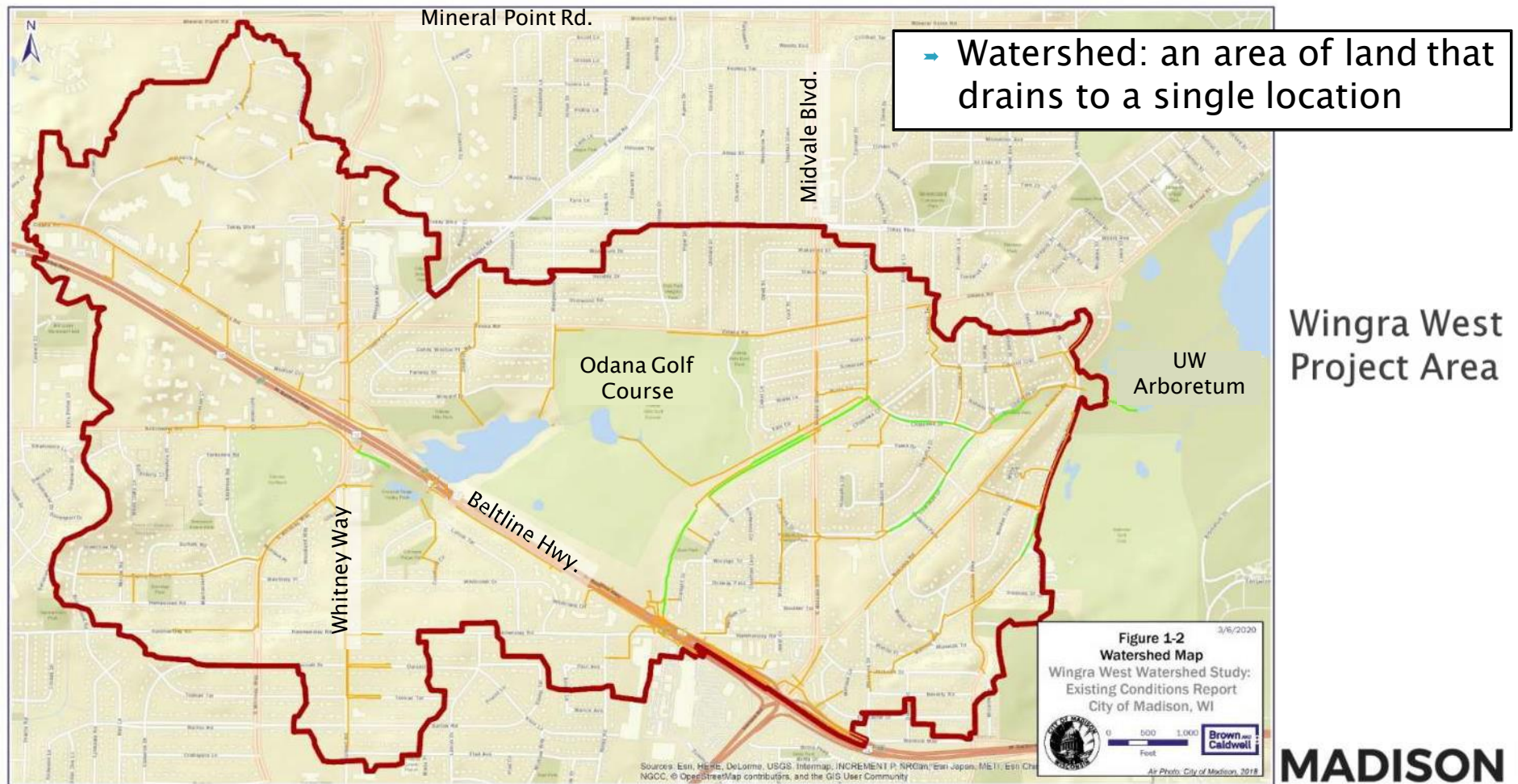
Evening Overview

- ➔ Welcome (Hannah Mohelnitzky, City of Madison)
- ➔ Presentation (Mike Wegner, Brown and Caldwell)
- ➔ Q&A (facilitated by Hannah Mohelnitzky, City of Madison)
 - Submit questions through Zoom Q&A
 - To find the Zoom Q&A Box, hover over the edge of your screen. A toolbar will appear and you can click on “Q&A”
 - Questions answered at the end of the Presentation
- ➔ Wrap Up (Hannah Mohelnitzky, City of Madison)
- ➔ Breakout to Focus Groups (City of Madison and Brown and Caldwell staff)
 - A link for the Focus Groups will be posted in the Zoom Group Chat box.

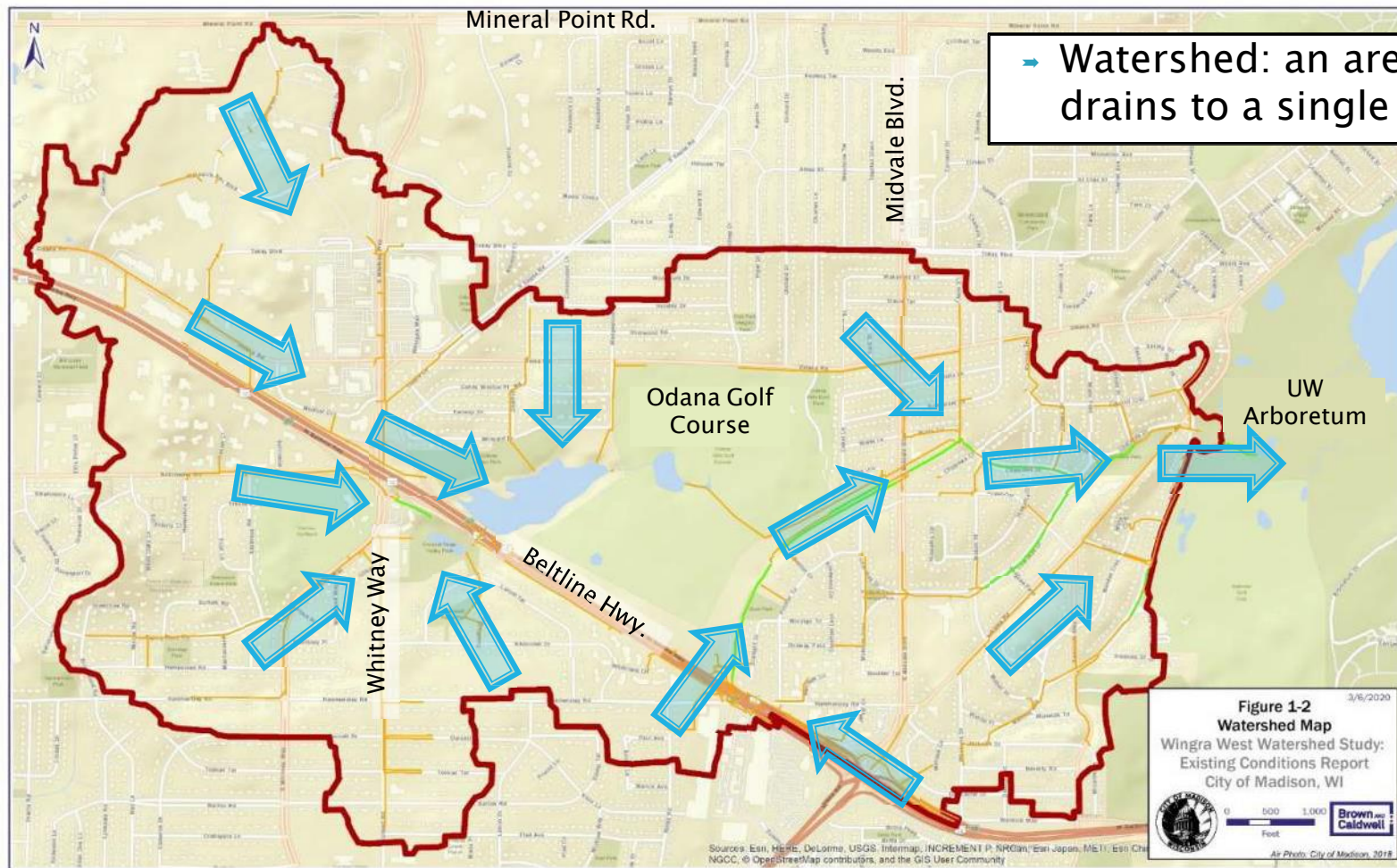
Presentation Overview

- Definitions of Terms
- Outreach to Date
- Project location
- Building the Stormwater Model
- Results of Existing Conditions Model
- Next steps
- Challenges to Implementation
- Break Out to Small Groups (Focus Groups)

Definitions: Watershed



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→ Watershed: an area of land that drains to a single location

Wingra West
Project Area

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Definitions: Stormwater Runoff

- Stormwater runoff: rainwater that does not soak into the ground
... Too much, too fast causes flooding



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Definitions: Stormwater Inlet

- Stormwater inlets: grates in the ground that take in stormwater runoff; connected to underground pipes



. . . many shapes and sizes

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Definitions: Detention Ponds

- Detention ponds: constructed ponds designed to hold stormwater runoff to improve water quality and/or help prevent flooding

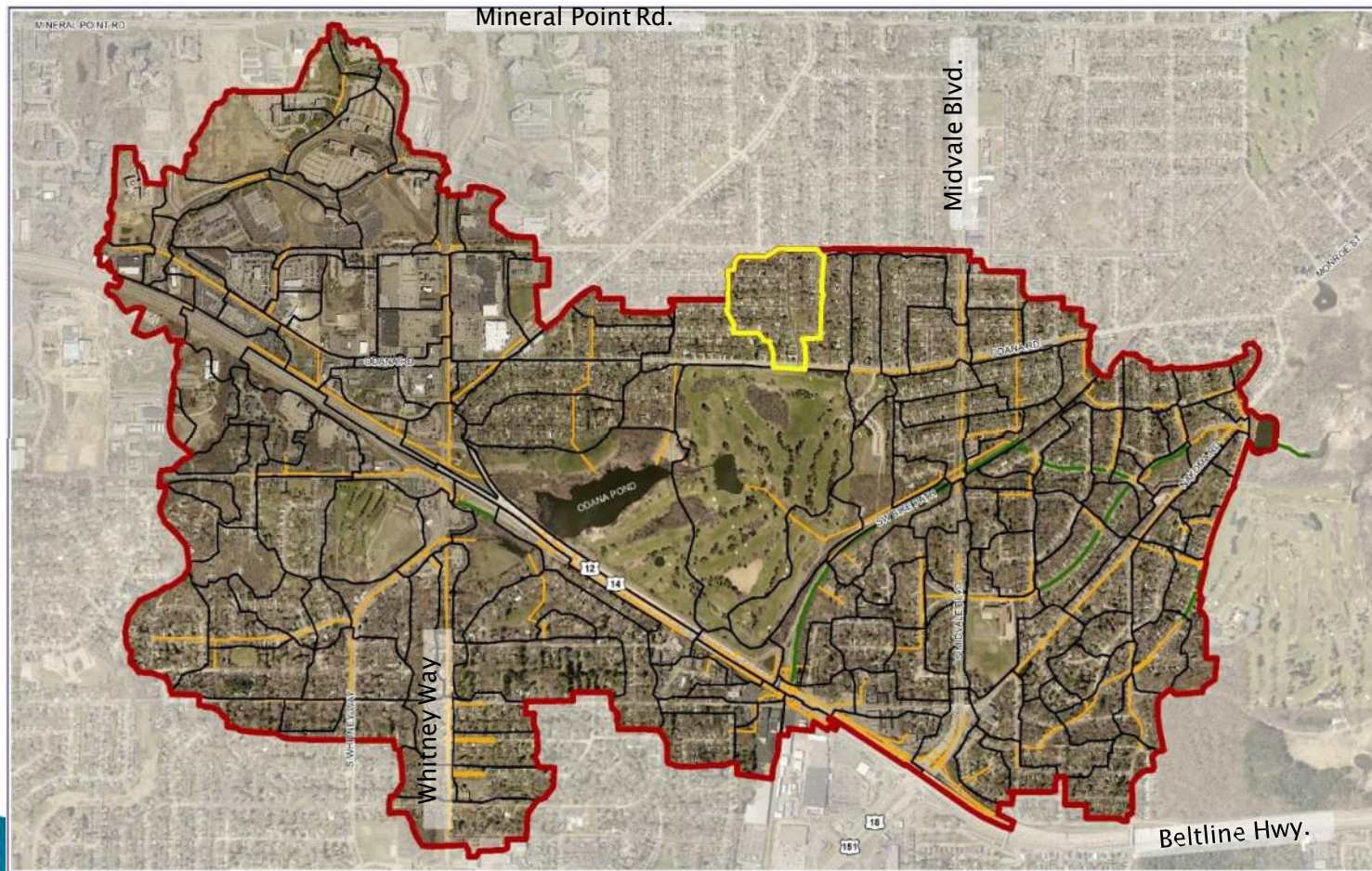


Secret Pond
(east of Manitou Way)



UW Research Park –
Southwest
(north of Tokay Blvd)

Definitions: Subcatchments or Subwatersheds

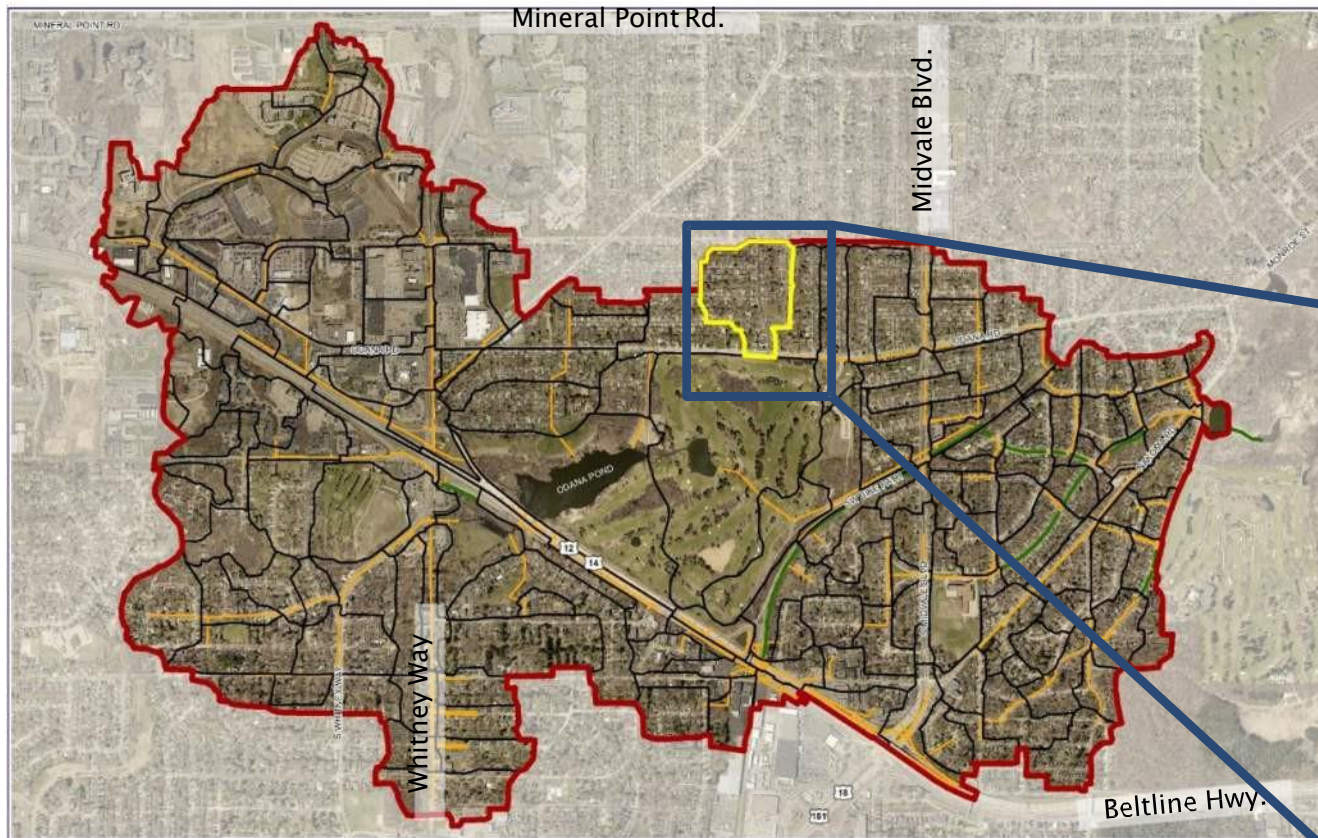


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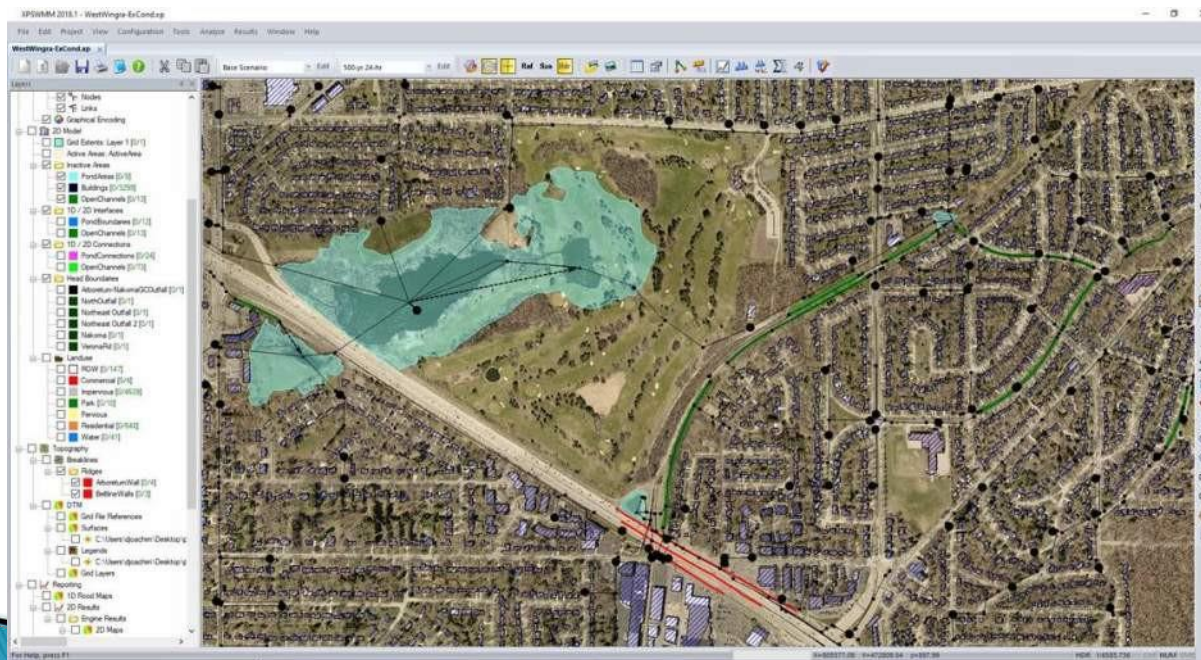


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Definitions: Hydrology, Hydraulic, & Model

- Hydrology: runoff moving over the ground before reaching a channel or inlet
- Hydraulic: runoff moving in a channel or pipe
- Model: computer software that simulates rainfall, hydrology, and hydraulics.



Computer Model
of an area of
Wingra West
Watershed

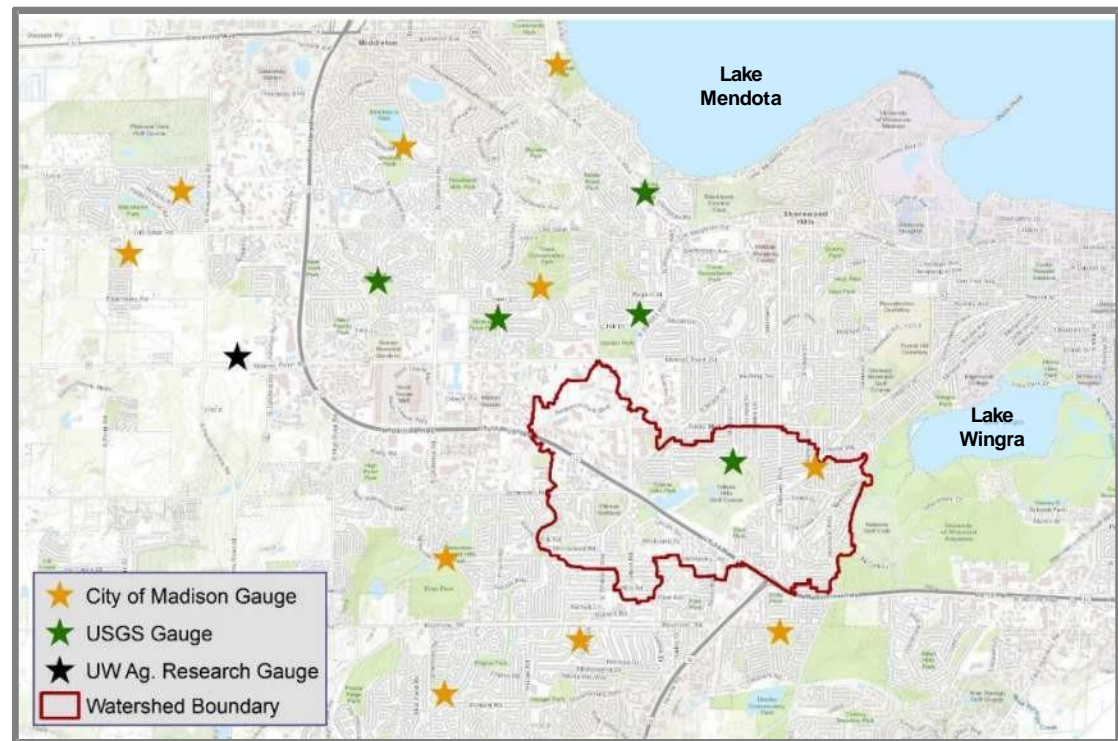
Definitions: Data Logger

- Level loggers: monitoring equipment used to measure water level in a pond, channel, storm sewer, etc.



Definitions: Rain Gauge

- Rain gauges: measure depth and time of rain event



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Outreach To Date

- Public Information
 - Public Meeting #1: May, 2019



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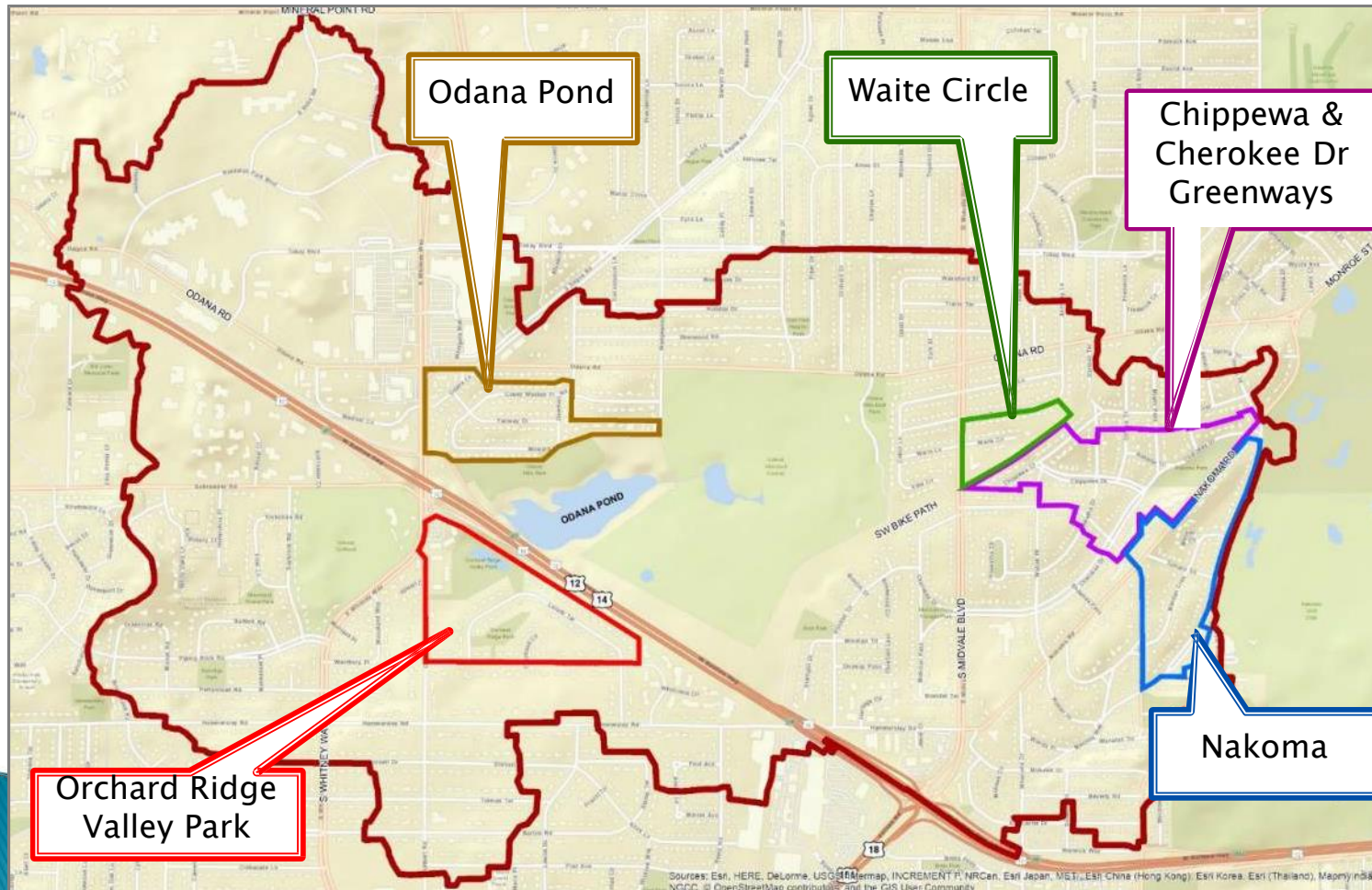
- Public Information
 - Public Meeting #1: May, 2019
 - Focus Groups:
 - 5 Meetings: June – Sept. 2019



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Outreach To Date (Focus Groups)



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Outreach To Date

➤ Public Information

- Public Meeting #1: April, 2019
- Focus Groups:
 - 5 Meetings: Aug. – Sept. 2019
- Project website / project updates

<https://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/wingra-west-watershed-study>

The screenshot shows the City of Madison Engineering website. The header includes the City of Madison logo, navigation links (Accounts, Services, Jobs, Agencies, Data, Contact), and a search bar. The user is logged in as Robert F. Phillips, P.E., City Engineer. The main navigation bar lists Home, Bike, Road Construction, City Facilities, Sewer/Storm, and Resources. The breadcrumb trail is City of Madison > Engineering > Projects > Wingra West Watershed Study. The page title is "Wingra West Watershed Study". It features a map of the watershed area, project details (Project Type: Sewer/Storm, Location: 5107 Milward Dr, Madison, WI 53711, Area: Central, West, Aldermanic District(s): District 10, Estimated Schedule: 03/11/2019 to 12/31/2020, Project Status: Planning), project contact information (Phil Giesler, 608-268-4050, giesler@cityofmadison.com), an active project list, and a subscribe to email list section. The map shows the Wingra West watershed area, which is 1778 acres, and includes a legend for various features like storm sewers, water bodies, and land use. A note at the bottom states "The Wingra West watershed drains east to Lake Monona".

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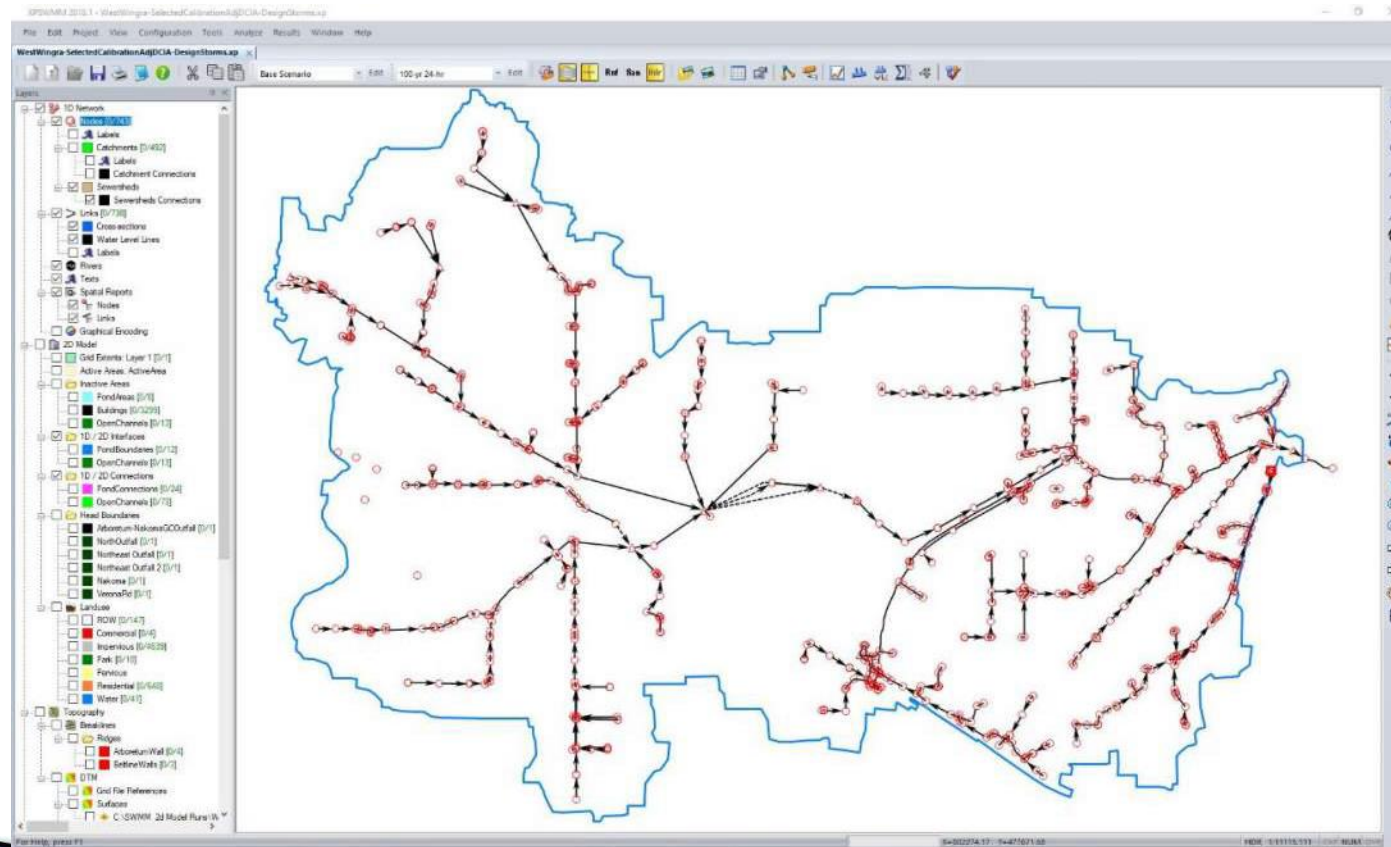
- Media – television, radio, Facebook, Twitter, Podcast
 - Coverage about Watershed studies on local TV, State Journal, and Cap Times
 - Flooding awareness, education posts, photos and videos from focus groups on social media
 - Two podcast episodes on Everyday Engineering: Historic Flooding, Watershed studies



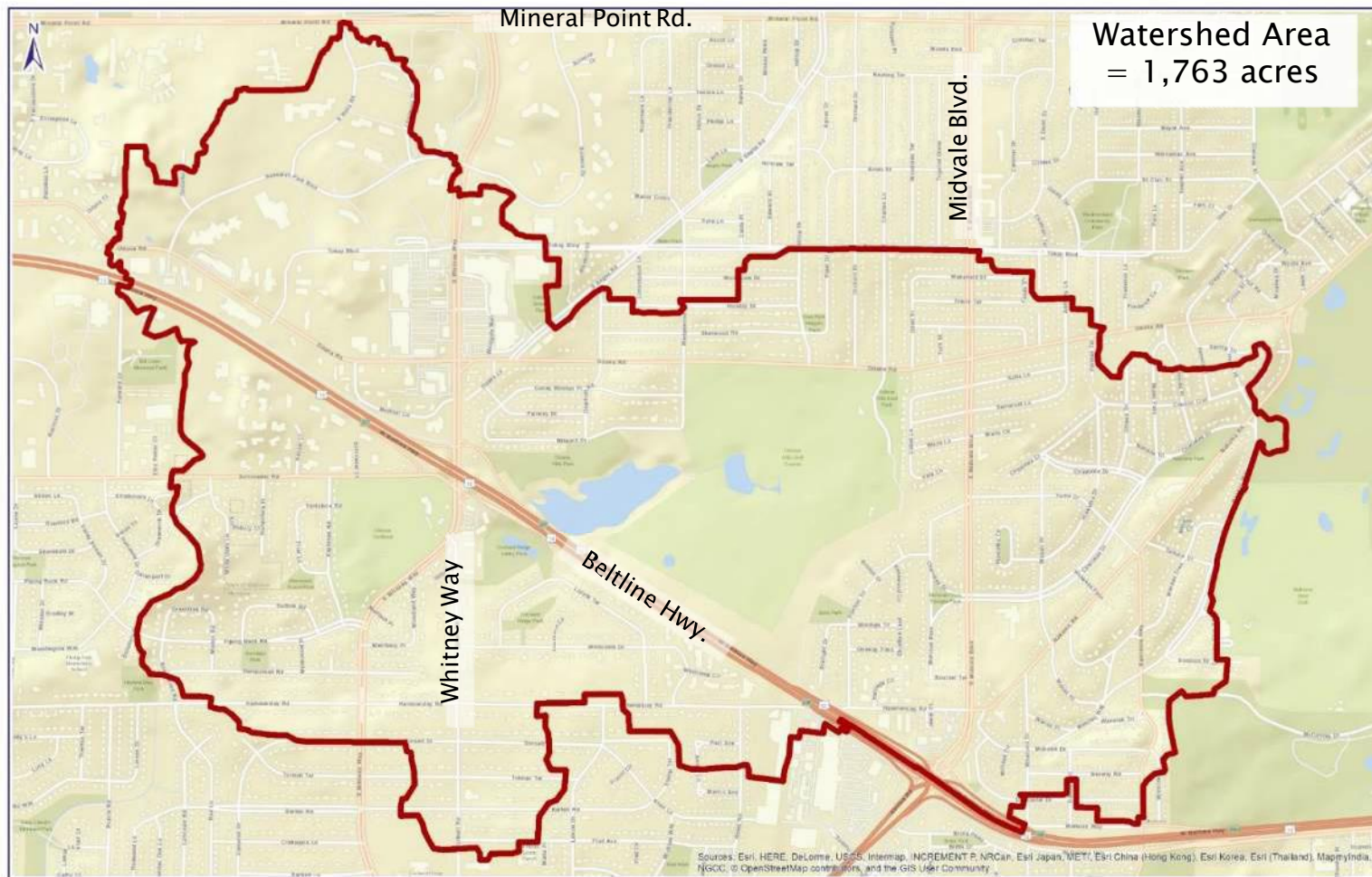
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Existing Conditions Model Construction



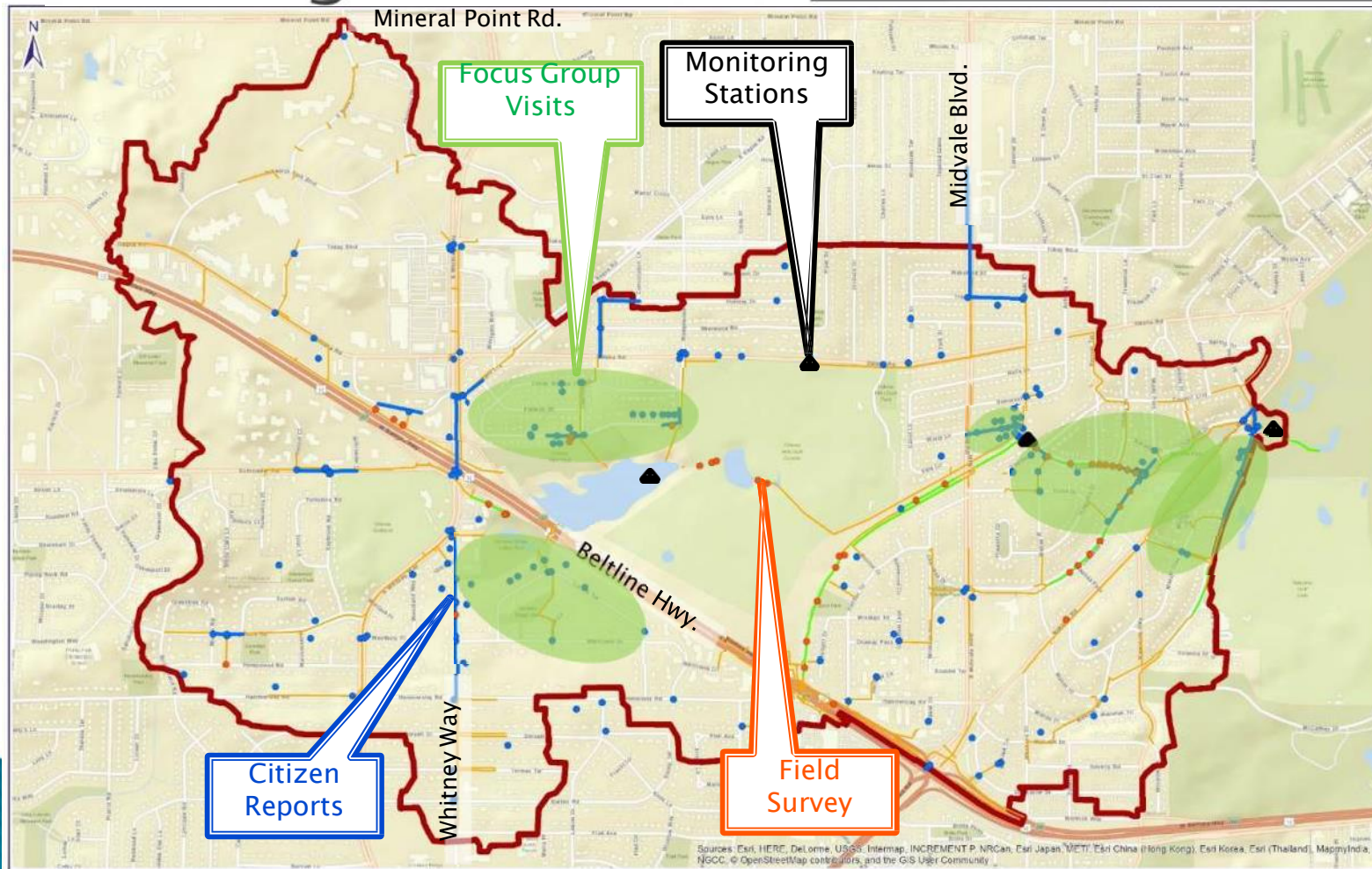
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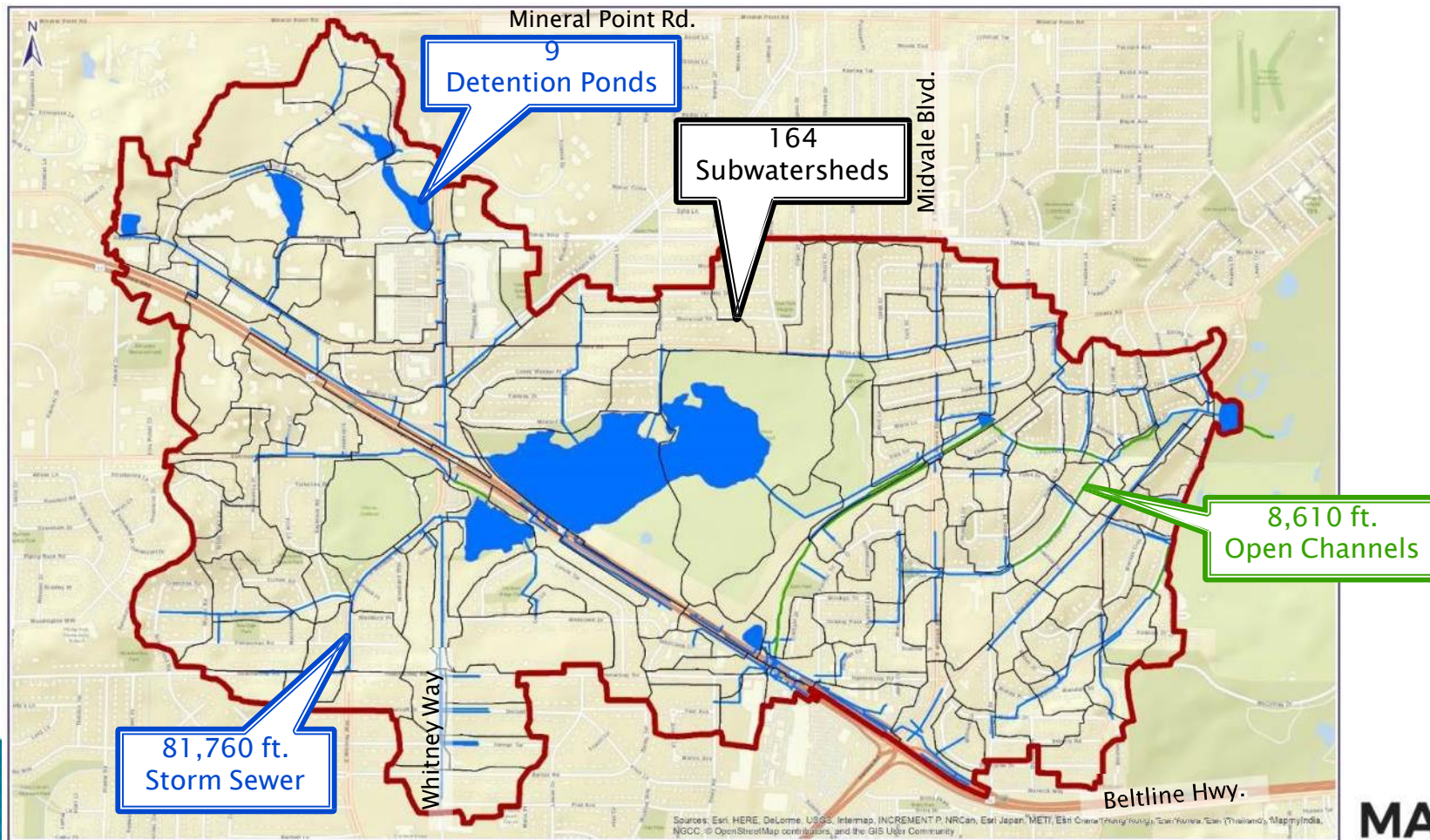


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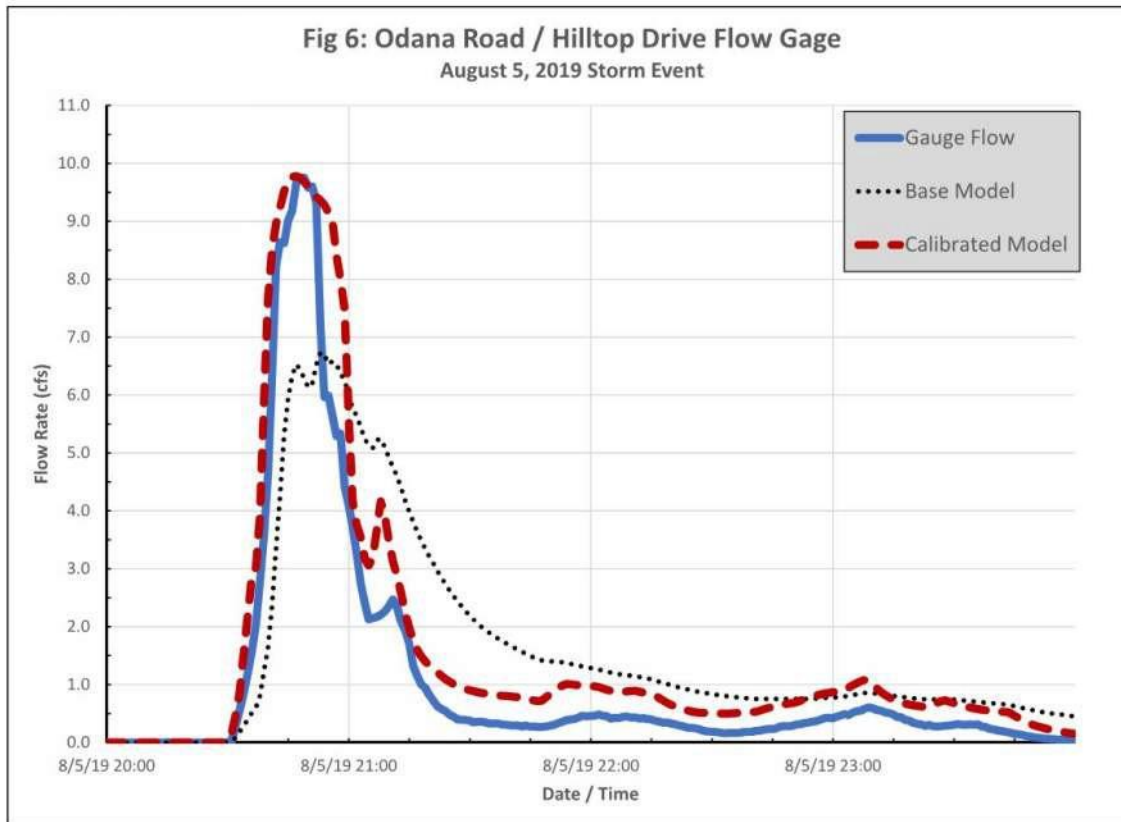
Building the Model: Stormwater System

Item	Quantity
Watershed Area	1,763 acres
Number of Subwatersheds	164
Storm sewer pipes in Model	81,760 ft.
Open channels in Model	8,610 ft.
Detention Ponds in Model (#)	9

Building the Model: Groundwater Considerations

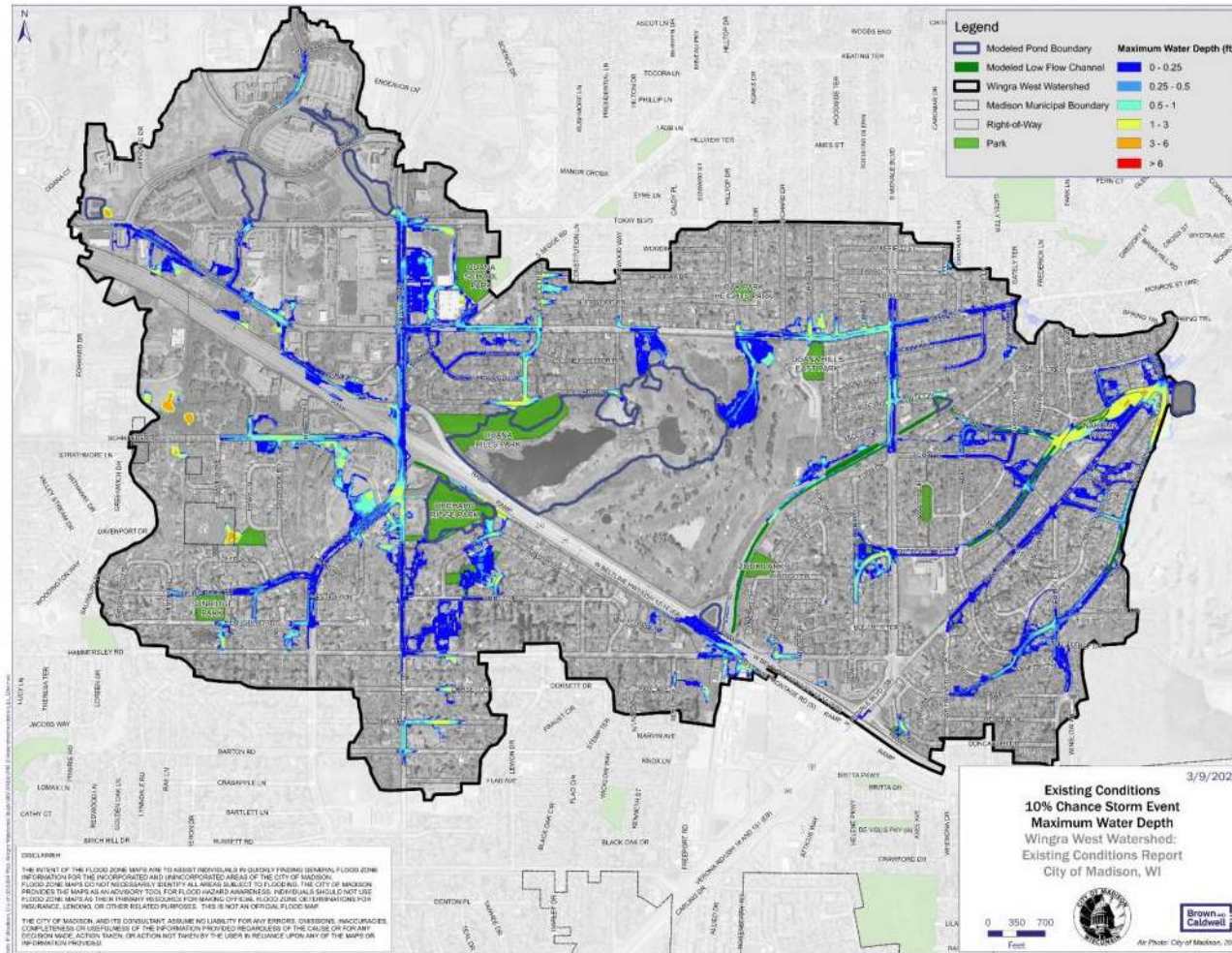
- ➔ Ample evidence that groundwater levels have increased and cause basement / sump pump problems.
- ➔ Model accounts for several surface water/groundwater interactions
 - Type of soil (sandy, silty, clayey, wetland, etc.)
 - Soil wetness before storms (antecedent moisture conditions)
 - Depressions / ponding areas
 - Surface infiltration
- ➔ Groundwater does not appear to have substantial effect on large flooding events
 - On a watershed scale, groundwater flow appears minimal during non-runoff periods.
 - Sump pump flows are small compared to storm sewer pipe capacity.
 - High groundwater levels result from long term rain, not single large storms.
 - The City's efforts for this project are on large storm flood mitigation.
 - Model will not resolve sump pump problems.

Model Results: Calibration



Calibration compares model results to monitored results and adjusting model parameters

Model Results: Flood Maps



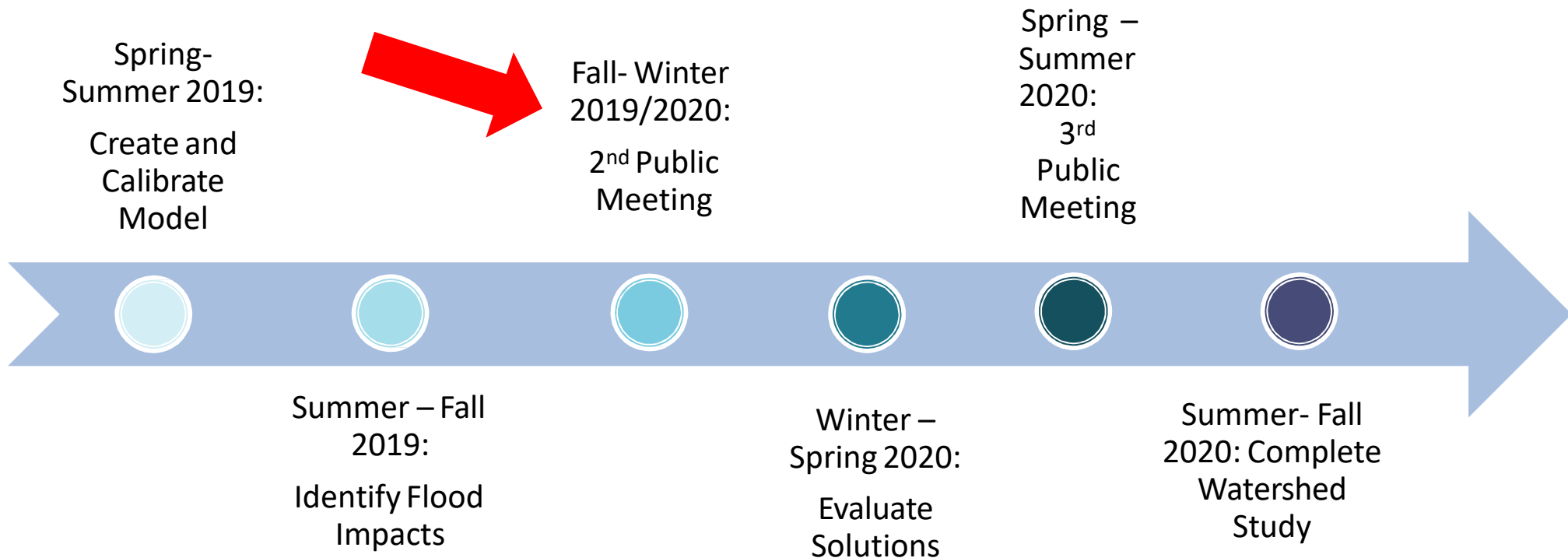
Flood Inundation Mapping

10% Chance Storm (4.1" over 24 hrs.)

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Next Steps



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Next Steps

- ➔ Evaluate Proposed Solutions
 - Green Infrastructure
 - Grey Infrastructure
 - Combination
- ➔ Public Information Meeting #3
- ➔ Final Report
- ➔ Begin Implementing Solutions



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Watershed Study Limitations

- Computer models have limitations, require assumptions, and represent one specific set of circumstances
- Retrofitting infrastructure takes time and money
- Not all problems can be solved
- Repairs not always easy or popular
- Best engineering solution may not be selected
- Property owners are part of the solution
- Solutions will need broad community cooperation
- Groundwater problems not easily addressed by infrastructure

One Last Discussion on Rain Storms

- Rain storms classified by “chance of occurring in a year”.
- Probabilities are calculated for rain depth and duration.
- Example Recent Rain Events*
 - July 21, 2016: 2.41” in 2 hours (10% chance event)
 - June 16, 2018: 1.54” in 2 hours (75% chance event)
 - August 20 – 21, 2018: 6.72” in 14 hours (Less than 1.0% chance event)

** Measured at Weather Underground Camelot Dr station (KWIMADIS87) in Madison, WI.*



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- Tonight's Maps
 - 10% Chance, 24-hour Storm Event
 - 4.1” in 24-hours
 - 1% Chance, 24-hour Storm Event
 - 6.6” in 24-hours
 - August 20 – 21, 2018
 - 7.7” to 10.4” in 15-hours



Contact Information & Resources

- Project Manager: Phil Gaebler, PGaebler@cityofmadison.com, 608-266-4059
- Project Website:
 - <https://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/wingra-west-watershed-study>
 - Sign-up for project email updates on the website
 - Report flooding, past or current on the Report Flooding form
- New Flooding Website: www.cityofmadison.com/flooding
- Everyday Engineering Podcast
- Facebook – City of Madison Engineering
- Twitter – @MadisonEngr



Welcome to the Focus Group Session!

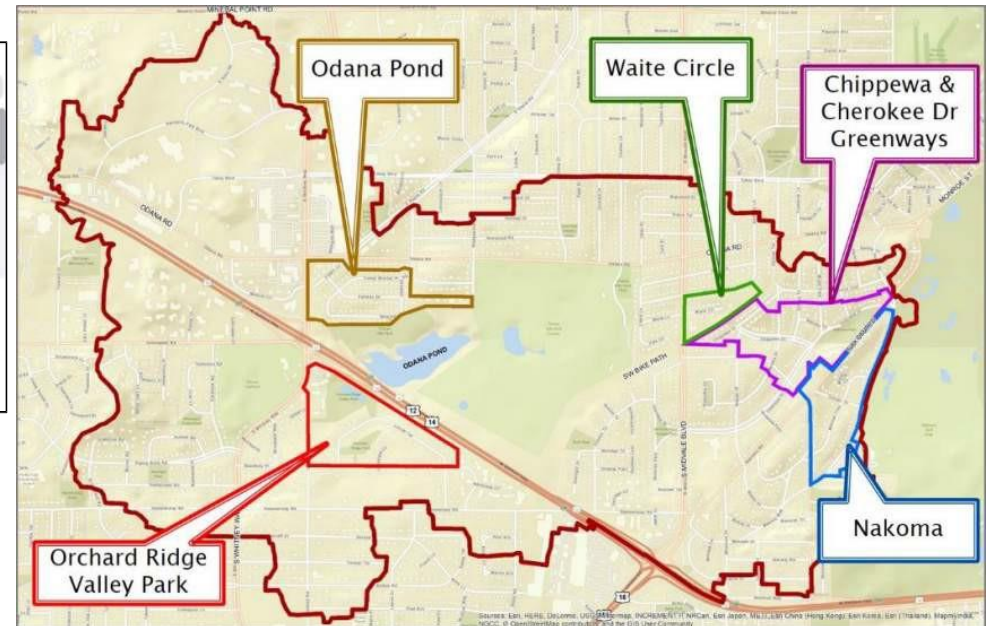
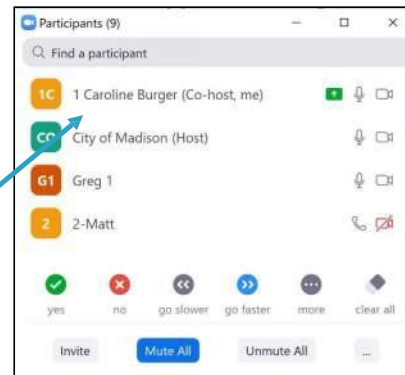
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→ Join your Zoom Breakout Room

- Rename Zoom Name to begin with # of Focus Group and then your First Name
- To Rename:
 - Go to the Participants Window
 - Click on your name
 - Select “...” or “More” next to “Mute”, then “Rename”
 - Enter [Focus Group #]
[First Name]



1. Odana Pond
2. Orchard Ridge Valley Park
3. Waite Circle
4. Chippewa & Cherokee DR
5. Nakoma
6. Overall Watershed

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