

## Moving Forward

### Key Question

In determining the potential next steps, consider this question:

*“What is standing between the your municipality and its ability to create and implement actions to identify, understand, and use the municipality’s natural infrastructure for flood and drought mitigation?”*

### Moving Forward Options

#### DEVELOPING THE ACTION PLAN (IF NOT ALREADY COMPLETE)

- Have each person fill in the workbook; collect and collate
- Have each department fill in the workbook; collect and collate
- Reconvene as a group and collectively fill in the workbook
- Convene further workshops to focus on completion, prioritization, and operationalization of the Action Plan

#### INFORMING THE ACTION PLAN

- Review and critically assess the Decision Support information to determine vital needs
- Gather all available Natural Infrastructure information for the municipality
- Conduct a policy assessment re: the policy needs for the Action Plan
- Conduct a data assessment re: the current and future data and information needs for the Action Plan
- Develop a GIS Natural Infrastructure layer

#### CONVERTING THE ACTION PLAN INTO POLICY

- Create a Council report summarizing the proposed Action Plan
- Develop a bylaw, or set of bylaws to enact portions of the Action Plan
- Develop department-specific work plans
- Develop operational guidelines for the municipality’s planning, develop, and maintenance activities

#### OVERSEEING THE ACTION PLAN

- Maintain the initial Team as an Action Plan review team
- Assign the Action Plan to one department/manager
- Assign an Action Plan coordinator (with senior management support/authority)
- Identify budget lines under which the Action Plan would fall

### MAINTAINING THE ACTION PLAN

- Create a cross-departmental team to guide development and implementation of the Action Plan
- Designate a TOC lead person / shepherd for the cross departmental completion, implementation of the Action Plan

### RESOURCING THE ACTION PLAN

- Build a business case for the need, co-benefits, and potential resourcing of the Action Plan
- Seek internal resources for the Action Plan
  - (Council allocation, departmental budgets)
- Seek external resources for the Action Plan
  - (FCM, MCCAC, Watershed Restoration and Resiliency Program)
- Hire a consultant to facilitate completion and application of the Action Plan

### MONITORING THE ACTION PLAN

- Develop mechanism for tracking if Actions have been completed
- Develop evaluation framework for determining if Actions pursued have been effective