

PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER: PLANNING FOR RESILIENCY

WHO IS INVOLVED IN WATERSHED PLANNING AND PROJECTS?

Northeast Iowa Resource Conservation & Development is coordinating and writing the Upper Iowa River Watershed Plan.

The Watershed Management Authority is providing local leadership.

County Soil and Water Conservation Districts are engaging landowners.

Producers are managing soil and water to reduce flooding and drought on their land and downstream.

WHAT IS THE VALUE OF WRITING A WATERSHED PLAN?

Planning fits all the pieces of the puzzle together, and helps local watershed leaders coordinate efforts for more effective implementation. The plan provides strategies to manage water resources that protect citizens' way of life.

We are all someone's neighbor! How you manage your water affects the lives of people downstream. Managing water resources is an investment in the future.

Every dollar spent on flood reduction saves five dollars in loss and recovery.

Spending money on flood reduction today frees up public and private resources for the future.

Gathering information in the plan helps local leaders maximize resources, and allows them to make the best use of limited funding opportunities to implement projects that local people want to see in their communities.

Watershed resiliency depends on responsible economic, social and environmental responses.

