

BUILDING A RESILIENT INGLESIDE WITH A HEALTHY RIVER

Ingleside Neighborhood in Norfolk, VA

What is the Project? Many areas in Ingleside are prone to flooding during heavy rains and storms. In the coming years flooding will only get worse due to rising seas. In addition, waters of the Elizabeth River around Ingleside have high concentrations of pollution due to runoff from roads and houses. Two local not-for-profit groups, the Elizabeth River Project and Wetlands Watch, have partnered with the University of Virginia to work with residents in Ingleside to develop a plan to reduce flooding while also improving water quality entering the river.

We can no longer wait for the next storm to take action or to hope that water quality in our waterways improve over time. We believe that by working together as a collaborative group we can be more proactive in addressing these issues.

What is the Plan Moving Forward? In the Ingleside neighborhood of Norfolk, VA, our group will work to develop ideas and strategies to make the residents and the physical environment more resilient to storms while also making our waterways cleaner. We look to the community to provide information about where key flood areas are located, where stormwater backs up, where sewers back up, and your ideas about how to address these issues. Students from the University of Virginia will study this information and develop neighborhood projects to address these issues. Once the plan is completed, the Elizabeth River Project and Wetlands Watch will work to carry out some of the ideas with the City of Norfolk. We believe this collaboration will result in a more resilient Ingleside and cleaner river.

Who are the Players? Elizabeth River Project, with National Fish and Wildlife funding, Wetlands Watch with Virginia Sea Grant and Adiuvars Foundation funding, support from UVA faculty and students, support from City of Norfolk, and the ideas of the community will result in a locally supported plan that can be carried out.

This three-month collaborative planning effort is bringing together local residents, environmental professionals, and faculty and students

from multiple disciplines to solve problems of current and anticipated flooding, shoreline erosion, and water quality.

Meeting Dates and Times:

January 28th 12pm - 3pm (Ingleside Church)

March 18th 12pm - 2pm (Ingleside Church)

April 22nd 12pm - 2pm (Ingleside Church)



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