

# Delaware Communities Envision their Future Growth – Using ArcGIS and CommunityViz®

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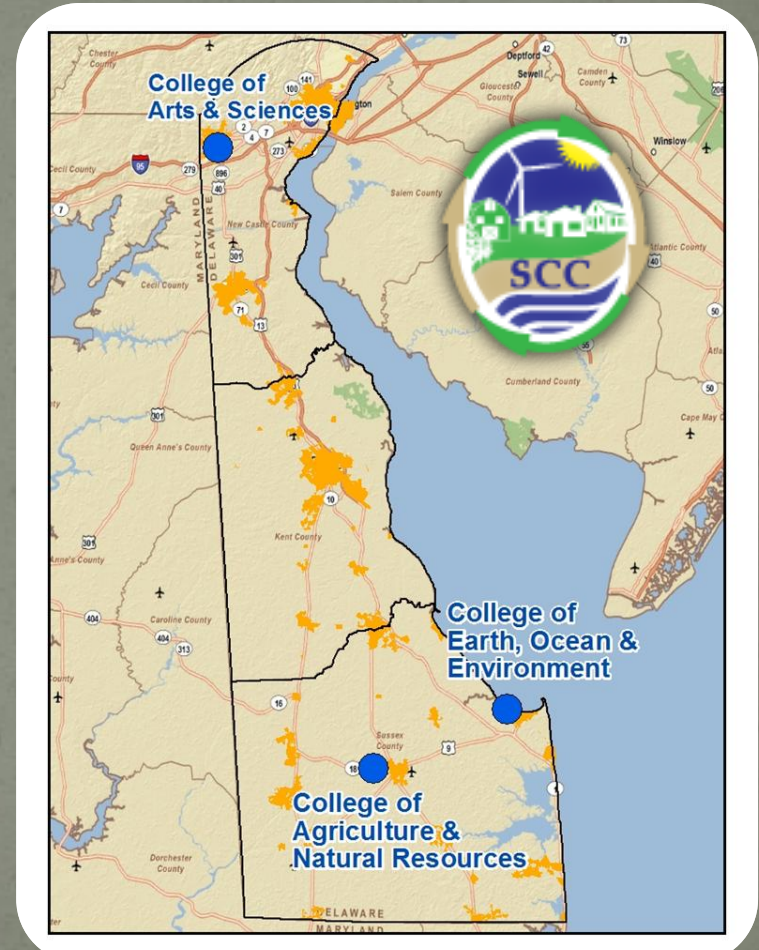
# Overview

- UD Sustainable Coastal Community (UD-SCC) Initiative
- Federal Government Involvement
- Growth Planning Process in Delaware
- Public Engagement **Tools for Growth Planning**
  - UD-SCC Community Land Use Model
  - Wordle
  - “weTable” GIS-participatory tool
  - 3D Visual Representation on Google Earth
  - UD-SCC Growth Planning Community Interactive Website
- Bridgeville-Greenwood Master Plan & Implementation
- Chesapeake Watershed Implementation Plan
- UD-SCC Community Land Use Model – Version 2
- Coming Full Circle



# Sustainable Coastal Community Initiative (SCC)

- Three college initiative within the University of Delaware
- An approach to address growth, land use, and environmental impacts in southern Delaware
- Ed Lewandowski, Coastal Community Development Specialist, Marine Advisory Service



# Federal Government Involvement

- EPA Model - comparison to their model; validation of formula; Acceptance
- Funding NFWF
  - Bridgeville/Greenwood in Sussex County, Delaware

	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation – Chesapeake Bay Small Watershed Grants 2011, Full Proposal (Activity 1) Title: Bridgeville Master Plan-A Regional Land Use Effort Organization: Town of Bridgeville	
	Easygrants ID: 29567	
<b>Grant Request Information</b>		
<b>Title of Project</b> Bridgeville Master Plan-A Regional Land Use Effort		
<b>Total Amount Requested</b> \$ 75,000.00		
<b>Matching Contributions Proposed</b> \$ 37,500.00		
<b>Proposed Grant Period</b> 10/15/2011 - 10/15/2012		
<b>Project Description</b> The Town of Bridgeville, DE in cooperation with various partners will develop a regional master plan, with model ordinances and pattern book to meet the Bay Pollution Diet.		
<b>Project Abstract</b> The Town of Bridgeville, in partnership with the University of Delaware Sustainable Coastal Communities Initiative, Delaware Office of State Planning Coordination, and Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control propose to develop a comprehensive master planning and outreach initiative tailored to rural towns and citizens focused on sustainable growth principles to meet the goals of the Chesapeake Bay TMDL and to be a model community in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed. Delaware communities located in the Chesapeake Bay will need to make significant reductions in nutrients and sediment if they wish to grow in the future. This initiative will focus on engaging residents and stakeholders using a multi-media approach, identifying and addressing urban nutrient sources to meet the TMDL at a local level, and develop a plan that will allow for future growth in this community in a sustainable way.		
<b>Organization and Primary Contact Information</b>		
<b>Organization</b> Town of Bridgeville		
<b>Organization Type</b> State or Local Government		
<b>Organization Web Address</b> www.townofbridgeville.net		
<b>Organization Phone</b>		
<b>Street Line 1</b>		
<b>City, State, Country Postal Code</b> Bridgeville, Delaware, North America - United States		
<b>Region (if international)</b>		
<b>Organization Congressional District</b>		
<b>Tax Status</b> Under Review - State/local Government Agency		
<b>Tax ID</b> 516000028		
<b>Primary Contact</b> Mr. Meritt Burke		
<b>Position/Title</b> Town Manager		
<b>Street Line 1</b> 101 North Main Street		



# Growth Planning Process in Delaware

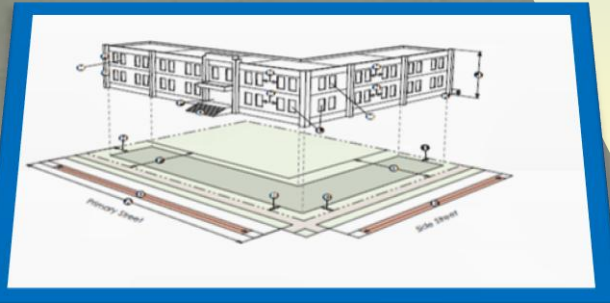
# Understanding the Layers of Land Use Planning in Delaware



Comprehensive  
Land Use Plan



Master Plan



Site Plan

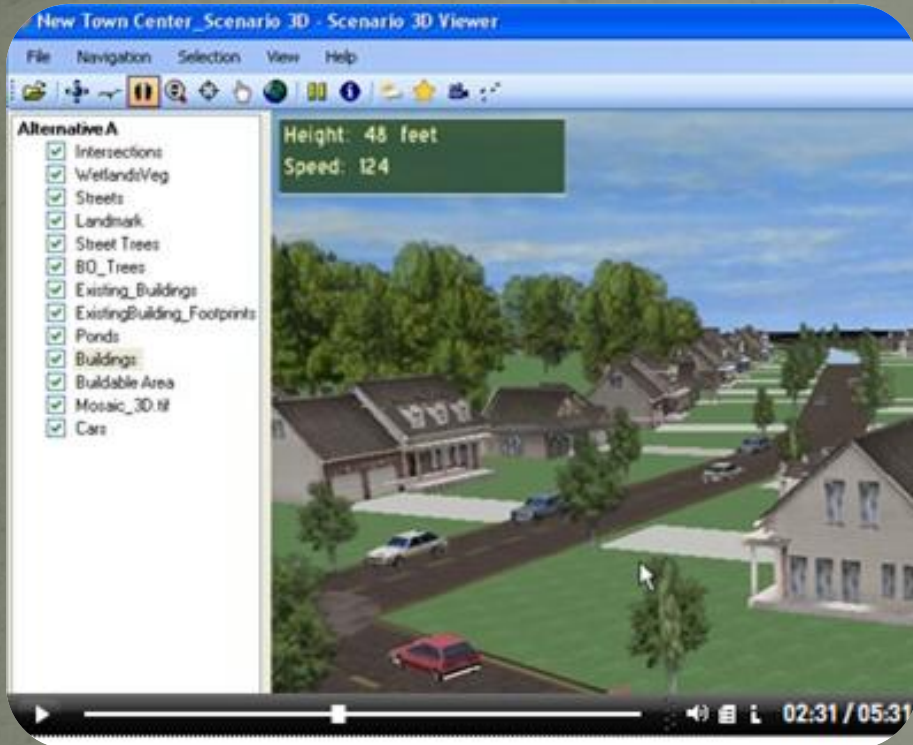


# The Master Plan

- **Master Plans address issues that transcend the local level**
  - growth and development
  - transportation
  - property rights
  - affordable housing
  - air and water quality
  - agricultural district planning
- **Master Plans cross jurisdictions at a sub-regional level**



# Implementation of the Master Plan



*Scenario 3D example from Placeways, LLC website*

- **State Agency Action**
  - DNREC Infrastructure
  - DeIDOT – TAZ Model
  - Technology transfer to State and local agencies
- **Plan Application to Parcel**
  - Take preferred scenario overlay – spatial join to parcel boundaries for TDR and rezoning
- **Enhancement efforts**
  - weTable
  - Time-scope analysis
  - Greater detailed 3D visualization



# Public Engagement Tools for Growth Planning

# UD-SCC Community Land Use Model

*Community Viz<sup>®</sup> Land Use Designer*  
*SIMPLY – A tool for public involvement*  
*in land use decisions*



# Regional Approach: *Public Involvement*

1. Visualization tool used for performing growth planning
2. “Paints” a picture of the community’s values and interests
3. Land use capacity model representing;
  - a) community character
  - b) a set of land use designations that do not represent zoning, political boundaries, or ownership
  - c) form-based transect approach
4. Build-out and demographic impacts analysis – geospatial visualization



# Regional Approach: *Public Involvement*

## Stakeholders\* Assessment

- Assign Regional Study Area Boundary
- Review Existing Land Use using Model\*\*
- Compare Existing LU to Jurisdictions' Comprehensive Plan Scenarios
- Develop Alternate Growth Scenarios using *weTable*; run Build-Out; Compare
- Present Scenarios to Public

## Public Deliberation/Feedback

- Attend Growth Scenarios Visualization Workshop (s)
- Identify Community Values
- Perform *weTable* exercise
- Deliberate Benefits, Costs, Consequences of Growth Scenarios
- Select Preferred Scenario
- Provide Feedback to Jurisdictions

\* *State Agencies, Local Officials, Business & Civic Leaders, Developers, NGO's*

\*\* *UD-SCC Community Land Use Model using ArcGIS/CommunityViz®*



# Benefits of the UD-SCC Model

- **Stakeholder interests** → visualized and analyzed
- **Public Engagement** → deliberates and makes land use choices
- **Community Character & Values** → identified and represented
- **“On-the-fly” impact analysis** → identifies consequences
- **“What-if” process** → provides implementation options
- **Iterative tradeoff & visualization process** → leads to consensus
- **Scalable Model** → at State, Local, and Regional Planning

# The Model Components

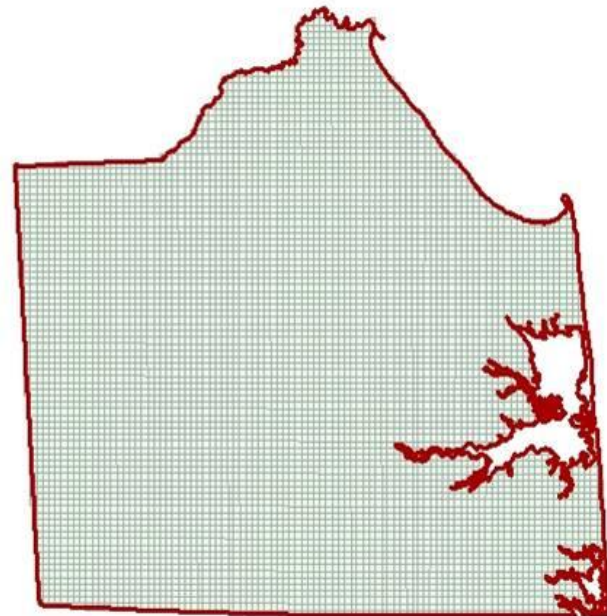
1. **100-acre Grid from Fishnet application**
2. **Custom LU transects (Smart Growth & SC)**
3. **Baseline: Existing LU Scenario**
4. **CommunityViz® LU Designer & “Paint” tool – assign density parameters**
5. **Build-Out Analysis with geographic constraints**
6. **Results Validation**
7. **Alternate Scenario Development (“what if’s”)**
8. **Scenario Comparative Analysis**



# Sussex County Grid – 938 Square Miles

## Our “100 Acre Wood”

- **Each square represents 100 acres**
- **Sussex County development projects averaged 100 acres**
- **Used fishnet to create 100-acre-grid vector file**



**Sussex County, De.**



# Smart Growth Transect Planning



T100 Rural

T20 Rural

T2 Suburban

T4 Suburban

T6 Urban Mixed

T8 Town Center

T30 Employment

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Sources: UD-SCC Community Land Use Model  
2003 by Duany Plater-Zyberk & Company



# Data Layers

## Federal Partners:

USGS, NRCS, USF, USDA, EPA, USFW, DOT, etc.

## State of Delaware:

Office of State Planning Coordination

Aerials

DNREC – Division of Watershed Stewardship

Drainage / Tax Ditches

Wetlands

Sea-Level Rise

Non-Point Source Program

DNREC – Division of Water

Wastewater / Septic Systems

DNREC – Division of Parks and Recreation

State Lands

DNREC – Division of Air and Waste

Underground Storage Tanks

Del-Dot

Roads

Comprehensive Land Use Plans

Storm-Water

Water Quality Monitor

Conservation Districts

Source Water Protection

Natural Areas / Habitat

Air Quality Monitoring

Dams

# Data Layers

## State of Delaware:

### DDA – Delaware Forest Services

Urban Tree Canopy

Erosion and Sediment Permitting

State-wide Forest Assessment

State Lands

Forest Buffers

Forest Legacy Program

### DDA – Ag-Lands Preservation Program

Preserved Agricultural Lands

### DDA – Nutrient Management Program

CAFO's / AFO's

Manure Transport

Irrigated / Non-Irrigated Lands

### Public Service Commission

Certificate of Public Conveyance and Necessity (CPCN)

### County and Local Governments

911 Structure Information

Building Permits




Waste Water Information






## RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES

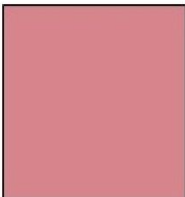


3D Image




## MIXED USE COMMUNITIES

Legend	Land Use Type	Density Characterization	Description	Land Use Picture (Click)	3D Image (Click)
	Urban Mixed "T6"	<b>Category:</b> MIXED USE <b>Residential Density:</b> 6 Dwelling Units/Acre <b>Ratio:</b> 70% Residential 30% Commercial <b>Commercial:</b> 300,000 SQFT	Traditional Neighborhood Development (TND): community with a mix of medium residential housing, business, retail and commercial establishments. Form-based, compact pattern of development with planned open spaces. Includes single family homes, multi-family homes (townhouses, villas,		

## COMMERCIAL (Retail, Civic, Institutional, Planned Industrial)

Legend	Land Use Type	Density Characterization	Description	Land Use Picture (Click)	3D Image (Click)
	Employment Center "T30"	<b>Category:</b> COMMERCIAL <b>Residential Density:</b> none <b>Commercial:</b> 200,000 SQFT	Business parks, utilities, transportation, civic spaces/government centers, planned industrial and institutional land use. No residential. Examples: Ross Business Park, SC Airport, Indian River Power Plant, Chicken Processing Plants, Bridgeville Commerce, Delaware Technical and Community College, Merck/Intervet.		

	High Density Mixed "T16"	<b>Category:</b> MIXED USE <b>Residential Density:</b> 16 Dwelling Units/Acre <b>Ratio:</b> 90% Residential 10% Commercial <b>Commercial:</b> 50,000 SQFT	High Density residential community with neighborhood business including professional offices and neighborhood retail. Majority residential. Form-based, compact pattern of development. Examples: Planned high density land use.		
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			Peninsula, Henlopen Acres, Paynters Mill, and moderate density coastal communities.		
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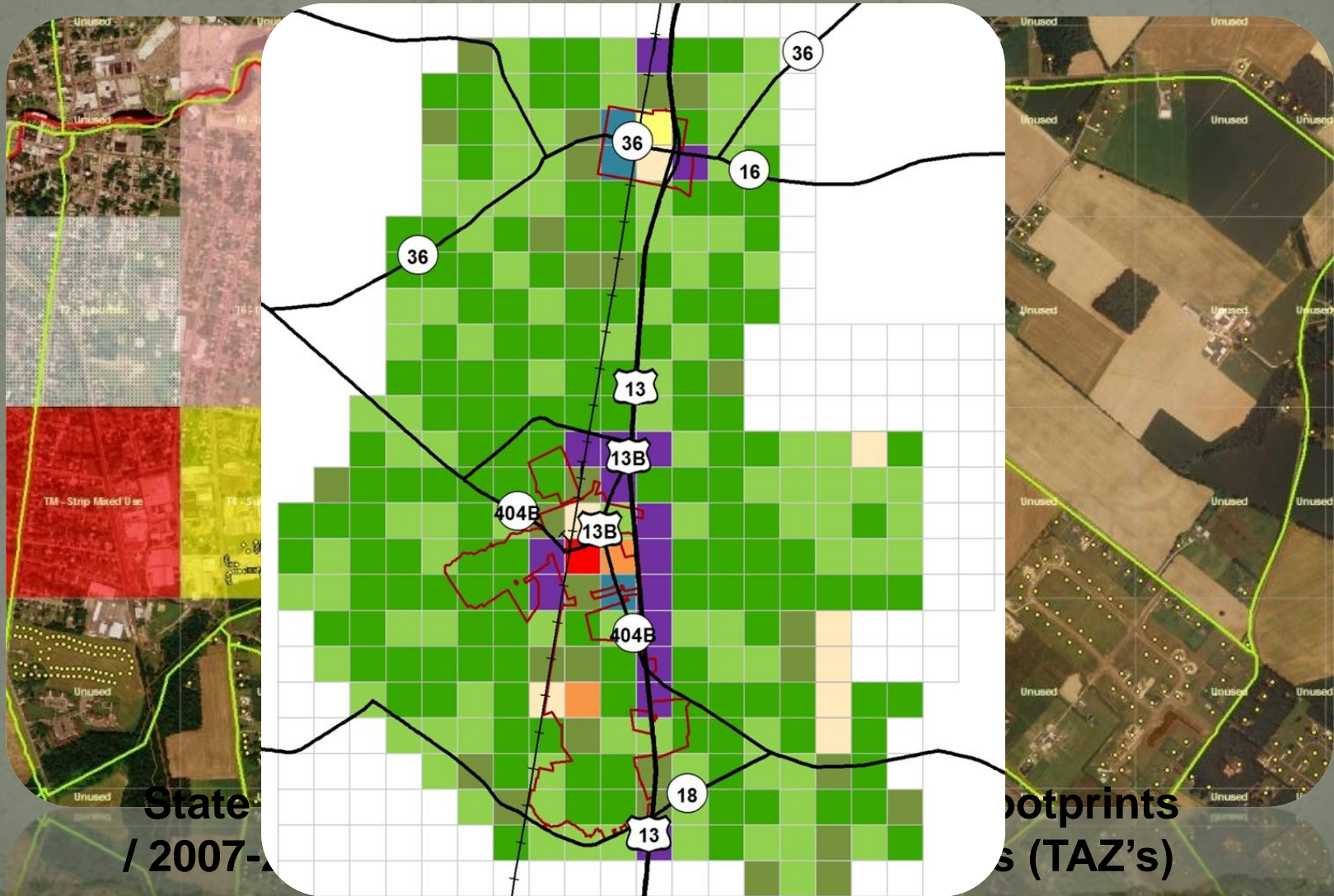
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# Density Parameters & Assumptions

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T		
1	LAND USE DESIGNATION (TILE CODE)	T100A - RURAL	T20A - RURAL	T5A - RURAL	T1 - RURAL VILLAGE	T2 - SUBURBAN	T4 - SUBURBAN	T4 - MIXED SUBURBAN	T6 - URBAN MIXED	T8 - TOWN CENTER	T12 - URBAN MIXED	T1M - STRIP MIXED USE	T-30K - EMPLOYMENT	T-200K-RETAIL								
2	TILES KEYS TO 2008 SUSSEX COUNTY LAND USE PLAN WITH ZONING DISTRICT EQUIVILANT TILE LABELS IN ( )	RURAL - PROTECTED				RURAL - LOW DENSITY (AR-1 and AR-2)		ESDA/DEVELOPING (MIXED RESIDENTIAL)	TOWN CENTER	MUNICIPALITIES	Millford Comp Plan	BROADWAY COMMERCIAL	(PLANNED INDUSTRIAL)									
3	COMMUNITY TYPE	Preserved rural, open space, critical resources	Rural areas, agriculture	Rural areas & Wetlands	Village Town	Residential only Subdivision	Residential Only Subdivision	Village TOWN	Village Town	Municipalities/Towns High density residential	High Density Residential - SE	Existing land use designations to	Small business establishments	Community or Regional								
40	DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION																					
41																						
42	RESIDENTIAL																					
43	BUILDING USE	Residents/DU (Persons per Household)						2.45	2.45	2.45	2.41											
44	COMMUNITY EXAMPLES	Children/DU (%)						0.70	0.70	0.70	0.60											
45		Tax Rate/DU (Average)						85	85	85	85											
46		Water Use/DU (Daily Household Water Use)						300	300	300	300											
47		Wastewater/DU						300	300	300	300											
48		Vehicle Trips Per Day (VTD)/DU (Household Vehicle Trips per Day)						10	10	10	10											
49																						
50	COMMERCIAL																					
51	FLOOR AREA - Total SQ FT	Commercial Space Per Employee (sq ft) (Floor Area per Employee)						0	0	0	900											
52	MIXED USE PERCENTAGE (Single Use Buildings)	Commercial - EE VTD						0	0	0	20											
53	MIXED USE BUILDINGS ?	Commercial - EE Water Use						0	0	0	25											
54	MIXED USE-% Floor Area (Residential:NonRes.)	Commercial - EE Wastewater						0	0	0	20											
55	BUILD EFFICIENCY	Commercial Tax Rate (SC Market Value per SQ FT)						0	0	0	20											
56	LAND USE EFFICIENCY - discount for seasonal housing	Employees per Feature (For SC Growth Plan per 100A Tile)						0.54	2.70	7.50	10											
57	NET EFFICIENCY (Composite) = Build Efficiency - LU Efficiency /W																					

# Used Community Viz<sup>®</sup> to “Paint” & Validate the Study Area – creating an Existing Land Use Base





# UD-SCC Model Variables & Assumptions

- Density
- Nonresidential Square Footage
- Mixed Use Percentage
- Build Efficiency Percentage
- Land Use Efficiency Percentage (Vacancies)
- Constraints
  - “Out-of-Play” from *Strategies for State Policies and Spending*
  - Excellent recharge areas
  - Wetlands / Buffers along streams
  - Sending and receiving Transfer of Development Rights
  - Other unbuildable areas

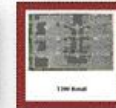
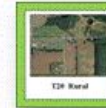
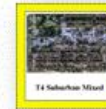


# Community Values Identification



# Values Transfer to Land Use

## The 100-Acre Grid



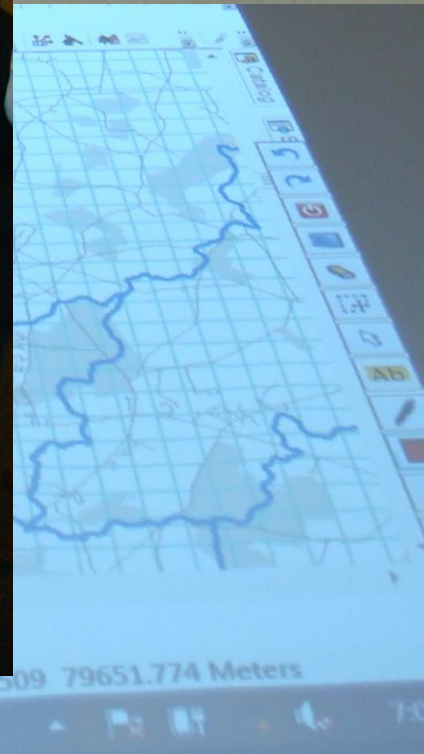
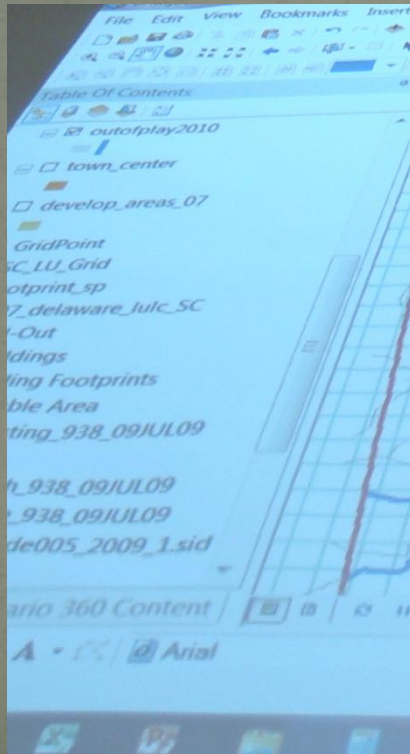






# The weTable

- Ideal Tool for Community Land Use Planning Projects
- A Tool for Participatory GIS – Texas Coastal Watershed Program



# Bridgeville-Greenwood Master Plan & Implementation

Meeting the Chesapeake Watershed  
Implementation Plan (WIP)





# Chesapeake Watershed Implementation Plan

## Delaware's Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan (WIP)

**ADVISORY:** Delaware's Final [Phase II WIP](#) is available for review

Delaware is among six Chesapeake Bay Watershed states – along with Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and New York – and the District of Columbia committed to a federal-state initiative to develop a pollution "diet" that will help restore the water quality of the Bay and its tidal waters by 2025.

The Bay and many streams that drain to the Bay from each state suffer from excess pollution and must be cleaned up. The Environmental Protection Agency is leading the effort by developing a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for nutrients and sediment for the Chesapeake Bay and its tidal branches. A TMDL is the maximum amount of a pollutant that a body of water can receive and still meet water quality standards that protect humans and aquatic life. Delaware has already established [State TMDLs](#) for impaired waters in the Chesapeake, but this [EPA TMDL](#) will call for additional reductions.

**Areas of Delaware (yellow portion of state map) within the Chesapeake Bay Watershed - which spans Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and New York, and the District of Columbia (as shown on the smaller map).**

As part of the TMDL, each jurisdiction is required to develop a Watershed Implementation Plan (WIP) that details how load goals will be achieved and maintained into the future. This work is being done in three phases. Draft Phase I WIPs were due to EPA on September 1, 2010 and final plans were turned in on November 29, 2010. Phase II WIPs in draft and final forms were due to EPA by December 15, 2011 and March 30, 2012, respectively. Phase III WIPs must be received by EPA in 2017. With each successive WIP, the detail of load goals and actions to achieve those goals will become increasingly more specific.

Delaware's WIP work is being led by an Interagency Workgroup made up of representatives from DNREC; Delaware Department of Agriculture; Department of Transportation; Office of State Planning Coordination; County Conservation Districts; U.S. Department of Agriculture agencies; U.S. Geological Survey; and other stakeholders such as representatives from the farming and development communities. Nine subcommittees were formed to address: agriculture; stormwater; wastewater; land use and comprehensive plans; restoration; public lands; funding; information technology; and communications.

### WIP Phases

Delaware's [Phase I WIP](#) was finalized November 2010 and was used to develop the EPA TMDL that was released December 2010.

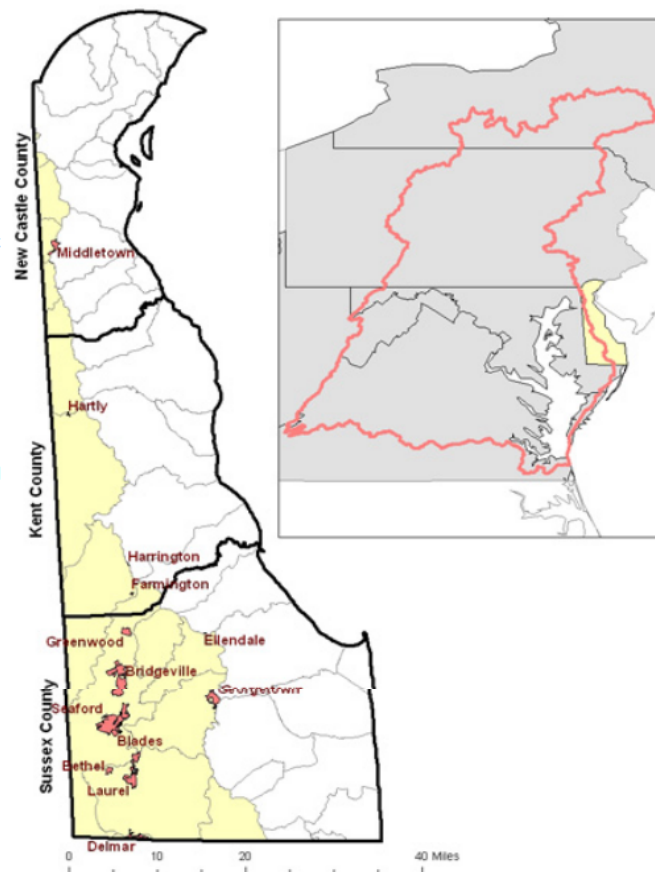
[Phase II](#) work occurred in 2011 and early 2012. The Phase II WIP provides additional details about the partner organizations who will implement portions of the WIP, specifies when actions will occur, and identifies the resources necessary for success. Additionally, some of the implementation goals identified in the Phase I WIP have been parsed down to a smaller scale, such as at the County level. Finally, the Phase II plan establishes implementation goals for 2017, which is when 60 percent of the necessary nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment goals must be achieved.

### More WIP Information

A brochure, [Delaware's Role in Cleaning Up Our Chesapeake Waterways](#), is available for addressing frequently asked questions about the Delaware WIP.

[Our Waters, Our Towns, Local Governments' Role in the WIPs](#)

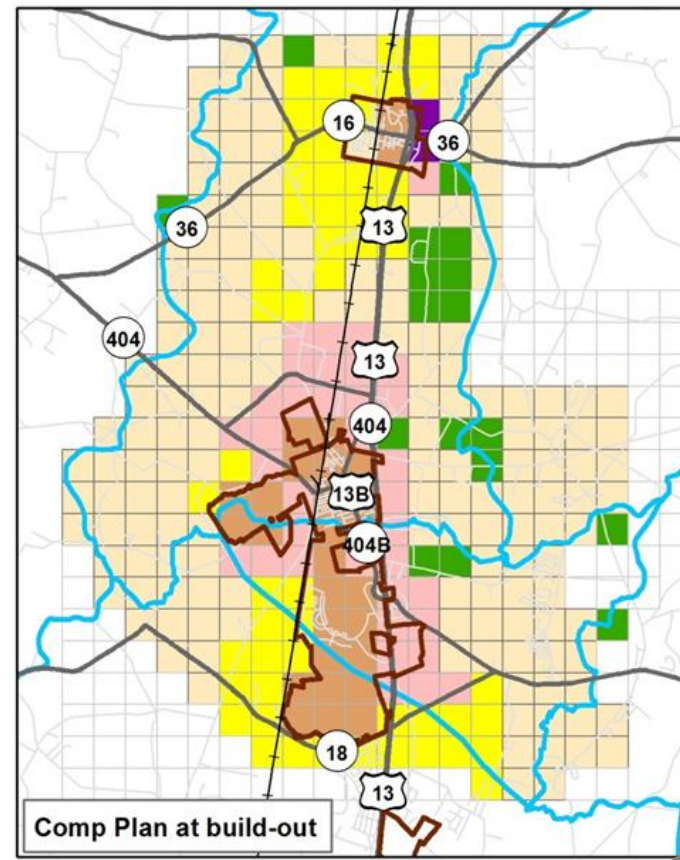
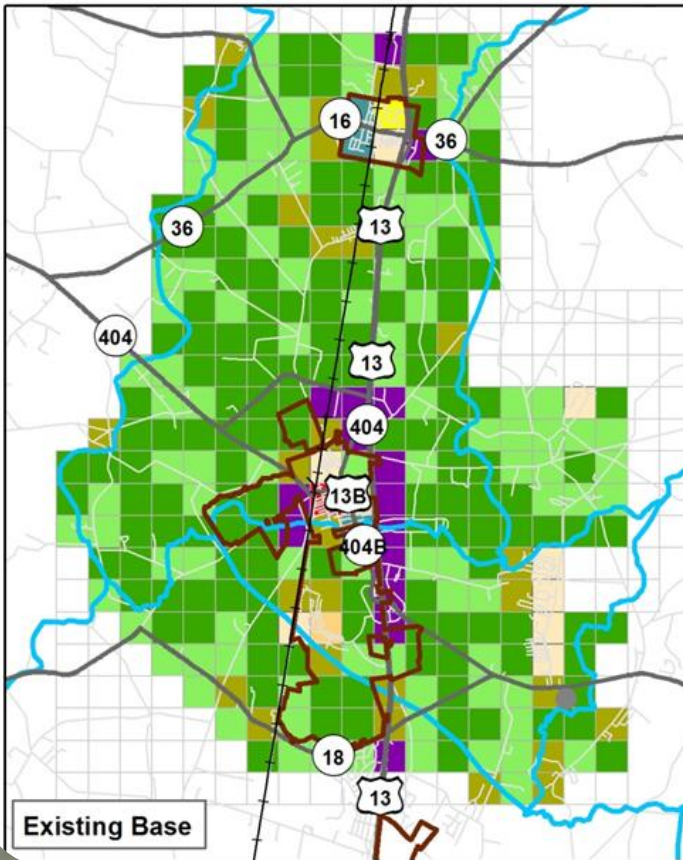
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# Existing Land Use and Comprehensive Plan

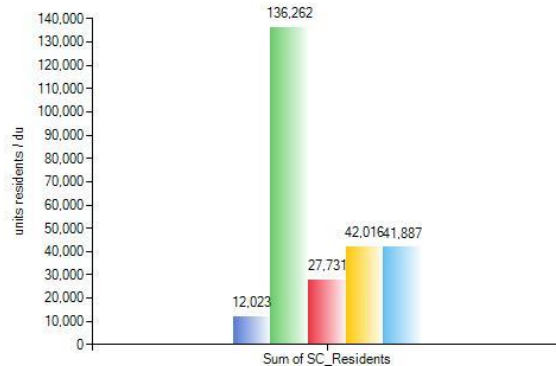
## Bridgeville / Greenwood Scenario Development



# Comparing the Numbers

## Sum of SC\_Residents

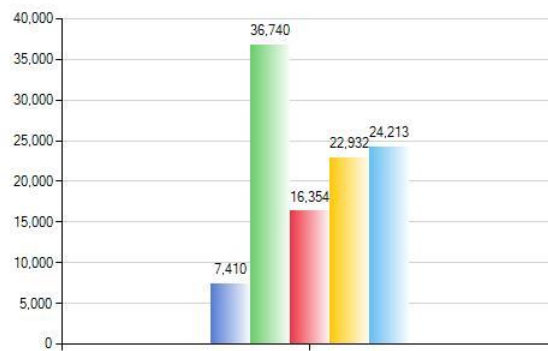
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Base Build-Out Scenario Table 1 Table 2 Composite CompPlan

## Sum of SC\_Employees

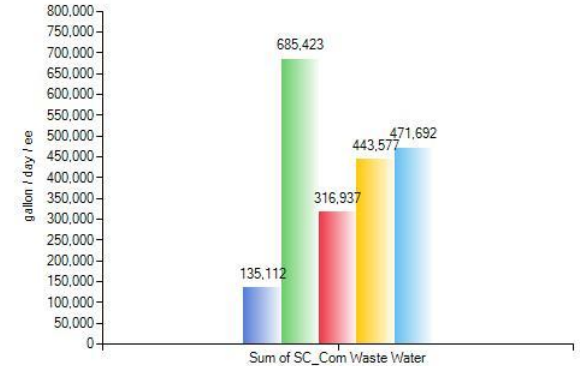
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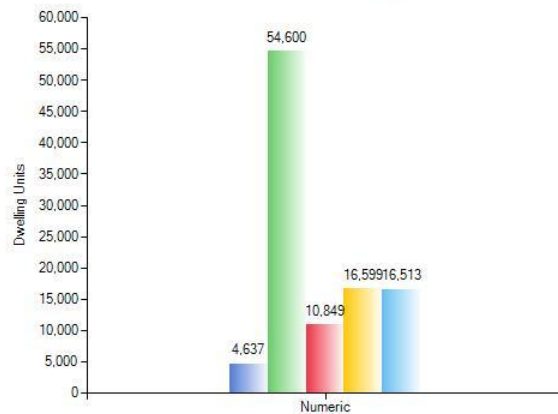
## Sum of SC\_Com Waste Water

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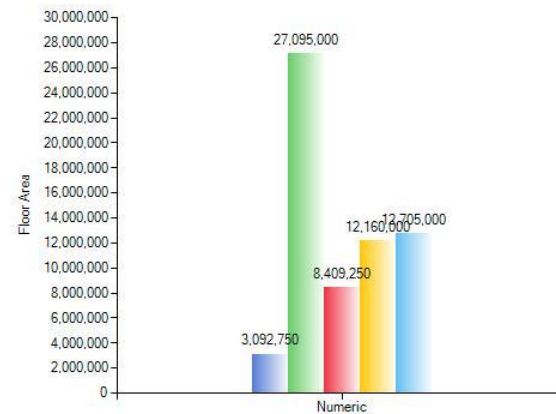
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## Build-Out Dwelling Units



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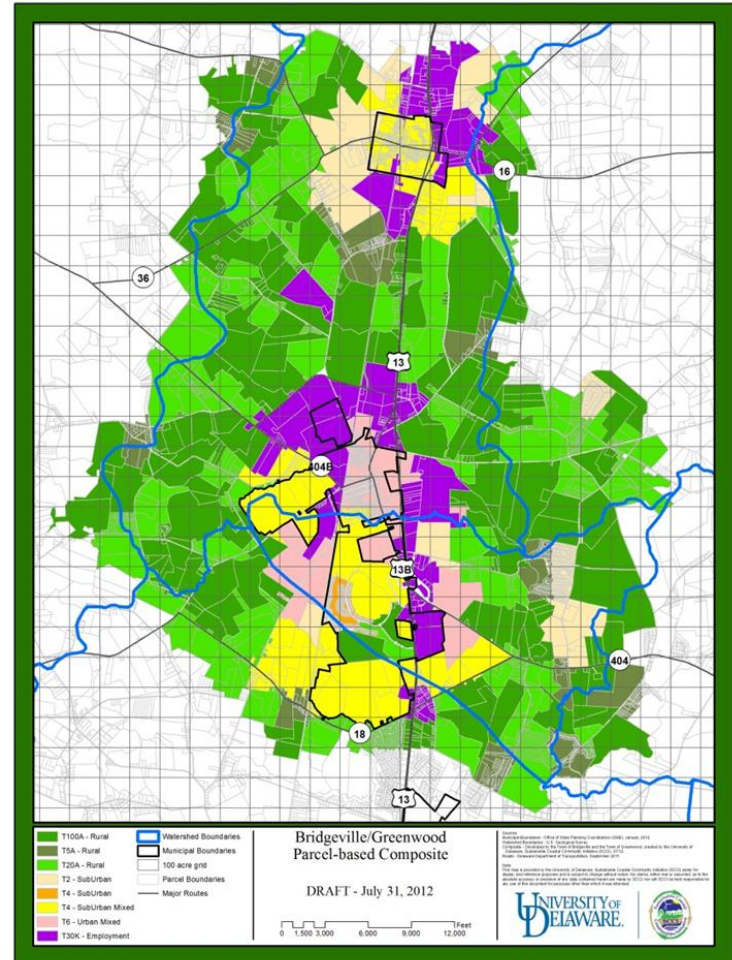
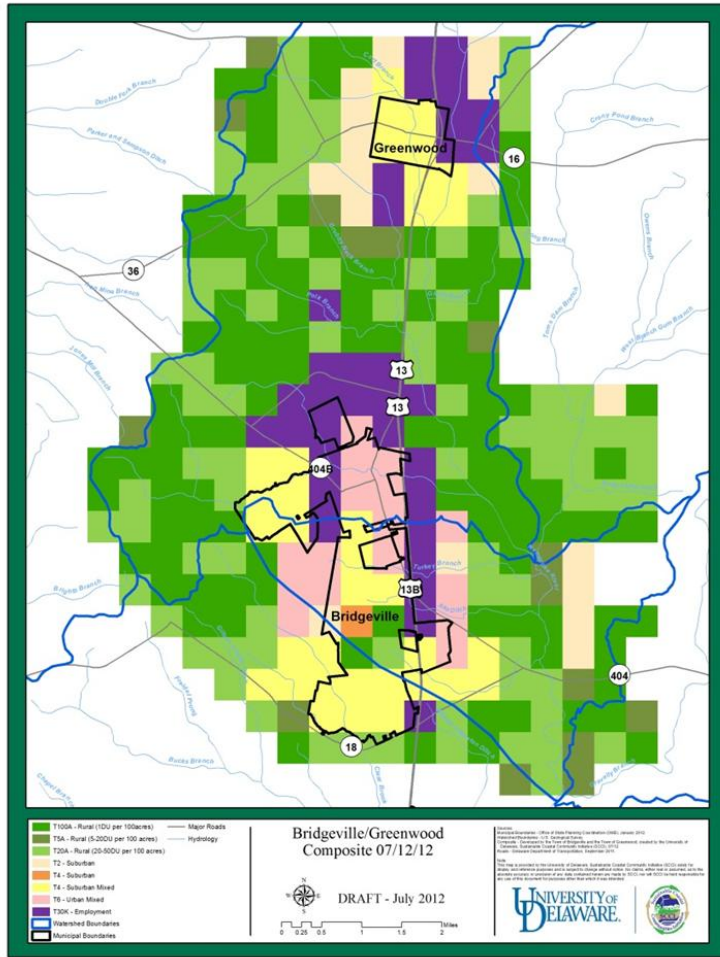
## Build-Out Floor Area



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# Master Plan Scenario Implemented

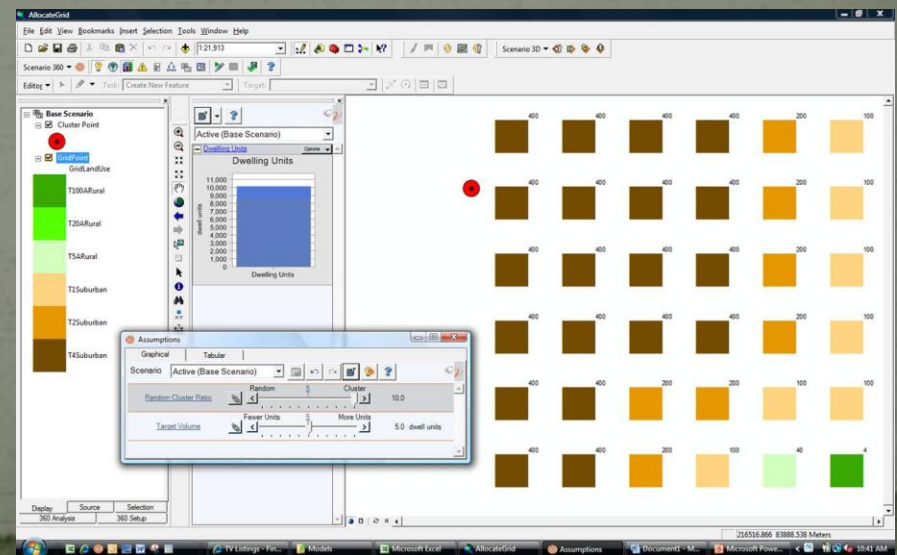
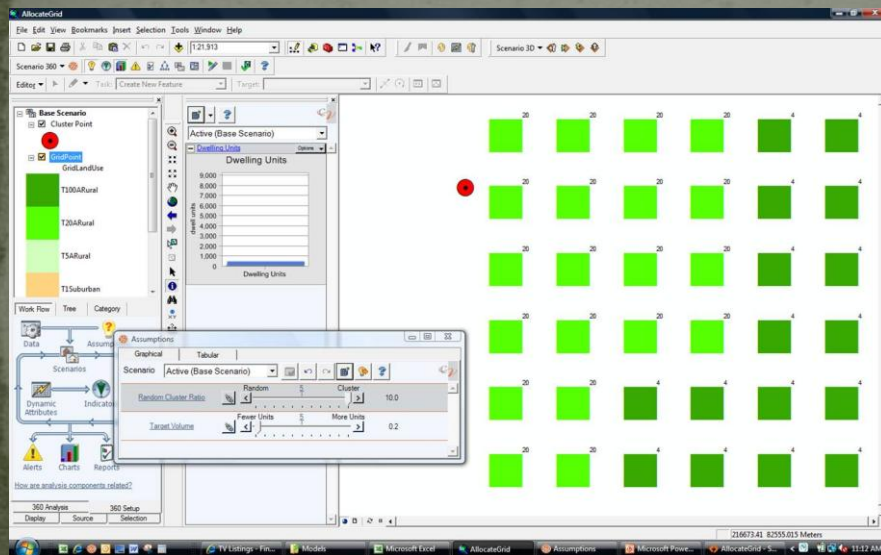


# UD-SCC Community Land Use Model – Version 2



# Customization & Allocation Application

- **Sussex County Dwelling Units**
  - Overlap Most ( [ Attribute: Buildable Area: Numeric Dwelling Units ] )
- **Sussex County Residents**
  - [ Attribute: SC\_LU\_Grid:SC\_NumDwellingUnits ] \* [ Attribute:SC\_LU\_Grid : LU Residents per DU ]



# Coming Full Circle

## Some Larger Questions:

- Define Land Use Density?
- May local data such as Forests be used?
- How will Delaware's model speak with EPA's larger model?

## Work still needed to be done:

- In Delaware, the need to inventory and refine data to avoid duplication and inaccuracies.
- Update key data that was used in the initial Bay Modeling efforts ?



*Any questions?*

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