Recovery Potential Screening:

A Tool for Comparing Impaired Waters Restorability

A Watershed Academy Webinar

Join us for this webinar entitled *"Recovery Potential Screening: A Tool for Comparing Impaired Waters Restorability."* This webinar will help states, watershed groups and others become acquainted with a new website and methodology for analyzing and comparing restorability differences among watersheds. The website provides step-by-step screening directions, time-saving tools for calculating indices and displaying results, summaries of over 120 ecological, stressor and social indicators, a recovery literature database, and several case studies. Recovery Potential Screening was developed to assist complex planning and prioritizing, provide a user-customizable but systematic and transparent comparison approach, and help improve restoration program results. See website at: www.epa.gov/recoverypotential.
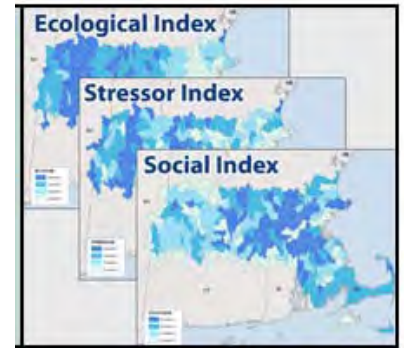
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For 20 years in the Office of Water, Doug has specialized in the development and transfer of technical studies and tools for state and watershed practitioners including the Watershed Academy's online training and certificate program, the TMDL results analysis project, and the multi-agency Stream Corridor Restoration Handbook. His focus on watershed restoration and efforts to improve program success with limited resources led to a multi-year study of factors influencing differences in impaired waters restorability. The products of that effort are the Recovery Potential Screening approach, indicators, tools and website.

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Tatyana works closely with Doug on Recovery Potential Screening as well as on policy and technical issues pertaining to impaired waters and TMDLs under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act. She specializes in watershed analysis using Geographic Information Systems, the development of new enhancements and uses of EPA's surface water quality data system, ATTAINS, and impaired waters policy analysis.

The Watershed Academy

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