Desired Development Zone (DDZ) Initiative Summary of Proposed Changes

- Standardize drainage area thresholds for all waterway classifications minor = 64 - 320 acres, intermediate = 320 - 640 acres, major = 640+ acres (§25-8-91).
- Set Critical Water Quality Zones to fixed widths for Suburban watersheds and the Colorado River (§25-8-92).
- Eliminate Water Quality Transition Zone for Suburban watersheds (§25-8-93).
- Change impervious cover limits to a gross site area basis for Suburban watersheds (§25-8-394).
- · Eliminate watershed impervious cover limits in Suburban watersheds for the zoning jurisdiction that is outside the Lake, Rattan, and Brushy Creek watersheds (§25-8-394).
- Require water quality controls when the cumulative total of both new and redeveloped impervious cover exceeds 5,000 square feet; require removal of floatable debris for all watersheds (§25-8-211).

Additional Considerations

- Similar code amendments necessary for Title 30.
- · Potential to combine Urban and Suburban requirements into one Article (e.g., Desired Development Zone Requirements).
- Consider changing Critical Water Quality Zone street crossing requirements for Suburban watersheds (§25-8-262).
- Consider allowing certain water quality controls (vegetated filter strips, rain gardens, biofiltration) in the Critical Water Quality Zone.
- Consider if Lake, Rattan, and Brushy Creek watersheds (N. Edwards recharge) should have different impervious cover limits than the rest of Suburban watersheds within the zoning jurisdiction.
- Add language to Land Development Code to tie to ECM Flood Modification Guidelines.
- Add mitigation requirements/options for floodplain modification.
- Allow public boat launches along the Colorado River (§25-8-261).
- Eliminate Boundary Street Deduction for DDZ (§25-8-65).