

WATER

Barriers

Policy

- Agricultural Community vs Urban Community interests
- SC Kansas lacking state funding priority for water projects
- Lack of comprehensive conservation policy

Regulations

- Clean Water Act
- New rules on storm water management
- Regulations are not enforced

Education

- Lack of general knowledge of the watershed system
- Water is undervalued

Resources

- Lack of money to move projects forward
- Potential lack of political will at all levels of government to move needed projects forward
- Current low cost of water doesn't encourage conservation

Opportunities

Conservation

- Include water conservation and storm water Best Management Practices (BMPs) in all public infrastructure projects
- Rewards for individual, companies, groups to set up conservation practices

Education

- Educate people that water may well be next world economic driver
- Use neighborhood communication opportunities to push for water conservation measures
- Educate developers about need and appropriateness of new storm water regulations
- Develop a positive working relationship with the media to get more coverage of water issues

Public Policy

- Need unified voice for SC Kansas to get fair share of resources for water
- Work with Agricultural community and Cities to ensure best practices
- Aligning Regional Water Initiatives
- Low cost of water is good economic development tool

Water Quality

- Public and Private Investment Projects
- Storm Water Runoff BMPs, etc

