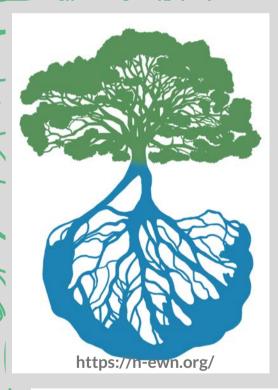
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Natural infrastructure benefits communities and ecosystems. It can come in many forms and scales, including sand dunes engineered to prevent erosion, floodplains along rivers, which allow the river to ebb and flow without flood risk to communities, and coastal wetlands, which protect against storms, absorb pollution, and provide habitat. The University of Georgia's Institute for Resilient Infrastructure Systems and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Engineering

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Dr. Todd Bridges is the U.S. Army's Senior Research Scientist for Environmental Science. His responsibilities include leading research, development and environmental initiatives for the U.S. Army and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). Dr. Bridges is the National Lead for USACE's Engineering With Nature which includes a network of research projects, field demonstrations, and communication activities to promote sustainable, resilient infrastructure systems. His primary areas of

research activity at the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center include 1) the science and engineering of sustainable infrastructure development, 2) the development of risk and decision analysis methods applied to water resources infrastructure and environmental systems, and 3) the assessment and management of environmental contaminants.

#### DR. BRIAN BLEDSOE

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Dr. Brian Bledsoe is a Georgia Athletic Association Distinguished Professor in the College of Engineering at the University of Georgia. Brian has over 25 years of experience as a civil and environmental engineer, hydrologist, and environmental scientist in the private and public sectors. Before entering the professorate, he worked as a consulting engineer and surveyor,



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and for the State of North Carolina as a watershed restoration specialist and nonpoint source program coordinator. Brian's research is focused on the interface of engineering, hydrology, and ecology with an emphasis on water quality, stormwater, flood hazards, infrastructure, and restoration of river and wetland ecosystems. He received a National Science Foundation CAREER Award in 2006, served as a Fulbright Scholar in Chile in 2008, and is currently president of the American Ecological Engineering Society. Brian's advisory activities include the Everglades and Louisiana Coastal Area restoration efforts, the Platte River and San Juan River Recovery Implementation Programs, the Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program, Engineers Without Borders, and collaborative water planning and management with numerous municipal, industrial, and agricultural partners.



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