Description of Phases

Phase 1

 Main components of resolution discussed during the stakeholder process (e.g., headwater buffers, floodplain protection)

Phase 2

- Evaluation of additional stormwater measures (e.g., volume-based hydrology, pay-in-lieu)
- Redevelopment provisions

Phase 3

- Imagine Austin Code Revisions
- Centers & Corridors, Impervious Cover

Creek Protection





Major Changes

 Extend minor "headwater" stream buffers to 64 acres of drainage citywide

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- Standardize Critical Water Quality Zone (CWQZ) buffer drainage area thresholds citywide:
 - 64 ac. 320 ac. drainage area (minor)
 - 320 ac. 640 ac. drainage area (intermediate)
 - > 640 ac. drainage area (major)

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- Simplify CWQZ buffer widths in Urban & Suburban watersheds:
 - 100 feet (minor)
 - 200 feet (intermediate)
 - 300 feet (major)

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Major Changes

- Eliminate Water Quality Transition Zone buffers in Suburban watersheds (like Urban)
- Use Gross Site Area basis for impervious cover in Suburban watersheds (discontinue Net Site Area)

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 Allow "buffer averaging" in Urban & Suburban watersheds to reduce buffers by up to one-half if the overall area protected remains the same

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Major Changes

 Allow "green" water quality controls in the upper half of CWQZ buffers (but out of 100-yr floodplain) in Urban & Suburban watersheds

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- Allow utility lines in the upper half of CWQZ buffers (but out of the erosion hazard zone) in Urban & Suburban watersheds
- Modify redevelopment exception to consider minimum stream setback & disallow additional non-compliance

