Sharing Catchment Knowledge and Connecting Communities

Oxley-Bremer Twinning Project
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International RiverFoundation

Nick Schofield
CEO

• International RiverFoundation and Riverprize
• Twinning Program – What is Twinning?
• Oxley Creek Catchment Association – Riverprize winners
• New partnership with Ipswich City Council (ICC)

• Issues in Common:
  ➢ pressures from highly urban and industrialised areas
  ➢ persistent poor water quality
  ➢ flooding and disaster risk planning
  ➢ populations who are no longer connected to their rivers and creeks
Oxley Creek Catchment Association
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Twinning with the Bremer

Oxley- Bremer Twinning Project
Project Launch
International RiverSymposium 2014

- Engaging industry in the care of waterways
- Increasing knowledge and skills
- Building community
- Taking the message home
Knowledge Sharing

What this really means...
Knowledge Management

Knowledge Sharing/Transfer
• The exchange of knowledge between individuals, groups or organisations’
• To spread and make knowledge more accessible and useable

Knowledge Barriers
• Unclear explanations
• Arduous relationships
• Absorptive capacity of the recipient
Connecting People
OCCA’s CreekWatch Program
CreekWatch!

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Some of OCCA’s activities

- Less to landfill for better business outcomes forum
- Corporate volunteer program
- Granard wetland project
- CreekCare
- Catchment education program for primary and secondary schools
Interview with CreekWatch Partners
Paul Schultz – Sims Metal Management
Mark Dekker – BMI Group
Twinning Project
What have we done so far?

• Bremer Catchment Research
• Workshop sessions and desktop mapping study
• On ground investigations
• Some community engagement
• Litter and Illegal Dumping Project at Bundamba Creek – litter monitoring program
Looking ahead...

- Industry and community engagement program
- Learn from other twinning projects
- Continue to make partnerships
- Positive outcomes
Thank you for listening!