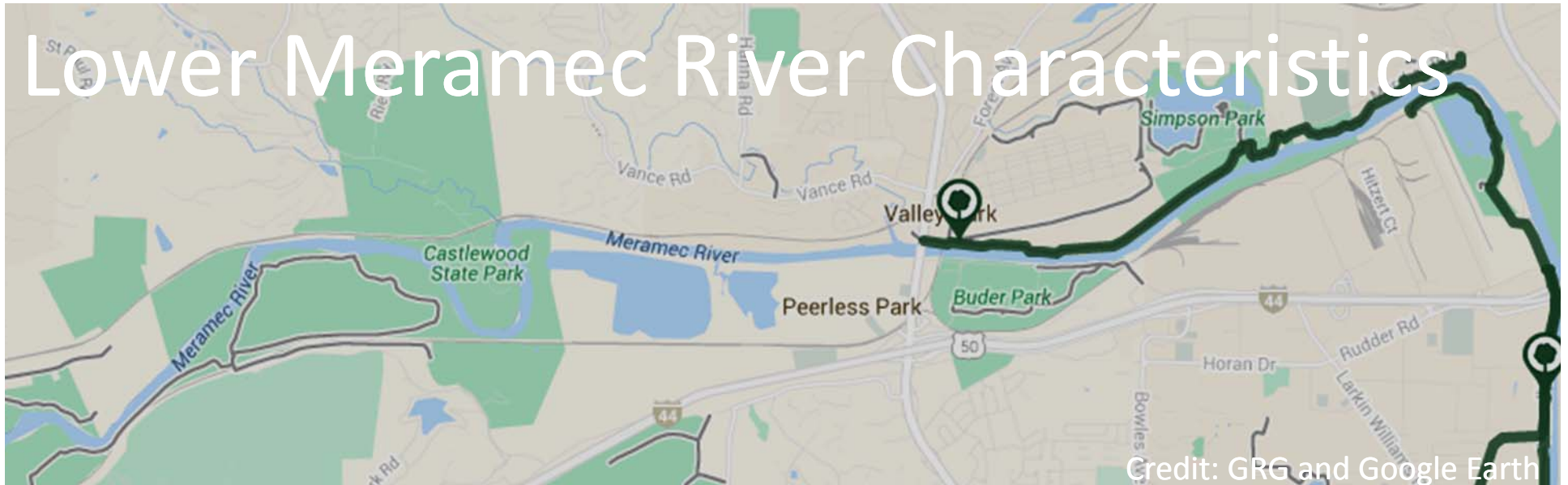


Lower Meramec River Characteristics



- Working river and a recreational river – priceless amenity
- Large trail network, vision of connecting all parts
- Maintaining bridges for recreation
- No coordinated riparian management strategies
- MRRA and MRTA and Meramec Greenway
- Stream Team

Lower Meramec River Characteristics



- Compared to upper Meramec, large water and sewer utilities
- Concerns over costs of clean water regs.
- Malfunctioning individual treatment systems
- Flash flooding and erosion on tributaries
- Mississippi River back-ups on main channel
- Banks are mostly stable, some areas of erosion

Meramec River – Issues



- Roads, Bridges and Creek Crossings
- Sewers, Treatment Plants, Septic Systems, Drinking Water
- Erosion, Streambank Stabilization, and Sedimentation
- Tourism and Recreation
- Agriculture and Resource Use
- Natural Resources, Habitat and Wildlife

Meramec River – Issues



- Do you think the impact of this flood was avoidable?
- Do you think preparation for the next flood should be an individual responsibility?
- Do you think your community would be willing to limit development in the floodplain?