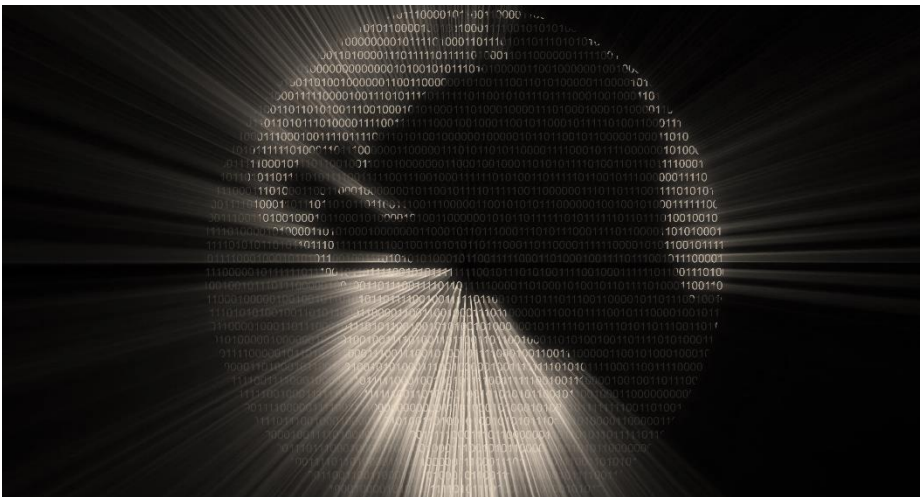




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Presentation Objectives

Provide context

Present new ideas for research

“Ask the Audience”



A little bit about myself.

Education

Honors BS in Psychology from Colorado State University, Fort Collins, CO

M.Sc. In Geography from Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, NL Canada

First-semester PhD student at North Carolina State University
in the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Management

Interests

Qualitative Research Methods

Disaster Recovery and Community Engagement

Why am I here today?

Existing Project Context



Building Resilience by Innovating through
Diverse Group Engagement (BRIDGE):
Long-term recovery from Hurricane
Matthew

Central question: *How do disaster recovery efforts
intervene in vulnerability and what is the effect on
resilience in Robeson County and the Lumber watershed?*

SHARE YOUR STORY

be
the
bridge

“We don’t need to know what survivors of this hurricane are doing, we need to know what survivors of Hurricane Katrina would have done differently”



Research Ideas



Part I



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Engage community members in a citizen science project that addresses an issue related to disaster recovery (data collection, analysis, and reporting)

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Part II



How can we scale up the idea?

Research Ideas



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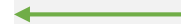
Internet-based information sharing and learning

Develop a platform to share:

Mini-documentaries

Citizen science data and reports

Tools and protocols for communities to develop their own community-led projects



Ask the Audience

General

Initial thoughts?

Things I may not be considering?

CONCERNS

Prolonged community engagement vs. one-time engagement.

Developing a realistic project and timeline.

Part I



Citizen Science and Community Engagement

What are your experiences with citizen science and community engagement?

Any difficulties you have run across?

Any strategies that have been effective for you?

Part II



Internet-based information sharing and learning

What are your experiences with using digital platforms for engagement?

Any difficulties I should anticipate?

Suggestions for platforms?



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Thank you!

