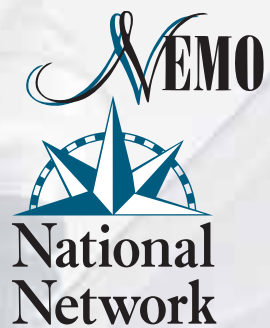


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## 2002 Progress Report

A network of education programs teaching local land use decision makers about the relationship between land use and natural resource protection.

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# About This Report

*Our programs are making real headway in addressing the growing concerns of the nation, one locality at a time.*

This is a progress report on a unique group of educational programs that are helping communities across the country make better land use decisions.

Mark Twain's famous quip, "A great, great deal has been said about the weather, but very little has ever been done," might just as easily be applied to land use. Land use is at the root of many of the most pressing issues facing our communities. Water and air quality. Economic development. Farmland preservation. Sprawl. Open space protection. Community character. However, land use is determined at the local level, by people serving on town, township and county boards and commissions. As they struggle to deal with these important issues and guide the future of their communities, local decision makers are in need of assistance and technical tools. Yet few federal or state agencies have the mission, expertise or resources to provide this type of assistance.

What can be done to address this problem? EDUCATION. The member programs of the National NEMO Network believe that research-based, professional outreach education is by far the most effective, and most cost effective, means by which to help America's communities make better land use decisions.

We're turning that belief into action in communities across the country. Far from just talking about land use and its problems, our programs are making real headway in addressing the growing concerns of the nation, one locality at a time. Local land use plans and regulations are being revised. Roads, parking lots, subdivisions and other developments are being designed and built differently. Policy changes are being made at the local, watershed, regional and even state level.

Please read on and learn more about who we are, what we're doing and why we're making a difference in communities across the country.



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