

Presenter: Bill O'Dell [15:00 to 15:30]

Presentation Title: Flooding and the Affordable Housing Crisis in Florida

Abstract: As a changing climate accelerates SLR and extreme weather events, housing for the workforce and other vulnerable populations may be increasingly at risk to flooding episodes. Bill will discuss a prototype model that combines sea level rise, storm surge, floodplain, and satellite imagery to estimate the risk of flooding to the state's assisted multi-family housing inventory.

Bill O'Dell

Bill O'Dell is the Director of the University of Florida's Shimberg Center for Housing Studies. Bill has spent several years at the Shimberg Center collaborating on the development of a number of data products, among them the Affordable Housing Needs Assessment. Before coming to the Shimberg Center, Mr. O'Dell was a policy analyst at the University of Florida's Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) where he was involved in several research projects concerning Florida's Growth Management Act. He has been involved in local and state government issues in Florida for several years. His local government experience includes capital improvement planning, housing, and impact fees. In 1996, Mr. O'Dell earned his Master's degree in Political Science from the University of Florida, with a Certificate in Public Administration.