

## ABOUT US:

### BEV WILSON



Dr. Bev Wilson is the Principal Investigator of this project. His research is grounded in land use planning and informed by the use of geographic information systems (GIS) and spatial data analysis. He is interested in better understanding the spatial and temporal aspects of development, as well as its implications for the environment and society. Professor Wilson's work spans the urban to rural continuum and ranges in scale from the individual housing unit to the metropolitan region. He is also interested in the livability of small towns and rural communities and believes that planners can play a significant role in successfully meeting the many issues these areas face. The use of tools like GIS, spatial data analysis, and video to inform better planning and decision-making is a key thread connecting his research and teaching.

### ARNAB CHAKRABORTY



Dr. Arnab Chakraborty is an associate professor of urban and regional planning and the Dean's Fellow at the College of Fine and Applied Arts. Professor Chakraborty holds concurrent appointments in the Institute of Sustainability, Energy, and the Environment, the Center for Global Studies, and the Center for South Asian and Middle Eastern studies at UIUC, and at the National Center for Smart Growth Research and Education at the University of Maryland. Professor Chakraborty's research has been supported by the Federal Highway Administration, the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, the Urban Institute, and the National Science Foundation. An expert of land use and regional planning, Professor Chakraborty is an expert in scenario analysis and, most recently, wrote a [practitioners guide for scenario analysis](#) in the Journal of the American Planning Association. He conducts regular scenario workshops for practitioners on behalf of the [American Planning Association](#).

## ELIZABETH BASTIAN



Elizabeth Bastian is a Master's of Urban Planning student at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, specializing in transportation, land use, and international planning. She received a B.A. in Urban and Regional Studies and Anthropology, as well as a Certificate in GIS, from the University of Michigan Dearborn in 2013. Her contributions to the project include data acquisition and analysis, the creation of a heat vulnerability index, and enhancements to the website.

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