

An Introduction to Induced Meandering: A Method for Restoring Stability to Incised Stream Channels. 3rd ed. By Bill Zeedyk. April 2006. A Joint Publication from Earth Works Institute, The Quivira Coalition, and Zeedyk Ecological Consulting. 16 p. Book free from: The Quivira Coalition, 1413 Second Street, Suite #1, Santa Fe, NM 87505. Phone 505-820-2544 or print from the website at www.quiviracoalition.org.

This book is an illustrated field guide providing a general description of technology for inducing meandering in small channels. It is not an engineering design manual.

There are three sections to the book: 1) Concepts and Terminology, 2) Induced Meandering Procedures, and 3) Types and Locations of Structures.

The book, in a 5- × 8-inch format, is easy to carry to the field with simple figures, illustrations, and photos which illustrate the points in the text. The concepts are easy to follow and understand with a single reading. The entire book can be read in less than an hour. The photos are in color, showing various aspects of field sites and installation procedures. The photos are supplemented with good simple line drawings depicting various construction concepts.

The book is a good handout for field tour discussions with general contractors, volunteers, project managers, and government officials with limited engineering background who might not have a familiarity with general small stream morphology. It provides a good introduction to the basic techniques of inducing meandering for small stream restoration.

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