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## INTEGRATING SCIENCE INTO URBAN PLANNING: A Local Perspective

Urban planning deals with the development of communities in various elements, such as land use, transportation, economic development, and environmental conditions among other topics. Planners use data and best practices to determine recommendations that are then acted on by policy makers. In a coastal and hazard-prone environment, it is critical to have accurate and accessible information available to public administrators in order to guide smart, resilient development or conservation. Local communities such as Aransas Pass, Rockport, and Corpus Christi have worked closely with the Harte Research Institute and other extension agencies to integrate scientific research into community planning. Examples of this include the Aransas Pass Coastal Resilience Plan, the Aransas County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, the Rockport Comprehensive Plan, and the Texas Coastal Resilience Master Plan. Working together, policy makers and the scientific community can have local impact.

### MORE ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

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Amanda Torres is a Senior City Planner for the City of Corpus Christi. Prior to this, she was the Community Planner in Rockport, Texas and City Planner and Assistant to the City Manager in Aransas

Pass, Texas. She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration in Economics and a Master of Public Administration from Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi. Ms. Torres has been recognized for her work in resilience and disaster recovery by the Gulf of Mexico Climate & Resilience Community of Practice and the Texas Chapter of the American Planning Association.



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