

The Written:

For this Friday at 9:00am, I want you to submit the following to your student folder:

Word File – Entitle assignment as follows:

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We started out the semester learning in general about Houston, then learning about flooding. You began to understand what it means for the city to flood, and began to develop your own thoughts about this. We went through a site visit, exploration, and charette session to consider flooding in Houston.

You have been asked to think about this – what it means for the city to flood? You considered the idea of ‘embracing’ flooding, as well as ‘preventing’ flooding...to design to flood/ to design to prevent flooding. Each of you has explored a new way of seeing water and flooding in the city. We might call this – rethinking Houston as a city that floods.

But, you have now moved in a particular direction, a direction influenced by your research of the issue and your interest in exploring it. Now want you to write about this – look back now and ask yourself “what am I doing”? More importantly – “what is the question I’m are attempting to answer in my work”? If you write about it, it forces you to think about it in a more direct way – it establishes written meaning for the spatial exploration. It is good to have to think about it and explain it.

Remember, as you begin to solidify your work for final review – you have had an entire semester to explore “the question”. Your work should express this. Process is everything, so don’t leave it out of your writing, or your final work.

We will make a publication of this work. I will provide you with a format for this through a revision of the final project and will post this.