At this time, approximately 76% of the land area within the Abram Creek watershed has been developed. Medium-density residential housing occupies 44% of the land area, while another 32% is used for commercial, industrial, or institutional purposes, such as Cleveland Hopkins airport and the IX Center.

The remainder of the Abram Creek watershed, 24%, is undeveloped. Undeveloped lands may include forested areas, open grass areas, ponds, or wetlands, and their uses may include agriculture or recreation.
The RIDE Study identified 28 miles of total drainage serving the Abram Creek watershed, shown on the adjacent map as either intercommunity drainage (dark blue), or intracommunity drainage (light blue).

The intercommunity drainage system represents the network of sewers, culverts, and streams receiving flow from more than one community, whereas the intracommunity drainage system represents the local portions of the drainage network receiving storm water from a single community.