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## Reflection#5

At this point, we have not had our site visits. I am a part of a new group, and relearning the mission and goal for this semester has honestly been helpful. I am nervous about the future of this project. Last semester, we didn't have any survey results yet, along with the information needed to deem this project as successful. Which in the end made us go into different routes with different groups. The Ideas I have been coming up with for this semester aren't off to a good start either. When emailing different grassroots organizations in East Saint Louis, I haven't received any responses.

I think the best thing I have going is the research I am doing about flooding. I have found some interesting information regarding the extent of this issue's problematic nature. Cahokia Heights is a prime example of places the government tends to overlook. Watching as these communities in this area continue to suffer. Suffering for things that people before them chose not to do. Taking care and installing the right pipes wasn't on their checklist, I'm guessing. I want to do better as far as helping my group. I feel like I haven't contributed enough of my effort to help and assist my peers. Specifically, my part and how I go forward with our assignments.

I feel that with my joining this group, I am more distant. I feel that I am not as available or helpful when it comes to the knowledge of our topic. I may have lived in these areas, but other than that, what am I contributing? I'm back in the same position I was in the first semester, and I

don't know truly what my mission is in any of my groups. I'm not as confident as I was when I first started the project. I feel more overwhelmed and defeated because I haven't had the opportunity to bring something of value. Last, I know we have a good topic. I feel that we have a strong subject and things people need to talk about. Going forward, I want to try to better help and contribute to my team. Even though I have done some groundwork, I have a better opportunity to make a change. I know I just joined, but I know my team will continue to put in the effort to gain the results of our studies.