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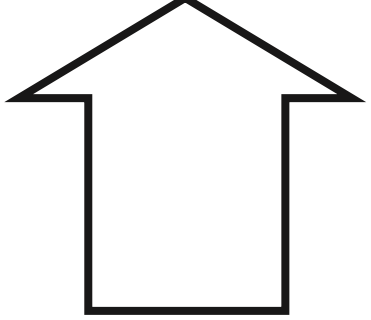

Green Infrastructure Grant for the Combined Sewer Area Program
Operation & Maintenance Workshop Session

Reducing rain and stormwater
from our combined sewer system

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Agenda

- Introduction
- O & M General Overview (Design, Construct, Maintain)
- Stormwater Control Measures
- Annual Inspections
- Educational Signage
- Grant Reporting Tool

Introduction

The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District supports the strategic implementation and long-term maintenance of green infrastructure that protects, preserves, enhances, and restores natural hydrologic function.

Introduction

Requiring all grantees to attend an Operation & Maintenance (O&M) Workshop to ensure that green infrastructure practices through our GI Grant Program Agreement, will continue to function properly and yield expected water quality and environmental benefits, while ensuring good stewardship of rate payer dollars.

Green Infrastructure Grant

Funding Round	Award Recommendations Total	Runoff Reduction gallons/year Total
2014 – 2023 GIG PROGRAM	$12,728,824	35,066,342
2024 GIG PROGRAM	1,625,000	2,904,305
GRAND TOTAL	**$14,353,824**	**38,266,308**

Operation & Maintenance General Overview

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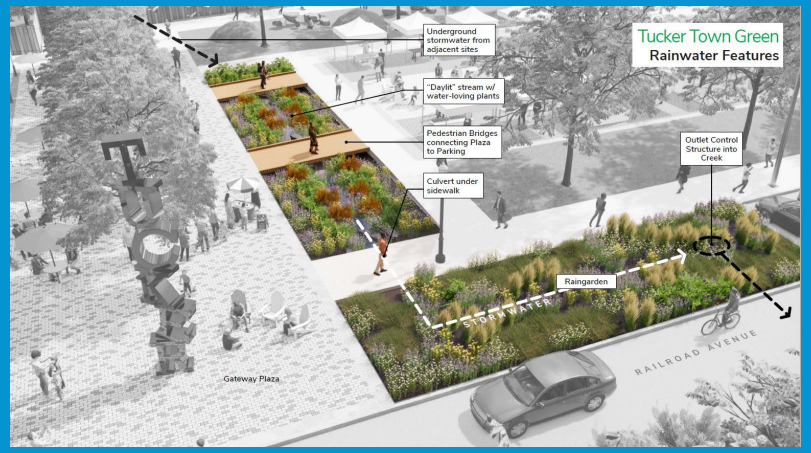

Construct

Maintain

General Overview Design Considerations

How to minimize maintenance and simplify inspection

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- Begin with the end in mind
- Setup project for success
  - Construction
  - Long-term maintenance

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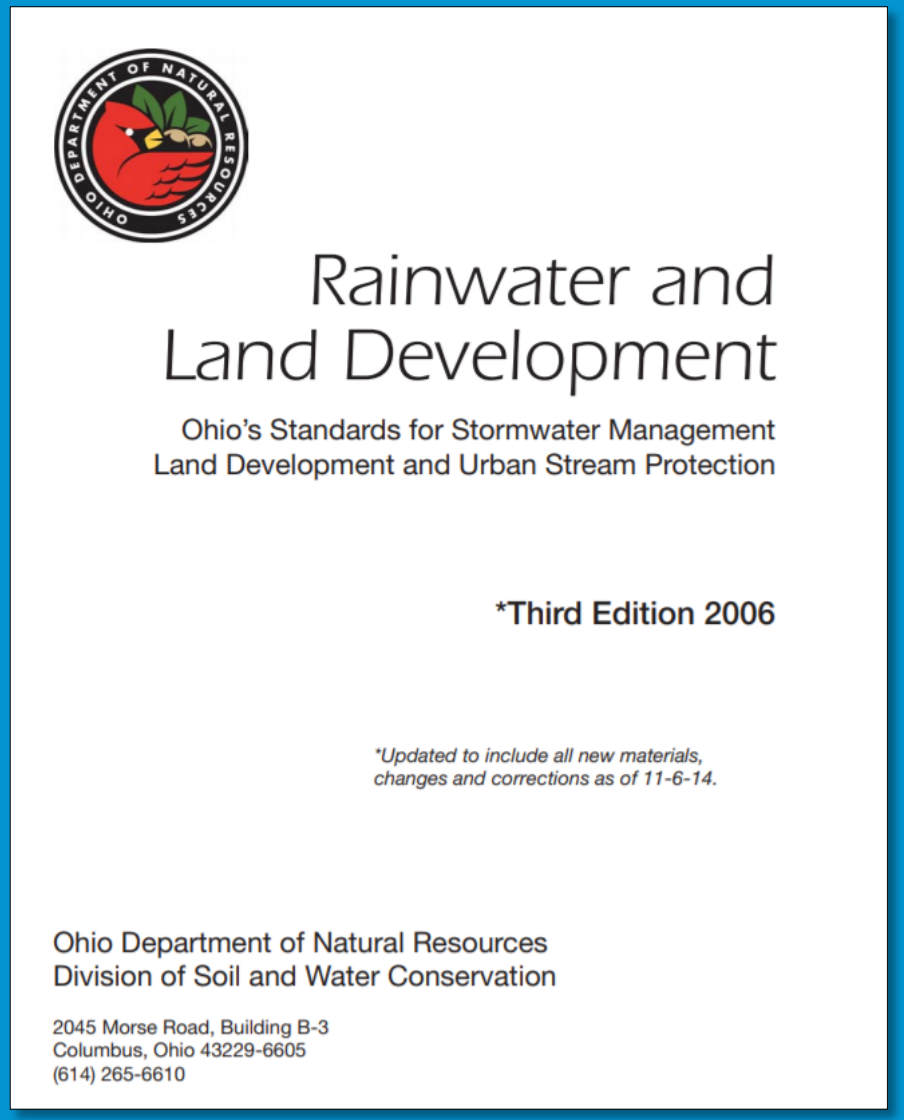
Refer to an accepted standard



Rainwater and Land Development

Ohio's Standards for Stormwater Management Land Development and Urban Stream Protection

*Third Edition 2006

*Updated to include all new materials, changes and corrections as of 11-6-14.

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Ensure accessibility by needed equipment

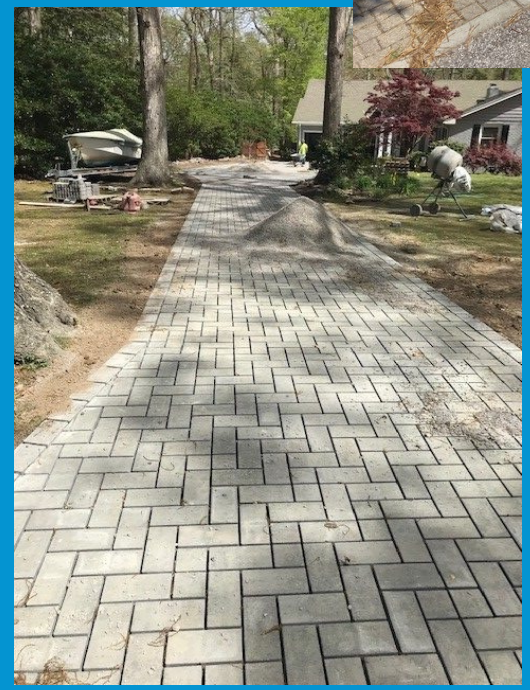
EASY ACCESS

DIFFICULT ACCESS

General Overview - Desig

Schedule

1. **Timing of Construction -** Construction of bioretention practices shall take plac
after land grading is complete and the contributing drainage area has been stabi-
lized. Construction may take place if the entire contributing area can be effective
diverted until construction is complete and fully-vegetated cover protects all soil
Construction shall not occur during periods of precipitation since clogging of soil
ding, filter or planting media may occur.



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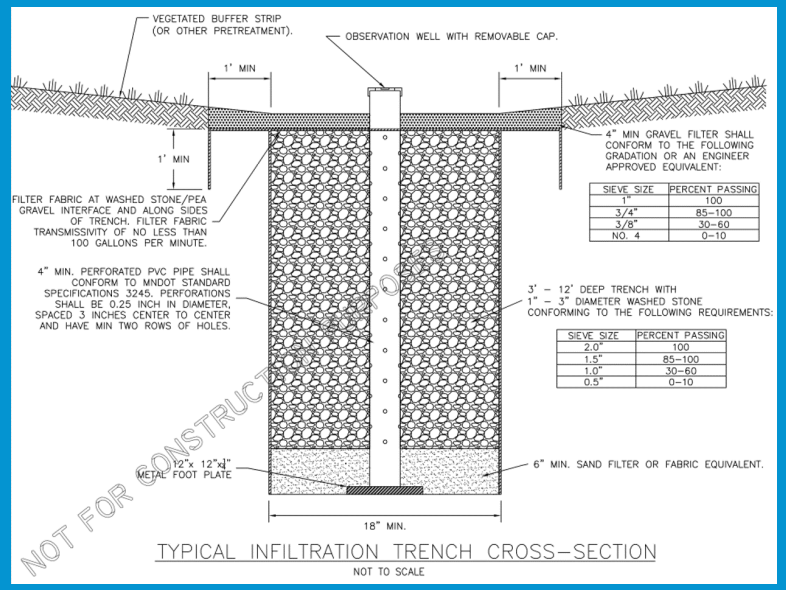
Consider ways to simplify inspections (e.g., observation wells)



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Flood Routing

What happens if the practice clogs/fails?

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General Overview - Design

Materials Specifications

4. *Planting Soil* – The planting soil filters the treatment volume, detains runoff in the available void space and provides a media for plant growth and a biological community. Much of the pollutant removal occurs in this zone due to filtering, microbial activity, ion exchange, adsorption and plant uptake. The planting soil (an engineered soil media) shall be at least two feet deep and up to four feet in depth (settled) depending upon the planned vegetation. Greater depth is necessary to accommodate the root ball of trees planted in bioretention facilities. Soils and soil mixes must be certified by a qualified laboratory (1 test per 100 yd^3 of soil) and have the following attributes:

   - Texture class: loamy sand. Having no less than 80% sand and no greater than 10% clay considering only the mineral fraction of the soil.
   - pH range: 5.2 - 8.0
   - Soluble Salts: 500 ppm maximum.
   - Decomposed organic matter: 3-5% by weight [Note: this translates to 8-20% organic matter by volume. See note on "Creating a Suitable Soil Media" below.]
   - Phosphorus: phosphorus of the planting media should fall between 15 and 60 mg/kg (ppm) as determined by the Mehlich III test. For sites in watersheds with a phosphorus TMDL or sites with high phosphorus loads, the phosphorus content of the planting media should fall between 10 and 30 mg/kg as determined by the Mehlich III test.
   - Sand added shall be clean and meet AASHTO M-6 or ASTM C-33 with a grain size of 0.02-0.04" inches.

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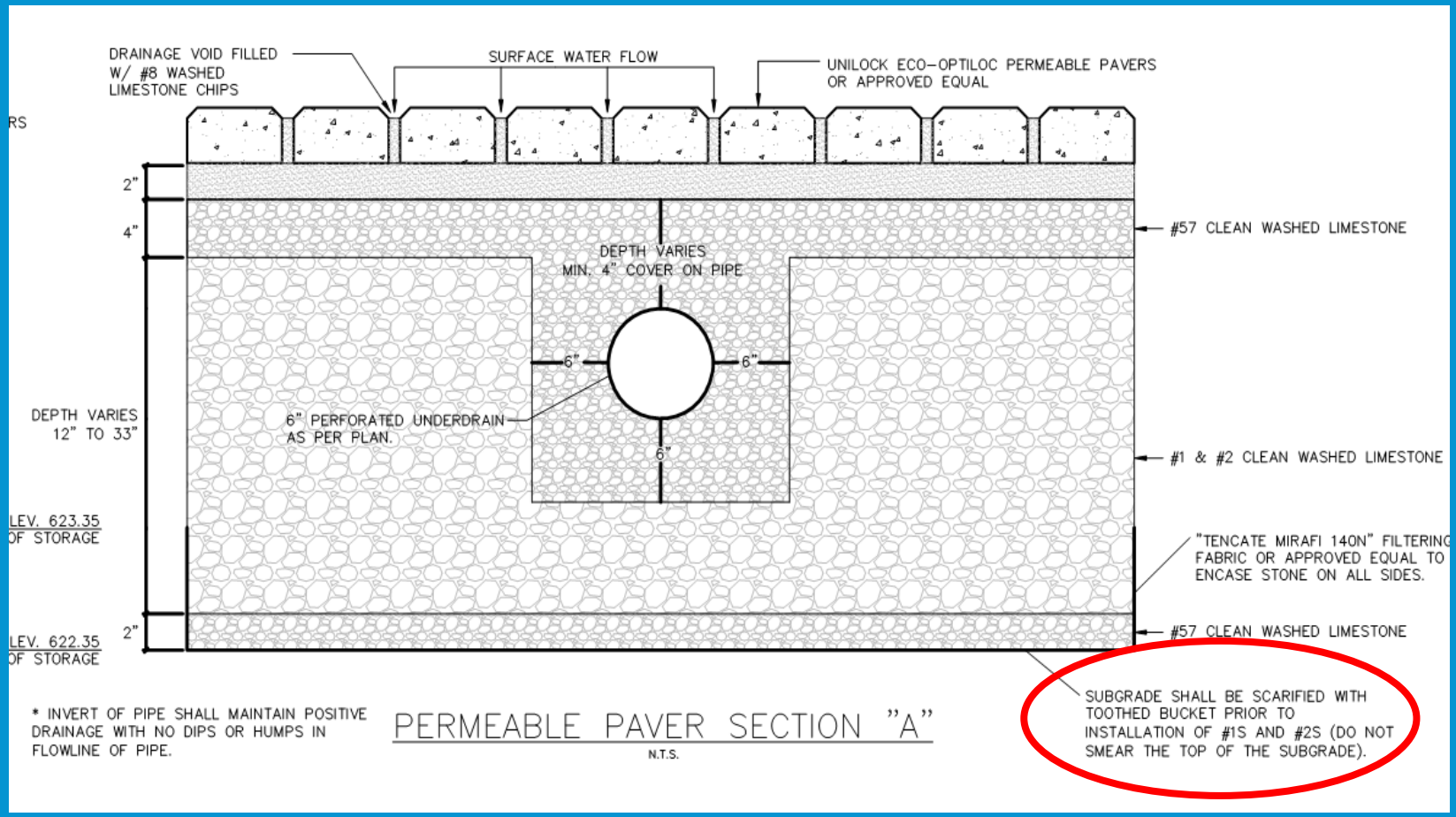
Applicable Notes & Details



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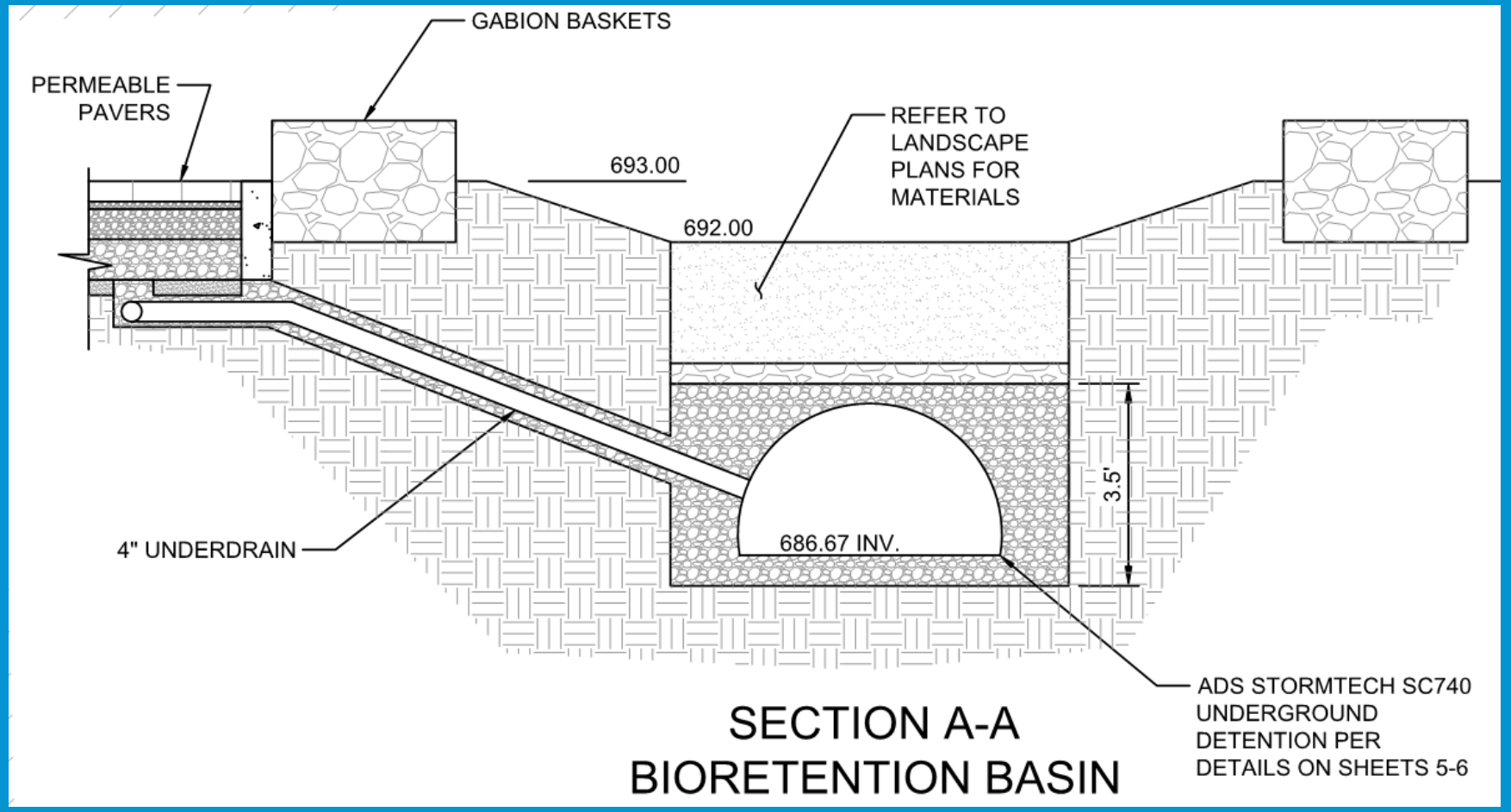

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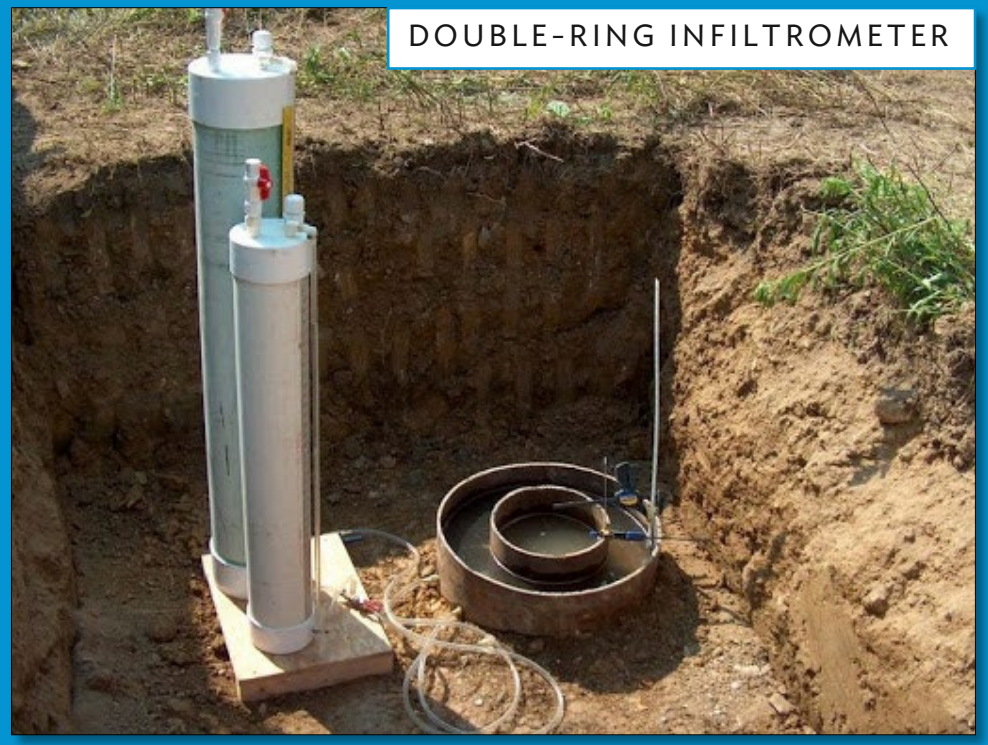
Sub-grade infiltration testing for assumed locations & approximate depths of SCMs



DOUBLE-RING INFILTROMETER

INFILTRATION TEST PIT

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Proximity of SCMs to Foundations

Horizontal Separation Distances

- separation from buildings - pervious pavement systems should be installed at least 10' away from up-gradient building foundations and 100' from down-gradient foundations, unless an acceptable barrier is provided or the building foundation can adequately handle additional water;

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How to achieve your SCM's intended function

(a.k.a., how to not mess it up)

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General Overview – Construction

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Do not ruin your SCM!

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Follow the construction schedule (the recipe)

1. START–UP SEQUENCE:
- INSTALL TEMPORARY EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL (SILT FENCE, CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE, CONCRETE WASHOUT ETC...) INLET PROTECTION ON ALL PERMANENT STORM SEWER INLETS, STRUCTURES AND STRUCTURES TO REMAIN THROUGH CONSTRUCTION
- CONTRACTOR SHALL DEFINE STAGING AREA LIMITS
- INSTALL SAFETY SIGNAGE, HEALTH AND SAFETY PROCEDURES
- MARK STOCKPILE AREAS, CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCES AND LOADING/UNLOADING AREAS
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2. CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE:
- INSTALL PERIMETER TEMPORARY EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PRACTICES PER PLAN AND DIRECTION
- DEMOLITION AND CLEAR CONSTRUCTION AREA PER THESE PLANS
- FINAL GRADE WITH STONE PARKING LOT PER GRADING PLAN AND STABILIZE AREAS DRAINING TO BIORETENTION AREA
- TEMPORARY SEED AND MULCH DISTURBED AREAS AS REQUIRED
- INSTALL BIORETENTION AREA AS PER PLAN

3. FINAL SEQUENCE
- FINALIZE ALL CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING PAVING
- PERMANENT SEED & LANDSCAPE AREAS AS NECESSARY
- REMOVE ANY REMAINING TEMPORARY SEDIMENT CONTROL DEVICES AS REQUIRED
- CLOSE OUT PROJECT

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Scarify underlying subsoil of infiltrating practices

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Keep sediment out!!

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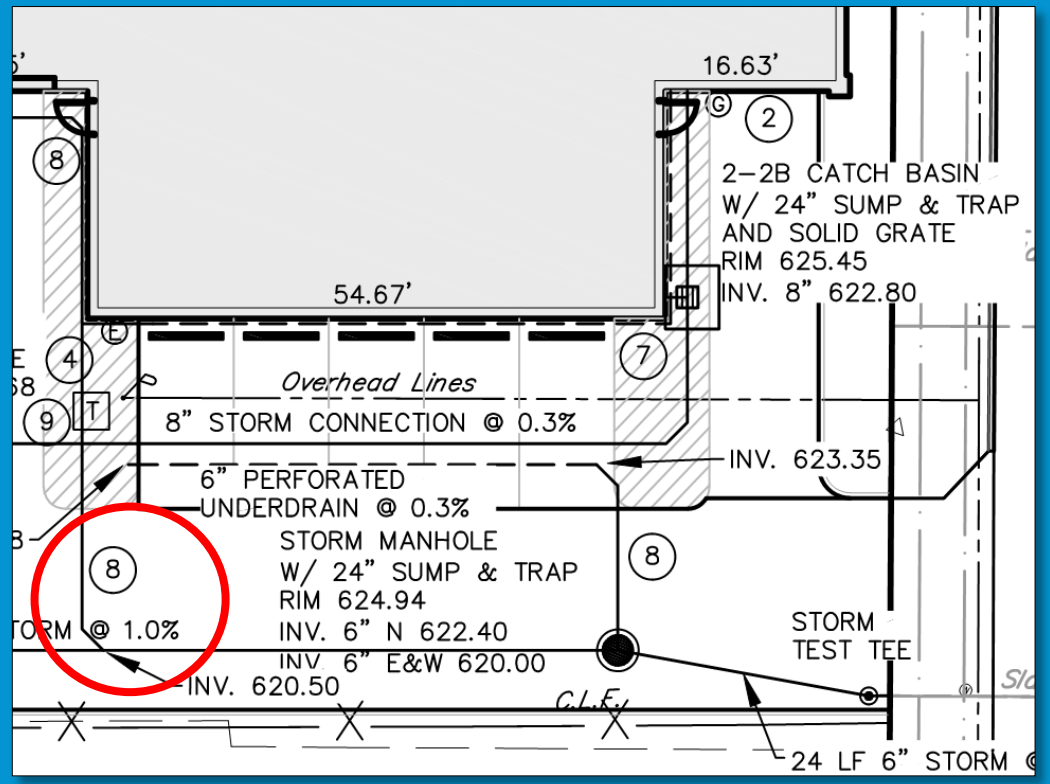
Refer to applicable notes



UTILITY NOTES:

1. PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION THE CONTRACTOR SHALL LOCATE EXISTING SLANTS #21 AND #28 FOR RE-USE. CONTRACTOR SHALL EXPOSE SLANT AND IT SHALL BE INSPECTED BY WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FOR REUSE. IF CONNECTION IS VIABLE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY ENGINEER OF LOCATION AND ELEVATION. IF WATER POLLUTION CONTROL DETERMINES THE SLANT IS NO LONGER VIABLE THE CONTRACTOR SHALL INSTALL A NEW 6" VCP SLANT PER WPC STANDARDS. CONTRACTOR TO COORDINATE WITH WATER POLLUTION CONTROL. SEWER WITHIN THE R/W, FROM TEST TEE TO THE MAIN SHALL BE 6" VCP @ A MINIMUM SLOPE OF 1.0%.
2. PROPOSED GAS METER. LOCATION AND SIZE AND CONNECTION TO BE COORDINATED WITH UTILITY COMPANIES PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION.
3. RELOCATED WATER SPIGOT. CONTRACTOR TO COORDINATE FINAL LOCATION WITH OWNER PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION. IF EXISTING SHUT OFF VALVE IS WITHIN CONSTRUCTION LIMITS, CONTRACTOR SHALL ALSO RELOCATE VALVE WITH WATER SPIGOT.
4. PROPOSED ELECTRIC METER AND TRANSFORMER. CONTRACTOR SHALL COORDINATE WITH MEP PLANS AND UTILITY COMPANIES PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION.
5. PROPOSED 4" FIRE LINE AND 2" DOMESTIC LINE. METER AND BACKFLOW SHALL BE LOCATED INSIDE BUILDING.
6. CURB UNDERDRAIN. SEE DETAIL SHEET C6.01.
7. 6" PERFORATED UNDERDRAIN AT 0.3% SLOPE WHERE PAVERS MEET BUILDING. SEE DETAIL SHEET C6.02.
8. SOLID PIPE FOR CONNECTION BETWEEN PERFORATED PIPE AND COLLECTOR PIPE.

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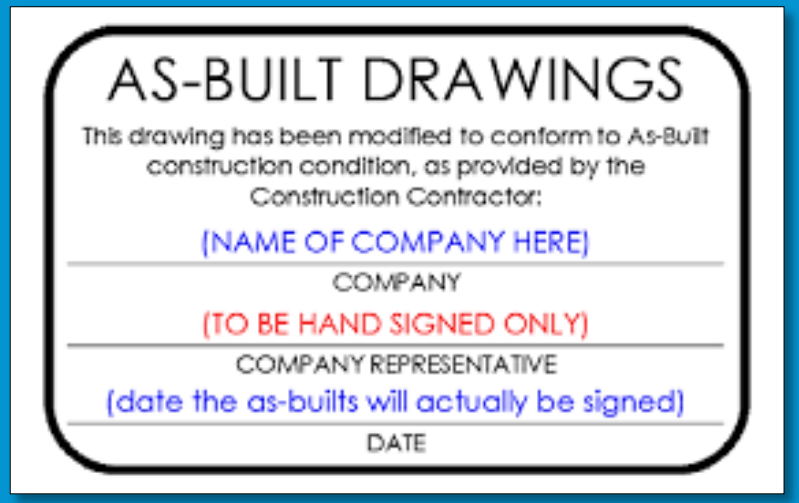
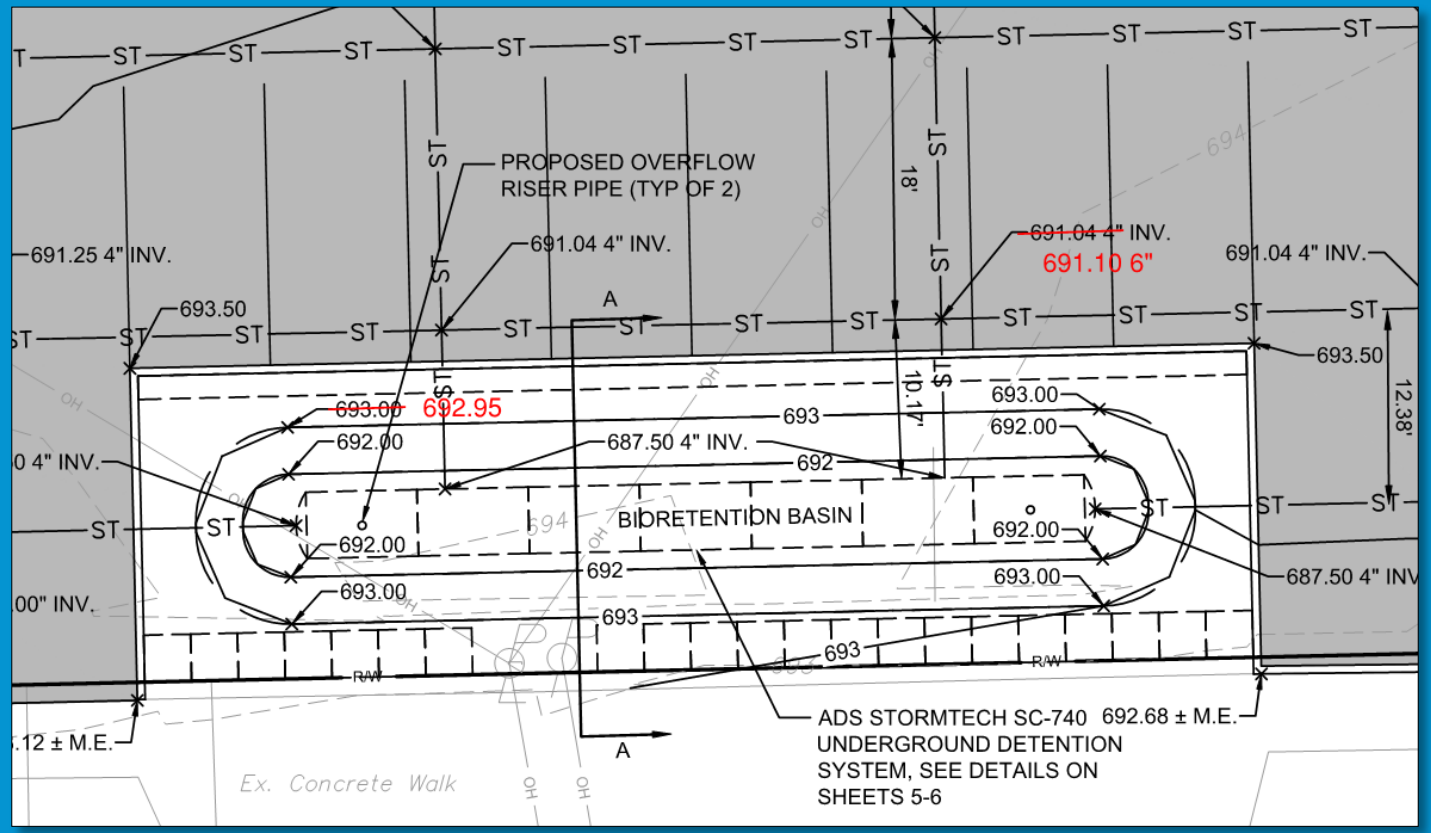
Complete as-built drawings





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Update O&M plan as applicable when design changes are made during construction

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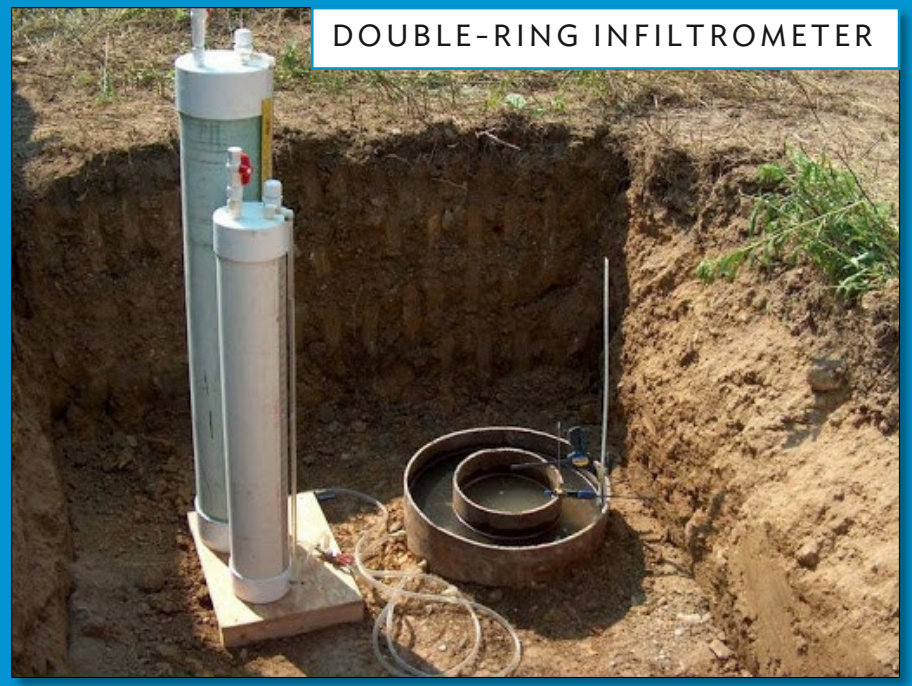
Sub-grade infiltration testing for exact locations & excavated depths of SCMs



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NOTE: Unexpected infiltration rates can trigger design revisions.

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Construct infiltrating practices during dry weather only

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Ensure non-contaminated construction materials are used

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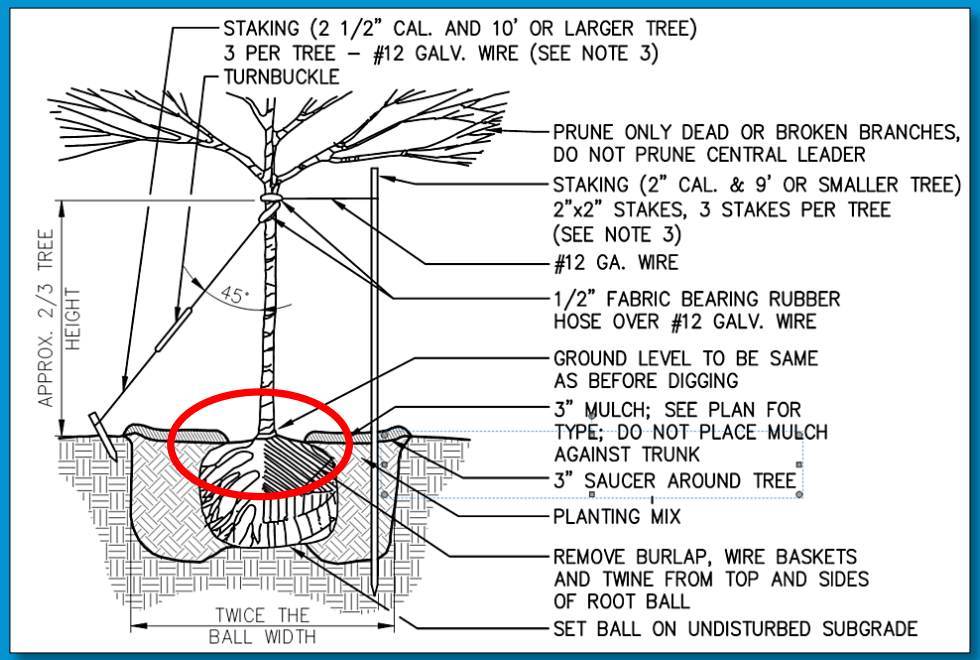
Ensure planting specifications are followed



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Inspection: knowing what to look for and knowing how to remedy problems

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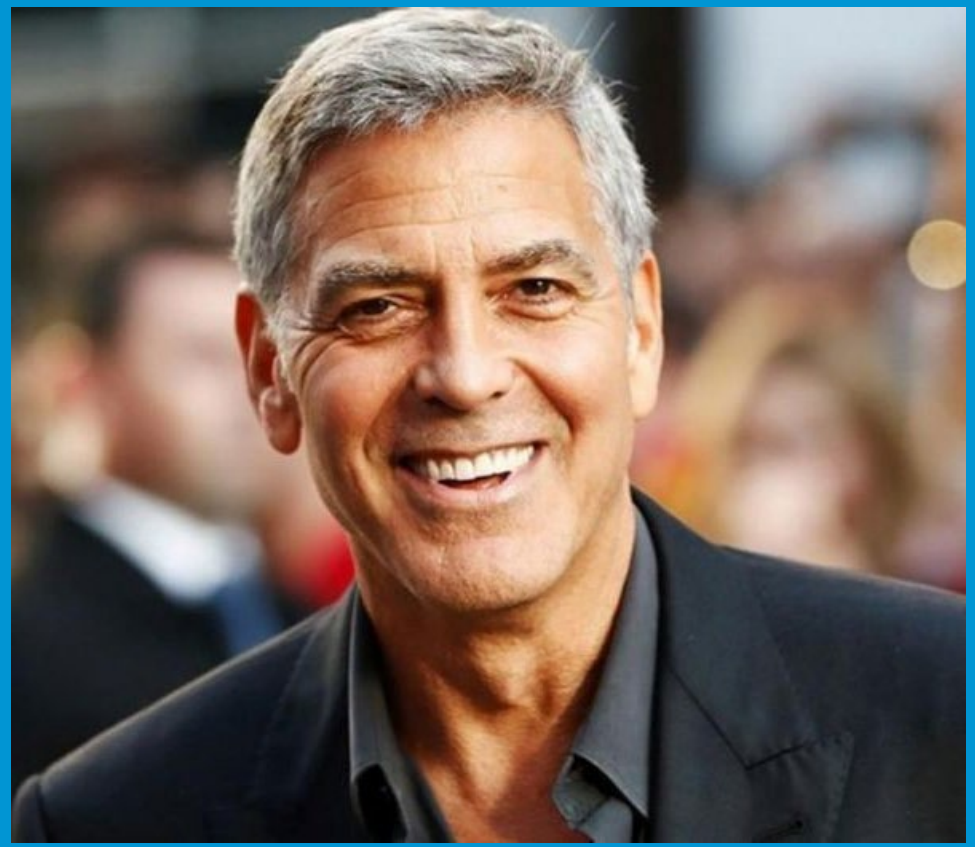

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What do the following have in common?

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A man-made feature that requires no maintenance

A prefect system of government

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THEY DON'T EXIST!!!

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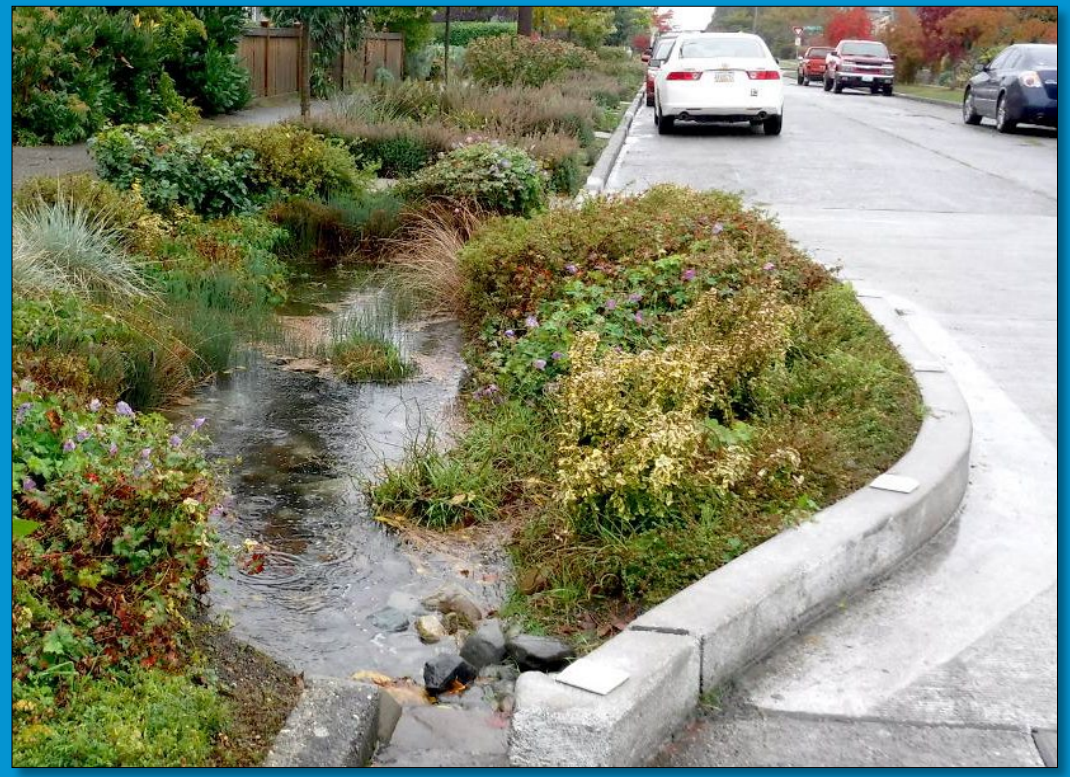
First year need $ vs long-term need $



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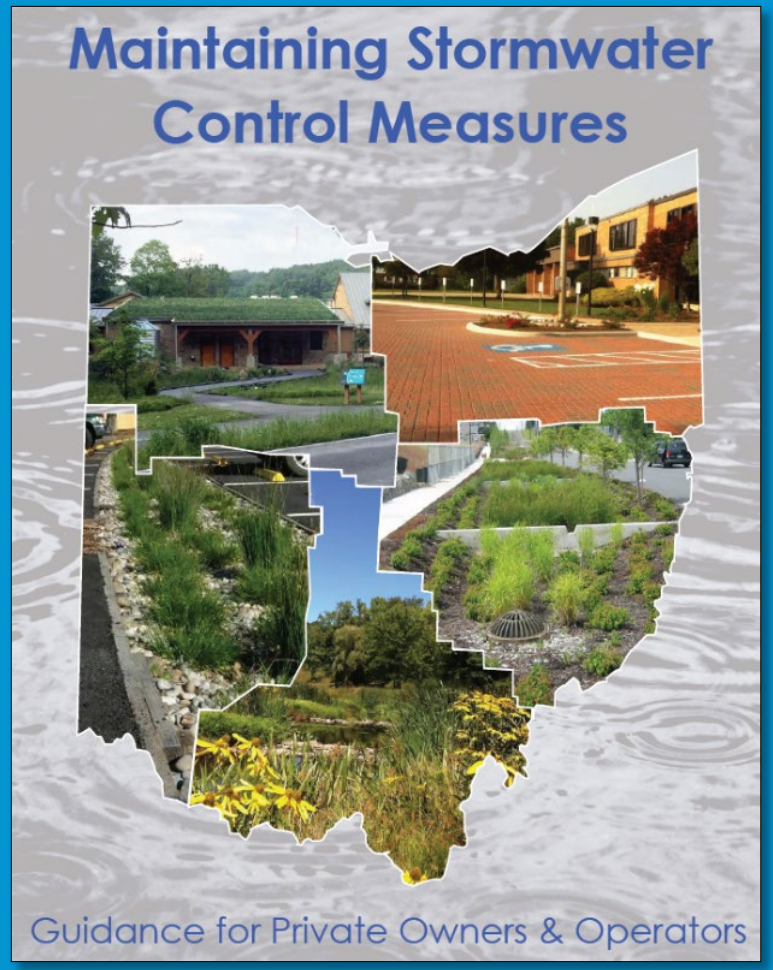

Stormwater Control Measures

Over the next few pages we will discuss common SCMs approved for use in Ohio. A good understanding of SCM design and operation will enable property owners and operators of SCMs to plan and implement required maintenance activities on schedule.

If your SCM is not listed in this manual, please contact your local stormwater manager.

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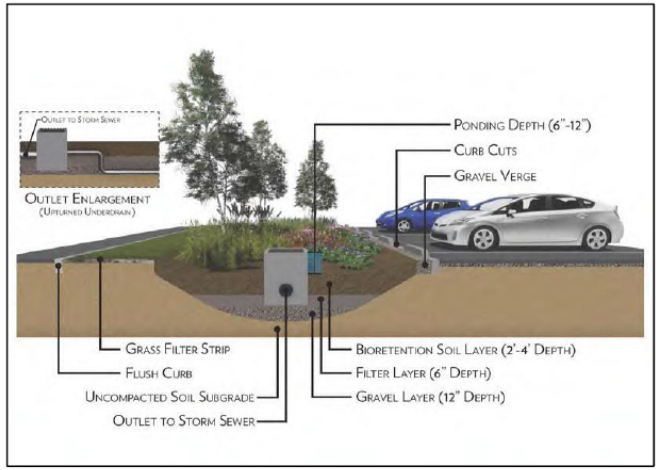
Bioretention Area

Bioretention areas are depressed areas that allow shallow ponding of stormwater runoff that utilize specified soil media, mulch and vegetation to capture and treat stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces such as parking lots and rooftops. The soil media, mulch and vegetation filter pollutants to improve water quality within urban environments. The specified soil media, composed of sand, is placed over layers of sand, pea gravel and gravel within the depression which enables ponded stormwater runoff to be treated and filtered and before either soaking into the underlying soils or leaving through an underdrain pipe. Underdrains may be installed to drain the bioretention area to local sewers or appropriate outlet. Bioretention areas are planted with specific types of plant material that can withstand both wet and dry weather conditions. Recommended plant material information for Bioretention Areas can be found in Appendix 5.



Typical bioretention area cross-section view. Credit: Chagrin River Watershed Partners, Inc.

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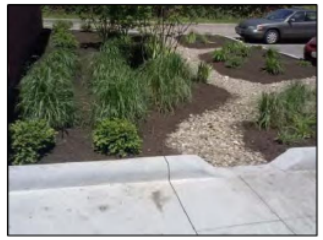

Planted bioretention area with sidewalk curb cut in foreground. Stormwater runoff is conveyed through gravel to shallow depression of bioretention area. Credit: Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District

Weeds and untrimmed plantings prevent stormwater runoff from entering the bioretention area from the curb cut. Credit: Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District

Stormwater flow will be blocked by the dead vegetation on the outlet catch basin grate. Credit: Chagrin River Watershed Partners

Erosion of side slopes and subsequent sediment accumulation within bioretention area and contribute to clogging issues. Credit: Summit Soil & Water Conservation District

MAINTENANCE REQUIRED WHEN:

- Standing water is visible 48 hours after a rain event.
- Erosion is visible within the bioretention area, or on the slopes and inlets leading into the bioretention area.
- Vegetation, sediment or debris is blocking inlets or outlets.
- Vegetation is wilting, discolored, or dying.
- Foul odors present.
- Sediment has accumulated over the mulch or soil media.

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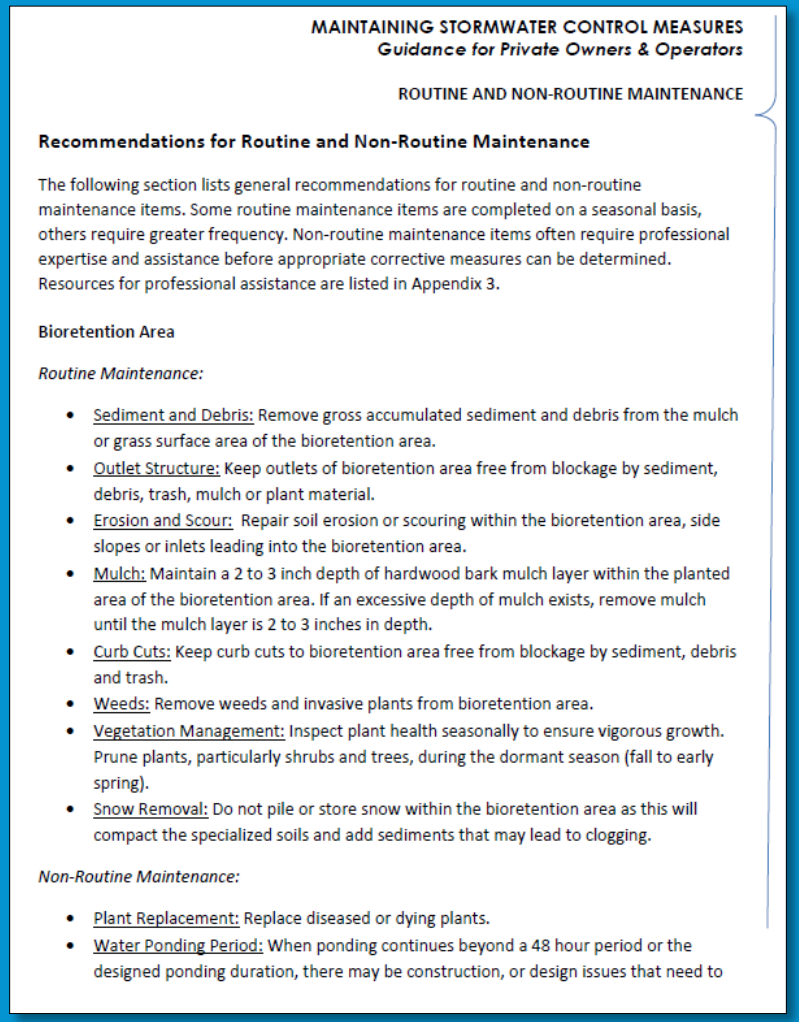

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ROUTINE AND NON-ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

Recommendations for Routine and Non-Routine Maintenance

The following section lists general recommendations for routine and non-routine maintenance items. Some routine maintenance items are completed on a seasonal basis, others require greater frequency. Non-routine maintenance items often require professional expertise and assistance before appropriate corrective measures can be determined. Resources for professional assistance are listed in Appendix 3.

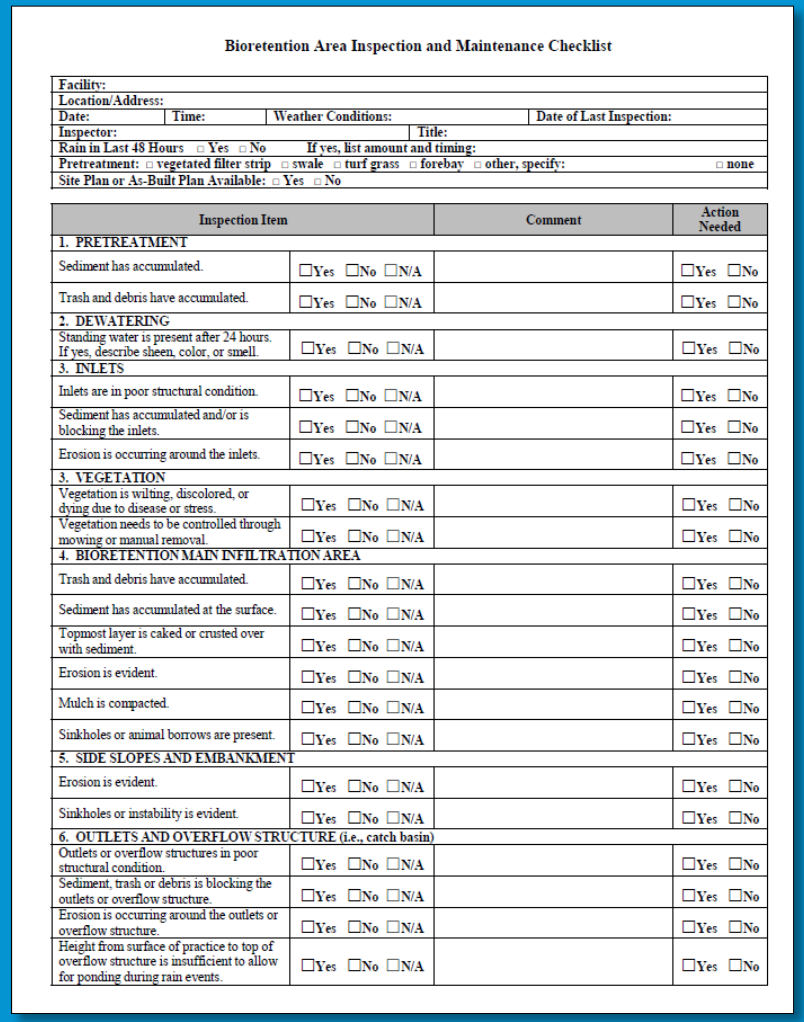
Bioretention Area

Routine Maintenance:

- Sediment and Debris: Remove gross accumulated sediment and debris from the mulch or grass surface area of the bioretention area.
- Outlet Structure: Keep outlets of bioretention area free from blockage by sediment, debris, trash, mulch or plant material.
- Erosion and Scour: Repair soil erosion or scouring within the bioretention area, side slopes or inlets leading into the bioretention area.
- Mulch: Maintain a 2 to 3 inch depth of hardwood bark mulch layer within the planted area of the bioretention area. If an excessive depth of mulch exists, remove mulch until the mulch layer is 2 to 3 inches in depth.
- Curb Cuts: Keep curb cuts to bioretention area free from blockage by sediment, debris and trash.
- Weeds: Remove weeds and invasive plants from bioretention area.
- Vegetation Management: Inspect plant health seasonally to ensure vigorous growth. Prune plants, particularly shrubs and trees, during the dormant season (fall to early spring).
- Snow Removal: Do not pile or store snow within the bioretention area as this will compact the specialized soils and add sediments that may lead to clogging.

Non-Routine Maintenance:

- Plant Replacement: Replace diseased or dying plants.
- Water Ponding Period: When ponding continues beyond a 48 hour period or the designed ponding duration, there may be construction, or design issues that need to



Bioretention Area Inspection and Maintenance Checklist

Facility:			
Location/Address:			
Date:	**Time:**	**Weather Conditions:**	**Date of Last Inspection:**
Inspector:		**Title:**	
Rain in Last 48 Hours □ **Yes** □ **No**		**If yes, list amount and timing:**	
Pretreatment: □ **vegetated filter strip** □ **swale** □ **turf grass** □ **forebay** □ **other, specify:**			□ **none**
Site Plan or As-Built Plan Available: □ **Yes** □ **No**			

Inspection Item		Comment	Action Needed
1. PRETREATMENT			
Sediment has accumulated.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Trash and debris have accumulated.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
2. DEWATERING			
Standing water is present after 24 hours. If yes, describe sheen, color, or smell.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
3. INLETS			
Inlets are in poor structural condition.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Sediment has accumulated and/or is blocking the inlets.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Erosion is occurring around the inlets.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
3. VEGETATION			
Vegetation is wilting, discolored, or dying due to disease or stress.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Vegetation needs to be controlled through mowing or manual removal.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
4. BIORETENTION MAIN INFILTRATION AREA			
Trash and debris have accumulated.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Sediment has accumulated at the surface.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Topmost layer is caked or crusted over with sediment.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Erosion is evident.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Mulch is compacted.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Sinkholes or animal borrows are present.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
5. SIDE SLOPES AND EMBANKMENT			
Erosion is evident.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Sinkholes or instability is evident.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
6. OUTLETS AND OVERFLOW STRUCTURE (i.e., catch basin)			
Outlets or overflow structures in poor structural condition.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Sediment, trash or debris is blocking the outlets or overflow structure.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Erosion is occurring around the outlets or overflow structure.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No
Height from surface of practice to top of overflow structure is insufficient to allow for ponding during rain events.	☐Yes ☐No ☐N/A		☐Yes ☐No

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- Bioretention Practices
  - Bioretention cells
  - Bioretention planters
  - Tree vaults
- Permeable Pavement

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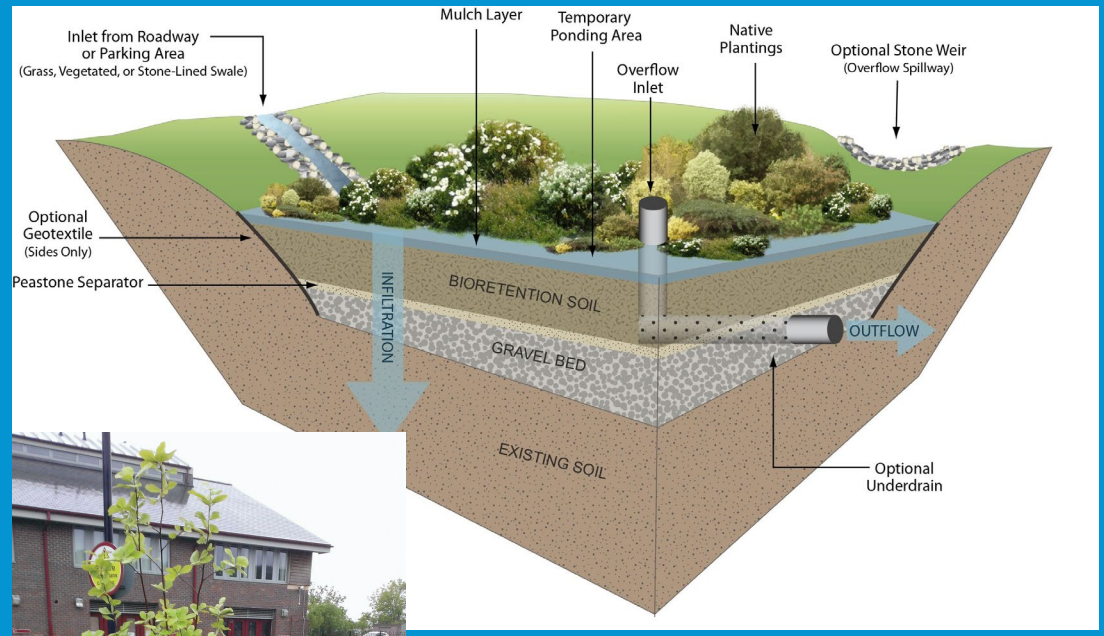
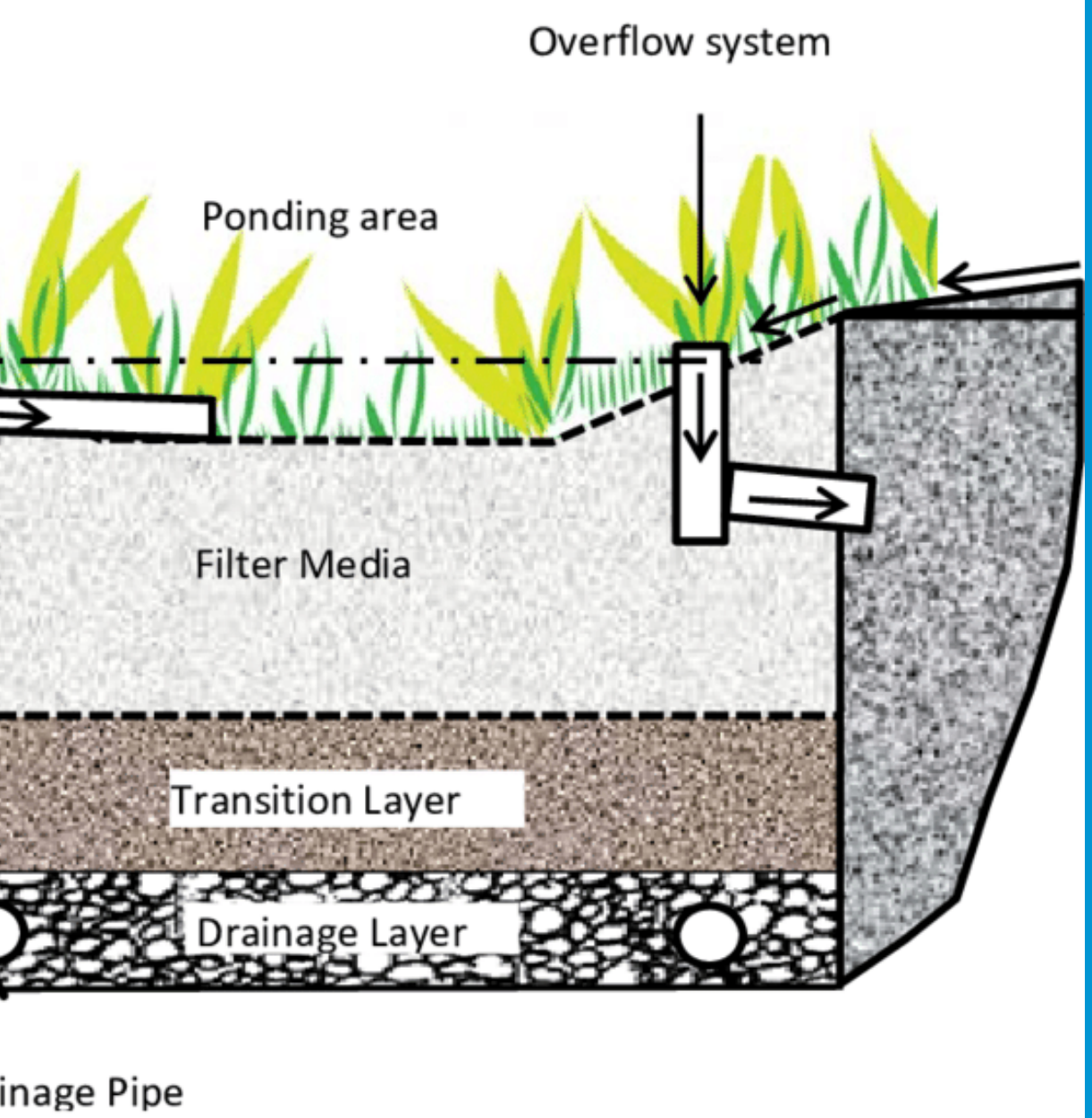
Bioretention

- Small-scale, vegetated depressions
- Small contributing areas (e.g., roads and roof tops)
- Stormwater runoff percolates through soil and plant roots
- Physical, chemical and biological processes
- Clean water infiltrates or is discharged





Bioretention Design

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Bioretention – Design

General

- Use accepted standards
- Ensure accessibility
- Prepare logical schedule
- Keep inspection & maintenance in mind
- Include applicable notes & details
- Provide for flood routing
- Provide material specifications

Bioretention – Design

Design assumptions made

- Appropriate drainage area vs. filter bed area (5% of watershed's IA)
- Adequate outlet
- Groundwater considerations
- Setbacks met

Bioretention – Design

Assumptions

Appropriate drainage area vs. filter bed area (5% of watershed's impervious area)

Bioretention – Design

Pre-treatment options

FOREBAY

GRASS FILTER

GRAVEL VERGE

PROPRIETARY DEVICE

Bioretention – Design

Curb cuts: Sumps (easy) vs. Slopes (hard)

Bioretention – Design

Curb cuts: Use the right size stone

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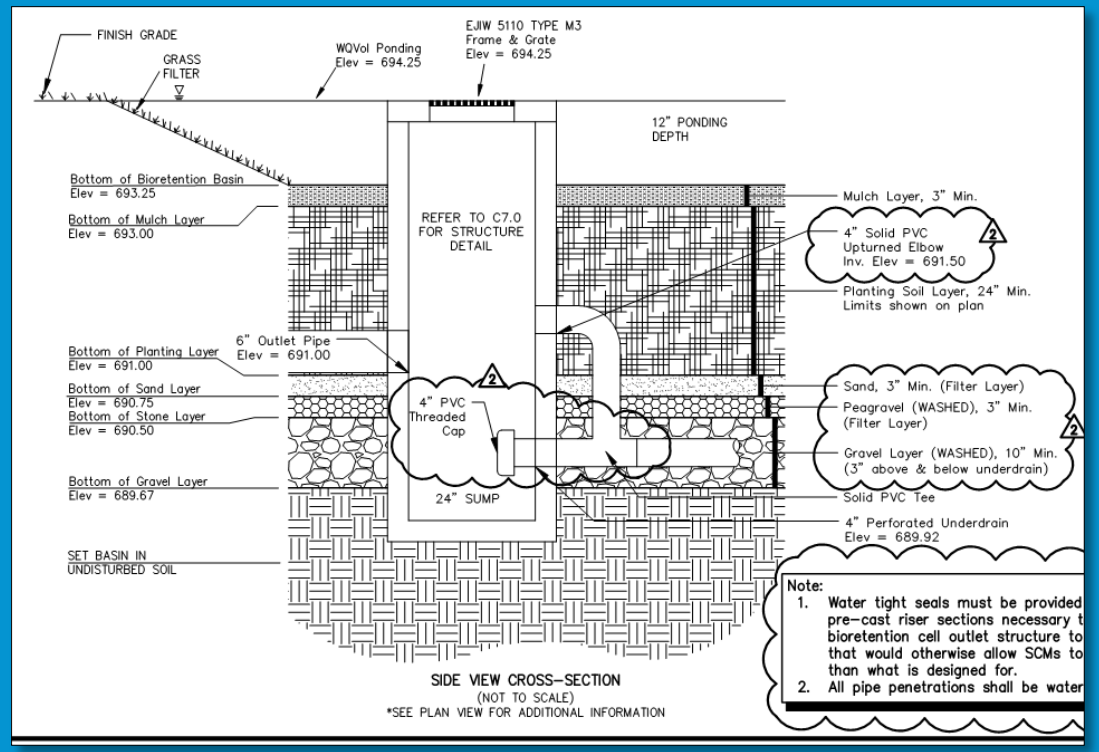
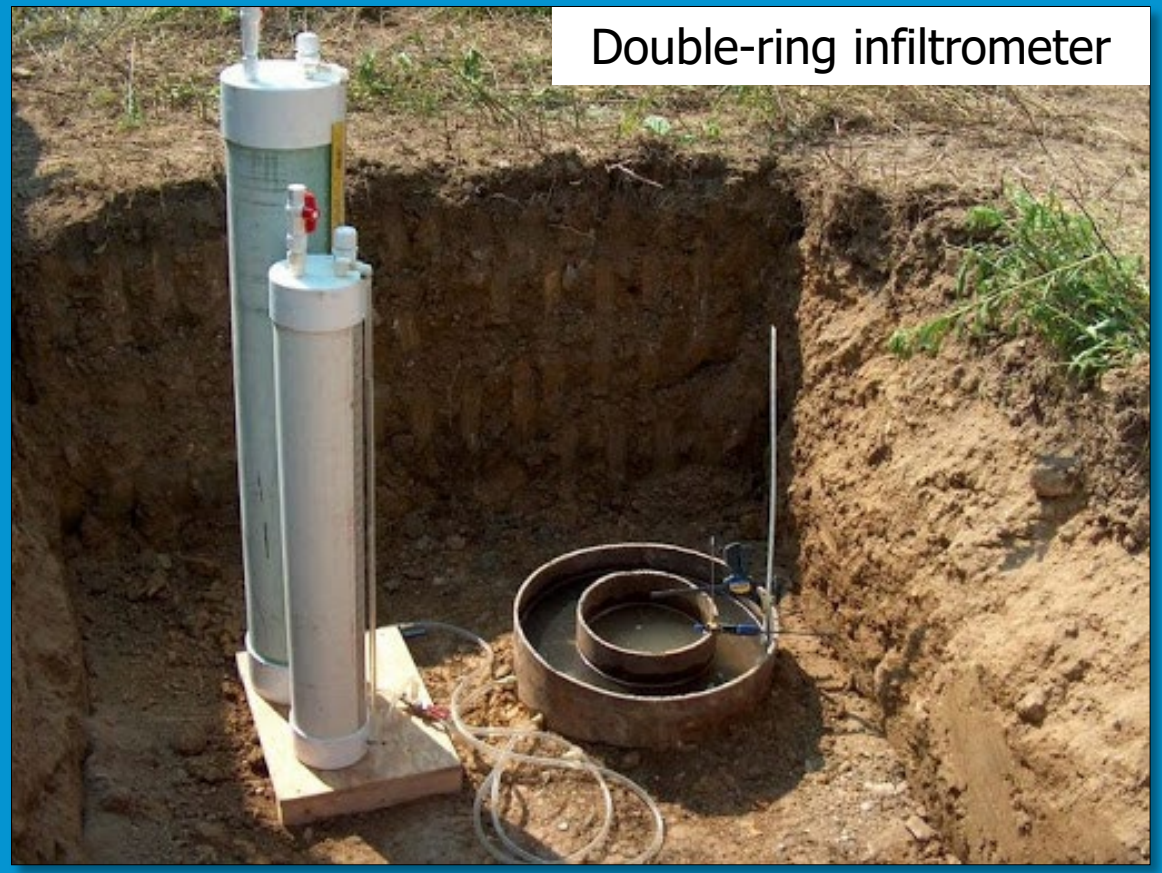
Bioretention – Design

Upturned elbows



Bioretention – Design

Infiltration Testing

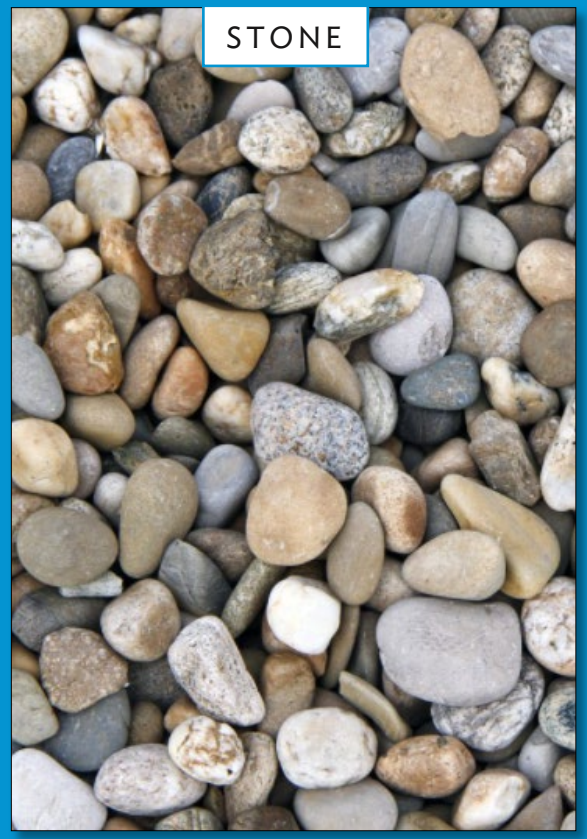


Double-ring infiltrometer

Infiltration test pit

Bioretention – Design

Mulch Selection



Bioretention – Design

Planting Soil Media

- Texture class: loamy sand. Having no less than 80% sand and no greater than 10% clay considering only the mineral fraction of the soil.
- pH range: 5.2 - 8.0
- Soluble Salts: 500 ppm maximum.
- Decomposed organic matter: 3-5% by weight [Note: this translates to 8-20% organic matter by volume. See note on "Creating a Suitable Soil Media" below.]
- Phosphorus: phosphorus of the planting media should fall between 15 and 60 mg/kg (ppm) as determined by the Mehlich III test. For sites in watersheds with a phosphorus TMDL or sites with high phosphorus loads, the phosphorus content of the planting media should fall between 10 and 30 mg/kg as determined by the Mehlich III test.
- Sand added shall be clean and meet AASHTO M-6 or ASTM C-33 with a grain size of 0.02-0.04" inches.

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Plant Selection

- Aesthetics
- Line of site
- Moisture variability
- Salt tolerance
- Sunlight needs
- Ease of maintenance (species familiarity)

Bioretention Construction

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General

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Bioretention – Construction

Avoid compaction

Bioretention – Construction

Account for settling of layers (additional 5% volume)

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Keep sediment out!!!

Bioretention – Construction

Pre-treatment grass filter strips…choose sod rather than seed & mulch

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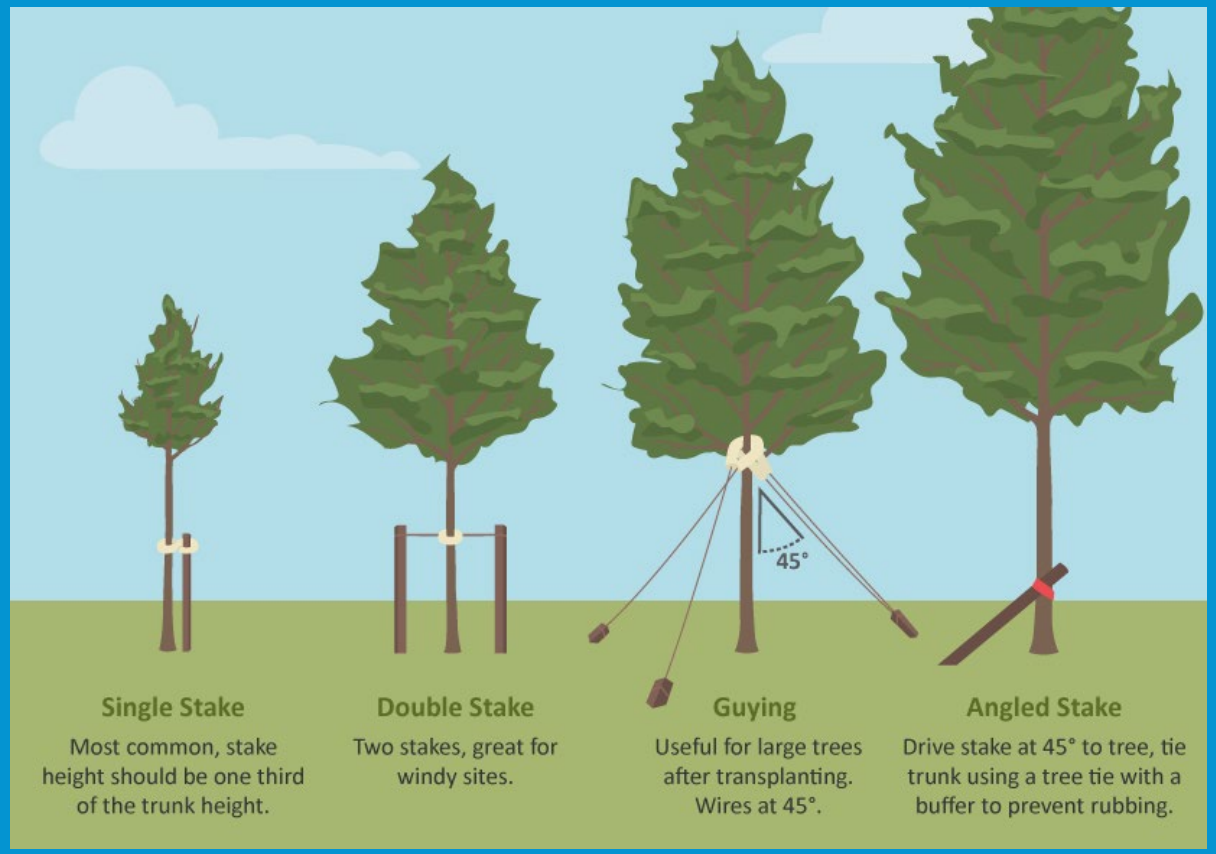
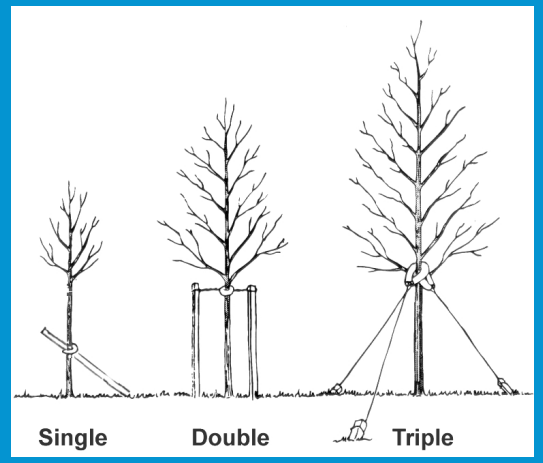
Properly stake taller plants





Bioretention Maintenance

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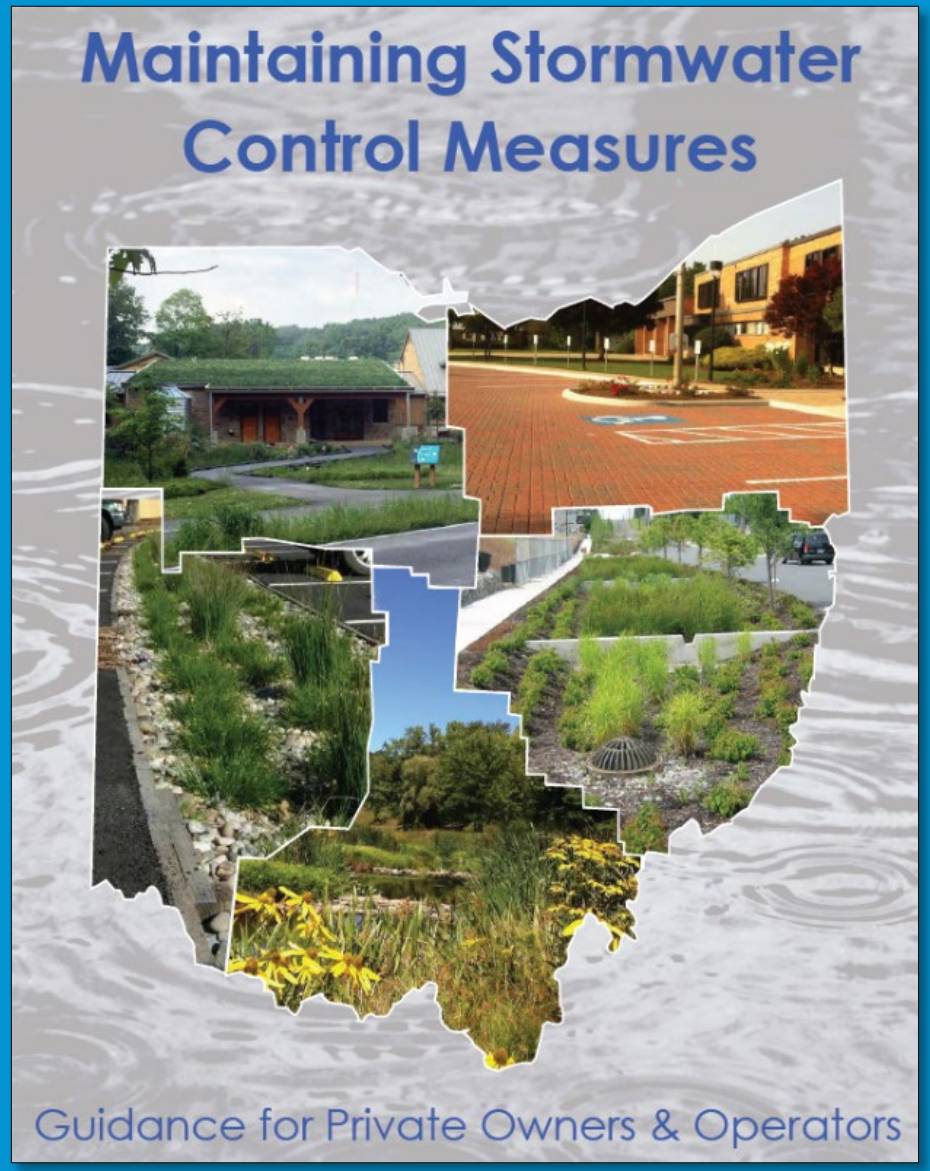
Bioretention- Maintenance

General

- All SCMs will require maintenance
- First year need $ vs. long-term need $



Bioretention – Construction

Bioretention Area Inspection and Maintenance Checklist

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Additional Notes
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Site Sketch:

Bioretention- Maintenance

Pre-treatment

Remove accumulated sediments

De-watering

Ensure it drains

Bioretention- Maintenance

Inlets

Are they stabilized?

Vegetative Health

Watering & weeding

Trimming/pruning

Thinning

Winterizing

Bioretention- Maintenance

Infiltration bed

Bioretention- Maintenance

Outlet & Overflow

Bioretention- Maintenance

First-Year Maintenance

- Remove accumulated sediments/debris from pre-treatment devices
- Stabilize eroding inlets & side slopes
- Vegetation – watering, mulching & winterization
- Remove trash & debris from bed
- Address any animal burrows
- Ensure overflow remains free-flowing

Time for a 10-minute break

PERMEABLE PAVEMENT

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Permeable Pavement

- Provide structural support for vehicle, bicycle, and pedestrian traffic
- Allows water to permeate through the pavement surface, aggregate base, and to infiltrate into the subgrade soils
- Receive runoff from adjacent rooftops and/or traditional paved areas

Permeable Pavement

Permeable Pavement Design

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Permeable Pavement – Design

General

- Use accepted standards
- Ensure accessibility
- Prepare logical schedule
- Keep inspection & maintenance in mind
- Include applicable notes & details
- Provide for flood routing
- Provide material specifications

Permeable Pavement – Design

Design assumptions made

- Traffic loading patterns
- Contributing drainage area's land use impacts (i.e., sediments)
- Foundation offsets
- Groundwater issues addressed
- Flat subgrade provided

Permeable Pavement – Design

Drainage area ratios (max. 2:1, traditional pavement-to-permeable pavement)

Paver field = 5,000 sq. ft.

Pavement drainage area = 7,500 sq. ft.

Permeable Pavement – Design

Underdrains & elbows

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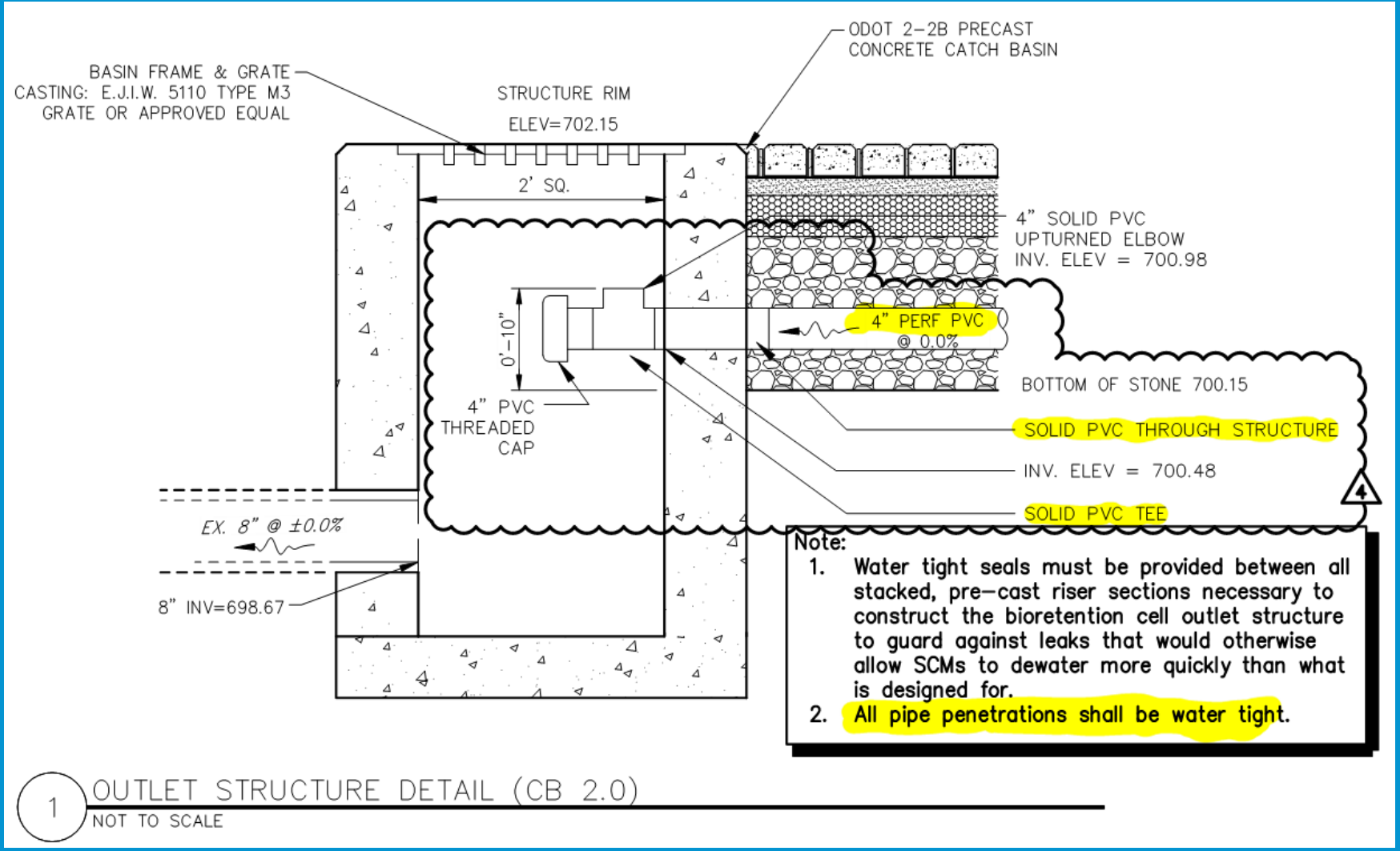

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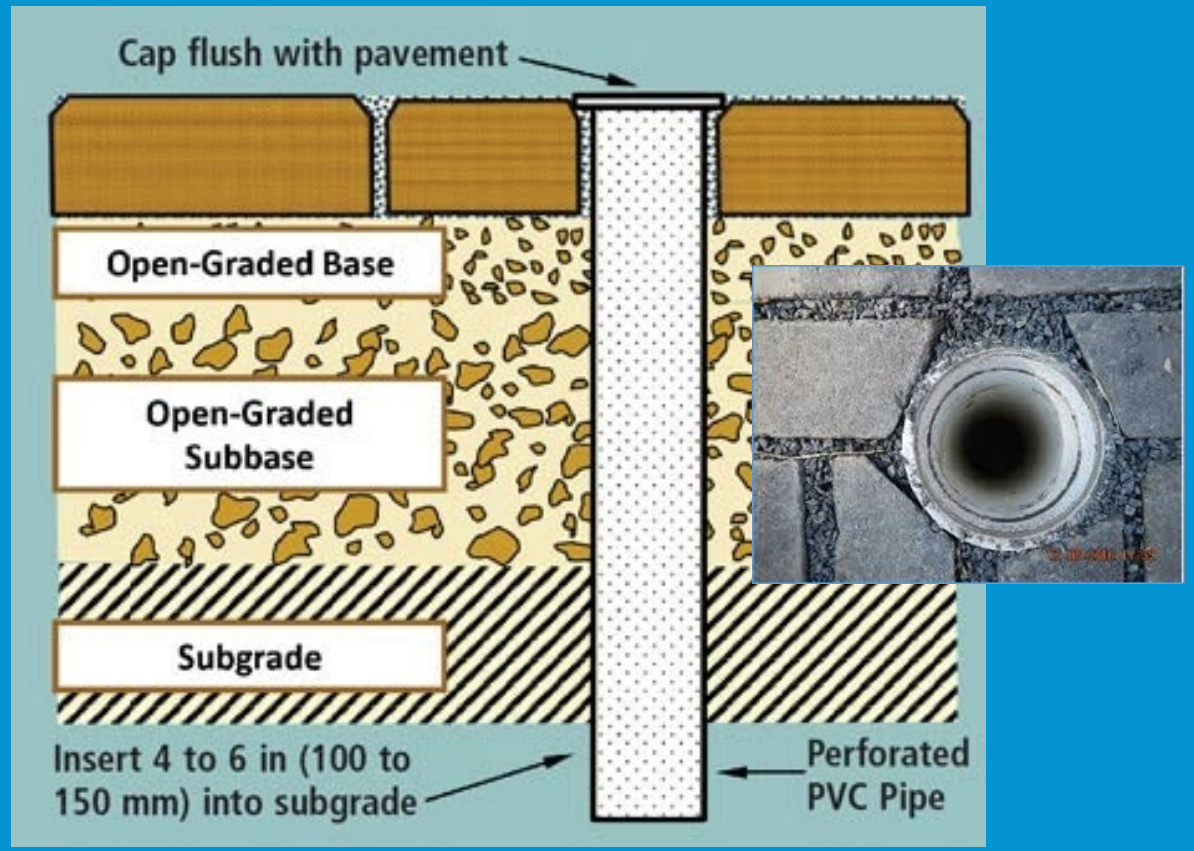
Observation wells



Edge restraints

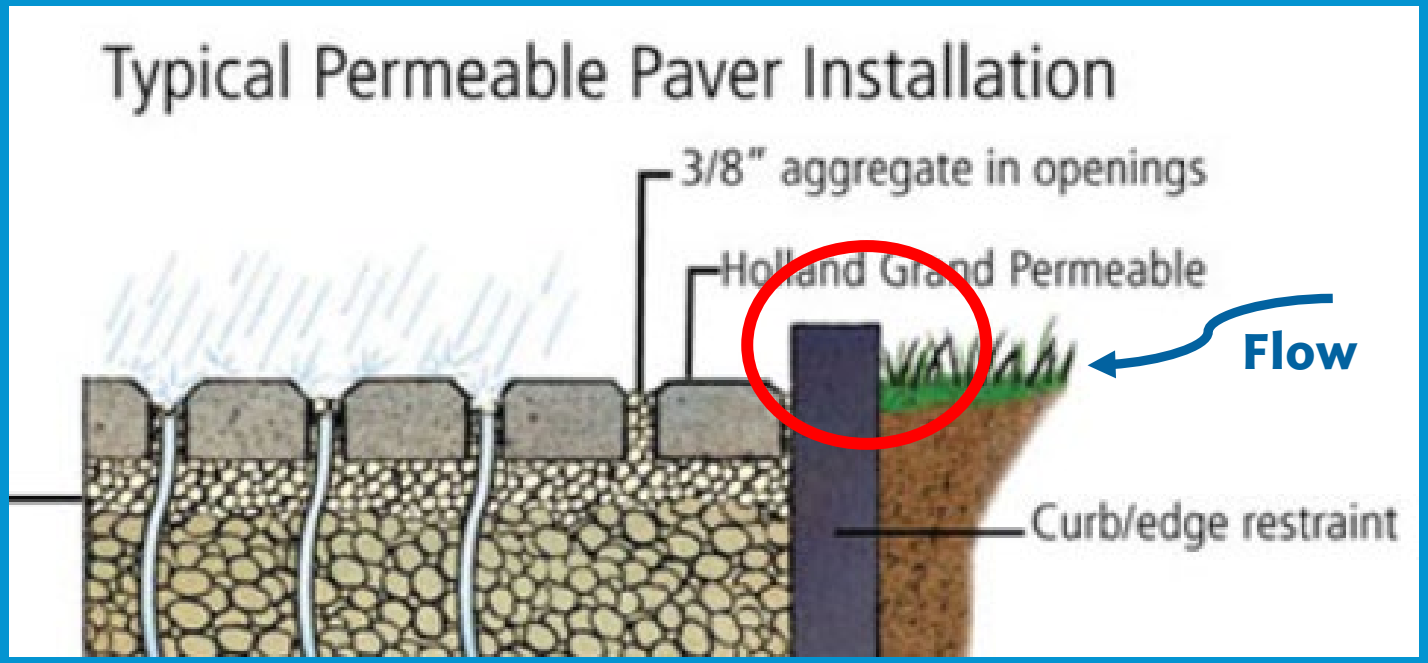
Permeable Pavement – Design

Infiltration testing*

* Based on finished compaction

Permeable Pavement – Design

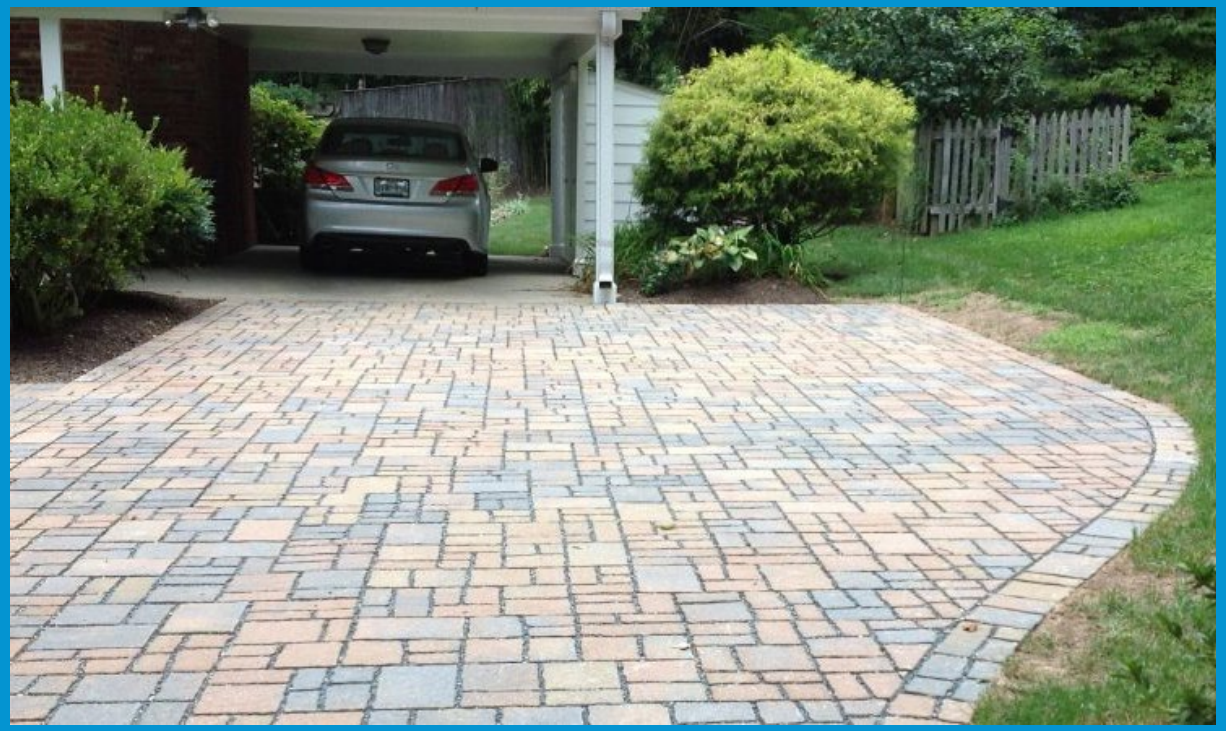
Erosion & sediment control plan



Permeable Pavement – Design

Maintain straight edging as much as possible

(pieces ≥ 1/3rd the brick)



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Permeable Pavement – Construction

Do not work on the subgrade when it is raining

Remove unintended sediments before backfilling

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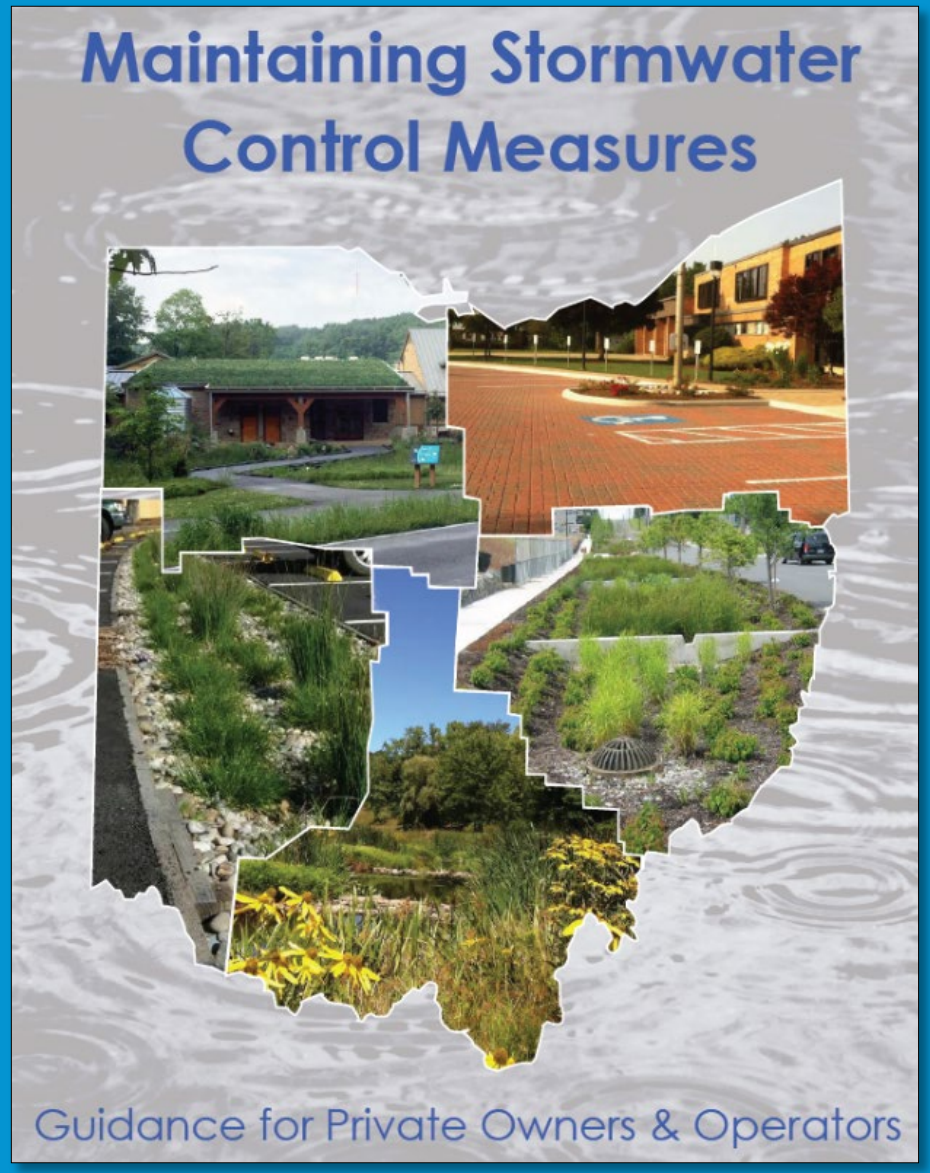

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Site Sketch:

Permeable Pavement – Maintenance

Remove landscaping debris regularly

Stockpile snow piles downslope

Permeable Pavement – Maintenance

Do not apply any sealants

Permeable Pavement – Maintenance

Vacuum/sweep 2X – 4X per year

Regenerative air sweeper

Debris disposal

DIY old school

Permeable Pavement – Maintenance

First-Year Maintenance

- Remove accumulated sediments/debris from pre-treatment devices
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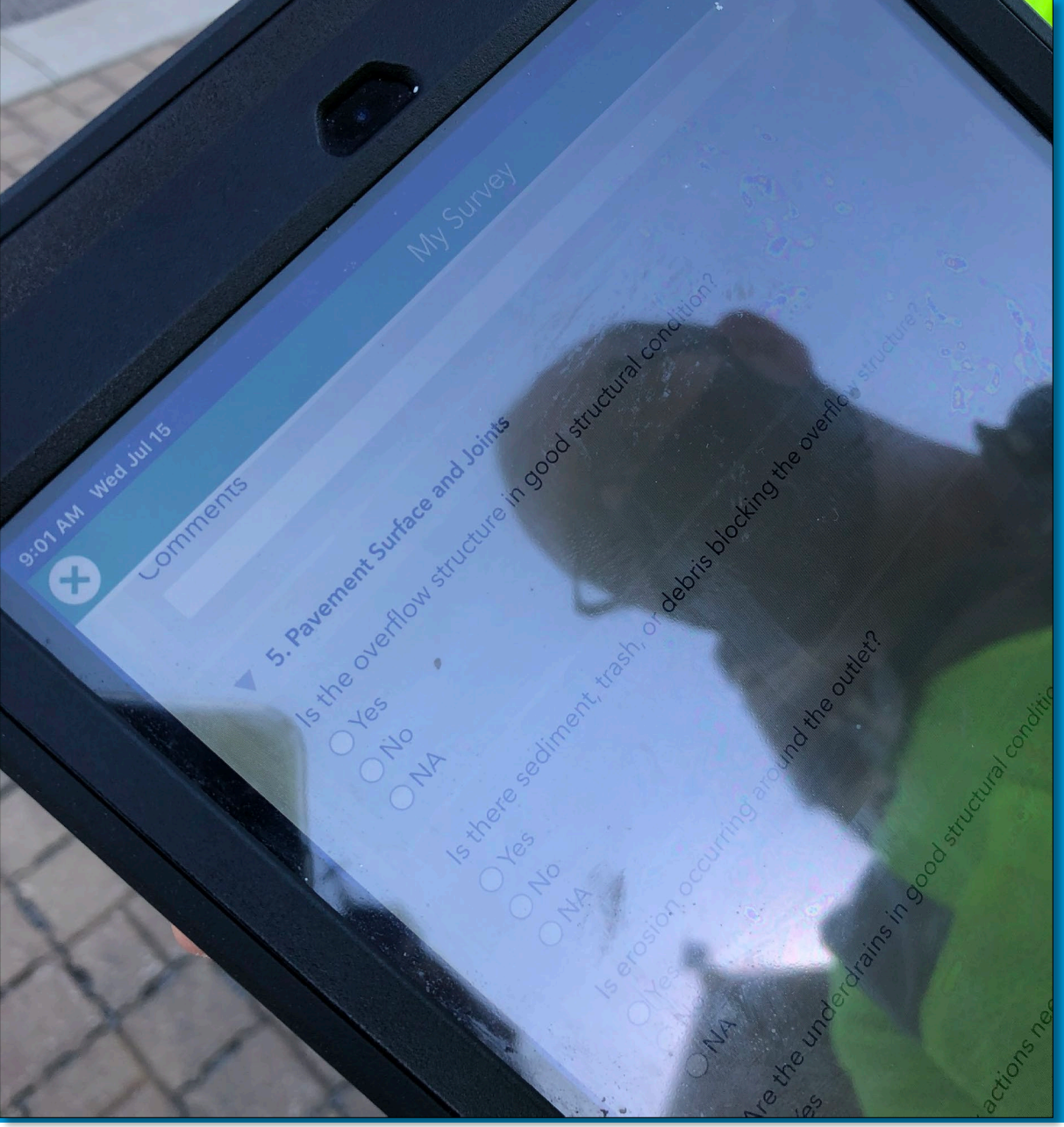

ANNUAL INSPECTIONS

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Annual Inspection – For all SCMs

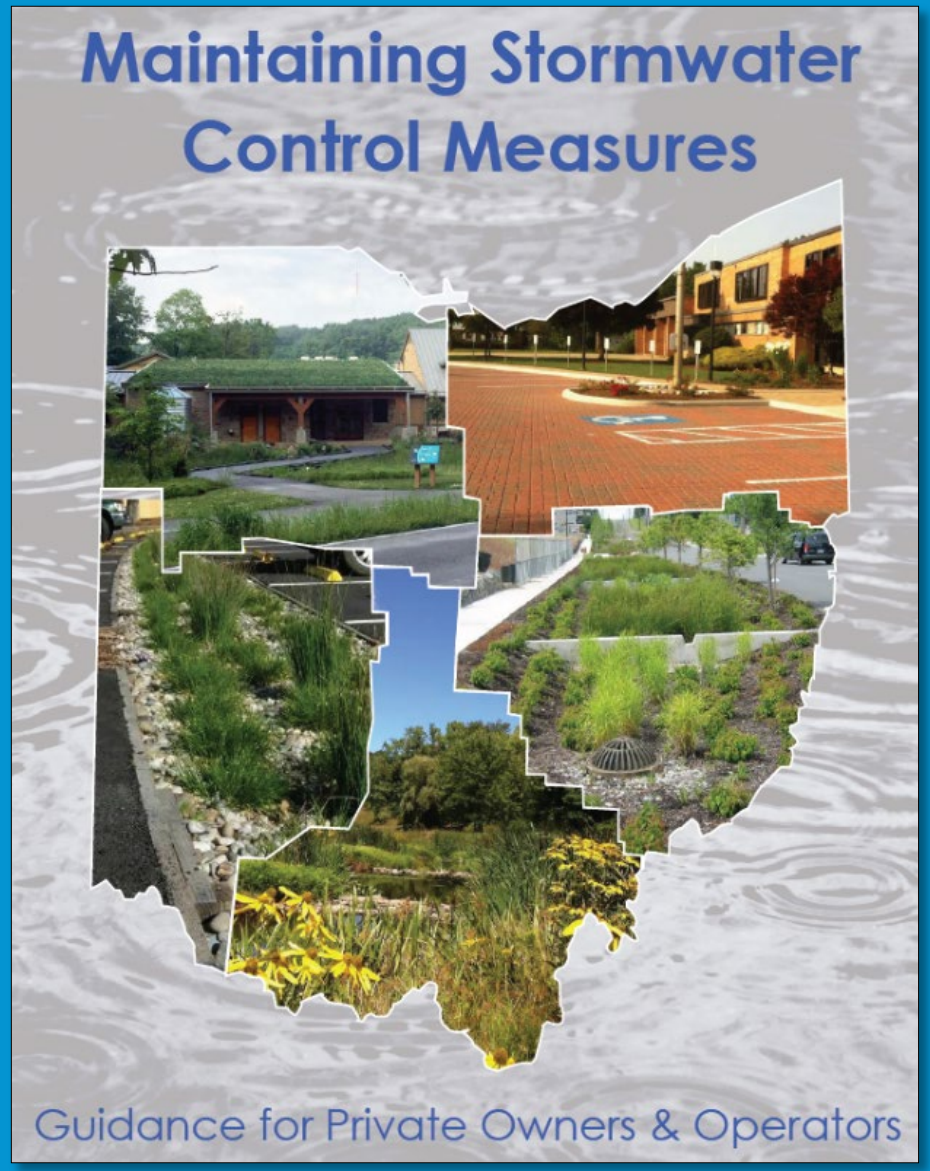
Annual Inspection needs to be completed and submitted by June 1st

- Dry weather – structural conditions
- Wet Weather - function

Annual Inspection – Form

Northeast Ohio Storm Water Training Council (NEOSWTC)

https://ohioswa.com/wpfd_file/maintaining-stormwater-control-measures-neoswtc-2017/



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Site Sketch:

Permeable Pavement Maintenance

Bioretention Cell Maintenance

ALL ABOUT THE SIGNAGE

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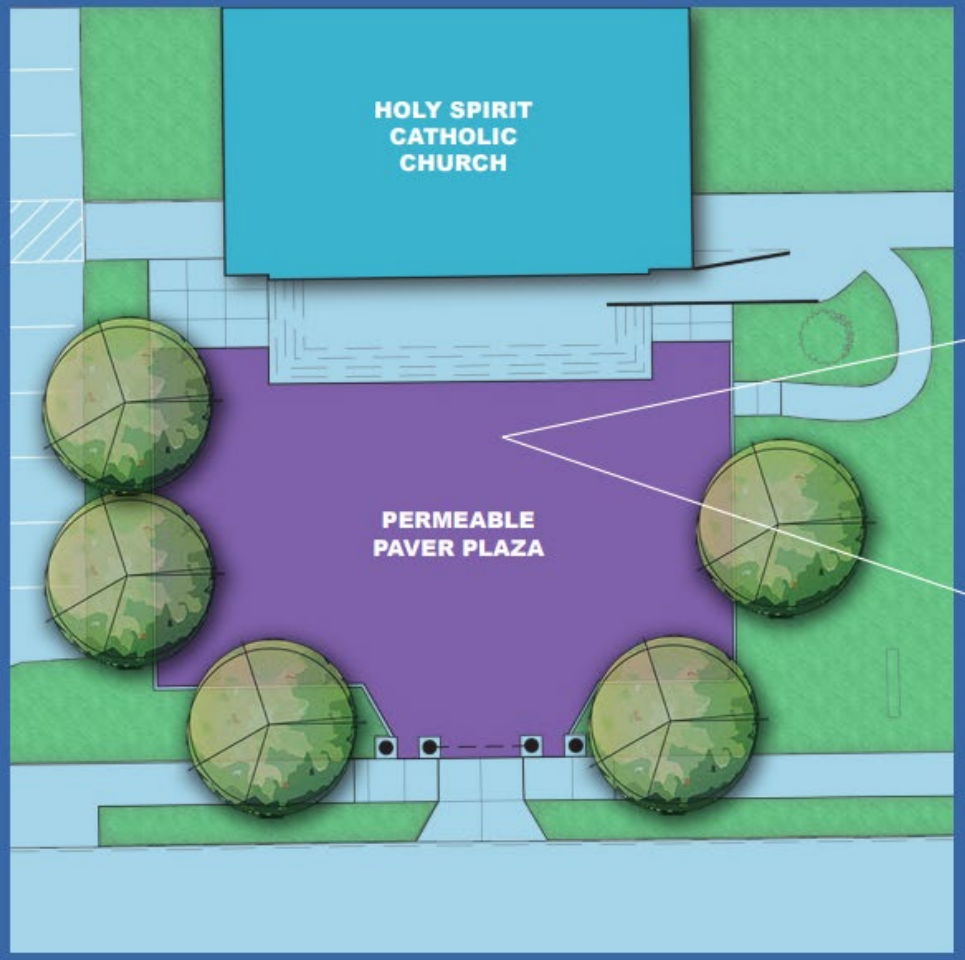
Educational Co-Benefits Signage

PERMEABLE PAVERS
KEEPING OUR GREAT LAKE GREAT



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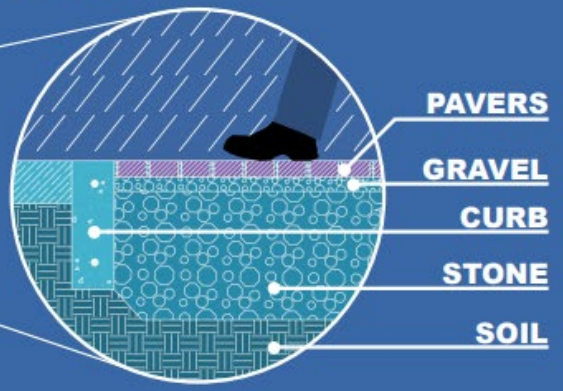
PERMEABLE PAVERS are more than just a creative parking lot surface, they help the environment! What you are standing on is part of a stormwater management system that includes the pavers, the spaces between each block, the gravel layer underneath, and the soil underneath them. Together, this system protects Lake Erie by filtering stormwater runoff into the ground rather than allowing it to flow into sewers.

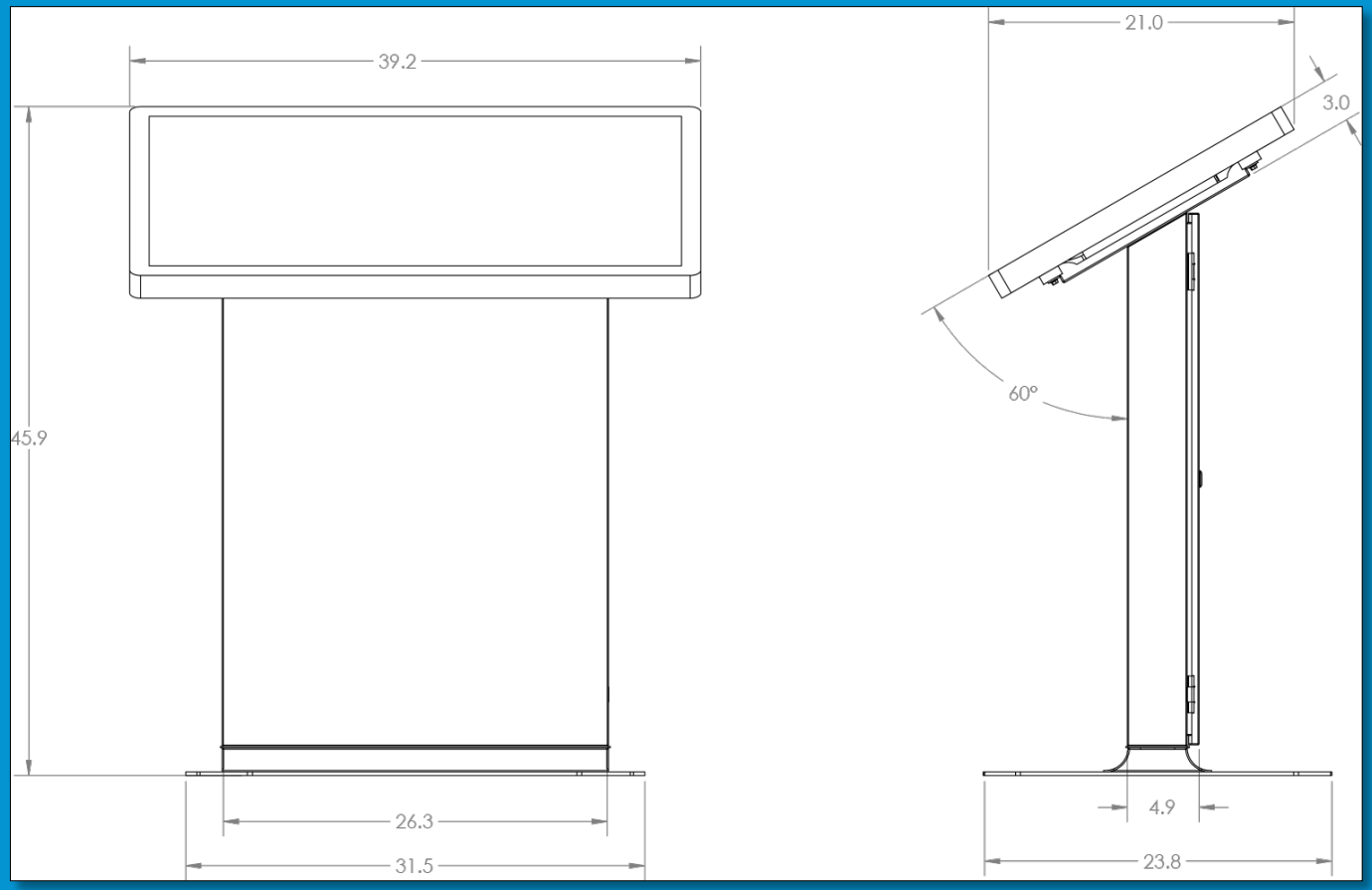


RESEARCH SHOWS permeable pavers help remove pollutants from surface runoff. Underlying gravel can capture excess nutrients like phosphorus and nitrogen, or heavy metals (zinc or copper) and oils. The filter stone traps these pollutants, which are then broken down by microorganisms as the water filters through.

Educational Co-Benefits Signage

Minimum Suggested Specs

- 3 feet (36”) above ground height
- 2’x3’ (24”x36)” panel dimensions
- Highly encourage each project to take their own unique approach and design a customize sign but will provide a template.



Educational Co-Benefits Signage

The Sewer District responsibility

- Permanent educational signage is required and must be approved
- Providing minimum criteria regarding signage
- Logo on any public advertisement or outreach efforts related to the GI project.
- The Sewer District shall be permitted and have the right to photograph any project that has been selected for funding, to use for public outreach and education projects.

Educational Co-Benefits Signage

Awarded applicant responsibility

- Permanent educational signage is required and must be approved.
- Design life expectancy of the project
- Initial cost of one permanent signage is an eligible expense.
- Installation within 30 days of completion of the GI Grant awarded project.
- Once constructed, the Grantee shall coordinate the Project's educational signage content and placement with the District.
- Signage standard language
  - "The purpose of the project is to remove stormwater from the combined sewer system…"
  - The Sewer District shall be acknowledged on any public advertisement or outreach efforts related to the GI project. This project was funded by The Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (DRAFT) Branding is below

Educational Co-Benefits Signage Too Small

Educational Co-Benefits Signage Maintenance

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Educational Co-Benefits Signage

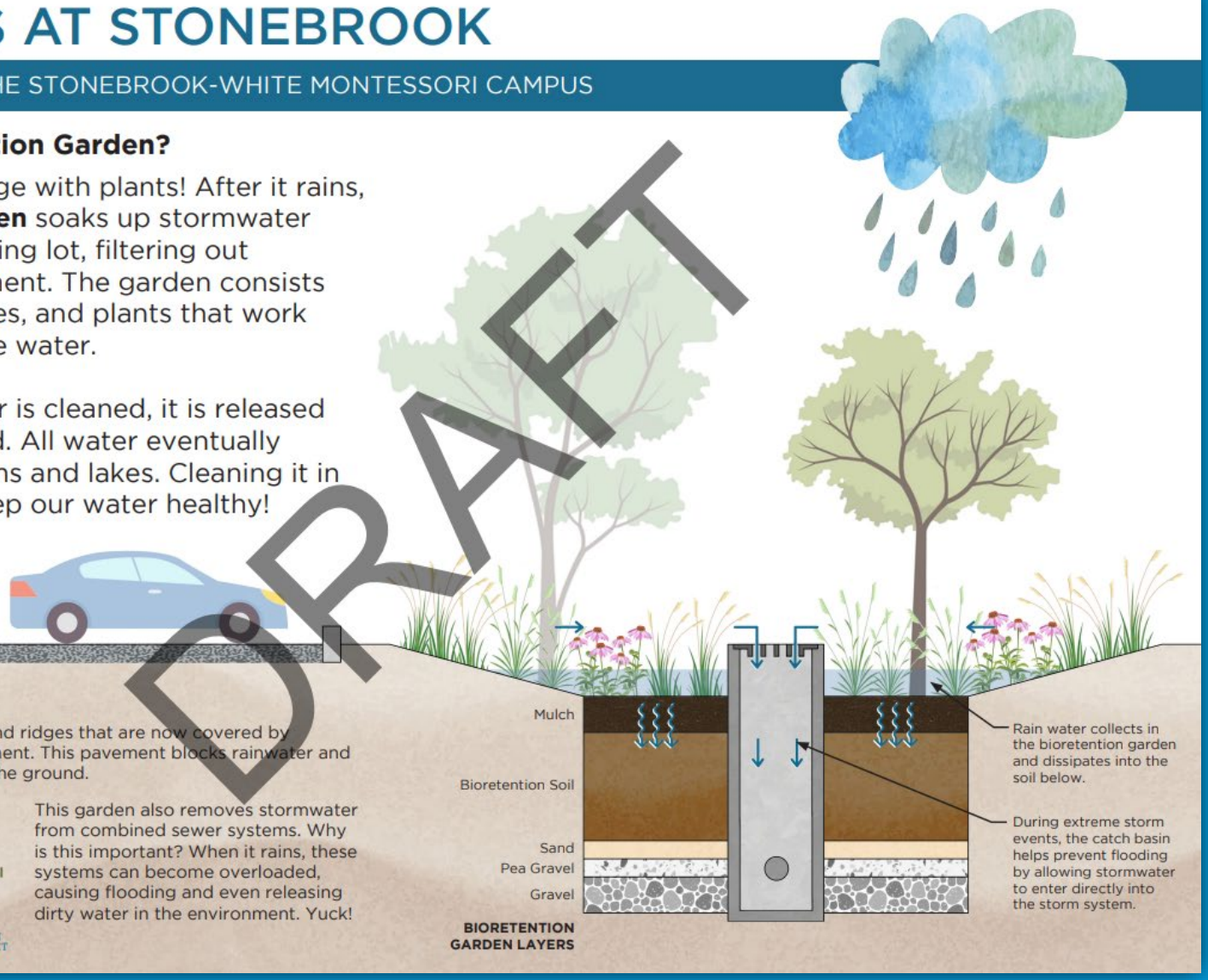
SHOWERS AT STONEBROOK

BIORETENTION AT THE STONEBROOK-WHITE MONTESSORI CAMPUS

What is a Bioretention Garden?

Think of it as a sponge with plants! After it rains, a **Bioretention Garden** soaks up stormwater runoff from the parking lot, filtering out pollutants and sediment. The garden consists of special soils, stones, and plants that work together to clean the water.

After the stormwater is cleaned, it is released back into the ground. All water eventually returns to our streams and lakes. Cleaning it in the garden helps keep our water healthy!



Did You Know?

Cleveland has many historic sand ridges that are now covered by roadway and parking lot pavement. This pavement blocks rainwater and stormwater from soaking into the ground.

This garden also removes stormwater from combined sewer systems. Why is this important? When it rains, these systems can become overloaded, causing flooding and even releasing dirty water in the environment. Yuck!

Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District

Montessori Development Partnerships

Environmental Design Group

Doan Brook Watershed Partnership

Cleveland Metropolitan School District

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MENLO PARK ACADEMY NATURE LAB

How stormwater management at our school works to protect Lake Erie

WHAT IS GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE?

Stormwater runoff is a major source of water pollution in urban areas. Historically, cities have used infrastructure like pipes and gutters to collect stormwater runoff and move it to treatment facilities through combined pipes (pipes that carry both sewage and rainwater). Sometimes, rainstorms produce more runoff than the pipes can hold. So what happens next?! The overflow, a combination of untreated stormwater and sewage from the "combined" pipes, is released directly into Lake Erie! Yikes!

Green Infrastructure is a different approach to stormwater management that collects, absorbs, and filters stormwater where it falls. Green Infrastructure can be natural or man-made and includes elements such as wetlands, cisterns, soils, permeable pavement, infiltration basins, and more. These elements mimic, protect, and restore the natural water cycle. They are designed to allow rainwater to percolate through the soil, reducing the amount of runoff in the sewer system, which in turn reduces overflows and pollution.

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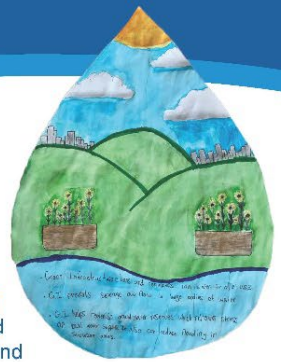
Menlo Park Academy
Developing the Potential of Gifted Children

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AT MENLO PARK: THE NATURE LAB!



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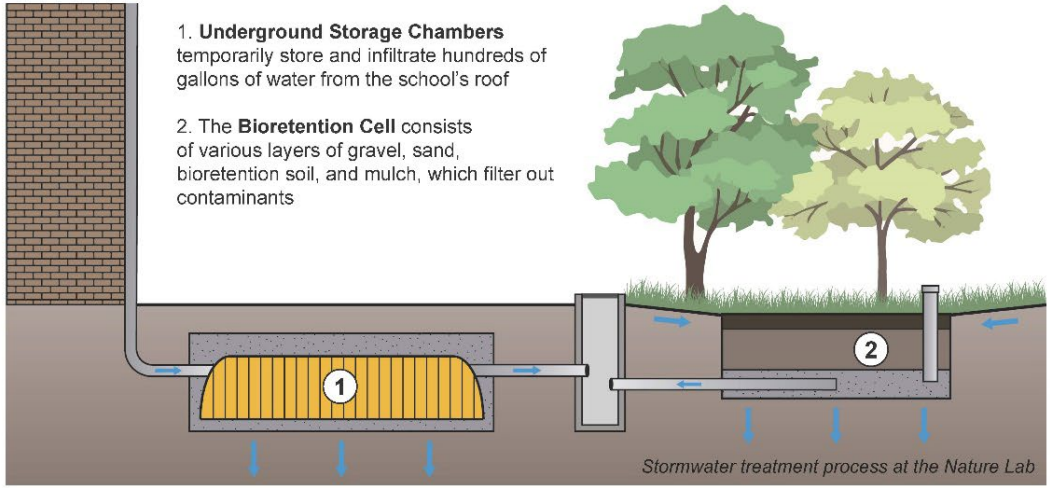

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How stormwater management at our school works to protect Lake Erie

WHAT IS GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE?

Stormwater runoff is a major source of water pollution in urban areas. Historically, cities have used infrastructure like pipes and gutters to collect stormwater runoff and move it to treatment facilities through combined pipes (pipes that carry both sewage and rainwater). Sometimes, rainstorms produce more runoff than the pipes can hold. So what happens next?! The overflow, a combination of untreated stormwater and sewage from the "combined" pipes, is released directly into Lake Erie! Yikes!

Green Infrastructure is a different approach to stormwater management that collects, absorbs, and filters stormwater where it falls. Green Infrastructure can be natural or man-made and includes elements such as wetlands, cisterns, soils, permeable pavement, infiltration basins, and more. These elements mimic, protect, and restore the natural water cycle. They are designed to allow rainwater to percolate through the soil, reducing the amount of runoff in the sewer system, which in turn reduces overflows and pollution.

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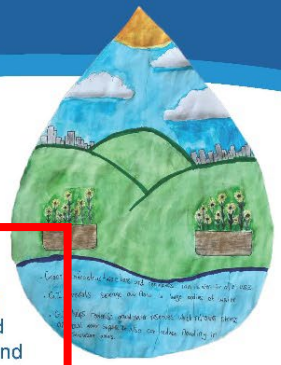

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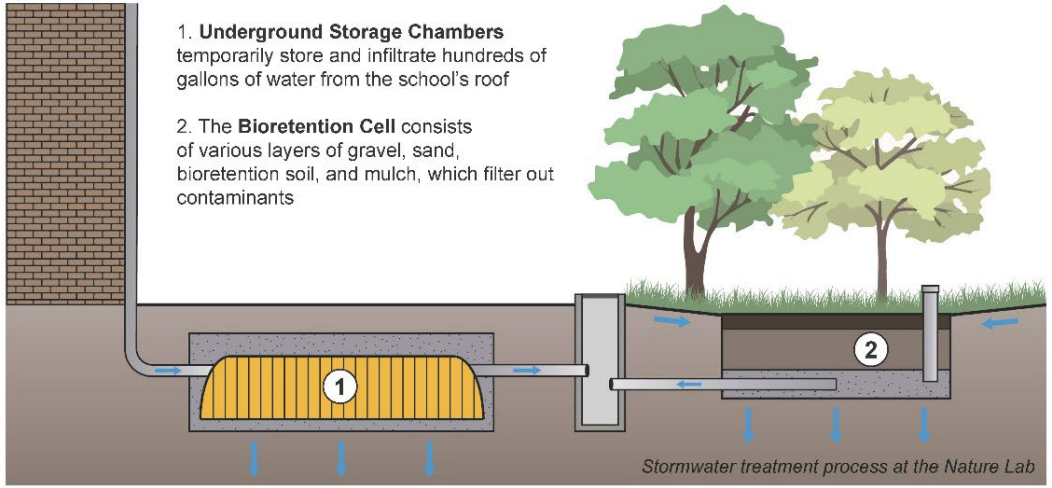

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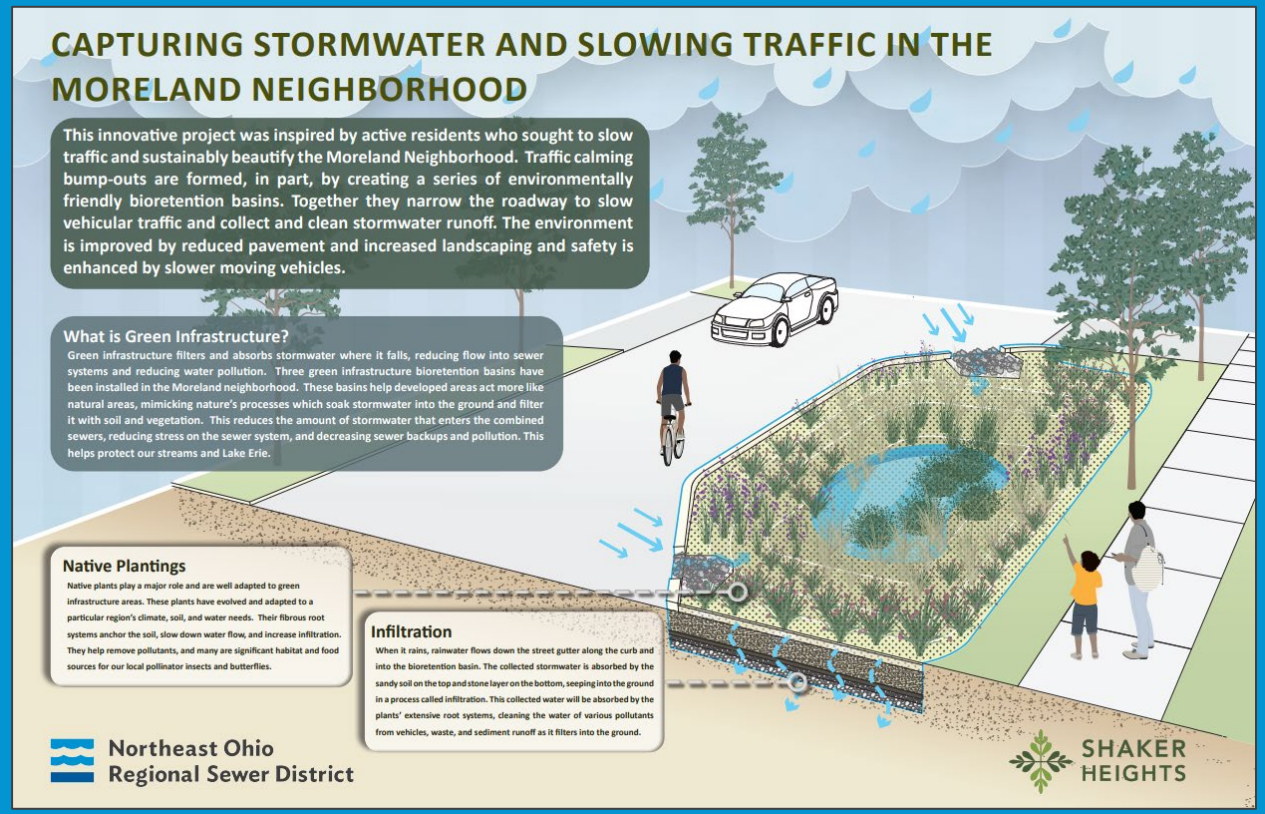

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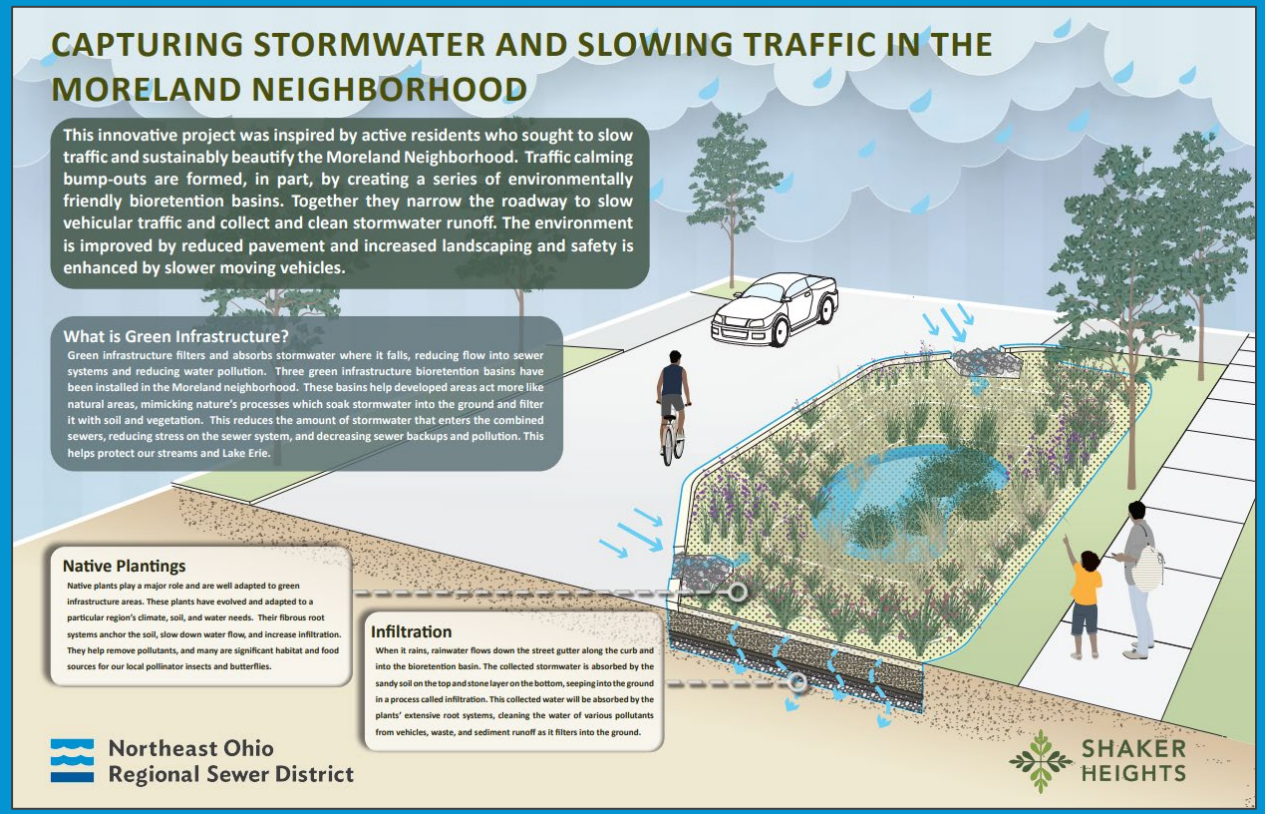

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OPTION 1
GI Grant Program
Reimbursement Request

OPTION 2
GI Grant Program
Progress Report Only

OPTION 3
GI Grant Program
Request for Project Extension

DOCUMENT SUBMITTAL PROCESS

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Awarded Project Partners Resource Forms

Signage Guideline

Instructions on How to Fill out the Online GI Grant Reports and Requests

Plan Review – Drawing Submittal Portal SagesGOV

To proceed with your required documentation request and reporting, follow these steps:

1. Choose one of the following three options below.
2. Refer to the instructions provided above to properly fill out and submit your chosen form below.

GI Grant Awarded Project Partners Required Documentation Portals

Below are instructions to submit a Reimbursement Request, Quarterly Progress Report, and a Project Extension Request. Please choose from the following three options:

OPTION 1
Click Here to Submit
GIG Reimbursement Request

OPTION 2
Click Here to Submit
GIG Quarterly Progress Report

OPTION 3
Click Here to Submit
GIG Project Extension Request

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Maintenance Consideration

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CONSTRUCTION PHASE

LONG-TERM

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Stormwater Fee Credits

- Provide Appendix A only
- GIG Program Agreement requires annual inspection by June 1st
- Credit renewal requires annual inspection
- Credit approval date will align with GIG inspection requirement

Questions?

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