



**Northeast Ohio
Regional Sewer District**

Green Infrastructure Grant for the Combined Sewer Area Program

Operation & Maintenance Workshop Session

Reducing stormwater runoff from our combined sewer system



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*2019 Cozad-Bates House GI Project
Funds Awarded: \$205,503
Stormwater Captured: 93,986 gal/yr.
Practices: Bioretention and Permeable Pavement
Status: Completed – Long Term Maintenance*

Agenda

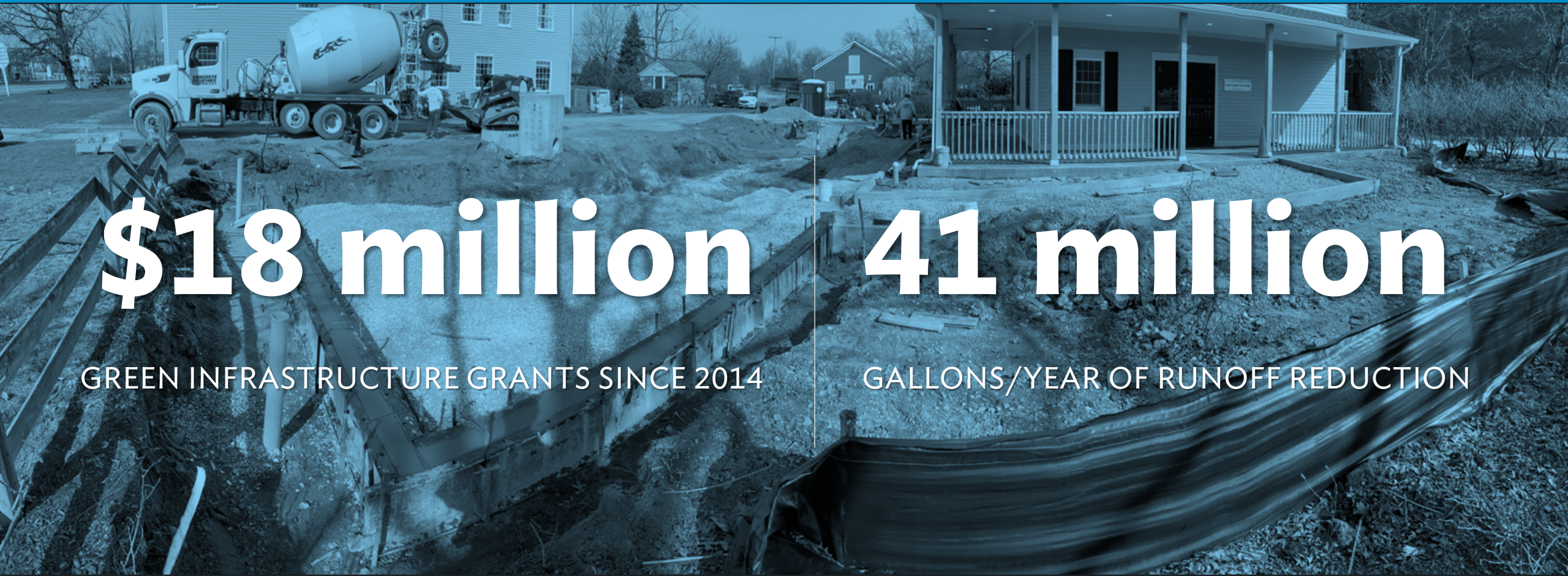
- Introduction & Overview
- Grant Reporting Tool
- Educational Signage
- O & M General Overview (Design, Construct, Maintain)
- Stormwater Control Measures
- Annual Inspections

Introductions

NAME

COMPANY

PROJECT



\$18 million

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS SINCE 2014

41 million

GALLONS/YEAR OF RUNOFF REDUCTION



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2025 Dunham Tavern Museum and Gardens Phase II GI Project
Funds Awarded: \$250,000
Stormwater Captured: 176,696 gal/yr.
Practices: Permeable Pavement
Status: In Construction

Green Infrastructure Grant Program for the Combined Sewer Area

The Breakdown

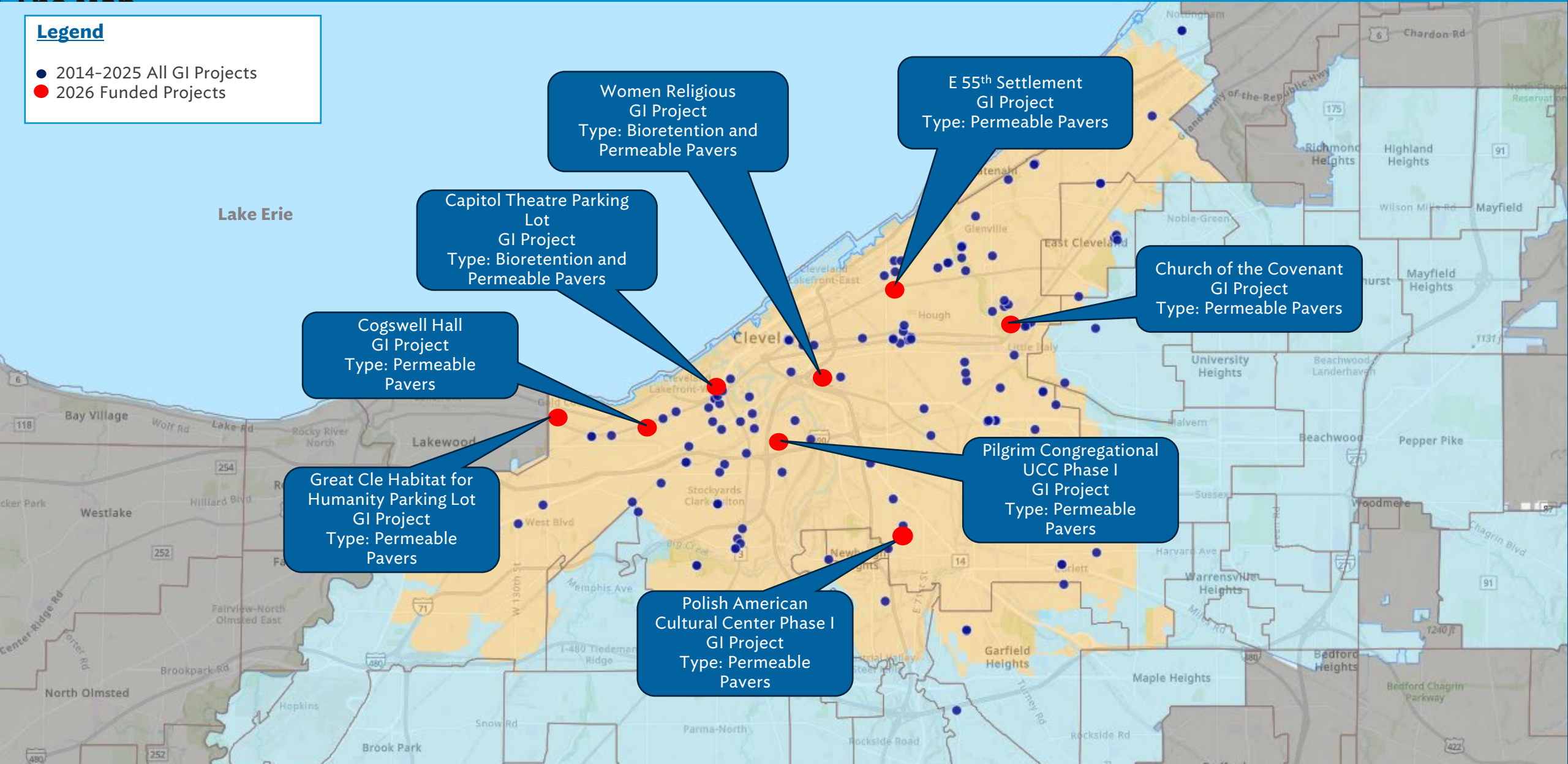
Program Years	Number of Projects	Funding Awards	Runoff Reduction Gallons/Year
2014 – 2025	91	\$16,085,758	39,191,912
2026	8	\$2,000,000	2,638,081
TOTAL	99	\$18,085,758	41,829,993
Program Years	Number of Projects	Funding Awards	Runoff Reduction Gallons/Year
2014	11	\$1,746,274	7,138,890
2016	12	\$1,974,747	9,658,777
2018	4	\$1,000,000	1,730,668
2019	10	\$1,908,361	4,918,266
2020	9	\$1,935,944	1,300,166
2021	5	\$895,432	2,978,459
2022	12	\$1,500,000	2,034,232
2023	13	\$2,125,000	3,957,809
2024	7	\$1,500,000	2,904,305
2025	8	\$1,500,000	2,570,340
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Green Infrastructure Grant Program for the Combined Sewer Area

The Map

Legend

- 2014-2025 All GI Projects
- 2026 Funded Projects



Women Religious
GI Project
Type: Bioretention and
Permeable Pavers

E 55th Settlement
GI Project
Type: Permeable Pavers

Capitol Theatre Parking
Lot
GI Project
Type: Bioretention and
Permeable Pavers


Church of the Covenant
GI Project
Type: Permeable Pavers

Cogswell Hall
GI Project
Type: Permeable
Pavers

Pilgrim Congregational
UCC Phase I
GI Project
Type: Permeable
Pavers

Great Cle Habitat for
Humanity Parking Lot
GI Project
Type: Permeable
Pavers

Polish American
Cultural Center Phase I
GI Project
Type: Permeable
Pavers



NEORSD Green infrastructure (GI) Grant Program for the Combined Sewer Area

The Cleveland Foundation Headquarters

Applicant: The Cleveland Foundation

Project Location: 6601 Euclid Ave | Ward 7

Watershed: Lake Erie Direct Tributaries



Project Detail

GI Type: 2022 Design & Construction Project Award

GI Technology: Permeable Pavers

Drainage Area: 0.14 acres

GI Feature Area: 0.14 acres

Stormwater Capture: 117,306 gal/yr.

Total Project Cost: \$21,000,000

Grant Awarded: \$73,372



DOCUMENT SUBMITTAL PROCESS

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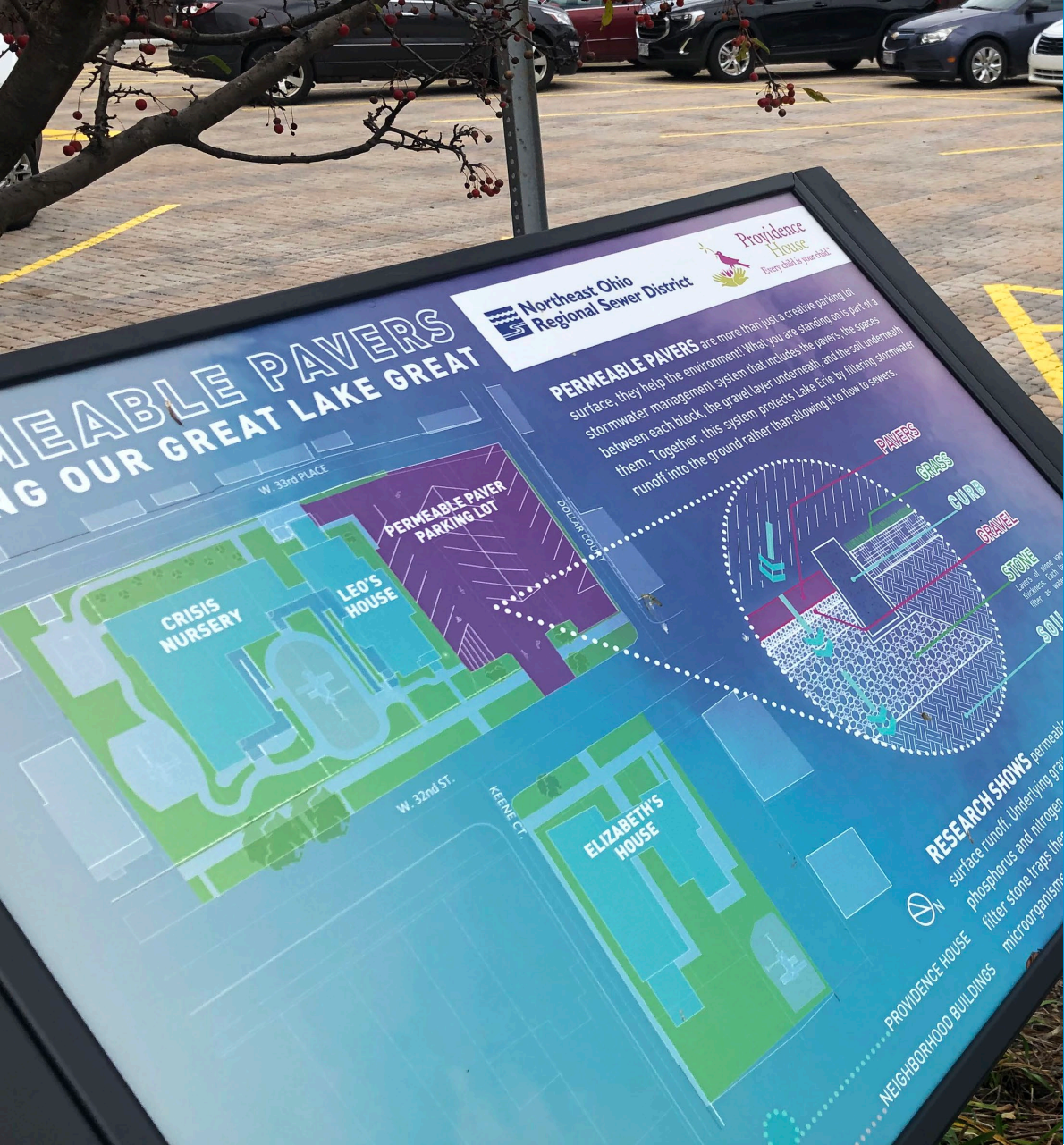
GI Grant Program
Reimbursement Request

OPTION 2

GI Grant Program
Progress Report Only

OPTION 3

GI Grant Program
Request for Project Extension



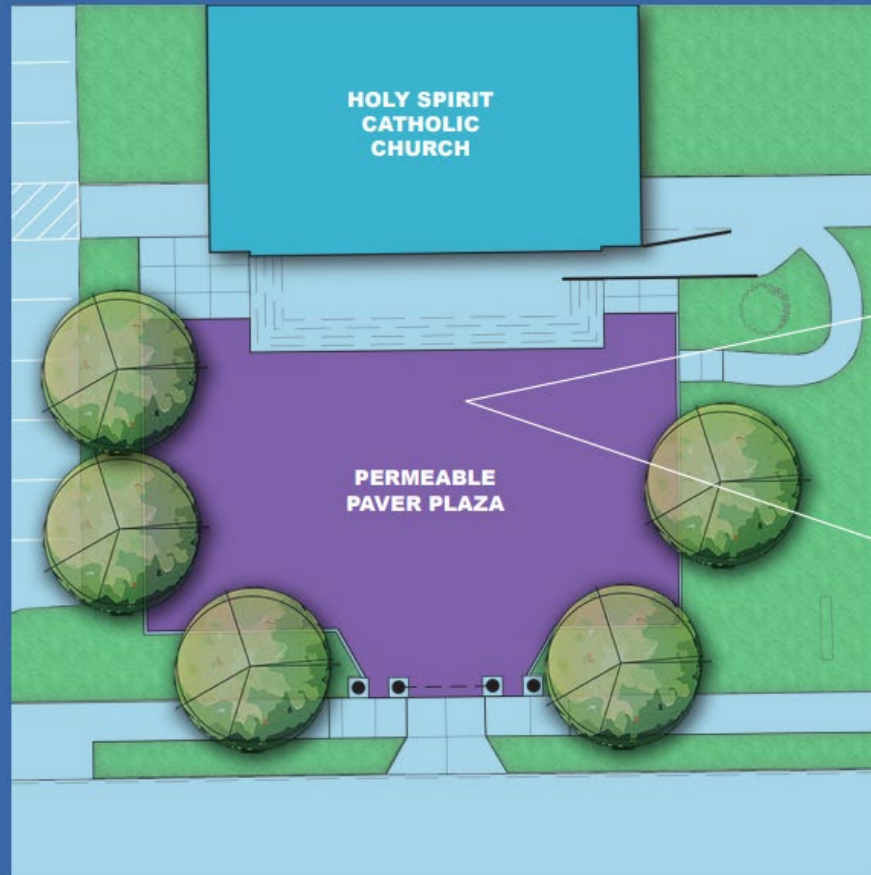
ALL ABOUT THE SIGNAGE

Educational Signage

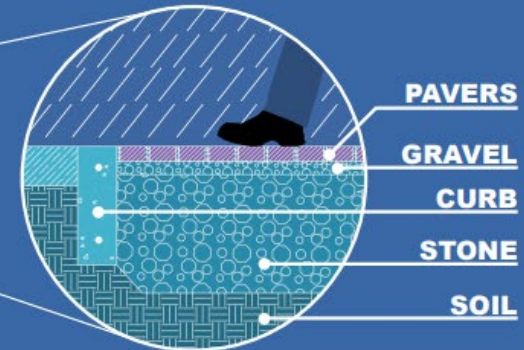
PERMEABLE PAVERS KEEPING OUR GREAT LAKE GREAT



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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 Signage

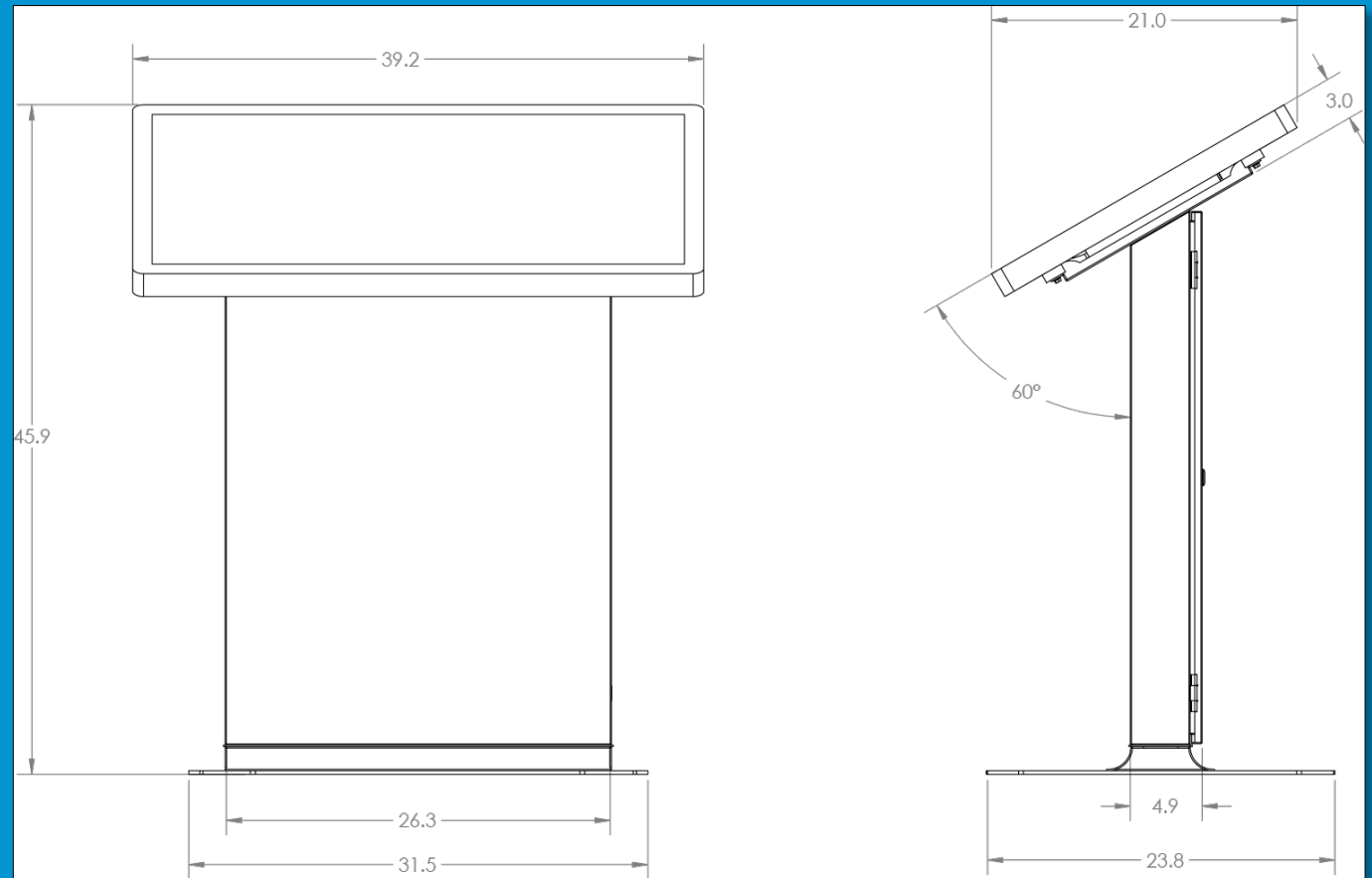
The Sewer District responsibility

- Permanent educational signage is required and must be reviewed and approved
- Will fund **1** sign per project.
- 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 Signage

Minimum Suggested Specs

- 3 feet (36") above ground height
- 2'x3' (24"x36") panel dimensions
- Each project will need to take their own unique approach and design a customize sign.



Educational Signage Too Small



Educational Signage Maintenance



Educational Signage



Educational Signage



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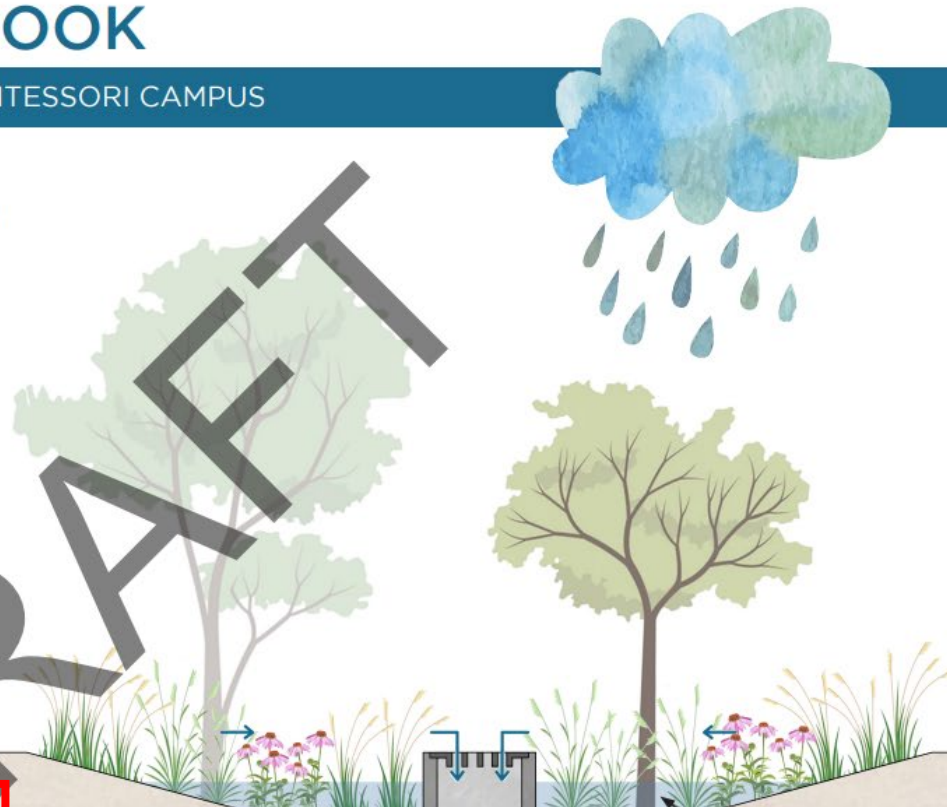
SHOWERS AT STONEBROOK

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.

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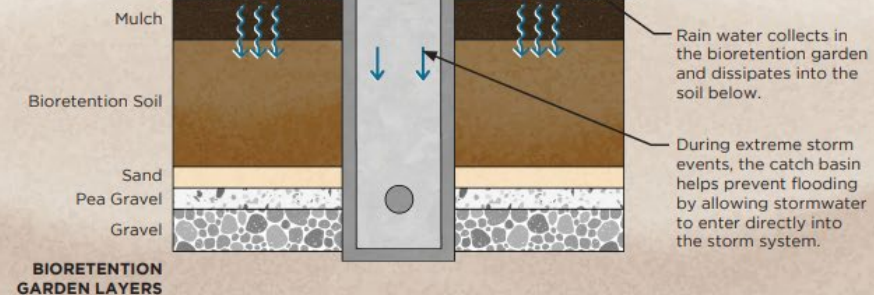
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Development
Partnerships

 Environmental
Design Group

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Watershed Partnership

 CLEVELAND
METROPOLITAN
SCHOOL DISTRICT

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!



Educational Signage Single Post



Educational Signage Double Post



Educational Signage Double Post

CAPTURING STORMWATER AND SLOWING TRAFFIC IN THE MORELAND NEIGHBORHOOD

This innovative project was inspired by active residents who sought to slow traffic and sustainably beautify the Moreland Neighborhood. Traffic calming bump-outs are formed, in part, by creating a series of environmentally friendly bioretention basins. Together they narrow the roadway to slow vehicular traffic and collect and clean stormwater runoff. The environment is improved by reduced pavement and increased landscaping and safety is enhanced by slower moving vehicles.

What is Green Infrastructure?
Green infrastructure filters and absorbs stormwater where it falls, reducing flow into sewer systems and reducing water pollution. Three green infrastructure bioretention basins have been installed in the Moreland neighborhood. These basins help developed areas act more like natural areas, mimicking nature's processes which soak stormwater into the ground and filter it with soil and vegetation. This reduces the amount of stormwater that enters the combined sewers, reducing stress on the sewer system, and decreasing sewer backups and pollution. This helps protect our streams and Lake Erie.

Native Plantings
Native plants play a major role and are well adapted to green infrastructure areas. These plants have evolved and adapted to a particular region's climate, soil, and water needs. Their fibrous root systems anchor the soil, slow down water flow, and increase infiltration. They help remove pollutants, and many are significant habitat and food sources for our local pollinator insects and butterflies.

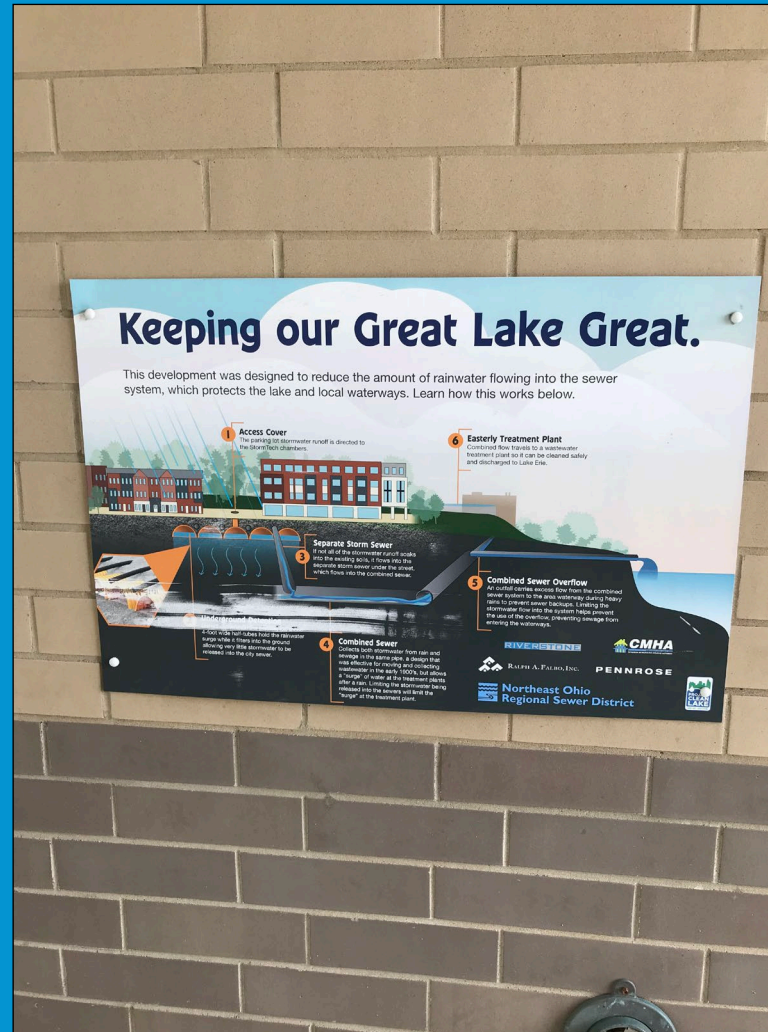
Infiltration
When it rains, rainwater flows down the street gutter along the curb and into the bioretention basin. The collected stormwater is absorbed by the sandy soil on the top and stone layer on the bottom, seeping into the ground in a process called infiltration. This collected water will be absorbed by the plants' extensive root systems, cleaning the water of various pollutants from vehicles, waste, and sediment runoff as it filters into the ground.



Educational Signage Wall Mount



Educational Signage Wall Mount



Keeping our Great Lake Great.

This development was designed to reduce the amount of rainwater flowing into the sewer system, which protects the lake and local waterways. Learn how this works below.

1 Access Cover

The parking lot stormwater runoff is directed to the stormwater catchment.

2 Combined Sewer

Combined sewer carries rain and sewage from the storm pipe. A design that separates rain from sewage. A "baffle" or "wall" at the treatment plant after rain. Keeping the stormwater from entering the sewer will keep the "baffle" of the treatment plant.

3 Separate Storm Sewer

If not all of the stormwater runoff soaks into the ground, it flows into the separate storm sewer, under the street, which flows into the combined sewer.

4 Combined Sewer Overflow

An overflow device works that runs the combined sewer system to the area waterway during heavy rain to prevent sewer backups. Keeping the overflow out into the system helps prevent the use of the overflow, preventing sewage from entering the waterways.

6 Easterly Treatment Plant

Combined Sewer flows to a wastewater treatment plant so it can be cleaned safely and discharged to Lake Erie.

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Educational Signage Location





Operation & Maintenance General Overview



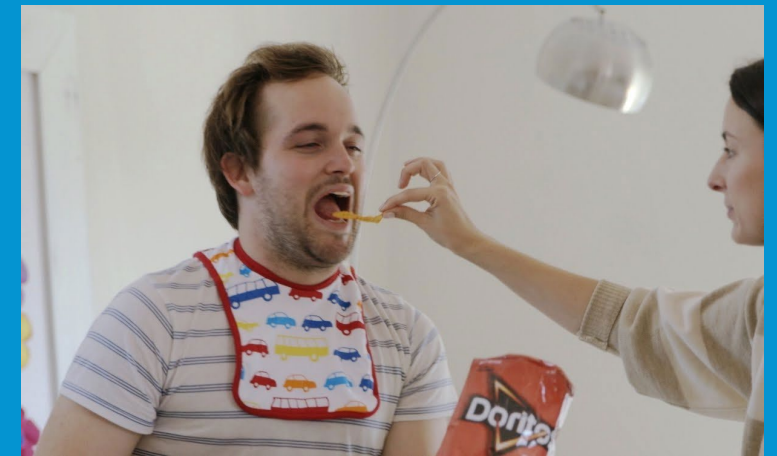
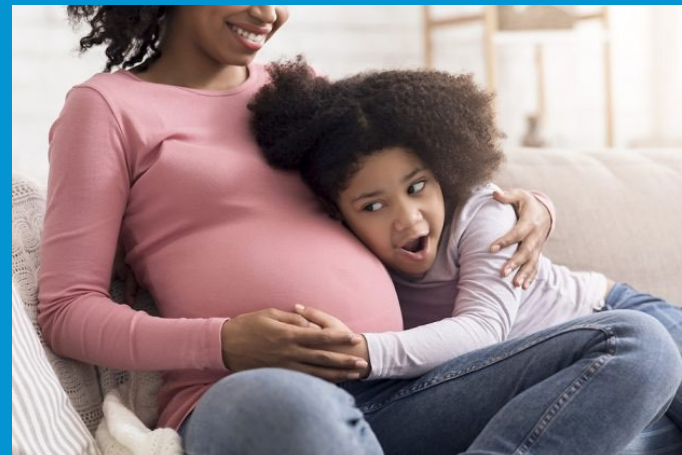
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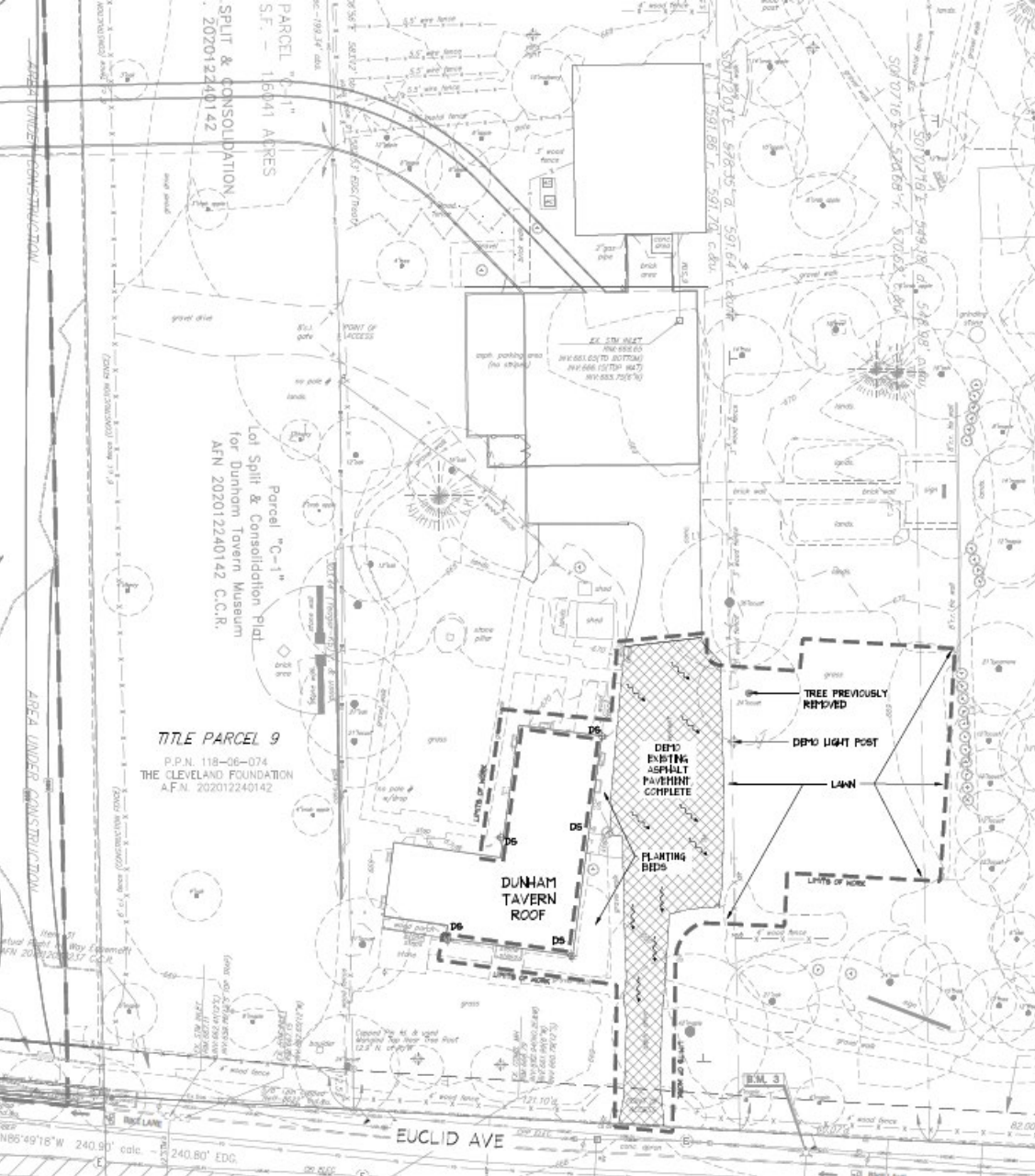
Construct



Maintain



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General Overview Design Considerations

How to minimize maintenance and simplify inspection



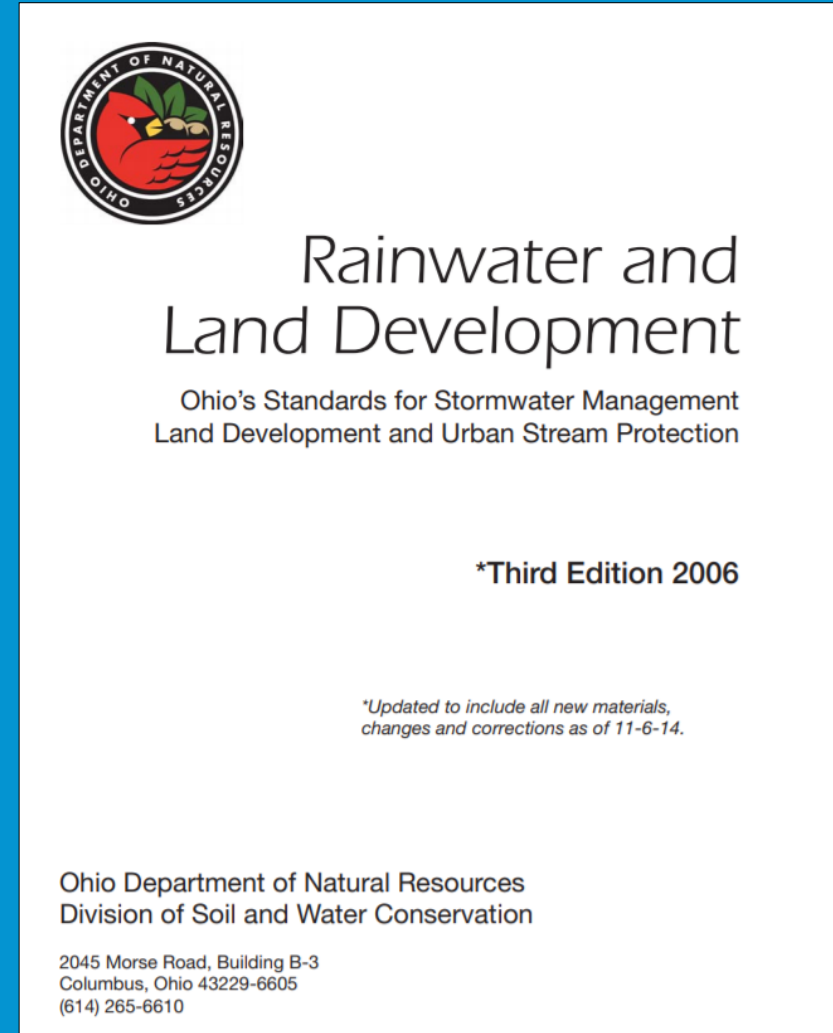
General Overview - Design

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



General Overview – Design

Refer to an
accepted standard



General Overview - Design

Ensure accessibility by needed equipment



EASY ACCESS

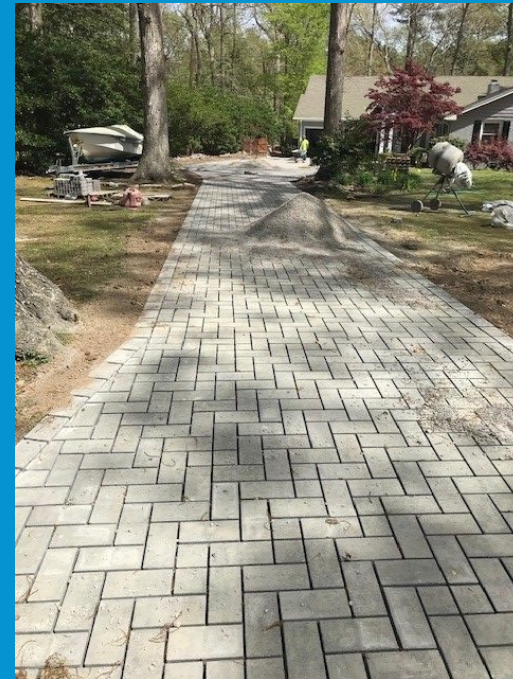


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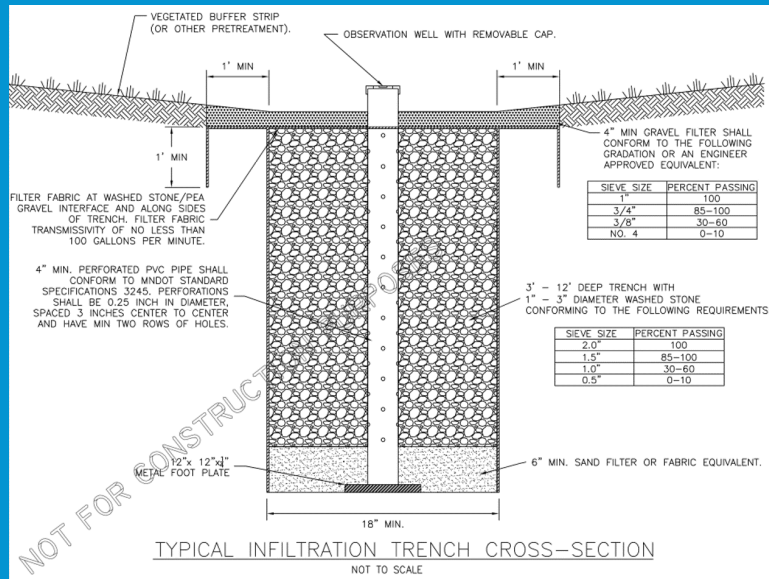
Schedule

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



General Overview - Design

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



General Overview - Design

Flood Routing

What happens if the practice clogs/fails?



General Overview - Design



General Overview – Design

Materials Specifications

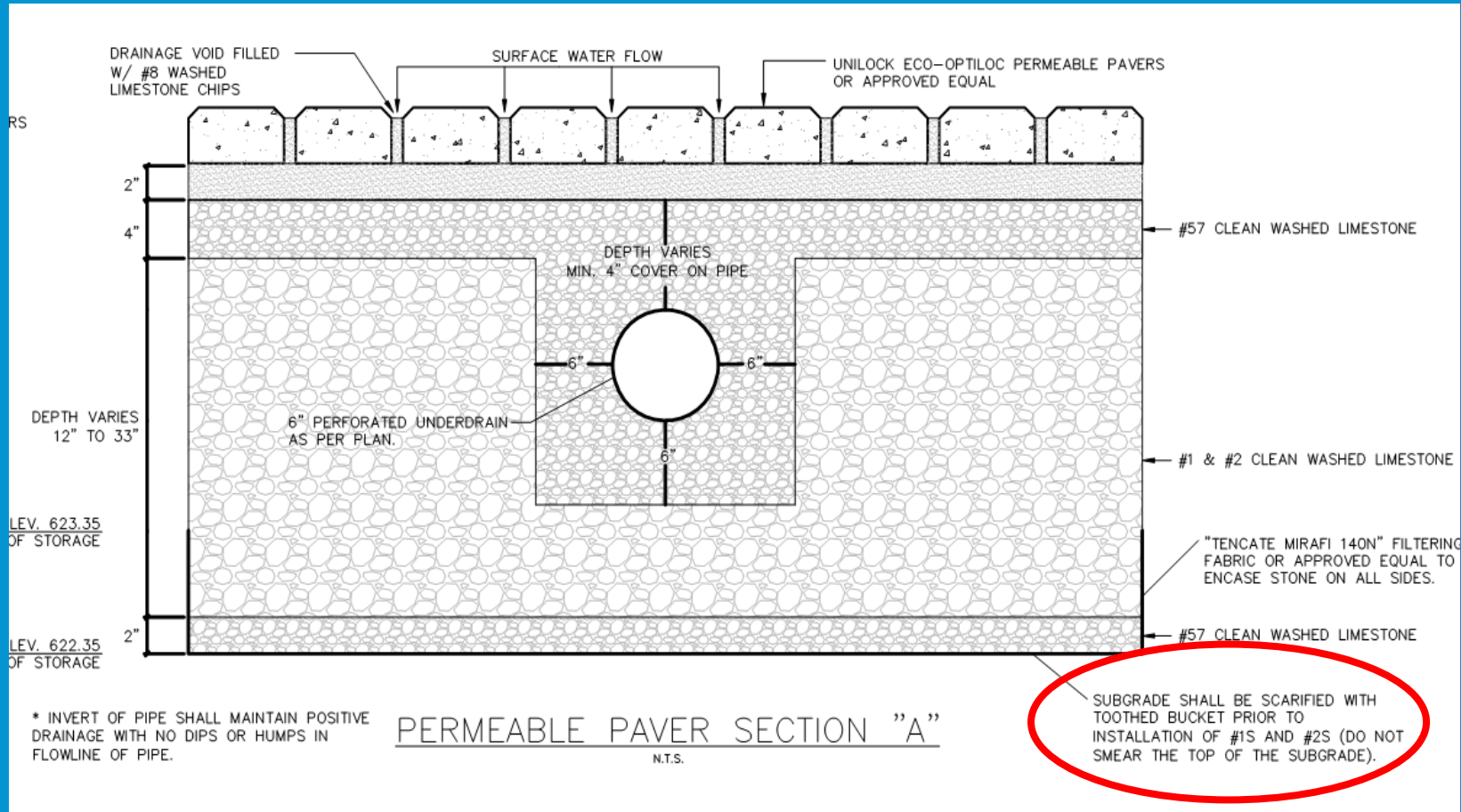
4. *Planting Soil* – The planting soil filters the treatment volume, detains runoff in the available void space and provides a media for plant growth and a biological community. Much of the pollutant removal occurs in this zone due to filtering, microbial activity, ion exchange, adsorption and plant 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 yd³ 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.



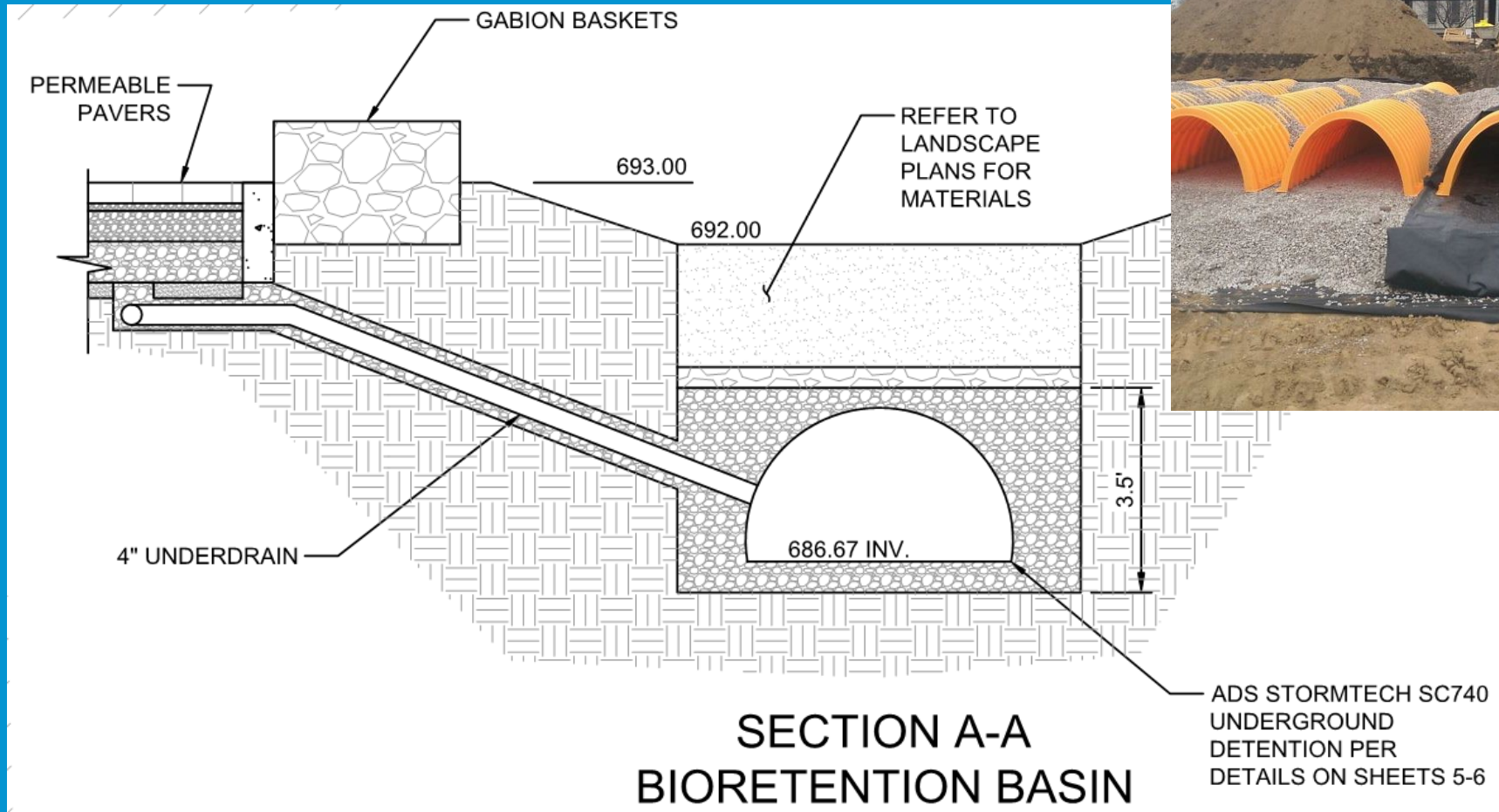
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Applicable Notes & Details



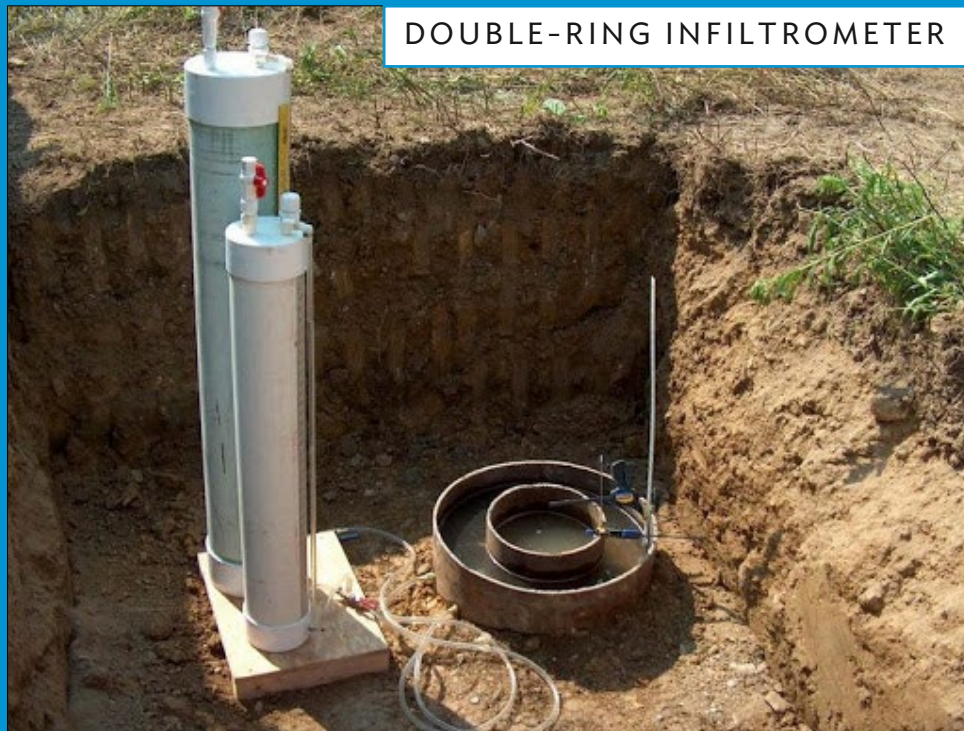
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Applicable Notes & Details



General Overview - Design

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



General Overview - Design

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;



General Overview Construction Considerations

How to achieve your SCM's intended function
(a.k.a., how to not mess it up)



General Overview - Construction



General Overview – Construction

Do not ruin your SCM!



General Overview – Construction

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
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



General Overview – Construction

Scarify underlying subsoil of infiltrating practices



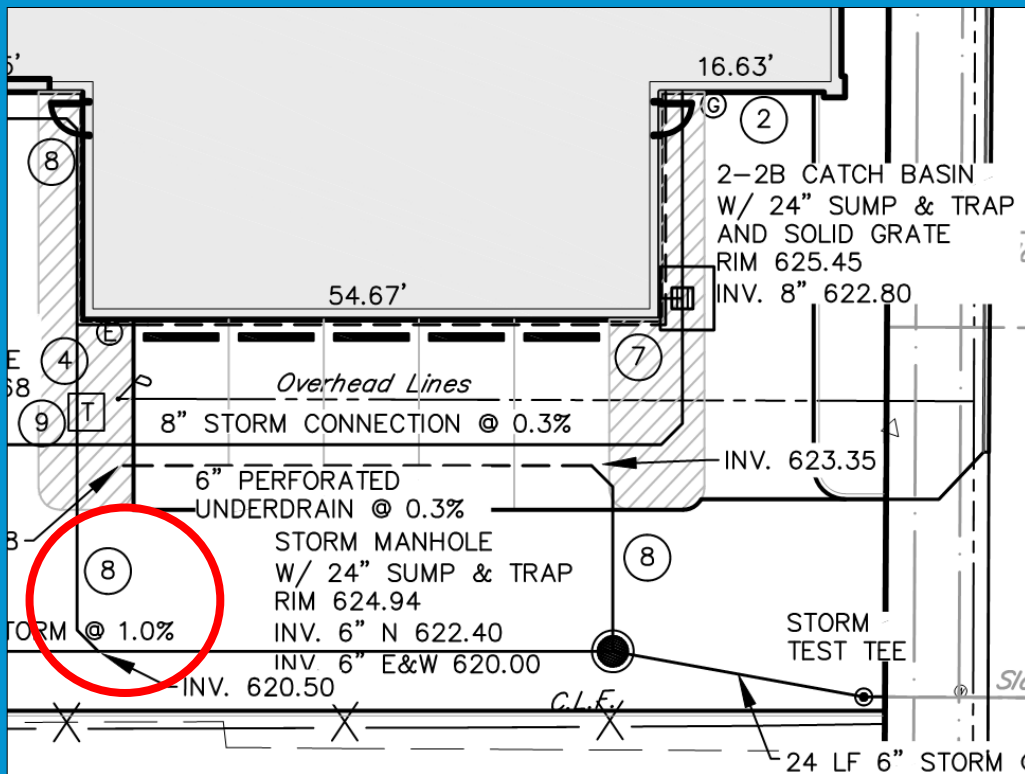
General Overview – Construction

Keep sediment out!!



General Overview – Construction

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.

General Overview – Construction

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

General Overview – Construction

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



NOTE: Unexpected infiltration rates can trigger design revisions.

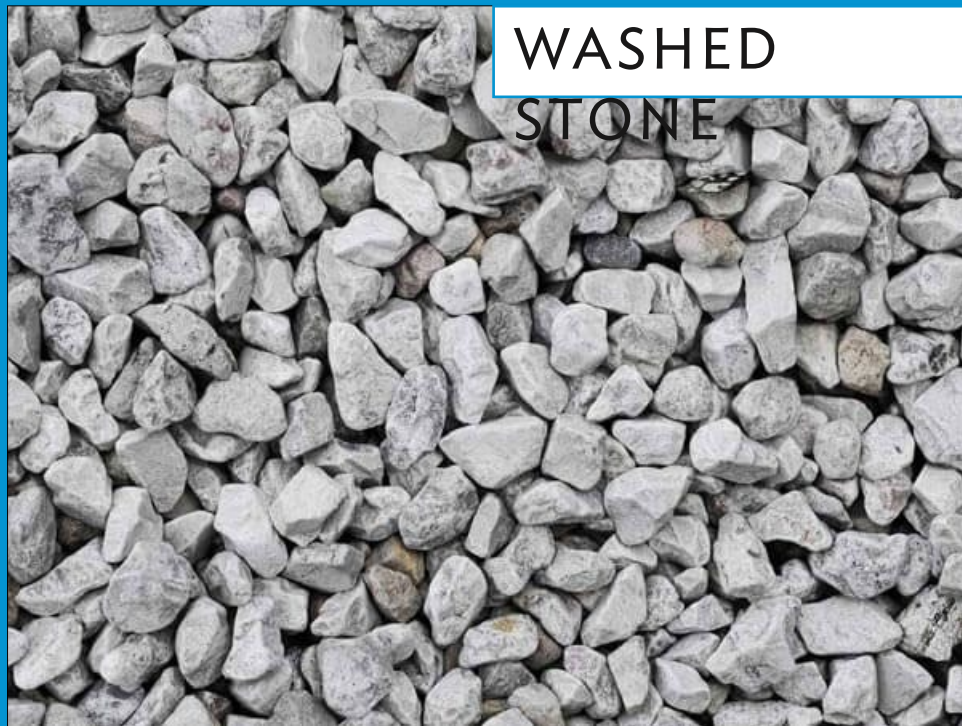
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Construct infiltrating practices during dry weather only



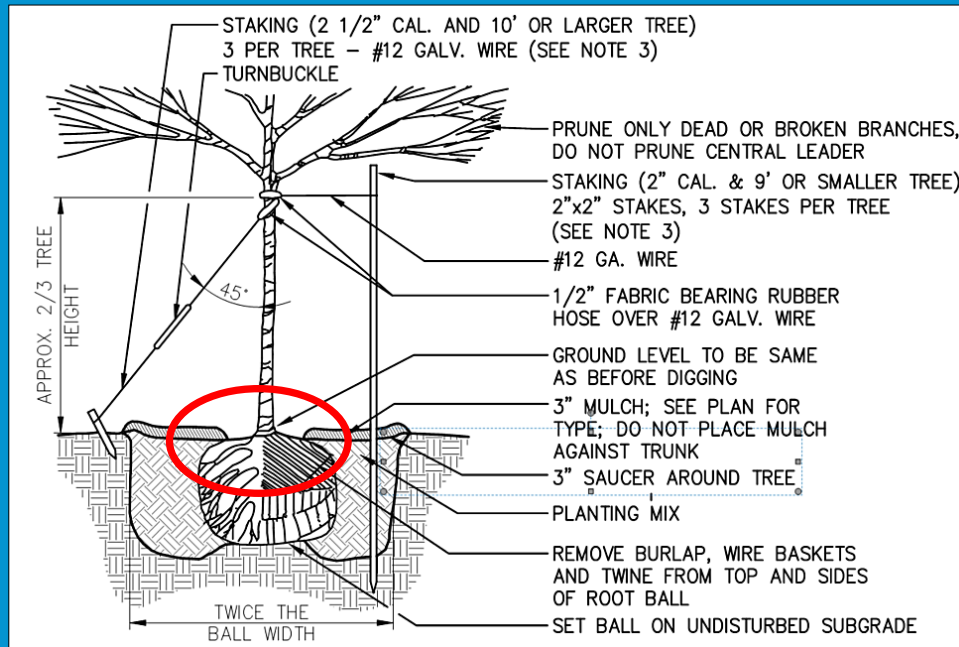
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Ensure non-contaminated construction materials are used



General Overview – Construction

Ensure planting specifications are followed





General Overview Maintenance Considerations

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



General Overview – Day 1



General Overview – Day 1



General Overview – the first few months



General Overview – the awkward years



General Overview – Maturity



General Overview - Maintenance



What do the following have
in common?

General Overview – Maintenance



A man-made feature
that requires no
maintenance



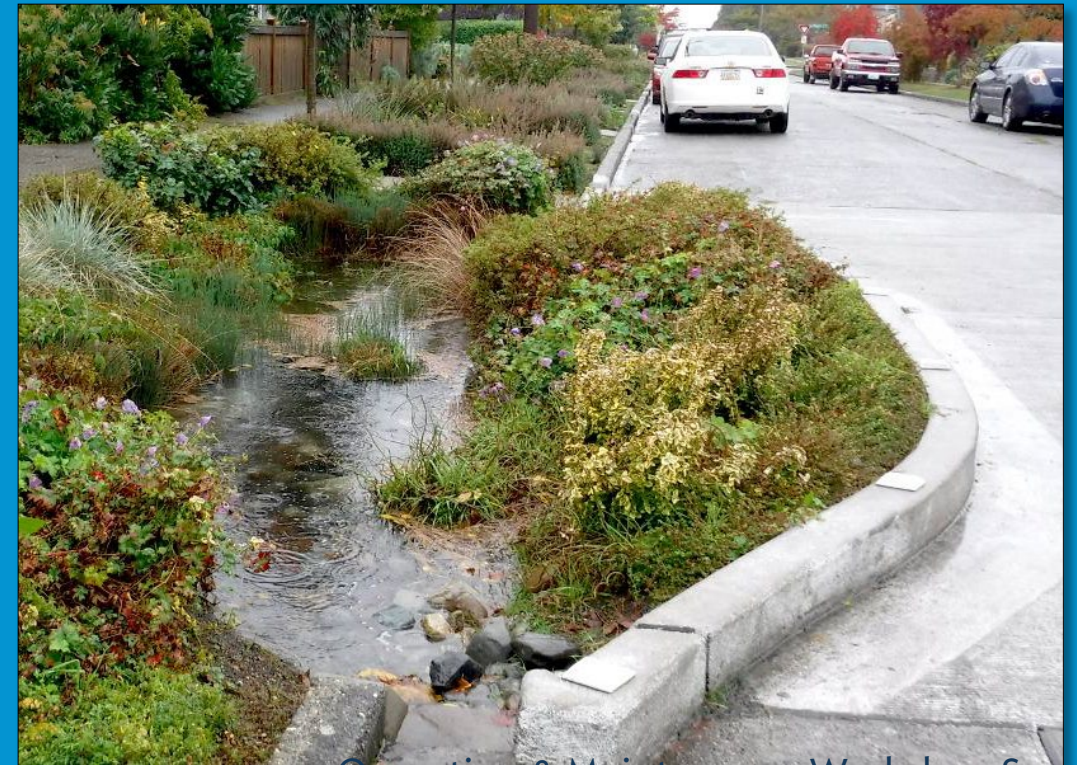
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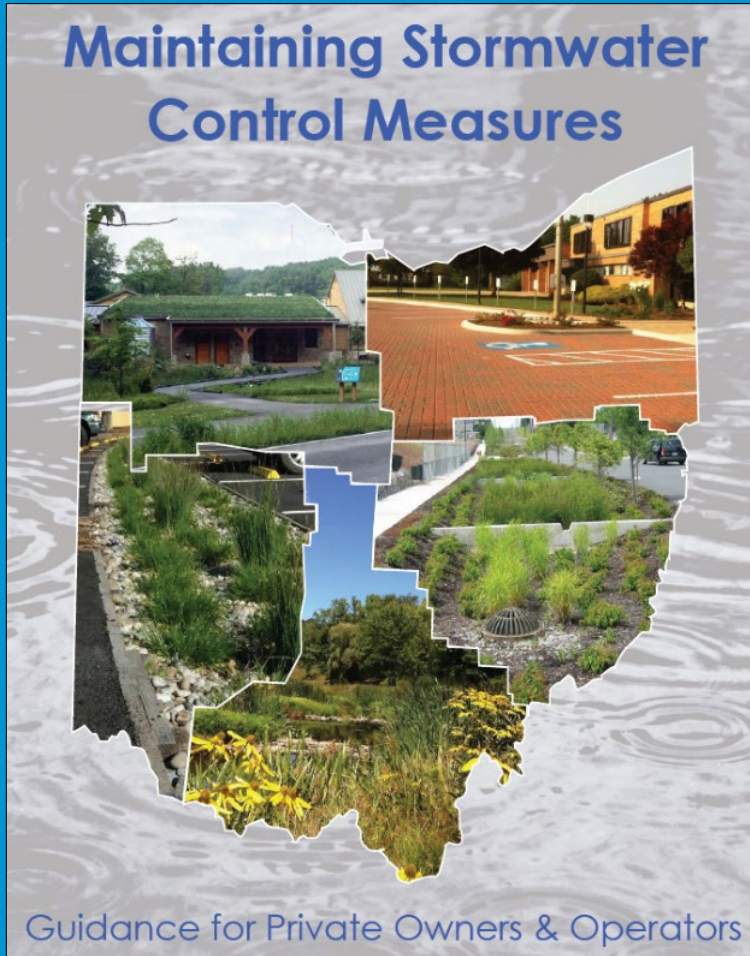
THEY DON'T EXIST!!!

General Overview - Maintenance

First year need \$ vs long-term need \$



General Overview – Maintenance



MAINTAINING STORMWATER CONTROL MEASURES Guidance for Private Owners & Operators

STORMWATER CONTROL MEASURES

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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- Dry Pond or Dry Extended Detention Basin (page 9)
- Wet Pond or Wet Extended Detention Basin (page 11)
- Vegetated Infiltration Swale (page 13)
- Permeable Pavement (page 15)
- Green Roof (page 18)
- Non-Structural SCMs: Riparian & Wetland Setbacks and Conservation Areas (page 19)
- Rain Barrels & Cisterns (page 21)
- Rain Gardens (page 23)
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- Oil-Water Separator (page 29)

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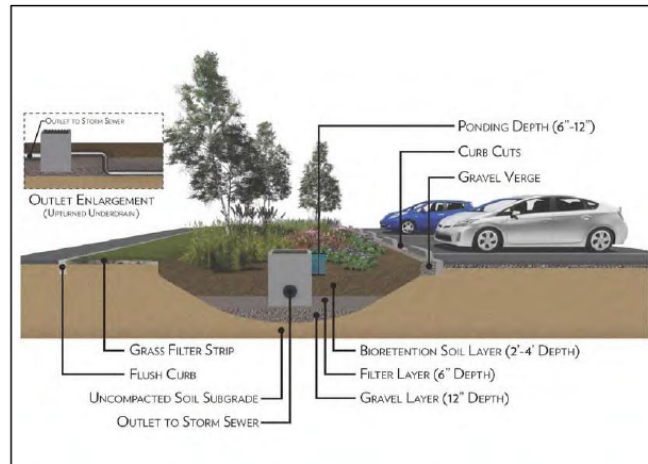
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STORMWATER CONTROL MEASURES

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.

MAINTAINING STORMWATER CONTROL MEASURES Guidance for Private Owners & Operators

STORMWATER CONTROL MEASURES



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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MAINTAINING STORMWATER CONTROL MEASURES Guidance for Private Owners & Operators

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

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2026 Stormwater Control Measures

- Bioretention Cells
- Permeable
Pavement



BIORETENTION

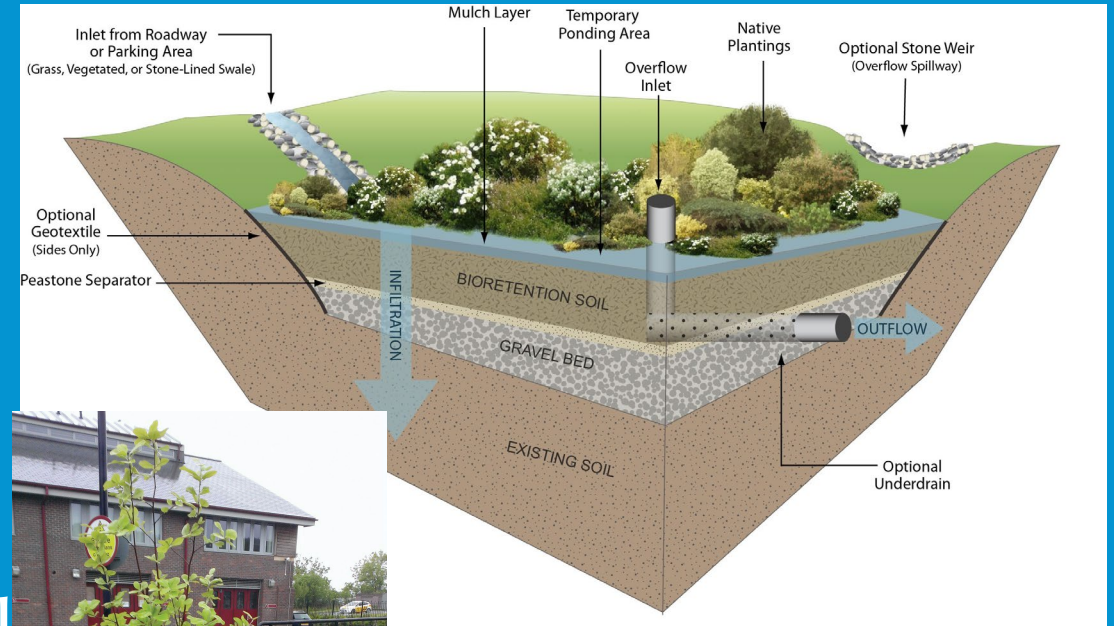


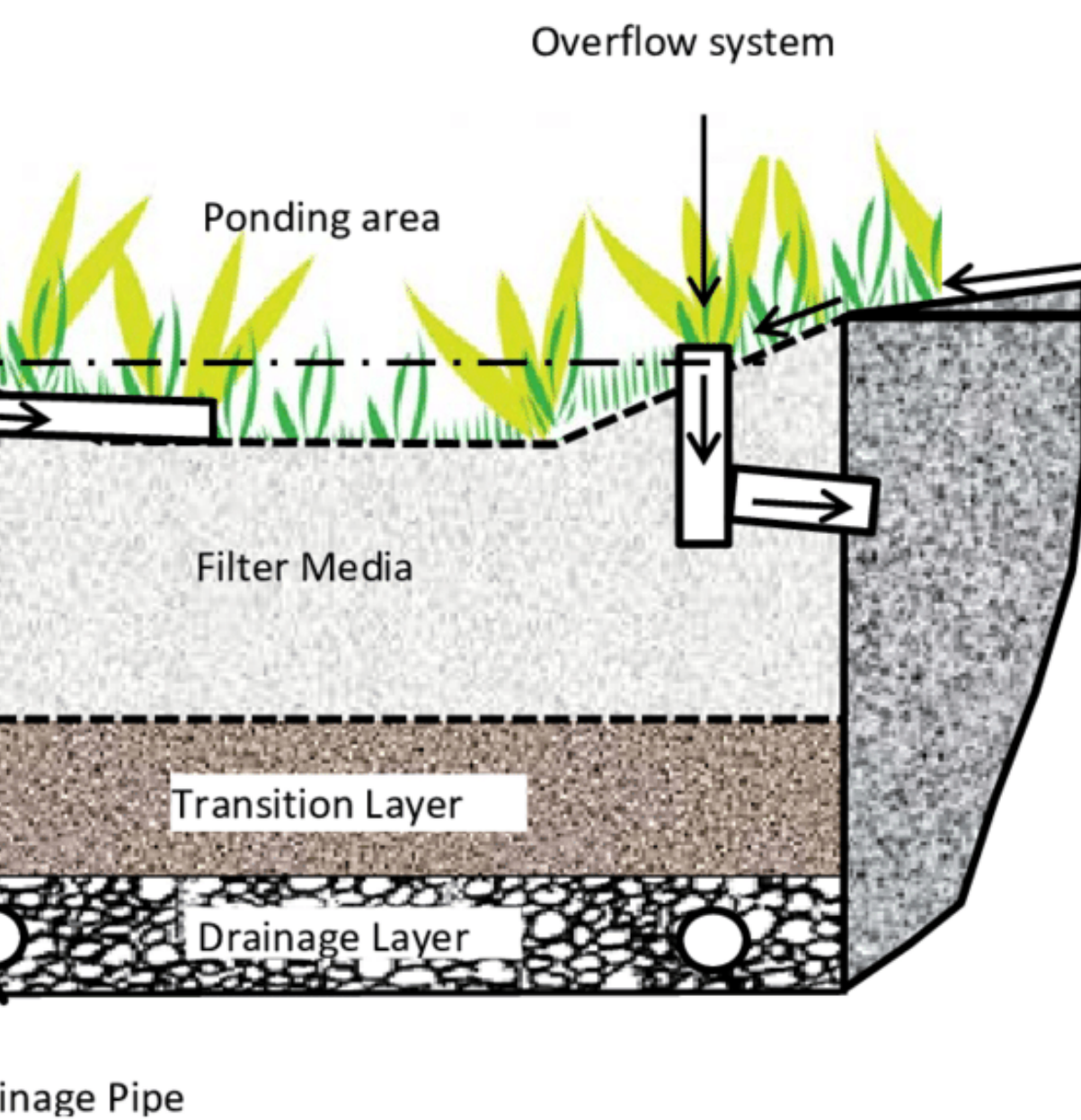
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Bioretention

- 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

Drainage Pipe

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 (4% of its watershed's impervious area)
- Adequate outlet
- No groundwater concerns (high water table, underlying bedrock)
- Setbacks have been met

Bioretention – Design

Assumptions

Appropriate drainage area vs. filter bed area (4% of watershed's impervious area)



Bioretention – Design

Pre-treatment options



Bioretention – Design

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



Bioretention – Design

Curb cuts: Use the right size stone



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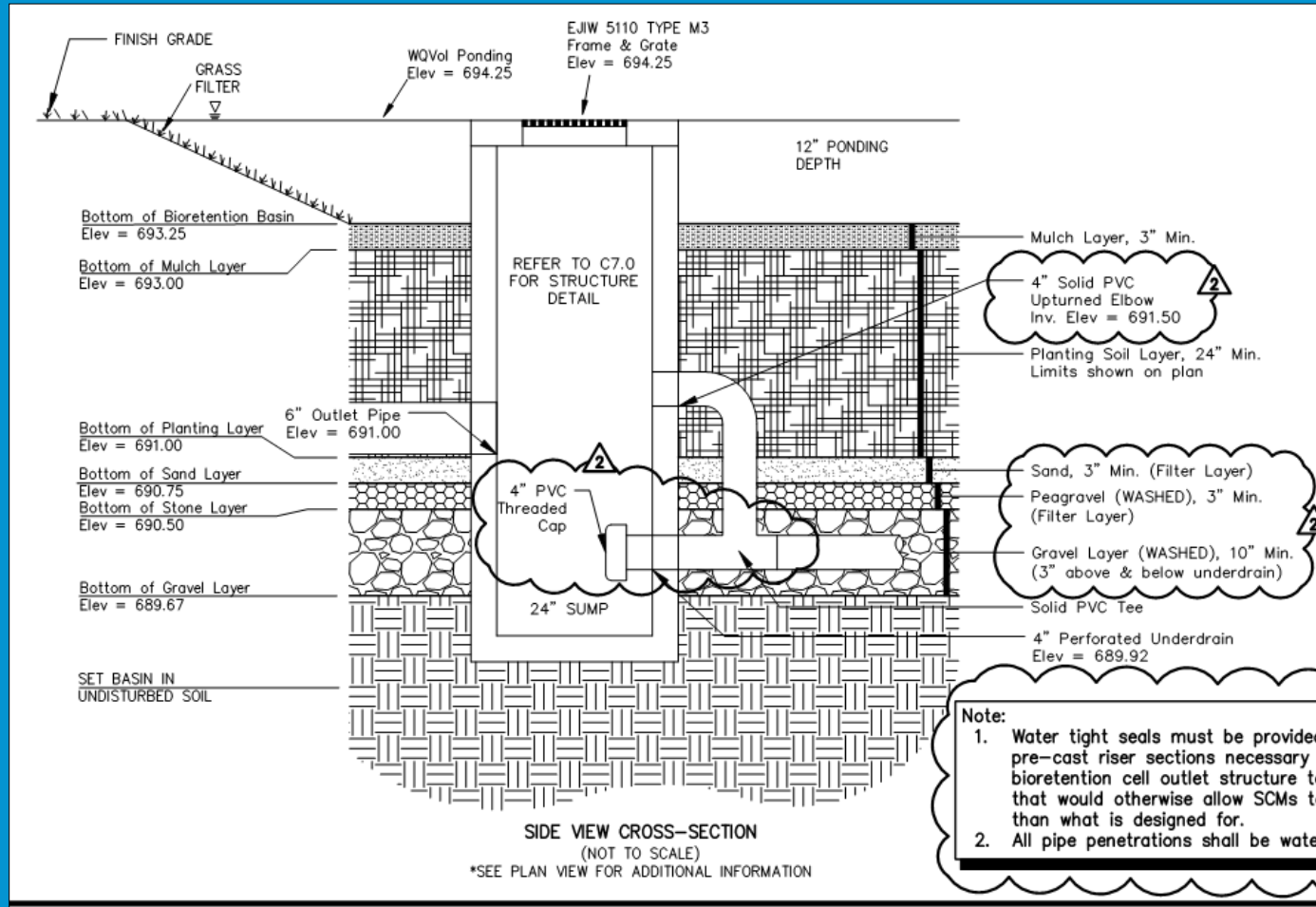


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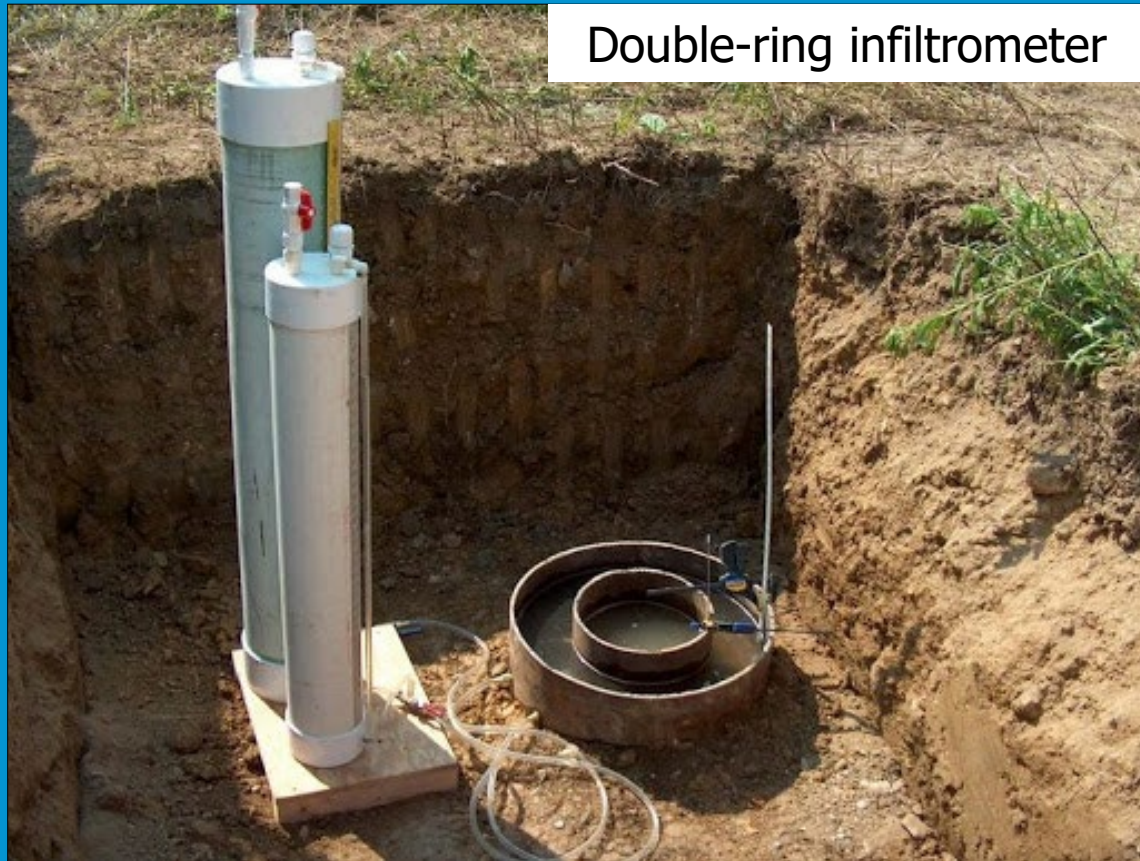
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Upturned elbows



Bioretention – Design

Infiltration Testing



Bioretention – Design

Mulch Selection



Bioretention – Design

Planting Soil Media

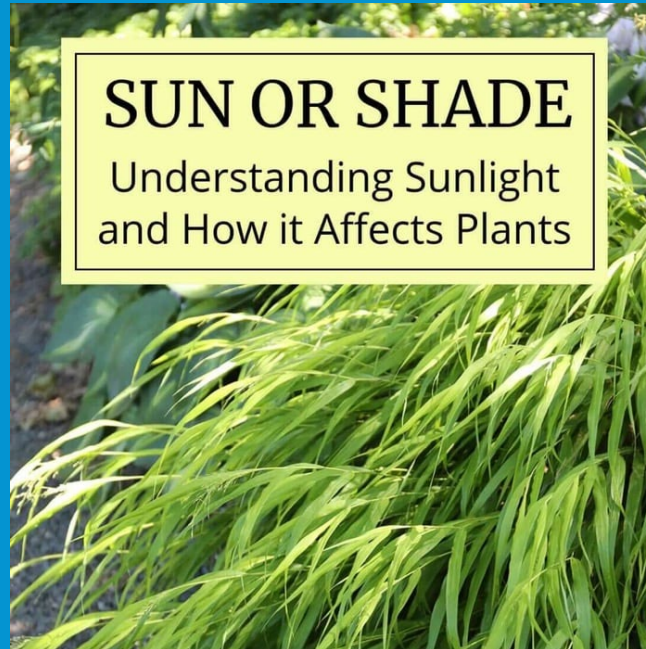
- Texture class: loamy sand. Having no less than 80% sand and no greater than 10% clay considering only the mineral fraction of the soil.
- pH range: 5.2 - 8.0
- Soluble Salts: 500 ppm maximum.
- Decomposed organic matter: 3-5% by weight [Note: this translates to 8-20% organic matter by volume. See note 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.

Bioretention – Design

Plant Selection



12 Types of Flowering Weeds



SUN OR SHADE

Understanding Sunlight and How it Affects Plants





Bioretention Construction



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Bioretention – Construction

General

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Bioretention – Construction

Avoid compaction



Bioretention – Construction

Account for settling of layers (additional 5% volume)



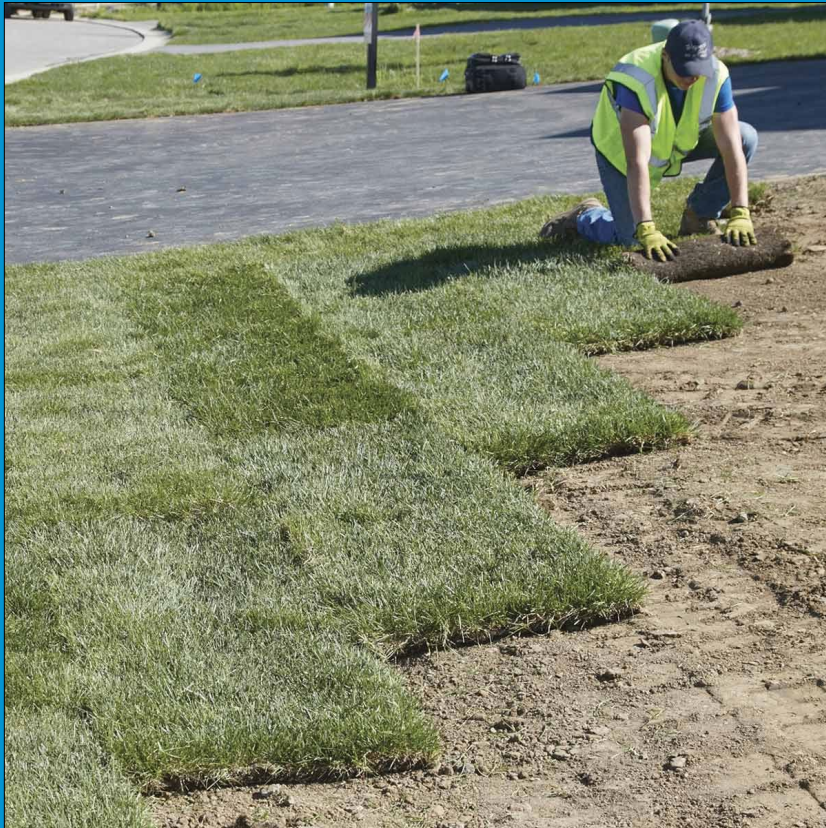
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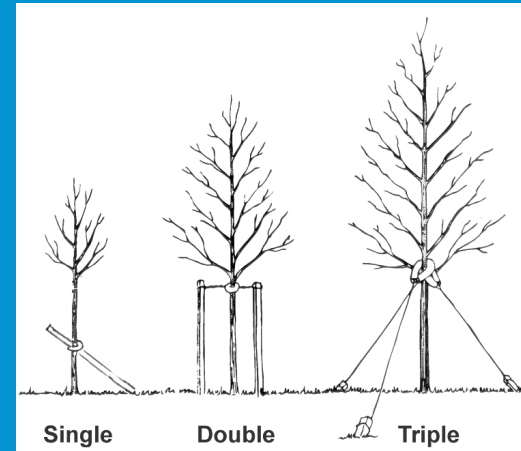
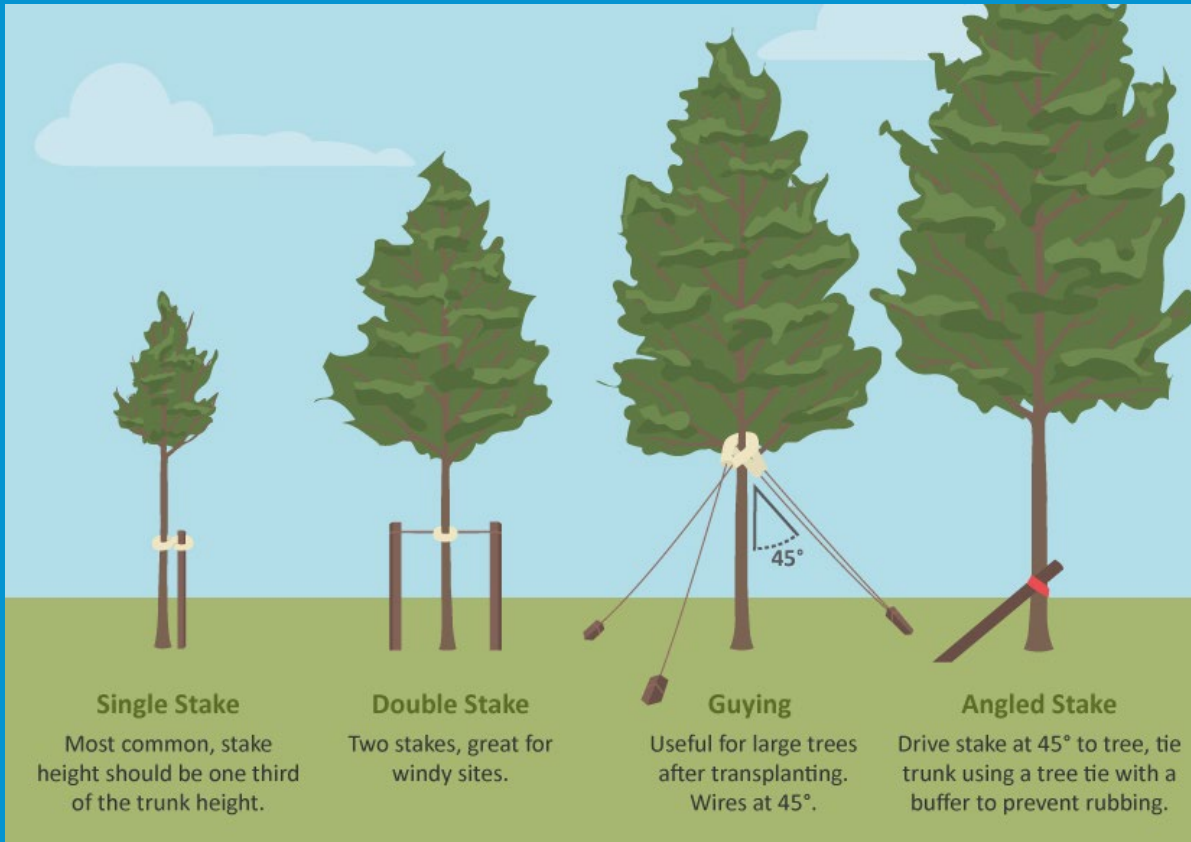
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Pre-treatment grass filter strips...choose sod rather than seed & mulch



Bioretention – Construction

Properly stake taller plants





Bioretention Maintenance



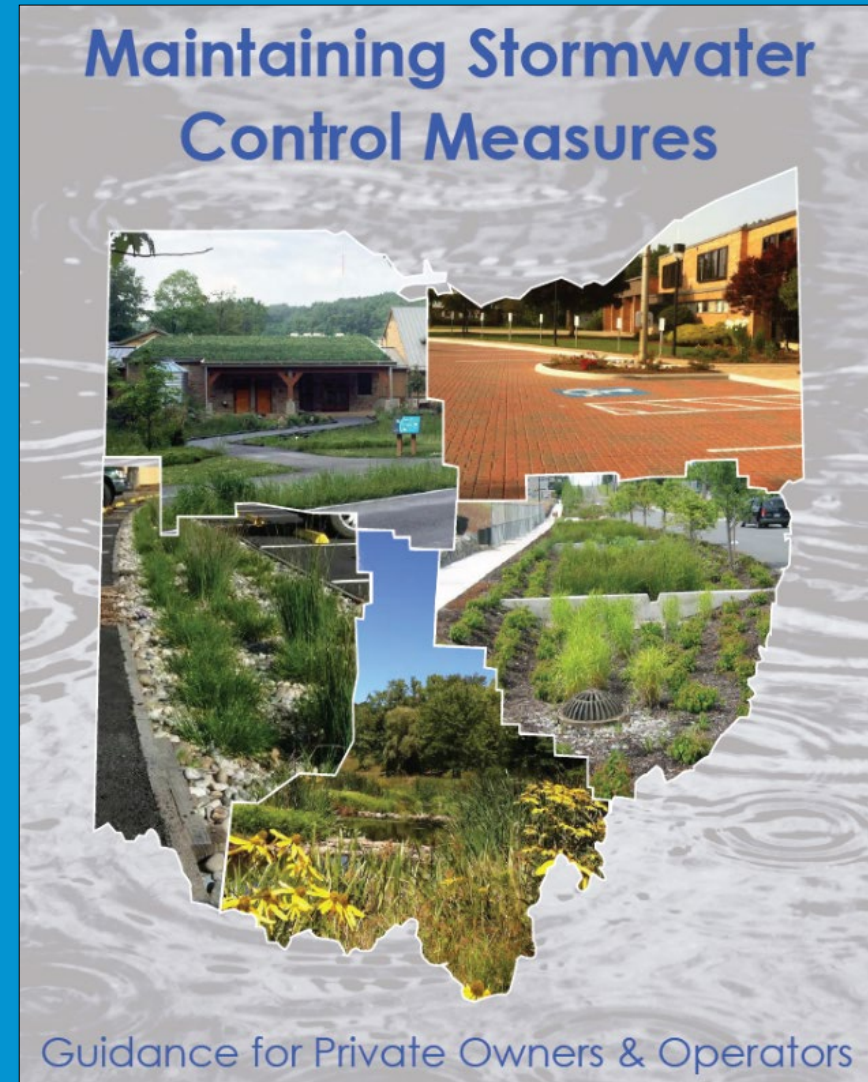
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Bioretention- Maintenance

General

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- First year need \$ vs. long-term need \$



Bioretention – Maintenance

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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

- Weeding...constantly!!!
- 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

Bioretention Cell Maintenance



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 impervious structures (roofs and/or traditional pavement)



Permeable Pavement

PERMEABLE PAVERS



DESIGNED WITH SPECIAL SPACER BARS, RESULTING IN WIDER JOINTS

NON-PERMEABLE PAVERS



VS.



Permeable Pavement Design



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Permeable Pavement – Design

General

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Permeable Pavement – Design

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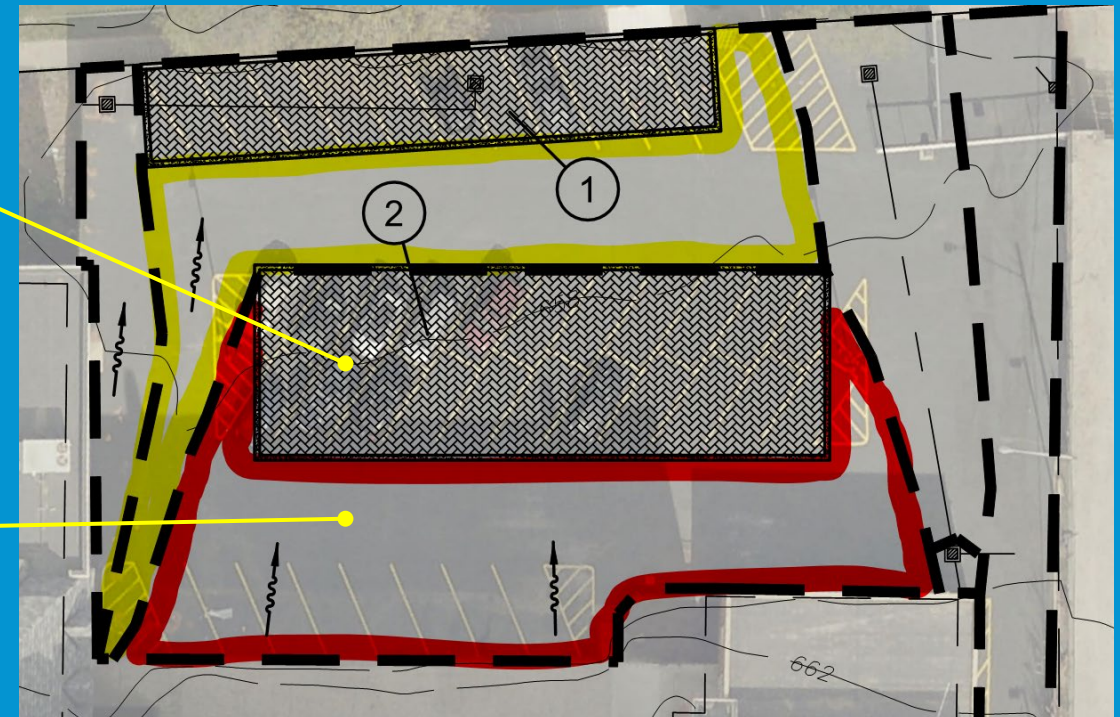
- Traffic loading patterns
- Contributing drainage area's land use impacts (i.e., sediments)
- Foundation offsets
- Groundwater issues addressed
- Flat subgrade provided

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.

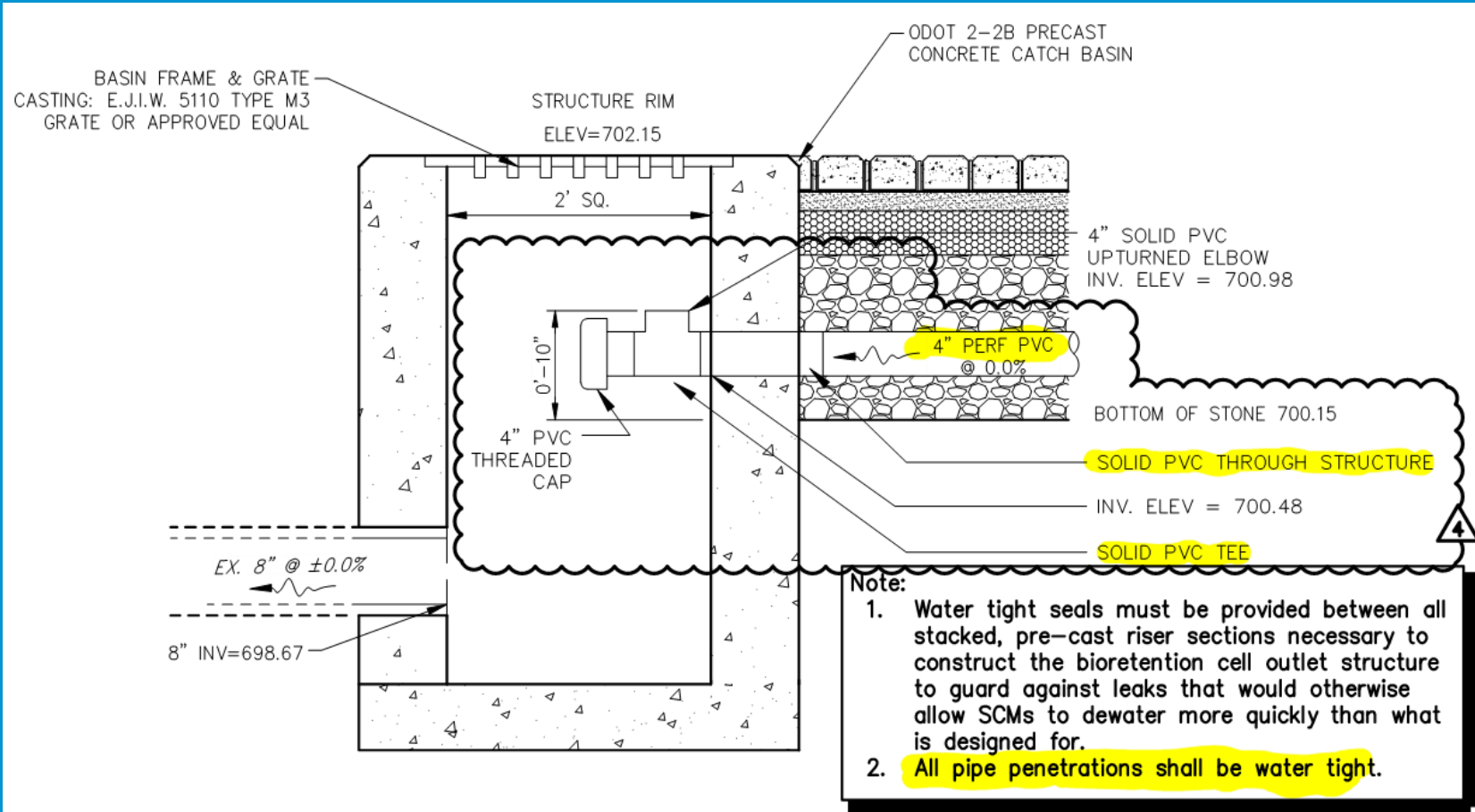


Permeable Pavement – Design

Underdrains & elbows



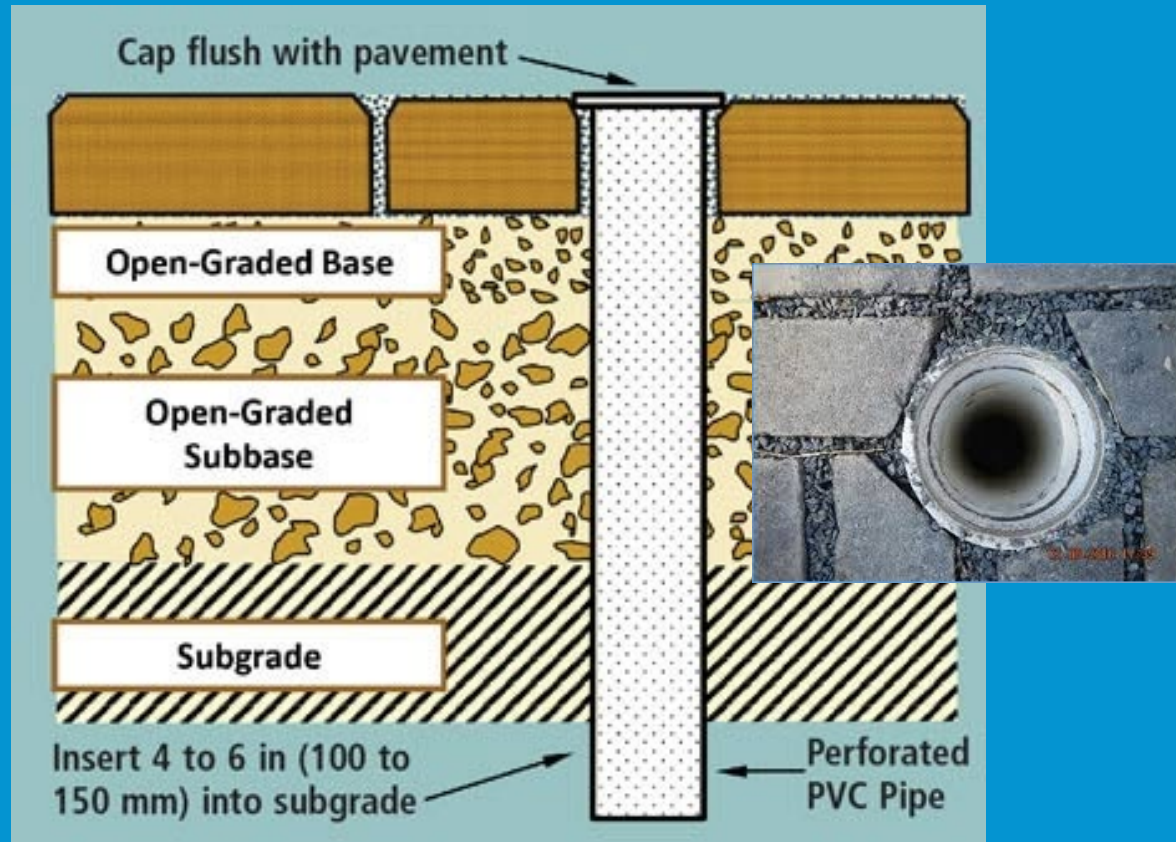
Permeable Pavement – Design



1 OUTLET STRUCTURE DETAIL (CB 2.0)
NOT TO SCALE

Permeable Pavement – Design

Observation wells



Edge restraints



Permeable Pavement – Design

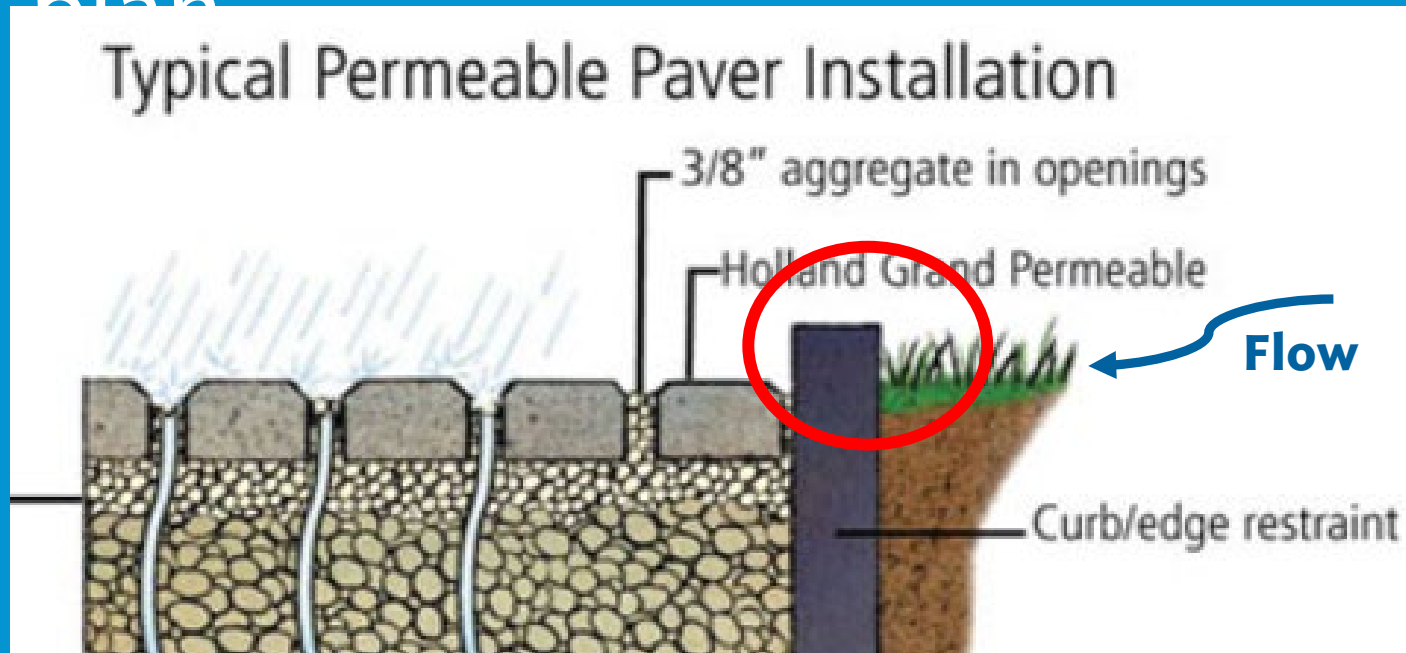
Infiltration testing*



* Based on finished compaction

Permeable Pavement – Design

Erosion & sediment control plan



Permeable Pavement – Design

Maintain straight edging as much as possible

(pieces $\geq 1/3$ rd the brick)



Permeable Pavement – Design

Parking bays vs. drive aisles?





Permeable Pavement Construction



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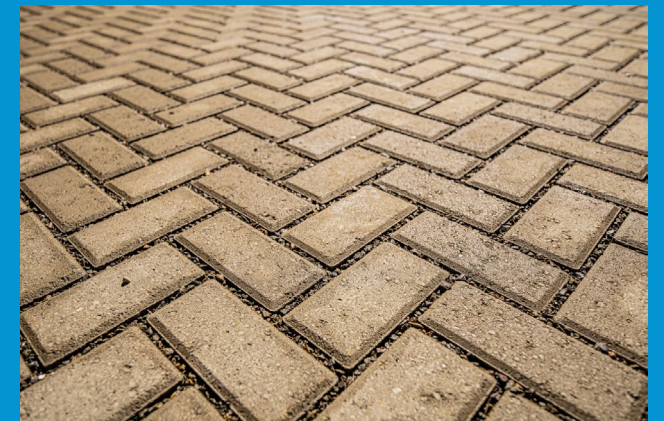
Do not work on the subgrade when it is raining

Remove unintended sediments before backfilling



Permeable Pavement – Construction

Vibration and top-dressing, 2 months later as well



Permeable Pavement – Construction

Settling of paver bricks is common. Consider setting them slightly higher than final elevation.





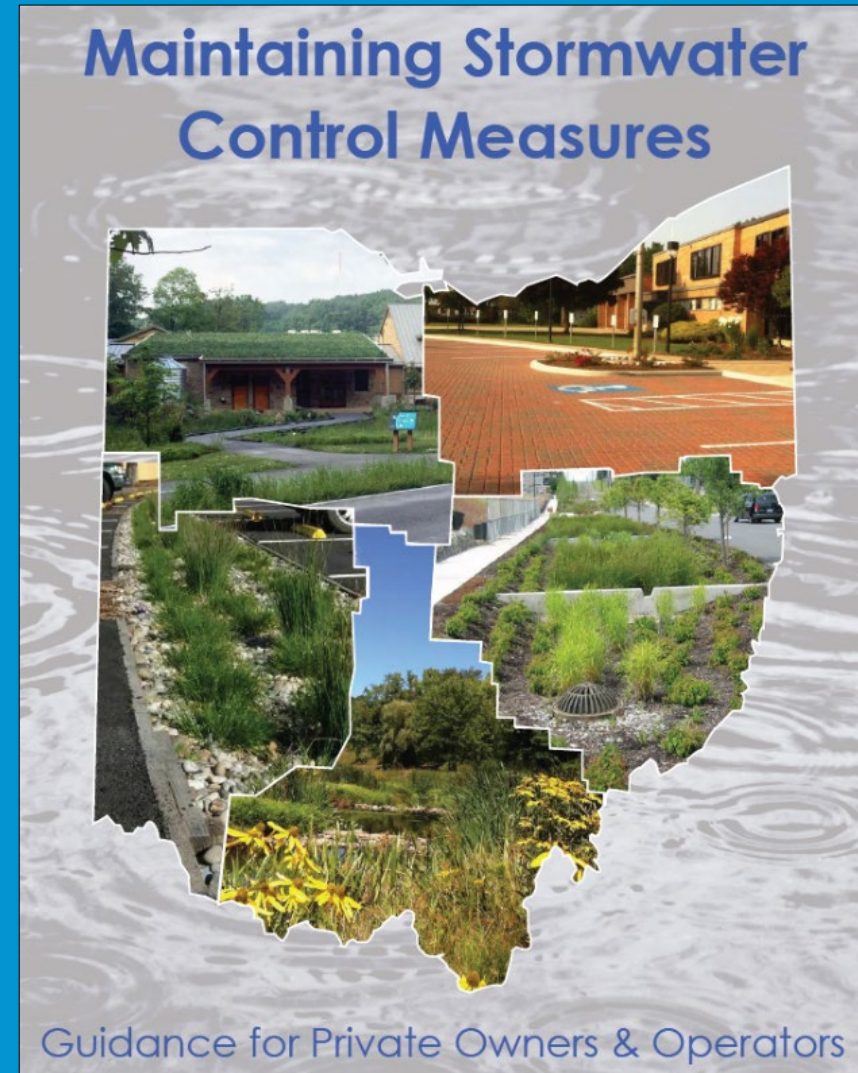
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Site Sketch:

Permeable Pavement – Preventative Maintenance

Remove landscaping debris



Stockpile snow piles



Permeable Pavement – Preventative Maintenance

Do not apply any sealants



Permeable Pavement Routine Maintenance

Vacuum/sweep 1X – 2X per year
(maybe less with consistent preventative m

Regenerative air sweeper



Actual costs to vacuum and replenish stone:

- **Project A:** \$8,400 for 12,500 Sq.Ft. (\$0.67/SF)
- **Project B:** \$4,880 for 3,600 Sq.Ft. (\$1.36/SF)

Stone refill



DIY
old
school



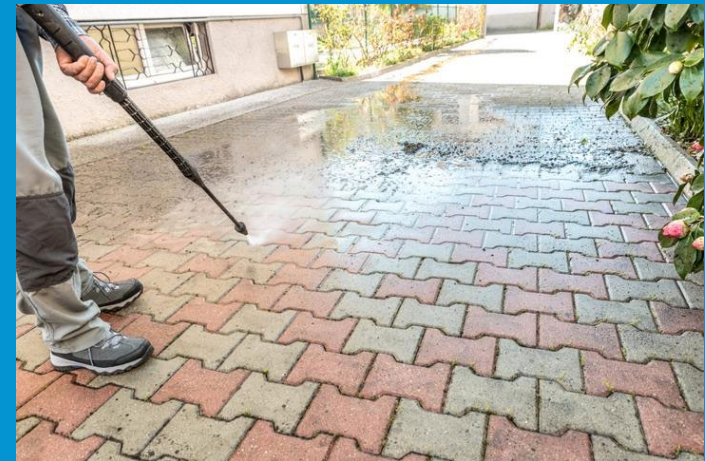
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Permeable Pavement – Restorative Maintenance



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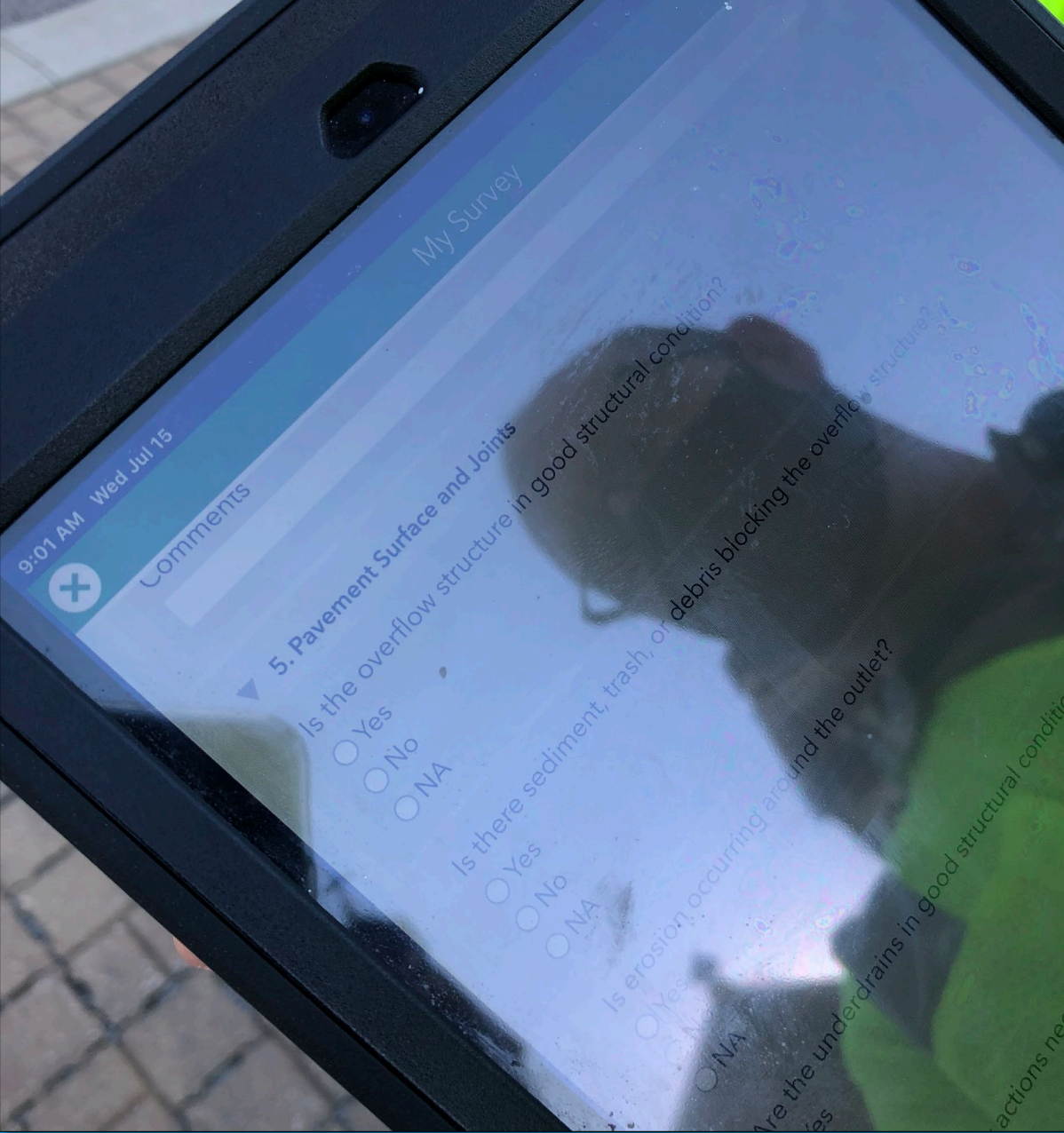
Permeable Pavement – Maintenance

First-Year Maintenance

- Remove accumulated sediments/debris from pre-treatment devices
- Remove landscaping debris ASAP – **PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE IS KEY!!!!**
- Vacuum as necessary (early spring and late fall)

Permeable Pavement Maintenance





ANNUAL INSPECTIONS

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Annual Inspection – For all SCMs

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

- Dry weather – assess structural conditions
- Wet Weather – assess function

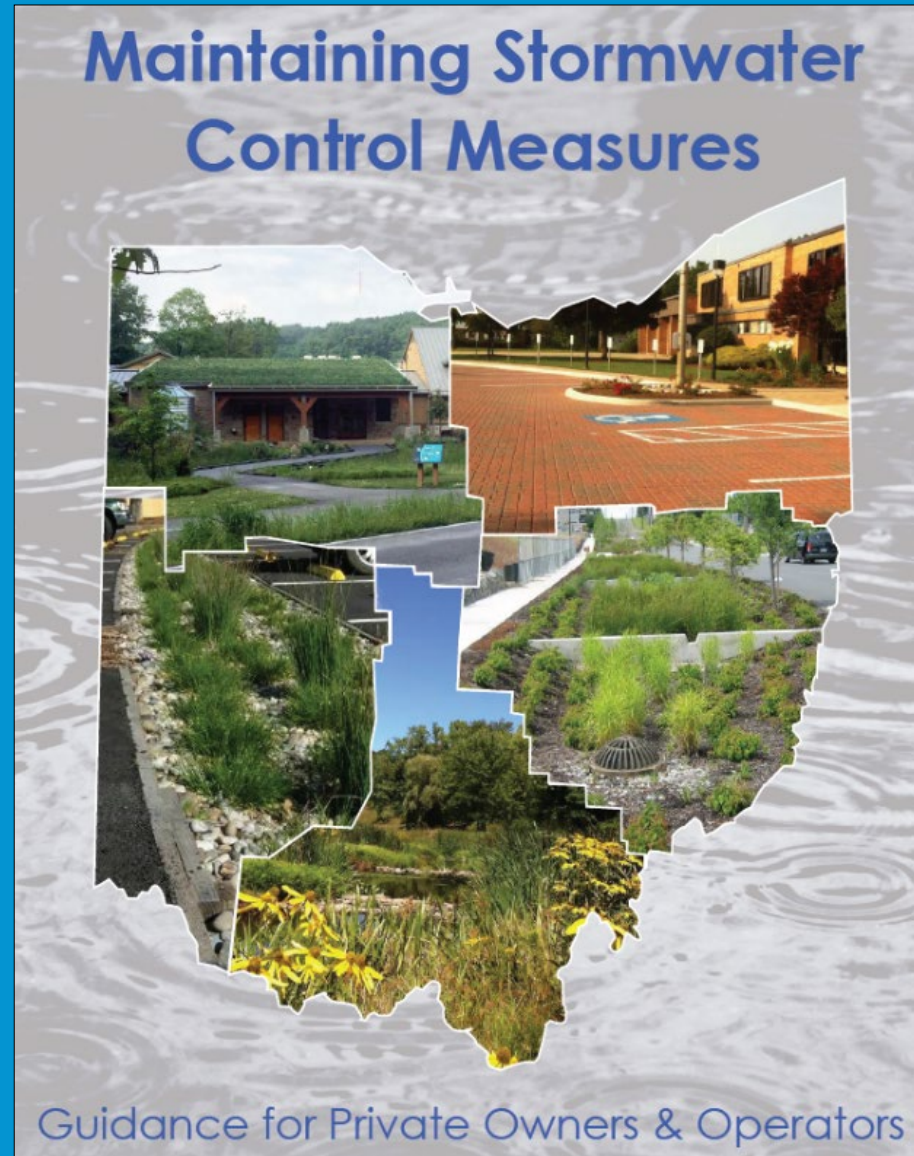
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Annual Inspection – Form

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Pretreatment: <input type="checkbox"/> vegetated filter strip <input type="checkbox"/> swale <input type="checkbox"/> turf grass <input type="checkbox"/> forebay <input type="checkbox"/> other, specify: <input type="checkbox"/> none			
Site Plan or As-Built Plan Available: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			

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

Additional Notes

Wet weather inspection needed Yes No

Site Sketch:



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Operation & Maintenance Workshop Session



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Maintenance Consideration



DESIGN PHASE



**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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