



Green Infrastructure Webcast Series

Retrofits: Green Streets Operation and Maintenance



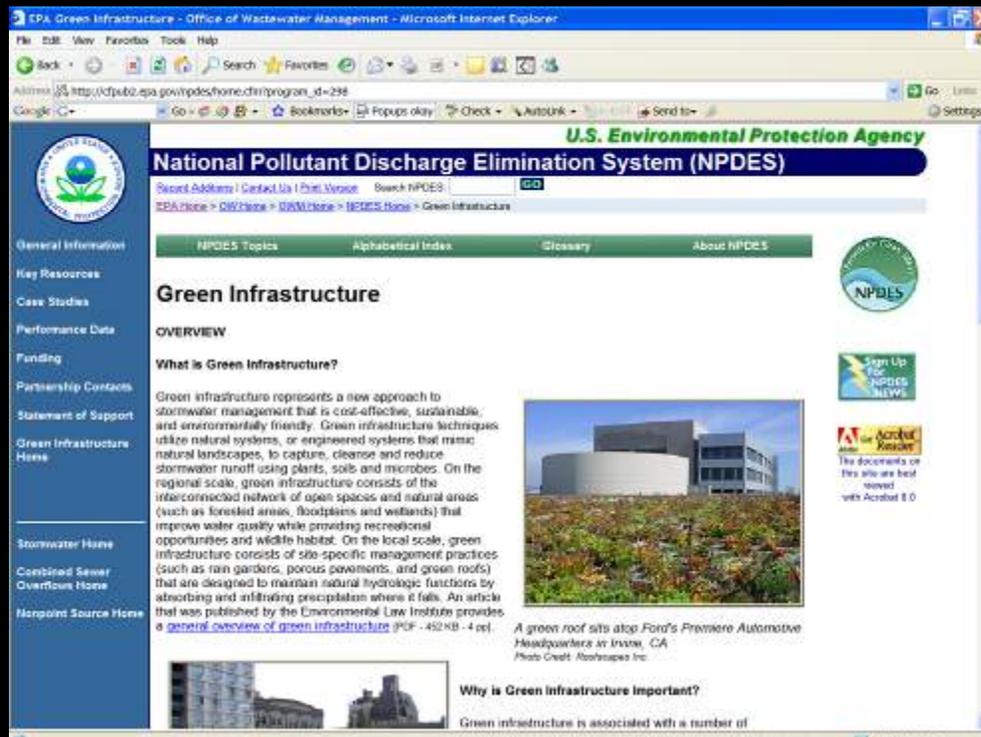
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Green Infrastructure Webcast Series

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- Benefits of Green Infrastructure
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- Costs and WERF Cost Tool
- Funding and Incentives
- Brownfield Redevelopment

Additional webcasts coming late Fall – Stay tuned!



Green Highways and Green Streets: Green Infrastructure

Presented by:

The Low Impact Development Center, Inc.

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Presentation

- Background on Green Highways and Green Streets
- Research
- Implementation
- Case Studies



Green Infrastructure

“Green infrastructure is an interconnected network of green space that conserves natural ecosystem values and functions and provides associated benefits to human populations. As a stormwater treatment approach, Green infrastructure uses natural and engineered systems to cleanse water and reduce excess volumes by filtering and treating it using plants, soils, and microbes. “



What makes a highway or a street green?



Courtesy of Anne English





Navy, Army, and DOD have numerous LID and Green Infrastructure projects in the Chesapeake Bay Region



Pilots!

Naval District Washington LID
Demonstration Projects









Pervious Concrete

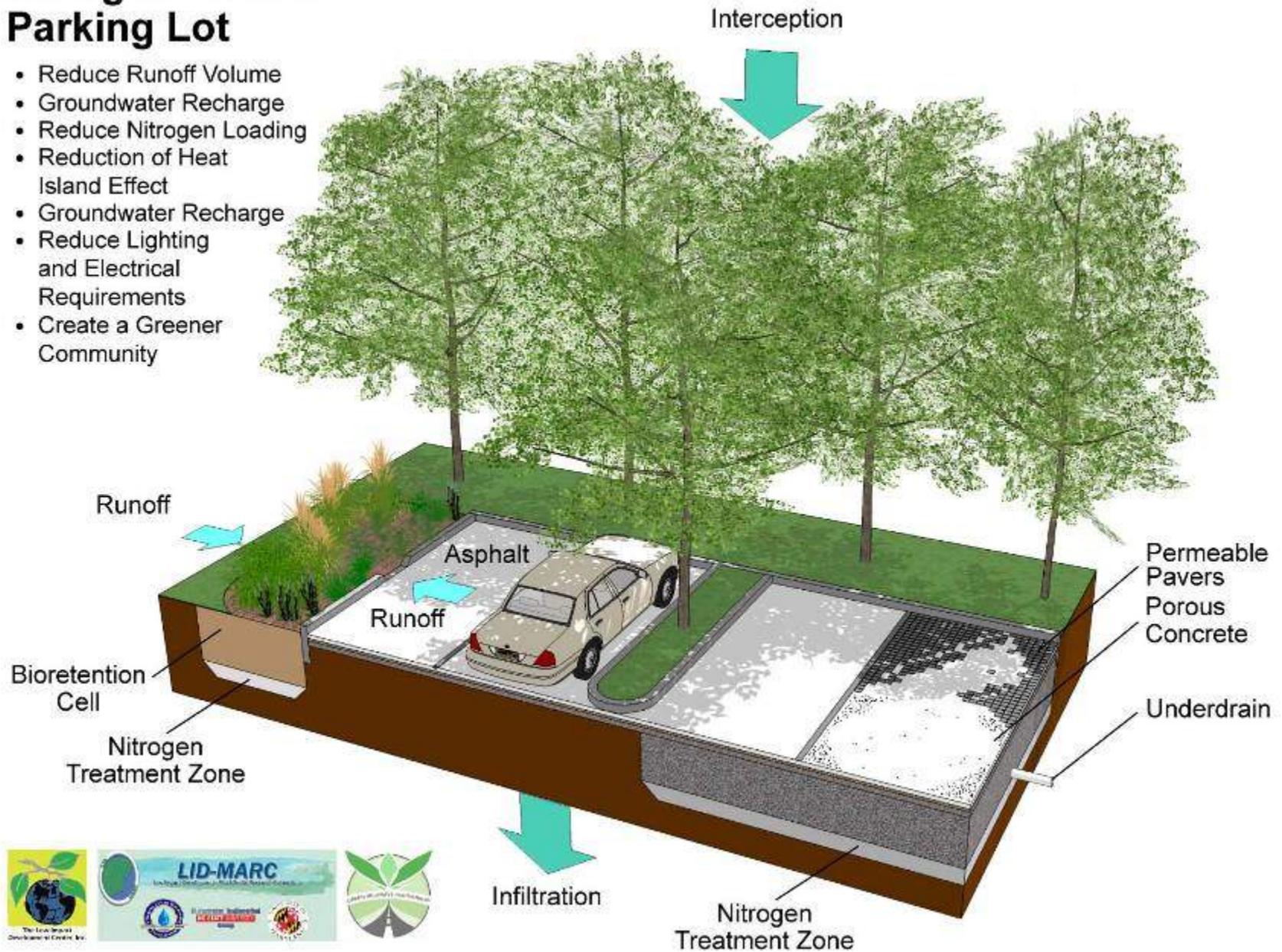
Park & Ride Parking Lot (4 acres)
Serving Site of 2008 Super Bowl – Glendale, Ariz.



Courtesy NRMCA Foundation

Nitrogen Neutral Parking Lot

- Reduce Runoff Volume
- Groundwater Recharge
- Reduce Nitrogen Loading
- Reduction of Heat Island Effect
- Groundwater Recharge
- Reduce Lighting and Electrical Requirements
- Create a Greener Community



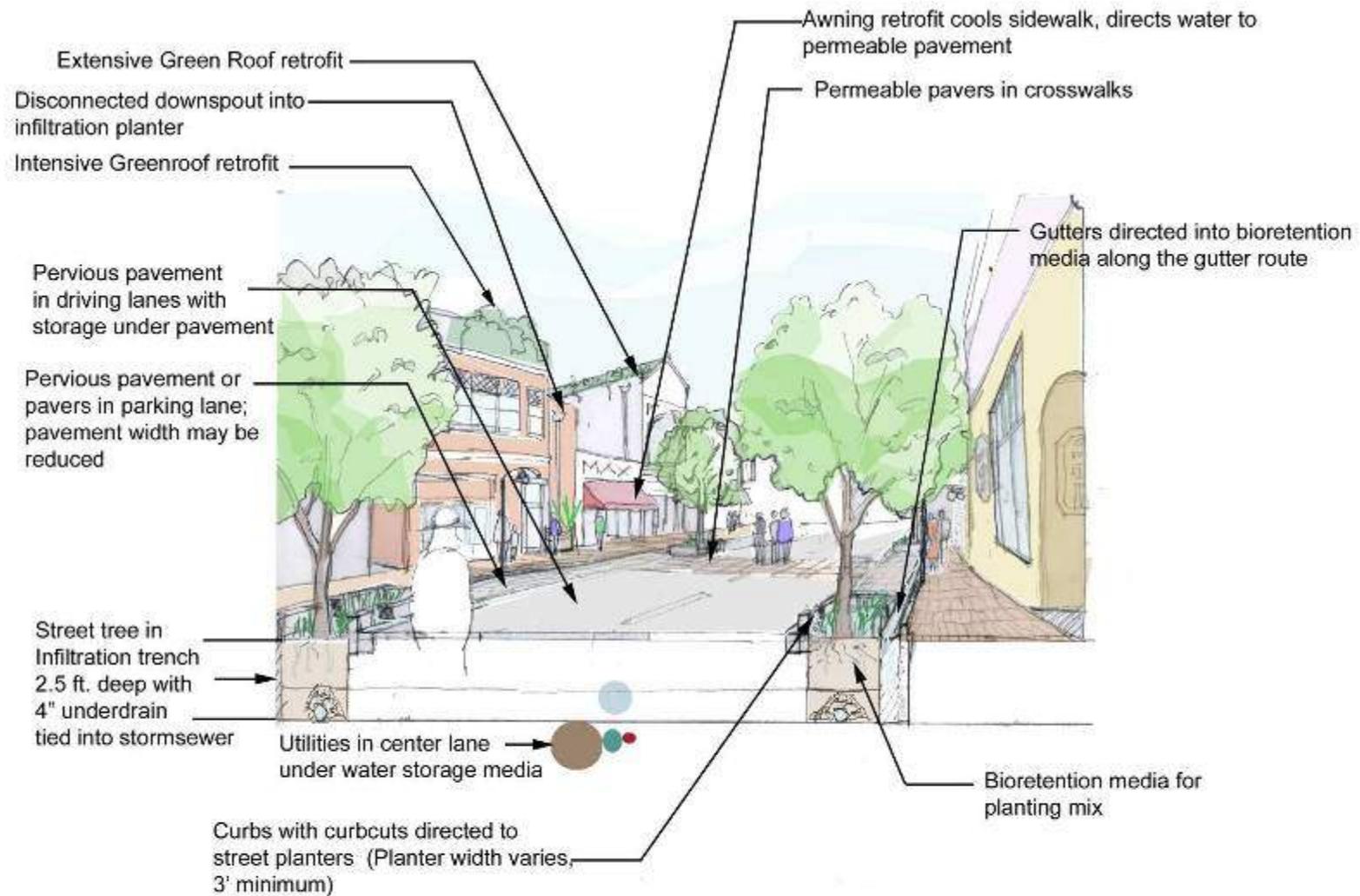




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Ready Mix Concrete Research & Education Foundation

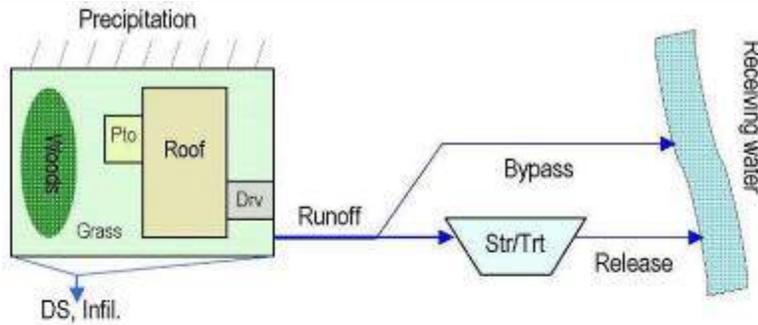




Decentralized Stormwater Controls in Urban Retrofit Streetscape

WERF Decentralized Controls for Urban Retrofit Phases I, II and III





Solver Parameters V5.0

Set Cell: Solve

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By Changing Variable Cells: Model

Subject to the Constraints: Options

Add Variables
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 Help

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WERF Decentralized Controls for Urban Retrofit Phases I, II and III

Decentralized controls integrated into urban infrastructure

BMP	Infiltration	ET*	Interception	Conveyance	Detention	Retention	Reuse**
Downspout Disconnection	⊙	○			○	⊙	
Filter Strips	○	○	○	○		○	
Infiltration Practices	⊙			○		⊙	
Pocket Wetlands	⊙	⊙	○		●	⊙	
Porous Pavement	●				●	⊙	
Rain Barrels/Cisterns						⊙	●
Rain Gardens	●	⊙	○		●	⊙	
Soil Amendments	⊙				○	⊙	
Tree Box Filters	⊙	⊙	○		⊙	⊙	
Vegetated Roofs	⊙	⊙	○		●	⊙	
Vegetated Swales	⊙	○	○	⊙	●	○	

* Evapotranspiration

** Collected water can be used for landscaping, non-potable building uses (e.g., toilets), or as raw water to be treated for drinking.

Key: ● High reliance ⊙ Medium reliance ○ Low reliance Blank: N/A

Rankings are qualitative. "High reliance" means that the process is integral to the BMP's ability to meet stormwater management objectives, and that the BMP uses the process to its full potential in the urban environment. "Medium reliance" was assigned when a process is a secondary component of the BMP's operation, or when the BMP does not use the process to its full potential. "Low reliance" means that the process only marginally contributes to the BMP's ability to meet stormwater management objectives. The rationale for ranking hydrologic cycle elements is given in Section 2.3.2.

WERF Decentralized Controls for Urban Retrofit
Phases I, II and III



Integration into the linear environment

- Pilots and research
- Road codes, standards, details
- Environmental Management Systems





Large R-O-W's for
suburban/rural arterials





Compost
amendments and
filter soxx





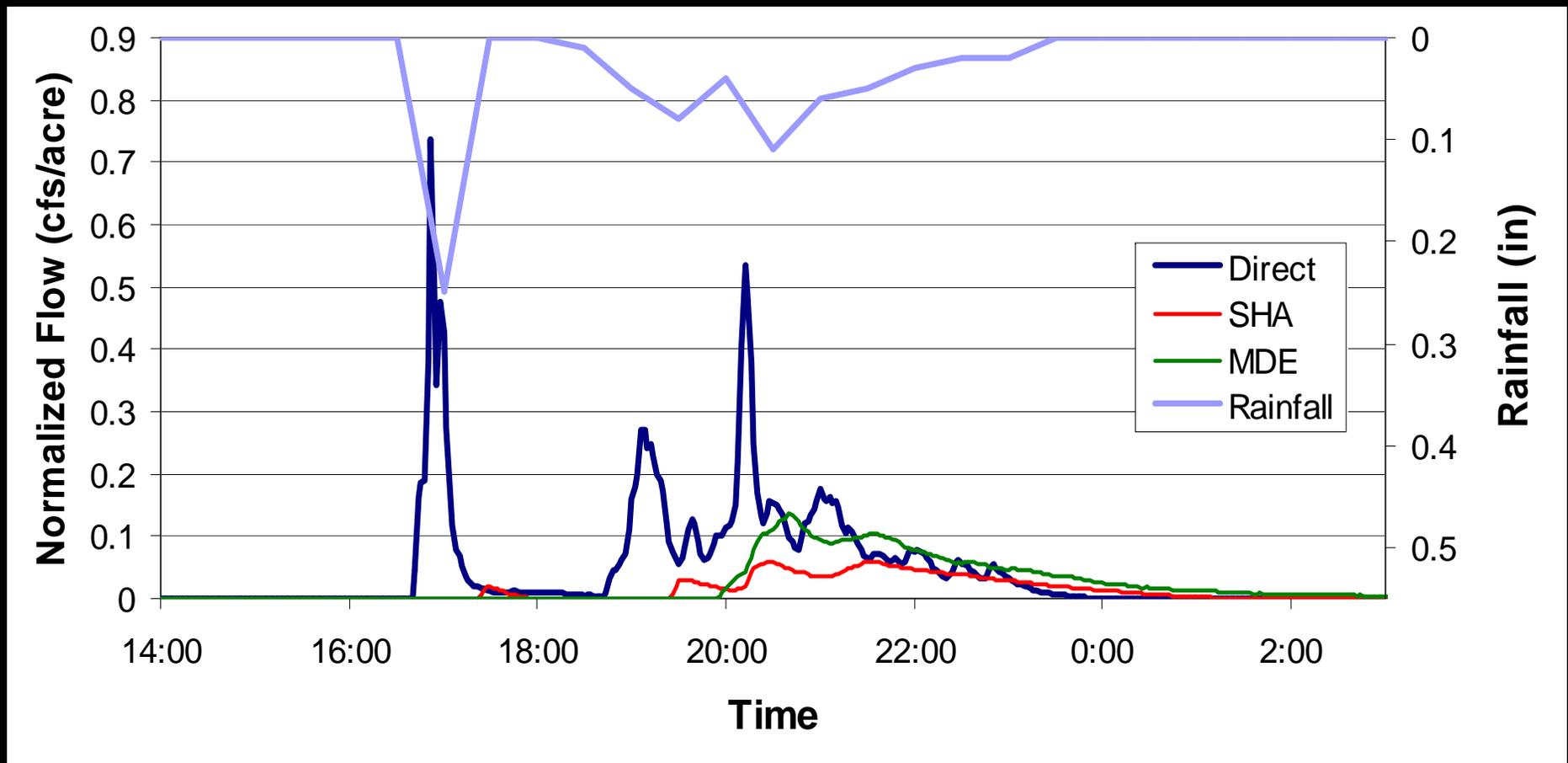
Pretreatment Grass Swale

Courtesy AP
Davis

**UMCP
and
MDSHA**



Flows 11/16/05 Storm Event





Urban retrofit and reconstruction



NCHRP

REPORT 565

NATIONAL
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PROGRAM

Evaluation of Best Management
Practices for Highway
Runoff Control

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NCHRP 25-31

Guidelines for Evaluating and
Selecting Modifications to
Existing Roadway Drainage
Infrastructure to Improve Water
Quality in Ultra-Urban Areas



Constructability



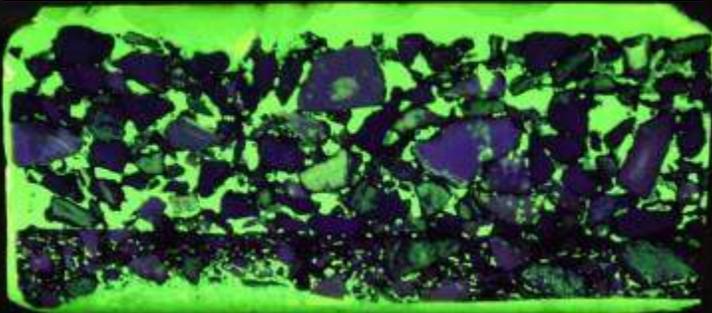
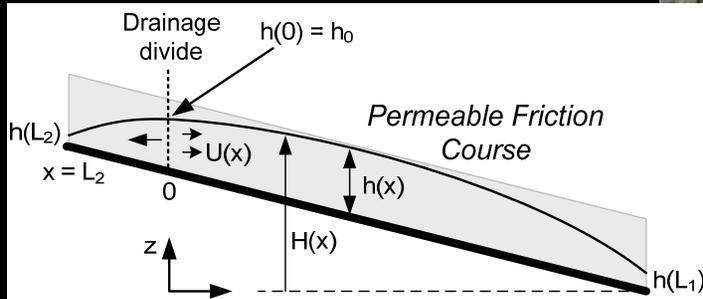
“Mt. Ranier Project by MDOT, UMCP, and LIDC selected as one of years 10 best water quality projects by the Sierra Club”



MOT



- Permeable Block Pavers
- Permeable Concrete
- Asphalt Overlays



Alternative Materials



8th Street – Barracks Row



PROJECT PHOTOGRAPH



DESIGN PERSPECTIVE

The streetscape design features environmental innovations including a continuous five-foot-wide strip along the curb to collect most of the surface runoff from the wide sidewalks and a continuous root zone to help promote the growth of new street trees.

Lily Turf planting beds visually break up wide sidewalks, with bluestone paved areas allowing pedestrian crossing onto new brick sidewalks.

Additional street trees and pedestrian scale Washington globe lights, new bicycle racks, trash receptacles, and cobblestone alleys enhance the historic commercial environment.



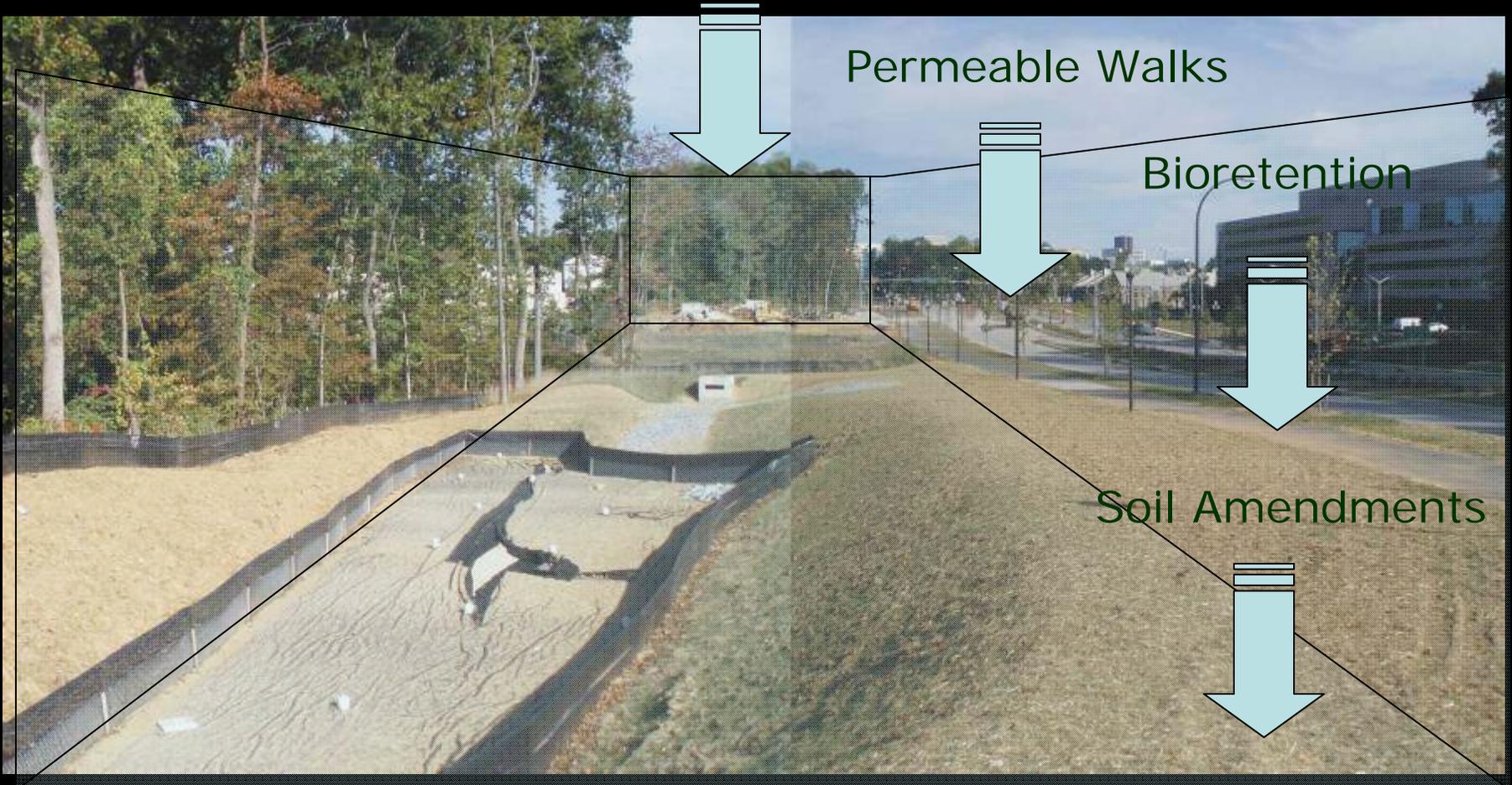
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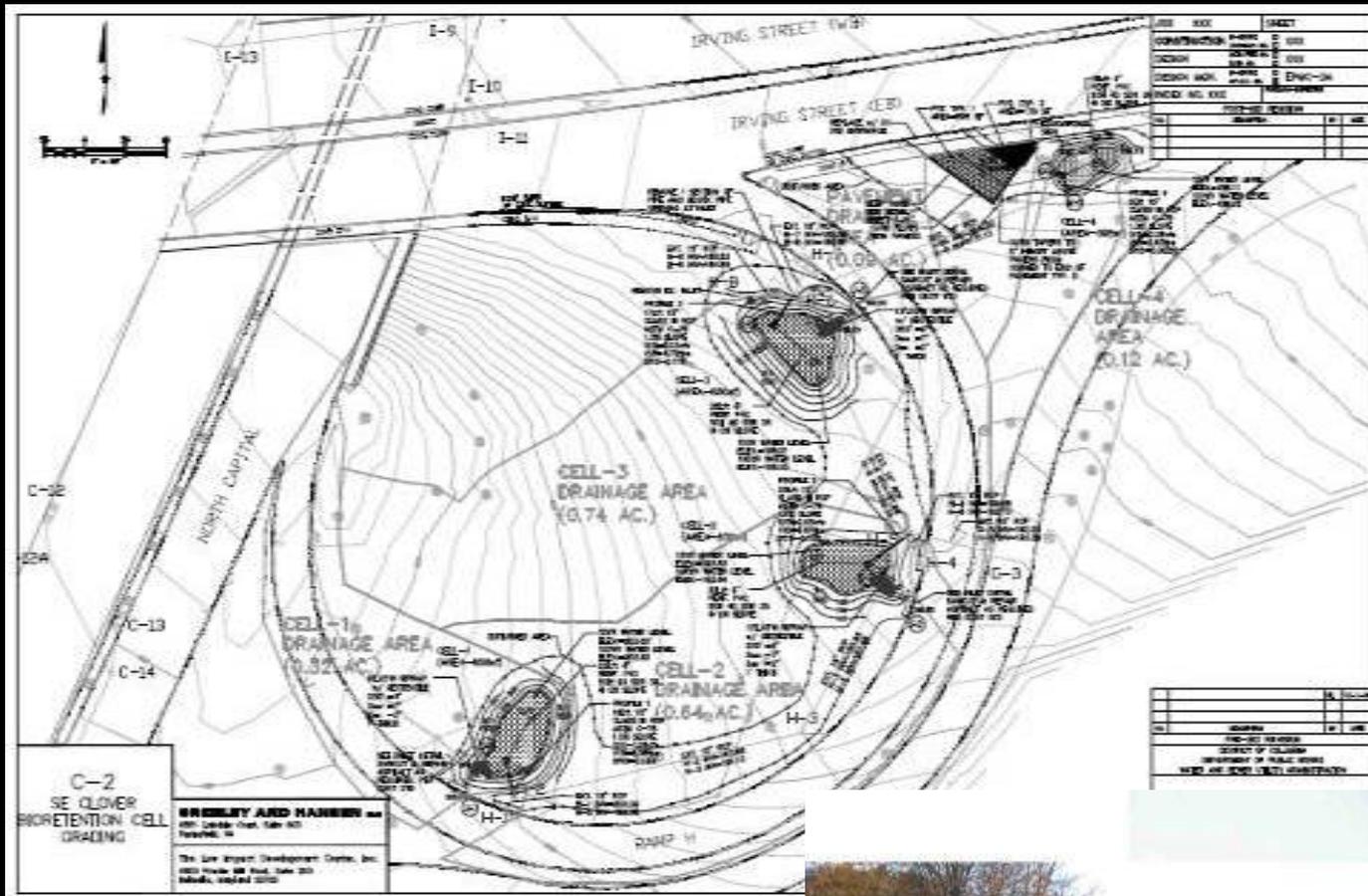
Reforestation

Permeable Walks

Bioretention

Soil Amendments







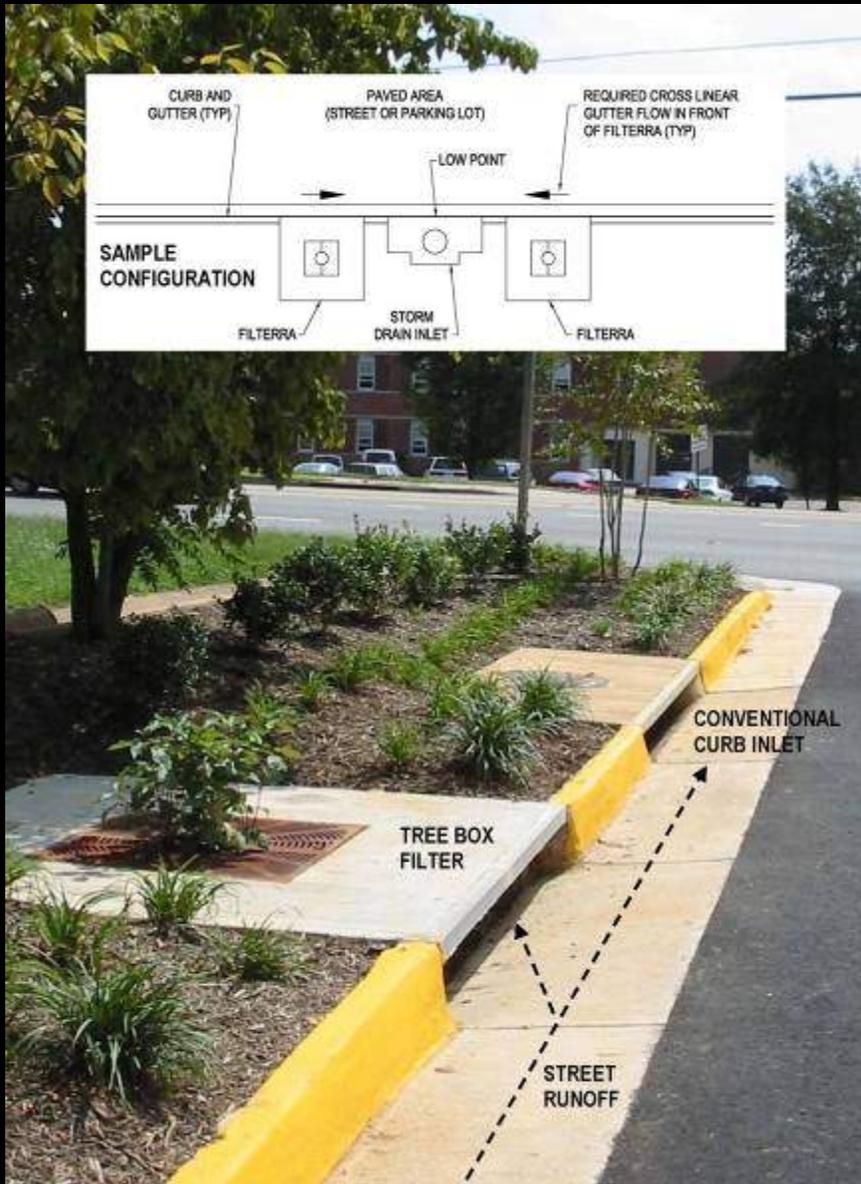
Erosion and Sediment Control and Site Restoration





Procurement and Inspection





Anacostia Waterfront Transportation Architecture Design Standards



Element: Low Impact Development (LID)	Reference: x.y.z
Item: Tree Box Filter – Sidewalk-Furnishing Zone	AWI Guideline
Classification: Principal Arterials, Minor Arterials, and Collectors, Local	Area Type: Mixed-Use & Residential
Location: Sidewalk, adjacent to curb	

Type: Concrete-enclosed infiltration device

Purpose

Tree box filters are concrete boxes filled with bioretention soil and installed below grade at the curb line. A standard street tree is planted in the box, which resembles a curbside planter. Tree box filters are located upstream of a standard curb inlet. For low to moderate flows, stormwater enters through the tree box's inlet, filters through the soil, and exits through an underdrain into the storm drain. For high flows, stormwater will bypass the tree box filter if it is full and flow directly to the downstream curb inlet.

Benefits

- Reduce runoff volume, reduce peak discharge rate, and improve water quality for small, frequently-occurring storms
- Potentially reduce maintenance costs for existing stormwater infrastructure

Effectiveness

Because they are a related technology, tree box filters provide many of the same water quality and quantity benefits as bioretention cells, and effectively treat the "first flush" of stormwater. They can treat over 90% of the annual runoff volume. Removals of several common urban pollutants range from 75 to 95%. The street tree provides aesthetic and habitat benefits.

Objective	Volume	Frequency	Duration	Peak Discharge	Water Quality
Effectiveness	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	High

Design Standards

o Dimensions:

- Standard tree box area is 6' x 6' (treats 0.25 acres). Other sizes are available. Max. drainage area for one box is 0.5 ac.
- To treat 90% of the annual runoff volume, the tree box filter surface area should be at least 0.33% of the drainage area.

o Placement:

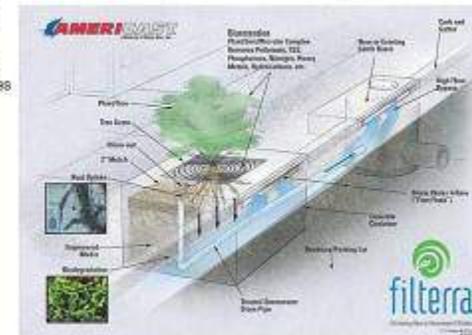
- Tree boxes must be regularly spaced along the length of a corridor as appropriate to meet the annual treatment target.
- The site grading must allow runoff to flow across the tree box inlet (e.g. left-to-right), rather than directly into it as in a sump. Do not place the tree box at the low point. A standard inlet must be present downstream to accept bypass flow.

o Material:

- Pre-cast concrete container (standard sizes)
- Mulch layer (typically 3")
- Up to 3.5' of filter media (bioretention soil mix)
- Observation/cleanout pipe and underdrain pipes
- One street tree or other suitable plant(s)
- Grate landscape cover
- Downstream curb inlet must be present

Manufacturer

- Americast (Product: Filterra®)
- Approved Equal





DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



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System integration, consistency and sustainability





The **Green Highways Partnership (GHP)** is a voluntary, public/private initiative that is revolutionizing transportation infrastructure. Through integrated planning, regulatory flexibility, and market-based rewards, GHP seeks to incorporate environmental streamlining and stewardship into all aspects of the highway lifecycle.



MANAGING
WET WEATHER WITH
GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE
MUNICIPAL GUIDEBOOK
2008



Green Highways Partnership Theme Teams

- Watershed driven stormwater management
- Recyclables and reuse
- Conservation



Priority Stormwater Research Needs Identified By Green Highways Partnership Stormwater Management Practitioners

- Cost-benefit Analysis of BMP maintenance practices
- Development of nationally applicable maintenance...



Green Highway “Characteristics”

- ◆ Provides net increase in environmental functions and values of the watershed
- ◆ Goes beyond minimum standards set forth by environmental laws and regulations
- ◆ Identifies and protects important historical and cultural landmarks
- ◆ Maps all resources in the area in order to identify, avoid, and protect critical resource areas
- ◆ Uses innovative, natural methods to reduce imperviousness, and cleanse all runoff within the project area
- ◆ Maximizes use of existing transportation infrastructure, provides multi-modal transportation opportunities, and promotes ride-sharing / public transportation
- ◆ Uses recycled materials to eliminate waste and reduce the energy required to build the highway
- ◆ Links regional transportation plans with local land use through partnerships
- ◆ Controls populations of invasive species, and promotes the growth of native species
- ◆ Incorporates post project monitoring to ensure environmental results
- ◆ Protects the hydrology of wetlands and streams channels through restoration of natural drainage paths
- ◆ Results in a suite of targeted environmental outcomes based upon local environmental needs
- ◆ Reduces disruptions to ecological processes by promoting wildlife corridors and passages in areas identified through wildlife conservation plans
- ◆ Encourages smart growth by integrating and guiding future growth and capacity building with ecological constraints



Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue Great Street

LID Toolbox

Stormwater solutions which support sustainable urban design



Bioslope

- Add green infrastructure
- Links to other BMPs
- Improve water quality
- Reduce runoff volume
- Reduce erosion tendency
- Requires periodic aeration & compost amendment
- **Possible locations:**
 49th Street access corridor

Bioswale

- Linear bioretention feature, may mimic natural stream channel form
- Reduces runoff volume as water is conveyed
- Removes stormwater pollutants
- Links with other BMPs
- Provides green infrastructure link and habitat
- Planting design conforms to aesthetic design goals for urban design
- **Possible locations:**
 Minnesota and NHB Intersection, SE Corner
 46th Street, Gault to NHB
 46th Street, South of Gault

Bioretention Cell

- Green infrastructure link
- Reduces runoff volume
- Removes pollutants
- Links to other BMPs
- Provides habitat
- Provides aesthetic character definition
- **Possible locations:**
 Minnesota and NHB Intersection, SE Corner
 46th Street, Slope N side of NHB
 46th Street, W Side of 46th, Alley to Gault Pl
 46th Street, W Side of 46th, Gault Pl to west of 46th
 48th Street, N Bus Stop Bump Out
 48th Street, S Bus Stop Bump Out
 49th Street, N Bus Stop Bump Out
 49th Street, S Bus Stop Bump Out
 50th to 51st Street, N Sidewalk Bulge Area
 50th to 51st Street, S Sidewalk Bulge Area
 51st to Division, N Sidewalk
 51st to Division, S Sidewalk
 Near Eastern Ave, DC Welcome Sign



Permeable Pavers

- Community development tool
- Reduces runoff volume
- Removes pollutants
- Reduces urban heat island
- Aesthetic enhancement of area; many color options
- ADA compliant pavement
- **Possible locations:**
 46th Street, Sidewalk bottom of N slope
 46th Street, End
 Gault Pl to 48th, N Designated Parking Lane
 Gault Pl to 48th, S Designated Parking Lane
 48th to 49th Street, N Designated Parking Lane
 48th to 49th Street, S Designated Parking Lane
 49th to 50th, N Designated Parking Lane
 49th to 50th, S Designated Parking Lane
 49th Street, Triangle

Vegetated Filter Strip

- Filters pollutants from stormwater
- Provides stream and waterway buffering
- Links with other BMPs
- Includes Soil amendments
- **Possible locations:**
 Gault to 48th, Median
 48th to 49th Street, Median
 49th Street, Traffic Circle
 50th to 51st Street, Median
 51st Street to Division N Sidewalk
 Division to 55th Street Median

Street Trees

- Reduces runoff volume
- Removes stormwater pollutants
- Reduces urban heat island
- Promotes pedestrian use of streets
- Links community via canopy
- **Possible locations:**
 All along the NHB Corridor

Nannie Helen Burroughs Ave. is a neighborhood street with "green" practices that builds on its history and park-like context with great access to Watts Branch trail and the Kenilworth Aquatic gardens.

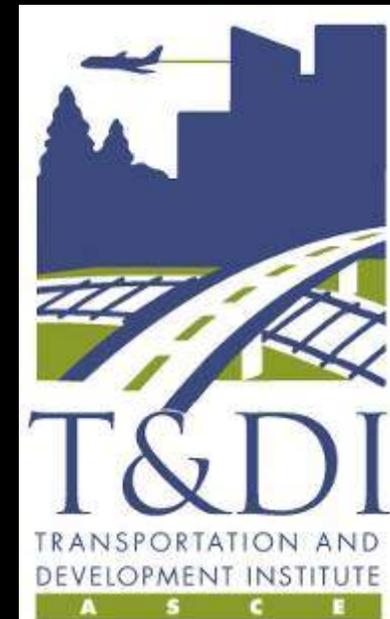
For additional information, please contact:
 District Department of Transportation (DDOT) 64 New York Avenue,
 Ali Shakeri, PE Ward 7 & 8 Program Manager (202) 671-6712 or ali.shakeri@ddot.dc.gov

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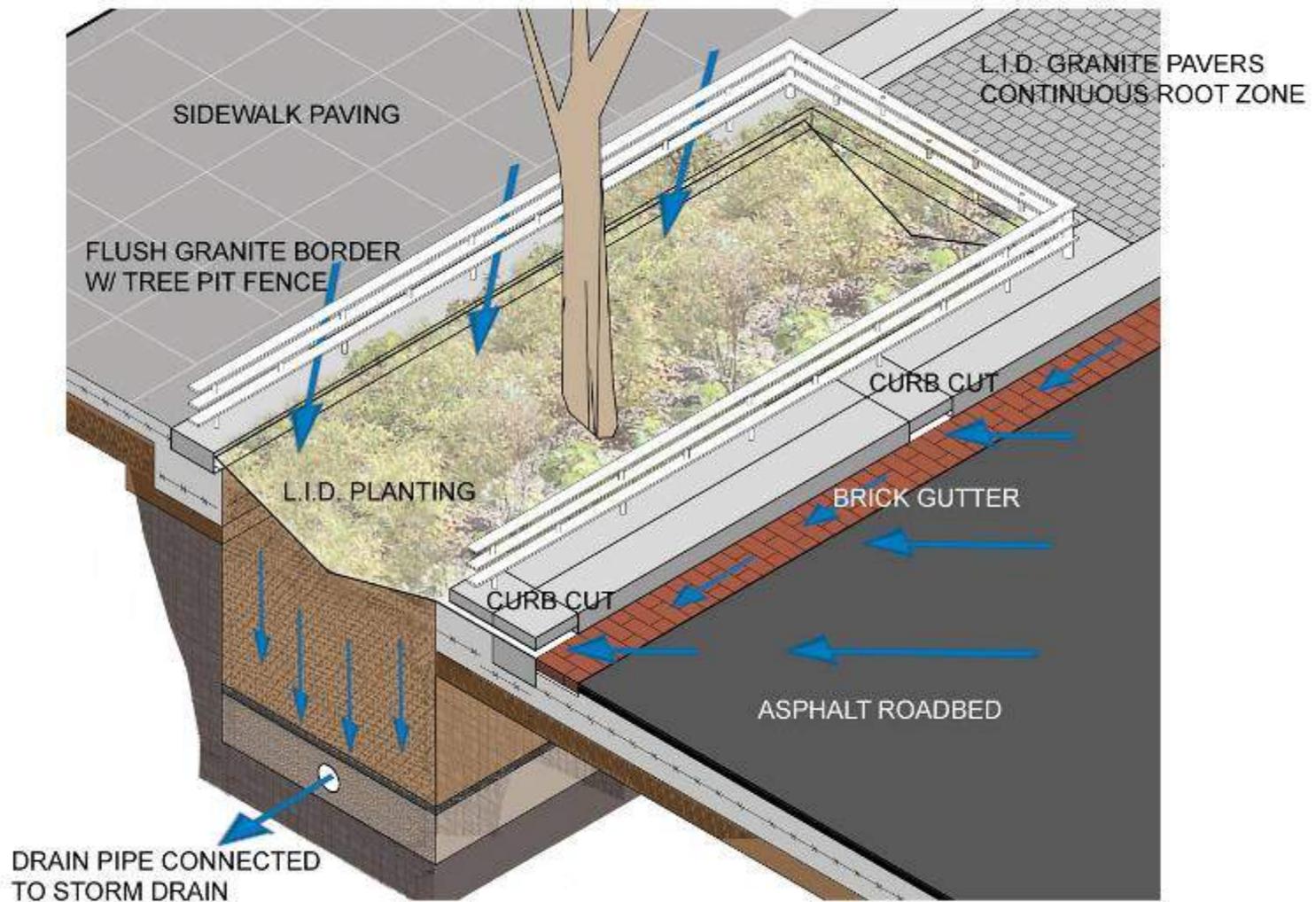
Newsflash!!!

- LIDC and EPA Region 3 establish Green Highways Partnership Training and Development Center (GHPTADC). First ASCE Webinar Fall 2009. Training and Certificate program begins 2010.
- ASCE *First* National Conference on Green Highways and Green Streets Denver 2010
- Special Sessions at the Low Impact Development Conference Spring 2010
- GHP Digest



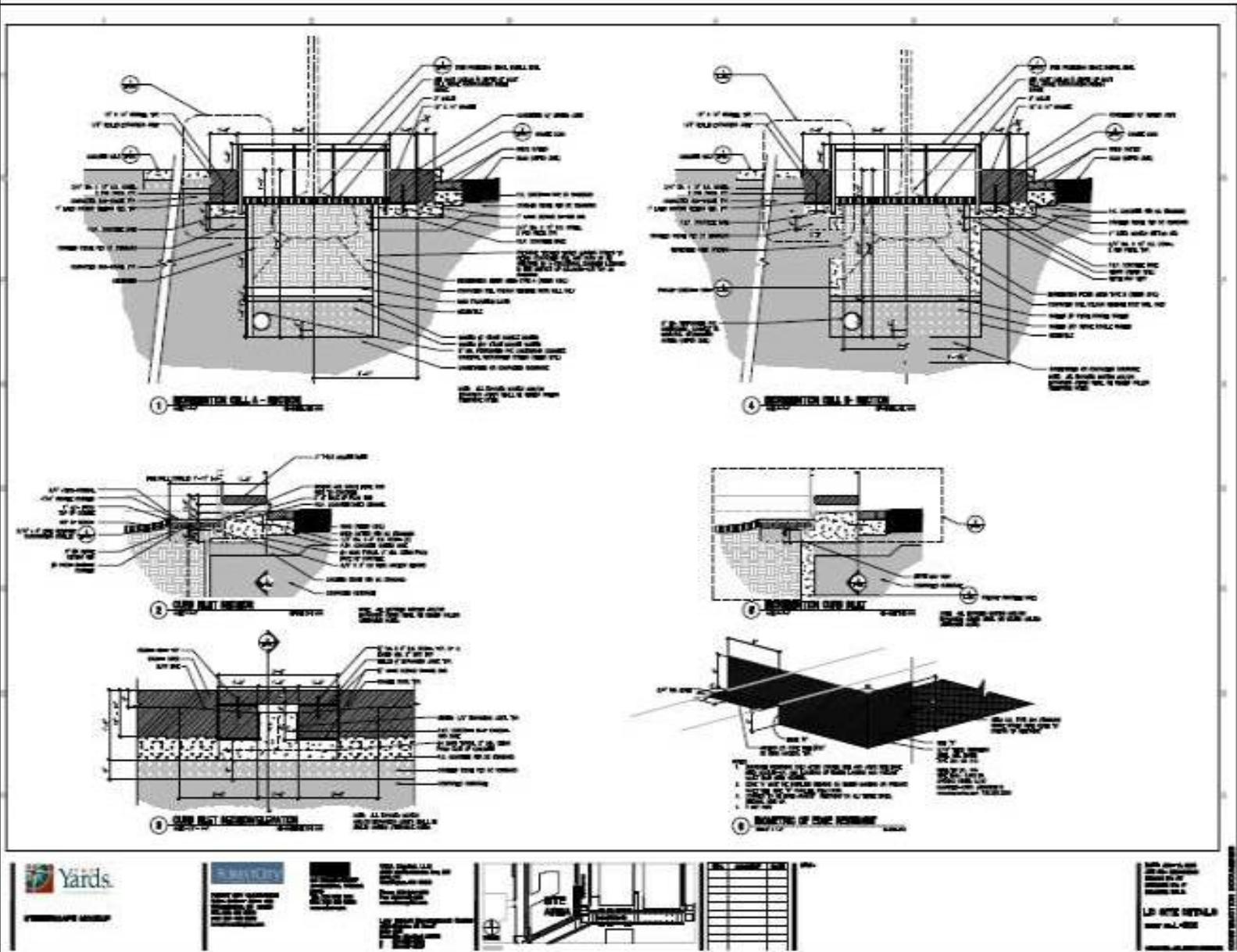
Planning and Site Design





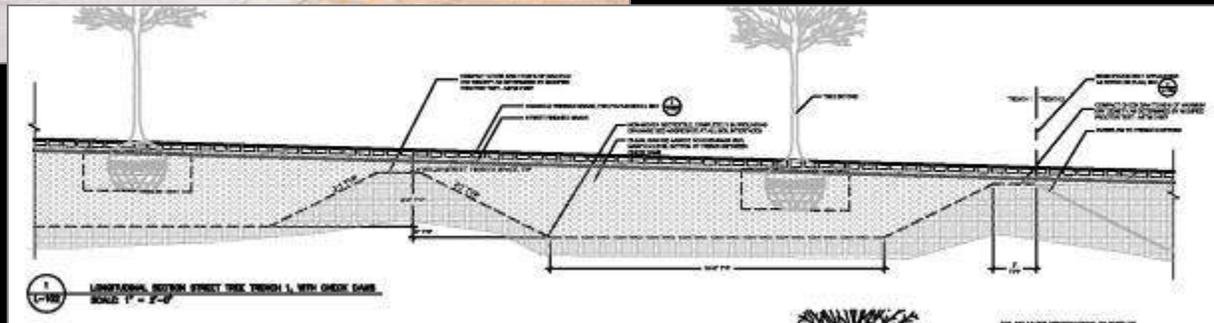
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Philadelphia Demonstration Projects



BMPs:
Disconnected Inlets, Pervious Pavers, Subsurface Infiltration





City of Baltimore Green Streets Master Plans



Figure 2: A) Bioretention on one street. B) Bioretention on both streets

PlaNYC

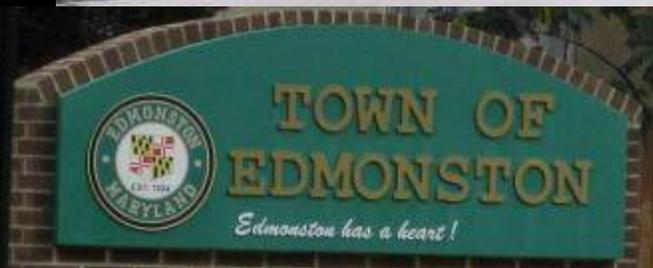
- Targeted
- Incremental
- Predictable
- Comprehensive
- Cross-cutting

Additional retrofit programs may be required to lower the overall impermeability of the right of way. The Greenstreets program of small plantings in the right of way is one of our most successful retrofit programs. PlaNYC has already committed the funding and planning for 80 new Greenstreets every year for the next decade, with the goal of bringing the total number to 3,000 by 2017. The Parks Department is experimenting with new design standards that would allow for more storage of street runoff. We have evaluated the impacts of a strategy of expanding the Greenstreet program, either by doubling the number built every year, or extending the commitment from 2018 to 2030, an additional 12 years.

.....the City could use this strategy to target intersections prone to nuisance flooding or sub-watersheds with specific CSO problems. Greenstreets are also desirable for other, non-stormwater reasons. They provide community amenities and a positive impact on real estate values, quality of life, and cooling. And their highly-visible presence in the right of way, adjacent in many cases to pedestrian areas, means that Greenstreets installations could provide a unique opportunity for public outreach and education about stormwater impacts and controls.



Chesapeake Bay Trust Urban Greening Grant



Edmonston, MD

A Great Green Town



Green Streets by the Green Highways Partnership



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What is...



Greening Tools



Recreation and alternative transportation support.

Bioretenion next to pervious concrete with recycled materials for edges.

SOA compliant PICP

Street Tree preservation

Stormwater planters, Portland, SW 12th Ave

Energy Efficient, Street light fixture

Banner Standards on light poles

Benches for local recycling and art opportunities

... what could be



Permeable interlocking concrete pavement (PICP) in parking lanes

PICP in whole street

Curb bump outs provide bioretention space, permeable pavement possible in road.

Bioretention on family friendly street edge

Left side of street has bioretention, right side is standard street, tree planting

Educational signs explaining greening practices.

Planning for environmentally sustainable growth in the Anacostia Watershed

Community revitalization through the use of low impact development, attraction of green businesses, and attention to health by encouraging biking and walking.

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

From Main Streets to Green \$treets!: Collaboration for Prosperity and Sustainability

A Model for Sustainable, Green Land Use Planning for Low Income Communities located in the Anacostia River Watershed of the Chesapeake Bay



Green Streets
by the Green Highways Partnership



Source: LID Center



Source: LID Center



"From Main Streets to Green \$treets!"

Using Green Highways and Green Infrastructure to revitalize our communities: Green Stimulus Plan for the Town of Edmonston, Maryland

What makes this a "Green Street"?

- A Top (tree canopy) to bottom (water quality) plan
- Native tree canopy
- Street lighting with clean energy
- Walking, running, and biking
- Recycled materials
- Stormwater bioretention and filtration
- Open process and public engagement
- Education and replication

Anticipated Project Benefits:

Social Benefits:

- Reduction in urban heat island effect
- Provides "Green Job" opportunities
- Educational through street kiosks
- Crime reduction benefit
- Health benefit

Economic Benefits:

- Energy cost reduction and water conservation
- "Green Enterprise" business opportunities

Environmental Benefits:

- Carbon sequestration
- Improved water quality through 90% capture of stormwater
- Carbon footprint reduction
- Recycling and beneficial reuse



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Greening Tools...



Solar trash compactor: Program information on trash can
Source: LID



Energy-efficient light fixtures: Better standards on light poles
Source: Gateway Graphics



Planning for environmentally sustainable growth in the Anacostia Watershed





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Managing Wet Weather with Green Infrastructure

Green Jobs Training

A Catalog of Training Opportunities for Green Infrastructure Technologies

www.epa.gov/greeninfrastructure

Just a few resources...

http://lowimpactdevelopment.org/green_highways.htm

<http://greenhighways.org>

<http://trb.org/CRP/About/Div.asp>

<http://asce.org>

http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/home.cfm?program_id=298

<http://www.icip.org>

<http://www.rmc-foundation.org/>

<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/>

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/07/22/AR2009072203470.html>



Green Highways and Green Streets let you...

- Develop integrated watershed planning approaches
- Leverage resources
- Integration green elements into infrastructure
- Create partnerships and cross-cutting programs
- Create Context Sensitive Solutions



Seattle Public Utilities Green Stormwater Infrastructure: Operations and Maintenance



Presentation Outline

- Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) Program Overview
- Natural Drainage Systems partnering with Residents
- Natural Drainage Systems O&M package
- O&M requirements for Code compliance
- O&M requirements for residents receiving incentives



Goals of GSI Use in Seattle

- Separated Basins
 - Creeks: water quality and flow
 - Puget Sound: water quality
- Partially Separated and Combined Basins
 - CSO compliance
 - Sanitary Sewer backup reduction



Locations of GSI

- Right-of-Way
 - Retrofits by Seattle Public Utilities (aka **Natural Drainage Systems**)
 - Stormwater Code Compliance
- Private Parcels
 - Stormwater Code Compliance
 - Seattle funded Incentives (Residential Rainwise)



Natural Drainage Systems



SEA Streets - After Construction
2nd Ave NW - NW 117th St to NW 120th St



NDS Maintenance By Residents

- Initial Concept
- Watering and weeding
- Grand Visions

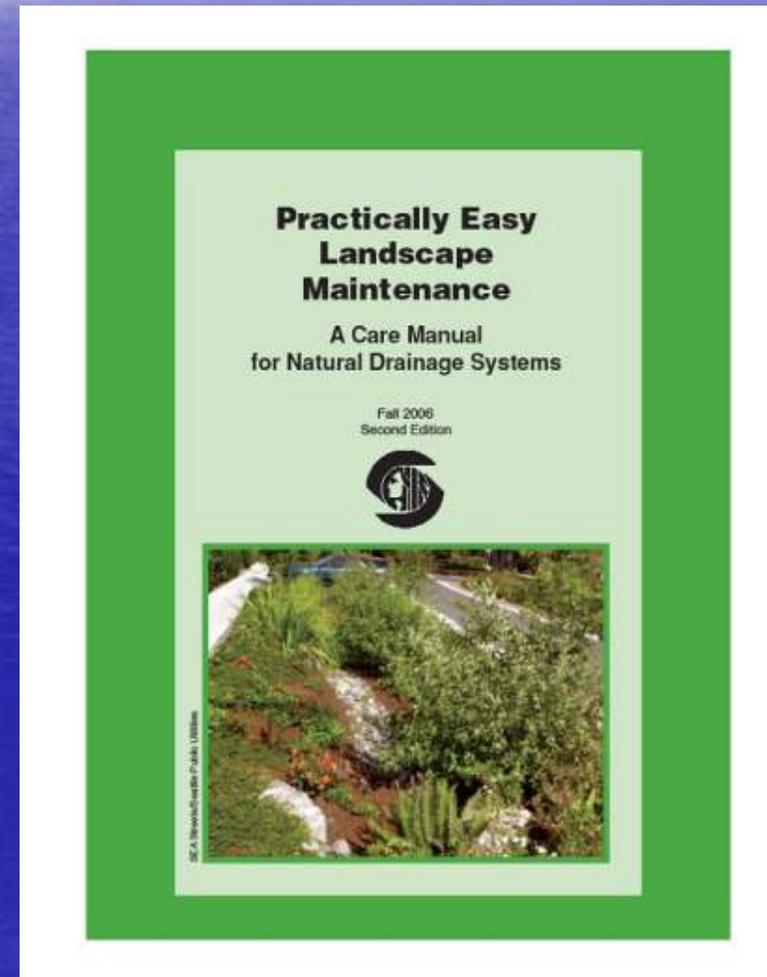


Best Case Scenario



Homeowners Landscape Maintenance Manual

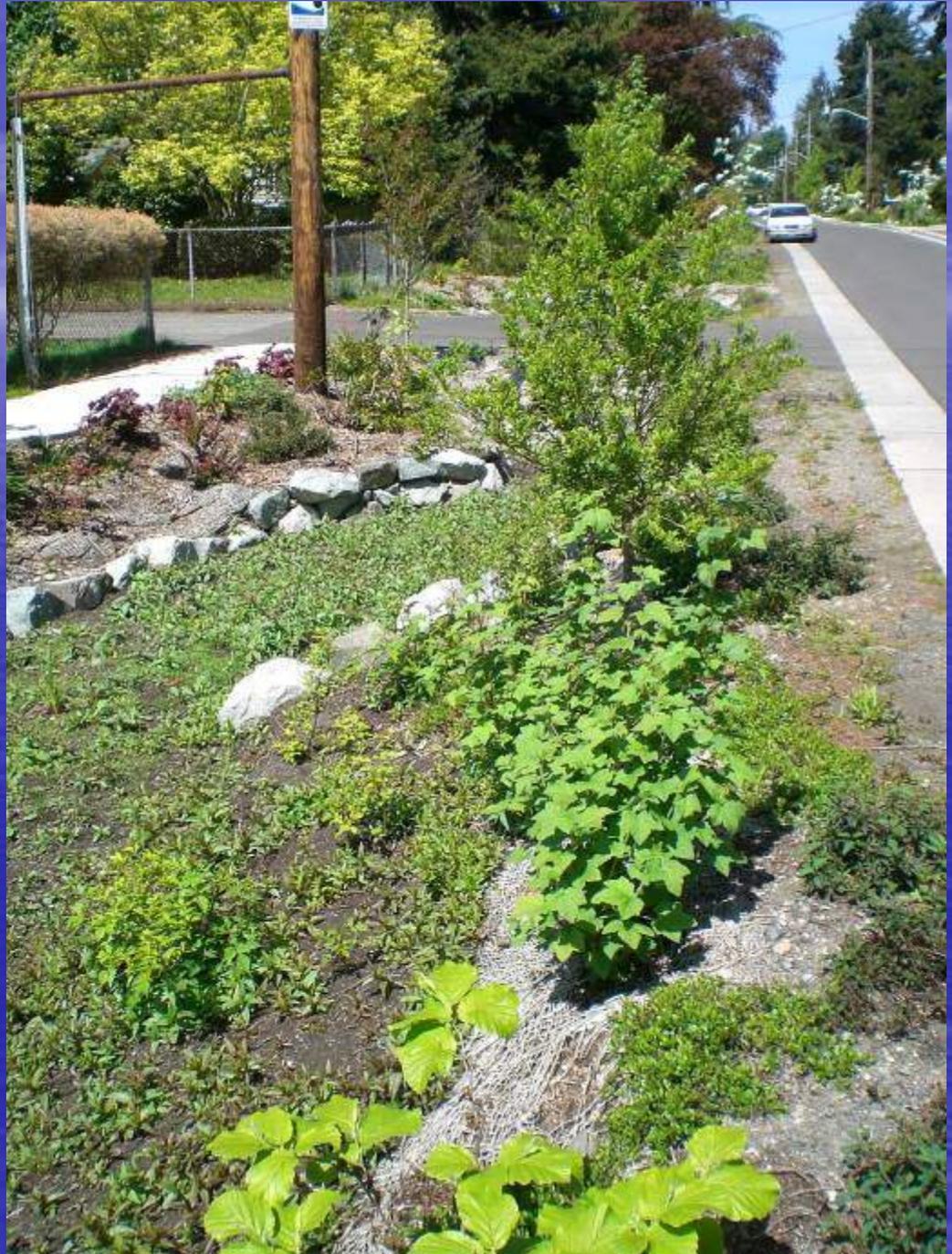
- Distributed to homeowners living adjacent to systems
- Identifies responsibilities of the City and the homeowner



Work Parties and Tours



Reality



NDS Maintenance: Lessons Learned

Homeowners front yard is good indicator of gardening level of interest.

(Plant palette should be adjusted accordingly!)



NDS Maintenance: Lessons Learned

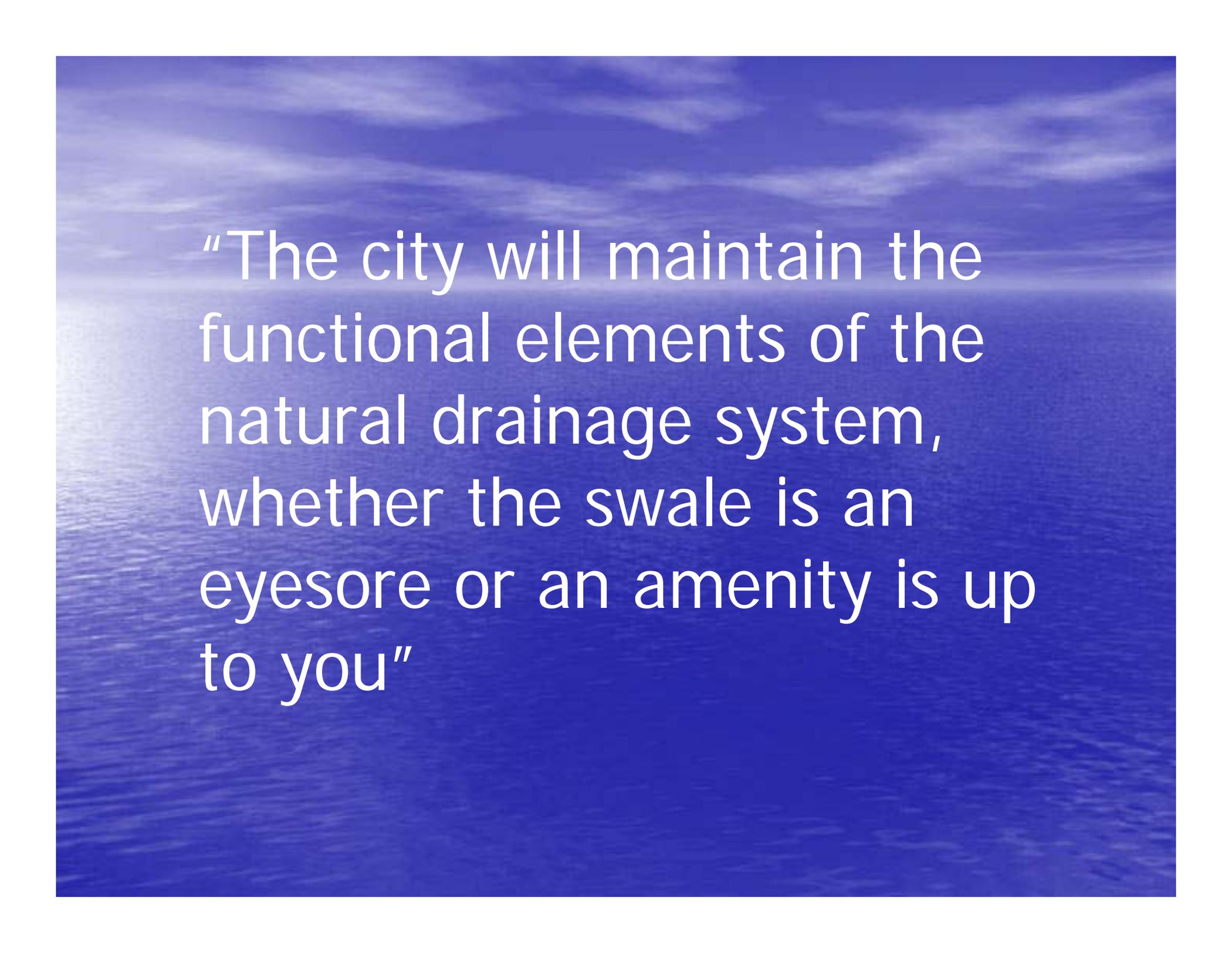
Plant Palette
choices



NDS Maintenance: Lessons Learned

Be clear with your messaging from the start.

- What are the city's responsibilities?
- What is the homeowner expected to do?



“The city will maintain the functional elements of the natural drainage system, whether the swale is an eyesore or an amenity is up to you”

Natural Drainage Systems (NDS) Operations and Maintenance

- NDS O&M Maintenance Package
 - I. NDS Maintenance Manual for ROW
 - II. O&M Facility Checklists
 - III. Key Performance Indicators
 - IV. O&M Estimating Database Tool
- Lessons Learned

I. NDS Maintenance Manual

- For facilities in the Right-of-Way
 - Bioretention
 - Biofiltration
 - Permeable Pavements
- Defines Routine and Non-routine maintenance activities based on Level-of-Service set for the given system
- Used in combination with Inspection/checklist
- Used to guide scheduling of maintenance activities

NDS Maintenance Manual: Sections

1. Vegetation and Landscaping
2. System Functionality
3. Hardscape and Infra-Structure
4. Infiltration Failure – Swale Ponding
5. Recommended Maintenance for Other Elements
6. Safety, Mobility, and Accessibility

Levels of Service (LOS)

- LOS A
 - Excellent effort
- LOS B
 - Good effort
- LOS C
 - Moderate effort
- LOS D
 - Poor effort



Layout and How To

- Select the desired Service Level for maintenance

Table III. Hardscape Manual

Service Category	Service Level B (Good Effort)	Service Level C (Moderate Effort)	Service Level D (Low Effort)	Recommended Maintenance Activities
HARDCAPE & INFRA-STRUCTURE	Summary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sediment is minimal • infrastructure is always accessible • no competition between roots and pipes • no trash is present • small accumulation of organic debris on grates or screens • limited buildup of sediment behind check dams or log weirs • no erosion or undercutting surrounding weir walls • rockery and walls are stable and secure • stormwater sedimentation structures less than ¼ full (NPDES) 	Summary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • some sediment is present • infrastructure is usually accessible • some competition between roots and pipes • small amounts of trash are present • moderate accumulation of organic debris on grates or screens • occasional large sediment deposits behind check dams or log weirs • minimal erosion and/or undercutting surrounding weir walls • occasional loose rocks; walls are secure • stormwater sedimentation structures less than ½ full (NPDES) 	Summary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of sediment buildup is observed • infrastructure is mostly inaccessible • significant competition between roots and pipes • Trash is present • Heavy accumulations of organic debris on grates or screens • frequent large sediment deposits behind check dams or log weirs • Erosion and/or undercutting surrounding weir walls • Loose rocks; walls are not secure • stormwater sedimentation structures less than ¾ full (NPDES) 	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Sedimentation structures—TYPE 2 	Sediment is blocking 10% of structure 	Sediment is blocking 30% of structure 	Sediment is blocking 50% of structure 

Ease of Use

Service Category	Service Level A (Excellent Effort)	Service Level B (Good Effort)	Service Level C (Moderate Effort)	Service Level D (Poor Effort)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No erosion, channelization or scouring Water drains within 24 hours Minimal bare spots Acceptable level of sediment or debris accumulation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some erosion, channelization or scouring Most water drains within 24 hours, minimal long-term ponding A few bare spots Acceptable level of sediment or debris accumulation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The presence of long-term ponding (> 72 hours) Many bare spots Significant build up of sediment or debris 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> scouring The presence of long-term ponding (> 72 hours) Many bare spots or noxious weeds/grass Significant build up of sediment or debris
Swale bottom vegetation				
Sediment or debris accumulation				
Conveyance	• Healthy vegetation	• Mostly healthy vegetation	• Some vegetation	• Poor or no vegetation

1-Vegetation and Landscape Maintenance

Example -

Level of Service B:

- Bio-retention swales are *mostly* self sustaining
- Maintenance for functionality after establishment period



Level of Service B – Good Effort

1-Vegetation and Landscape Maintenance

Example: Level of Service B checklist includes:

- Vegetation is mostly healthy
- Good appearance
- Small quantities of weeds
- Edges are loosely defined
- Grass encroaching on the swale (or vice versa)



Levels of Service B - Good

1-Vegetation and Landscape Maintenance: Noxious and Nuisance Weeds

- Special considerations need to be identified
- Provide link to jurisdiction's web site
- Photos
- Identification key
- Reporting requirements – *if applicable*

Spotted Knapweed

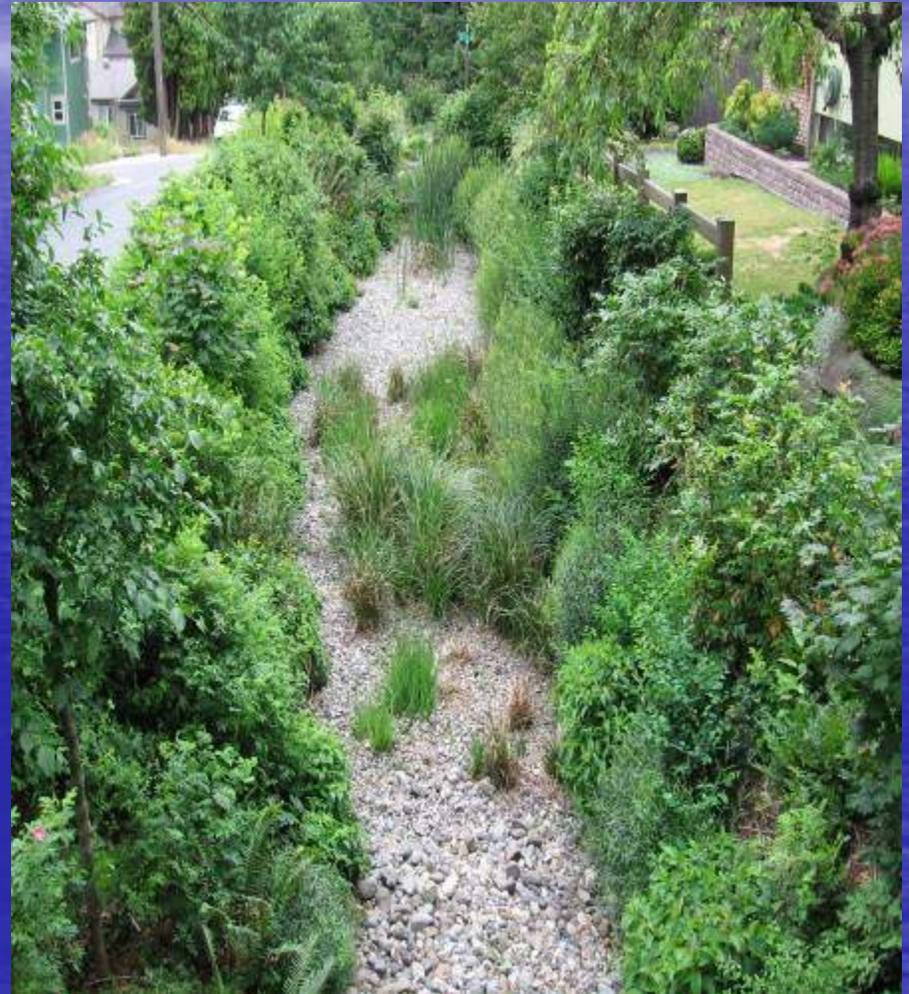


2-System Functionality

Critical criteria for achieving design function.

For example LOS C for biofiltration

- 40% to 60% bottom covered with healthy vegetation
- Uniformed fine-stemmed at least 18 to 24 inches high



2-System Functionality

For example LOS C for bioretention

- Evidence of vehicle compaction
- Many bare spots
- Significant level of sediment and debris accumulation



3-Hardscape and Infra-Structure

- Debris and sediment removal
- Clearing and cleaning



3-Hardscape and Infra-Structure : **Long Term Maintenance**

- For lifecycle costing with bioretention, we assume every fifteen years, remove and replace top two inches of soil and replant to restore infiltration function

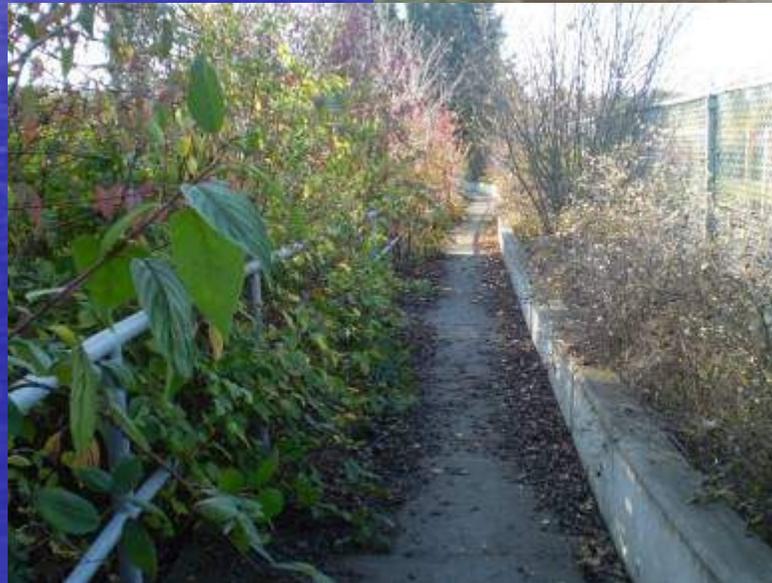


4- Infiltration Failure

- Evidence of a cell holding water for more than 24 hours needs to be reported to Operations and Maintenance Asset Manager
- Monitor swale for ponding water
- Retrofit swale if standing water greater than 72-hours

5-Recommended Maintenance for Other Elements

- Pest control
- Spill prevention and response
- Safety
- Mobility
- Accessibility
- Permeable pavements
- Irrigation systems



6-Safety, mobility, accessibility



Manual is a Working Document

- Work, work, work with field crews
- Update photos to continue refining document
- Document lessons learned



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II. O&M Facility Checklists

- Condensed version of manual
- Identify key performance indicators

System Type				
Bioretention (vegetation & soils/substrate)	SEA Streets (2 nd Ave NW from NW 117 th St to NW 120 th St)			
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	BGG SEA Streets (Pohney Ave N, Frazee Ave N, 1 st Ave NW, 2 nd Ave NW from NW 110 th St to NW 107 th St)			
	Pinehurst (19 th Ave NE from NE 115 th St to NE 117 th St, 20 th Ave NE and 23 rd Ave NE from NE 115 th St to NE 117 th St, NE 113 th St from 20 th Ave NE and 23 rd Ave NE)			
	<input type="checkbox"/> At least 90% of swale bottom is covered with healthy, wetland vegetation	<input type="checkbox"/> At least 75% of swale bottom is covered with healthy, wetland vegetation	<input type="checkbox"/> Between 40-75% of swale bottom is covered with healthy, wetland vegetation	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 40% of swale bottom is covered with healthy, wetland vegetation
	<input type="checkbox"/> Bottom soil is well aerated, less than 10% compaction	<input type="checkbox"/> Bottom soil is well aerated, less than 20% compaction	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 40% compaction	<input type="checkbox"/> More than 40% compaction
<input type="checkbox"/> No erosion, channelization or scouring	<input type="checkbox"/> No erosion, channelization or scouring	<input type="checkbox"/> Some erosion, channelization or scouring	<input type="checkbox"/> Erosion, channelization or scouring	
<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 10% bare spots	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 25% bare spots	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 40% bare spots	<input type="checkbox"/> Greater than 40% bare spots	
<input type="checkbox"/> Acceptable level of sediment or debris accumulation – 2 inches, unless otherwise noted or accumulation prevents	<input type="checkbox"/> Acceptable level of sediment or debris accumulation – 2 inches, otherwise noted or accumulation prevents	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 40% bare spots	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant build up of sediment or debris – greater than 3 inches, unless otherwise noted	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Moderate level of sediment or debris accumulation – 3 inches, unless otherwise noted or accumulation prevents achievement of previous bullet		
Bioretention (vegetation & soils/substrate)				
*This value is equal to 3 x design flow depth and will vary with each project	<input type="checkbox"/> At least 90% of swale bottom covered with healthy, uniformed fine-stemmed vegetation at least XX ^a inches high	<input type="checkbox"/> At least 80% of swale bottom covered with healthy, uniformed fine-stemmed vegetation at least XX ^a inches high	<input type="checkbox"/> Between 60-80% of swale bottom covered with healthy, uniformed fine-stemmed vegetation at least XX ^a inches high	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 60% of swale bottom covered with healthy, uniformed fine-stemmed vegetation, of at least XX ^a inches high
	<input type="checkbox"/> No erosion, channelization or scouring	<input type="checkbox"/> No erosion, channelization or scouring	<input type="checkbox"/> Some erosion, channelization or scouring	<input type="checkbox"/> Erosion, channelization or scouring
	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 10% bare spots	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 20% bare spots	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 40% bare spots	<input type="checkbox"/> Greater than 40% bare spots

III. Key Performance Indicators (KPI's)

- Determine LOS achieved for swales
- Provides an overall reporting score for high level management
- Indicators help identify
 - successes
 - areas of improvement
 - failures for each system

**NDS KPI Reporting Form
USM Urban Watersheds**

Date:

Project Location	Drainage Area (sq ft)	Hardscape Maintained to:		Land-scaped area (sq ft)	Vegetation Maintained to:		Infiltration Failure	
		Target	Actual		Target	Actual	Yes/No	Cells retrofitted (Urban Ecosystems)
Carkeek Cascades at NW 410th	4,730	B		17,130	B			
Comments								
Project Achievement								
Broadview Green Grid - Carkeek Cascades at NW107th	8,240	B		29,330	B			
Comments								
Project Achievement								
Pinehurst Green Grid	19,180	B		62,650	B			
19th Avenue NE	3,170	B		9,850	B			
20th Avenue NE	4,300	B		27,370	B			
23rd Avenue NE	6,710	B		18,180	B			
NE 117th Street	2,240	B		6,400	B			
NE 113th Street	2,320	B		7,870	B			
29th Ave NE	330	B		??	B			
Comments								
Project Achievement								
High Point		B			B			
Comments								
Project Achievement								
Broadview Green Grid - SEA Streets	9,470	B		63,640	D			
Phinney Ave N SEA Street	2,000	B		15,700	D			
Palatine Ave N SEA Street	2,840	B		19,080	D			
1 st Ave NW SEA Street	2,060	B		12,130	D			
2 nd Ave NW SEA Street	2,570	B		18,730	D			

Vegetation Estimated O&M Costs

LOS B – 47,290 SQ FT	Annual Value
Initial 3 year Landscape Establishment	
assuming 0% community participation	\$65,221
Established (starting year 4)	
0% community participation	\$28,615
25% community participation	\$21,461
50% community participation	\$14,308
75% community participation	\$7,154
90% community participation	\$2,862
Soil Replacement (every 15yrs)	\$23,527

NDS Maintenance: Lessons Learned



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Water costs can increase plant establishment costs by 100-400%



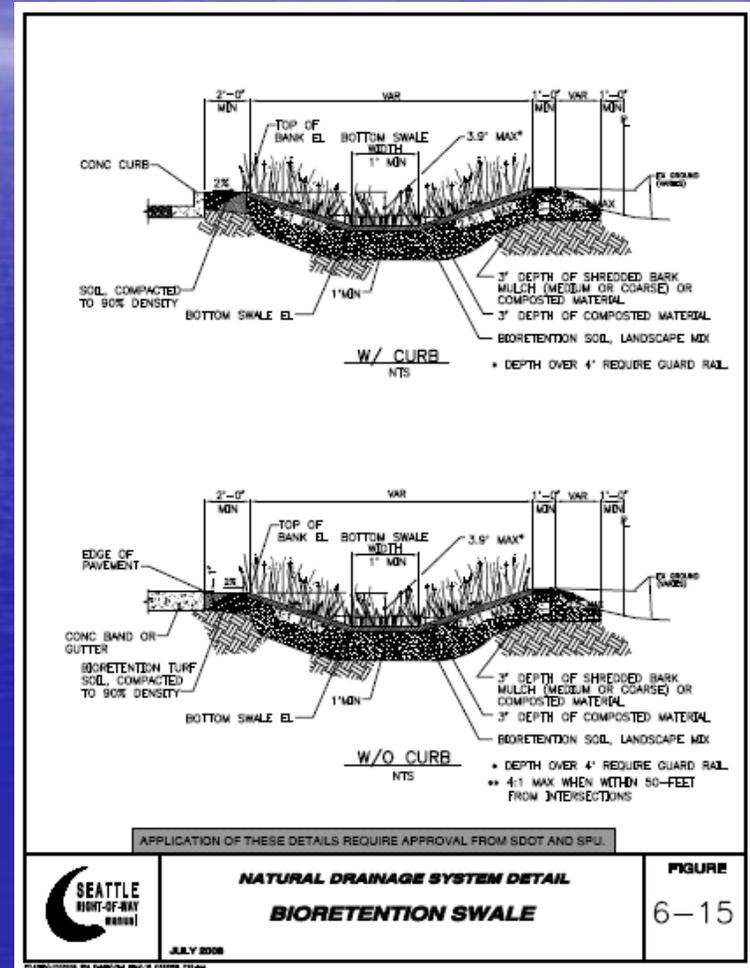
NDS Maintenance: Lessons Learned

Parking will
affect edge of
vegetation



Stormwater Code Compliance

- Proposed 2009 Stormwater Code requires GSI to MEF
- Code applies to both work in right-of-way and on parcels



O&M for stormwater Code Compliance

- Define Green Stormwater Infrastructure Minimum O&M requirements



Code Compliance for facilities in Right-of-way

- Require construction installation checklist signed by GSI designer
- Require applicants to provide a 2-year warranty period. (same as Portland)

Volume 3 — Flow Control and Water Quality Treatment
 Technical Requirements Manual Appendix D

D.9 Operation and Maintenance Requirements for NDS Stormwater Facilities
D.9.1 Bio-retention (Swales and Planters): Inspection and Maintenance Requirements
Inspection and Maintenance Requirements for Bio-retention (Swales and Planters)

Components	Inspection Frequency	Conditions when Maintenance Required	Action Required	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Comments
Paving Area (address applicable components)						
Concrete planter reservoir	Biennially	Rot, cracks or failure in planter structure.	Repair/replace			
Earthen reservoir (embankments, dikes, berms, and side slopes)	Biennially (S)	Erosion (gullies/rills) greater than 2 inches around inlet, outlet, and along side slopes.	Eliminate source of erosion and stabilize damaged area (regrade, rock, vegetation, erosion control blanket).			
	Annually (W, S)	Settlement greater than 4 inches (relative to undisturbed sections of basin).	Restore to design height.			
	Annually (S)	Downstream face of berm or embankment wet, seeps or leaks evident.	Plug holes. Contact geotechnical engineer ASAP.			
Dediment or debris accumulation	Annually	Any evidence of rodent holes or water piping around holes if facility acts as ditch or berm.	Exterminate rodents/repair holes (S) and compact.			
		Sediment or debris accumulates.	Remove excess sediment or debris. Identify and control the sediment source (if feasible).			
Rockery reservoir or walls	Annually	Rock walls are insecure.	Stabilize walls.			
Basin inlet via surface flow	Biennially (S)	Soil is exposed or signs of erosion are visible.	Repair and control erosion sources.			
Basin inlet via concentrated flow (e.g., curb cuts)	Biennially (S)	Sediment, vegetation, or debris partially or fully blocking inlet structure.	Clear the blockage. Identify the source of the blockage and take actions to prevent future blockages.			

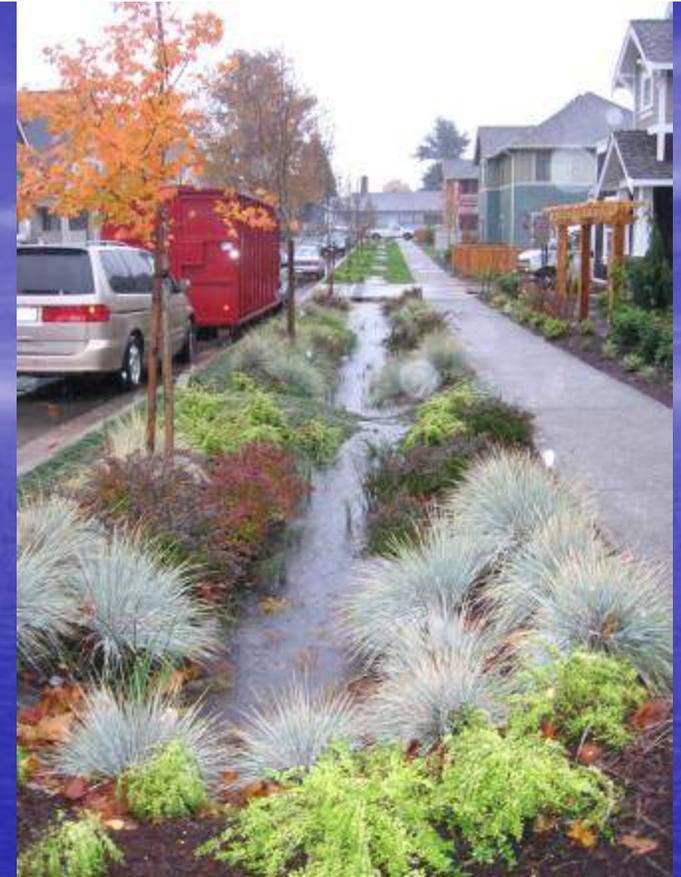
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http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Planning/Stormwater_Grading_and_Drainage_Code_Revisions/Overview/

High Point O&M Manual

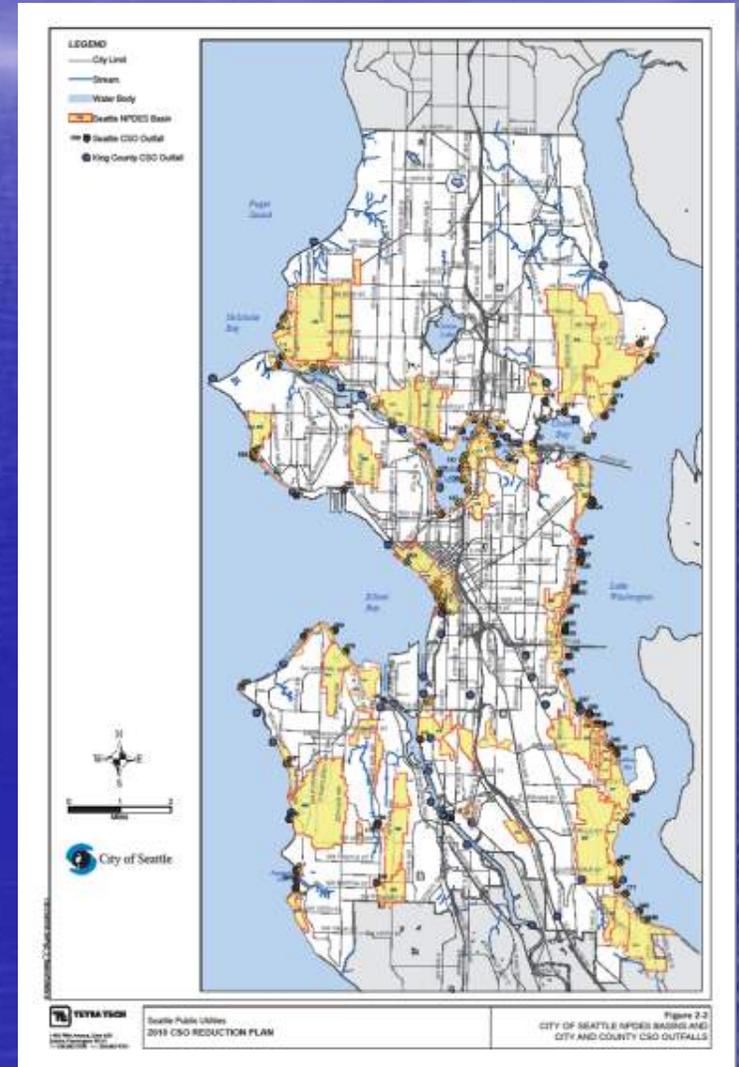
High Point Community

Right of Way and Open Space Landscape Maintenance Guidelines



O&M requirements for receiving Financial incentives

- Residence in target basin
- Signed Homeowner agreement
- Must agree to care for facility for 5 years



Questions?



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