Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMP) Performance Analysis

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NOTICE

This report documents the development of long-term performance curves for stormwater best management practices (BMPs) in the New England region. Performance curves were developed for BMPs including infiltration trench, infiltration basin, gravel wetland, bioretention, porous pavement, grass swale, wet pond, and dry pond. In the original version of this report (December 2008), the surface areas for infiltration basin was estimated using the "Simple Dynamic" method (MassDEP, 2008), which assumed that the treatment volume was discharged into the infiltration basin in two hours and exfiltrated during the two hours. However, the "Simple Dynamic" approach was not consistent with the way that the surface areas for other BMPs were sized. Also this approach limits the applicability of this curve beyond Massachusetts. In order to maintain the consistency across all BMPs, the calculation of infiltration basin surface area is updated to follow the "Static" method (MassDEP, 2008), which is independent of the drawdown time and the infiltration rate.

This revision (March 2010) results in updated infiltration basin performance curves, which are included in Appendix B. The previous infiltration basin performance curves based on the "Simple Dynamic" method are moved to Appendix C for the readers interested in this method.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this project is to generate long-term cumulative performance information for several types of stormwater best management practices (BMPs). The information can be used to provide estimates of long-term cumulative efficiencies for several types of BMPs, according to their sizing. The curves reflect pollutant removal performance of BMPs designed and maintained in accordance with Massachusetts stormwater standards. Developing a BMP rating curve involved several major steps: (1) selecting an appropriate long-term precipitation record (data and location) that is representative of a major urbanized area within the New England region, (2) generating hydrograph and pollutant time series using a land-based hydrologic and water quality model, (3) simulating BMP hydraulic and treatment processes in BMP models, and (4) creating BMP performance curves on the basis of BMP model simulation results.

After a detailed review and analysis of precipitation records of 12 weather stations in New England, weather data from the Boston, Massachusetts, station was selected to generate BMP performance estimates for this project. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Storm Water Management Model (SWMM) and a BMP analysis tool called BMP Decision Support System (BMPDSS) were employed for generating and simulating hydrology and water quality constituents. To represent the New England conditions, the models were calibrated and tested using BMP performance data collected by the University of New Hampshire Stormwater Center (UNHSC).

Calibrated BMPDSS models were applied for the following eight types of stormwater BMPs: surface infiltration practices (e.g., infiltration basins), subsurface infiltration systems (e.g., infiltration trenches), gravel wetland systems, bioretention systems, water quality swales, porous pavement systems, wet ponds, and extended dry detention ponds. The models were used to generate long-term cumulative performance estimates expressed as performance curves. For each BMP, performance curves were developed for five land uses and three water quality constituents. The land uses consist of (1) Commercial, (2) Industrial, (3) High-Density Residential, (4) Medium-Density Residential, (5) Low-Density Residential; the water quality constituents consist of (1) total phosphorous (TP), (2) total suspend solids (TSS), (3) Zinc (Zn). In total, 282 BMP performance curves were developed (see Appendix B).

1.INTRODUCTION

The Water Permits Division (WPD), within the Office of Wastewater Management (OWM) of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), is responsible for implementation and oversight of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program. This program regulates point source discharges of pollutants to surface waters of the United States.

WPD provides oversight and assistance to EPA Regions in implementing the NPDES program. EPA Regions are responsible for oversight of state NPDES permitting authorities and directly implement the NPDES permitting program in areas not delegated to states and tribes. EPA headquarters and Regions also provide direct and indirect assistance to states to help them successfully implement the NPDES program. New Hampshire and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have not assumed the authority to administer the NPDES program for discharges of pollutants to surface waters in their respective states. Therefore, EPA remains the Permitting Authority in Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

The purpose of this project is to generate long-term performance information for several types of stormwater best management practices (BMPs). The information would be used to illustrate the longterm cumulative efficiencies of each selected BMP in terms of pollutant removal, according to its design and capacity. Developing a BMP rating curve involves the following major components (Figure 1-1): selecting an appropriate precipitation record (data and location) to represent an area within the New England region, generating hydrograph and pollutant time series using a water quality model, simulating appropriate BMP treatments in BMP models, and creating BMP performance curves on the basis of BMP model simulation results. A BMP analysis tool called BMP Decision Support System (BMPDSS) was used for this project. This tool has been developed by Tetra Tech, Inc. (Tetra Tech 2005 a & b), with considerable investment from EPA Region 3 and Prince George's County, Maryland. Also, the tool has been adapted for use in Vermont using funding from the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. The tool can perform many types of analyses including estimating cumulative pollutant removal for several types of BMPs, including some of the newer-generation BMPs (e.g., bioretention/filtration). A detailed description on BMPDSS is presented in Appendix A. This report presents the details of this project including the results of a precipitation analysis (chapter 2), a land analysis (chapter 3), the BMP analysis (chapter 4), and developing the performance curves (chapter 5).



Figure 1-1. BMP performance curve development scheme.

2. PRECIPITATION ANALYSIS

Weather is the driving force for watershed runoff and, therefore, is likely to be an important determinant for BMP performance. Different geographic locations can have significantly different precipitation patterns. For this project, a precipitation data analysis was performed using data from 12 weather stations throughout the major urban/suburban areas of the six New England states (see Figure 2-1). The purpose of this analysis was to evaluate precipitation variability in New England and to guide selection of a representative weather data set for developing BMP performance curves.

2.1. Data Collection and Review

Twelve stations in and around major urban areas of the New England region were selected for analysis (see Figure 2-1). These stations were selected because they have long-term hourly rainfall records that are mostly complete and they are in and around the major urban areas in each of the six New England states. The National Climate Data Center (NCDC) hourly weather records for these weather stations were retrieved and are summarized in Table 2-1. As indicated, the associated climate region, elevation, data record details, and average annual rainfall for each station are provided.



Figure 2-1. Locations of weather stations in the New England region.

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						Avg. annual	
		Climate	Elevation			rainfall	
Station ID	Station name	region	(ft)	Record	Coverage	(in)	
070906	Bridgeport	Coactal	Б	1948-	100%	41.25	
010800	Sikorsky Airport	Cuastai	5	present	100%	41.25	
CT2456	Hartford Airport	Control	160	1954-	100%	44.15	
013450	Hartiolu Airport	Central	100	present	100%	44.15	
MA0120	Amhorst	Central	150	1948-	86%	/13 31	
WIA0120	Anneist	Central	100	present	0070	43.31	
MA0770	Boston Logan	Coastal	20	1948-	100%	42.66	
MIXOTTO	Int'l Airport	obastai	20	present	10070	42.00	
MA9923	Worcester	Central	986	1948-	96%	46.03	
111/10020	Airport	oentital	000	present	00/0		
MF0273	Augusta	Southern	35	1952-	84%	42.05	
	////	Interior	00	present	01/0	12.00	
MF6905	Portland Airport	Coastal	45	1948-	99%	42.27	
	r or claira / inport	oodotai		present	00/0		
NH1683	Concord	Southern	346	1948-	100%	36.76	
	Concord	Coulion	0.10	present	200/0		
NH5712	Nashua	Southern	130	1950-	91%	44.77	
				present			
RI6698	Providence	All	51	1948-	100%	44.57	
	Airport			present			
VT0277	Ball Mountain	Southern	1.130	1962-	92%	45.75	
	Lake		_,	present			
VT1081	Burlington Int'l	Western	330	1948-	99%	33.89	
	Airport			present			

Table 2-1. Summar	v of weather records in	selected 12	stations thro	oughout New	England

Among the 12 selected stations, average annual precipitations range from a low of 33.89 inches at Burlington, Vermont, to a high of 46.03 inches at Worcester, Massachusetts. The overall average annual precipitation for these stations is 42.29 inches, and, as indicated in Table 2-1, most of the stations have an average annual precipitation within 2.5 inches of this overall average. Boxplots of the annual total rainfall at each weather station were generated (Figure 2-2) to illustrate the variability in annual rainfall among the 12 stations. The boxplots clearly show that Worcester, Massachusetts (MA9923) has the highest average annual total rainfall, while the average annual rainfall at Burlington, Vermont (VT1081) is notably lower than the other 11 stations. Also apparent is similarity in annual precipitation among the other stations.



Figure 2-2. Boxplots of annual total rainfall for selected weather stations in New England.

2.2. Event Frequency Analysis

While annual average precipitation is an important factor to distinguish differences among stations, the distribution of precipitation events by size or depth is important too. Long-term BMP performance will be influenced by the number of small, medium, and large precipitation events (i.e., distribution) that the BMP treats. From a water quality perspective, BMPs will typically perform more effectively for smaller storms primarily because the BMPs operate below their designed hydraulic capacity. Therefore, a BMP placed in a location with mostly small events will likely have a different long-term cumulative performance than if it were placed in a location with mostly large events, even if both locations have similar annual average precipitations.

A frequency analysis of the precipitation events by depth was performed for each of the 12 stations to further understand the variability of precipitation patterns in the New England region. The goal of the precipitation event frequency analysis is to identify how the precipitation events are distributed across different categories of total depth. Three rainfall depth categories were used in the frequency analysis: (1) lower than 0.1 inch, (2) 0.1 inch to 1 inch, and (3) higher than 1 inch. The total number of events and the corresponding percentage of the total number of events were determined for each size category for each of the 12 stations. The resulting precipitation event distributions are summarized in Table 2-2.

		Precipitation amount (inches)				
Station ID	Station name	< 0.1	0.1-1.0	> 1		
СТ0806	Bridgeport Sikorsky Airport	46%	46%	8%		
CT3456	Hartford Airport	48%	44%	8%		
MA0120	Amherst	45%	47%	8%		
MA0770	Boston Logan Int'l Airport	49%	44%	7%		
MA9923	Worcester Airport	48%	44%	8%		
ME0273	Augusta	45%	47%	8%		
ME6905	Portland Airport	49%	47%	8%		
NH1683	Concord	49%	47%	5%		
NH5712	Nashua	47%	45%	8%		
RI6698	Providence Airport	48%	44%	8%		
VT0277	Ball Mountain Lake	43%	49%	8%		
VT1081	Burlington Int'l Airport	56%	41%	3%		
Ave	erage of all stations	48%	45%	7%		

Table 2-2.	Summary o	of preci	pitation (event fred	uency dis	stribution	sorted by	precip	itation de	epth
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As indicated, there is similarity in the distributions of rainfall events among the twelve stations barring the Burlington, Vermont station. On average, 48 percent of the events are < 0.1 inch, 45 percent of the events are 0.1 to 1.0 inches, and only 7 percent are > 1.0 inch. The rainfall events with depths between 0.1 and 1.0 inch are the most significant in terms of pollutant loading from urban areas because of the high frequency of these sized events and because they generate enough runoff to wash off most of the pollutants that have accumulated on impervious surfaces. Rainfall events of 0.1 or less are frequent but are not significant in terms of pollutant loading because they generate very little, if any, runoff volume, even from impervious areas. Precipitation events greater than 1 inch are relatively infrequent, and although they generate large runoff volumes, most of the pollutant washoff occurs during the early portion of the storms so that water quality BMPs sized for smaller storms (< 1 inch) can still be highly effective at capturing the pollutant load.

Weather data from the Boston, Massachusetts, station was selected to generate BMP performance estimates for this project. The Boston station (MA0770), in the *Costal* climate region and in a highly urbanized portion of eastern Massachusetts, has an average annual precipitation of 42.66 inches, which closely matches the overall average annual precipitation of 42.29 inches, as well as the annual precipitation of most of the other stations. The precipitation frequency distribution of the Boston station closely matches the distribution of the other stations except for the Burlington, Vermont, station. The Boston station is appropriate for assessing runoff conditions in the Boston metropolitan area of Massachusetts, which is one of the most urbanized areas in New England. Also, the NPDES permitting program for discharges in Massachusetts needs BMP performance estimates for designated urban areas to assess stormwater management plans developed under the NPDES stormwater permitting program.

While the Boston data set appears to be similar (in terms of annual precipitation and event distributions) to most of the data sets from the other stations, it would be useful for a future effort to test the sensitivity of predicted BMP performances to rainfall variability in New England by using data from a weather station that is the most different from the Boston data. On the basis of the analysis conducted for this project, the Burlington, Vermont (VT1081) data set would be a good candidate for evaluating how sensitive BMP performance is to different weather conditions in New England. The boxplots (Figure 2-3) of annual total rainfall from these weather stations (VT1081 and MA0770) illustrate the differences in annual precipitation between them. Also, the frequency distribution analysis reveals that the event distribution for Burlington, Vermont, is the most different from the event distribution of Boston, Massachusetts.



Figure 2-3. Recommended weather stations based on annual precipitation for evaluating BMP performances.

3. LAND ANALYSIS

The goal of the land analysis was to generate the flow and pollutant time series (hydrographs and pollutographs) for each land use type. These time series were later used in the BMP modeling to estimate BMP performances. The land analysis involved selecting representative pollutant loading targets as well as selecting an appropriate the model to use for generating flows and pollutant time series.

3.1. Land Representation for Pollutant Loading

The ultimate goal for this project is to predict BMP performances on the basis of the capacity of BMPs to treat runoff depths (and corresponding volumes) generated by specified amounts of rainfall. Thus, the inflow and pollutant time series play an important role in determining the shape of final BMP performance curves. The approach used in this project to generate the pollutant loadings is similar to the approaches incorporated into widely used urban stormwater models such as the Storm Water Management Model (SWMM) (Huber and Dickinson 1988) and the P8-UCM (Walker 1990) and involves simulating the buildup and washoff of pollutants from impervious surfaces only. Using the impervious surfaces to generate pollutant loading greatly simplifies estimating loadings because it avoids having to represent a high number of combinations of pervious soil and land cover conditions. Also, impervious areas generate most of the runoff in urban/suburban catchments and pollutant load because accumulated pollutants are readily washed off of impervious surfaces. In contrast, runoff volumes and pollutant loads from pervious surfaces tends to be much lower and are highly variable because of attenuation by soils and vegetation.

Moreover, the performance curves generated by this project are intended to apply to urban settings, which typically consist of highly impervious surfaces. The curves are expected to be most frequently used at a site-scale level where BMPs will be designed to treat runoff from developed impervious portions of sites (e.g., commercial center, streets, and parking lots).

A further evaluation of the precipitation characteristics for Boston, Massachusetts, also supports the use of only impervious surfaces for generating pollutant time series. A detailed breakdown of rainfall depth frequency analysis for Boston is shown in Figure 3-1, which illustrates that most of the rain events that have occurred in Boston have been relatively small events (e.g., 84 percent of the events \leq 0.6 inches). To better appreciate the significance of the precipitation characteristics as it relates to impervious and pervious surfaces, a table of initial abstraction (I_a) for various pervious surfaces and hydrologic soils groups (HSG) is provided (see Table 3-1). Soils are assigned to an HSG on the basis of their permeability. HSG A is the most permeable, and HSG D is the least permeable. I_a values indicate the depth of rainfall that will not generate runoff. As indicated, pervious areas are not expected to generate runoff for most rainfall events in the Boston metropolitan region. For example, an open space area with fair condition and HSG C soils has an I_a of 0.53 inch. Therefore, such an area is not expected to generate runoff for rain events represented by the 56-year record. Also, rain events with 0.53 inch and less account for approximately 68 percent of the total rainfall volume for the same record. Figure 3-2 illustrates a cumulative frequency distribution for total precipitation volume based on precipitation depth.

For stabilized urban and suburban areas, much of the annual pollutant load is believed to be generated from impervious areas because most of the runoff volume is generated by rainfall falling on impervious



areas and because pollutants that have been accumulated on impervious surfaces are readily washed off during even small rain events.

Figure 3-1. Percentage of total number of precipitation events by size of precipitation events for Boston, Massachusetts (1948–2004).



Figure 3-2. Cumulative distribution of total precipitation volume by rainfall depth for Boston, Massachusetts (1948–2004).

		(inch)							
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Land u	se/cover conditions	HSG A	HSG B	HSG C	HSG D				
	Poor (grass < 50%)	0.94	0.53	0.33	0.25				
Open space	Fair (grass 50–75%)	2.08	0.90	0.53	0.38				
	Good (grass > 75%)	3.13	1.28	0.70	0.50				
Residential	1/8 acre or less	0.60	0.35	0.22	0.17				
	1/4 acre	1.28	0.67	0.41	0.30				
	1/3 acre	1.51	0.78	0.47	0.33				
	1/2 acre	1.70	0.86	0.50	0.35				
	1 acre	1.92	0.94	0.53	0.38				
	2 acres	2.35	1.08	0.60	0.44				

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Source: USDA-NRCS 1986

3.2. Selection of Water Quality Model

EPA's Stormwater Management Model (SWMM) was selected for generating runoff volume and pollutant time series. The SWMM is a dynamic rainfall-runoff simulation model developed primarily for urban areas and can be used for both single-event and long-term (continuous) simulations using various time steps (Huber and Dickinson 1988). SWMM has the ability to analyze the buildup, washoff, and transport of a number of pollutants within a watershed for a long-term precipitation record (Rossman 2007). Four pollutants, total suspended solids (TSS), total phosphorus (TP), total nitrogen (TN), and zinc (Zn) were selected for this analysis because they are commonly associated with urban runoff and are responsible for numerous water quality problems in New England.

Annual average pollutant loading export rates of these pollutants were obtained from the *Fundamentals* of *Urban Runoff Management: Technical and Institutional Issues* (Shaver et al. 2007). The pollutant export loading rates for different land uses are shown in Table 3-2. These pollutant loading export rates were selected for this project because they have been reported in several sources of stormwater management literature. Also, use of these TP export rates were applied to the Charles River watershed (310 square miles) and found to closely match (within 1 percent) the measured annual phosphorus load for a 5-year period (1998 to 2002) (MassDEP and US EPA 2007).

	Po	ollutant loadin (lbs/a)	g export rate c-yr)	ŝ
Land cover/Source category	TSS	TP	TN	Zn
Commercial	1,000	1.5	9.8	2.1
Industrial	670	1.3	4.7	0.4
High-Density Residential	420	1.0	6.2	0.7
Medium-Density Residential	250	0.3	3.9	0.1
Low-Density Residential	65	0.04	0.4	0.04

Table 3-2. Summary of typical pollutant loading export rates from different land uses

Source: Shaver et al. 2007

3.3. Setup and Calibration of SWMM Water Quality Model

The weather data from the Boston, Massachusetts, station was used to generate runoff volume and pollutant time series in the New England region using the SWMM.

3.3.1. Water Quality Processes in SWMM

In the SWMM, the water quality simulation is divided into two processes: buildup and washoff. The amount of buildup is estimated as a function of the preceding dry-weather days and can be computed using one of three functions: Power, Exponential, and Saturation. The washoff process simulates the pollutant washoff from a given land use and can be computed using one of three functions: Exponential, Rating Curve, and Event Mean Concentration.

The SWMM buildup and washoff routines used to represent these processes provide a more reliable pollutant loading time series as compared to other methods (e.g., event mean concentration). This is because the buildup and washoff routines account for the pollutant mass balance over time. The routines also represent the time between events when pollutants accumulate and the predominance of small rainfall events and the effect of rainfall intensity on washing off pollutant load that has accumulated on impervious surfaces.

In this project, a power function was assumed for the pollutant buildup and an exponential function was assumed for the pollutant washoff. As for the buildup, the pollutant buildup (*B*) accumulates proportionally to time (*t*) raised to some power, until a maximum is reached,

 $B = Min (C_1, C_2 t^{c_3})$ (1) where C_1 = maximum buildup possible (mass per unit of area or curb length), C_2 =buildup rate constant (1/days), and C_3 =time exponent.

In the exponential washoff function, the washoff load (*W*) in units of mass per hour is proportional to the product of runoff raised to some power and to the amount of buildup remaining,

$$W = C_1 q^C_2 B \tag{2}$$

where C_1 = washoff coefficient, C_2 = washoff exponent, q = runoff rate per unit area (inches/hour [in/hr]), and B = pollutant buildup in mass (lbs) per unit area or curb length.

3.3.2. Setup and Calibration of SWMM

A SWMM was created for each of the five land uses. Each SWMM consists of a one-acre sub-catchment that represents one of the five land use categories. An 11-year period (01/01/1992 through 12/31/2002) of weather data (temperature, evaporation, and wind speed) from the Boston station (MA0770) was used as input to the model to generate hourly runoff volume and pollutant load time series.

Field-verified exponential pollutant buildup and washoff relationships from the Greater Toronto Area (Behera et al. 2006) are referred to when calibrating the SWMM water quality model. The pollutant buildup and washoff parameters were further adjusted from the Behera et al. (2006) values until the predicted annual average pollutant loading export rates are closely matched with those specified in Table 3-2. The final calibrated pollutant buildup and washoff parameters for each land use, as well as the results of the calibration, are listed below in Table 3-3 through Table 3-7.

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	Buildup (B=Min(C ₁ , C ₂ t ^c ₃)			Washoff (W=C1q ^c 2B)		Calibration results (kg/ac-yr)			
Pollutant	C1	C2	Сз	C1	C2	Target	Calibrated	Error (%)	
TP	7.00	0.036	0.49	0.78	1.41	0.68	0.683	0.6%	
TSS	68.11	0.85	1.54	6.97	1.57	453.59	453.23	0%	
TN	23.11	0.04	0.915	4.69	0.61	4.45	4.454	0.1%	
Zn	15.59	0.027	0.17	10.01	0.74	0.95	0.946	0.4%	

Table 3-3. Calibration results for the Commercial land use

Table 3-4. Calibration results for the Industrial land use

	Buildup (B= <i>Min</i> (C ₁ , C ₂ t ^c ₃)			Washoff (W=C1q ^c 2B)		Calibration results (kg/ac-yr)		
Pollutant	C ₁	C ₂	C ₃	C ₁	C ₂	Target	Calibrated	Error (%)
TP	6.11	0.034	0.46	0.75	1.37	0.59	0.594	0.7%
TSS	41.12	0.81	1.44	6.71	1.53	303.91	303.49	0.1%
TN	12.44	0.022	0.84	4.01	0.62	2.13	2.11	0.9%
Zn	2.38	0.0085	0.084	6.02	1.31	0.18	0.18	0%

Table 3-5. Calibration results for the High-Density Residential land use

		Buildup			Washoff		Calibration results			
	$(B=Min(C_1, C_2t^{C_3}))$			(W=C ₁ q ^c ₂ B)		(kg/ac-yr)				
Pollutant	C1	C ₂	Cз	C1	C2	Target	Calibrated	Error (%)		
TP	4.75	0.031	0.42	0.71	1.37	0.45	0.449	0.2%		
TSS	28.12	0.76	1.26	5.91	1.46	190.51	190.57	0%		
TN	18.94	0.027	0.88	4.31	0.57	2.81	2.811	0.04%		
Zn	4.78	0.013	0.088	7.22	1.11	0.32	0.322	0.6%		

	Buildup (B=Min(C ₁ , C ₂ t ^c ₃)			Was (W=C	hoff 1q ^c 2B)	Calibration results (kg/ac-yr)		
Pollutant	C1	C ₂	Сз	C1	C ₂	Target	Calibrated	Error (%)
TP	1.77	0.027	0.31	0.43	1.27	0.229	0.225	1.7%
TSS	19.48	0.62	1.12	5.11	1.21	113.40	113.50	0.1%
TN	10.94	0.019	0.82	4.01	0.52	1.77	1.768	0.1%
Zn	1.24	0.006	0.051	2.11	1.89	0.045	0.045	0%

Table 3-6. Calibration results for the Medium-Density Residential land use

Table 3-7. Calibration results for the Low-Density Residential land use

	Buildup (B=Min(C ₁ , C ₂ t ^c ₃)			Was (W=C	hoff ₁q ^c ₂B)	Calibration results (kg/ac-yr)		
Pollutant	C1	C ₂	Сз	C1	C ₂	Target	Calibrated	Error (%)
TP	0.27	0.0064	0.09	0.19	1.14	0.018	0.019	5.5%
TSS	4.18	0.31	0.87	2.11	1.02	29.48	29.48	0%
TN	8.44	0.0035	0.44	3.01	0.21	0.18	0.181	0.6%
Zn	0.98	0.0039	0.021	1.47	2.35	0.018	0.019	5.5%

Following calibration of the SWMM for the land uses, model simulations were performed to generate runoff volume and pollutant time series for each land use. These time series were used as input to the BMP modeling system to predict long-term BMP performance (see Sections 4 and 5).

4. BMP ANALYSIS

The BMP analysis involves two major tasks designed to support the development of long-term performance curves for the following BMPs:

- Subsurface infiltration systems (infiltration trench)
- Surface infiltration systems (infiltration basin)
- Gravel wetland
- Bioretention systems
- Porous pavement
- Swales
- Dry detention ponds
- Wet ponds

The first task was to recalibrate and test BMPDSS for New England conditions using BMP performance data collected at the University of New Hampshire Stormwater Center (UNHSC). The second task evaluated BMP design criteria from the New England states and selected the design criteria for each BMP for use in the BMPDSS to develop long-term performance curves.

4.1. BMPDSS Calibration and Testing

Prince George's County BMPDSS, was selected as the BMP model to simulate long-term pollutant removal performance of the selected BMPs. Performance curves were generated by varying the capacity or size (amount of runoff captured) of the BMPs. The BMPDSS model was recalibrated (BMPDSS was previously calibrated for Prince George's County, Maryland) using BMP performance data collected by UNHSC to represent current data and New England conditions. Recalibration was performed for all the BMPs except for the dry detention pond because performance data for dry detention ponds were not available from UNHSC. This section details the BMPDSS calibration and testing task.

4.1.1. Overview of the Calibration Process

The calibration process involved adjusting BMP design parameters (porosity, infiltration rate, vegetation cover percentage, and so on) to best simulate the BMP's hydraulic and pollutant removal performance. The goal of the calibration process was to match model hydrologic and water quality predictions with observed data for the calibration events. BMPDSS was calibrated for the following BMPs: (1) infiltration system, (2) gravel wetland, (3) bioretention system, (4) porous pavement, (5) grass swale, and (6) wet pond.

Calibrating a BMP using the BMPDSS model was a three-step process. First, the hydrologic and water quality time series were generated using SWMM. This involved calibrating SWMM to match the observed discrete inflow volume and water quality data. The calibrated SWMM was used to generate continuous hourly time series, which BMPDSS requires as input. Second, a hydraulic calibration of BMPDSS for each BMP was performed using the SWMM-generated inflow time series. During this process, the BMP's hydrologic parameters (porosity, infiltration rate, vegetation cover percentage, and such) were adjusted as needed to achieve acceptable agreement between model predications and measured flow data. Finally, the water quality calibration of each BMP was completed by adjusting the water quality-related parameters (e.g., first order decay coefficients and filtering efficiencies). As with the hydraulic calibration,

the objective of the water quality calibration was to achieve acceptable agreement between BMPDSS predictions and measured BMP outflow pollutant concentrations.

Depending on the BMP, the water quality simulation can consider two mechanisms: general loss or decay of pollutant (by settling, plant uptake, volatilization, and such) and pollutant filtration through a substrate. For each type of BMP, the appropriate pollutant removal mechanisms were selected. For example, wet detention pond and swale BMPs include only the general loss component because the filtration mechanism is not applicable, whereas, bioretention, gravel wetland, infiltration system, and porous pavement BMPs include both general loss and filtration mechanisms.

The general loss or decay is represented using a first order decay model:

$$C_t = C_0 e^{(-kt)} \tag{3}$$

where C_t is the pollutant concentration at time t, C_0 is the initial pollutant concentration, and k is the first order decay rate (T^{-1}).

Pollutant filtration through substrate is simulated using percent removal:

$$C_{ud_out} = P_{rem} C_{in} e^{(-kt)}$$
(4)

where C_{ud_out} is the underdrain outflow pollutant concentration, C_{in} is pollutant concentration in inflow to the substrate, and P_{rem} is media filtration percent removal rate (0–1). Figure 4-1 illustrates the water quality simulation processes that occur in a BMP unit in BMPDSS. Parameters *k* and P_{rem} were adjusted during the water quality calibration processes.



Figure 4-1. Water quality simulation processes.

For calibration, hydraulic and water quality parameters were adjusted for each BMP using three rainfall events with the goal of achieving the best match between model predictions and measured data for each event. The average of the adjusted hydraulic and water quality parameters for three events became the calibrated parameters for each BMP.

Final testing of the BMPDSS model performance for each calibrated BMP was conducted by performing continuous simulations of the BMPDSS for the period of 2004–2006 and comparing the model predicted 2004–2006 BMP pollutant load reductions to the long-term BMP performances reported by UNHSC in its 2007 Annual Report (UNHSC 2007). The UNHSC calculated the long-term performance

using many monitoring events conducted over this period. This approach for testing the model's performance using long-term performance model results and data is particularly appropriate because the calibrated BMPDSS models were used for long-term simulations in the performance curve generations. During the testing process, the calibrated BMPDSS model was applied for each BMP for the period of 2004–2006 using hourly flow and quality results from SWMM as input. Then the model-predicted total inflow pollutant load and outflow load for the period were determined to calculate the pollutant reduction percentages (see section 4.1.4).

4.1.2. BMPDSS Calibration Events

The calibration events for BMPDSS are summarized in Table 4-1. As shown, six events were selected for use in the BMP calibration process ensuring that performance data are available for at least three events for each BMP. SWMM was calibrated with observed inflow and inflow pollutant concentrations for each selected storm. Calibrated time series of flow and pollutant concentrations were then used as input into BMPDSS for the BMP calibration.

	1	2	3	4	5	6
BMP list	10/30/2004	8/13/2005	11/30/2005	1/12/2006	5/9/2006	6/21/2006
Bioretention area						\checkmark
Grass swale			\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Gravel wetland						
Infiltration system				\checkmark	\checkmark	
Porous pavement			\checkmark	\checkmark		
Wet pond						\checkmark

Table 4-1. Selection of calibration events for BMPs

4.1.3. BMPDSS calibration results

Hydrologic calibrations of the BMP was first performed, followed by the water quality calibrations for the selected pollutants TSS, TP, TN, and Zn. However, it was determined during the calibration that there was insufficient TN data to complete the calibration of the BMP models for TN. Therefore, TN was dropped from the project, and the water quality calibrations focused on TSS, TP, and Zn.

1. Infiltration system

Calibration for event 08/13/2005

The hydrologic calibration of the infiltration system for event 08/13/2005 is illustrated in Figure 4-2. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-2.



Figure 4-2. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for infiltration system for event 08/13/2005.

Calibration for event 01/12/2006

The hydrologic calibration of the infiltration system for event 01/12/2006 is illustrated in Figure 4-3. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-2.



Figure 4-3. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for infiltration system for event 01/12/2006.

Calibration for event 05/09/2006

The hydrologic calibration of the infiltration system for event 05/09/2006 is illustrated in Figure 4-4. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-2.



Figure 4-4. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for infiltration system for event 05/09/2006.

The individual calibrated pollutant decay rate and percent removal parameters for the three calibration events were averaged (Table 4-2) to determine the overall calibrated water quality parameters for the infiltration system.

		-		Pollutants	
Calibration eve	ents		TSS	TP	Zn
	Observed	Inflow	72.13	0.16	0.11
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0.17	0.03	0
08/13/2005	BMPDSS	Calibrated outflow	0.17	0.03	0.006
	performance	Decay	0.76	0.31	0.47
		Perct. removal	0.93	0.70	0.85
01/12/2006	Observed	Inflow	52.06	0.10	0.03
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0	0.01	0
	BMPDSS	Calibrated outflow	0.03	0.01	0.001
	performance	Decay	0.73	0.29	0.44
		Perct. removal	0.90	0.65	0.81
	Observed	Inflow	94.03	0.12	0.04
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0	0.02	0
05/09/2006	BMPDSS	Calibrated outflow	0.01	0.02	0
	performance	Decay	0.73	0.21	0.44
		Perct. removal	0.91	0.50	0.79
Calibrated par	ameters	Decay	0.74	0.27	0.45
Calibrated parameters		Perct. removal	0.91	0.62	0.82

Table 4-2. Summary of calibration results for infiltration system

2. Gravel wetland

Calibration for event 08/13/2005

The hydrologic calibration of the gravel wetland for event 08/13/2005 is illustrated in Figure 4-5. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-3.



Figure 4-5. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for gravel wetland for event 08/13/2005.

Calibration for event 01/12/2006

The hydrologic calibration of the gravel wetland for event 01/12/2006 is illustrated in Figure 4-6. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-3.



Figure 4-6. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for gravel wetland for event 01/12/2006.

Calibration for event 06/21/2006

The hydrologic calibration of the gravel wetland for event 06/21/2006 is illustrated in Figure 4-7. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-3.



Figure 4-7. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for gravel wetland for event 06/21/2006.

The individual calibrated pollutant decay rate and percent removal parameters from the three calibration events were averaged (Table 4-3) to determine the overall calibrated water quality parameters for the gravel wetland.

			Pollutants				
Calibration eve	ents		TSS	TP	Zn		
	Observed	Inflow	72.13	0.16	0.11		
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0	0.08	0		
08/13/2005	BMDDSS	Calibrated outflow	0.116	0.08	0.008		
	performance	Decay	0.34	0.15	0.25		
	periormance	Perct. removal	0.87	0.24	0.54		
01/12/2006	Observed	Inflow	52.06	0.10	0.03		
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0	0.02	0.01		
	BMPDSS performance	Calibrated outflow	0.29	0.02	0.01		
		Decay	0.39	0.06	0.18		
		Perct. removal	0.86	0.14	0.55		
	Observed	Inflow	75.87	0.29	0.05		
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0.44	0.12	0		
06/21/2006	BMDDSS	Calibrated outflow	0.45	0.12	0.006		
	performance	Decay	0.35	0.12	0.14		
	periormance	Perct. removal	0.83	0.22	0.47		
Collibrated perometers		Decay	0.36	0.11	0.19		
	ameters	Perct. removal	0.85	0.20	0.52		

Table 4-3. Summary of calibration results for gravel wetland

3. Bioretention area

Calibration for event 10/30/2004

The hydrologic calibration of the bioretention area for event 10/30/2004 is illustrated in Figure 4-8. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-4.



Figure 4-8. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for bioretention area for event 10/30/2004.

Calibration for event 05/09/2006

The hydrologic calibration of the bioretention area for event 05/09/2006 is illustrated in Figure 4-9. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-4.



Figure 4-9. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for bioretention area for event 05/09/2006.

Calibration for event 06/21/2006

The hydrologic calibration of the bioretention area for event 06/21/2006 is illustrated in Figure 4-10. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-4.



Figure 4-10. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for bioretention area for event 06/21/2006.

The individual calibrated pollutant decay rate and percent removal parameters from the three events were averaged (Table 4-4) to determine the overall calibrated water quality parameters for the bioretention area.

			Pollutants			
Calibration eve	ents		TSS	TP	Zn	
	Observed	Inflow	32.56	0.02	0.08	
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0.56	0	0	
10/30/2004	BMDDSS	Calibrated outflow	0.56	0.02	0.002	
	nerformance	Decay	0.62	0.13	0.49	
	performance	Perct. removal	0.74	0.48	0.84	
05/09/2006	Observed	Inflow	94.03	0.12	0.04	
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0	0.12	0	
	BMPDSS performance	Calibrated outflow	1.3	0.12	0.003	
		Decay	0.92	0.17	0.49	
		Perct. removal	0.98	0.50	0.84	
	Observed	Inflow	75.87	0.29	0.05	
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0	0.16	0	
06/21/2006	BMDDSS	Calibrated outflow	0.20	0.16	0.001	
	nerformance	Decay	0.82	0.10	0.49	
	performance	Perct. removal	0.95	0.31	0.84	
Collibrated parameters		Decay	0.79	0.13	0.49	
	ameters	Perct. removal	0.89	0.43	0.84	

Table 4-4. Summary of calibration results for bioretention area

4. Porous pavement

Calibration for event 08/13/2005

The hydrologic calibration of the porous pavement for event 08/13/2005 is illustrated in Figure 4-11. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-5.



Figure 4-11. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for porous pavement for event 08/13/2005.

Calibration for event 11/30/2005

The hydrologic calibration of the porous pavement for event 11/30/2005 is illustrated in Figure 4-12. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-5.



Figure 4-12. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for porous pavement for event 11/30/2005.

Calibration for event 01/12/2006

The hydrologic calibration of the porous pavement for event 01/12/2006 is illustrated in Figure 4-13. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-5.



Figure 4-13. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for porous pavement for event 01/12/2006.

The individual calibrated pollutant decay rate and percent removal parameters from the three calibration events were averaged (Table 4-5) to determine the overall calibrated water quality parameters for the porous pavement.

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Calibration eve	ents		TSS	TP	Zn
	Observed	Inflow	72.13	0.16	0.11
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0	0.04	0
08/13/2005	BWDDSS	Calibrated outflow	0.59	0.04	0.006
	nerformance	Decay	0.17	0.0053	0.11
	performance	Perct. removal	0.53	0.11	0.24
11/30/2005	Observed	Inflow	17.31	0.09	0.03
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0	0.06	0
	BMPDSS performance	Calibrated outflow	0.94	0.06	0.01
		Decay	0.23	0.006	0.17
		Perct. removal	0.84	0.11	0.31
	Observed	Inflow	52.06	0.10	0.03
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0	0.04	0.05
01/12/2006	BWDDSS	Calibrated outflow	0.92	0.04	0.05
	performance	Decay	0.27	0.004	0.14
	performance	Perct. removal	0.88	0.09	0.29
Calibrated parameters		Decay	0.22	0.0051	0.14
		Perct. removal	0.75	0.1	0.28

Table 1-3. Summary of campration results for porous pavement	Table 4-5. Summar	7 of	calibration	results	for	porous	pavement
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5. Grass swale

Calibration for event 11/30/2005

The hydrologic calibration of the grass swale for event 11/30/2005 is illustrated in Figure 4-14. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-6.



Figure 4-14. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for grass swale for event 11/30/2005.

Calibration for event 01/12/2006

The hydrologic calibration of the grass swale for event 01/12/2006 is illustrated in Figure 4-15. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-6.


Figure 4-15. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for grass swale for event 01/12/2006.

Calibration for event 05/09/2006

The hydrologic calibration of the grass swale for event 05/09/2006 is illustrated in Figure 4-16. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-6.



Figure 4-16. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for grass swale for event 05/09/2006.

The individual calibrated pollutant decay rate and percent removal parameters from the three calibration events were averaged (Table 4-6) to determine the overall calibrated water quality parameters for the grass swale.

			Pollutants		
Calibration eve	ents		TSS TP Zn		Zn
	Observed	Inflow	17.31	0.09	0.03
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	20.88	0.17	0.02
11/30/2005	BMDDSS	Calibrated outflow	20.71	0.16	0.02
	nerformance	Decay	0.93	0.04	2.15
	performance	Perct. removal	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Observed	Inflow	52.06	0.10	0.03
01/12/2006	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	45.05	0.10	0.03
	BMPDSS performance	Calibrated outflow	41.44	0.16	0.03
		Decay	0.20	0.17	0.85
		Perct. removal	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Observed	Inflow	94.03	0.12	0.04
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0.5	0.08	0
05/09/2006	BMPDSS	Calibrated outflow	0.5	0.07	0.008
		Decay	0.85	0.10	2.35
	performance	Perct. removal	N/A	N/A	N/A
Calibrated par	ameters	Decay	0.66	0.10	1.78
Calibrated parameters		Perct. removal	N/A	N/A	N/A

Table 4-6. Summary of calibration results for grass swale

6. Wet pond

Calibration for event 08/13/2005

The hydrologic calibration of the wet pond for event 08/13/2005 is illustrated in Figure 4-17. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-7.



Figure 4-17. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for wet pond for event 08/13/2005.

Calibration for event 05/09/2006

The hydrologic calibration of the wet pond for event 05/09/2006 is illustrated in Figure 4-18. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-7.



Figure 4-18. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for wet pond for event 05/09/2006.

Calibration for event 06/21/2006

The hydrologic calibration of the wet pond for event 06/21/2006 is illustrated in Figure 4-19. The water quality calibration results for TSS, TP, and Zn are summarized in Table 4-7.



Figure 4-19. The hydrologic calibration of BMPDSS for wet pond for event 06/21/2006.

The individual calibrated pollutant decay rate and percent removal parameters from the three calibration events were averaged (Table 4-7) to determine the overall calibrated water quality parameters for the wet pond.

				Pollutants	
Calibration eve	ents		TSS TP Zn		Zn
	Observed	Inflow	72.13	0.16	0.11
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	47.62	0.14	0.02
08/13/2005	BWDDSS	Calibrated outflow	47.36	0.14	0.02
	nerformance	Decay	0.20	0.01	1.40
	periormance	Perct. removal	N/A	N/A	N/A
05/09/2006	Observed	Inflow	94.03	0.12	0.04
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	0.8	0.04	0.005
	BMPDSS performance	Calibrated outflow	0.8	0.04	0.005
		Decay	0.40	0.03	1.50
		Perct. removal	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Observed	Inflow	75.87	0.29	0.05
	EMC (mg/L)	Outflow	34.03	0.21	0
06/21/2006	BMPDSS	Calibrated outflow	34.23	0.21	0.003
		Decay	0.18	0.05	1.69
	periormance	Perct. removal	N/A	N/A	N/A
Calibrated par	ameters	Decay	0.26	0.03	1.53
Calibrated parameters		Perct. removal	N/A	N/A	N/A

Table 4-7. Summary	of calibration	results for wet pond

4.1.4. BMPDSS Test Results

The calibrated BMPDSS models performances were tested by comparing the model simulated long-term pollutant removal for the 2004–2006 period to the UNHSC reported long-term BMP performances reported for the same period. The calibrated BMPDSS models were run for the 2004–2006 period, and the pollutant removal rates of each BMP were calculated and compared to the UNHSC-reported values (UNHSC 2007). It is important to note that the UNHSC-reported values represent the median pollutant removal of selected storms (approximately 17–20 storms) for each BMP. BMPDSS-simulated pollutant removal reports the cumulative pollutant removal of all storms (34 storms) that occurred during the selected period including those analyzed by UNHSC.

1. Infiltration system

The test results of the infiltration system BMPDSS model are shown in Table 4-8. As shown, the BMPDSS model simulation results for TSS, TP, and Zn removal are similar to the UNHSC-reported values.

	TSS	TP	Zn
Total pollutant load	(lbs)	(lbs)	(lbs)
Inflow	279.29	2.81	0.45
Outflow	4.21	0.48	0.01
Pollutant removal	98%	83%	98%
UNHSC-report percentage	99%	81%	99%

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2. Gravel wetland

The test results of the gravel wetland BMPDSS model are shown in Table 4-9. As shown, the BMPDSS model simulation results for TSS, TP, and Zn removal are similar to the UNHSC-reported values.

	TSS	TP	Zn
Total pollutant load	(lbs)	(lbs)	(lbs)
Inflow	279.29	2.81	0.45
Outflow	4.61	1.05	0.04
Pollutant removal	98%	63%	91%
UNHSC-report percentage	99%	55%	99%

Table 4-9.	. Test results	of gravel	wetland remov	al efficiencies	for 2004–2006

3. Bioretention area

The test results of the bioretention area BMPDSS model are shown in Table 4-10. As shown, the BMPDSS model simulation results for TSS and Zn are similar (< 5 percent difference) to the UNHSC-reported values. However, the BMPDSS model simulated a much higher long-term pollutant removal rate for TP than the UNHSC-reported value. The bioretention system at UNHSC has gone through several design and construction related issues during the selected period. The observed data could have been influenced by these uncertainties. A review of bioretention performance data reported by others indicates that the UNHSC-reported TP removal of 5 percent is relatively low for a well-functioning bioretention type of BMP.

Consequently, the bioretention module in the existing BMPDSS, which was calibrated to bioretention performance data from the University of Maryland (Tetra Tech 2007) has resulted in a long-term TP

removal of 64 percent. The BMPDSS model prediction for TP removal appears to be reasonable when compared to the pollutant removal percentages reported by EPA for bioretention systems (USEPA 1999), which is 70–83 percent.

Total pollutant load	TSS (lbs)	TP (lbs)	Zn (Ibs)
Inflow	279.29	2.81	0.45
Outflow	15.82	1.13	0.02
Pollutant removal	94%	60%	96%
UNHSC-reported percentage	99%	5%	99%

Table 4-10. Test results of bioretention area removal efficiencies for 2004–2006

4. Porous pavement

The test results of the porous pavement BMPDSS model are shown in Table 4-11. As shown, the BMPDSS model simulation results for TSS, TP, and Zn removal are similar to the UNHSC-reported values.

Table 4-11. Test results of porous pavement removal efficiencies for 2004–2006

	TSS	TP	Zn
Total pollutant load	(lbs)	(lbs)	(lbs)
Inflow	279.29	2.81	0.45
Outflow	5.46	1.58	0.04
Pollutant removal	98%	43%	92%
UNHSC-reported percentage	99%	38%	96%

5. Grass swale

The test results of the grass swale BMPDSS model are shown in Table 4-12. As shown, the BMPDSS model simulation results for TSS, TP, and Zn removal are similar to the UNHSC-reported values.

Table 4-12.	Test results of	grass swale	removal	efficiencies	for	2004-	2006
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	TSS	TP	Zn
Total pollutant load	(lbs)	(lbs)	(lbs)
Inflow	279.29	2.81	0.45
Outflow	87.87	2.01	0.08
Pollutant removal	69%	29%	83%
UNHSC-reported percentage	60%	NT	88%

6. Wet pond

The test results of the wet pond BMPDSS model are shown in Table 4-13. As shown, the BMPDSS model simulation results for TSS, TP, and Zn removal are similar to the UNHSC-reported values.

	TSS	TP	Zn
Total pollutant load	(lbs)	(lbs)	(lbs)
Inflow	279.29	2.81	0.45
Outflow	85.46	2.25	0.02
Pollutant removal	69%	20%	96%
UNHSC-reported percentage	72%	16%	93%

Table 4-13. Tes	st results of we	et pond removal	efficiencies fo	or 2004–2006
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4.1.5. BMPDSS Calibration Summary

The BMPDSS model was calibrated and tested for six BMPs using observed data from UNHSC. Three events were selected for calibrating each BMP, and the BMP model performances were tested against the 2004–2006 pollutant reduction percentages documented in the UNHSC 2007 Annual Report.

Calibrations of the BMPDSS model indicate that the model is capable of simulating the hydraulic performances of BMPs, and the models test results show that the long-term prediction of BMP performances are in close agreement with the values reported by UNHSC.

The successful calibration and testing of the BMPDSS models with UNHSC data supports the use of the models to generate credible long-term BMP performance curves for the New England Region (Section 5).

4.2. BMPDSS Representation

In developing BMP performance curves, one important step is to represent the selected eight BMPs in the BMPDSS model with appropriate specifications. In this project, BMP specifications were represented by following the *Structural BMP Specifications for the Massachusetts Stormwater Handbook* (MassDEP 2008a). This section provides an overview of the eight BMPs that were represented in BMPDSS. A brief description of design specifications is provided for each BMP, followed by the modeling schematic of that BMP in BMPDSS.

4.2.1. Infiltration System

Infiltration trenches and infiltration basins are two common systems in use. Infiltration trenches are shallow excavations filled with stone. They can be designed to capture sheet flow or piped inflow. The stone and piping or storage units (if applicable) provide underground storage for stormwater runoff so that it can be gradually infiltrated through the bottom or sides of the trench into the subsoil. Infiltration basins are stormwater runoff impoundments that are constructed over permeable soils. Pretreatment is critical for effective performance of infiltration basins. Runoff from the design storm is stored until it infiltrates through the soil of the basin floor. The *Massachusetts Stormwater Handbook* requires 44 percent TSS removal through pretreatment in critical areas for infiltration basins. For developing BMP performance curves, infiltration trenches and infiltration basins were sized according to the Massachusetts standards.





Figure 4-20. A typical infiltration trench design.

The representation of an infiltration trench in BMPDSS is shown in Figure 4-21. As shown, surface runoff is routed to the infiltration unit. Overflow from the infiltration unit is routed through an orifice.



Figure 4-21. BMPDSS representation schematic for the infiltration trench.

A list of major parameters for the Figure 4-21 representation is summarized in Table 4-14.

Table 4-14. Design parameters for representing the initiration trench in bill pos			
Components of representation		Design parameters	Value
	Sand filter	Porosity	0.40
Infiltration Unit		Depth	6 in
	Stopo Javor	Depth	6 feet
	Stolle layer	Porosity	0.45

Table 4-14. Design parameters for representir	g the infiltration trench in BMPDSS

The treatment capacity depends on the infiltration rate of soil at the bottom of the system. Therefore, BMP performance curves were developed for six different infiltration rates, 0.17, 0.27, 0.52, 1.02, 2.41, and 8.27 in/hr. Using the runoff volumes to be treated, the surface areas of the infiltration trench were estimated. To develop the curves, first the infiltration systems were sized with a physical storage capacity of 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0, 1.5, and 2.0 inches of runoff volume from the contributing impervious surfaces. Next, long-term continuous simulations were performed using BMPDSS for a 10-year period to determine the cumulative pollutant load removed for TP, TSS, and Zn. Finally, for each of the BMP sizes simulated, the cumulative pollutant removal performance (expressed as % removed) was plotted against the corresponding BMP size.

Figure 4-22 illustrates an infiltration basin (representative of a surface infiltration system).



Figure 4-22. Typical design of an infiltration basin.

A representation of the infiltration basin in BMPDSS is shown in Figure 4-23. As shown, surface runoff is routed to the infiltration unit. Overflow from the infiltration unit is routed through a weir.



Figure 4-23. BMPDSS representation of infiltration basin

When representing the infiltration basin in BMPDSS, the depth of the infiltration basin was set at 2 feet. The surface area of the infiltration basin was initially sized according to the *Static* method and using the equation on page 17, chapter 1, volume 3 of *Documenting Compliance with the Massachusetts Stormwater Management Standards* (MassDEP 2008b).

Similar to the infiltration trench, the treatment capacity of the infiltration basin depends on the infiltration rate of soil at the bottom of the basin. Therefore, the BMP performance curves were developed for six different infiltration rates, 0.17, 0.27, 0.52, 1.02, 2.41, and 8.27 in/hr. Depending on the runoff volume to be treated, the surface areas of the infiltration basin was estimated. To develop the curves, first the infiltration systems were sized with a physical storage capacity of 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0, 1.5, and 2.0 inches of runoff volume from the contributing impervious surfaces. Next, long-term continuous simulations were performed using BMPDSS for a 10-year period to determine the cumulative pollutant load removed for TP, TSS, and Zn. Finally, for each of the BMP sizes simulated, the cumulative pollutant removal performance (expressed as % removed) was plotted against the corresponding BMP size.

4.2.2. Gravel Wetland

The gravel wetland consists of a series of horizontal flow through treatment cells preceded by a sediment forebay. Figure 4-24 illustrates the two treatment basins of the gravel wetland design in accordance with MA standards (same as at UNHSC). Incoming runoff is first routed to the sediment forebay, from which a riser pipe releases runoff into the first treatment basin. The riser pipe in the first treatment basin then routes flow to an underground gravel reservoir, where pollutant removal occurs by several processes including filtration, sedimentation, absorption, and oxidation. The root system on top of the gravel layer provides biological treatment through pollutant uptake and biological activities. Water leaves the first treatment basin through either an underdrain pipe that connects the first treatment basin to the second basin or an overflow orifice designed to contain the channel protection volume on the surface of the system. The second treatment basin functions similarly as the first basin. The only difference is that the crest height for the underdrain outlet pipe is elevated to 8 inches below the wetland soil surface so that the gravel reservoir remains full.



Figure 4-24. The UNHSC design of gravel wetland (as per MA standard).

The gravel wetland schematic for BMPDSS is illustrated in Figure 4-25. The schematic consists of a dry pond and two modified bioretention areas. The details representing a bioretention system are presented in the next section. Outflow from the dry pond (sediment forebay) is routed to the first treatment basin (Modified BA#1) through outlet structures (Orifice #1 and Weir #1). Inflow to the first treatment basin is routed to the gravel layer through the wetland soils by setting an artificially high infiltration rate. An underdrain orifice (Orifice #3) connects the first treatment basin to the second basin, and an overflow orifice (Orifice #2) provides an additional bypassing path. The second treatment basin is structurally similar to the first basin, except that the outflow pipe is elevated and set just below the wetland soil layer. A list of the design parameters, shown in the Figure 4-25 schematic, is summarized in Table 4-15.



Figure 4-25. BMPDSS representation schematic for the UNHSC grave wetland design.

Components of representation		Design parameters	Value
Sediment Forebay (10% of Treatment		Depth	1.3 feet
Volume)		Surface area	Variable
Wetland Cell #1 (45% of	Ponding area	Surface area	Variable
	Fulluling alea	Depth	2.2 feet
	Gravel layer	Depth	24 in
Watland Call #2 (15% of	Ponding area	Surface area	Variable
Treatment Volume)	Fulluling alea	Maximum depth	2.2 feet
freatment volume)	Gravel layer	Depth	24 in

Table 4-15. Design	n parameters for re	presenting gravel	wetland in BMPDSS

Depending on the runoff volume treated, the surface areas of sediment forebay and treatment cells were estimated. To develop the curves, first the gravel wetland system was sized with a physical storage capacity of 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0, 1.5, and 2.0 inches of runoff volume from the contributing impervious surfaces. Next, long-term continuous simulations were performed using BMPDSS for a 10-year period to determine the cumulative pollutant load removed for TP, TSS, and Zn. Finally, for each of the gravel wetland system sizes simulated, the cumulative pollutant removal performance (expressed as % removed) was plotted against the corresponding BMP size.

4.2.3. Bioretention Area

The design specification of bioretention area is illustrated in Figure 4-26 as presented in the *Structural BMP* Specifications for the Massachusetts Stormwater Handbook (MassDEP 2008a). As shown, a ponding area, mulch layer, planting soil mix, and gravel mix in an underdrain area are required for a typical bioretention system. Depending on conditions of the underlying soil, bioretention can be designed as a filtration facility with a sealed or impermeable bottom or as an infiltration facility by allowing natural infiltration to the subsoil.



Figure 4-26. Typical cross-section of a bioretention area.

The existing bioretention template in BMPDSS consists of two modules: one surface storage module and one subsurface treatment module (Figure 4-27). The storage module represents the ponding area on the bioretention basin, and two types of hydraulic control structures (orifice and weir) are available for releasing runoff downstream. The treatment module underneath the storage module receives infiltrated water from above. The treatment module consists of two layers: the planting soil layer on top and the underlying gravel layer. An underdrain system in the gravel layer transports treated water from the system.



Figure 4-27. The surface storage module (a) and subsurface treatment module (b) in the BMPDSS representation of a bioretention area.

As shown in Figure 4-27b, the BMPDSS program has two layers of materials (soil and gravel) in the bioretention unit.



Figure 4-28. BMPDSS representation schematic for a bioretention area.

As indicated in the BMPDSS schematic (Figure 4-28), the bioretention system model closely matches the key design features of a bioretention area. Design and other parameters for the above schematic are summarized in Table 4-16 below.

Components of representation	Parameters	Value
	Maximum depth	6 in
Ponding	Surface area	Varies with runoff depth treated
	Vegetative parameter ^a	85-95%
	Depth	30 in
Soil mix	Porosity	40%
	Hydraulic conductivity ^b	4 inches/hour
	Depth	8 in
Gravel layer	Porosity	40%
	Hydraulic conductivity ^b	14 inches/hour
Orifice #1	Diameter	6 in

Table 4-16. Design and other parameters for representing bioretention area in BMPDSS

^a Refers to the percentage of surface covered with vegetation

^b Refers to the hydraulic conductivity

Depending on the runoff volume to be treated, the surface areas of bioretention systems were estimated. To develop the curves, first the bioretention system was sized with a physical storage capacity of 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0, 1.5, and 2.0 inches of runoff volume from the contributing impervious surfaces. Next, long-term continuous simulations were performed using BMPDSS for a 10-year period to determine the cumulative pollutant load removed for TP, TSS, and Zn. Finally, for each of the bioretention areas simulated, the cumulative pollutant removal performance (expressed as % removed) was plotted against the corresponding BMP size.

4.2.4. Porous Pavement

Figure 4-29 illustrates a typical design of porous pavement as presented in Massachusetts' stormwater handbook, which consists of five filtering layers. The four layers, from the top to bottom, are porous asphalt, stone choker course, sand/gravel layer, filter blanket, and the stone infiltration reservoir. The existing BMPDSS module for representing porous pavement is similar to the bioretention area subsurface treatment basin (Figure 4-27b) shown previously. The BMPDSS representation also assumes a two-layer design of the porous pavement, which includes a porous asphalt layer and a stone reservoir layer. However, when the module is used for porous pavement, changes are needed to the vegetation coverage (change to 0) and soils layer (adjust to reflect the depth, porosity, and hydraulic conductivity of the porous asphalt).

The BMPDSS porous pavement module must be adjusted to accommodate a typical design. Because the existing module allows for only two filtering layers, the typical design of four layers needs to be composited into two on the basis of the hydraulic conductivity and depth. In doing so, the three layers above the stone infiltration reservoir are composited into one. The resulting schematic in BMPDSS is shown in Figure 4-30.



Figure 4-29. Typical cross-section of porous pavement.



Bottom soil

Figure 4-30. The BMPDSS representation schematic for porous pavement design.

To accurately reflect the combined effects of the top three layers in typical design, principles depicting flow through multiple layers (Hillel 1998) were followed to generate the effective hydraulic conductivity for the composite layer in Figure 4-30. A list of the input parameters to complete the representation is summarized in Table 4-17.

Table 4-11. Design parameters for representing porous pavement in BNIPDSS			
Components of representation		Design parameters	Value
		Depth	4 in
	Porous asphalt	Porosity	18-20%
		Hydraulic conductivity	750 in/hr
		Depth	4 in
Composite layer	Chocker course	Porosity	40%
		Hydraulic conductivity	14 in/hr
	Filter course	Depth	12-32 in
		Porosity	25%
		Hydraulic conductivity	1.4 in/hr
Gravel layer		Depth	8 in
		Porosity	40%
		Hydraulic conductivity	14 in/hr

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Porous pavement treats all the rainfall falls on it. It is impossible to size this BMP to treat a selected depth of runoff. In order to meet the transportation and other requirements, porous pavement needs to meet specific design standards. Four different sizes of porous pavement (by varying the thickness of the filter course), 12 (MA minimum requirement), 18, 24, 32 inches (UNHSC design standard) were used to develop the performance curves for this BMP.

4.2.5. Water Quality Swales

Water quality swales are vegetated open channels designed to treat the required water quality volume and to convey runoff from large storms. According to Massachusetts' stormwater handbook, there are two different types of water quality swales that may be used to satisfy the state's stormwater management standards; dry swales and wet swales. Although the design, construction, and processes for these swales differ, both types of swales perform similarly in pollutant removal (MassDEP 2008a).

A typical water quality wet swale is illustrated in Figure 4-31. Wet swales store the water quality volume in a series of cells within the channel, which can be formed by berms or check dams and can contain wetland vegetation. The pollutant removal mechanisms in wet swales are similar to those of stormwater wetlands, which rely on sedimentation, adsorption, and microbial breakdown (MassDEP 2008a).



Figure 4-31. Typical design of a water quality wet swale.

The BMPDSS grass swale template consists of three components. The first component is the transport module (Figure 4-32), which routes stormwater flow through the grass swale channel. The second module (storage module) retains the water quality volume. It is similar to the surface storage module for a bioretention system as shown in Figure 4-27a. The third module is the subsurface infiltration module, which is similar to the subsurface treatment module for the bioretention area shown in Figure 4-27b. When used for the grass swale infiltration, the two-layer module shown in Figure 4-27b must be consolidated to one layer (eliminating the gravel layer).

A list of the design parameters required to represent water quality swale is summarized in Table 4-18.



Figure 4-32. The BMPDSS transport module for grass swales.

Components of representation	Design parameters	Value
	Bottom width	2-8 feet
	Maximum depth	4 feet
	Side slope	4:1
Swale channel	Longitudinal slope	1%
	Length	Variable
	Manning's roughness	0.25
	Vegetative parameter	80%

Table 4-18. Design	parameters for repre	senting a wet swale in BMPDSS
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Depending on the runoff volume treated, the length and the width of the swale were estimated. To develop the curves, first the swales were sized with a physical storage capacity of 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0, 1.5, and 2.0 inches of runoff volume from the contributing impervious surfaces. Next, long-term continuous simulations were performed using BMPDSS for a 10-year period to determine the cumulative pollutant load removed for TP, TSS, and Zn. Finally, for each swale simulated, the cumulative pollutant removal performance (expressed as % removed) was plotted against the corresponding swale size.

4.2.6. Wet Retention Pond (Wet Basins)

Wet basins use a permanent pool of water as the primary mechanism to treat stormwater. The pool allows sediments to settle (including fine sediments) and removes soluble pollutants. A typical design of a wet retention pond is shown in Figure 4-33 (MassDEP 2008a). As shown, the design is composed of a sediment forebay and a wet pond that has permanent pool for water quality treatment.



The two components of a wet pond design have corresponding modules in BMPDSS. The sediment forebay, to capture 0.24 inch/impervious acre, can be represented with a dry pond. BMPDSS has a multi-stage pond module (Figure 4-34), which can be used to represent the wet pond. As shown in Figure 4-34, the multi-stage pond allows for inputting an irregular cross-section, which is presented using stage-storage relationship; multiple outlet structures are allowed.



Figure 4-34. The BMPDSS multi-stage pond module.

The proposed schematic of a wet retention pond in BMPDSS is shown in Figure 4-35. As shown, the schematic consists of a dry pond and a permanent pool. Weir #1 discharges flow from the sediment forebay to the permanent pool, which has the overflow structure (Orifice #1).



Figure 4-35. BMPDSS representation schematic for wet retention pond design.

Depending on the runoff volume treated, the surface area of permanent pool is estimated. It is assumed the permanent pool has a depth of 6 feet and a side slope of 4:1 as Horizontal:Veritcal. Sediment forebay volume will be 0.25 times the permanent pool volume. According to the Massachusetts standards, this volume is excluded from the treatment volume. A list of the design parameters for the schematic is summarized in Table 4-19.

Table 4-19. Design parameters for representing a wet retention pond in BMPDSS			
Components of representation	Design parameters Value		
Sediment forebay	Bottom area	Variable	
(Volume = $0.25 \times Permanent Pool & Slope$	Maximum depth 2 feet		
4:1)	Surface area	Variable	
Permanent Pool	Bottom area	Variable	
(Volume = Runoff Depth Treated × Area	Maximum depth	6 feet	
Treated & Slope 4:1)	Surface area	Variable	

To develop the curves, the wet ponds were first sized with a physical storage capacity of 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0, 1.5, and 2.0 inches of runoff volume from the contributing impervious surfaces. Next, long-term continuous simulations were performed using BMPDSS for a 10-year period to determine the cumulative pollutant load removed for TP, TSS, and Zn. Finally, for each wet pond size simulated, the cumulative pollutant removal performance (expressed as % removed) was plotted against the corresponding BMP size.

4.2.7. Extended Dry Detention (Dry Basins)

Extended dry detention basins are modified conventional dry detention basins designed to hold stormwater for at least 24 hours, allowing solids to settle and reducing local and downstream flooding. Extended dry detention basins can be designed with either a fixed or adjustable outflow device. Other components such as a micropool or shallow marsh can be added to enhance pollutant removal. A typical extended dry detention design is presented in Figure 4-36.



The proposed schematic of an extended dry detention pond in BMPDSS is shown in Figure 4-37. As shown, the representation consists of a dry pond and a permanent pool. Weir #1 discharges flow from the sediment forebay to detention basin, which has the overflow structure (Orifice #1) and discharge orifice (Orifice #2). The discharge orifice is sized to store the design volume and discharge in 24 hours. The sediment forebay, to capture 0.24 inches/impervious acre, can be represented with a dry pond.





Depending on the runoff volume treated, the surface area of detention basin is estimated. It is assumed that the detention basin has a depth of 6 feet and a side slope of 4:1 as Horizontal:Vertical. Sediment forebay volume will be 0.25 times of permanent pool volume. According to the Massachusetts standards, this volume is excluded from the treatment volume. A list of the design parameters for the schematic is summarized in Table 4-20.

Components of representation	Design parameters	Value
Sediment forebay	Bottom area	Variable
(Volume = 0.25 × Permanent Pool & Slope	Maximum depth	2 feet
4:1)	Surface area	Variable
Detention basin	Bottom area (length: width = 2:1)	Variable
Treated & Slope 1:1)	Maximum depth	6 feet
	Surface area	Variable

Table 4-20. Design parameters for representing extended dry detention pond in BMPDSS

To develop the curves, the extended dry ponds were first sized with a physical storage capacity of 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0, 1.5, and 2.0 inches of runoff volume from the contributing impervious surfaces. Next, long-term continuous simulations were performed using BMPDSS for a 10-year period to determine the cumulative pollutant load removed for TP, TSS, and Zn. Finally, for each pond size simulated, the cumulative pollutant removal performance (expressed as % removed) was plotted against the corresponding BMP size.

5. PERFORMANCE CURVE

The calibrated BMPDSS model was applied for the following eight types of stormwater BMP to generate estimates of long-term cumulative BMP performances:

- 1. Surface infiltration systems (e.g., basin)
- 2. Subsurface infiltration systems (e.g., trench)
- 3. Gravel wetland systems
- 4. Bioretention systems
- 5. Water quality swales
- 6. Porous pavement systems
- 7. Wet ponds
- 8. Extended dry detention ponds

Long-term BMP performance estimates for each BMP were generated for pollutant loading rates associated with each of the five land uses selected for the project (Commercial, Low-Density Residential, Medium-Density Residential, High-Density Residential, and Industrial). Long-term cumulative BMP performance estimates are presented as performance curves for each of the three water quality constituents, TP, TSS, and Zn. Performance curves were not generated for TN because there were insufficient TN monitoring data available for the BMPs during model calibration. Additionally, performance curves of runoff volume captured (runoff volume reduction) were generated for both the surface and subsurface infiltration systems. The runoff capture performance curves can be used to estimate change in effective impervious cover for limited circumstances. These curves will be equivalent to percent reduction in effective impervious area only in terms of annual runoff volume reductions.

The performance curves are intended to be used to estimate long-term cumulative pollutant removal efficiencies (or runoff volume for infiltration systems) for BMPs that are based on similar design standards and according to the size (i.e., capacity) of the BMP system. Section 5.1 presents the concept of BMP performance curves, how they can be applied, and the assumptions and limitations of employing them.

5.1. BMP Performance Curve and Application

A series of BMP performance rating curves were developed for five land uses through the linkage of water quality and BMP models. Each BMP rating curve depicts the relationship between the size of a BMP and the percentage of pollutant removal over a long period of time (i.e., 10 years). The rating curves will help the practitioners to size BMPs for achieving known pollutant reduction goals or for determining appropriate pollutant removal credits for existing BMPs of known size. An example rating curve for gravel wetland performance in commercial land use is shown in Figure 5-1. The X axis is the size of the gravel wetland, represented by the depth (volume) of runoff to be treated by the gravel wetland. The Y axis is the long-term cumulative pollutant removal performance expressed as percent reduction. The rating curve shown in Figure 5-1 can be used for sizing BMPs depending on the objectives of pollutant removal. For example, if a target of 60 percent TP removal is sought for the gravel wetland system in Figure 5-1, a horizontal line can be drawn from the 60 percent value on the Y axis to the point where it intersects the TP performance curve. The vertical line drawn from the point on the TP curve intersects the X axis at

approximately 0.9 inch. Thus, a gravel wetland needs to be sized for 0.9 inch of runoff to achieve an annual 60 percent reduction in TP.

For each BMP, there is a different rating curve for each pollutant. Thus, when sizing a BMP for meeting several pollutant-removal objectives, the practitioner must first find the required BMP sizes according to each of the pollutant-rating curves, and then select the largest BMP size.



Note: To get 60 percent TP reduction, it requires a gravel wetland sized to store and treat approximately 0.9 inch of runoff from impervious area.

Figure 5-1. The BMP performance curve of a gravel wetland in a commercial land use.

5.2. Example Application of BMP Performance Curve

One commercial site and one low-density residential site were selected to demonstrate how the BMP performance curves could be applied. Although the sites are real, the application is hypothetical. The demonstrated application below assumes that there are no existing BMPs.

5.2.1. Commercial Application

Site Details: Total Area = 40 acres, Total Impervious Area = 21 acres Location: Town of Bellingham, MA

BMP Treatment Objective: 65 percent reduction of TP

Site Overview: The site has two impervious sections. The upper section includes a small building, roads, and parking lots at the upper portion of the property boundary. The lower section includes the large building complex, roads, and parking lots. The upper section has imperviousness of approximately 2 acres and the lower section has approximately 19 acres.

Assumptions: Soil infiltration rate = 0.52 in/hr, High groundwater depth = 10 ft

This sample site is shown in Figure 5-2.



Figure 5-2. A sample commercial lot requires 65 percent TP reduction.

BMP Selection

Among the BMPs for which performance information was generated, the wet pond, dry detention pond, and water quality swale were unsuitable for this site because the maximum TP removals are less than 65 percent. However, the gravel wetland and infiltration trench were identified as suitable options.

Gravel wetland

Figure 5-3 illustrates the rating curve for a gravel wetland BMP in a commercial site.



Figure 5-3. BMP performance curve of gravel wetland in commercial land use.

To obtain 65 percent TP reduction, 1.5 inches of runoff from impervious surface needs to be stored and treated in a gravel wetland.

Storage of the upper section gravel wetland = 1.5 in $\times 2$ acres = 0.25 ac-ft Storage of the lower section = 1.5 in $\times 19$ acres = 2.375 ac-ft

Table 5-1 lists the design parameters for the gravel wetlands to reduce TP by 65 percent at the selected commercial site.

Components of representation		Design parameters	Upper gravel wetland	Lower gravel wetland
Sediment Forebay (1	LO% of Treatment	Depth (in)	16	16
Volume)		Surface area (sq. ft)	817	7,760
Wotland Coll #1	Ponding area	Surface area (sq. ft)	1,750	16,630
(45% of Treatment Volume)		Depth (in)	24	24
	Gravel layer (porosity = 0.4)	Depth (in)	24	24
Wotland Coll #2	Ponding area	Surface area (sq. ft)	1,750	16,630
(45% of Treatment Volume)	Foliuling area	Depth (in)	24	24
	Gravel layer (porosity = 0.4)	Depth (in)	24	24

Table 5-1. Design parameters for potential gravel wetlands to reduce TP by 65 percent at the commercial site.

Note: The selected BMP also provides approximately 99 percent reduction in TSS and 90 percent reduction in Zn from the impervious area.

Option 2: Infiltration Trench

Figure 5-4 illustrates the rating curve for an infiltration trench BMP in a commercial land use.





For an infiltration trench, the Massachusetts stormwater specifications require pretreatment. This estimation assumes that the pretreatments are designed appropriately. To obtain 65 percent TP reduction, the trench system needs to have a storage capacity of 0.4 inch of runoff from impervious surfaces. These design parameters are listed in Table 5-2.

Storage of the upper section infiltration basin = 0.4 in $\times 2$ acres = 0.07 ac-ft Storage of the lower section = 0.4 in $\times 19$ acres = 0.63 ac-ft

Table 5-2. Design parameters for the	potential infiltration	trenches to reduce	TP by 65 percent at
	the commercial site		

Components of representation		Design parameters	Value
Infiltration trench	Sand filter	Porosity	0.40
	Sand litter	Depth	6 in
	Stone layer	Depth	6 feet
		Porosity	0.45
Surface area (sg. ft)	Upper Infiltration Trench		1,010
	Lower Infiltration Trench		9,470

Note: The selected infiltration trench also provides approximately 98 percent reduction in Zn, 90 percent reduction in TSS and 60 percent reduction in runoff volume from the impervious area.

5.2.2. Low-Density Residential Application

Site Details: Total Area = 1.3 acres, Total Impervious Area = 0.4 acres Location: Town of Milford, MA BMP Treatment Objective: 65 percent reduction of TP Site Overview: The site has a building and driveway as impervious area. Assumptions: Soil infiltration rate = 0.27 in/hr, High groundwater depth = 10 ft

This sample site is shown in Figure 5-5.



Figure 5-5. A sample Low-Density residential lot requires 65 percent TP reduction.

BMP Selection

Among the BMPs for which the performance information was generated, the wet pond, dry detention pond, and water quality swale were unsuitable for this site because they could not achieve the needed TP removal (maximum TP removals of these BMPs are less than 65 percent). In this case, a bioretention system (rain garden) is identified as a suitable BMP to treat the runoff from the impervious area.

Figure 5-3 illustrates the rating curve for a bioretention BMP in a low-density residential site.



Figure 5-6. BMP performance curve of bioretention in low-density residential land use.

To obtain 65 percent TP reduction, the bioretention area must have a storage capacity of 0.64 inches of runoff from impervious surfaces.

Storage of bioretention = 0.64 in \times 0.4 acres = 0.02 ac-ft

Assuming the design parameters and specifications as presented in Table 4-16, the surface area of bioretention = 525 sq. ft.

Note: The selected BMP also provides approximately 97 percent reduction in TSS and 80 percent reduction in Zn.

5.3. Assumptions and Limitations

BMP performance curves developed and reported here rely on the modeling of real BMP systems. Calibrated land-based and BMP models were used to simulate hydrologic and water quality processes for both the land and BMP components. All assumptions of the models that were used—SWMM (Huber and Dickinson 1988) for land simulation and BMPDSS (Tetra Tech 2005a) for BMP simulation—are applicable to this study. Another major assumption is that the BMPs are appropriately designed, built, and maintained as required by Massachusetts stormwater requirements presented in the *Structural BMP Specifications for the Massachusetts Stormwater Handbook* (MassDEP 2008a). The following is the summary of assumptions and limitations for developing and applying BMP performance curves that were created for this project.

- BMP configuration and placement:
 - The curves represent the pollutant removal performance of each BMP as an independent unit. It would be inappropriate to use these curves directly if BMPs were to be installed in series.
 - Another assumption and limitation is that the BMP performance curves were developed to treat stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces. Thus, it would be inappropriate to use these curves directly to size BMPs to treat runoff from pervious surfaces. However, if a system were designed to treat runoff from an area that includes both impervious and pervious areas, the size of the BMP should account for any runoff volume that could be contributed by the pervious area. This should not be an issue if the BMP size is less than the initial abstraction for the pervious area because the pervious area should not contribute runoff for storms less than this size. However, if, for example, the BMP were sized to treat 1 inch of runoff from impervious area and the drainage area includes pervious area with an initial abstraction of 0.7 inches, the actual size of the BMP capacity would need to be increased by 0.3 inch from the pervious area to obtain full reduction credit for treating the impervious area.
- BMP performance and applicability
 - Operation and maintenance of BMPs are performed according to the specifications and, therefore, BMPs maintain the same performance during their life time.
 - o Soil characteristics of BMP sites remain the same over the BMPs' life time.
 - BMP performance curves were developed using the precipitation records from Boston, Massachusetts. It would be appropriate to use the curves for other regions with similar precipitation characteristics. The use of these curves beyond the precipitation characteristics of Boston, Massachusetts, would require further examination.

The benefits of the system of developed BMP performance curves are much more than its limitations. The system provides a quick assessment tool targeted to the New England region that can be used to evaluate selected BMP siting to meet a range of reduction targets for specific pollutants. The direct use of the system of curves saves resources required for detailed modeling and other evaluations for each site. The system of curves also can be used to quantify the credits associated with existing BMPs. The system can be used to evaluate the alternatives of BMPs for mitigating the effects of development and benefits of redevelopment.

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APPENDIX A: BACKGROUND ON BMPDSS

A.1. Land Use Time Series

In BMPDSS, hydrographs and pollutographs from the drainage area are routed through BMPs placed in the project area. To simplify the land simulation process, land use-based hydrographs and pollutographs are developed using watershed model and stored in the database. For example, Hydrologic Simulation Program, FORTRAN (HSPF) was applied to generate the time series in the Prince George's County version of BMPDSS. The BMP performance analysis for New England employs SWMM (as detailed in section 3 of this report) for generating hydrographs and pollutographs for the selected land uses and stored in the geospatial database.

A.2. BMPDSS

Jurisdictions with established urban areas and newly developing areas must find cost-effective means for minimizing effects of development and for planning future growth. BMPDSS can be applied to analyze the overall performance of multiple BMPs and find an optimal solution for their implementation. BMPDSS can provide assessment of both distributed (including LID-type) and centralized BMPs in combinations implemented for a given watershed management or TMDL implementation plan and can support selection of the optimum plan that maximizes benefits and leads to significant cost savings. This quantitative approach can provide assurance to stormwater managers and regulators that goals or TMDL reduction requirements are achievable and practicable, thereby ensuring that investments in selected BMPs are justified.

The BMPDSS is a decision-making tool for placing BMPs at strategic locations in urban watersheds on the basis of integrated data collection and hydrologic, hydraulic, and water quality modeling. The key questions that can be addressed by the analysis system are as follows:

- 1. What is the benefit of management?
- 2. What is the difference between management options/scenarios including one or more practices?
- 3. What is the cost? That is, what is the difference in cost versus the measures of benefit described in questions 1 and 2?

The potential users of this system include local and county government planners; state, and federal regulatory reviewers; public concerned citizen/stakeholder groups; private industry; consultants; and academics.

The system uses GIS information and technology and time series data for watershed runoff flow and pollutant concentration (generated by the watershed model), integrates BMP process simulation models, and applies system optimization techniques for BMP planning and selection. ESRI ArcGIS is employed as the system platform to provide GIS-based visualization and support for developing networks that include sequences of land uses, BMPs, and stream reaches. The system also provides interfaces for BMP placement, BMP attribute data input, and decision optimization management. The system includes a standalone BMP simulation and evaluation module, which complements both research and regulatory stormwater control assessment efforts and allows flexibility in examining various BMP design alternatives. Process-based simulation of BMPs provides a technique that is sensitive to local climate and rainfall patterns. The routing simulation component routes the flow and water quality constituents
through the conveyance network. The system also incorporates a meta-heuristic optimization technique to find the most cost-effective BMP placement and implementation plan given a control target or a fixed cost.

ArcGIS Interface

The ArcGIS interface is the main user interface. It includes the main application window with menus, buttons, and dialog boxes. The interface is implemented in Visual Basic programming language with ArcObjects, and it requires two ArcGIS components—ArcView 9.x (ArcMap) and Spatial Analyst. The ArcGIS interface allows the user to read and edit the spatial and temporal data sets and interact with the database component of the system. The interface also provides a platform for BMP placement and configuration, delineating drainage area, and establishing a routing network.

BMP Simulation Module

The BMP simulation module uses process-based algorithms to simulate BMP function and removal efficiency and accepts flow and water quality time series (acquired through observation or generated by runoff models) as input data. Process-based algorithms include weir and orifice control structures, storm swale characteristics, flow and pollutant transport, flow routing and networking, infiltration and saturation, evapotranspiration, and a general loss/decay representation for a pollutant. BMP effectiveness can be evaluated and estimated over a wide range of storm conditions, site designs, and flow routing configuration approaches. The processes incorporated include the following:

- Infiltration
- Orifice outflow
- Controlled orifice release (the user can define an hourly outflow rate, and there is an on/off switch)
- Weir-controlled overflow spillway
- Underdrain outflow
- Bottom slope influence
- Bottom roughness influence
- General loss or decay of pollutant (due to settling, plant uptake, volatilization, and so forth)
- Pollutant filtration through the soil medium (represented by underdrain outflow)
- Evapotranspiration

The major BMP types that can be represented in BMPDSS are storage-type devices (such as rain barrels, cisterns, and detention basins), bioretention basins, filters, and swales (Figure A-1).



Figure A-1. Available BMP options in BMPDSS.

Routing/Transport Module

Flow and pollutants are routed through the pipes or channels in a routing network with the user's choice of cross section by using the Storm Water Management Model (SWMM) (version 5) transport algorithms. The SWMM-Transport module tracks the flow rate, flow depth, and quality of water in each pipe and channel during a simulation period.

Water quality routing within conduit links assumes that the conduit behaves like a continuously stirred tank reactor (CSTR). The concentration of a constituent exiting the conduit at the end of a time step is found by integrating the conservation of mass equation, using average values for quantities that might change over the time step, such as flow rate and conduit volume. Input flows and pollutants loadings from external and dry-weather inflows are supplied through time series data associated with a junction of the conduit inlet.

Optimization Component

The optimization component provides evolutionary optimization techniques to identify the most costefficient BMP selection and placement strategies according to user-defined decision criteria, including assessment points (e.g., outfall locations) and evaluation factors (e.g., flow and water quality). The function of the optimization engine is to determine the locations, types, and design configurations of the BMPs that best satisfy the user-defined water quality, water quantity, or cost objectives within userdefined constraints. The system provides an evaluation factor pick-list from which the user can choose. In the current version (version 1.0), the following factors are provided:

- Water Quantity Evaluation Factors
- Annual Average Flow Volume (AAFV)
- Peak Discharge Flow (PDF) within simulation period
- Flow Exceeding Frequency (FEF) for user-specified threshold rate
- Water Quality Evaluation Factors (sediment and other user-specified pollutants)
 - Annual Average Load (AAL)
 - Annual Average Concentration (AAC)
 - Maximum Moving Average Concentration (MAC) for a user-specified time period

Each evaluation factor can be presented in three modes: (1) percent of existing condition, (2) scaled between pre-developed and existing condition, and (3) value.

As an important factor in optimization formulation, the cost function estimates the total costs of the BMP systems. BMPDSS includes a generic cost function to provide relationships between BMP cost and excavation volume; a linear, land-cost term is also included.

The optimization component employs scatter search as the solution algorithm. Scatter search is a metaheuristic search technique that has been explored and used in optimizing complex systems (Glover et al. 1999¹). The scatter search approach does not emphasize randomization, particularly in the sense of being indifferent to choices among alternatives. Instead, the approach is designed to incorporate strategic responses, both deterministic and probabilistic, that take evaluation and history into account. Scatter search focuses on generating relevant outcomes without losing the ability to produce diverse solutions because of the way the generation process is implemented (Laguna and Marti 2002²). Because of this feature of scatter search, for optimization problems that have a CPU time-consuming evaluator, it is expected that scatter search can find the near-optimal solution more efficiently and serve as a better optimization engine.

Post-processor

To aid in the processing, analysis, and examination of output data produced by BMPDSS, a result analysis tool or post-processor has been incorporated into the system. The post-processor has two components. One is in the ArcGIS environment and is mainly for displaying the evaluation factor values for defined assessment points; the other is a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet with macros. The post-processor tool is designed to facilitate the evaluation of BMP/LID performance and to provide insights for the following assessment questions:

- What are the hydrologic and water quality impacts of a proposed or existing development site?
- What is a reasonable pre-developed condition for the site?
- How does the developed scenario compare with the pre-development condition?

¹ Glover, F., M. Laguna, and R. Marti. 1999. Scatter Search to Appear in Theory and Applications of Evolutionary Computation: Recent Trends. Ed., A. Ghosh and S. Tsutsui. Springer-Verlag.

² Laguna, M., and R. Marti. 2002. The OptQuest Callable Library to Appear in Optimization Software Class Libraries. Ed. S. Voss and D.L. Woodruff. Kluwer Academic Publishers, Boston. Pp. 193–218.

- How does the developed-with-BMPs scenario compare to the pre-development condition?
- How does a single BMP or a BMP/LID network perform under storms of differing magnitude and duration?
- What is the effect on BMP performance when consecutive storm events occur?
- What are the long-term effects of the BMP/LID network on hydrology and water quality?

A.3. BMP Model Representation

Most processes of BMPs can be divided into two main classifications:

- Class A: Storage/Infiltration BMPs
 - o Physical storage volume exists.
 - Storage routing techniques needs to be applied.
 - Outflow can be controlled by weir, orifice, pump, etc.
- Class B: Channelized BMPs
 - o No physical storage volume exists.
 - Friction flow routing technique needs to be applied.
 - o Outflow can be estimated by a frictional flow formula (e.g., Manning's equation).

Storage/Infiltration BMPs can include bioretention, wet- or dry- ponds, wetlands, retention basins, infiltration trenches, porous pavements, rain barrels and cisterns. The primary benefit for these BMPs is storage and infiltration. Secondary processes must be considered when evaluating volume or water quality benefits, including processes associated with filtration, settling of sediment, and pollutants decay (Figure A-2). Channelized BMPs include grass swales (Figure A-3).







Figure A-3. Major processes included in Class B: Channelized BMPs.

Key processes that affect BMP effectiveness include infiltration and pollutant removal. The BMP simulation module in BMPDSS employs Holtan-Lopez empirical model (Equation 1) to represent infiltration and evapotransporation during a storm event.

$$f = GI A S_a^{1.4} + f_c \tag{1}$$

In equation 1, *f* is the infiltration rate (in/hr); *GI* is the growth index of vegetation in percent maturity, varying from 0.1 to 1.0; *A* is the vegetative parameter that characterizes surface-connected porosity and the density of plant roots, which affect infiltration; S_a is the available storage in the surface layer (inches); and f_c is the final constant infiltration rate (in/hr), which is a function of the infiltration capacity of the substrate.

The water quality simulation considers two mechanisms: general loss or decay of pollutant (because of settling, plant-uptake, volatilization, and so on); and pollutant filtration through substrate. The general loss or decay is represented using a first order decay model:

$$C_t = C_0 e^{(-kt)} \tag{2}$$

where, C_t is the pollutant concentration at time t, C_0 is the initial pollutant concentration, and k is the first order decay rate (T⁻¹).

The pollutant filtration through substrate is simulated using percent removal:

$$C_{ud_out} = P_{rem} C_{in} e^{(-kt)} / 100$$
(3)

where, C_{ud_out} is the underdrain outflow pollutant concentration, C_{in} is pollutant concentration in inflow to the substrate, P_{rem} is percent removal rate (%), and t is time (model simulation occurs at a 1-hour time-step).



Figure A-4 illustrates the water quality simulation processes that take place in a BMP.

Figure A-4. Water quality simulation processes.

APPENDIX B: BMP PERFORMANCE CURVES

BMP Performance Curve: Infiltration Trench

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BMP Name: Infiltration Trench

Soil Infiltration Rate: 0.17 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant		Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0	
Commercial	TSS	32%	56%	84%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
	TP	17%	33%	57%	73%	83%	89%	97%	99%	
	Zn	51%	77%	94%	98%	99%	99%	100%	100%	
Industrial	TSS	33%	57%	85%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
	TP	18%	33%	58%	74%	84%	90%	97%	99%	
	Zn	31%	55%	84%	94%	97%	98%	100%	100%	
High-Density	TSS	34%	58%	85%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
Residential	TP	18%	33%	57%	73%	83%	89%	97%	99%	
	Zn	36%	62%	88%	96%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
Medium-	TSS	43%	68%	91%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	
Density	TP	18%	33%	57%	72%	82%	88%	96%	98%	
Residential	Zn	13%	27%	52%	70%	82%	90%	98%	99%	
Low-Density	TSS	39%	62%	85%	94%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
Residential	TP	19%	34%	56%	71%	81%	87%	95%	97%	
	Zn	10%	21%	44%	63%	76%	85%	96%	99%	
Runoff Volume	Reduction	15%	28%	49%	64%	75%	82%	92%	95%	

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Name: Infiltration Trench

Soil Infiltration Rate: 0.27 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant		Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0	
Commercial	TSS	36%	61%	88%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	
	TP	20%	37%	62%	78%	86%	91%	97%	99%	
	Zn	57%	84%	97%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	
Industrial	TSS	37%	62%	88%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	
	TP	20%	38%	63%	78%	87%	92%	98%	99%	
	Zn	35%	62%	91%	97%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
High-Density	TSS	38%	63%	89%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	
Residential	TP	20%	37%	62%	78%	86%	91%	97%	99%	
	Zn	42%	69%	93%	97%	99%	99%	100%	100%	
Medium-	TSS	47%	73%	93%	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Density	TP	21%	37%	62%	76%	85%	90%	97%	99%	
Residential	Zn	15%	31%	57%	75%	86%	93%	99%	99%	
Low-Density	TSS	43%	66%	88%	96%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
Residential	TP	21%	38%	61%	75%	84%	89%	96%	98%	
	Zn	11%	24%	49%	68%	81%	89%	98%	99%	
Runoff Volume	Reduction	18%	32%	55%	70%	79%	85%	93%	96%	

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Name: Infiltration Trench

Soil Infiltration Rate: 0.52 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0
Commercial	TSS	40%	66%	91%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	23%	42%	67%	82%	89%	94%	98%	99%
	Zn	65%	90%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	41%	67%	91%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	24%	42%	68%	82%	90%	94%	98%	99%
	Zn	41%	69%	92%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%
High-Density	TSS	42%	68%	91%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	24%	42%	68%	82%	89%	94%	98%	99%
	Zn	48%	77%	97%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Medium-	TSS	52%	77%	95%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Density	TP	24%	42%	67%	81%	88%	93%	97%	99%
Residential	Zn	18%	35%	63%	81%	91%	96%	100%	100%
Low-Density	TSS	47%	70%	91%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	25%	43%	66%	80%	87%	92%	97%	98%
	Zn	13%	28%	55%	73%	85%	93%	99%	99%
Runoff Volume	Reduction	22%	38%	62%	76%	84%	89%	95%	97%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Name: Infiltration Trench

Soil Infiltration Rate: 1.02 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0
Commercial	TSS	44%	70%	93%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	26%	46%	72%	85%	92%	96%	99%	100%
	Zn	72%	94%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	45%	71%	94%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	27%	47%	73%	86%	92%	96%	99%	100%
	Zn	46%	76%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
High-Density	TSS	46%	72%	94%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	27%	47%	73%	86%	92%	96%	99%	100%
	Zn	54%	84%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Medium-	TSS	55%	80%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Density	TP	27%	47%	72%	85%	91%	95%	98%	99%
Residential	Zn	21%	40%	69%	86%	95%	99%	100%	100%
Low-Density	TSS	51%	74%	93%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	28%	47%	71%	84%	90%	94%	98%	99%
	Zn	15%	32%	60%	79%	90%	96%	99%	100%
Runoff Volume	Reduction	26%	45%	68%	81%	88%	92%	97%	98%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Name: Infiltration Trench

Soil Infiltration Rate: 2.41 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1	1.5	2
Commercial	TSS	50%	77%	97%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	32%	55%	81%	91%	96%	98%	100%	100%
	Zn	81%	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	51%	78%	97%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	33%	56%	81%	92%	96%	98%	100%	100%
	Zn	55%	84%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
High-Density	TSS	52%	79%	97%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	33%	55%	81%	91%	96%	98%	100%	100%
	Zn	63%	92%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Medium-	TSS	62%	86%	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Density	TP	33%	55%	80%	90%	95%	97%	99%	100%
Residential	Zn	25%	48%	79%	94%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Low-Density	TSS	57%	80%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	35%	56%	80%	90%	95%	97%	99%	100%
	Zn	19%	39%	71%	89%	97%	100%	100%	100%
Runoff Volume	Reduction	34%	55%	78%	88%	93%	96%	99%	100%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	










BMP Name: Infiltration Trench

Soil Infiltration Rate: 8.27 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)								
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1	1.5	2	
Commercial	TSS	68%	92%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
	TP	50%	75%	94%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	
	Zn	93%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Industrial	TSS	69%	93%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
	TP	51%	76%	94%	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
	Zn	77%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
High-Density	TSS	70%	93%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Residential	TP	50%	75%	94%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	
	Zn	84%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Medium-	TSS	78%	95%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Density	TP	51%	75%	93%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	
Residential	Zn	41%	70%	97%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Low-Density	TSS	73%	92%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Residential	TP	53%	76%	93%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	
	Zn	32%	60%	93%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Runoff Volume	Reduction	54%	76%	93%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	

Land use	Pollutant I	Pollutant load (Ibs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn		
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33		
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45		
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79		
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11		
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043		









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BMP Name: Infiltration Basin

Soil Infiltration Rate: 0.17 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0
Commercial	TSS	64%	80%	93%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	35%	51%	71%	82%	88%	92%	97%	99%
	Zn	71%	86%	96%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	64%	80%	93%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	36%	52%	72%	83%	89%	92%	97%	99%
	Zn	58%	74%	91%	96%	98%	99%	100%	100%
High Density	TSS	65%	81%	94%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	35%	52%	72%	82%	88%	92%	97%	99%
	Zn	63%	78%	93%	97%	99%	99%	100%	100%
Medium	TSS	70%	85%	96%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Density	TP	36%	52%	71%	82%	88%	92%	97%	98%
Residential	Zn	39%	56%	75%	85%	91%	95%	99%	100%
Low Density	TSS	68%	82%	94%	98%	99%	99%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	37%	52%	71%	82%	88%	91%	96%	98%
	Zn	34%	51%	71%	81%	88%	92%	98%	99%
Runoff Volume	Reduction	13%	25%	44%	59%	71%	78%	89%	94%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Name: Infiltration Basin

Soil Infiltration Rate: 0.27 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant		Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)								
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0		
Commercial	TSS	65%	81%	94%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%		
	TP	36%	54%	74%	84%	90%	93%	98%	99%		
	Zn	73%	88%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%		
Industrial	TSS	65%	82%	94%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%		
	TP	37%	54%	74%	85%	90%	94%	98%	99%		
	Zn	60%	77%	93%	98%	99%	99%	100%	100%		
High Density	TSS	66%	82%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%		
Residential	TP	37%	54%	74%	84%	90%	93%	98%	99%		
	Zn	64%	81%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%		
Medium	TSS	71%	86%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%		
Density	TP	37%	54%	74%	84%	89%	93%	97%	99%		
Residential	Zn	40%	58%	77%	87%	93%	96%	99%	100%		
Low Density	TSS	69%	84%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%		
Residential	TP	38%	55%	74%	84%	89%	93%	97%	98%		
	Zn	34%	53%	73%	83%	90%	94%	98%	100%		
Runoff Volume	e Reduction	16%	30%	51%	66%	76%	82%	91%	95%		

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Name: Infiltration Basin

Soil Infiltration Rate: 0.52 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0
Commercial	TSS	65%	83%	95%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	38%	56%	77%	87%	92%	95%	98%	99%
	Zn	75%	90%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	66%	83%	95%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	38%	57%	77%	87%	92%	95%	98%	99%
	Zn	62%	80%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
High Density	TSS	67%	84%	95%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	38%	56%	77%	87%	92%	95%	98%	99%
	Zn	66%	84%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Medium	TSS	72%	87%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Density	TP	39%	57%	77%	86%	91%	94%	98%	99%
Residential	Zn	40%	59%	80%	90%	94%	97%	100%	100%
Low Density	TSS	70%	85%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	40%	57%	77%	86%	91%	94%	98%	99%
	Zn	34%	54%	75%	86%	92%	96%	99%	100%
Runoff Volume	Reduction	20%	36%	58%	73%	81%	87%	94%	97%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Name: Infiltration Basin

Soil Infiltration Rate: 1.02 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)								
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0	
Commercial	TSS	67%	84%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
	TP	40%	60%	81%	90%	94%	97%	99%	100%	
	Zn	78%	92%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Industrial	TSS	68%	85%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
	TP	41%	60%	81%	90%	94%	97%	99%	100%	
	Zn	64%	83%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
High Density	TSS	68%	85%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Residential	TP	41%	60%	81%	90%	94%	97%	99%	100%	
	Zn	69%	86%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Medium	TSS	74%	89%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Density	TP	41%	60%	81%	89%	94%	96%	99%	100%	
Residential	Zn	41%	62%	83%	92%	97%	99%	100%	100%	
Low Density	TSS	71%	86%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Residential	TP	42%	61%	81%	89%	93%	96%	98%	99%	
	Zn	36%	56%	79%	89%	94%	97%	100%	100%	
Runoff Volume	Reduction	24%	42%	66%	79%	87%	91%	96%	98%	

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Name: Infiltration Basin

Soil Infiltration Rate: 2.41 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1	1.5	2
Commercial	TSS	70%	88%	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	45%	67%	87%	94%	97%	98%	100%	100%
	Zn	82%	95%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	70%	88%	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	46%	67%	87%	94%	97%	99%	100%	100%
	Zn	69%	88%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
High Density	TSS	71%	88%	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	46%	67%	87%	94%	97%	98%	100%	100%
	Zn	74%	91%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Medium	TSS	76%	91%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Density	TP	46%	67%	87%	94%	97%	98%	100%	100%
Residential	Zn	45%	68%	89%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Low Density	TSS	74%	89%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	48%	68%	87%	94%	97%	98%	100%	100%
	Zn	38%	61%	84%	94%	98%	99%	100%	100%
Runoff Volume	Reduction	33%	54%	78%	88%	93%	96%	99%	100%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	










BMP Performance Table

BMP Name: Infiltration Basin

Soil Infiltration Rate: 8.27 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1	1.5	2
Commercial	TSS	79%	95%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	59%	81%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Zn	91%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	79%	95%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	60%	82%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Zn	81%	97%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
High Density	TSS	80%	95%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	60%	81%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Zn	85%	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Medium	TSS	84%	96%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Density	TP	60%	82%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	Zn	55%	81%	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Low Density	TSS	82%	95%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	62%	82%	96%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
	Zn	47%	73%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Runoff Volume	Reduction	55%	77%	93%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











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BMP Performance Table BMP Name: Gravel Wetland

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0
Commercial	TSS	48%	61%	82%	91%	95%	97%	99%	99%
	TP	19%	26%	41%	51%	57%	61%	65%	66%
	Zn	57%	68%	83%	88%	90%	90%	91%	92%
Industrial	TSS	47%	61%	82%	91%	96%	97%	99%	99%
	TP	19%	27%	42%	51%	58%	61%	65%	66%
	Zn	40%	54%	74%	84%	88%	90%	90%	91%
High-Density	TSS	47%	62%	82%	92%	96%	98%	99%	99%
Residential	TP	19%	26%	41%	51%	57%	61%	65%	66%
	Zn	46%	59%	78%	86%	89%	90%	91%	91%
Medium-	TSS	53%	68%	86%	94%	97%	98%	99%	99%
Density	TP	20%	27%	42%	51%	57%	61%	65%	66%
Residential	Zn	21%	32%	52%	67%	76%	82%	89%	91%
Low-Density	TSS	51%	65%	83%	92%	96%	97%	99%	99%
Residential	ТР	21%	28%	42%	51%	57%	61%	64%	66%
	Zn	16%	26%	46%	61%	71%	78%	87%	90%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)				
	TSS	TP	Zn		
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33		
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45		
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79		
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11		
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043		



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BMP Performance Table BMP Name: Bioretention

Land Use	Pollutant		Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)								
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0		
Commercial	TSS	44%	69%	91%	97%	98%	99%	100%	100%		
	ТР	19%	33%	53%	64%	71%	76%	84%	89%		
	Zn	68%	88%	95%	96%	96%	97%	98%	99%		
Industrial	TSS	45%	70%	91%	97%	98%	99%	100%	100%		
	ТР	20%	34%	53%	64%	71%	76%	84%	89%		
	Zn	46%	72%	94%	96%	96%	96%	98%	99%		
High-Density	TSS	46%	70%	92%	97%	99%	99%	100%	100%		
Residential	ТР	19%	34%	53%	64%	71%	76%	84%	89%		
	Zn	53%	79%	95%	96%	96%	97%	98%	99%		
Medium-	TSS	54%	78%	94%	98%	99%	99%	100%	100%		
Density	ТР	20%	34%	53%	63%	70%	75%	83%	88%		
Residential	Zn	23%	41%	68%	83%	92%	95%	97%	97%		
Low-Density	TSS	52%	73%	91%	96%	98%	99%	99%	100%		
Residential	ТР	21%	35%	52%	62%	68%	73%	81%	86%		
	Zn	17%	33%	59%	76%	88%	93%	97%	97%		

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)				
	TSS	TP	Zn		
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33		
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45		
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79		
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11		
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043		











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BMP Performance Table BMP Name: Grass Swale

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0
Commercial	TSS	29%	44%	61%	70%	76%	80%	87%	90%
	TP	2%	5%	9%	13%	17%	21%	29%	36%
	Zn	62%	75%	86%	91%	94%	95%	97%	99%
Industrial	TSS	30%	44%	61%	70%	76%	80%	87%	90%
	TP	2%	5%	9%	13%	17%	21%	29%	36%
	Zn	50%	65%	80%	86%	90%	92%	96%	97%
High-Density	TSS	30%	45%	62%	71%	77%	81%	87%	91%
Residential	TP	2%	5%	9%	13%	17%	21%	29%	36%
	Zn	54%	69%	82%	88%	91%	93%	96%	98%
Medium-	TSS	34%	49%	65%	74%	79%	83%	89%	92%
Density	TP	2%	5%	9%	13%	17%	21%	29%	36%
Residential	Zn	32%	48%	66%	75%	81%	85%	91%	94%
Low-Density	TSS	34%	48%	64%	73%	78%	82%	88%	91%
Residential	TP	2%	5%	9%	13%	17%	21%	29%	36%
	Zn	27%	41%	60%	71%	78%	82%	89%	93%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)				
	TSS	TP	Zn		
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33		
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45		
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79		
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11		
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043		











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Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)								
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0	
Commercial	TSS	30%	44%	60%	68%	74%	77%	83%	86%	
	TP	2%	4%	8%	11%	15%	18%	24%	30%	
	Zn	59%	71%	80%	85%	87%	89%	92%	93%	
Industrial	TSS	30%	45%	60%	69%	74%	78%	83%	87%	
	TP	2%	4%	8%	11%	15%	18%	24%	30%	
	Zn	50%	64%	77%	82%	86%	88%	91%	93%	
High-Density	TSS	30%	44%	60%	69%	74%	78%	83%	87%	
Residential	TP	2%	4%	8%	11%	15%	18%	24%	30%	
	Zn	53%	71%	78%	83%	86%	88%	91%	93%	
Medium-	TSS	34%	48%	62%	70%	75%	78%	84%	87%	
Density	TP	2%	4%	8%	11%	14%	17%	24%	30%	
Residential	Zn	33%	49%	65%	73%	78%	82%	87%	90%	
Low-Density	TSS	33%	47%	61%	69%	74%	78%	83%	86%	
Residential	TP	2%	4%	8%	11%	14%	17%	24%	30%	
	Zn	28%	43%	60%	69%	75%	79%	85%	89%	

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)				
	TSS	TP	Zn		
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33		
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45		
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79		
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11		
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043		










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Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0
Commercial	TSS	18%	31%	38%	40%	44%	46%	47%	49%
	TP	3%	6%	8%	9%	11%	12%	13%	14%
	Zn	53%	67%	68%	69%	72%	73%	74%	76%
Industrial	TSS	18%	31%	38%	40%	44%	46%	47%	49%
	TP	3%	6%	8%	9%	11%	12%	13%	14%
	Zn	44%	62%	70%	71%	75%	76%	76%	77%
High-Density	TSS	18%	31%	37%	40%	44%	46%	47%	49%
Residential	TP	3%	6%	8%	9%	11%	12%	13%	14%
	Zn	47%	65%	70%	70%	74%	75%	76%	77%
Medium-	TSS	20%	32%	37%	39%	43%	45%	46%	48%
Density	TP	3%	6%	8%	9%	11%	12%	13%	14%
Residential	Zn	27%	45%	62%	71%	76%	79%	80%	81%
Low-Density	TSS	20%	31%	37%	39%	43%	45%	47%	48%
Residential	TP	3%	6%	8%	9%	11%	12%	13%	14%
	Zn	22%	39%	59%	69%	75%	78%	81%	82%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	



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Land Use	Pollutant	Dept	h of Filter Cou	rse Layer (inch	nes)
		12	18	24	32
Commercial	TSS	92%	94%	96%	97%
	TP	62%	69%	74%	78%
	Zn	85%	97%	97%	98%
Industrial	TSS	92%	94%	96%	98%
	TP	62%	70%	75%	79%
	Zn	90%	94%	95%	95%
High-Density	TSS	92%	94%	96%	98%
Residential	TP	62%	70%	74%	78%
	Zn	88%	95%	96%	96%
Medium-Density	TSS	95%	97%	98%	99%
Residential	TP	61%	68%	73%	77%
	Zn	70%	71%	75%	79%
Low-Density	TSS	92%	94%	96%	97%
Residential	TP	60%	67%	71%	75%
	Zn	63%	64%	69%	74%

BMP Performance Table BMP Name: Porous Pavement

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











APPENDIX C: BMP PERFORMANCE CURVES FOR INFILTRATION BASIN-SIMPLE DYNAMIC METHOD

Note: During the development of the following infiltration basin performance curves (December 2008), the "Simple Dynamic" method was used to calculate the BMP surface areas. The calculation method was updated (and subsequently the infiltration performance curves, in Appendix B) with the "Static" method in the March 2010 revision. Here the infiltration basin performance curves based on the "Simple Dynamic" method are included for record purposes.

BMP Performance Curve: Infiltration Basin-Simple Dynamic Method

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BMP Name: Infiltration Basin-Simple Dynamic Method

Soil Infiltration Rate: 0.17 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant		Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0	
Commercial	TSS	45%	66%	87%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
	TP	27%	43%	65%	78%	86%	90%	96%	98%	
	Zn	59%	79%	93%	97%	99%	99%	100%	100%	
Industrial	TSS	46%	67%	87%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
	TP	27%	44%	65%	78%	86%	91%	97%	98%	
	Zn	43%	64%	86%	94%	97%	99%	100%	100%	
High-Density	TSS	46%	68%	88%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
Residential	TP	27%	44%	65%	78%	86%	90%	96%	98%	
	Zn	48%	69%	89%	96%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
Medium-	TSS	53%	74%	91%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	
Density	TP	28%	44%	65%	78%	85%	90%	96%	98%	
Residential	Zn	25%	42%	64%	78%	87%	92%	98%	99%	
Low-Density	TSS	51%	70%	88%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	
Residential	TP	29%	45%	65%	77%	85%	89%	95%	98%	
	Zn	20%	35%	58%	73%	82%	89%	97%	99%	
Runoff Volume	Reduction	13%	24%	44%	59%	70%	78%	89%	94%	

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Name: Infiltration Basin-Simple Dynamic Method

Soil Infiltration Rate: 0.27 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0
Commercial	TSS	46%	68%	89%	96%	99%	99%	100%	100%
	TP	28%	45%	67%	80%	87%	92%	97%	99%
	Zn	62%	82%	95%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	47%	69%	89%	96%	99%	99%	100%	100%
	TP	28%	46%	68%	80%	88%	92%	97%	99%
	Zn	45%	67%	89%	96%	98%	99%	100%	100%
High-Density	TSS	48%	70%	89%	96%	99%	99%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	28%	45%	67%	80%	87%	92%	97%	99%
	Zn	50%	72%	92%	97%	99%	99%	100%	100%
Medium-	TSS	55%	76%	93%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Density	TP	29%	46%	67%	80%	87%	91%	97%	98%
Residential	Zn	26%	43%	67%	81%	89%	94%	99%	100%
Low-Density	TSS	53%	72%	90%	96%	98%	99%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	30%	47%	68%	80%	86%	91%	96%	98%
	Zn	21%	36%	60%	75%	85%	90%	97%	99%
Runoff Volume	e Reduction	16%	29%	50%	65%	75%	82%	91%	95%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Name: Infiltration Basin-Simple Dynamic Method

Soil Infiltration Rate: 0.52 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant		Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)						
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0
Commercial	TSS	48%	70%	90%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	29%	47%	69%	82%	89%	93%	98%	99%
	Zn	64%	85%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	48%	71%	90%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	29%	47%	70%	83%	89%	93%	98%	99%
	Zn	47%	70%	92%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%
High-Density	TSS	49%	71%	91%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	29%	47%	70%	82%	89%	93%	98%	99%
	Zn	52%	75%	94%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Medium-	TSS	56%	77%	94%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Density	TP	30%	48%	70%	82%	89%	92%	97%	99%
Residential	Zn	27%	45%	69%	83%	91%	95%	99%	100%
Low-Density	TSS	54%	74%	91%	97%	99%	99%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	31%	49%	70%	82%	88%	92%	97%	98%
	Zn	21%	38%	62%	77%	87%	92%	99%	100%
Runoff Volume	Reduction	20%	34%	57%	71%	80%	86%	94%	96%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Name: Infiltration Basin-Simple Dynamic Method

Soil Infiltration Rate: 1.02 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant		Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)						
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.5	2.0
Commercial	TSS	49%	71%	92%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	30%	49%	72%	85%	91%	94%	98%	99%
	Zn	67%	88%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	49%	72%	92%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	31%	49%	73%	85%	91%	95%	98%	99%
	Zn	49%	73%	94%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
High-Density	TSS	50%	73%	92%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	30%	49%	72%	85%	91%	95%	98%	99%
	Zn	54%	78%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Medium-	TSS	58%	79%	95%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Density	TP	31%	50%	72%	84%	91%	94%	98%	99%
Residential	Zn	27%	46%	71%	86%	93%	97%	100%	100%
Low-Density	TSS	55%	75%	92%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Residential	TP	33%	51%	73%	84%	90%	94%	98%	99%
	Zn	22%	39%	64%	80%	90%	95%	99%	100%
Runoff Volume	Reduction	23%	39%	63%	77%	85%	90%	95%	98%

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	










BMP Performance Table

BMP Name: Infiltration Basin-Simple Dynamic Method

Soil Infiltration Rate: 2.41 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1	1.5	2
Commercial	TSS	50%	74%	94%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	32%	52%	76%	88%	94%	97%	99%	100%
	Zn	71%	91%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	51%	75%	94%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	33%	53%	77%	89%	94%	97%	99%	100%
	Zn	51%	77%	97%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
High-Density Residential	TSS	52%	75%	94%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	33%	53%	77%	88%	94%	97%	99%	100%
	Zn	58%	83%	98%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Medium- Density Residential	TSS	59%	81%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	34%	54%	77%	88%	93%	96%	99%	100%
	Zn	28%	48%	75%	90%	97%	99%	100%	100%
Low-Density Residential	TSS	57%	78%	94%	98%	99%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	35%	55%	77%	88%	93%	96%	99%	100%
	Zn	22%	40%	68%	85%	94%	98%	100%	100%
Runoff Volume Reduction		28%	48%	72%	84%	90%	94%	98%	99%

Annual Pollutant Loading Rates

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	











BMP Performance Table

BMP Name: Infiltration Basin-Simple Dynamic Method

Soil Infiltration Rate: 8.27 in/hr

Land Use	Pollutant	Depth of Runoff Treated (inches)							
		0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1	1.5	2
Commercial	TSS	53%	78%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	37%	59%	83%	93%	97%	98%	100%	100%
	Zn	76%	94%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Industrial	TSS	53%	79%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	38%	60%	83%	93%	97%	98%	100%	100%
	Zn	57%	84%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
High-Density Residential	TSS	54%	79%	96%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	37%	60%	83%	92%	97%	98%	100%	100%
	Zn	64%	89%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Medium- Density Residential	TSS	62%	85%	97%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	38%	60%	83%	92%	96%	98%	100%	100%
	Zn	31%	53%	81%	95%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Low-Density Residential	TSS	60%	81%	95%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	TP	40%	62%	83%	92%	96%	98%	100%	100%
	Zn	24%	44%	73%	90%	98%	100%	100%	100%
Runoff Volume Reduction		38%	60%	82%	91%	96%	97%	99%	100%

Annual Pollutant Loading Rates

Land use	Pollutant load (lbs/acre-year)			
	TSS	TP	Zn	
Commercial	1117.77	1.66	2.33	
Industrial	745.22	1.43	0.45	
High-Density Residential	465.08	1.10	0.79	
Medium-Density Residential	274.63	0.55	0.11	
Low-Density Residential	72.11	0.042	0.043	









