Green Infrastructure for New Jersey's Regulations

Advance Stormwater Management

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Our mission is to identify and address water resources issues by engaging and empowering communities to employ practical science-based solutions to help create a more equitable and sustainable New Jersey.







NJDEP Green Infrastructure Definition

A stormwater management measure that manages stormwater close to its source by:

- 1. Treating stormwater runoff through infiltration into subsoil
- 2. Treating stormwater runoff through filtration by vegetation or soil
- 3. Storing stormwater runoff for reuse







What do the updated Stormwater Management Regulations require of "Major Development"?

N.J.A.C. 7:8 - Stormwater Management Regulations

- Soil Erosion and Sediment Control
- Maintain groundwater recharge 1
- Protect waterways from pollution carried in stormwater runoff (water quality)
- Reduce runoff peak flows (water quantity) (3)



Major Development

"Major development" means an individual "development," as well as multiple developments that individually or collectively result in:

- 1. The disturbance of one or more acres of land since February 2, 2004;
- 2. The creation of one-quarter acre or more of "regulated impervious surface" since February 2, 2004;
- 3. The creation of one-quarter acre or more of "regulated motor vehicle surface" since March 2, 2021; or
- 4. A combination of 2 and 3 above that totals an area of onequarter acre or more. The same surface shall not be counted twice when determining if the combination area equals onequarter acre or more.

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 - 1 (3.3 inches)
 - 10-year rainfall (5.0 inches)
 - 100-year rainfall (8.3 inches)

Table 5-1: Green Infrastructure BMPs for Groundwater Recharge, Stormwater Runoff Quality, and/or Stormwater Runoff Quantity

Best Management Practices	Stormwater Runoff Quality - TSS Removal Rate (%)	Stormwater Runoff Quantity	Groundwater Recharge	Minimum Separation from Seasonal High Water Table (feet)
Cistern	0	Yes	No	-
Dry Well (a)	0	No	Yes	2
Grass Swale	50 or less	No	No	2 (e) 1 (f)
Green Roof	0	Yes	No	-
Manufactured Treatment Device (a) (g)	50 or 80	No	No	Depends on the device
Vegetative Filter Strip	60 - 80	No	No	-

Table 5-1: Green Infrastructure BMPs for Groundwater Recharge, Stormwater Runoff Quality, and/or Stormwater Runoff Quantity (cont'd)

Best Management Practices	Stormwater Runoff Quality - TSS Removal Rate (%)	Stormwater Runoff Quantity	Groundwater Recharge	Minimum Separation from Seasonal High Water Table (feet)
Pervious Paving System (a)	80	Yes	Yes (b) No (c)	2 (b) 1 (c)
Small-Scale Bioretention System (a)	80 or 90	Yes	Yes (b) No (c)	2 (b) 1 (c)
Small-Scale Infiltration Basin (a)	80	Yes	Yes	2
Small-Scale Sand Filter (a) (b)	80	Yes	Yes	2

Table 5-2: Green Infrastructure BMPs for Stormwater Runoff Quantity

(or for Groundwater Recharge and/or Stormwater Runoff Quality with a Waiver or Variance from N.J.A.C. 7:8-5.3)

Best Management Practice	Quality TSS removal rate (percent)	Quantity	Recharge	Minimum separation from seasonal high water table (ft)	
Bioretention Systems	80 or 90	Yes	Yes No	2 1	
Infiltration Basins	80	Yes	Yes	2	
Standard Constructed Wetlands	90	Yes	No	N/A	
Wet Ponds	50-90	Yes	No	N/A	

Table 5-3: BMPs for Groundwater Recharge, Stormwater Runoff Quality, and/or Stormwater Runoff Quantity

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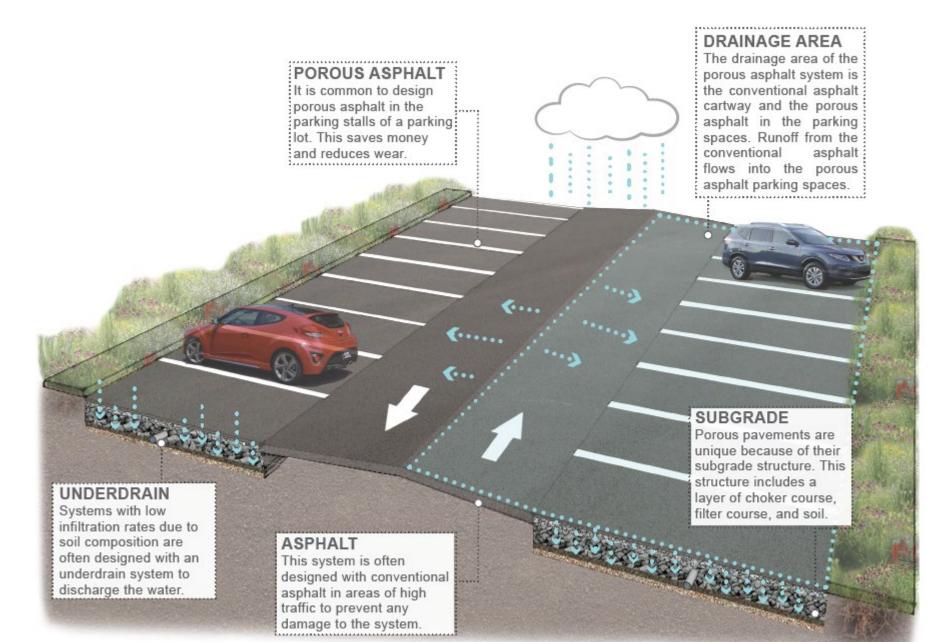
Best Management Practice	Quality TSS removal rate (percent)	Quantity	Recharge	Minimum separation from seasonal high water table (feet)
Blue Roofs	0	Yes	No	N/A
Extended Detention Basins	40-60	Yes	No	1
Manufactured Treatment Device	50 or 80	No	No	Dependent upon the device
Sand Filters	80	Yes	No	1
Subsurface Gravel Wetlands	90	No	No	1
Wet ponds	50-90	Yes	No	N/A

If you need to recharge groundwater and reduce TSS by 80%, your options are:

- Pervious Pavement Systems
- Small-Scale Bioretention Basins
- Small-Scale Infiltration Basins
- Small-Scale Sand Filter

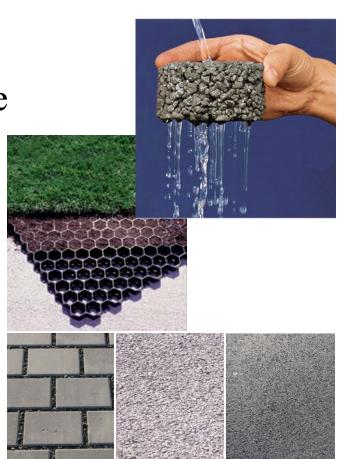


Pervious Paving Systems



Permeable Pavements

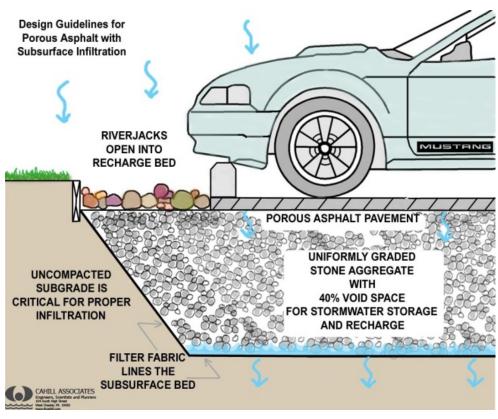
- Underlying stone reservoir
- Porous asphalt and pervious concrete are manufactured without "fine" materials to allow infiltration
- Grass pavers are concrete interlocking blocks with open areas to allow grass to grow
- Ideal application for porous pavement is to treat a low traffic or overflow parking area



ADVANTAGES

COMPONENTS

- Manage stormwater runoff
- Minimize site disturbance
- Promote groundwater recharge
- Low life cycle costs, alternative to costly traditional stormwater management methods
- Mitigation of urban heat island effect
- Contaminant removal as water moves through layers of system



Porous Asphalt



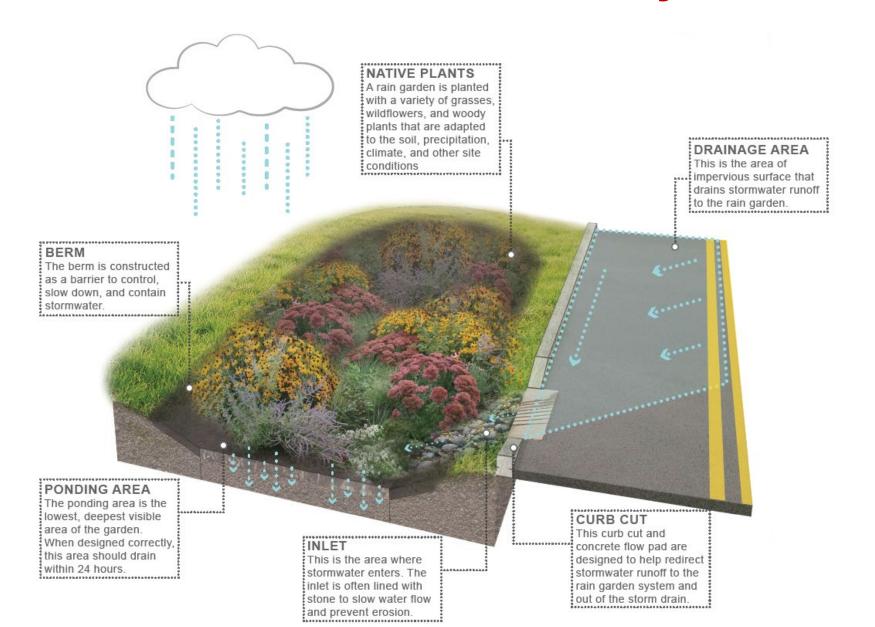




Grass Pavers



Small-Scale Bioretention Systems



Lots of Bioretention Systems























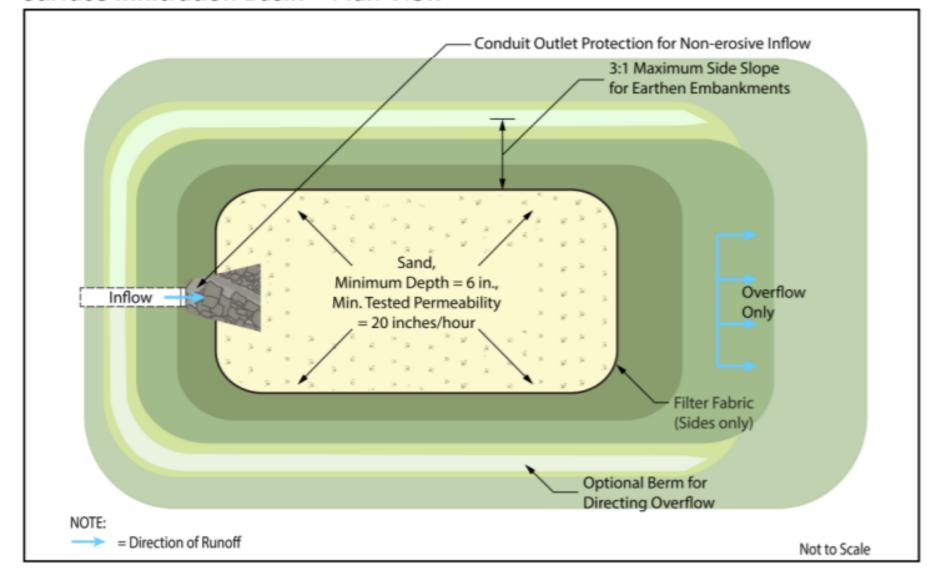




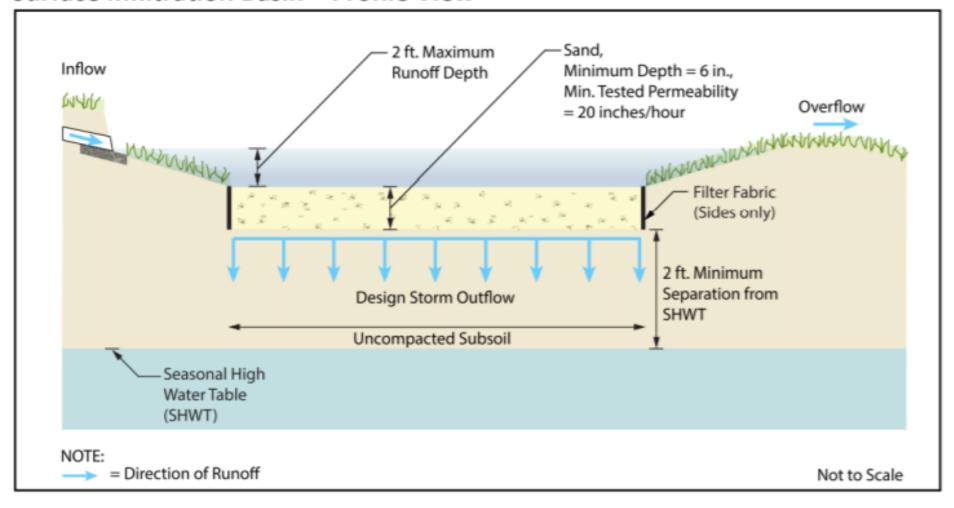


Small-Scale Infiltration Systems

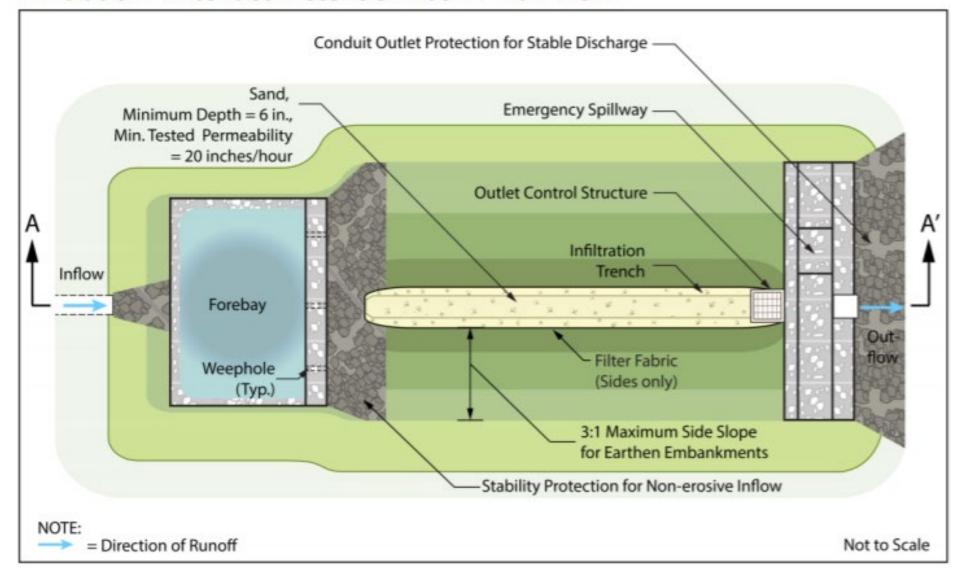
Surface Infiltration Basin – Plan View



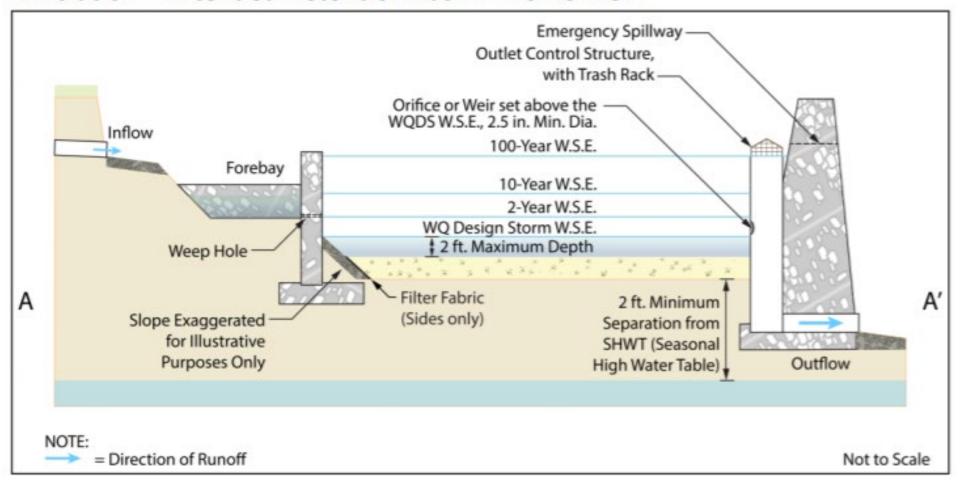
Surface Infiltration Basin – Profile View



Infiltration - Extended Detention Basin: Plan View

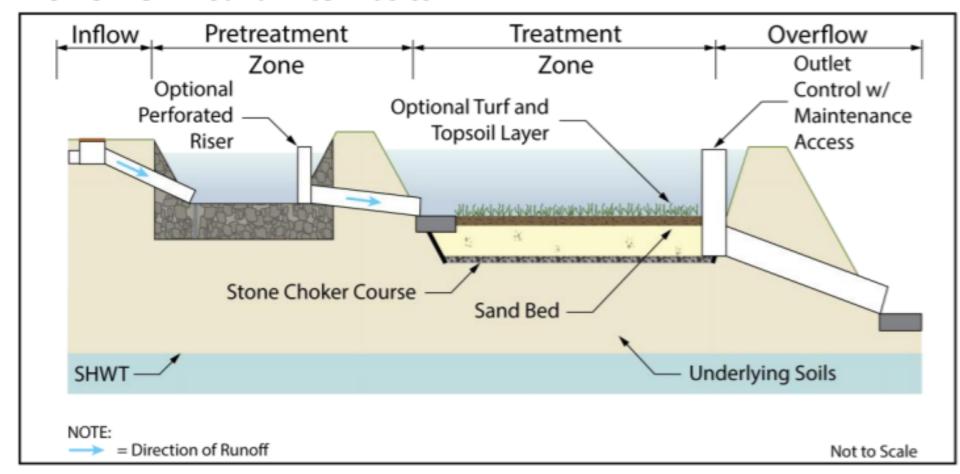


Infiltration – Extended Detention Basin: Profile View

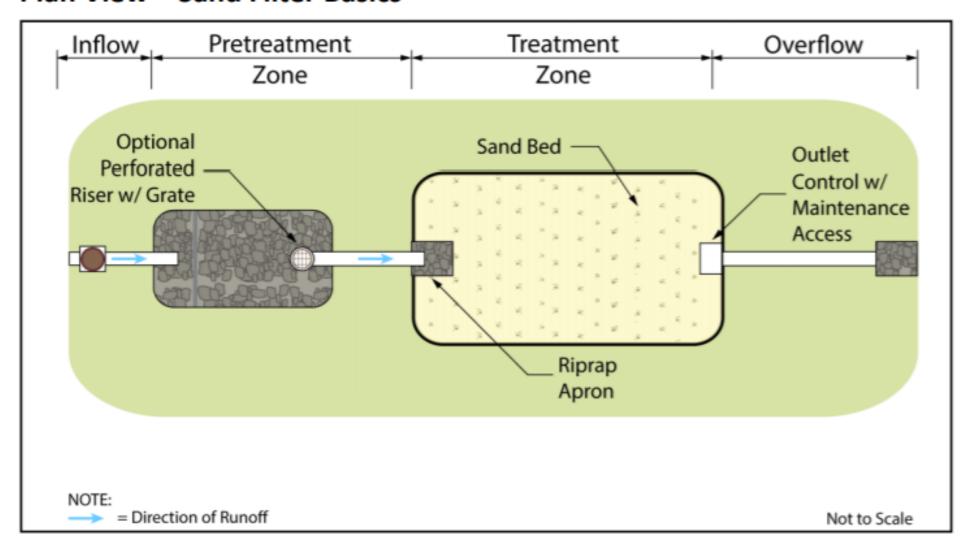


Small-Scale Sand Filter

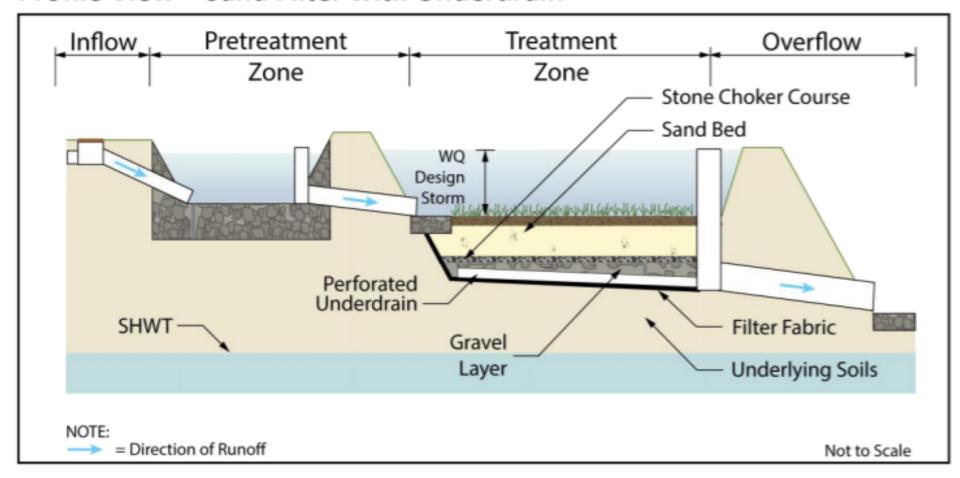
Profile View – Sand Filter Basics



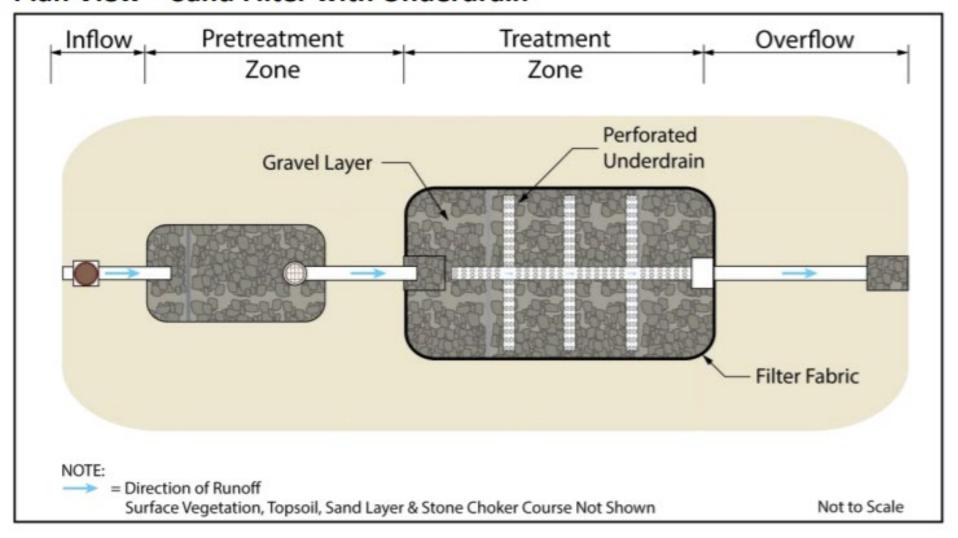
Plan View – Sand Filter Basics



Profile View - Sand Filter with Underdrain



Plan View - Sand Filter with Underdrain

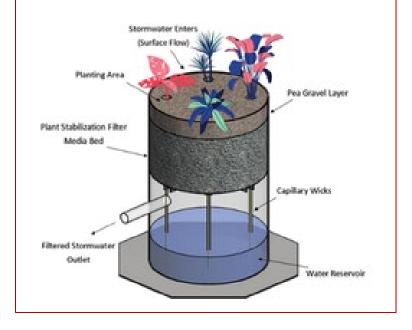


If you only need to reduce TSS by 80%, your options includes:

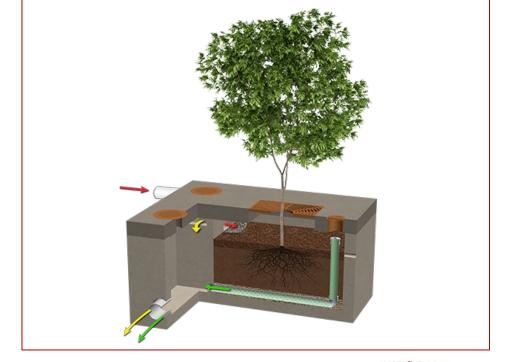
- Pervious Pavement Systems
- Small-Scale Bioretention Basins
- Small-Scale Infiltration Basins
- Small-Scale Sand Filter
- Manufactured Treatment Device

https://www.nj.gov/dep/stormwater/treatment.html

Devices Certified by NJDEP	MTD Laboratory Test Certifications	Superseded Certifications	Certified TSS Removal Rate	Maintenance Plan
Aqua-Ponic TM Stormwater Biofiltration System	Certification		80%	<u>Plan</u>
Biopod TM Biofilter with StormMix Media by Oldcastle Infrastructure	<u>Certification</u>	Superseded	80%	<u>Plan</u>
EcoPure BioFilter by Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc.	Certification		80%	<u>Plan</u>
Filterra Bioretention System by Contech Engineered Solutions	Certification	Superseded	80%	<u>Plan</u>
Filterra® HC Bioretention System by Contech Engineered Solutions	Certification		80%	<u>Plan</u>
StormScape [™] Filter by Hydro International	Certification		80%	<u>Plan</u>
StormVault BioFiltration with Sierra Blend by Jensen	Certification		80%	<u>Plan</u>









March 2021 – Major Development will mostly use these GI Practices

- Pervious Paving Systems
- Bioretention Systems
- Infiltration Basins
- Sand Filters

To satisfy groundwater recharge, stormwater quantity, and stormwater quality requirements.

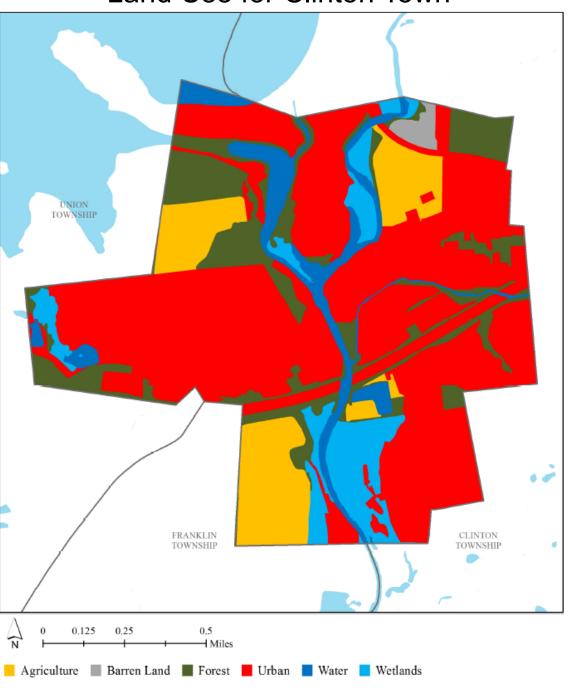
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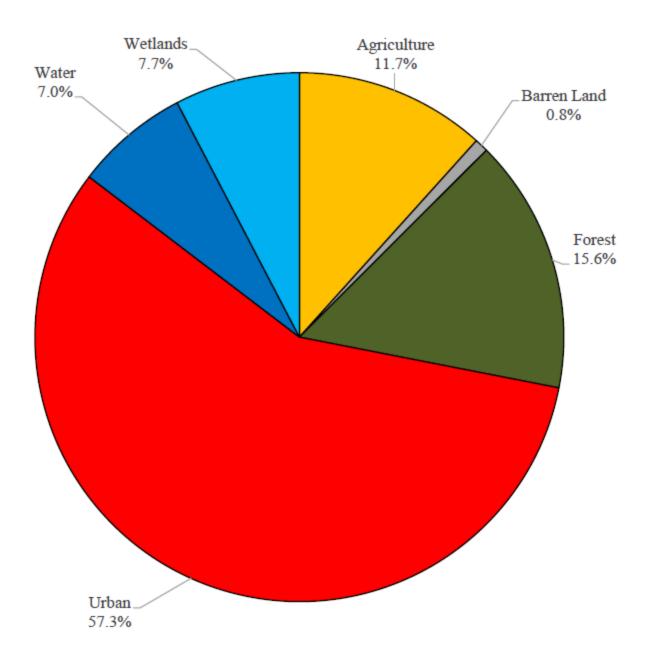
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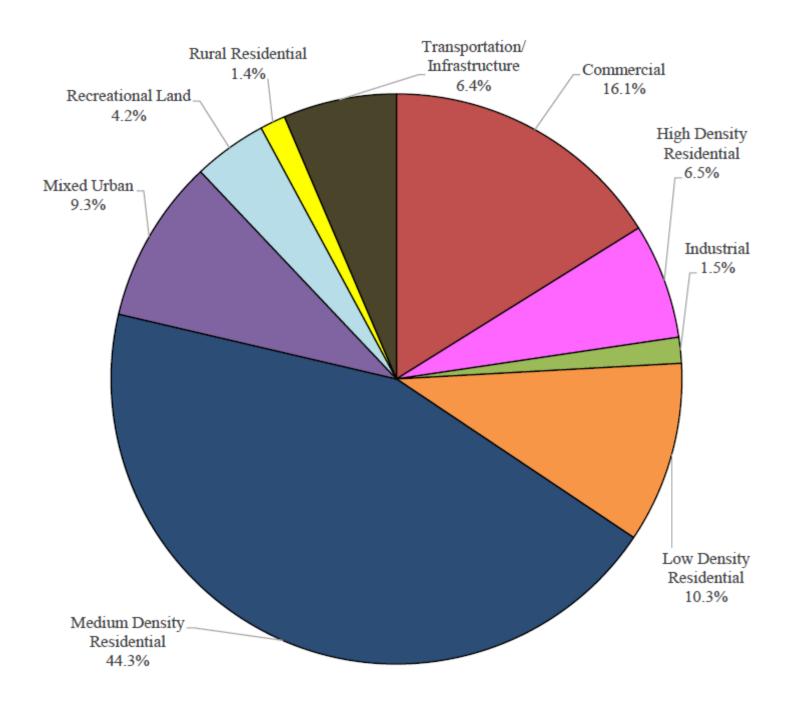
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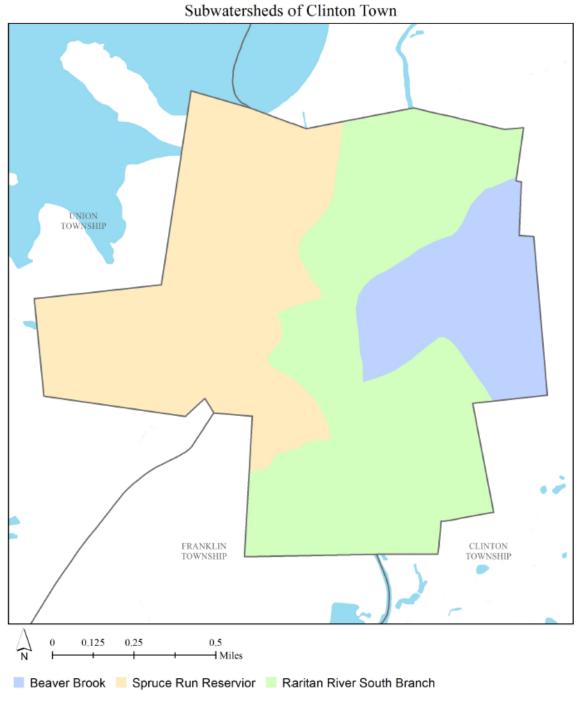
Green Infrastructure for Addressing Existing Development

Land Use for Clinton Town









Watershed	Total Area (ac)	Impervious Cover (ac)	%	
Beaver Brook	152.3	70.8	47.4%	
Raritan River South Branch	408.5	78.6	20.9%	
Spruce Run Reservoir	357.1	60.7	18.5%	
Total	917.9	210.2	24.6%	

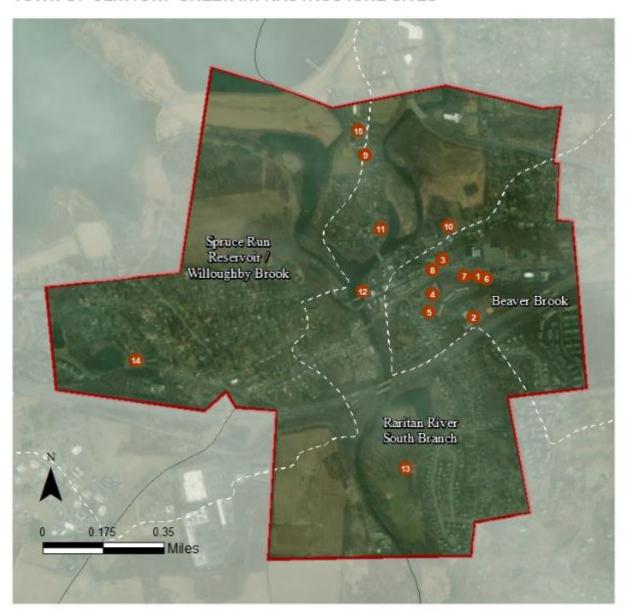
Subwatershed	NJ Water Quality Storm (MGal)	Annual Rainfall of 44" (MGal)	2-Year Design Storm (3.38") (MGal)	10-Year Design Storm (5.00") (MGal)	100-Year Design Storm (8.03") (MGal)
Beaver Brook	2.4	84.6	6.5	9.6	15.4
Raritan River South Branch	2.7	93.9	7.2	10.7	17.1
Spruce Run Reservoir	2.1	72.5	5.6	8.2	13.2
Total	7.1	251.1	19.3	28.5	45.8

WE LOOK HERE FIRST:

- √ Schools
- ✓ Places of Worship
- ✓ Libraries
- ✓ Municipal Building
- ✓ Public Works
- √ Firehouses
- ✓ Post Offices
- ✓ Elks or Moose Lodge
- ✓ Parks/ Recreational Fields

- 20 to 40 sites are entered into a PowerPoint
- Site visits are conducted

TOWN OF CLINTON: GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE SITES



SITES WITHIN THE BEAVER BROOK SUBWATERSHED

- 1. Basil Bandwagon
- 2. Clinton Elementary School
- 3. Clinton Fire Department
- 4. Clinton Municipal Offices
- 5. Evangel Chapel
- 6. Neo Sushi
- 7. Tirpok Cleaners
- 8. United States Postal Service

SITES WITHIN THE RARITAN RIVER SOUTH BRANCH SUBWATERSHED

- 9. Clinton Community Center
- 10. Clinton Presbyterian Church
- 11. Clinton United Methodist Church
- 12. Hunterdon Art Museum
- 13. Hunts Mills Park

SITES WITHIN THE SPRUCE RUN RESERVOIR /WILLOUGHBY BROOK SUBWATERSHED

- 14. Pediatric Surgical Associates
- 15. North County Library

PEDIATRIC SURGICAL ASSOCIATES



Subwatershed: Spruce Run

Reservoir/Willoughby

Brook

Site Area: 27,148 sq. ft.

Address: 122 West Main Street

Clinton, NJ 08809

Block and Lot: Block 1, Lot 1





A proposed rain garden can be installed in the front of the building to aid in infiltration of stormwater from the roof top. A downspout planter box can be installed at the northwestern corner of the building to prevent rooftop stormwater from flowing across the pavement. A preliminary soil assessment suggests that more soil testing would be required before determining the soil's suitability for green infrastructure.

Impervious Cover		Existing Loads from Impervious Cover (lbs/yr)			Runoff Volume from Impervious Cover (Mgal)		
0/0	sq. ft.	TP	TN	TSS	For the 1.25" Water Quality Storm	For an Annual Rainfall of 44"	
69	18,661	0.9	9.4	85.7	0.015	0.51	

Recommended Green Infrastructure Practices	Recharge Potential (Mgal/yr)	TSS Removal Potential (lbs/yr)	Maximum Volume Reduction Potential (gal/storm)	Peak Discharge Reduction Potential (cu. ft./second)	Estimated Size (sq. ft.)	Estimated Cost
Bioretention system	0.016	3	1,200	0.05	155	\$775
Planter box	n/a	1	n/a	n/a	1 (box)	\$1,000

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE RECOMMENDATIONS





Pediatric Surgical Associates

- planter box
- bioretention system
- drainage area
- [] property line
 - 2015 Aerial: NJOIT, OGIS





TYPES OF BIORETENTION



Bioretention Cells

- Single-family lots
- Commercial areas
- Parking lots



Rain Gardens

- Single-family lots
- Small commercial areas



Bioretention Swales/ Bioswales/Vegetated Swales

 Typically in right-ofway



Planters & Planter Boxes

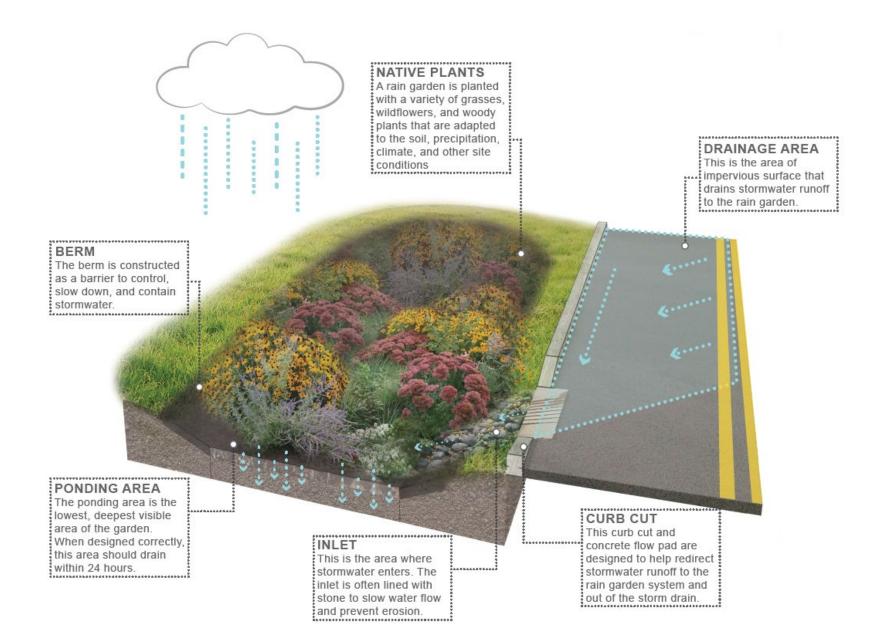
- Highly urban areas
- Right-of-way and adjacent to buildings



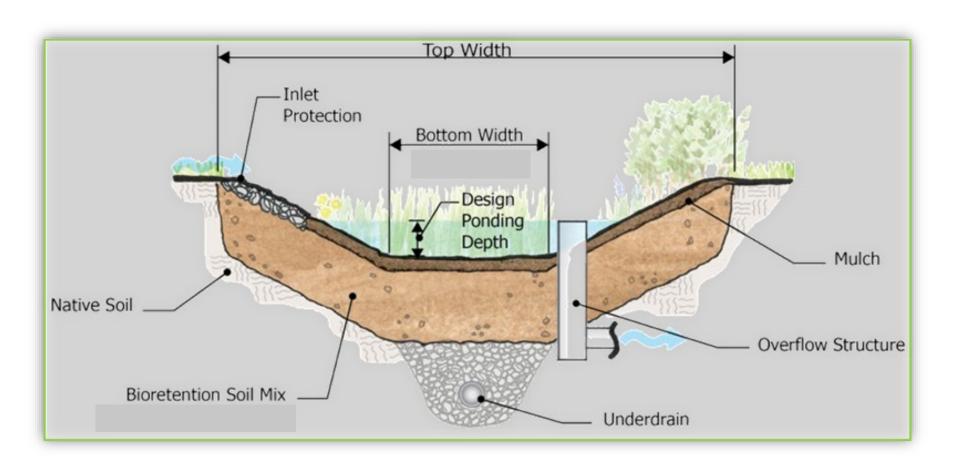
Vegetated Curb Extensions

Bioretention incorporated into right-of-way in urban and suburban areas

Rain Gardens



Rain Garden Cross-Section





Lots of Rain Gardens























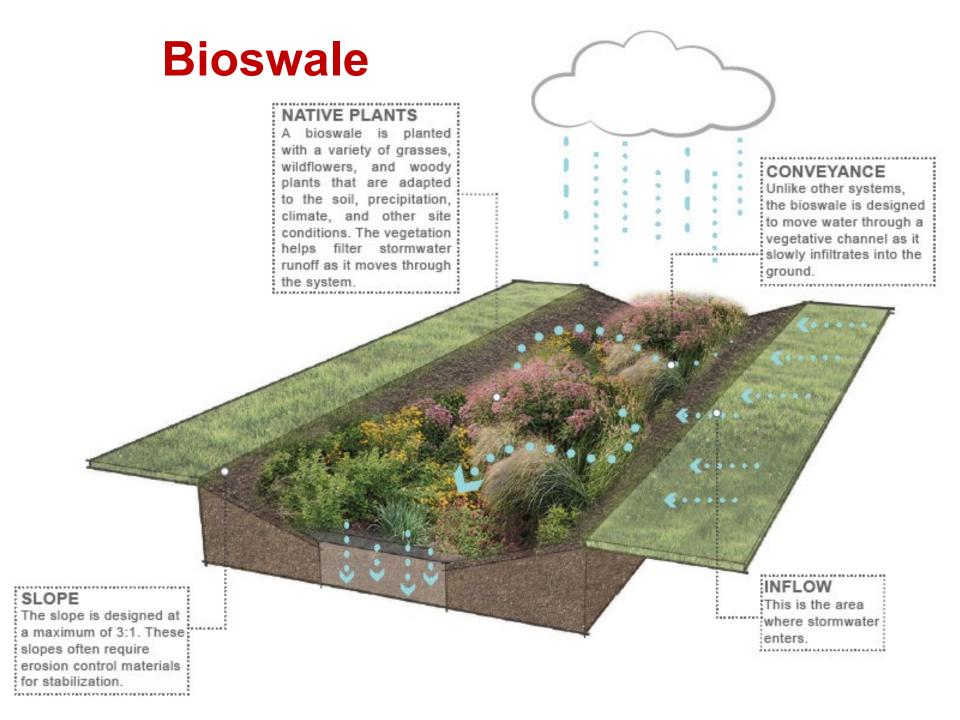


















Stormwater Planters

NATIVE PLANTS

A stormwater planter is planted with a variety of grasses, wildflowers, and woody plants that are adapted to the soil, precipitation, climate, and other site conditions.

CURB CUT

This curb cut and concrete flow pad are designed to help redirect stormwater runoff to the rain garden system and out of the storm drain.

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This is the area where stormwater enters. The inlet is often lined with stone to slow water flow and prevent erosion.

INLET

CONCRETE WALL

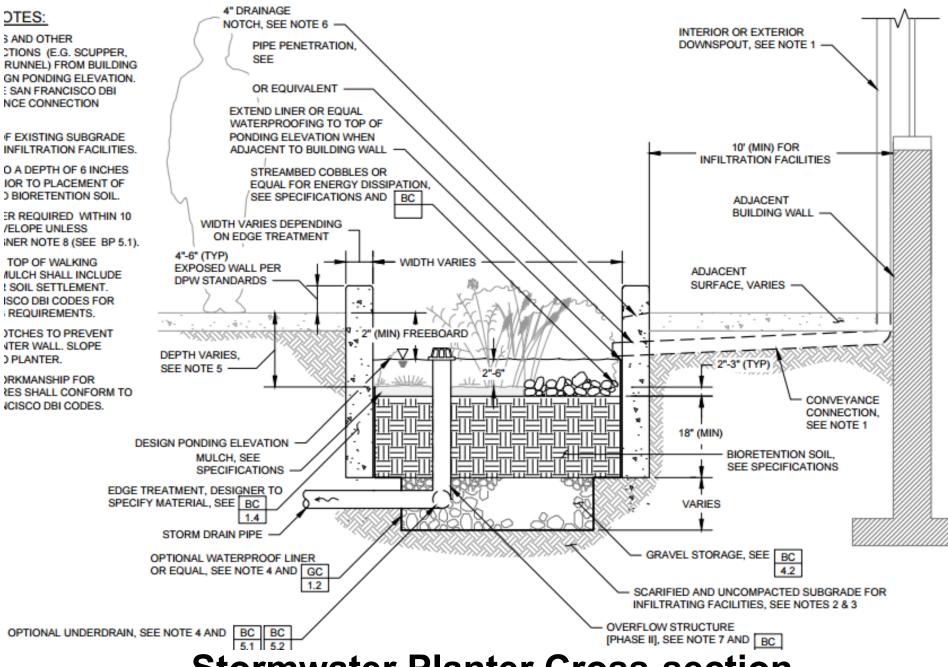
Concrete walls are installed to match the existing curb. These walls create the frame for the stormwater planter and continue to function as a curb.

SUBGRADE

Stormwater planter systems are unique because of their subgrade structure. This structure is layered with bioretention media, choker course, compact aggregate, and soil separation fabric.



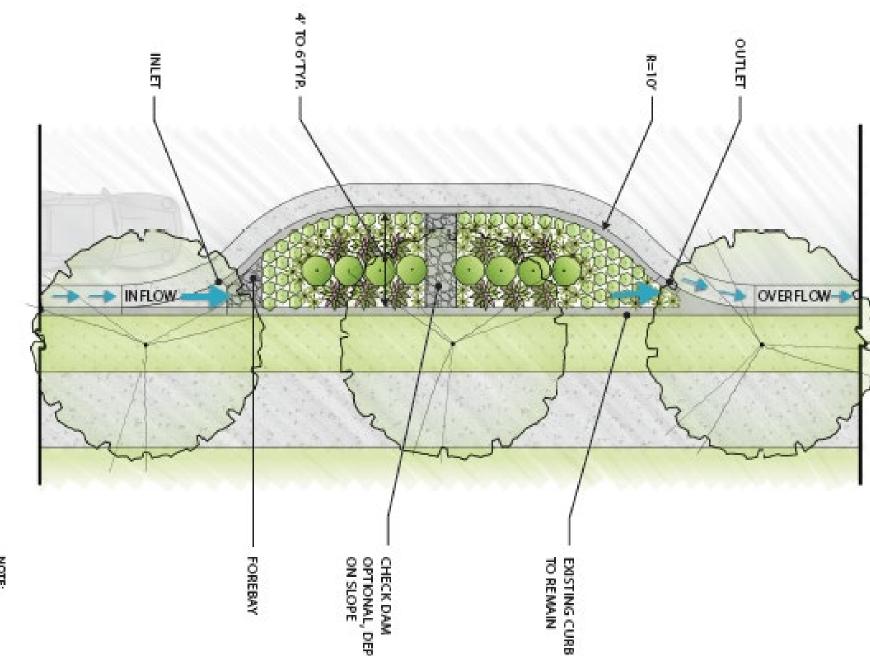




Stormwater Planter Cross-section

Curb Extensions





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