

# L.I.D. Site Planning Concepts



# What is L.I.D. ?

- **"The goal of L.I.D. is to develop techniques, strategies, BMPs, and criteria to store, infiltrate, transpire, retain, and detain runoff on the site to replicate the pre-development runoff characteristics and mimic the natural and unique hydrology of the site."**
- **"With the L.I.D. approach, receiving waters experience little change in the volume, frequency, or quality of runoff or in base flows fed by ground water."**

# **Key Considerations for LID Site Planning**

Examples of the LID site planning techniques include, but are not limited to:

- **Maintaining natural drainage ways and patterns. Disperse runoff, do not concentrate it.**
- **Preserving as many trees as possible. Design with existing topography.**
- **Reducing the percentage of impervious area**
- **Locating BMPs in soils with the highest permeability**
- **Disconnecting impervious areas. Discharge runoff from paved surfaces onto vegetated areas.**
- **Limiting clearing and grading on individual lots**

# **Key Considerations for LID Site Planning**

Examples of the LID site planning techniques include, but are not limited to:

- **Locate impervious areas on less permeable soils to minimize change in CN value.**
- **Maintain existing natural topography and terrain, work with the topography, don't re-engineer it.**
- **Limit clear-cutting and mass grading of site. Save time and money on site work**
- **Flatten slopes only within existing cleared and graded areas. Minimize major cuts and fills.**
- **Revegetate areas that have been cleared and graded**



## Neo-Traditional Development

Mass Clearing

Mass Grading

Small Lots

Separate Garag

Alleys

25% More Impe

**HIGH IMPACT DEVELOPMENT**





**L.I.D. IS NOT "CLEAR CUTTING AND MASS GRADING"**



Tree Save



An aerial photograph of a residential development. A winding road curves through a dense forest of green trees. Numerous houses with light-colored roofs are scattered throughout the wooded area. In the background, a straight road runs horizontally across the frame, with more houses and green fields visible beyond it. The overall scene depicts a suburban neighborhood integrated with natural green space.

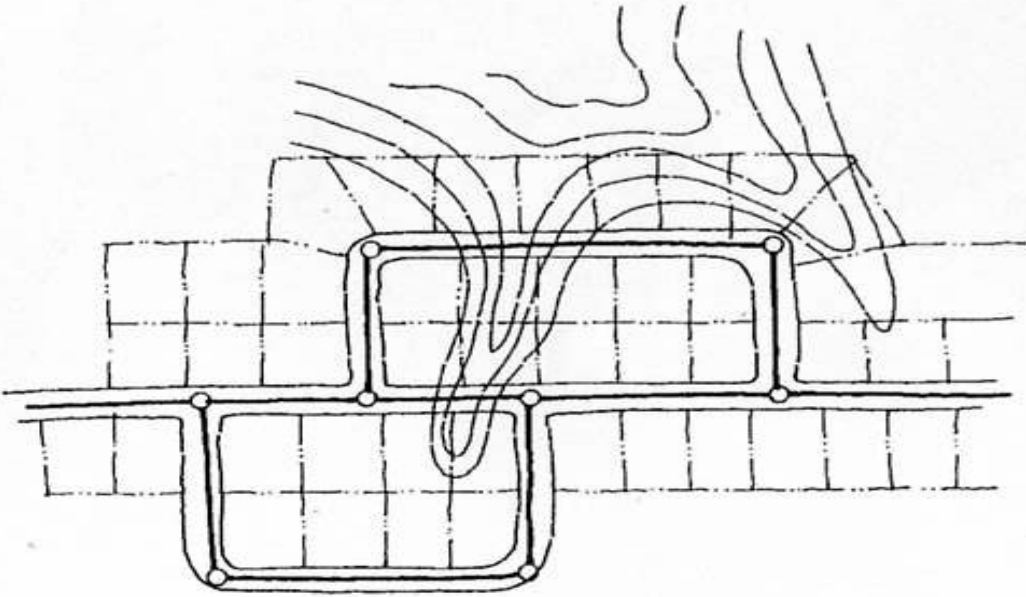
**LID Development**

**Conventional  
Development**



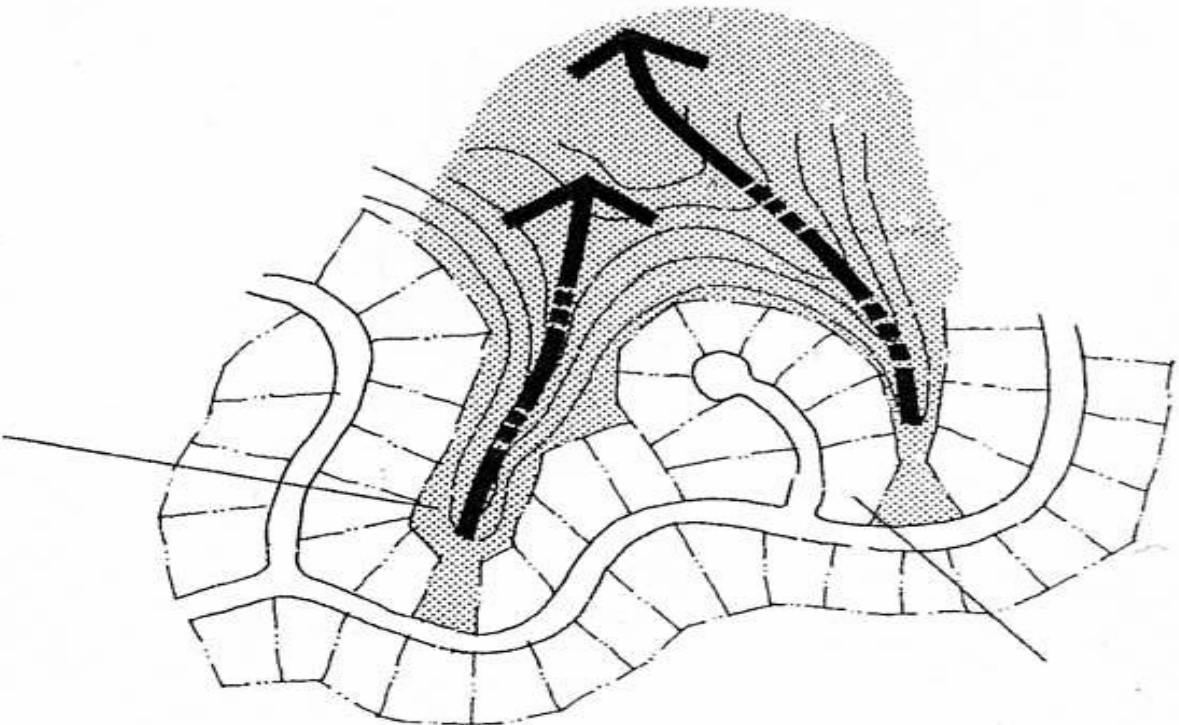
**Traditional Approach**

Typical lotting requires  
extensive storm sewers  
and earthwork.

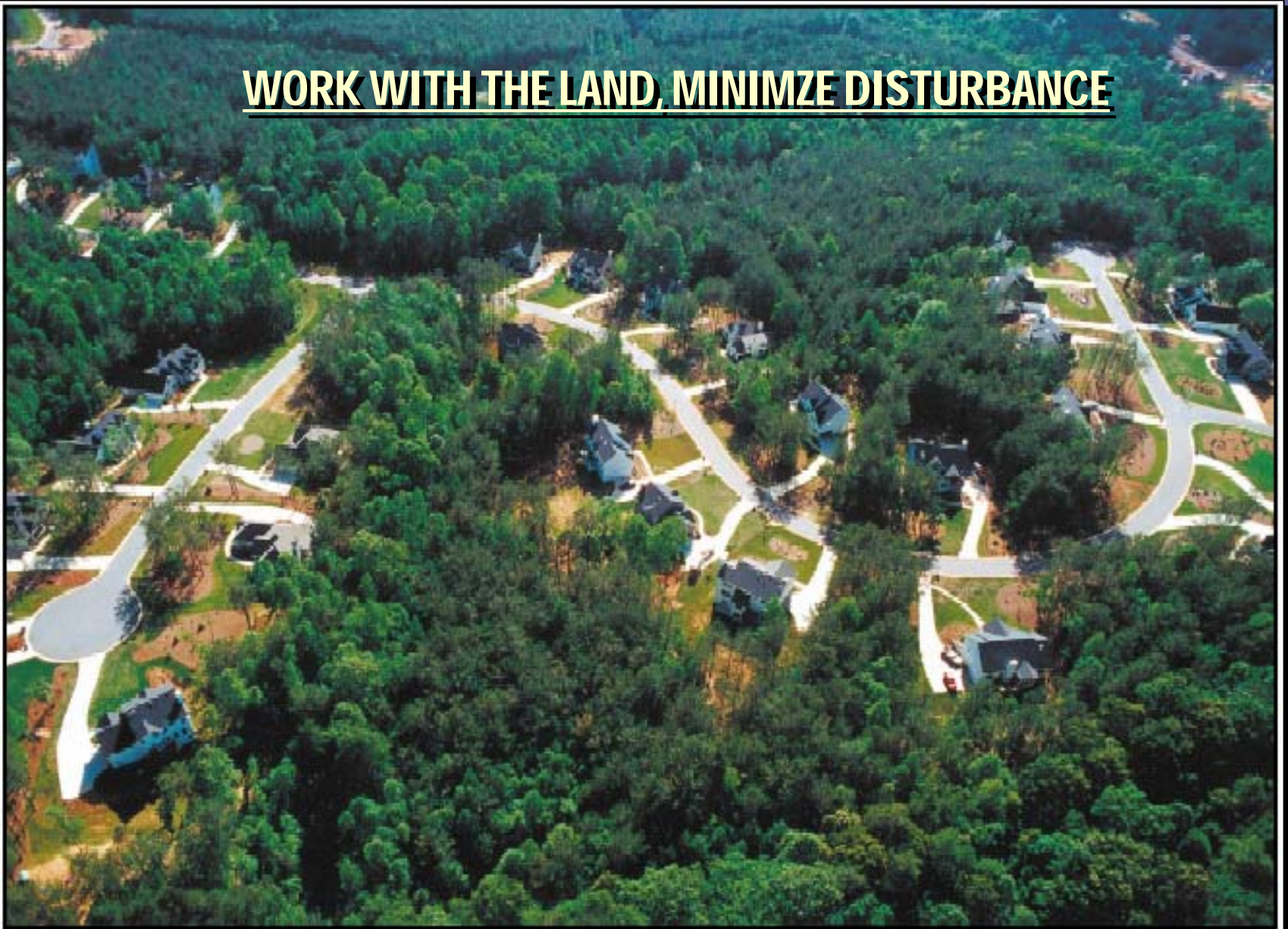


**Preferred Approach**

Maintain natural  
drainageways and  
enhance as open-space  
corridors.



**WORK WITH THE LAND, MINIMIZE DISTURBANCE**



## Conventional Parking Lot



## L.I.D. Parking Lot





# B.M.P. "Big Muddy Pond"





## RETRO-FIT RAIN GARDEN





## LINEAR RAIN GARDEN





**INFILTRATION TRENCHES**





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Rain Gardens In Multi-Family Residential

## **POROUS CONCRETE PEDESTRIAN PLAZA**





# URBAN RAIN GARDEN













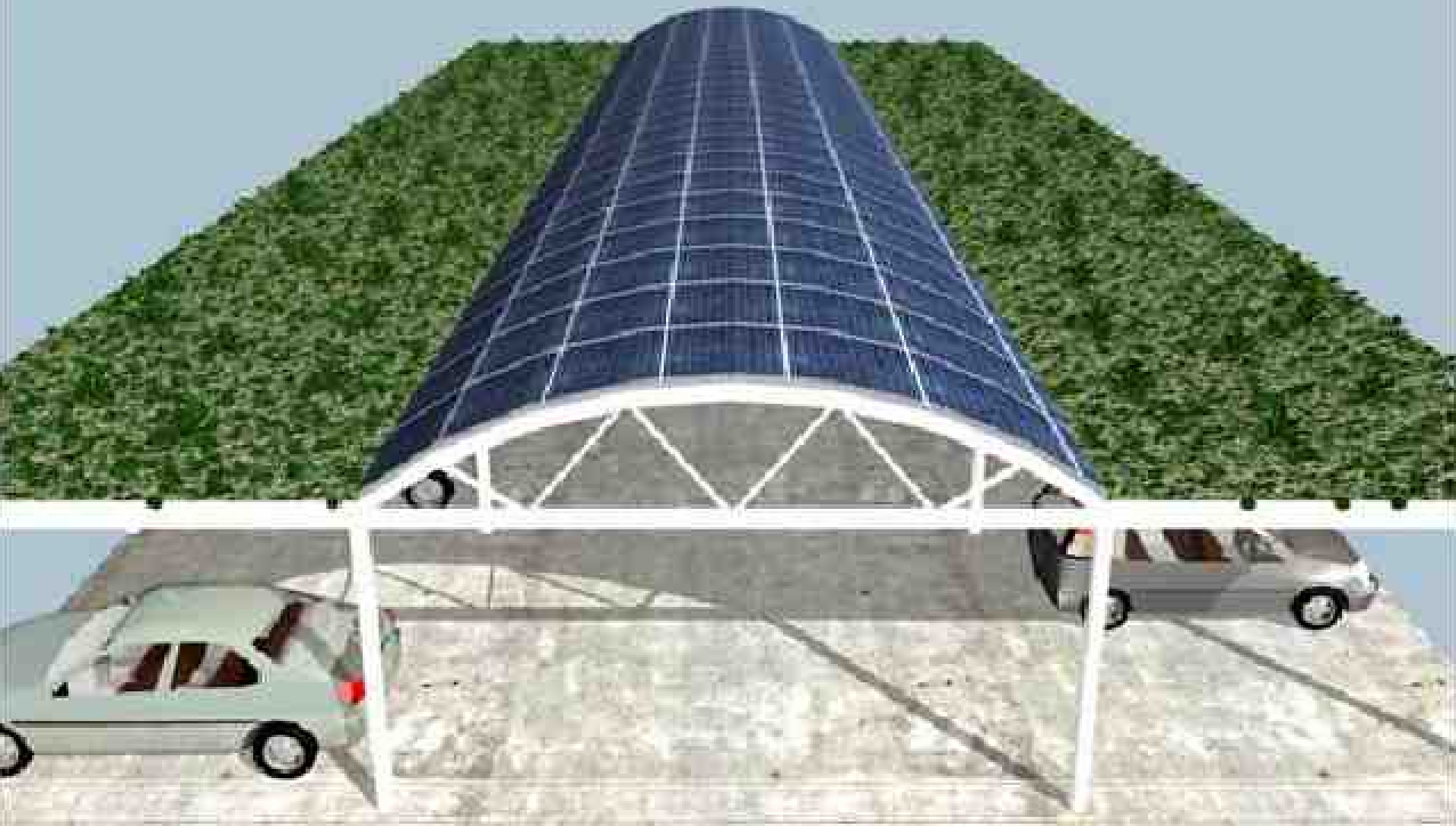


RESERVED  
PARKING

Handicap Accessible



## **PARKING LOT CANOPY - RAIN GARDEN**



# L.I.D. Design Example



# **Performance Criteria**

## **6 Basic Elements Need to be addressed:**

- 85% TSS removal**
- Using LID to treat the runoff from the first 1 inch of rainfall**
- In addition (if necessary) use LID alone or in combination with conventional practices to treat the difference in runoff from pre versus post conditions for the 2 year 24 hour storm in the Rural and Transitional Zoning Districts. Everywhere else use the 1 year 24 hour storm**
- Any temporary water quality storage pools must drawdown in 48 to 120 hours.**
- Peak storm water runoff rates shall be controlled for development above 12% impervious (1 dwelling/acre)**
- No one BMP shall receive runoff from an area greater than 5 acres.**

# **Steps in Preparation of a Conceptual Plan:**

**Site Analysis**

**Preliminary Sketch**

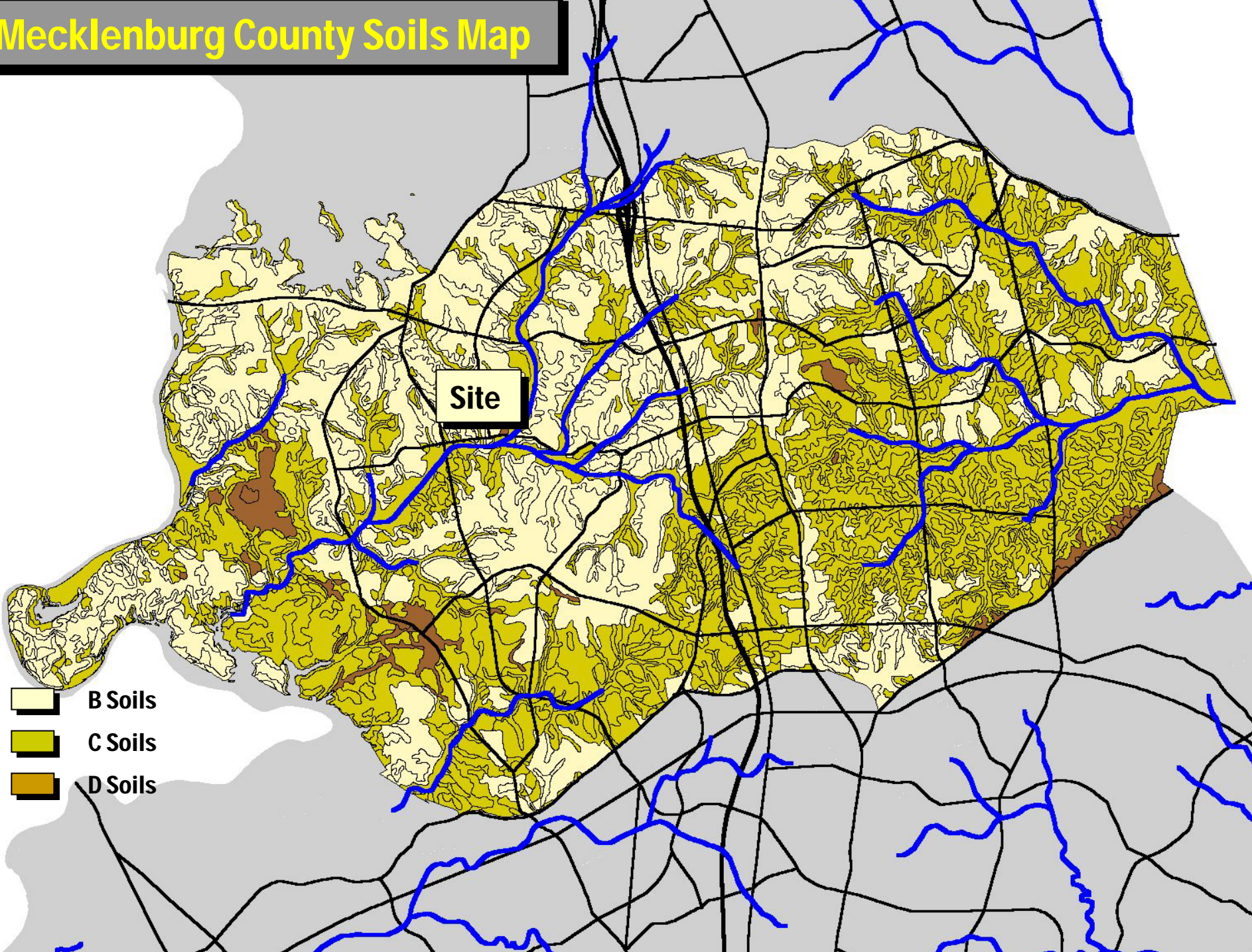
**S.E.T. Calculations**

**Hydrologic Analysis**

**Final Conceptual Plan**

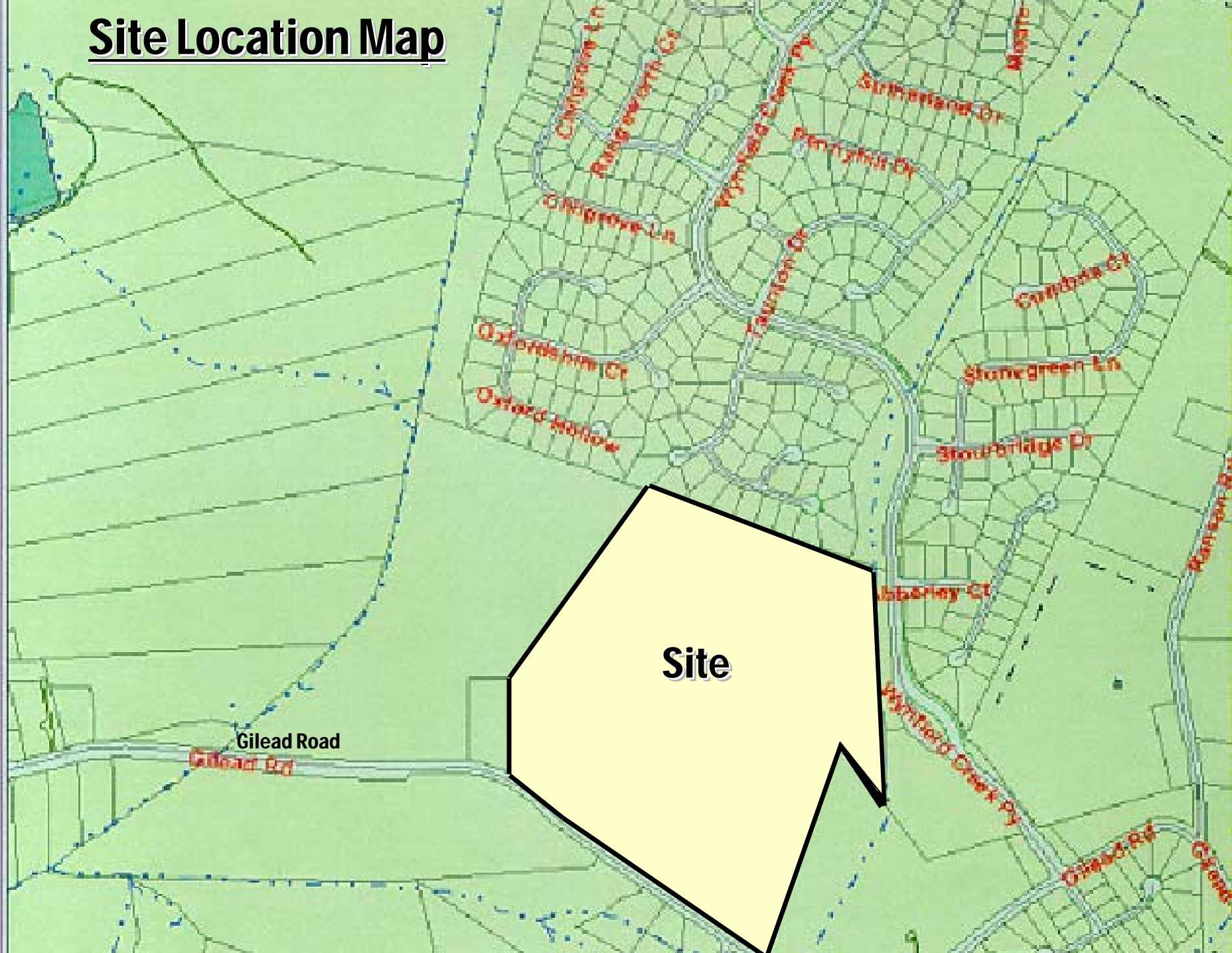


# Mecklenburg County Soils Map





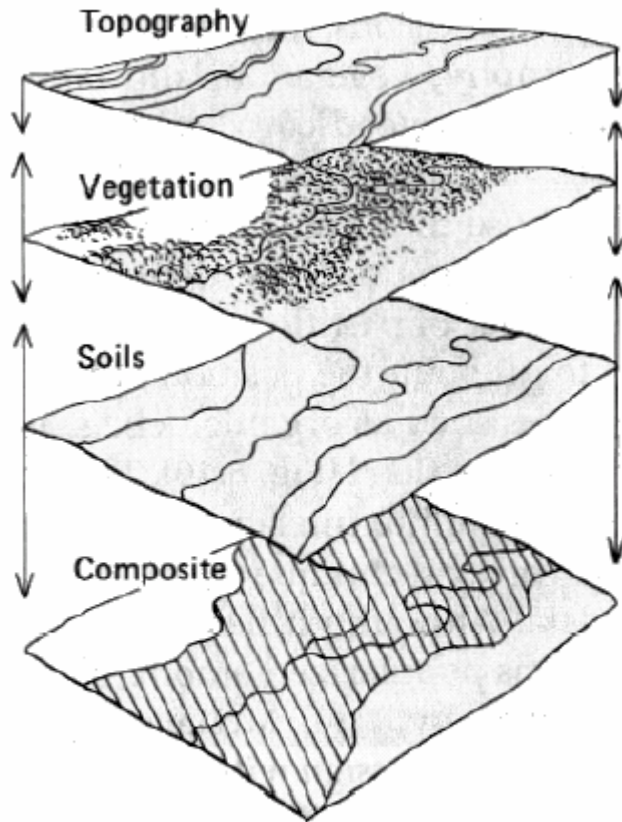
# Site Location Map



# **Site Analysis**



# Site Analysis



**Figure 1.5.2-1**  
**Composite Analysis**

(Source: Marsh, 1983)

**Topography (2' Contours)**

**Natural Drainage Patterns**

**Ridges and Valleys**

**Vegetation (Meadow, Mature trees)**

**Soils (HSG A, B, C, D)**

**Hydrology (CN, Tc)**

**Groundwater Depth**

**Wetlands**

**Floodplains**

**S.W.I.M. Buffers**

**Steep Slopes (> 15%)**

**Access and Connectivity**

**Utilities (Sanitary, Water etc.)**

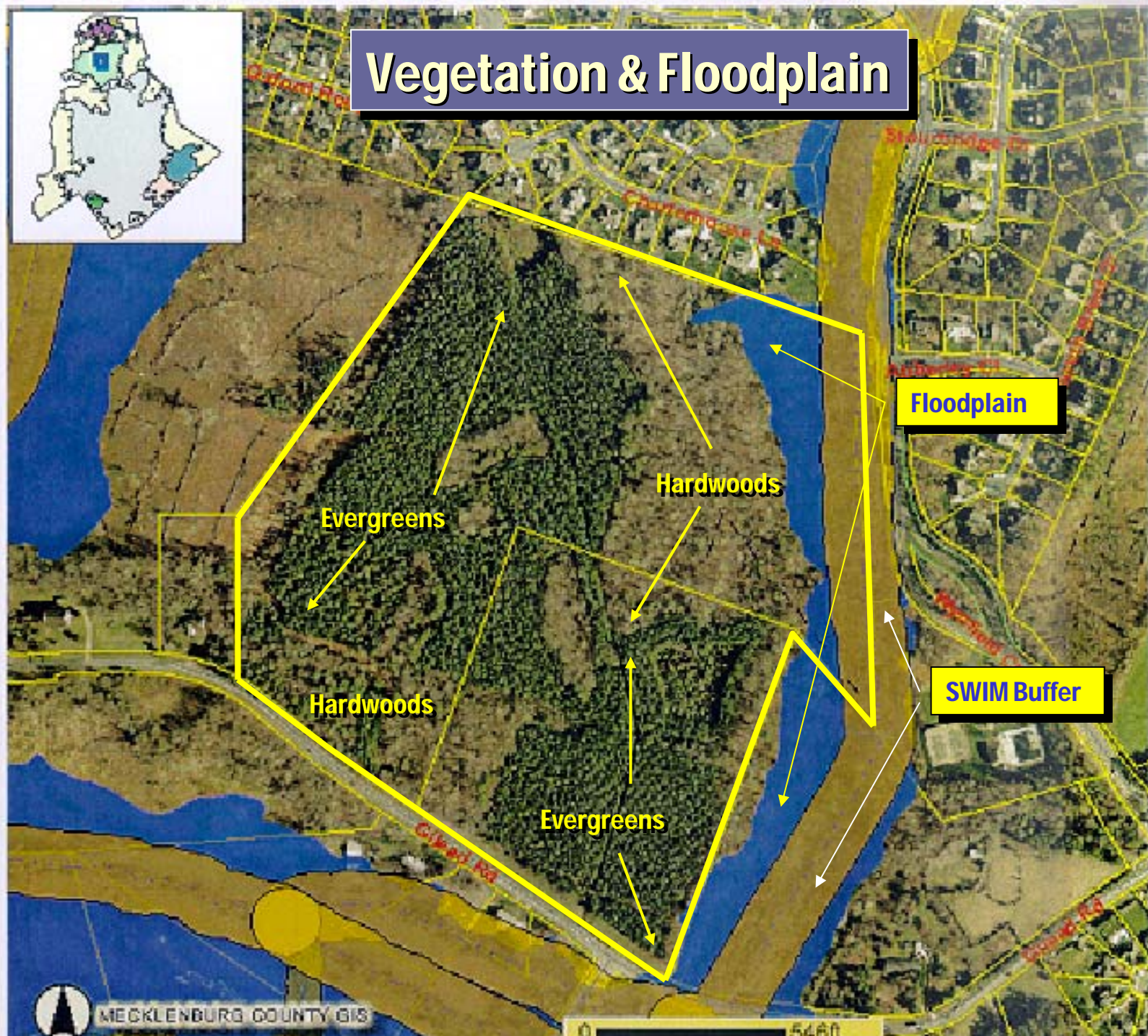
**Easements (Duke Power, Sanitary, etc.)**

**Zoning (Setbacks, Density, Open Space)**





# Vegetation & Floodplain





# Site Analysis Map

Slopes

Drainage

Soils

Floodplain

Ridge

CeD2

H.P.

15% - 25% Slopes

PaE

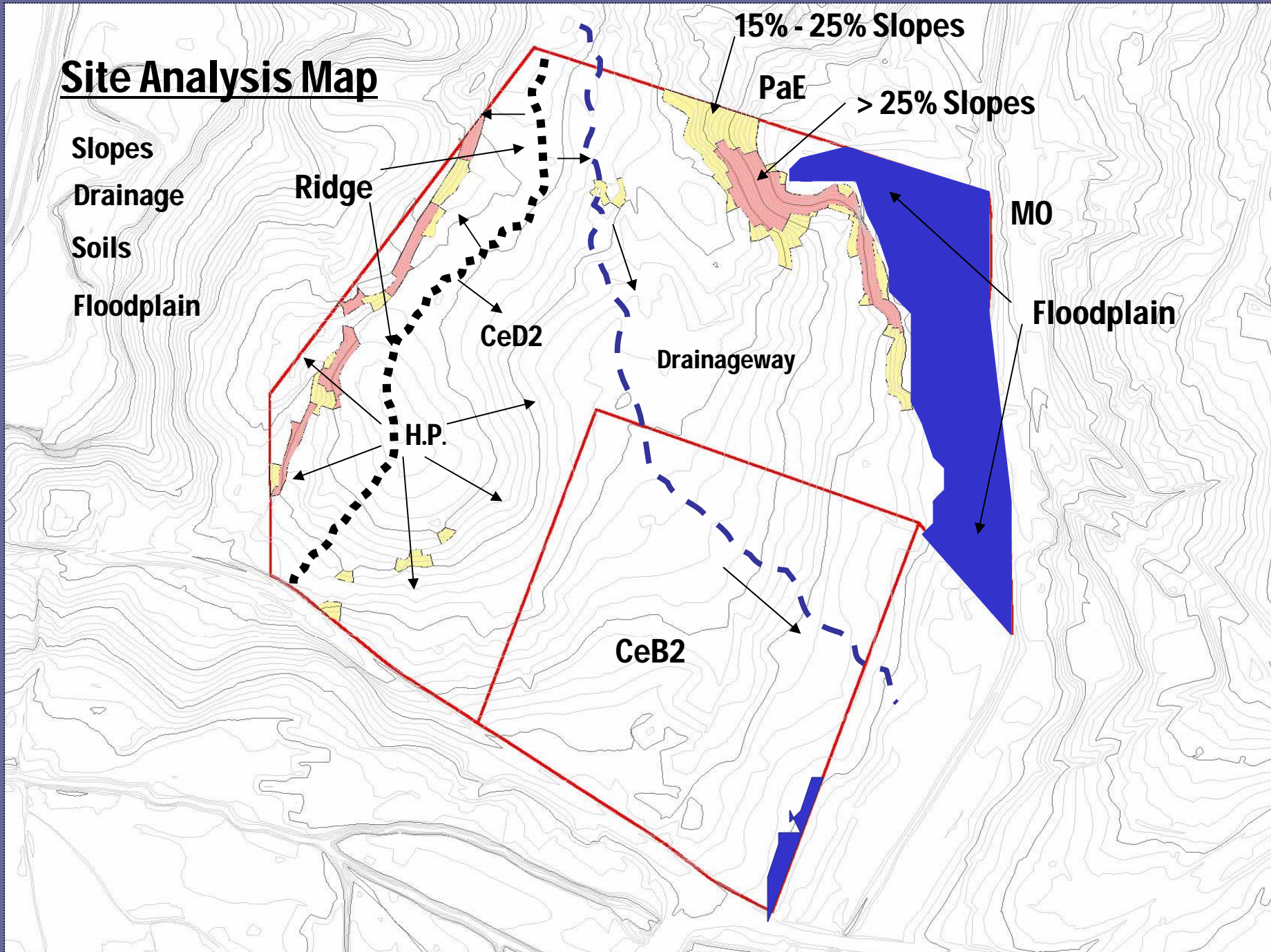
> 25% Slopes

Drainageway

MO

Floodplain

CeB2











**Existing Entry Road**





**Evergreens**

**Thick Ground Cover**





**Hardwoods**

**Secondary Growth**



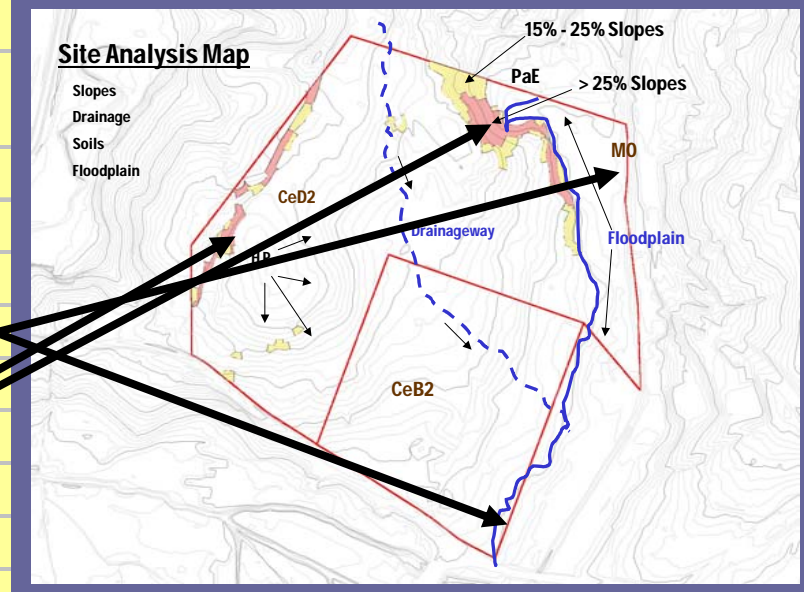


**Main Drainage Channel**



# Site Analysis Worksheet

Total Site Area: 61.194 Acres  
 Floodway 4.472 Acres (0.0% Credit)  
 Floodplain 1.722 Acres (0.50 Credit)  
 Slope >25% 1.555 Acres (0.25 Credit )



61.194 Gross Acres  
 - 4.472 Floodway  
 - 0.861 Floodplain ( 0.50 x 1.722)  
 - 1.167 Steep Slope ( 0.25 x 1.555)  
**54.694 Net Buildable Area**

## Huntersville Transitional Zone Options:

- 1 0.80 Units / acre with 25% Open Space = 43 Lots on 45.90 Ac
- 2 2.00 Units / acre with 40% Open Space = 109 Lots on 36.72 Ac

Assume 20% for roads = 0.85 Acre Lots (37,000 SF) for Option 1  
 = 0.28 Acre Lots (12,000 SF) for Option 2

**SELECT OPTION 2, 109 LOTS 40% OPEN SPACE**

# **L.I.D. Best Management Practices**



### BMPs for Use in Huntersville (Tables 6.1 and 6.2, Pages 48 and 49)

<b>BMP</b>	<b>Applicable Zoning Districts(1)</b>	<b>Applicable Performance Criteria (2)</b>	<b>Design Function(3)</b>	<b>Function(4) (WQ, VC, PC)</b>
<b>Strategic Clearing &amp; Grading</b>	U, T, R	3(a)		WQ, VC, PC
<b>Reduce Impervious Surfaces</b>	U, T, R	3(a)		WQ, VC, PC
<b>Bioretention (Rain Garden)</b>	U, T, R	3(a), 3(b)	Section 4.0	WQ, VC, PC
<b>Infiltration Trench</b>	U, T, R	3(a), 3(b)	Section 8.0	WQ, VC, PC
<b>Infiltration Swale</b>	U, T, R	3(a), 3(b)	Section 8.0	WQ, VC, PC
<b>Swales</b>	U, T, R	3(a)	Section 5.0	WQ, VC
<b>Swales with Outlet Control</b>	T, R	3(a), 3(a)	Section 5.0	WQ, VC, PC
<b>Vegetative Filter Strips &amp; Buffers</b>	U, T, R	3(a)	Section 7.0	WQ, PC
<b>Dry Well, Cistern &amp; Rainbarrel</b>	U, T, R	3(b)		WQ, VC, PC
<b>Porous Paving</b>	U, T, R	3(b)		WQ, VC
<b>Curb &amp; Gutter Elimination</b>	R	3(b)		WQ, PC
<b>Rooftop Storage</b>	U, T, R	3(b)		VC, PC
<b>Wet Pond</b>	U, T, R	3(b), 3(d)	Section 1.0	WQ, VC, PC
<b>Extended Dry Pond</b>	T, R	3(b), 3(d)	Section 6.0	VC, PC
<b>Storm Water Wetlands</b>	T, R	3(b)	Section 2.0	WQ, VC, PC
<b>Sand Filter</b>	T, R	3(a)	Section 3.0	WQ, VC, PC

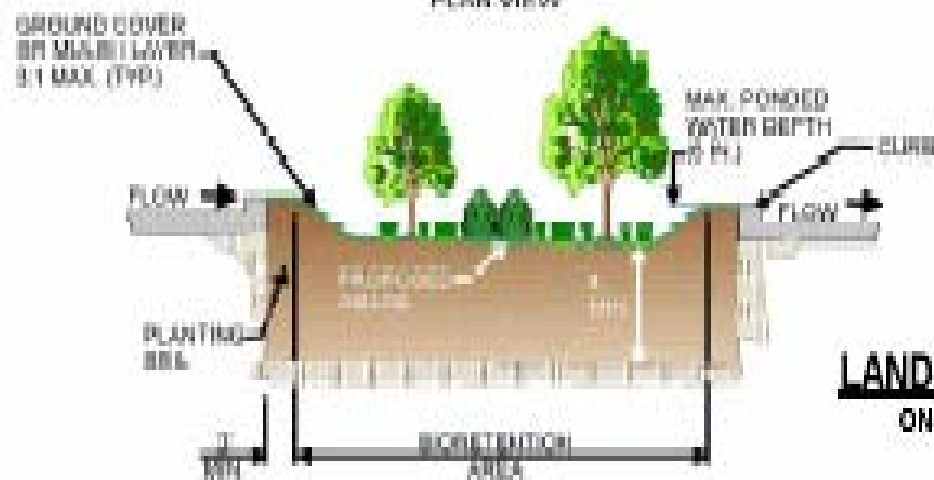
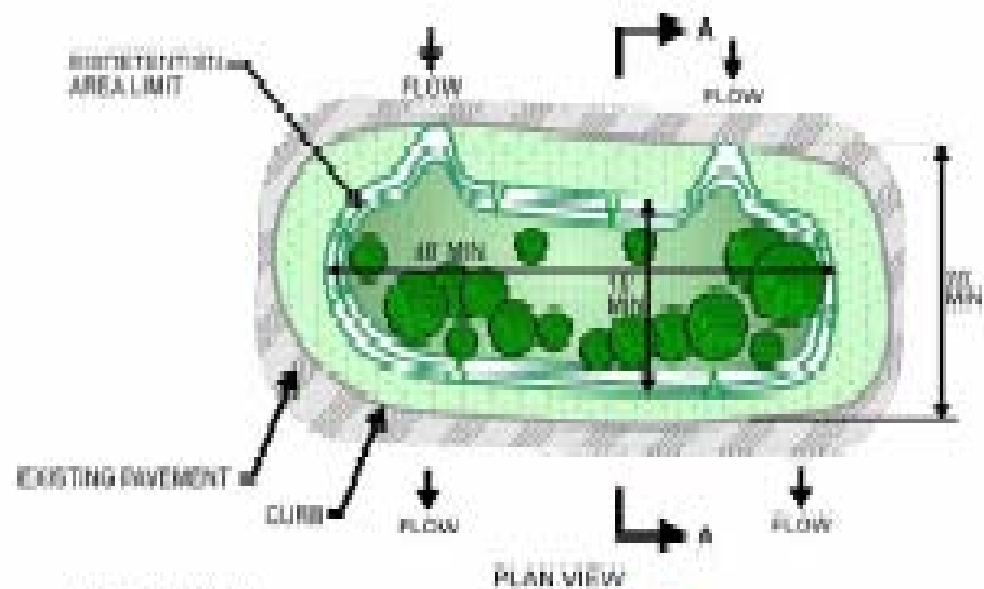
- (1) Applicable Zoning Districts: These are the Zoning Districts where the BMP can be used including U = Urban; T = Transitional; R = Rural.
- (2) Applicable Performance Criteria: These are the Performance Criteria Section numbers (see Section 3) that the BMP can be used to satisfy.
- (3) Design Function: All BMP designs are contained in the N.C. Department of Environment & Natural Resources, Storm Water Best Management Practices, April 1999
- (4) Functions: These are the dominate functions that the BMPs perform including WQ = Water Quality; VC = Volume Control, PC = Peak Control.



# Rain Gardens







**LANDSCAPED ISLAND**  
ON-LINE APPLICATION

SECTION A-A

# Residential Rain Gardens







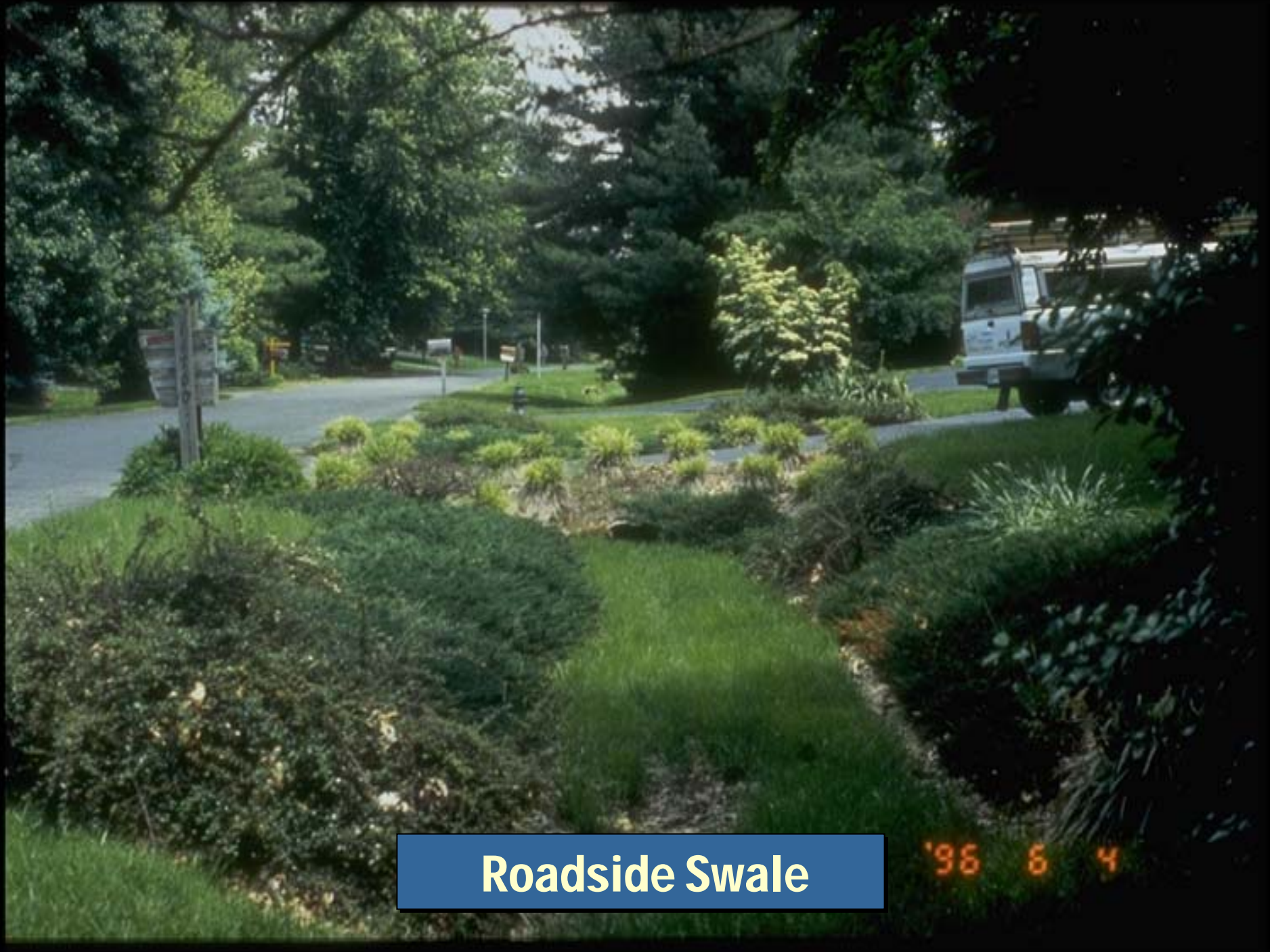
**Residential Rain Garden**



# Possible Rain Garden Locations

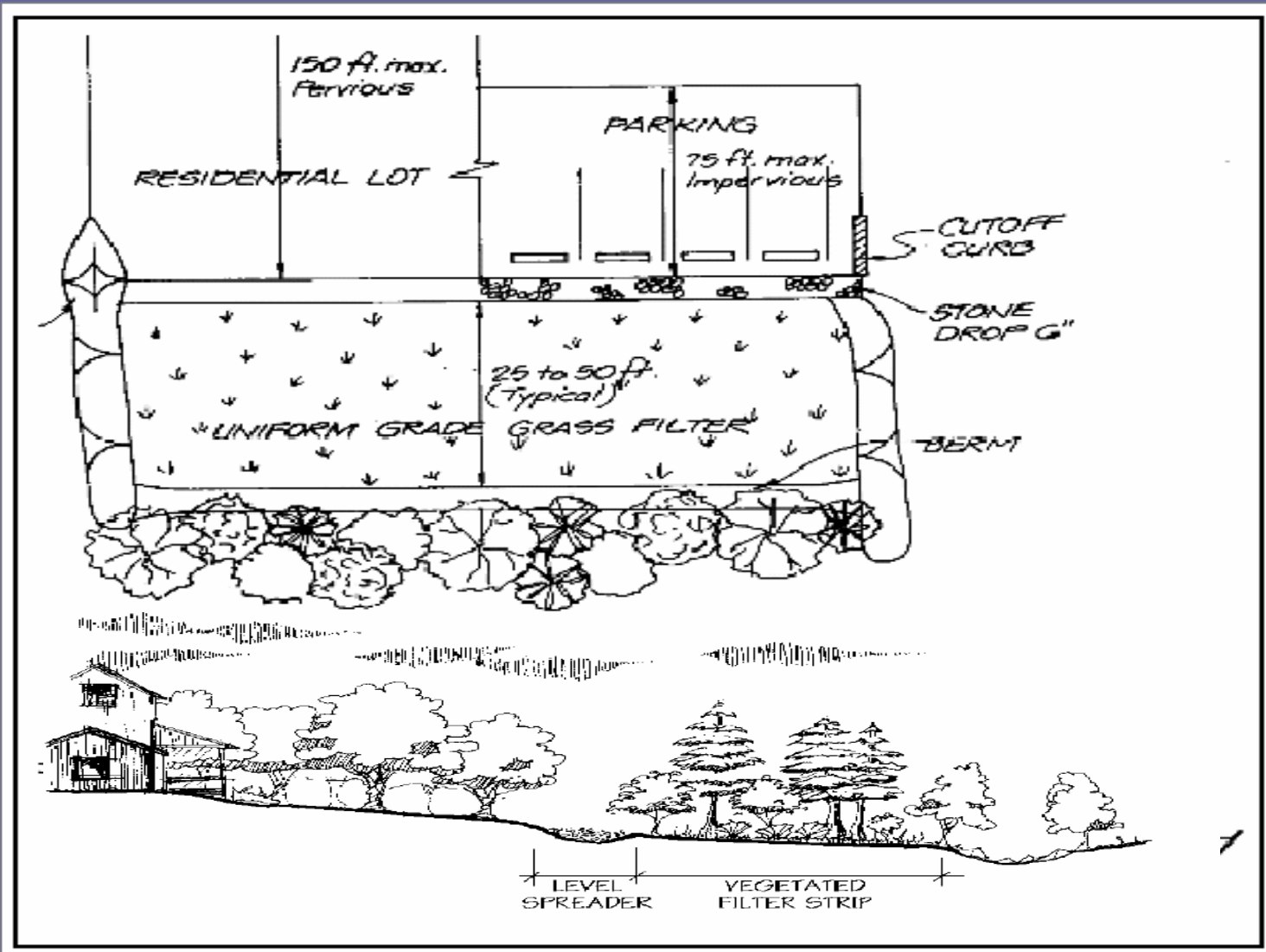






**Roadside Swale**

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**Vegetated Filter Strip**



**PRIMARY USE:** Remove sediment and other pollutants.

**ADDITIONAL USES:** Reduce flow and velocity of storm water.

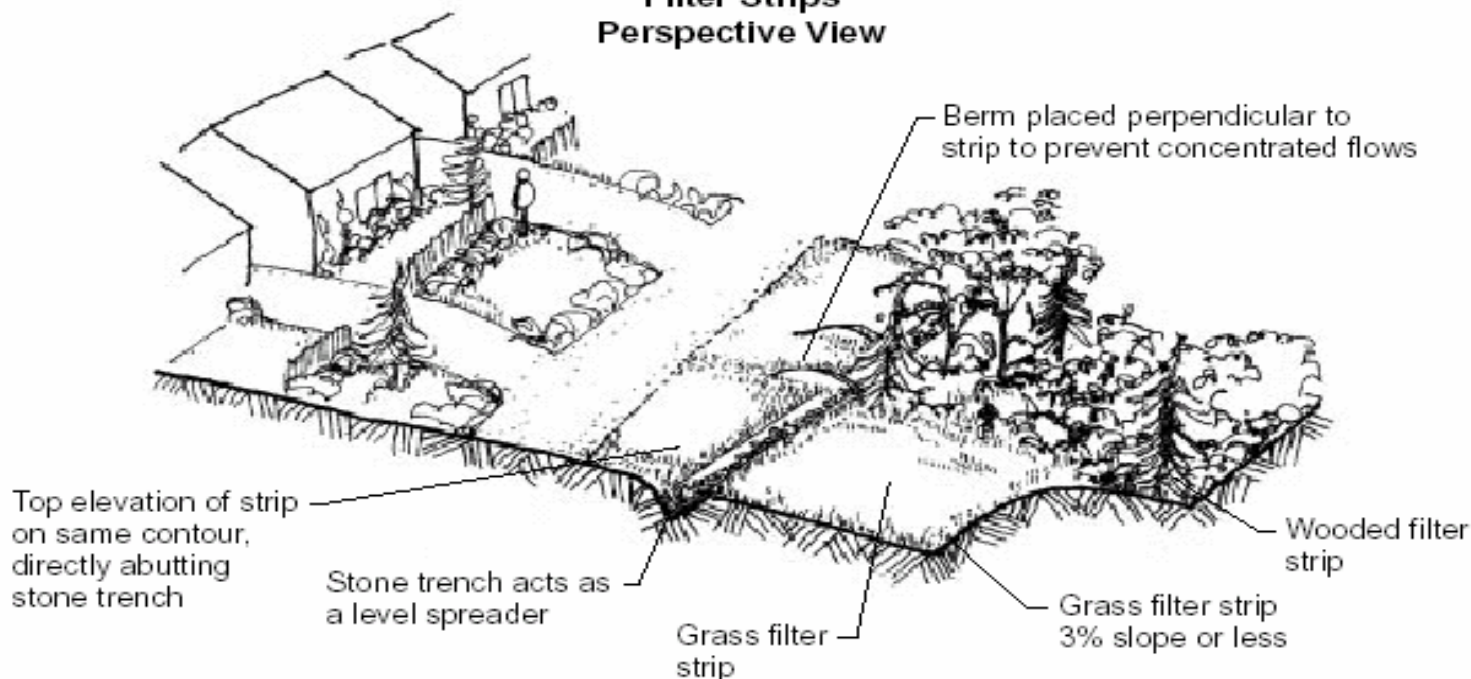
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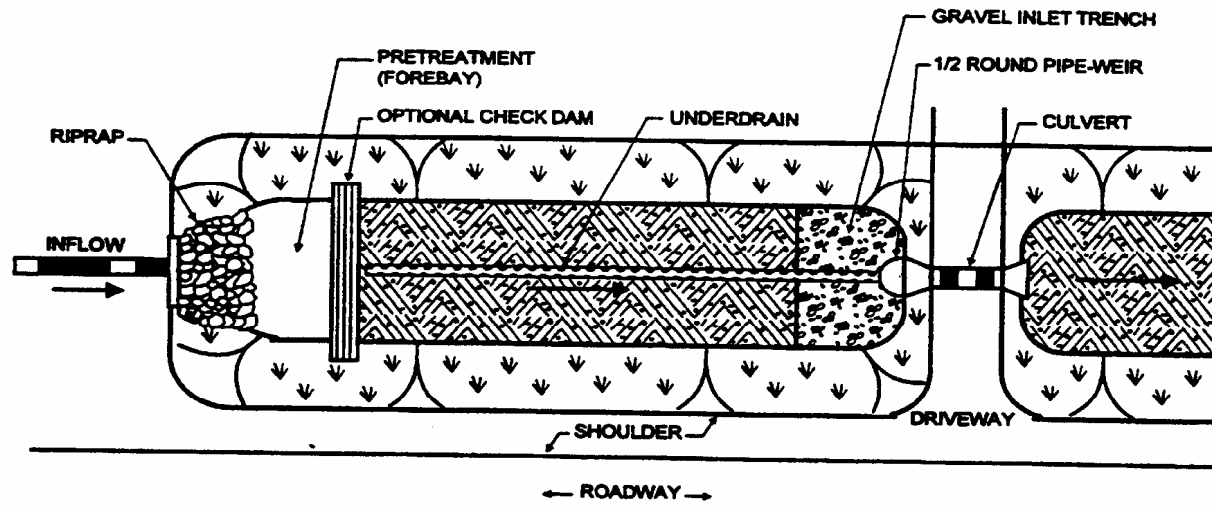
**What is it?** Gently sloping areas of natural vegetation or graded and artificially planted areas used to provide infiltration, remove sediments and other pollutants, and to reduce the flow and the velocity of storm water.

### Purpose

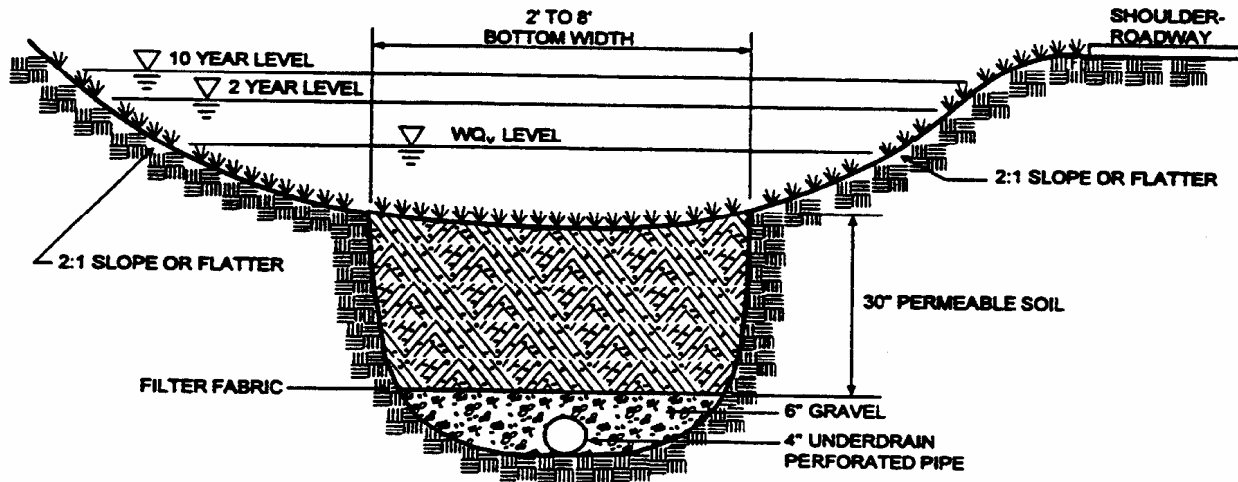
To improve water quality by filtering runoff to remove sediment and associated insoluble contaminants, to allow increased infiltration opportunity time for soluble nutrients or pesticides to drain into the soil, to provide shade to watercourses to help maintain temperature norms of the water thereby protecting or providing habitat for aquatic life, and to provide sound barrier to or from outside areas (roads, factories, parks).

**Filter Strips  
Perspective View**





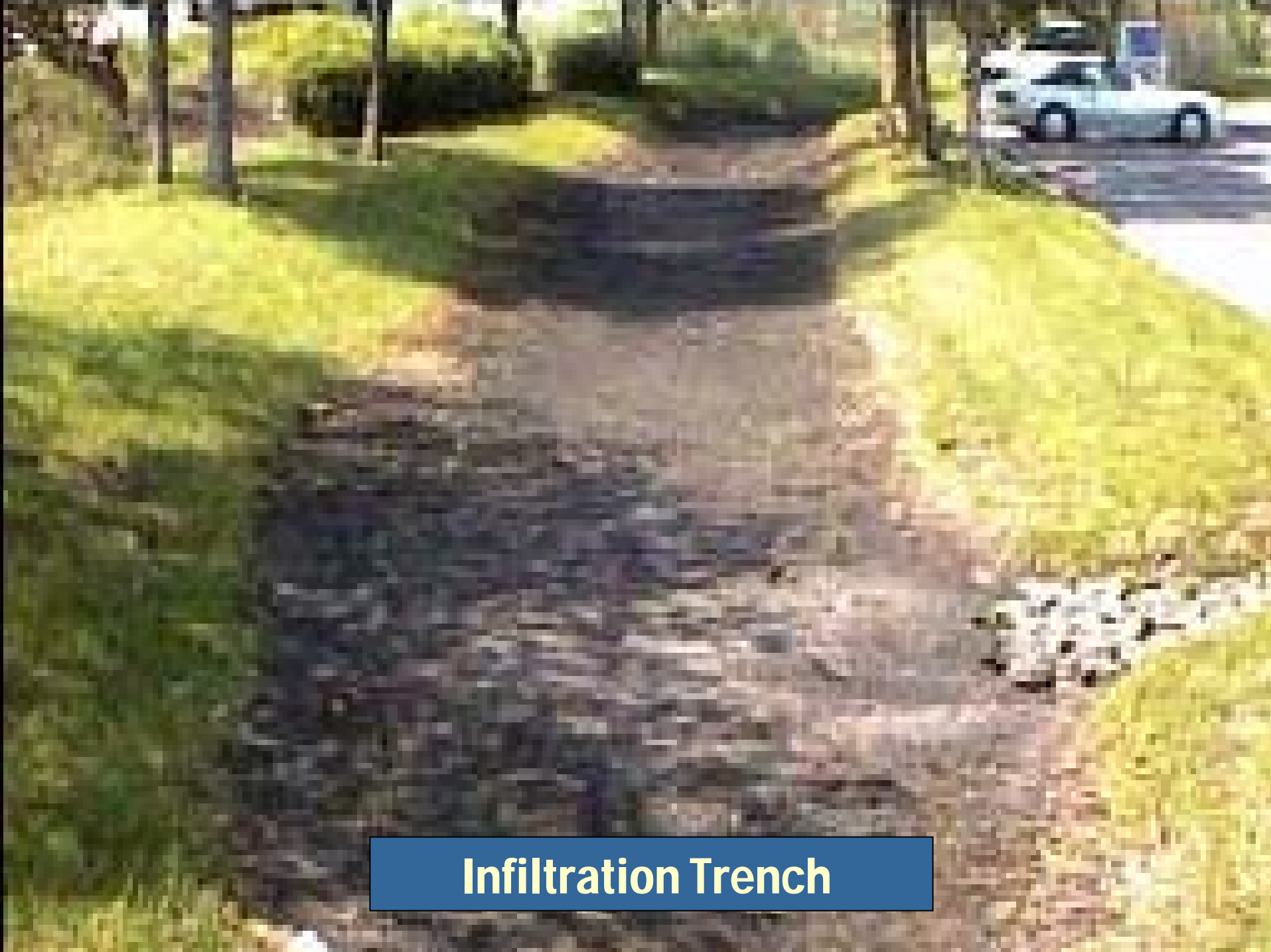
**PLAN VIEW**



# Infiltration Trench

**SECTION**





**Infiltration Trench**

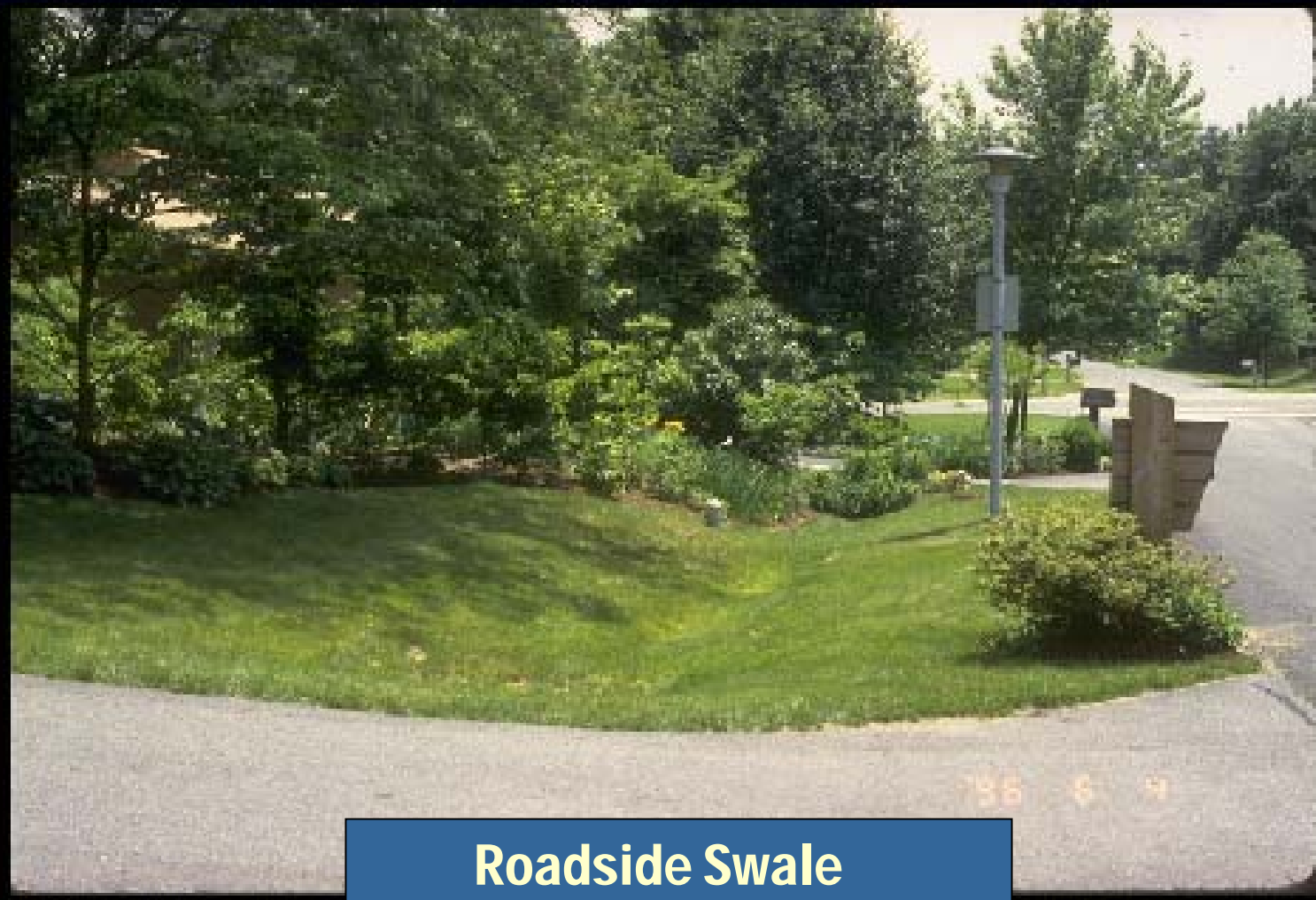


**Roadside Swale**



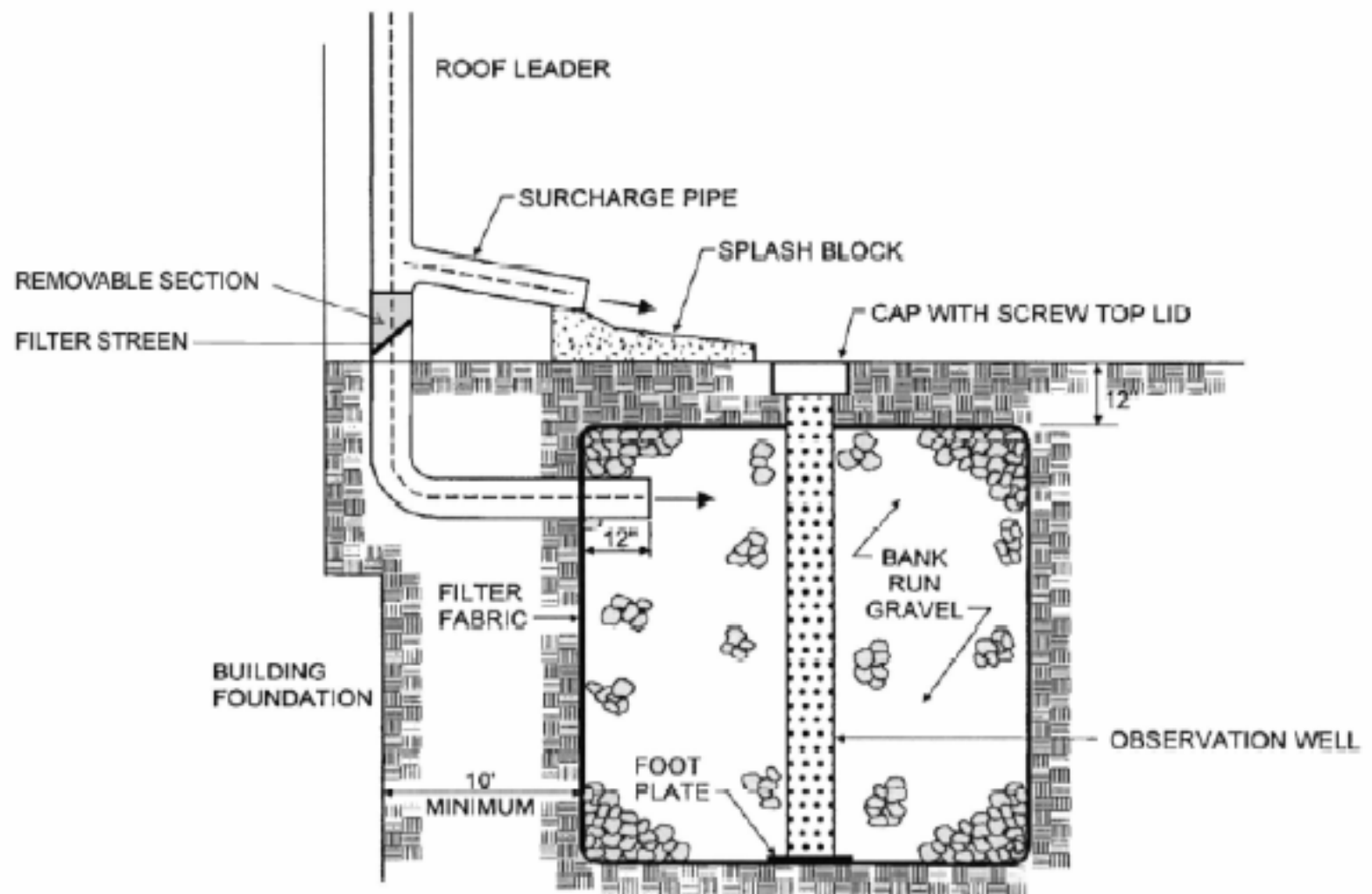


**Driveway Trench Drain**



**Roadside Swale**





**Figure 4: Soakaway Pit Profile**

Source: Adapted from Maryland Department of the Environment, 1998.



**Rain Barrels**







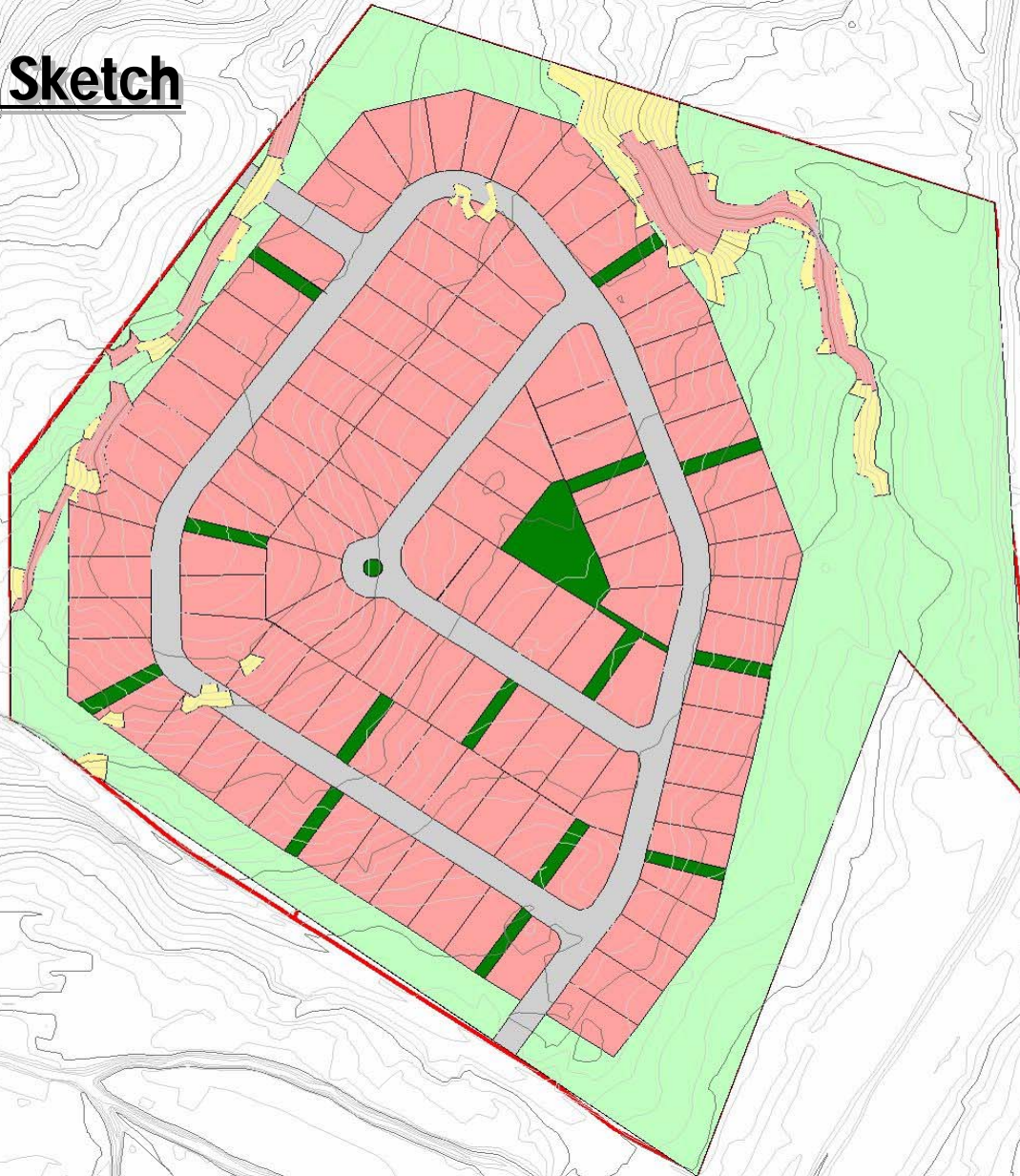
Aesthetic Dry Detention Pond

# **Preliminary Plan**



# Preliminary Sketch

109 Lots



**Typical Lot  
12,000 S.F.**



**Two-Story House**

**Width 60'**

**Depth 40'**

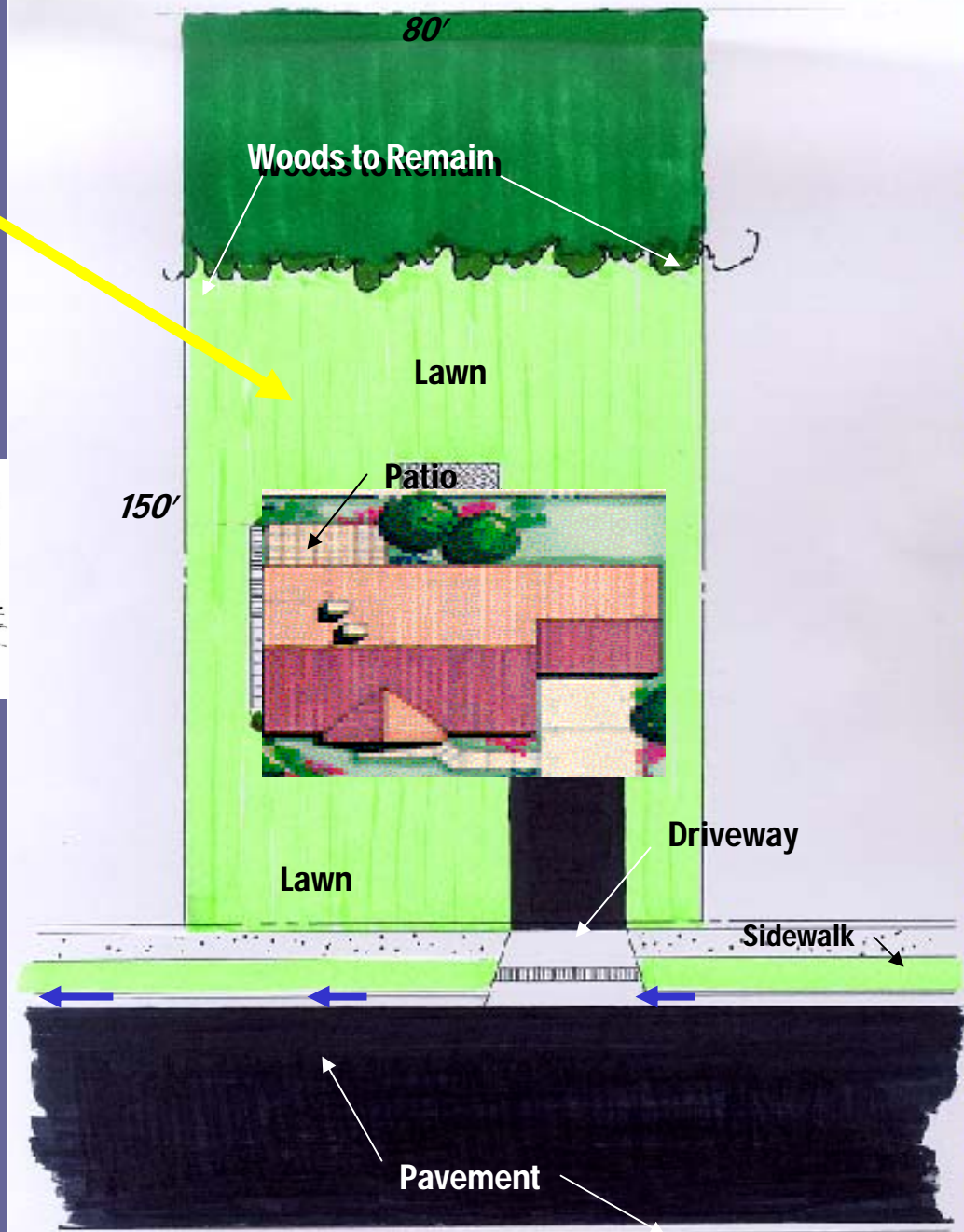
**4 Bedrooms**

**3-1/2 Baths**

**1<sup>st</sup> Floor 1456 SF**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Floor 1280 SF**

**Total Heated 2736 SF**



	<u>CN</u>	<u>SF</u>
Woods	55	3200
Lawn	61	5830
House	98	2000
Drive	98	670
1/2 Street	98	1120
Patio	98	300
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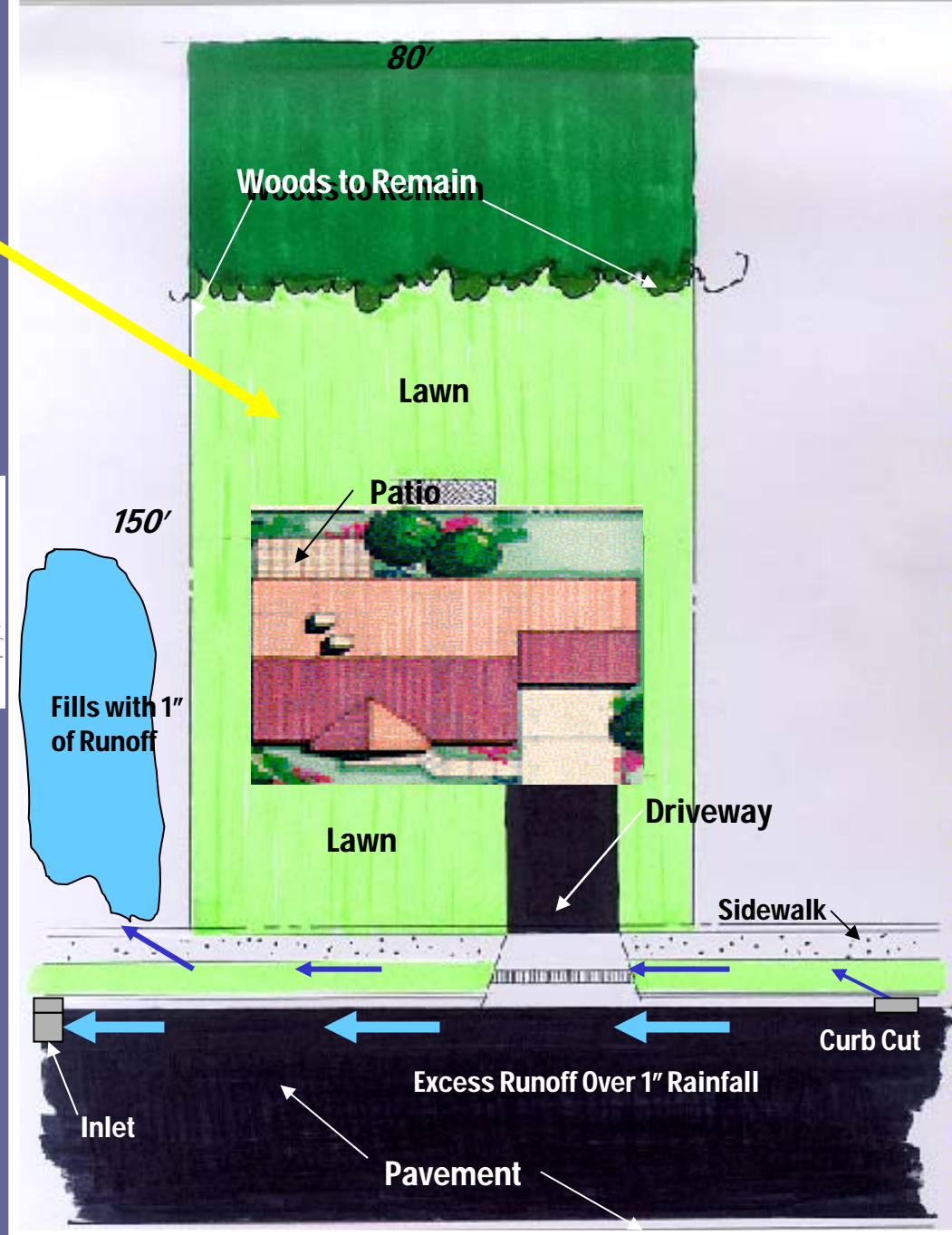
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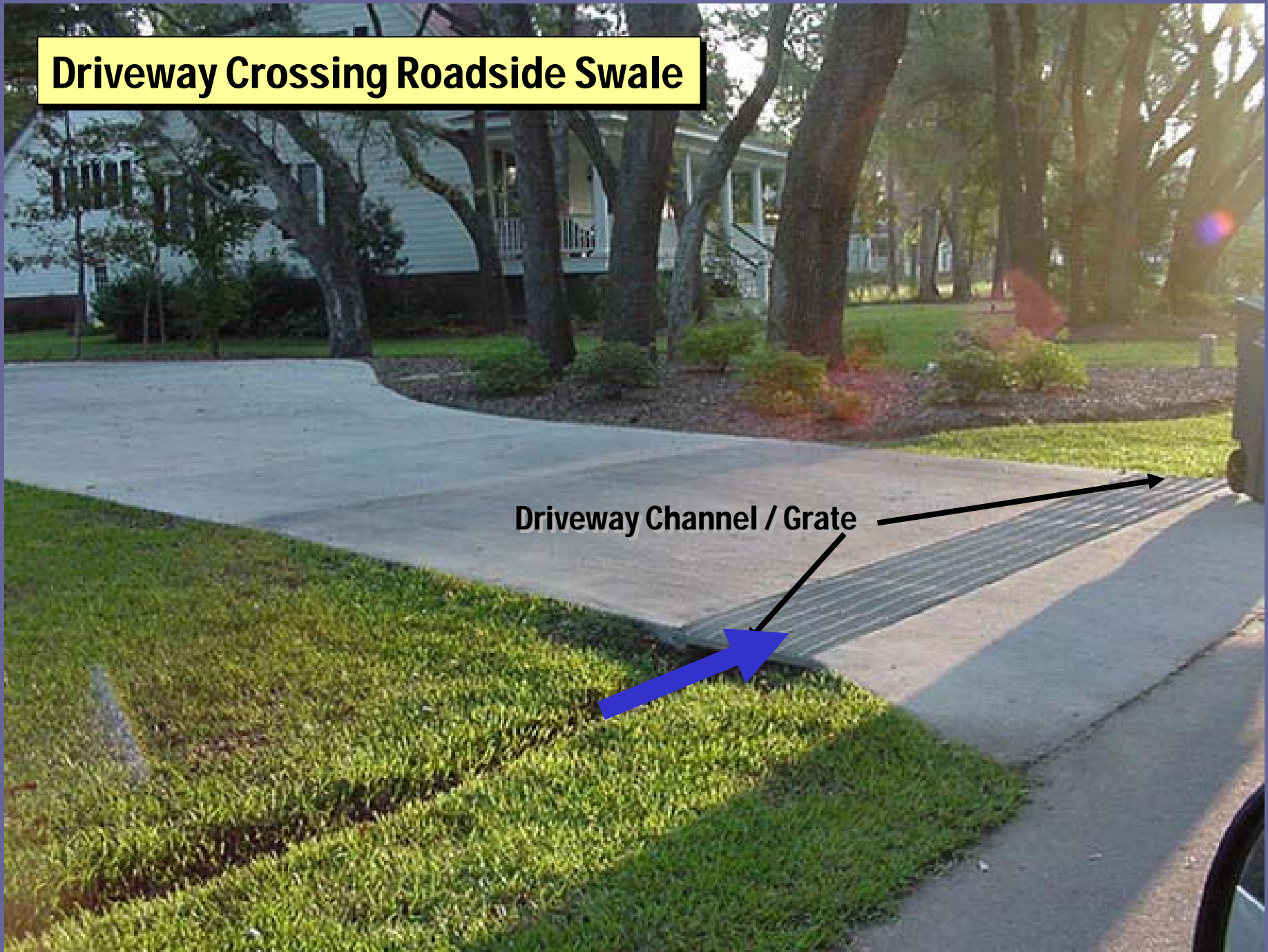
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# Driveway Crossing Roadside Swale

Driveway Channel / Grate





## Roadside Swale Capacities

Slope 0.50% Q = 1.00 cfs V = 0.51 fps

Slope 1.00% Q = 1.50 cfs V = 0.73 fps

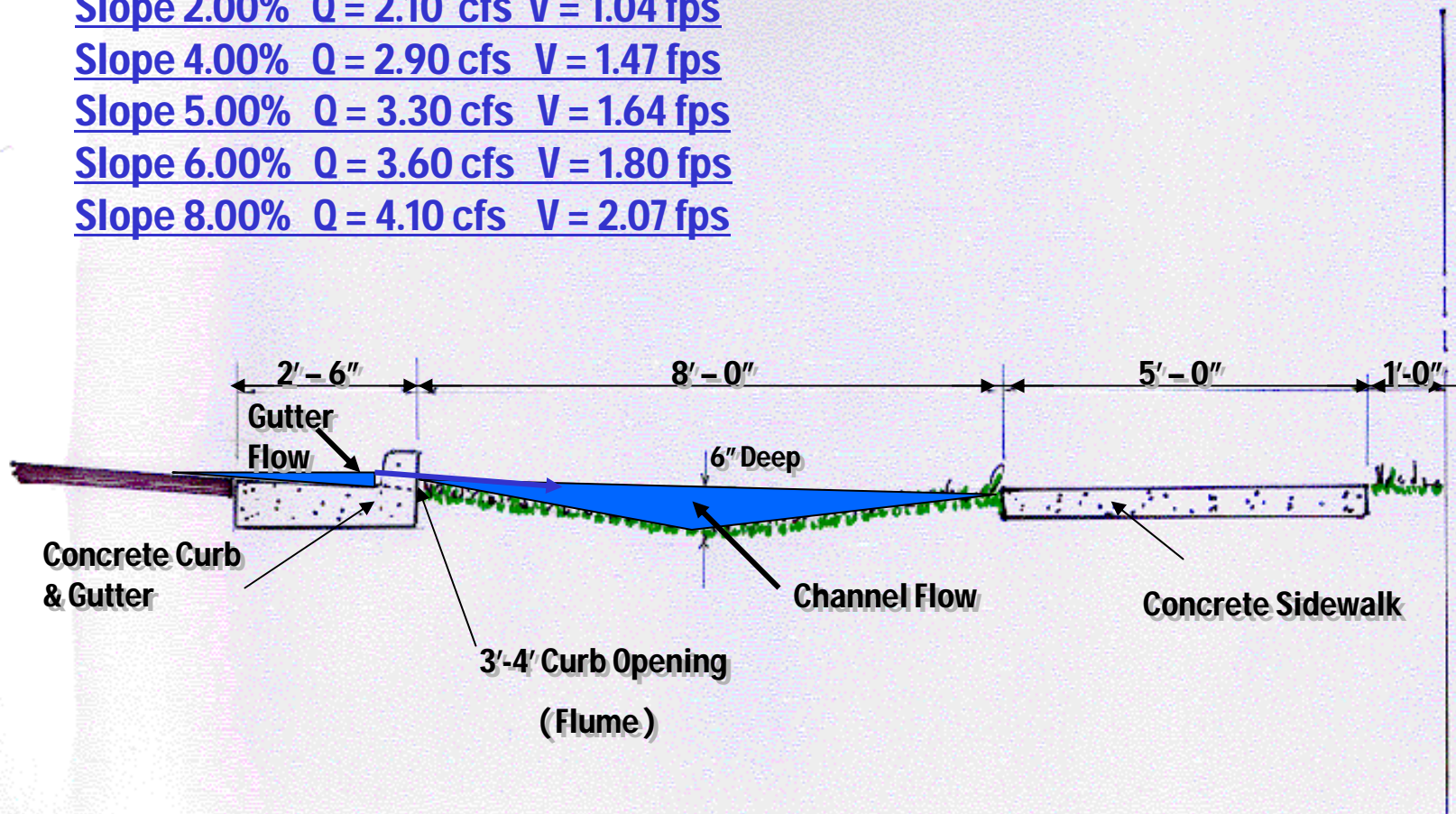
Slope 2.00% Q = 2.10 cfs V = 1.04 fps

Slope 4.00% Q = 2.90 cfs V = 1.47 fps

Slope 5.00% Q = 3.30 cfs V = 1.64 fps

Slope 6.00% Q = 3.60 cfs V = 1.80 fps

Slope 8.00% Q = 4.10 cfs V = 2.07 fps



## Water Quality Swale

# **S.E.T. Calculations**



# S.E.T. Analysis

## 1. Enter Site Data Here

☒ Show/Hide Calculation Sheets

"Site Data" and "BMPs" worksheets require user inputs.

"User BMP" requires user input if the site has a BMP not listed on the "BMPs" sheet

Blue colored cells indicate user input fields.

Model results are summarized in the "Model Output" worksheet.

General Information	
Name of Applicant:	MC Development Co.
Name of Project:	Forest Lake Estates
Scenario Name*:	109 Lot LID
# Homes on Septic Systems	
Unsewered Commercial Systems (gal/yr)	
Development Site Area (acres):	36.720
Development Site Area (calculated, ft <sup>2</sup> ):	1,599,523

\* Use Scenario Name when multiple BMP configurations are being tested for a given project. Save each scenario as a separate file.

Soil Hydrologic Groups (Percent of Site Area)	
Group A	
Group B	100.00%
Group C	
Group D	

Check on Soil Group Sums

Totals OK

Areas assigned in this table must sum to the total development site area.

"Pasture" has livestock, while "Meadow" means unmanaged herbaceous cover without livestock.

"Driveways and Parking Lots" include curb and gutter.

"Rooftops" include canopies.

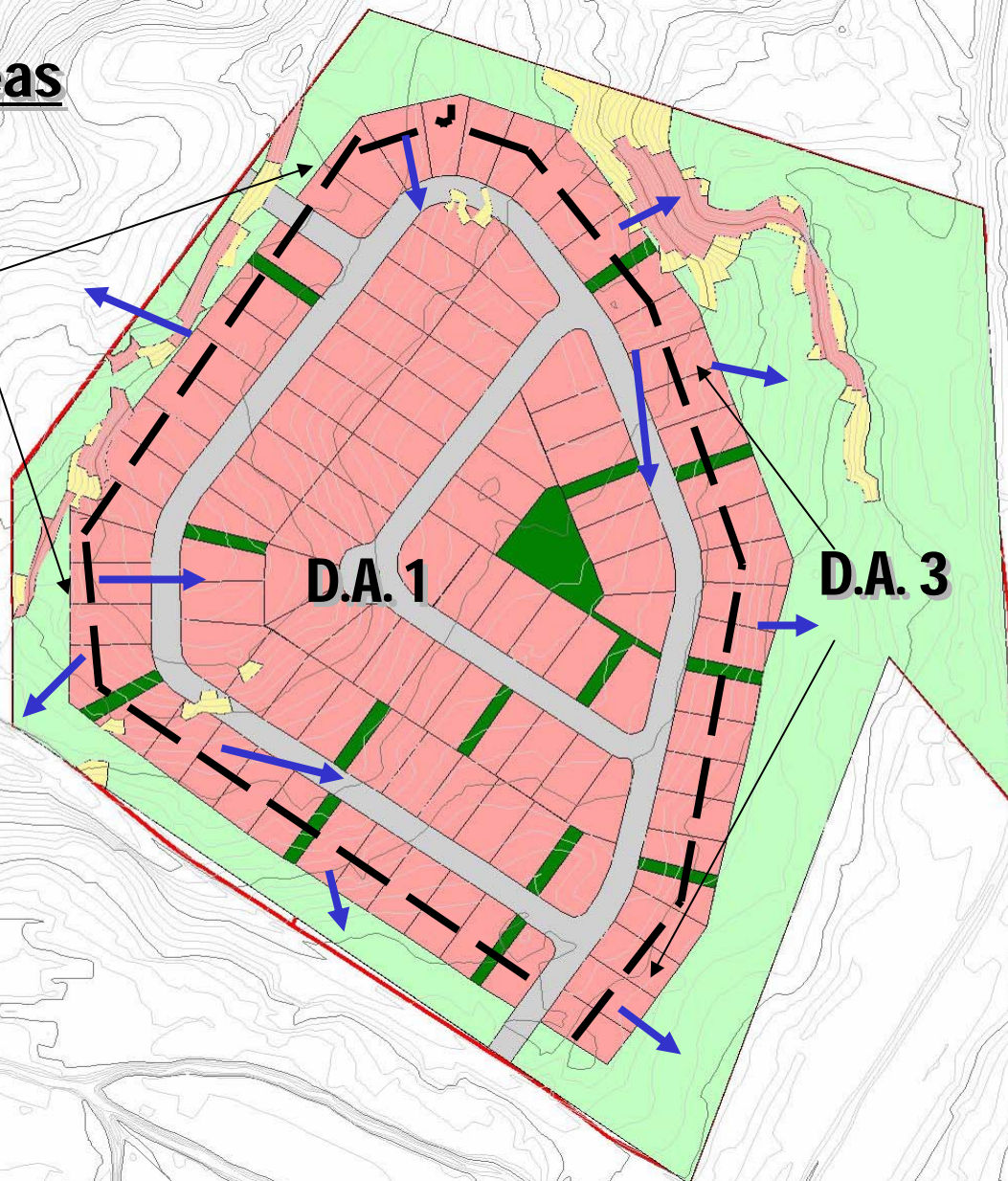
Land Use/Cover Data				
	Existing Land Use		Proposed Land Use	
	Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	% of Site	Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	% of Site
<b>Pervious Areas</b>				
Row Crops	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Pasture	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Forest	1,599,523	100.0%	435,773	27.2%
Wetland	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Meadow	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Lawn	0	0.0%	635,500	39.7%
<b>Impervious Areas</b>				
<i>Residential &amp; Light Industrial</i>				
Rooftops		0.0%	218,000	13.6%
Driveways & Parking Lots		0.0%	70,850	4.4%
Other Impervious Area		0.0%	32,700	2.0%
Road		0.0%	153,700	9.6%
Sidewalk		0.0%	53,000	3.3%
<i>Commercial &amp; Heavy Industrial</i>				
Rooftops		0.0%		0.0%
Parking Lot		0.0%		0.0%
Other Impervious Area		0.0%		0.0%
Road		0.0%		0.0%
Sidewalk		0.0%		0.0%
<b>Storm Water Management Facilities</b>				
Pond/Wetland Surface Area	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Swales/Channels/Infiltration		0.0%		0.0%
<b>Site Totals:</b>	<b>1,599,523</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,599,523</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Total Site Impervious Cover<sup>1</sup></b>		<b>1.0%</b>		<b>33.7%</b>

## Drainage Areas

D.A. 2

D.A. 1

D.A. 3





## 2. Assign Project Areas Here

Assign project area to specific land uses in drainage areas (DA) associated with a specific set of BMPs

Hint: Assign land area to the Drainage Areas until all entries in the "Unassigned" category equal 0.

Proposed Land Use/ Cover Data by DA						
	Project Areas (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Unassigned Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Drainage Areas (DA) associated with B			
			DA1	DA2	DA3	DA4
Pervious Areas						
Row Crops	0	0				
Pasture	0	0				
Forest	435,773	0	253,773	82,000	100,000	
Wetland	0	0				
Meadow	0	0				
Lawn	635,500	0	466,900	84,100	84,500	
Impervious Areas						
Residential & Light Industrial						
Rooftops	218,000	0	218,000			
Driveways & Parking Lots	70,850	0	70,850			
Other Impervious Area	32,700	0	32,700			
Road	153,700	0	153,700			
Sidewalk	53,000	0	53,000			
Commercial & Heavy Industrial						
Rooftops	0	0				
Parking Lot	0	0				
Other Impervious Area	0	0				
Road	0	0				
Sidewalk	0	0				
Storm Water Management Facilities						
Pond/Wetland	0	0				
All Other BMPs (except Forested Buffer)	36,000	0	36,000			
Total Area	1,635,523	0	1,284,923	166,100	184,500	

Proposed Drainage Area (DA) assignments match Proposed Land Use.

### 3. Assign BMPs Here

- a. Click on a box to associate a BMP with a specific DA. BMPs should serve the entire DA.  
b. Enter storage volume (if applicable) of BMP in acre-ft.

BMPs Applied to DA	DA1	DA2	DA3	---
Wet Pond	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dry Detention	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stormwater Wetland	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sand Filter	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bioretention (Rain Garden)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enhanced Grass Swale	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grass Swale	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Infiltration Trench	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
User-defined BMP (Sequential with other assigned BMPs)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Forested Buffer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enter Buffer Width for each DA with Forested Buffer (feet):		140	140	
Percent of DA within treatment zone:		100.0%	100.0%	
Storage volume for 2 yr, 24 hr storm (acre-ft)	2.3			

Notes: Grass channels do not receive removal credit when used in combination with water quality dry swales.

Forested Buffers cannot be used with Wet Ponds, Dry Detention Basins, or Stormwater Wetlands in the same drainage area.



## BMP Performance

Net Reductions	DA1	DA2	DA3	---
Flow converted to infiltration by BMPs	48.0%	10.0%	10.0%	
Total Nitrogen	97.4%	36.1%	36.1%	
Total Phosphorus	96.7%	45.0%	45.0%	
TSS	99.5%	69.4%	69.4%	
Fecal Coliform	97.3%	5.0%	5.0%	

# DEVELOPMENT PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

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Forest Lake Estates  
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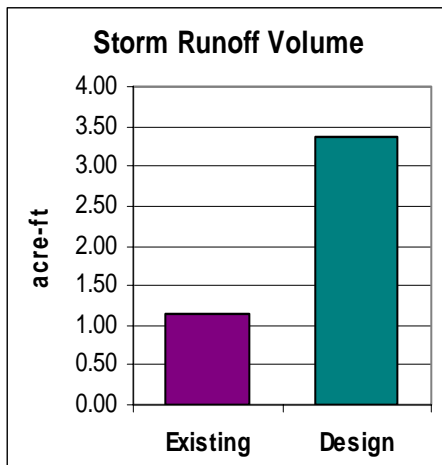
## Land Use Summary

Total Site Area (acres)	36.72
Pre-development impervious percentage	1.0%
Post-development impervious percentage	33.7%

## Annual Hydrology Summary

	<u>Existing</u> <u>Landuse</u>	<u>Design</u> <u>without BMPs</u>	<u>Design</u> <u>with BMPs</u>
Annual Surface Runoff (inches/yr)	2.32	13.91	7.43
Annual Infiltration (inches/yr)	12.00	7.08	13.57

## 2-year, 24-hour Storm Event Runoff Volume Summary



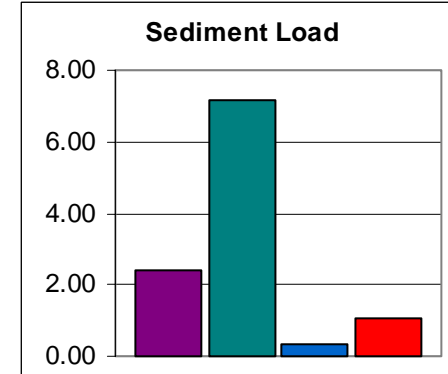
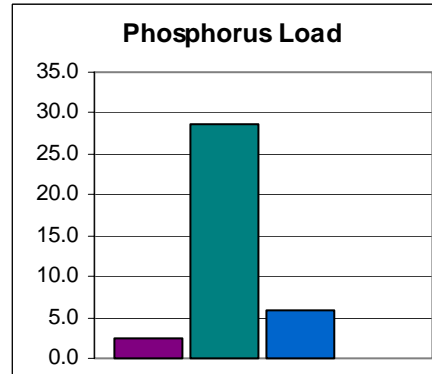
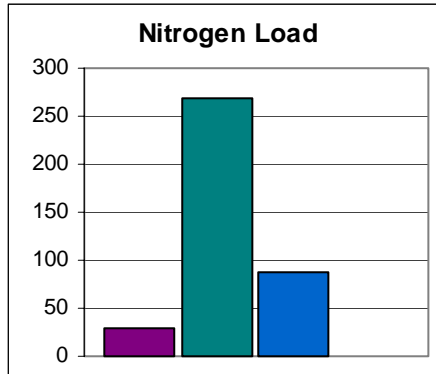
### Storm Event Runoff Volume (acre-ft)

Existing Landuse	1.16
Design without BMPs	3.38
2-yr, 24-hr BMP Storage	2.25
Target Storage <sup>1</sup>	2.22
Meets Goal?	YES



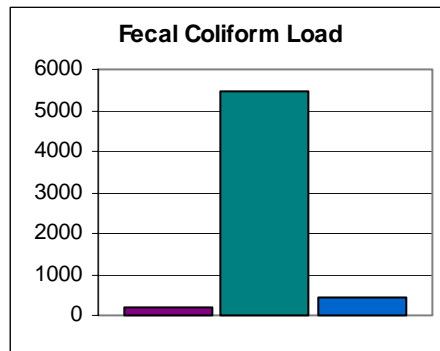
## Pollutant Load Summary

	Existing Landuse	Design without BMPs	Design with BMPs	Target	Meets Goal?
Total Nitrogen (lb/yr)	29	268	87		
Total Phosphorus (lb/yr)	2.5	28.6	5.9		
Sediment <sup>2</sup> (ton/yr)	2.41	7.16	0.36	1.07	YES



**BMPs Meet Sediment Load Reduction and Runoff Control Targets**

## Fecal Coliform Load Summary



**Fecal Coliform Load (count x 10<sup>9</sup>/yr)**

Existing Landuse	205
Design without BMPs	5484
Design with BMPs	418

<sup>1</sup> Target storage volume is the difference between pre-development runoff and design runoff with no BMPs.

<sup>2</sup> Upland sediment load only, does not include sediment from stream bank erosion/channel instability.

Sediment target reflects 85% removal of annual sediment load under design conditions without BMPs.

## **Removal Efficiencies:**

**Total Nitrogen: 1.42 lb./acre per year = 67.5% Removal**

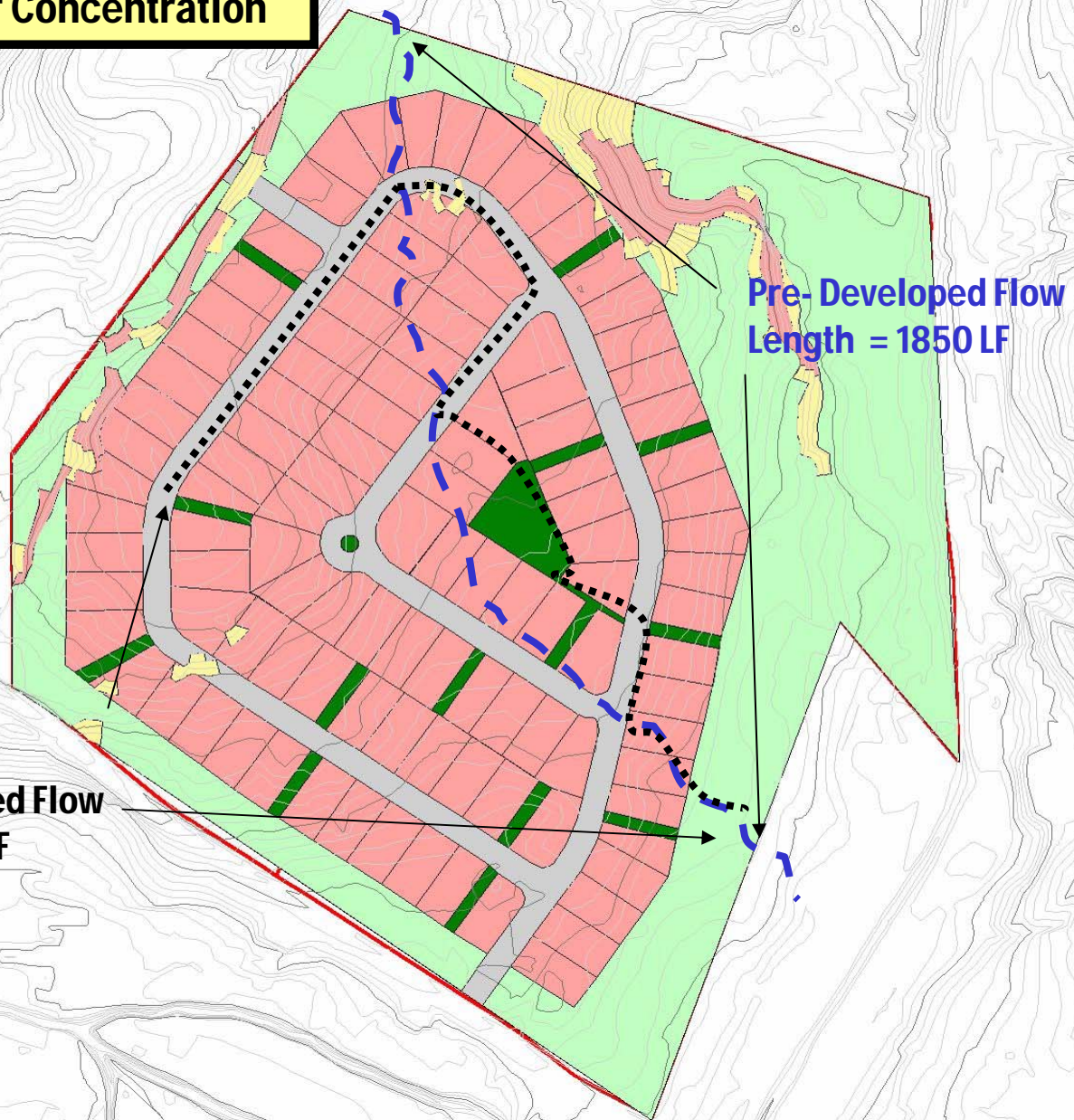
**Total Phosphorus: 0.10lb./acre per year = 79.4% Removal**

**Total Suspended Solids: 0.006 Tons/acre per year =  
95% Removal**



# **Hydrologic Analysis**

## Increase Time of Concentration





1.

**Determine storage volume for Water Quality volume requirements.** Determine the storage volume required for quality control BMPs. Use larger of volumes to maintain CN (Step 1, Example 5.2) or water quality volume. (Example 5.3).

2.

**Determine storage volume required to maintain runoff volume or CN.** Use Chart Series A: Storage Volume Required to Maintain the Pre-development Runoff Volume Using Retention Storage (Example 5.2).

3.

**Determine storage volume required to maintain predevelopment peak runoff rate using 100% retention.** Use Chart Series B: Storage Volume Required to Maintain the Predevelopment Peak Runoff Rate Using 100% Retention.

4.

**Determine whether additional detention storage is required to maintain pre-development peak runoff rate.** Compare the results of Steps 1 and 2 to the results of Step 3. If the storage volume in Steps 1 and 2 is determined to be greater than that in Step 3, the storage volume required to maintain the predevelopment CN also controls the peak runoff rate. No additional detention storage is needed. If the site area in Step 1 is less than that in Step 3, additional detention storage is required to maintain the peak runoff rate (Example 5.4).

5.

**Determine storage volume required to maintain predevelopment peak runoff rate using 100% detention.** Use Chart Series C: Storage Volume Required to Maintain the Predevelopment Peak Runoff Rate Using 100% Detention. This is used in conjunction with Chart Series A and B to determine the hybrid volume in Step 6.

6.

**HYBRID approach.** Use results from Chart Series A, B, and C to determine storage volume s to maintain both the predevelopment peak runoff rate and runoff volume. Refer to Equations 5.5 and 5.6 as found in Example 5.4.

7.

**Determine appropriate storage volume available for retention practices.** If the storage volume available for retention practices is less than the storage determined in Step 3, recalculate the amount of BMP area required to maintain the peak runoff rate while attenuating some volume using the procedure in Example 5.6 using Equations 5.7 and 5.8.

## Summary

Volume to maintain pre-developed volume = 0.49". 1.50 Ac.Ft. ( 2 year storm)

Water Quality Volume (Impervious Area) = 0.79", 0.798 Ac. Ft. (1" Rainfall )

Retention storage to maintain Peak Rate of Runoff = 0.99", 3.03 Ac. Ft. (10 Yr. Storm)

Detention storage to maintain Peak Rate of Runoff = 0.83", 2.54 Ac. Ft (10 Yr. Storm).

Total Volume required to maintain Peak Rate of runoff = 0.726". 2.222 Ac. Ft ( HYBRID ).

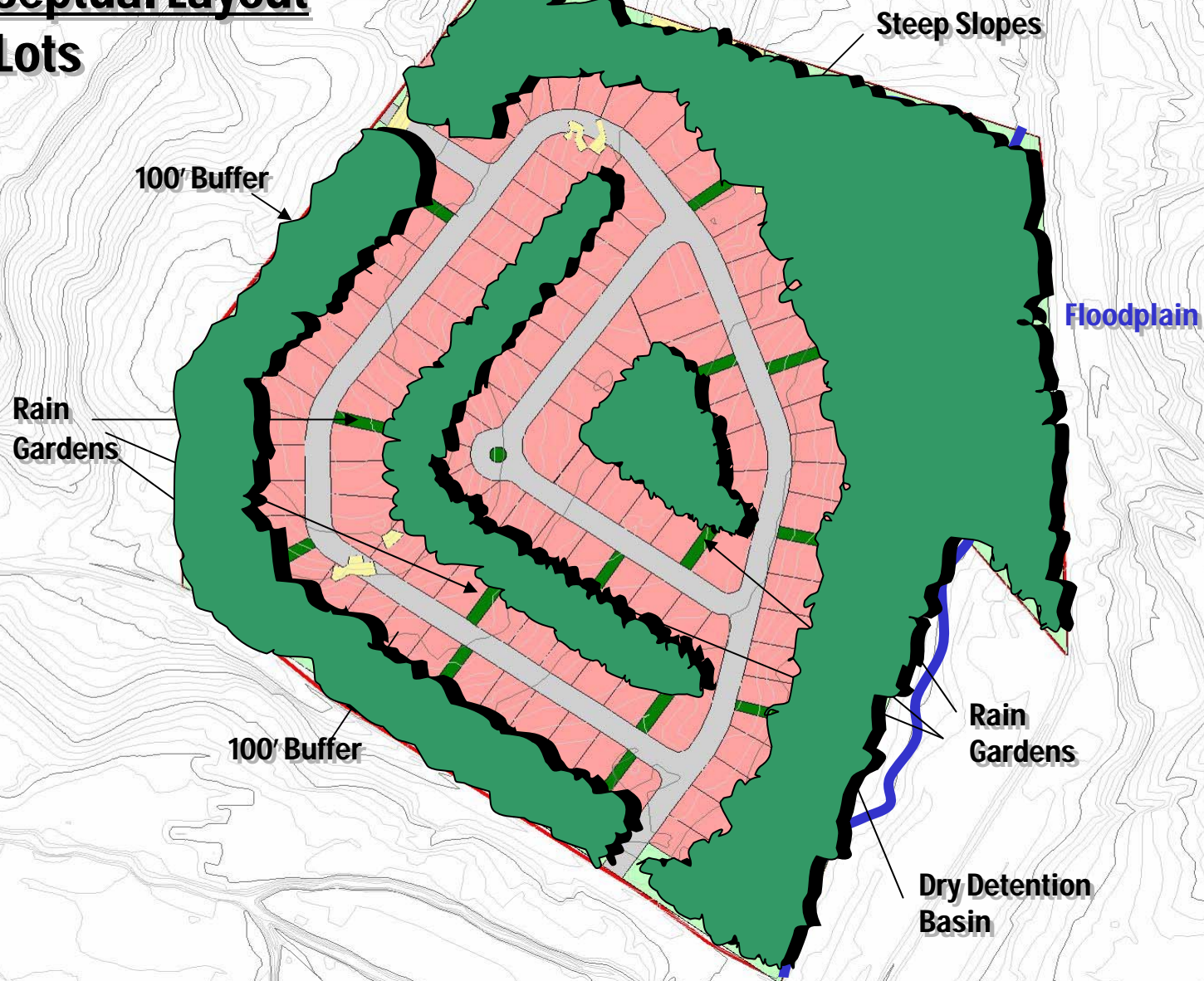
**Therefore: Use 0.798 Ac. Ft in "Rain Gardens" and 1.424 Ac. Ft. in Dry Detention**



# **Final Conceptual Plan**

# Conceptual Layout

## 109 Lots



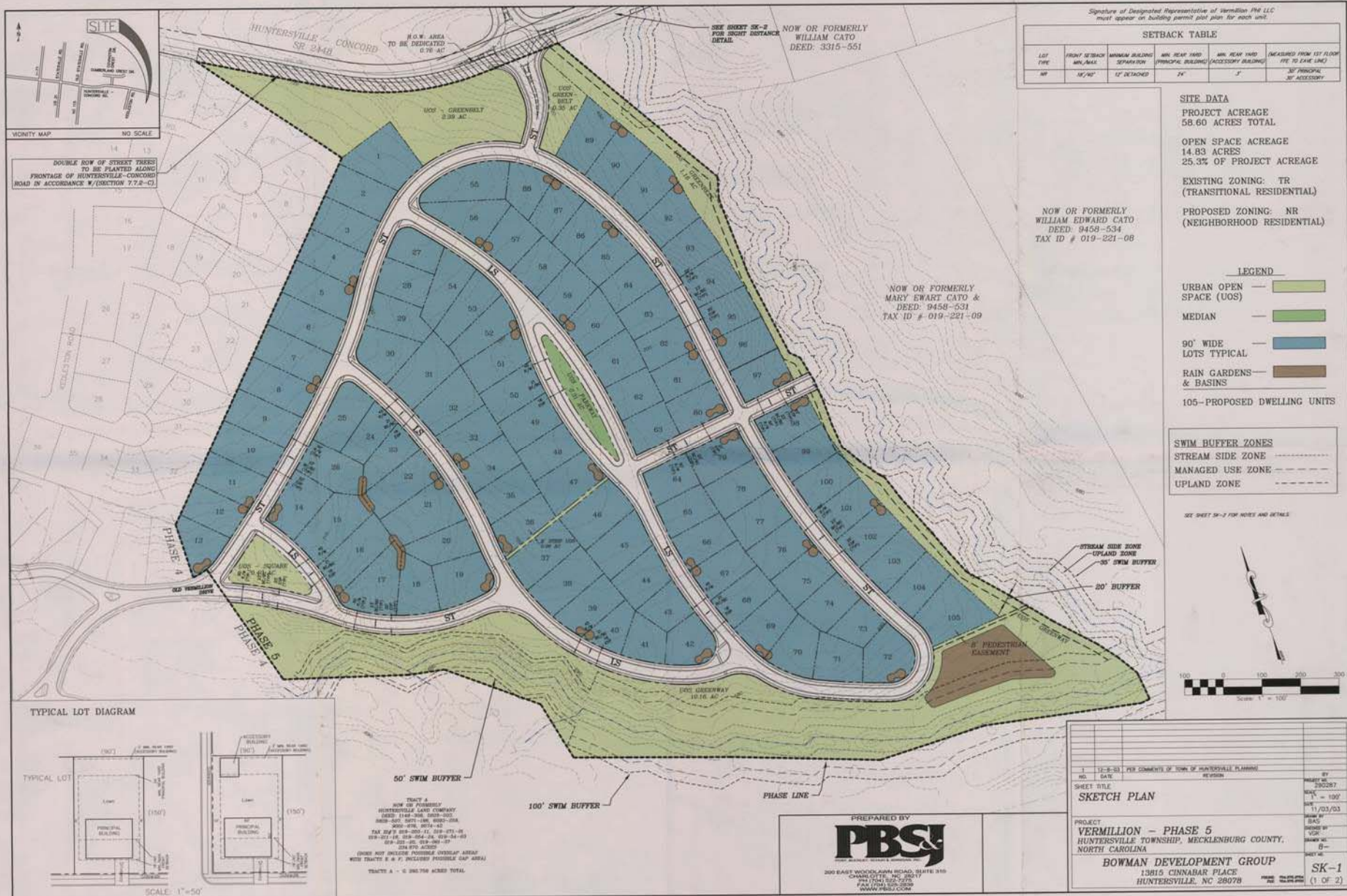


# ***Forest Lake Estates***





# Vermillion Phase 5





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