

# Stormwater Management: Post Construction Stormwater BMP's



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**SOLUTIONS**

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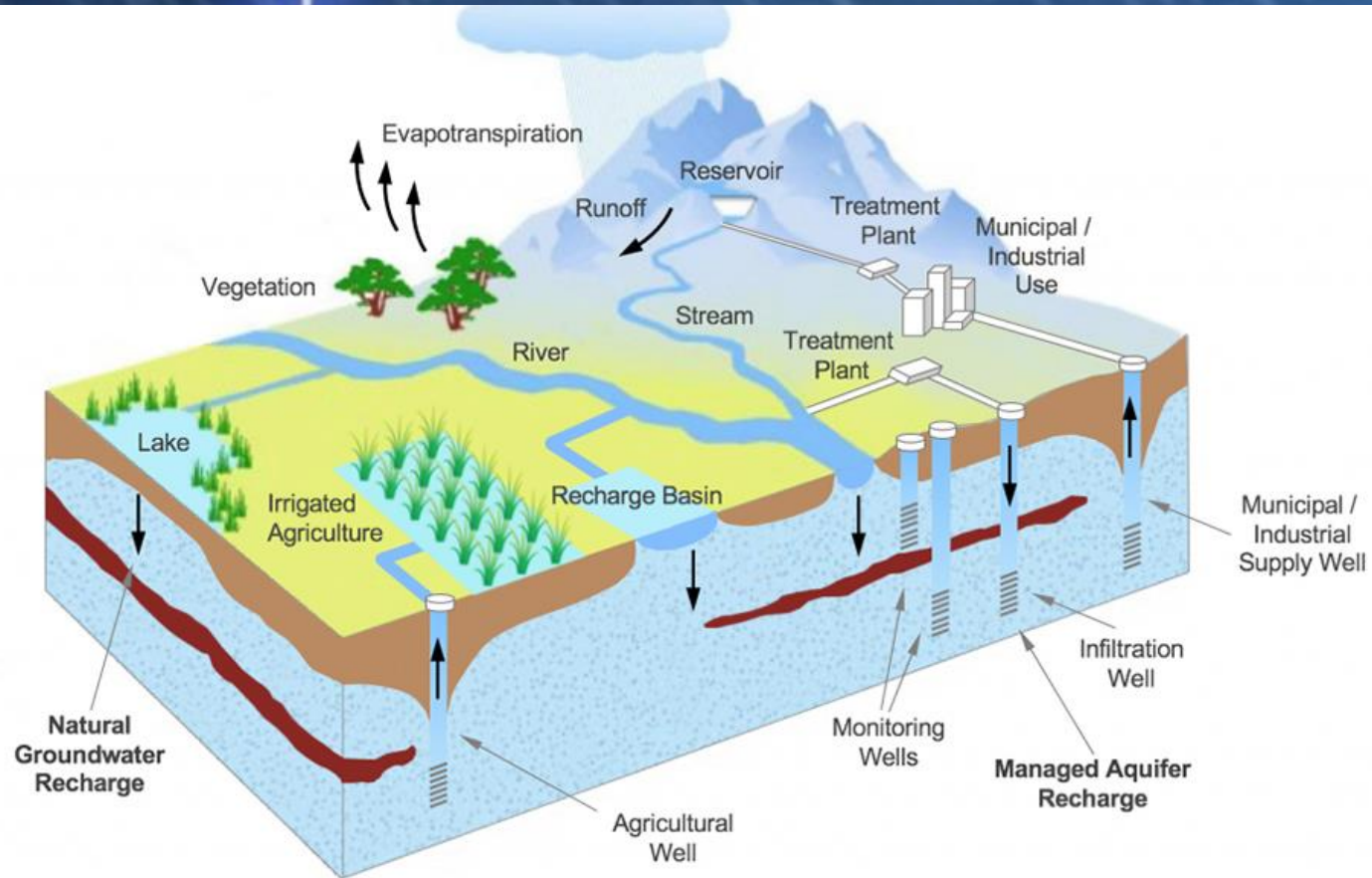


## What we need to protect

- Freshwater makes up a very small fraction of all water on the planet. Nearly 70% of the world is covered by water, only 3.0 percent of it is fresh. The rest is saline and ocean-based.
- **Just 1 percent of our freshwater is easily accessible**, with much of it trapped in glaciers and snowfields. So, only **0.007 percent** of the planet's water is **available for drinking water**.



- **Groundwater** is actually being considered the **world's most extracted raw material** at a withdrawal rate of 259 trillion gallons per year!
- **It has been estimated that households alone in the U.S. use 349 billion gallons of freshwater every day!**
- In 1990 2.2 billion gallons of groundwater was extracted and used for agricultural irrigation. Today that number is 53.5 billion gallons!



- **How are we replenishing our aquifers?**
- **Are we managing Stormwater?**
- **Could we be handling our Snowmelt better?**

# StormWater Runoff



**1" rain event on 1 acre of  
ground.....27,154 gallons**



**1" of snow on 1 acre of  
ground.....2,715 gallons**



The city of Buffalo NY covers 33,610 acres. In November 2014 they received 7' of snow. How many gallons of runoff could have been infiltrated using the right practices?

- THANKSGIVING 2014 BUFFALO NY
- Received over 7' of snow
- Snowfall rates estimated as high as 6" per hour

7,665,096,600 Gallons



# Erie County NY Math Equation

Per Erie County Water Authority:

Customers use 230 gallons of fresh water daily

111,000 Households in the City of Buffalo

$111,000 \times 230 \text{ gal} = 31,080,000 \text{ gal per day}$

$7,665,096,600 \div 31,080,000 = 246.6 \text{ days}$





**Some interesting facts provided by Kevin Meindl, Green Infrastructure Program Manager for the Buffalo Sewer Authority:**

- Buffalo has large amounts of impervious surfaces (where water does not get absorbed) with over 56% of the city being identified as impervious, much higher than peer cities such as Syracuse (41%), Pittsburgh (34%), and Scranton, PA (23%).

**4,292,454,096 gal of stormwater**

**138 days of available water**

**PORTLAND, ME**

**Portland covers 44,441 Acres**



**Providence, RI**

**Providence covers 22,387 Acres**



**BOSTON MA**

**Boston covers 57,363 Acres**



# Severe Storms increasing

**August 2011: Hurricane Irene**

**October 2012: Hurricane Sandy**

**June 2013: Tropical Storm Andrea**

**June 2015: Tropical Storm Bill**

**May 2016: Tropical Storm Bonnie**

**October 2016: Hurricane Matthew**

**September 2017: Hurricane Irma**

**September 2018: Hurricane Florence**

**October 2018: Hurricane Michael**

**August 2020: Hurricane Laura**

- 1.Syracuse
- 2.NYC
- 3.Syracuse
- 4.Ithaca
- 5.Albany
- 6.rye





- **Where are we sending Stormwater?**
- **What are the impacts of sending it off site?**
- **Can we do Better?**



Impacts of Urbanization

- **The impacts of urbanization include:**
- 1. Increased **stream bank erosion** and sediment transport
- 2. Increased deposition of sediments (and associated contaminants) in estuaries and harbors. **After flowing over hot asphalt the runoff is typically warmer when entering water bodies**, causing additional damage to habitat
- 3. **Increased local flood risk** for urban flood plains
- 4. Increased overflow frequency and volumes from sanitary sewers, particularly in areas with combined stormwater and wastewater sewers
- 5. Contamination of receiving environments, either acute (following storm events), chronic (due to accumulation over time), or both
- 6. The EPA estimates that American households improperly dump about 193 million gallons of used oil every year.

# Impacts of Urbanization



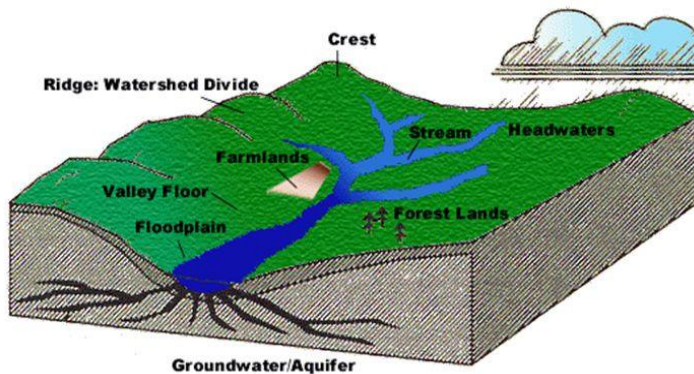




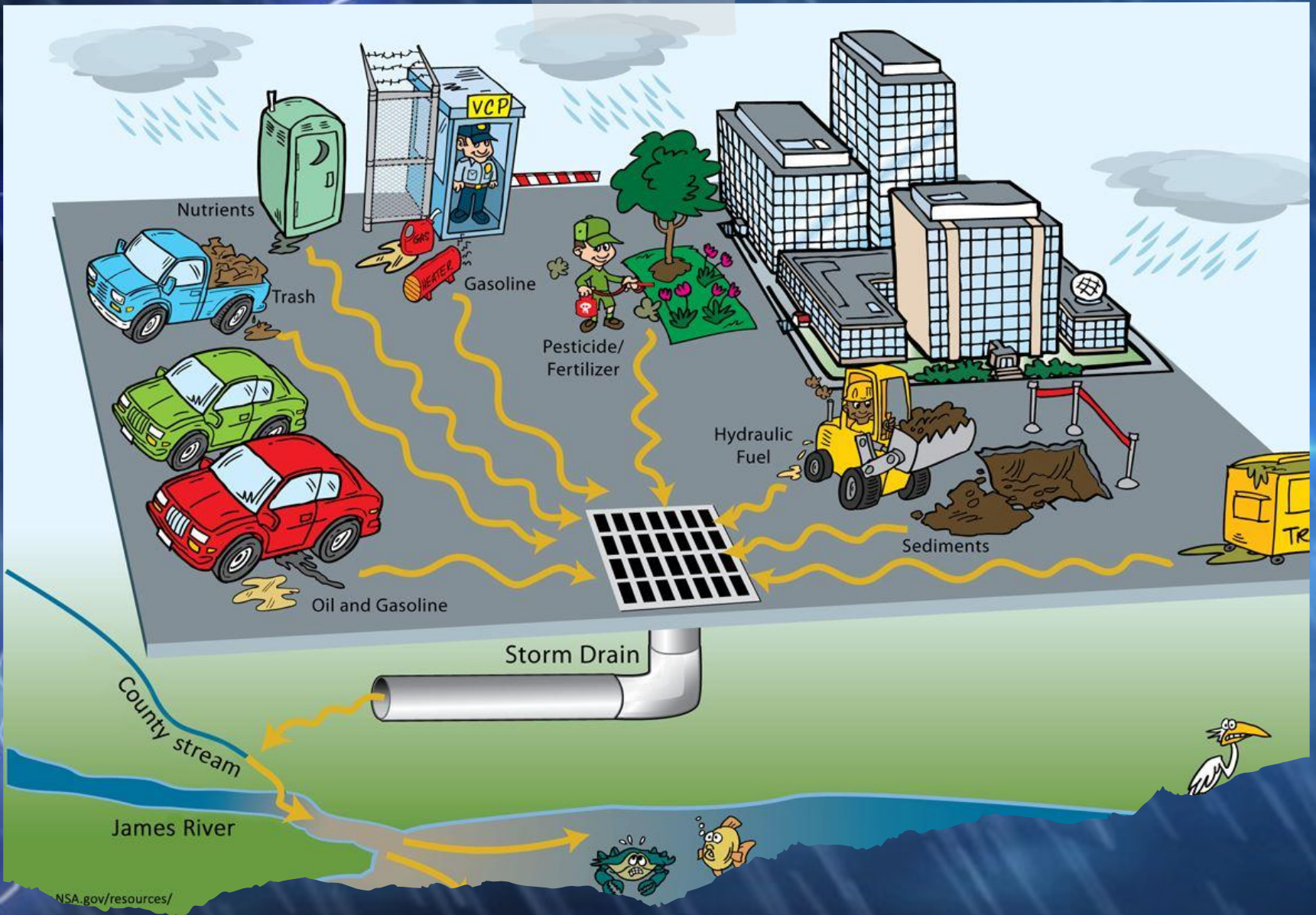
What are we putting in our waterways

## Some Human impacts on Watersheds

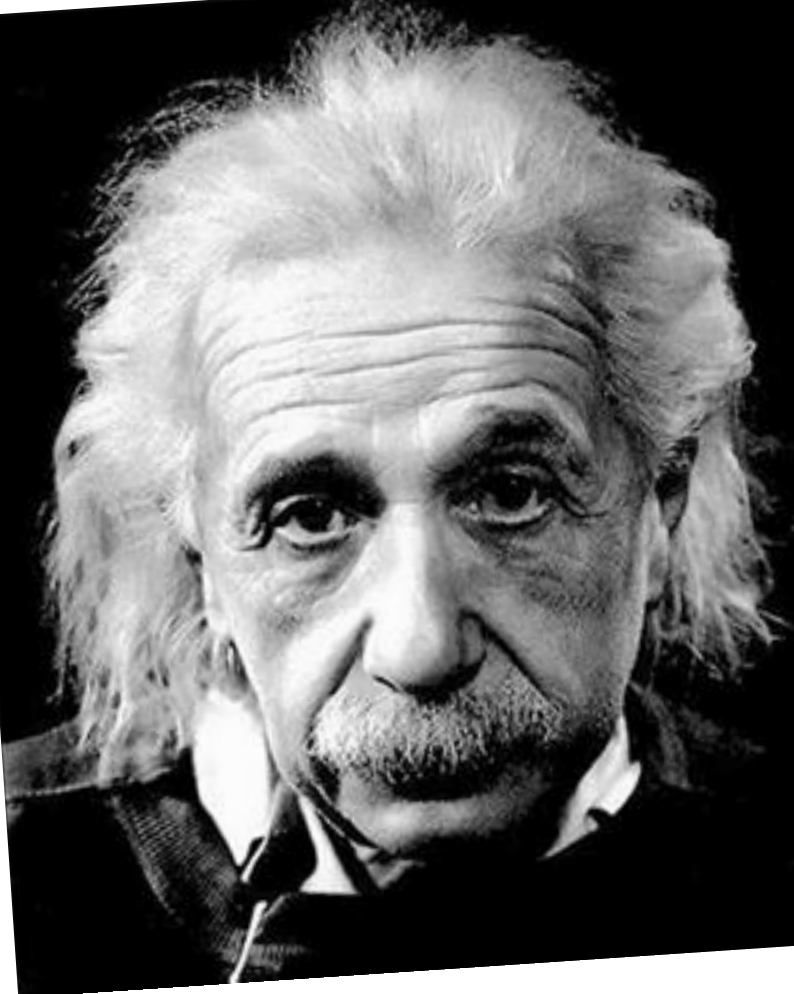
# Protecting our Watershed



- Nutrient overloading
- Sediment runoff
- Toxic Chemicals
- Organic loading
- Thermal loading
- Stream Channel Alteration
- Altered Hydrology







# Insanity:

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thing over and over  
again and expecting  
different results.

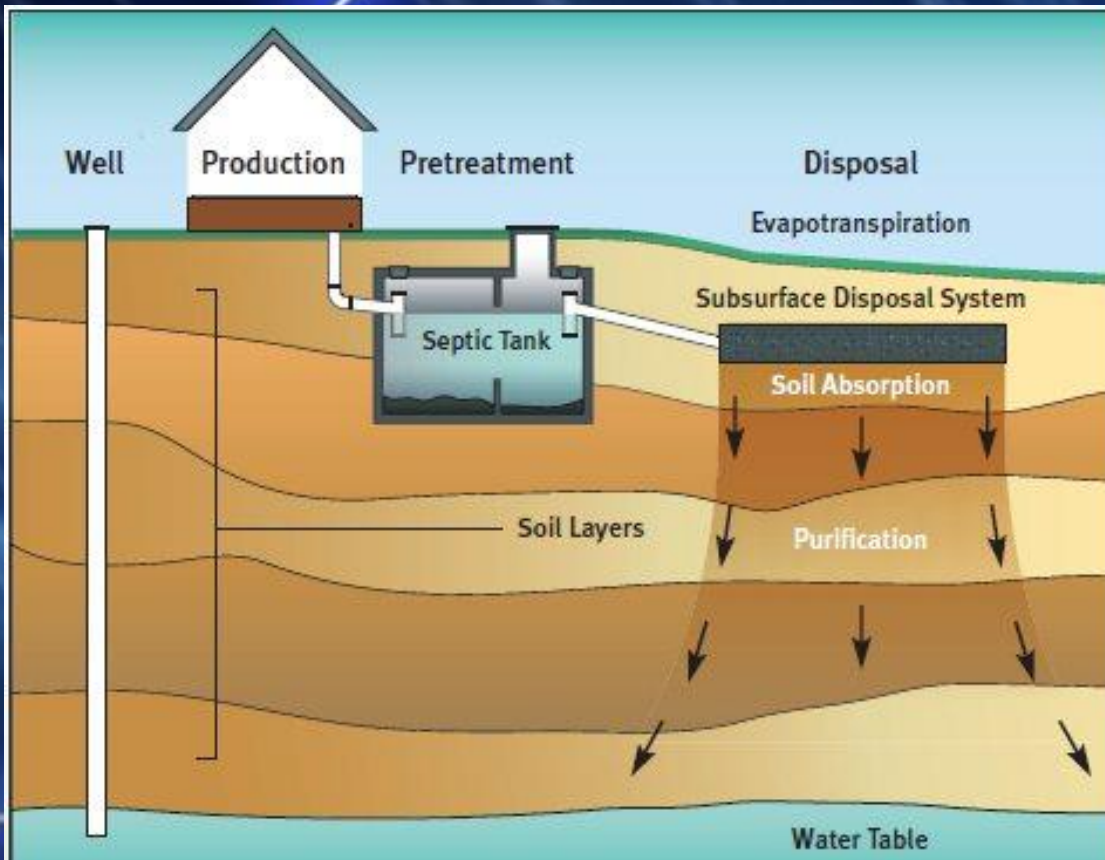
Albert Einstein

A grayscale illustration of a globe with a faucet attached to its side, dripping water into a stream of bubbles. The globe is positioned on the right side of the frame, and the faucet is on the left. A single drop of water is falling from the faucet's spout. Below the faucet, a stream of water flows, creating a series of bubbles of varying sizes. The background is a light, neutral tone.

# Pre-Treatment

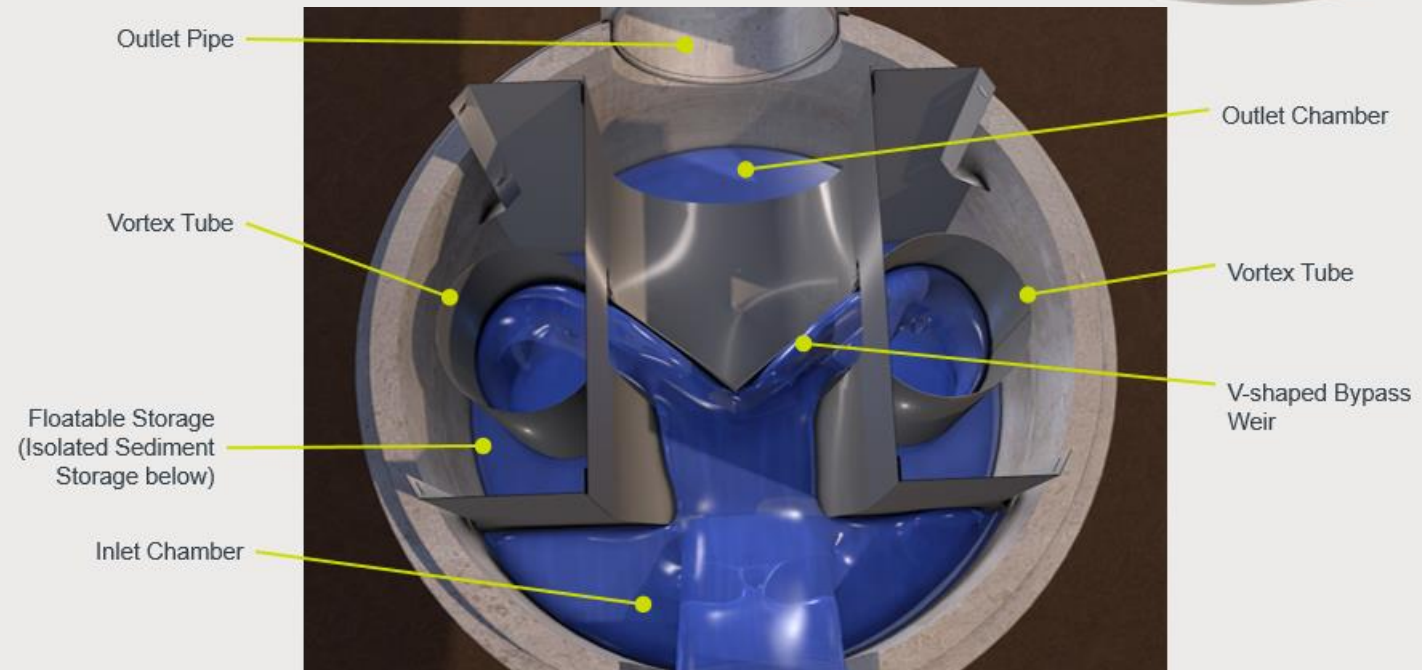
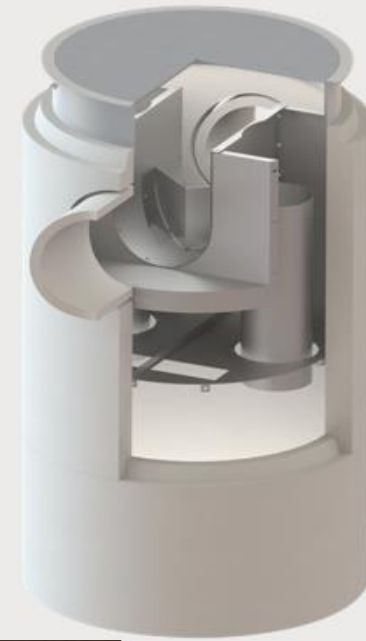
# Pre-Treatment

Not a New Concept



- Pretreatment
- Detention
- Deep and Shallow
- Permeability

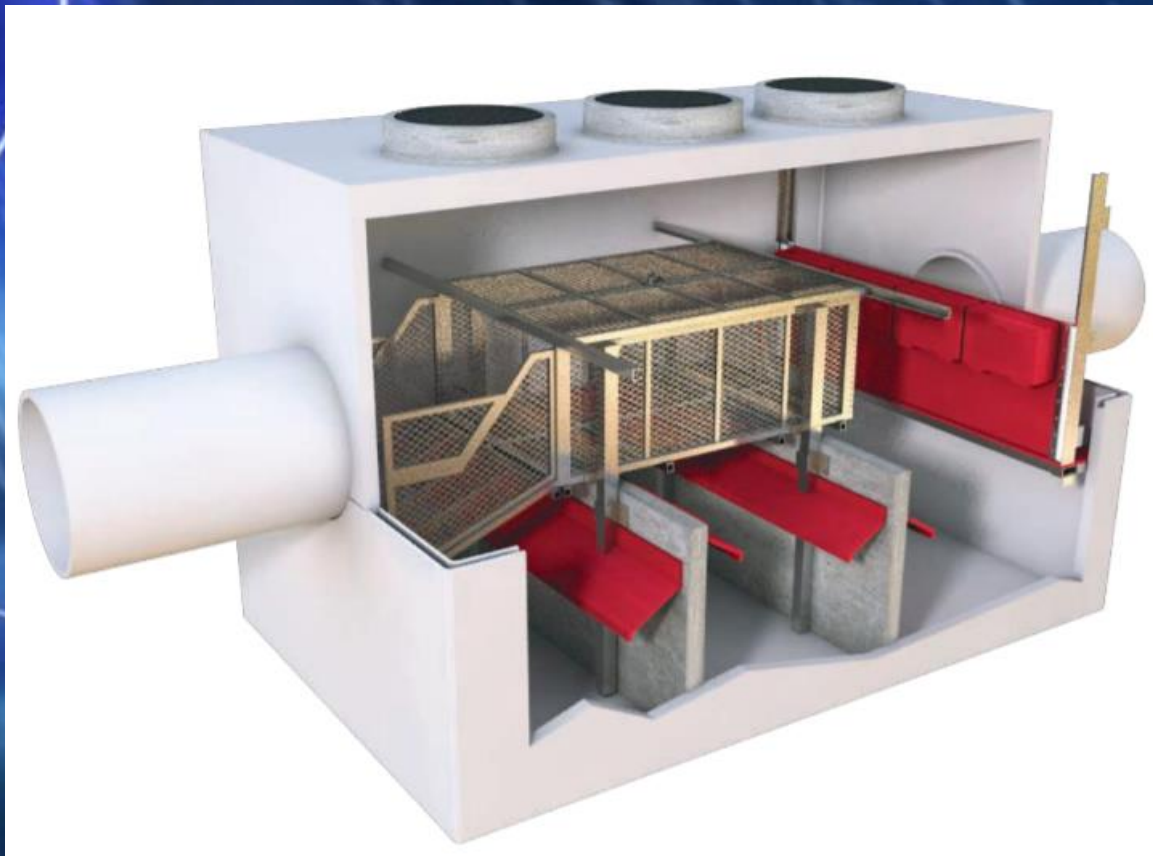
- | Hydrodynamic Separation System (**HDS**)
- | **Pretreatment** system to remove TSS, gross solids, trash and debris
- | **Compact design** accommodates wide range of pipe orientations with **Round** or **Square** Configurations



**Hydrodynamic Separator**

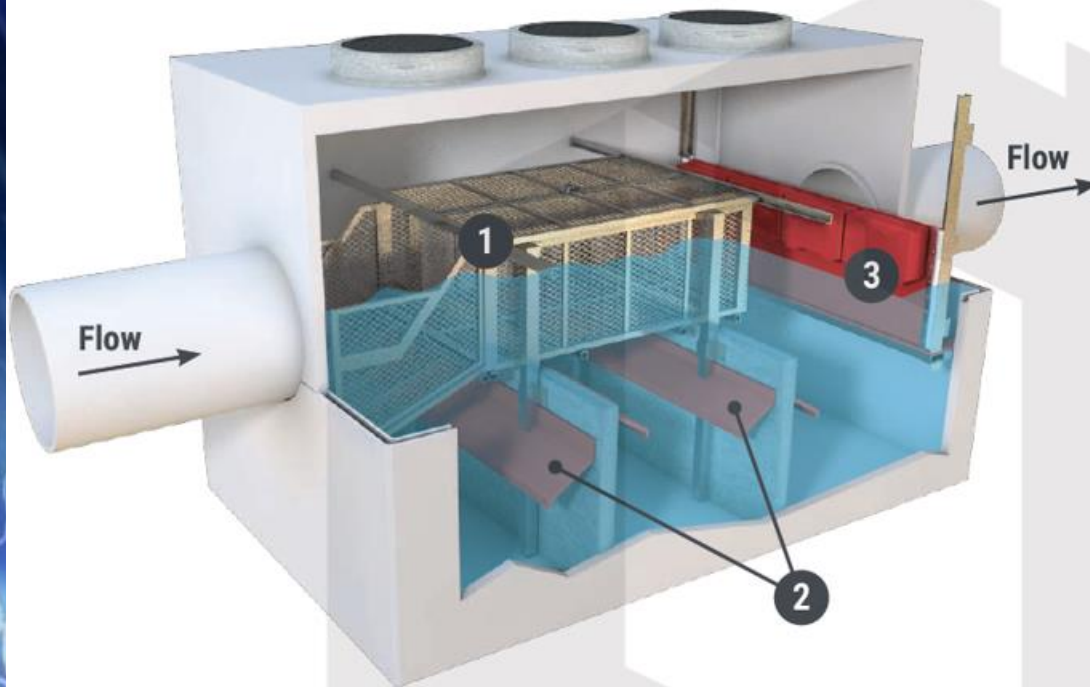


# Nutrient Separating Baffle Box (NSBB)



## During Storm Event

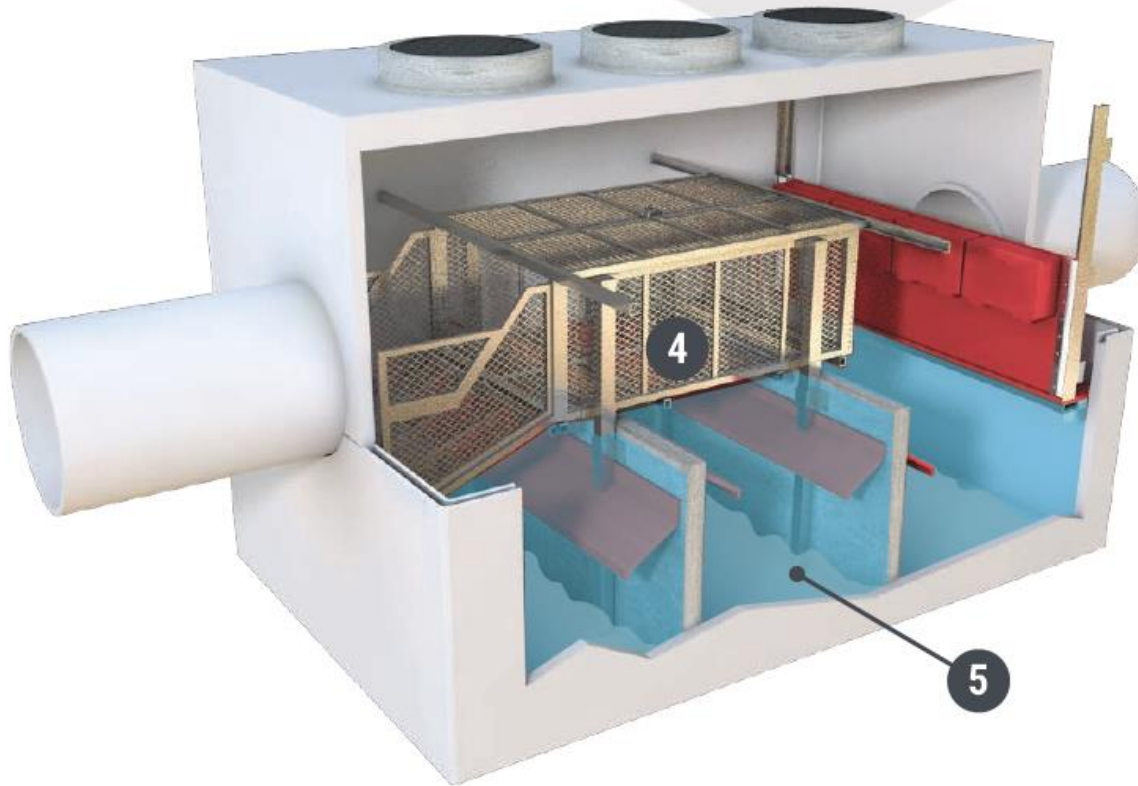
Nutrient rich organics and litter are captured in the screen system.



1. Runoff filters through the screen and skimmer leaving pollutants behind. Left over runoff evaporates over time.
2. Turbulence deflectors prevent captured sediment from becoming resuspended.
3. Hydrocarbons and other floating debris are trapped upstream of the floating skimmer.

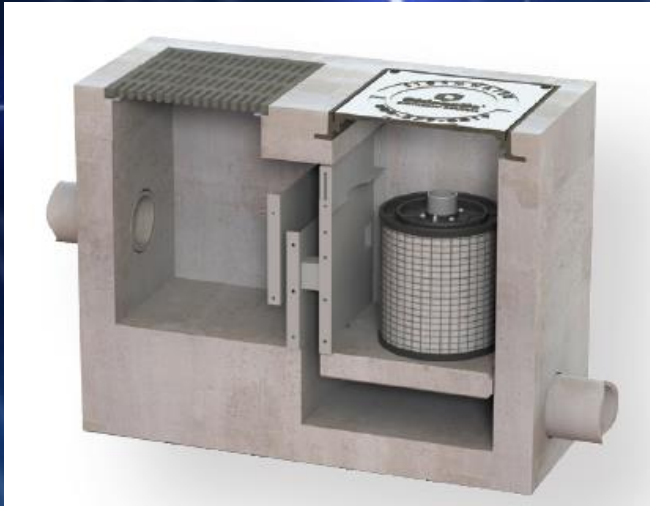
## After Storm Event

Debris dry out between storm events while pollutants are stored above the static water. As a result, the system does not turn septic.



4. Nutrient pollutant load is not lost to static water and will not be flushed out during the next storm event.
5. Separating organic matter from the static water prevents bacterial buildup.

# Cartridge Filtration



Concrete Catch Basin



Vault Configuration



Manhole Configuration



Table 1. PerkFilter Performance Summary

Parameter	Influent Concentration Range	Effluent Concentration Range	Average Removal Efficiency
TSS	20 - 200 mg/L	3 - 36 mg/L	82%
TSS	100 - 200 mg/L	8 - 36 mg/L	85%
Total Phosphorus	0.1 - 0.5 mg/L	0.02 - 0.2 mg/L	62%
Total Zinc	0.04 - 0.25 mg/L	0.009 - 0.098 mg/L	62%
Total Copper	0.005 - 0.035 mg/L	0.002 - 0.015 mg/L	50%
Aluminum	0.34 - 9.3 mg/L	0.07 - 1.7 mg/L	76%





NO  
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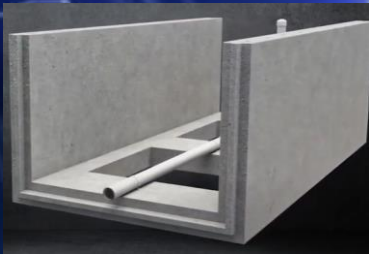
WELCOME TO OUR  
Tobacco-Free Beach  
Respect. Relax. Live Better.

# Biofiltration



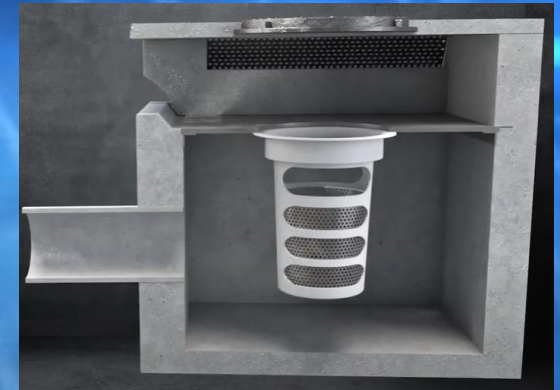
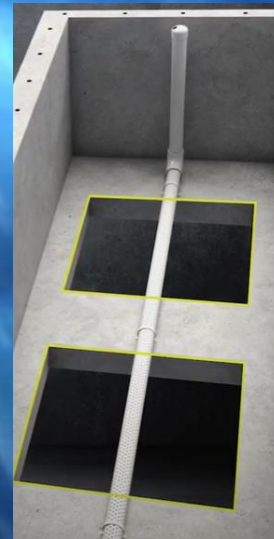
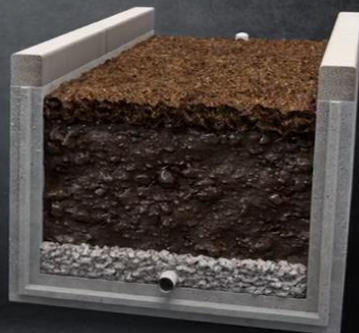


# Biofiltration: Terramod

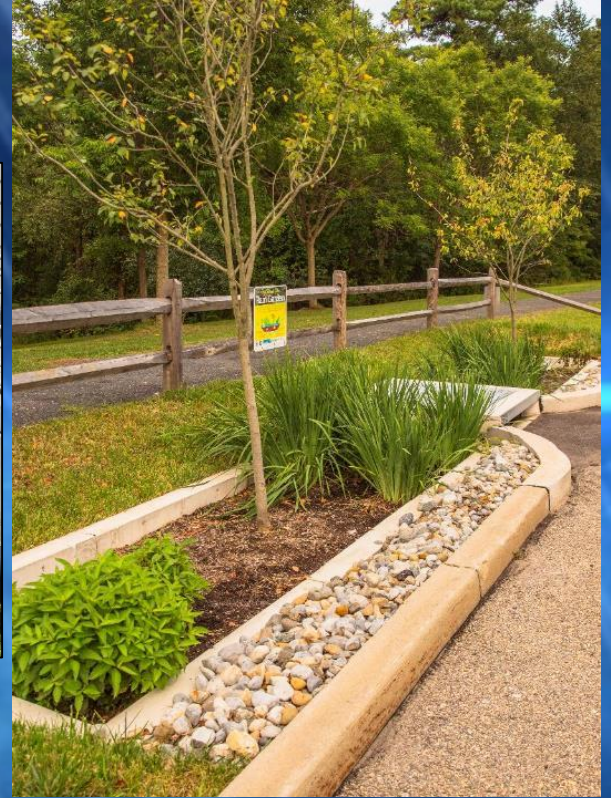


## POLLUTANTS REMOVED

- | Total Suspended Solids
- | Metals
- | Nutrients
- | Petroleum Hydrocarbons







# Biofiltration: BioPod



**BIOPOD PLANTER**

Vault with media and vegetation



**BIOPOD TREE**

Vault with media and tree(s).



**BIOPOD SURFACE**

At-grade vault with media only,  
no vegetation.



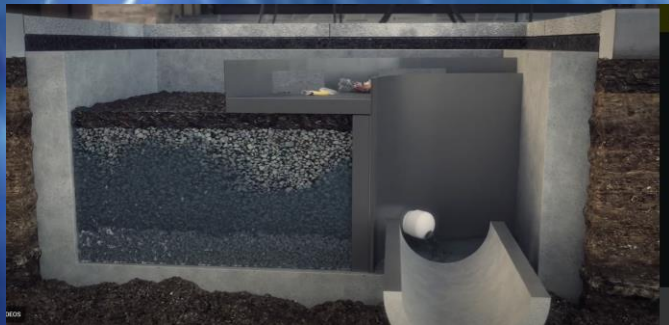
**BIOPOD UNDERGROUND**

Below-grade vault with media  
only, no vegetation.

- High-Flow Bypass
- Flexible Design
- Water Quality
- LEED Potential
- Treatment Train
- Optional integrated bypass reduces construction costs by eliminating the need for a separate bypass structure.
- Available in multiple sizes to meet your site-specific requirements.
- Proprietary media engineered to remove fine sediment, nutrients, petroleum hydrocarbons as well as dissolved metals.
- Can contribute towards earning LEED points for your project.
- Ability to stand-alone or be incorporated into a stormwater 'treatment train.'



d™ Module With StormMix™ Media



# Biofiltration BioPod

**Flow Rate<sup>a</sup>  
(gallons/minute)**

25

**38**

51

57

76

95

115

204



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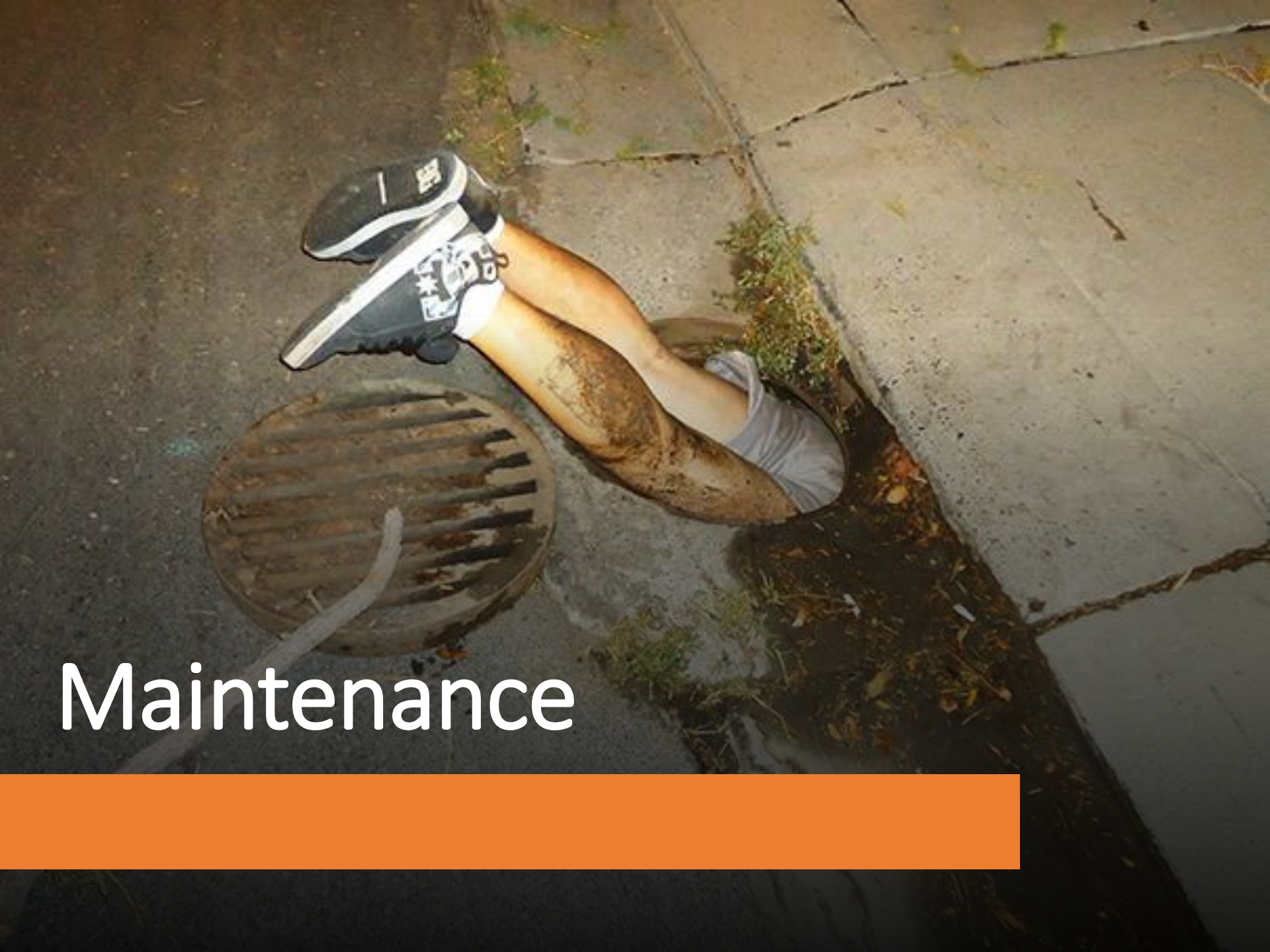
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# Expected Treatment Capabilities

Based on laboratory testing (Herrera 2016a), the TreePod™ is capable of removing 97, 94, and 97 percent of influent total phosphorus, dissolved copper, and dissolved zinc, respectively. In addition, it is expected to reduce total suspended solids by at least 80 percent when influent concentrations are 100 to 200 mg/L and exhibit effluent concentrations below 20 mg/L when influent concentrations are between 20 and 100 mg/L. Table 3 presents a summary of the water quality results from the PULD application.

**Table 3. Summary Results from PULD Lab Testing.**

Parameter		Dissolved Copper	Dissolved Zinc	Total Suspended Solids	Nitrate + Nitrite	Total Phosphorus
Units		ug/L	ug/L	mg/L	mg-N/L	mg-P/L
TAPE Goal		>30%	>60%	≤20 mg/L		≥50%
Mean Influent Concentration		10.6	117.4	45.7	116	2.406
Media	Column No.	Average Percent Removal	Average Percent Removal	Effluent Concentration	Average Percent Removal	Average Percent Removal
TreePod™ Media Mix	62	94%	97%	9.8	39%	97%



# Maintenance







# **Stormwater Detention & Reuse**



# Definitions

- Detention – stormwater is stored temporarily
- Retention – stormwater is stored permanently
- Infiltration – stormwater flows downward to recharge groundwater aquifer
- Harvesting – stormwater is treated and used again for non-potable purposes, such as irrigation



**Box Store = 63,067 sf  
footprint or 1.45 acres**

***3" of rain = 118,605  
gallons of stormwater***

**Parking is at least  
twice the size of store  
*237,210 gallons***

**HURRICANE IRMA, 2017**



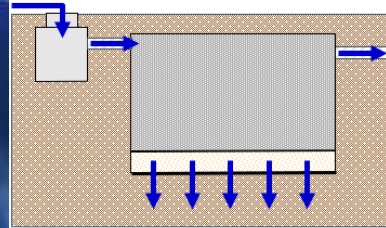
**Section of RT 9 in Westborough, MA  
Lots of Roof and Pavement**



**Zoomed in on  
one plaza  
Westborough,  
MA**

**Where is this  
Stormwater  
Going?**

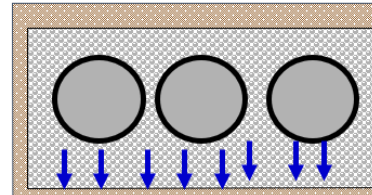
# Evolution of Drain Field Designs



**Drainage Stone Bed**

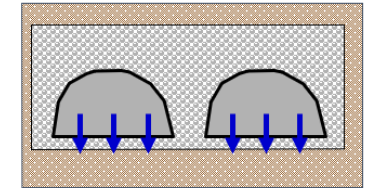
Excavation filled with Drainage Stone

- 40% Void Space for Water Storage
- Inefficient – But It Worked



**Pipe & Stone Filled Bed**

- Pipe Creates Additional Void Area
- Heavy use of stone (60-70%) to fill corners



**Plastic Arch & Stone Filled Bed**

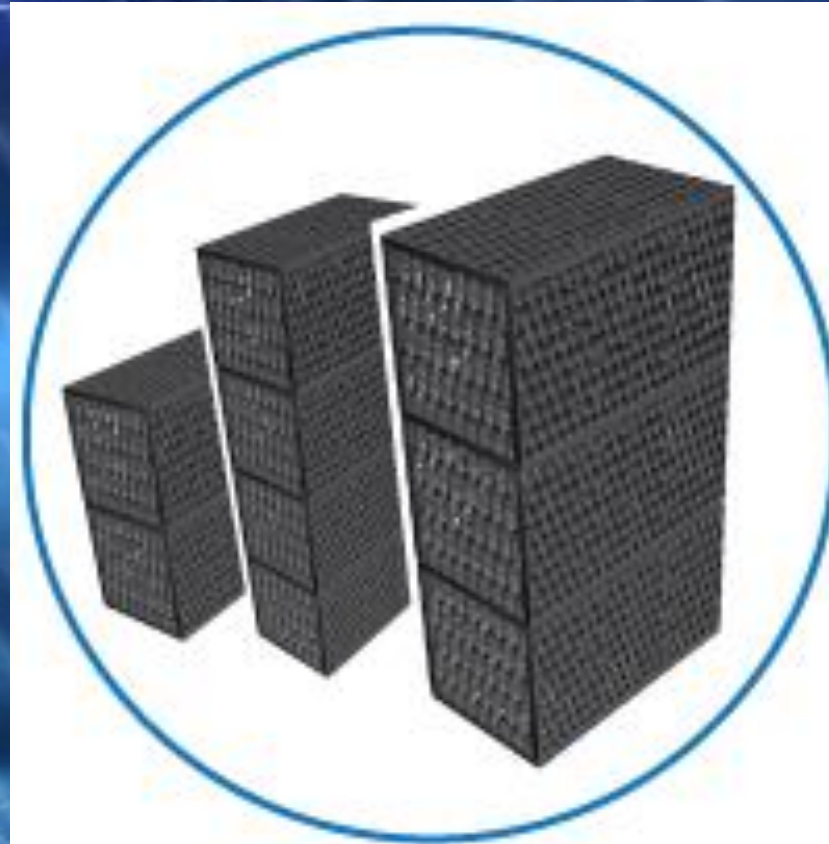
- Squares off bottom corners to increase efficiency
- Stone still required (59%) to fill corners and provide structural support







# Geo-Cellular Detention Systems Evolution of Drain Fields



**New Technology provides 95% VOID Space!**

# Geo-Cellular Detention Systems Evolution of Drain Fields



# Geo-Cellular Detention Systems Evolution of Drain Fields

## No uniform design standard in USA

- Inconsistent product design / specifications.
- No lifetime creep testing requirements for structural design.
- System loading dependent on civil design.
- Installation accuracy extremely important.
- Access and Maintenance Requirements

**CIRIA**

**C680/C737**

# Geo-Cellular Detention Systems Evolution of Drain Fields

- Ultimate (ULS) and Serviceability(SLS) Limit States
- Partial factors of safety for loads and materials
- Ultimate Limit State Loads
  - a) Vertical 1.4 and 1.6
  - b) Buoyancy 1.0, 0.95 and 1.5
  - c) Lateral 1.35 and 1.5
- Serviceability Limit State Loads
  - a) Vertical 1.0
- Ultimate Limit State Materials
  - a) General 2.75
  - b) Accidental 2.0 – 2.75
- Serviceability Limit State Materials
  - a) Short term elastic deflections 1.5
  - b) Long term creep deflections 1.0 - 1.5
- Testing
  - a) Static vertical and lateral load tests
  - b) Dynamic/cyclic tests
  - c) Creep and durability tests

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# Geo-Cellular Detention Systems Evolution of Drain Fields

“There was excessive rain that caused the stormwater management system to collapse, so all of those systems were removed and replaced with new systems,” said Monica Trego, general manager of Tanger Outlets.

# Pittsburgh Botanical Gardens



**LARGE SINKHOLE**  
OAKDALE, ALLEGHENY CO.

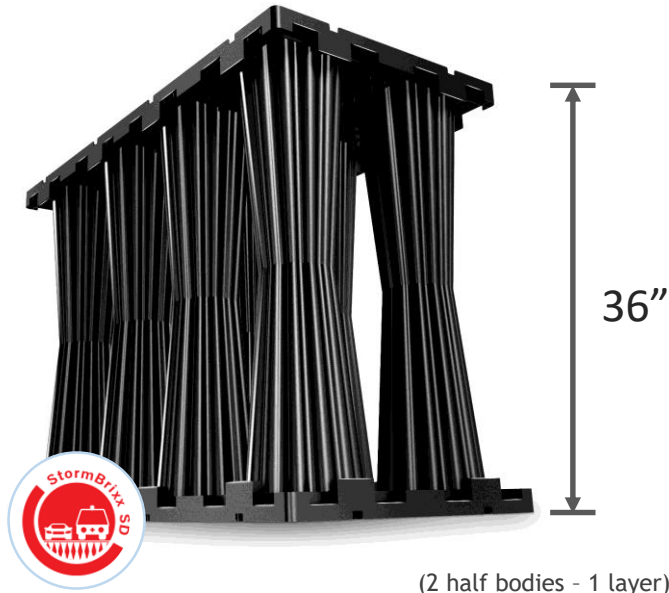
**BREAKING  
NEWS**

PITTSBURGH'S  
**ACTION  
NEWS** 

- STORMBRIX  
X SD & HD

MAIN BODY  
PIECES

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- COMPO  
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- ADVANTAGES OF BRICK BONDING



#### ADVANTAGES

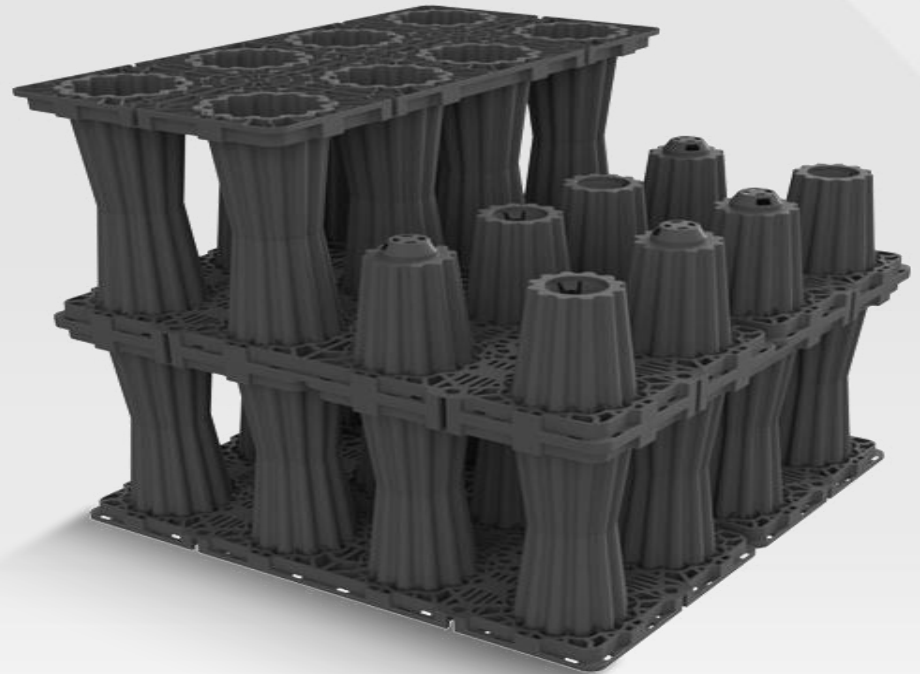
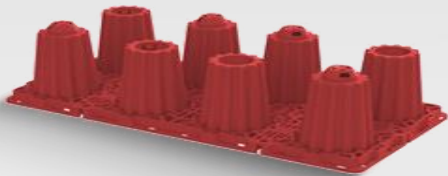
- High structural strength due to female-male connections
- No connectors needed within 1 layer
- No shifting between the base elements → even load distribution on pillars
- Faster and easier installation → time and cost saving
- Protection against differential settlement

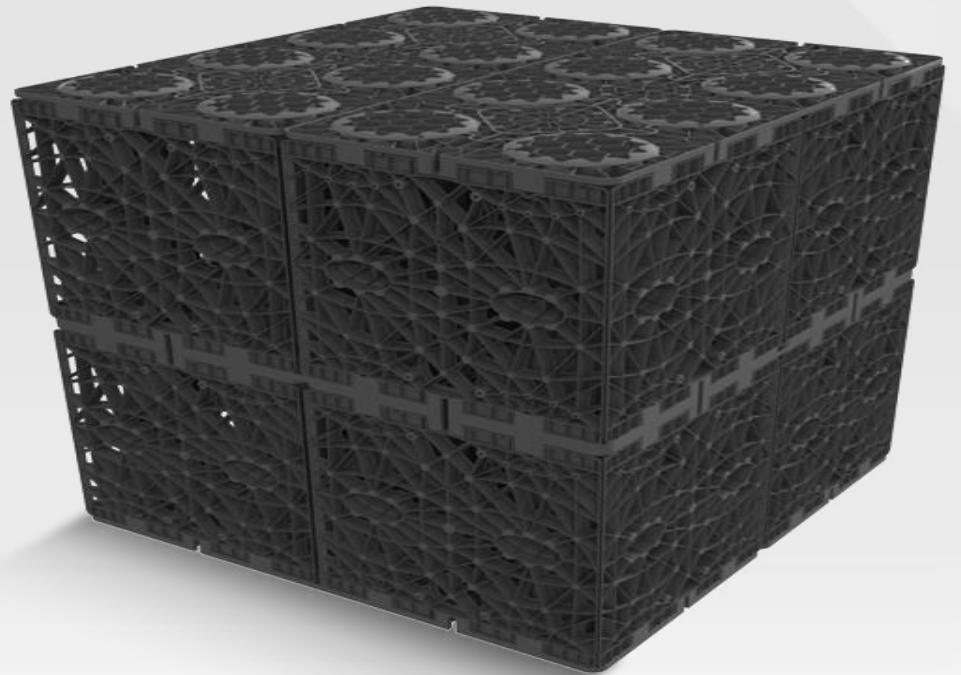


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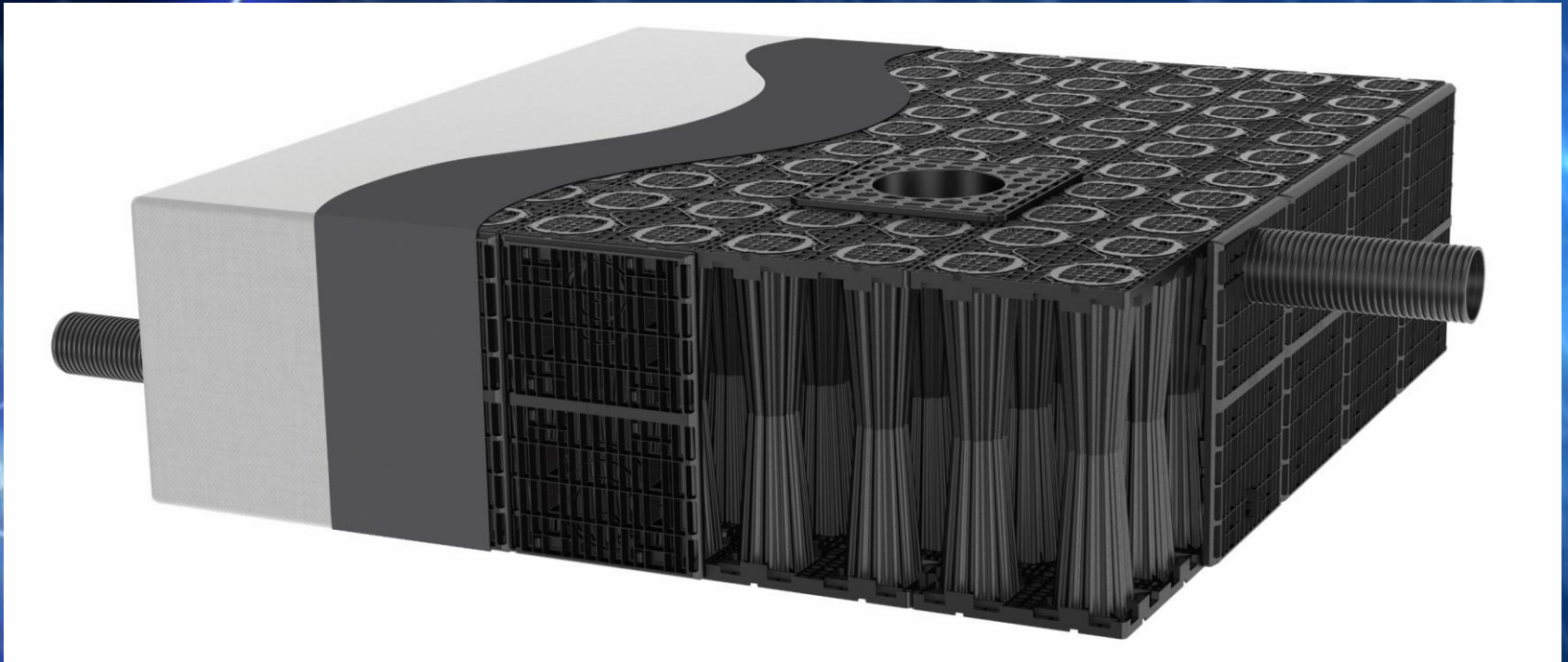
- PRODUCT CONFIGURATIONS







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From This

Area: 21.5'x 20'  
Volume: 1,240CF



To This in a little over an hour

# Lyndonville NY Dollar General

Tank Dimensions

45' x 13' x 6'

4 Laborers 2.5 hours



# Blodgett School Syracuse, NY

Tank Dimension  
31.5' x 21.5' x 3'

2 Laborers 1.5 hours



# Horseheads CSD Horseheads, NY

Tank Dimensions  
98.5' x 65' x 18"

5 Laborers 5 hours

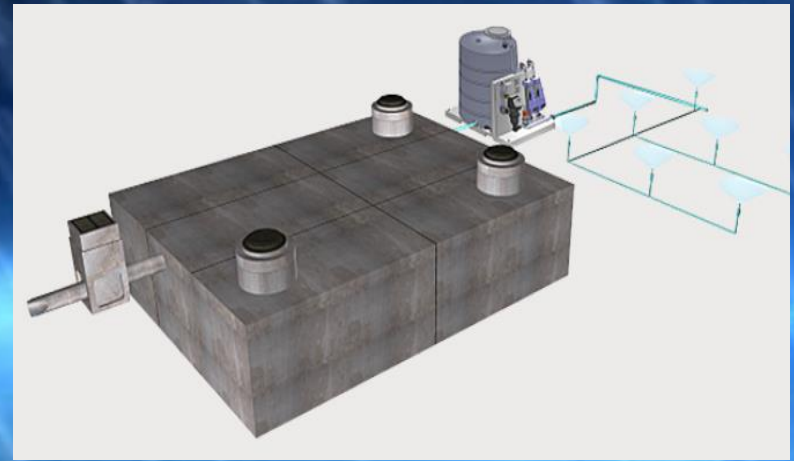
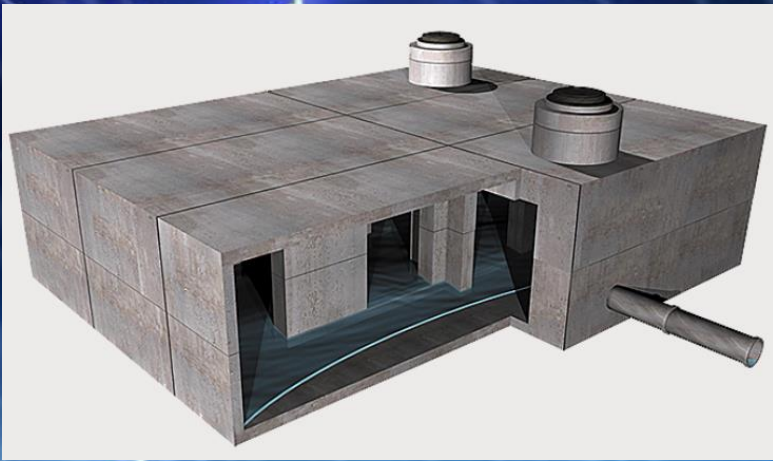




Don't wait until it's too late to call for help.



# Concrete Retention/Detention



# Concrete Retention/Detention



# Concrete Retention/Detention



# Concrete Retention/Detention



# Concrete Retention/Detention



Don't Forget

Maintenance



# Permeable Pavements





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT BENEFITS

- Reduce storm water runoff. (Even when pervious pavement structure is saturated, its rough surface texture continues to slow surface flow of stormwater)
- Replenish groundwater
- Reduce flooding which may over-load combined sewer sewage treatment plants
- Reduce peak rates of discharge by preventing large fast pulses of precipitation from entering the stormwater system
- Require less land set aside and cost for development of retention basins
- Reduce pollutants in run-off & Improves water quality
- Reduce pavement ice buildup
- Reduced stream erosion
- Reduction in the urban heat island effect
- ADA Compliant

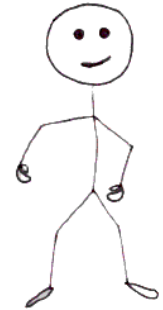


# Assessment of Learning

1. 1" of rain on 1 acre of ground produces how much water?
2. T/F: One benefit of Modular Underground Stormwater systems is that you can capture stormwater in a smaller footprint compared to other applications
3. To eliminate contaminants from entering into waterbodies you could
  - A. Direct all stormwater directly into a receiving waterbody
  - B. Retain/Detain stormwater onsite
  - C. Construct asphalt lined stormwater ponds to warm the water effectively "boiling off" any pollutants
4. T/F: Stormwater Management practices are self – maintaining and therefore require no maintenance
5. What is considered the worlds most extracted raw material
6. Impacts of urbanization include
  - A. Streambank Erosion
  - B. Increased local flood risk
  - C. Contamination of receiving waterbodies
  - D. All of the above

Thank You

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