Land Development Guidelines

Program Element Definition and Purpose

Design Guidelines for Land Development Projects.

Program Element Objectives

The purpose of these guidelines is to provide countywide guidance for the use of the following best management practices (BMPs):

- Biofilters, including swales and filter strips;
- Infiltration facilities, including retention basins, trenches, and porous pavement;
- Detention basins, including wet and dry configurations;
- Media filters; and
- Constructed wetlands.

Fact sheets for each of the BMPs in this document provide:

- # A description of the control measure including a definition and purpose for use of the BMP;
- # A list of appropriate applications;
- # A flowchart for use in incorporating the stormwater quality BMP into the overall site development process;
- # Limitations;
- # General design guidance;
- # Design criteria for specific configurations; and
- # Maintenance and inspection requirements.

A site plan showing examples of BMPs incorporated into a development project is included at the end of this document.

Appendices A through C provide reference data, equations, and information necessary for use of these Land Development Guidelines. The attached list of references shows sources used for this set of guidelines.

Intended Audience

- # Municipal planning, engineering and community development departments who will implement this program within each jurisdiction.
- # Property owners, tenants, developers and engineers who will use these guidelines to design stormwater pollution controls for land developments.

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