



# DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, INSPECTION, AND MAINTENANCE PERMEABLE PAVEMENT NCTCOG WORKSHOP

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[HTTP://ISWM.NCTCOG.ORG/TECHNICAL-MANUAL.HTML](http://iswm.nctcog.org/technical-manual.html)

*REFER TO THE "SITE DEVELOPMENT CONTROLS" MANUAL*

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# WHAT IS PERMEABLE PAVEMENT?

# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | OVERVIEW

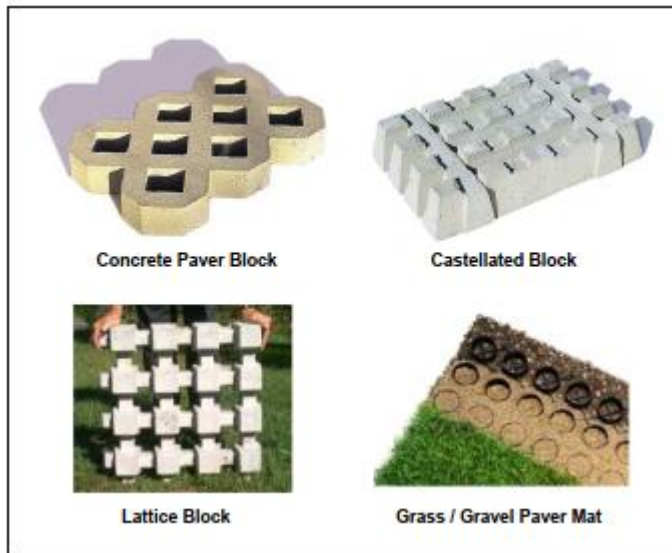


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# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | OVERVIEW

- Allows for rainfall infiltration
- Ideal for low traffic surfaces (driveways, parking lots, walk ways, on street parking)
- Provides peak flow mitigation, volume storage, and some water quality improvement
- Can provide streambank protection in certain areas

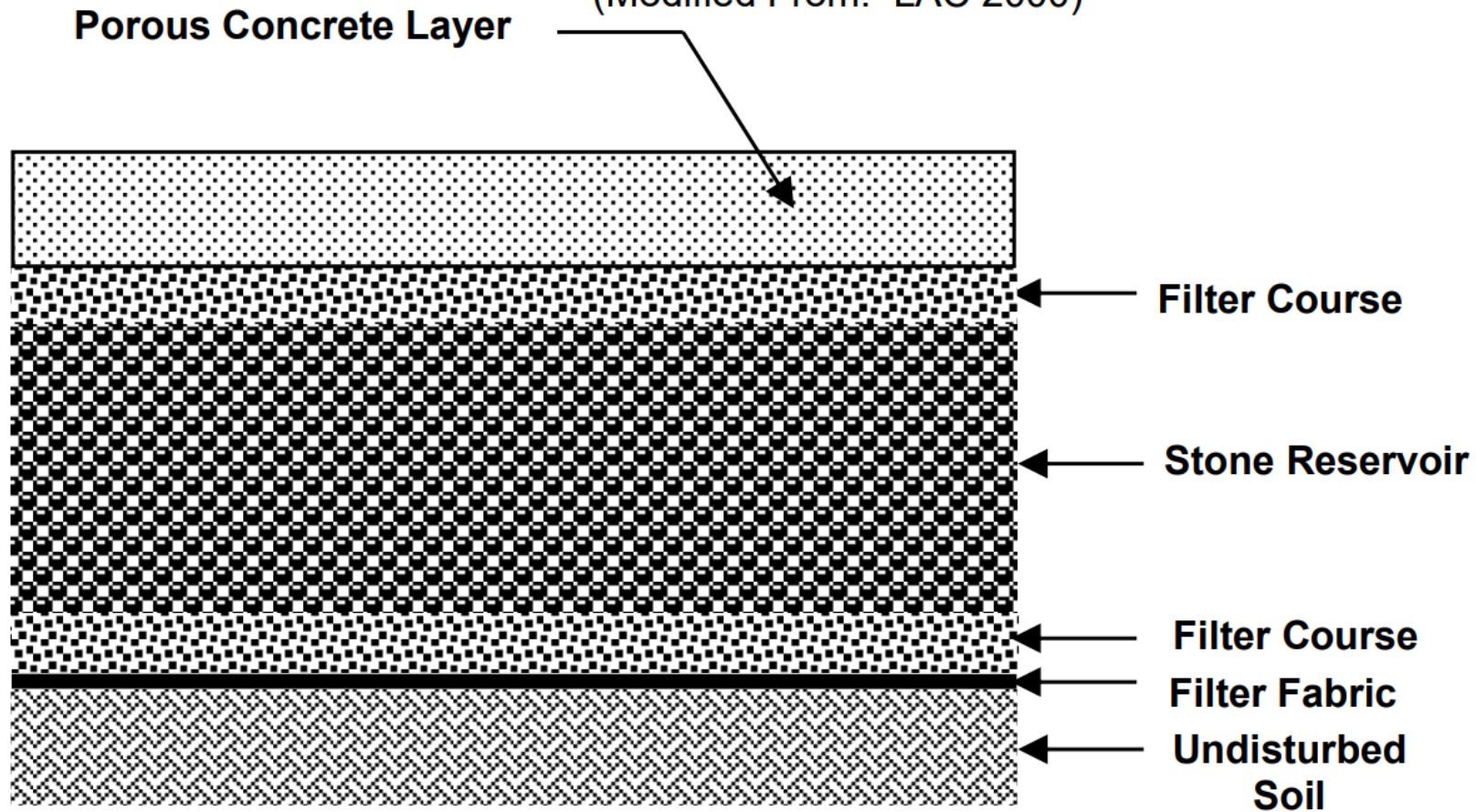


EXAMPLES OF MODULAR POROUS PAVERS (SOURCE: ISWM TECHNICAL MANUAL)



## Figure 25.1 Porous Concrete System Section

(Modified From: LAC 2000)

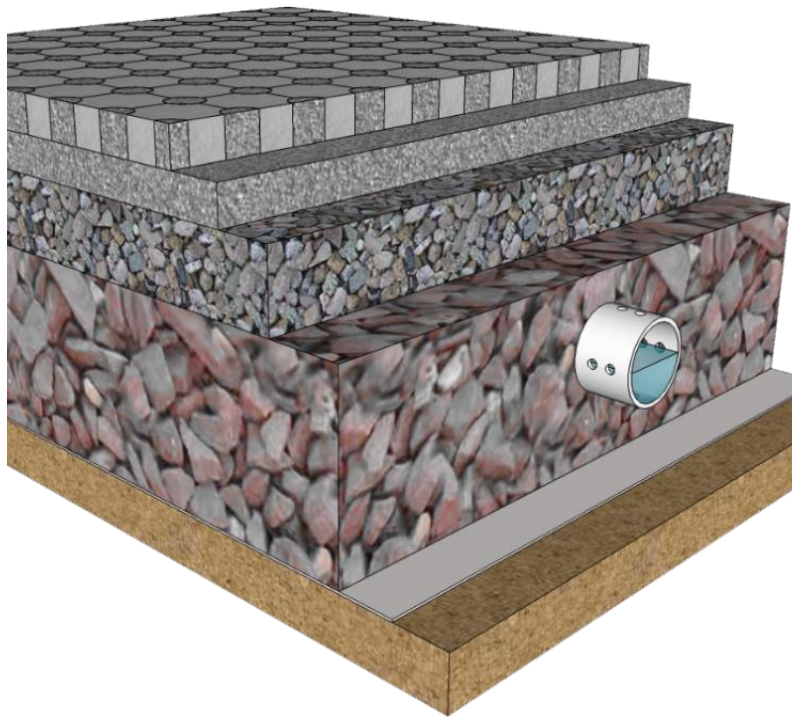


# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | OVERVIEW

Advantages	Limitations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Replaces completely impervious surfaces with partially impervious surfaces</li><li>• Reduces stormwater runoff rate and volume</li><li>• Reduces loads of some pollutants in surface runoff by reducing the volume of stormwater leaving a site</li><li>• Reduces stormwater infrastructure footprint and promotes multi-benefit uses by using treatment area for parking/driving with possible cost reductions</li><li>• Increases ground water recharge</li><li>• <b>Adaptable to urban retrofits</b></li><li>• Many options available depending on specific site needs and aesthetics</li><li>• Applicable for use in recharge zones, karst, expansive clays, and hotspots when properly designed</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Potential for clogging of porous media by sediment, which could lead to reduced effectiveness without proper maintenance</li><li>• <b>Should not receive runoff from adjacent pervious surfaces or areas with high sediment/debris yield</b></li><li>• Typically, not cost effective for high-traffic areas or for use by heavy vehicles (requires increased structural design and maintenance frequency)</li><li>• <b>Permeable pavement should be installed only by contractors qualified and certified for permeable pavement installation</b></li><li>• Grades of 5% or less</li><li>• Potential for groundwater contamination</li></ul>

# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | OVERVIEW

- Permanent stormwater BMP comprised of paving surfaces that filter runoff through voids in the pavement surface into an underlying reservoir. Filtered runoff may be collected and returned to the conveyance system, or allowed to infiltrate into the soil.





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | OVERVIEW

## STORMWATER BENEFITS:

- Reduce stormwater volume and rate
- Improve water quality
- Promote infiltration and groundwater recharge

## OTHER BENEFITS:

- Can be an attractive landscape element



# WHAT IS PERMEABLE PAVEMENT?

## TYPES OF PERMEABLE PAVEMENT



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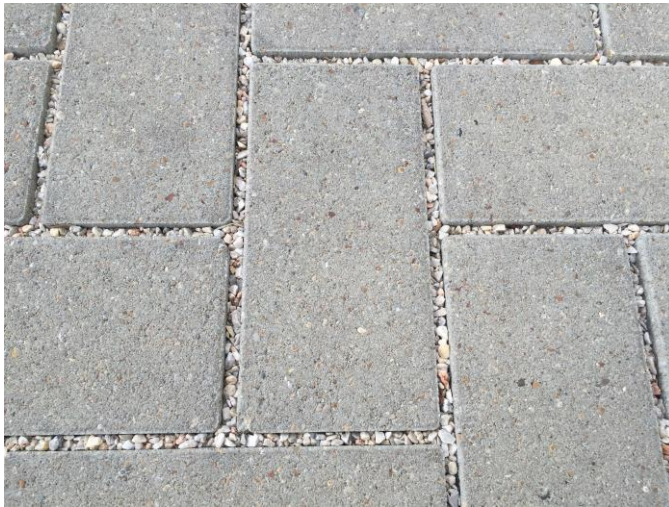


# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | OVERVIEW

## TYPES OF PERMEABLE PAVEMENT

- Permeable Interlocking Concrete Pavers (PICP)
- Pervious Concrete
- Porous Asphalt
- Plastic Reinforcing Grids (PG)

Note: PICP and PG are included in the iSWM Site Development Controls Manual - Chapter 24.0 Modular Porous Pavement Systems.



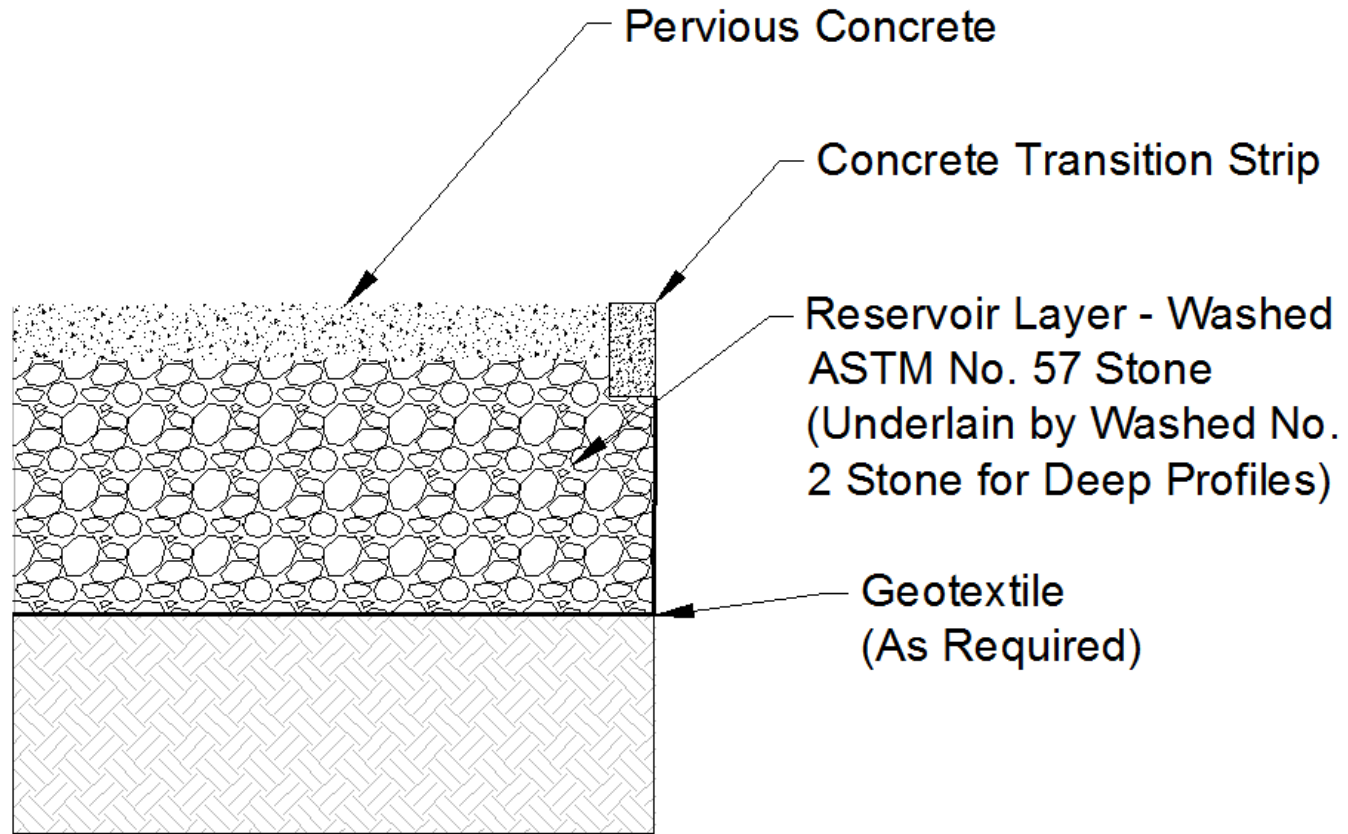


# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT



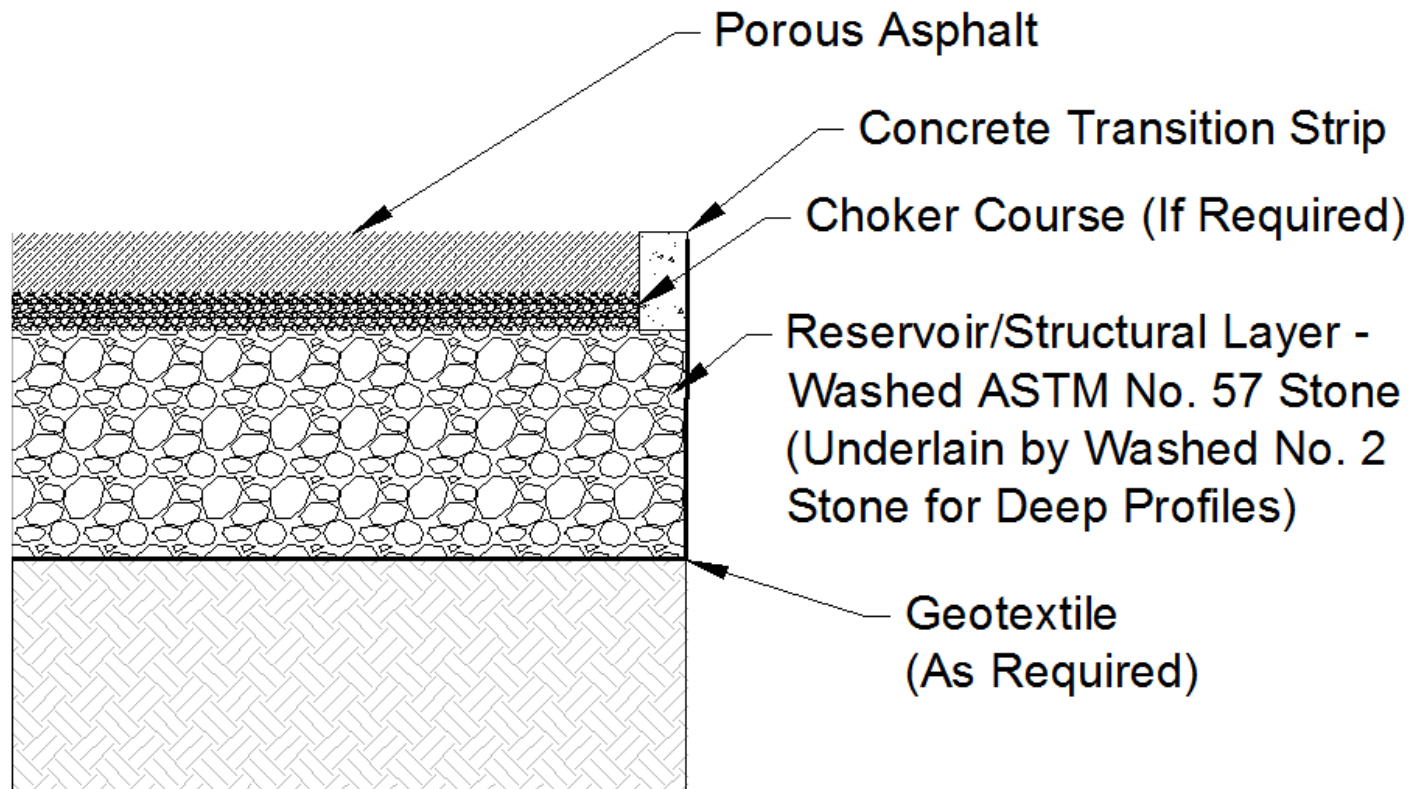


# PERVIOUS CONCRETE



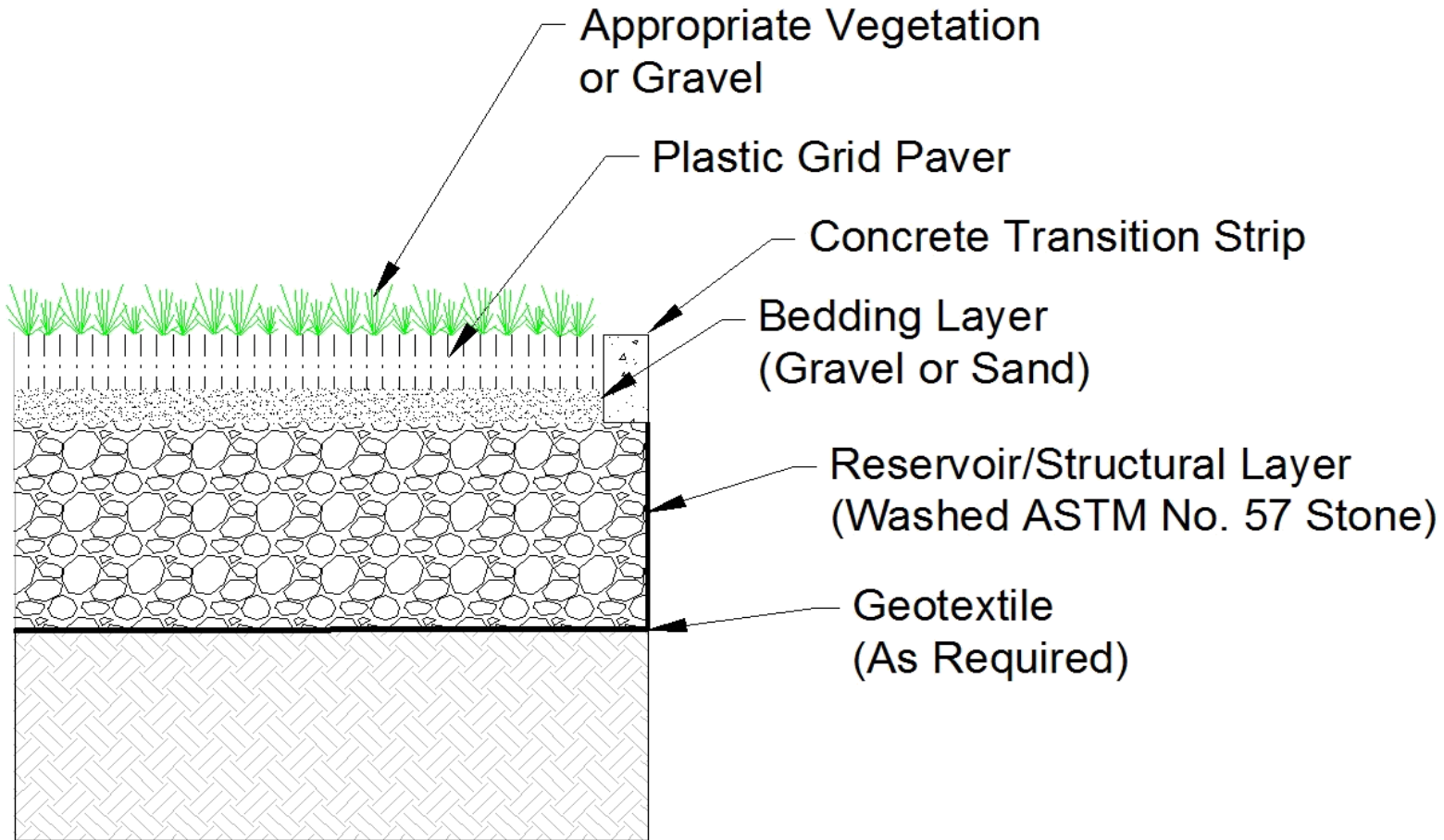


# PERVIOUS ASPHALT



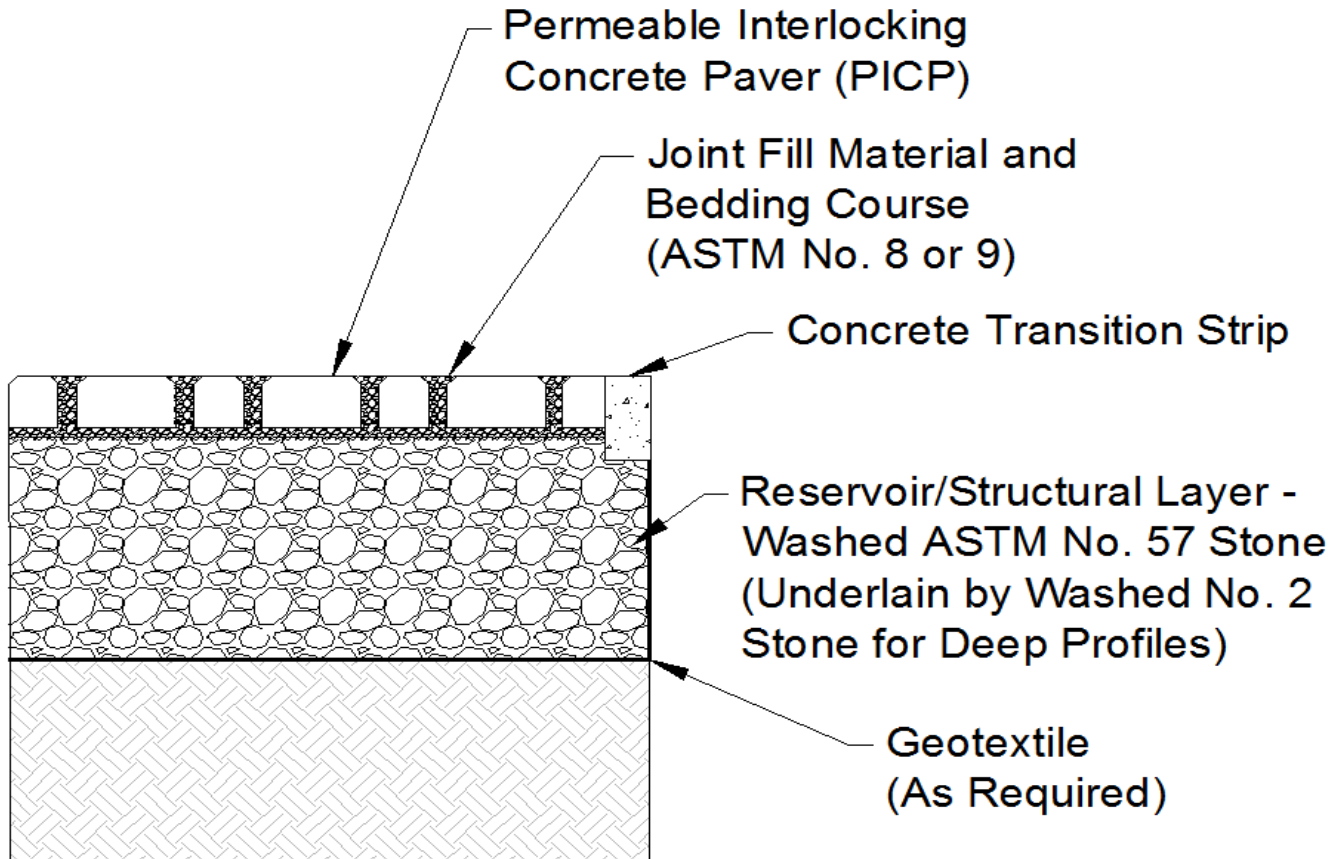


# PLASTIC GRID PAVERS

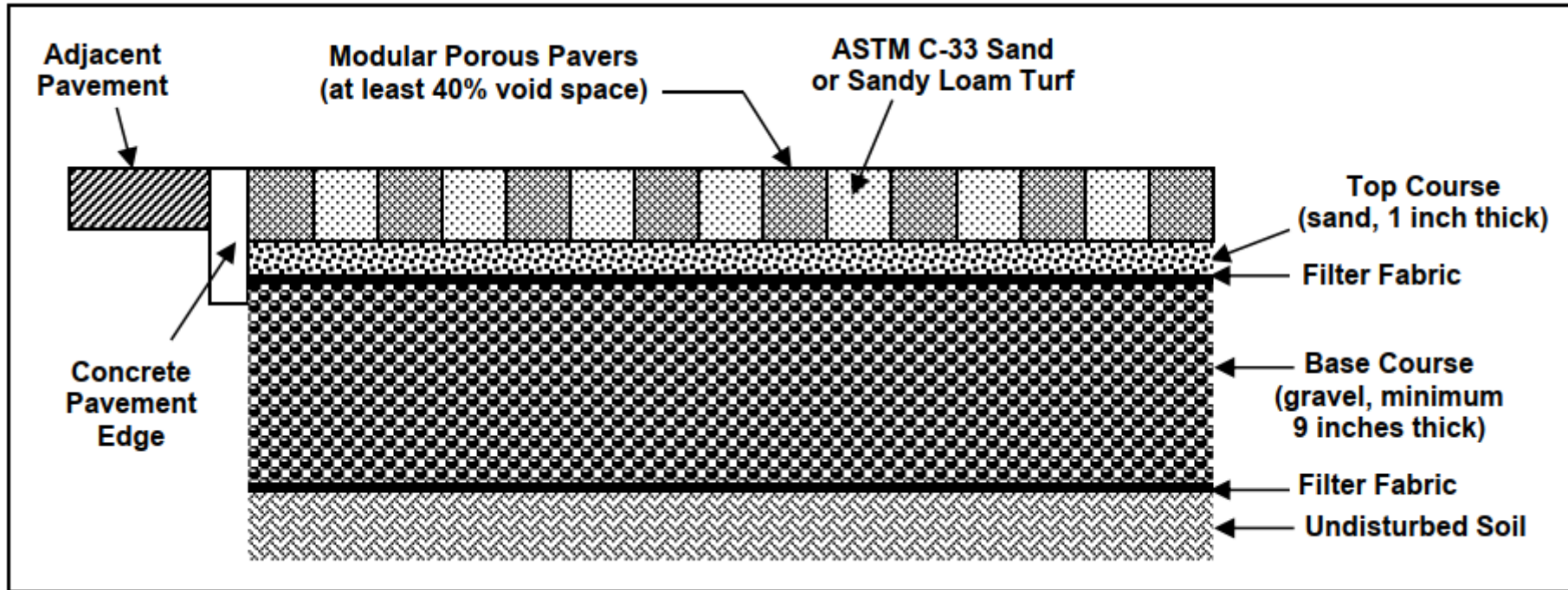




# PERMEABLE INTERLOCKING CONCRETE PAVER (PICP)



# MODULAR POROUS PAVER SYSTEMS



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | MATERIAL SELECTION

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- Porous paver infill is selected based on the intended application and required infiltration rate
  - Masonry sand has a high infiltration rate → use where no vegetation is required or desired
  - Sandy loam soil has a lower infiltration rate → will support grass growth
- Selection is based on site requirements and location
  - Porous concrete is thought to maintain its porosity through hot weather better than porous asphalt because of surface sealing from asphalt binder.



# WHAT IS PERMEABLE PAVEMENT?

## HOW AND WHERE IS IT TYPICALLY USED



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## PARKING LOTS





## RIGHTS-OF-WAY





## ARTISTIC USES





## DRIVEWAYS AND ALLEYS





## VEGETATED AREAS



# HOW TO DESIGN PERMEABLE PAVEMENT

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## SITE SELECTION AND SITE REQUIREMENTS



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# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | SITE SELECTION

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## ■ Intended for low traffic areas

- Residential parking
- Overflow parking
- Limitations on heavy vehicle loads

## ■ Drainage should come from impervious areas only

- Contributing impervious area to porous paver surface ratio of 3:1
- Avoid allowing runoff from pervious areas that can carry mulch, sediments, leaves, debris and will increase maintenance and lead to clogging.
- If it can't be avoided, runoff from fully stabilized pervious areas must include pretreatment.
- Roof runoff can typically be piped directly onto pervious pavements (not through landscaping).

## ■ Systems should be:

- 10 feet downgradient of buildings
- 100 feet away from drinking water wells

# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | SITE REQUIREMENTS

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- Consider soil tests and perform an infiltration test
  - Minimum of one test hole per 5,000 ft<sup>2</sup> and 2 borings per facility
  - Allowable where infiltration is between 0.5 and 3.0 in/hour
  - Minimum of 2' of clearance between bottom of gravel layer and seasonally high groundwater table or bedrock
- Unlined porous concrete should not be used in wellhead protection zones, recharge areas of water supply aquifer recharge zones or hotspots
- Slopes should be less than 2% (maximum of 5%) but can be essentially flat since all drainage occurs underground.



## IMPORTANT NOTE!

Special care must be taken during construction to avoid compaction of the soils if designing for infiltration.

# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | SITE APPLICATIONS

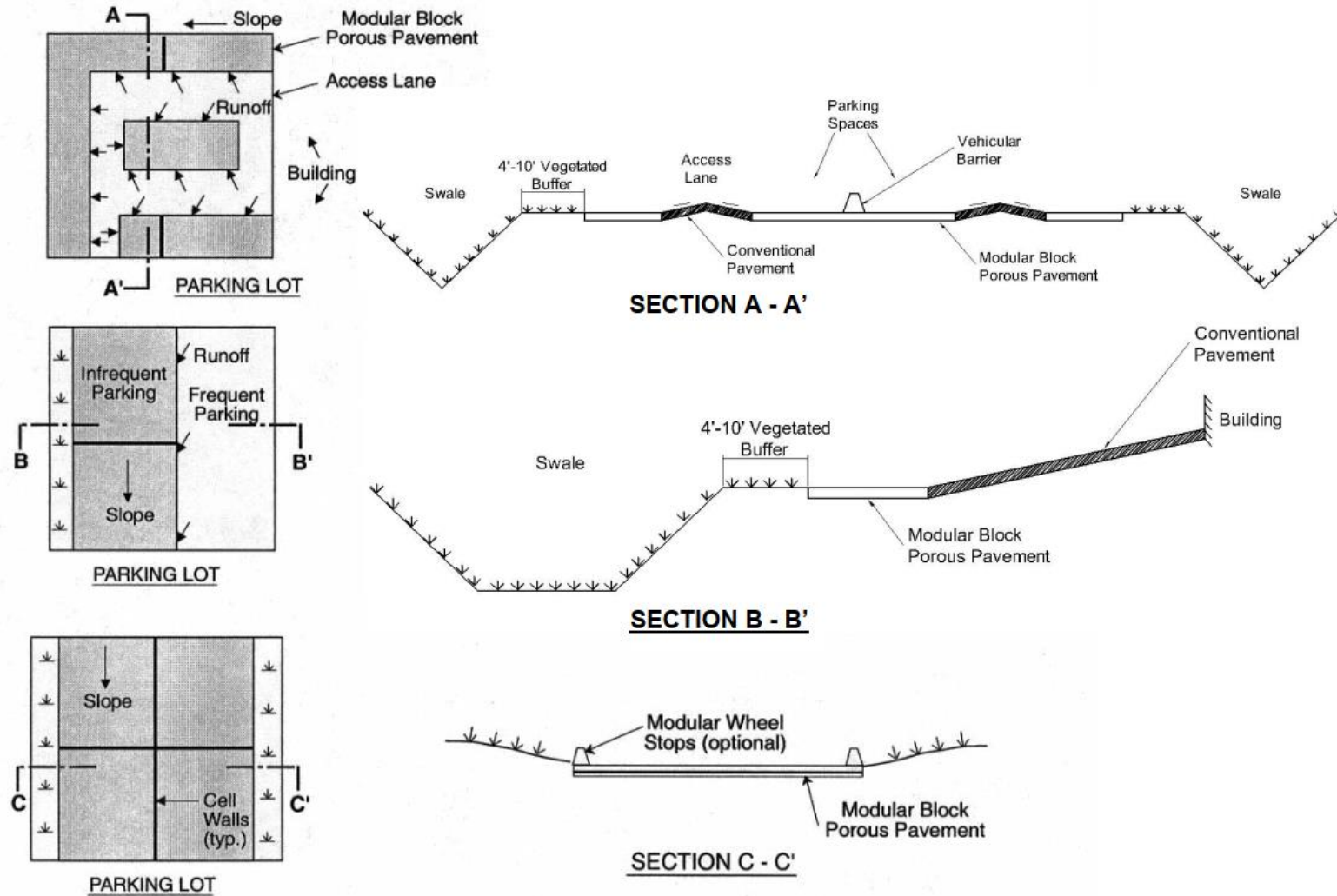


Figure 24.3 Typical Modular Porous Paver System Applications  
(Source: UDFCD, 1999)

# HOW TO DESIGN PERMEABLE PAVEMENT

## WATER QUALITY BENEFITS



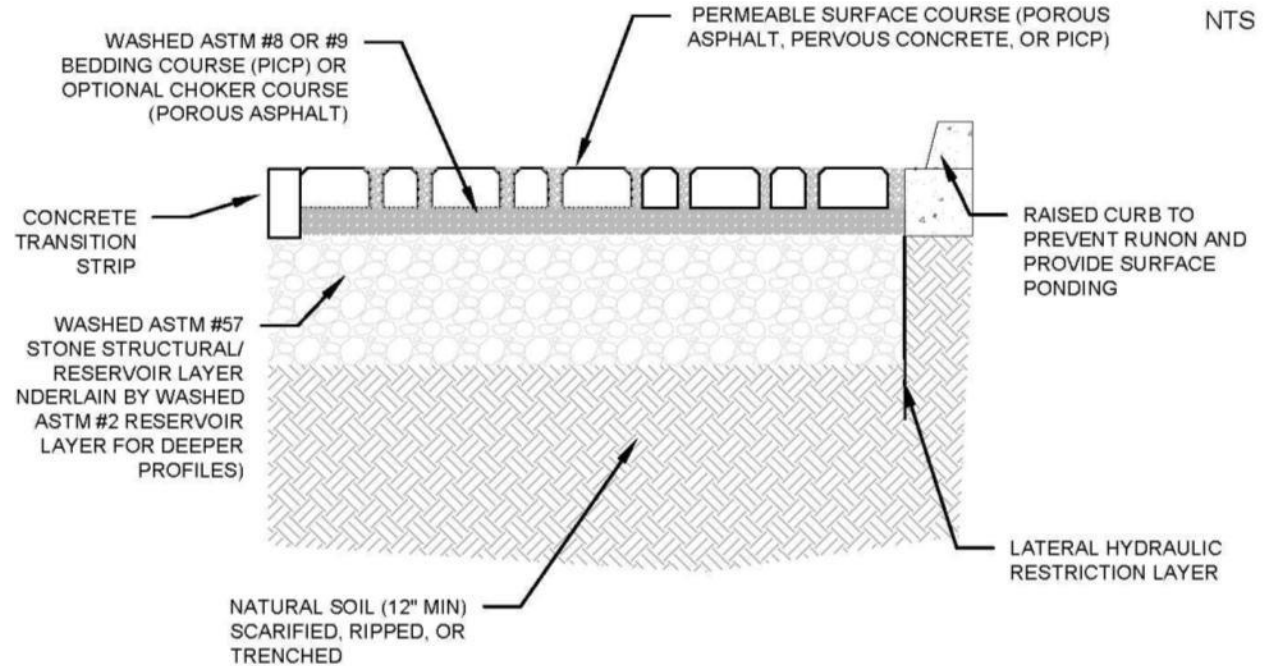
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# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | DESIGN THE PROFILE

■ For best treatment, PP must capture the water quality treatment volume and filter through a soil or sand filter layer

- Infiltrate capture volume in 24-48 hours
- Store design storm volume within base and sub-base reservoirs for 2 to 5 days
- Main variable is layer depth

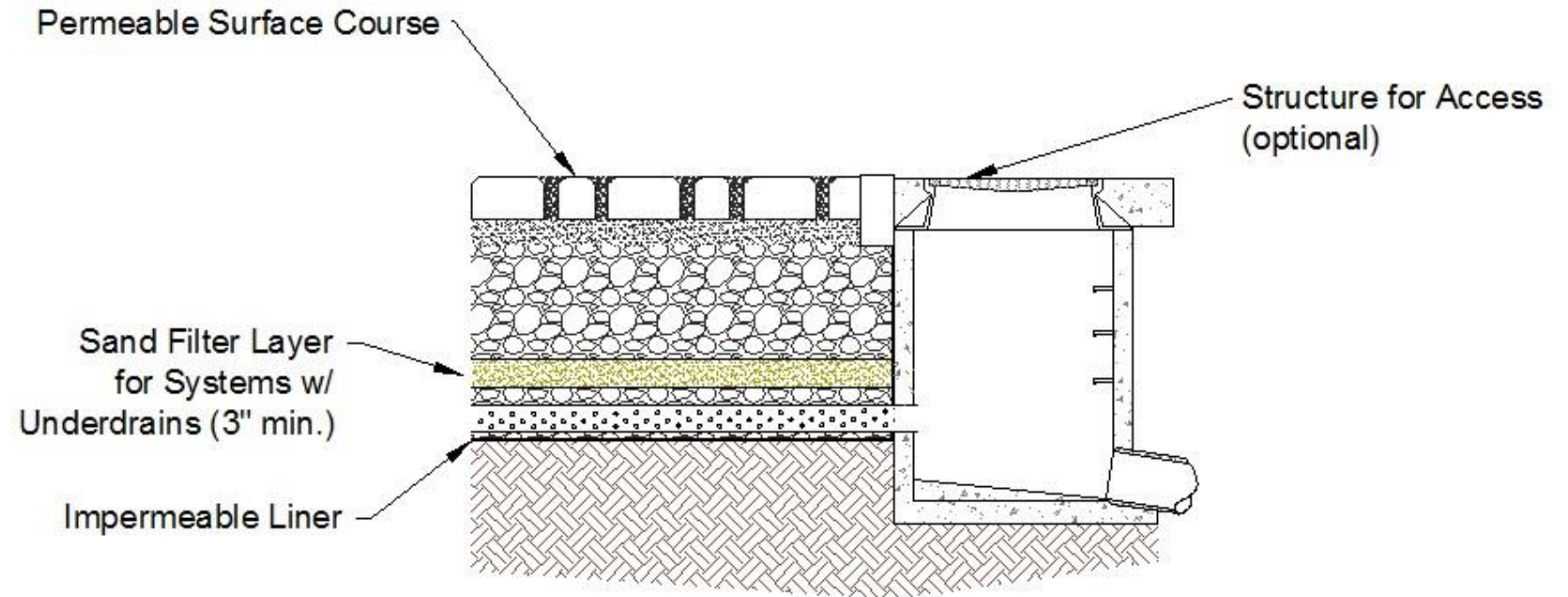
■ Account for contributing areas





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | DESIGN THE PROFILE

- Min. of 4 inches of ASTM C-33 washed sand above the aggregate of the underdrain drainage layer (Barrett 2005)
- Enhance water quality



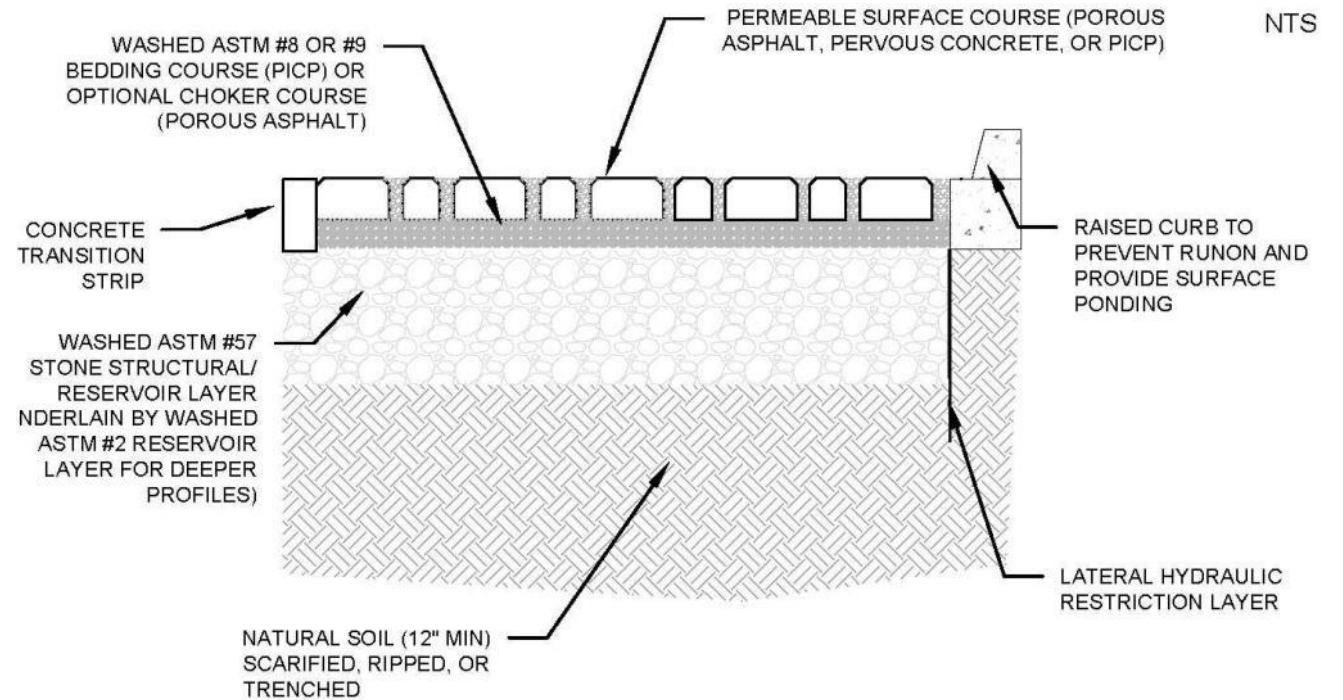
# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | DESIGN THE PROFILE

- Store/Treat the design storm volume
- Calculate the depth of the design storage layer

$$d = \frac{V}{A * n}$$

- d = Gravel Layer Depth (ft)
- V = Water Quality Volume (ft<sup>3</sup>)
- A = Surface Area (ft<sup>2</sup>)
- n = Porosity (use 0.32)

*Note that the minimum depth required is 9"*



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | EXAMPLE SITE DESIGN

- The site plan leaves significant open space opportunities and can meet the treatment requirements with an array of BMPs.





## CALCULATE INITIAL WATER QUALITY VOLUME FOR A SITE

$$WQV = C * \left( \frac{P_x}{12} \right) * A$$

WQV = water quality volume (ft<sup>3</sup>),

C = 0.584 (for site on previous slide)

P<sub>x</sub> = 1.5 in. (iSWM criteria)

A = 42,430 sq. ft. (site 90,841 sq. ft.)

Impervious Only

$$WQV = 0.95 * \left( \frac{1.5}{12} \right) * 42,430 = 5038.6 \text{ ft}^3$$

Whole Site

$$WQV = 0.584 * \left( \frac{1.5}{12} \right) * 90,481 = 6,605.1 \text{ ft}^3$$

## DESIGNING FOR WATER QUALITY VOLUME

Store/Treat the design storm volume within reservoir and sub-base layers

$$A = \frac{V_{wq}}{n * d}$$

$$V_{wq} = 5038.6 \text{ ft}^3$$

$$n = 0.4 \text{ (washed stone)}$$

$$d = 3.4375 \text{ ft (initial depth of reservoir and sub-base/underdrain layers)}$$

$$A = 5038.6 \text{ ft}^3 / (0.4 * 3.4375 \text{ ft}) = 3664 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ – Typical parking place is } 18' \times 9' = 162 \text{ ft}^2$$

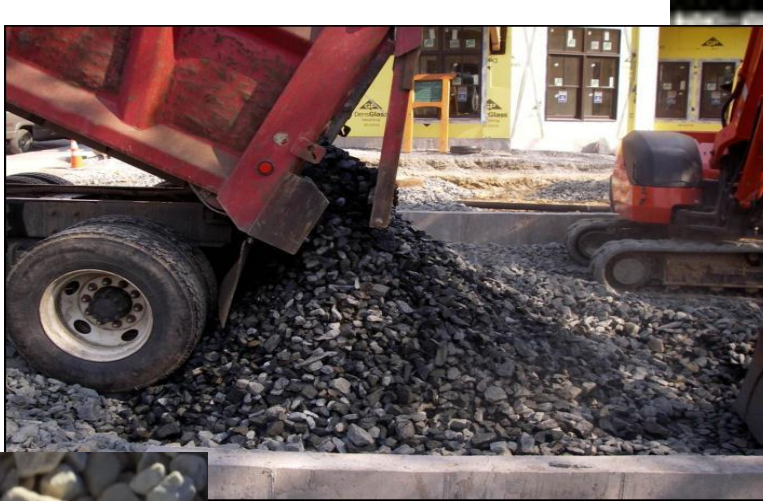
Need approximately 23 parking spots for  $V_{wq}$  required to meet 1.5” design storm.

# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | DESIGN THE PROFILE

■ Washed Stone

■ No. 57

Source: NCSU BAE



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | DESIGN THE PROFILE

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## ■ Design Considerations

- Total traffic
- In situ soil strength
- Environmental elements
- Bedding and reservoir layer design

■ Include an observation well at the downstream end of each facility

■ Compare required structural depth to depth required for WQV and Detention

- Take maximum

## ■ Reference Material

- AASHTO Guide for Design of Pavement Structures (1993)
- AASHTO Supplement to the Guide for Design of Pavement Structures (1998)
- AASHTO Flexible Pavement Method

■ Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute Design Tools

- Design Manuals <https://icpi.org/design-manuals>
- Software <https://icpi.org/software>

■ ASCE Permeable Pavements Book

- <https://ascelibrary.org/doi/book/10.1061/9780784413784>



# HOW TO DESIGN PERMEABLE PAVEMENT DETENTION AND DIVERSION REQUIREMENTS



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# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | EXAMPLE SITE DESIGN

- What about detention on this site?  
How can we fit it in? How can we maximize use of the site and occupant/community benefits for health and welfare?



## DESIGNING FOR DETENTION VOLUME

Store/Treat the design storm volume within reservoir and sub-base layers

$$A = \frac{V_{wq}}{n * d}$$

$$V_{wq} = \frac{9.34 \text{ in}}{12} * 42,430 \text{ ft}^2 = 33,025 \text{ ft}^3$$

$n = 0.4$  (washed stone)

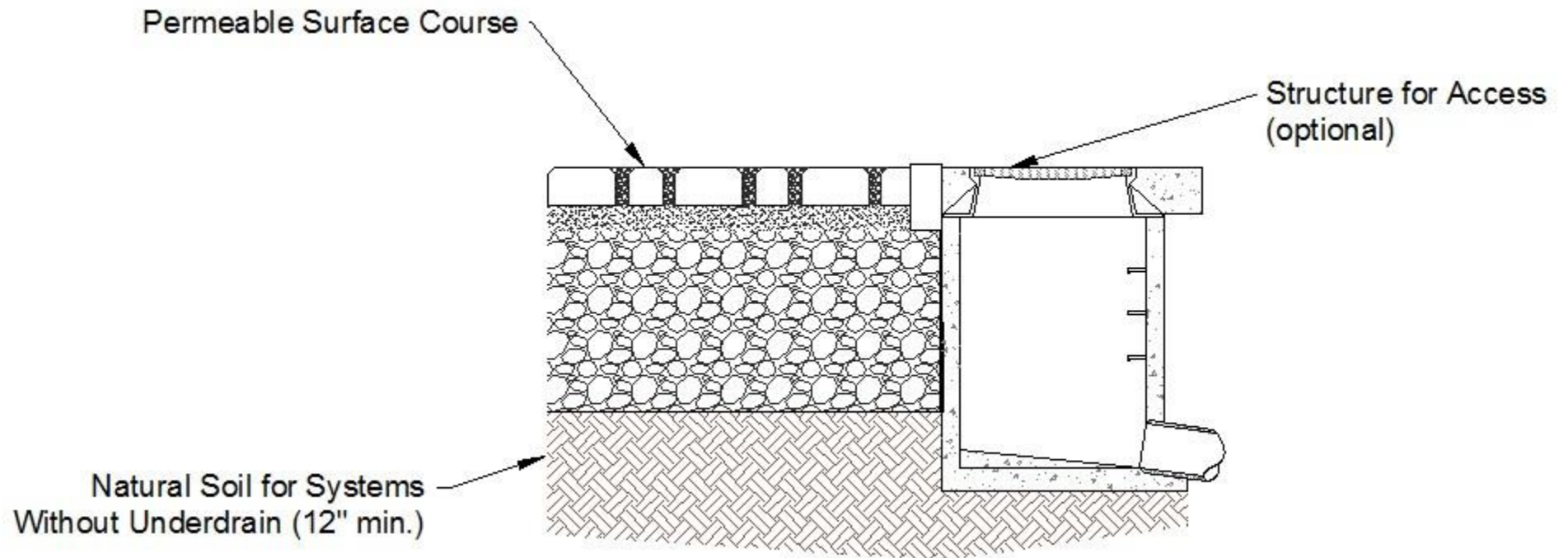
$d = 3.4375 \text{ ft}$  (depth of reservoir and sub-base/underdrain layers)

$A = 33,025 \text{ ft}^3 / (0.4 * 3.4375 \text{ ft}) = 24,018 \text{ ft}^2$  – Typical parking place is  $18' \times 9' = 162 \text{ ft}^2$

Need approximately 148 parking spots for  $V_{wq}$  required to meet 9.34" design storm.

# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | DESIGN FOR SAFE BYPASS/CONVEYANCE OF LARGE STORM

- Safely route runoff in excess of the intended design flow
- One option is to use storm drain inlets slightly above the pavement elevation
- Allow for some ponding on the surface but large flows bypass the system
- Also provides a backup if the system clogs and fails

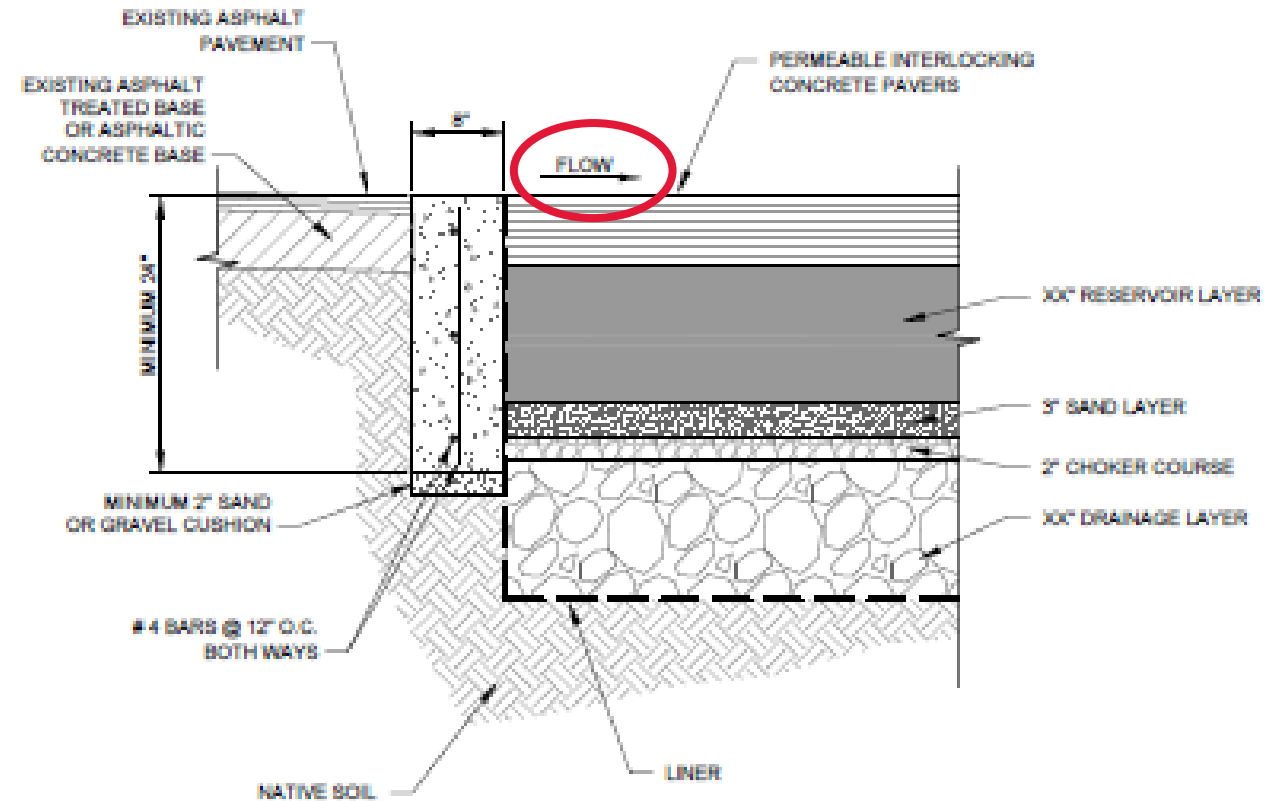


# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | DESIGN FOR SAFE BYPASS/CONVEYANCE OF LARGE STORM

## ■ Downstream and conveyance systems

- Assume permeable pavement systems are 35% impervious
- A reduction in water quality volume requirements can be obtained

## ■ For treatment control, design volume should be equal to the water quality volume at a minimum



2 EDGE RESTRAINT FOR PERMEABLE PAVEMENT  
C-131 SCALE: 1" = 1'-0"



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING



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# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING

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## PLANNING

### ■ Construction Schedule

#### — Identify milestones

- Preparation of the Subgrade,
- Installation of hydraulic restriction layers (if part of design),
- Delivery of reservoir/structural layer,
- Pavement material delivery and installation

### ■ Prepare SWPPP plans

### ■ Order and coordinate materials delivery and approvals

### ■ Stockpile Materials where possible

## SITE PREPARATION

### ■ Demolition (if applicable)

### ■ Excavation

### ■ Infrastructure preparation (curbs, transition strip check dams, internal baffles)

## **IMPLEMENTATION**

- Hydraulic Restriction Layers
- Drainage layer and underdrains
- Structural Layer/ Reservoir
- Overflow
- Pavement Material



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING PLANNING



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# CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING | PLANNING

## PLANNING

### ■ Construction Schedule

- Expect more RFIs than typical
  - Will need to prepare submittals for
    - Drainage stone
    - Liners
    - Permeable pavement materials
- Prepare Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans
- Verify available materials – up to one month lead time
- Order and stockpile materials where possible
- Expect more Construction inspection and oversight
- Expect it to rain!





# CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING | PLANNING

## ■ Washed Stone

- No. 57
- No. 2

Source: NCSU BAE





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING SITE PREPARATION



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## SITE PREPARATION

- Demolition (if applicable)
  - For retrofits
- Infiltration area excavation
- Infrastructure preparation
  - Curbs
  - Curb cuts
  - Transition strips
  - Pedestrian strips
  - Check dams and baffles





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## CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING | SITE PREPARATION

Soil type/Compaction	Number of tests	Average infiltration rate (in/hr)	COV
Noncompacted sandy soils	36	13	0.4
Compacted sandy soils	39	1.4	1.3
Noncompacted and dry clayey soils	18	9.8	1.5
All other clayey soils (compacted and dry, plus all wetter conditions)	60	0.2	2.4

**Infiltration Rates during Prior Tests of Disturbed Urban Soils (Pitt, Chen)**

# CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING | SITE PREPARATION





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## ■ Test Actual Subgrade Infiltration Rate

- After excavation and before installing aggregate, measure in situ infiltration rate
  - Double ring infiltrometer test
- Determine level of compaction experienced during construction





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## ■ Minimize and Mitigate Compaction to Enhance Exfiltration

Source: Tyner 2009

<b>Subgrade compaction</b>	<b>Minimum subgrade treatment</b>	<b>Specification</b>
Low	Scarification	Loosen the top 6 to 9 inches of subgrade using the teeth of an excavator bucket (or comparable).
Low-Medium	Ripping	Using a subsoil ripper or metal bar, rip the subgrade to a depth of 9 to 12 inches, every 3 feet (on center).
High	Trenching	Excavate 1-foot-deep by 1-foot wide trenches into the subgrade, every 6 feet (on center). Fill the bottom of the trench with one-half inch of coarse sand, and top off trench with washed aggregate (No. 57 stone or comparable).

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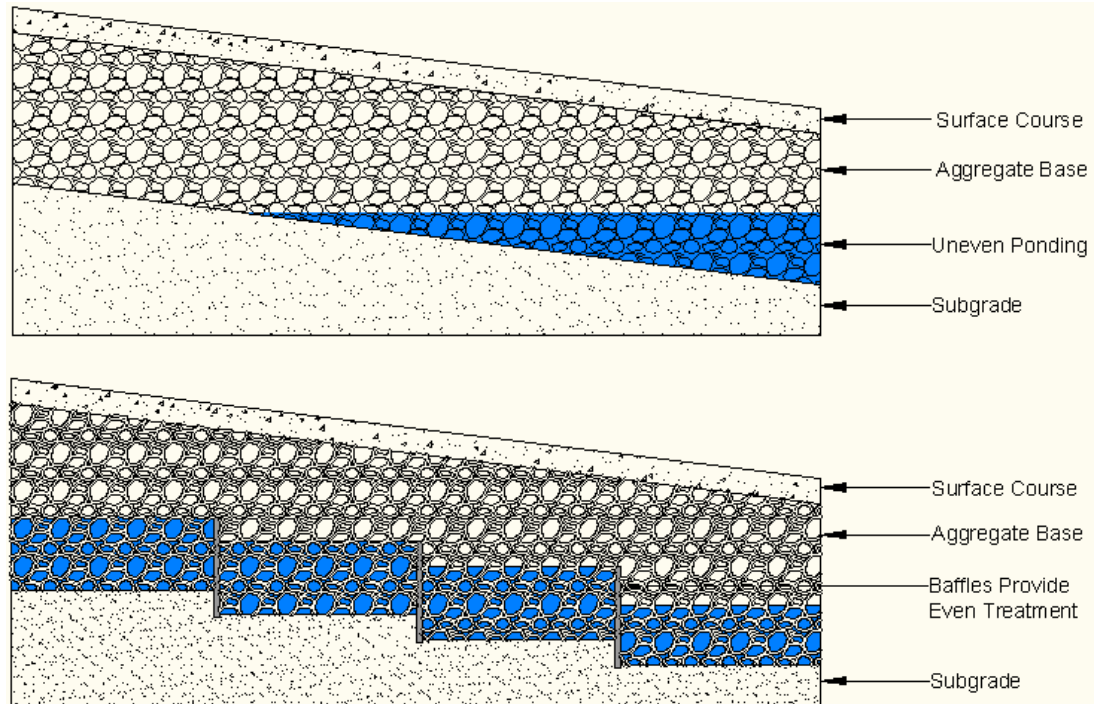


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## ■ Internal baffles/check dams





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Source: Tyner 2009



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING IMPLEMENTATION



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# CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING | IMPLEMENTATION

## IMPLEMENTATION

- Hydraulic Restriction Layers
- Drainage layer and underdrains
- Structural Layer/ Reservoir
- Overflow
- Pavement Material



# CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING | IMPLEMENTATION

## ■ Hydraulic Restriction Layers

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- Concrete
- Clay (Bentonite)





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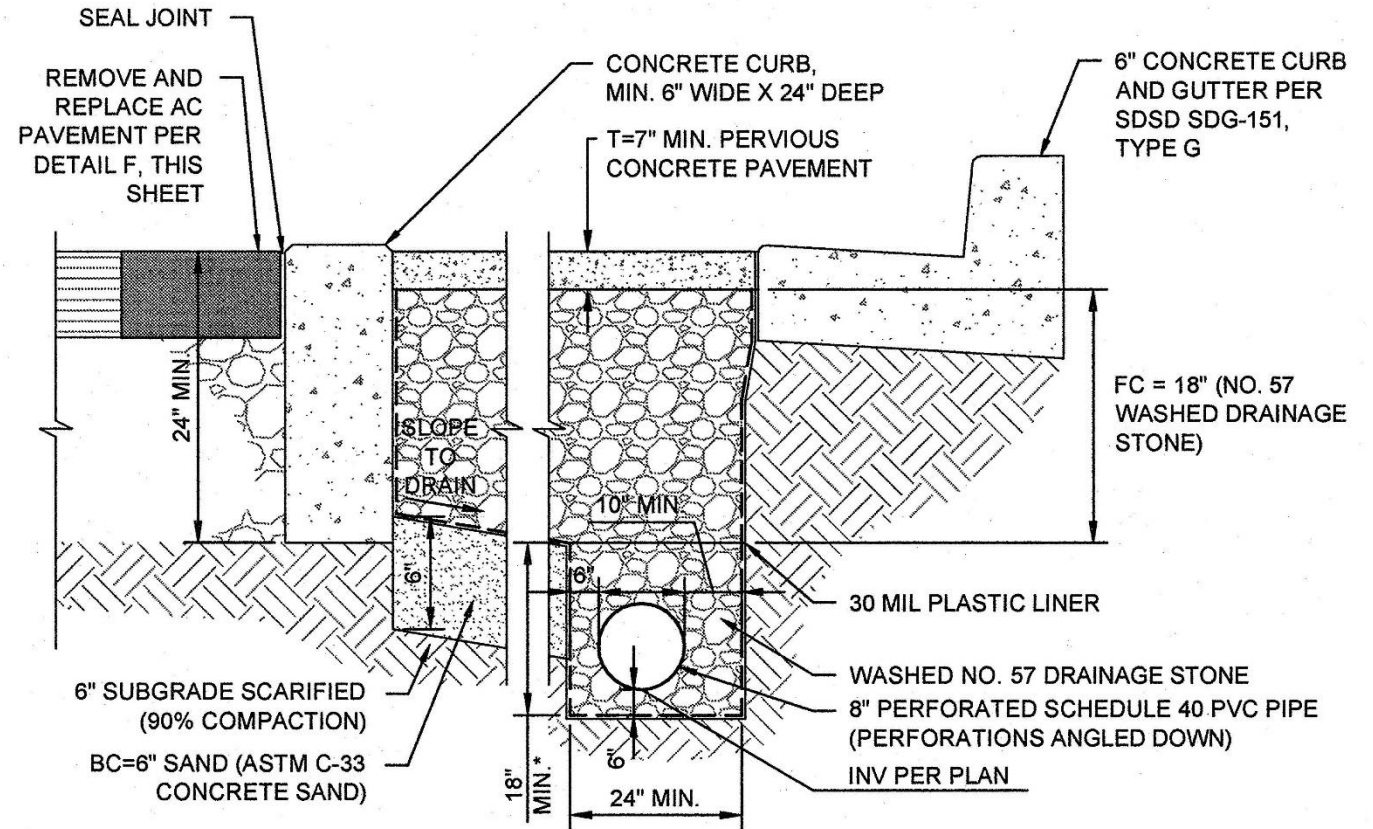
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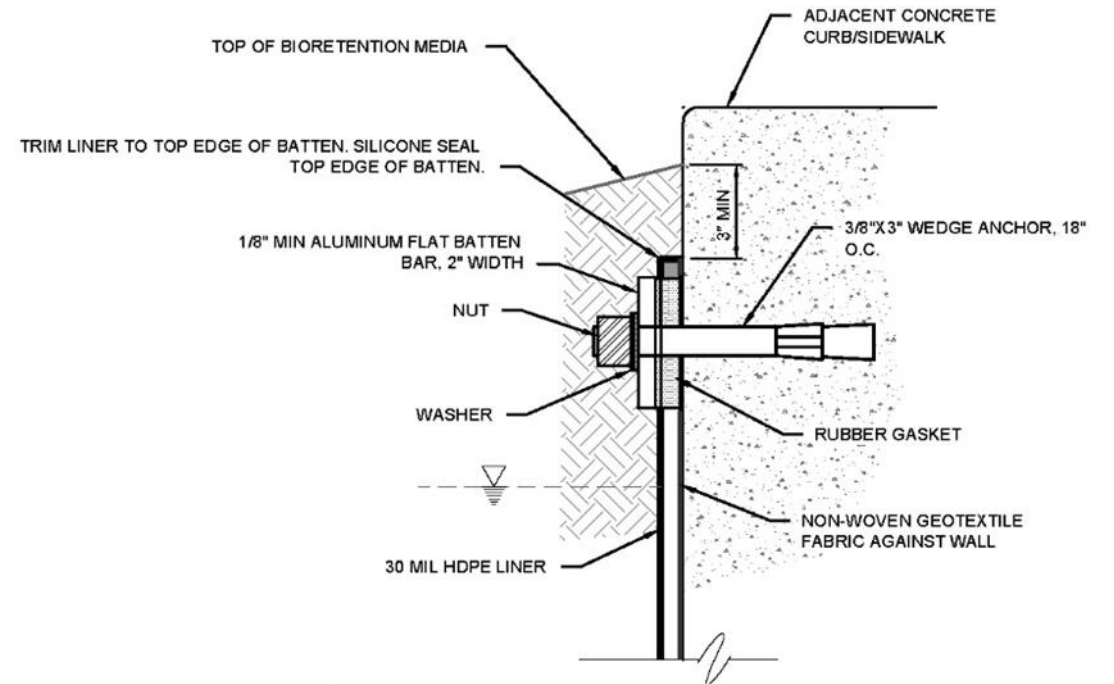
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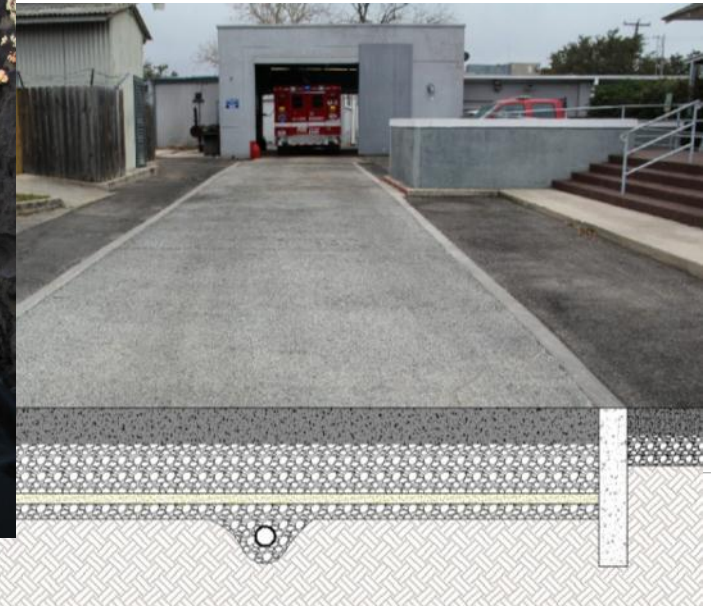
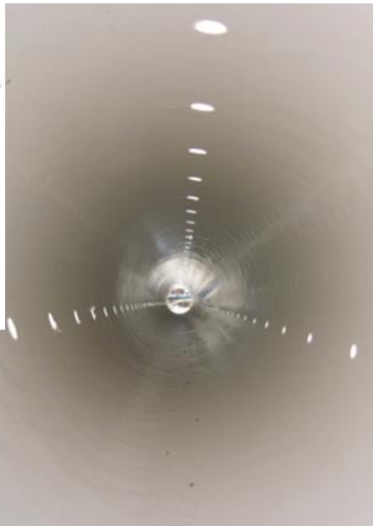
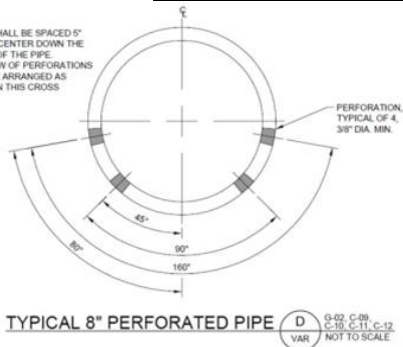


# CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING | IMPLEMENTATION

Underdrain Component	Specification
Diameter	4-inch minimum
Material	Perforated Schedule 40 PVC
Perforation Type	Slotted or round
Perforation Spacing and Placement	Max 6 inches, underdrain flow should not limit infiltration through the pavement, sand filter layer, or storage layer. <i>If an anaerobic zone is intended, the perforation can be placed at the top of the pipe.</i>
Slope	1% minimum slope toward outlet
Cleanout Access	Rigid, unperforated observation pipes with a diameter equal to the underdrain diameter every 250 to 300 feet in larger systems. The wells/cleanouts must extend 6 inches above the mulch or sod layer and be capped with a screw cap.
Outfall	Connected to a vegetated swale, daylight to a vegetated dispersion area using an effective flow dispersion device, stored for reuse, or to a stormwater drainage system.

NOTES:

- HOLES SHALL BE SPACED 6" MAX. ON CENTER DOWN THE LENGTH OF THE PIPE.
- EACH ROW OF PERFORATIONS SHALL BE ARRANGED AS SHOWN IN THIS CROSS SECTION.





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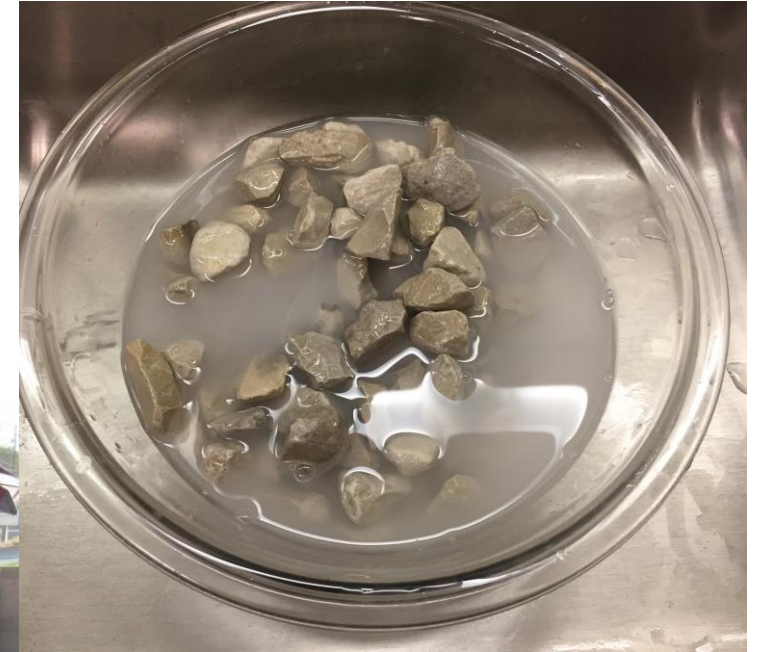




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## ■ Inspect Aggregate Upon Delivery

- subbase courses should be thoroughly washed to prevent fines from clogging the subsoil interface or underdrains (Fassman and Blackbourne 2010)





# CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING | IMPLEMENTATION

■ Note clean, freshly washed No. 2 Stone





# CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCING | IMPLEMENTATION

## ■ No 57 Structural Layer





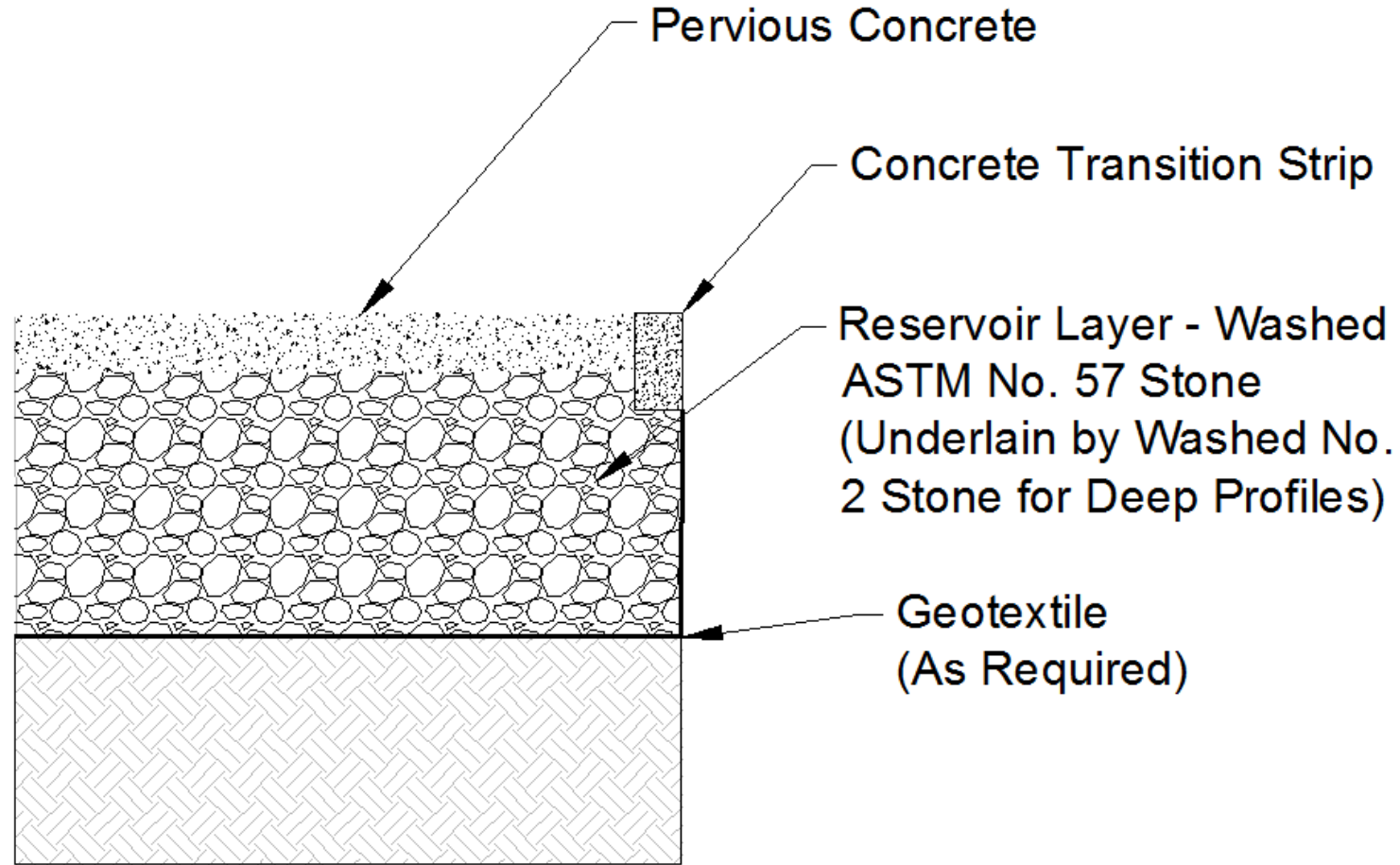
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# IMPLEMENTATION | PERVIOUS CONCRETE



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- Inspect the mix when delivered





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# IMPLEMENTATION | PERVIOUS CONCRETE

- Framed in 10 foot sections





# IMPLEMENTATION | PERVIOUS CONCRETE

- Strip to control compaction



# IMPLEMENTATION | PERVIOUS CONCRETE

- Screened and compacted





# IMPLEMENTATION | PERVIOUS CONCRETE

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# IMPLEMENTATION | PERVIOUS CONCRETE

- Compacted to specified level of compaction





# IMPLEMENTATION | PERVIOUS CONCRETE

- Covered for 7 to 14 days to cure properly



# IMPLEMENTATION | PERVIOUS CONCRETE

## ■ Transition strip





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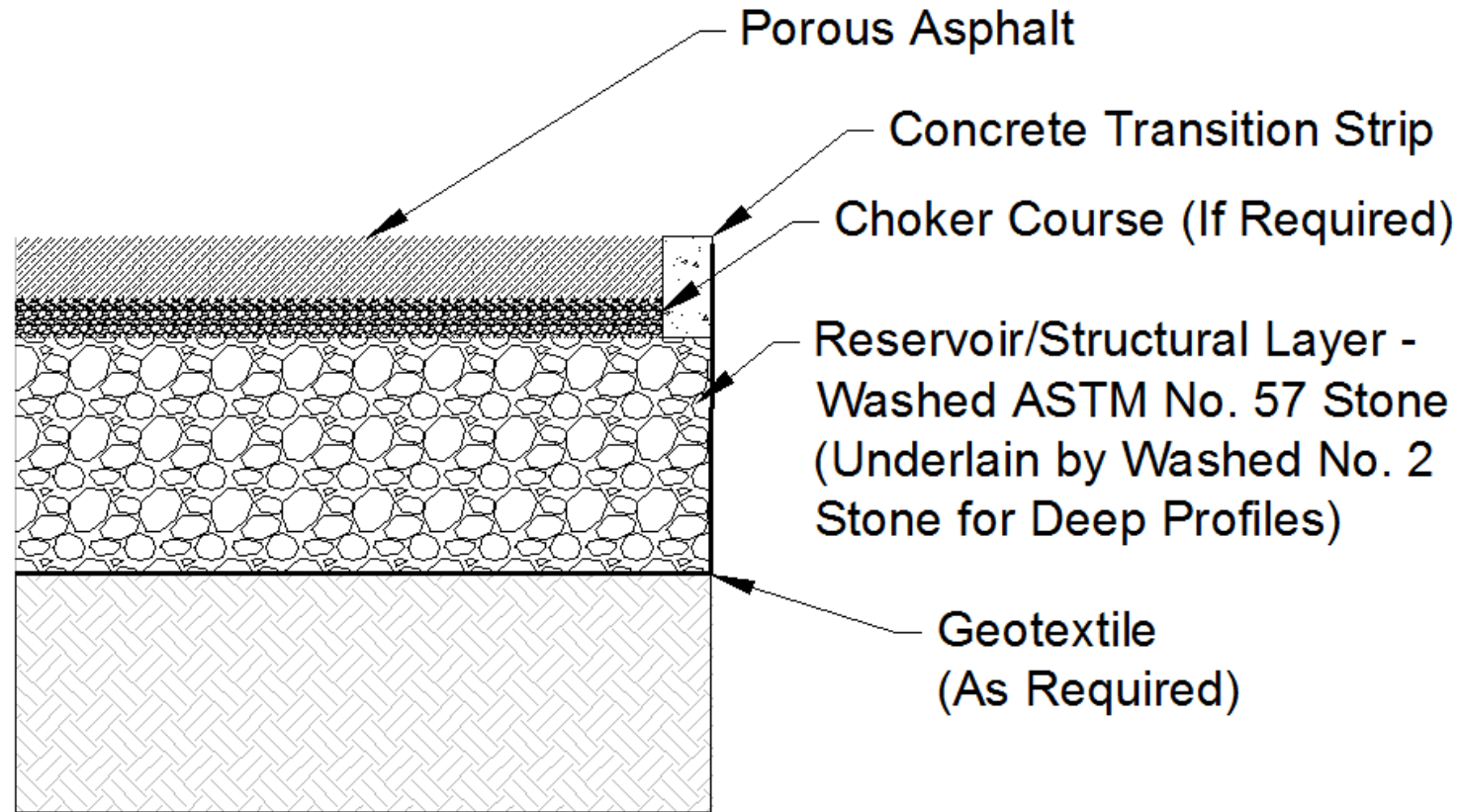
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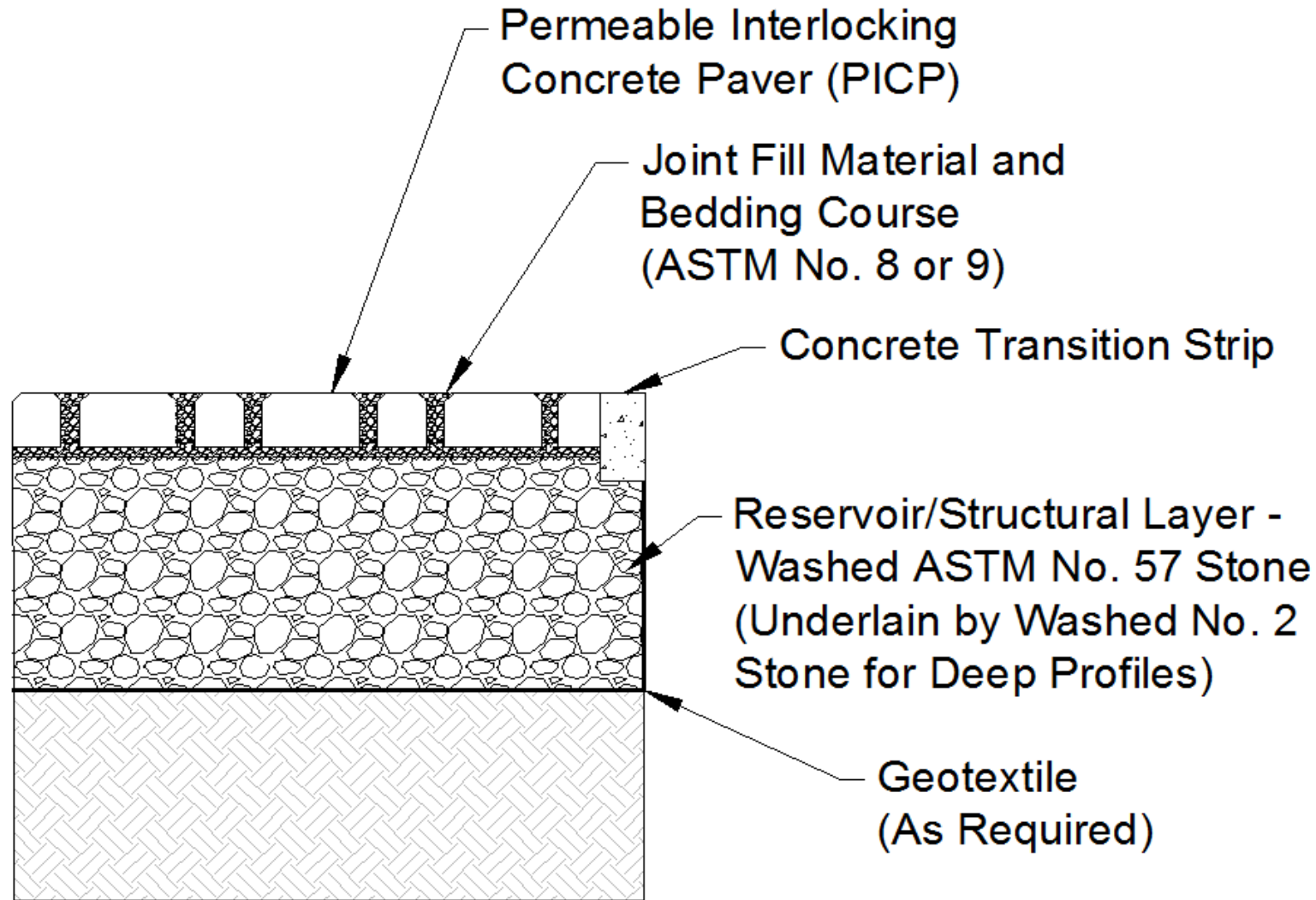
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# IMPLEMENTATION | PERMEABLE INTERLOCKING CONCRETE PAVERS



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- Pavers placed manually



# IMPLEMENTATION | PERMEABLE INTERLOCKING CONCRETE PAVERS

- Compacted in place





# IMPLEMENTATION | PERMEABLE INTERLOCKING CONCRETE PAVERS

■ Place fill material





# IMPLEMENTATION | PERMEABLE INTERLOCKING CONCRETE PAVERS

- Cut and place pavers





# IMPLEMENTATION | PERMEABLE INTERLOCKING CONCRETE PAVERS

- A concrete transition strip prevents settling



# IMPLEMENTATION | PERMEABLE INTERLOCKING CONCRETE PAVERS

- Edge Collapse due to structural failure.





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | EDGE RESTRAINTS AND INTERSECTIONS



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | IMPLEMENTATION CONSIDERATIONS

- These systems should be installed by a qualified professional

The only exception is very small backyard patios where BMP failure will not be hazardous to human health

A list of professionals qualified in permeable paver installation is available through the Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute (ICPI)

- [www.icpi.org](http://www.icpi.org)

More information on pervious concrete is available through the Texas Aggregates and Concrete Association (TACA)

- [www.tx-taca.org](http://www.tx-taca.org)



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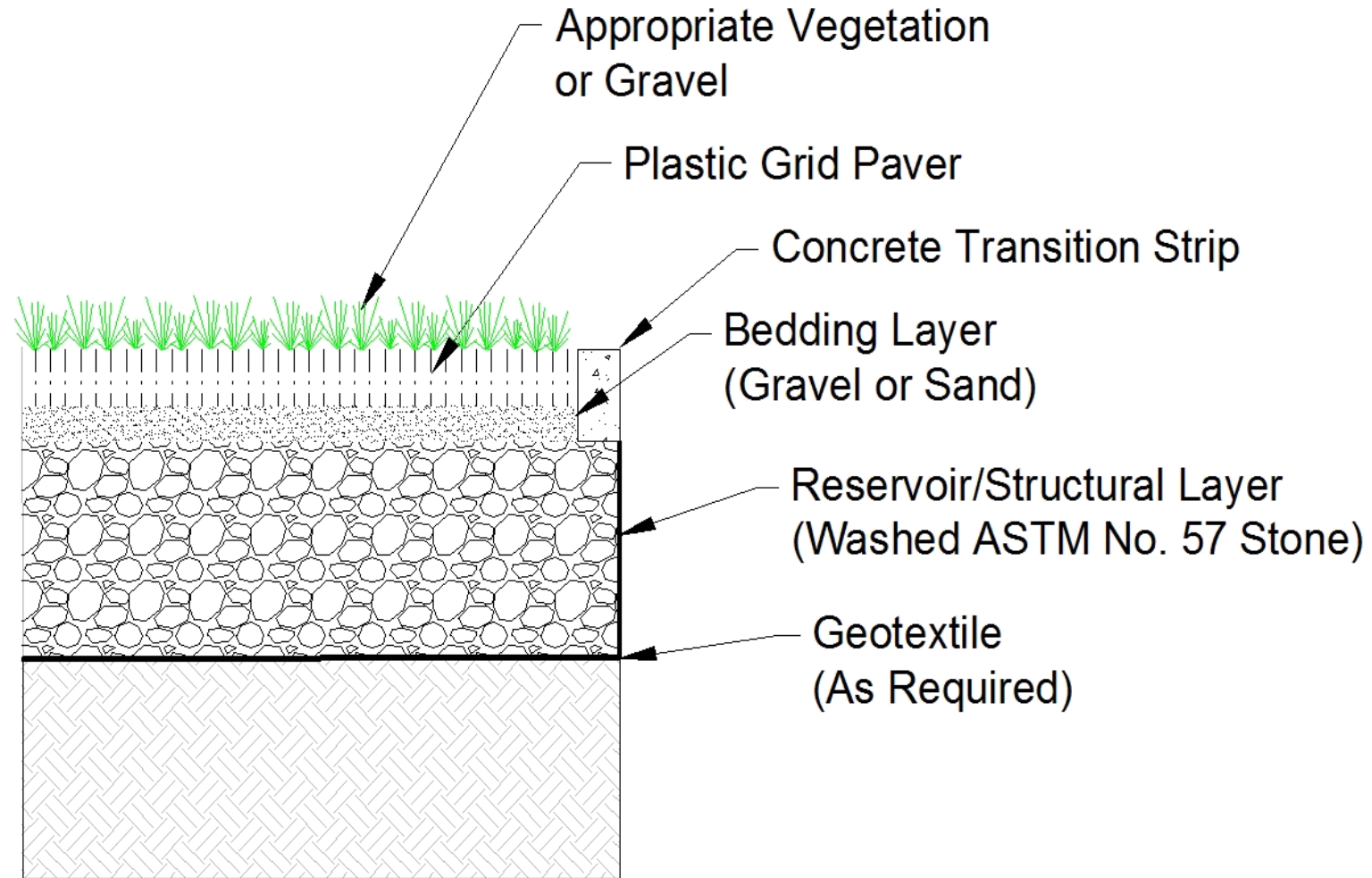
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# IMPLEMENTATION | PLASTIC GRID / TURF PAVERS



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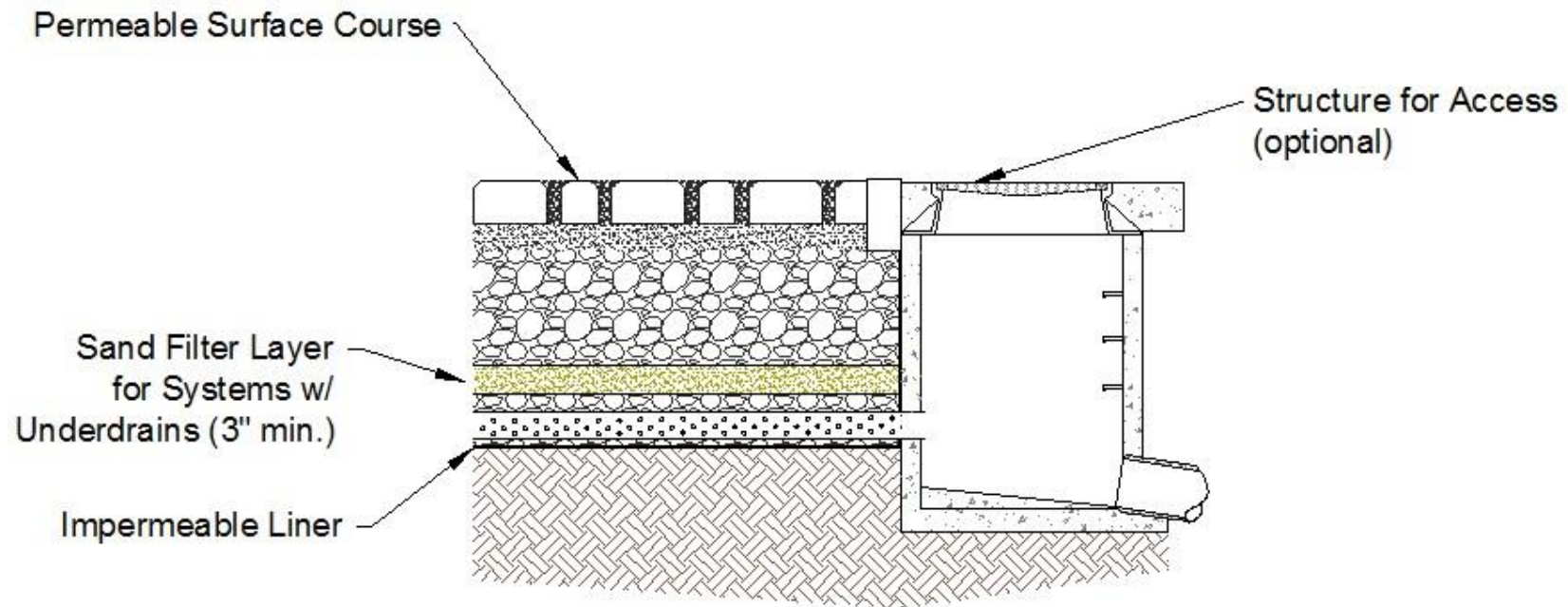


# IMPLEMENTATION | PLASTIC GRID / TURF PAVERS



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | IMPLEMENTATION CONSIDERATIONS

- Min. of 4 inches of ASTM C-33 washed sand above the aggregate of the underdrain drainage layer (Barrett 2005)
- Enhance water quality





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | IMPLEMENTATION CONSIDERATIONS

## ■ Observation Wells

- Monitor the drawdown rate
- Perforated PVC pipe (4-inch diameter or greater)
- Sealed with watertight caps



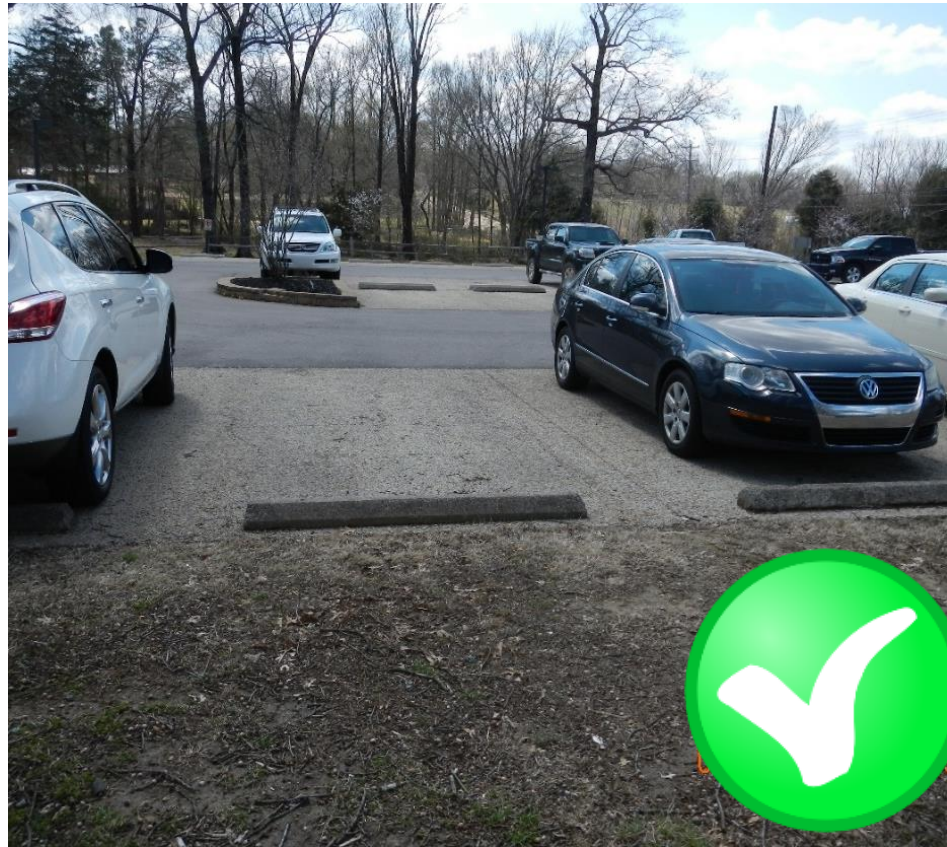
# INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE OF PERMEABLE PAVEMENT



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

## PERMEABLE PAVEMENT 'EDGE'

- Landscape along edge should slope away from pavement





## SURROUNDING LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

- Maintain good vegetative cover on all surrounding landscape
- Blow leaves and grass off pavement before they can decompose or be ground into the permeable pavement
- Blow grass discharge from mowers away from permeable pavement
- Avoid spillage of dumpster juice and oil leaks if possible





## GRASS CLIPPINGS

- What to do here?
- Can the debris be blown off?
- Use of vegetation other than turf grass or inorganic mulch would be a better choice



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

- The enemy of permeable pavement:  
Sediment and organic matter....





## PERMEABLE CONCRETE

- Open and Permeable
- Clogged





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

- Look for signs that water is flowing over the surface instead of through the pavement





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

- Look for signs of water ponding on the surface instead of infiltrating through the pavement



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

## **STANDARD CLOGGING RULE OF THUMB**

- If only 10-20% of surface is clogged the total system should be working fine (Resilience built in!)
- Street sweeping is optional unless a test shows significant clogging





## MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Schedule</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ensure that the porous paver surface is free of extraneous sediment.</li><li>• Check to make sure that the system dewateres between storms.</li></ul>	Monthly
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Clear debris from contributing area and porous paver surface.</li><li>• Stabilize and mow contributing adjacent areas and remove clippings.</li></ul>	As needed, based on inspection
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Vacuum sweep porous paver surface to keep free of sediment.</li></ul>	Typically three to four times a year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inspect the surface for deterioration or spalling.</li></ul>	Annually
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Totally rehabilitate the porous paver system, including the top and base course.</li></ul>	Upon failure

## MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Schedule</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Initial inspection</li></ul>	Monthly for three months after installation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Ensure that the porous paver surface is free of sediment</li></ul>	Monthly
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Ensure that the contributing and adjacent area is stabilized and mowed, with clippings removed</li></ul>	As needed, based on inspection
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Vacuum sweep porous concrete surface followed by high pressure hosing to keep pores free of sediment</li></ul>	Four times a year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Inspect the surface for deterioration or spalling</li><li>Check to make sure that the system dewateres between storms</li></ul>	Annually
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Spot clogging can be handled by drilling half-inch holes through the pavement every few feet</li><li>Rehabilitation of the porous concrete system, including the top and base course as needed</li></ul>	Upon failure



# INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE OF PERMEABLE PAVEMENT

## HOW TO TEST INFILTRATION



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# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

■ How to test infiltration...





## SIMPLE INFILTRATION TEST

- Performed in under 5 minutes by individual
- Easily-furnished and cheap materials
- Shallow head conditions...
  - Better predict actual infiltration during rainfall
  - Reduce lateral seepage
- Simple!



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INFILTRATION TEST

## STEP 1: CONSTRUCT THE DEVICE

### ■ Materials:

- One 8-foot piece of unwarped 2"x4" lumber
- Screws and drill
- 80 oz. plumber's putty (approx.)
- 5 gallon bucket of water
- Stopwatch or timepiece

- Cut 2x4 into four sections and screw together into rectangular frame





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INFILTRATION TEST

## **STEP 2: APPLY PLUMBER'S PUTTY AND PLACE**

- Apply 1" bead of plumber's putty to the frame (or inside)
- Place frame in area to be tested and apply gentle pressure to seal



# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INFILTRATION TEST

## **STEP 3: RAPIDLY ADD 5 GAL. WATER & TIME**

- Apply weight to frame to maintain seal
- Quickly pour contents of one 5-gal bucket and begin timing
- Record time for all standing water to infiltrate joints/voids





## STEP 4: ASSESS PERFORMANCE & PRESCRIBE MAINTENANCE

Drawdown Time	Hydraulic Condition
< 30 seconds	Newly Installed / Recently Maintained
30-90 seconds	Acceptable – Continue Preventative Maintenance. Consider Regen Air S.S.?
90-300 seconds	Partially Clogged – Regen Air Street Sweeper NEEDED
> 300 seconds	Clogged – Vac Truck Time?

# INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE OF PERMEABLE PAVEMENT

WHAT TO DO IF SYSTEM IS CLOGGED?



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# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

## SMALL- SCALE OPTIONS

- Possible to maintain with a good leaf blower and a shop vac if performed regularly





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

## STREET SWEEPERS TO VACUUM TRUCKS

- Different Types of Sweepers for Different Types of Permeable Pavements:
- Mechanical Sweeper vs. Regenerative Air Sweeper vs. Vacuum Sweeper





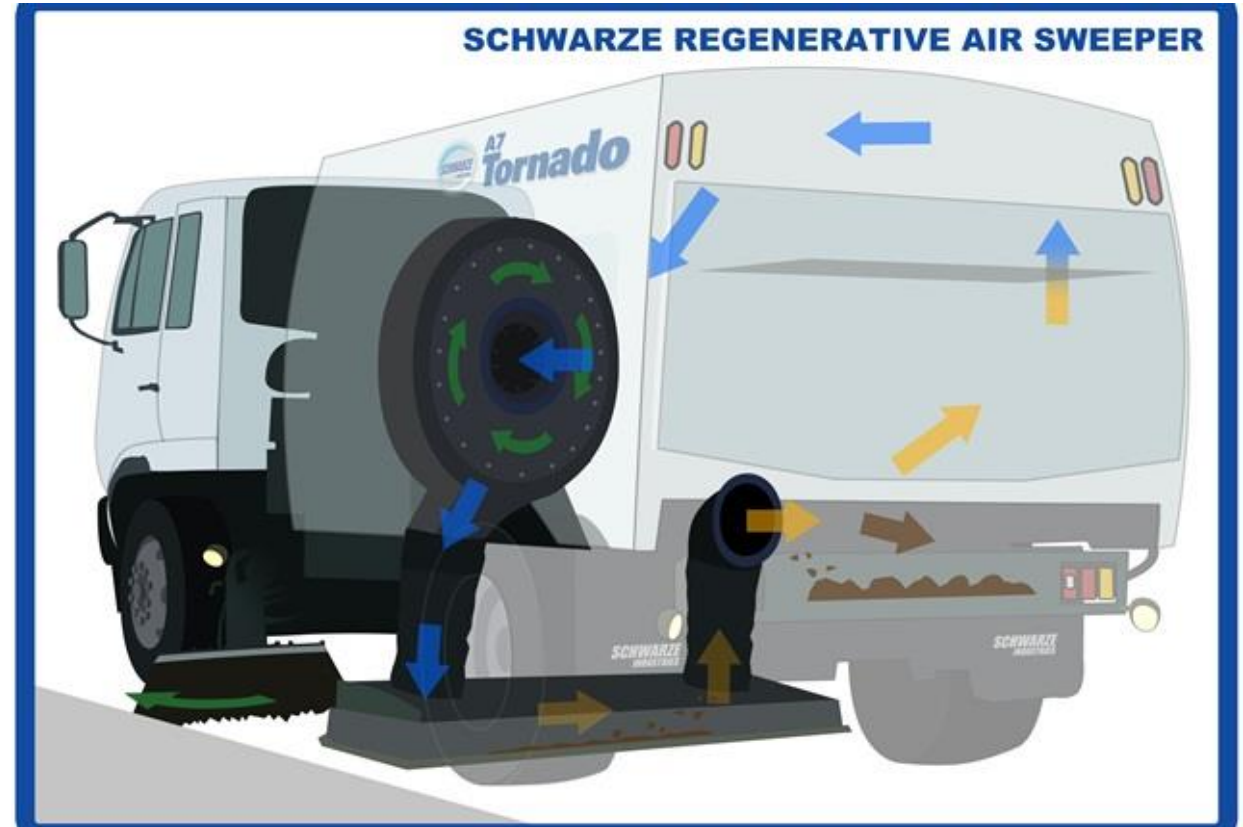
## MECHANICAL STREET SWEEPERS

- Mechanical or Broom Sweeper components:
  - broom to conveyor to hopper
- Do a good job of stirring up top of sand layer
- Good for concrete grid pavers (CGP)
  - bristle penetration is not enough for other types of permeable pavement



## REGENERATIVE AIR STREET SWEEPERS

- Regenerative Air Street Sweepers pick up debris by vacuum and blasted air
- Good for preventative maintenance for:
  - PICP
  - Pervious Concrete
  - Pervious Asphalt
- May not work for Restorative Maintenance





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

## VACUUM STREET SWEEPERS

- Vacuum Sweepers pick up debris by vacuum
- The most powerful street sweeper
- Must be careful not to ‘over’ vacuum the fill material between pavers – can destabilize them
- Use for restorative maintenance if clogging is not too deep....



## VACUUM STREET SWEEPERS





## OIL AND GREASE DEPOSITS

- How to clean?





# PERMEABLE PAVEMENT | INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE

- Add Stain Remover...  
let it soak, then pressure wash...





## WHAT ABOUT PRESSURE WASHING?

- “Both sand and clay caused measurable clogging that was not reversible by pressure washing.”
- From Coughlin et al. Journal of Hydrologic Engineering, 2012



QUESTIONS?

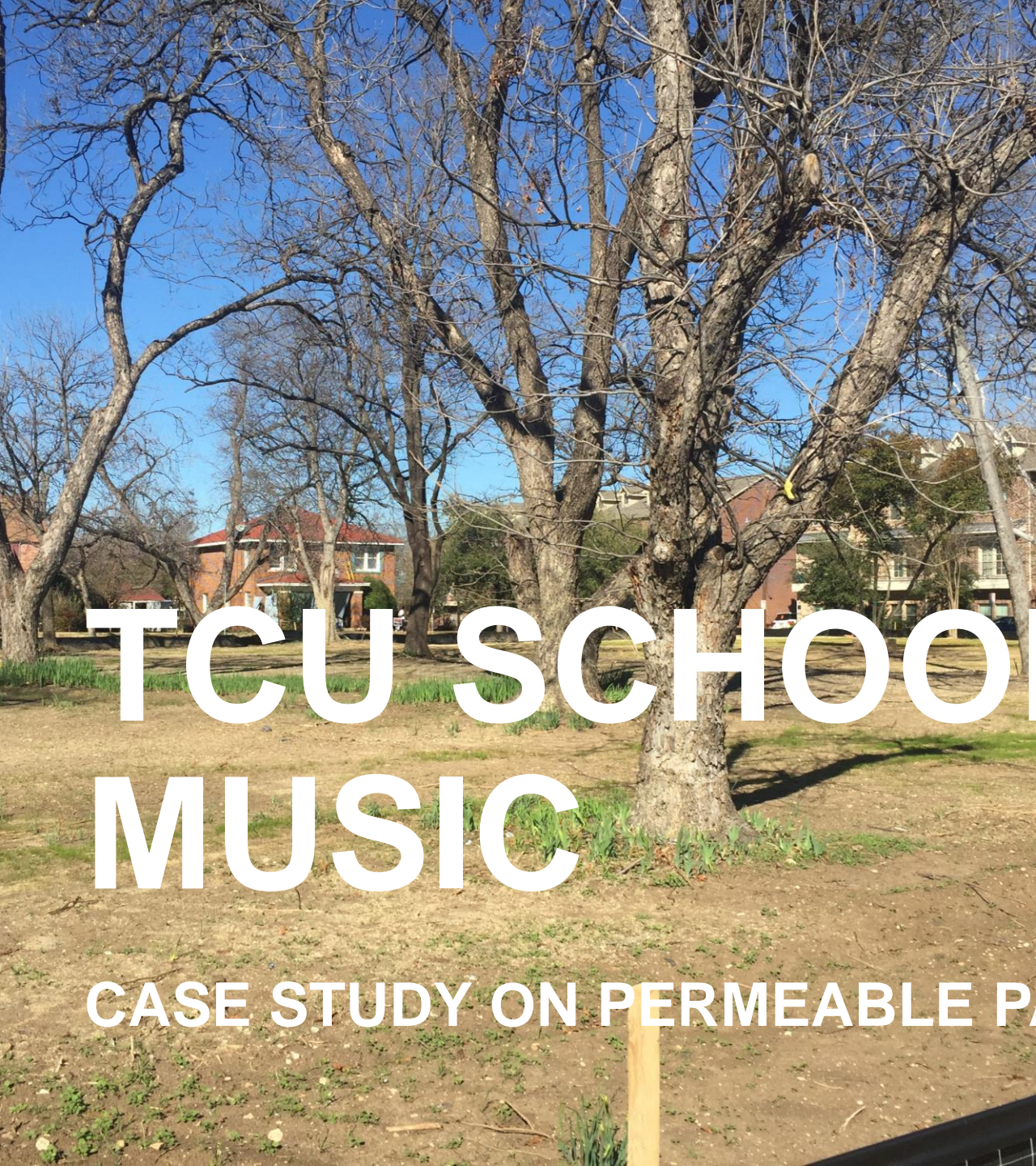


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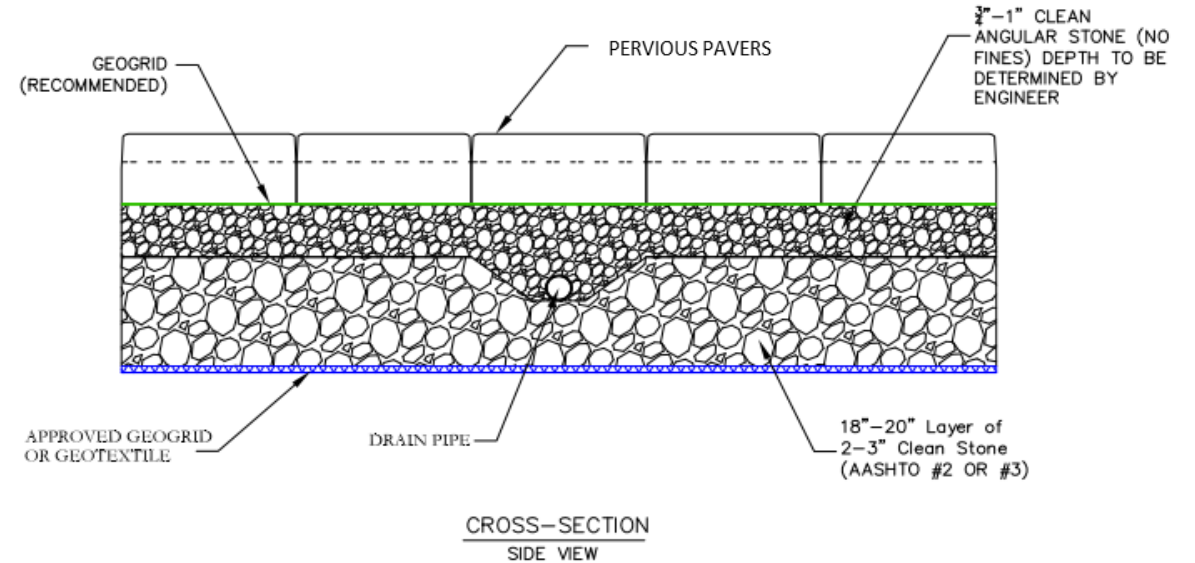
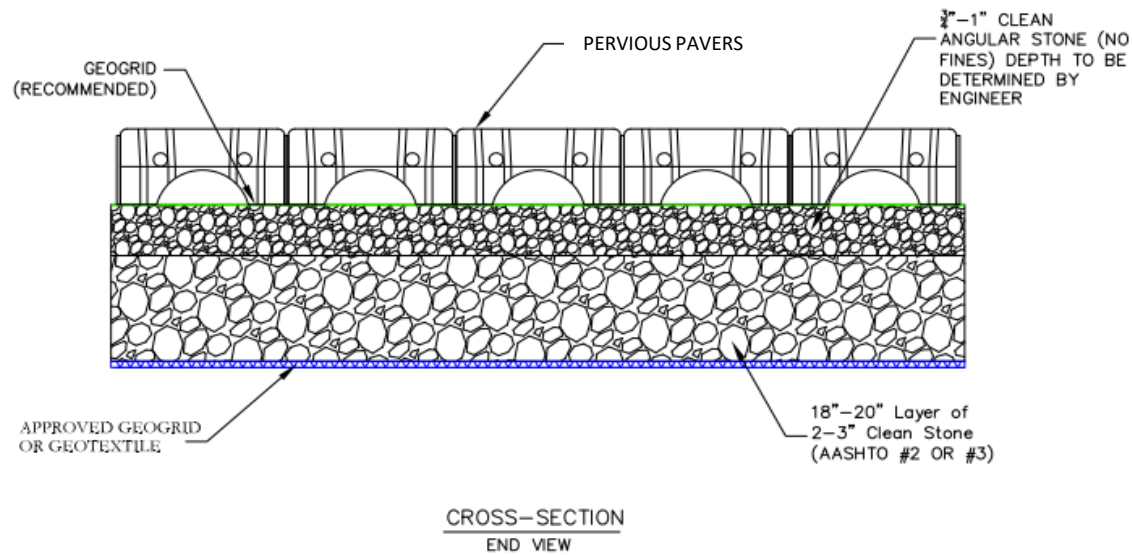
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CASE STUDY ON PERMEABLE PAVEMENT



# PERMEABLE PAVERS SCHEMATIC

- Pavers allow for an average curve number of 30 (similar to that of fair grade grasses)
- Infiltration rates of up to 4,000 in/hr





# PROJECT AREA – PRE-PROJECT





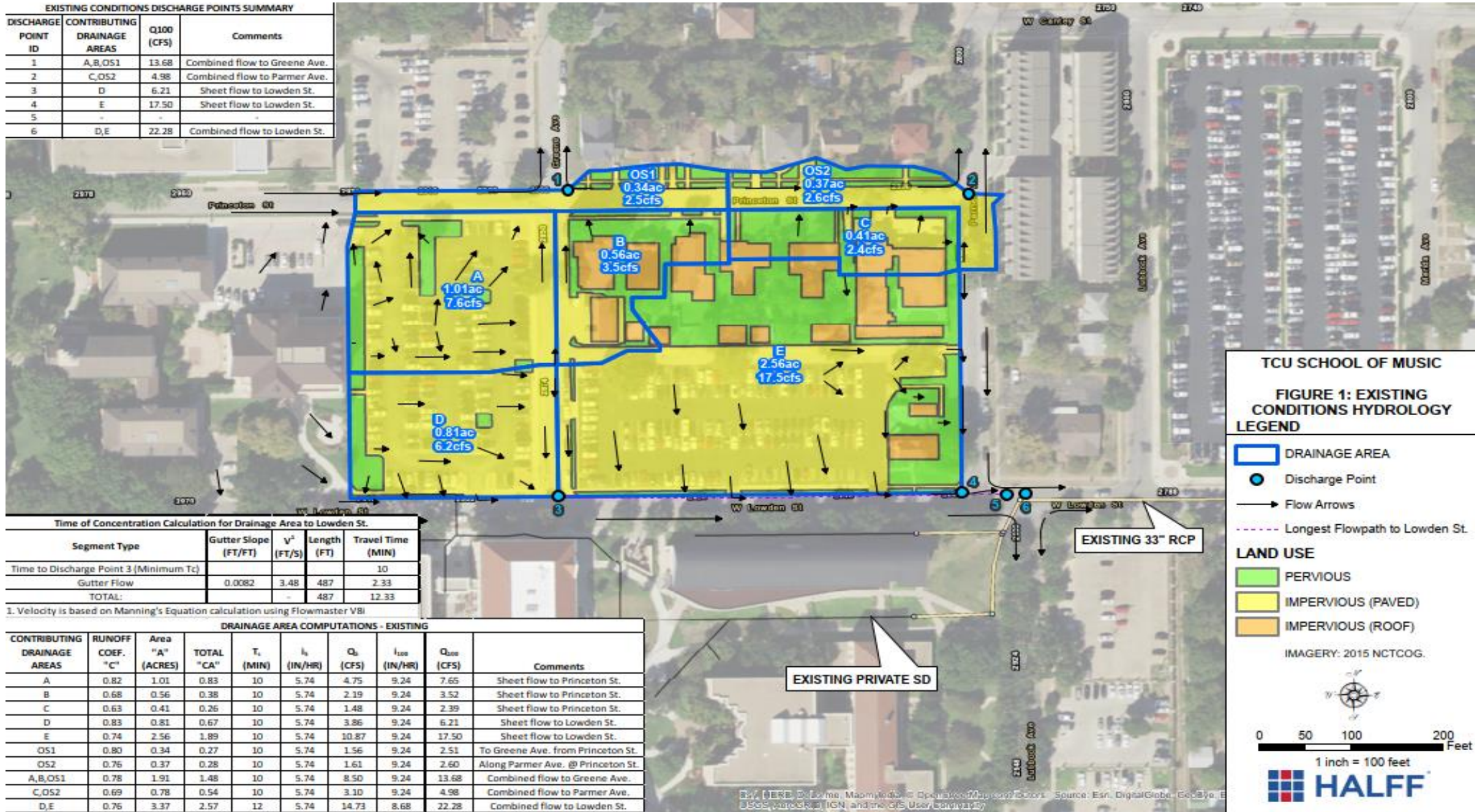
# PROJECT AREA – POST PROJECT





EXISTING CONDITIONS DISCHARGE POINTS SUMMARY

DISCHARGE POINT ID	CONTRIBUTING DRAINAGE AREAS	Q100 (CFS)	Comments
1	A,B,OS1	13.68	Combined flow to Greene Ave.
2	C,OS2	4.98	Combined flow to Parmer Ave.
3	D	6.21	Sheet flow to Lowden St.
4	E	17.50	Sheet flow to Lowden St.
5	-	-	-
6	D,E	22.28	Combined flow to Lowden St.



Time of Concentration Calculation for Drainage Area to Lowden St.

Segment Type	Gutter Slope (FT/FT)	V <sup>3</sup> (FT/S)	Length (FT)	Travel Time (MIN)
Time to Discharge Point 3 (Minimum Tc)				10
Gutter Flow	0.0082	3.48	487	2.33
<b>TOTAL:</b>			487	12.33

1. Velocity is based on Manning's Equation calculation using Flowmaster VBI

DRAINAGE AREA COMPUTATIONS - EXISTING

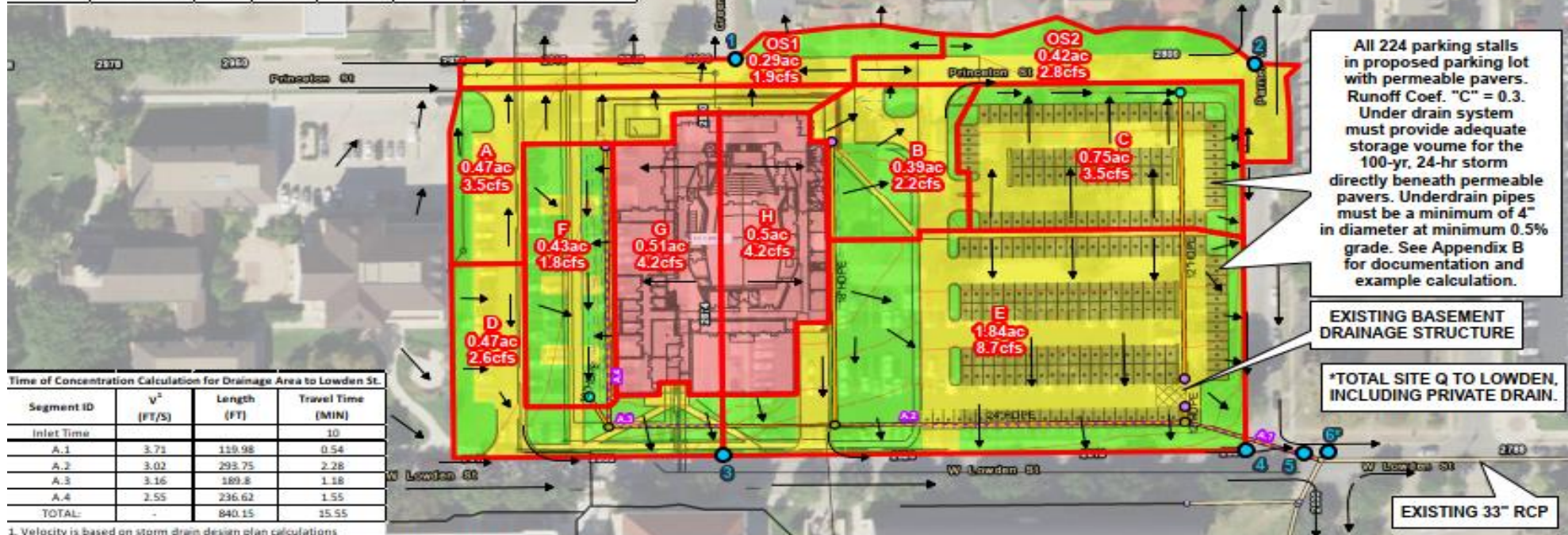
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A	0.82	1.01	0.83	10	5.74	4.75	9.24	7.65	Sheet flow to Princeton St.
B	0.68	0.56	0.38	10	5.74	2.19	9.24	3.52	Sheet flow to Princeton St.
C	0.63	0.41	0.26	10	5.74	1.48	9.24	2.39	Sheet flow to Princeton St.
D	0.83	0.81	0.67	10	5.74	3.86	9.24	6.21	Sheet flow to Lowden St.
E	0.74	2.56	1.89	10	5.74	10.87	9.24	17.50	Sheet flow to Lowden St.
OS1	0.80	0.34	0.27	10	5.74	1.56	9.24	2.51	To Greene Ave. from Princeton St.
OS2	0.76	0.37	0.28	10	5.74	1.61	9.24	2.60	Along Parmer Ave. @ Princeton St.
A,B,OS1	0.78	1.91	1.48	10	5.74	8.50	9.24	13.68	Combined flow to Greene Ave.
C,OS2	0.69	0.78	0.54	10	5.74	3.10	9.24	4.98	Combined flow to Parmer Ave.
D,E	0.76	3.37	2.57	12	5.74	14.73	8.68	22.28	Combined flow to Lowden St.

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PROPOSED CONDITIONS DISCHARGE POINTS SUMMARY & COMPARISON

DISCHARGE POINT ID	CONTRIBUTING DRAINAGE AREAS	Q100 Existing (CFS)	Q100 Proposed (CFS)	DIFFERENCE (Proposed - Existing)	Comments
1	A,OS1	13.68	5.35	-8.33	Combined flow to Greene Ave.
2	B,OS2	4.98	4.92	-0.07	Combined flow to Parmer Ave.
3	D	6.21	2.61	-3.61	Sheet flow to Lowden St.
4	E	17.50	8.67	-8.83	Sheet flow to Lowden St.
5	C,F,G,H (in SD)	-	11.88	-	Private Drain connect to Public Manhole
6	*C,D,E,F,G,H	22.28	21.62	-0.66	Combined flow to Lowden St. *Includes private drain flow.



All 224 parking stalls in proposed parking lot with permeable pavers. Runoff Coef. "C" = 0.3. Under drain system must provide adequate storage volume for the 100-yr, 24-hr storm directly beneath permeable pavers. Underdrain pipes must be a minimum of 4" in diameter at minimum 0.5% grade. See Appendix B for documentation and example calculation.

EXISTING BASEMENT DRAINAGE STRUCTURE

\*TOTAL SITE Q TO LOWDEN, INCLUDING PRIVATE DRAIN.

Time of Concentration Calculation for Drainage Area to Lowden St.

Segment ID	V <sup>2</sup> (FT/S)	Length (FT)	Travel Time (MIN)
Inlet Time			
A.1	3.71	119.98	0.54
A.2	3.02	293.75	2.28
A.3	3.16	189.8	1.18
A.4	2.55	236.62	1.55
TOTAL:	-	840.15	15.55

1. Velocity is based on storm drain design plan calculations.

DRAINAGE AREA COMPUTATIONS - PROPOSED

CONTRIBUTING DRAINAGE AREAS	RUNOFF COEF. "C"	Area "A" (ACRES)	TOTAL "CA"	Tc (MIN)	iS (IN/HR)	QS (CFS)	i100 (IN/HR)	Q100 (CFS)	Comments
A	0.80	0.47	0.38	10	5.74	2.16	9.24	3.47	Sheet flow to future quad
B	0.60	0.39	0.23	10	5.74	1.34	9.24	2.16	To proposed access road (existing Princeton St.)
C	0.51	0.75	0.38	10	5.18	1.98	9.24	3.53	To Inlet, Storm Drain Line "A3"
D	0.60	0.47	0.28	10	5.74	1.62	9.24	2.61	Sheet flow to Lowden St.
E	0.51	1.84	0.94	10	5.74	5.39	9.24	8.67	Sheet flow to Lowden St.
F	0.46	0.43	0.20	10	4.59	0.91	9.24	1.83	To Inlet, Storm Drain Line "A"
G	0.90	0.51	0.46	10	4.86	2.23	9.24	4.24	Roof Drain to Storm Drain Line "A"
H	0.90	0.50	0.45	10	4.72	2.12	9.24	4.16	Roof Drain to Storm Drain Line "A3"
OS1	0.70	0.29	0.20	10	5.74	1.17	9.24	1.88	To Greene Ave. from Princeton St.
OS2	0.71	0.42	0.30	10	5.74	1.71	9.24	2.76	To Parmer Ave.
A,OS1	0.76	0.76	0.58	10	5.74	3.32	9.24	5.35	Combined flow to Greene Ave.
B,OS2	0.66	0.81	0.53	10	5.74	3.05	9.24	4.92	Combined flow to Parmer Ave.
C,F,G,H	0.68	2.19	1.49	16	4.88	7.27	7.98	11.88	Private Drain connect to Public Manhole
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FIGURE 2: PROPOSED CONDITIONS HYDROLOGY

- LEGEND
- Discharge Point
  - Flow Arrows
  - Longest Flow Path to Lowden St.
  - DRAINAGE AREA

- LAND USE
- PERVIOUS
  - IMPERVIOUS (PAVED)
  - PERVIOUS PAVERS
  - IMPERVIOUS (ROOF)

- Proposed Storm Drains
- Inlet
  - Manhole
  - Junction
  - Pipe

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# DISCHARGE COMPARISON

- The overall site runoff will be reduced from 42 cfs to 35 cfs, a reduction of 7 cfs

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# CASE STUDIES

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# SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY HEADQUARTERS RETROFIT

CASE STUDY ON PERMEABLE PAVEMENT AND SITE DESIGN



# EXISTING SITE CONSIDERATIONS

- Grading
- Landscaping
- Downspouts
- Utilities
- Parking
- Maintenance





# TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE ANALYSIS

## ■ Environmental

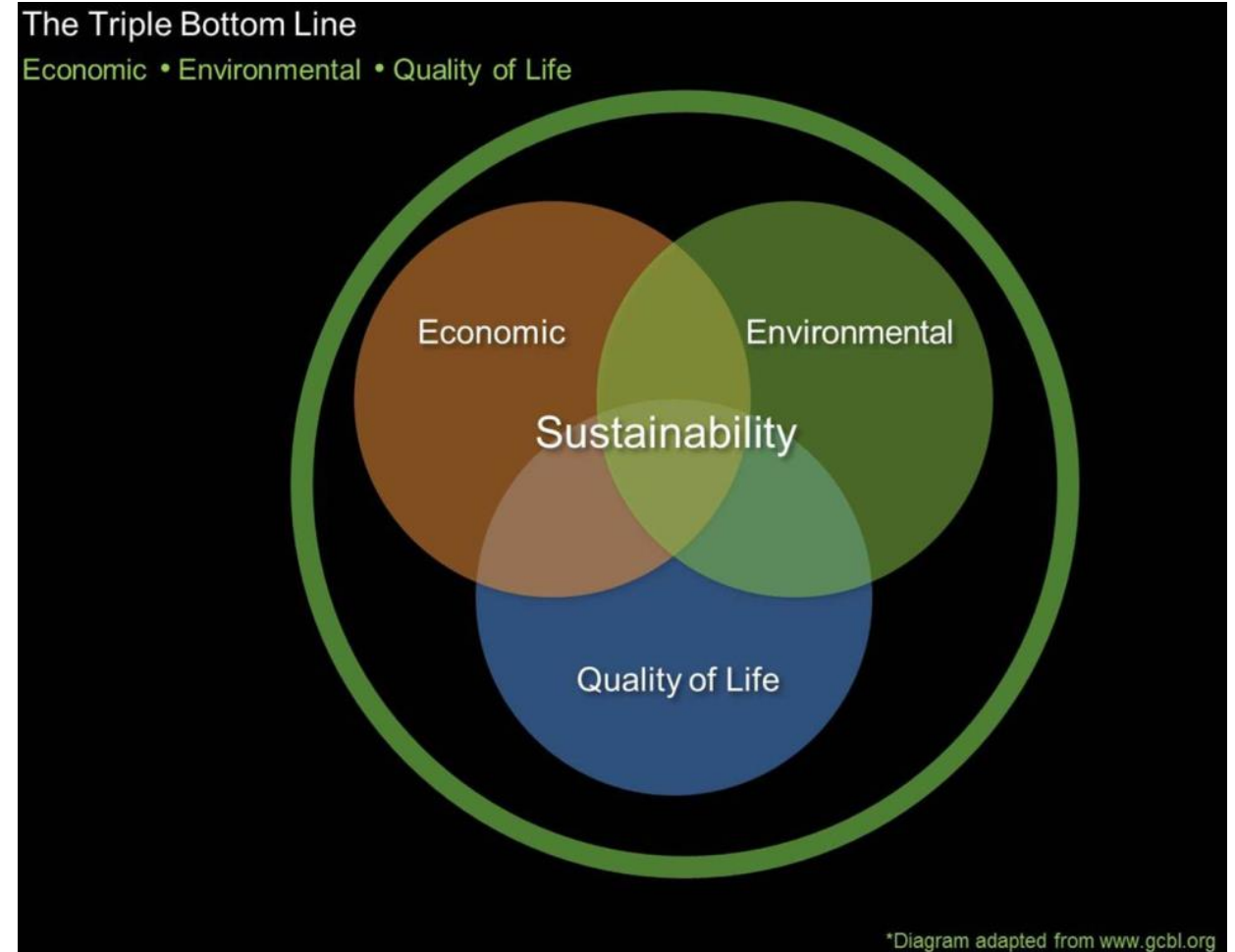
- Pounds of sediment and nutrient removed  
(modeling analysis required)
- Increased groundwater recharge
- Stormwater Infrastructure

## ■ Economic

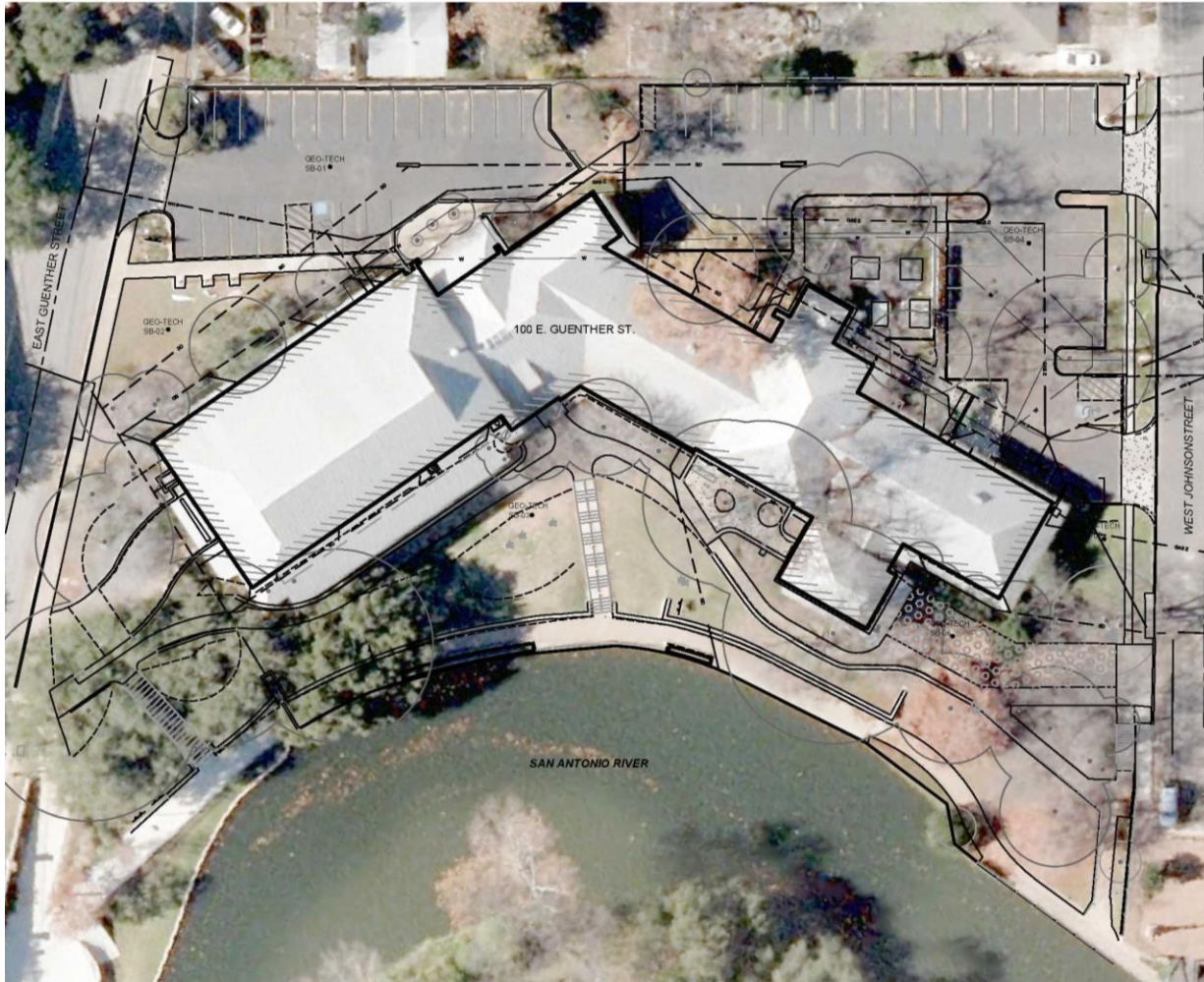
- Full life cycle costs
- Stormwater treatment benefits
- Irrigation and maintenance costs reduced

## ■ Quality of Life

- Increased habitat for pollinators
- Healthier trees
- Cleaner river



## EXISTING SITE LAYOUT



Parking Areas – 23,750 square ft.

Building Footprint – 24,350 square ft.

Sidewalks, Driveways, Fire lane – 7,625 square feet

Flows – 6.5 – 7.5 cfs for 2 – 5 Year storms

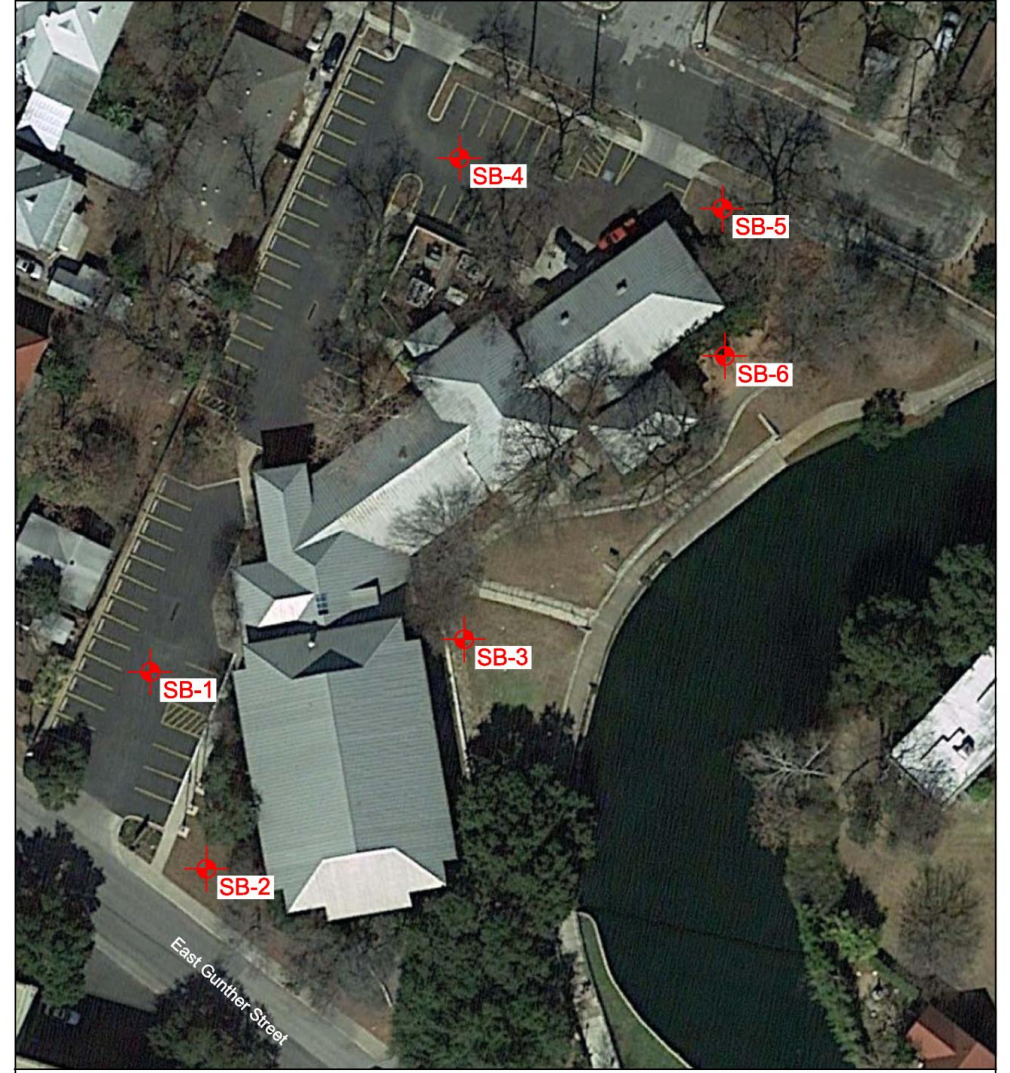
Constituents – Bacteria, Sediment, PAHs

Volumes – Annual volume of ~1 Million Gallons

Soils – Fill Clayey Gravels/Sands underlain by Fat Clay



# SITE LAYOUT



GRAPHIC LOG	LOCATION See Exhibit A-2 Latitude: 29.412747° Longitude: -98.496821°	DEPTH (Ft.)	WATER LEVEL OBSERVATIONS	SAMPLE TYPE	FIELD TEST RESULTS	WATER CONTENT (%)	ATTERBERG LIMITS	PERCENT FINES	
							LL-PL-PI		
DEPTH									
	FILL-SANDY LEAN CLAY with GRAVEL (CL); dark brown, brown and tan				4.5 (HP)	6	41-16-25	59	
				X	29-14-33 N=47	7			
	4.0	FILL-CLAYEY GRAVEL (GC); tan							
			5		X	7-12-10 N=22	9	42-18-24	49
					X	8-13-18 N=31	10		
				X	4-3-3 N=6	8		30	
		10							
				X	4-2-4 N=6	18			
13.0	SANDY FAT CLAY (CH); dark brown, with roots and organics								

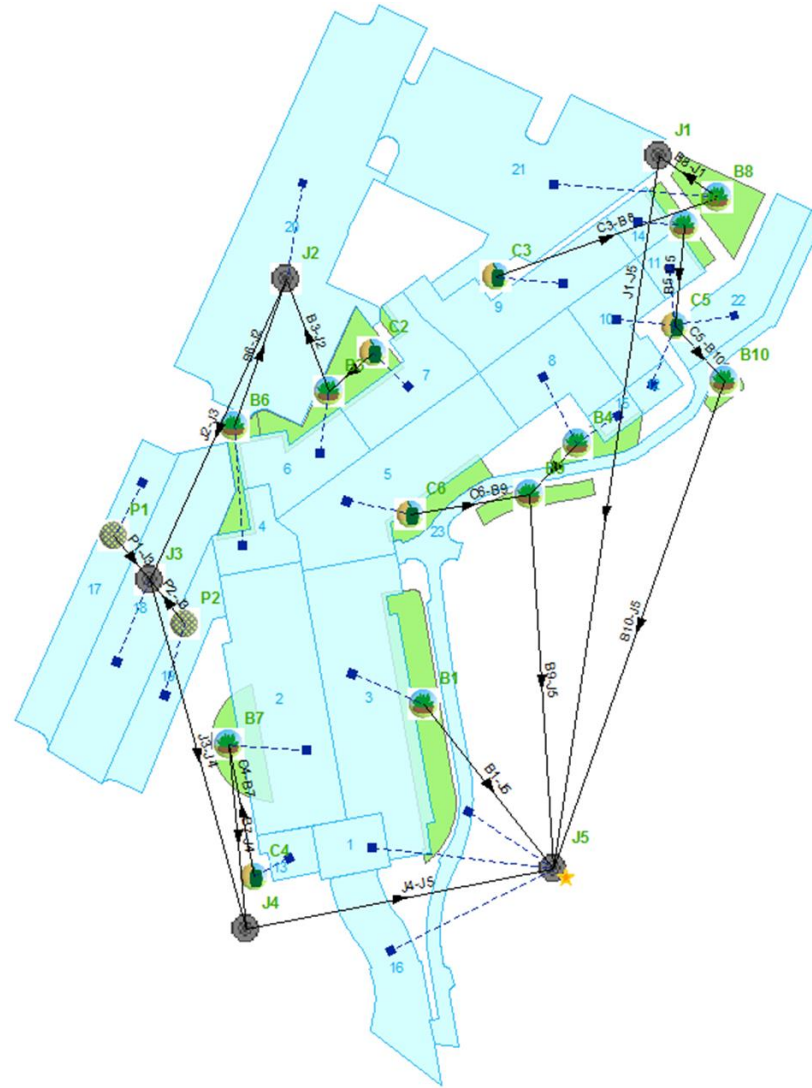


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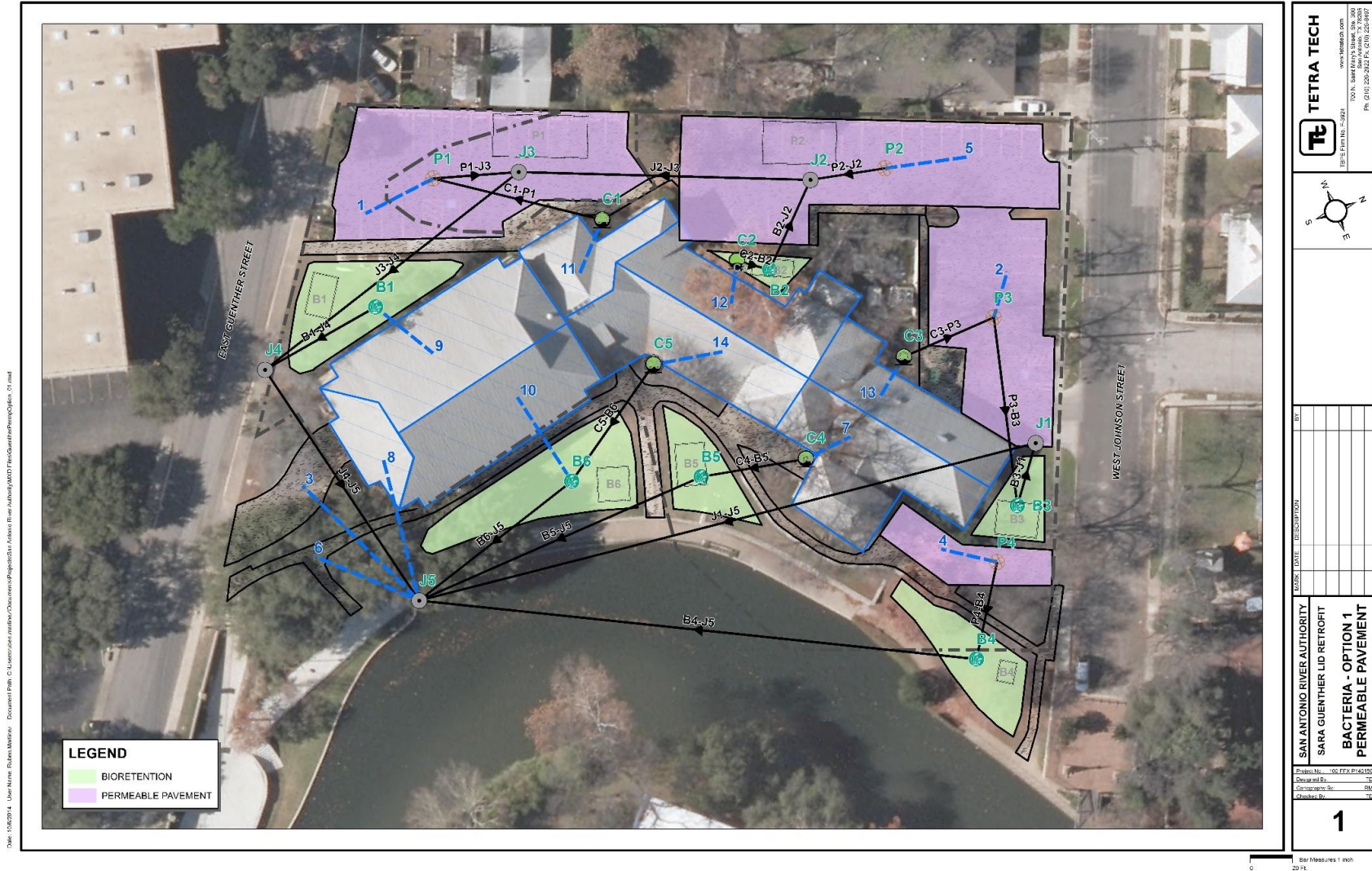
## ■ SUSTAIN Evaluation

## ■ Potential BMPs

- Vegetated Swales/Filter Strips
- Storage
- Stormwater Wetlands
- **Permeable Pavement**
- Sand Filter
- Bioretention/Bioswale
- Green Roofs
- Planter Boxes



# SCENARIO 1 - OPTIMIZED FOR BACTERIA USING PERMEABLE PAVING





# SCENARIO 3 – OPTIMIZED FOR PAHS USING PERMEABLE PAVEMENT

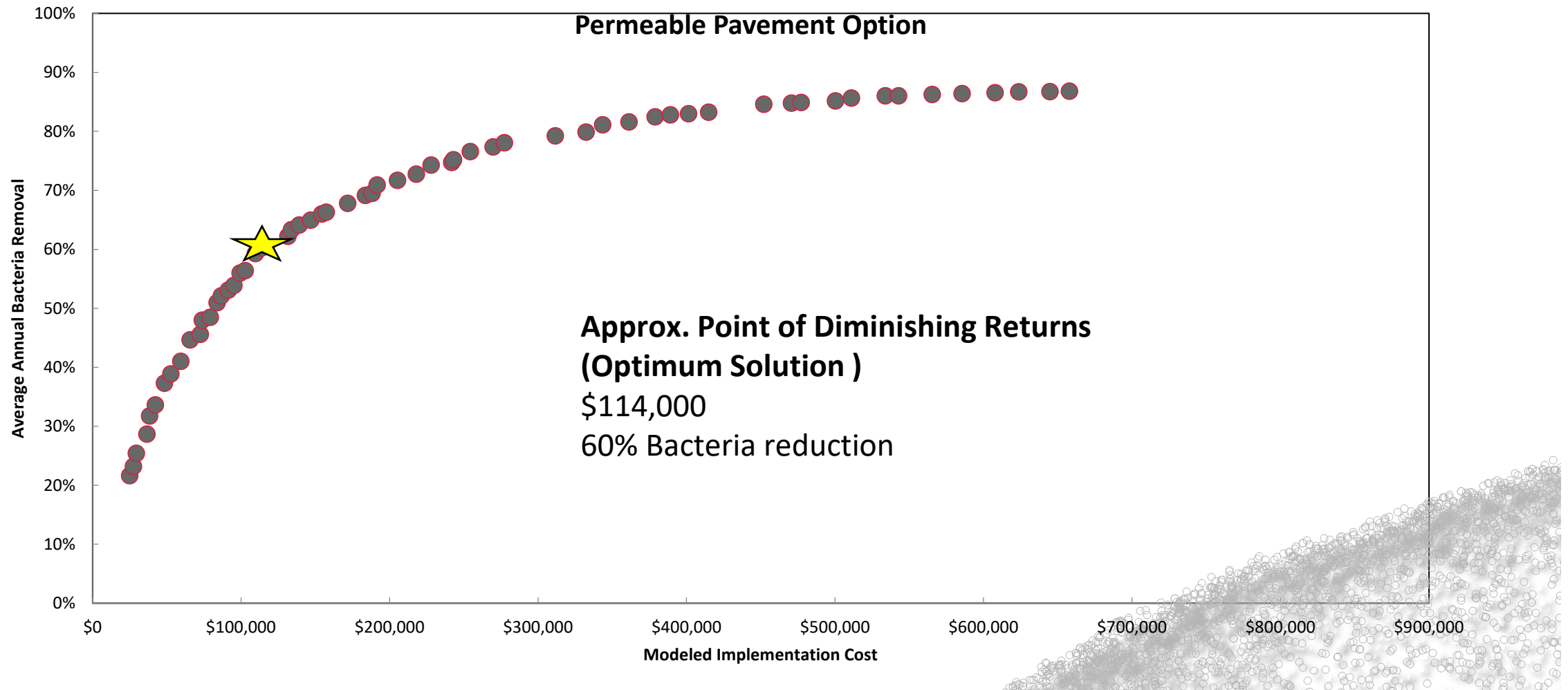


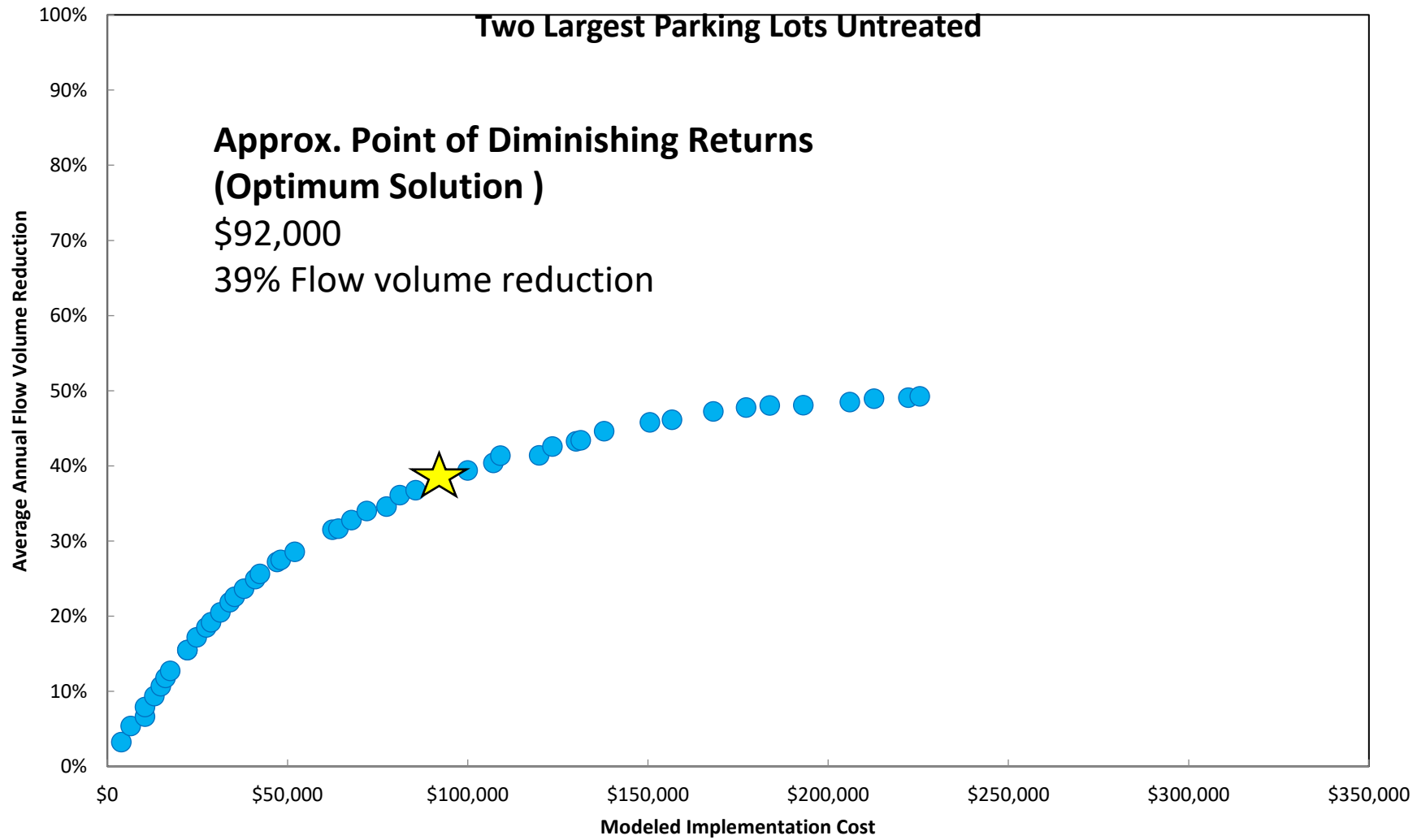


# SCENARIO 4 – OPTIMIZED FOR VOLUME – NO TREATMENT OF PARKING AREAS 1 AND 2



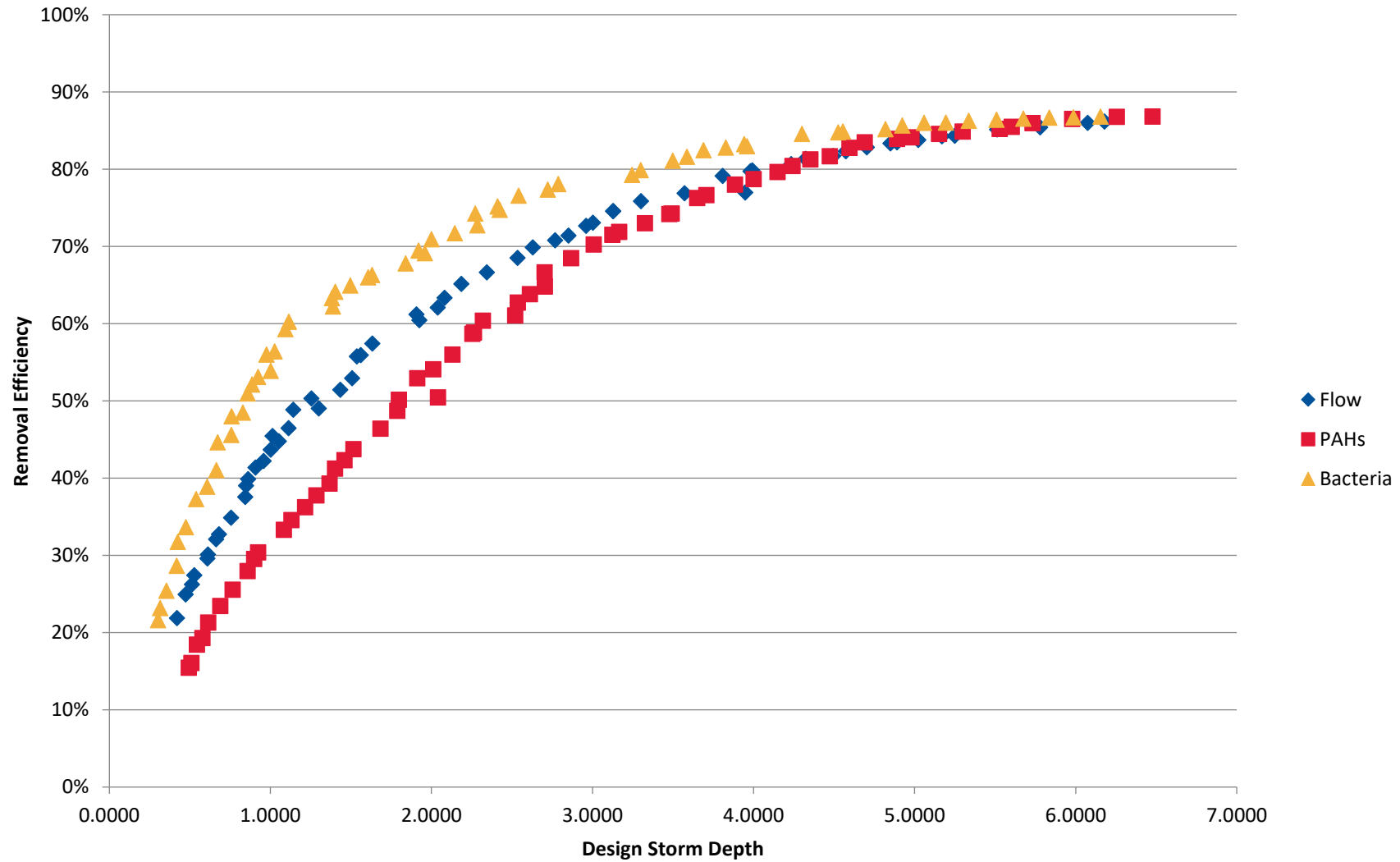








# COMPARE THE RESULTS FOR DIFFERENT CONSTITUENTS OF CONCERN



# COMPARISON OF OPTIMUM SCENARIOS

	Bacteria	PAH	Flow
Permeable Pavement	\$114,000 60% 1.11 in.	\$295,000 70% 3.01 in	\$247,000 70% 2.62 in.
Sand Filter	\$86,000 60% 1.09 in	\$201,000 71% 2.54 in.	\$93,000 39% 1.18 in
Untreated Parking	\$59,000 39% 0.71 in	\$141,000 46% 1.65 in	\$92,000 39% 1.18 in



# BENEFITS

Economic Factors			
Life Cycle Costs		LID BMP Cost	
Traditional Infrastructure	\$ 52,723	Permeable Pavement	\$105,273
Traditional Landscaping	\$134,819	Bioretention Areas and Cisterns	\$334,645
Total Cost	\$187,542	Total Cost	\$439,919
			Increased Property Value
			\$374,004
			Reduced Irrigation Cost
			\$37,695
			Includes Averted Maint.
			Energy Savings
			\$14,307
Quality of Life Factors			
			Improved Air Quality
			\$4,036
			Increased Amenity Value
			\$0
Environmental Benefits			
			Pounds of Sediment Removed
			\$209
			Storm water infrastructure capacity
			\$200,649
			Total
			\$630,900
Increased Cost of LID		\$252,376	
Net Benefit of LID			\$378,524



# VISUALIZING THE PLAN

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# SITE DESIGN

## 1993 AASHTO Empirical Equation for Flexible Pavements

Equation Solver

Variable Descriptions and Typical Values

Precautions

Type in data in the grey boxes and click the calculate button to see the output. To make additional calculations, change the desired input data and click the calculate button again. Click on the text descriptions of the input or output variables for more information.

### INPUT

#### 1. Loading

Total Design ESALs ( $W_{18}$ ):

#### 2. Reliability

Reliability Level in percent (R):

Combined Standard Error ( $S_e$ ):

#### 3. Serviceability

Initial Serviceability Index ( $p_i$ ):

Terminal Serviceability Index ( $p_t$ ):

#### 4. Layer Parameters

Number of Base Layers:

	a	m	$M_a$	Min. Depth
Surface	<input type="text" value="0.3"/>	<input type="text" value="1.0"/>	N/A	<input type="text" value="5.125"/>
Base 1	<input type="text" value="0.09"/>	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="30000"/>	<input type="text" value="20"/>
Base 2	<input type="text" value="0.06"/>	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="30000"/>	<input type="text" value="6"/>
Subgrade	N/A	N/A	<input type="text" value="5000"/>	N/A

### OUTPUT

#### 1. Calculation Parameters

Standard Normal Deviate ( $z_a$ ):

$\Delta$ PSI:

Design Structural Number (SN):

#### 2. Layer Depths (to the nearest 1/2 inch)

Surface:

Base 1:

Base 2:

Total SN based on layer depths:

[See Solution Details](#)

Comments

STORAGE DEPTH CONTROLS PAVEMENT STRENGTH

Water Quality Design Depth of base layer ~ 6 inches

Minimum Depth for paver support per ICPI = 9 inches

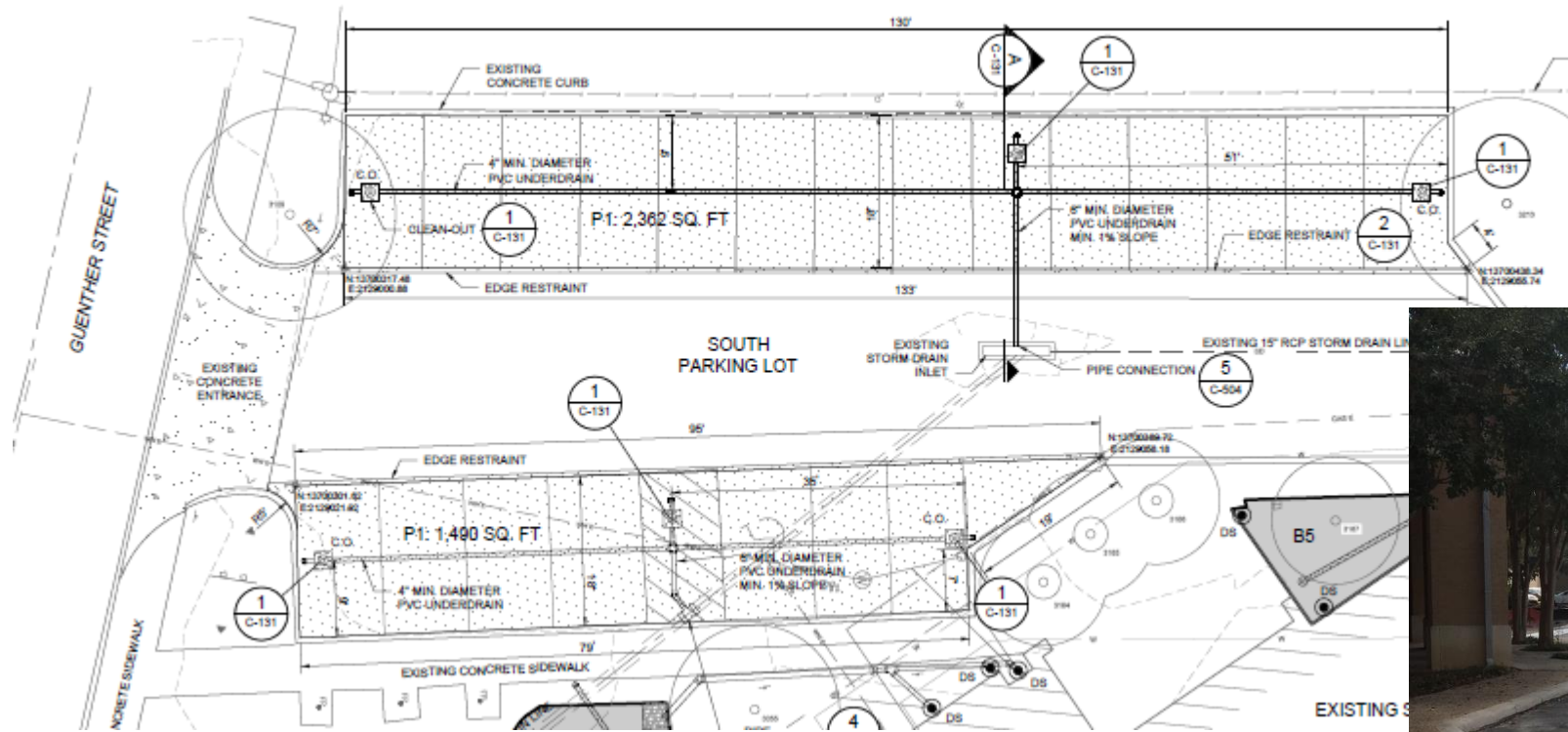
Pavement Structural Design required 23 inches

100-yr storm capture volume required 26 inches.

Footnotes (↵ returns to text)

1. AASHTO Guide for Design of Pavement Structures. American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

# CONSTRUCTION PLANS AND RESULTS





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