

# LESSONS LEARNED IN INNOVATIVE STORMWATER BMP DESIGNS

## SIMPLE AND EFFECTIVE TECHNOLOGY APPLICATIONS



## Trends in MS4 Compliance

- Integration of TMDL requirements in MS4 permits
- Current financial resources may not be enough to achieve compliance – need innovative approaches
  - Integrated planning and master planning
  - Longer compliance timeframes with reasonable goals
  - Opportunities to prioritize actions and obtain alternative funding sources
  - Innovative BMPs
- Monitoring requirements are evolving
- Align permit compliance with your community plans

**Your needs should drive the permit requirements**

# The Opportunity: Go beyond compliance from projects to an integrated program



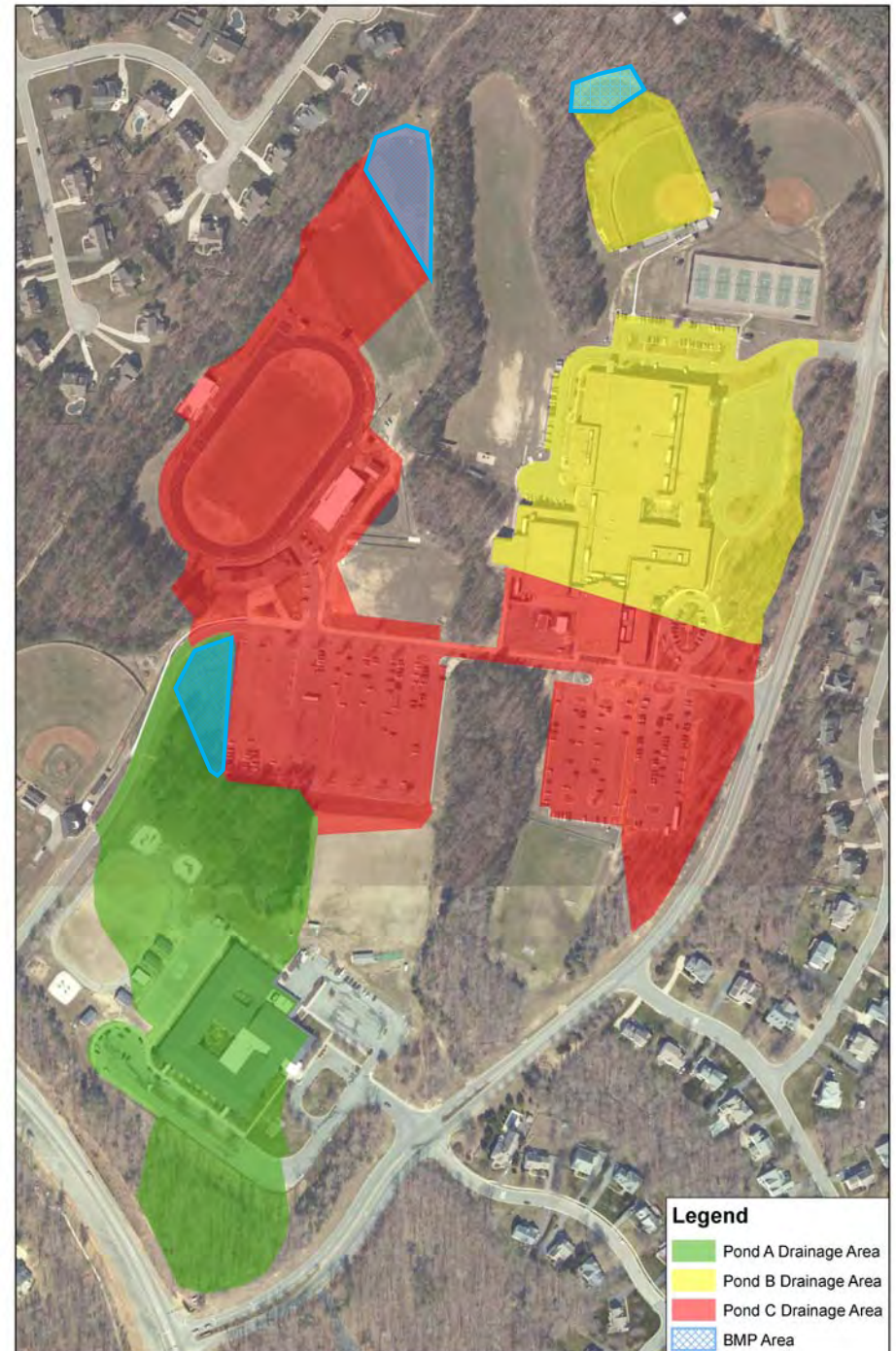
# Pond Retrofits

## James River High School

- Retrofit of 3 dry extended detention ponds to:
  - Constructed Wetlands
  - Wet Pond Level II
  - Wet Pond



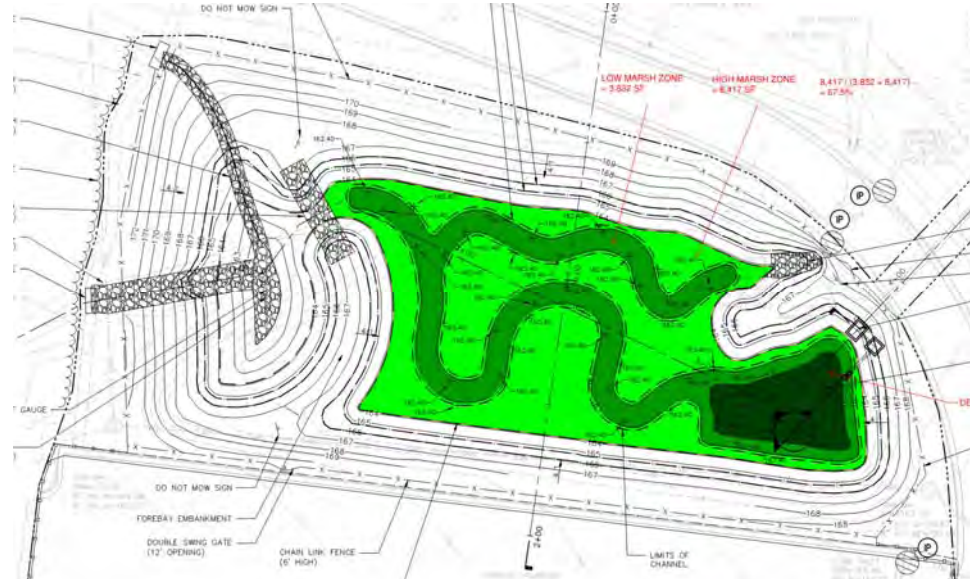
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# Pond Retrofits

## James River High School

- Sedimentation over 20 years led to loss of functionality
- Enhancements to maximize pollutant reductions (TMDL credits):
  - Increasing volume
  - Removing paths of short circuiting
  - Adding forebay
  - Adding micropool
  - Wetland plantings



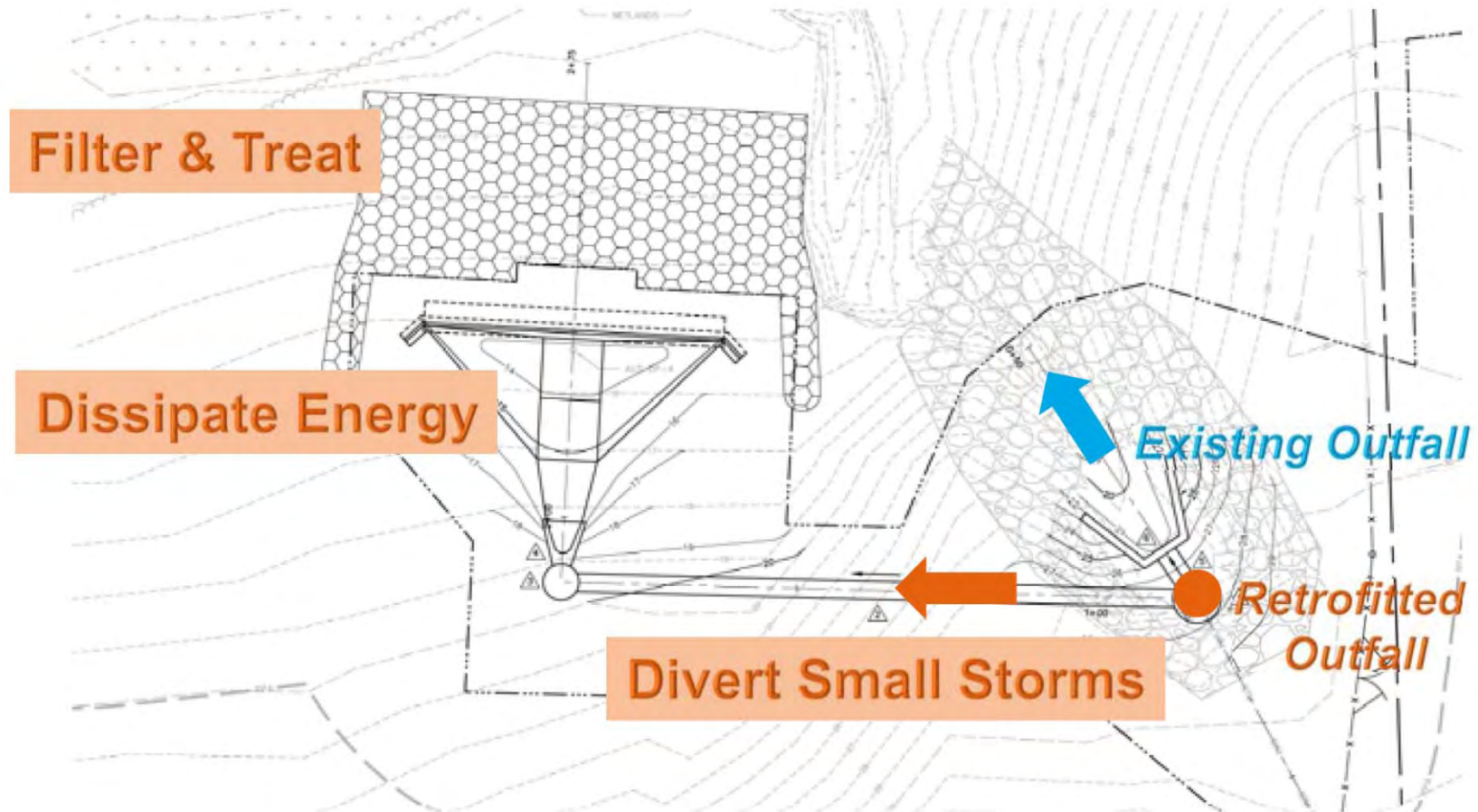
## Outfall Retrofits Proctors Creek WWTP

- Retrofit of 2 large diameter outfalls (30" and 42")



# Outfall Retrofits

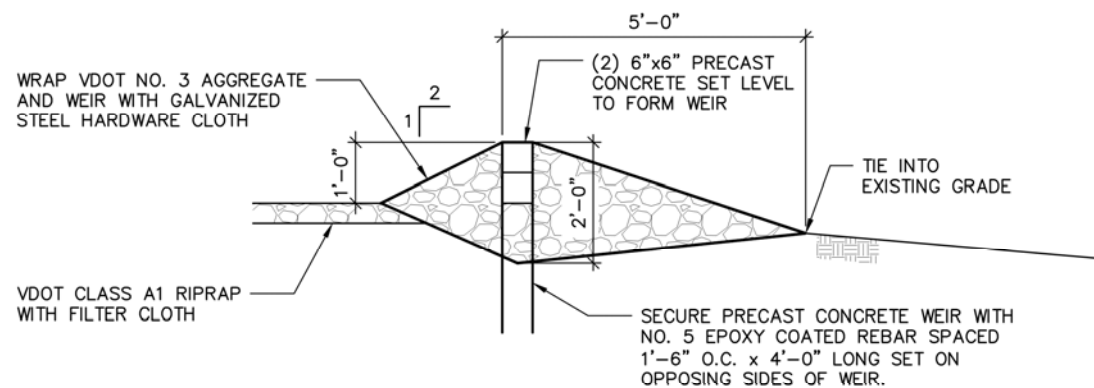
## Sheet flow to “Conserved Open Space”



# Outfall Retrofits

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- Highly cost effective
- Small footprint
- Sites with no existing treatment



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# Outfall Retrofits Proctors Creek WWTP

- Completed 30" Outfall Retrofit



# Outfall Retrofits Time-Lapse Video Demonstration



# Outfall Retrofits

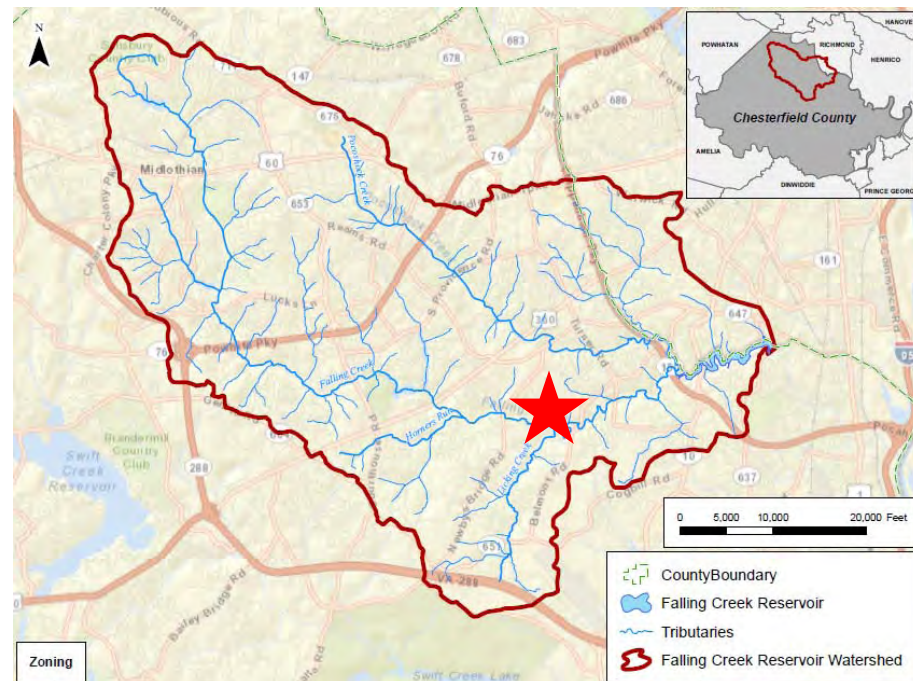
## Time-Lapse Video Demonstration



# Reservoir Restoration

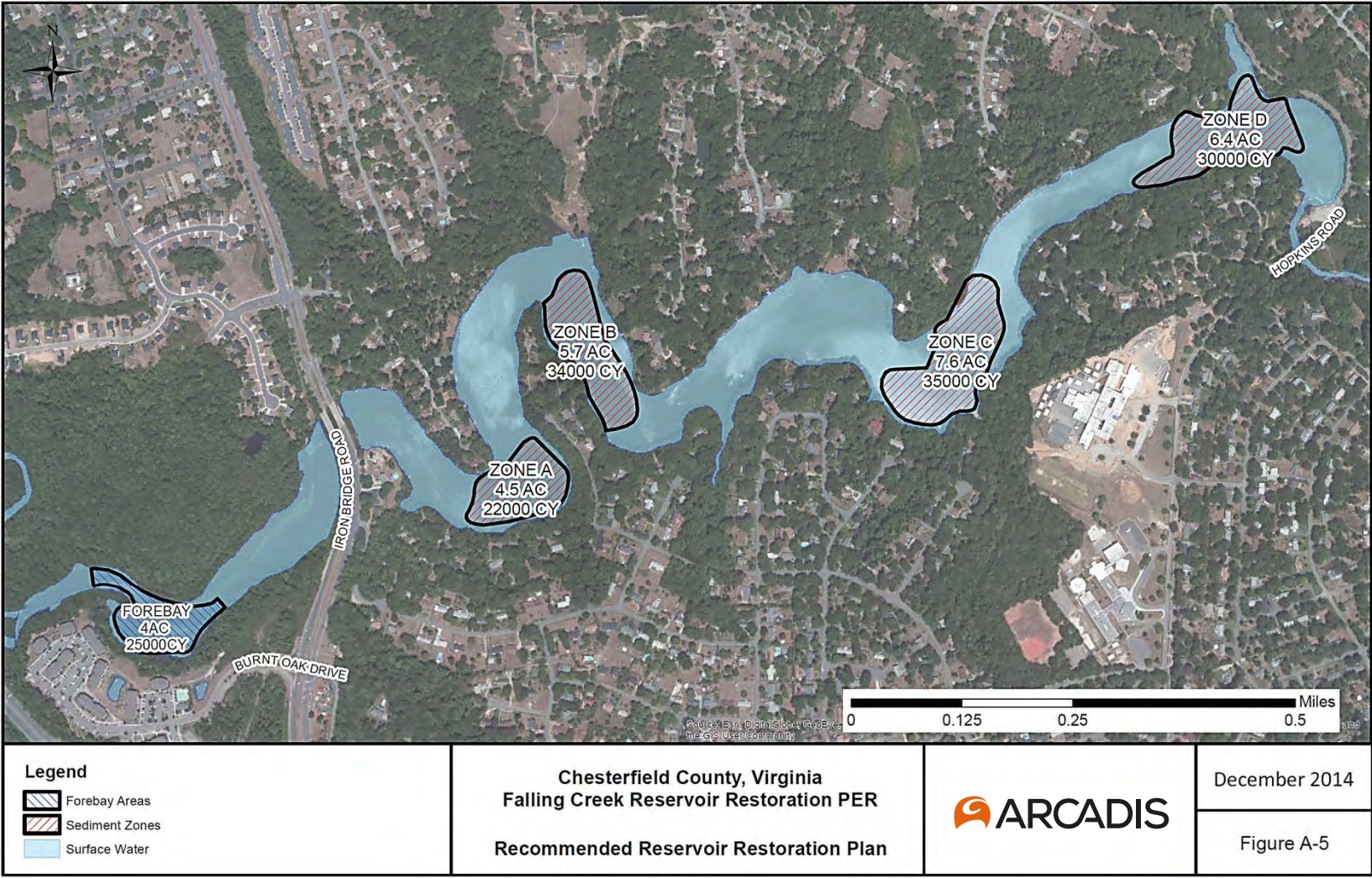
## Falling Creek Reservoir

- 34,000 acre watershed
- Highly developed
- Constructed in 1951 for water supply, but has not been used since 1985



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Restoration Criterion	Vol. (MG)	Description
Existing Volume at Full Pool	236	Estimated that about 84MG (or 28%) of the original storage volume has been lost due to sedimentation
Sediment Cleanout Volume Criteria <i>(Remove minimum 10% of existing volume)</i>	24	Dredging volume of at least 24MG (volume augmentation of 10%) to classify project as a BMP Restoration
Level 1 BMP Treatment Volume Criteria	246	Restore reservoir volume to 246 MG and construct a sediment forebay in Upper Reservoir per BMP design specifications

## Restoration Benefits

- Phosphorus Load Reduction of approximately 1,700 lbs/yr
- Potentially up to 40% of the County’s required MS4 nutrient reductions met in a single project

## Costs for Innovative BMPs

BMP Retrofit	Construction Costs (\$)	Pollutant Removal (lbs-P)	Cost Metric (\$ / lb. P)
3 Dry Ponds to Constructed Wetlands, Wet Pond (II), & Wet Pond	\$600k	25	\$23,000
Outfall Retrofit – SGI (2 large diameter outfalls)	\$250k	19	\$13,000
Reservoir Restoration <sup>1</sup>	\$20M	1,700	\$12,000

<sup>1</sup> Planning Level Estimate

**Innovative BMPs can provide cost effective options to meet your MS4 pollutant reduction goals**

# Green Infrastructure Master Planning

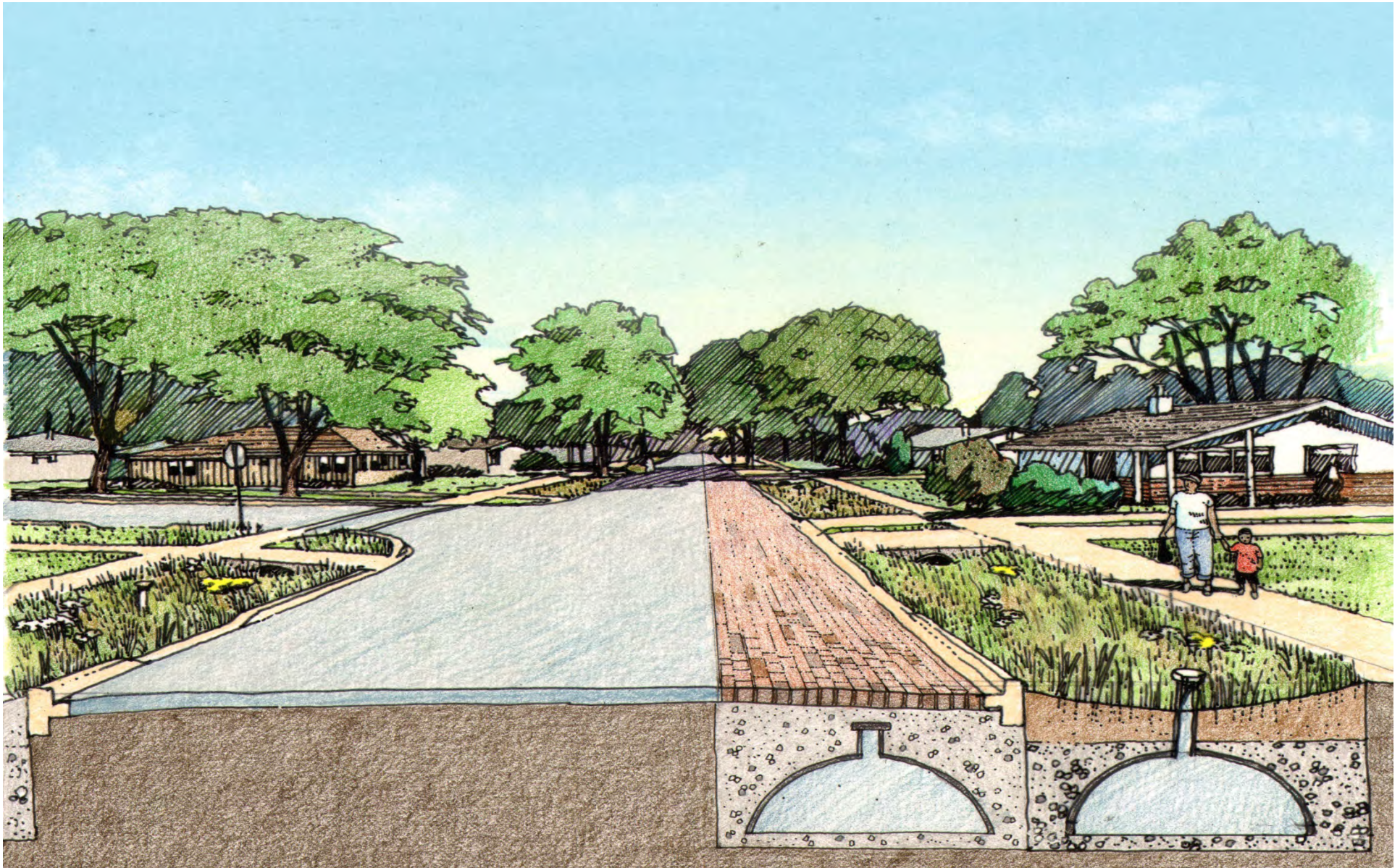




# Example of Residential Flood Mitigation/Enhancement



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# Example of Commercial Flood Mitigation/Enhancement



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## Lessons Learned

- Innovative BMPs expand toolkit of options to meet requirements
- Costs can be minimized by choosing unique sites for retrofits
- Careful construction is important to ensure best performance of BMPs
- BMPs designed and constructed to meet TMDL requirements can also address flooding
- Master planning can achieve compliance and add value to community

# Improving quality of life.

**Thank you!**

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