Infiltration Basin

Description: A constructed impoundment that captures and infiltrates the design water quality volume over several days. Infiltration basins can be designed off-line to bypass larger flows and only manage the water quality volume.

BMP Information

BMP Type: Runoff Reduction

Targeted Pollutants: Bacteria, sediment,

phosphorus, nitrogen, metals

WQV / Disconnection Credit

Runoff Retention Credit: 100%

Treatment Credit: 0%

Disconnection Credit: 100%

Design Considerations

Drainage Area: 10 acres or less recommended

Sizing: Volume equal to water quality volume

Depth: ≤ 3' recommended

Pretreatment: A scour hole or sediment forebay should be provided for concentrated inflow.

Soils: NRCS Hydrologic Soil Groups A and B

Infiltration Rate: ≥ 0.30 in/hr recommended

Drain Time: 12 hours min / 48 hours max

Separation: Foundations and roadway subbase shall

be \geq 2' above ponded elevation if adjacent

Overflow: An emergency overflow or a path for overland relief shall be provided to avoid flooding

adjacent facilities / roadways

Basin must be designed in accordance with CTDOT Drainage Manual including but not limited to, storm

frequency, freeboard, width and depth.



Limitations

No aquifer protection areas

No brownfield areas unless coordinated with Office of Environmental Compliance

Seasonal high water table must be > 2' below bottom

Infiltration facilities should not be located below or immediately adjacent to a roadway base/subbase or foundation

Maintenance Requirements

Bi-annual inspections

Mowing grass areas

Remove trash and debris

Clean sediment forebay

Cost Considerations:

Capital Cost: Moderate

O&M Cost: Moderate to High

Notes:

All infiltration BMP's require a field inspection to verify soil type, infiltration rate and ground water depth Do not use infiltration basins as temporary sediment traps during construction

References:

2004 Connecticut Stormwater Quality Manual - http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2721&q=325704

Massachusetts Stormwater Handbook - https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2016/08/qi/v2c2.pdf

New Jersey Stormwater BMP Manual - http://www.njstormwater.org/bmp_manual2.htm

Virginia Stormwater BMP Clearinghouse - http://www.vwrrc.vt.edu/swc/NonProprietaryBMPs.html

Washington State DOT Highway Runoff Manual - https://www.wsdot.wa.gov/publications/manuals/fulltext/M31-16/highwayrunoff.pdf