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<p><b>Biofiltration</b></p> <p><i>(Examples: Lined rain garden.)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vegetated SCM that filters stormwater through a specialized soil media and discharges via an underdrain.</li> <li>• Little to no overflow of captured runoff volume.</li> <li>• Outlet design requires surface ponding prior to surface outflow typically with a maximum ponding depth of 6 inches.</li> <li>• Site designs use soil media ideally 18-24 inches in depth to enhance filtration processes to retain pollutants.</li> <li>• <b>Treatment Process:</b> Bio-Chemical Cycling, Particle Capture</li> <li>• <b>Vegetation:</b> Yes</li> <li>• <b>Location:</b> Above Ground</li> <li>• <b>Type:</b> Decentralized</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bioretention</b></p> <p><i>(Examples: Rain garden with infiltration)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vegetated retention structure where the base of the SCM is not lined and allows for infiltration to unsaturated zone.</li> <li>• Designs may or may not include an underdrain to discharge some fraction of treated water.</li> <li>• Design will include either passive surface outlet or piped overflow to allow retention and ponding.</li> <li>• Design will include soil media ideally 18-24 inches in depth to enhance filtration processes to retain pollutants.</li> <li>• May include aggregate subsurface layer to enhance storage or infiltration.</li> <li>• Vegetation types must be able to tolerate stormwater ponding and drought conditions.</li> <li>• <b>Treatment Process:</b> Bio-Chemical Cycling, Particle Capture, infiltration</li> <li>• <b>Vegetation:</b> Yes</li> <li>• <b>Location:</b> Above Ground</li> <li>• <b>Type:</b> Decentralized</li> </ul>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Bioswale</b></p> <p><i>(Examples: Vegetated swale, Grass Swale, Grass Filter Strips, Vegetated Buffer Strips, Bioslopes)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flow through areas with dense vegetation coverage (&gt;80%) that allows for inundation of vegetated areas during storm runoff.</li> <li>• Design includes gentle sloped flow paths and dense vegetation to promote stormwater surface filtration and velocity reduction by vegetation (settling).</li> <li>• Infiltration performance and runoff volume reduction is variable.</li> <li>• Size and application of bioswales can vary.</li> <li>• <b>Treatment Process:</b> Bio-Chemical Cycling, Infiltration</li> <li>• <b>Vegetation:</b> Yes</li> <li>• <b>Location:</b> Above Ground</li> <li>• <b>Type:</b> Decentralized</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Filtration Device</b></p> <p><i>(Examples: Catch basin inserts, Drain inserts/inlet filters, FloGard Filter, Stormexx, Ultra-Drain Guard.)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A flow-through structure designed to capture and retain sediment, leaf litter, trash, and coarse particles.</li> <li>• Sediment capture results in vertical accumulation of material at base of reservoir with regular material cleanout required.</li> <li>• Minimal to no stormwater volume reduction occurs.</li> <li>• Water quality improvement due to pollutant particle capture within SCM.</li> <li>• Typically accepts runoff from road or a single land use parking lot</li> <li>• <b>Treatment Process:</b> Particle Capture and Media Filtration</li> <li>• <b>Vegetation:</b> No</li> <li>• <b>Location:</b> Below grade</li> <li>• <b>Type:</b> Decentralized</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Infiltration Feature</b></p> <p><i>(Examples: Infiltration Trench, Dry Well, Infiltration Trench, French Drain, Stormtech Chambers)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Structure designed to retain stormwater and infiltrate into unsaturated zone.</li> <li>• Land surface modified to sustain maximum infiltration rates. (Native soil may be replaced with highly permeable material such as coarse drain rock.)</li> <li>• Vegetation is absent.</li> <li>• <b>Treatment Process:</b> Infiltration</li> <li>• <b>Vegetation:</b> No</li> <li>• <b>Location:</b> Above Ground or Below Ground</li> <li>• <b>Type:</b> Decentralized</li> </ul>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Pervious Pavement</b></p> <p><i>(Examples: Porous Asphalt, Pervious Concrete, Porous Aggregate, Pervious Pavers, Permeable Pavers)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Durable, sustainable materials that create a pervious surface that allows stormwater to infiltrate into the underlying soil.</li> <li>• SCM can include an underlying reservoir to increase retention capacity and infiltration rates.</li> <li>• Constructed to minimize the volume of stormwater generated and routed downgradient or offsite.</li> <li>• Typically used for parking lots, sidewalks, driveways or other impervious surfaces</li> <li>• <b>Treatment Process:</b> Infiltration</li> <li>• <b>Vegetation:</b> No</li> <li>• <b>Location:</b> Above Ground</li> <li>• <b>Type:</b> Decentralized</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Settling Basin</b></p> <p><i>(Examples: Settling Pond, Sediment Basin, Decant Pond, Concrete Forebay)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Structure designed to detain stormwater volumes and settle particulate pollutants prior to outflow.</li> <li>• Pollutant load reductions occur; but no volume reduction due to impermeable base.</li> <li>• Often placed at the inlet of another structural SCM to pre-treat inflowing stormwater.</li> <li>• Large scale settling basin draining a mixed land use area can be classified as a treatment vault</li> <li>• <b>Treatment Process:</b> Particle Capture</li> <li>• <b>Vegetation:</b> No</li> <li>• <b>Location:</b> Above Ground or Below Ground</li> <li>• <b>Type:</b> Decentralized</li> </ul>

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