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Hawaii Department of Transportation- Highways Division Statewide Stormwater Management Program Permanent BMP Manual Requirements

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Agenda

- Introductions
- HDOT Stormwater Management Program
PBMP Manual
- Thoughts on Low Impact Development
- Closing/Questions





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INTRODUCTION: ABOUT ME

- Who am I?
- What is my background?
- What is my stormwater background?

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INTRODUCTION: ABOUT YOU

- Who are you?
- What is your stormwater background?
- What do you want to learn from this class?





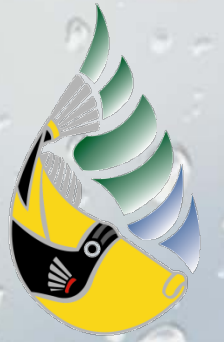
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PERMANENT BMP MANUAL

- Applicability
- Exemptions and Variances
- Project Planning Phase
- Project Design Phase
- Permanent BMP Checklist
- Review and Approval
- Stormwaterhawaii.com



BOTTOM LINE UP FRONT



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Projects (new or redevelopment) that generate one (1) acre or more of new impervious area must incorporate LID storm water controls unless qualifying for exemptions or variances





All projects (new development or redevelopment) that disturb (1) acre or more of land reviewed.

- Greater than one (1) acre of new permanent impervious surface requires LID PBMP
- Smaller projects (less than one acre new impervious) that have the potential to discharge pollutants to the MS4 may be required to install specific BMPs





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- All permanent BMP projects are required to install LID BMP(s)
- *However.* Some projects may qualify for exemptions and or variances from this requirement to install LID BMP(s). Projects that qualify for variance from LID must install alternative permanent BMPs approved by DOT-HWYS





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EXEMPTIONS:

- Returns area to pre-development hydrologic conditions
- Does not discharge to State waters
- Operations and Maintenance Activities
 - Pavement Resurfacing etc
 - Baseyard Repairs
- Linear Projects
- Water Quality Improvement or Preservation
- Emergency





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VARIANCES:

- Hydrogeological Constraints
- Physical Constraints
- Operational Constraints
- Other



VARIANCES: HYDROGEOLOGICAL CONSTRAINTS

| Constraints | Safety Concern |
|--|--|
| Permeability | Soil under BMP basin invert does not allow for water to permeate less than 0.5 in/hr |
| Depth to Ground Water | BMP invert is closer than 3 ft depth to seasonally high groundwater table |
| Distance to Drinking Water | BMP is closer than 50 ft to nearest groundwater well for drinking |
| Distance to Septic System | BMP is closer than 35 ft to nearest septic system |
| Slope Stability | BMP and infiltration would destabilize slope or cause landslide |
| Structural Impacts to Buildings/Roadbed | BMP is close to the nearest building foundation or roadbed. Proximity is dependent on BMP type, but minimum is 10 feet distance |
| Sensitive Downstream Areas | Instituting BMPs would significantly affect downstream habitats |



VARIANCES: PHYSICAL CONSTRAINTS

| Constraints | Safety Concern |
|------------------------------|--|
| Space Constraints | Instituting LID BMPs to MEP doesn't yield enough treatment for WQDV |
| Site Slope | Usable flat area doesn't yield enough treatment for WQDV |
| Lack of Right of Way | Project is closer than 10 ft to the nearest property line and no memorandum of understanding or joint ownership has been established |
| Contaminated Subsoil | Project is in the vicinity of industrial contamination |
| Sensitive Community Site | Excavation for BMP would permanently damage a community resource (e.g. wildlife refuge) |
| Sensitive Archeological Site | Excavation for BMP would result in disturbance of remains or artifacts |



VARIANCES: OPERATIONAL CONSTRAINTS AND OTHER

| Constraints | Safety Concern |
|---|--|
| Strength/Loading Requirements for Pavement | BMP is closer than 10 feet to pavement |
| No Application for Water Reuse | Landscaping or green roof is not an option due to space, energy systems, electrical, or mechanical systems |
| Hazardous Operations | Nature of site's permanent operations leave potential for mobilizing pollutants via proposed BMPs |

| Constraints/Non Applicability | Description |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Legality | Implementing a BMP in the project would violate Federal or State Law |



IMPLEMENTATION: THE DESIGN VOLUME

1-inch. By the Total Drainage Area = Design Volume

$$WQDV = C \times 1'' \times A \times 3630$$

WQDV= water quality design volume in cubic feet

C= runoff coefficient (refer to PBMP manual)

A= total drainage area in ACRES

3630= conversion factor

1'' represents the design storm depth (using a more conservative value is acceptable)



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Table 6-1. Values of Runoff Coefficients, C

| Type of Surface | Runoff Coefficient (C) |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Rural Areas | |
| Concrete or asphalt pavement | 0.90 - 0.95 |
| Gravel roadways or shoulders | 0.4 - 0.6 |
| Bare earth | 0.2 - 0.9 |
| Steep grassed areas (2:1) | 0.5 - 0.7 |
| Turf meadows | 0.1 - 0.4 |
| Forested areas | 0.1 - 0.3 |
| Cultivated fields | 0.2 - 0.4 |



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IMPLEMENTATION:

- Calculate WQ Design Volume
- Collect site data:
 - Soil type
 - Depth to ground water
 - Perc tests
 - Site history
- Assess/Select LID BMPs to infiltrate, store, detain, evapotransporate, and/or bio-treat the WQ Volume





IMPLEMENTATION:

- Once 1 acre or more new impervious area is established, design for LID to treat the design volume
- If, due to variances, the complete volume cannot be treated, utilize LID where feasible and treat the remaining volume with alternative BMPs
- Consult with DOT-HWYS regarding any constraints that require a variance and alternative BMPs



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- For smaller projects less than one acre that have the potential to pollute, apply source control. Such projects include:
 - Retail Gasoline Outlets
 - Automotive Repair Shops
 - Restaurants
 - Projects with Parking Lots with at least 10,000 square feet of total impervious area



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APPLICABILITY

- Contract Projects
- In-house projects
- Encroachment projects within DOT Right-of-Way
- Special conditions as determined by DOT, regardless of size of impervious surface
 - DOT projects that drain to sensitive receiving waters
 - Class I Inland Waters
 - Class AA Marine Waters
 - Selected 303d list water bodies





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PROJECT PLANNING PHASE

- Consider permanent BMPs during impact assessment (EA, EIS) stage, as triggered by unified criteria
- Evaluate permanent BMP requirements during alternative studies
- Develop permanent BMP concept report
 - Identify study points and suitable outfalls
 - Determine regulatory needs
 - Develop permanent BMP footprints
 - Determine R/W needs
 - Prepare preliminary cost estimate

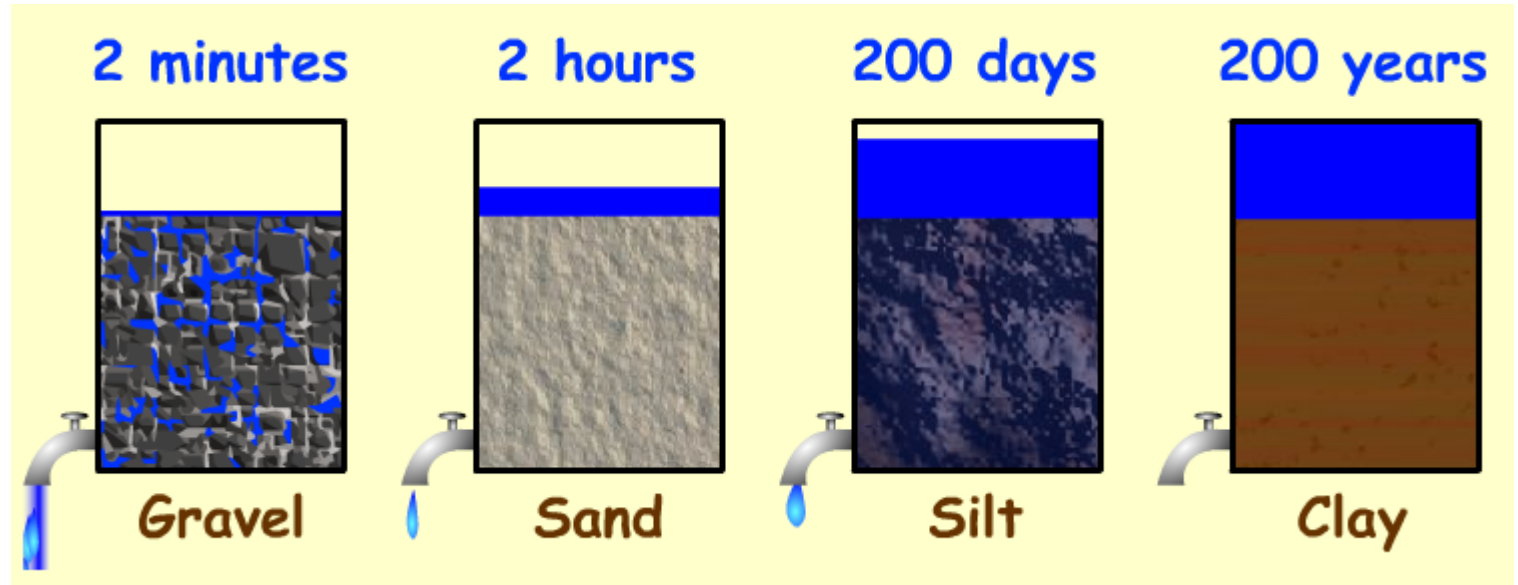




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1 meter

SOIL PERMEABILITY



Source: Michigan Technology University-Tech Alive website



DESIGN CONSTRAINTS

- Topography
- Available Right-of-Way
- Construction Budget



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LIFE CYCLE CONSIDERATIONS

- Determine life of proposed permanent BMP facility.
- Determine maintenance costs over the life of the facility.
- Sum capital costs and maintenance costs and divide by the number of years.
- Compare annualized cost for each proposed alternative.





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LOW-IMPACT DESIGN (LID) BMPS

- Definition
- Illustrative Examples
- HDOT Examples of LID BMPs





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WHAT IS LID?

LID – Low Impact Development

GSI – Green Stormwater Infrastructure

GI – Green Infrastructure

ESD – Environmental Site Design





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WHAT IS LID?

A comprehensive land planning and engineering design approach with a goal of maintaining and enhancing the pre-development hydrologic regime of urban and developing watersheds.

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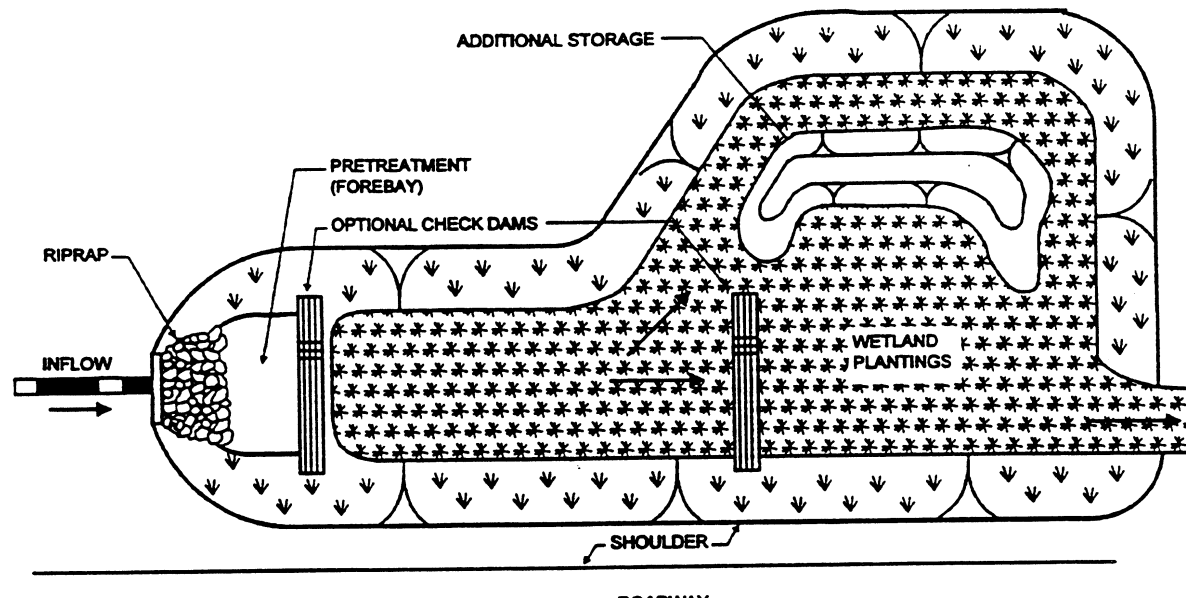




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WHAT IS LID?

LID is a strategy seeking to control storm water quality at its source, incorporating such elements as infiltration, retention, and biofiltration.





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WHAT IS LID?

“Conventional BMPs are designed to **treat** the **impacts** of construction on the environment. LID BMPs are designed to **prevent or reduce the impacts** of construction on the environment.”



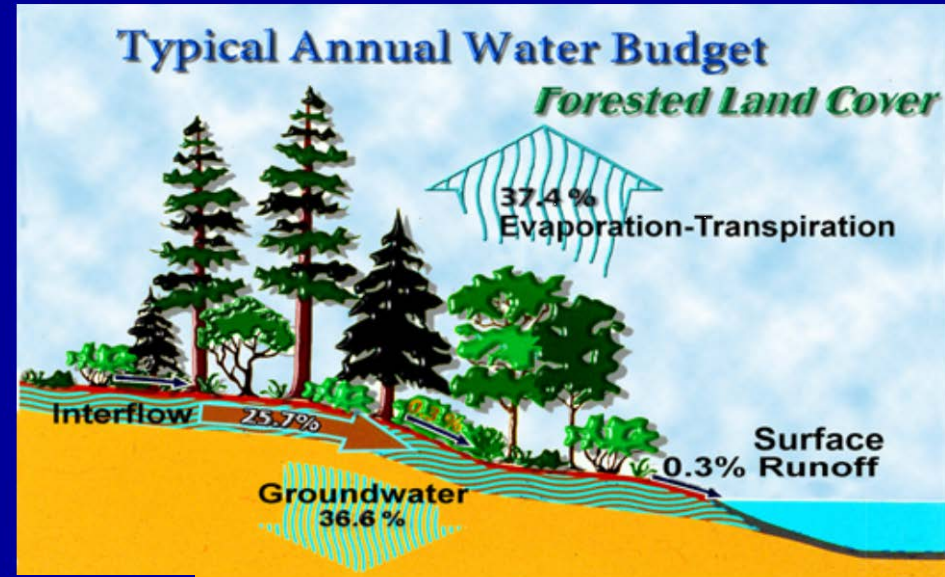


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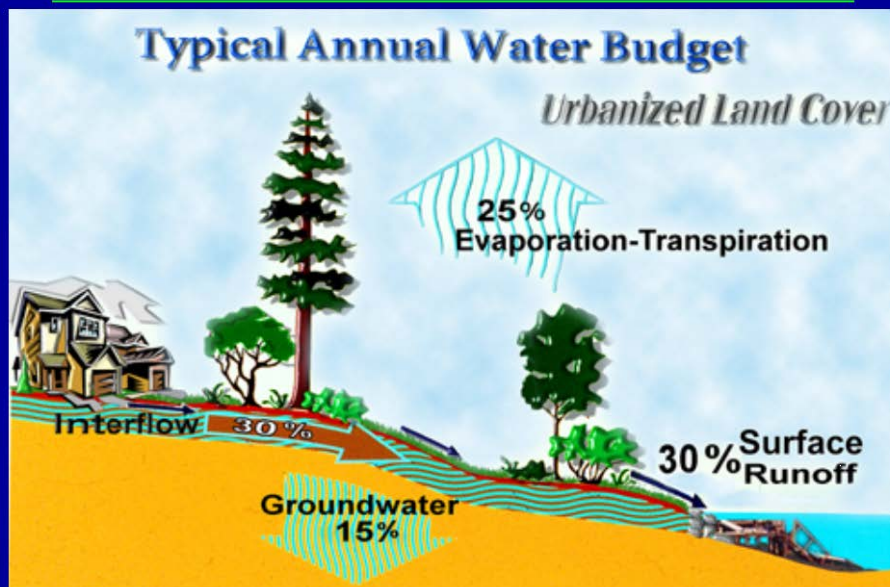
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WHAT IS LID?

Natural Conditions



Developed Conditions



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WHAT IS LID?

- Green Roof
- Rain Gardens
- Bioretention
- Bioswales
- Infiltration Basins
- Vegetative Buffers
- Tree Box Filters
- Pervious Pavement
- Storage and Reuse

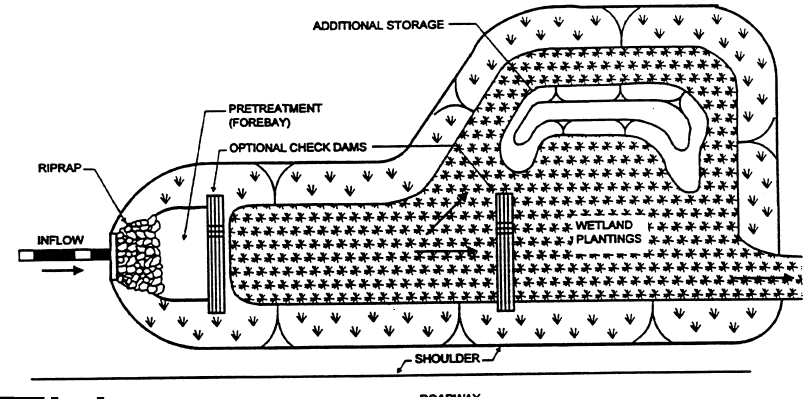




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WHY IS LID IMPORTANT?

- Old vs. New
- Regulatory Driven
- “Better” Way to Do Things



LID is Important to You: It's is Here to Stay!





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LID LIFE CYCLE

- Same Steps as any Project
 - a. Planning
 - b. Design
 - c. Specifications
 - d. HI Considerations
 - e. Construction
 - f. Inspection
 - g. Startup and Maintenance Period
 - h. Long term O&M
- Usually a Small Part of Overall Project





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LID CHALLENGES

- Stakeholder Buy-in
- Land Availability
- “Innovative” Techniques
- Maintenance Issues





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PERMANENT BMP MANUAL

- Available online at:
stormwaterhawaii.com
- April 2015
- Stay Tuned for Update...

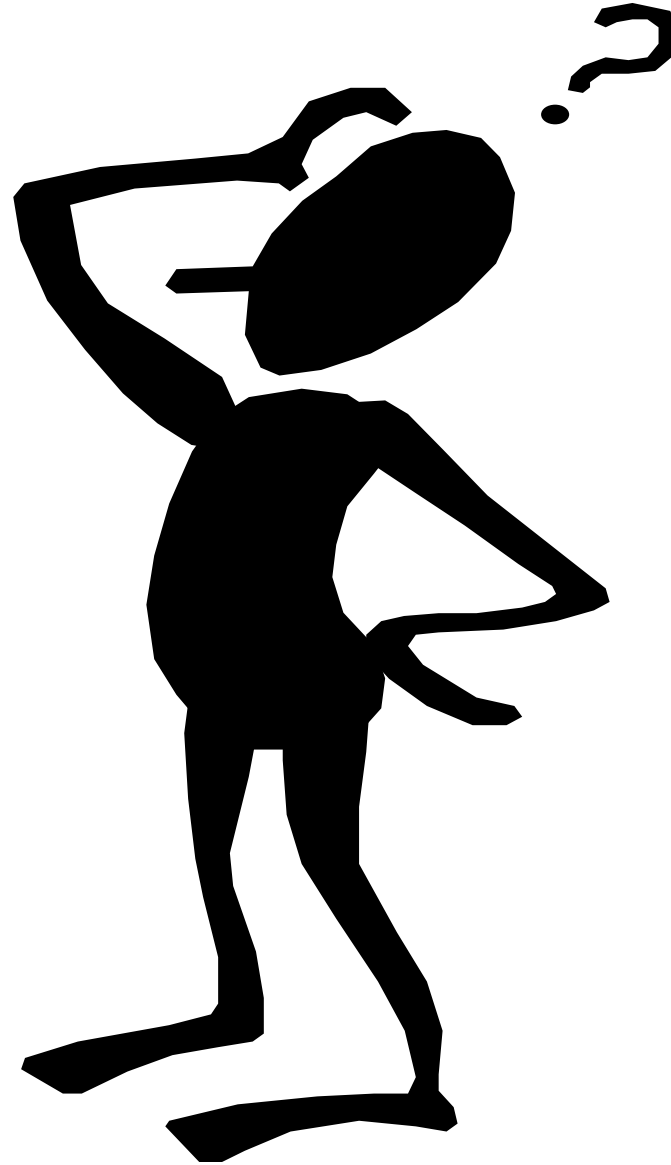




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A QUESTION FOR EACH OF YOU...





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WHAT CREATIVE IDEAS WILL YOU COME UP WITH IN THE YEARS AHEAD TO:

- Reduce water pollution that originates in the highway system
- Find sustainable and cost-effective solutions for the long term
- Develop aesthetically pleasing designs for the motoring public
- Leave a low impact footprint on the beautiful Hawaiian environment





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MAHALO!

