

*A'ole hana nui ke alu 'ia*  
No task is too big when done together by all



# Global Population will Reach 9.6 Billion by 2050



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Source: U.N. Report (2013)



# Urbanization Impacts Local Hydrology and Water Quality

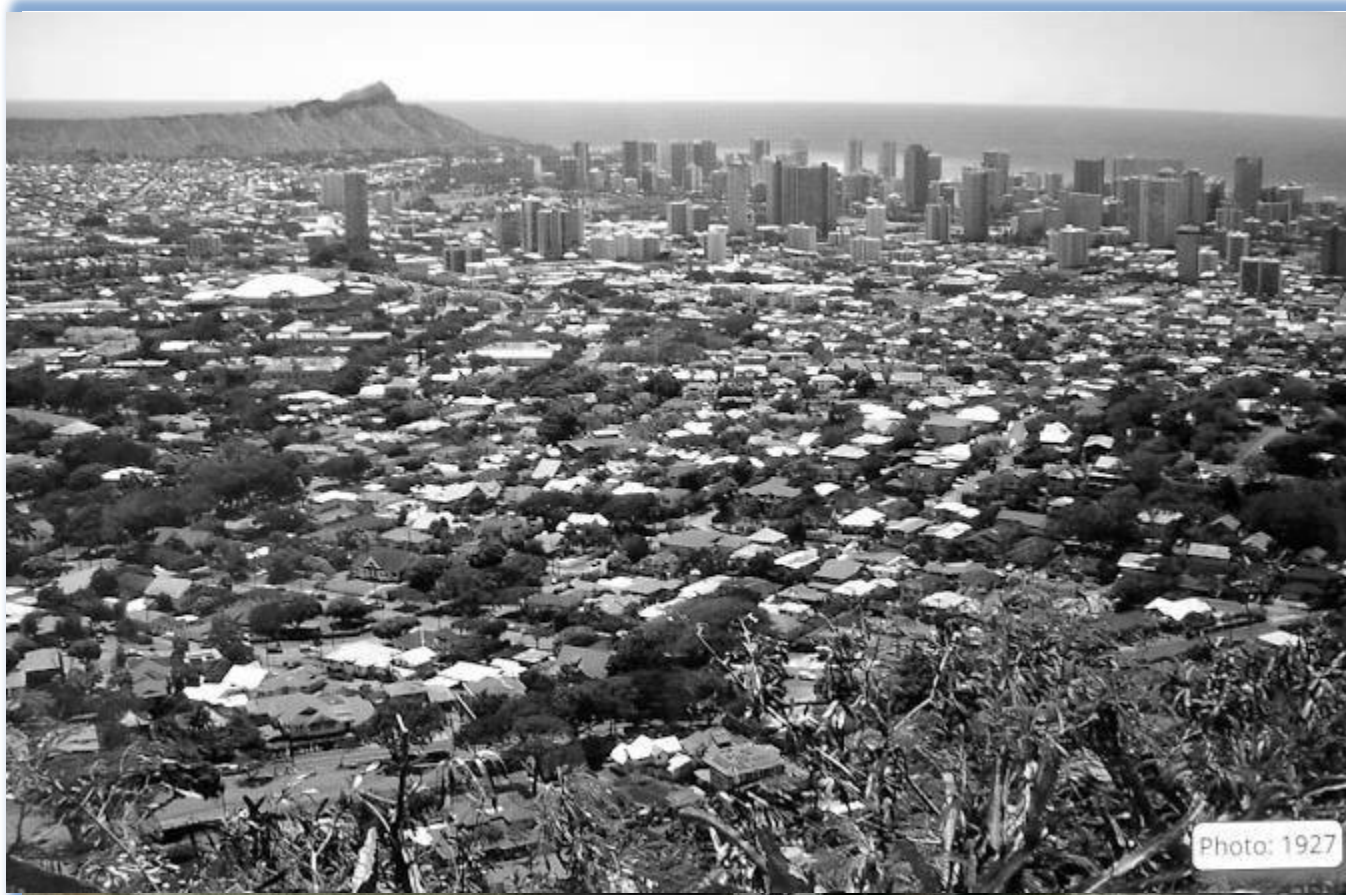
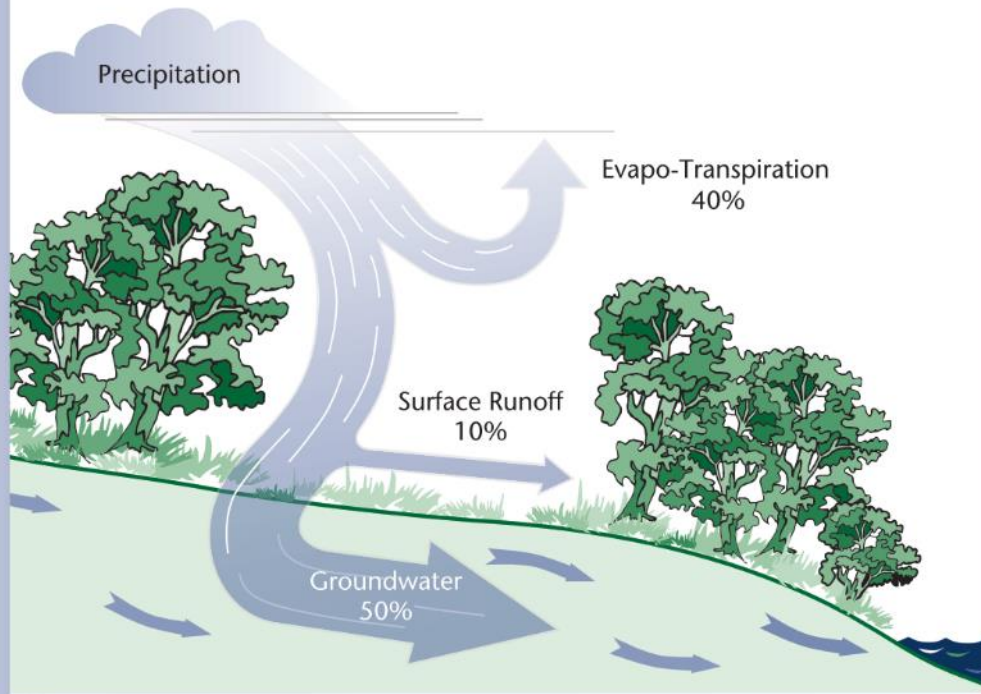
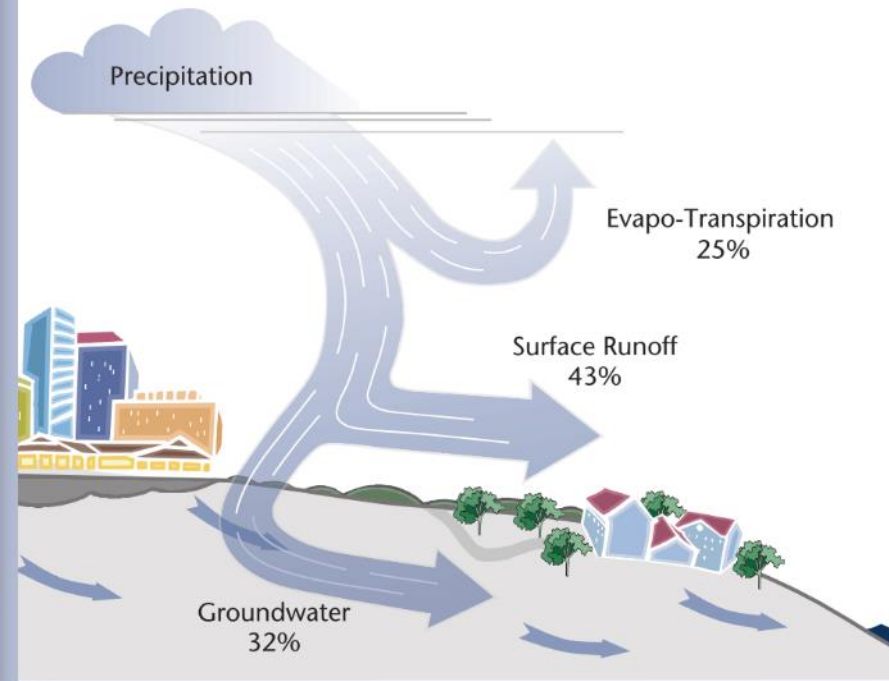


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## NATURAL WATERSHED



## DEVELOPED WATERSHED

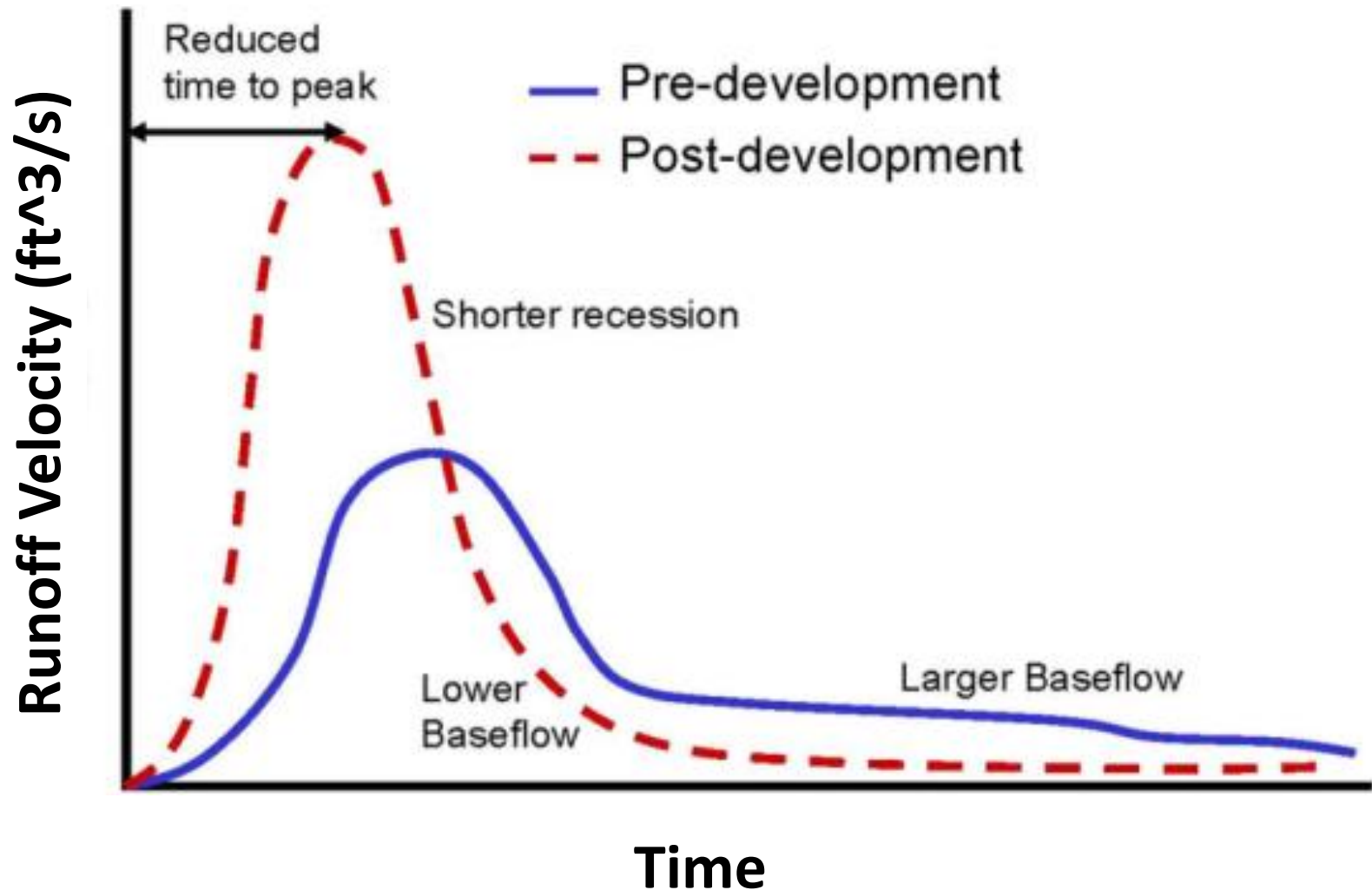


TYPICAL PRE- AND POST-DEVELOPMENT HYDROLOGY PATTERNS

# Hydrologic Alterations of Development



# Hydrologic Impacts of Development



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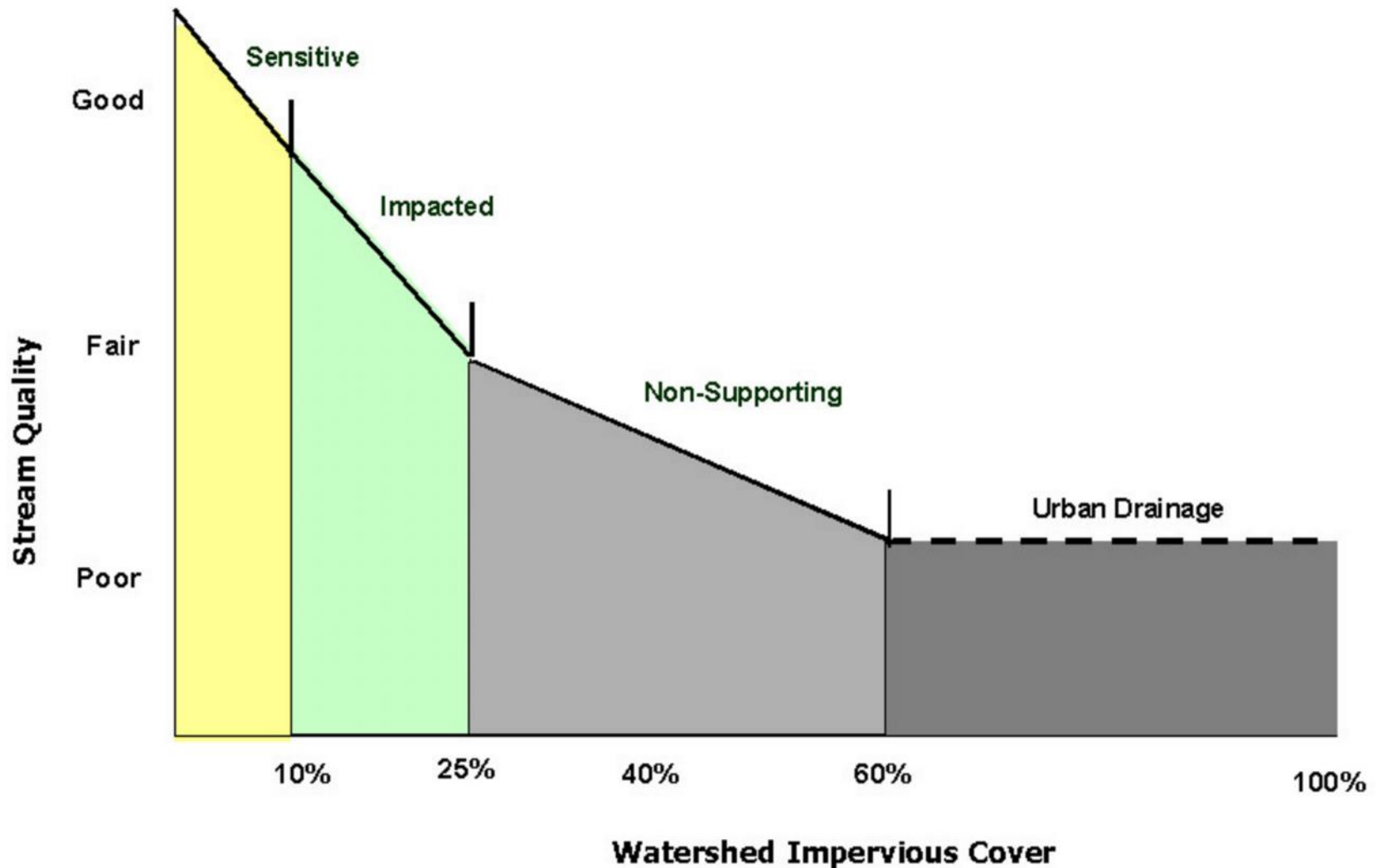
Stormwater Outlet Pipe:  
Cromwell's Beach



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# Impervious Surface Impacts Water Quality



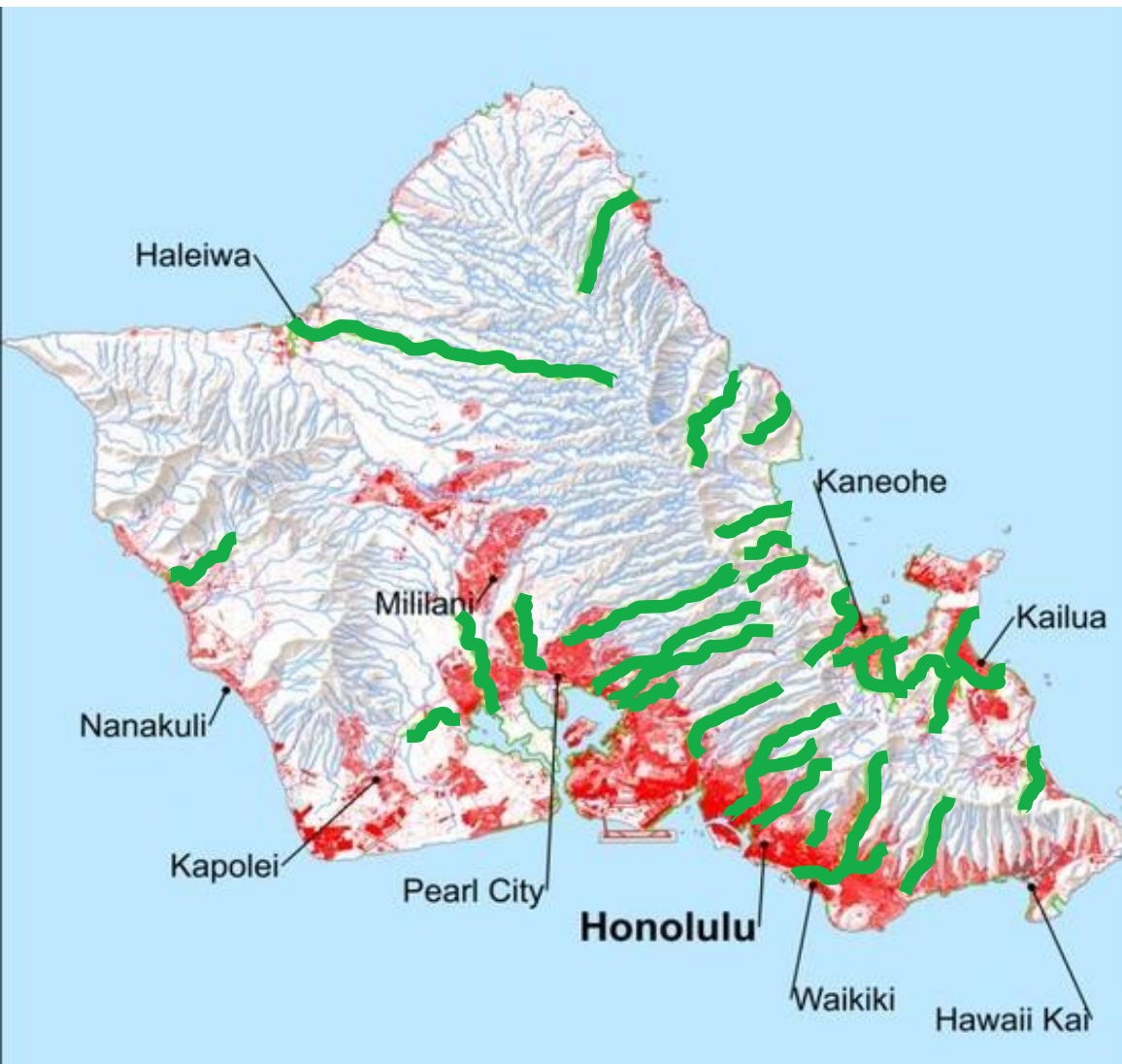


## **Pollutants Found in Stormwater:**




bacteria  
pathogens  
cadmium  
chromium  
copper  
lead  
mercury  
zinc  
phosphorus  
nitrogen  
oil and grease  
total suspended solids



# Water Quality Impacts of Development



## LEGEND

-  EPA 303d Streams
-  Impervious Cover
-  Streams

**Definition 303(d):** waters that are too polluted or otherwise degraded to meet water quality standards.

2,324 Miles of  
Rivers and Streams  
are Impaired In Hawai'i



Date: January 2012

Source:  
ESRI Online Basemap;  
State of Hawaii, DLNR, Division of Aquatic Resources;  
NOAA 2005 CCAP Data; EPA

# 2,324 Miles of Rivers and Streams are Impaired In Hawai'i

## Causes of Impairment Hawaii Rivers and Streams 2010

[Description of this table](#)

<u>Cause of Impairment</u>	<u>Cause of Impairment Group</u>	<u>Miles Threatened or Impaired</u>
Turbidity	Turbidity	1,993.9
Nitrate/Nitrite (Nitrite + Nitrate as N)	Nutrients	1,275.8
Nitrogen, Total	Nutrients	1,049.9
Phosphorus, Total	Nutrients	944.9
Enterococcus Bacteria	Pathogens	184.7
Trash	Trash	183.2
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	Turbidity	121.2
Dieldrin	Pesticides	36.8
Chlordane	Pesticides	33.0
Nitrate/Nitrite	Nutrients	31.0
Metals	Metals (other than Mercury)	1.9
Lead	Metals (other than Mercury)	1.9
Phosphate	Nutrients	1.1

Source: EPA (2010) Hawaii Water Quality Assessment Report

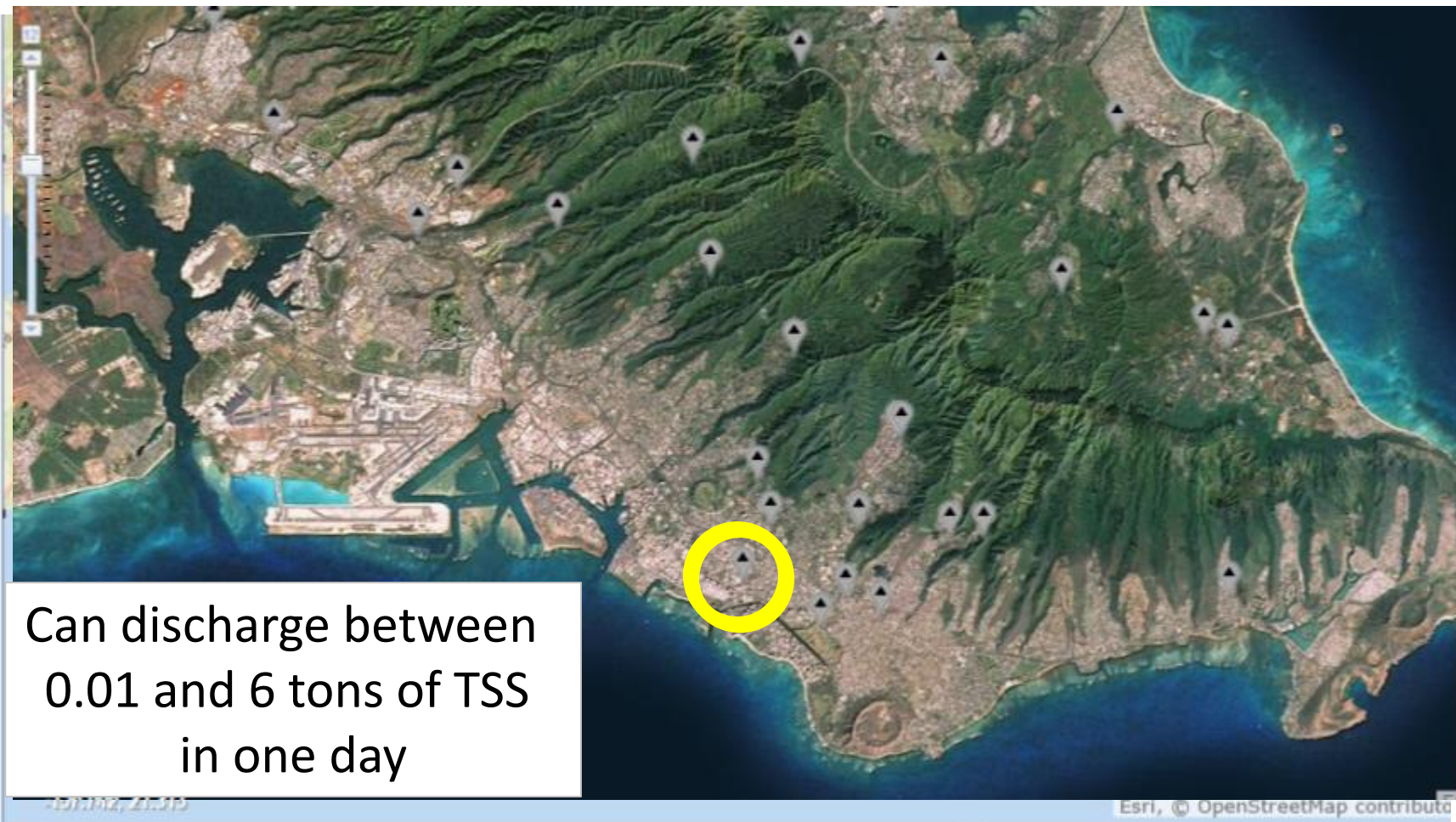


# Nine Impaired Streams in Maui

**NOTE:** Click on the underlined "Waterbody Name" to view a Waterbody report.

<u>Waterbody Name</u>	<u>Waterbody ID</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Waterbody Type</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>State TMDL Development Status</u>
<a href="#">Honokowai</a>	HI6-1-07	Maui	Stream	16.910698	miles	TMDL needed
<a href="#">Honokowai</a>	HI6-1-07	Maui	Stream	16.910698	miles	TMDL needed
<a href="#">Iao</a>	HI6-2-09	Maui	Stream	11.296194	miles	TMDL needed
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<a href="#">Kahoma</a>	HI6-1-05	Maui	Stream	15.789657	miles	TMDL needed
<a href="#">Kahoma</a>	HI6-1-05	Maui	Stream	15.789657	miles	TMDL needed
<a href="#">Makamakaole</a>	HI6-2-06	Maui	Stream	3.625059	miles	TMDL needed
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<a href="#">Maliko</a>	HI6-3-01	Maui	Stream	43.825989	miles	TMDL needed
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<a href="#">Waihee</a>	HI6-2-07	Maui	Stream	16.384853	miles	TMDL needed
<a href="#">Waihee</a>	HI6-2-07	Maui	Stream	16.384853	miles	TMDL needed
<a href="#">Waipio</a>	HI6-3-10	Maui	Stream	2.806819	miles	TMDL needed
<a href="#">Waipio</a>	HI6-3-10	Maui	Stream	2.806819	miles	TMDL needed

# Makiki Stream at King St. Bridge: Oahu, HI















# Sedimentation Impacts Reef Health



## Pu'ukoholā Heiau National Historic Site and Kawaihae Harbor, Hawai'i

Image Source: USGS Pacific Coastal and Marine Science Center

Reference: Anthony, K. R. N., & Connolly, S. R. (2004).

# Water Quality Notices

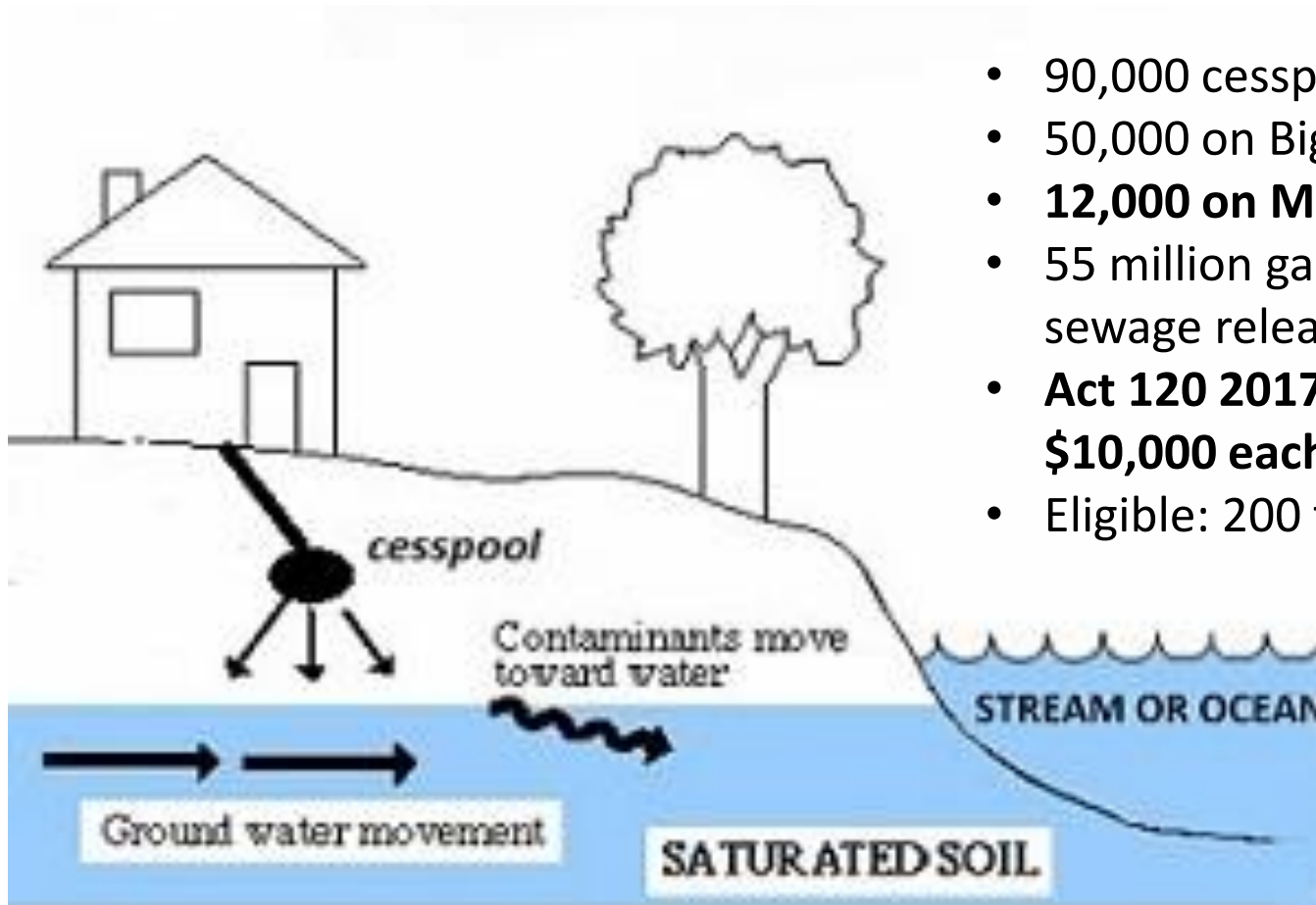


**“The public is advised to stay out of flood waters and storm water runoff due to possible overflowing cesspools, sewer manholes, pesticides, animal fecal matter, dead animals, pathogens, chemicals, and associated flood debris”**

*- State Dept. of Health*

- Launiupoko, Maui March 7<sup>th</sup> 2017
- Roal Moana Beach, Oahu February 14, 2017
- Honolua Bay, Maui January 29<sup>th</sup> 2017
- Hanaka’o, Maui December 1, 2016

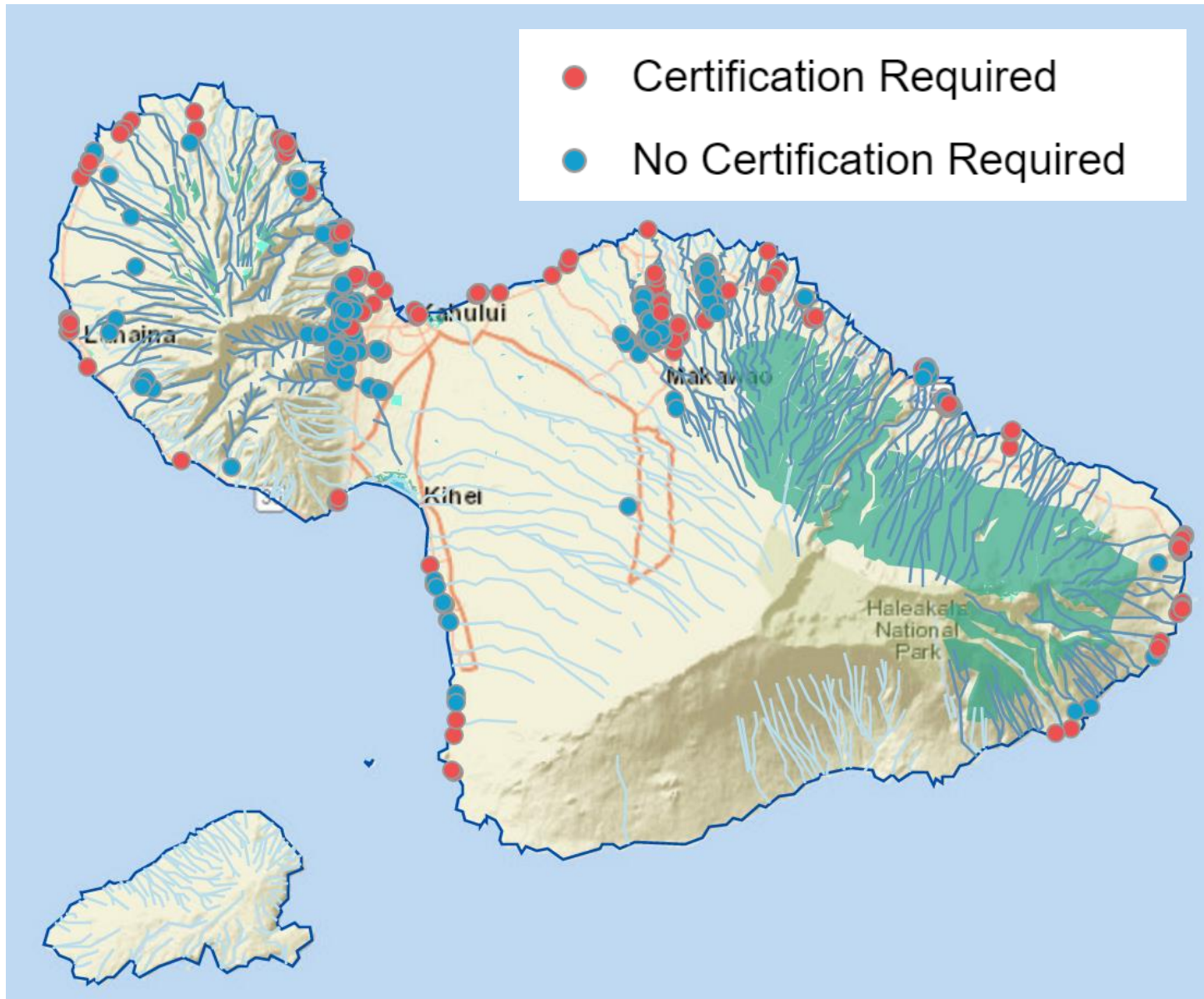
# Cesspools Contaminate our Oceans, Streams and Groundwater



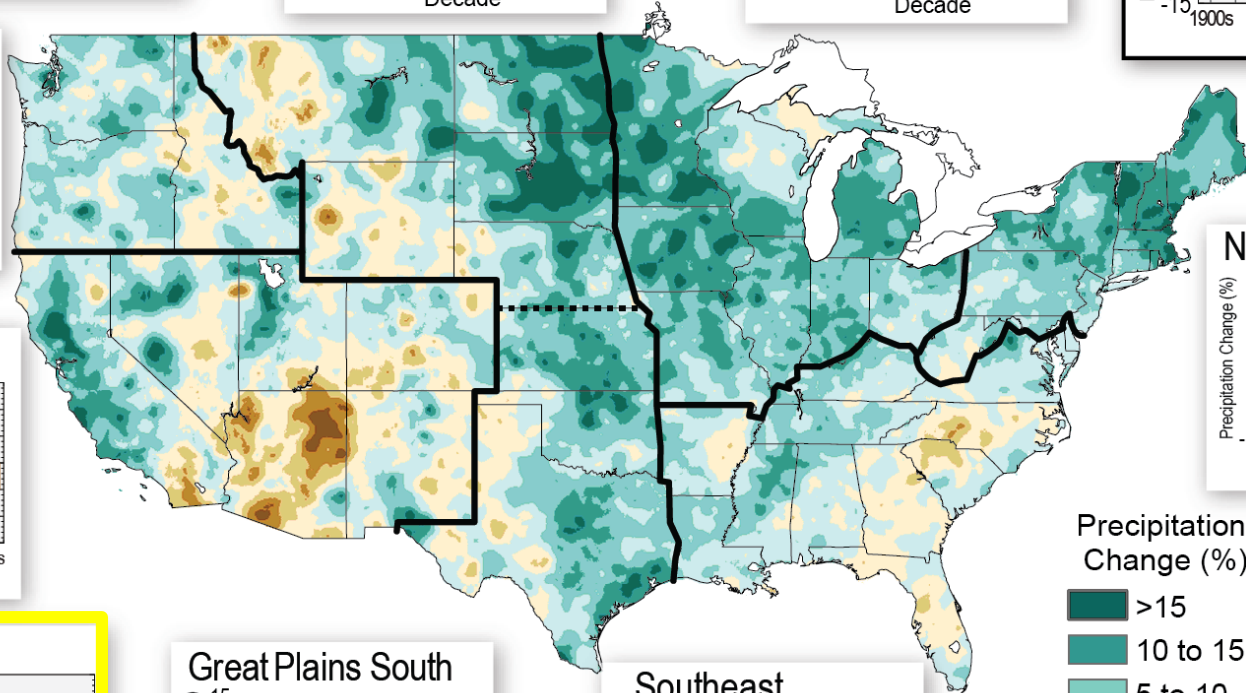
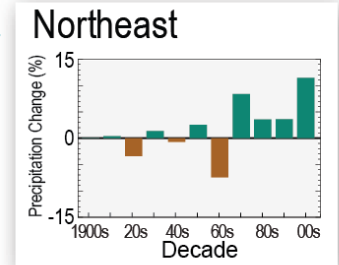
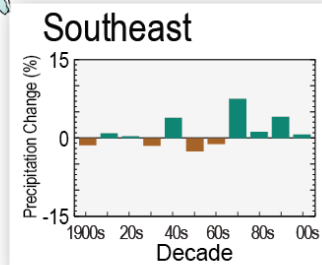
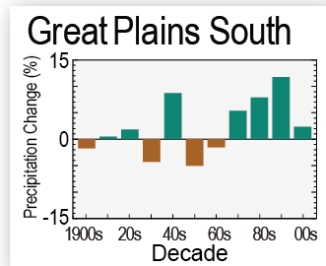
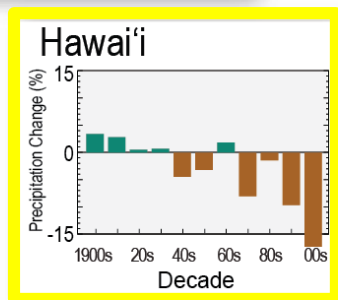
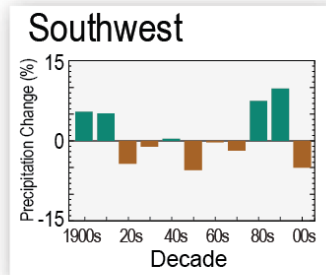
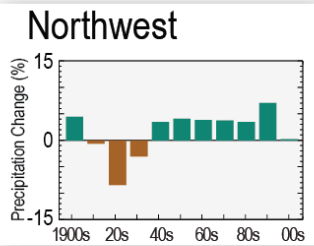
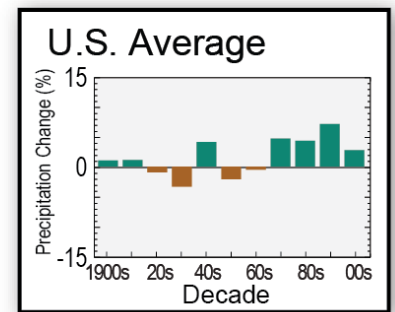
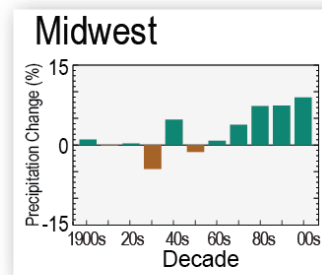
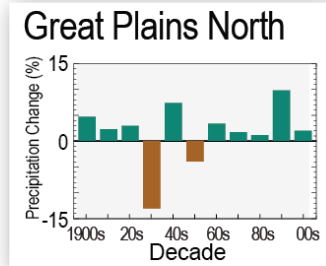
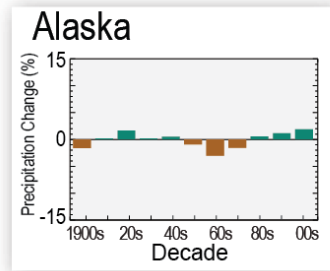
- 90,000 cesspools in HI
- 50,000 on Big Island
- **12,000 on Maui**
- 55 million gallons of untreated sewage released each day
- **Act 120 2017-2020 Tax Credit: \$10,000 each**
- Eligible: 200 ft from waterbody



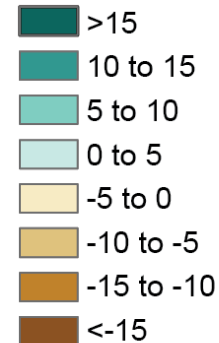
# Cesspools Eligible for Tax Rebate



# Observed U.S. Precipitation Change



Precipitation Change (%)

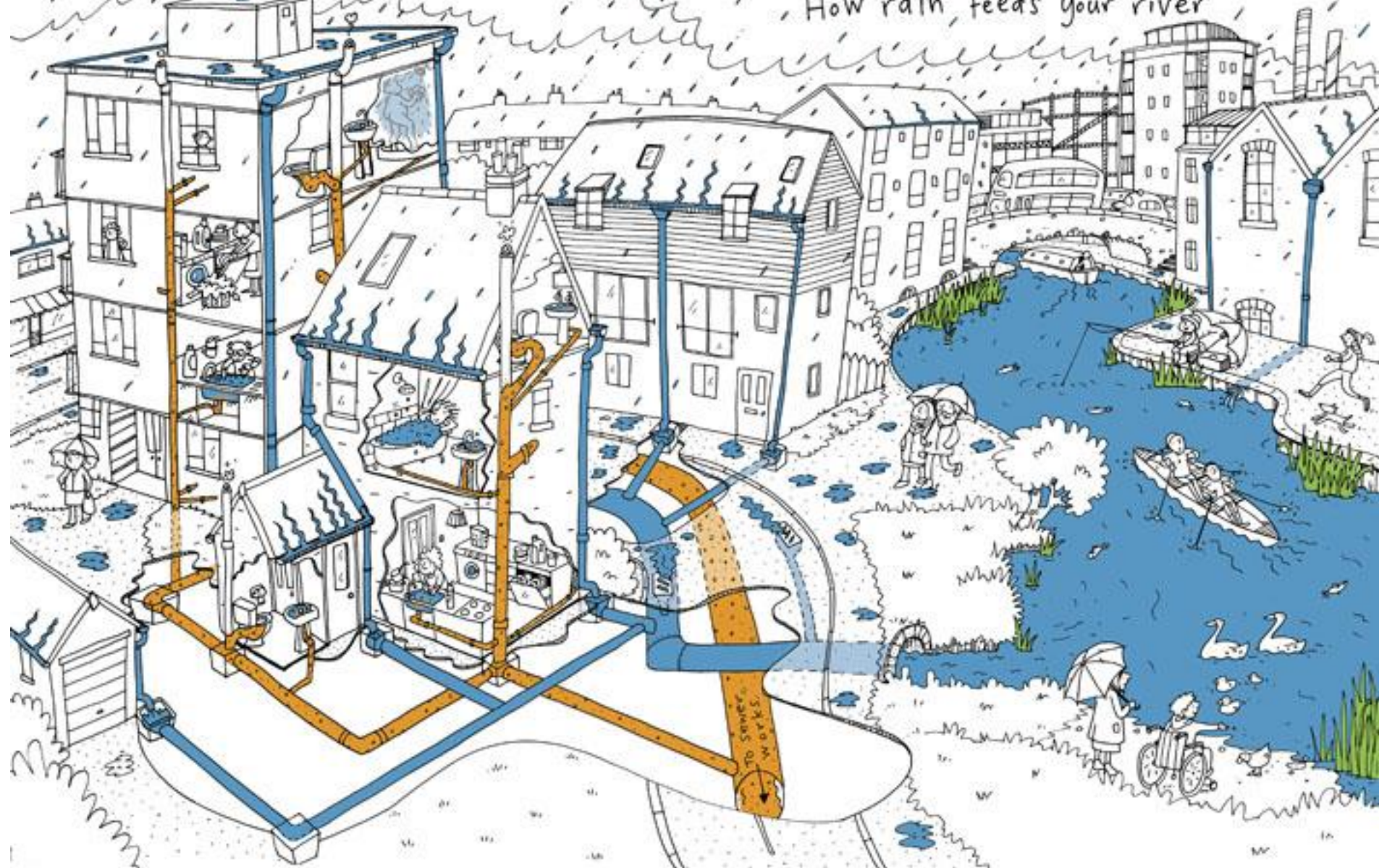


Peterson et al (2013) Monitoring and understanding changes in heat waves, cold waves, floods, and droughts in the United States. Am. Meteorol. Soc.



# The Urban Water Cycle

How rain feeds your river





## OAHU

The Heart of Hawai'i

### North Shore

Explore the Legendary North Shore

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Your First Trip to Oahu



## Welcome to Oahu.

Let's play. On the island of Oahu, [learn to ride the waves](#) in [Waikiki](#) where surfing was born or catch a [big-wave surf](#) meet on Oahu's famed [North Shore](#). Between sunrise and sunset, you'll have hours to explore the hottest [farm to table](#) restaurants, browse the latest [designer and local fashions](#), check out the [urban art scene](#) in [Chinatown](#) or stroll into Hawaii's history at [Iolani Palace](#). When the sun goes down, the "Heartbeat of Hawaii" awakens to a new beat, and it's time to put on your [dancing](#) shoes.

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Tourism is the largest source of private income and jobs in HI  
Number of visitors hit new record in 2015, \$15.3 Billion in Revenue





# The Importance of Water for our Lifestyle

- Recreation: Snorkeling, scuba diving, surfing, kayaking, canoeing, relaxing, swimming, fishing, habitat, wildlife

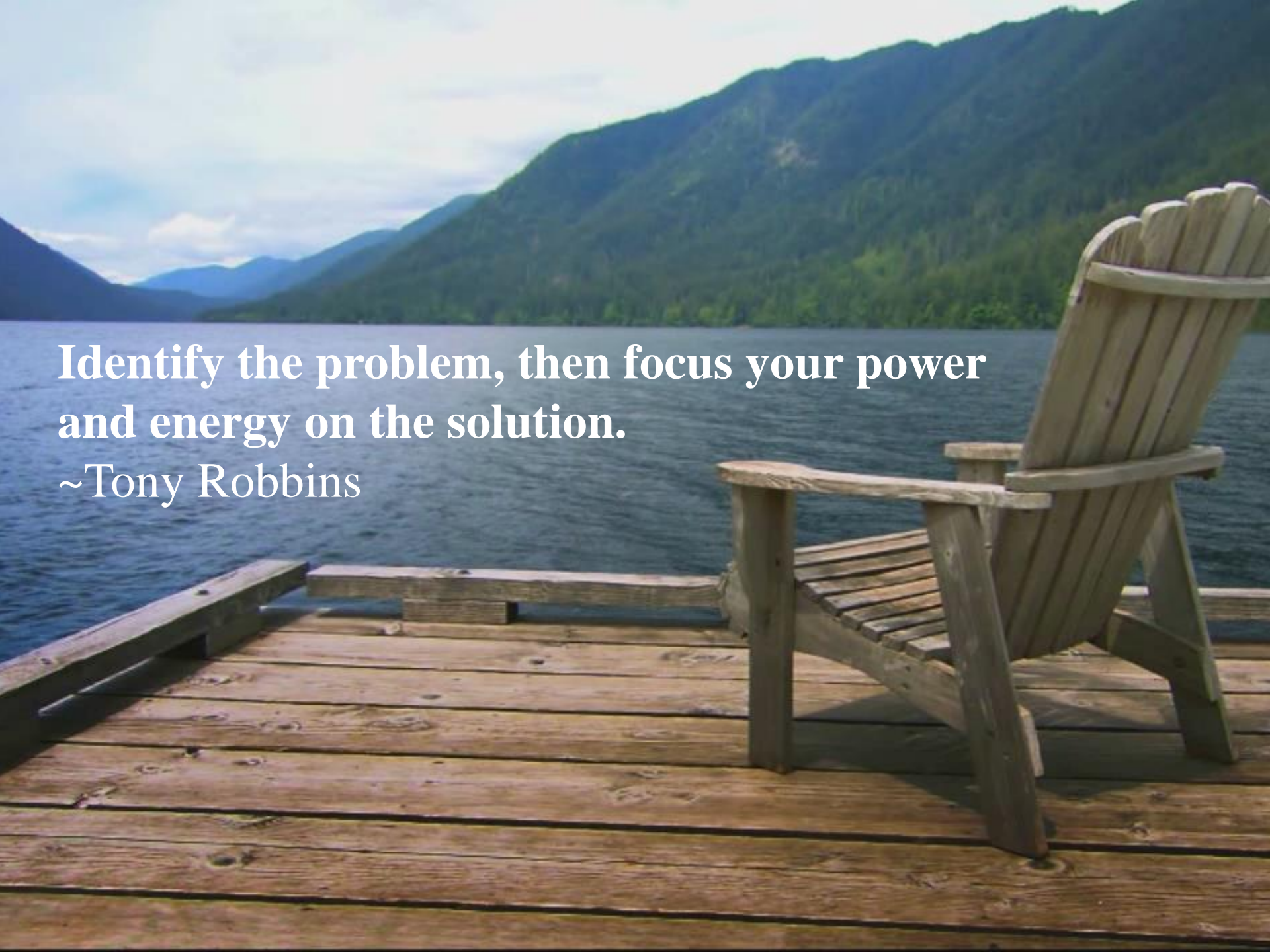




**“Unless someone like you  
cares a whole awful lot,  
nothing is going to  
get better.  
It’s not.”**





A wooden Adirondack chair sits on a wooden dock, facing a calm lake. In the background, there are lush green mountains under a cloudy sky. The scene is peaceful and scenic.

**Identify the problem, then focus your power  
and energy on the solution.**

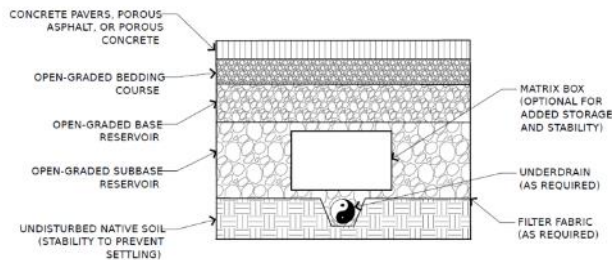
**~Tony Robbins**



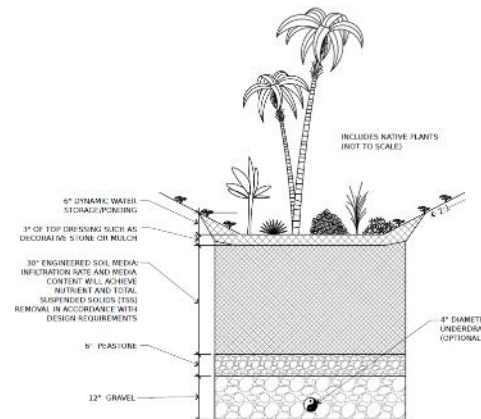


# Low Impact Design & Development

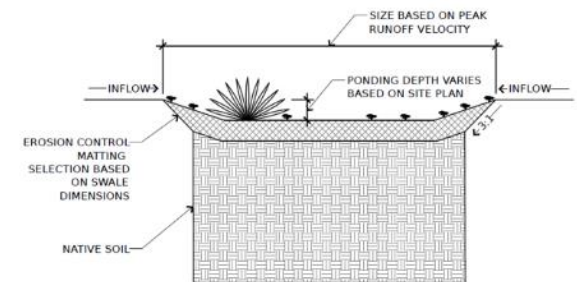
LID is an approach to development that aims to **mimic pre-development hydrology** and uses ecological engineering to **remove pollutants** in stormwater and wastewater for re-use and/or replenishment of groundwater supplies.



Porous Materials



Bioretention "Green Streets"



Vegetated Swales



# National and Local Proponents of Low Impact Development



**AIA**  
Honolulu



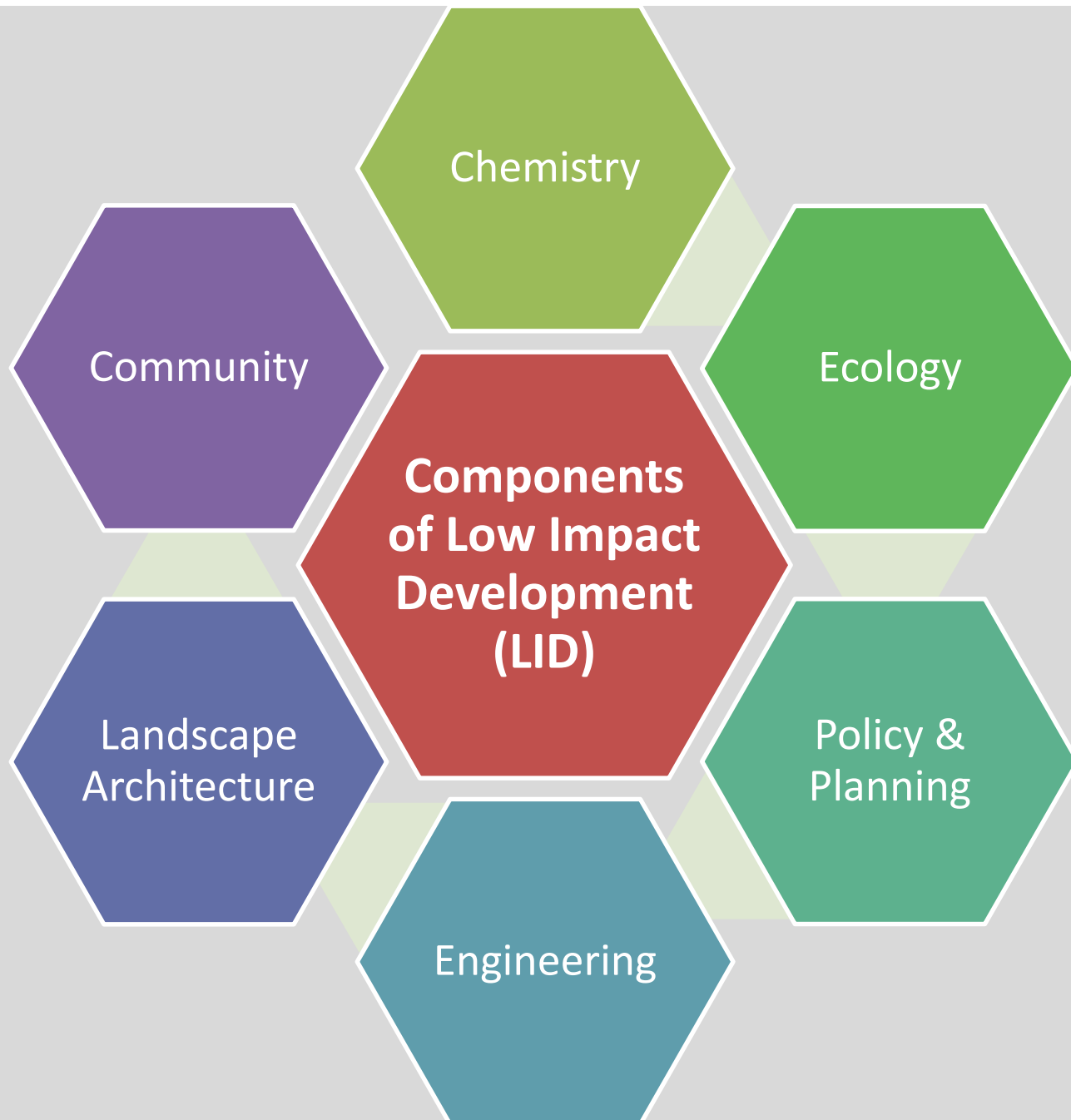
# City and County of Honolulu Requiring Low Impact Development



## Storm Drainage Standards Update

- ❑ **LID Requirements for all new development and redevelopment projects greater than 1 acre (Priority A and B)**
- ❑ **Expand the types of smaller projects for post-construction BMPs (Priority B) to include**
  - **Parking Lots greater than 20 stalls**
  - **Buildings greater than 100-feet tall**
  - **Retail Malls**
  - **Industrial Parks**
- ❑ **Require 1.5x the Water Quality Volume (WQV) for any treat and release practices (i.e. biofiltration)**

Presented by Randal Wakumoto, City and County of Honolulu, Stormwater Branch  
UH Sea Grant's Green Infrastructure Workshop , October 29, 2015

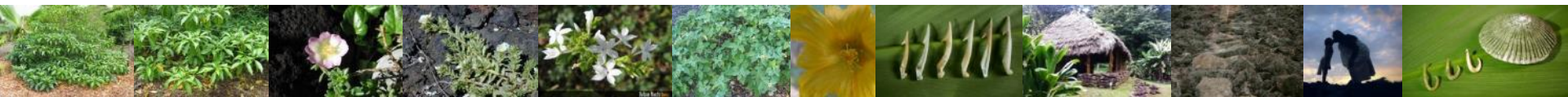
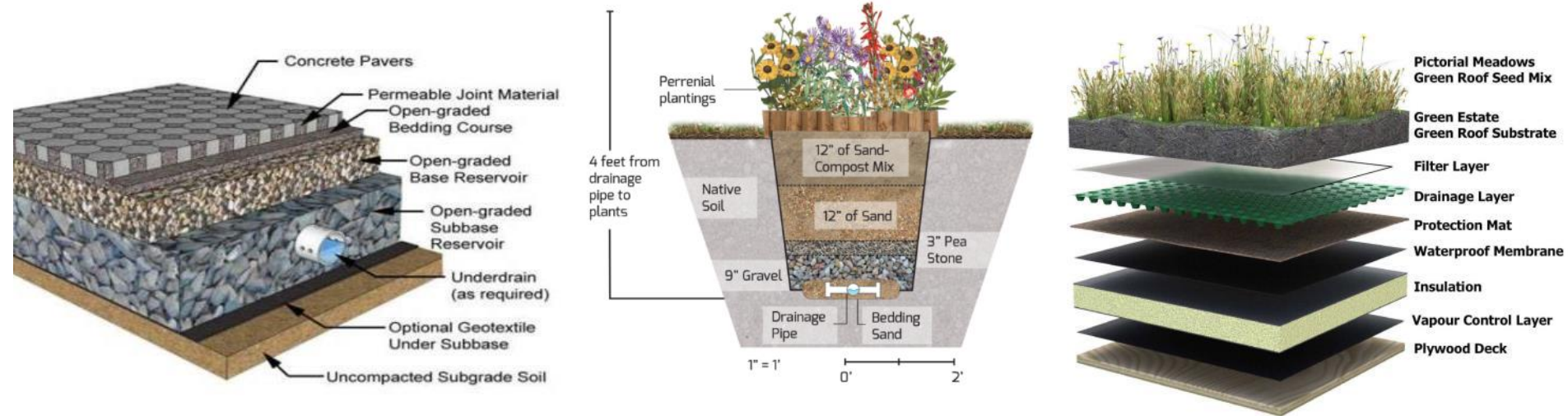




# Cost of LID vs Traditional Development

Item	Conventional Option	LID Option	Cost Difference	TABLE 3-2 Comparison of Unit Costs for Materials for Greenland Meadows Commercial Development
Mobilization / Demolition	\$555,500	\$555,500	\$0	
Site Preparation	\$167,000	\$167,000	\$0	
Sediment / Erosion Control	\$378,000	\$378,000	\$0	
Earthwork	\$2,174,500	\$2,103,500	-\$71,000	
Paving	\$1,843,500	\$2,727,500	\$884,000	
Stormwater Management	\$2,751,800	\$1,008,800	-\$1,743,000	
Addtl Work-Related Activity (Utilities, Lighting, Water & Sanitary Sewer Service, Fencing, Landscaping, Etc.)	\$2,720,000	\$2,720,000	\$0	
Project Total	\$10,590,300	\$9,660,300	-\$930,000	

# Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI)



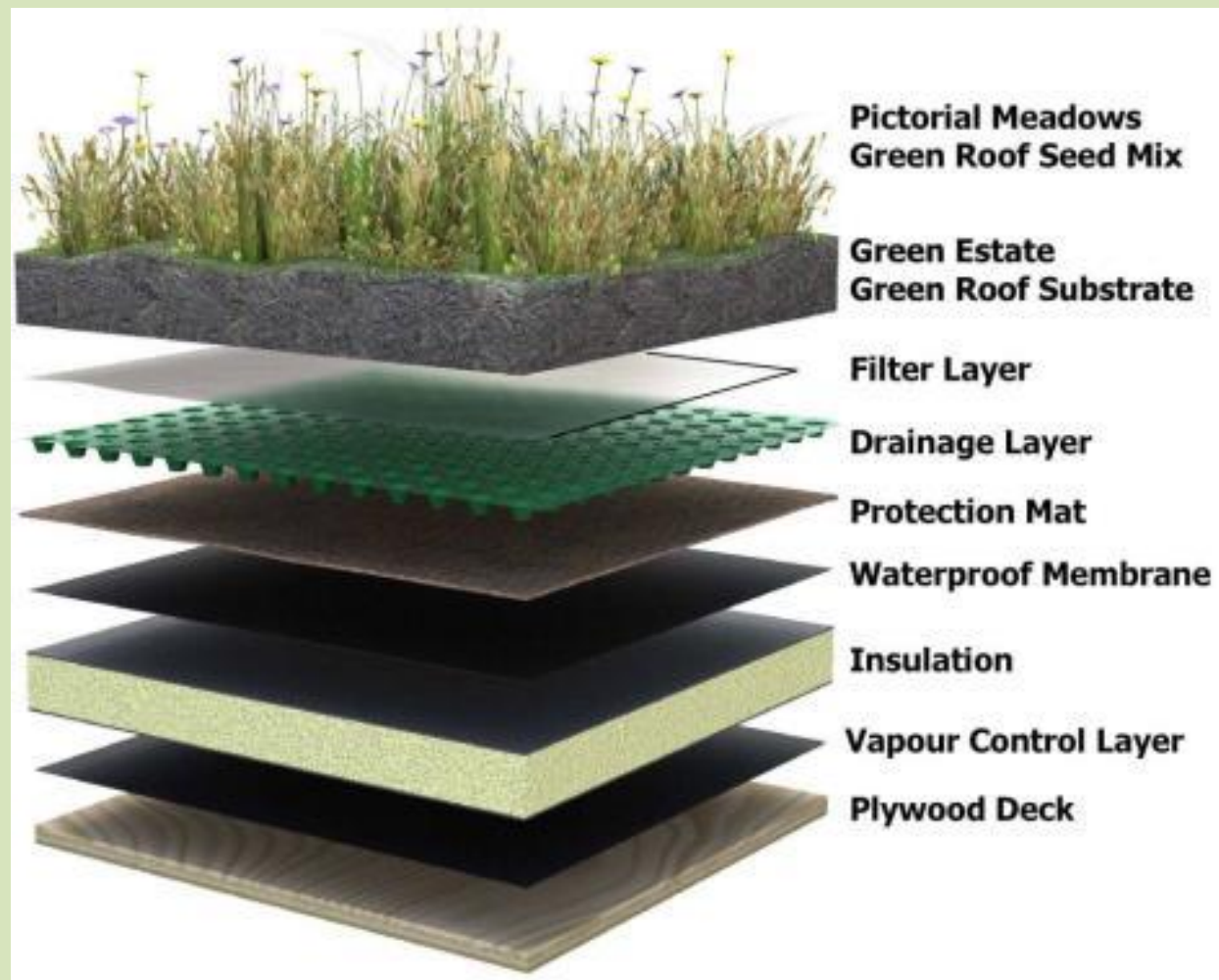
# Green Roofs

## Design Strengths:

- Reduce Volume
- Reduce Peak Flows
- Remove Pollutants
- Reduce Temperature Heat Island
- Provide Habitat
- Increase Biodiversity

## Design Challenges:

- Maintenance
- Plant Selection

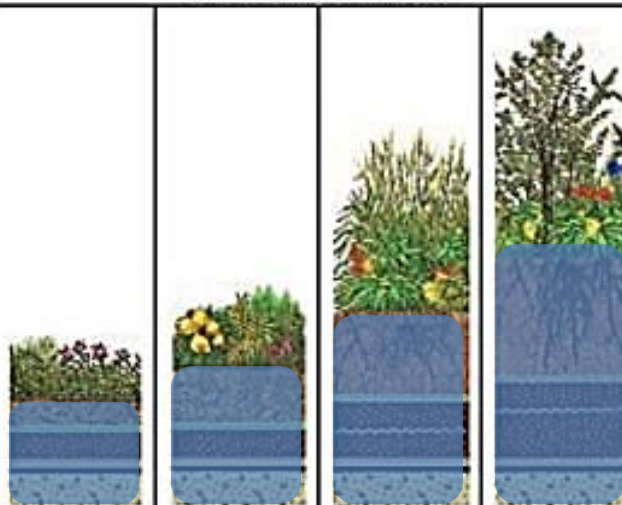




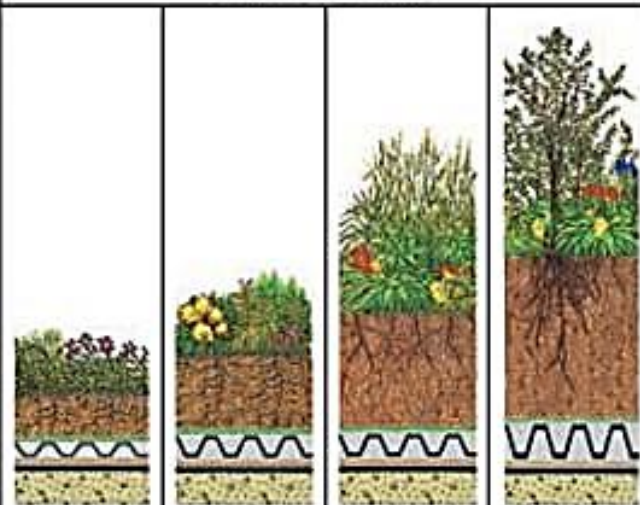
# GREEN ROOF SYSTEMS

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## SYSTEMS WITH GRANULAR DRAINAGE

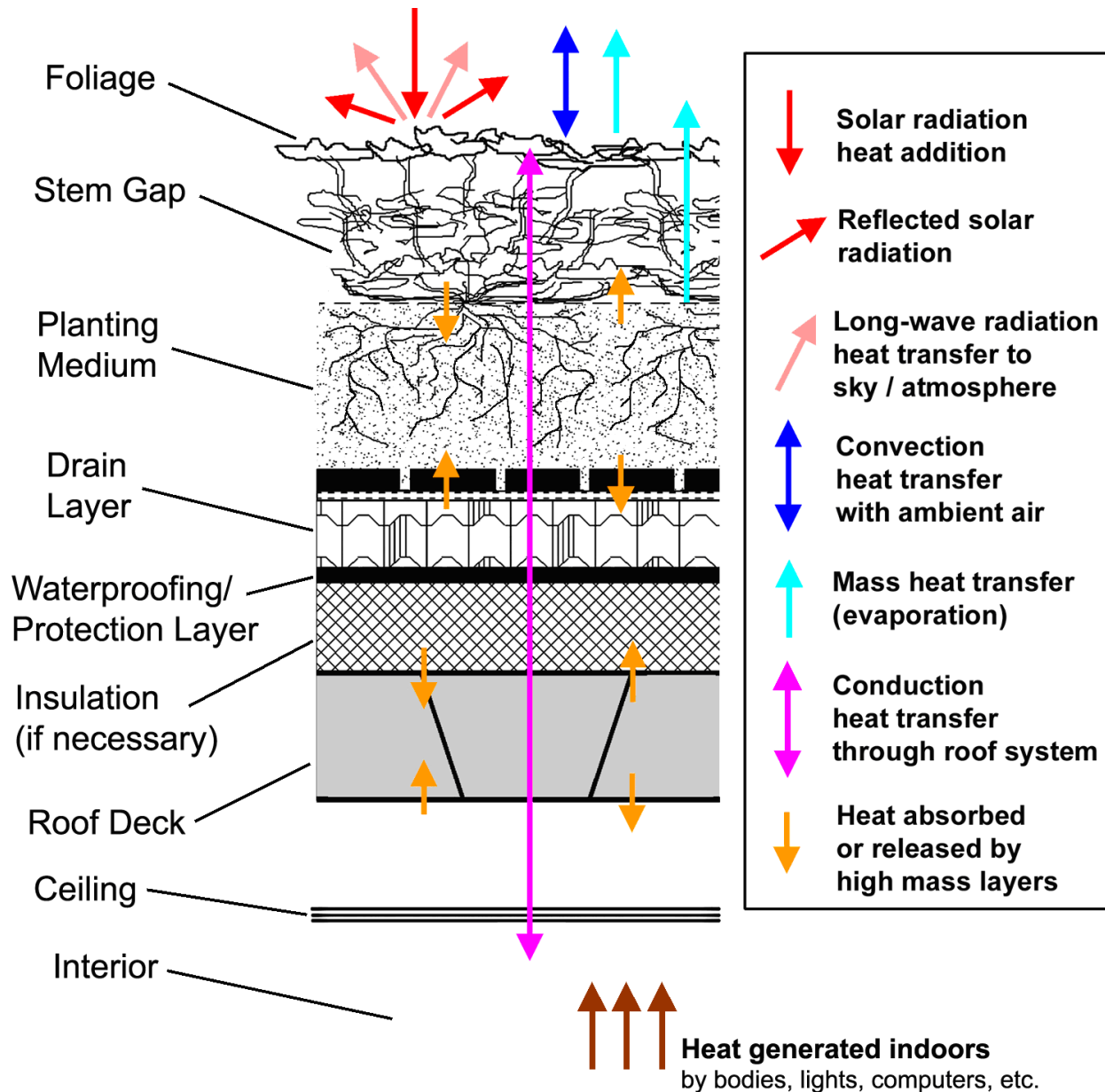


## SYSTEMS WITH DRAINAGE PLATES



system designation	G1	G2	G3	G4	P1	P2	P3	P4
typical plants	sedum herbs	sedum herbs perennials	perennials grasses shrubs	grasses shrubs trees	sedum herbs	sedum herbs perennials	perennials grasses shrubs	grasses shrubs trees
extensive soil mix	2"	4"	-	-	3"	5"	-	-
intensive soil mix	-	-	6"	9"	-	-	8"	12"
separation fabric	1/8"	1/8"	1/8"	1/8"	1/8"	1/8"	1/8"	1/8"
granular drainage	2"	2"	4"	6"	-	-	-	-
drainage plate	-	-	-	-	1"	1-1/2"	1-1/2"	2-1/2"
drainage mat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
protection mat	1/4"	1/4"	1/4"	1/4"	1/4"	1/4"	1/4"	1/4"
nominal thickness	4"	6"	10"	15"	4"	7"	10"	15"
dry weight	19 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	28 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	45 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	69 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	14 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	23 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	34 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	52 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>
saturated weight	26 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	41 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	70 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	105 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	23 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	37 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	57 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>	85 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>
minimum slope	0:12	0:12	0:12	0:12	1/4:12	1/4:12	1/4:12	1/4:12
maximum slope	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12	1:12
water retention/Year*	50%	60%	70%	80%	50%	60%	70%	80%
irrigation system	-	-	subsurface	subsurface	-	-	surface	surface

# Green Roof Insulation and Heat Transfer







## **University of Hawaii Center for Microbial Oceanography Research & Education**

**Location:** Honolulu, Hawaii

**Project Size:** 2,768 sq ft

**Installation Date:** September 23, 2010

**Grower:** Hawaiian Sunshine Nursery





## **Turtle Bay Resort**

**Location:** Oahu's North Shore, Hawaii

**Project Size:** 60,000 sq ft

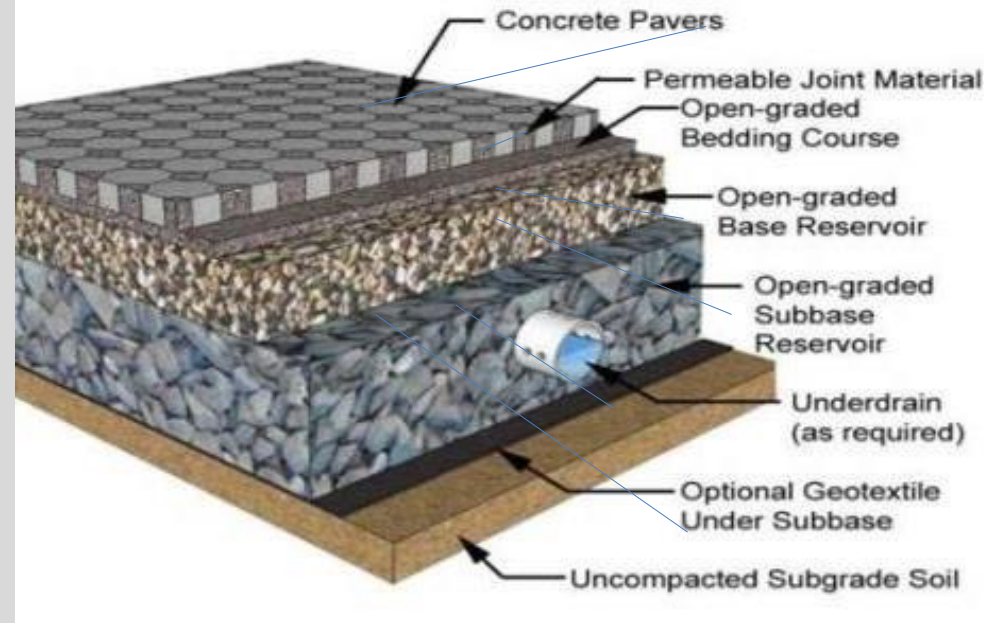
**Partners:** Honolulu Roofing Company, Walters, Kimura, Motoda, Hui Ku Maoli Ola



# Porous Materials

## Design Strengths:

- Reduces Storm Volume
- Reduces Peak Flows
- Particulate Pollutant Removal



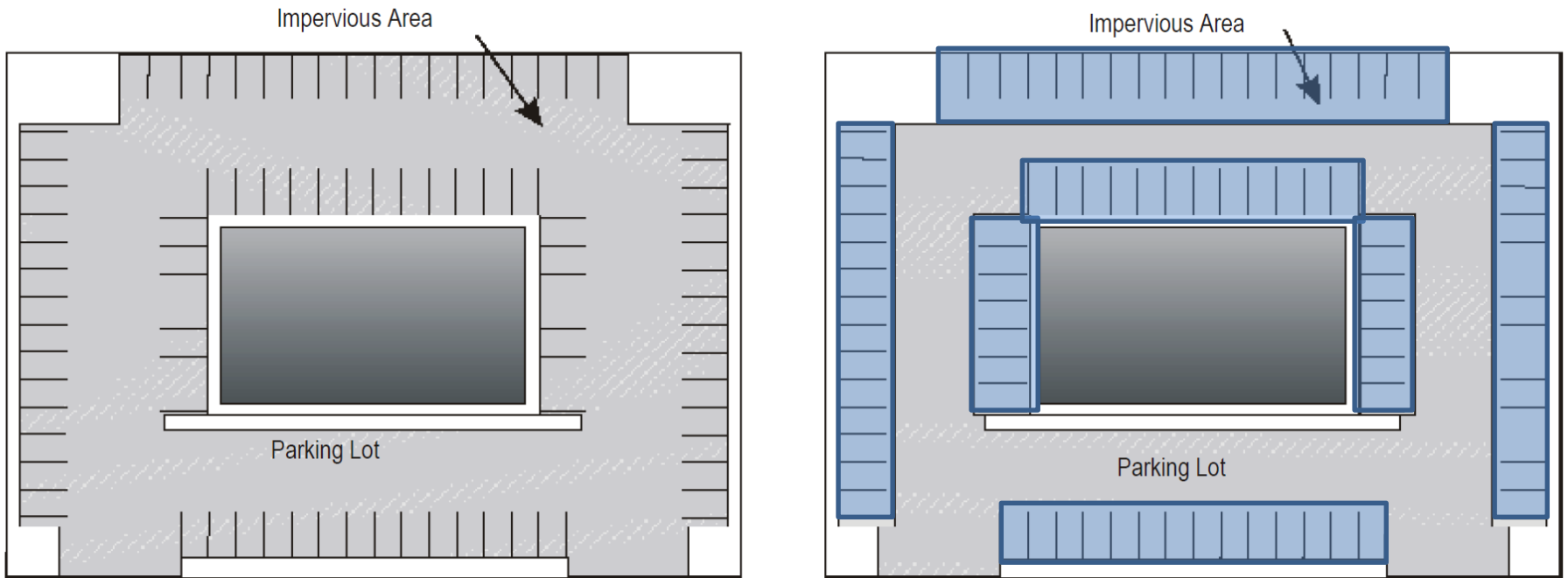
## Design Challenges:

- Getting both strength and permeability
- Protective buffer reduces siltation from offsite flows
- Maintenance



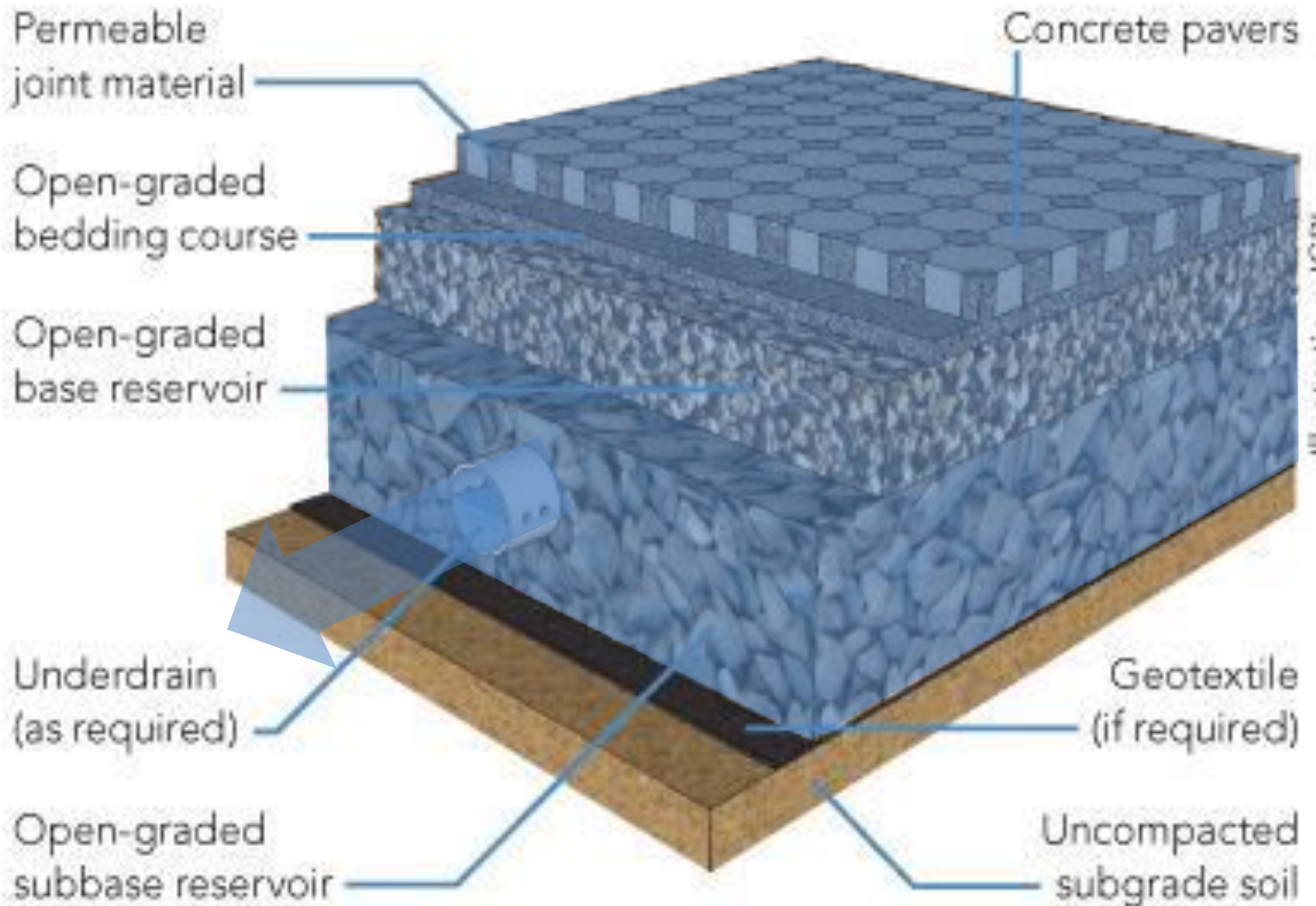
# Porous Materials

**Figure 2.8: Impervious Parking Lot versus Parking Lot with Some Pervious Surfaces**



City and County of Honolulu Department of Environmental Services, 2013. City and County of Honolulu Stormwater Best Management Practice Manual.





# Porous Materials for Water Infiltration

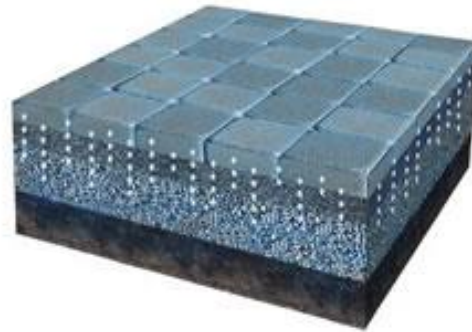
Permeable Asphalt



Permeable Concrete



Permeable Pavers









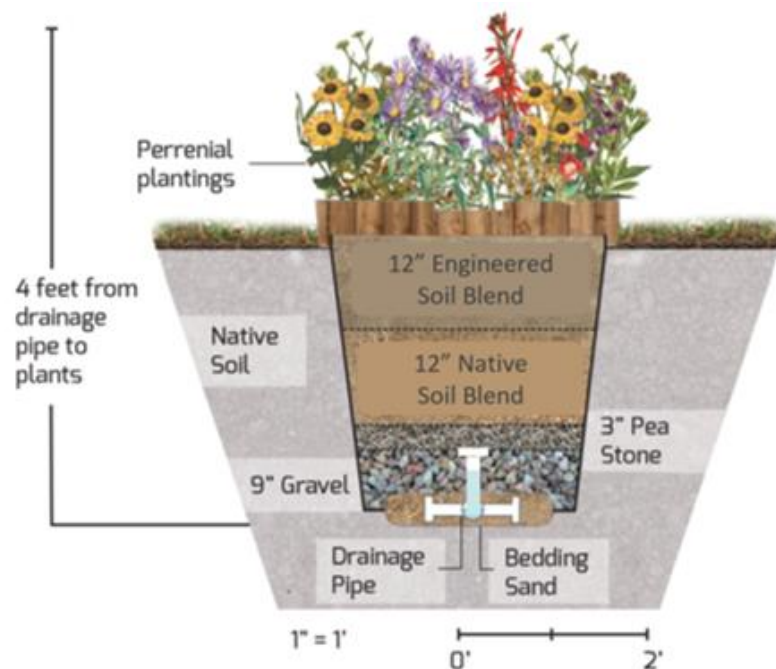
# Bioretention & Green Streets

## Design Strengths:

- Reduces Volume & Peak Flows
- Removes Total Suspended Solids
- Removes Nutrients
- Improved Aesthetics

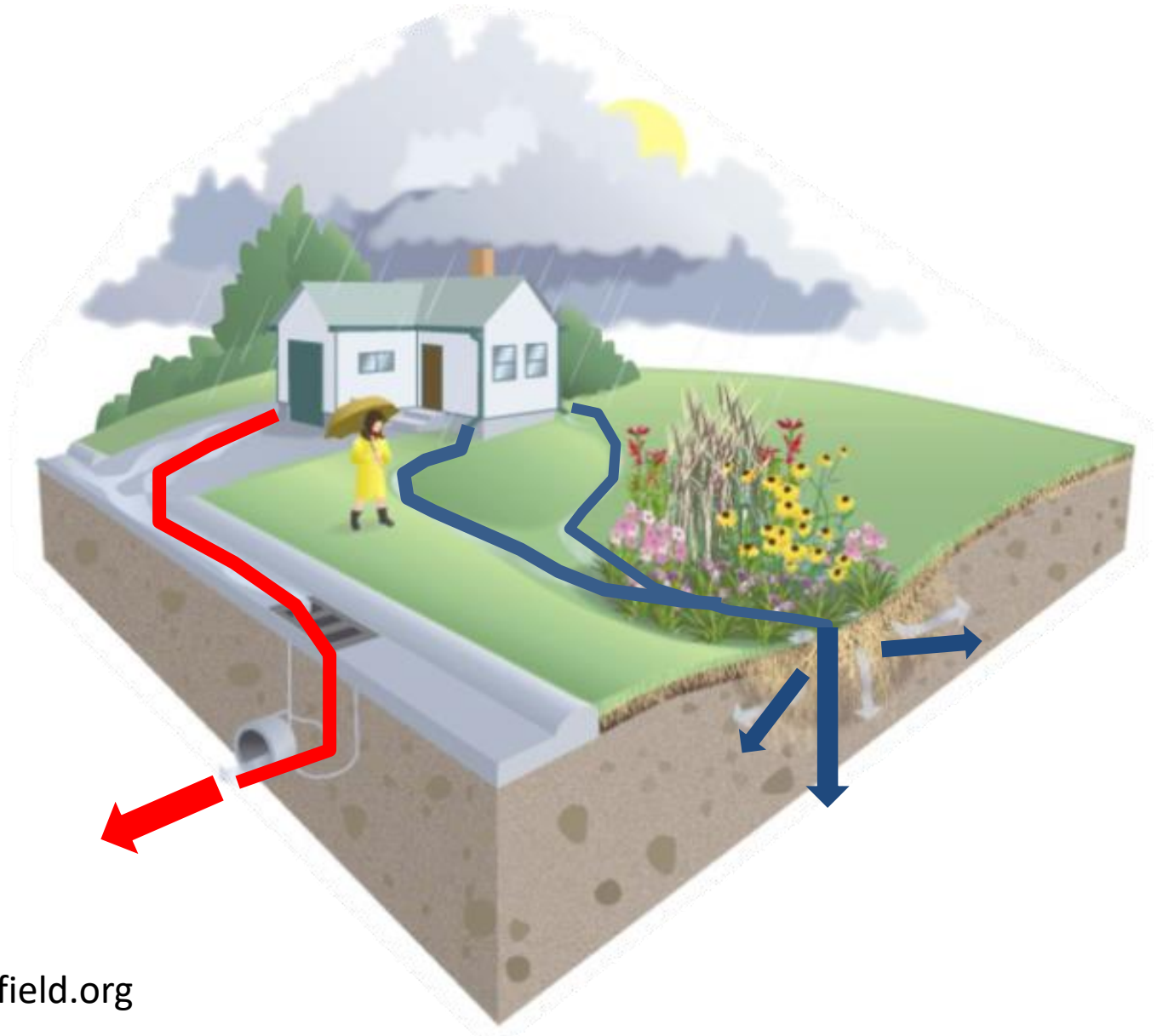
## Design Challenges:

- Obtaining proper infiltration
- Directing flow into feature
- Maintenance





# What is a Rain Garden?



# Complex





# Many Paths

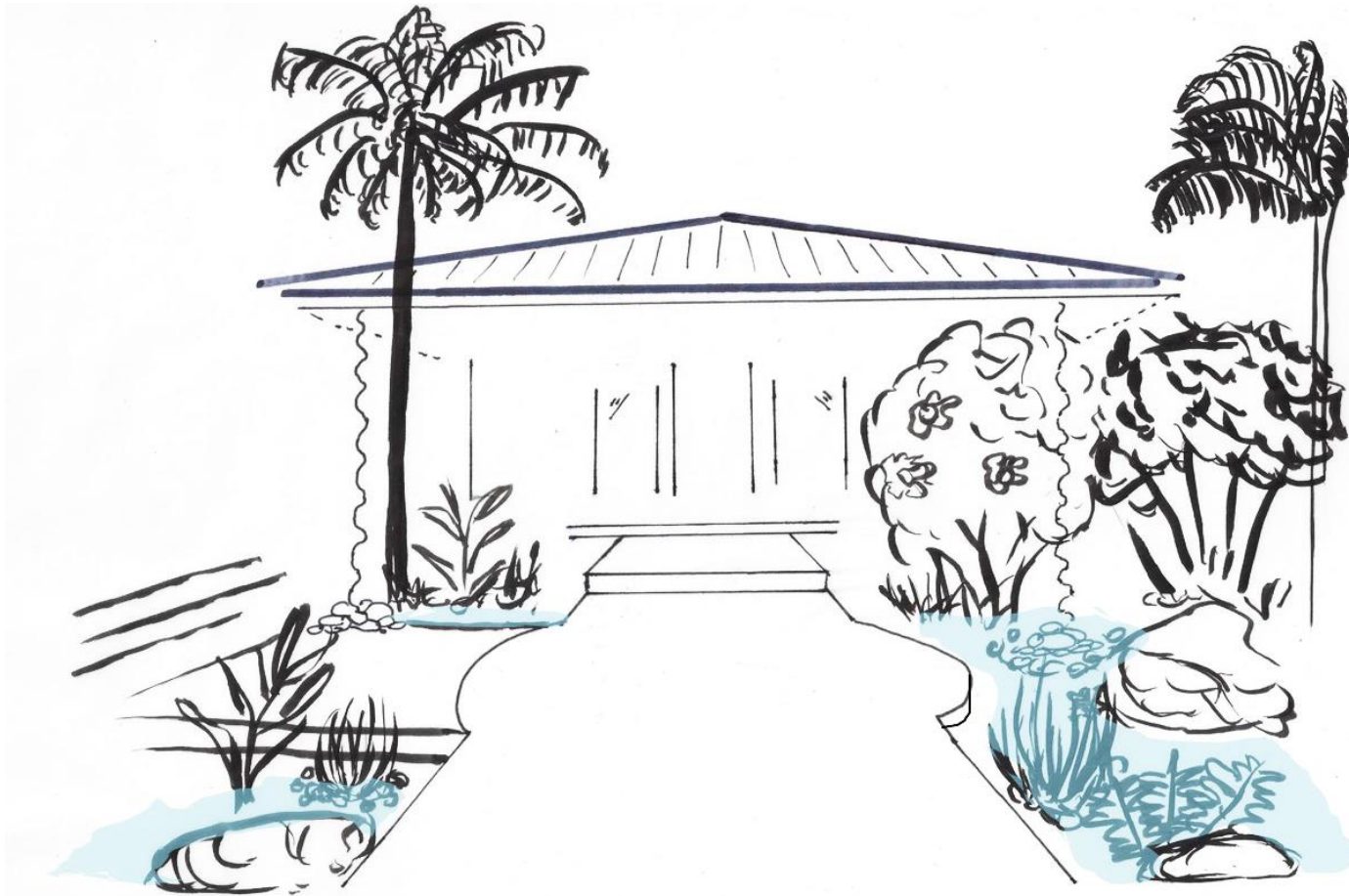




# Destination



# Residential Bioretention





# Simple: Residential



# Residential Scale





# Neighborhood Scale BioRetention





# Neighborhood Scale





# City-Scale Bioretention



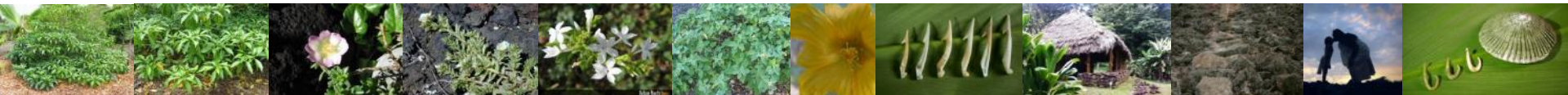




Commercial Scale Bioretention  
NOMA District Washington, DC



# Large Scale LID: Pre-Development Conditions







**Proposed M5/M6/S7/B2 Low Impact Development (LID) Site Plan**

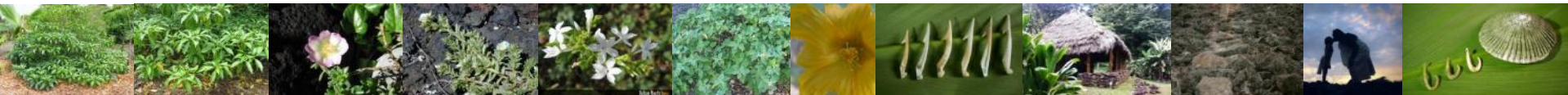


# Traditional Development Basemap



Required to **retain**:

- 100% of the 2.5" (50-yr, 1-hr) storm event

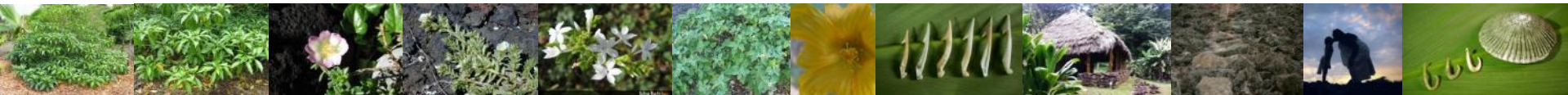


# Low Impact Development Basemap



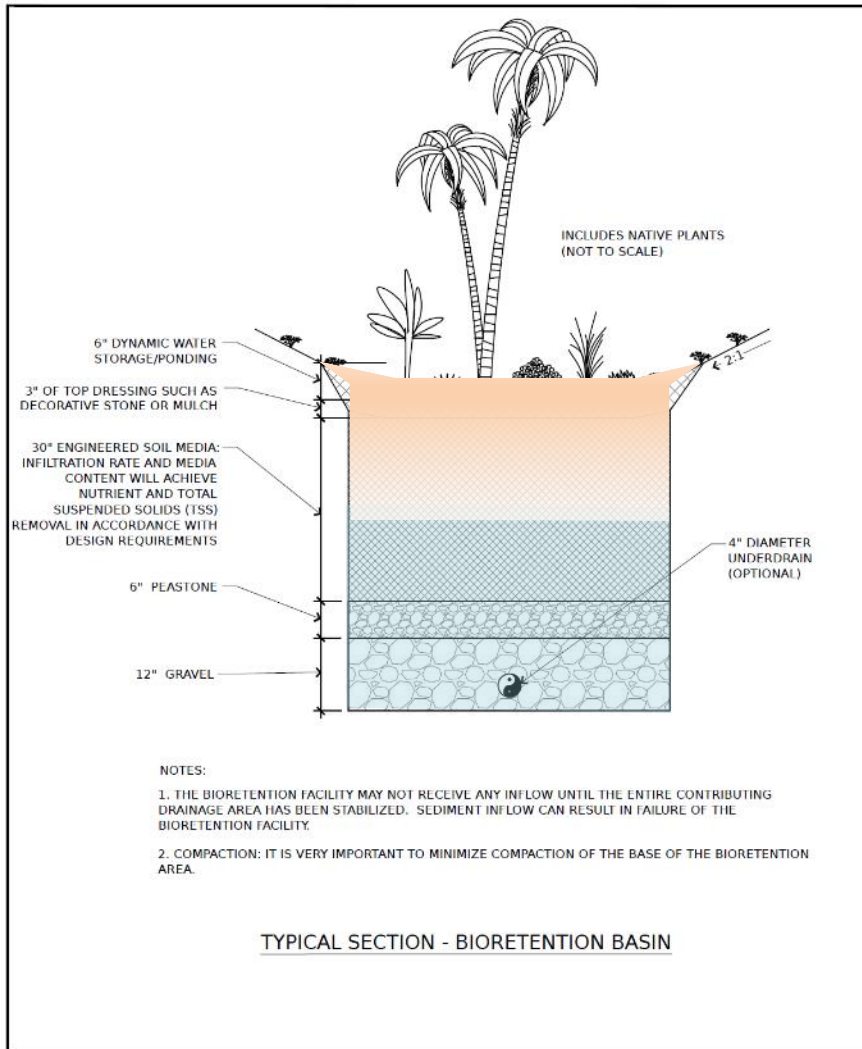
Bioretention & porous materials can **retain + treat**:


- 100% of the 2.5" (50-yr, 1-hr) storm event
- 100% of the 3.0" (100-year, 1-hr) storm event

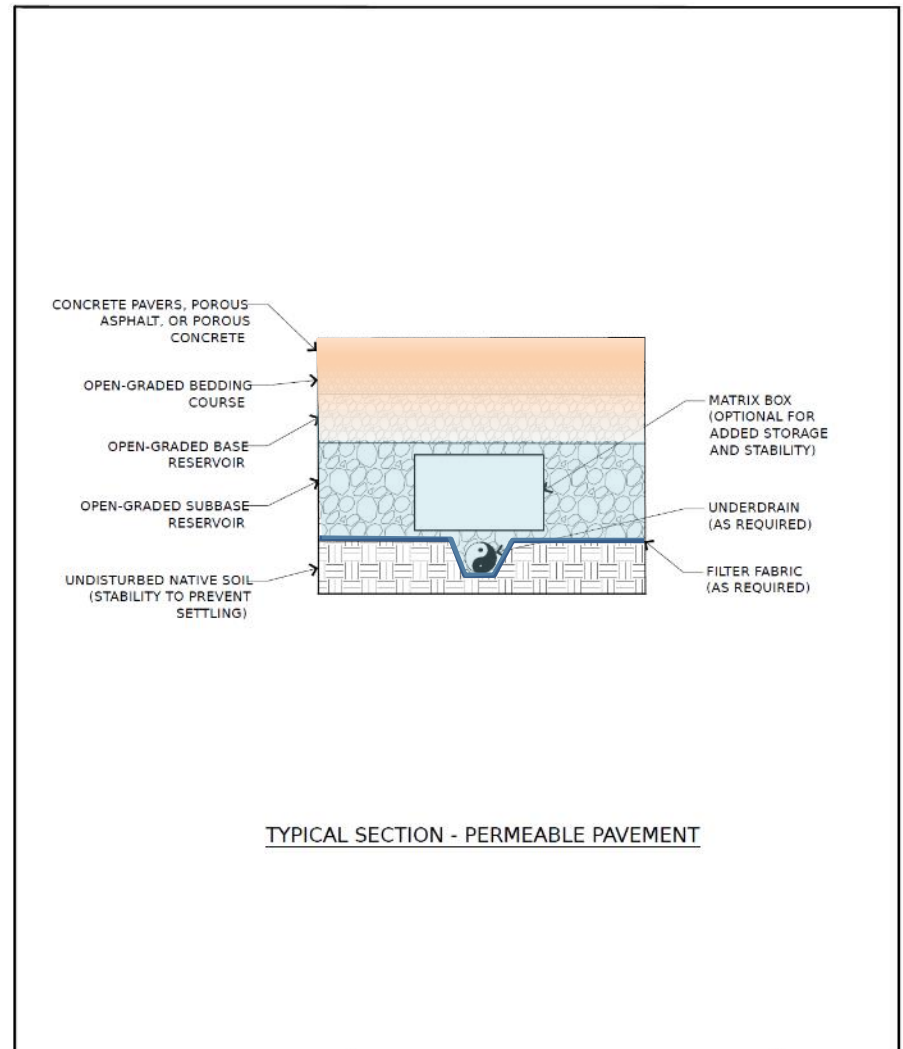





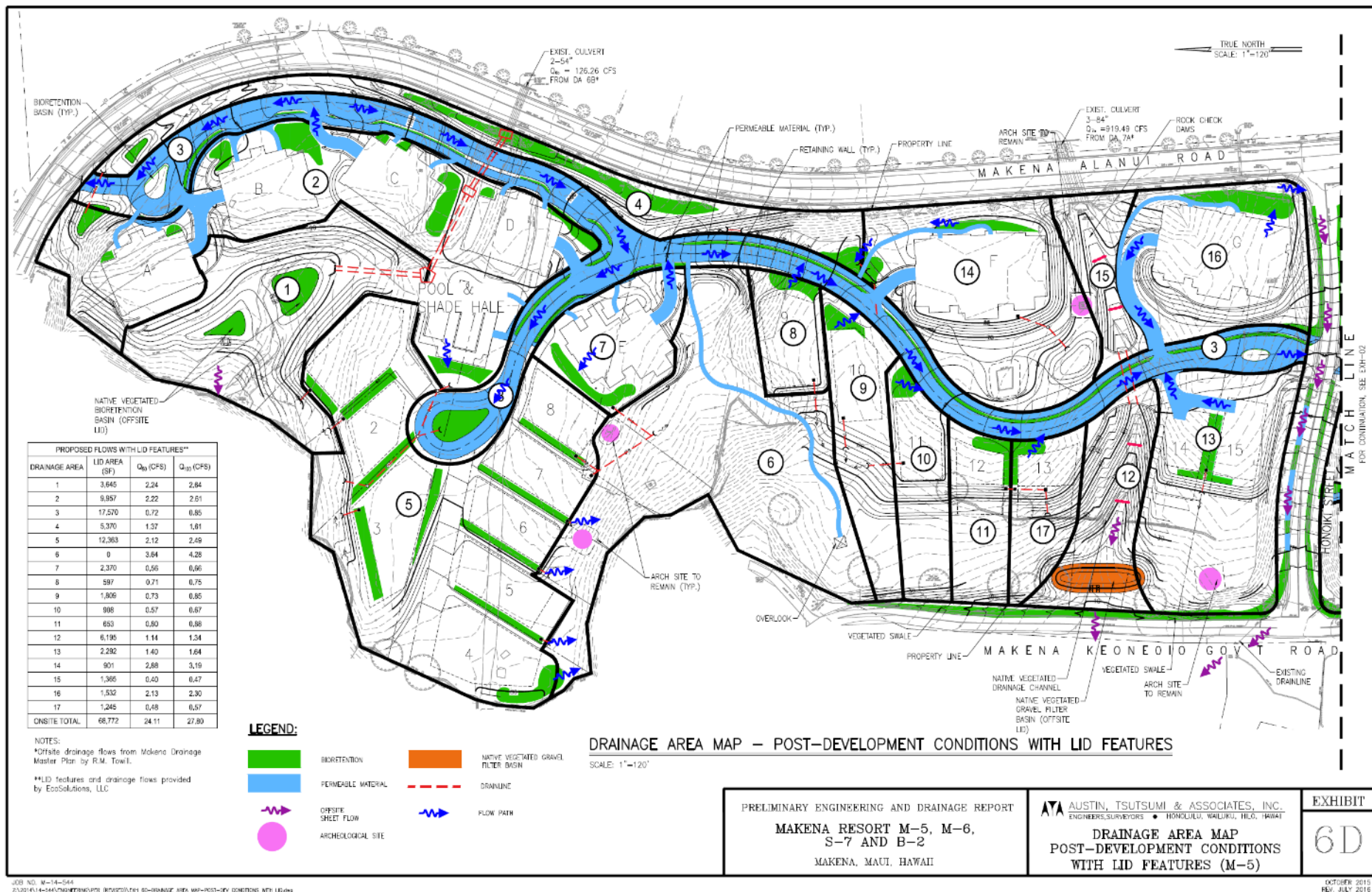
# Bioretention & Porous Materials



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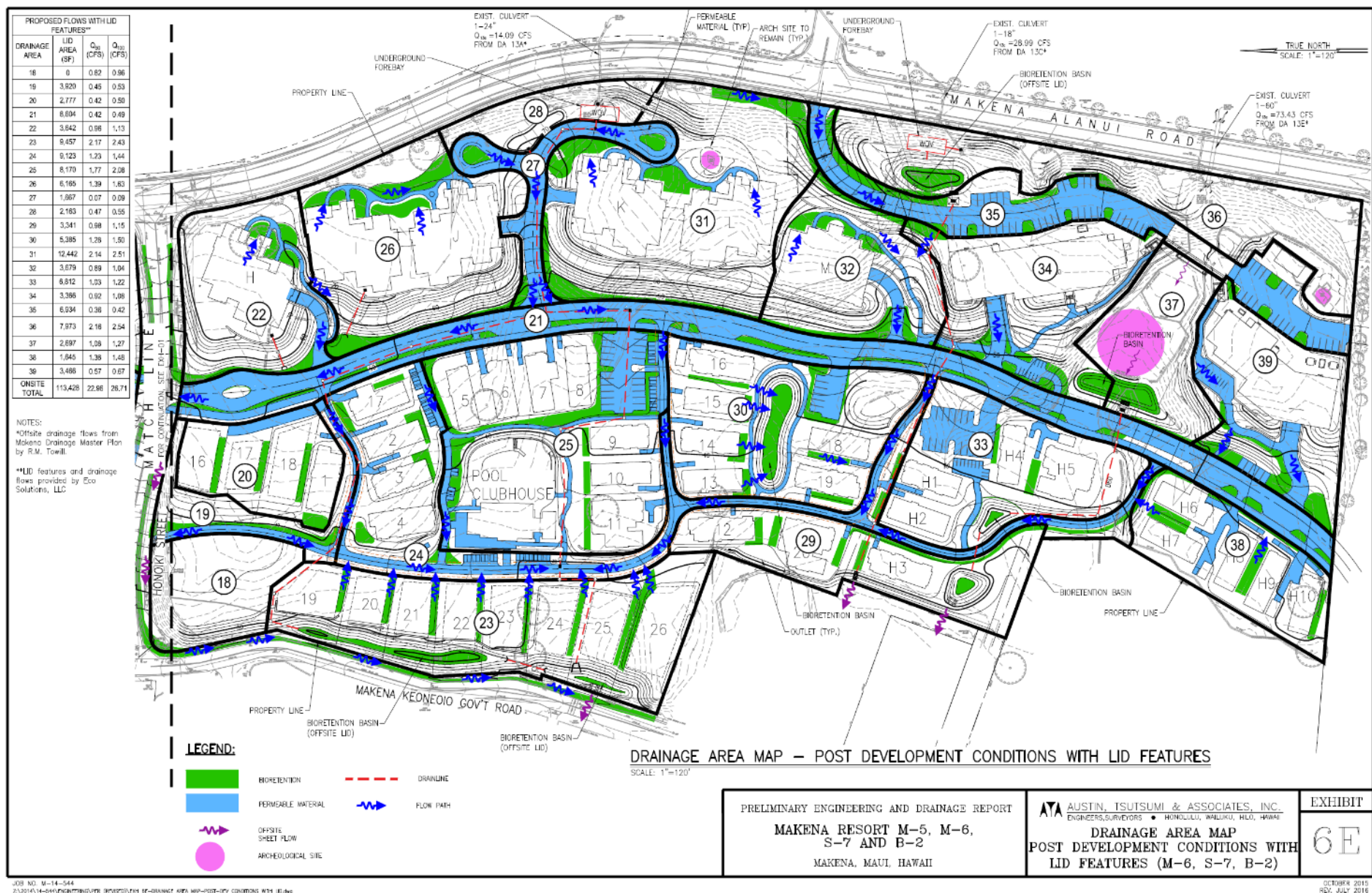


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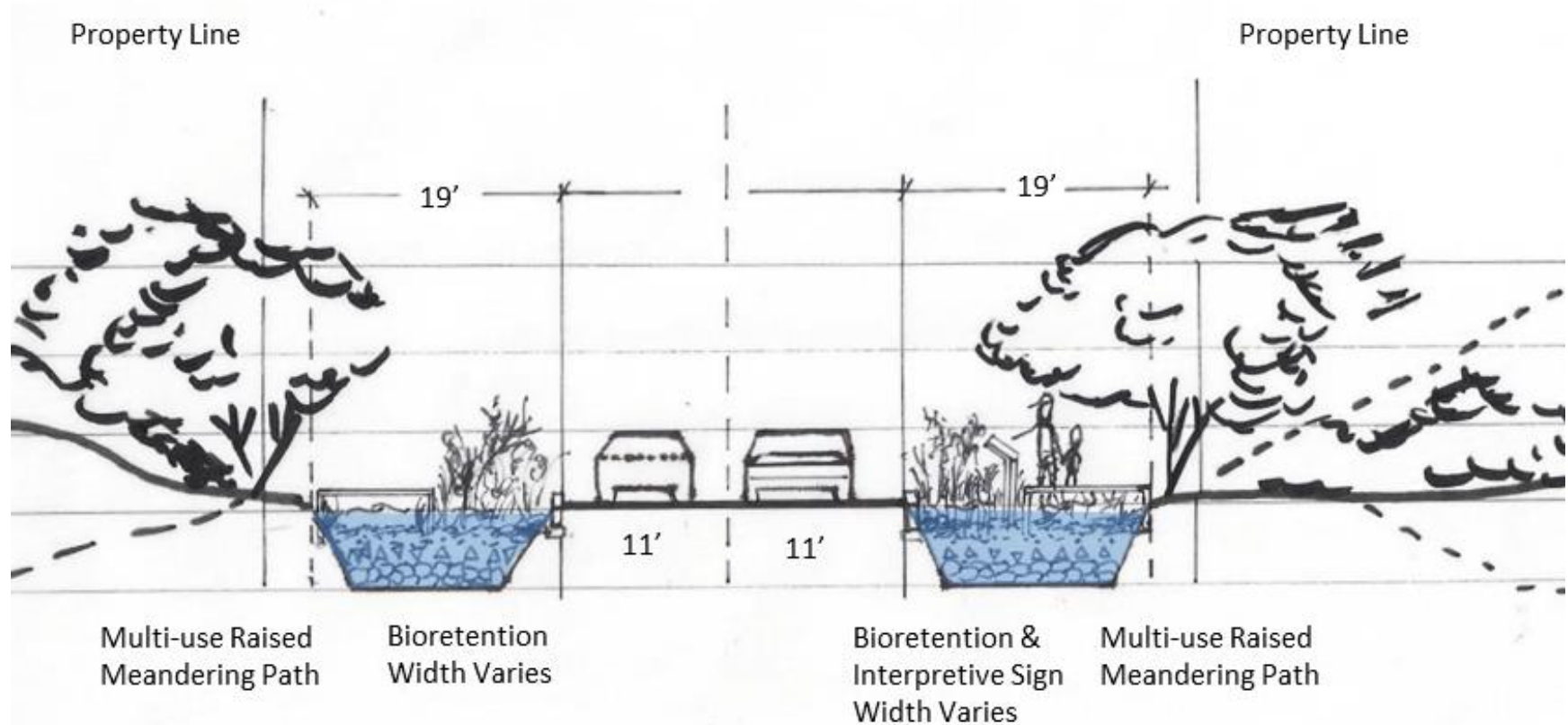
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# Bioretention Green Streets



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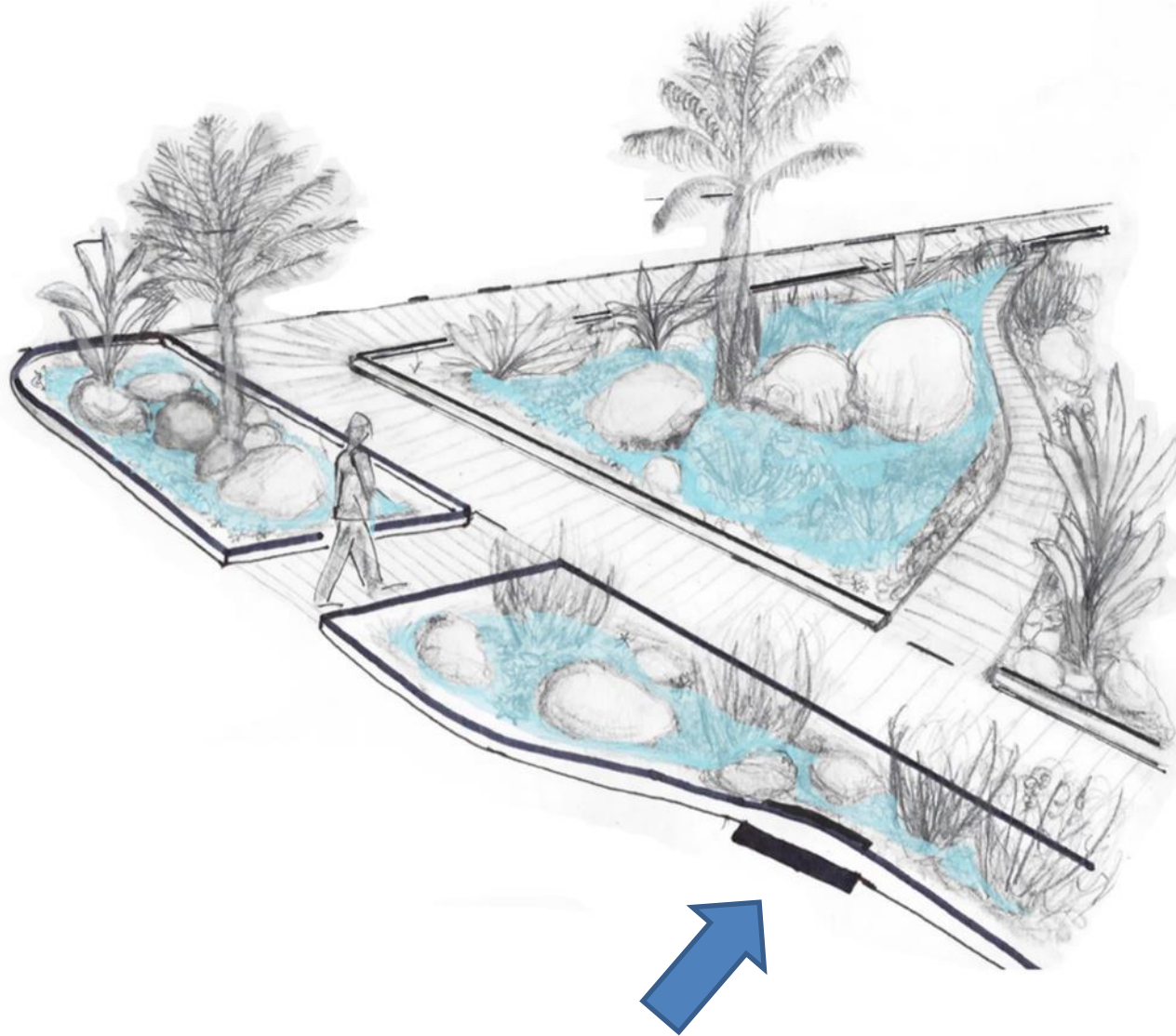
- 22' pavement
- On-street parking
- Drainage in bioretention
- Adequate space for street trees
- Zero "effective" impervious cover



# Bioretention Green Streets



# Green Streets Concepts







Rendering Produced by Jeff Brink



# Decentralized Wastewater Treatment & Greywater Reuse

## Design Strengths:

- Soluble Pollutant Removal
- Provides Habitat
- Increase Biodiversity
- Efficient/Low Cost
- Low Maintenance
- Low Energy Consumption
- Aesthetics (Functional Design)

## Design Challenges:

- Requires Maintenance

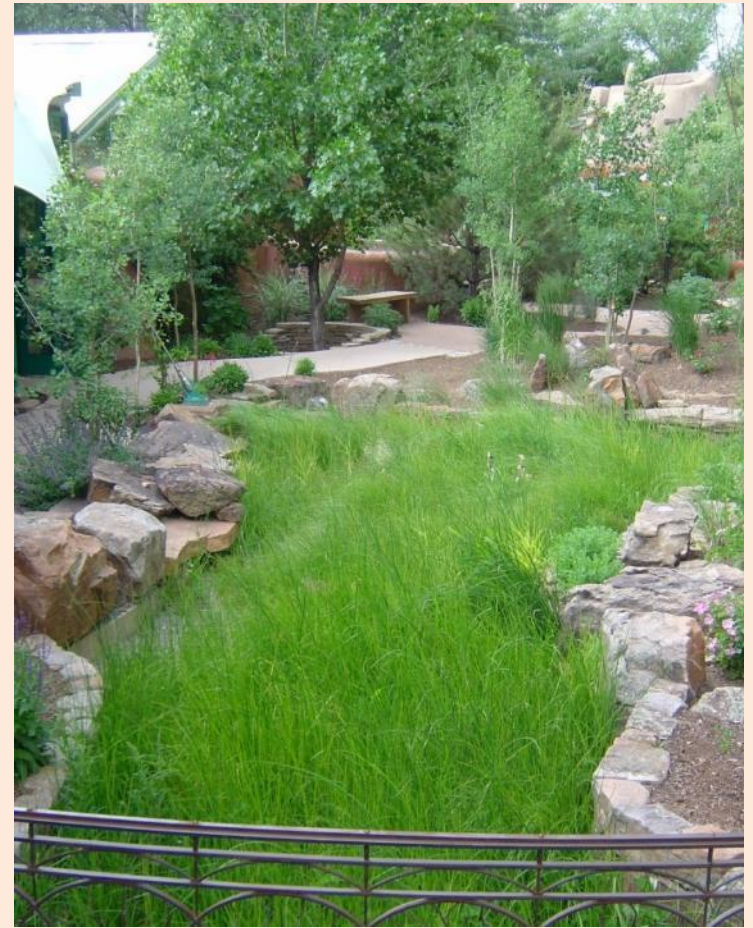
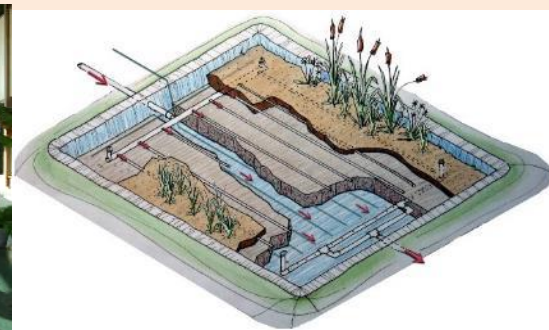
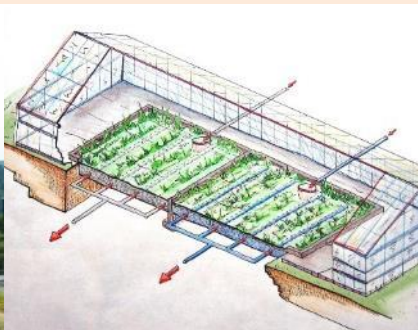
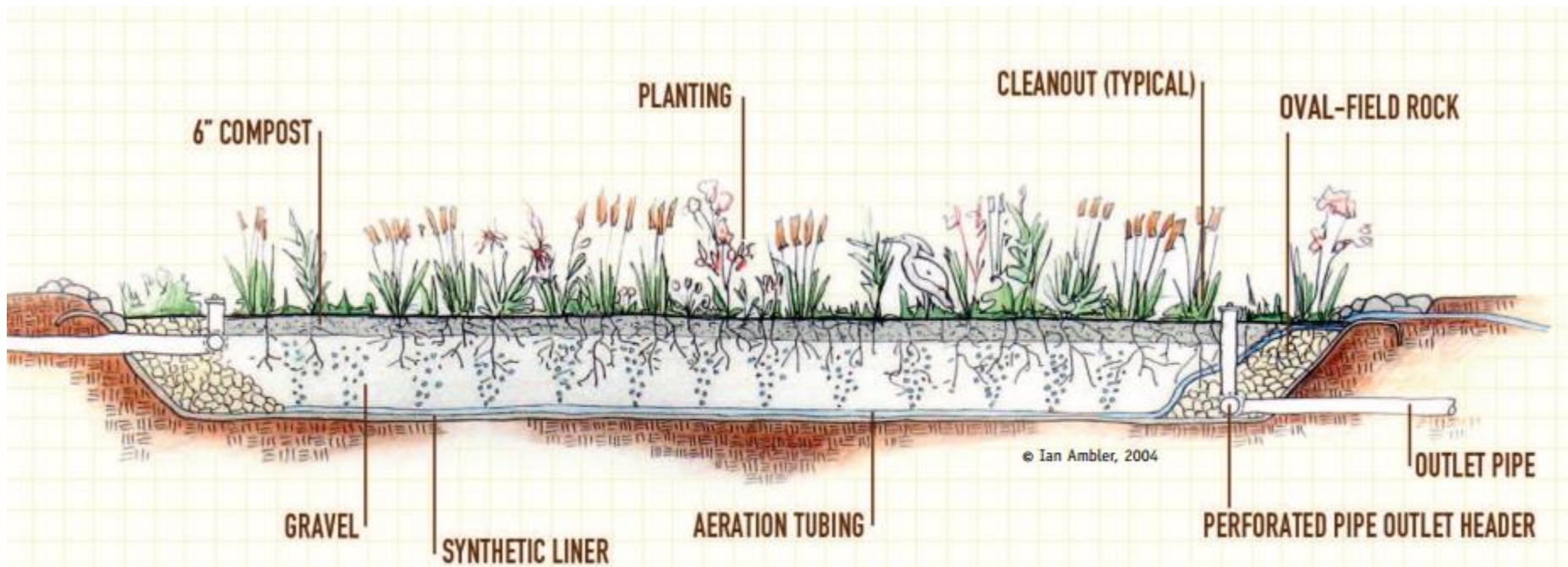


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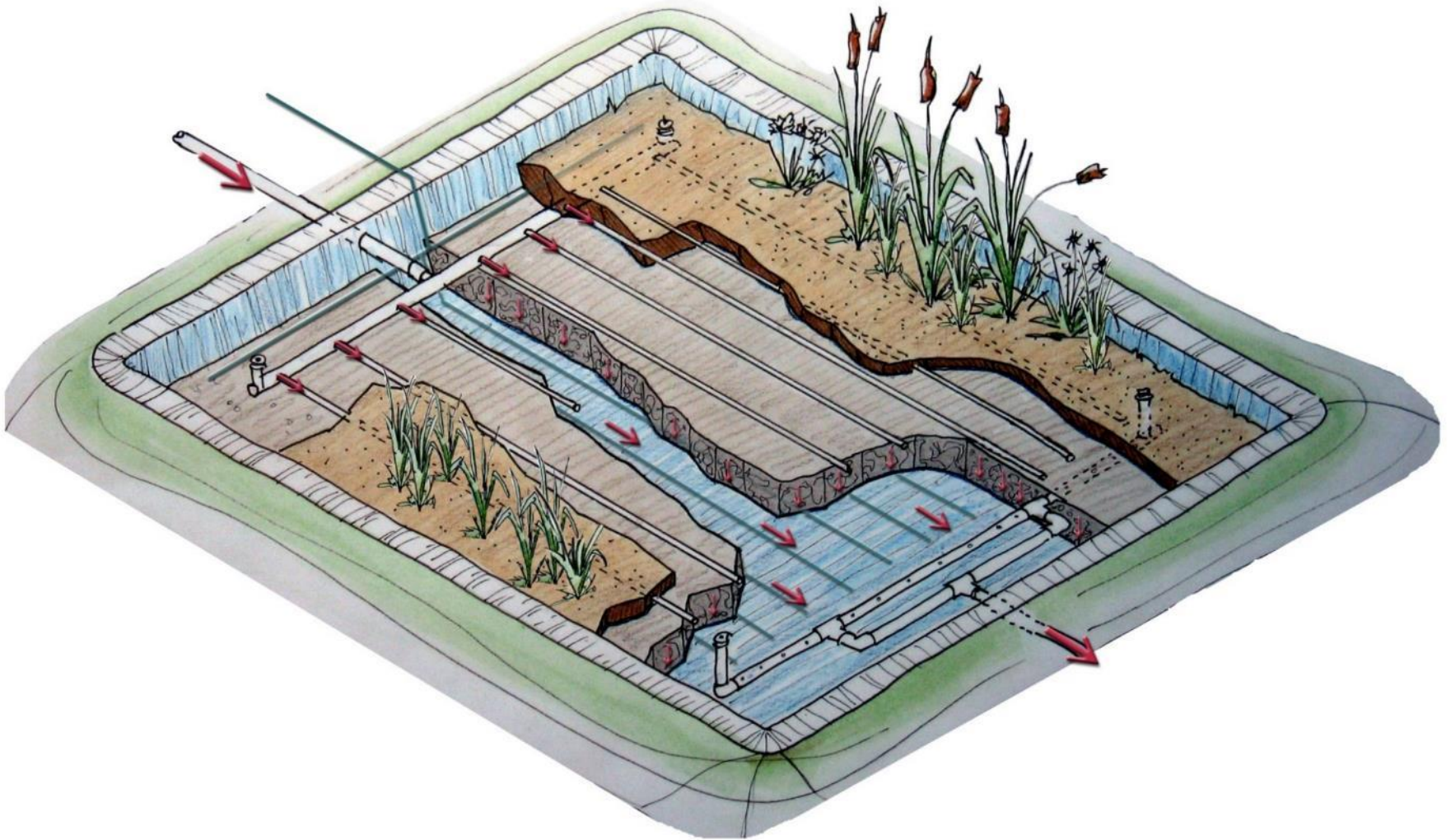


# Aerated Wetland Treatment Systems: Onsite Wastewater Treatment



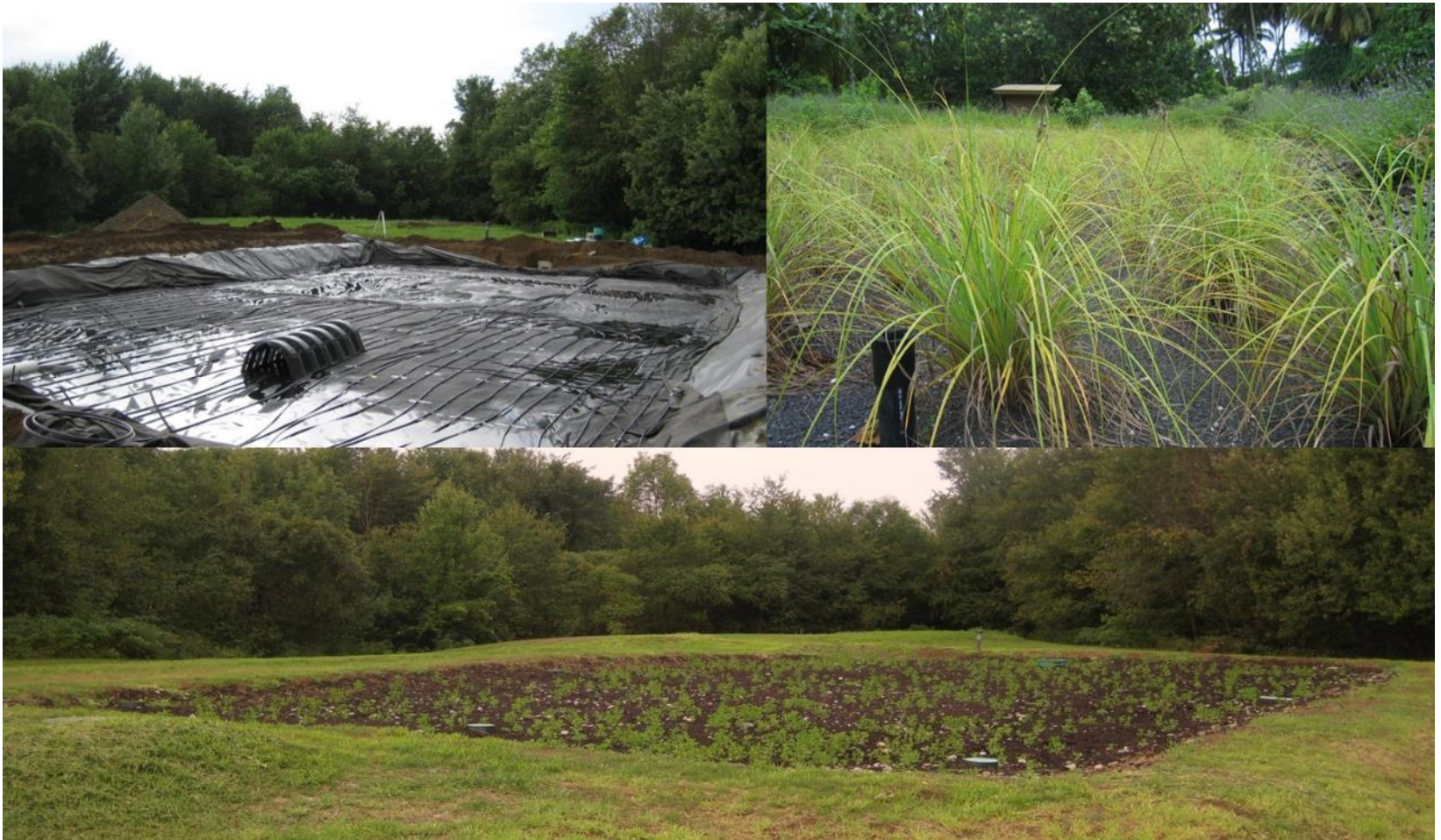
*Figure 1. Schematic diagram of a the Advanced Wetland Treatment System with Forced Bed Aeration.*

# Constructed Wetlands for Wastewater Treatment & Greywater Reuse





# Constructed Wetlands for Wastewater Treatment & Greywater Re-Use





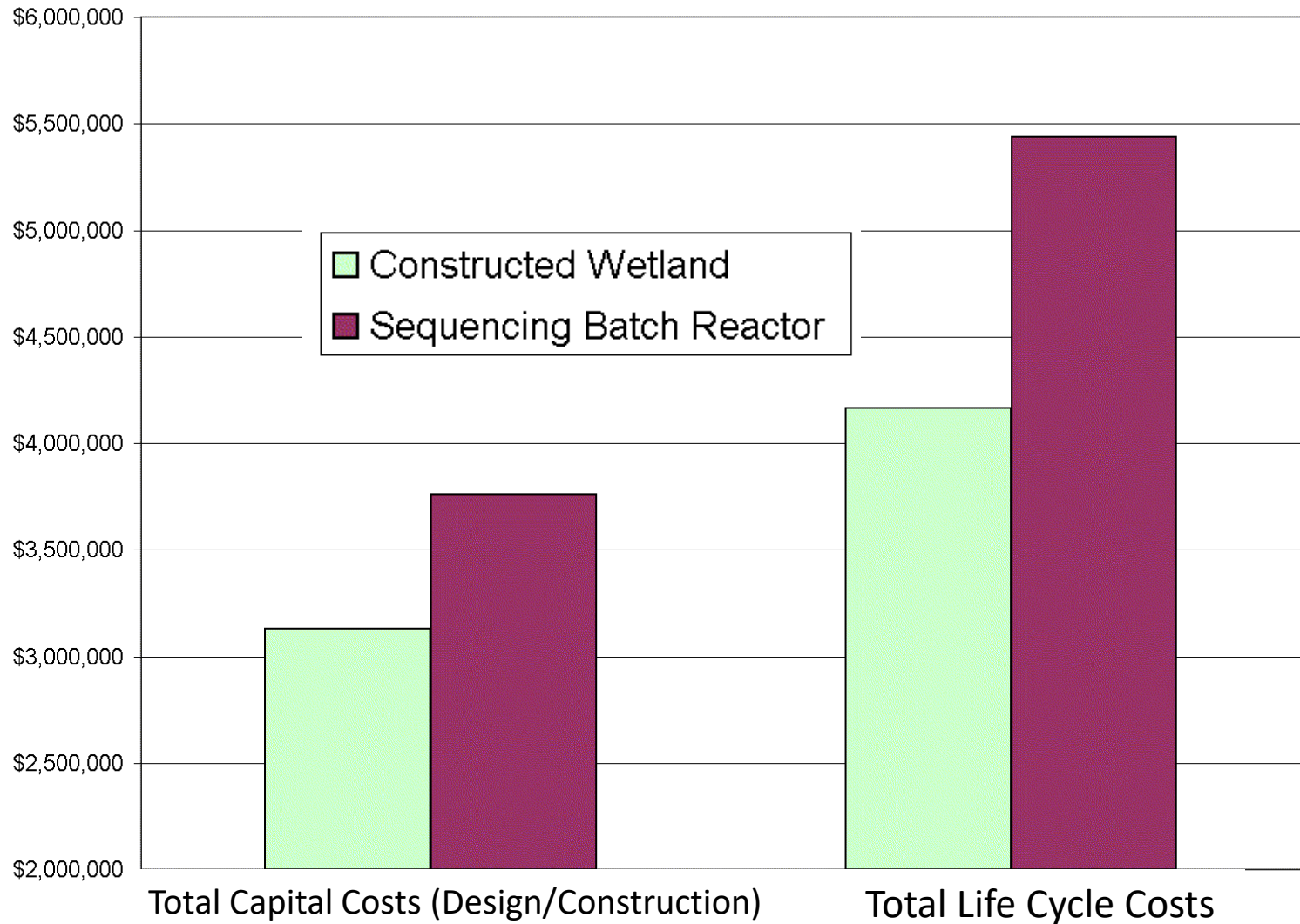








# Wastewater Treatment Cost



Condominium Complex at the Smuggler's Notch Ski Resort, Vermont



# Living Machines / Eco Machines for Wastewater Treatment



A Clarifier Settles Out Solids



Open Aerobic Reactors  
Remove Pollutants  
such as BOD and Nutrients



Closed Anoxic and  
Aerobic Reactors Filter  
Odors

Plants and Micro-organisms Utilize Nutrients and Organic Matter:

BOD	< 10 mg/L
TN	< 10 mg/L
TSS	< 10 mg/L

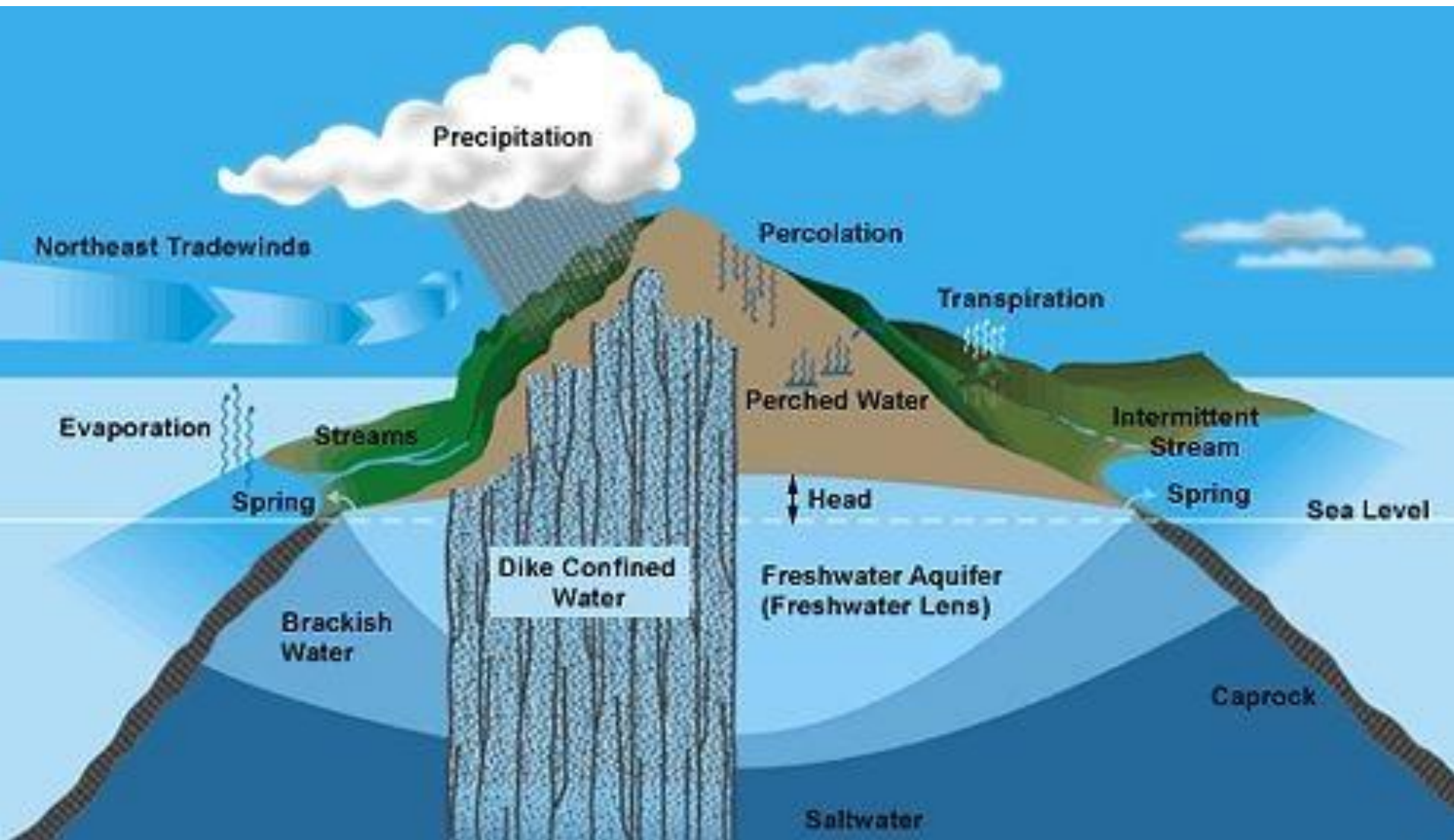




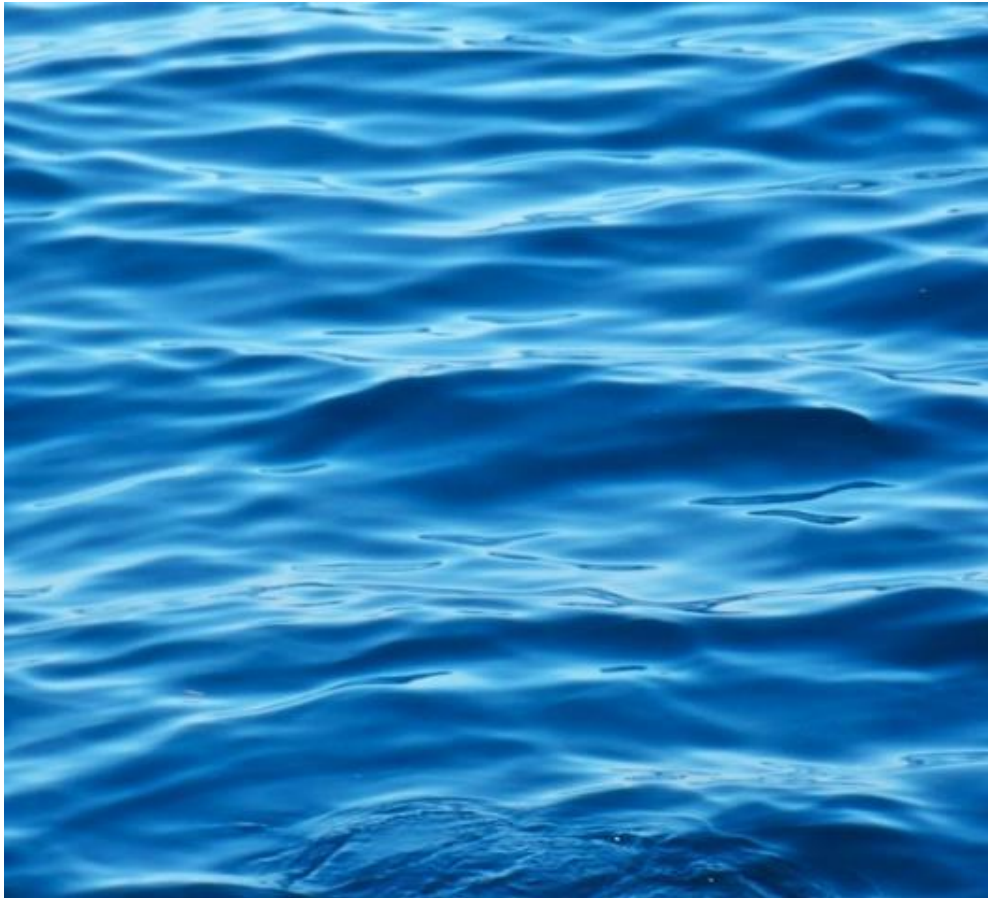
Eco Machine for Wastewater Treatment:  
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# Limited Groundwater Supply in Hawai'i



# Gray Water Reuse



1. Reduce Portable Water Demand for Landscaping
2. Reduces Wastewater Entering Wastewater Treatment
3. Extends Life of Septic Systems
4. Reduces Need for Synthetic Fertilizers
5. Human Health Risk Mitigated by Design
6. Reduces Energy and Costs Needed for WWT



# REUSE GUIDELINES

## Volume II: Recycled Water Projects



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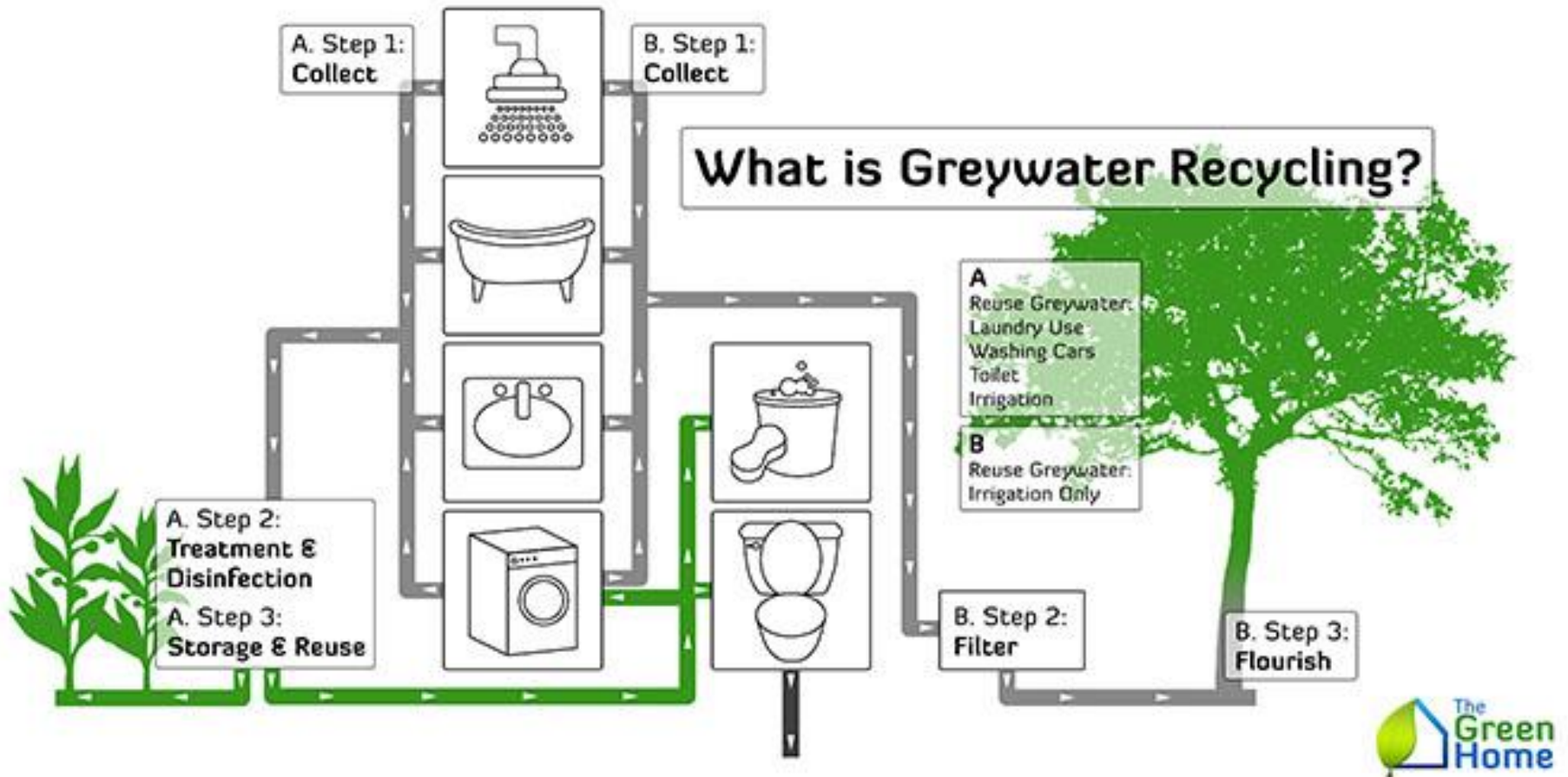


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**Grey water is defined as wastewater discharged from sources such as showers, bathtubs, sinks, and clothes-washing machines.**

# Gray Water Reuse





# Large-Scale Ecological Restoration & Community Access









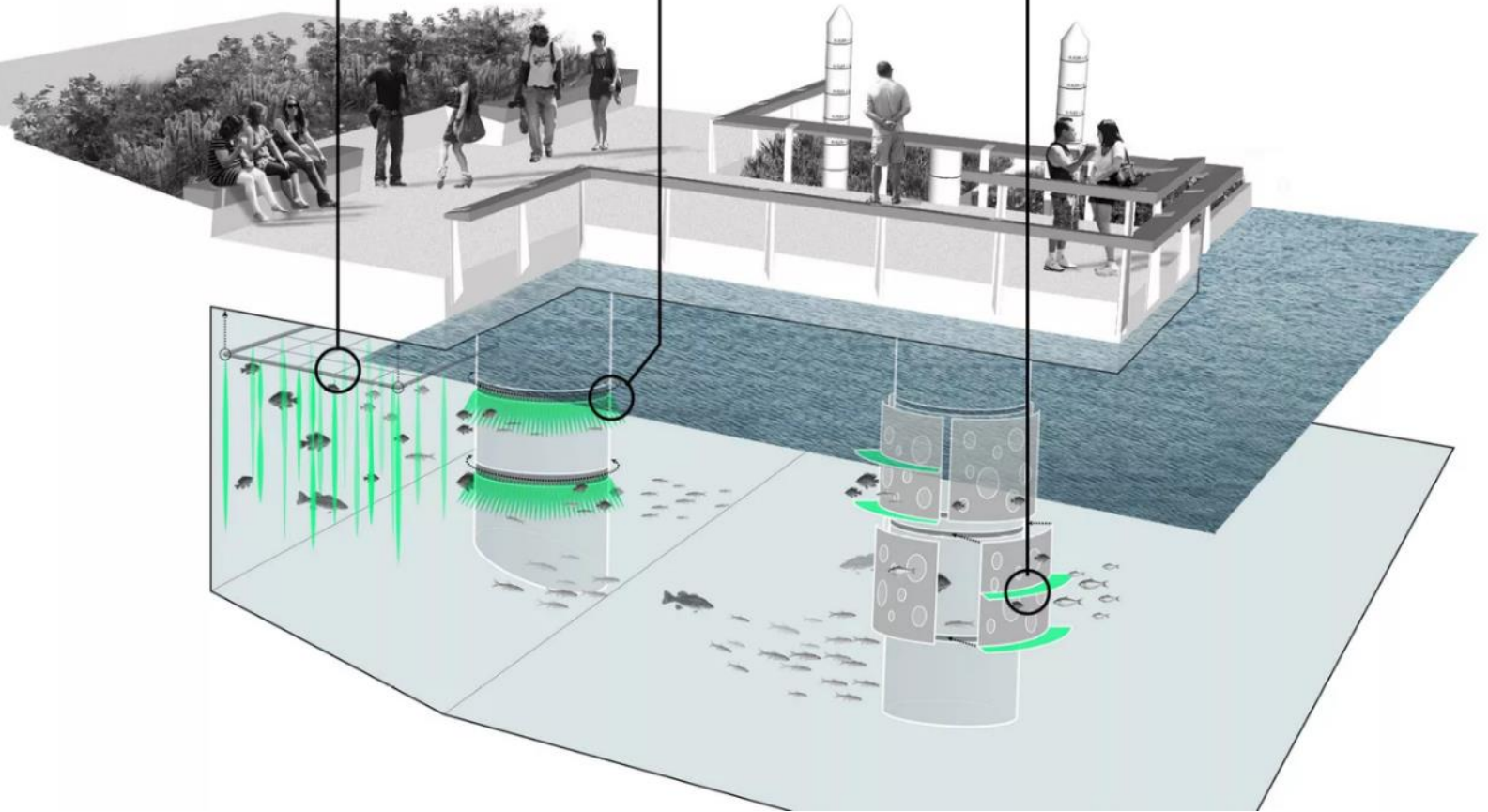
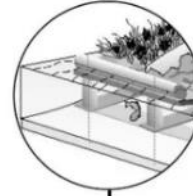
LIMNETIC HABITAT CURTAIN



POLE "HULAS"



CAISSON MOUNTED LUNKERS



# Floating Treatment Wetlands

## Design Strengths:

Nutrient Removal

Provides Habitat

Increase Biodiversity

Moderates Wave Action

Reduces Shore Erosion

## Design Challenges:

Maintenance Logistics



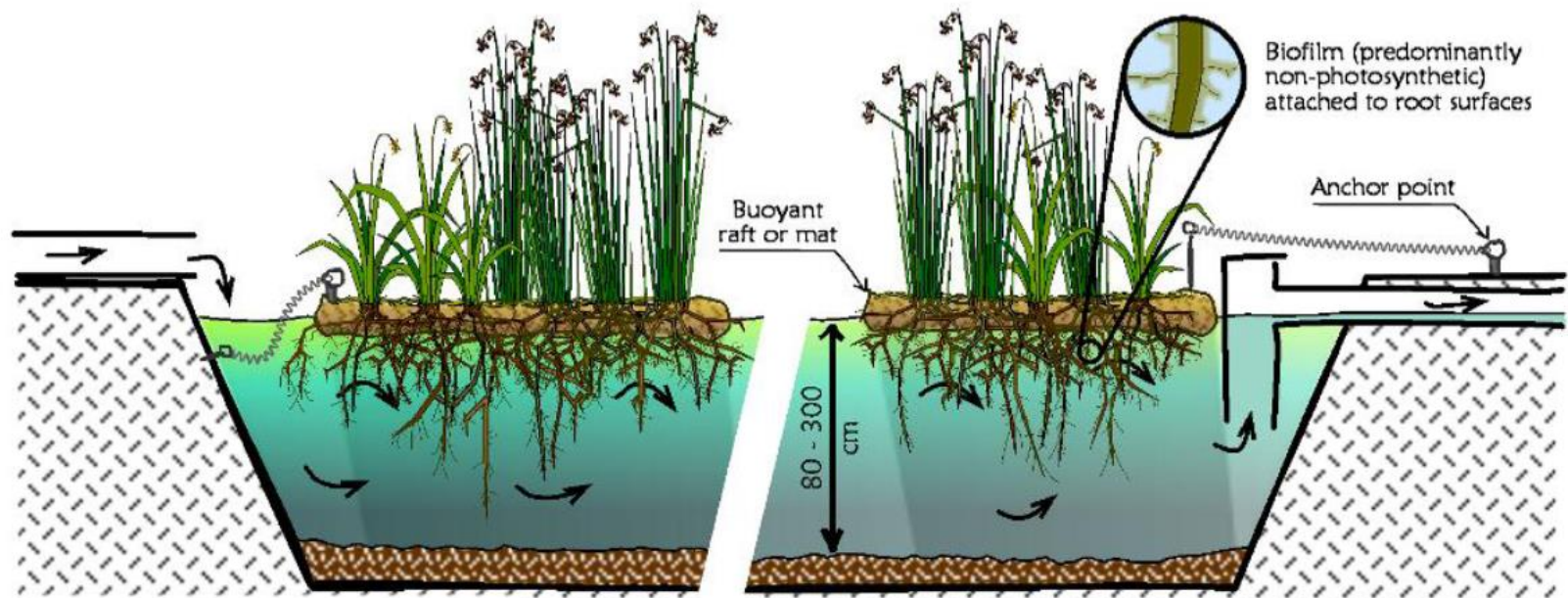
Photo Credit: Floating Islands International





# Floating Treatment Wetlands

- Designed for water quality and habitat restoration
- Use emergent aquatic macrophytes
- Grown hydroponically on floating structure



Source: Headley, T. R., and Tanner, C. C. (2012). "Constructed Wetlands With Floating Emergent Macrophytes: An Innovative Stormwater Treatment Technology." *Critical Reviews in Environmental Science and Technology*, 42(21), 2261–2310.





# Floating Treatment Wetlands Remove Nutrients

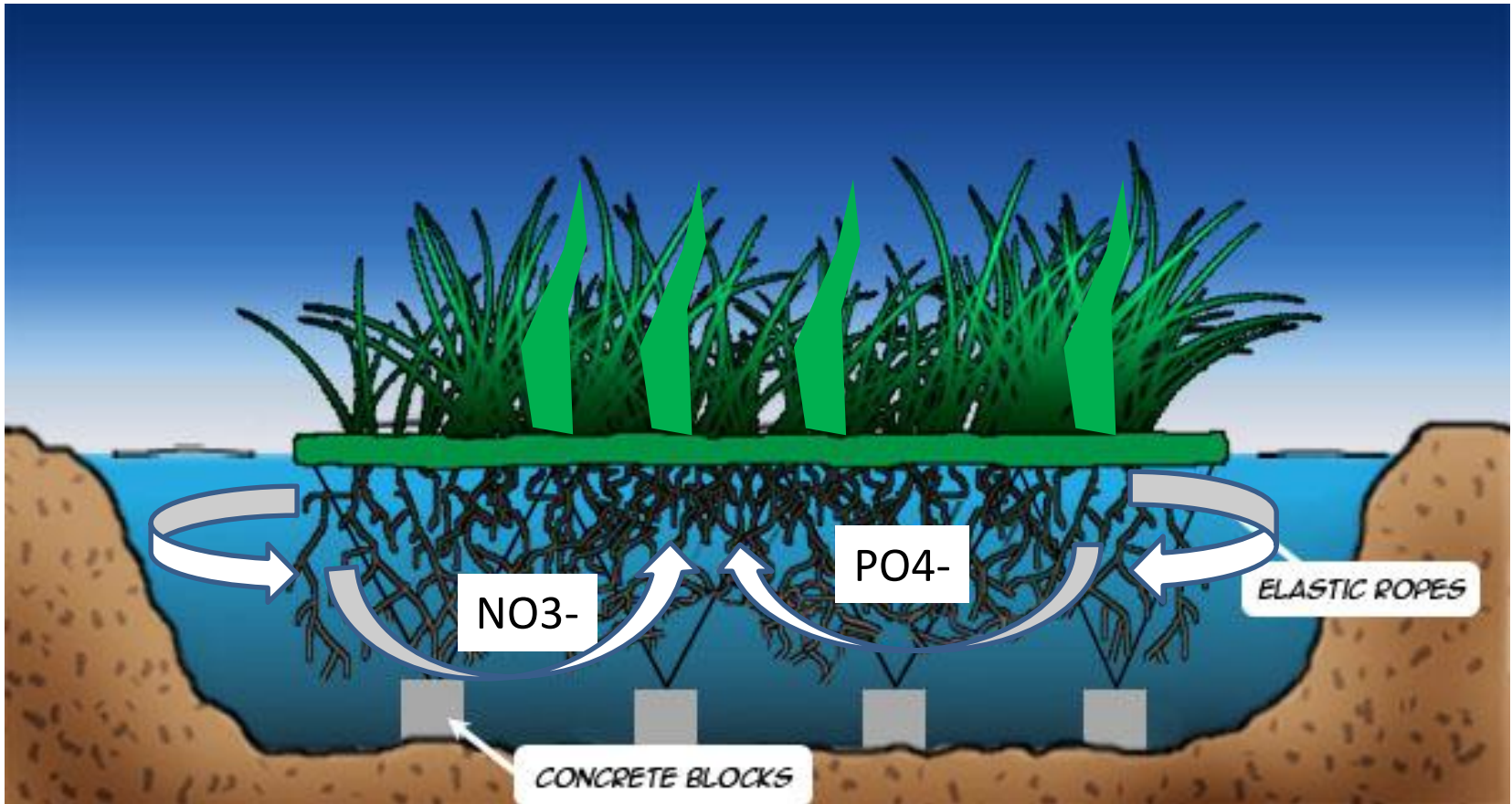
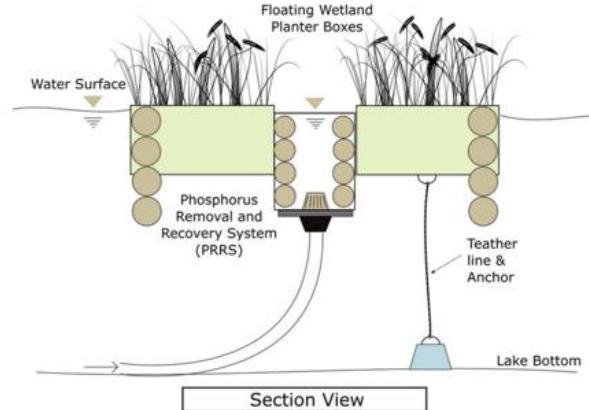
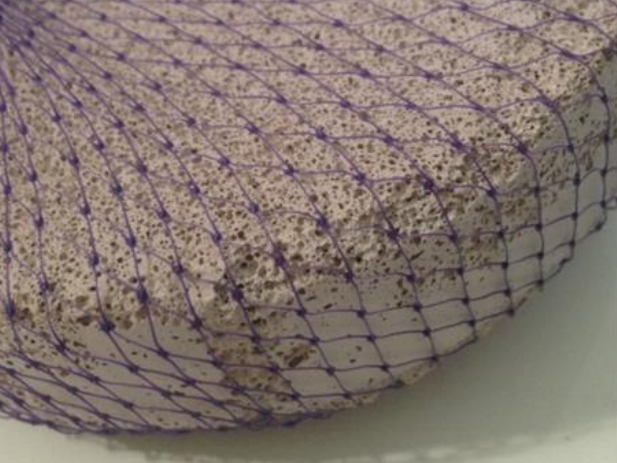


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The City of Burlington  
is partnering with EcoSolutions, LLC, to  
pilot innovative solutions that will help  
restore Lake Champlain.



Vermont Small Business Accelerators, LLC

Lake Champlain

## Restoration Technologies



Lake Champlain is plagued by excess nutrients  
such as nitrogen and phosphorus. These nutrients  
contribute to harmful algal blooms.  
Technologies such as Floating Treatment Wetlands  
equipped with Phosphorus Removal & Recovery  
Systems may provide a sustainable solution.



# Natural Chemical Free Swimming Pools

## Design Strengths:

Decrease Chemical Discharge

Improved Human Health

## Design Challenges:

Requires Maintenance



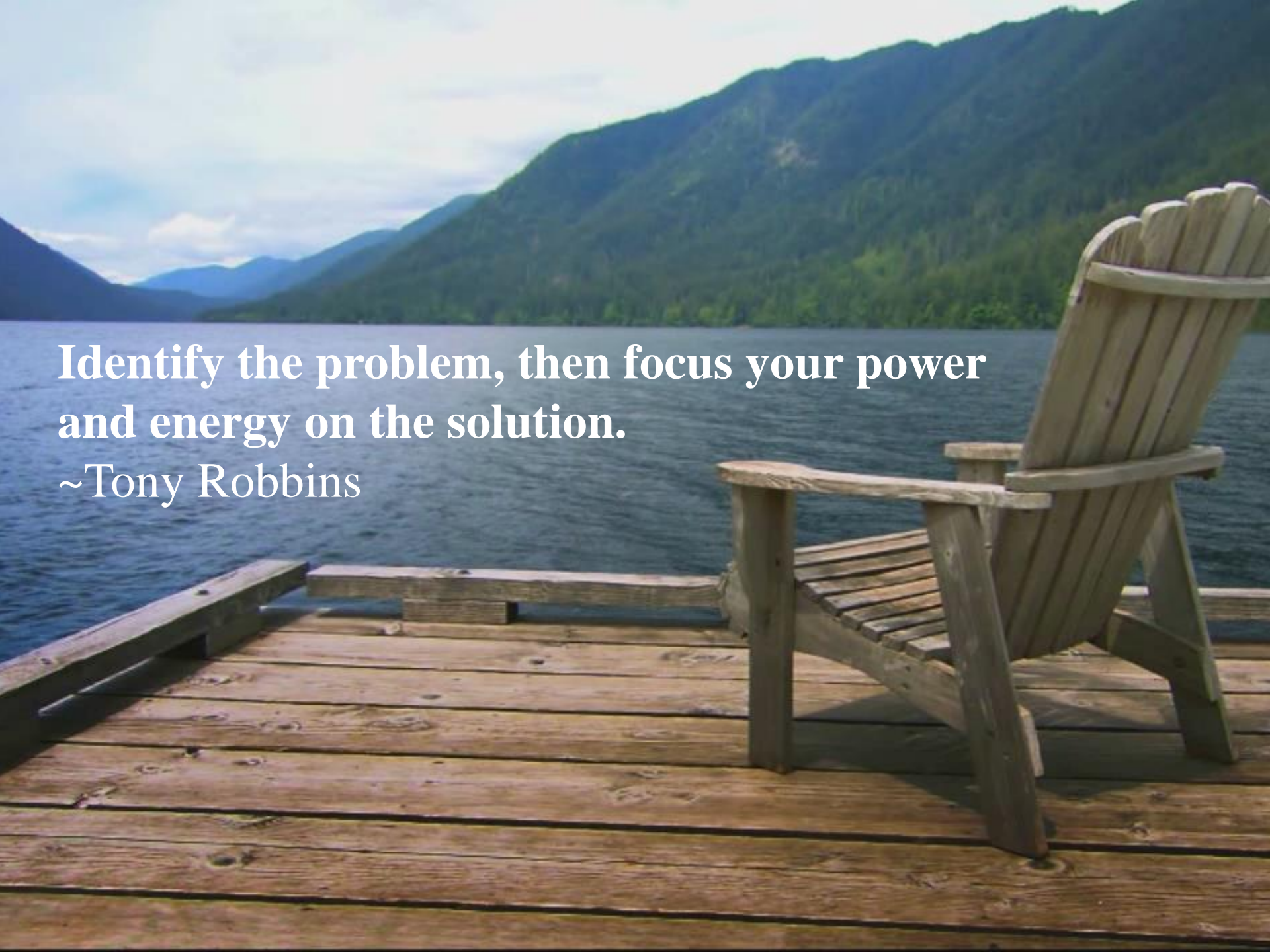










A wooden Adirondack chair sits on a wooden dock, facing a calm lake. In the background, there are lush green mountains under a cloudy sky. The scene is peaceful and scenic.

**Identify the problem, then focus your power  
and energy on the solution.**

**~Tony Robbins**



**Mahalo Nui!**

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