Sustainable Solutions

Learnings from Navigating the Green Infrastructure/Low-Impact Development Landscape

(GI)

(LID)



Who is Greenrise?



- Headquartered in Nashville
 - Acquired Construction EcoServices in 2022
- Offices in TN, TX, NC, SC, LA, AL
- 21 Years of Stormwater Pollution Prevention & Erosion and Sediment Control
- 17 Years of Underground Detention & Stormwater Quality
- 17 Years of Green Roof
- 15 Years of Low Impact Development
- 13 Years of Stormwater Quality Maintenance



Goals of LID (according to Ish)

- Mimic predevelopment hydrology
 - Reduce runoff velocities (peak flow rate)
 - Reduce runoff volume (water quantity)
 - Promote infiltration/groundwater recharge
- Conserve natural features
- Improved aesthetics + community well-being
- Cost-efficiency
- Water Quality!!!



Why LID?

- Increased Lot Yield
- Lower Overall Cost of Development
- Increased Revenue
- No Design/Construction Delays





Camellia by Legend Homes

- Typical Lot Size 50' x 110'
- Located in Fort Bend County, Texas (SW of Houston)
- 80 Acres for Single Family Development
- Amenity on Every Lot (or nearly every lot)



Conventional Land Plan

- Must provide detention developed flows of the 100year storm event
- Due to County Criteria, only minimal detention volume can be provided "above" amenity basin
- Remaining detention volume provided in a separate basin







LID Approach

- 323 lots
- 99% of lots are amenitized by location on green space
- Rain gardens located in the median of residential roadways
- Yes...there are variances required, but they were obtained for this project





Side by Side Comparison

Conventional

LID

• 224 lots

- 323 lots
- 99 more lots = 44% increase

	Conventional	LID	
Total	\$7,770,567	\$6,833,372	Savings
Per Acre	\$97,132	\$85,417	\$11,715
Per Lot	\$34,690	\$21,156	\$13,534





Biggest Takeaway

LID/GI must be intentional and implemented intentionally



Green Infrastructure - Resilience























Biggest Takeaway

LID/GI maintenance is simple, cost-effective, and practical, but extremely necessary



So what's next?







Smart Data Infrastructure for Wet Weather Control and Decision Support

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Office of Wastewater Management August 2018

Batch Detention - TCEQ RG-348

A batch detention basin is an **extended detention basin modified to operate as a batch reactor.** A valve on the first detention basin outlet is used to capture the produced runoff for a fixed amount of time and then release it. As in an extended detention basin, the Technology batch detention basin is primarily used to remove particulate pollutants and to reduce maximum runoff rates associated with development to their pre-development levels. Batch detention basins have **superior water quality** performance than traditional extended detention basins and achieve a total suspended solids **(TSS) removal efficiency of 91%**. (Middleton et al., 2006).

These devices require less area and hydraulic head than sand filters and provide similar TSS removal. The detention basins may be berm-encased areas, excavated basins, or buried tanks, although the latter are not preferred in most situations (below grade configurations will only be acceptable for sites of less than 5 acres).



REMOVAL RATES LAND USE

EXTENDED DETENTION = 75% TSS

SAND FILTER = 89% TSS

ATCH DETENTION = 91% TSS



Real-time optimization (RTO)







Optimized Detention Design

• Traditional outlet control







Thank You!

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