## MUNICIPAL STORM WATER GROUP (SMS4)



#### 2021-22 ANNUAL MEETING

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#### WELCOME!

### Please Sign In!





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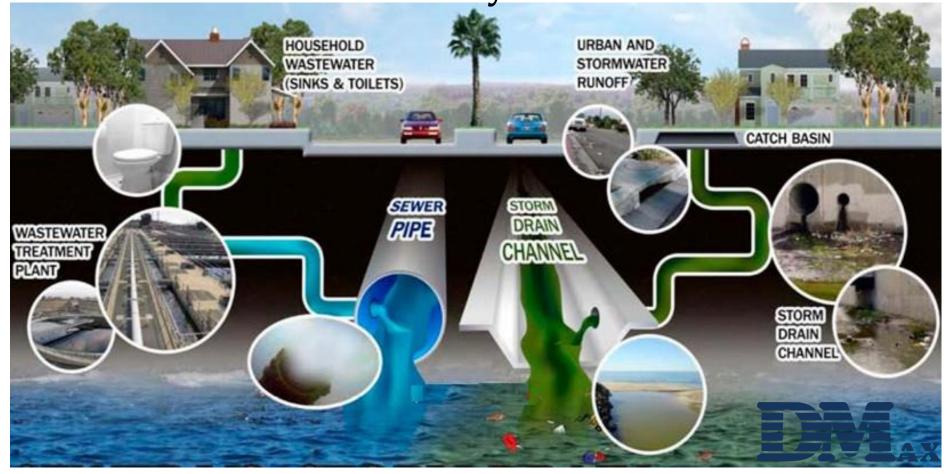


- ☐ StormWater 101
- ☐ Current Events
- ☐ BMP Hghlights
- ☐ Structural BMPs
- ☐ County of San Diego perspective





**Storm Water and Sewer System difference** 



#### Why is this important?

- Stormwater collects pollutants in its path and deposits them in local waterways
- Sewage treatment plant removes pollutants prior to discharge offshore
- Rain entering sewer drains can cause sewage overflows
  - This is why only very small outdoor areas are permitted to connect to sewer



#### Result: pollutants reaching waterways







#### Waterways have specific beneficial uses, like:

- Contact or Non-contact Recreation
   Spawning
- Municipal, Agricultural, Industrial Navigation Supply
- Habitat (Marine, estuarine,
   Commercial and Sport Fishing endangered species, wildlife, etc.) • Aquaculture, Shellfish Harvesting
- Migration

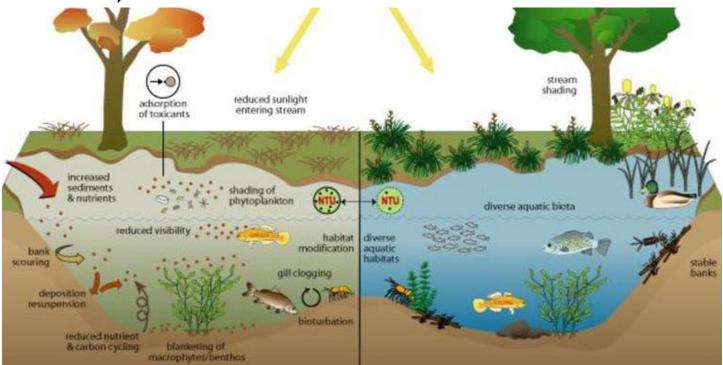
- Hydropower

Water quality standards are developed to support those beneficial uses



#### Pollutant levels affect beneficial uses

 Dirt: clogs storm drains, clouds water leading to aquatic plant and animal death, and loss of habitat

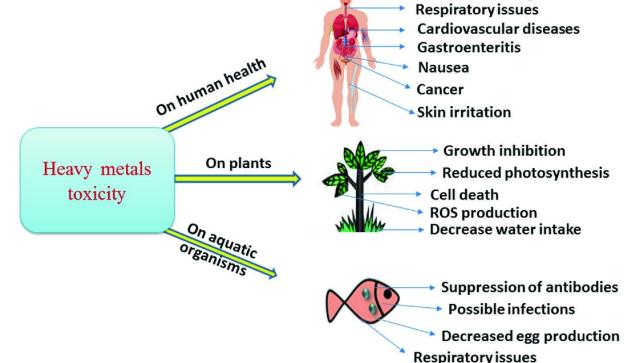




Headache & Fatigue

#### Pollutant levels affect beneficial uses

Heavy metals: Toxic





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• Leaves/grass: decomposition reduces oxygen







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• Oils, soaps: coats gills, kills aquatic life





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• Bacteria: makes people and animals sick







#### Pollutant levels affect beneficial uses

Trash: all of the above!





Goal: Reduce pollutant exposure and transport to mitigate the impacts of human activity on waterbodies

And so we have... Storm Water Permits!



# CUBBENT EVENTS

How do these permits support waterbody beneficial uses?

- Minimum BMPs
- Regular audits & monitoring
- Discharge prohibitions
- Pollutant limits
- Trash control
- Watershed-wide collaboration



### CURRENT EVENTS



#### **DESIGNATION**

- Phase II Municipal Permit designation likely
- No draft language yet, expected spring 2022
- Discussions ongoing





### CURRENT EVENTS

### DRAFT CONSTRUCTION GENERAL PERMIT (CGP)

- 1 acre + disturbance
- Coming soon! Be on the lookout.
- Draft language provided, comments submitted
  - Increased inspections
  - More work by QSD, QSP
  - Demolition requirements for older buildings
  - Preserving topsoil

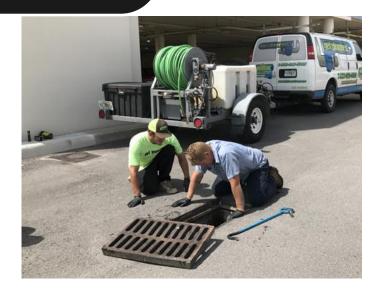




### BMP HIGHLIGHTS

# Contractors Volunteers

- Include contract language
- Discuss plans
- Require drain protection & recollection





### BMP HIGHIGHTS

## Uncontained Wash Water

- Identify when/where this happens.
- Establish Wash Collect Dispose protocol.
- Train staff and provide resources.













### BMP HIGHIGHTS



Set routine purge events

 Provide convenient disposal/storage options

Stockpiling



Dumpsters

- Know how the dumpster will be covered before it arrives.
- Establish routine to ensure covers are replaced.



### BMP HIGHIGHTS

## Special Programs

- Involve instructors
- Monitor and retrain
- Provide convenient solutions.





# BMP HIGHIGHTS

### Dry Weather Row Checks

- Routinely check for connections to the MS4 (leaks, misdirection)
- Establish protocol for fixes





- Identify goals
- Identify upstream issues
  - Sediment sources
  - Row concentration
- Prepare for future maintenance needs
  - Funding
  - Personnel
  - Machinery







- Vegetated BMPs
  - BMPs that use vegetation as a primary treatment mechanism or vegetation serves a critical function
- Non-Vegetated BMPs
  - BMPs that do not require vegetation as part of treatment
- Filtration Systems
  - BMPs that employ a specific filtration mechanism



#### Function of Inspections

- Confirm will receive runoff
- Identify any egregious design issues
- Confirm will properly treat runoff

#### General Maintenance Threshold

- ☐ Accessible for inspection
- ☐ Free of damage
- ☐ Free of signification trash and debris accumulation
- ☐ Free of other visual pollutants
- ☐ Free of unpleasant odors

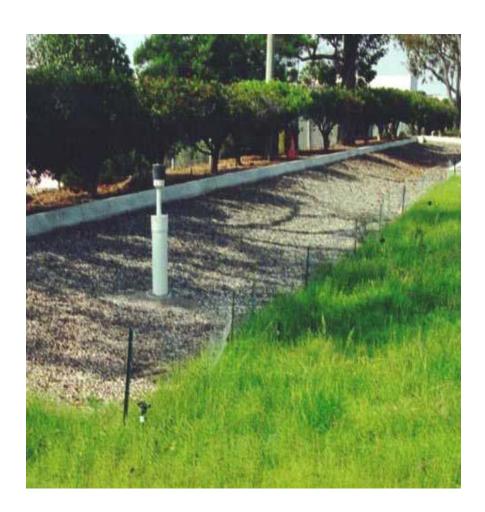
- ☐ Free of standing water
- ☐ Inlets/outlets free of obstruction
- ☐ Filter media in working condition
- ☐ Free of other deficiencies



#### General Maintenance Threshold

#### **Vegetated**

- ☐ Irrigation system working properly
- ☐ Free of erosion/scouring
- Well vegetated
- ☐ Free of excessive vegetation
- ☐ Rip-rap in adequate condition

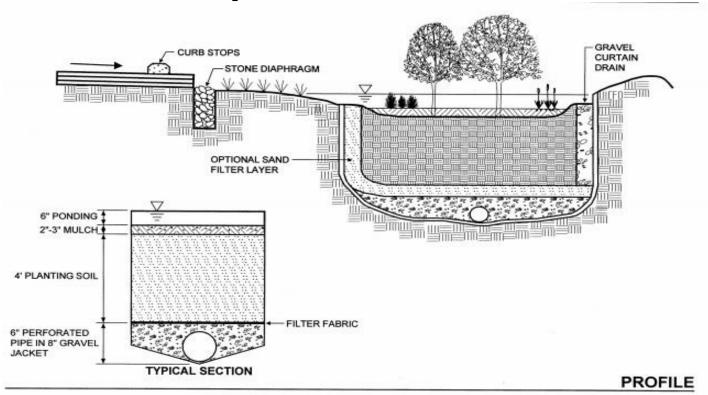




Vegetated BMPs



#### **Example: Bioretention**









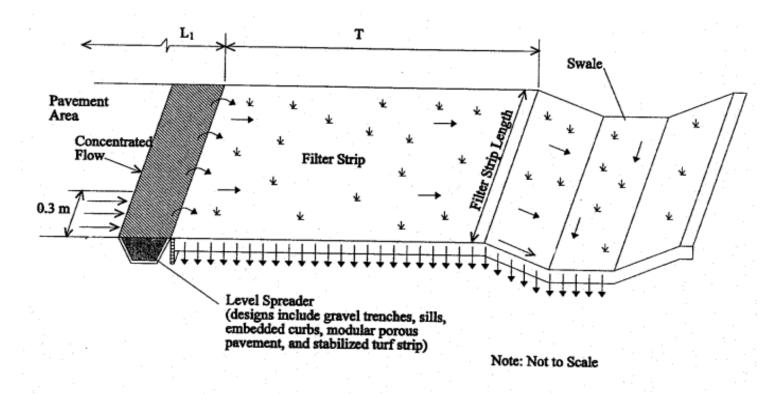




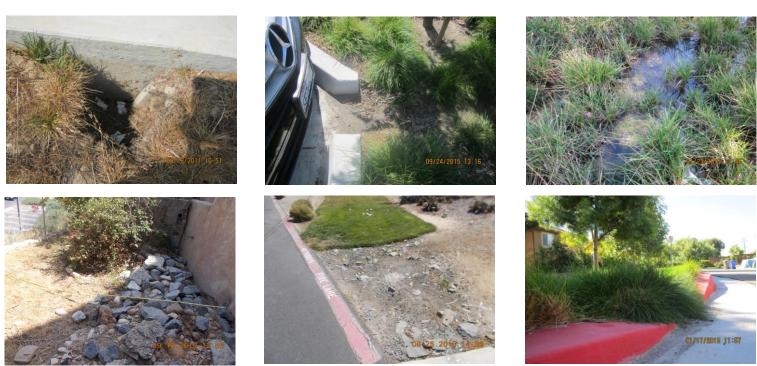




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Example: Swale



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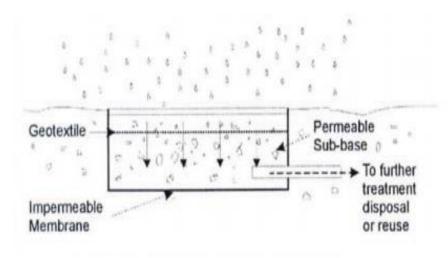


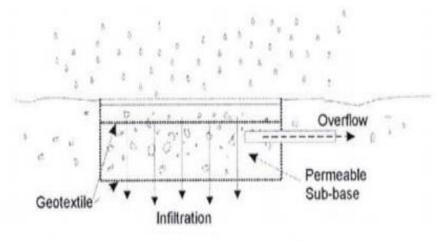




#### Non Vegetated BMPs

#### Example: Pervious Pavement





(a) Pervious pavement used for attenuation

(b) Pervious pavement used for infiltration



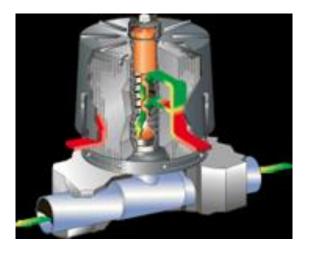






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#### Filtration Systems





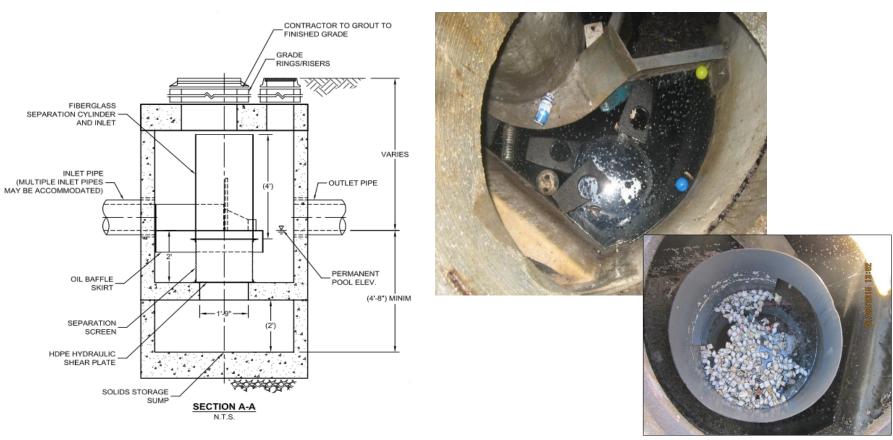




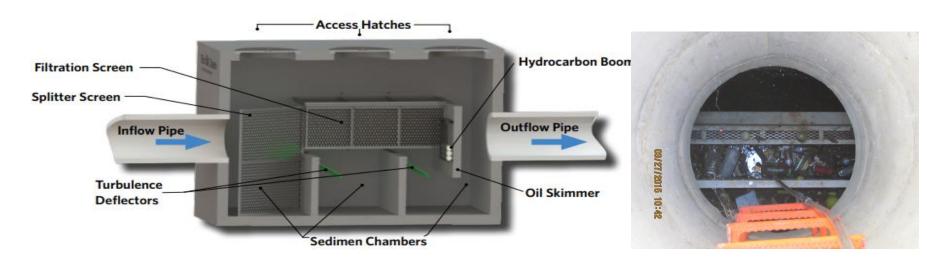




Example: Drainage Insert



Example: Hydrodynamic Separator



- Splitter Screen Directs flows to the filtration screens and provides additional screen flow capacity. Non-clogging for continuous maintenance-free treatment.
- Filtration Screen Collects and stores trash, debris, organics, and oxygen demanding substances above standing water in a dry state.
- Turbulence Deflectors Prevent resuspension of captured pollutants.

- Sediment Chambers Maximizes TSS removal and eliminates scouring during extreme flow rates.
- Skimmer and Boom Collects hydrocarbons and controls flow velocity which improves removal efficiency.

#### Example: Baffle Box

#### Take-home Message

- Work closely with construction teams
  - Ensure proper installation
  - Ensure condition maintained until completion
  - Ensure function of the device is understood
  - Ensure inspection and maintenance frequency and indicators clearly understood and transferred to facilities/grounds crew, entered into regular schedules/work order systems





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