

# FORT STEVENS STORMWATER RETROFIT PROJECT

## PUBLIC STAKEHOLDER CONSTRUCTION KICKOFF MEETING

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# AGENDA

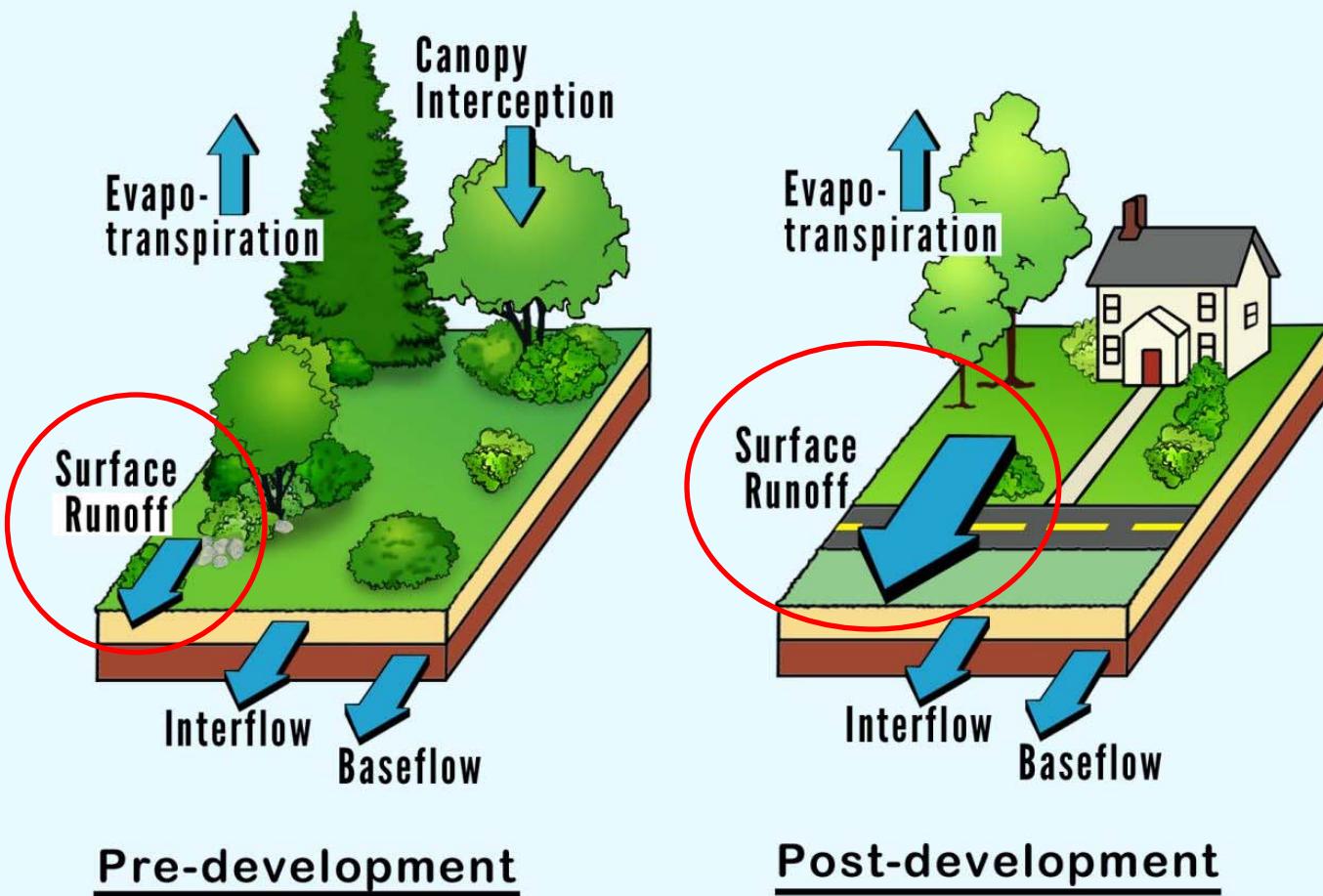
- Project Area & Background
- Existing Conditions
- Project Objectives
- Restoration Approaches
- Construction Details
- Timeline
- FAQs
- Q&A

# PROJECT LOCATION



# BACKGROUND

**Figure 1.1 Water Balance at a Developed and Underdeveloped Site**  
(Source: Schueler, 1987)



Surface runoff is minimal in an undeveloped site, but dominates the water balance at a highly impervious site.

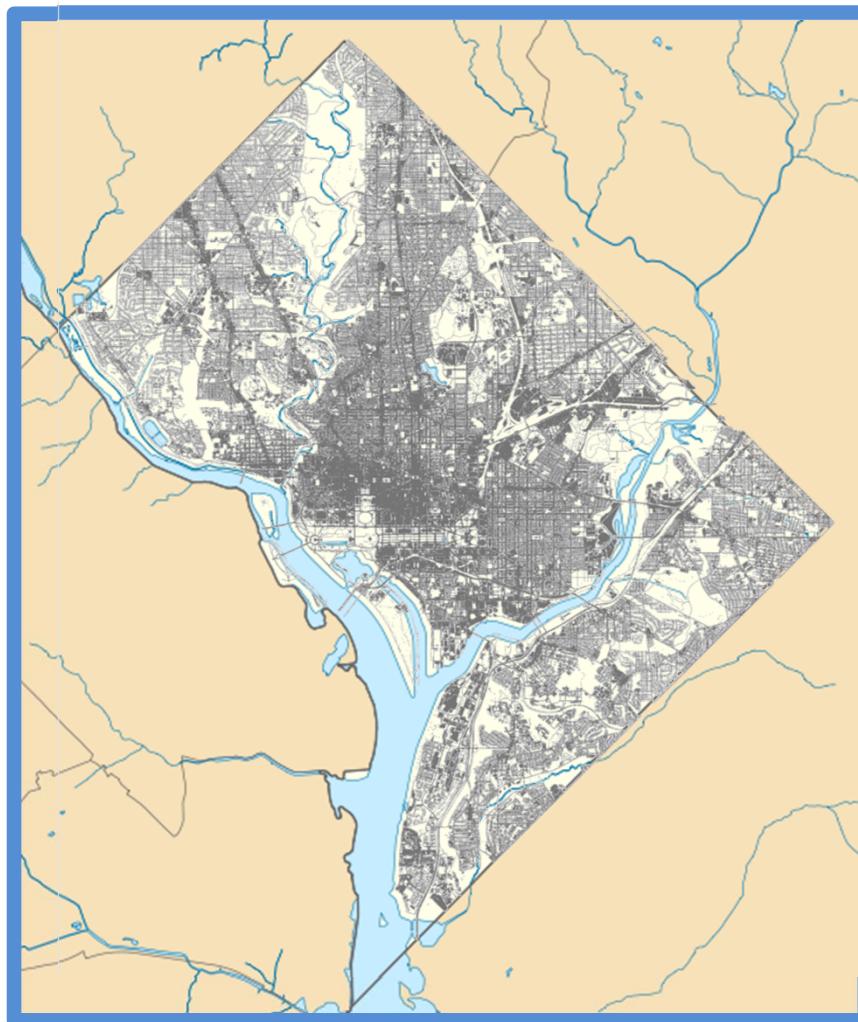
# PROBLEM OF STORMWATER POLLUTION

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# DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA LAND USE

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Total Area  
68.3 mi<sup>2</sup>

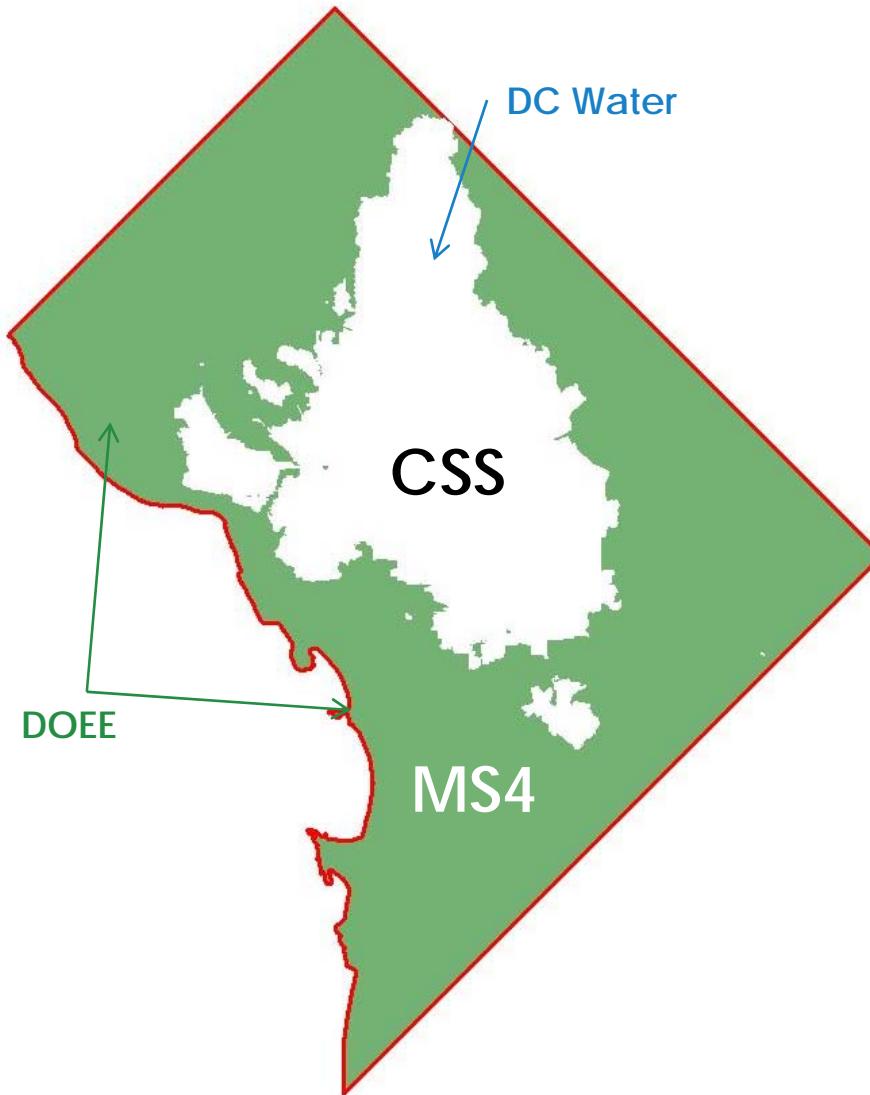
Land Area  
61.3 mi<sup>2</sup>

Impervious Area  
26.6 mi<sup>2</sup>  
*Approx 43%  
of Land Area*

*A single 1.2 inch storm falling on this area produces about 525 million gallons of stormwater runoff.*

# DC'S RESTORATION APPROACHES

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# EXISTING CONDITIONS







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# PROJECT OBJECTIVES

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- Treat maximum amount of stormwater from the site in the most cost-effective way
- Work only on District land
- Minimal impacts to the community
- Development of a community amenity
- Educational opportunities



# RESTORATION APPROACH

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Most stormwater practices all work the same way: “they collect stormwater runoff and use or mimic natural processes that result in the infiltration, evapotranspiration or use of stormwater in order to protect water quality and associated aquatic habitat” (EPA).

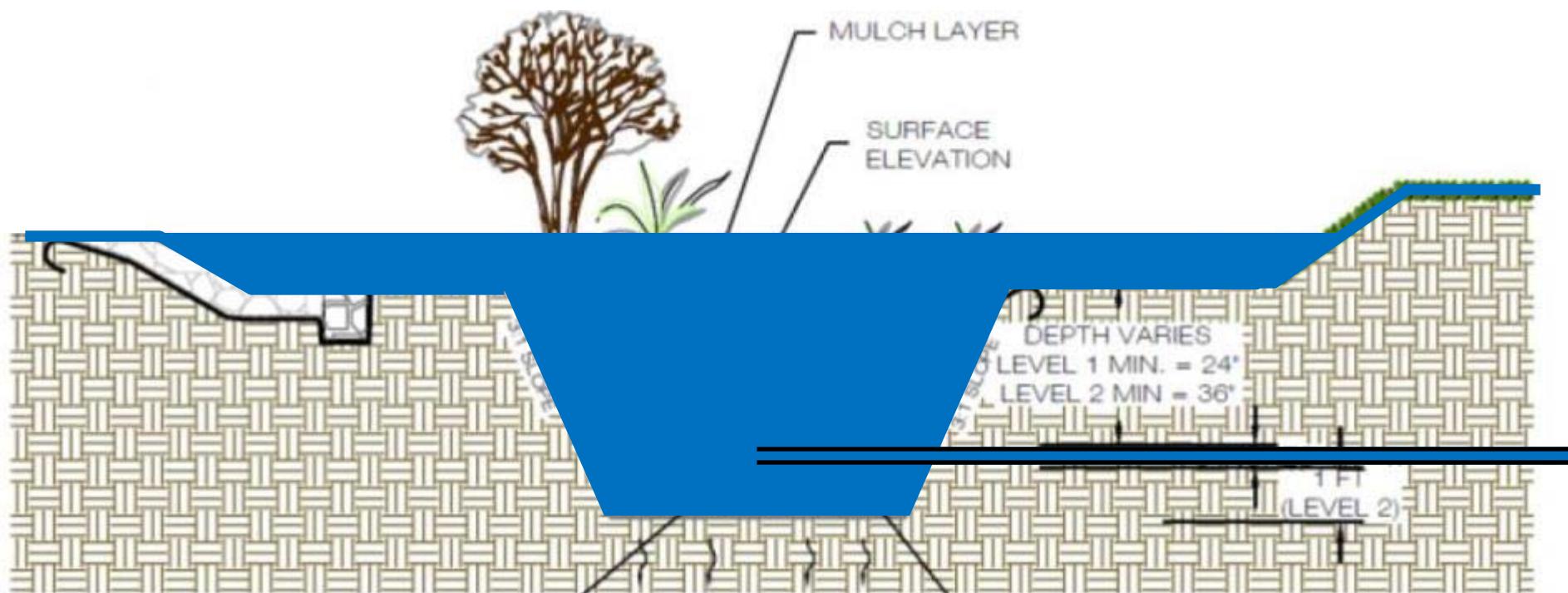
*Slow it down, Spread it Out, Soak it In !*

# BIORETENTION

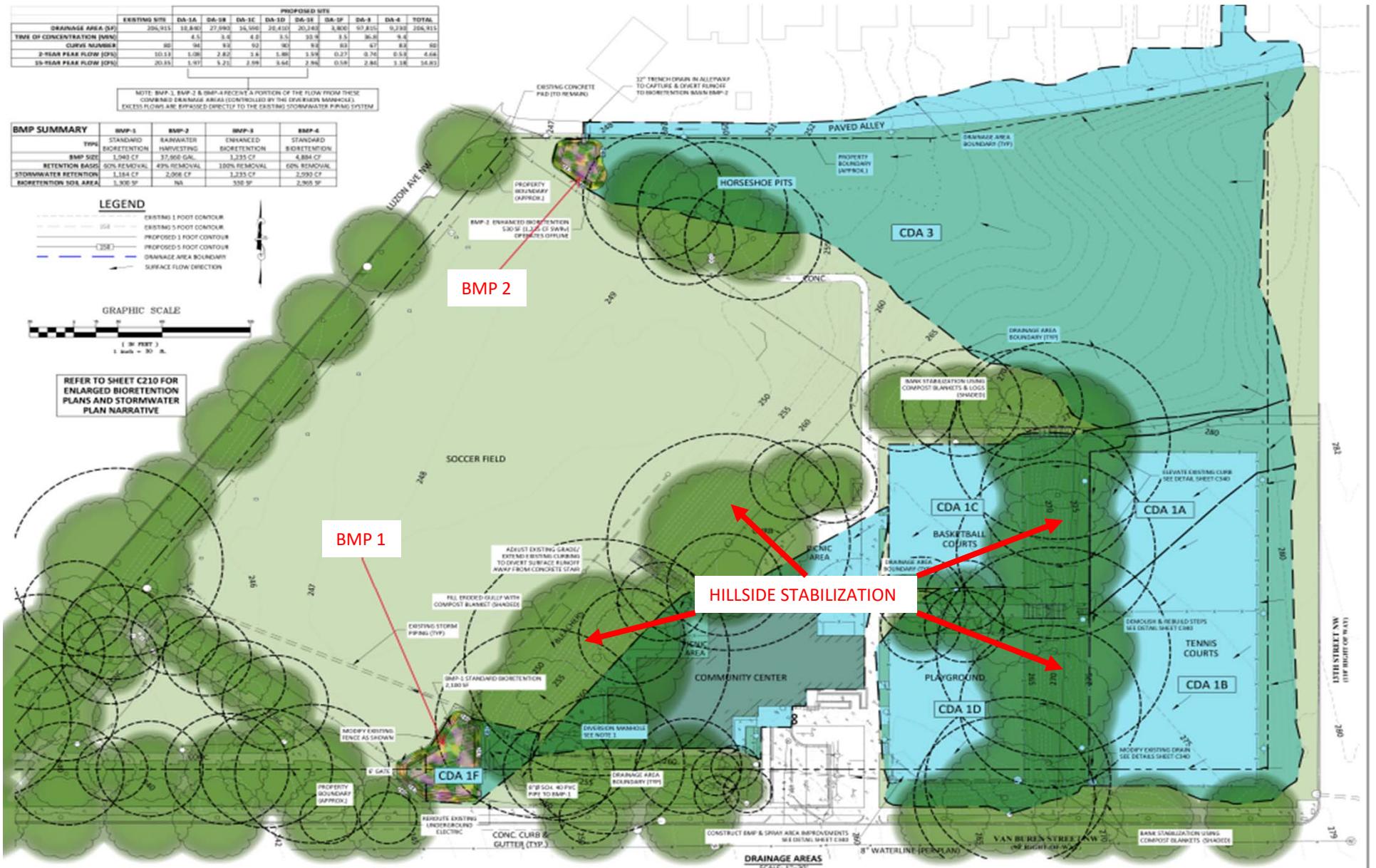


# BIORETENTION: HOW IT WORKS

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# FINAL DESIGN





# CONSTRUCTION DETAILS

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# GENERAL INFORMATION

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- All work to occur on weekdays (M-F)
- Work hours are 7AM-5 PM
- Construction vehicles on site:
  - Up to 2 dump trucks
  - 1 track excavator
  - 1 bobcat
  - 2 powered dump buggies
  - Several crew pick-up trucks
- DOEE Community Point of Contact:

Cecilia Lane  
[Cecilia.lane@dc.gov](mailto:Cecilia.lane@dc.gov)  
202-535-1961

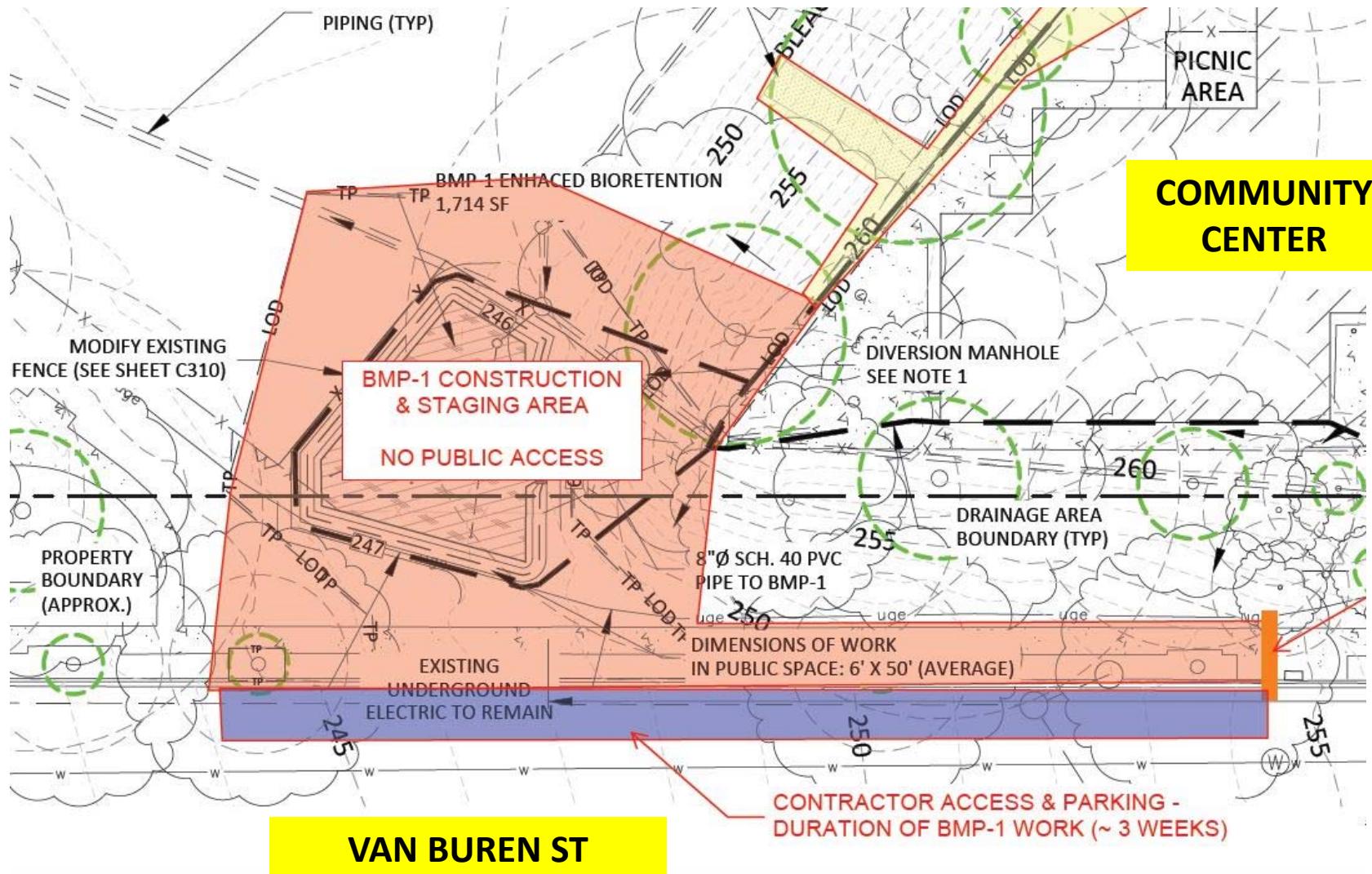


# SITE ACCESS / BMP-1: VAN BUREN ST

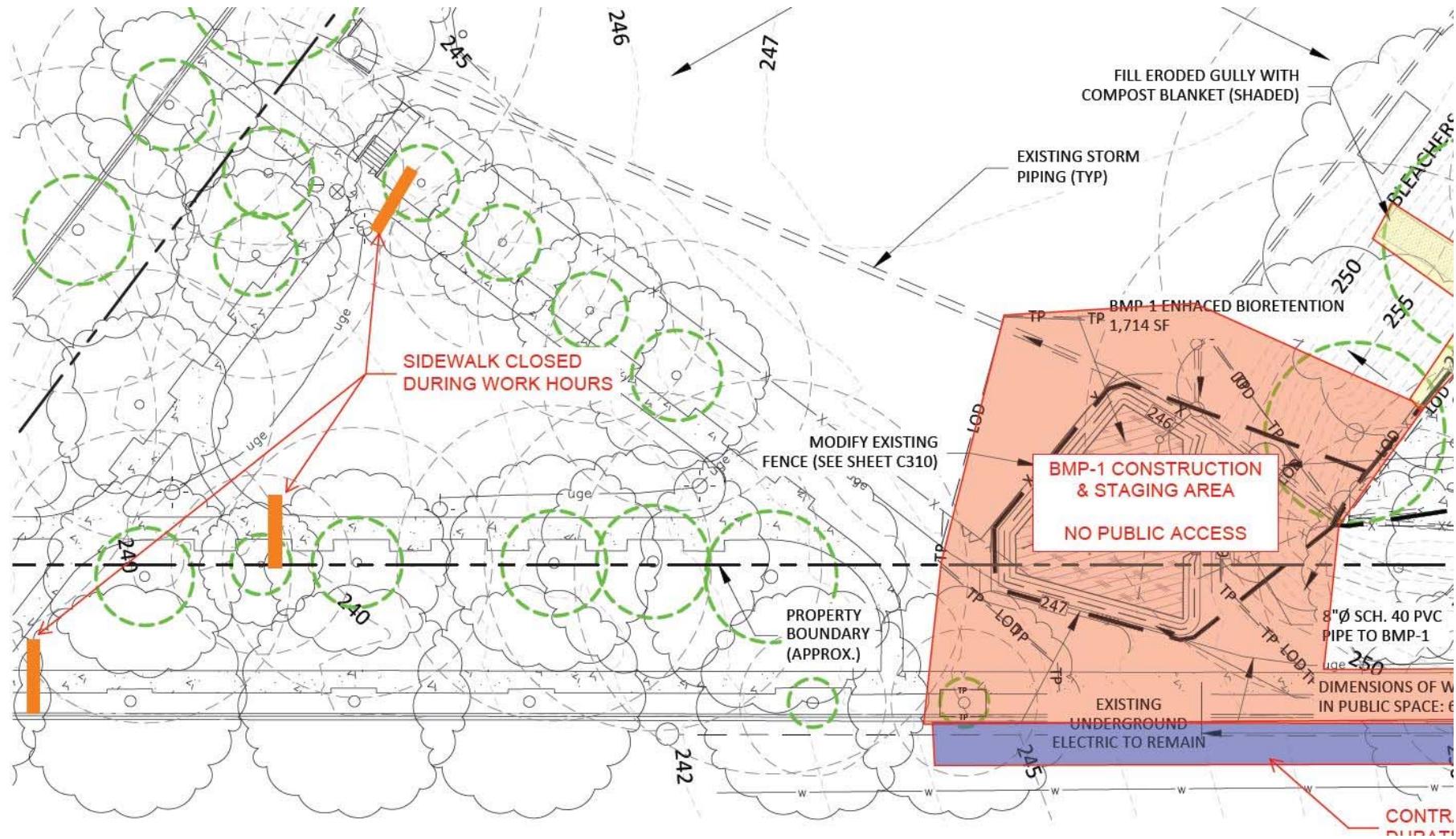


## CONSTRUCTION ACCESS - BMP 1

### SOCER FIELD



## CONSTRUCTION ACCESS - triangle park



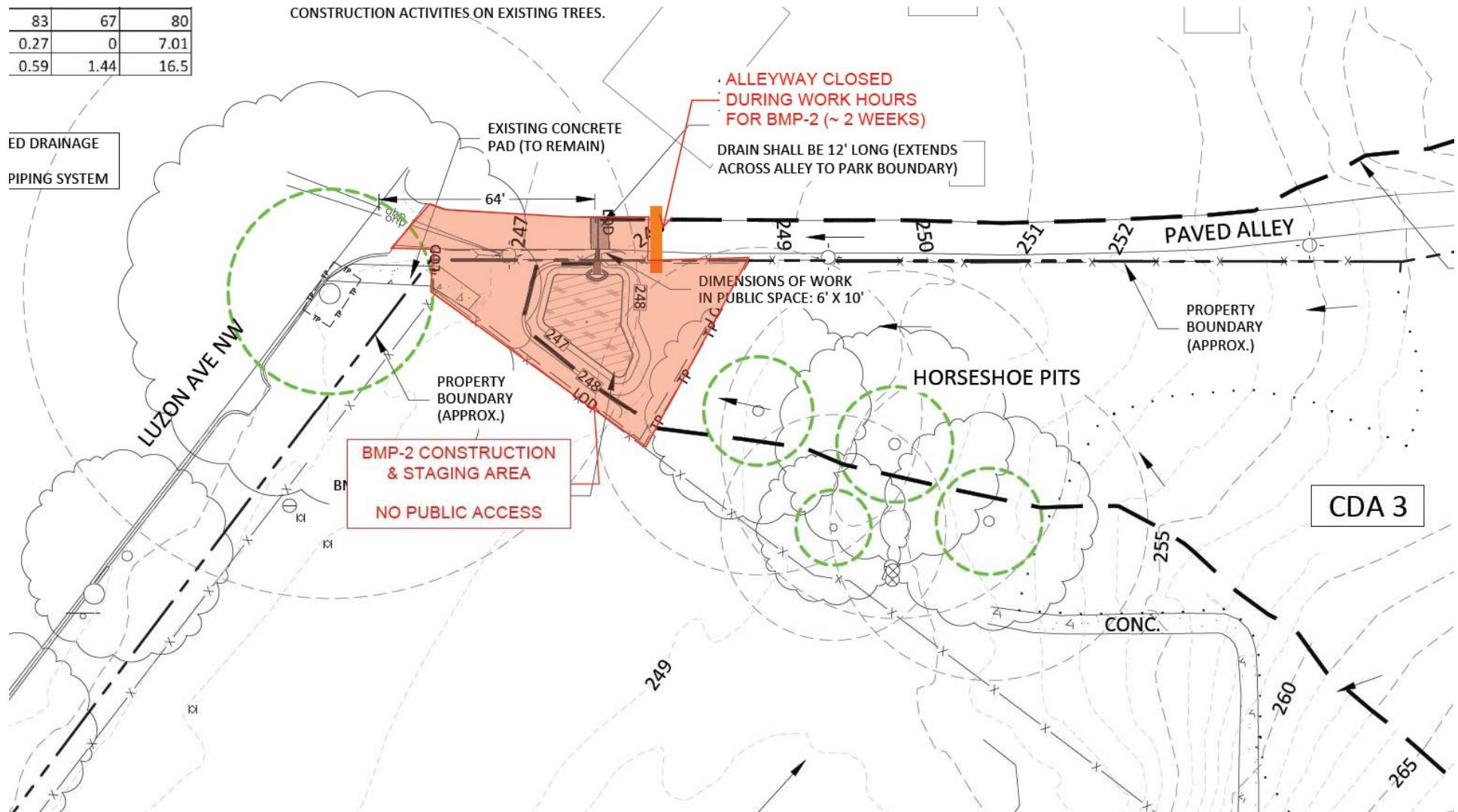
# SITE ACCESS / TENNIS COURTS



# SITE ACCESS / BMP-2: ALLEYWAY



# CONSTRUCTION ACCESS - Alley



# PROJECT TIMELINE

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- May 2019: contract awarded
- May – August 2019: field assessment (topographic survey, geotechnical investigations etc.)
- August – January 2020: design development
- 3 public meetings:
  - Concept designs on 9/10/19
  - Semi-final designs (~65%): 12/17/19
  - Second Semi-final designs (~65%): 1/13/21
  - **Construction kickoff meeting (timeline): 9/21/2021**
- December 2021: construction complete
- DOEE responsible for ongoing maintenance

# FAQs

- How do we find our project sites?
  - Enthusiastic landowners!
  - Funding sources
  - Large areas of untreated impervious cover
  - More impactful locations
- What can I do?
  - RiverSmart Homes
    - Rain Gardens
    - Permeable Pavers
    - Rain Barrels
    - Tree Planting
    - “BayScaping”



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# QUESTIONS

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