# HICKEY LANE STORMWATER RETROFIT PROJECT

#### PUBLIC STAKEHOLDER SEMI-FINAL DESIGN PUBLIC MEETING

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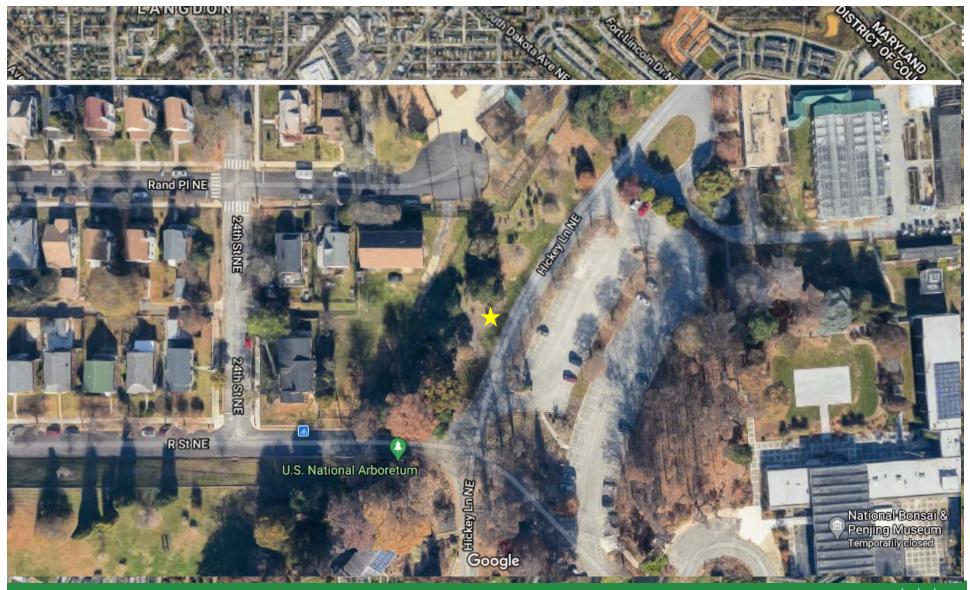
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# AGENDA

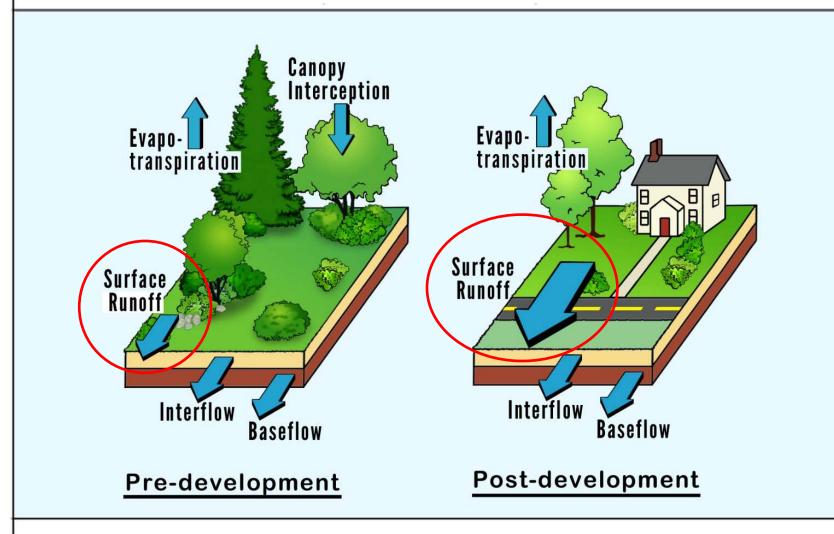
- Project Area & Background
- Existing Conditions
- Project Objectives
- Restoration Approaches
- Semi-Final Design
- Timeline
- FAQs
- O&A

### 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





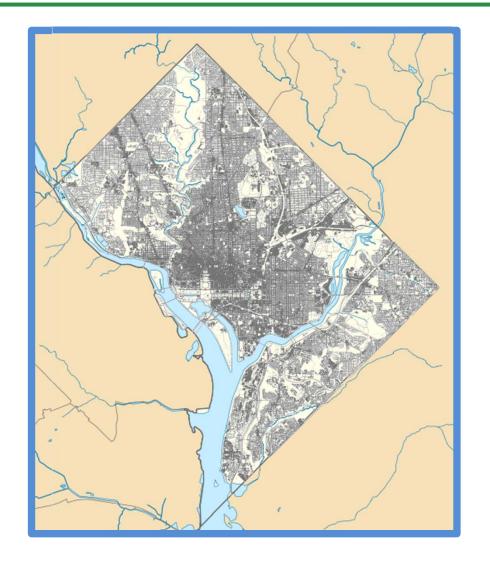








#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA LAND USE



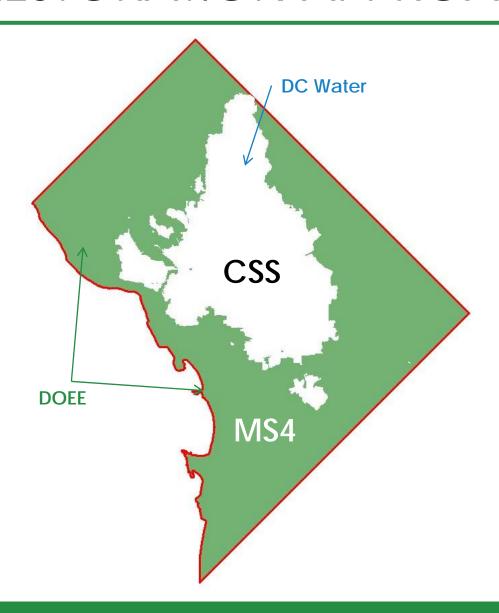
Total Area 68.3 mi<sup>2</sup>

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

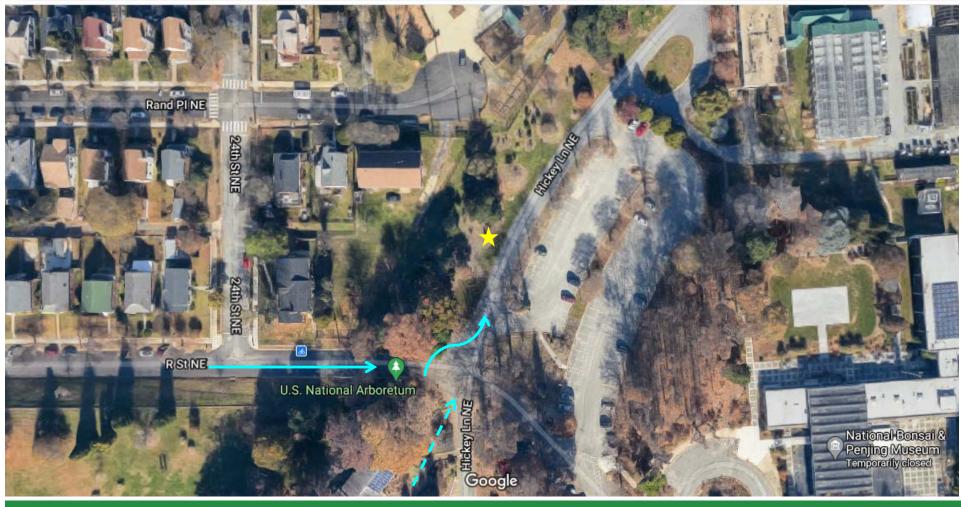
Impervious Area
26.6 mi<sup>2</sup>
Approx 43%
of Land Area

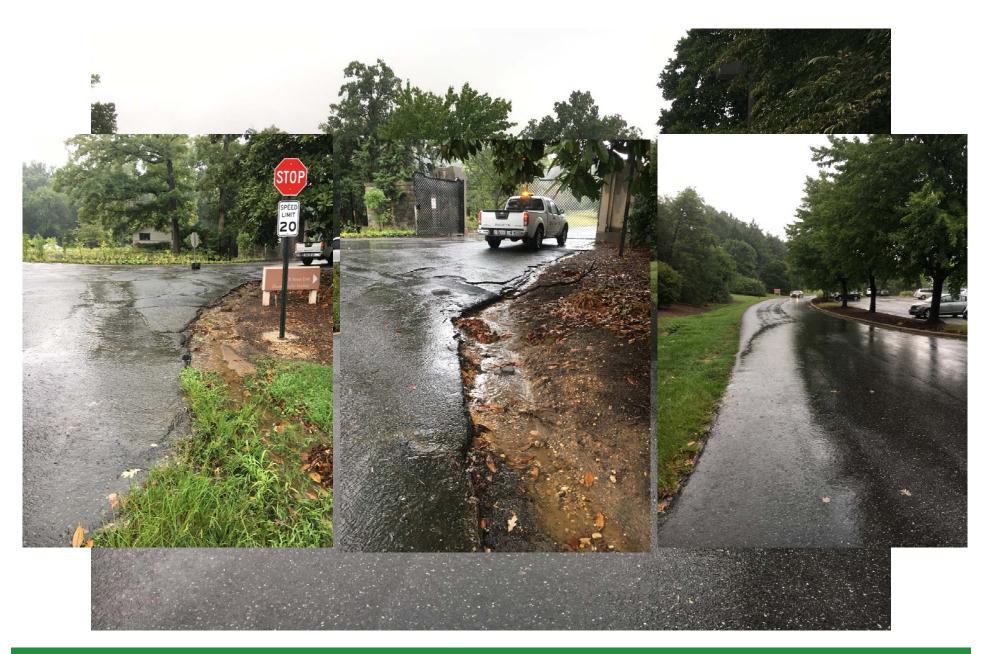
A single 1.2 inch storm falling on this area produces about 525 million gallons of stormwater runoff.

### DC'S RESTORATION APPROACHES

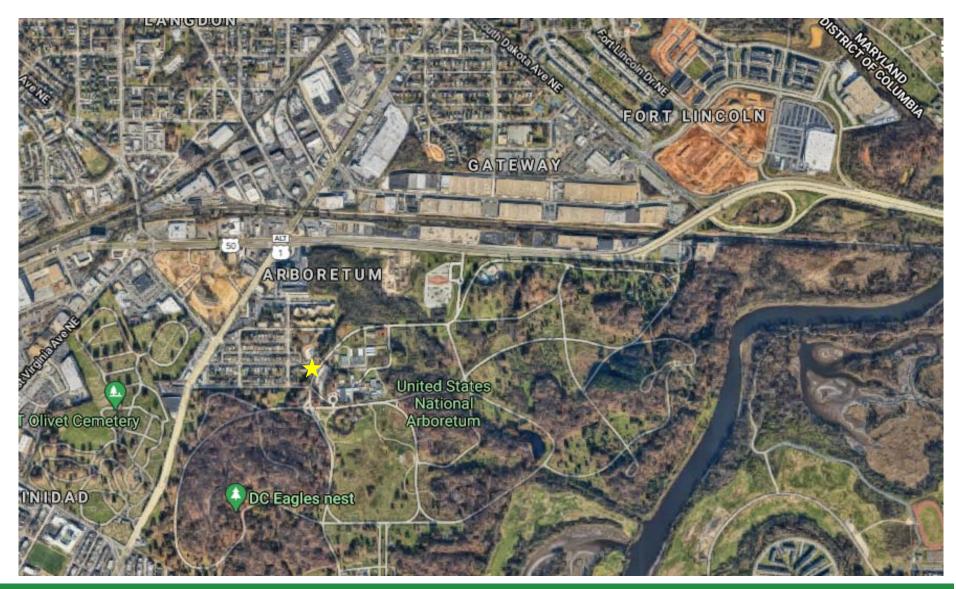


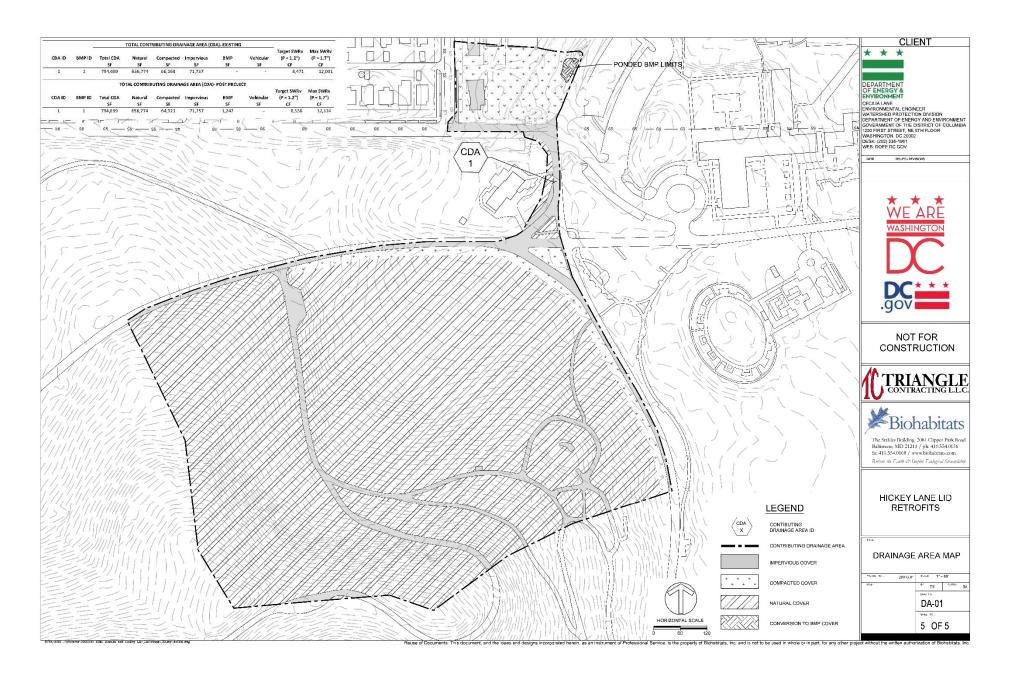
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#### PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Treat maximum amount of stormwater from the site in the most cost effective way
- Support previous stormwater management efforts on site
- Minimal impacts to the community
- Development of a community amenity
- Educational opportunities



### RESTORATION APPROACHES

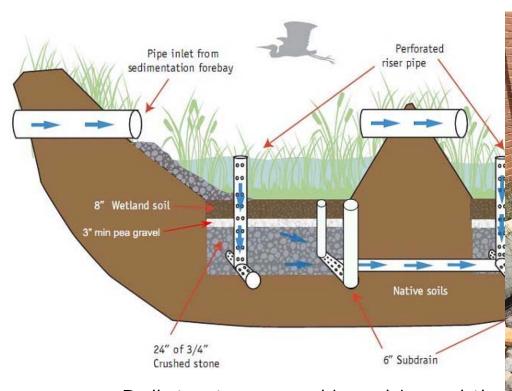
Most stormwater practices all work the same way: "they collect stormwater runoff and use or mimic natural processes that result in the infiltration, evapotranspiration or use of stormwater in order to protect water quality and associated aquatic habitat" (EPA).

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

#### SUBMERGED GRAVEL WETLANDS

Figure: Diagram of a gravel wetland.

Source: UNH



Pollutant removal is achieved three

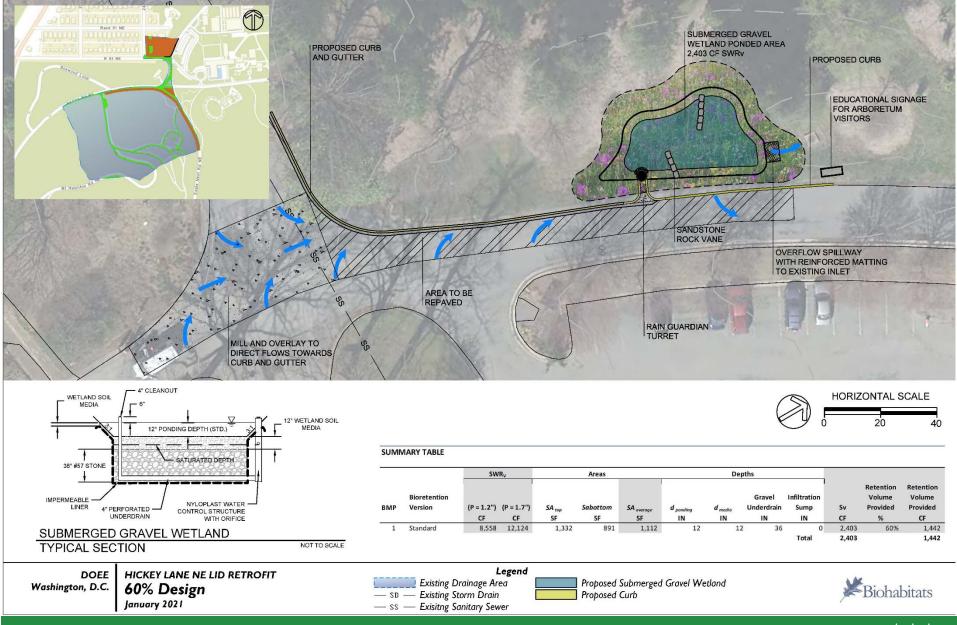
Biological uptake from algae an filter media

 Wetland plants provide additional physical and chemical treatmen absorption of organic matter

Allows for distinct plant palette



#### PROJECT CONCEPT





#### PROJECT TIMELINE

- March 2020: contract awarded
- April July 2020: field assessment (topographic survey, geotechnical investigations etc.)
- August January 2021: design development
- 3 public meetings:
  - Concept designs on 10/26/2020
  - Semi-final designs (~65%): 1/27/21
  - Construction kickoff meeting (timeline): TBD
    - Construction to begin in June '21 or after

# **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**





