PALISADES RECREATION CENTER
STORMWATER RETROFIT PROJECT

PUBLIC STAKEHOLDER CONSTRUCTION KICKOFF MEETING

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AGENDA

• Project Area & Background
• Existing Conditions
• Project Objectives
• Restoration Approach
• Construction Details
• Timeline
• FAQs
• Q&A
PROJECT LOCATION
BACKGROUND
Surface runoff is minimal in an undeveloped site, but dominates the water balance at a highly impervious site.
PROBLEM OF STORMWATER POLLUTION
A single 1.2 inch storm falling on this area produces about 525 million gallons of stormwater runoff.
DC'S RESTORATION APPROACHES
EXISTING CONDITIONS
PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- 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 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!*
BIO RETENTION
BIO RETENTION: HOW IT WORKS
PROJECT TIMELINE

- 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 9/11/19
  - Semi-final designs (~65%): 12/12/19
  - Construction kickoff meeting (timeline): 9/30/2020
- Construction ~6-8 weeks
- Post-construction maintenance included in contract
CONSTRUCTION DETAILS
GENERAL INFORMATION

• All work to occur on weekdays (M-F)
• Work hours are 8AM–5PM
• Construction vehicles on site:
  – 1 skid steer loader
  – 1 track excavator
  – 1 stake body truck
  – 2 crew pick-up truck
• DOEE Community Point of Contact:
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SITE ACCESS & PARKING RESTRICTIONS

• Reduced parking in Recreation Center parking lot. Approximately 1/3rd of the parking lot adjacent to the construction area will be fenced off for the duration of construction.

• Restricted pedestrian access through a segment of the trolley trail adjacent to construction area. Restricted for the duration of construction.
RESTRICTED PARKING DURING CONSTRUCTION
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