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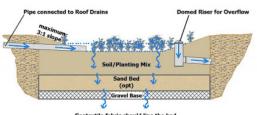


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Structural BMP Criteria

BMP #: Recharge Garden/Rain Garden/Bioretention Garden



Geotextile fabric should line the bed. Sand bed and/or gravel base are optional features based on existing soil conditions. A Recharge Garden (also called a Rain Garden or a Bioretention Garden) is an excavated shallow surface depression planted with specially selected native vegetation to treat and capture runoff and typically underlain by a sand or gravel infiltration bed.

Key Design Elements

- Infiltration volume sized for the 2-year storm or lesser volumes, with overflows
- · Flexible in terms of size and infiltration
- Ponding depths restricted to 6 inches or less for rapid draw down
- · Soil infiltration tests required
- Native hydrophytic vegetation that is tolerant of hydrologic variability and environmental stress

Potential Applications

Residential Subdivision: YES
Commercial: YES
Ultra Urban: YES
Industrial: YES
Retrofit: YES
Highway/Road: YES

Stormwater Functions

Volume Reduction: Medium
Recharge: High
Peak Rate Control: Low/Med.
Water Quality: Med./High

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