

# Auckland Unitary Plan Implementation: Stormwater Management Approach

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# Unitary Plan Stormwater Management Approach

- Unitary Plan Requirements
- Devices
- Designing Bioretention for SMAF Hydrology
- Integrated Solutions – Putting it all together
- Project example – Belmont SHA



# Unitary Plan Stormwater Management Requirements: Basic Concepts

- Flooding
- Contaminant Management
- Hydrology Management
  - **Retention** (Volume Reduction)
  - Detention (Attenuation)
- Other Issues
  - Retention of streams (smaller catchments)

# Unitary Plan – Stormwater Management Requirements

Hydrology (e.g. SMAF) & Quality	Quality
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Potential outcomes of the  
planning assessment

+/-

Flooding

# Devices

Device	SMAF		Quality	Flooding	Note
	Detention	Retention			
Pervious paving	✓	✓	✗	✗	Avoid impervious surfaces At source
Living Roof	✓	✓	✗	✗	
Bioretention (Unlined)	✓	✓	✓	✗	Mitigate for impervious surfaces created at source
Bioretention (Lined)	✓	✗	✓	✗	
Reuse	✓	✓	✗	✗	
Wetlands (& Ponds)	✓	✗	✓	✓	Communal device

# Living Roof

- Design considerations:
  - Structural support for the building
  - Physical access for maintenance or viewing, and associated safety features
  - Vertical drainage features
  - Location of other mechanical building services on the rooftop (e.g. HVAC, satellite TV, etc.)
  - The presence/absence of a maintenance contract.



# Pervious Paving

- Refers to any system providing hard or trafficable areas which also provides for downward percolation of stormwater runoff.
- For sizing & design reference  
GD01/TP10





# Reuse

- For sizing reference GD01/TP10
- Tank size approximately 2.5 m<sup>3</sup> per 100 m<sup>2</sup> of roof area
- Can use ½ m<sup>3</sup> retention and the rest detention





# Bioretention

- Rain garden
- Tree pit
- Bioretention swale
- Sizing
  - SMAF 1
    - 5% of catchment area
  - SMAF 2
    - 3.5% of catchment area
  - Quality
    - 2% of catchment area



# Wetlands (& Ponds)

- Provide detention, water quality and flood protection
- Do NOT provide retention



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# Designing Bioretention for SMAF Hydrology

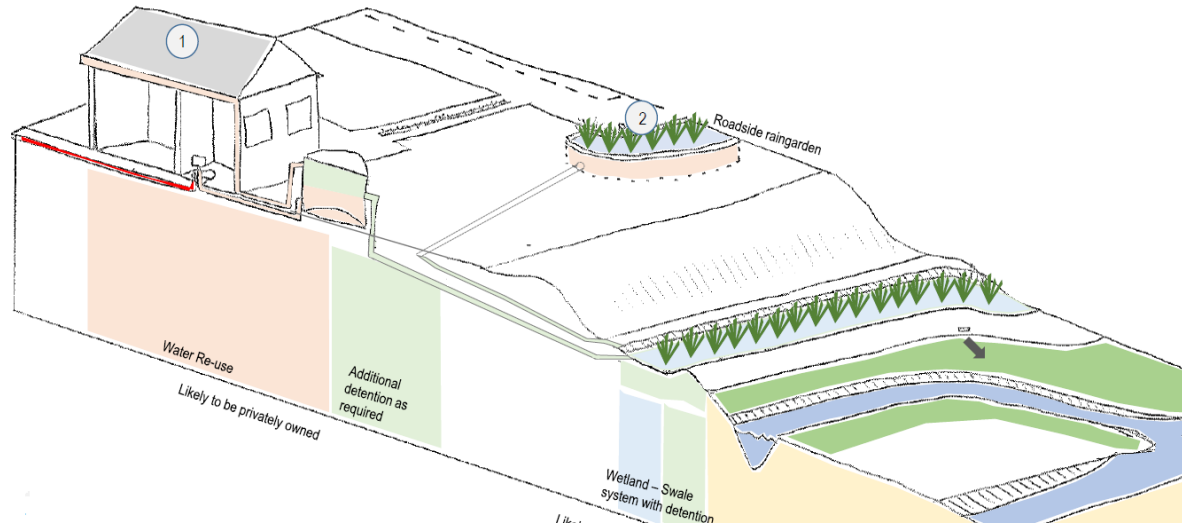
- Basic Concepts
  - Retention (Volume Loss)
  - Detention
- Bioretention Sizing (SMAF1)

	A	B	C
1			Instructions
2			Input yellow cells only
3	90th / 95th %ile Rainfall Depth (mm)	35	From Fig. 13 and Fig. 14 of TR2013/035
4	Pre-development Curve Number	74	From Table 3.3 of TP108
5	Impervious Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	1000	
6	Soil Infiltration Rate (mm/hr)	2	Use default value of 2 mm/hr unless specific infiltration data is available (e.g. via TP58 infiltration methodology)
7	Evapotranspiration Rate (mm/day)	3	Use default value of 3 mm/day for typical vegetation. Use higher values for trees.
8			
9	Impervious Runoff (TP108)		
10	Storage (mm)	5.2	
11	Runoff depth (mm)	30.5	
12			
13	Pre-Development Runoff (TP108)		
14	Storage (mm)	89.2	
15	Runoff Depth (mm)	7.5	
16			
17	Hydrology Management Runoff Depth (mm)	22.9	
18	Hydrology Management Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	22.94	
19	Detention Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	17.94	
20	Retention Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	5.00	
21			
22	Minimum Infiltration Area Required (m <sup>2</sup> )	32.68	This is the infiltration area of the rain garden required to regenerate the retention volume in 72 hours
23			
24			
25	Rain Garden Design Parameters		
26			
27	Ponding Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	45	
28	Ponding Depth (mm)	200	
29	Media Depth - including transition layer (mm)	600	
30	Aggregate Depth - above underdrain invert (mm)	200	
31	Aggregate Depth - below underdrain invert (mm)	450	
32	Infiltration Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	33.0	This must be at least as large as the value in Cell B22
33			
34	Media Void Space (%)	30%	Use default value of 30%
35	Aggregate Void Space (%)	35%	Use default value of 35%
36			
37	Ponding Volume - Detention (m <sup>3</sup> )	9.00	
38	Media Volume - Detention (m <sup>3</sup> )	7.02	
39	Aggregate Volume - Detention (m <sup>3</sup> )	2.31	
40	Aggregate Volume - Retention (m <sup>3</sup> )	5.20	
41			
42	Total Detention Volume Provided (m <sup>3</sup> )	18.33	
43	Total Retention Volume Provided (m <sup>3</sup> )	5.16	
44			

# Sizing Example - Bioretention

	Retention, detention and water quality treatment		Water quality treatment only
Specification	SMAF1	SMAF2	
Infiltration footprint	≥ 3.5%	≥ 3.5%	N/A
Ponding footprint	≥ 5%	≥ 3.5%	≥ 2%
Ponding depth (including mulch at a depth of 50-75 mm)	≥ 200 mm	≥ 150 mm	≥ 100 mm
Media depth	≥ 500 mm	≥ 500 mm	≥ 500 mm
Transition layer	100 mm	100 mm	100 mm
Drainage layer	≥ 200-300 mm	≥ 200-300 mm	≥ 200-300 mm
Storage layer depth (below underdrain invert)	≥ 450 mm	≥ 450 mm	None
Infiltration rate of subsoils for retention	>2 mm/hr	>2 mm/hr	N/A
Infiltration rate of media	50-300 mm/hr	50-300 mm/hr	≤ 1000 mm/hour
Slope	A bioretention device may be used on slopes steeper than 1V:4H if the effects have been assessed by a geotechnical engineer		
Other	Standard specifications should be met for all other components including: transition layer, bioretention media, underdrain and aggregate		

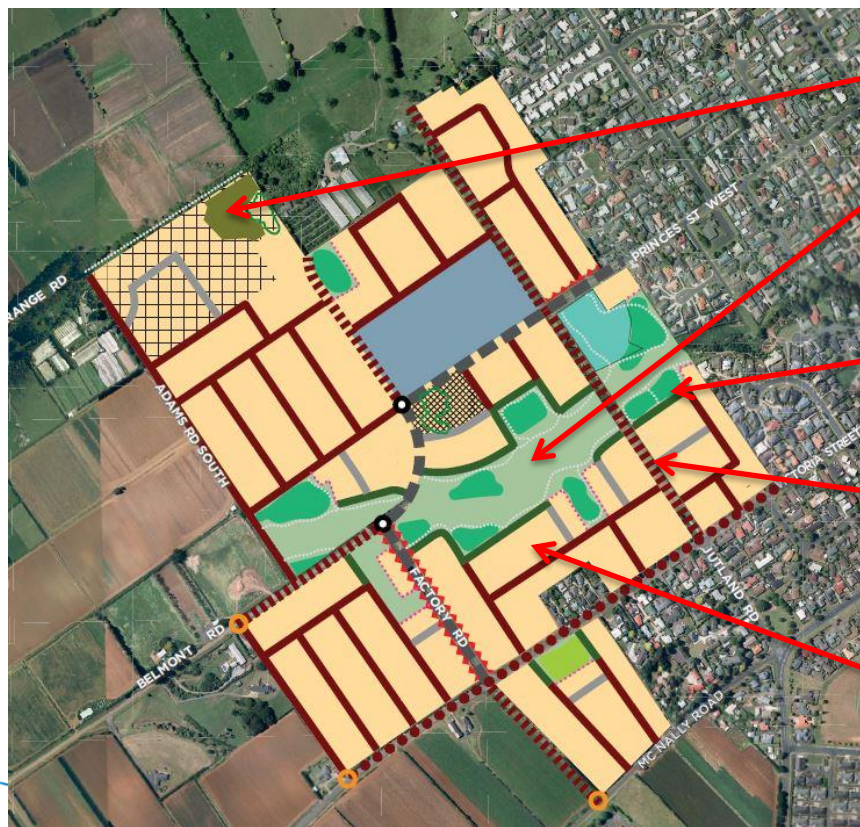
# Integrated Solutions – Putting it all together



# Project example of integrated solutions – Belmont SHA

- Located 2 km west of the Pukekohe central business district and covers an area of approximately 70 ha of former horticultural land.
- The proposed development will be a mixture of residential densities with an average lot size of 300 m<sup>2</sup>
- The solution is to:
  - retain, enhance and daylight the natural stream
  - onsite flow controls (tanks) with impervious area limits for the houses
  - onsite flow controls (rain gardens and tree pits) for the roads
  - utilise naturalised detention basins adjacent to the stream to avoid increasing upstream and downstream flooding – these have swales in them for detention of road runoff and therefore a treatment train is provided
  - protect the integrity of the 1% AEP flood plain and secondary flow paths





Receiving Environments

Detention and  
flood attenuation  
basins

Roads: Retention  
only

Lots: Retention  
and detention on  
site



# Discussion

