



Venema Natural Drainage System

Seattle's Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) Program

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BRIEFING OBJECTIVES:

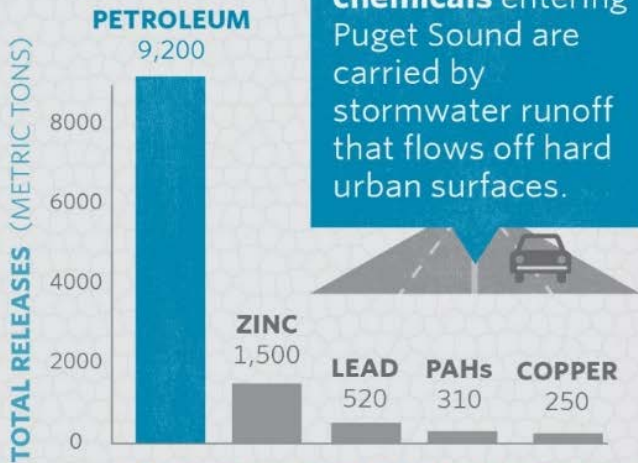
Contextualize Seattle's green infrastructure work

Share highlights on two existing programs:
RainWise & NDS Partnering

Provide overview program direction

N. Transfer Station Project

POLLUTION

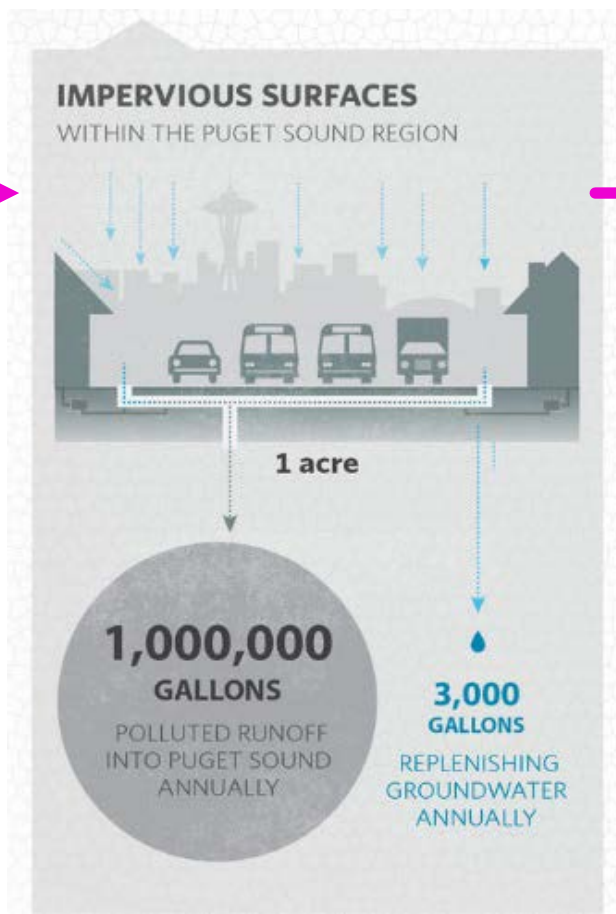
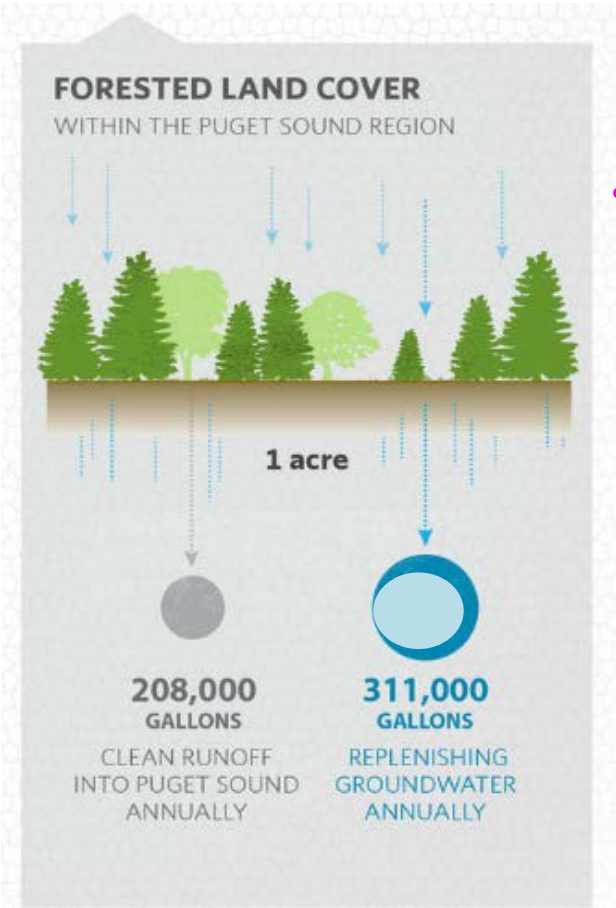


LARGEST SOURCES OF TOXIC CHEMICALS IN PUGET SOUND ANNUALLY

TOXIC CHEMICALS	MAJOR SOURCES
PETROLEUM	OIL & GAS LEAKS FROM VEHICLES
ZINC	ROOF MATERIAL LEACHING, VEHICLE TIRE ABRASION
LEAD	ROOF MATERIAL LEACHING
TOTAL PAHs <i>polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons</i>	WOODSTOVE & FIREPLACE COMBUSTION, VEHICLE EXHAUST
COPPER	PESTICIDES, COPPER FROM BRAKE PADS

12M pounds of pollution are released into our waterways every year, carried by stormwater rushing off Seattle's roads and roofs





TOOLS ON PRIVATE LAND

RESIDENTIAL SCALE

COMMERCIAL SCALE

CISTERNS



RainWise cisterns



Greenfire, Ballard

GREEN ROOFS



Garage roof



Gates Foundation

PERVIOUS PAVING



Pervious Driveway



Pervious Parking Lot

RAIN GARDENS/
BIORETENTION



RainWise raingarden



Portland School Yard

TOOLS ON PUBLIC LAND

total drainage area
129 ACRES

total drainage area:
435 ACRES



Highpoint



Swale on Yale

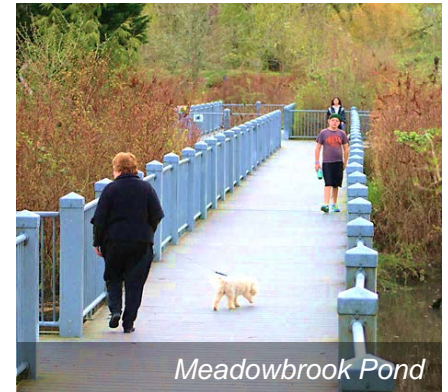
multi-benefit use of the right-of-way

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FLOOD PREVENTION

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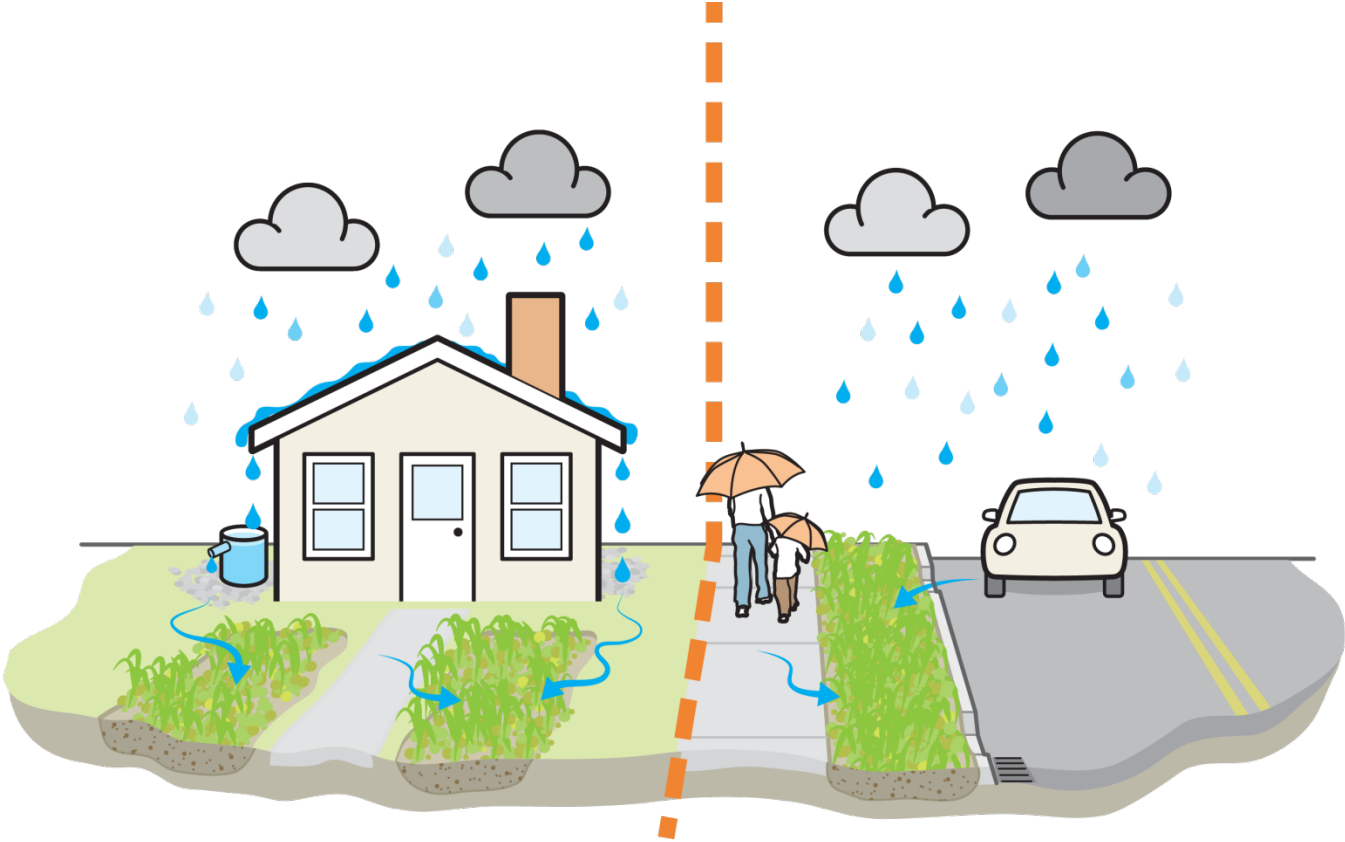
Madison Valley



Meadowbrook Pond

multi-benefit use of parcels

Terminology Clarification



Private Parcel

Public Right-of-Way

Green Stormwater Infrastructure Program History

GSI work driven by

Examples

Creek protection and salmon recovery

2000



SEA Street; 110th St. Cascade; Pinehurst and Broadview Green Grids; HighPoint Redevelopment

Early CSO compliance and Stormwater Code

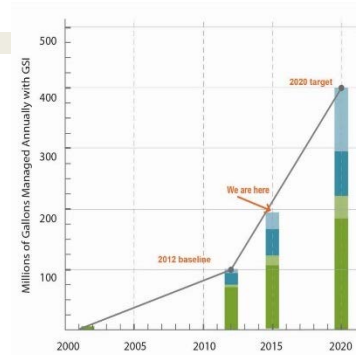
2008



RainWise program development
GSI required in Stormwater Code

Citywide policy & code updates and Integrated (CSO/SW) Plan

2013



Citywide commitment and target
\$35M Natural Drainage System Partnering Program

Investments integrated with open space, transportation, and development

2017



\$35M Urban Village Program
North Transfer Station; Fremont Building

SEA Street



Broadview Green Grid

Natural Drainage System
at 107th from Palatine facing west



Broadview Green Grid

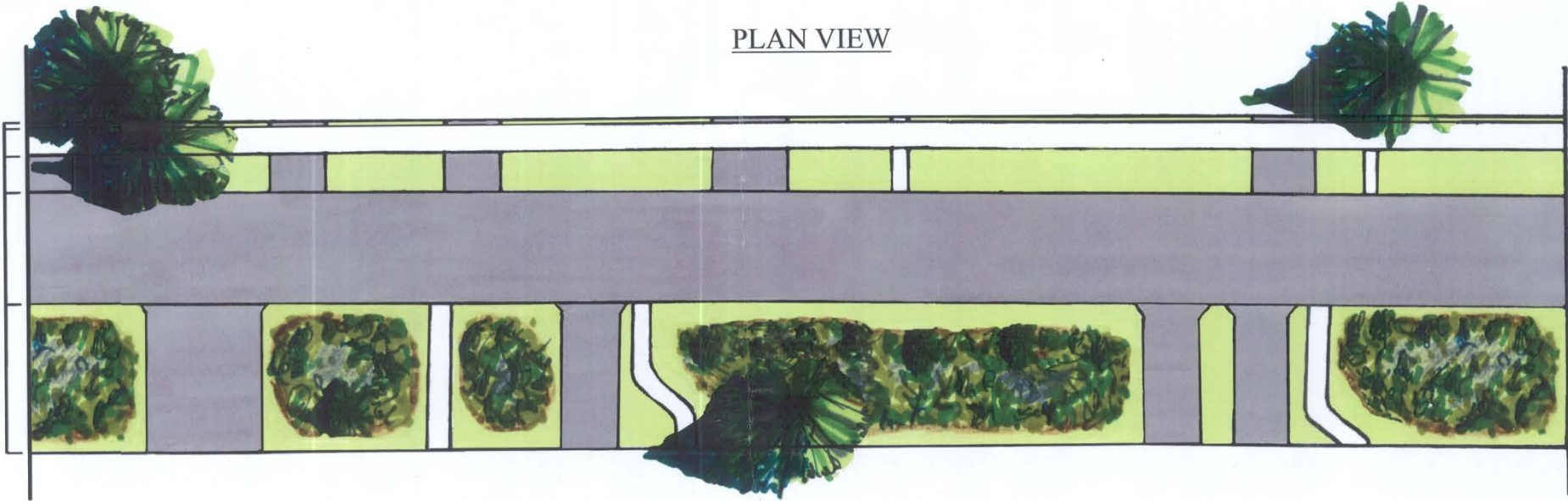


Pinehurst Green Grid

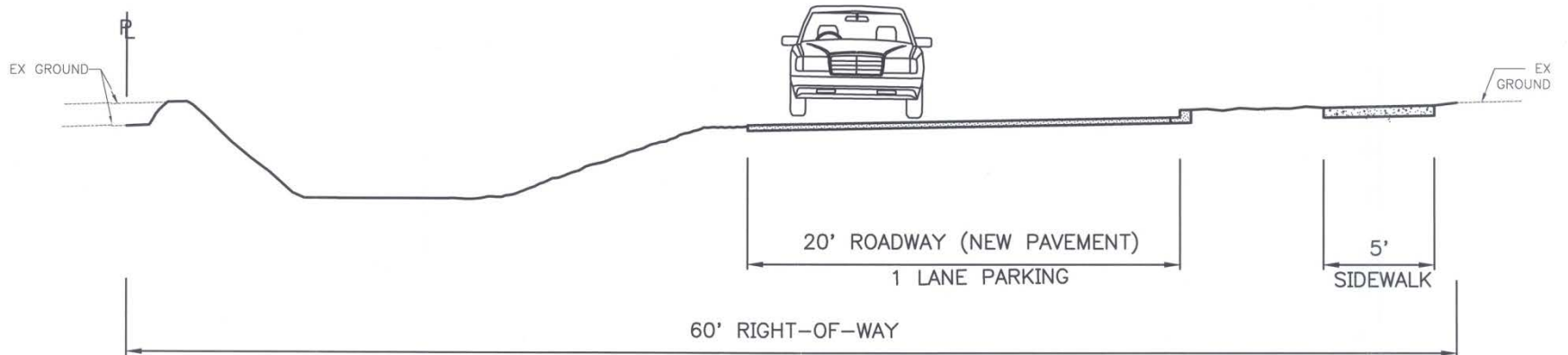


Pinehurst Green Grid

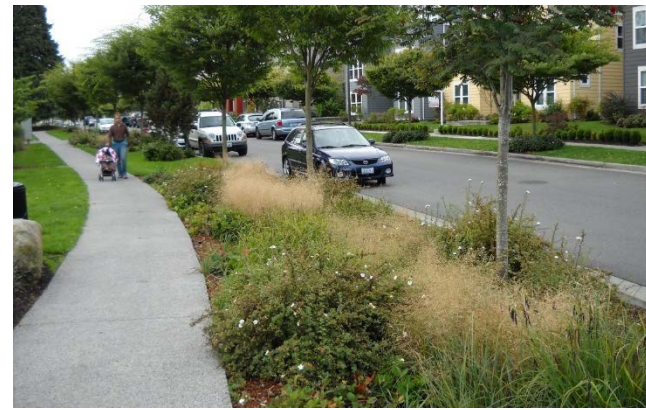
PLAN VIEW



TYPICAL SECTION



High Point Redevelopment



Porous Pavement

High Point Redevelopment



Ballard Roadside Raingardens



Capitol Hill Water Quality Channel

“Swale on Yale”



Ballard NDS Project

Shortened Crossings



Ballard NDS



Performance Innovation

Taking Advantage of the Area Under the Sidewalk



Legend

- A Raingarden
- B Modular Subsurface Soil Cell
- C 18" Pedestrian Step-out Area
- D Pedestrian Access Route Per Plans
- E New Sidewalk w/ Decorative Pattern
- F 4" Pedestrian Curb
- G Curb Cut Inlet/Outlet
- H Weathered Steel Weir
- I Street Tree Planting

* Illustration represents approximately 3 years growth following installation.

Ballard NDS Innovation

Structural soil cells



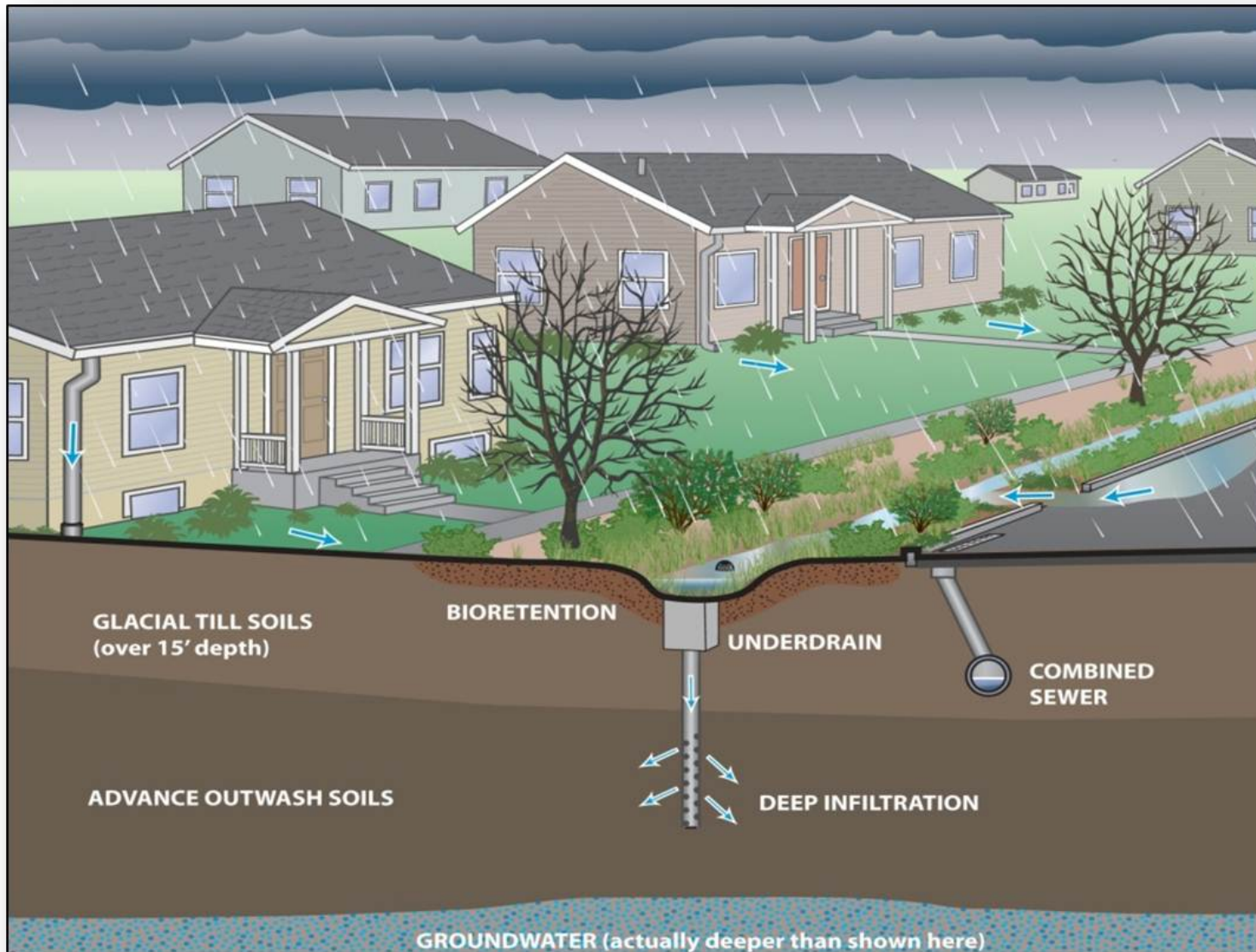


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Deep Infiltration:

Underground Injection Control (UIC) Wells



Delridge NDS



30th Ave NE Project





*Highland Park Community Center
Depave & Raingarden Project*

Why we lead with green:

- Best management practice & in some areas, the only cost effective approach
- Higher value per rate payer dollar
- People-centered



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NEARBY

HUMAN

NATURE =

HEALTH*



*Improvements to support a healthy environment for all can exacerbate displacement risk in communities of color and low income communities. This must be addressed with cohesive Citywide strategy.

Stormwater Pollution Is a Regional Challenge

Seattle Helps Set the Pace for Green Solutions

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Stormwater pollution in Puget Sound streams killing coho before they can spawn

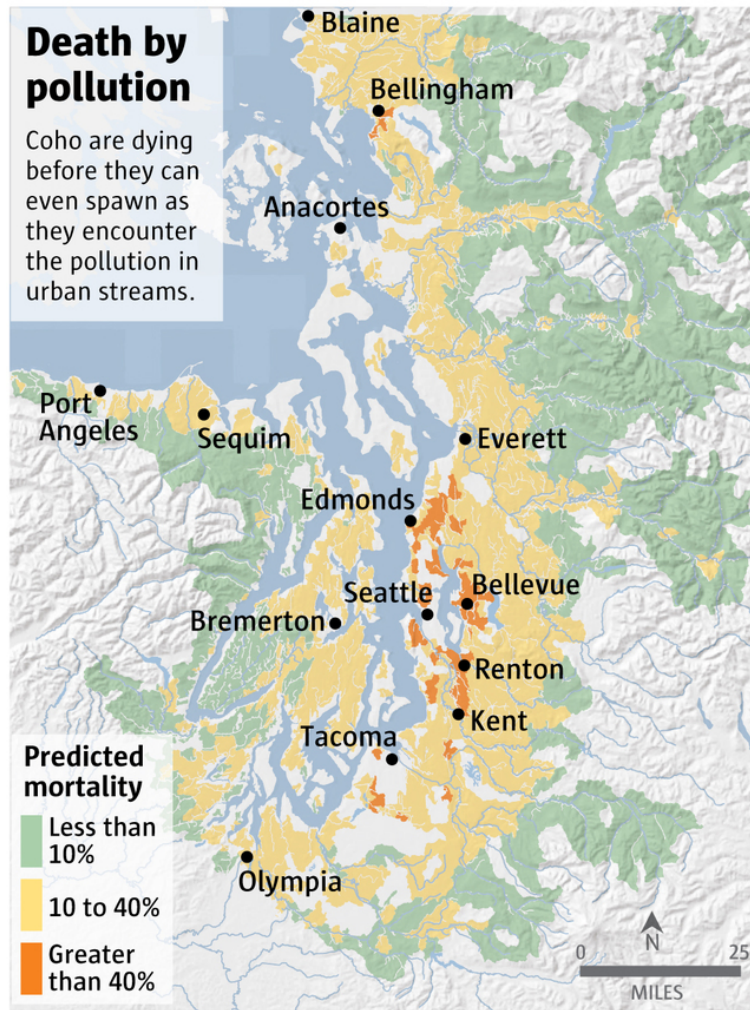
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1 of 2 Coho salmon, including females full of eggs, are dying before they can spawn in Puget Sound streams polluted with stormwater runoff. (NOAA Fisheries)

Death by pollution

Coho are dying before they can even spawn as they encounter the pollution in urban streams.

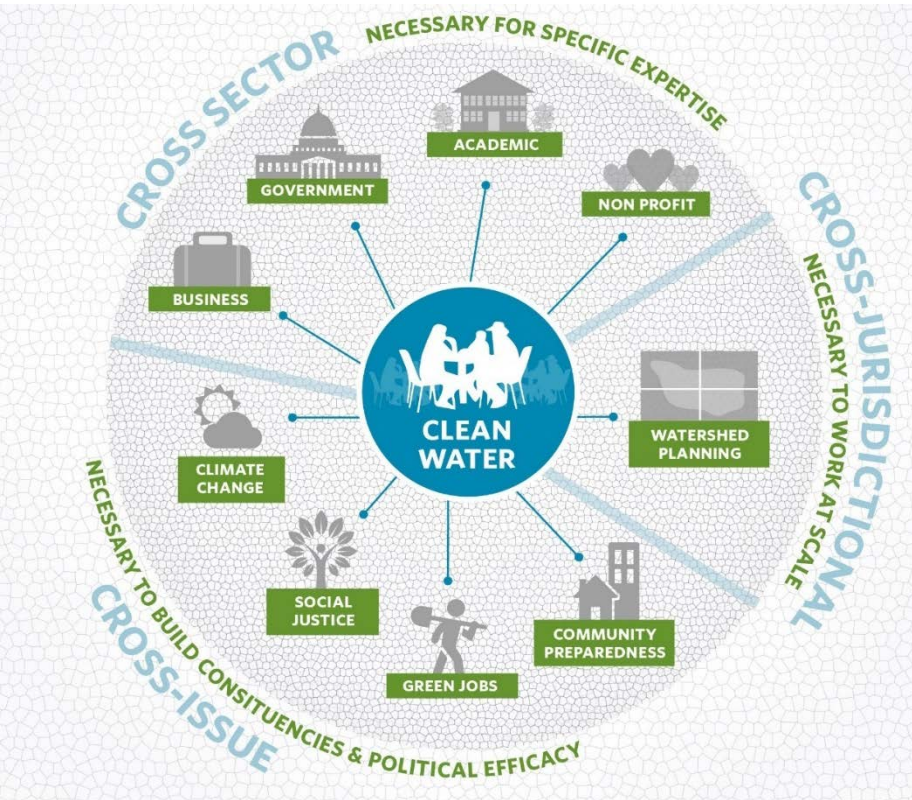


Sources: Esri, NOAA Fisheries

MARK NOWLIN / THE SEATTLE TIMES

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Seattle Helps Set the Pace for Green Solutions



Seattle is a founding partner of:
 The Green Infrastructure Partnership (Grip)
 Puget Sound Green Infrastructure Summit
 Regional RSJ Learning Cohort
 City Habitats



GSI Requirements

Stormwater Code

On-site

Flow Control

Water Quality



RainWise

Property Owners = Part of the Solution



RainWise rebates \$4 for every square foot of roof area directed to a rain garden

Program has trained over 700 contractors to date

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Small Contracts, Big Opportunities

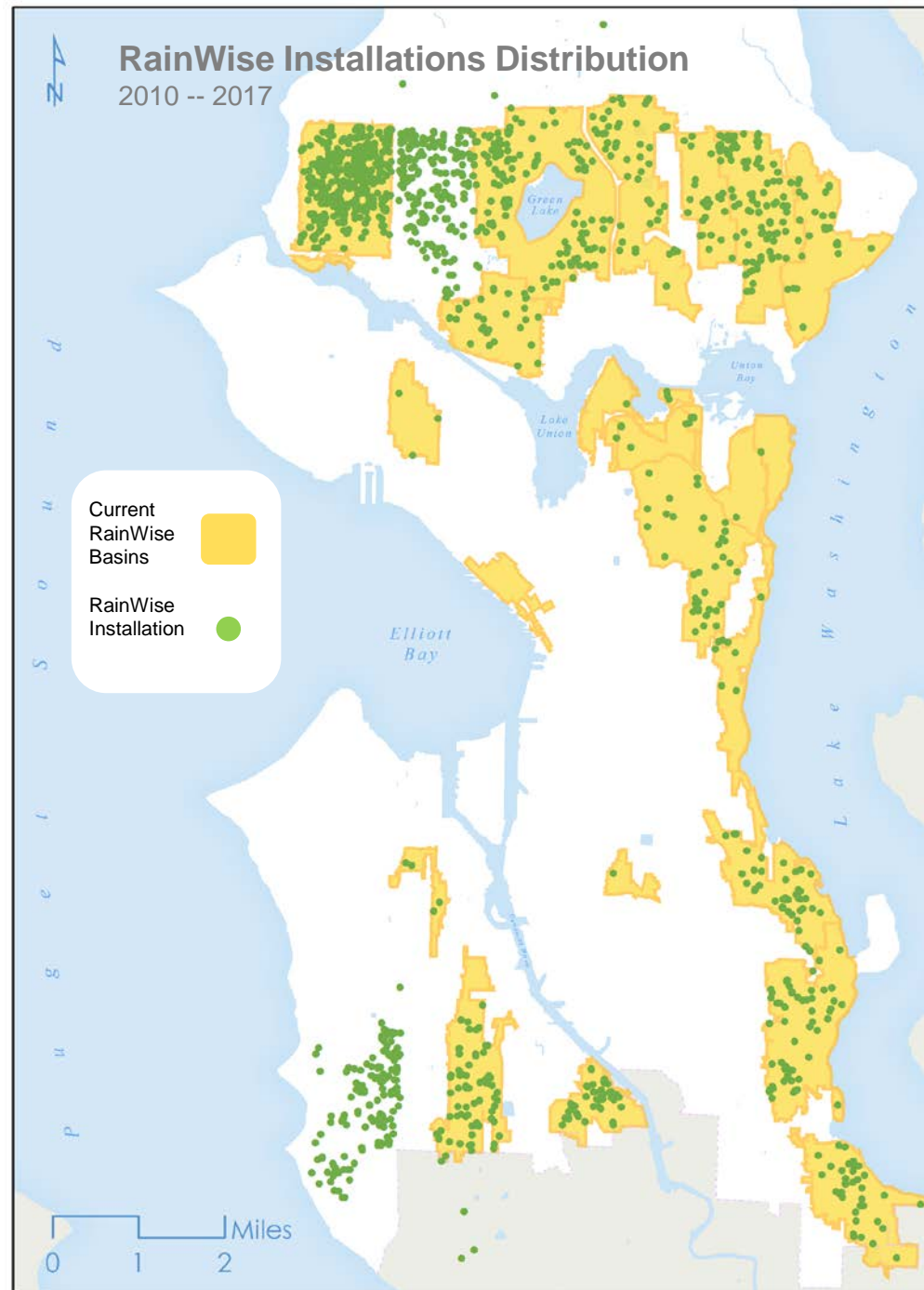
Average install cost: \$5K

Most participating contractors
are sole proprietorships

First-generation immigrants:
10%

Highest grossing contractor:
\$200K

Key challenge:
business development support



Natural Drainage Systems Partnering

Partnerships with Sister Agencies Lower Costs

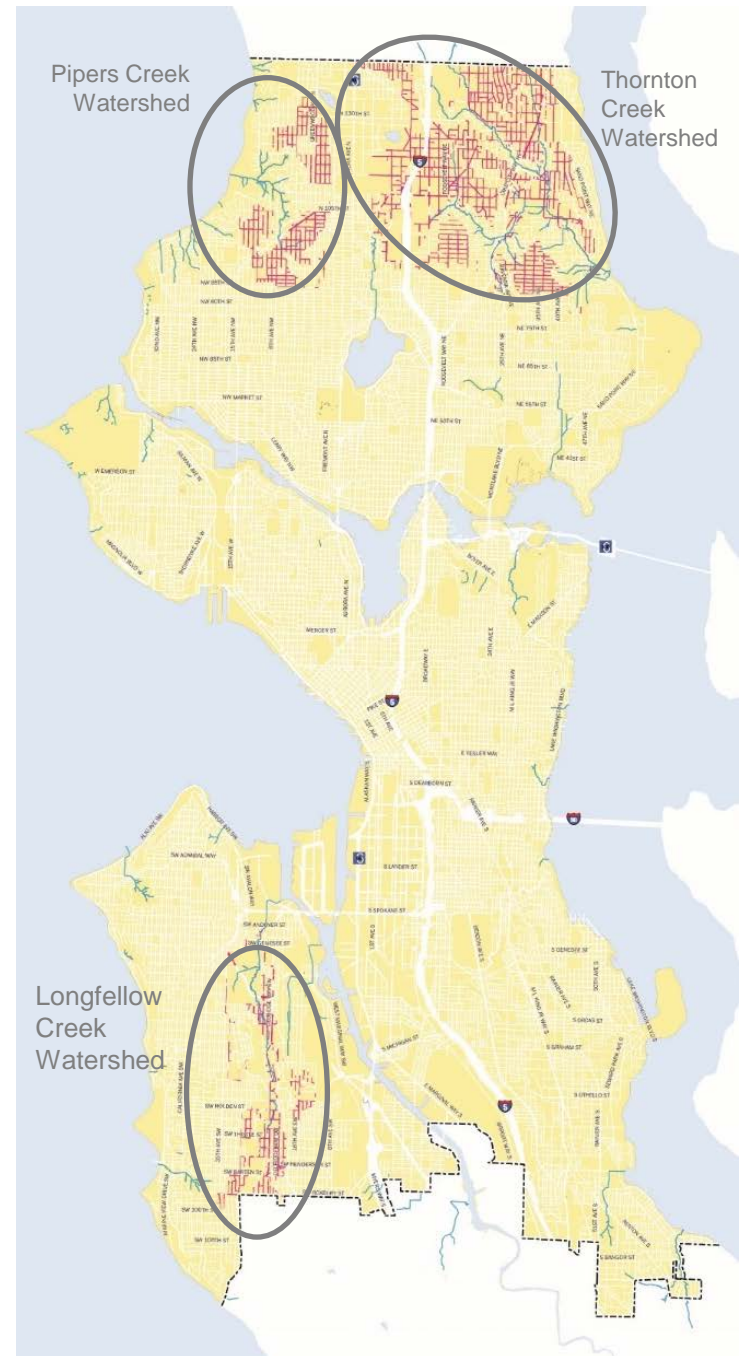


- 1** Build bioretention along approximately 66 blocks in Seattle's three major creek watersheds.
- 2** Deliver additional benefits such as street trees, traffic calming, and sidewalks by prioritizing partnerships

Watershed	Begin Design	Begin Construction
Thornton – 30 th NE (SDOT led)	2017	2018
Longfellow	2018	2019
Thornton – south	2018	2019
Thornton – North	2019	2021
Pipers	2020	2022

Highlighted streets are potentially technically feasible for a natural drainage system.

SPU is funded to build projects on about 4% of these blocks.



Natural Drainage Systems Partnering

Partnerships with Sister Agencies Lower Costs



Urban Village Program

Improve Drainage, Water Quality, and Livability
In Most Rapidly Growing Areas of Seattle

Projected Population Growth 2015-2035



How will we leverage the moment of redevelopment – **the lowest cost moment to update our infrastructure systems** – to optimize public and private value, including:

- A climate-ready drainage & wastewater system
- Multi-functional/multi-seasonal open space
- Long-term stewardship of stormwater facilities
- Greater flexibility and creativity for developers
- Clear/explicit racial equity outcomes



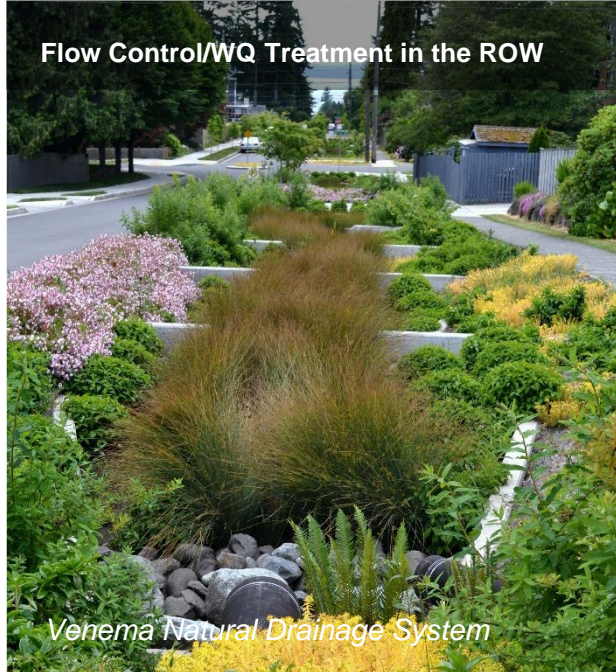
*Tanner Springs Park
Pearl District, Portland*

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POTENTIAL TYPOLOGIES

Flow Control/WQ Treatment in the ROW



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Purpose-built Stormwater Parks



Madison Valley

Retrofits of Existing Space



Parcel-side Incentives Aggregation

Swale on Yale



Manchester, Kitsap County

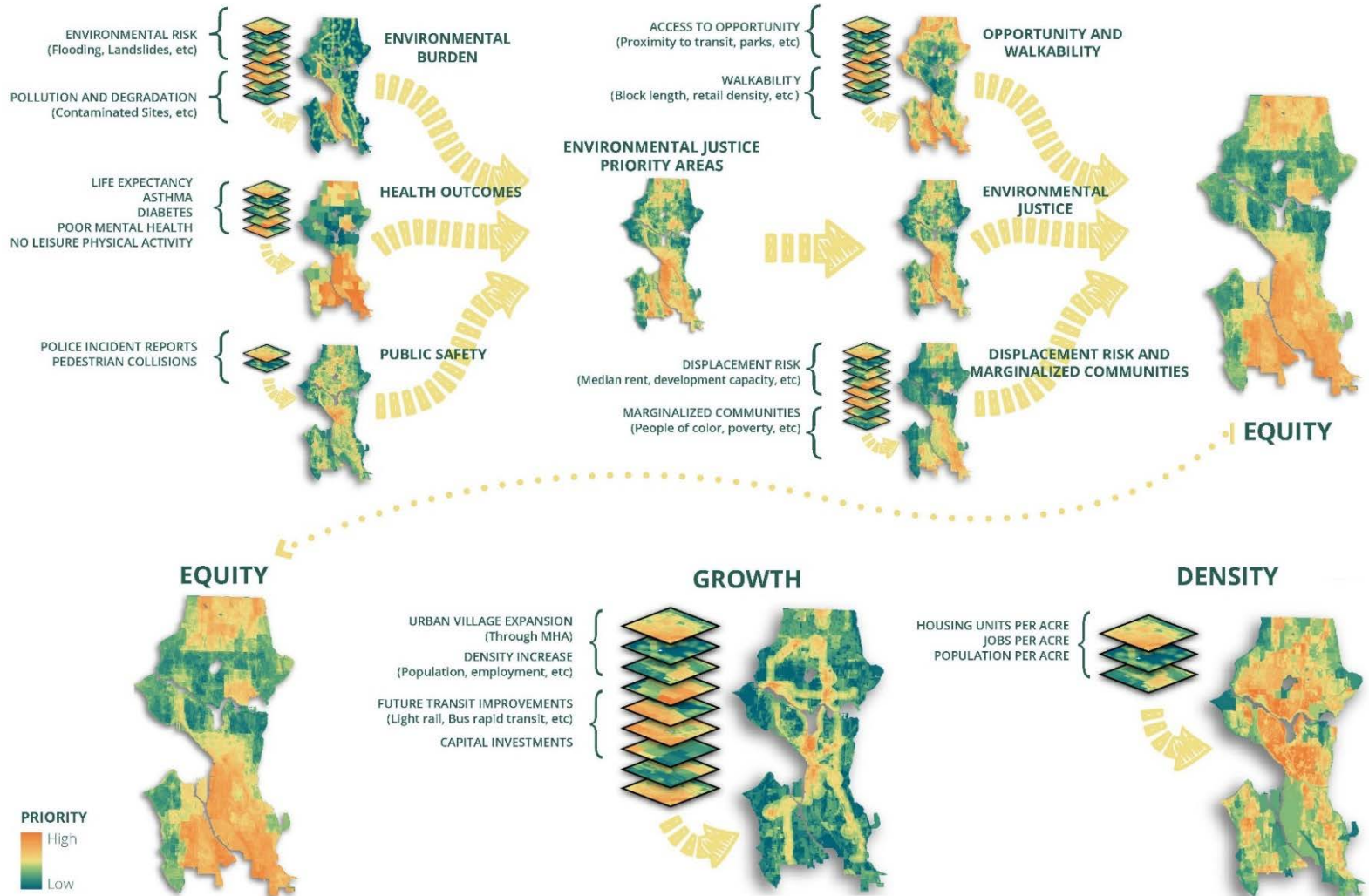


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Urban Village Prioritization Approach Is Considering:

- OPCD analyses (data below) for racial equity, density, and growth
- Best-available SPU data on infrastructure needs and ecological variables
- Best-available data on parks and open space gaps
- Technical feasibility
- Partnership potential



In Summary

Expanding Partnership Capacity

Go It Alone

SPU-Designed
SPU-Led Outreach
SPU-Built
SPU-Maintained



Go Further, Faster With Strategic Partnerships

Developer-Designed
Developer-Led Outreach
Developer-Built
SPU-Facilitated
Co-Maintained



Ballard Roadside Bioretention



HIGHWAY STORMWATER RUNOFF

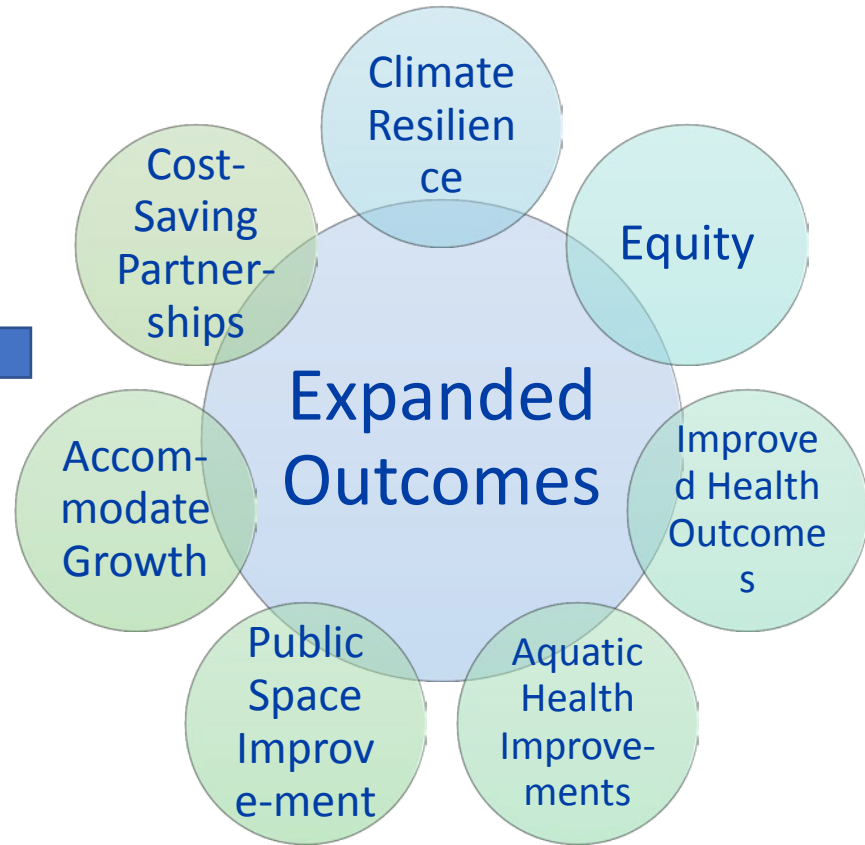
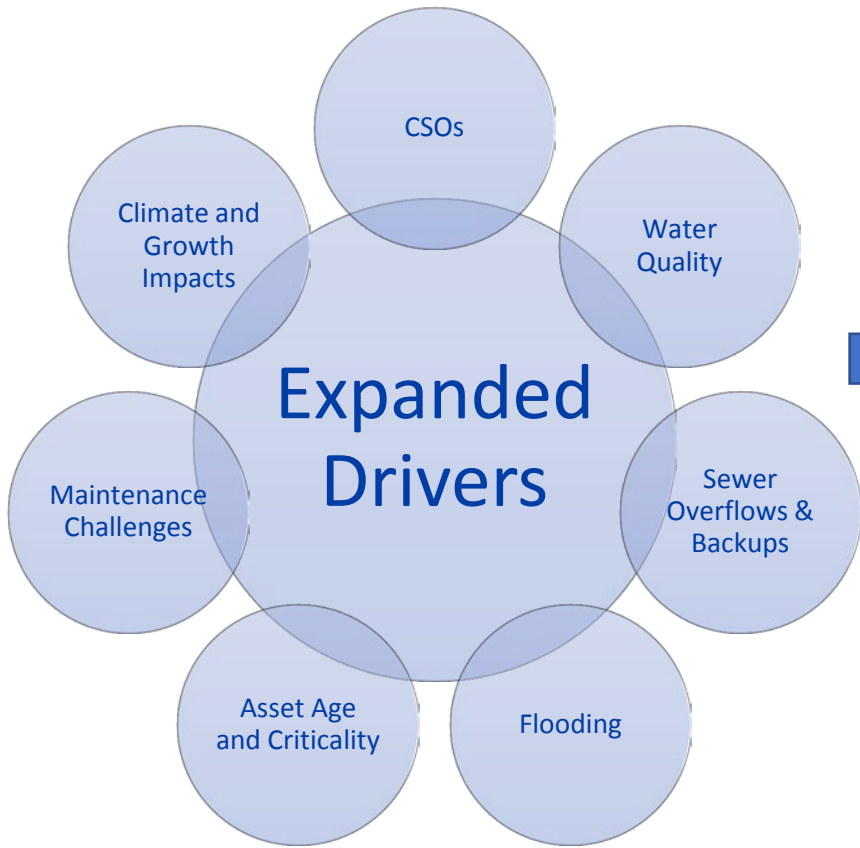
RAIN GARDENS
FILTER STORMWATER

RAIN WATER
REUSE

CLEANED WATER
TO LAKE UNION

Watershed Building, Fremont





Learn more at 700milliongallons.org



700 Million Gallons

RainWise REBATES

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GSI Methods

From rain gardens to green roofs, there are many ways to add green stormwater infrastructure to your home or community. Learn how people are enhancing the beauty of their homes, businesses, and neighborhoods while keeping polluted runoff and sewage overflows out of our waterways.

[Learn More](#)

ww.700milliongallons.org/

Share ideas: rainwise@sattle.gov

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Green Infrastructure & Health Guide



PREPARED BY: OREGON HEALTH AND OUTDOORS INITIATIVE



WILLAMETTE PARTNERSHIP



oregon **public health** institute

IN COLLABORATION WITH:



the **green** infrastructure
leadership exchange

Seattle
Public
Utilities

Growing the Program:

Building GSI Experience and Knowledge

Project	Project Drainage Area
SEA Street #1	2 acres
Carkeek Cascade	28 acres
Broadview Natural Drainage System	32 acres
Pinehurst Natural Drainage System	49 acres
High Point	129 acres
Thornton Creek Water Quality Project	660 acres
Ballard Roadside Bioretention	3 impervious acres
Swale on Yale	435 acres
Venema Natural Drainage System	80 acres
Delridge Natural Drainage System 2015	5.3 impervious acres
Ballard Natural Drainage System 2015	6.2 impervious acres

GSI Projects Primary Driver

Project	Water Quality	Flow
SEA Street #1		✓ (2-year)
Carkeek Cascade @ 110th	✓	maximize
Broadview NDS		✓ (1-2 year)
Pinehurst NDS		✓ (1-2 year)
High Point	✓	✓ Delay (6-mo storm)
Thornton Creek Water Quality Project (primary bioFILTRATION)	✓	
Ballard Roadside Bioretention		✓ (1 year)
Swale on Yale (primary bioFILTRATION)	✓	
Venema Natural Drainage System	✓	✓ (1-2 year)
Delridge Natural Drainage System 2015		✓ (1 year)
Ballard Natural Drainage System 2015		✓ (1 year)

For systems designed for Flow control, you still get WQ treatment

Long Term Control Plan

NDS Partnering Program

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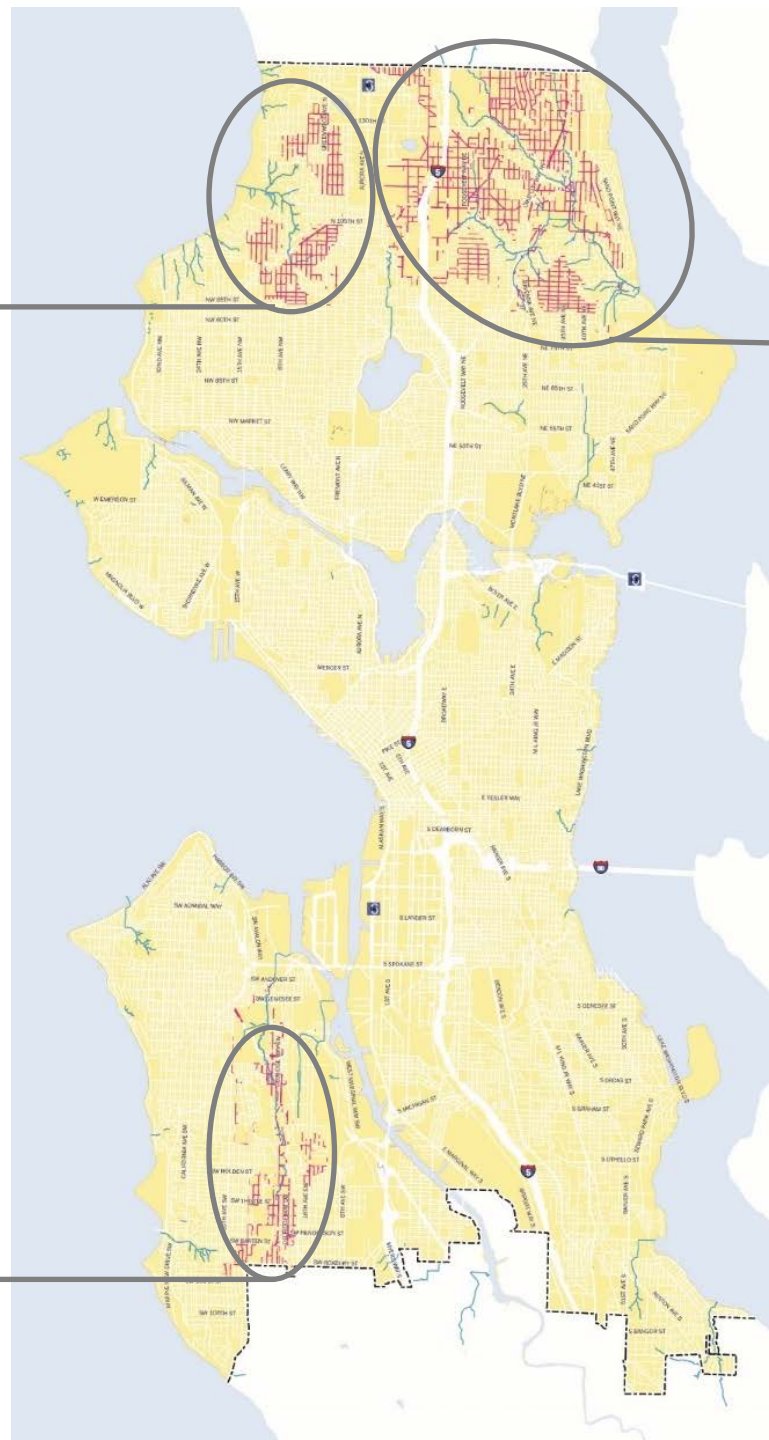
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SPU is funded to build projects on about **4%** of these blocks. This means we will be able to build natural drainage systems on a small sub-set of potentially feasible blocks.

Pipers Creek Watershed

Thornton Creek Watershed

Longfellow Creek Watershed



NDS Partnering Program

Partner with SDOT, Internal SPU departments (Localized Flooding), Grassroots/Communities, and Private Entities, to identify opportunities and implement GSI



Neighborhood Co-benefits

water pollution prevention +



GSI in Urban Villages

STORMWATER FUNCTION + PARK FUNCTION



Madison Valley Facility, SPU



Manchester Park, Kitsap County



Meadowbrook Pond, SPU

RainWise Customer Path



Outreach:

- Postcards
- Events
- Tabling
- Website
- Media

Outreach:

- Website
- Fairs
- Events
- Match-making

Contractor Training
(2x/year)

CM Inspectors:

- Pre-inspection
- Post-inspection

Program Manager + Admin + AP

Outreach:

- Reminders
- Guides
- Videos
- Hands on education

Follow-up Inspections

GSI Implementation Tools

Design Manuals

Manuals to support CIP design

- Volume I: Project Initiation Phase
- Volume II: Options Analysis
- Volume III: GSI Design Phase
- Volume III: Construction
- Volume IV: O&M
- Volume V: Monitoring

Project phase flow charts

- Sequence of tasks

Add to list?
Lessons learned?

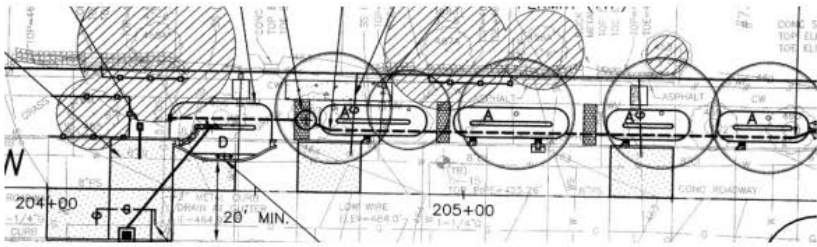

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Green Stormwater Infrastructure

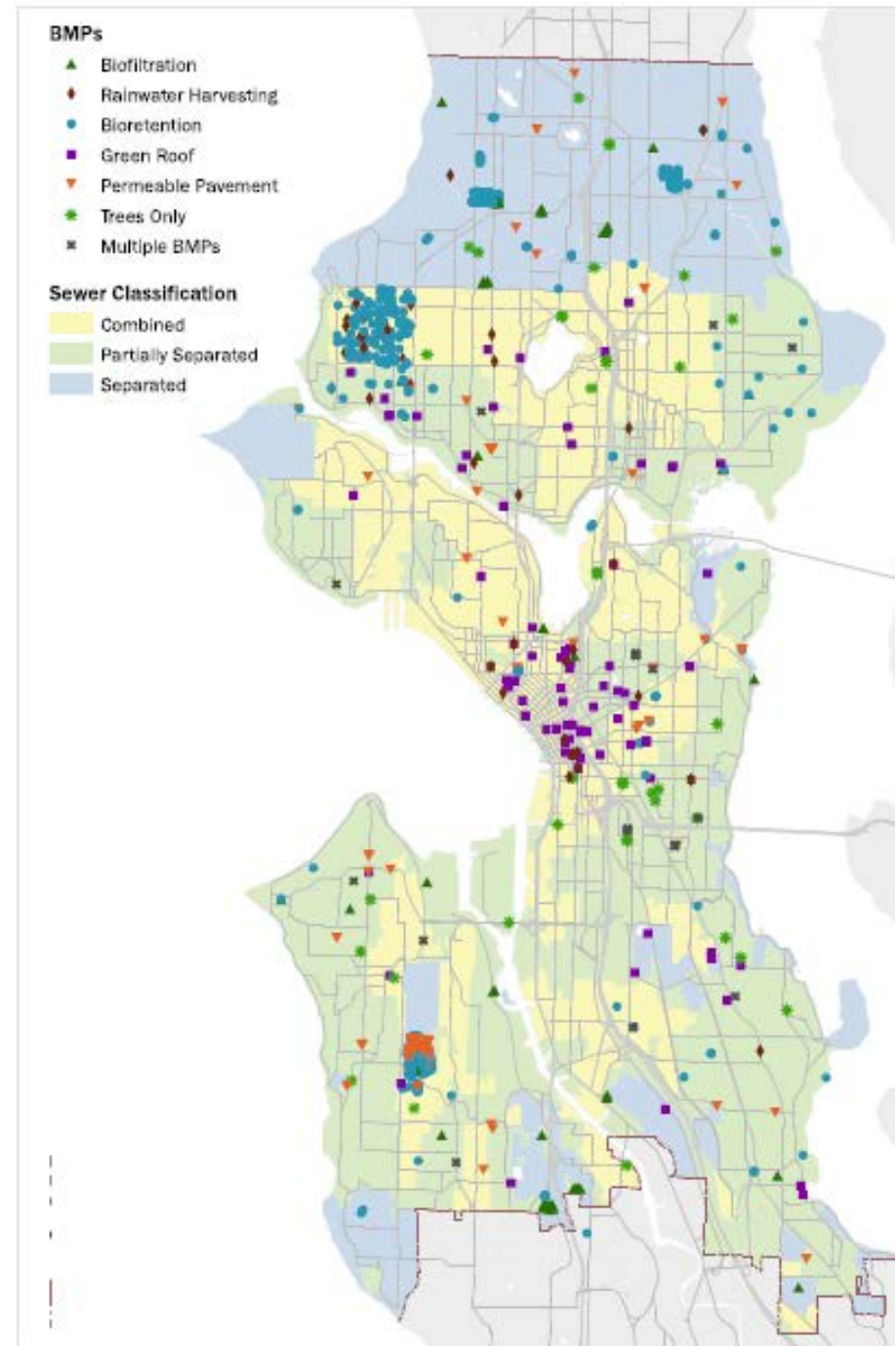
Working Together to Protect our Waterways

Green Stormwater Infrastructure Manual

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map shows installations through 2012