# HICKEY LANE STORMWATER RETROFIT PROJECT

#### PUBLIC STAKEHOLDER CONSRUCTION KICKOFF PUBLIC MEETING

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# AGENDA

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- Existing Conditions
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### **PROJECT LOCATION**





# BACKGROUND







#### 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





## EXISTING CONDITIONS









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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 APPROACH**



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

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- Pollutant removal is achieved thr
  - Biological uptake from algae an filter media
  - Wetland plants provide addition physical and chemical treatmen absorption of organic matter
  - Allows for distinct plant palette

#### **PROJECT DESIGN**











## CONSTRUCTION DETAILS





#### GENERAL INFORMATION

- All work to occur on weekdays (M-F)\*
- Work hours are 7AM-5PM
- Construction vehicles on site:
  - 1 track truck
  - Up to 2 excavators
  - Up to 2 company trucks parked in construction zone
  - 2-3 personal vehicles parked in Arboretum Parking Lot
- DOEE Community Point of Contact:

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#### SITE ACCESS & PARKING RESTRICTIONS

- Vehicular Traffic redirected through Hickey Lane Parking Lot
- No pedestrian access through Work Area









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# PROJECT TIMELINE

- March 2020: contract awarded
- April July 2020: field assessment (topographic survey, geotechnical investigations etc.)
- August 2020 May 2021: design development
- 3 public meetings:
  - Concept designs on 10/26/2020
  - Semi-final designs (~65%): 1/27/21
  - Construction kickoff meeting (timeline): 5/26/21
    - Construction to begin June 15, 2021
    - Expected to take 10 weeks
    - No work on holidays or during rain



# 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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