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Permeable Interlocking Concrete Pavements



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Learning objectives:

- Know how to select PICP
- Understand types of exfiltration options for the base and when each are applied
- Understand the hydrological and structural design principles for the pavement base
- Know the components of a PICP construction specification
- Understand maintenance requirements of PICPs



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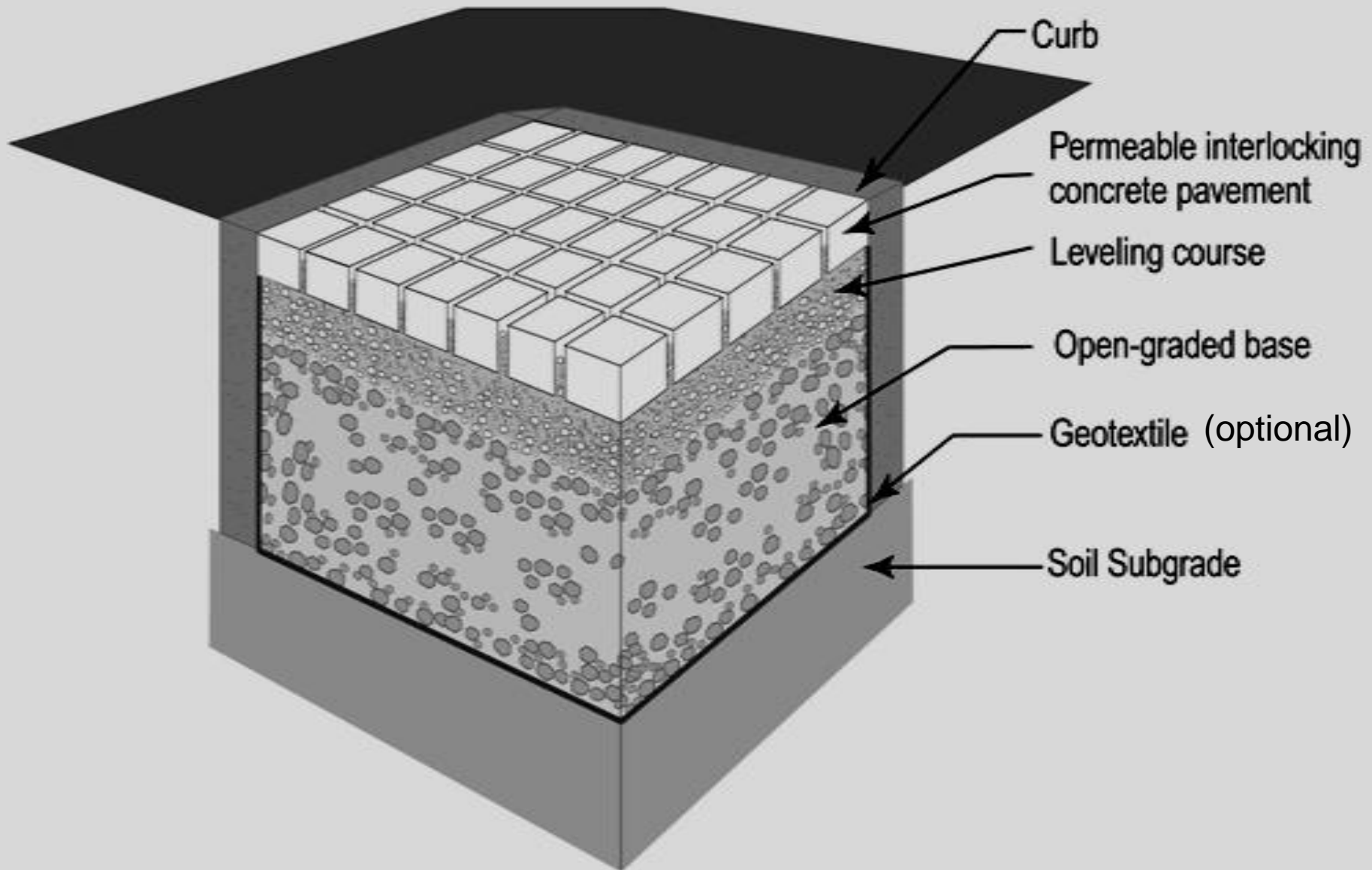
Selection • Design • Construction • Maintenance

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Third Edition



PICCP System Components



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Stormwater Management Objectives

Some Approaches...

Retain/infiltrate increased volume & flows

- **Capture first flush, e.g. first 1/2-1 in. (13 mm)**
- **Control specific nutrients, metals**
- **Imitate pre-development conditions**
- **Capture percentage of storms**

Permeable pavements address all approaches

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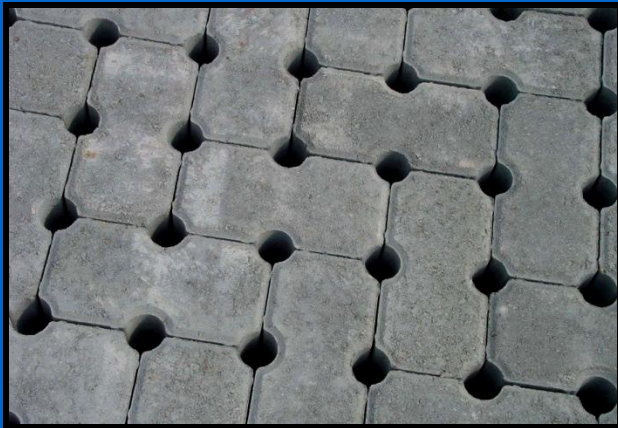
Why Use Permeable Pavers?

Benefits

- **Part of BMP mix; supports LID**
 - **Conserves space: pavement on detention facility**
 - **100% runoff reduction for high frequency storms**
 - **Reduce retention/detention, drainage fees**
 - **Filter and reduce nutrients, metals**
 - **Increase groundwater recharge**
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Paver Types

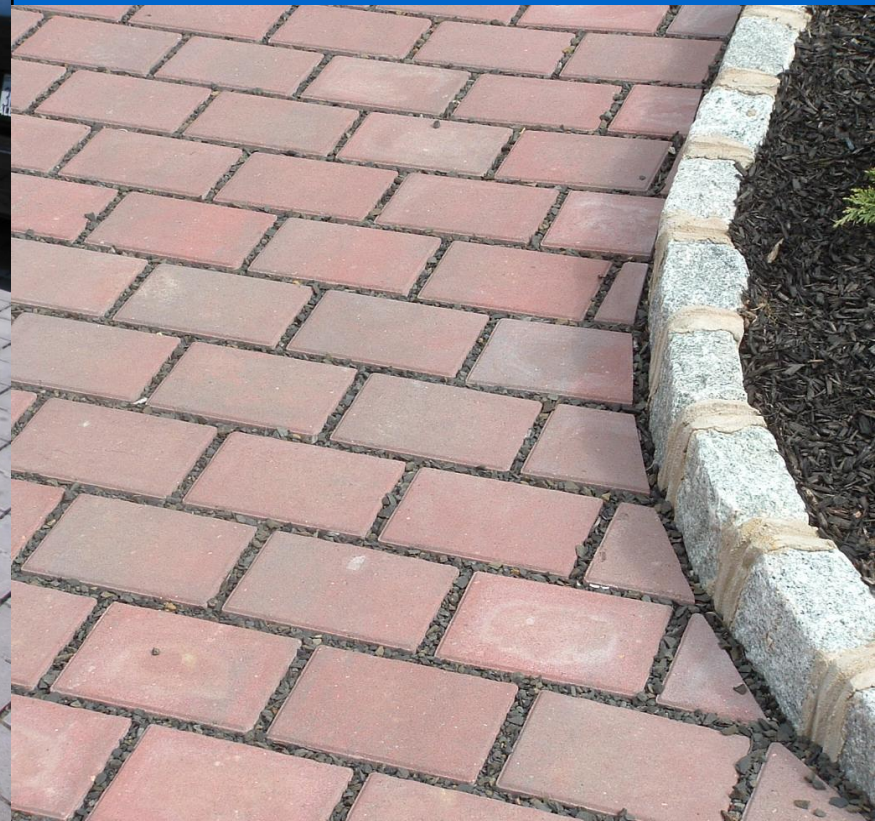
Interlocking shapes/patterns



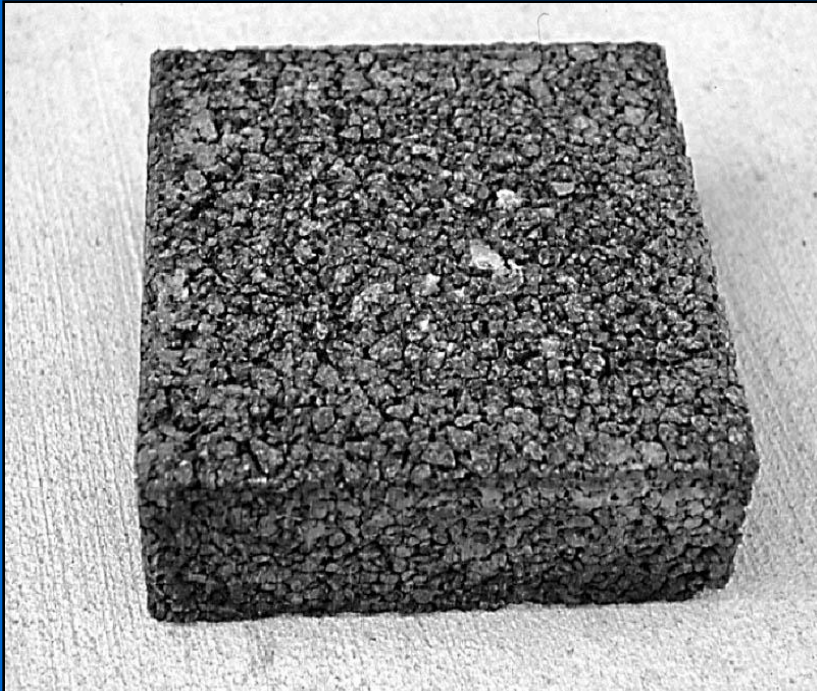
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Paver Types

Enlarged Joints: 10 mm



Paver Types



Porous concrete units
Zero fines concrete

**For non-freezing
climates**

**Surface: high clogging
potential**

**Install with enlarged
joints for additional
drainage**

Application Guide for Permeable Segmental Concrete Pavements

	Interlocking Shapes w/openings	Enlarged Joints & Spacers	Porous Concrete Units	Grid Pavers w/Grass
Low speed Roads	Contact manufacturer	Contact manufacturer	Contact manufacturer	Contact manufacturer
Parking lots Driveways	Excellent	Excellent	Not Recommended	Acceptable for low use
Overflow parking, fire lanes	Excellent	Excellent	Not recommended	Good
Revetments Boat ramps	Good	Good	Not Recommended	Good
Bike paths, Sidewalks	Good	Good	Excellent	Not Recommended

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Site Opportunities

No space for parking & detention pond
40%+ impervious cover / urbanized uses
Storm sewer system near/at capacity
Impervious cover limitations
Contributing drainage area

Project Examples

Residential Driveways



Residential roads



Cul-de-sacs in residential roads



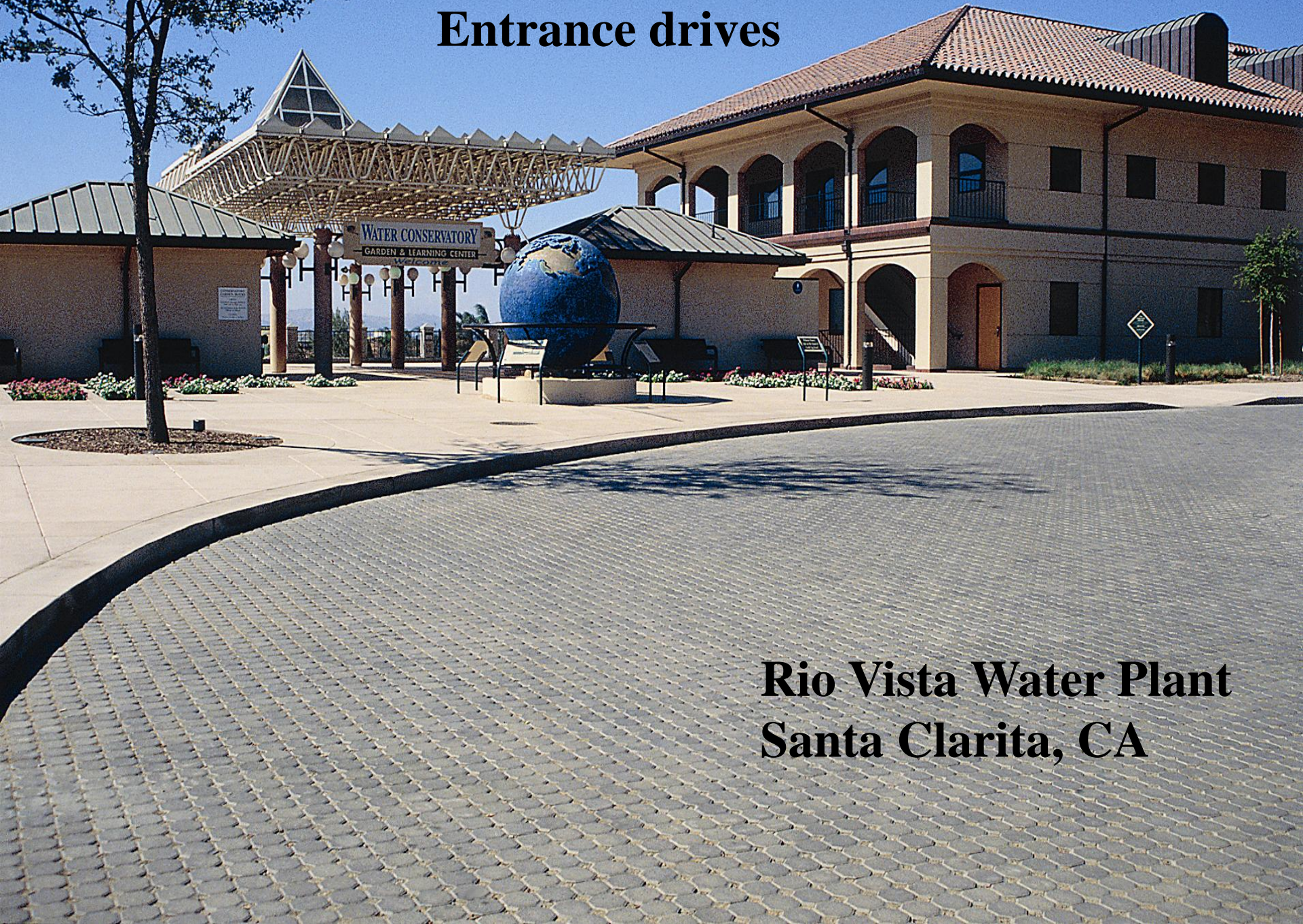
**Glen Brook Green Subdivision
Waterford, CT
Jordon Cove Watershed
US EPA Section 319 NMP**

Project Profiles

**Permeable Interlocking
Concrete Pavements**



Entrance drives



**Rio Vista Water Plant
Santa Clarita, CA**



**Hilton Garden Inn
Calabasas, CA**

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Boat ramp



Tree preservation

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**Somerset Street
Ocean City, MD**

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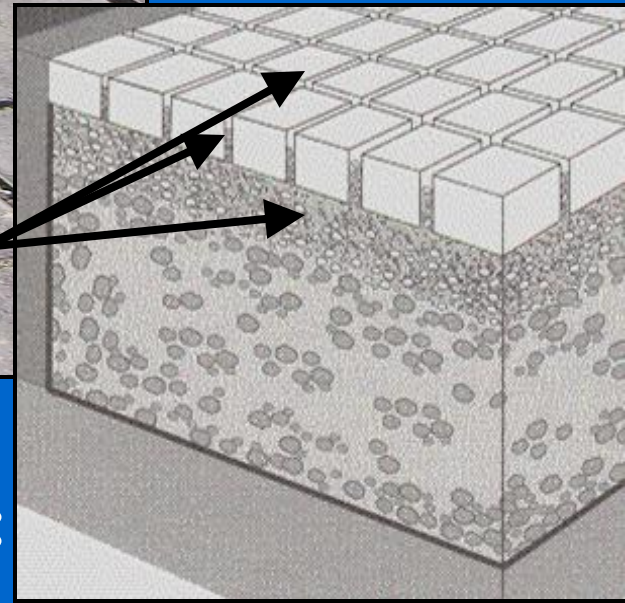


Parking lots

Lowe's Home
Center
Olympia, WA



Infiltration Rates Surface, Joints & Bedding



Void ratio, 8% to 18%

Required infiltration rate of openings:

Design storm, in. per hr / 0.08

Example: 2 in. per hr / 0.08

Required infiltration rate = 25 in./hr

Infiltration rate of stone in openings: 300 to 500 in./hr

Assume 10% lifetime efficiency: 30 to 50 in./hr

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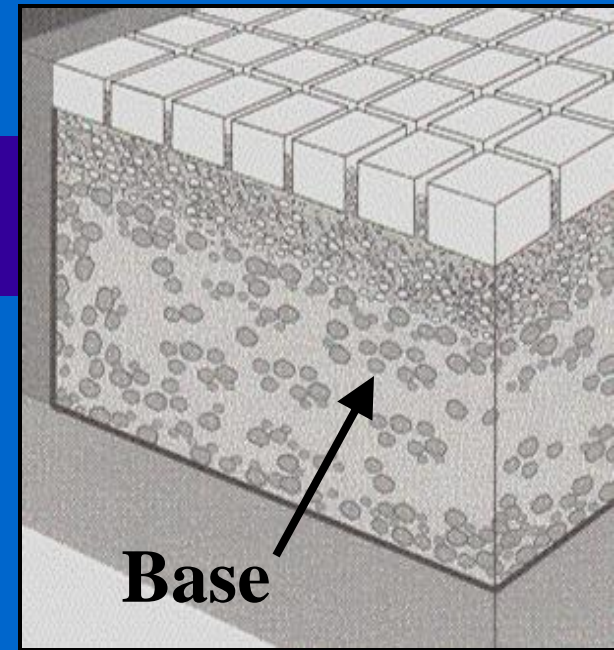
Base Storage Capacity

Base materials

**No. 57 crushed stone base or similar
1.5 - 1/8 in. aggregate**

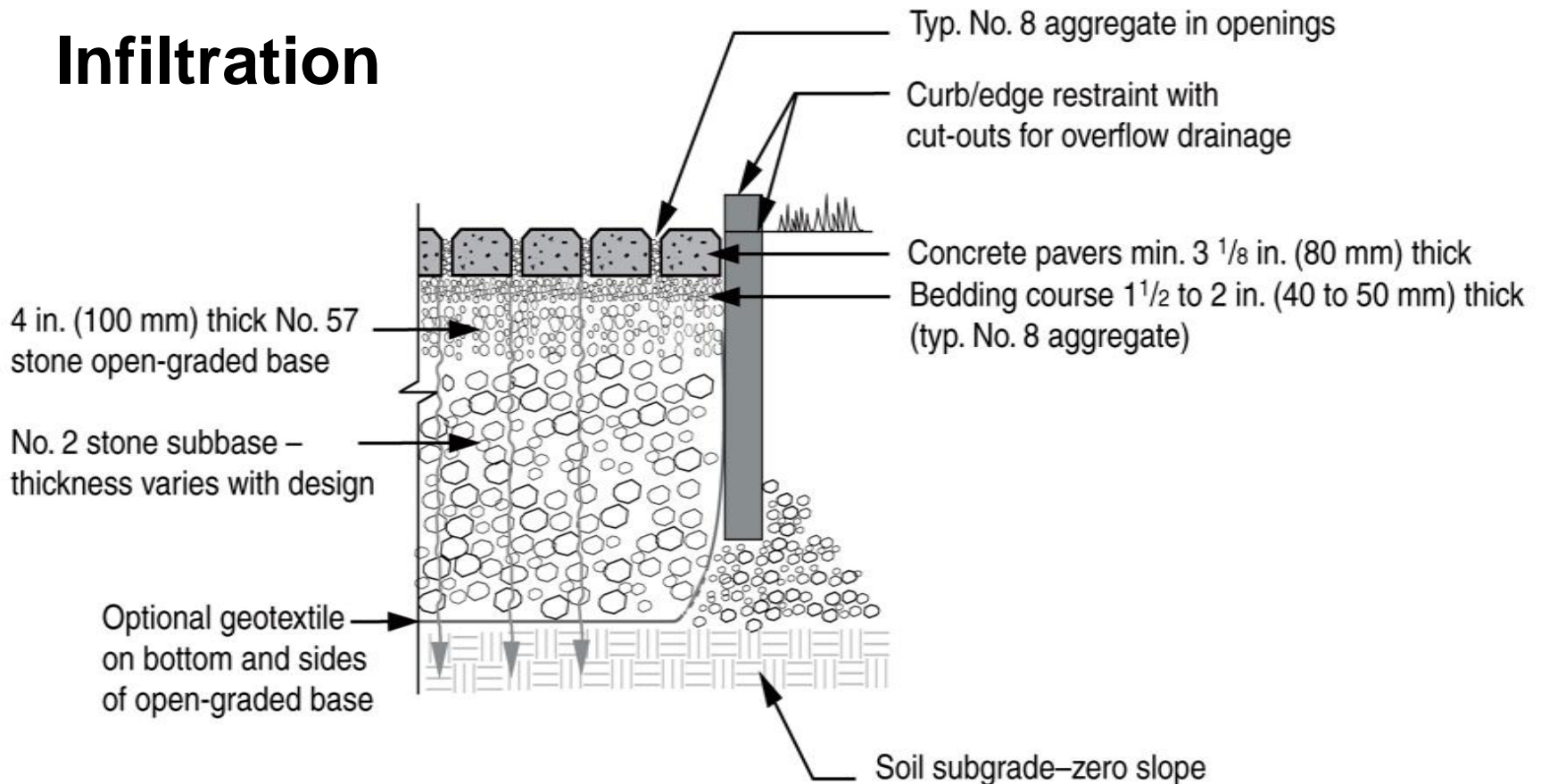
**No. 2 crushed stone subbase or similar
2½ in. – ¾ in. aggregate
~ 30% to 40% void space**

**2.5 to 3 in. of base stores about 1 in. of water
Design for 24 - 72 hour storage**



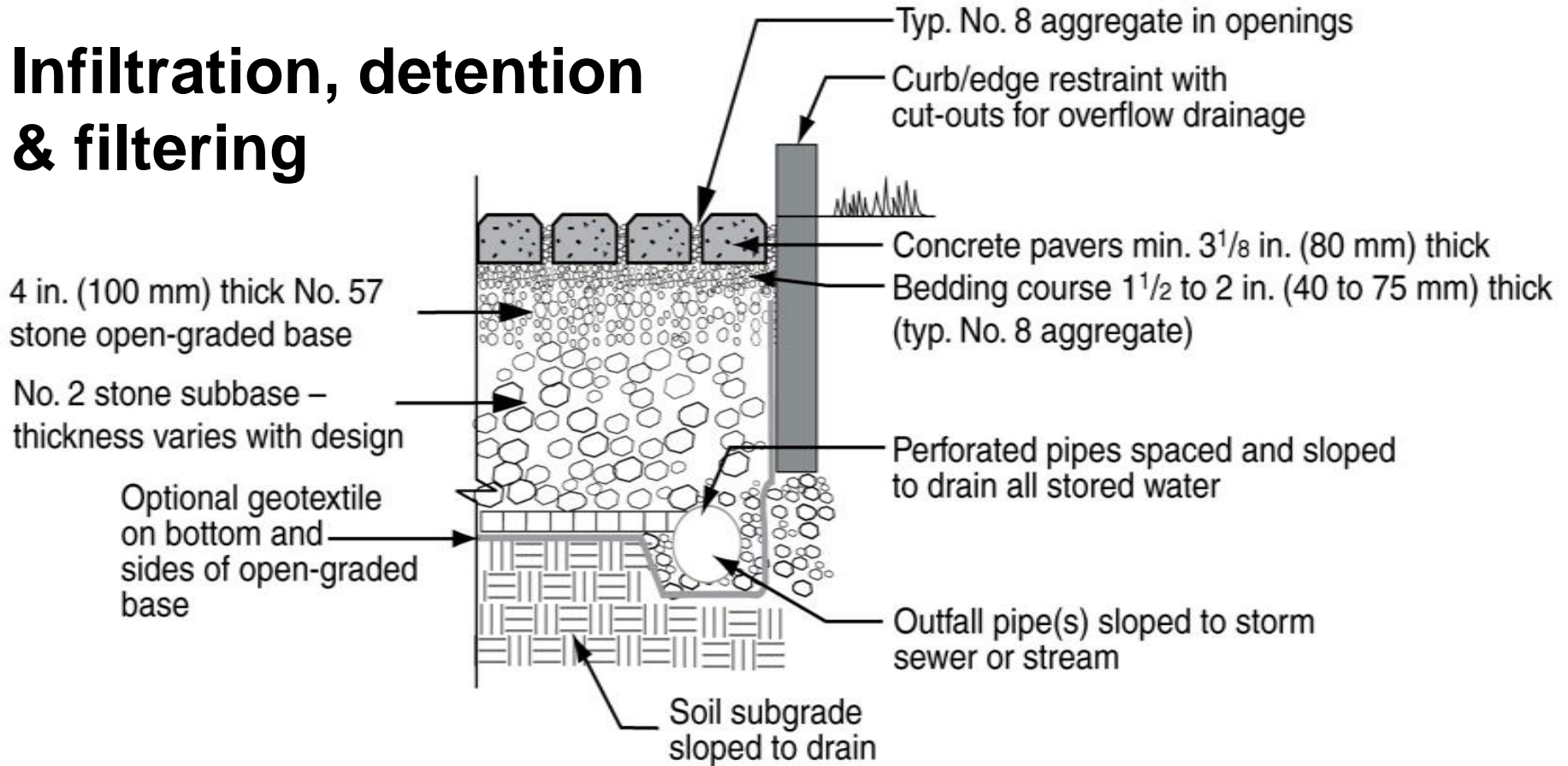
1. Full Exfiltration – Figure 12

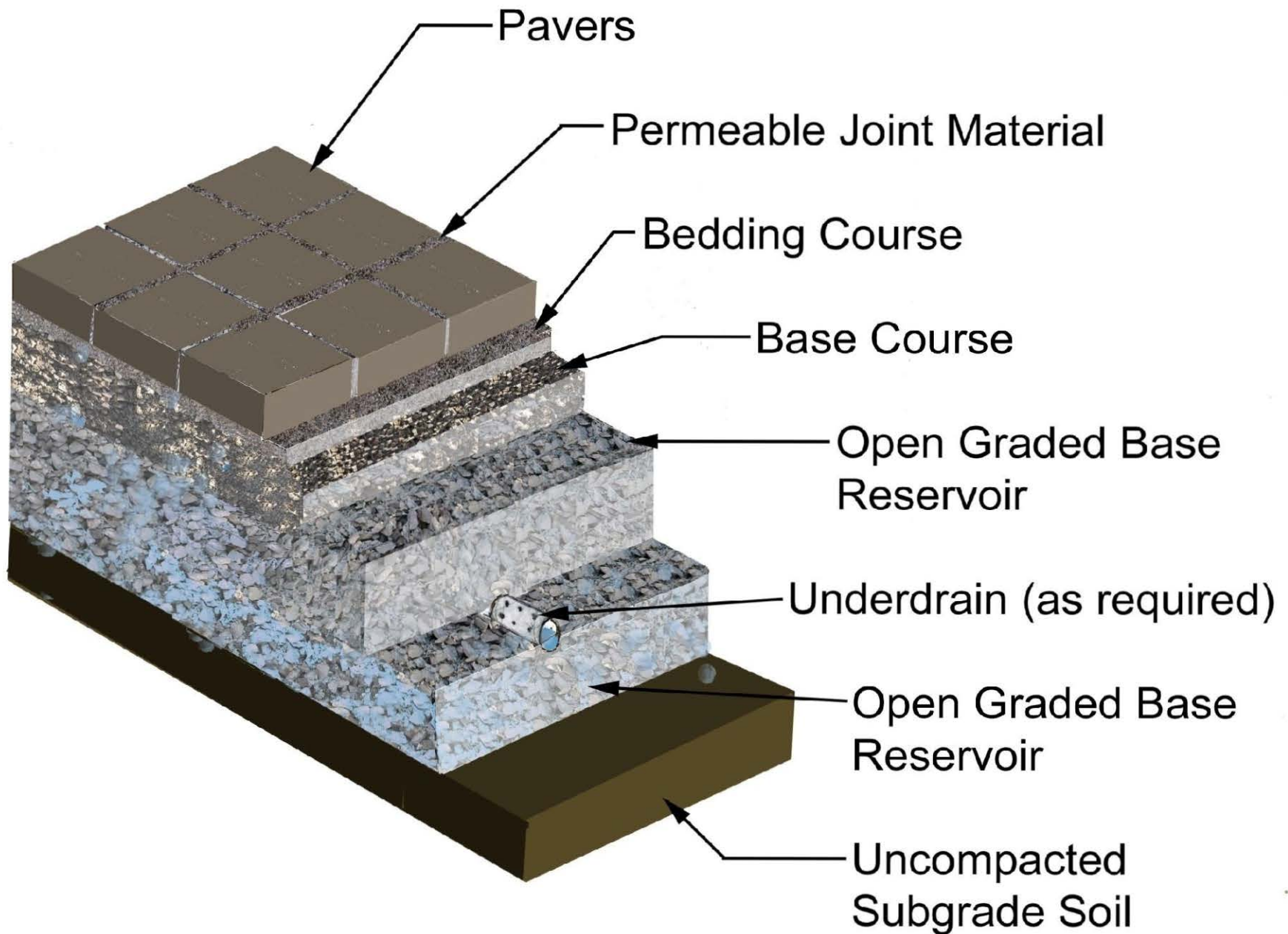
Infiltration



2. Partial Exfiltration – Figure 13

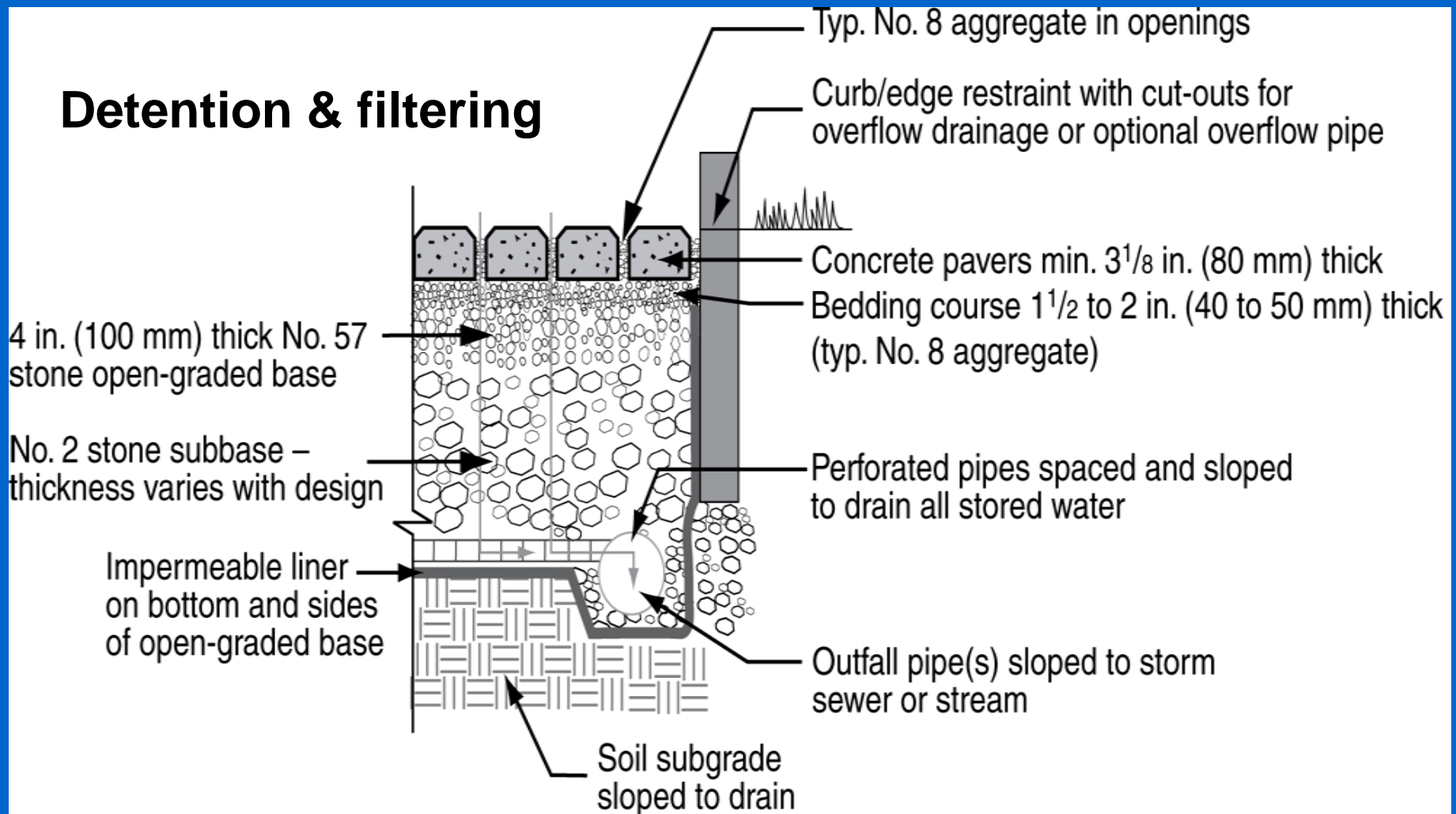
Infiltration, detention & filtering





3. No Exfiltration – Figure 14

Detention & filtering



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Soil Infiltration

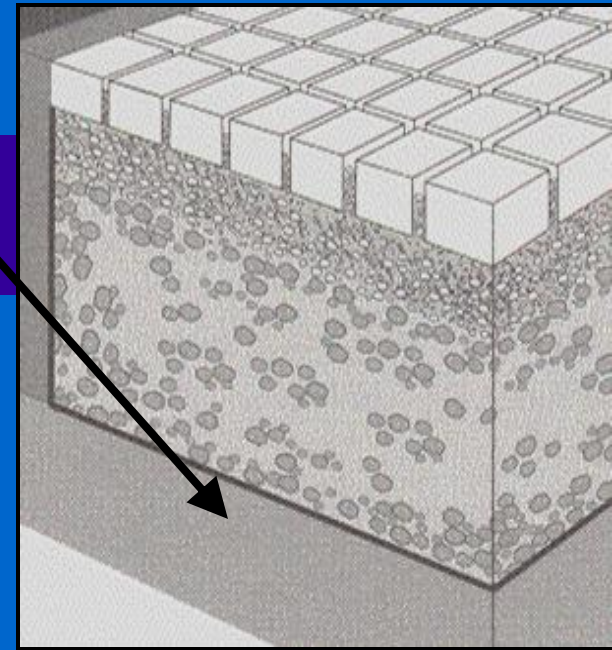
Establish suitability

Soil maps

NRCS soil classification (ABCD)

USCS soil classification

Conduct on-site infiltration tests



Subgrade Infiltration

Determining soil infiltration rates

Dig holes on the site

Approx. top-of-subgrade depth

Double ring infiltrometer test

Use lowest infiltration rate



Multiple test holes



Test area



Pollutant Removal – Figure 27

Pollutant	Infiltration Trench Design Type*			Infiltration Trenches & Porous Pavement
	0.5 in. (13 mm) of Runoff per Impervious acre	1.0 in. (25 mm) of Runoff per Impervious acre	2-year Design Storm Treatment	Median Pollutant Removal**
Total Suspended Solids	60-80	80-100	80-100	95
Total Phosphorous	40-60	40-60	60-80	70
Total Nitrogen	40-60	40-60	60-80	51
Biological Oxygen Demand	60-80	60-80	80-100	—
Bacteria	60-80	60-80	80-100	—
Metals	60-80	60-80	80-100	99 (Zn)

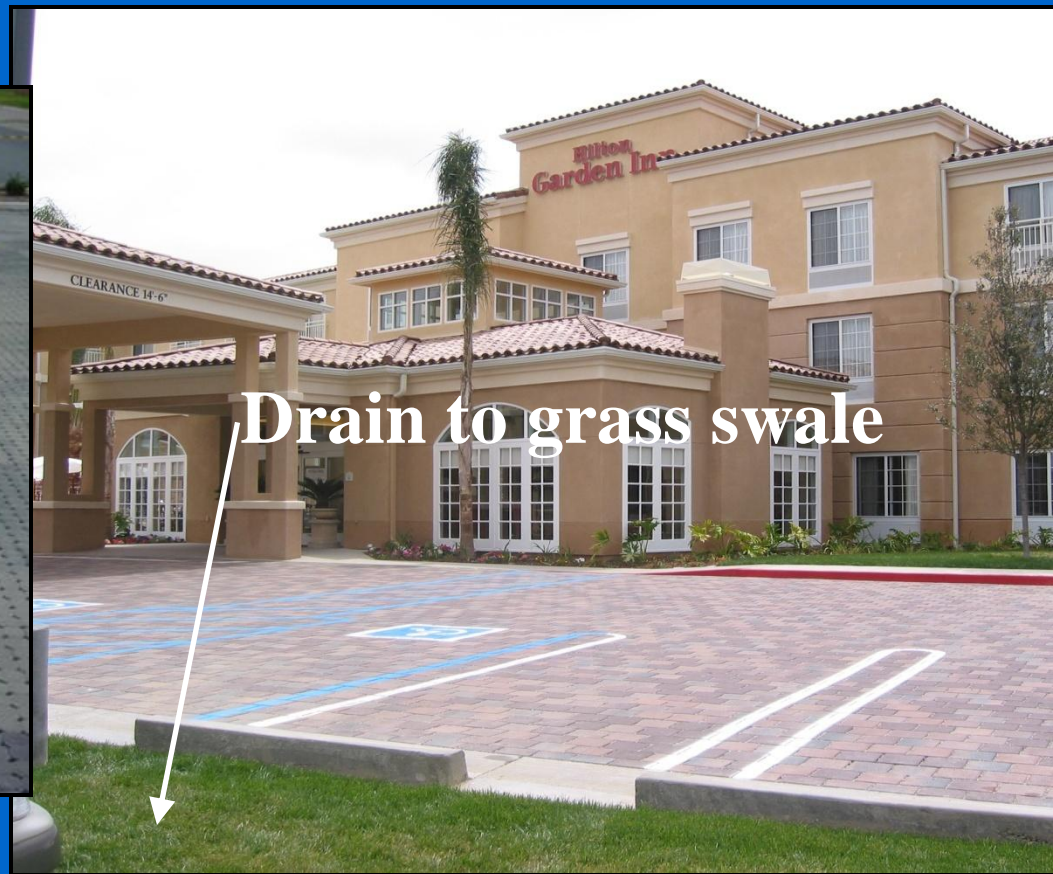
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Design Details

Overflow and concrete edge restraints



Overflow drain



Drain to grass swale

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Design for the Disabled

Combine solid & permeable



Or use smaller joints

Design for Performance Monitoring

- Observation well at lowest point
- Min. 6 in. (150 mm) dia. perf pipe w/cap
- Monitor drainage rate, sediment, water quality
- Cap hides under pavers



No. 2 stone subbase



**Morton Arboretum
Lisle, Illinois**



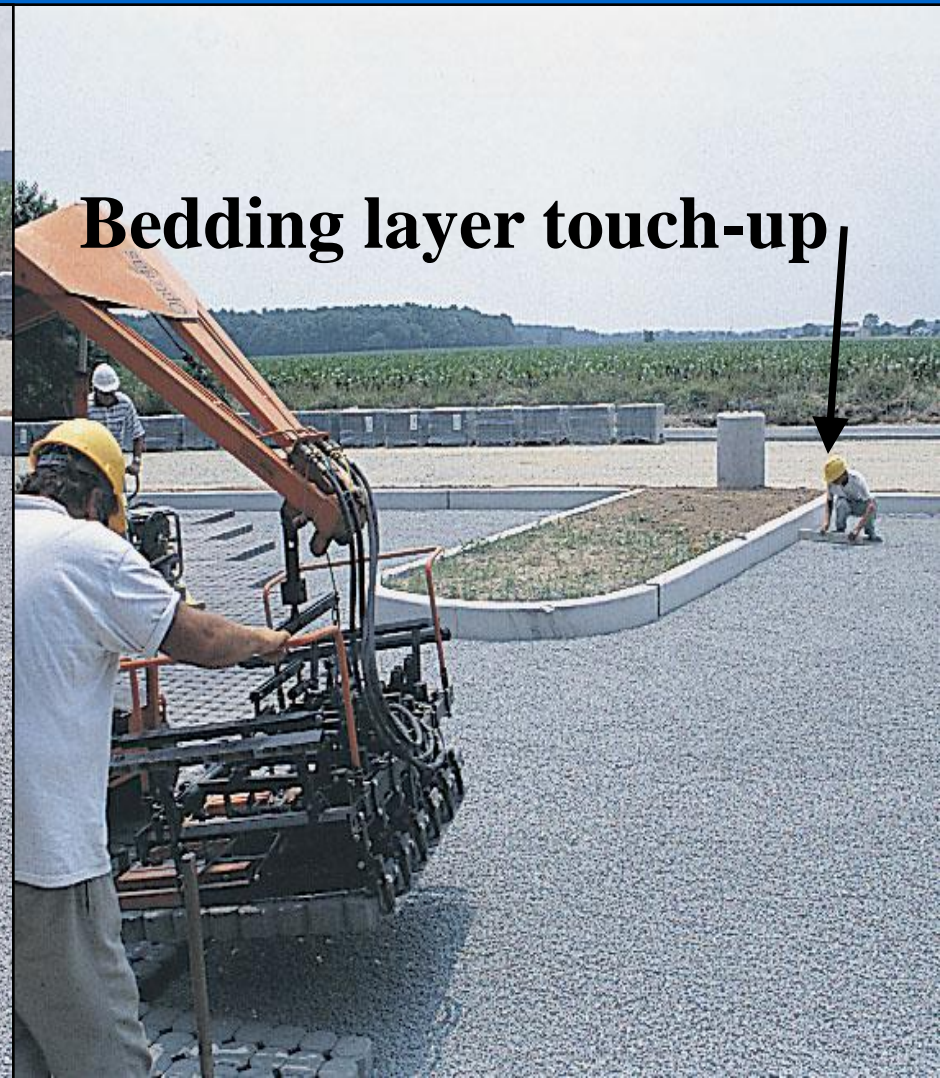
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Construction

**Screeding
bedding
layer over
stone base**

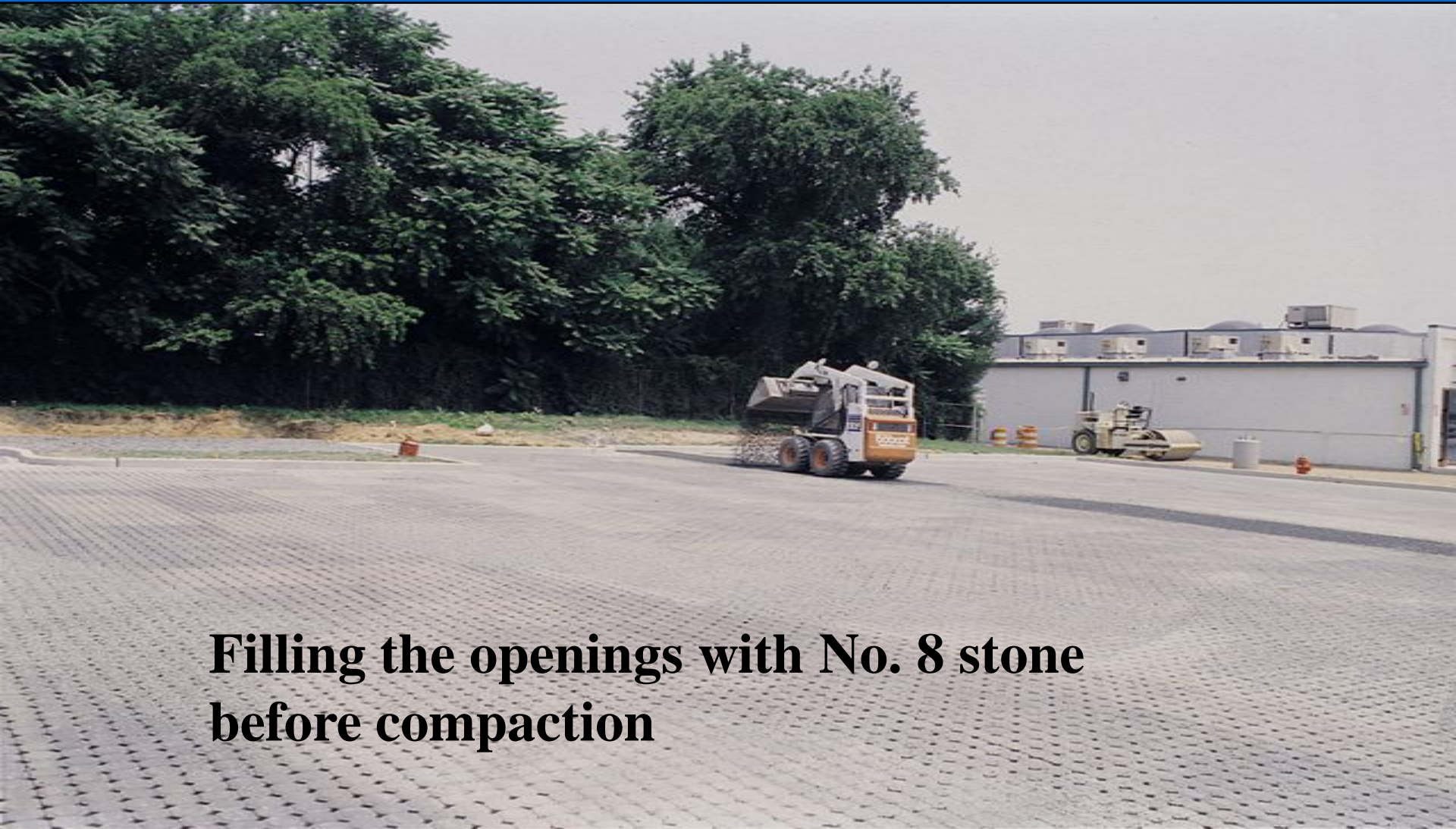


Construction — Mechanical Installation



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Construction



**Filling the openings with No. 8 stone
before compaction**

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Compaction of pavers



**Excess stones removed,
then final compaction**



Costs

Assumptions:

3 1/8" thick pavers,
2 in. bedding layer

12 in. base...

15-20,000 s.f.

\$7 to \$10/s.f.

Does *not* include design,
curbs, or pipe costs



Sustainable Design through LEED v2.2

- “Sustainable” = Development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs
- Considers the triple-bottom-line: social, economic & environmental impacts
- LEED = Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design rating system v2.2



US Green Building Council
www.usgbc.org

LEED rating levels for project certification

Certified	26 – 32 points
Silver	33 – 38 points
Gold	39 – 51 points
Platinum	52 or greater

Types of projects:

New construction LEED-NC

Existing buildings

Commercial interiors

Building core & shell

Homes

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LEED credits offered when projects....

- **Decrease pollution through sustainable sites**
- Increase building water use efficiency
- Reduce energy and atmospheric pollutants
- **Conserve minerals and resources**
- Improve indoor air quality
- Offer innovative ideas and designs
- Offer innovative upgrades, operations & maintenance

Decrease runoff through Sustainable Sites

LEED Points

Credit 6.1 Stormwater design: Quantity control 1

<50% site imperviousness

Reduce to pre-development peak discharge & quantity for a 2 year, 24-hour storm

>50% site imperviousness

25% volume decrease from 2 year, 24-hour storm

Achieve both objectives with permeable interlocking concrete pavements



Decrease runoff through Sustainable Sites

LEED Points

Credit 6.2 Stormwater design: Quality control

1

**Capture & treat 90% of average annual
Rainfall (0.5 to 1 in. depending on region)
Remove 80% of total suspended solids**

**Achieve 80% TSS removal with permeable
Interlocking concrete pavements – proven by research**



LEED Points

Credit 7.1 Heat Island Effect: Non-roof

1

50% of site hardscape using

Tree shade in 5 years

Paving with minimum 29 Solar Reflectance Index (SRI)

Grid pavement

OR

Place parking under roof or ground

Minimum 29 SRI on roof or deck



LEED Points

Credit 7.2 Heat Island Effect: Roof

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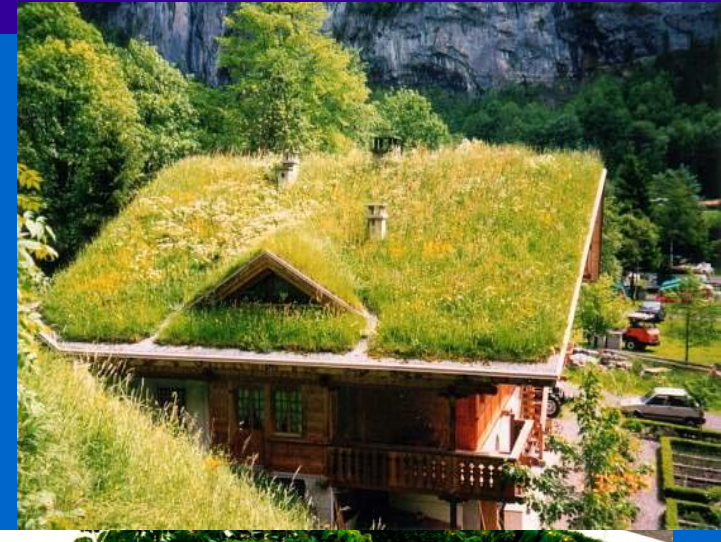
At least 75% roof with minimum 29
Solar Reflectance Index (SRI)

OR

At least 50% vegetated roof

OR

Low slope roof with min 78 SRI



Conservation of materials and resources

Credit	LEED Points
3.1 5% reused content (i.e. crushed concrete)	1
3.2 10% reused content	1
4.1 5% recycled waste content (e.g. flyash)	1
4.2 10% recycled waste content	1
5.1 20% manufactured regionally (<500 mi.)	1
5.2 50% materials extracted regionally (<500 mi.)	1

See ICPI Tech Spec 16 on LEED points from pavers



Questions?

You deserve a break.

Thank you!

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