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NC Stormwater: Look Back, Look Forward





Bill Hunt, Ph.D., PE

- Extension Professor with North Carolina State University
- Since 2000, has designed, installed, and/or monitored more than 180 projects including
 - bioretention,
 - green roofs,
 - permeable pavement,
 - water harvesting/cistern systems,
 - bioswales,
 - regenerative stormwater conveyance, and
 - level spreader/ filter strips.
- Works throughout the eastern US, including Northeast Ohio
- Consults around the world, including Sweden, Singapore, China, and Jordan

Relationship with Stantec

For over 3 years, Stantec and Dr. Hunt have partnered to meet our clients Low Impact Development (LID) and Green Infrastructure (GI) needs

Dr. Hunt has been involved in client seminars, training sessions, and QA/QC for innovative stormwater projects completed by the Stantec LID team

Dr. Hunt also offers his vast experience in design, installation and monitoring; allowing Stantec to deliver projects that are designed using the latest knowledge and research on LID





Agenda

1. Why You? Hunt Background
2. Nice Job: Good Practices in MOECC
3. Why small is OK: Fingerprinting Practices
4. Adding new stuff: Regenerative Stormwater Conveyance
5. Keep Talking: The Role of Communication
6. Wrap Up

Why You? Hunt Background

My Background

Research & Outreach since 1997

180+ Installations for design, monitoring, & maintenance

Inspection & Maintenance Focus

Assists NCDEQ (Our MOECC) with SCM Design





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Trying to Get a Permit?



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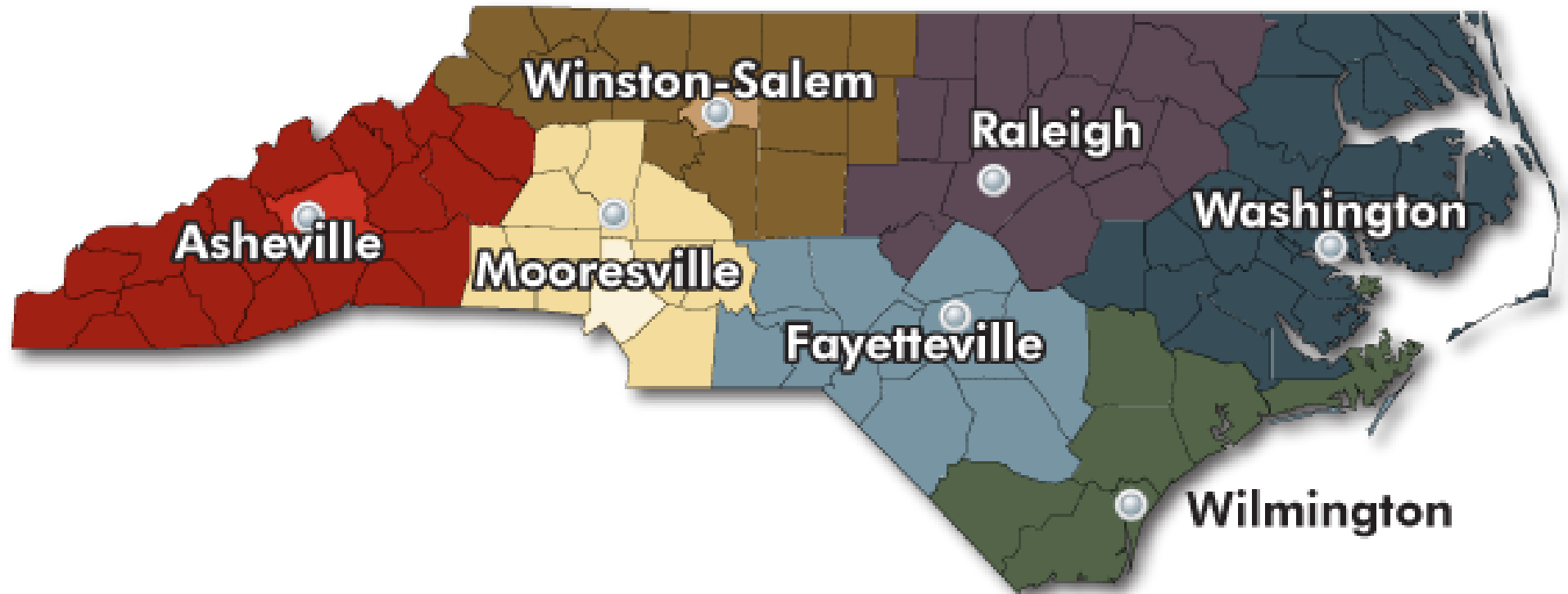


Image courtesy of NC DEQ



Consistency!!!



Introducing Minimum Design Criteria (MDCs)...



Legislature defines “MDC”

All-inclusive list of requirements for siting, design, construction, and O&M for the fast-track stormwater permitting program.



The MDC Team

Engineering/design community (8)

Home Builder's Association (1)

Construction (1)

Local government (4)

Environmental Group (2)

Landscape Architect (1)

Academia (2)

Soil Scientist (1)

DOT (1)

DEQ(4)

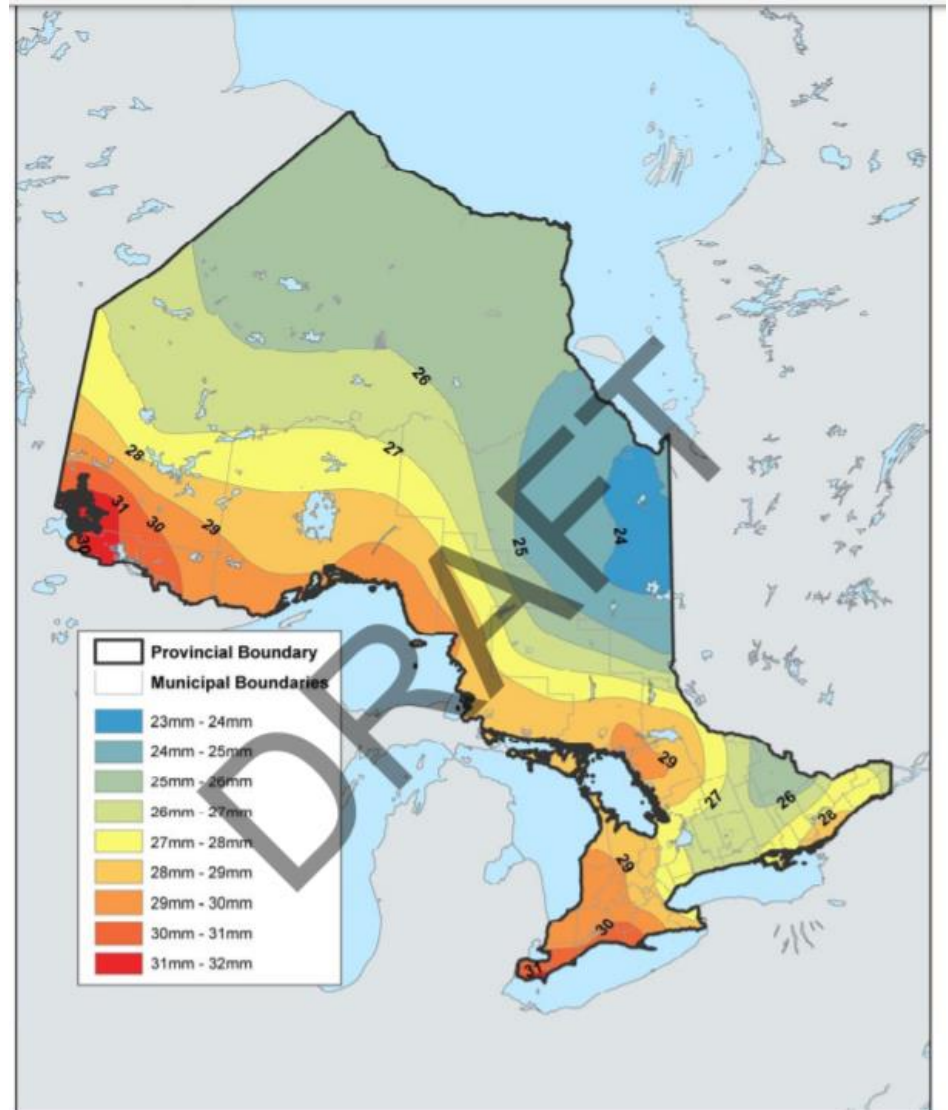


Nice Job! Great Practices in MOECC

Nice Job!

90% Precip

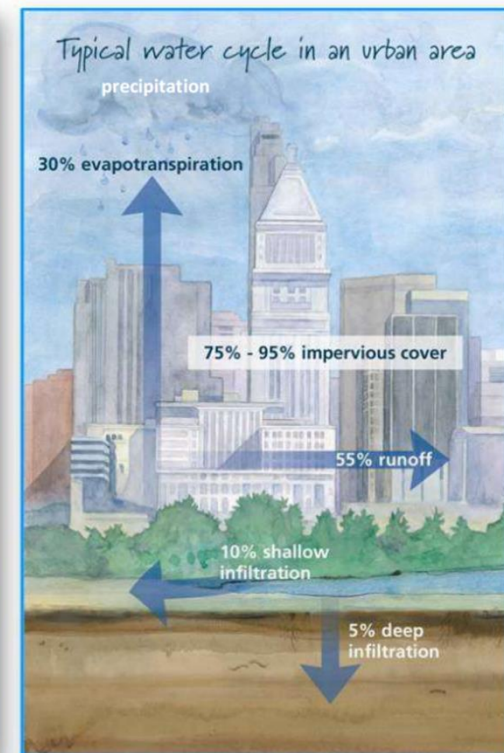
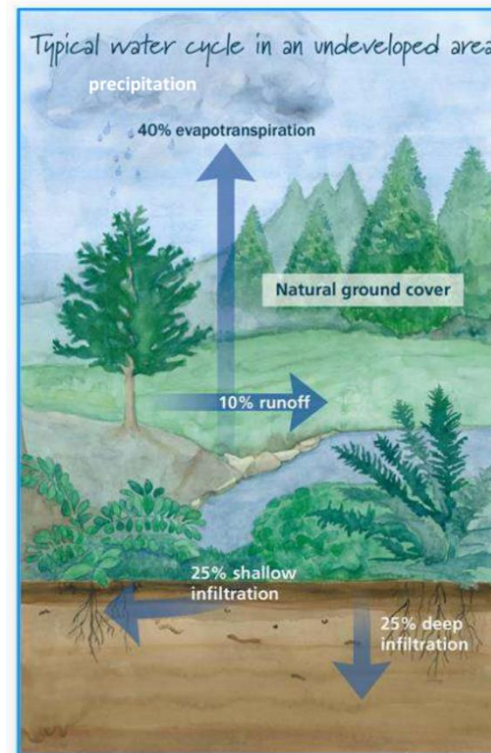
- Not tons of variation across Ontario (24 to 31 mm)
- Will allow > 90% of all pollutants to be captured.
- In keeping with 80-90% capture used across North America.



Nice Job!

Pre-Development Water Balance

- Maintaining Natural Pathways (ET, Infiltration, Runoff)
- How will this be implemented?
- In NC, they just said match runoff pre- & post-
 - Acknowledging that ET v. Infiltration Matching may be too tough



San Antonio River Authority

Nice Job!

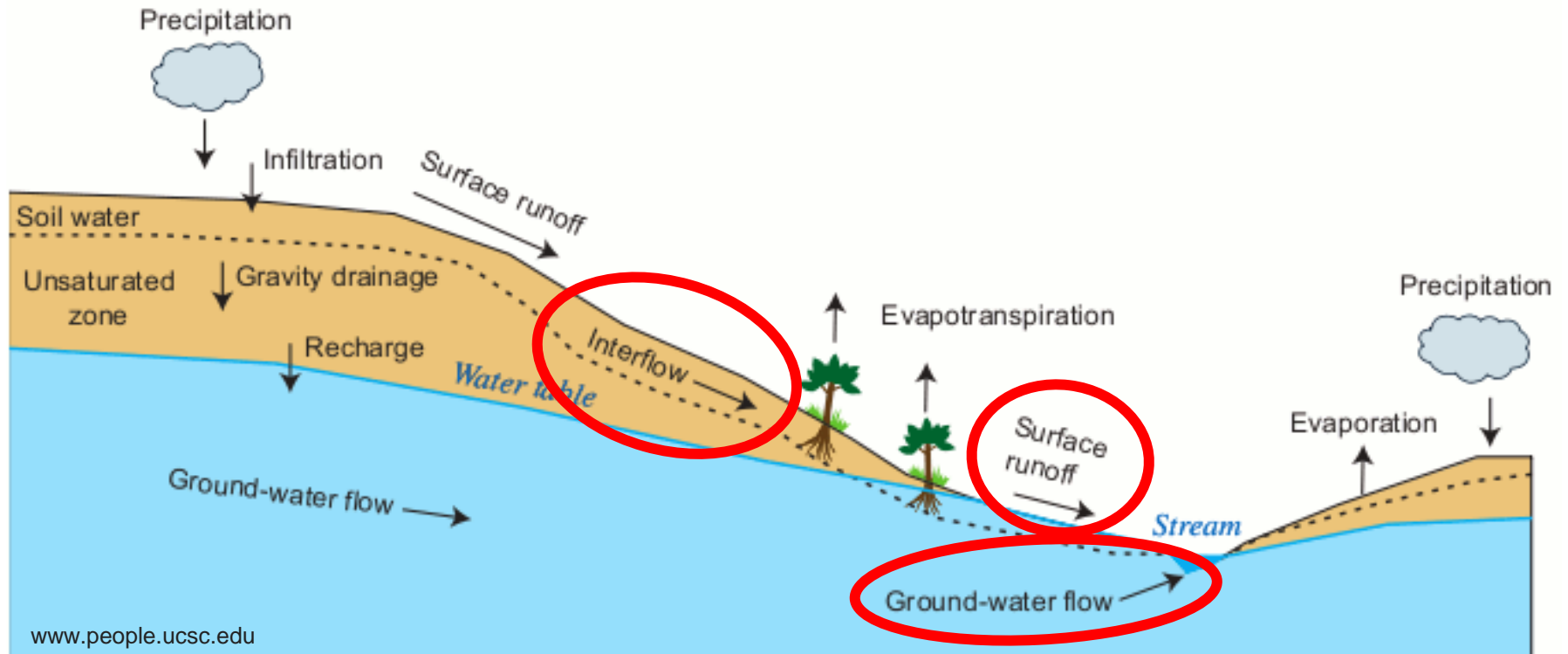
Control Hierarchy Priorities 1, 2 & 3

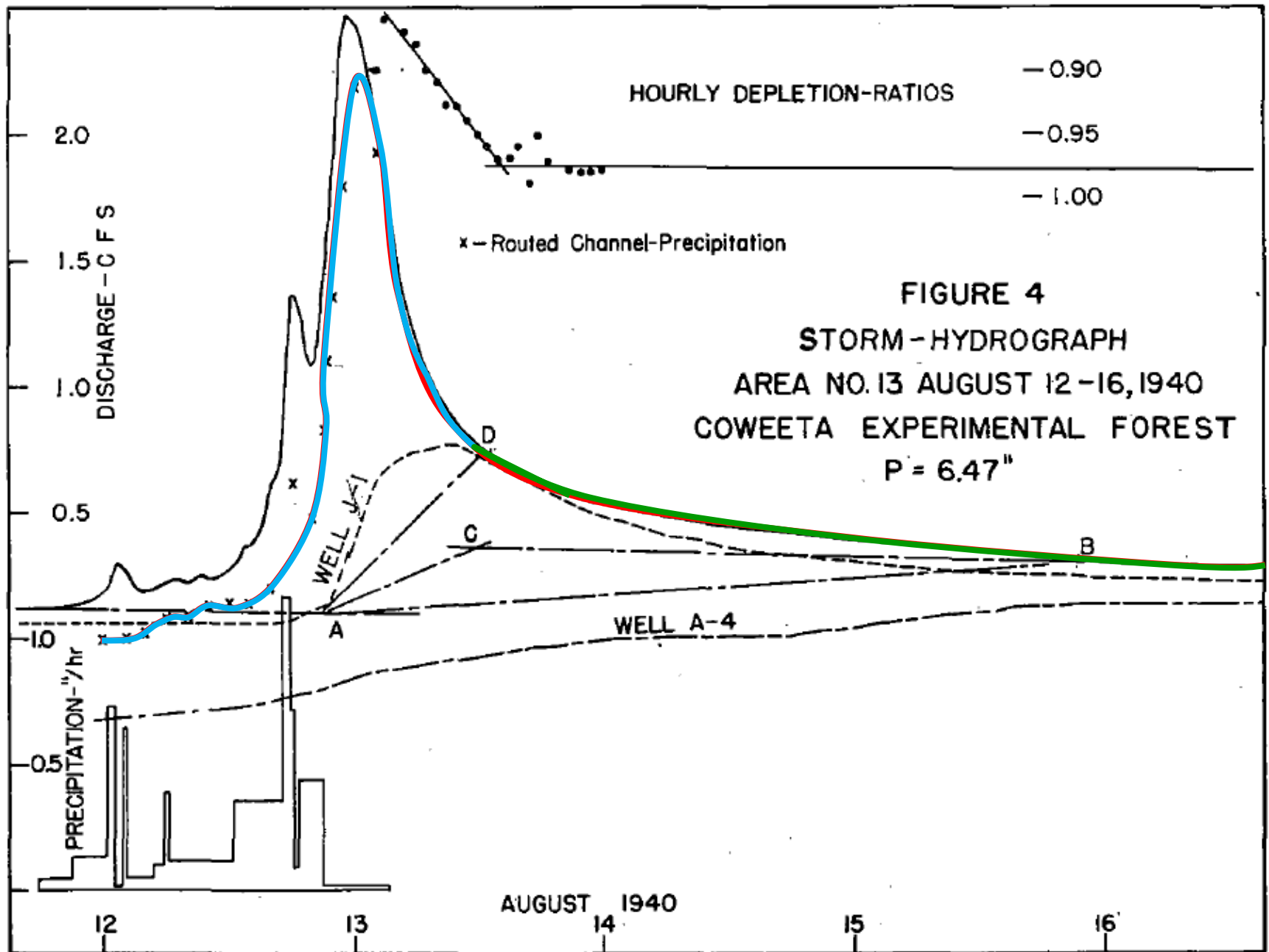
1. Complete Retention
2. LID Catch & Release *
3. Other Detain & Release

* Could become one of your better friends



HYDROLOGIC CYCLE UNDER NATURAL CONDITIONS



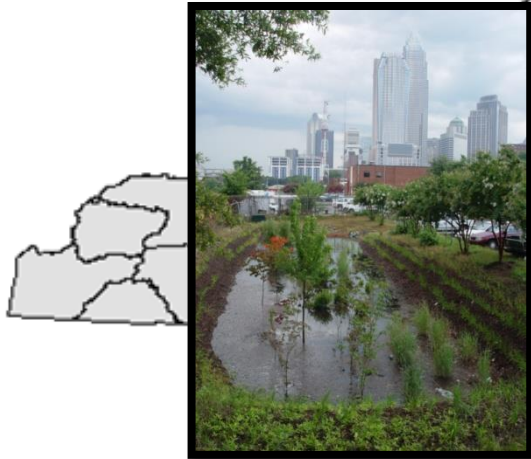




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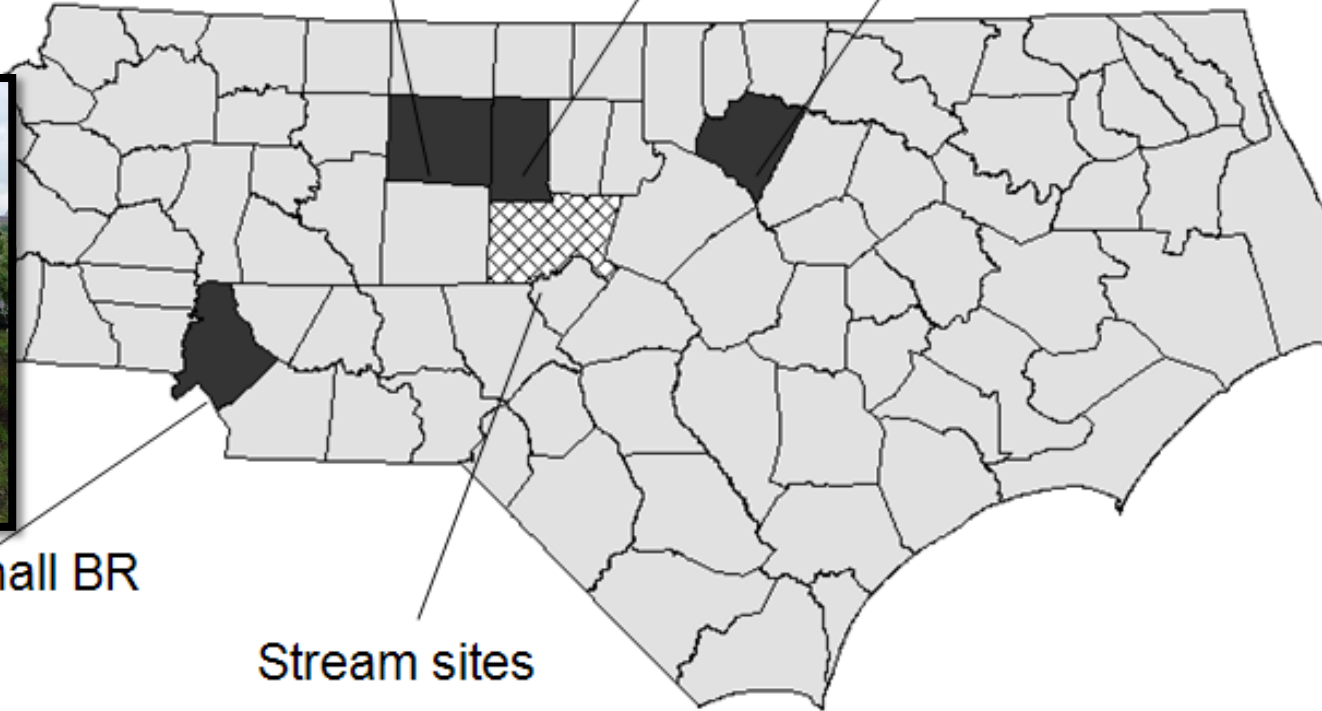
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Louisburg BR



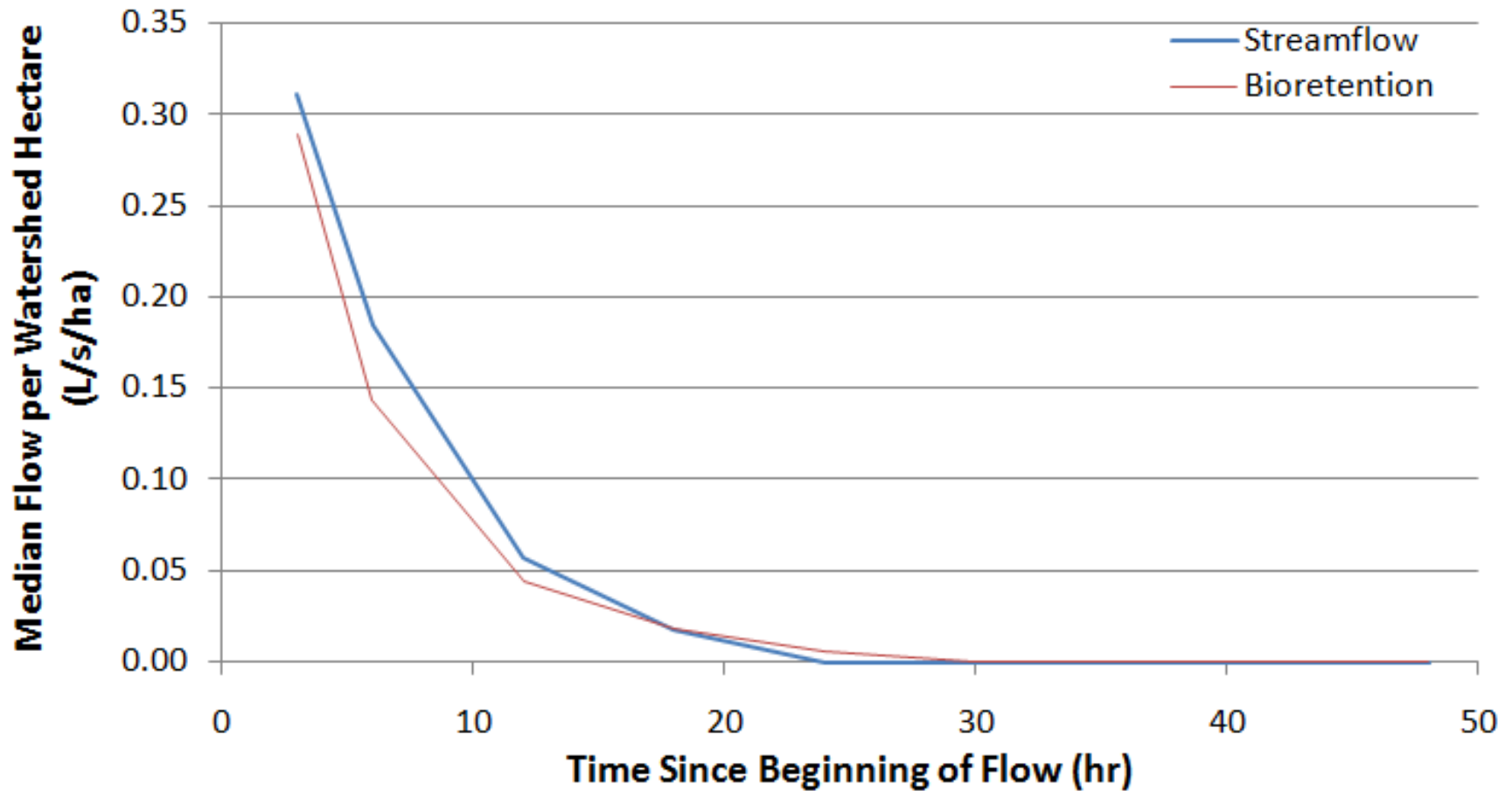
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Stream sites

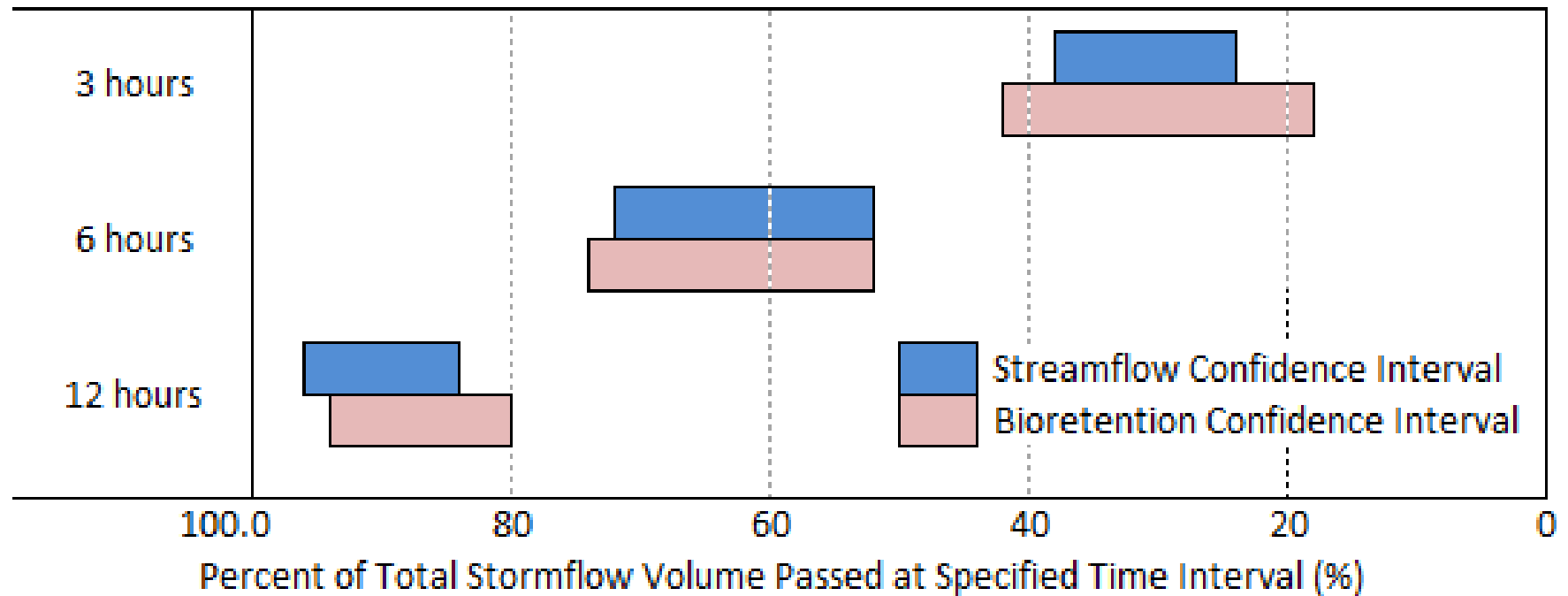


Bioretention Study Sites

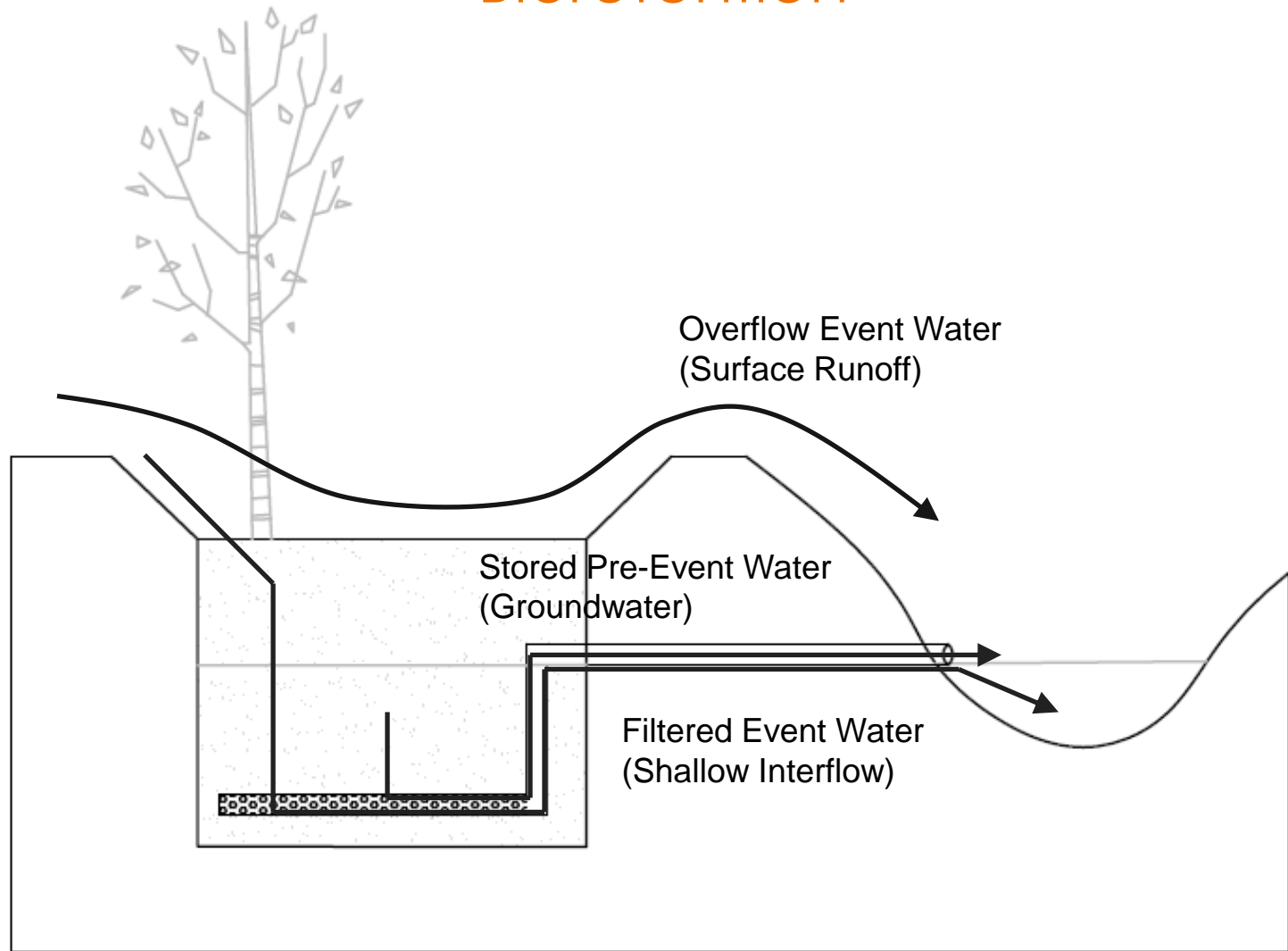
Median Flow Rates per Watershed HA



Confidence Intervals: Percent of Total Volume Passed



Application for Stormwater Management - Bioretention



Why Small is OK: Role of Fingerprinting

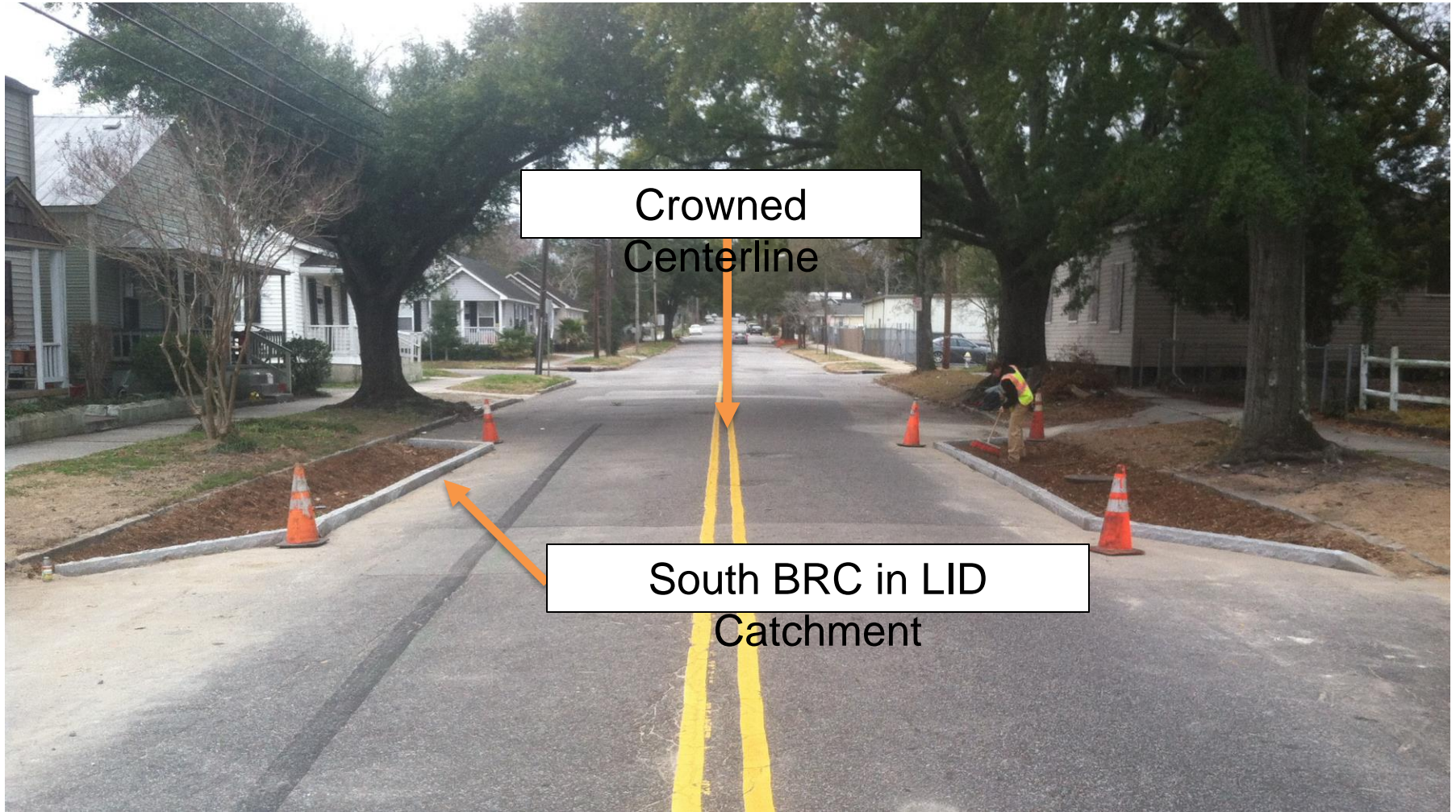


Fingerprinting Retrofits - Wilmington



New Hanover County Orthophoto

SCMs: Construction: BRCs



SCMs: Permeable Pavement



SCMs: Filterra® Unit





BRC

Filterra[®]

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TIA decreased from 60% to 58%

DCIA decreased from 24% to 12%



100'

Photo Credit: Google Earth

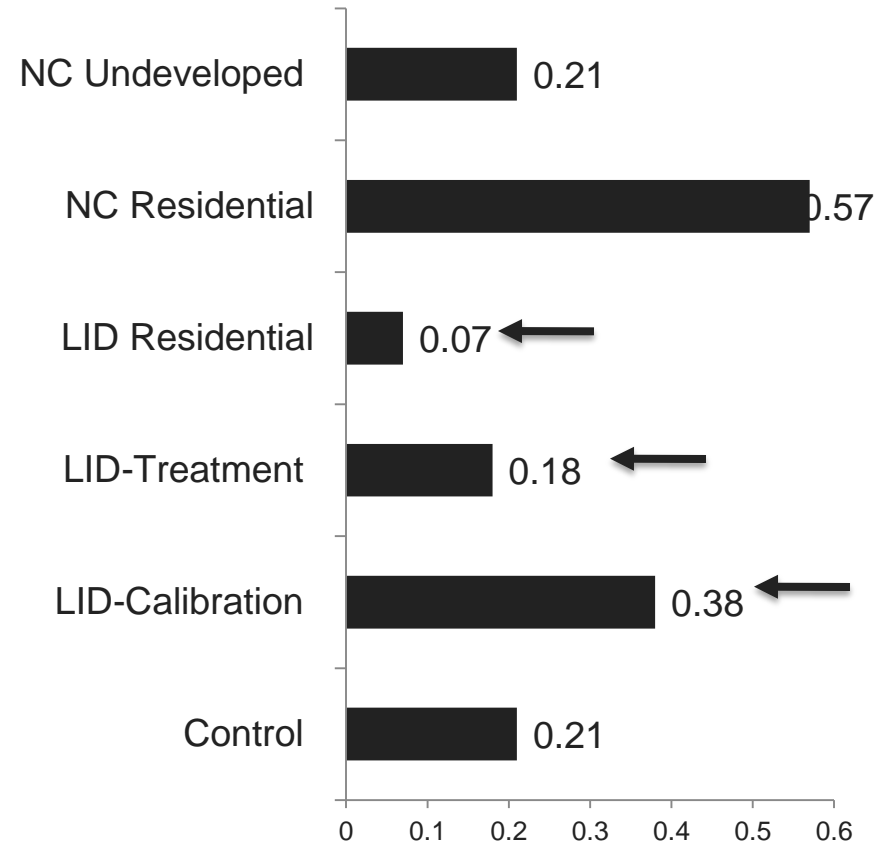
Results: Runoff Coefficient (C_R)

C_R : fraction of rainfall converted to runoff

$$C_R = \frac{RO_{Measured}}{P_{Measured}}$$

Post-retrofit, LID C_R decreased 47%

Hood et al. (2007): LID $C_R=0.07$



Hood et al., 2007; Line et al., 2002;
Line and White, 2007

Results: Nutrient and Sediment Loads

Nutrient and sediment export rates (kg/ha/yr)

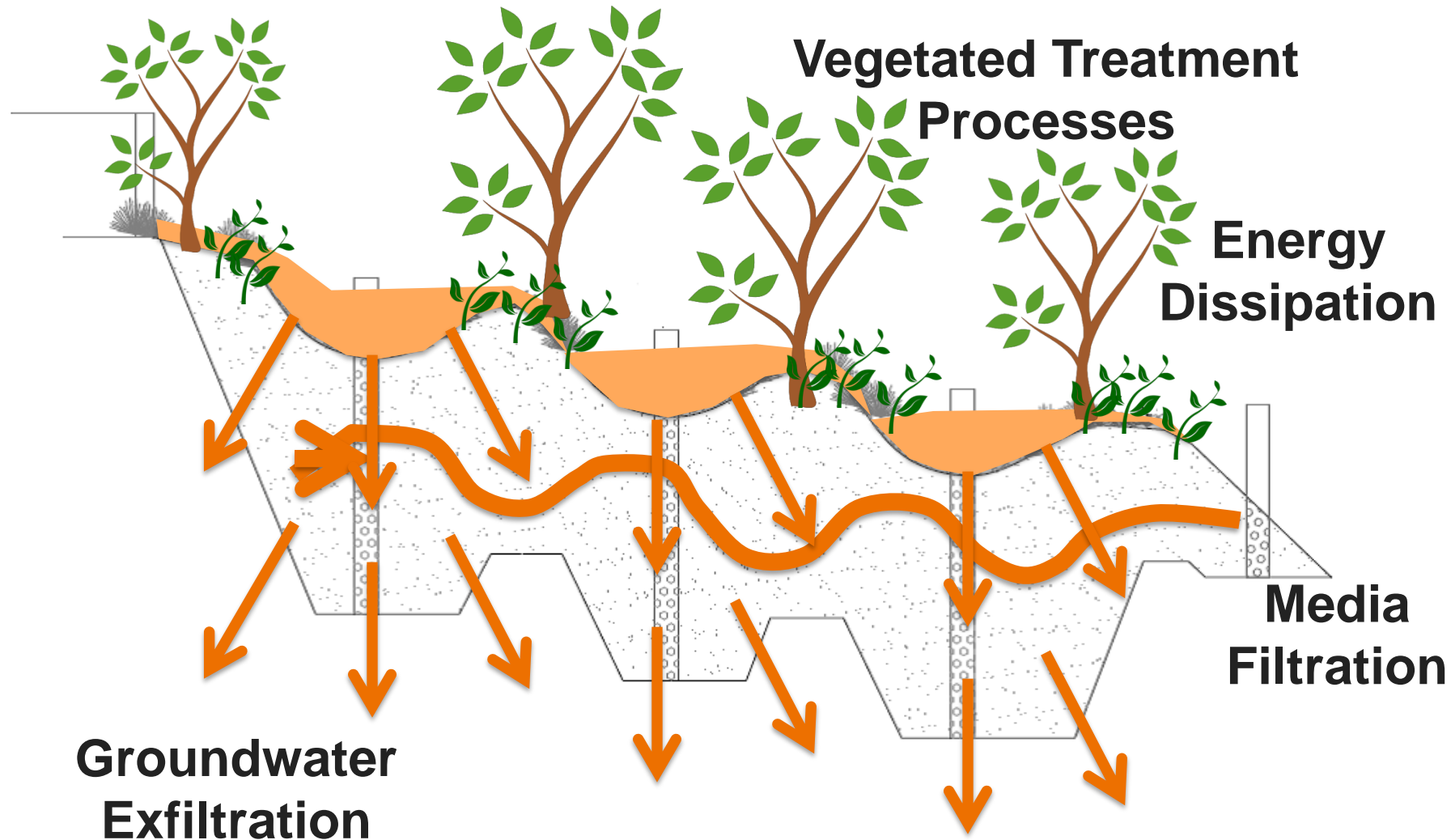
Station	C _R	n	TKN	TAN	NO _{2,3} -N	TSS	O-PO ₄ ³⁻	TP
Control	0.21	24	2.6	0.3	0.4	113	0.2	0.6
LID-Calibration	0.38	8	2.8	0.2	0.3	157	0.3	0.7
LID-Treatment	0.18	16	0.5	0.1	0.1	12	0.1	0.2
LSM Difference			-78%*	-61%*	-46%	-91%*	-55%*	-73%*
LID Residential ¹	0.07		0.9	0.0	0.3	8	-	0.2
NC Residential ²	0.57		20.7	2.4	3.2	387	-	2.3
NC Undeveloped ³	0.21		5.3	0.2	1.0	349	-	0.5

*Statistically significant change

Regenerative Stormwater Conveyance (RSCs)

Adding New Stuff

RSCs are... a series of pools and riffles designed to convey, manage, and treat stormwater runoff

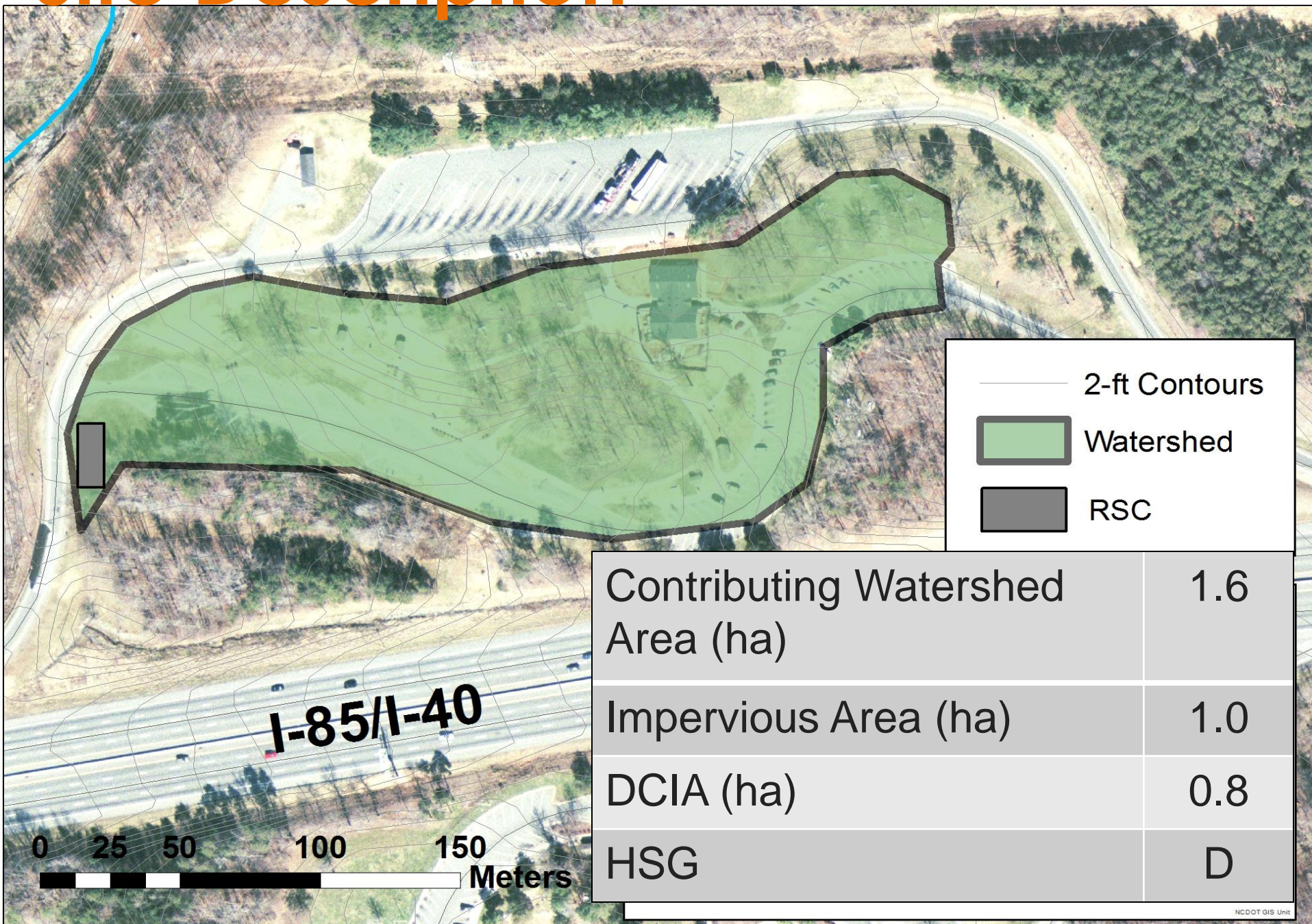


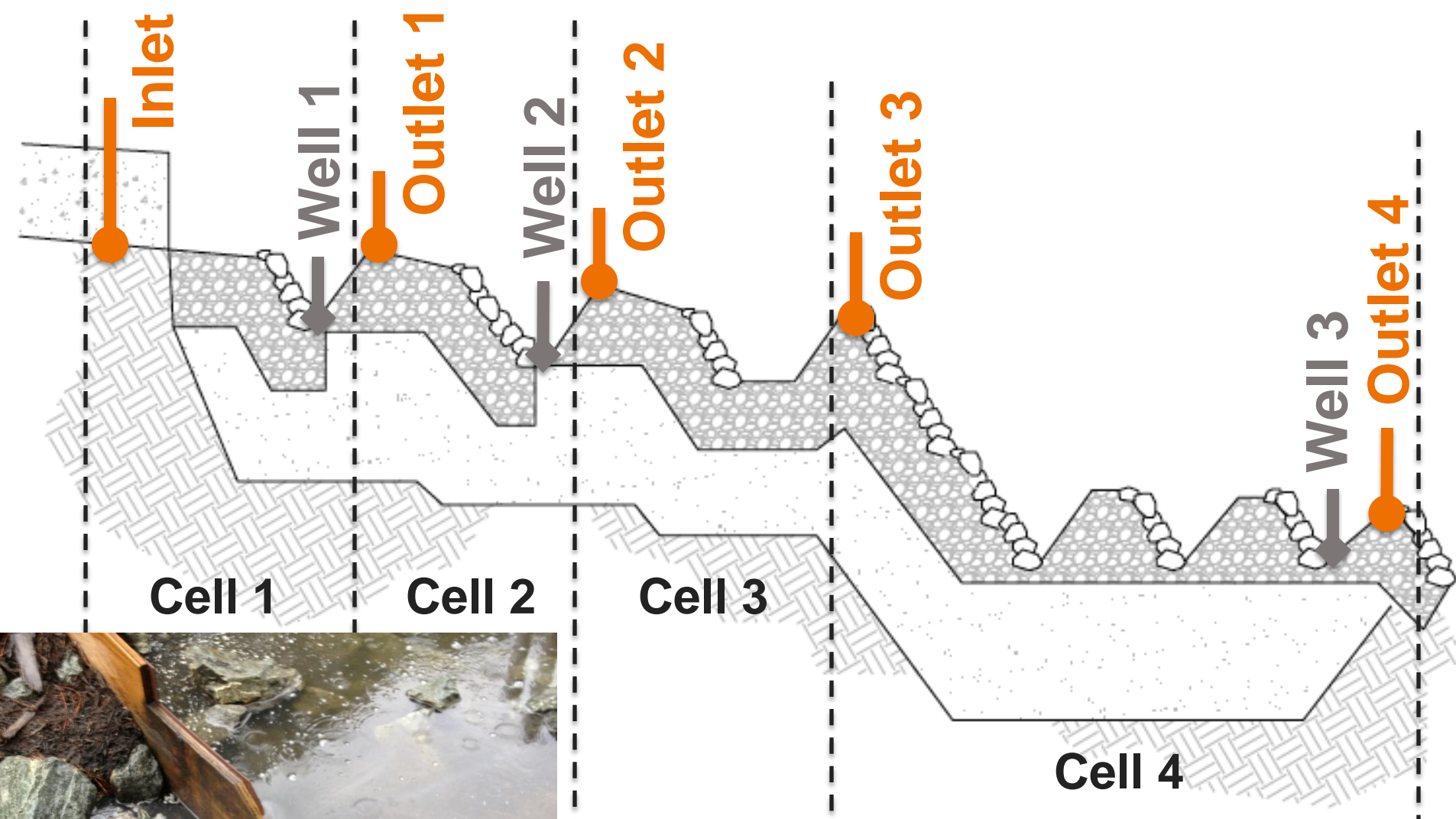


Alamance County, North Carolina



Site Description





Storm Summary



Monitored 43 inflow producing events between July 2013 and June 2014

Max Rainfall Depth = 81 mm, 15 cm/hr

- Inflow Volume = 660 m³, peak flow = 246 L/s
- Outflow Volume = 235 m³, peak flow = 102 L/s

***57% Volume Reduction
68% Peak Flow Reduction***

***Median Volume Reduction = 84%
Median Peak Flow Reduction = 80%***

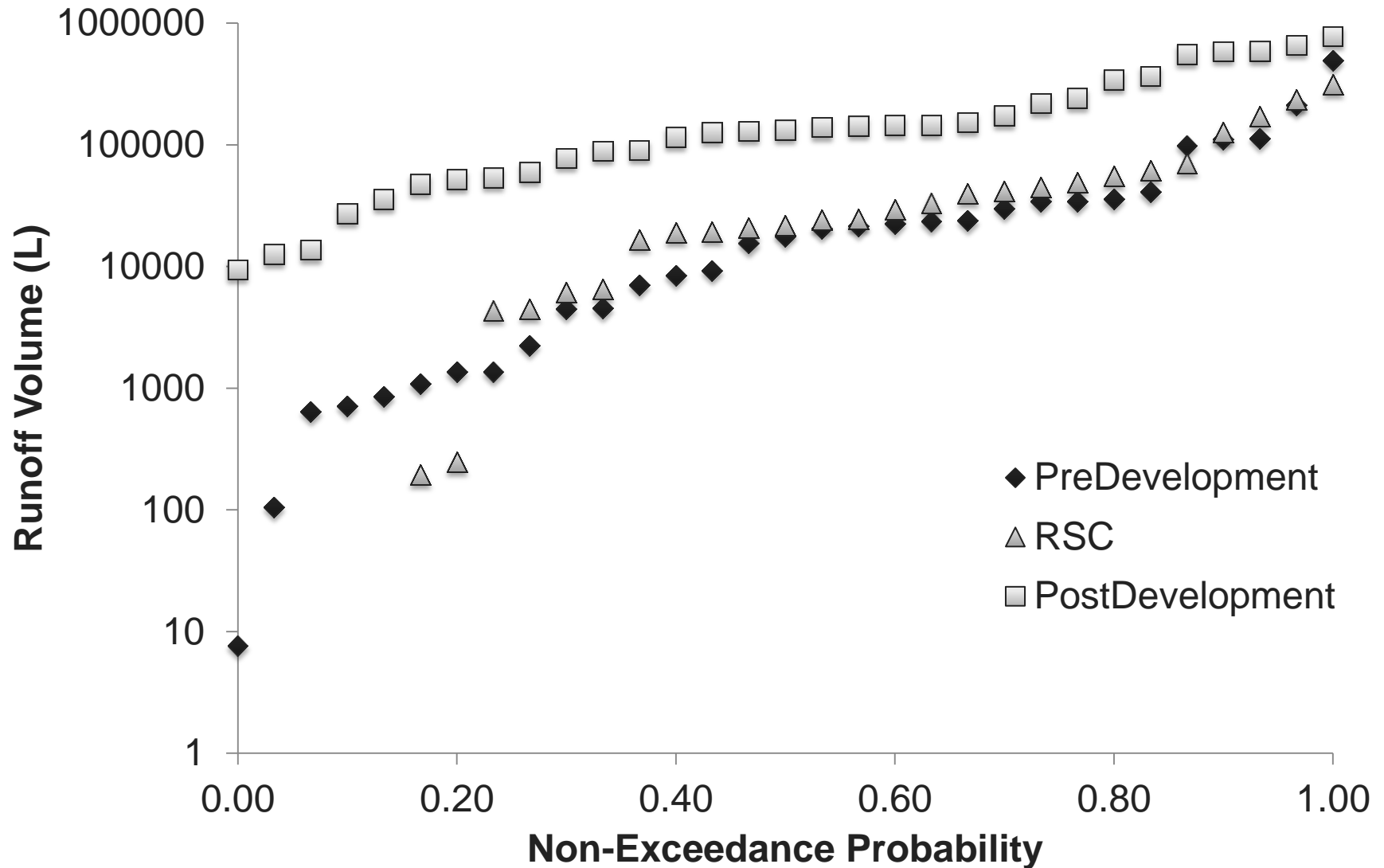
Overall Water Balance

The background of the slide is a photograph of a natural water feature. It shows a wooden weir or dam structure made of horizontal logs or planks, with water flowing over it. The water is clear and reflects the surrounding environment. In the foreground, there are several dark, wet rocks. The overall scene is a close-up of the water and the wooden structure.

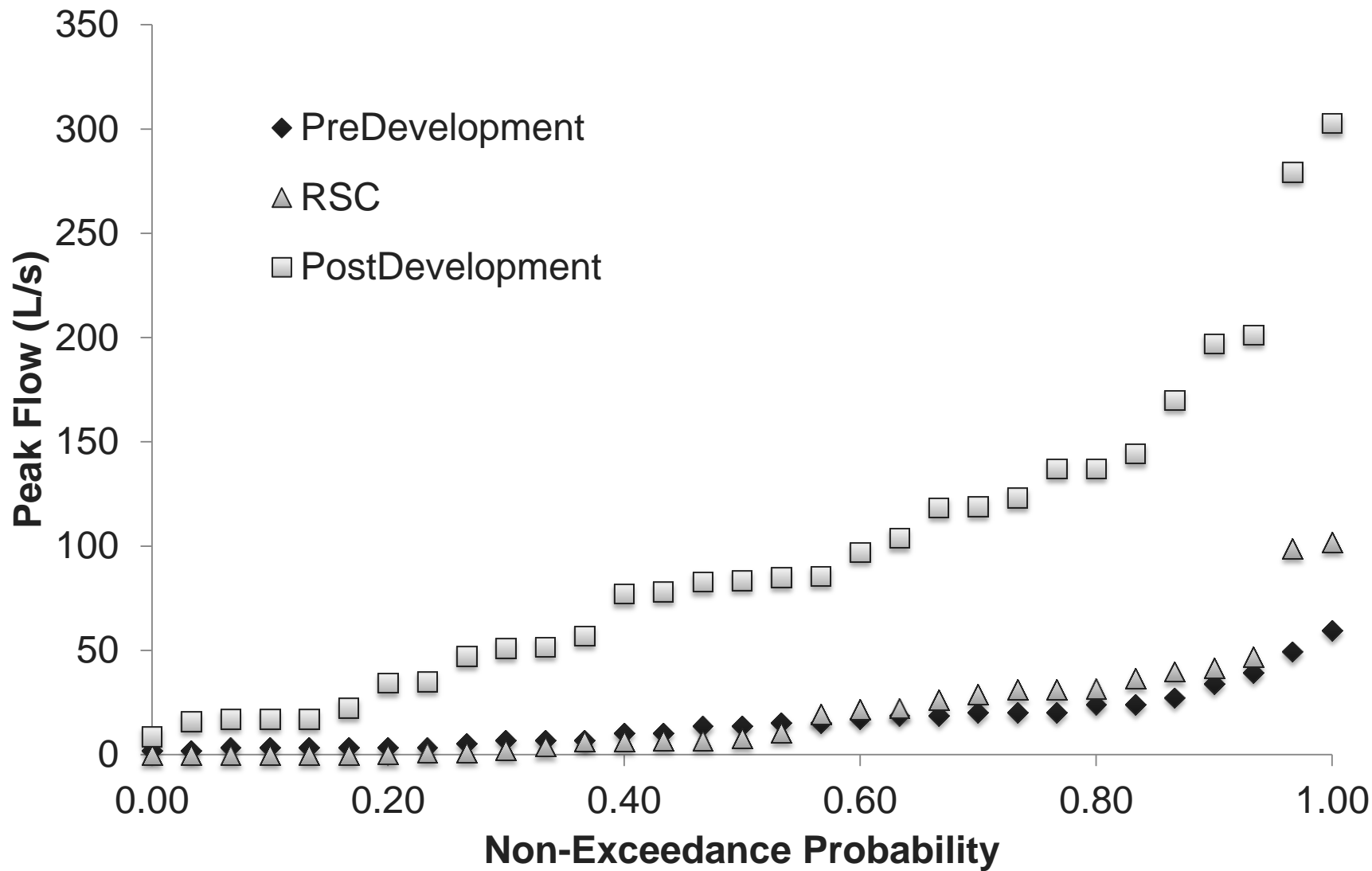
RSC System Total

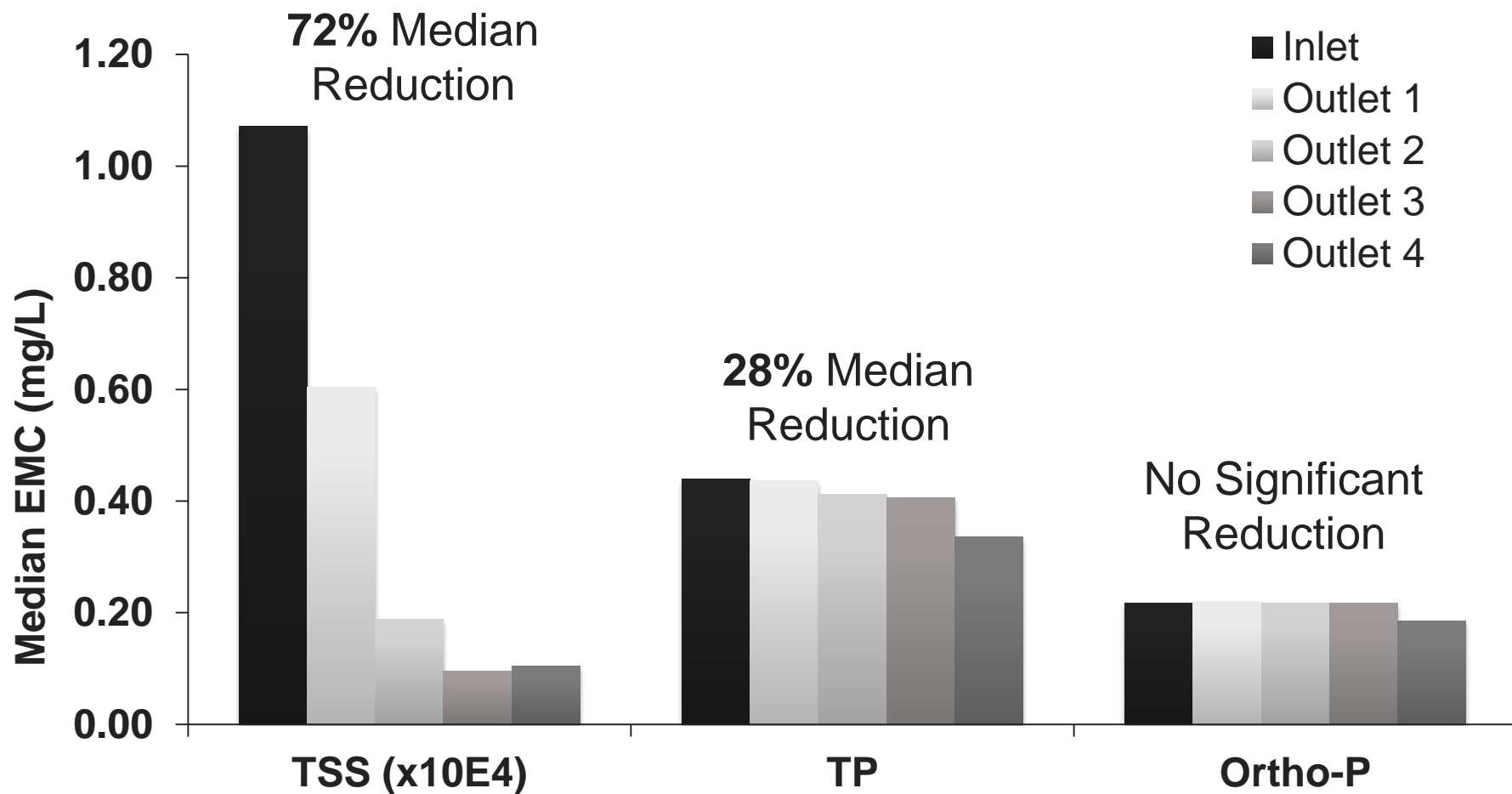
Surface	21%
Seep	77%
Exfiltration	2%
ET	0%

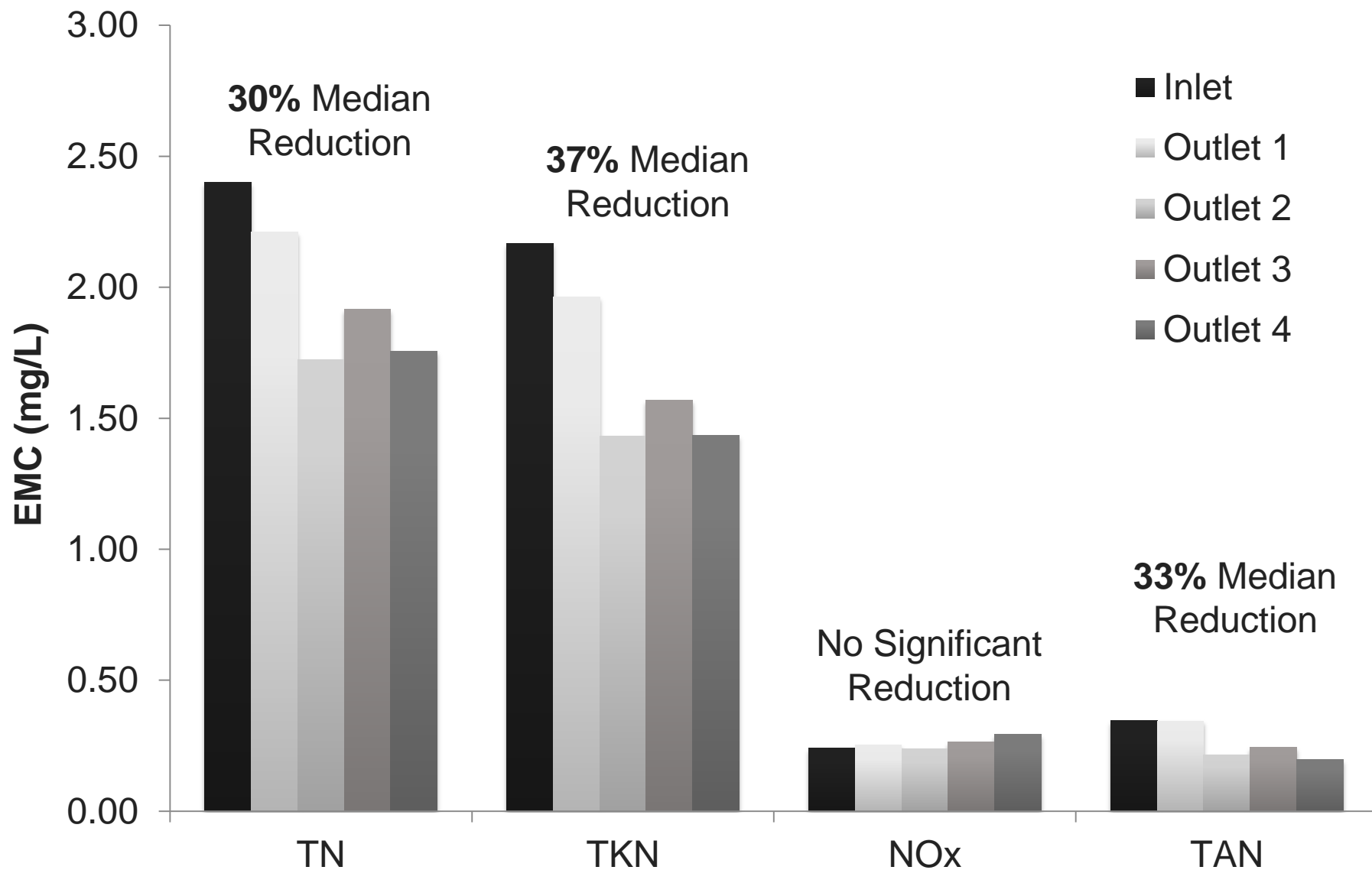
Runoff Volume



Peak Flow







Stormwater-Treating Street Trees

Adding New Stuff

LianyunGang City (China)



Oviedo, Spain



London, Ontario



Benefits of Urban Trees for Stormwater?

↑ Urban tree canopy cover → ↓ runoff volumes

- City-scale modeling scenarios^{1,2}
- Canopy interception → up to 36% of direct rainfall³



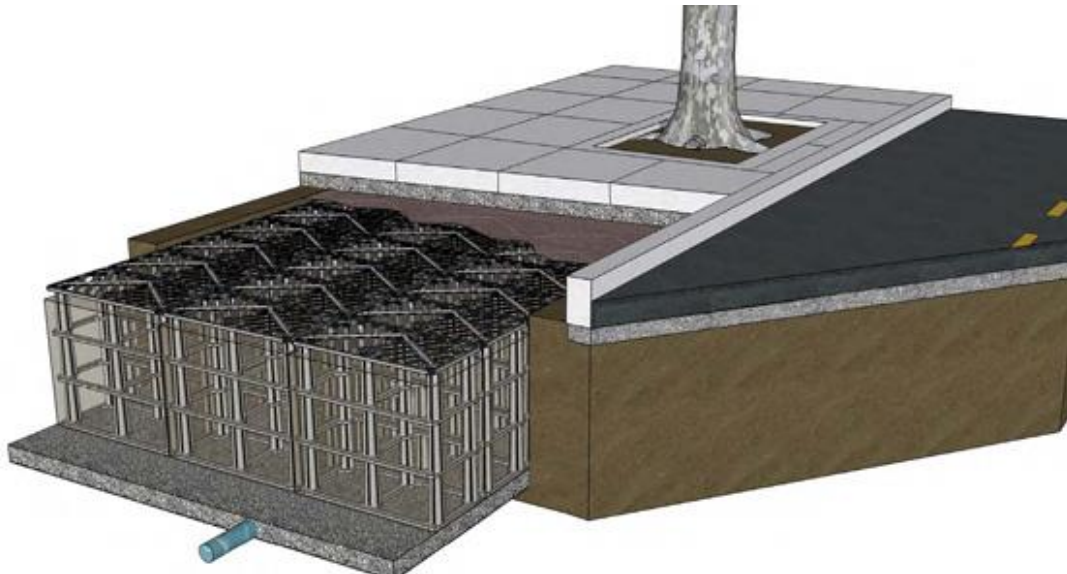
¹Lormand, 1988; ²Sanders, 1986, ³Xiao et al., 1998

Using a Single Street Tree to Treat Stormwater?

Limited peer reviewed literature available

The Silva Cell™ Suspended Pavement System

- Urban tree health and stormwater management



Example Silva Cell Location: Sg



Design and Monitoring Objective

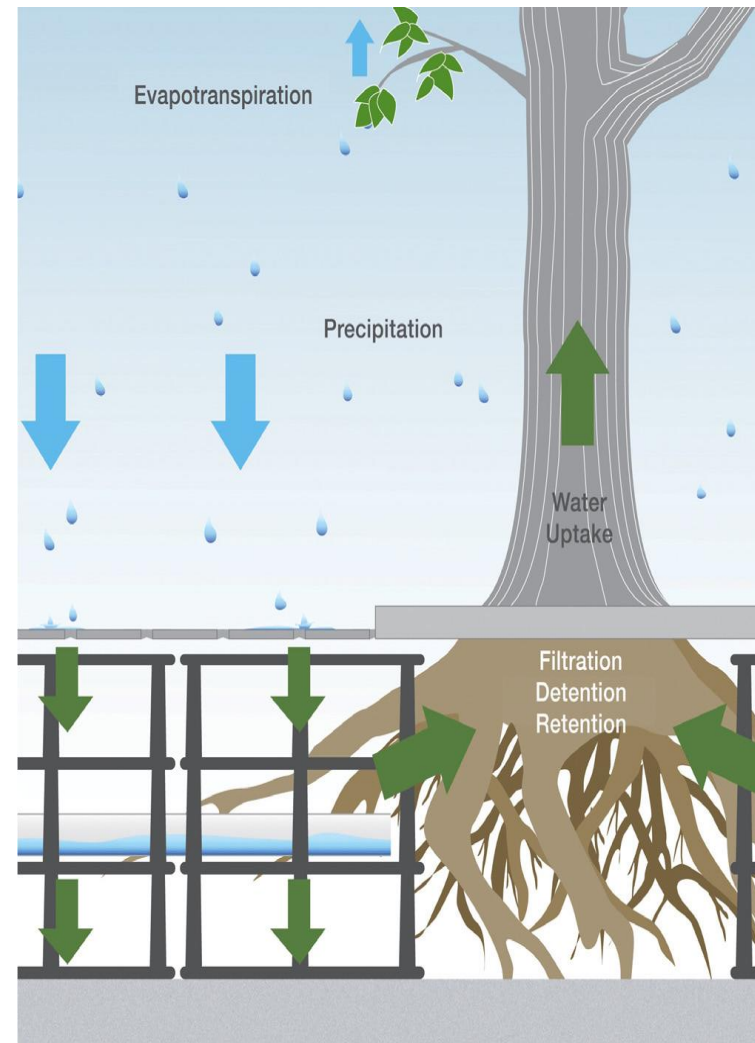
System designed for stormwater management

- Runoff routed from street surface
- Runoff volume (ROV) control
- Peak discharge (Q_p) mitigation
- Water quality treatment

Quantify impacts of a single tree

- Hydrology
- Water quality

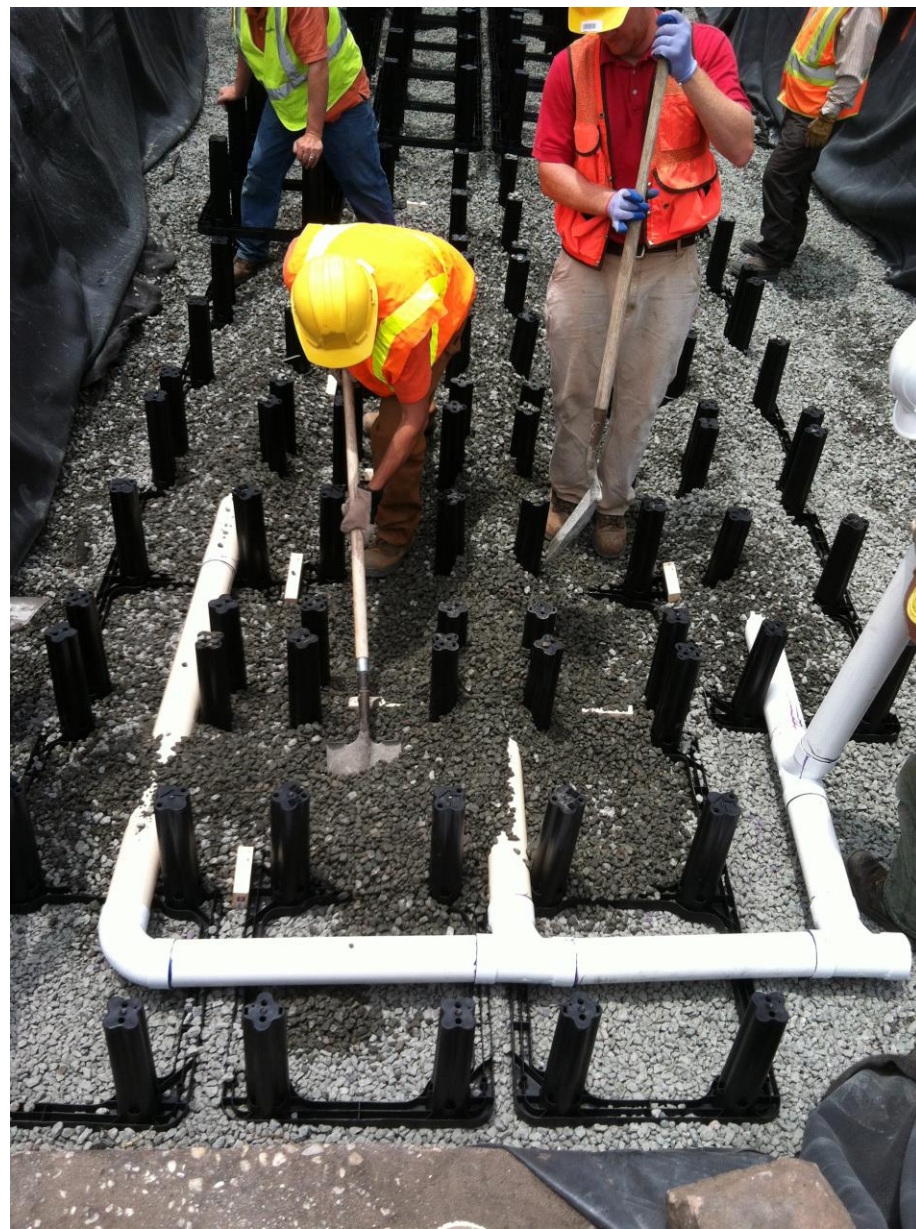
Begin to develop design guidance























Tree Constraints:

- Intersection sight distance
- Canopy height (i.e. overhead utilities)
- Minimum branch height
- Maximum trunk thickness

Crape Myrtle = Comfort for COW

August 2014



Another Example: PICP Pre-treatment



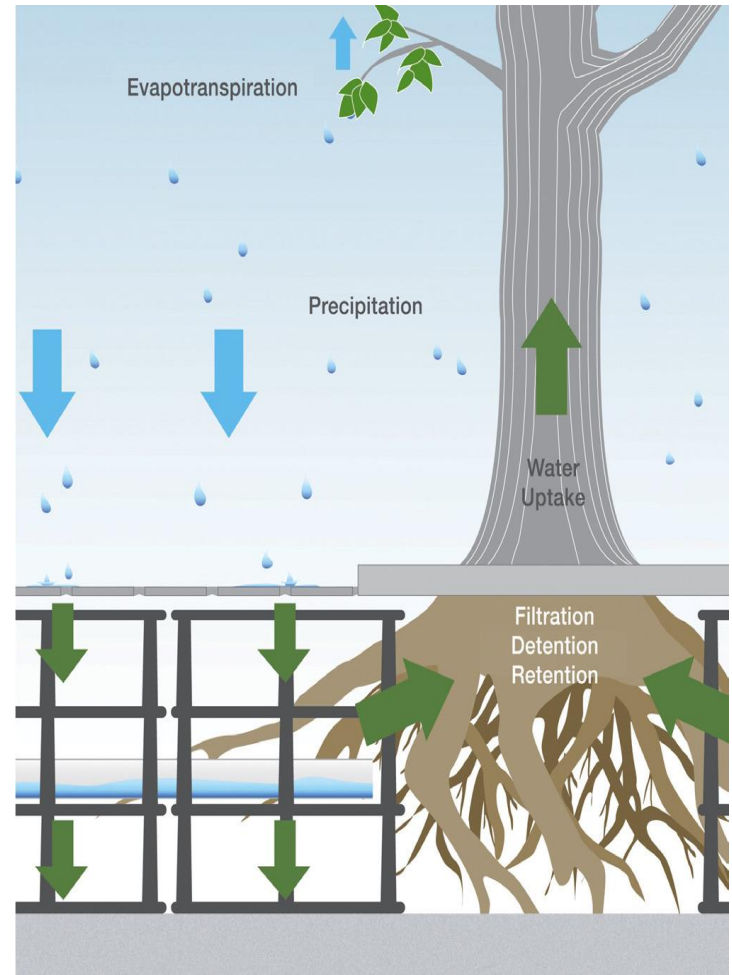
System Hydrology

Available storage in system:

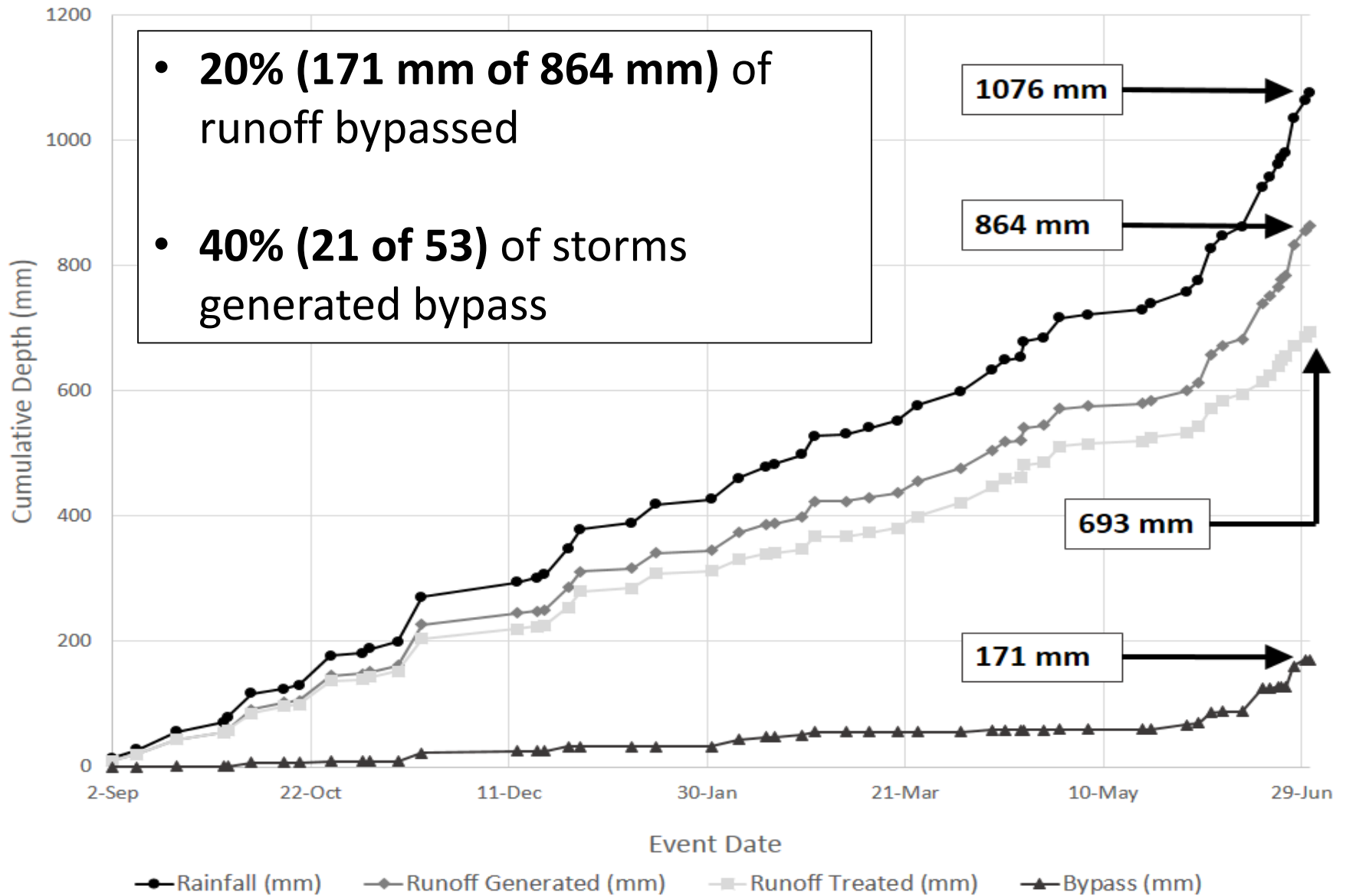
- 22 m³ of soil volume
- Half is saturated due to IWS
- Remaining storage:
- $22/2 = 11 \times (0.34 - 0.18) =$
→ 1.8 m³ or a 5 mm storm

Systems function primarily as a flow-through filter

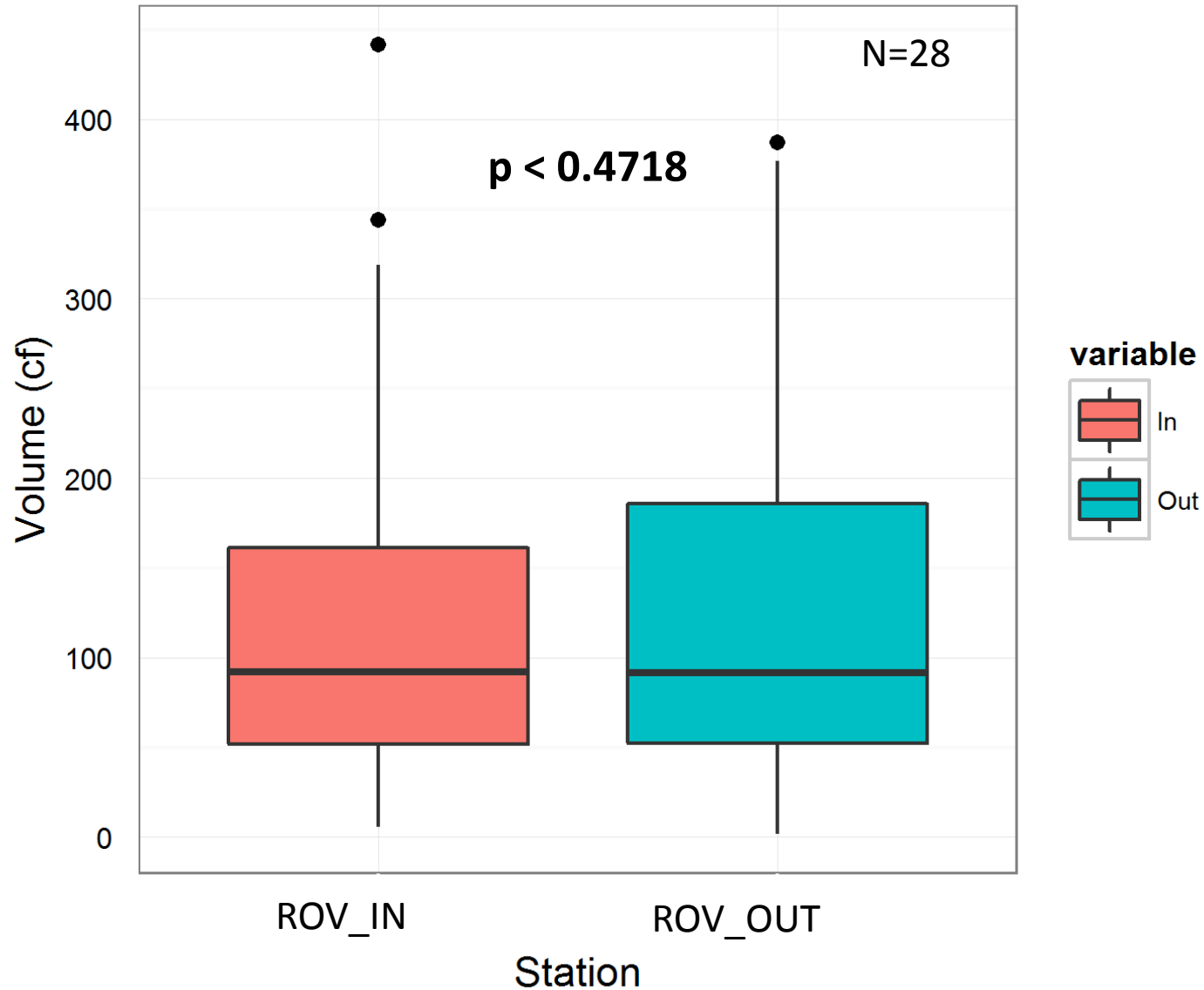
- ROV reduction negligible do to impermeable liner
- Potential for some Q_p mitigation



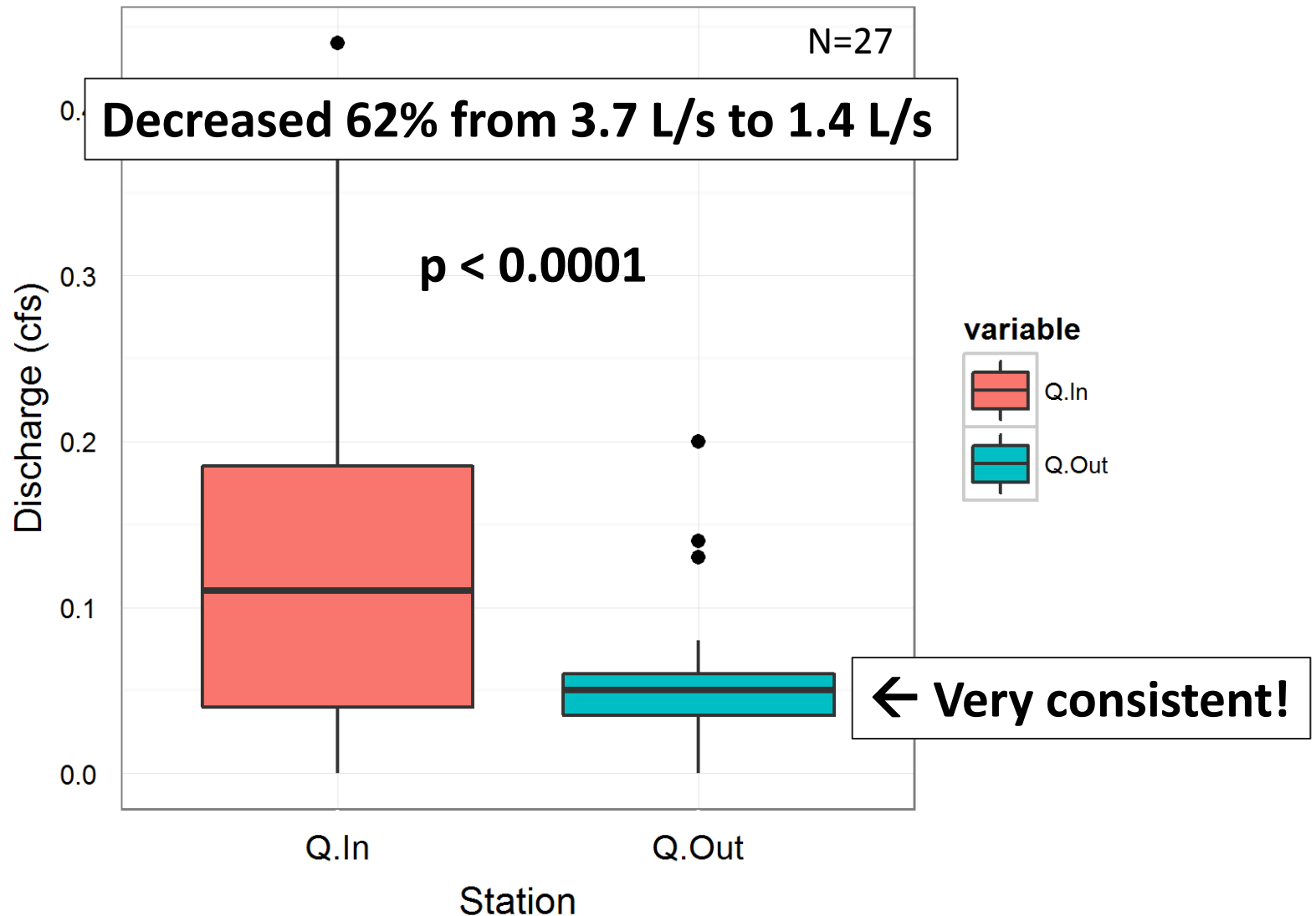




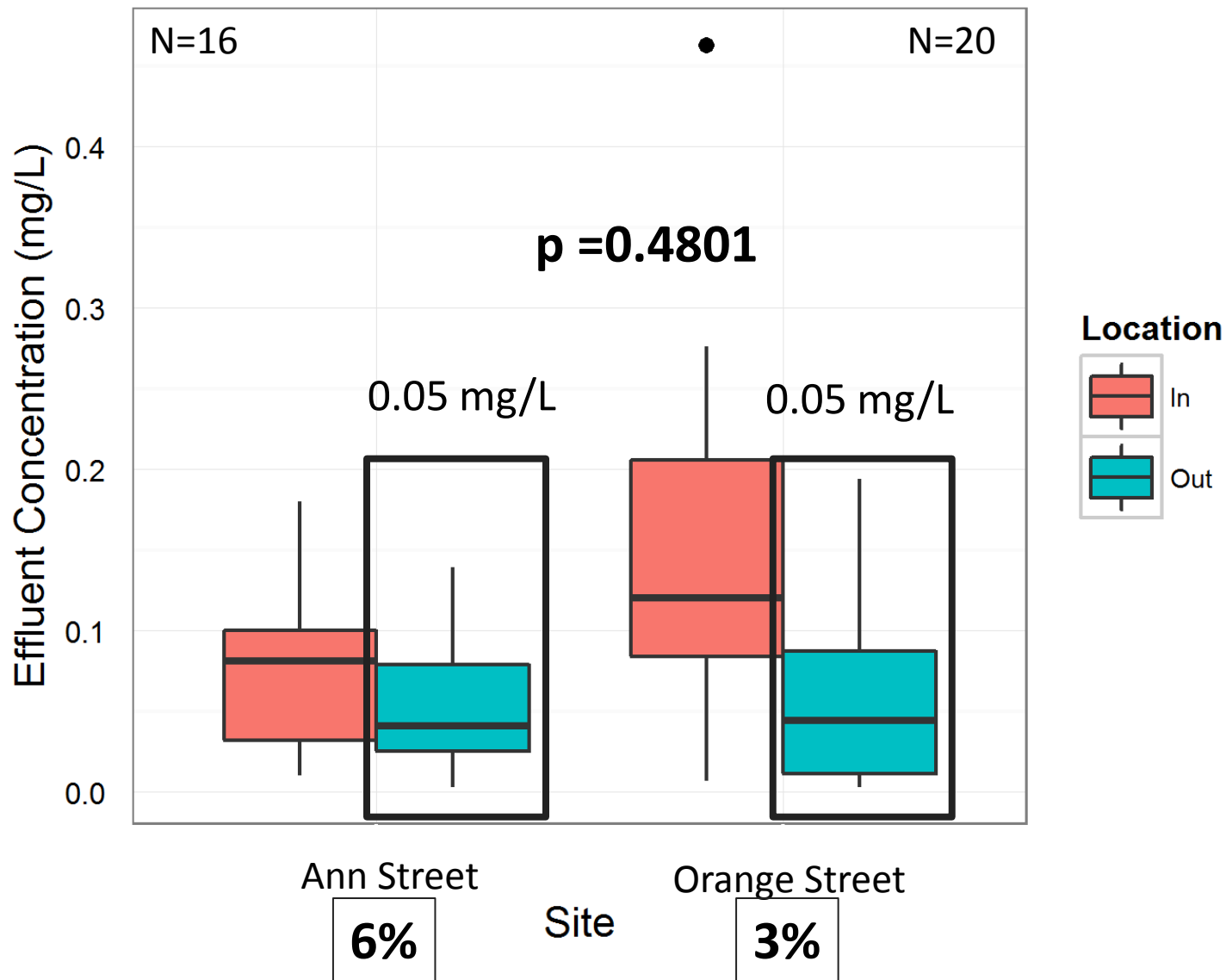
Results: Ann Street Runoff Volume



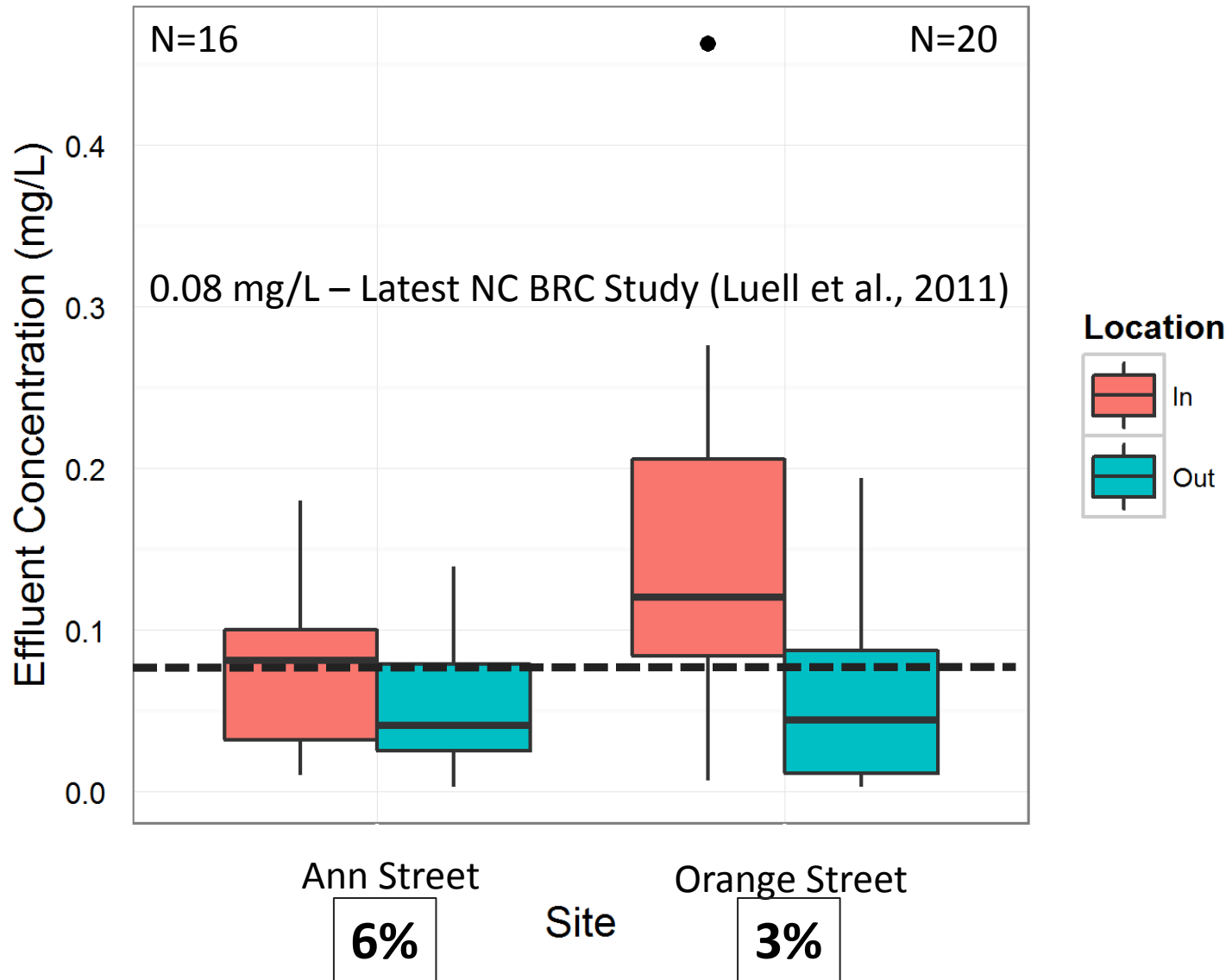
Results: Ann Street Peak Discharge



NO_{2,3}-N Treatment Comparison



NO_{2,3}-N Treatment Comparison



Results: Water Quality

Ann Street Pollutant Load Summary (kg/ha/yr)				
Pollutant	Pre-retrofit	Post-retrofit	Mass Retained	% Retained
TN	8.47	4.02	4.45	53%
TP	1.43	0.51	0.92	59%
TSS	556	170	416	69%
Cu^a	0.18	0.04	0.15	70%
Pb^a	0.14	0.06	0.07	58%
Zn^a	0.86	0.35	0.51	60%

- No volume reduction
- Recall: 20% of total runoff volume bypassed

Keep Talking: The Role of Good
Communications

Keep Talking...

Feedback from Research Community

Enables Regulators to Fine Tune Designs

Underpins introduction of new practices

Enables a large swath of designers to learn



Practices with Major Design Modifications: Bioretention

- New Media Requirements: Composition & Depth
- Allowable Vegetation
- Required Underdrain Configuration (IWS)
- Credit for Undersizing Systems



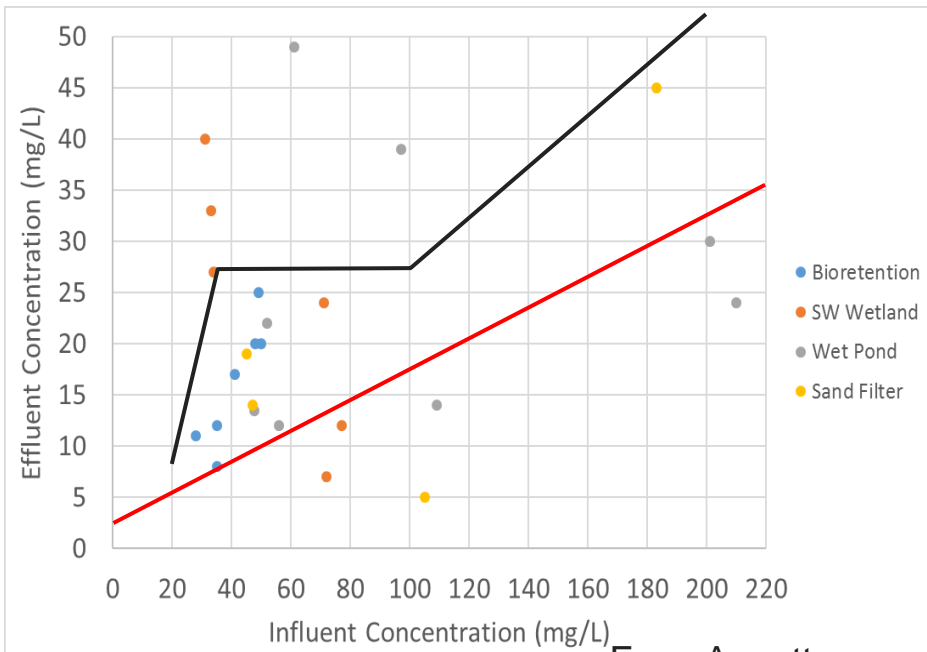
Practices with Major Design Modifications: Permeable Pavement

- Maximum allowable run-on from asphalt
- Required Soil Testing & Preparation
- Recommended Underdrain Configuration (IWS)
- Elevation to “Primary Practice-hood”



Adding Proprietary Practices

- StormFilter TM
- Silva Cell TM
- Filterra TM (en route)
- Each is treated as 'Primary' Practice



From Annette
Lucas of NCDEQ





Without change there is no innovation, **creativity**, or incentive for improvement. Those who initiate change will have a better opportunity to manage the change that is inevitable.

William Pollard



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