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## The Great Lakes Chapter of the International Erosion Control Association

### Sustainable Stormwater Management / L.I.D. Design

#### Essentials

- Multi-disciplinary team
  - Engineers
  - Architects
  - Landscape architects
  - Ecologists
- Integrated design process
- Multi-objective based approach
- Commitment to innovation



# Honda Canada Campus, Markham

## Objectives:

- Minimize reliance on end-of-pipe SWM
- Optimize efficiency
- Utilize the landscape as a functional system
- Address practical considerations
- Reflect Honda's corporate mission
- Achieve LEED Certification

ZAS / HOK Architects  
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## Honda Canada Campus, Markham Site Plan



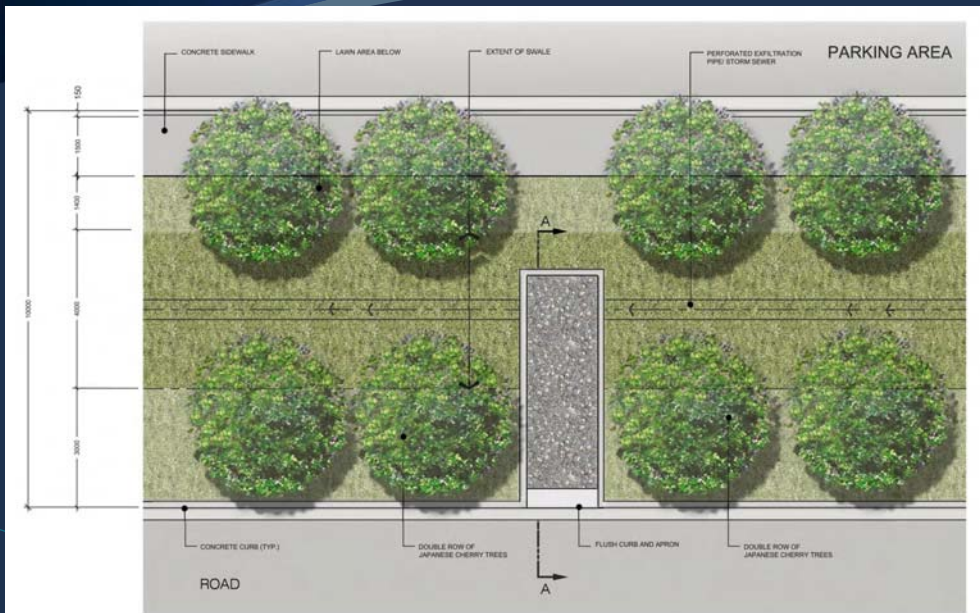
## Honda Canada Campus, Markham Stormwater Management Plan



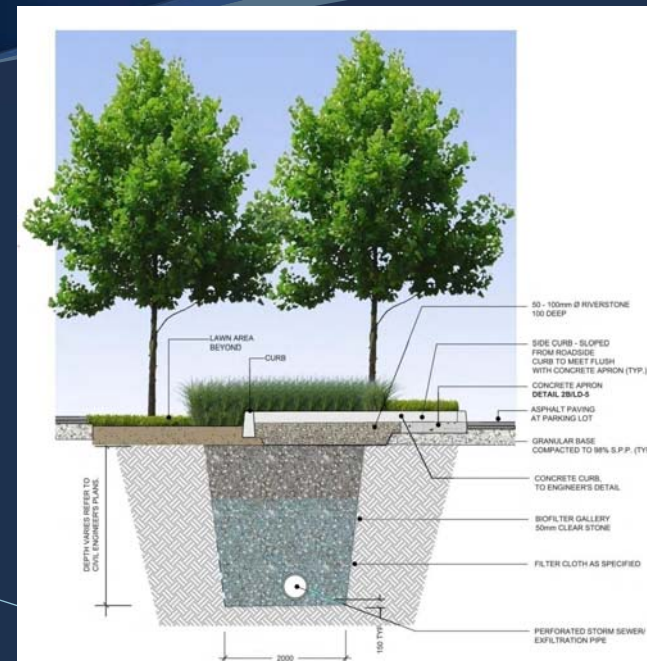
## Honda Canada Campus, Markham Water Conservation Plan



## Honda Canada Campus, Markham Biofilter Plan



## Honda Canada Campus, Markham Biofilter Section





## Honda Canada Campus, Markham Selected Site Photos



Rainwater Harvesting Tank



Natural Drainage



Permeable Pavement in Parking Lot



Permeable Pavement in Forecourt Roundabout

## Honda Canada Campus, Markham Selected Site Photos



Granular Fitness Path and Drainage Swale



Biofilter



Paving and plants in courtyard



Landscaped Outdoor Eating Areas

## Honda Canada Campus, Markham

### Challenges / Lessons Learned:

- Contractor education is key
- Integration of utilities and infrastructure is critical
- Maintenance / management program is essential
- System must be protected during construction



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## Bill Crothers Secondary School, Markham

### Objectives:

- Achieve pre to post development water balance
- Address off-site catchment area contribution
- Provide water for irrigation
- Utilize a treatment-train approach
- Enhance the Rouge River corridor
- Achieve recreational/educational program requirements

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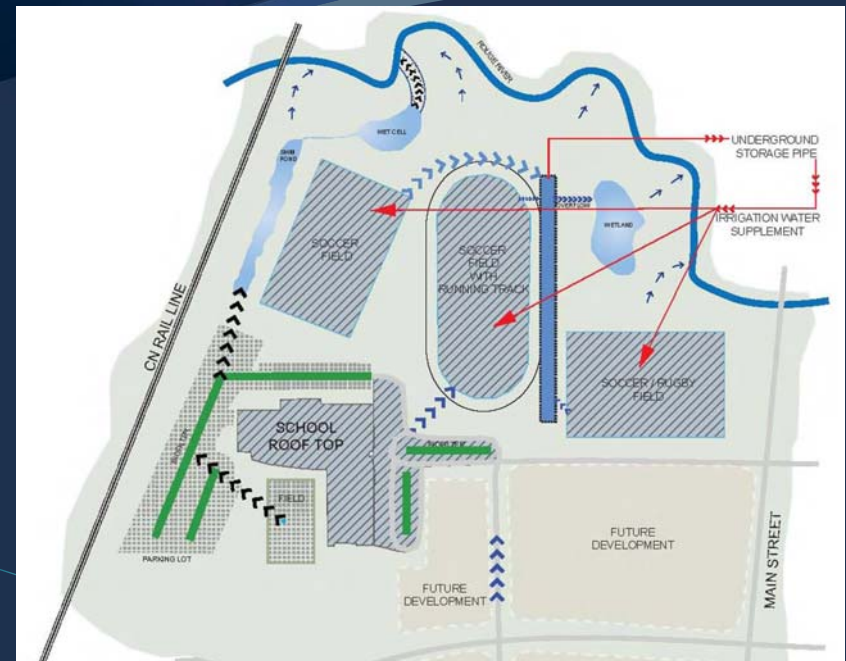
## Bill Crothers Secondary School, Markham Concept Plan

Site Area = approx. 12.25 ha



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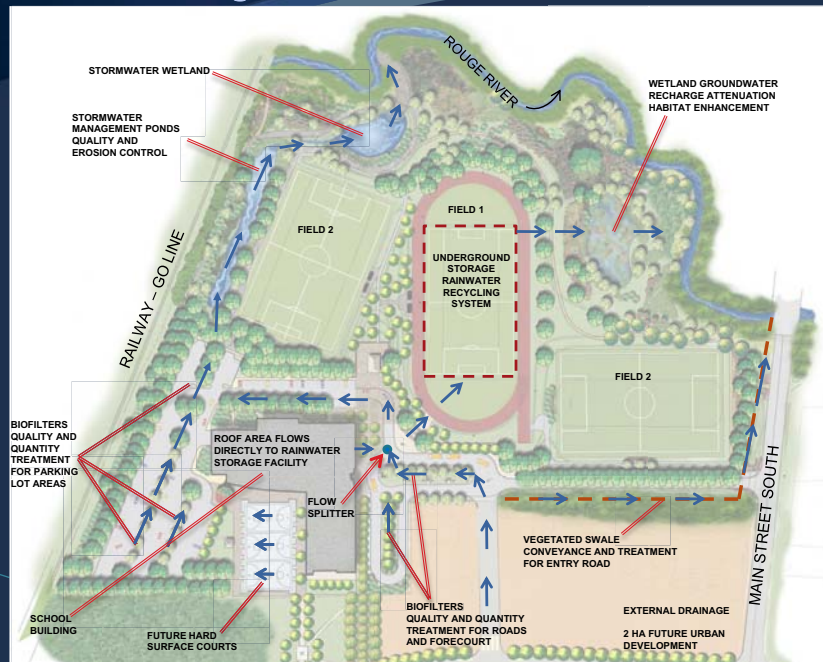
## Bill Crothers Secondary School, Markham Stormwater Management Strategy



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## Bill Crothers Secondary School, Markham Stormwater Management Plan



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## Bill Crothers Secondary School, Markham Selected Site Photos



Storage Pipe Construction



Biofilter



Parking Lot with Biofilter



Artificial Turf Sports Field and Running Track with Rainwater Harvesting System Beneath

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## Bill Crothers Secondary School, Markham

### Challenges / Lessons Learned:

- Contractor education is key
- Protection of installations during construction is essential
- Maintenance – inadequate maintenance can impact function
- Municipal standards stifle innovation



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## Mississauga Valley Community Centre Parking Lot Retrofit and LID Study, Mississauga

### Objectives:

- Provide effective SWM to mitigate downstream flooding and erosion
- Address on-site drainage problems
- Enhance overall sustainability
  - Pedestrian realm
  - Urban tree canopy
  - Access to transit
  - Energy generation

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City of Mississauga  
The Municipal Infrastructure Group  
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Mississauga Valley Community Centre, Parking Lot Retrofit  
and LID Study, Mississauga

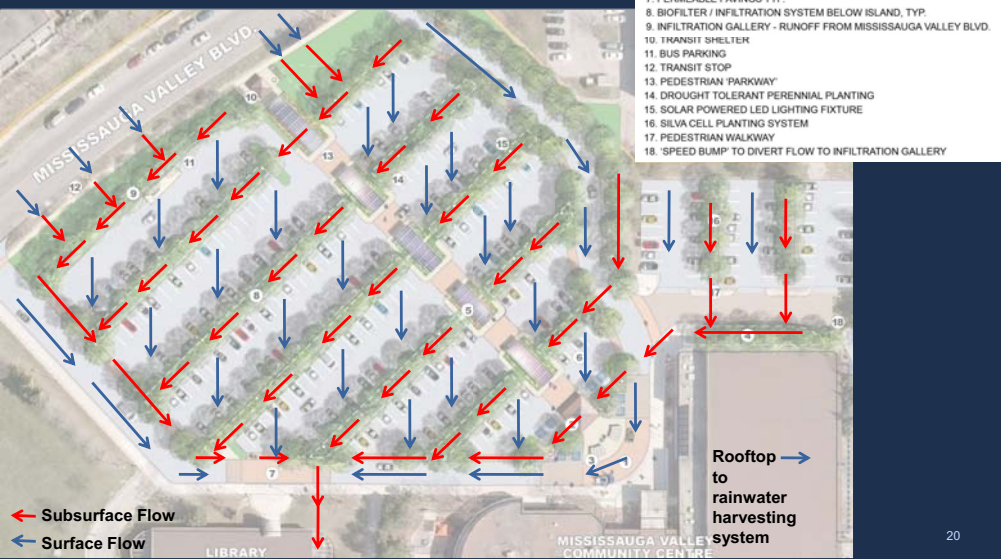
Concept Plan

Full Sustainability Option



Mississauga Valley Community Centre, Parking Lot Retrofit  
and LID Study, Mississauga

Stormwater Management Plan



## Treatment Approach – Sustainable Parking Lot Design

**BIO-RETENTION FEATURES**

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PERMEABLE PAVEMENT

### Challenges / Lessons Learned:

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## Edwards Gardens / TBG Sustainable Parking Lot, Toronto

### Objectives:

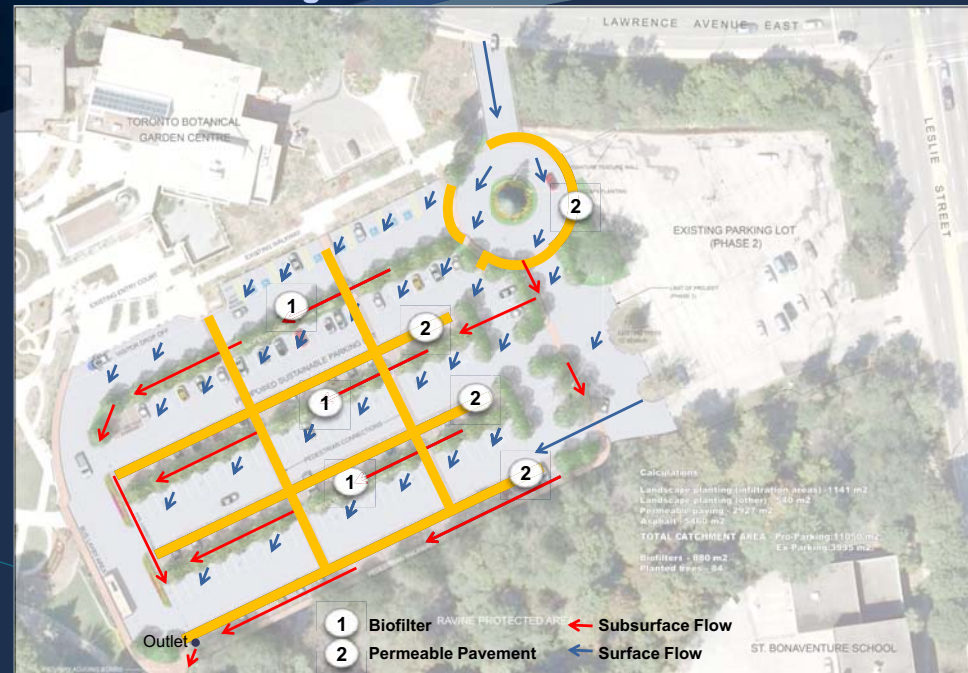
- Restore an existing degraded parking lot
- Integrate SWM – quality and quantity
- Enhance tree canopy
- Improve circulation and utility
- Position as complementary to TBG programs

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Toronto Botanical Garden  
RV Anderson Associates  
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## Edwards Gardens / TBG Sustainable Parking Lot, Toronto Concept Plan



## Edwards Gardens / TBG Sustainable Parking Lot, Toronto Stormwater Management Plan



## Edwards Gardens / TBG Sustainable Parking Lot, Toronto

### Challenges / Lessons Learned:

#### –Budget

- Basic resurfacing \$800,000
- Sustainable parking lot \$1.8 million

#### –Timing – relative to TBG programs

#### –Need to maintain parking capacity

#### –Retrofit project issues







# Dundas Street Commercial Site, Mississauga

**Objectives:**

- Improve infiltration potential
- Enhance base flow contribution to Etobicoke Creek
- Improve extent of natural system along stream corridor
- Manifest LID technologies as amenities in the landscape
- Expedite the approval process

Fieldgate Commercial / Smart Centres  
Counterpoint Engineering  
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Terraplan Landscape Architects

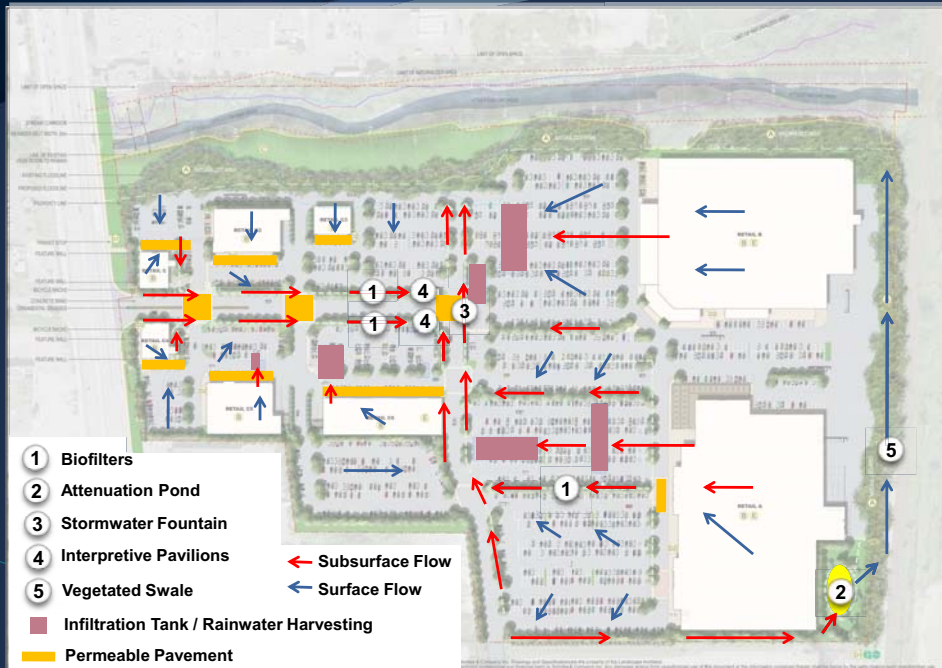
**Legend**

- Permissible Paving
- Irrigation Gully
- Stormwater
- Property Line
- Active Vegetation Restoration Area
- White Roof - High Reflectivity Roofing
- Restroom Station/Thermal Management
- Multi-modal Transportation
- High Efficiency Building Systems and Operations

**Figure 1: Conceptual site plan for the proposed development.**



## Dundas Street Commercial Site, Mississauga Stormwater Management Plan



## Dundas Street Commercial Site, Mississauga The Avenue – Integrated SWM / Streetscape Design



## Dundas Street Commercial Site, Mississauga Storm Fountain Feature – Concept

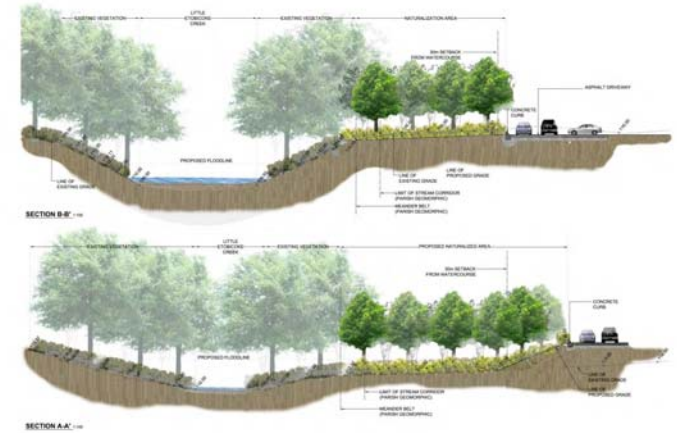
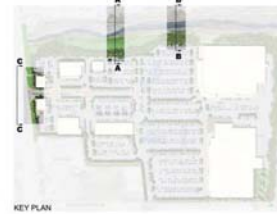
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| 1 BIOFILTER                          | 7 FEATURE WALL                         |
| 2 INTERPRETIVE PAVILION              | 8 GRATE / WET WELL / PUMP FOR FOUNTAIN |
| 3 PERMEABLE PAVING                   | 9 PHOTOVOLTAIC ROOF PANELS             |
| 4 RAINWATER FOUNTAIN                 | 10 INTERPRETIVE SIGNAGE                |
| 5 SOLAR ARCADE - PHOTOVOLTAIC PANELS | 11 PEDESTRIAN CONNECTION               |
| 6 LIGHT COLUMNS                      | 12 DECORATIVE PAVEMENT                 |



## Dundas Street Commercial Site, Mississauga Sections



ELEVATION C-C' - DUNDAS STREET EAST FRONTAGE LANDSCAPE TREATMENT



## Dundas Street Commercial Site, Mississauga

### Challenges / Lessons Learned:

#### –Reclamation of Brownfields site

- Soil contamination
- Dumped debris



#### –Extent of impervious cover – parking and building area

#### –Practical commercial requirements:

- Circulation
- Servicing / loading
- Visibility of retail tenants



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## Markham Uptown, Markham

### Objectives:

- Optimize on-site SWM / source controls
- Achieve sustainability vision set out by Developer and Town
- Integrate SWM with architecture and landscape
- Achieve a transition from urban to natural

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Schollen & Company Inc.  
Kirkor Architects  
SCS Consulting Group Ltd.





## Markham Uptown, Markham Concept Plan



Part of Markham's new "Downtown"

Site Area = approx. 35.76 ha  
Total 18 Towers / 4400 residential units

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## Markham Uptown, Markham Stormwater Management Plan

SWM is integrated within each development block:

- 1 Green roof
- 2 Rainwater harvesting
- 3 Stormwater planters

SWM to be integrated into streetscape:

- Permeable pavement
- Stormwater fountains
- Infiltration galleries



Runoff from roads to be directed to infiltration galleries **A** and ponds

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**Markham Uptown, Markham  
Perspective**



**Markham Uptown, Markham  
Perspective – Linear Park**



## Markham Uptown, Markham

### Challenges / Lessons Learned:

- Requirement for structured parking
- Need to address Town's concern regarding privately owned infrastructure
- Integration of SWM / infiltration galleries within parkland
- Operations and maintenance



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## Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Thunder Bay

### Objectives:

- Protect coldwater fish habitat in McIntyre River
- Maintain pre-development tributary catchment areas and discharge points
- Provide water quality improvement
- Enhance aquatic habitat
- Create a therapeutic landscape

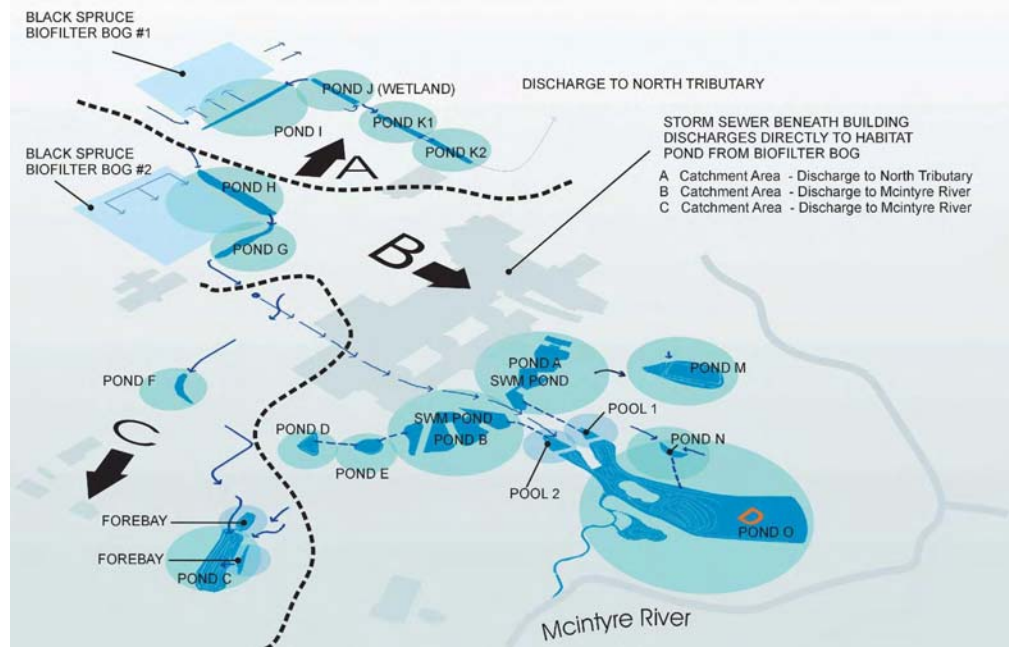
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## Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Thunder Bay Integrated Stormwater Management Habitat Enhancement and Landscape Concept Plan



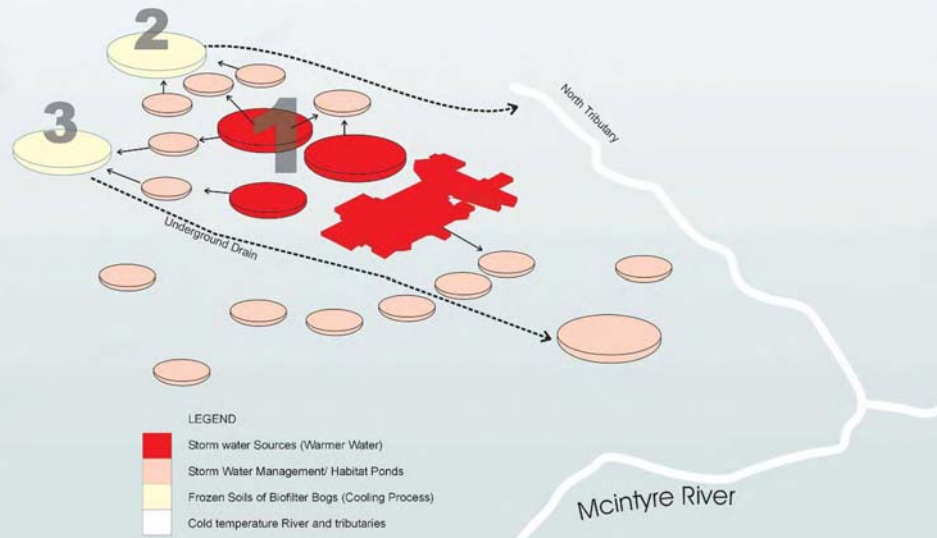
## Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Thunder Bay Stormwater Management System



## Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Thunder Bay Stormwater Management System Components

### Water Temperature Mitigation

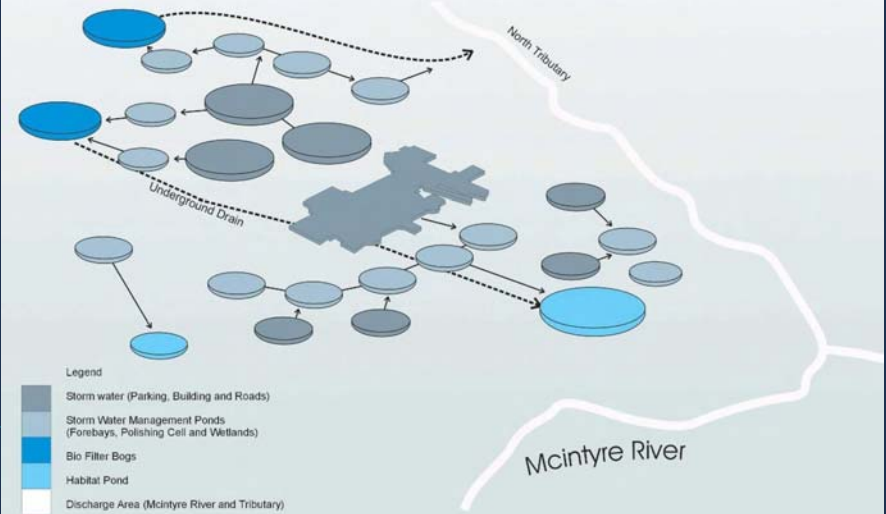
1. Stormwater from SWM Ponds and Parking Area diverted to Biofilter Bogs
2. The underlying peat soils of the Bogs remain frozen through July cooling the stored water. The cooled water is discharged to the river system
3. In the case of biofilter bog #2, the Storm Sewer System discharges directly to the habitat pond



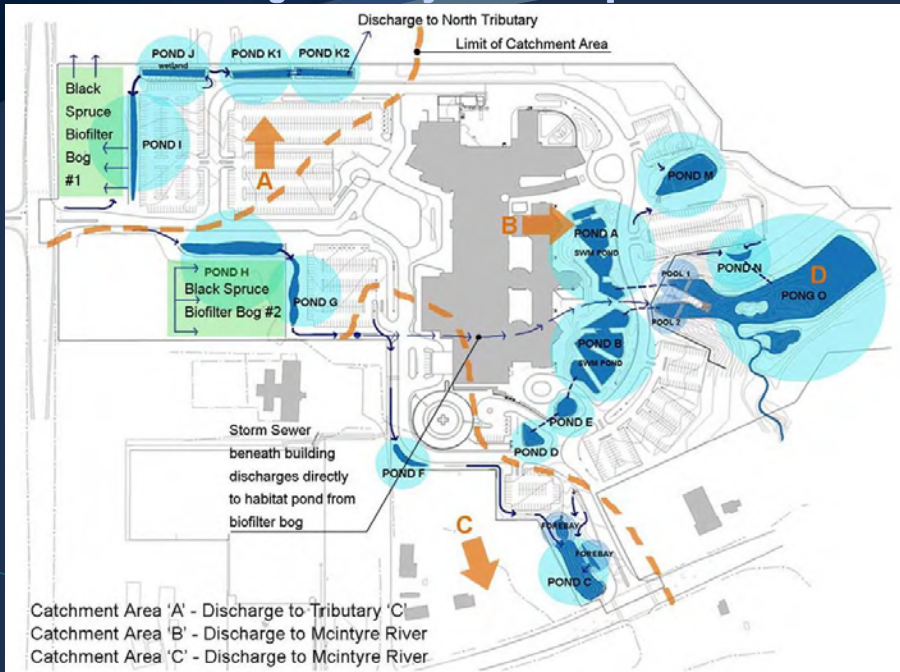
## Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Thunder Bay Stormwater Management System Components

### Water Quality Enhancement

- Stormwater runoff from site is allowed to infiltrate, while runoff from parking areas and other paved surfaces is directed into SWM Ponds
- The series of Forebays, SWM Ponds and Polishing Cells allows for the Filtration of the Storm Water
- The enhanced water is discharged into the into the McIntyre River and its Tributary



## Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Thunder Bay Stormwater Management System Components

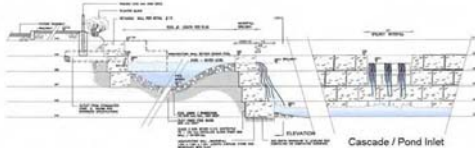


## Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Thunder Bay Model Study





## Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Thunder Bay Habitat / Spawning Pond



Habitat / Spawning Pond

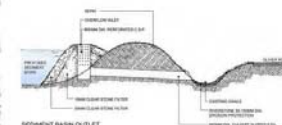


### Habitat Restoration and Management

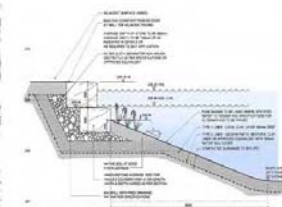
The landscape plan was developed with the objective of enhancing fish habitat within the McIntyre River system. To achieve this objective, the following components were designed.

- A large pond was designed to provide nursery habitat. The pond receives cold, clean water from the bog biofilter system and incorporate shoals, an extended littoral zone and shelter structures.
- A spawning pond with artificial redds which are fed from a bottom draw outlet in the main pond.
- A new tributary channel with gravel substrate, upwelling areas and pools to support spawning and rearing.
- Extensive native plantings to provide habitat for birds and wildlife as well as insects as a food supply for the fish community.
- Utilization of a range of fruit bearing species to provide an overwintering food source for wildlife.
- Incorporation of ephemeral pools to support herptile life cycle requirements.

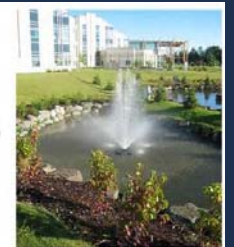
## Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Thunder Bay Stormwater Ponds



Outlet  
Majority System  
Overflow Outlet  
Outlet



SWM Ponds A & B



## Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Thunder Bay Selected Site Photos



## Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, Thunder Bay

### Challenges / Lessons Learned:

- Winter operation
- Contractor education is key
- Operation and maintenance (4 season)
- Need to accommodate future expansion



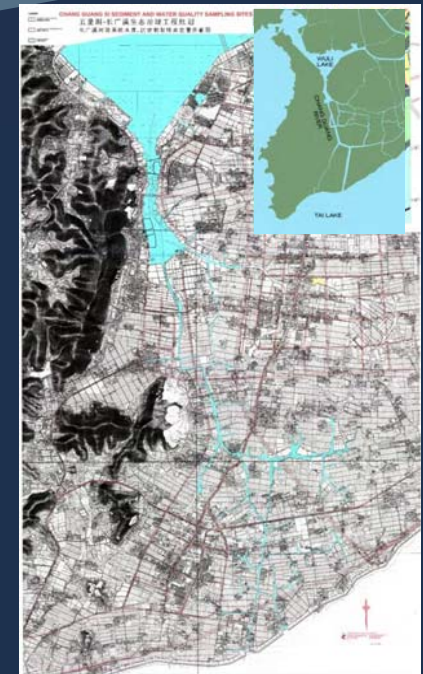
## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China

### Objectives:

- Improve water quality
- Resolve flooding issues
- Create an ecologically sustainable river corridor
- Integrate amenities for recreation, interpretation and education
- Restore aquatic habitat

## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Project Background

- **Project Size:**
  - 10km of River (main branch)
- **Project Area:**
  - 200-300m corridor along tributaries and main branch
- **Project Component:**
  - Stormwater quality improvement facilities
  - Educational/ecological park
  - Wetlands
  - Trail system
  - Outdoor classrooms
  - Monitoring Station





## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Project Background



'Boat Villages' – 'live on' boat communities with no sewage disposal infrastructure



Flow regime – River and lake system is controlled by 11 gates to manipulate their pollutants



Land use – heavy industry adjacent the river corridor poses specific challenges



Hardening of shorelines and dredging to facilitate boat access to industrial sites

## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Project Background



River system is used for drinking, washing and waste disposal



Numerous canals and tributaries are a source of pollution



Some tributaries have evolved into wetland, water quality benefits are evident



Dumping along the river corridor

## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Project Background



Grey water discharges from adjacent residences



Industrial dumping along the river corridor



Resident boaters inhabit the river system. Frequent boat traffic results in resuspension of sediment



Several tributaries are not navigated. Water quality benefits are evident

## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Project Background



Water quality in some tributaries is good



Barge loading operations result in dumping



Outfalls located along the river corridor – sources of effluent not well documented



Residents about water's edge

## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China

The proposed land uses defined in the model were based on the Wu Xi Design Institute proposed land use design plan.



## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China

The selection of representative storm was based on the maximum daily rainfall depth between year 1952 and the year 1999

### Top Ten Maximum Daily Rainfall Events from Year 1952-1999

Ranking	Date of Rainfall	Maximum daily rainfall depth for the year (mm)
1	8/31/1990	221.2
2	7/1/1991	162.6
3	9/5/1962	161.5
4	7/12/1970	148
5	7/1/1957	143.4
6	9/3/1988	138.3
7	10/4/1961	120.8
8	9/15/1989	102.5
9	9/14/1977	101.2



## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Master Plan



### Legend

- One Storey Residential
- Two Storey Residential
- Low Residential
- Tourist Area
- Green Area (Public)
- Wetland
- City Conservation Area
- Forest
- Water
- Mountain
- Preserved Industrial Area
- Commercial Area

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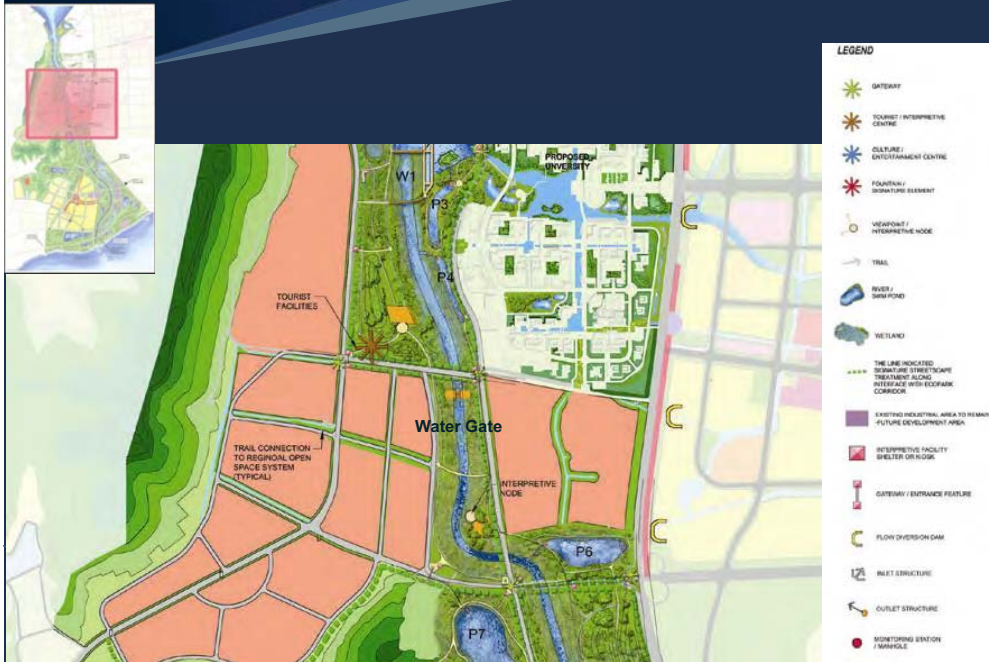
## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Master Plan – Area A



### LEGEND

- GATEWAY
- TOURIST / INTERPRETIVE CENTRE
- CULTURE / ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE
- FOUNTAIN / SCULPTURE ELEMENT
- VIEWPOINT / INTERPRETIVE NODE
- TRAIL
- SWELL / SWAMP FORD
- WETLAND
- THE LINE INDICATED DEMONSTRATE STREETSCAPE TREATMENT ALONG INTERIOR WITH EXISTING CORRIDOR
- EXISTING INDUSTRIAL AREA TO REDEVELOP FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AREA
- INTERPRETIVE FACILITY SHELTER OR LOGS
- GATEWAY / ENTRANCE FEATURE
- FLOW DIVERSION DAM
- INLET STRUCTURE
- OUTLET STRUCTURE
- MONITORING SENSOR / MAMPOL

## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Master Plan – Area B



## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Master Plan – Area C



## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Master Plan – Area D



## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Lihu New City SWM Schematic Plans – Scenario 1 & 2





## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Lihu Southbank Park SWM Plan



## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China Master Plan Elements

### *Ponds / Wetland Design Criteria*

- Designed to achieve Type 2 water quality
- Design capacity – 300 m<sup>3</sup>/ ha to achieve quality targets
- Facilities are designed for water quality only – no flood / erosion control
- Ponds sized to treat 60 mm rainfall event
- River system maximum water level is 4.7m to mitigate flood risk




# Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China

## Master Plan Elements

### *Wetland / River System Design Criteria*

- System designed to incorporate existing control gate
- On-line wetland area – 80 ha
- Base flow – 400,000 m<sup>3</sup> over 7 days
- Pump system – minimum 1 m<sup>3</sup>/sec. Higher volumes are possible contingent on cost limitation for pump system
- System is designed to integrate with existing development



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**Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China**  
**300M Demonstration Area**

12 photographs illustrating landscape management techniques:

- 1. 景观管理系统 - 沉泥池 (Landscape Management System - Sedimentation Pond)
- 2. 浮岛平台 - 下压过健康生态系统 (Floating Island Platform - Submerged Healthy Ecosystem)
- 3. 雨水管理系统 - 溢流堰结构-1 (Rainwater Management System - Overflow Weir Structure-1)
- 4. 水原改善 - 水生植物自然生长 (Water Source Improvement - Natural Growth of Aquatic Plants)
- 5. 雨水管理系统 - 溢流堰结构-2 (Rainwater Management System - Overflow Weir Structure-2)
- 6. 古出水口水质处理的对比 (Comparison of Water Quality Treatment at Ancient Outlet)
- 7. NATURALIZED SHORELINE 自然化的河岸线 (Naturalized Shoreline)
- 8. SHORELINE STABILIZATION 自然稳定的内河堤岸-1 (Shoreline Stabilization - Natural Stable Inner River Embankment-1)



## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China 300M Demonstration Area

- Filter Beds



- Wetlands



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## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China 300M Demonstration Area

- Wet Ponds



- Riverine Wetlands

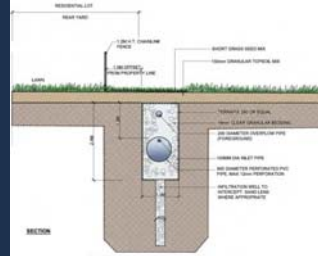
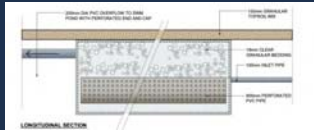


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## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China 300M Demonstration Area

- Infiltration Galleries



- Vegetated Filters



## Wuxi Chang Guang Xi National Park, Wuxi, China 300M Demonstration Area



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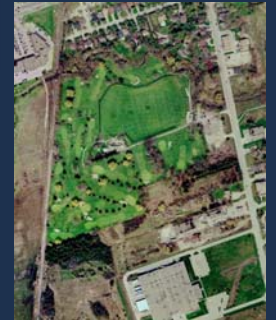
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### SUMMARY

#### Key issues:

- Site conditions
- Integration with municipal standards
- Contractor education
- Maintenance and operation
- Need for monitoring



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### **SUMMARY**

#### **Essentials:**

- Integrated design process
- Multi-disciplinary team
- Iterative / inclusive methodology
- Creativity / innovation
- Perseverance



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