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AUTOMATED SCREENING TOOL FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY LID MEASURES

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Local Context

> Mississippi Valley CA

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Key Facts:

- Population: 934,000
- Three Conservation Authorities
- 70 dry ponds and 120 wet ponds
- Receivers:
 - Large: Rideau and Ottawa Rivers
 - Med.: Jock, Carp, Castor, Bear Brook
 - Small: many urbanized tributaries

Rideau Valley CA South Nation CA

Ottawa River

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Gatineau

(QC)

- City of Ottawa
- Urban Boundary
- Greenbelt
- Urban Core
 - Suburban Area
- 🕅 Urban Beaches



Road Infrastructure

- Aging infrastructure
- 20 reconstruction projects per year
- Where will LID measures be most beneficial?

Urban____ Boundary Age of Sewer Infrastructure: 1-20-years 21-40 years 41-60 years 60-80 years >80 years

Greenbelt

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Project Objectives

- Identify areas where the implementation of LID measures will be most beneficial and areas where they should be precluded, discouraged, or not implemented.
- Develop a fully automated GIS based screening tool process to improve efficiency and consistency and aid City staff to conduct systematic reviews of a large number of ROWs on a regular basis.
- Fully automated GIS based screening tool to **select candidates** that have demonstrated potential for the implementation of LID measures.



Automated GIS-Based Selection Tool





- Builds on past LID implementation experience in the City
- Designed to permit rapid re-assessment of LID feasibility as road reconstruction priorities change
- Complete complex assessments on a large geographic scale
- Utilizes only City GIS layers and data without manipulation
- Identifies data gaps
- Applies surrogate scores/data where data gaps exist using proxy measures
- Designed to permit future data upgrades when data gaps are filled
- Optimized to ensure the end-product is useable and traceable
- Ensures the Priority Lists are defensible to city staff, elected officials, the community and agencies



3 Step Process - Overview

Step	Purpose	Data Used	Tool	Examples	Deliverable
Subwatershed Health Metric	Identify Subwatersheds where Stormwater Improvements will have the most benefit	5 Metrics with multiple parameters	GIS	 % SWM coverage Flooding incident density Natural Area Connectivity 	Subwatershed Prioritization (Four Tiers) Priority 1 = Poor Overall Health (Most in need) Priority 4 = Best overall health
Constraints and Opportunities Screening	Identify Constraints to LID Mechanisms and Site Opportunities	11 Constraint Categories9 Opportunity Categories	GIS	High Groundwater, High Bedrock, Excessive Slope, Etc. Cross-section Profile, Priority Areas, Etc.	 Prioritization of ROW Projects based on LID Feasibility List of Potential LID Options for each ROW Project
Site Screening	Refine LID Choice for Roadway Project	Site Assessment, Plans/Profiles, Public Input	Post-GIS Selection Tool (selection -sheet)	 Desired Aesthetic Maintenance Requirements 	Preferred LID Option for ROW Project

Subwatershed Health Metric Weighting

Five (5) Metrics to access Subwatershed Health:

Metric	Weighting (%)	
Terrestrial Subcatchment Health	20	
Stormwater Management	20	
Water Quality	20	
Stream Channel and Riparian Health	20	
Aquatic Ecology	20	
TOTAL	100	

Subwatershed Health Analysis Model





Constraint Name	Constraint Name Description Scoring		Data Source
Catchments with Existing Water Quality Treatment	Drains to SWM Quality Pond or OGS	Removed from Priority List if within Catchment	StormMinorCatchments & SWMFacilities
Catchments within UCSA	Drains to CSST	Removed from Priority List if within Catchment	Ultimate_ Combined Area 2015
ROW width outside Paved Roadway	Average Boulevard Area potentially available for Retrofit	0-4 m = 0 points 4-6 m = 5 points 6+ m = 10 points	Road Segments & Parcels
Floodplain	Within Regulatory Floodplain	Outside = 0 points Within = -2 points	Floodplain
Karst Topography	Proximity to identified Karst	100 + m = 0 points Less than 100 m = -5 points Bisecting = -10 points	KarstPolygonsOGS
Bedrock Depth	% of Road Segment with bedrock depth 2 m or less	0-25 % = 10 points 25-50 % = 0 points 50-75 % = -5 points 75+ % = -10 points	LID_Drift_0to1m_Final & LID_Drift_1to2m_Final
Slope	Maximum Slope down the road segment	0-2% = 10 points 2%-5% = 0 points 5%-10% = -5 points 10% + = -10 points	Topography4x4m
Historical Land Use Inventory	istorical Land Use Proximity to Adjacent = -5 points Inventory HULI area All other = 0 points		PL_HULI
Soil Permeability	Soil permeability Classification	High =10 points Low-Medium = 0 points Low= -10 points	SurficialGeologyOGS
Zoning Type	Land Use Parcel	Residential Both Sides = 10 points Residential One Side = 5 points Industrial on one Side = -5 points Industrial on both Sides = -10 points All Other Combinations = 0 points	LandUSE_2010
WHPA and ICAs	Within WHPA or ICA	Outside both = 0 points Within WHPA= -2 points Within ICA = -10 points	WellheadVulnerableArea

LID Constraints

- Can remove a site from the Priority List
- Constraints lower or increase each site's priority
- Based on:
 - LID design guidance
 - Physical elements
 - Policy considerations
 - Other City initiatives and long-term plans
 - SPP

Constraint Name	Description	Scoring	Data Source
Cross-section	Urban or Rural Cross- section	Rural (Ditch) = 5 points Urban = 0 points	DitchesUrban
Design Priority Areas	With delineated City of Ottawa DPAs	Within = 10 points Outside = 0 points	DesignPriorityAreas
Greenbelt Areas	With Greenbelt	Within = 2 points Outside = 0 points	Greenbelt
Street Type	Local Road designated or other	Local = 5 points All other = 0 points	RoadSegments
Intake Protection Zone	Within IPZ	Within = 2 points Outside = 0 points	IPZ
Partially Separated Sewershed	Within PS Sewershed	Within = 5 points Outside = 0 points	Neighbourhood_Aug_2018
Uncontrolled SWM Quantity Catchments	Catchment not provided with Peak Flow Controls	Not Controlled = 5 points Controlled = 0 points	StormMinorCatchments & SWMFacilities
Proximity to Watercourse or Wetland	Is 50 m distance achieved	Within 50 m = 5 points Outside 50 m = 0 points	Watercourse
Subwatersheds that do not Drain to the Ottawa River, Rideau River or Rideau Canal	Road Segment within Subwatershed	Drains to directly = 0 points Does not drain to directly = 5 points	Watercourse

LID Opportunities

- Opportunities increase the site priority
- Based on:
 - LID design guidance
 - Physical elements
 - Policy considerations
 - Other City initiatives and long-term plans
 - SPP

Draft Results - Priority Sites 1, 2 & 3



Draft Results - Priority Site 1 Bank St - Riverside Dr. to Lamira St. (Rideau River 3 SWS)





Outputs from Automated Selection Tool = Input to Project Charter

- Road Classification: Arterial
- Boulevard Width: 8.77m
- Rural Profile: No
- Floodplain: No
- Wellhead Vulnerable Area: No
- Depth To Bedrock > 2m : Yes
- Karst: No
- Proximity to Impacted Soils: Yes
- Design Priority Area: Yes
- Greenbelt: No
- Intake Protection Zone (IPZ): No
- Partially Separated Area (PSA): No
- Ex. Stormwater Quality Control: No
- Ex. Stormwater Quantity Control: No
- Ultimate Combined Area: No
- Permeability: Low
- Slope: 4%
- Flooding Density < 1 per ha: Low Risk
- Landuse 1: TR-RTR, Landuse 2: TR
- Proximity To Watercourse > 50m: Yes
- Directly Outletting To River: No

Draft Results - Priority Site 2

Montreal Rd - Alfred St. to Rue De L'Eglise (Ottawa River SWS)





Outputs from Automated Selection Tool = Input to Project Charter

- Road Classification: Arterial
- Boulevard Width: 4.89m
- Rural Profile: No
- ► Floodplain: No
- Wellhead Vulnerable Area: No
- Depth To Bedrock > 2m : Yes
- Karst: No
- Proximity to Impacted Soils: Yes
- Design Priority Area : Yes
- Greenbelt: No
- ► Intake Protection Zone (IPZ): No
- ▶ Partially Separated Area (PSA): Yes
- Ex. Stormwater Quality Control: No
- Ex. Stormwater Quantity Control: No
- Ultimate Combined Area: No
- Permeability: Low-Medium
- **Slope: 1.67**%
- Flooding Density < 1 per ha : Low Risk
- Landuse 1: IC-CEM, Landuse 2: R4
- Proximity To Watercourse > 50m: No
- Subwatershed Directly Outletting To River: Yes

Draft Results - Priority Site 3 Hawthorne Ave - Colonel By Dr to Main St (Rideau River 1 SWS)





Outputs from Automated Selection Tool = Input to Project Charter

- Road Classification: Arterial
- Boulevard Width: 2.83m
- Rural Profile: No
- ▶ Floodplain: No
- Wellhead Vulnerable Area: No
- Depth To Bedrock > 2m : Yes
- Karst: No
- Proximity to Impacted Soils: Yes
- Design Priority Area: Yes
- Greenbelt: No
- Intake Protection Zone (IPZ): No
- Partially Separated Area (PSA): Yes
- ► Ex. Stormwater Quality Control: No
- Ex. Stormwater Quantity Control: No
- Ultimate Combined Area: No
- Permeability: Low
- **Slope: 0.86**%
- Flooding Density < 1 per ha : Low Risk
- Landuse 1: R1, Landuse 2: C3
- Proximity To Watercourse > 50m: Yes
- Directly Outletting To River: Yes

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