BMP: Extended Detention Basins

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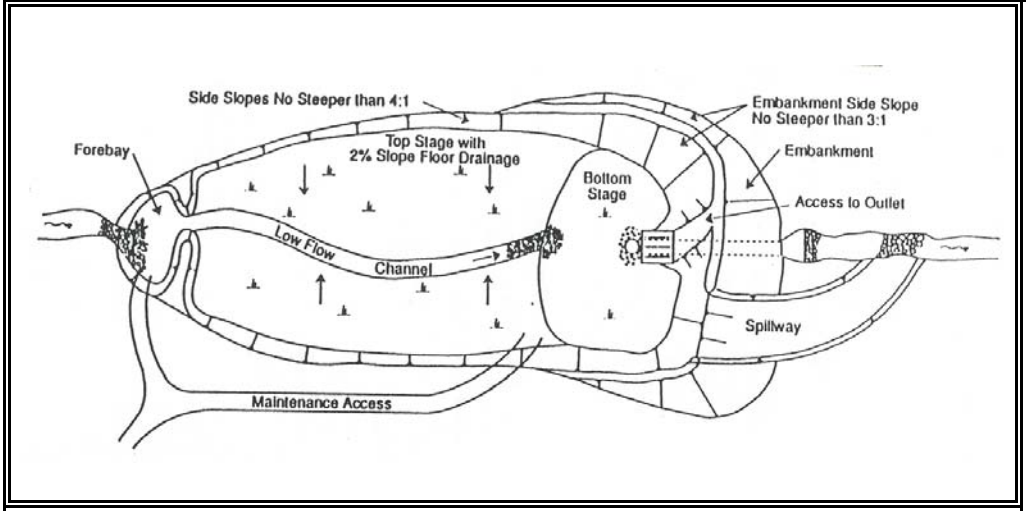

DESCRIPTIONS:

Extended detention basins are dry between storms. During a storm the basin fills. A bottom outlet releases the storm water slowly to provide time for sediments to settle.

APPLICATION:

- Objective is to remove only particulate pollutants.
- Use where lack of water prevents the use of wet ponds, wetlands or biofilters.
- Use where wet ponds or wetlands would cause unacceptable mosquito conditions.

INSTALLATION/APPLICATION CRITERIA:

- Basin volume is sized to capture a particular fraction of the runoff.
- Drawdown time of 24 to 40 hours is required.
- A shallow basin with large surface area performs better than a deep basin with the same volume.
- Place energy dissipater at the entrance to minimize bottom erosion and resuspension.
- Vegetate side slopes and bottom to the maximum extent practical.
- If side erosion is particularly severe, consider paving or soil stabilization.
- If floatables are a problem, protect outlet with a trash rack or other device.
- Provide bypass or pass through capabilities for 100-year storm.

LIMITATIONS:

- May be less reliable than other treatment control BMPs. Inability to vegetate banks and bottom may result in erosion and resuspension.
- Limitation of the orifice diameter may preclude use in small watersheds.
- Requires differential elevation between inlet and outlet.

MAINTENANCE:

- Check outlet regularly for clogging.
- Check banks and bottom of basin for erosion and correct as necessary.
- Remove sediment when accumulation reaches 6-inches, or if resuspension is observed.

CONSIDERATIONS

- ☐ Soils
- ☒ Area Required
- ☐ Slope
- ☐ Water Availability
- ☐ Aesthetics
- ☒ Hydraulic Head
- ☐ Environmental Side Effects

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TARGETED POLLUTANTS

- ■ Sediment
- ☒ Nutrients
- ☒ Heavy Metals
- ☒ Toxic Materials
- ☒ Oxygen Demanding Substances
- ☒ Oil & Grease
- ☒ Floatable Materials
- ☐ Bacteria & Viruses

- ■ High Impact
- ☒ Medium Impact
- ☐ Low or Unknown Impact

IMPLEMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

- ■ Capital Costs
- ☒ O&M Costs
- ☒ Maintenance
- ☐ Training

■ High ☒ Medium ☐ Low

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