Low Impact Development Techniques

The Small MS4 General UPDES Permit requires that MS4’s consider Low Impact Development (LID) techniques (see 4.2.5.3.2, 4.2.6.4, and 4.2.4.3.3 of the Permit)

The following practices are generally consistent with the Lindon General Plan. Other practices may be considered, and some of these practices may not necessarily be acceptable in every situation.

**Bio-Retention areas:** designed for site specific conditions to optimize the effectiveness of water filtration and retention.

- Aquatic Buffers
- Green Parking Lots
- Bioretention
- Soil Amendments
- Soil Restoration
- Created Wetlands
- Dispersal Trench
- Conveyance Furrow
- Urban Forestry
- Vegetation Restoration
- Biofiltration
- Stormwater Planters

**Green Roofs:** A bio retention area as well as a form of rain water collection; it also adds a public place and social element.

- Green Roofs
- Biofiltration

**Permeable Pavements:** allow for water to permeate through the surface, yet still give a hard surface for pedestrian and vehicular traffic.

- Break Up Flow Directions From Paved Surfaces
- Use Alternative Surfaces
- Green Parking Lots

**Rain water collection:** Utah law allows for re-use on site. For larger buildings this is an impact that could greatly reduce storm drain usage in the area.

- Water Harvesting and Reuse
- Parking Lot and Street Storage
- Dispersal Trench
- Pop-Up Emitter

**Riparian Buffers:** Applied along a watershed by restricting development along creeks, streams, washes, etc. This keeps the natural flow of water, mitigates erosion and contamination, as well as provides an interconnected habitat for animals, and recreation opportunities.

- Protect Natural Site Functions
- Preserve Natural Corridors
- Aquatic Buffers
**Green Street System:** Includes the different aspects of rain gardens and swales along roads into an incorporated system for retention and filtration of storm water.

- Reduced Clearing and Grading
- Functional Grading
- Locate Impervious Surfaces to Drain to Natural Systems
- Minimize Directly Connected Impervious Areas
- Break Up Flow Directions From Paved Surfaces
- Trail and Path Network
- Reconfigure Driveways
- Green Parking Lots
- Stormwater Planters
- Urban Forestry
- Alternative Street Layouts

**Zoning/Alternative Development Configurations and Standards:** Creative zoning and development standards directed towards minimizing disturbances of the natural habitat and hydrology of the area.

- Site Fingerprinting
- Fit Development to Natural Gradient
- Alternative Development Configurations
- Define Development Envelope
- Identify Sensitive Areas
- Alternative Lot Configuration
- Reconfigure Driveways
- Alternative Street Layouts
- Large lot sizes – higher impervious area percentage
- Considering conservation easements
- Limit maximum Directly Connected Impervious Areas (DCIA)