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- 1st: Construction Effluent Guidelines Numerical Limits are Coming (April 28th, 2011)
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: Efficient and Innovative Strategies for Achieving Better Environmental Performance (June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011)

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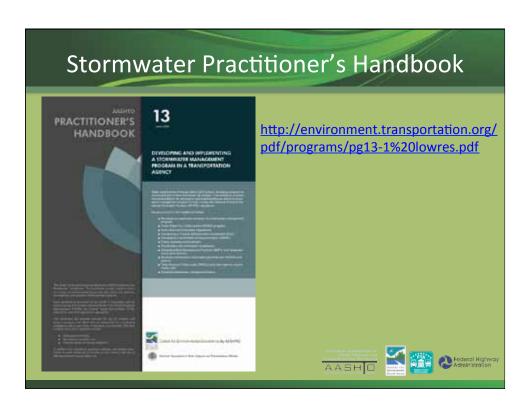






# **Stormwater Community of Practice**

- Construction Stormwater Management
- Effluent Limitations Guidelines
- TMDLs
- EPA Post-Construction Stormwater Control Rulemaking
- Source Control
- Maintenance and Operation BMPs
- · Program Effectiveness Assessment including:
  - Metrics Used to Define Effectiveness
  - Audits: Results and Lessons Learned; Going through EPA or Other Regulator
  - DOT Organization; Interdisciplinary Teams; Best Generic Structure of a DOT



## **Today's Seminar**

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# Today's Seminar

#### Post Construction BMP Selection - Runoff Management to Meet Quantitative Pollution Limits

DOTs are being challenged as never before – audits, consent decrees, budget shortfalls and the unfolding of numerical effluent targets for specific pollutants and volume controls

#### We will explore:

- Challenges facing DOTs via increasingly more stringent and pollutant specific permit requirements
- The availability and use of several NCHRP and WERF research efforts intended to assist DOTs in the selection and design of BMPs to meet water quality goals for new projects as well as retrofits and
- Actual DOT experiences and methods for meeting permit requirements and managing BMP Assets







# **Polling Questions**

- Please be ready to respond to our poll
- 3 questions:
  - Who do you work for
  - What is your primary work focus?
  - How many people are watching at this connection?









# Today's Speakers/Topics

G. SCOTT MCGOWEN, P.E., Chief Environmental Engineer, California Department of Transportation

**Drivers for Post-Construction BMP Selection and Design** 

ERIC STRECKER, P.E., Principal, Geosyntec Consultants, Portland Oregon BMP Selection and Design Steps and NCHRP Research Manuals

LE NGUYEN, P.E., Hydraulics Engineer, Washington State Department of Transportation

Washington State DOTs Approach to Meeting Specific Pollutant Requirements

MICHAEL BARRETT, Ph.D., Research Associate Professor, University of Texas Porous Pavement Overlays and Their Potential for Addressing Highway **Pollutants** 

PETER MATTEJAT, P.E., NPDES Coordinator, Maryland Transportation Authority Asset Management – Keeping Track of BMPs to Ensure Their Effectiveness









# Today's Seminar

- Each Speaker will have approximately 10 to 20 minutes for their presentations
- · Presentations will be followed by a question and answer period at the end
- Questions can be submitted via the GoTo Webinar side bar (anytime during Webinar)
- As of today, there are over 220 sites registered for this Webinar









Post Construction BMP Selection - Runoff **Management to Meet Quantitative Pollution Limits** 

# **Drivers for Post-Construction BMP Selection and Design -Transportation Agencies**

Scott McGowen, P.E. **Chief Environmental Engineer** California Department of Transportation











# Regulatory Drivers

- Clean Water Act (CWA)
  - Stormwater National Pollutant Discharge
     Elimination System (NPDES) Permits- Municipal,
     Construction, Industrial
  - Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL)
  - Wetlands
- Endangered Species Act (ESA)









# **Emerging Stormwater Issues**

- National Academy of Sciences Report:
  - Recommends emphasis on volume control
  - Recommends watershed based permitting
  - Recommends EPA ban sources at National level – i.e. use of copper in brake pads
- EPA Stormwater rulemaking now underway, but delayed

#### URBAN STORMWATER MANAGEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES

Committee on Reducing Stormwater Discharge Contributions to Water Pollution

Water Science and Technology Board

Division on Earth and Life Studies

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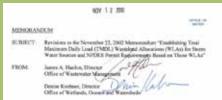


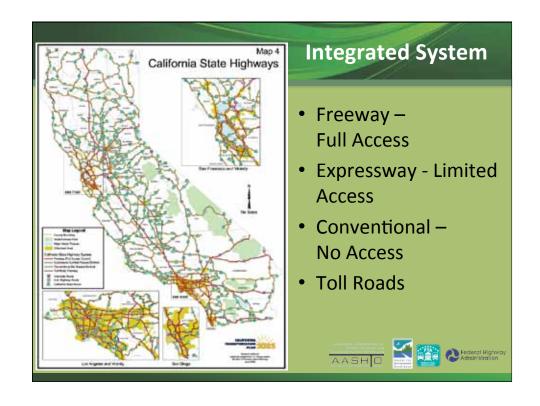




# Emerging Stormwater Issues (cont.)

- Endangered Species Act (ESA)
- Numeric Effluent Limits/Benchmarks - Construction, General Industrial, and MS4 NPDES Permits
- · "Retain on site" /volume control requirements in permits/TMDLs
- EPA Policy Memo on TMDLs:
  - Utilize Effluent Limits vs. BMP Approach
  - Volume and Impervious Area as surrogates





# Consistency

- "...consistent, effective and efficient implementation of storm water management practices statewide in all of the Department's Districts" - SWMP
- Same principles
- **Forms**
- **Training**
- Guidance
- Implementation
- Enforcement











# **System Condition**

- The State Highway System and drainage system was built decades ago, before water quality treatment standards were established for stormwater
- Design, construction and maintenance











# **Unique Operational Conditions**

- Linear
- Limited right of way, frequently constrained by adjacent land-uses
- · High speeds
- Highly controlled environment
  - Clear Recovery Zone
  - Right of way access control on freeways
  - Fencing and other barriers
- 24/7/365 operation
- Facilitates emergency response (Police, Fire, Medical, Evacuation)
- Seasonal operational activities (traction control conditions)







# Challenges for DOTs -Statewide TMDLs

- Minor fraction stakeholder
- Typical catchments of 3-5 acres
- · Adjacent to many jurisdictions
- Named in multiple TMDLs (serial TMDLs)
- DOTs are assigned a WLA
- Schedules do not align with project delivery



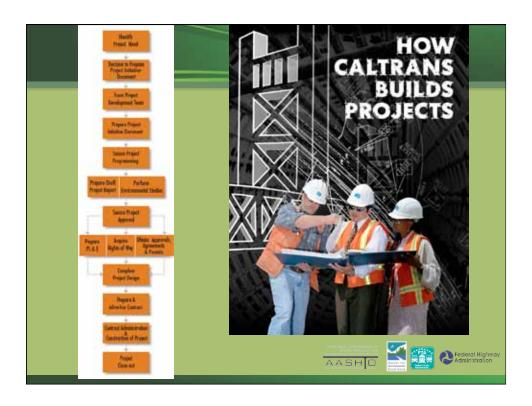












# Example Challenges for DOTs Maintenance and Operations

Safety and safe access required

- •Drain inlet inserts not applicable
- Lane closures
- •Effective sweeping
- •Urban locations with limited right of way



## National DOT Effort with EPA

- Collaboration on National Stormwater Rulemaking and New Regulations
- "TS4" (vs. MS4 Municipal Permits) for DOTs
  - Funding Structure is unique
  - · Limited Legal Authority on Enforcement
  - Safety for Motorists is biggest concern
  - Revisit applicability of 6 minimum measures
  - TMDL Compliance
  - Prioritization



# Road-Related MS4 Website Www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/roads Www.

#### What could be an ideal TS4?

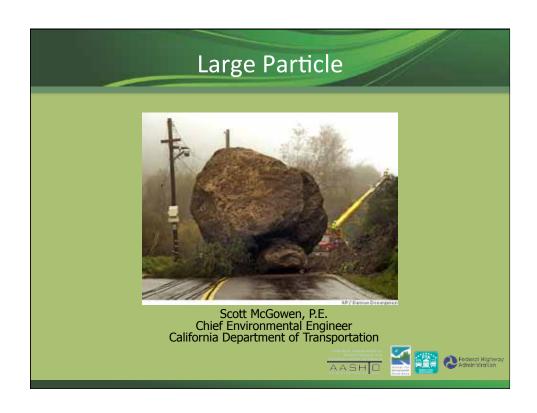
- Focus on transportation pollutants (single land use)
- Pollution Prevention- focus on source control
- Treatment BMPs appropriate for highways
- Allow pollutant trading other highway segments or off-DOT property
- Construction for highway (allow segmenting risk levels)
- IC/ID limitation on enforcement work with local MS4 (issues with run-on flows)
- Public Ed (one national message for highway DOTs)
- · Statewide TMDL strategy (level of effort)











#### Post Construction BMP Selection - Runoff **Management to Meet Quantitative Pollution Limits**

# **BMP Selection and Design Steps and NCHRP/WERF Research Manuals**

Eric Strecker **Geosyntec Consultants** Portland, OR











## The Need

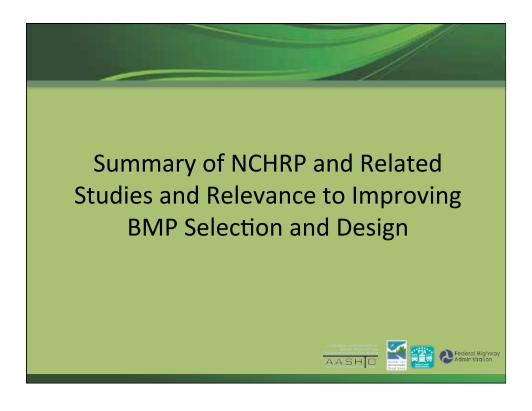
- Numerical limits/targets due to:
  - TMDLs
  - ESA
  - CERCLA/RCRA Surface Water Compliance Orders
  - Other
- BMP Selection and Design Guidance to Meet More Stringent and Numerical Goals

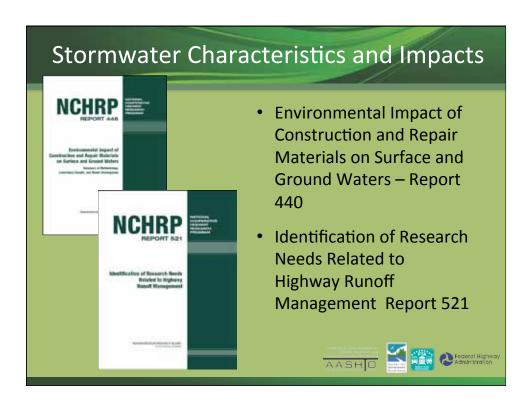


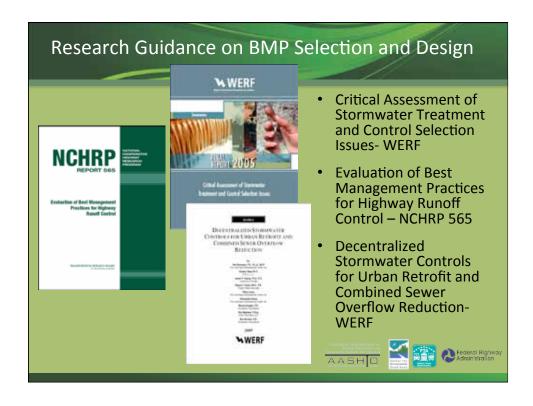


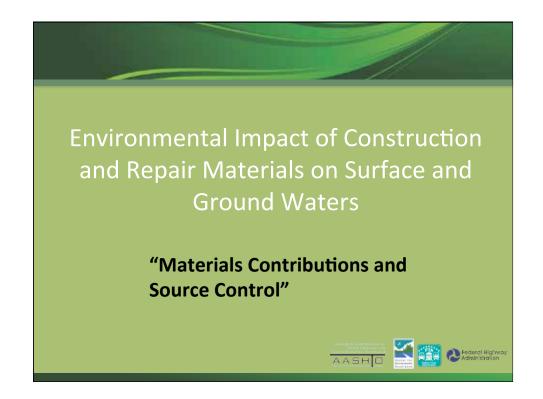












# Environmental Impact of Construction and Repair Materials on Surface and Ground Waters

- Study Conducted by Oregon State University
- 7-year study to develop and demonstrate a methodology for evaluation of potential environmental impact of highway construction and repair (C&R) materials on surface and ground waters















# Research Questions

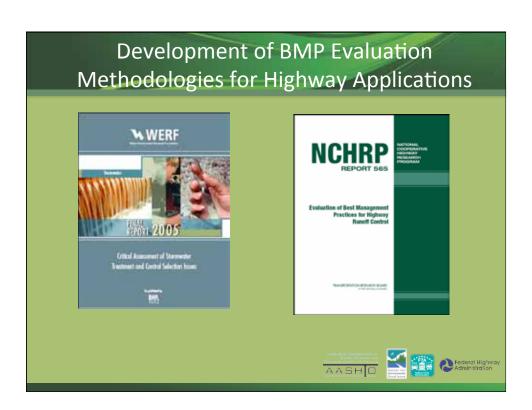
- What possible impacts will occur to aquatic resources if this material is used for highway construction and repairs?
- Is there a risk of a problem occurring if this material is used?
- How should possible environmental impacts be assessed?



## **General Conclusions**

- Problem assessment methodology was developed and validated
- Leachate from "pure" C&R materials often toxic to algae and daphnia. Algae most sensitive
- Toxicity is greatly reduced or removed when materials are incorporated into asphalt concrete (AC) or Portland cement concrete (PCC)
- Toxicity is also reduced in earthen/vegetated drainage systems





#### **Overall Goal**

- Use the "best information" available to provide guidance on the selection and use of stormwater water quality controls
- Develop stormwater controls selection and evaluation methodology for use by practitioners
  - NCHRP Highway Specific
  - WERF Urban Environment
- Emphasize:
  - Treatabilty
  - Evaluation and design by examination of fundamental unit processes
  - Include criteria of practicability, performance, and hydrologic assessment
  - Provide technical guidance documents and related reports/research findings







# Consider Fundamental Process Categories (FPCs)

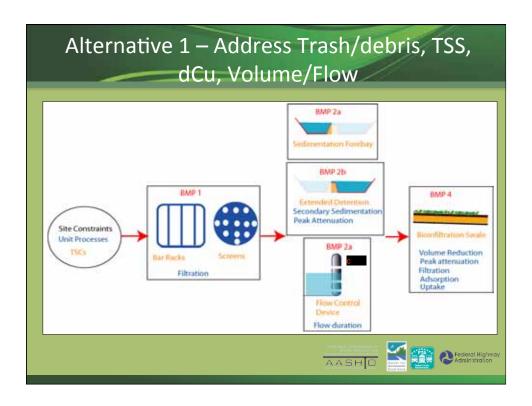
- Physical Processes:
  - Hydrologic/Hydraulic
  - Treatment
- Biological Treatment Processes
- Chemical Treatment Processes











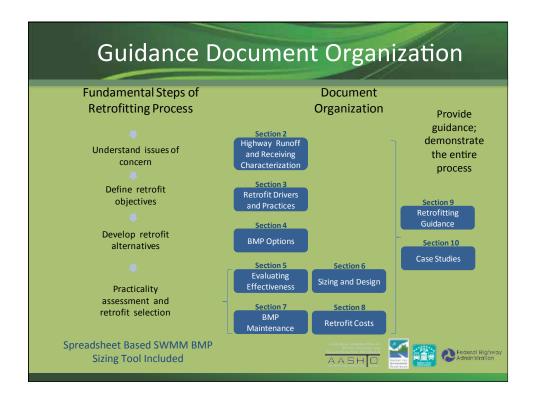


# Ultra Urban Highway Retrofits - Very difficult

#### Design and construction constraints:

- Limited ROW
- High land lost
- High impervious cover
- Utility conflicts
- Unknown subsurface conditions
- Compacted soils
- · Poor connectivity to existing drains
- High traffic volume





## NCHRP Project 25-32 (complete 12/12)

### **Measuring and Removing Dissolved Metals** from Stormwater in Highly Urbanized Areas





Michael Barrett, University of Texas at Austin









# **Initiating NCHRP Efforts**

- NCHRP 25-37- A Watershed Approach to Mitigating **Stormwater Impacts**
- NCHRP 25-40 Long Term Performance and Life-Cycle Costs of BMPs
- NCHRP 25-41 Guidance for Achieving Volume Reduction
- NCHRP 25-42 Bridge Runoff Treatment Analysis and **Treatment Options**









# The Future: Making Green "Work Harder"

Water Environment Research Foundation (WERF) Project

Internet-of-Things Based
Highly Distributed Real-Time Control
(DTRC)









# Research Objectives

- Demonstrate that the highly distributed realtime control (DRTC) technologies for green infrastructure can play a critical role in transforming our nation's urban infrastructure
- Evaluate relative performance and cost
- Establish the foundations of a future of ubiquitous, digitally-connected, green infrastructure

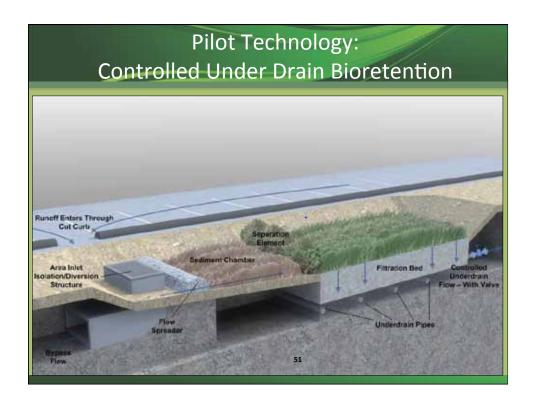




# Current DTRC/High Performance Infrastructure Pilot and Project Types

- Controlled underdrain bioretention
- Actively controlled extended detention wetland system outlets for impaired water quality performance optimization. (UT Austin, NC State)
- Flood control basin retrofit for water quality (controlled outlet retrofit only)
- Advanced rainwater harvesting systems
- Automated green and blue roofs for timing control in combined sewer systems
- Security and environmental monitoring at drinking water well headsOthers









# Distributed RTC Findings to Date

- Distributed Smart Real Time Controllers are being demonstrated to make green infrastructure "work harder"
  - significantly more wet weather volume control for CSOs
  - ability to maximize treatment and infiltration
- Very cost-effective flood control facility retrofit option – create water quality volume within flood control volume and maintain flood control









# Summary

- NCHRP project reports provide tools for project evaluation and BMP Design to improve compliance
- Emerging research findings and technologies are showing promise for improving pollution and volume control from highways and other **DOT** facilities







#### Post Construction BMP Selection - Runoff **Management to Meet Quantitative Pollution Limits**

**Washington State DOTs Approach** to Meeting Specific Pollutant **Requirements** 

> Le Nguyen **Washington State Department of Transportation**









## **WSDOT** Issues

- Endangered Species Act (low copper and zinc targets)
- TMDLs
- MS4 Permits
- Ecology Required Performance









# **Environmental Requirements in WA**

#### Basic and *Enhanced* Treatment Requirement

- Dissolved Copper: 30% removal
- Dissolved Zinc: 60% removal
- TSS: 80% removal (basic treatment)
- Phosphorus

#### **Retrofit Requirement**

- Provide flow control and treatment to both the new/ re-constructed and the existing pavement in the **Puget Sound Area** 









# The Challenges

- Physical constraints: most of the projects in the Puget Sound area are in highly urbanized areas with limited available spaces to install treatment facilities
- Utilities and other infrastructure conflicts
- Very limited available and approved "enhanced" treatment BMPs (approved by Ecology):
  - stormwater wetlands,
  - media filter drain (ecology embankment),
  - compost amended vegetated filer strip (CAVFS) and
  - compost-amended biofiltration swale (CABS).





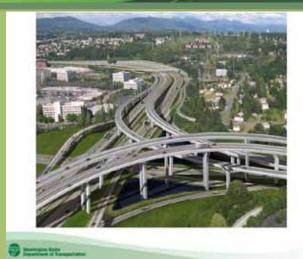






# **Design Challenges**

- No embankment or steep embankments
- Conflict with bridge foundations, retaining walls and utilities
- Elevation differences
- Existing wetlands
- High groundwater elevations









# How WSDOT Overcomes the Challenges and Meets the Environmental Requirements

- Innovative designs, based on fundamentals of hydrology, hydraulics, and pollution removal unit processes ("Custom made/Designer" BMPs).
- Custom treatment BMPs are created to match site conditions and are not readily available/ described in stormwater manuals.
- WSDOT Solutions:
  - Work together as a multidisciplinary team
  - Invite stakeholders throughout the design process









# SR 303 – Manette Bridge Replacement

- Information Sources:
  - http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/sr303/manettebridgereplacement/
  - http://civil-engineering.asce.org/link/ce/2010/sep/66?s=0
  - http://www.flickr.com/photos/wsdot/sets/72157622243275231/with/ 6333433182/
- Length: 1,600 feet approximately
- · Bridge runoff received no treatment under existing condition











# SR 303 – Manette Bridge Replacement

#### **Innovative Design**

- A treatment BMP underneath a city park, a unique design that may happen only in City of Bremerton, WA.
- The City Mayor and **Engineering Manager** applauded WSDOT for this innovative design.











# SR 303 – Manette Bridge Replacement

#### **Challenges**

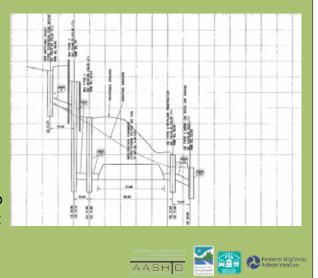
- Infiltration BMPs typically require large surface area
- Tiny available footprint at one end of the bridge (50-ft x 50-ft)
- Meeting LID requirements
- On top of the treatment BMP, it must be designed as a mini park so people can sit down, have lunches and look out to the bay
- Schedule 1 month to finish the design

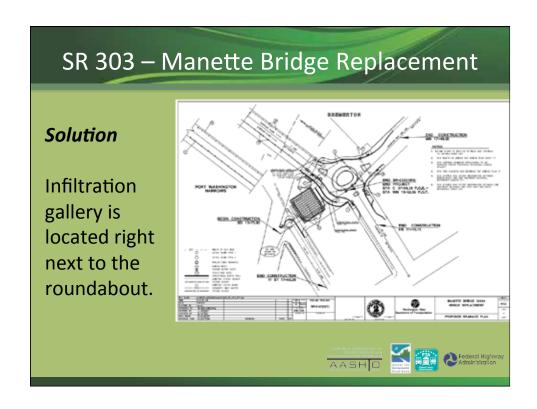


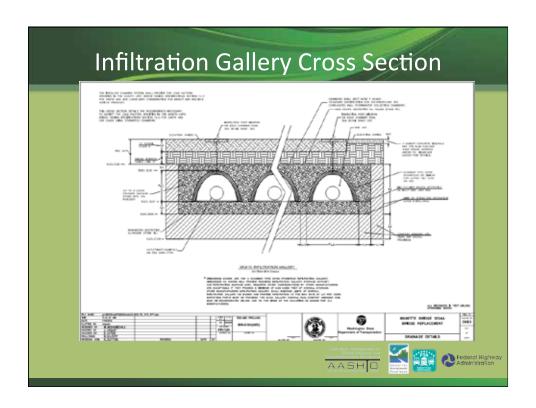
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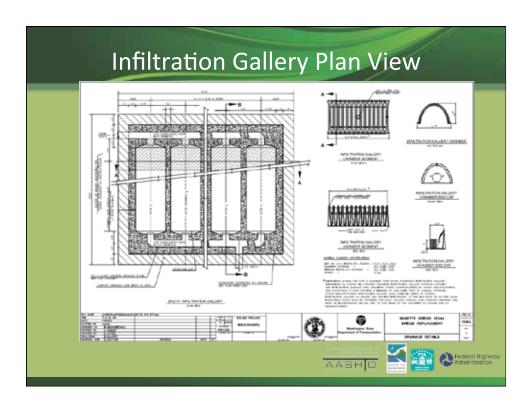
#### Challenges

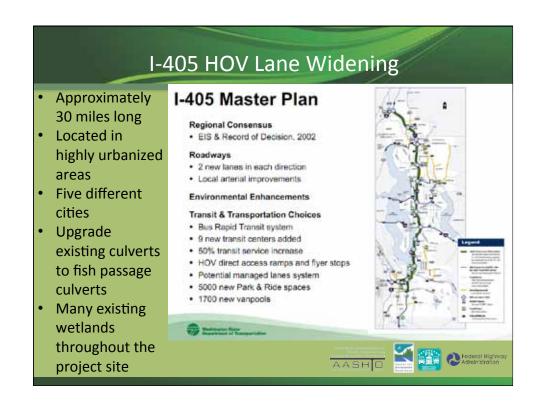
- Available space is small
- Located in the steep embankment (2H:1V) slope
- Infiltration area must be flat
- Infiltration rate must not be too high or too low, ideally it is about 2 in/hr in saturated condition

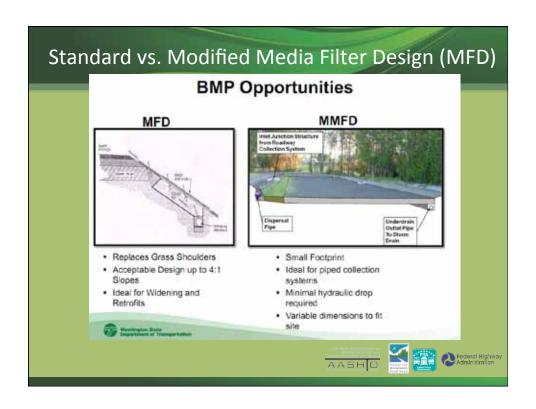


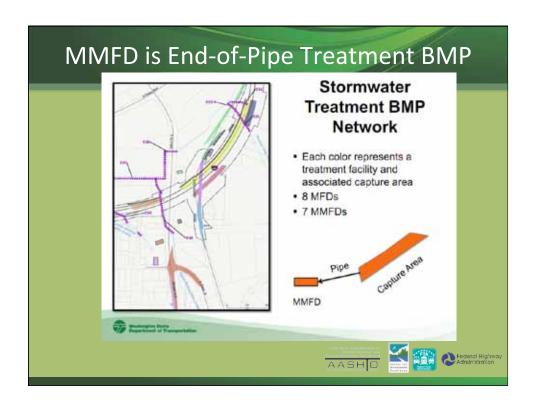


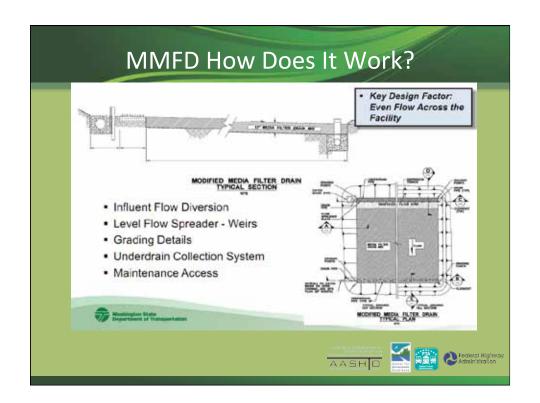


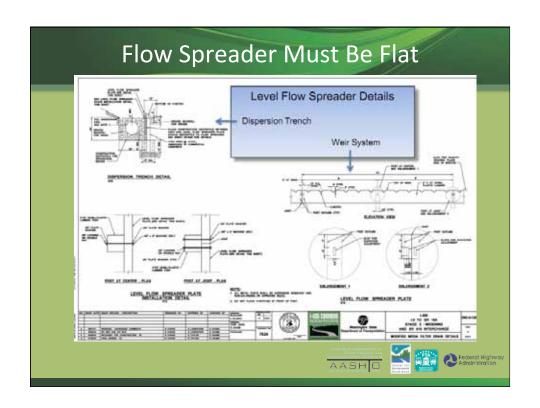












# MMFD Installation with Monitoring Equipment

# Removal Percentages Observed:

Dissolved Copper: 36.6%

• Dissolved Zinc: 64.6%

• TSS: 94.5%



Photograph of the MMFD Installation, by Angela Deardorff, WSDOT





















### Cost and Maintenance Considerations?

Modified Media Filter Drain vs. Media Filter Drain

- MMFD footprint is much smaller than typical MFD, thus construction cost and maintenance cost would be less in this regard.
- MMFD is typically located away from the roadway, and MFD is located along roadway embankment and has some soft shoulder issue.



### Lessons Learned

- · When faced with strict requirements and difficult conditions, "standard" BMPs may not work
- Need to innovate and adapt designs to fit site conditions and requirements
- Factors for success:
  - Multi-disciplinary teams
  - Stakeholder involvement
  - Close working relationship between design engineers and contractors









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### Post Construction BMP Selection - Runoff **Management to Meet Quantitative Pollution Limits**

### **Porous Pavement Overlays and Their Potential for Addressing Highway Pollutants**

Michael Barrett, Ph.D., P.E., D. WRE University of Texas at Austin June 7, 2012









### Permeable Friction Course

 Overlay of porous asphalt placed on top of regular pavement



· Water drains through the pavement rather than across it

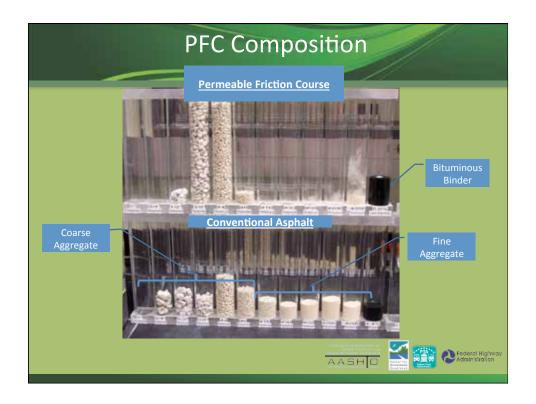








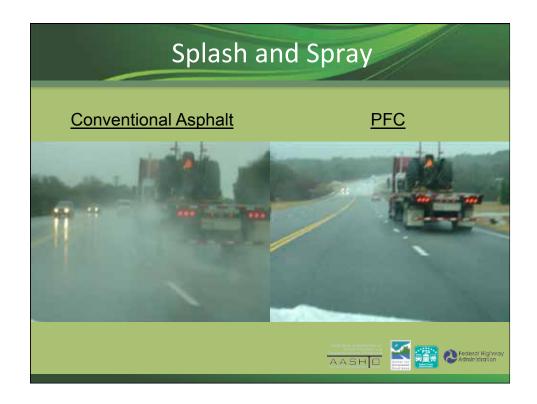


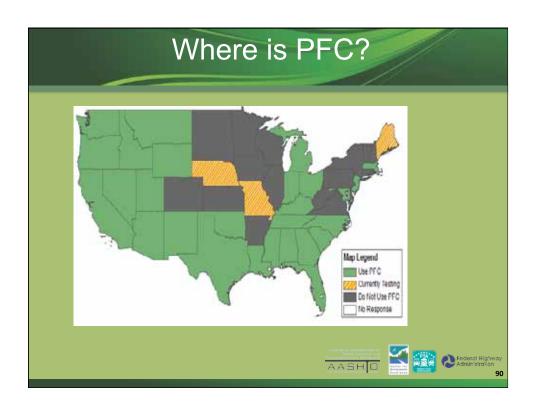


# **Acknowledged Safety and Noise Benefits**

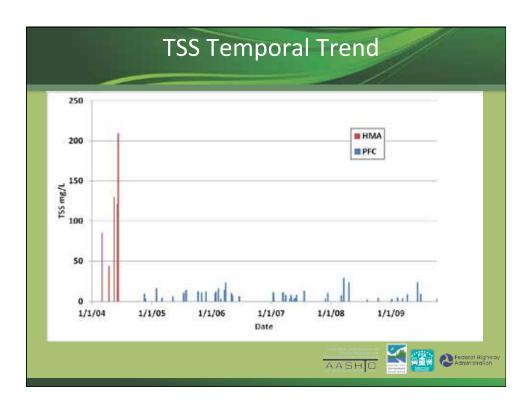
- Reduce splash and spray
- Reduced tendency to hydroplane
- Improved visibility
- Better traction characteristics
- Quieter





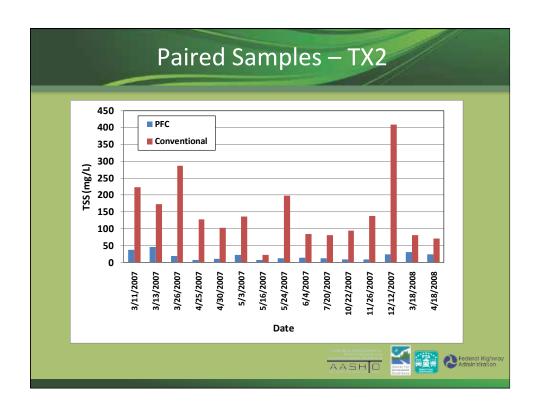




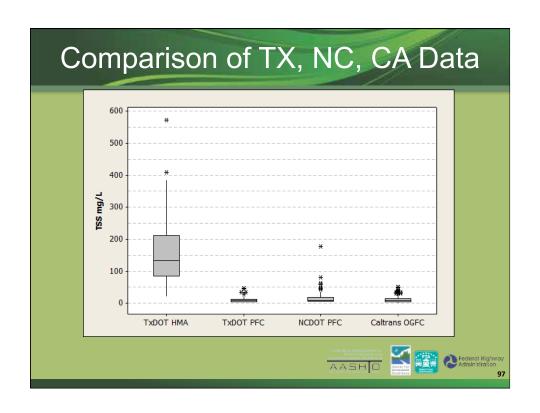


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Constituent	Conventional Asphalt	PFC	Reduction %	p-value
TSS	118	8.8	92	0.016
Total P	0.13	0.07	48	0.047
Total Copper	27	13	50	0.010
D. Copper	6	10	-77	0.045
Total Lead	13	1	91	0.025
Total Zinc	167	29	83	0.002
Dissolved Zinc	47	22	53	0.139
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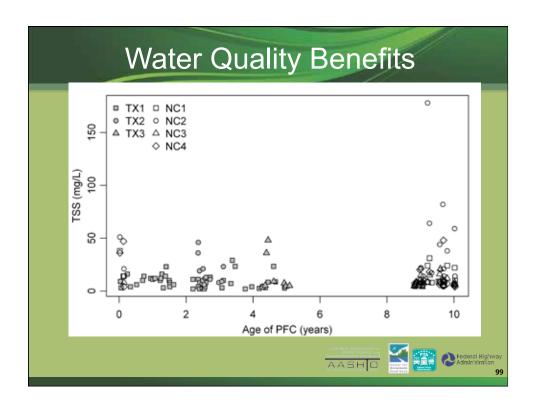




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TSS	148	18	88	<0.000
Total P	0.15	0.05	63	0.006
Total Copper	30	13	57	<0.000
D. Copper	6.3	9.0	-44	0.015
Total Lead	11	1.3	88	<0.000
Total Zinc	130	21	84	<0.000
Dissolved Zinc	18	11	40	0.043
		<u>.</u>	AASHO <b>X</b>	Foderal Highw Administration



Constituent	Grouped OGFC vs. Austin Sand Filters				
	p-value	OGFC Mean	OGFC Median	Filter Mean	Filter Median
TSS (mg/L)	0.202	6.666	-	5.557	-
Total P (mg/L)	< 0.001	0.057	-	0.159	-
Nitrogen (mg/L)	< 0.001	0.827	-	2.010	-
Total Cu (μg/L)	0.020	6.469	-	8.551	-
Dissolved Cu (μg/L)	< 0.001	4.108	-	6.801	-
Total Pb (μg/L)	-	-	0.650	-	1.400
Dissolved Pb (μg/L)	-	-	0.080	-	1.000
Total Zn (μg/L)	0.075	19.492	-	26.843	-
Dissolved Zn (μg/L)	0.001	10.176	-	19.298	-



# Source of Water Quality Benefits

- Reduced splash and spray minimizes washing of pollutants from vehicle undercarriage and engine compartment (source control)
- Reduced transport of pollutants on the road surface
- Filtration, settling, and sorption within PFC (treatment control)





# Permeable Friction Summary

- Runoff from PFC is much cleaner than that from conventional pavement for particulate associated pollutants
- Widely used solely for safety and noise benefits
- Does not provide volume reduction
- Ideal method to retrofit existing highways for water quality
- It's FREE!!



### **Common Questions**

- Previous bad experiences Early mix designs (OGFC) prone to failure because of draindown
- Maintenance Typically none in the US, varies in Europe
- Cost Slightly more due to higher quality aggregate
- Freeze/Thaw 5 year study in Indiana indicated pavement condition comparable to conventional pavement
- Snow/Ice Requires more frequent application of deicers









# More Info At:

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### Post Construction BMP Selection - Runoff **Management to Meet Quantitative Pollution Limits**

### Asset Management – Keeping track of BMPs to **Ensure their Effectiveness**



Peter Mattejat, P.E. – Stormwater NPDES Coordinator Office of Engineering & Construction -**Environmental Engineering Division** 









# Overview of Asset Management

- Strategic approach to manage BMPs that provides long-term benefit and minimize life cycle cost
- Process to manage, operate, and maintain infrastructure
- Integrates planning, engineering, operations, and costs to realize cost-effective and reliable performance
- Consider regulatory compliance
- Principles:
  - Inventory
  - Condition Evaluation
  - Remediation
  - Tracking









# Inventory

#### **Overview**

- Collect spatial and attribute information
- Understand how BMPs provide stormwater management (SWM) - Quantity and/or Quality
  - Treatment reduce contaminants before entering surface
  - Control Reduce peak flow and velocity to prevent erosion & sedimentation
  - Reduction- reduce runoff volume
- Recognize SWM designs have evolved over time
- Implement to address Stormwater NPDES permit requirements









# Inventory

#### **Roadway Stormwater Management**

- **Traditional Implementation** 
  - Highly distributed (spread out) along roadways
  - Conventional approach: collect convey treat
  - Typically linear
- **Evolving Approach** 
  - Integrate with roadway drainage
  - Use of "BMP trains"
  - Expanding BMP types (e.g. hybrid designs, proprietary devices, under-ground facilities)
  - Focus on watershed needs

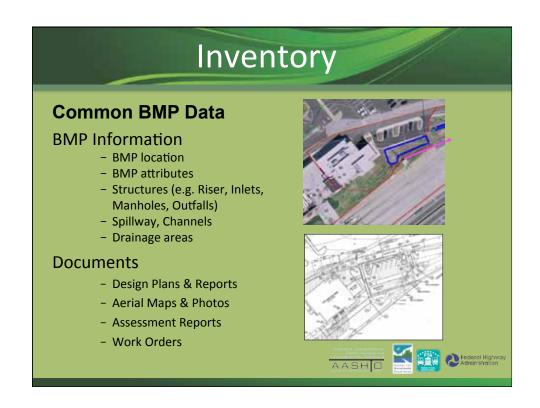












# Inventory

#### **Other BMP Data**

- Watersheds / Sub-Watersheds
- Impervious Area Treated
- Land Uses (Pollutant Loads)
- Environmental Features
- Proposed (e.g. Planning Projects )









# **Condition Evaluation**

#### **Overview**

- Continuously assess condition
- Inspection
  - Assess stability & SWM performance
  - Evaluate based on design type
  - Identify remedial needs
  - Provides long-term data
- Detailed Assessment (as-needed)
  - Further assess BMP functions
  - Use to identify enhancement options
  - Wet-Weather monitoring to evaluate treatment performance











### **Condition Evaluation**

#### **Inspection Protocol**

- Inspection Manual: Reliable, Repeatable Procedures
- Parameters:
  - Focus on specific BMP elements
  - Scoring (e.g. 1 to 5)
  - Categories: Site, SWM, Structural
- Rating:
  - Good to Worse (e.g. A, B, C, D, E)
  - Relate condition with remedial response
- Data Collection:
  - Inspection data: scores, measurements, comments
  - Field Photos: site & defects







# **Condition Evaluation**

#### **Rating Schema Example**

- A = Functional with <u>no</u> performance or stability concerns (No action required)
- B = Functional with minor issues (Maintenance may be needed)
- C = Functional with moderate issues (Remediation may be necessary)
- D = Function may be compromised due to <u>major</u> problems (Remediation likely necessary)
- E = Function is deteriorating due to critical problems (Remediation required)





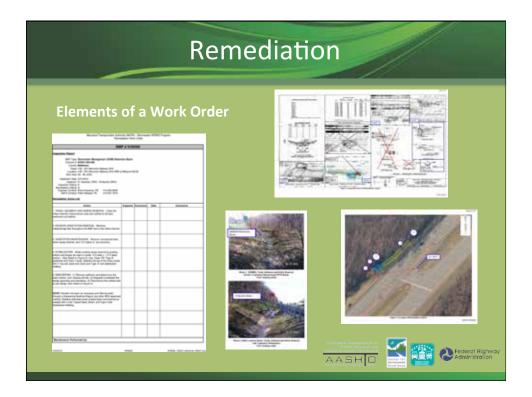


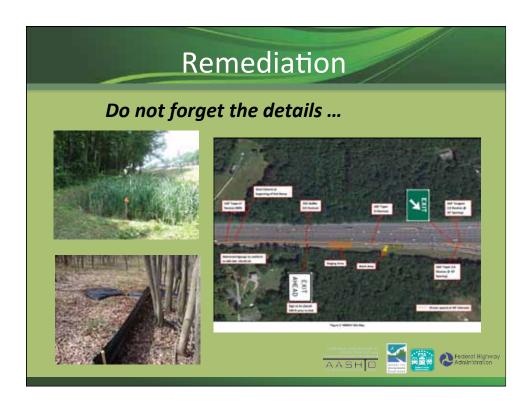
# Remediation

#### Overview

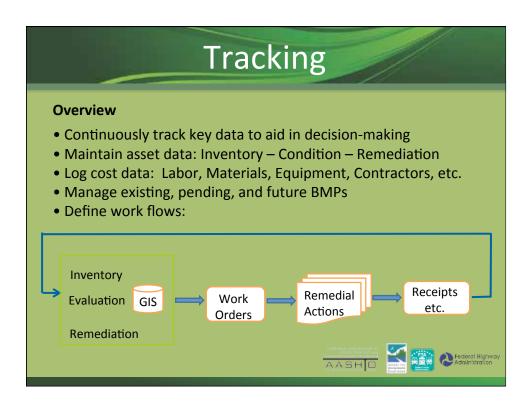
- Maintain/Restore stability and/or performance
- Based on Inspections or Scheduled Activities
- Types:
  - Corrective address issues related to lack of maintenance
  - Routine annually perform prescribed activities
  - <u>Cyclical</u> multi-year intervals perform prescribed activities
  - Rehabilitation restore/improve BMP elements
  - Enhancement reconfigure BMP for better performance
- Work Orders
  - "Punch List" of activities & annotated plans/maps/photos
  - Traffic, Utilities, Environmental Resources, Right-of-Way, E&S

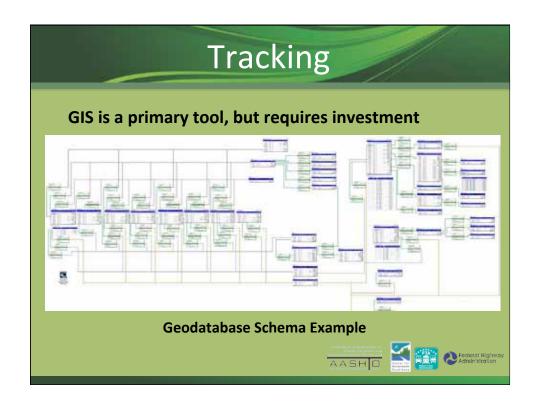


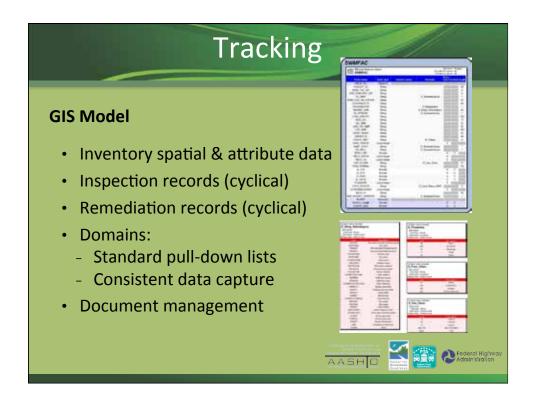


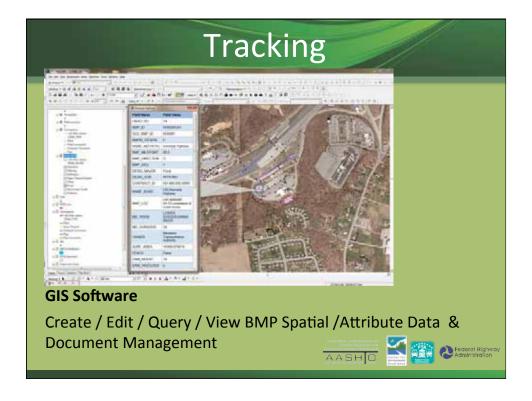


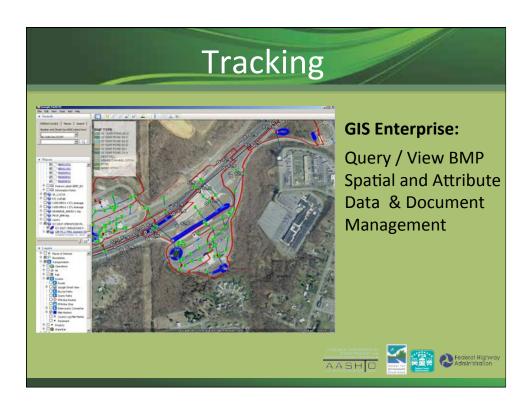


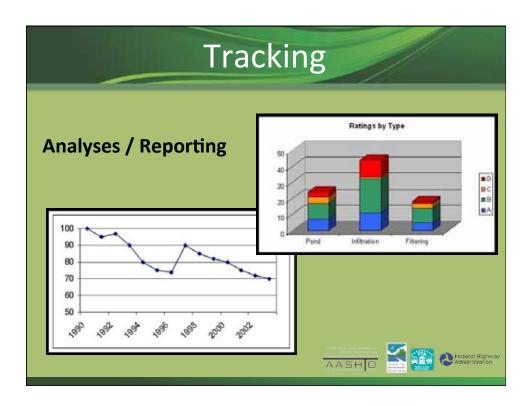












### **Questions and Answers**

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