

Stormwater Infiltration Controls Included in WinSLAMM

- Bioretention/biofiltration areas
- Rain gardens
- Porous pavement
- Grass swales and grass filters
- Infiltration basins
- Infiltration trenches
- Green (and blue) roofs
- Disconnections of paved areas and roofs from the drainage system
- Also considers evapotranspiration and stormwater beneficial uses



"SEA" (Street Edge Alternative) Street, Seattle, WA 2

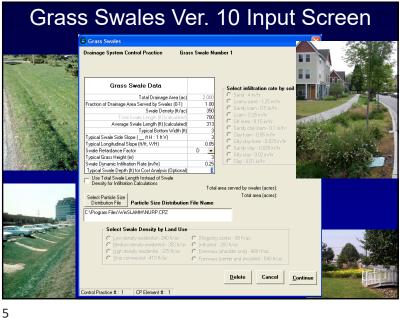


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Hybrid grass swales in Cross Plains, WI

Grass Filter Strips Ver. 10 Input Screen





Pollutant Control in Grass Swales and Grass Filters Runoff from **Pervious**/ impervious Trapping sediments **Reducing runoff** area and associated pollutants velocity Sedimen particles

Reduced volume and treated

runoff

Porous Pavement

Infiltration

• Use for walkways and overflow parking areas, and service roads (alleys); not used in areas of material storage or for extensive parking or traffic to minimize groundwater contamination potential.



Particulate Removal Calculations

Ratio 1 5

For each time step -

- Calculate flow velocity, settling velocity and flow depth
- Determine flow depth to grass height, for particulate reduction for each particle size increment using Nara & Pitt research
- Check particle size group limits
 - Not exceed irreducible concentration value by particle size
- Scour adjustment by
 - Flow velocity
 - > Impervious area

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commercial areas) need to receive adequate pretreatment prior to infiltration. Runoff from residential areas (the largest

 Runoff from residential areas (the largest component of urban runoff in most cities) is generally the least polluted and should be considered for infiltration.

Recommendations to Reduce Groundwater Contamination Potential when using Infiltration in Urban Areas

• Infiltration devices should not be used in most industrial areas without adequate pretreatment.

· Runoff from critical source areas (mostly in

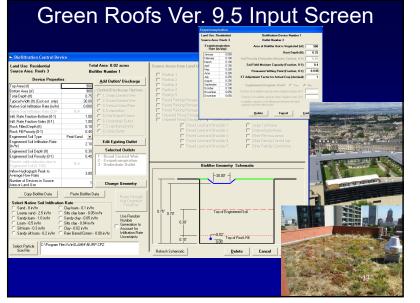
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Modeling Findings for Porous Pavements in Central Alabama Area

- Soils having at least 2.5 mm/hr infiltration rates can totally remove the runoff from porous pavement areas, assuming about 10 cm coarse rock storage layer. Porous pavement areas can effectively contribute zero runoff, if well maintained.
- However, slow infiltrating soils can result in slow drainage times of several days. Soils having infiltration rates of at least 12 mm/hr can drain the pavement structure and storage area within a day, a generally accepted goal.
- These porous pavements can totally reduce the runoff during the intense 2-year rains (about 4.2 inches in depth).
- Good design and construction practice is necessary to prolong the life of the porous pavements, including restricting runon, prohibiting dirt and debris tracking, and suitable intensive cleaning.

Green Roofs

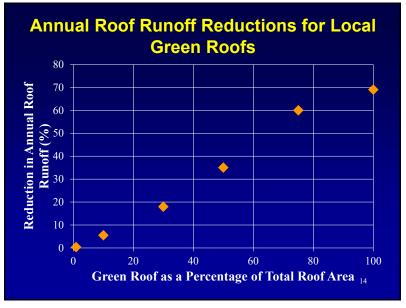
- Green roofs can contribute to energy savings in operation of a building, can prolong the life of the roof structure, and can reduce the amount of roof runoff.
- They can be costly. However, they may be one of the few options for stormwater volume control in ultra urban areas where ground– level options are not available.
- Irrigation of the plants is likely necessary to prevent wilting and death during dry periods.



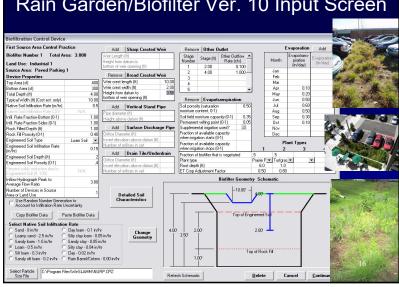
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Rain Gardens for Roof and Paved **Area Runoff**

- · Simple rain gardens without extensive excavations or underdrains can be used near buildings for the control of roof runoff, or can be placed in or around the edges of parking areas for the control of runoff from parking areas.
- Rain gardens provide greater groundwater contamination protection compared to porous pavements as the engineered soil fill material should contain significant organic material that hinders migration of many stormwater pollutants. This material also provides much better control of fine sediment found in the stormwater.
- Rain gardens can be sized to control large fractions of the runoff, but maintenance to prevent clogging and to remove contaminated soils is also necessary.



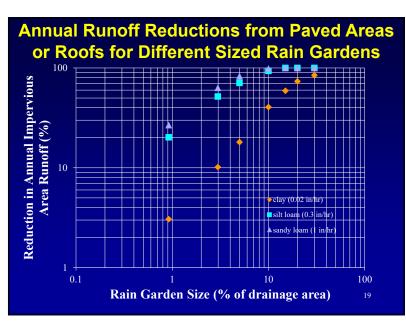
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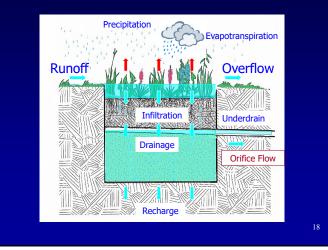
Rain Garden/Biofilter Ver. 10 Input Screen

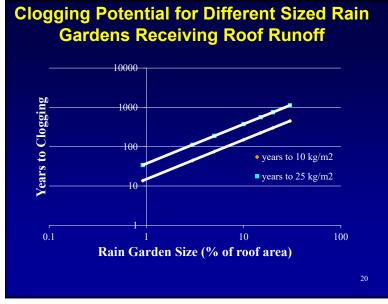














Rain Garden Results (cont.)

- Clogging of the rain garden may occur from particulates entering the device, or from clay in the engineered soil mix.
- Roof runoff contains relatively little particulate matter and rain gardens at least 1% of the roof area are not likely to clog (estimated 20 to 50 years).
- Paved area runoff contains a much greater amount of particulate matter and would need to be at least 10% of the paved area to have an extended life (>10 years).

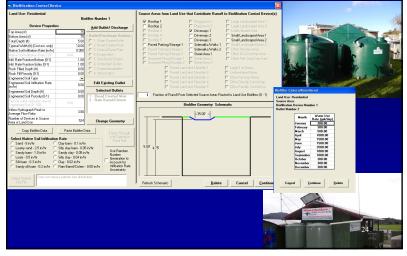
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Results from Modeling Local Birmingham Rain Gardens

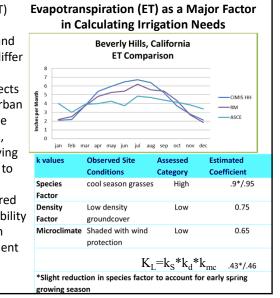
- Local rain gardens should be located in areas having soil infiltration rates of at least 8 mm/hr. Lower rates result in very large and much less effective rain gardens, and the likely clay content of the soil likely will result in premature clogging.
- Rain gardens should be from 5 to 10 percent of the drainage area to provide significant runoff reductions (75+%).
- Rain gardens of this size will result in about 40 to 60% reductions in runoff volume from a large 100 mm rain.
 Rain gardens would need to be about 20% of the drainage area in order to approach complete control of these large rains.

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Water Tank/Cistern/Rain Barrel Beneficial Use of Stormwater Ver. 9.5 Input Screen



Evapotranspiration (ET) data sources are from agricultural and wildland environments which differ greatly from urban settings. The few projects that have examined urban ET values indicate large differences. Therefore, further research applying k values the available ET rates to disturbed urban Species Factor environments is required Density to confirm the applicability Factor of these rates in urban stormwater management practices.

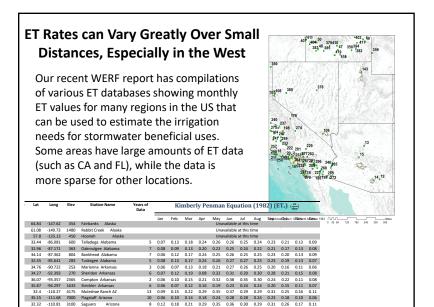


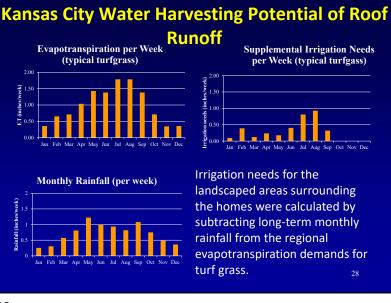
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Example Irrigation Needs Calculated for Silty Soil-East Coast Conditions

Calculated using continuous simulations and long-term rain records

		Rainfall infiltration	Irrigation deficit (ET	
	ET for site	adding to soil	minus soil moisture	
	conditions	moisture, from	addition from rain)	irrigation deficit
	(in/month)	model (in/month)	(in/month)	(gal/day/house)
Jan	0	3.44	n/a	0
Feb	0	2.67	n/a	0
Mar	2.79	3.67	n/a	0
Apr	4.20	3.38	0.82	102
May	4.96	4.16	0.80	96
Jun	5.10	3.18	1.92	240
Jul	5.27	4.36	0.92	109
Aug	4.65	3.44	1.21	140
Sep	3.90	3.84	0.06	7
Oct	3.10	3.00	0.11	13
Nov	1.80	3.79	n/a	27 0
Dec	1.24	3.35	n/a	0





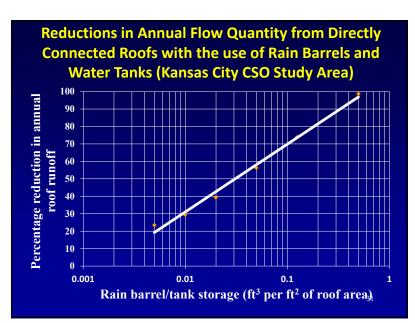
Household water use (L/day/house) from rain barrels or water tanks for outside irrigation to meet ET requirements:

January	160	July	1350
February	650	August	1570
March	208	September	529
April	393	October	0
May	295	November	0
June	670	December	0





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Water Use Calculations in WinSLAMM

WinSLAMM conducts a continuous water mass balance for every storm in the study period.

For rain barrels/tanks, the model fills the tanks during rains (up to the maximum amount of runoff from the roofs, or to the maximum available volume of the tank).

Between rains, the tank is drained according to the water demand rate. If the tank is almost full from a recent rain (and not enough time was available to use all of the water in the tank), excess water from the event would be discharged to the ground or rain gardens after the tank fills.

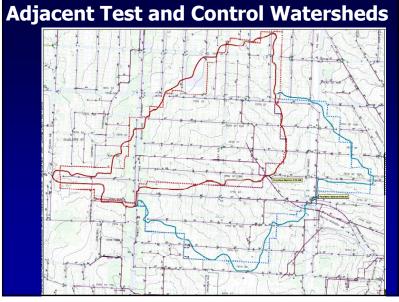
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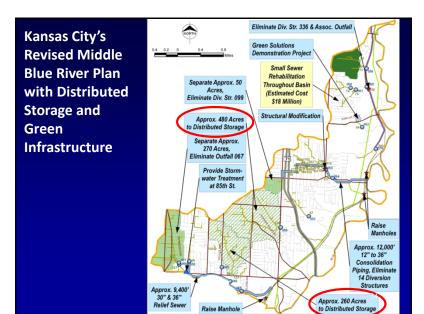
0.125 ft of storage is needed for use of 75% of the total annual runoff from these roofs for irrigation. With 945 ft² roofs, the total storage is therefore 118 ft³, which would require 25 typical rain barrels, way too many! However, a relatively small water tank (5 ft D and 6 ft H) can be used instead.

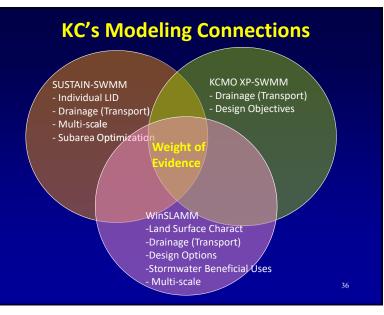
rain	percentage			
barrel/tank	reduction	# of 35	tank height	tank height
storage per	in annual	gallon rain	size required	size required if
house (ft ³)	roof runoff	barrels	if 5 ft D (ft)	10 ft D (ft)
0	0	0	0	0
4.7	20	1	0.24	0.060
9.4	31	2	0.45	0.12
19	43	4	0.96	0.24
47	58	10	2.4	0.60
118	75	25	6.0	1.5
470	98	100	24	6.0
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Kansas City's CSO Challenge

- Combined sewer area: 58 mi²
- Fully developed
- Rainfall: 37 in./yr
- 36 sewer overflows/yr by rain > 0.6 in; reduce frequency by 65%.
- 6.4 billion gal overflow/yr, reduce to 1.4 billion gal/yr
- Aging wastewater infrastructure
- Sewer backups
- Poor receiving-water quality
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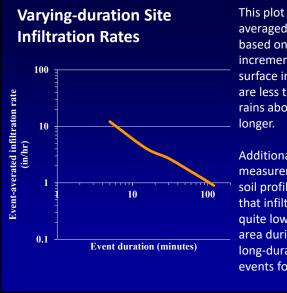


Major Land Use Components in Residential Portion of Study Area (% of area and % of total annual flow contributions)

	Roofs	Drive- ways	Side- walks	Park- ing	Streets	Land- scaped	Total
Directly connected	2 (6)	4 (9)	1 (3)	2 (5)	9 (21)		18 (44)
Disconnected	11 (7)	4 (3)	1 (1)				16 (11)
Landscaped						66 (45)	66 (45)
Total area	13 (13)	8 (12)	2 (4)	2 (5)	9 (21)	66 (45)	100

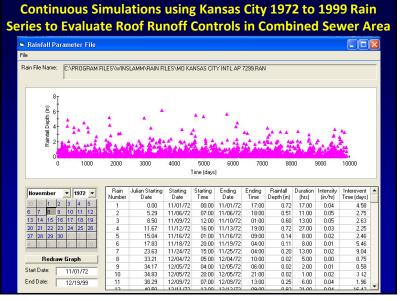
Based on KCMO GIS mapping and detailed site surveys, along with WinSLAMM calculations.

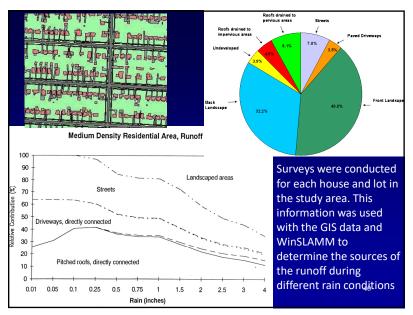
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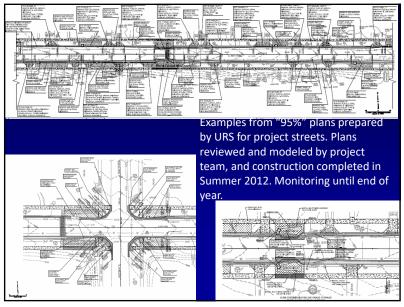


This plot shows the timeaveraged infiltration rates based on the individual incremental values. The surface infiltration rates are less than 25 mm/hr for rains about 2 hrs long and longer.

Additional site measurements and deep soil profiles have indicated that infiltration rates are quite low for most of the area during the large and long-duration critical events for overflows. 39





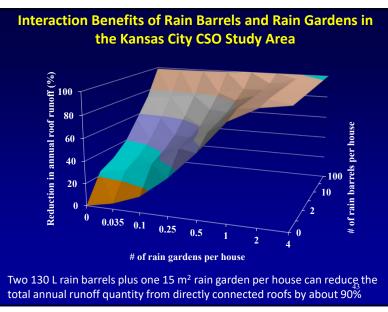


Interactions of Controls being Evaluated in Kansas City

The curb-side biofilters are modeled as a cascading swale system where the site runoff is filtered and allowed to infiltrate. If the runoff volume is greater than the capacity of the biofilters, the excessive water is discharged into the combined sewer.

When evaluated together, cisterns treat the roof runoff first, the excess water is discharged to household rain gardens, then to the curbside biofilters. Continuous simulations drain the devices between events, depending on the interevent conditions and water demand.

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Aerial Photo of Site under Construction (Google Earth)

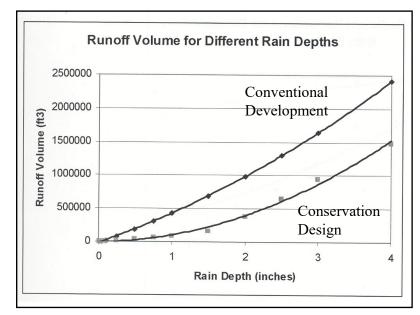
 On-site bioretention swales • Level spreaders • Large regional swales • Wet detention ponds Critical source area controls Pollution prevention (no Zn!) • Buffers around sinkholes •Extensive trail system linking water features and open space

Conservation Design Elements for North Huntsville, AL, Industrial Park

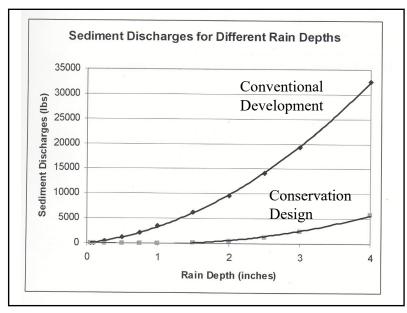
- Grass filtering and swale drainages
- Modified soils to protect groundwater
- Wet detention ponds
- Bioretention and site infiltration devices
- Critical source area controls at loading docks, etc.
- Pollution prevention through material selection (no exposed galvanized metal, for example) and no exposure of materials and products.
- Trail system throughout area.







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Millburn, NJ Dry well disposal of stormwater for groundwater recharge in conjunction with irrigation beneficial use For the past several years, the city of Millburn has required dry wells to infiltrate increased flows from newly developed areas. There are some underground water storage tanks now being installed to use stormwater for irrigation. Our recent project, supported by the Wet Weather Flow Research Program of the US EPA, is investigating the performance of this shallow groundwater recharge (including groundwater contamination potential) in conjunction with irrigation beneficial uses of the stormwater.



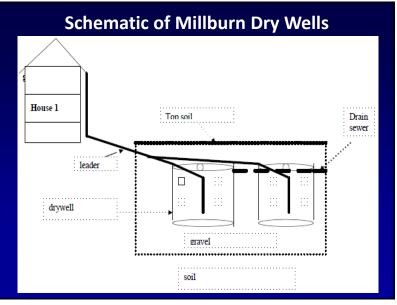
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This major home restoration project included the installation of underground water storage tanks instead of dry wells. Homes in this neighborhood have summer water bills approaching \$1k/month for landscape irrigation, so the economic benefits of irrigation using





Dry Well Drainage Observations

- Most of the dry wells were dry most of the time during the monitoring period (75 to 98% of the time)
- Standing water was observed at a few sites when sufficient time occurred to allow the water to reach a consistent minimum water level (about 3 ft deep); likely due to a high water table condition. The slow drainage rate may have been caused by saturated conditions from groundwater mounding
- Several sites experienced periodic slowly draining conditions, mainly in the spring, that could have been associated with SAR problems. The slow infiltration rates could be due to poor soils (with the clays resulting in SAR problems), or saturated soil conditions

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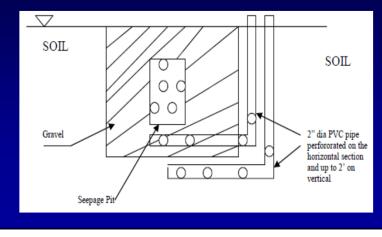
Monitoring Location	Roofs	Driveways	Parking	Side walks	Street	Landscape	Paved Patio	Rear Walkway and Steps	Shed	Deck
8 South	9.3	6.7	0.0	1.3	10.6	70.2	1.3	0.1	0.0	0.5
Beechcroft		6.0			10.1					
11 Fox Hill	13.4	6.9	0.0	0.3	10.1	67.6	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0
43 Browning Road S.H	14.2	5.9	0.0	0.7	13.2	63.2	2.9	0.0	0.0	0.0
1 Sinclair terrace	10.9	4.9	0.0	0.8	6.4	75.3	0.0	1.5	0.3	0.0
7 Fox Hill	14.3	6.3	0.0	2.2	10.6	64.4	2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
9 Lancer	14.5	9.6	0.0	1.9	9.1	61.3	0.0	2.3	0.0	1.2
135 Tennyson Dr	5.7	5.2	4.2	1.4	17.0	66.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
79 Minnisink Rd	19.2	10.9	6.7	5.5	6.3	51.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18 Slope Dr	15.4	11.7	5.8	0.0	24.9	42.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
139 Parsonage Hill	13.3	6.6	7.9	0.8	16.9	54.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Rd										
Average	13.0	7.5	2.5	1.5	12.5	61.6	0.8	0.4	6 40	0.2







PVC Pipe pan lysimeters for dry wells (Shallow sampler next to bottom of dry bottom and deep sampler at least 2 ft below bottom of lower crushed stone layer).

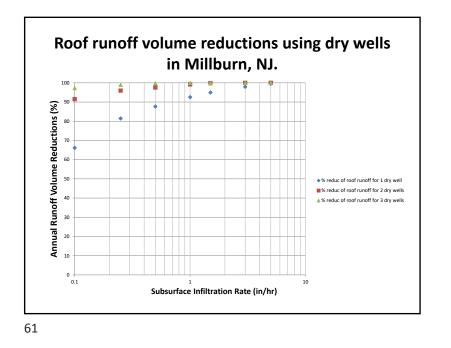




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Monitored Water Quality below Dry Wells

- Ten rains (0.1 to 9 inches in depth, including Hurricane Irene); median depth 0.15 inches.
- Three dry wells were monitored (along with one cistern).
- TN, NO₃, TP, COD, Cu, Pb, Zn, enterococci, *E. coli* for all events and pesticides/herbicides for one event.
- No significant differences in the paired sample concentrations for the dry wells.
- Bacteria and lead may exceed New Jersey groundwater disposal guidelines.



Irrigation Beneficial Uses of Stormwater Ringwood New Average ET **New Middlesex County** New Jersey (in/day) Jersey (in/day) (in/day) 0.02 0.01 0.015 January February 0.03 0.03 0.03 0.09 0.12 0.105 March 0.14 0.12 0.13 April 0.17 0.14 0.155 May June 0.17 0.14 0.155 July 0.18 0.13 0.155 August 0.16 0.11 0.135 September 0.10 0.12 0.14 October 0.10 0.13 0.115 November 0.11 0.09 0.10

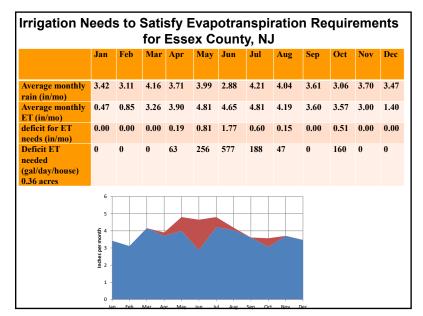
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Clogging potential of dry wells in Millburn, NJ.

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For a "healthy" lawn, total water applied (including rain) is generally about 1" of water per week, or 4" per month. Excessive watering is harmful to plants, so indiscriminate overwatering is to be avoided.

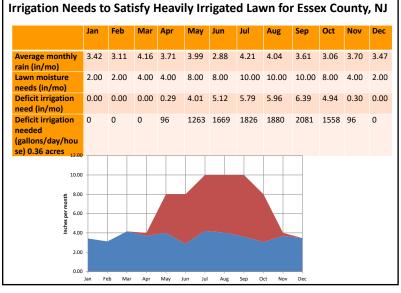
Some plants can accommodate additional water. As an example, Kentucky Bluegrass, the most common lawn plant in the US, needs about 2.5 in/week, or more, during the heat of the summer, and should receive some moisture during the winter.

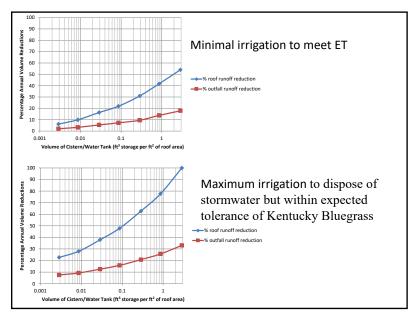
The following table therefore calculates supplemental irrigation for 0.5 inches per week in the dormant season and up to 2.5 inches per week in the hot months

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First Source Area Control Pr Land Use: Residential 1 Source Area: Roof 1		Total Ar	ea: 0.080 acres Cistern No. 1	
Device Properties	\$		Water Use Ba	
Top Surface Area (sf)	100.00		water Use Ha	
Bottom Surface Area (sf)	100.00		Water Use Rate	Source Area
Height to Overflow (ft)	10.00	Month	per Cistern (gal/day)	Water Use Rate (gal/day)
Rock Filled Depth (ft)	0.00	Lanuary	(gai/uay) 0.00	(gai/day) 0.00
Rock Fill Porosity (0-1)	0.00	January	0.00	0.00
Inflow Hydrograph Peak to Average Flow Ratio	3.80	February March	0.00	0.00
Number of Devices in Source Area or Land Use	1	April May	96.00 1263.00	96.00 1263.00
Runoff Fraction Entering Devices (0-1)	1.00	June	1669.00	1669.00 1826.00
Devices (0-1)		July	1826.00	
Source Area Water Use Rate M	August	1880.00 2081.00	1880.00 2081.00	
		September October	1558.00	2081.00
Apply Rate Multip	olier	November	1558.00	1558.00
		December	0.00	0.00
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Conclusions

- There are a large number of infiltration-based stormwater controls that can be applied to a variety of land uses to reduce the volume and rates of stormwater discharged to combined sewers.
- Beneficial uses of stormwater can also be a useful tool to reduce these discharges, while still conserving important resources.
- Continuous WinSLAMM simulations can calculate the benefits of these controls in many combinations for an area.