



Green Infrastructure in the Greater Lansing Area

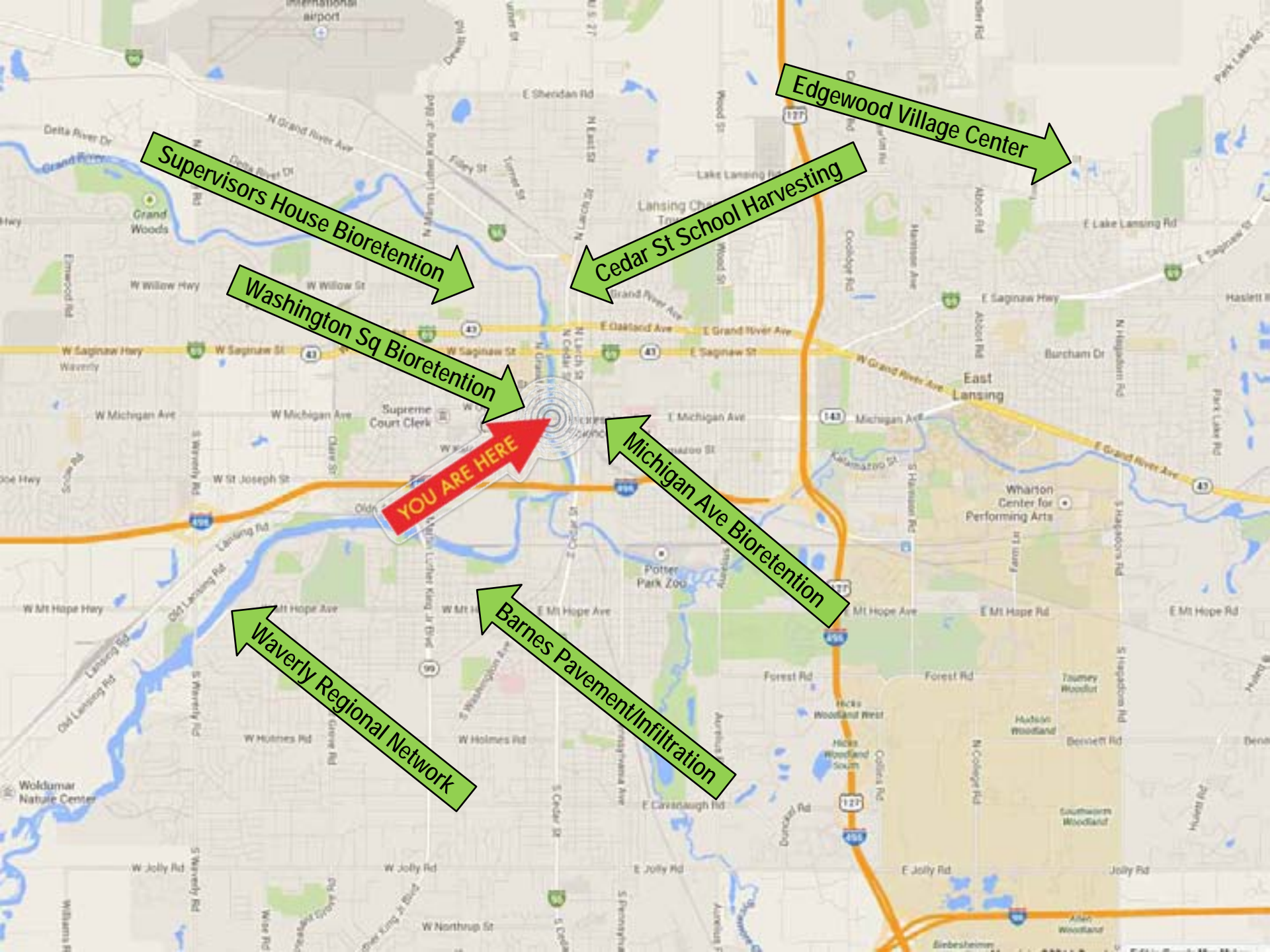
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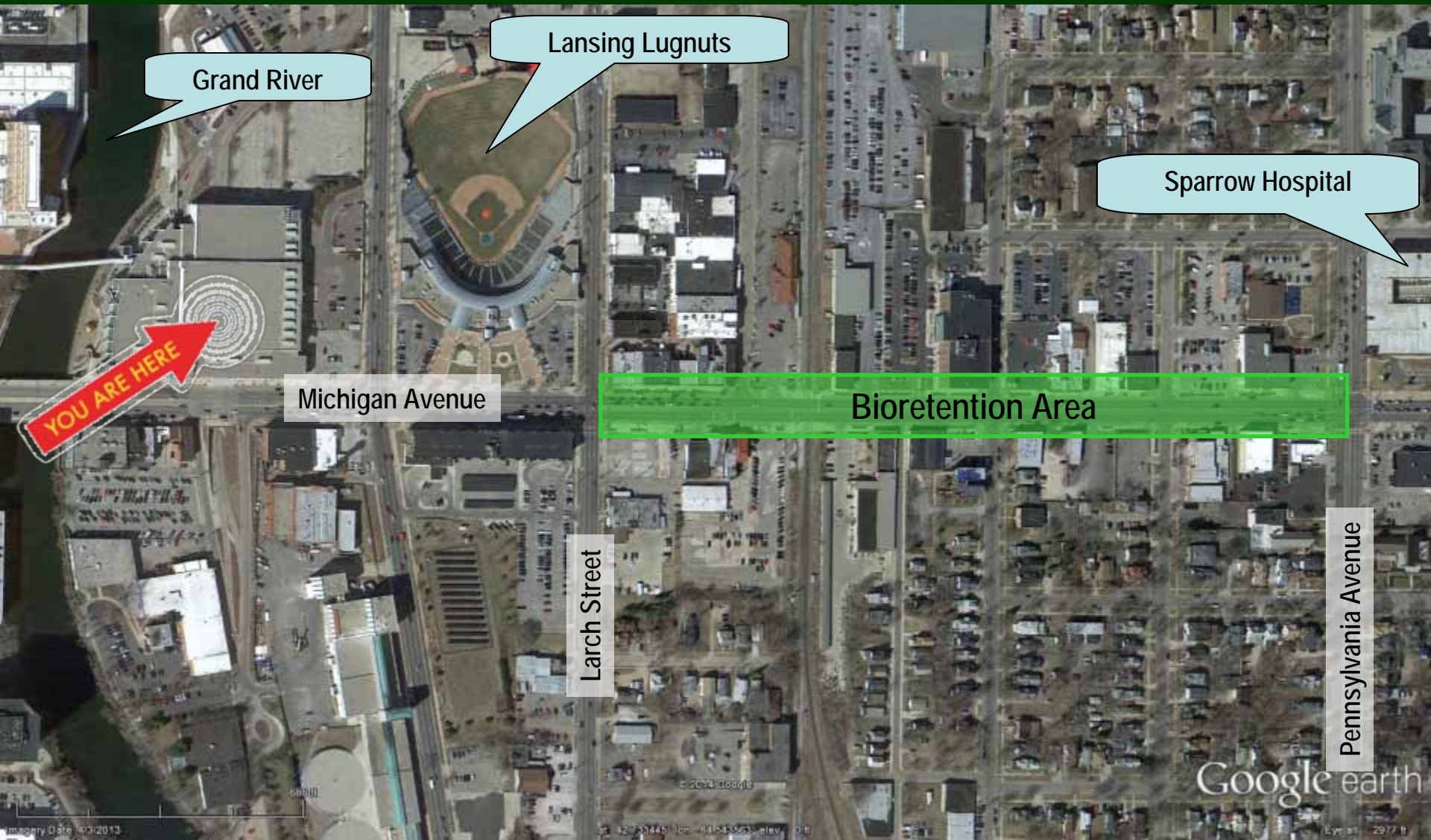


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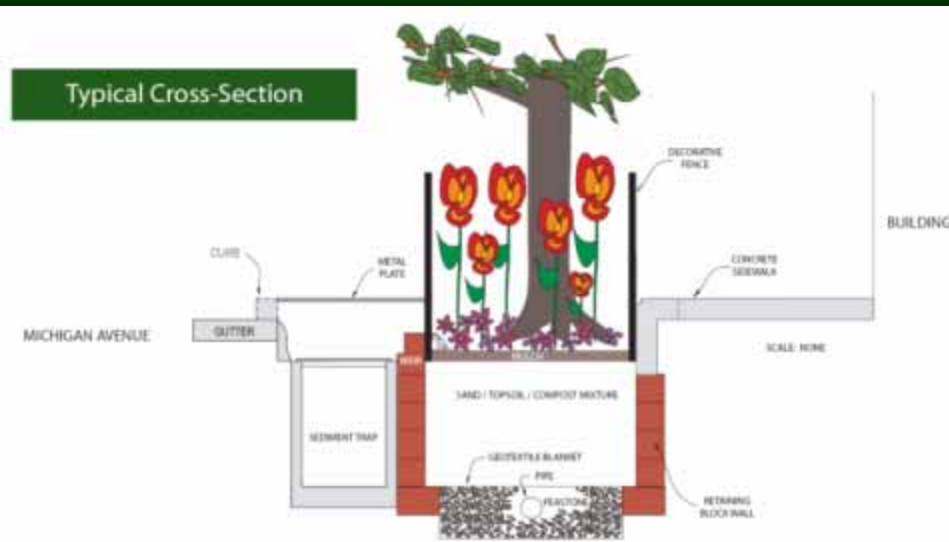




Michigan Avenue Planter Box Bioretention



Design



- Ultra-Urban
- 5-ft wide planter box style bioretention
 - 30 bioretention gardens
 - 7,631 square feet
 - 4.1 acre tributary area
- 4 blocks, both sides
- ADA compliant
- Adaptable to community needs

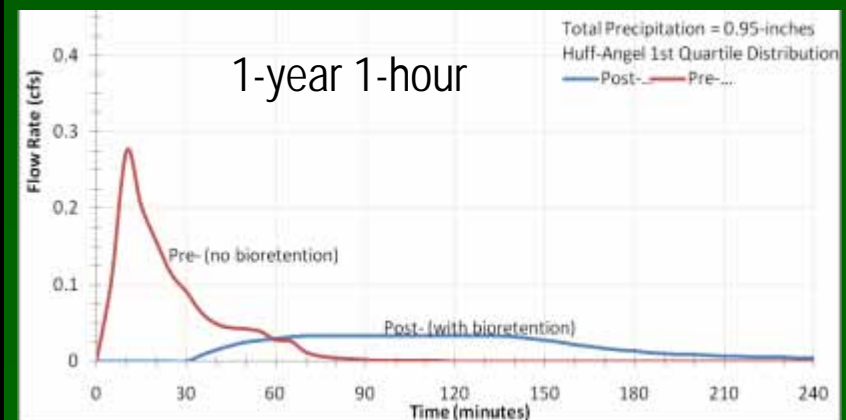
Construction 2007 to 2008



Final Product

- Cost \$122/sf (\$30/sf without urban constraints)
- Storage Volume 1.5 cf/sf
- Cost \$81/cf of storage
- 90% Storm Design (+/-)
- 75% decrease in average annual runoff volume

This planter box bioretention treats the 25-year storm event (4.1-inches)



Challenges and Lessons Learned

- Trash/debris
 - Collection
 - Cigarette butts
 - Dog poop
 - Wind blown trash
- Education
 - Local businesses
 - Maintenance
- Design-Construction
 - Plant now, don't wait
 - Geotextile
 - Detailed grading plans
 - Cars hitting the fence
- Monitoring
 - Low flows
 - Simulated rainfall event



Cedar Street School (aka Old Town Medical Arts Building)



Rain Water Harvesting

Cedar Street School

Project: Repurposing vacant school building. Now medical office, gymnasium, and commercial lease space

Storm Water Components

- Rain water harvesting
 - 6,500 sft Roof Area
 - 1,200 gal Cistern
- Swirling concentrator
- Subsurface detention and infiltration

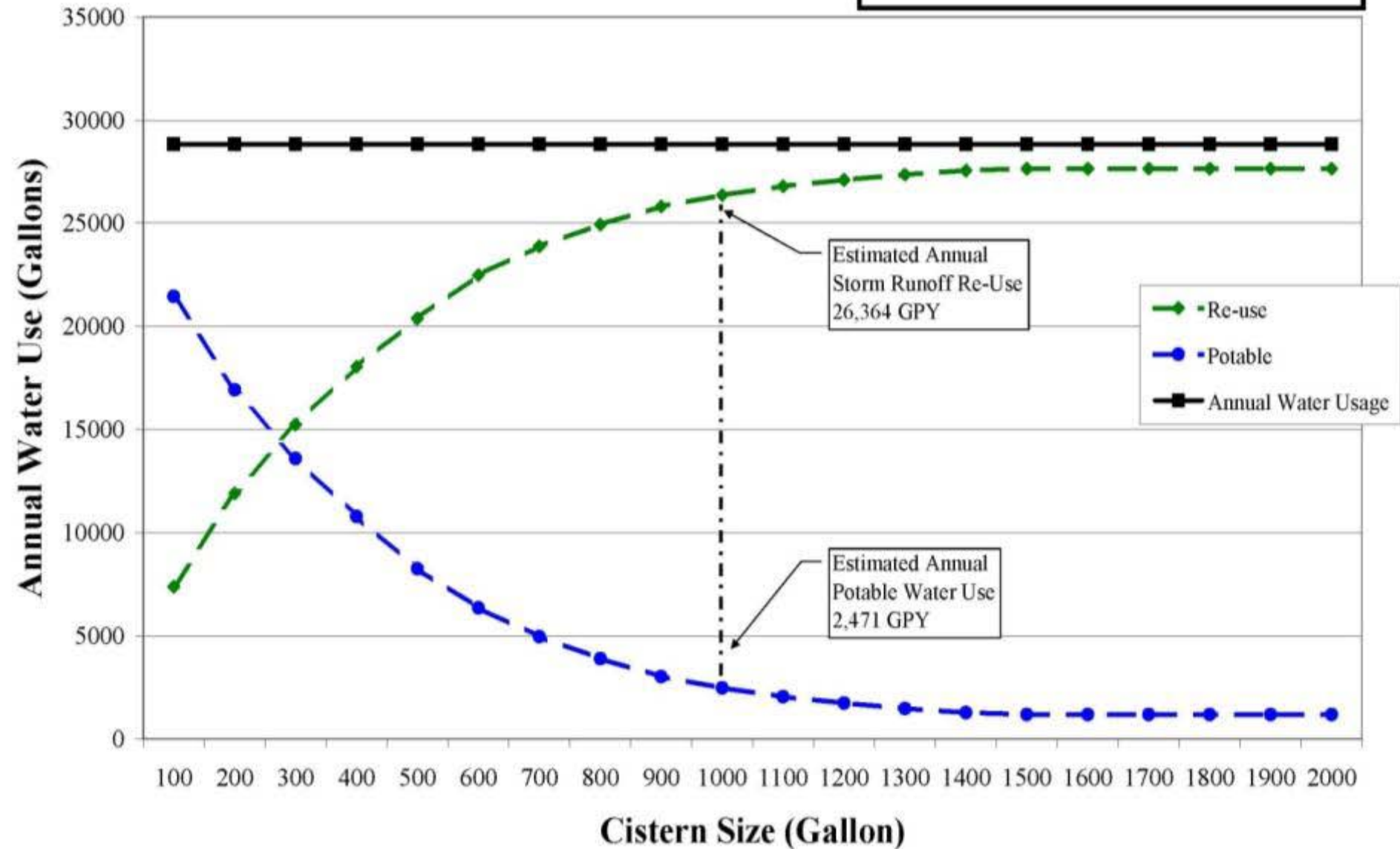
Captures and treats 90% average annual rainfall



**Cedar Street School
Water Re-use/Potable-use
@ Demand of 79 GPD**

**WE Credit 3.1 & 3.2
Water Use Reduction
Provided:**

- 1. Water Saving Plumbing Fixtures**
- 2. Storm Runoff Water Re-Use**



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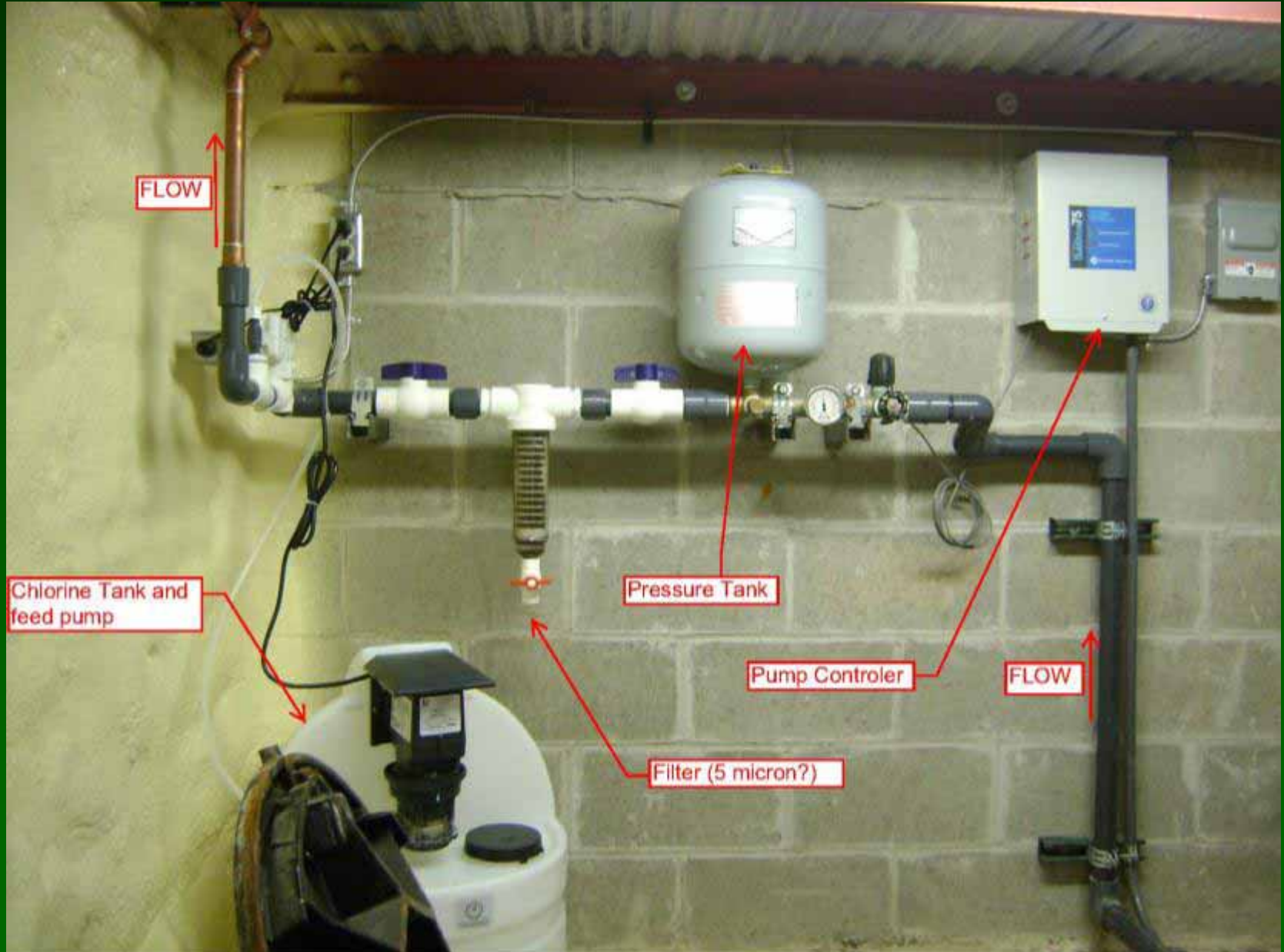
Cistern Fill Lines



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Water Distribution



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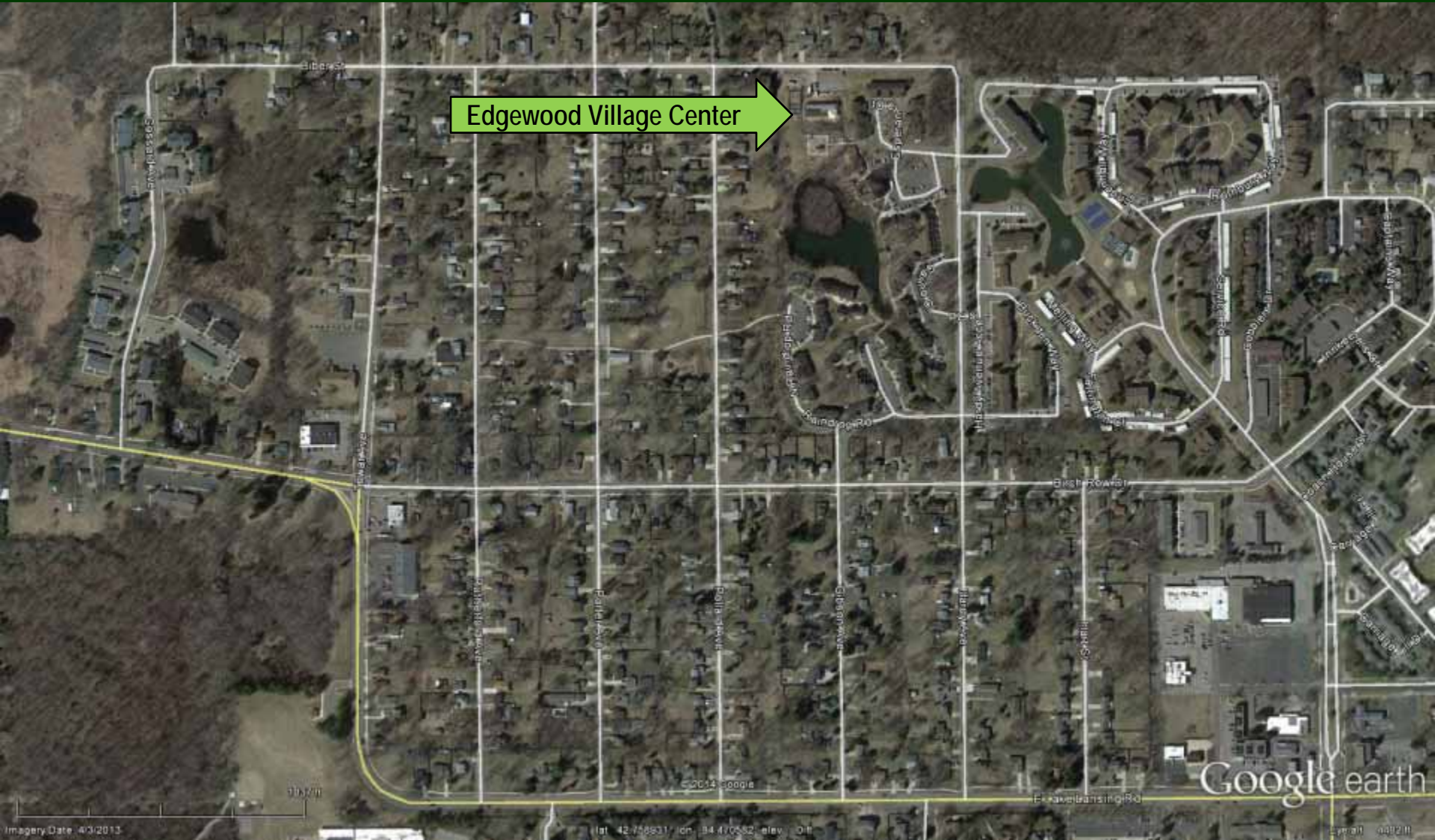


Lessons

- Non-standard plumbing permit request, plan for extra time
- Filter requires regular cleaning
- Rainwater harvesting provides
 - 91% of non-potable water demand
 - 4% of the annual rainfall on site
 - 20% of annual rainfall on roof

Rain Water Harvesting and Site Infiltration

Edgewood Village Community Center



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Edgewood Village Community Center

Project: New Community Center for Apartment Complex with Active Community Garden

Storm Water Components

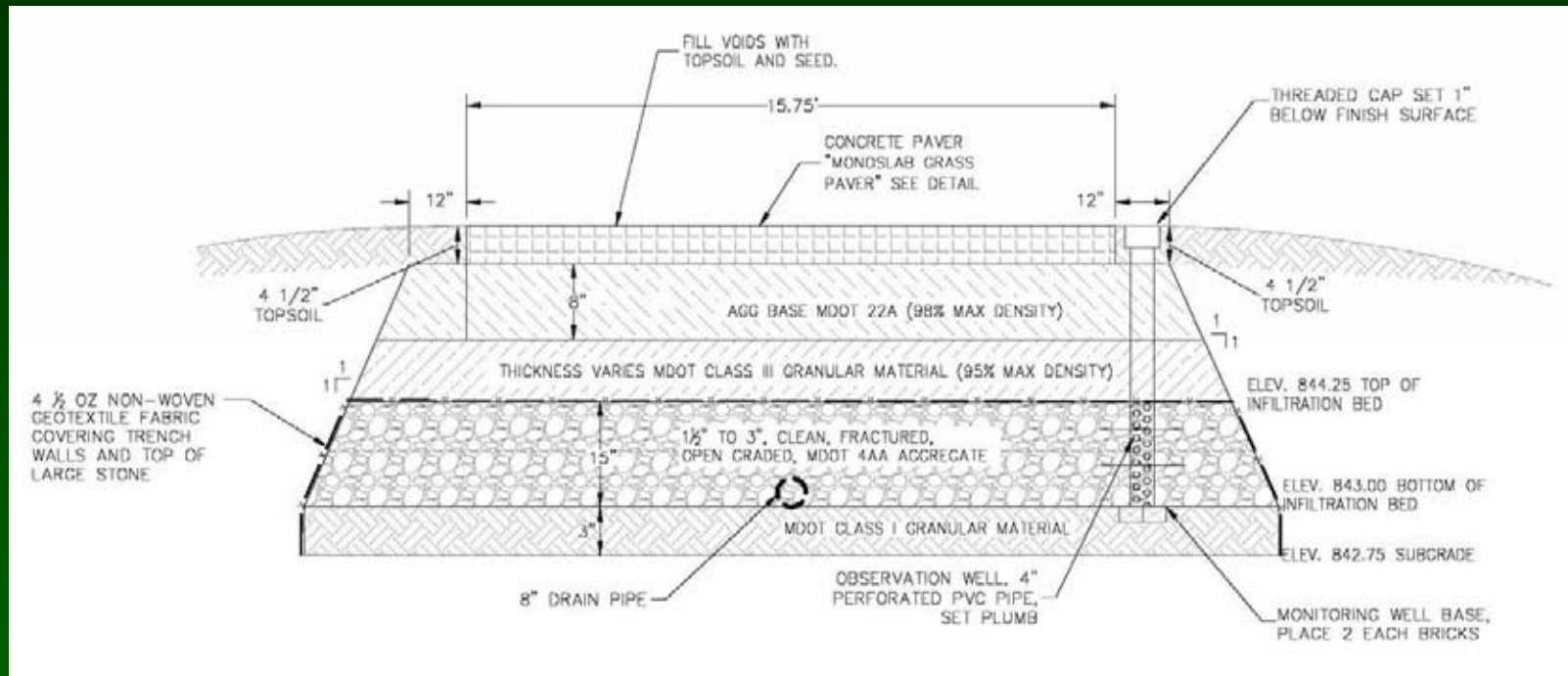
- Rain water harvesting 3320 gallon tank (Garden Irrigation, seasonal use)
- Pervious grass pavement
- Subsurface infiltration bed, 1062 cft storage capacity
- No positive drainage until system is full

Captures and infiltrates 90% average annual rainfall



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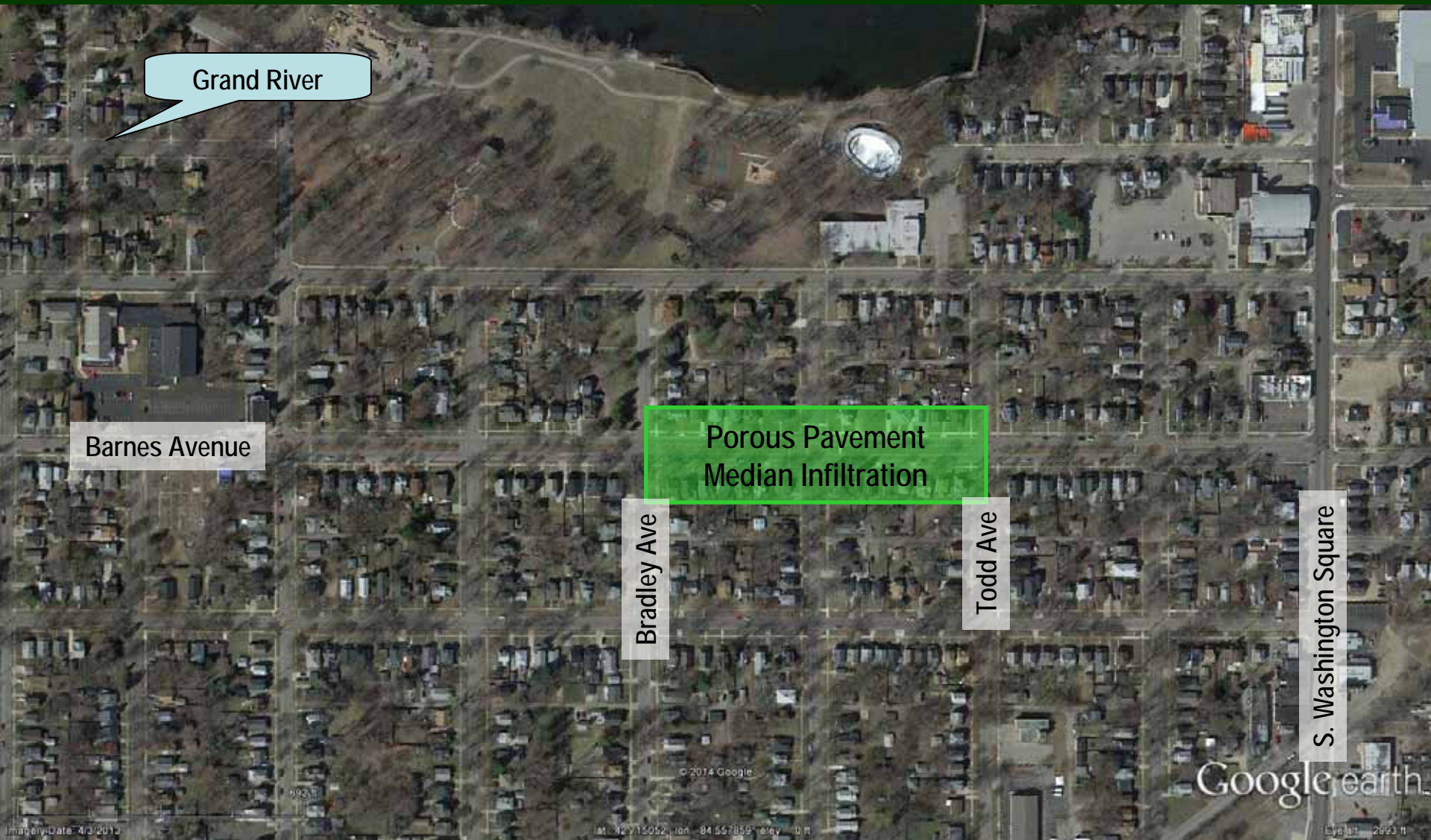
Rain water harvesting

- \$37/cft storage within infiltration and collection system
- \$18/cft cistern storage and distribution

Project Challenges

- High ground water
- No standing water allowed

Barnes Avenue Porous Pavement and Median Infiltration



Grand River

Barnes Avenue

Porous Pavement
Median Infiltration

Bradley Ave

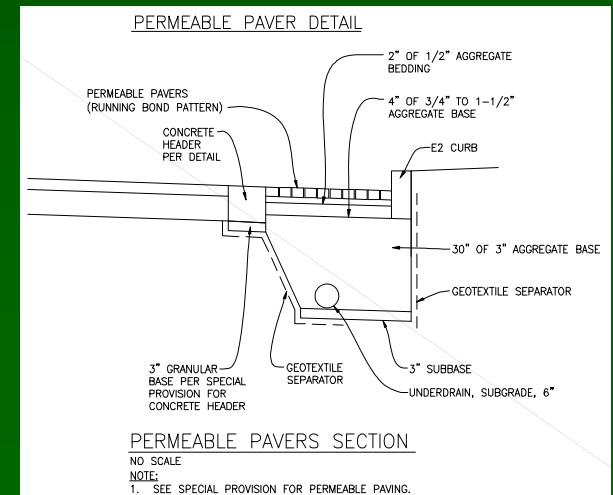
Todd Ave

S. Washington Square

Google earth

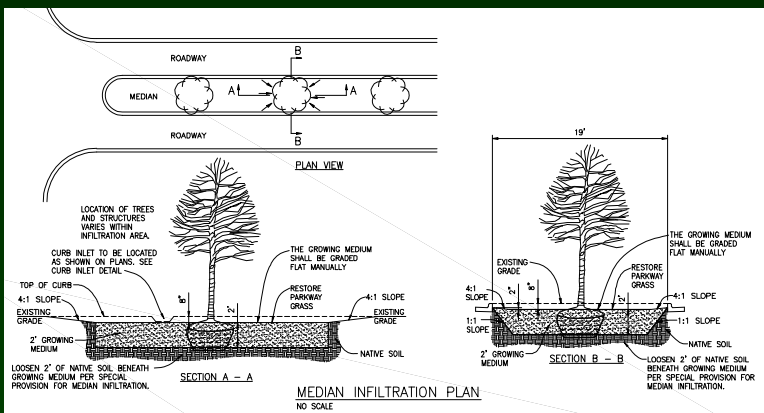
Permeable Pavers Parking Lane Barnes Ave

- Residential road
- Permeable paver strip in parking lane
- Residents excited
- Storage volume 4.7 cf / sf



Boulevard Median Infiltration

Barnes Ave



- Median depression in select areas
- Targeted tree removal and replacement
- 2-ft soil amendments / replacement
- Construction challenges
- Storage volume 2.0 cf/sf



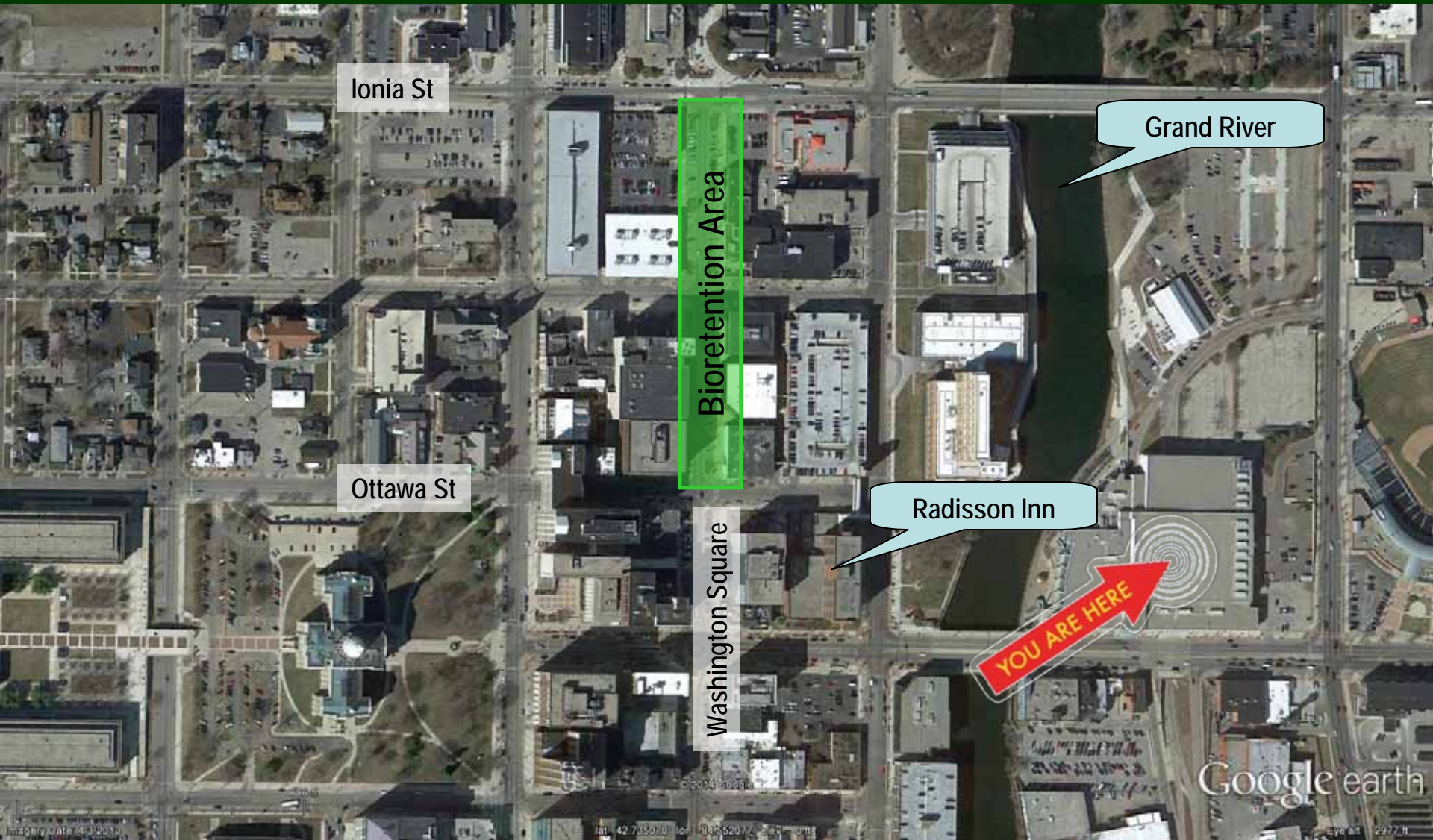
1st Attempt



3rd Attempt

Curb Extension Bioretention

Washington Square



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Washington Square



Storm water components

- 2 acre runoff area @ 100% impervious
 - 12 Rain Gardens with total 8300 cft storage.
 - Triple shredded bark mulch
 - 3' Engineered soil
 - Aggregate layer with underdrain
 - Ultra urban setting
- Captures and treats 90% annual rainfall*

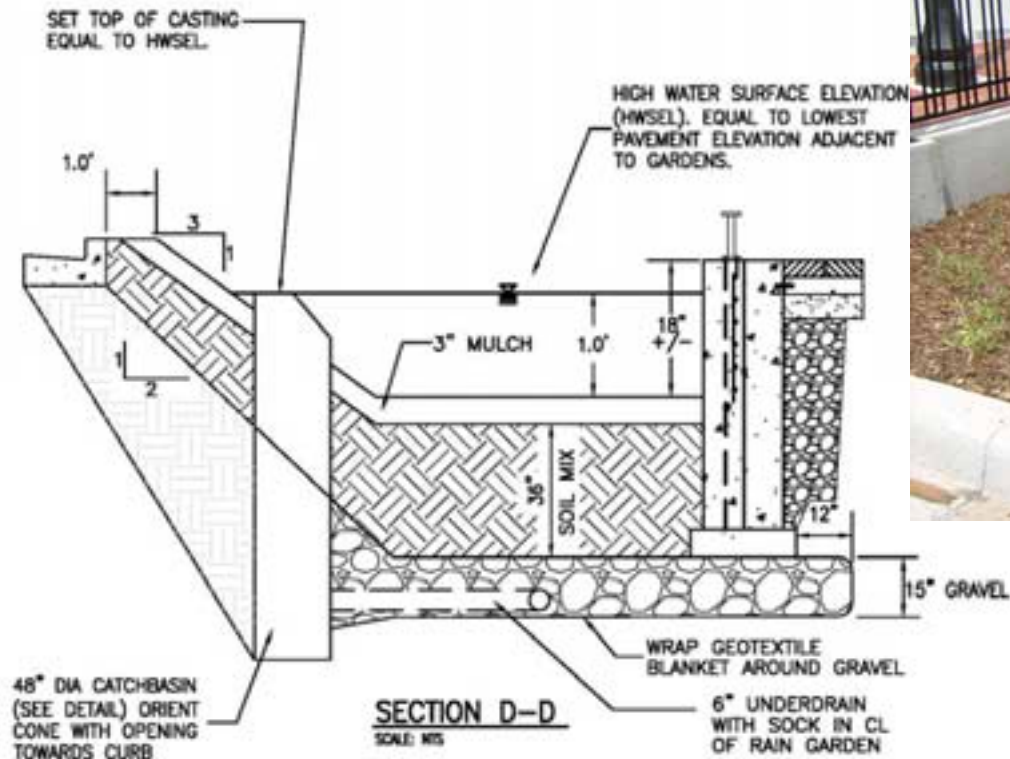
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Installation Cost

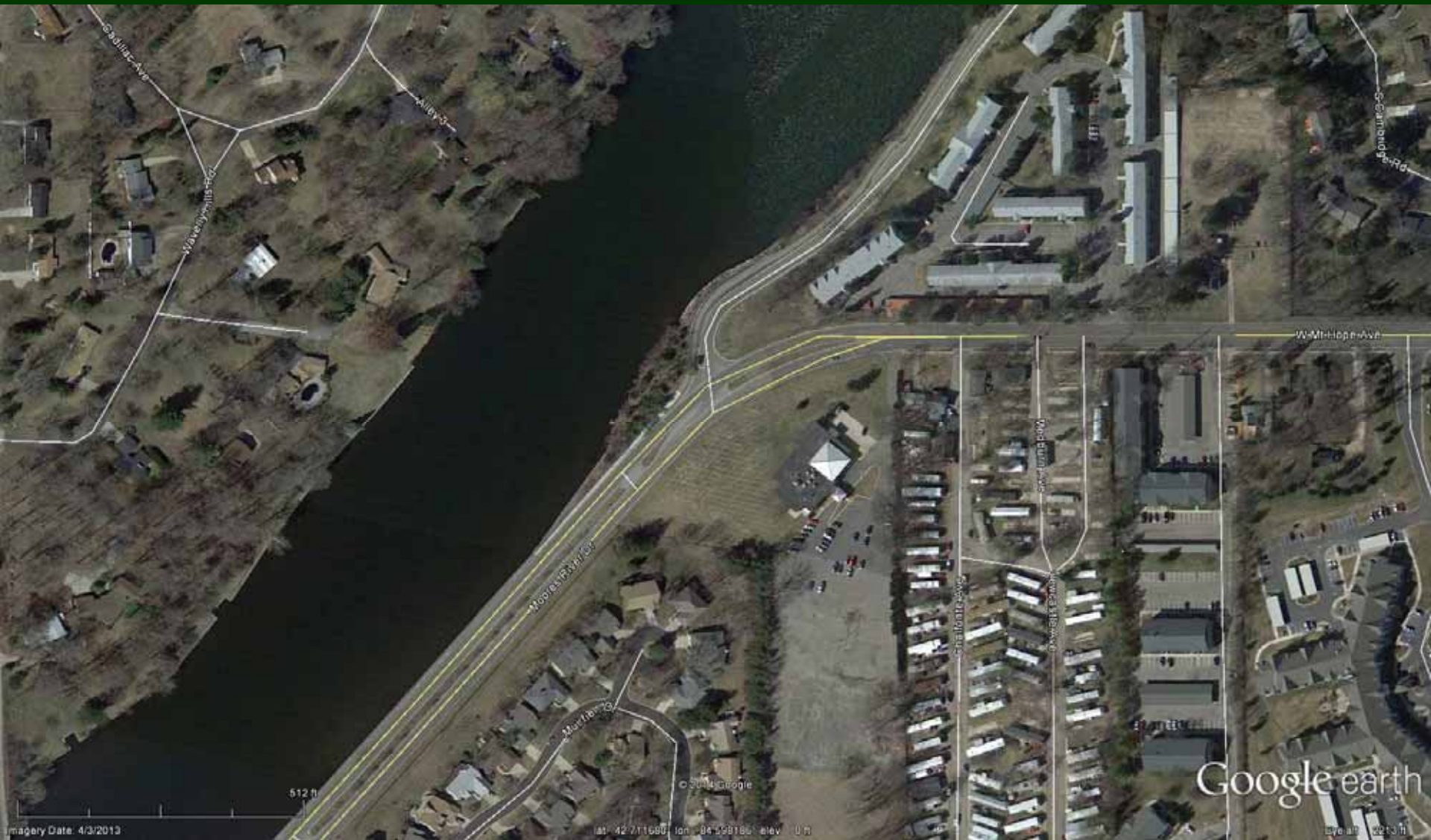
- \$32/cft storage

Lessons

- Pre-treatment not required in all locations
- Riprap spillway needs support
- Maintenance needs vary with age of garden
 - Year One, 20 hours/garden
 - Year Two, 6 hours/garden



Constructed Wetland Waverly Road Regional Network Connector



Constructed Wetland

Waverly Road Regional Network Connector

Project: Non-motorized trail project currently under construction. Impervious surface reduction of 32%

Storm Water Components

- Three rain gardens
- One constructed wetland

Captures and treats 90% annual rainfall

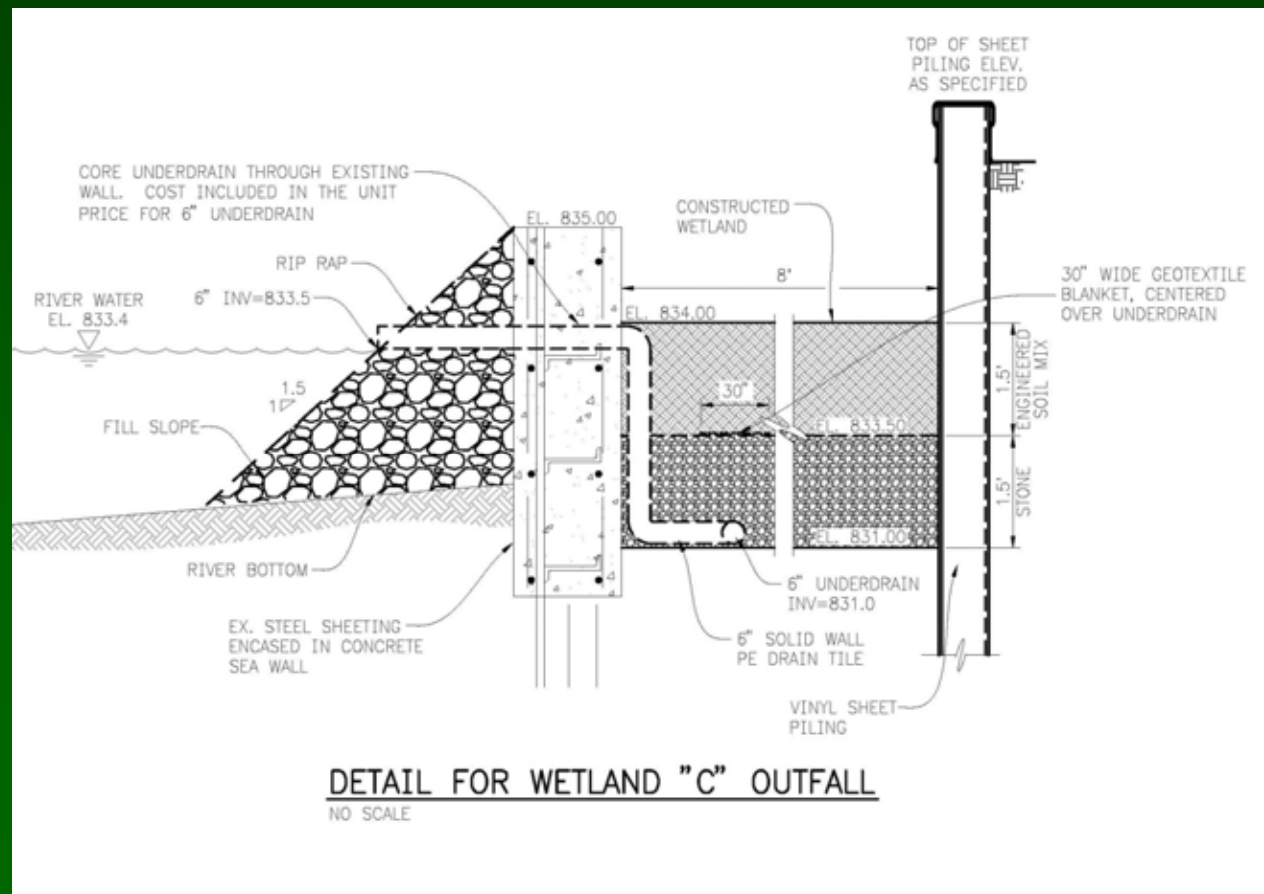


Before Picture

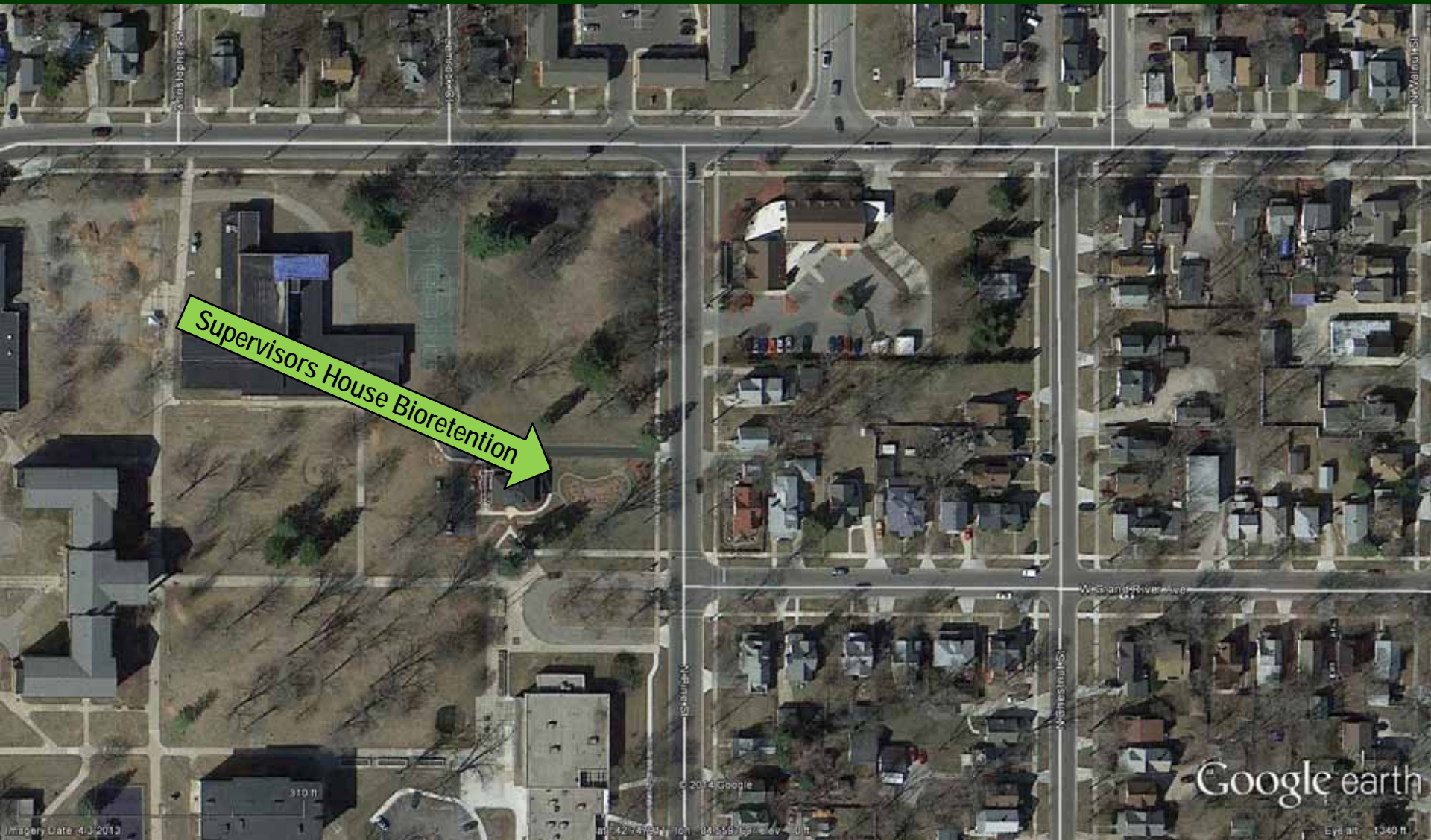
Constructed Wetland

Design

- 7" separation from normal ground water elevation
- Downward water draw
- Wetland Plant Selection



Bioretention Supervisors House



Bioretention

Supervisors House



Storm water components

- Disconnected impervious surfaces
- Permeable walking path
- Rain garden
 - 24" Engineered Soil Mix
 - Aggregate layer with underdrain
 - Orifice controlled outlet

Captures and treats 90% annual rainfall

Bioretention

Supervisors House

Lessons

- A lot of subsurface water can flow through “dry creek bed”
- Aesthetics of Green Infrastructure is an asset to property



Thanks and Questions

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