

# **Andersons Headquarters Bioretention Solutions**

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## **Site Selection**

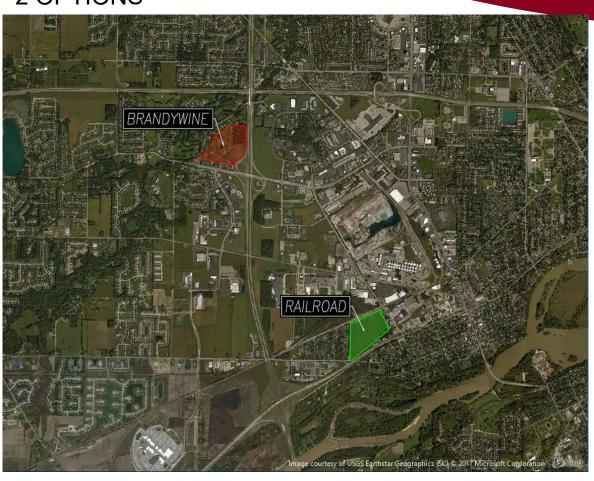
#### 3 OPTIONS





## Site Selection

#### 2 OPTIONS





# **Brandywine Site Concept**





## Railroad Site Concept

Do you see any resemblance?



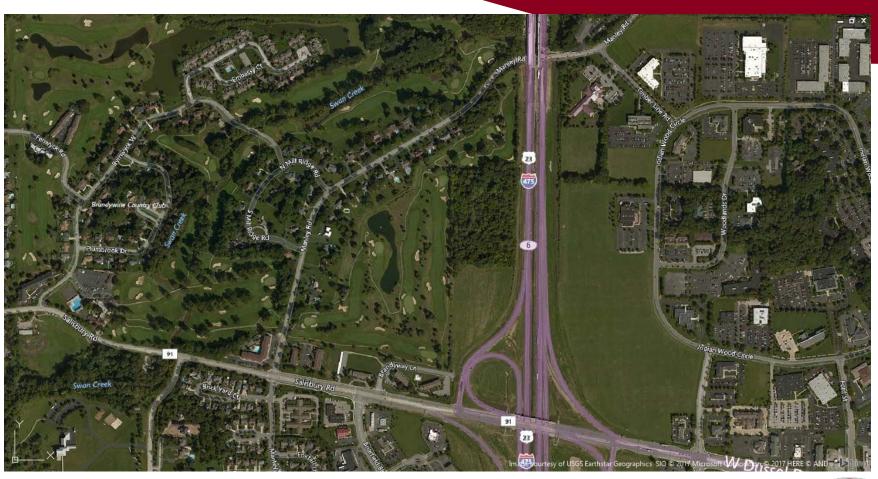


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# **Brandywine Site Features**





# **Final Concept Plan**



### The Problem

How do you make a 140,000 Sq. Ft.,

3 Story Office Building

and 700 Car Parking Lot

**DISAPPEAR?** 



#### Raise Grade to Main Entrance



#### Set Building Lower to Reduce Height Impact





#### **Use Natural Colors and Materials**





Preserve the Existing Pond, Open Space and Woods



Spread Out Parking by Adding Landscaping Islands



# **Existing Drainage Patterns**





# Design Criteria How To Drain The Site?





### **Design Criteria**

#### **Detention**

- 25 year post-development storm discharge to 5 year pre-developed storm discharge
- Water quality: per OEPA's NPDES permit



### **Post-Construction Storm Water**

NPDES Construction General Permit (CGP) #OHC000004

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### **Post-Construction Impacts**



Increased imperviousness and more efficient drainage leads to...



Degraded streams and



Efficient pollutant conveyance.



#### **Post-Construction Best Management Practices (BMPs)**

CGP: Required for all projects where "larger common plan" disturbs one or more acres of land...

#### Except:

- -Projects that do not create impervious area
  - Examples: soccer field, pipeline or utility line installation
  - This is determined on a site-wide basis, not a drainage area basis
- Larger common plan disturbs <5 ac and erosivity factor <5</p>
- Abandoned mine land reclamation activities
- Stream and wetland restoration or mitigation activities
- Projects not subject to NPDES permitting
  - "Routine maintenance" and disturbs <5 ac</li>
    - www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/storm/routine maint.aspx
  - Oil & Gas Exploration, Agriculture & Silviculture
  - Discharges to combined sewers (Check with sewer authority)



### What Does the CGP Require?

Develop complete Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWP3) before submitting permit application (i.e. NOI)

#### SWP3

Essential components:

- Sediment & Erosion Controls
- Non-Sediment Pollution Controls
- Post-Construction Storm Water BMPs
  - Permanent features of the site which improve the quality of storm water runoff from the developed site
  - Protect receiving waters physical, chemical and biological characteristics
  - Maintain stream functions
  - Site map w/ BMP's delineated drainage area, detail drawings, supporting calculations, rationale for BMP selection, and Long Term Operation & Maintenance Plan

Protection Agency

#### Who Reviews Post-Construction BMPs?

#### **Standard Post-Construction BMPs**

Dry Extended Detention Pond

Wet Extended Detention Pond

#### Constructed Wetland

 Includes practice formerly known as Wet Enhanced Swale

#### Bioretention Area

 Includes Turfed Linear Bioretention aka Dry Enhanced Swale

Infiltration Basin or Trench

Permeable Pavement

Sand & Other Media Filters

Pocket Wetlands

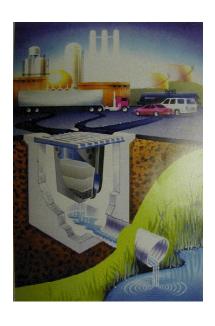
Within urbanized areas, the local MS4 operator must review and approve the SWP3.

- This includes Post-C BMPs.
- Use of alternative BMPs on large construction sites, offsite mitigation, and nonstructural in lieu of structural BMPs requires approval from Ohio EPA.
  - Do this before submitting NOI & plans for local review.



### **Alternative BMPs**

- 1. Must demonstrate that standard BMPs are technically infeasible
  - Physical site constraint
  - Inability to achieve a functional design









### **Alternative BMPs**

- Must show Alternative BMP is equivalent in effectiveness to a Table 2 (Standard) BMP:
  - Must show ≥80% TSS removal for both laboratory & field conditions
  - www.njstormwater.org
    - MTD Certifications and Guidance
  - www.mastep.net
    - Stormwater Technologies Clearinghouse
  - If manufactured system is an "add-on" above and beyond what is required to meet Ohio EPA post-construction requirements, e.g., a hydrodynamic separator preceding a wet extended detention basin, Ohio EPA does not need to provide approval.



### **Alternative BMPs**

3. WQv discharge rate must be reduced unless negligible hydrological impact.

#### It is negligible if:

- BMP infiltrates the entire WQv
- <1 acre of imperviousness created within the larger common plan of development or sale
- Redevelopment in an ultra-urban setting (imperviousness already 100% with discharge to MS4)
- Direct discharge to a 4<sup>th</sup> order or larger stream, lake or other large waterbody and development area <5% of watershed area upstream of development, and TMDL doesn't ID problems

If not, then add a structure to control the discharge rate

- Target = WQv/24 hours



### The Most Popular BMPs ...

### Water Quality Ponds





Dry Extended Detention Basin w/Forebay and Micropool

Wet Extended Detention Basin



## **But There are Other Options...**



**Turfed Linear Bioretention** 



Sand Filter



**Bioretention Area** 



Permeable Pavement



**Pocket Wetland** 



**Infiltration Trench** 

### The Andersons New HQ

- Purchased 54 acres of the Brandywine Golf Club
- Development plan involves 18 acres
  - Large construction activity
  - Not redevelopment
- What does the CGP say?



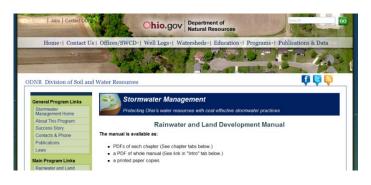
### **Requirements for Large Construction**

- Larger common plan disturbs ≥5 ac
- Structural BMPs must be sized to treat the Water Quality Volume (WQv)
  - WQv = C \* P \* A / 12 [=] ac-ft
    - C = runoff coefficient appropriate for storms <1 inch
    - P = 0.75 inches
    - A = total contributing drainage area [=] acres
- BMP must be designed to drain the WQv (or EDv) in the specified target drawdown time
  - Varies between 24 and 48 hours, depending on the BMP
- Additional storage volume must be provided for pollutants which will collect in the BMP
  - Volume provided must be ≥20% WQv



### **BMP Design Guidance**

- ODNR Rainwater and Land Development manual - Chapter 2
- Public transportation projects only
  - May use ODOT
     Location & Design Vol
     2 Drainage Design
     manual



www.dnr.state.oh.us/tabid/9186/Default.aspx



www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Engineering/Hydraulics/Pages/default.aspx



### **Post-Construction BMPs**

#### BMP Discharges to Wetlands:

- Diffuse flow
- Applicant must perform hydrologic analysis
- Attempt to match pre-hydroperiods & hydrodynamics
- Applicant shall assess impacts to hydologic flora/fauna



### The Andersons New HQ

### **CGP** Requirements:

- Maximize the area treated by Table 2 BMPs
- Optimize Alternative BMP design to meet CGP objectives
- Minimize impact to adjacent wetlands and surface waters of the state



# Drainage Solution Water Quality

- Bioretention cells in parking islands
- Works great for parking, what about the building?
- Address water quality for building with under ground extended detention





# Drainage Solution Detention

- Ultimately, all drainage must discharge to existing stream
- Add catch basin structures to bioretention cells
  - Provides an outlet for underdrains
  - An overflow point for bioretention cells
  - Provides interconnectivity

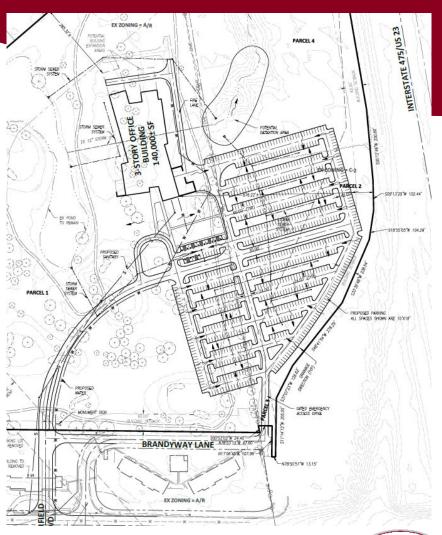




### **Backup Plan**

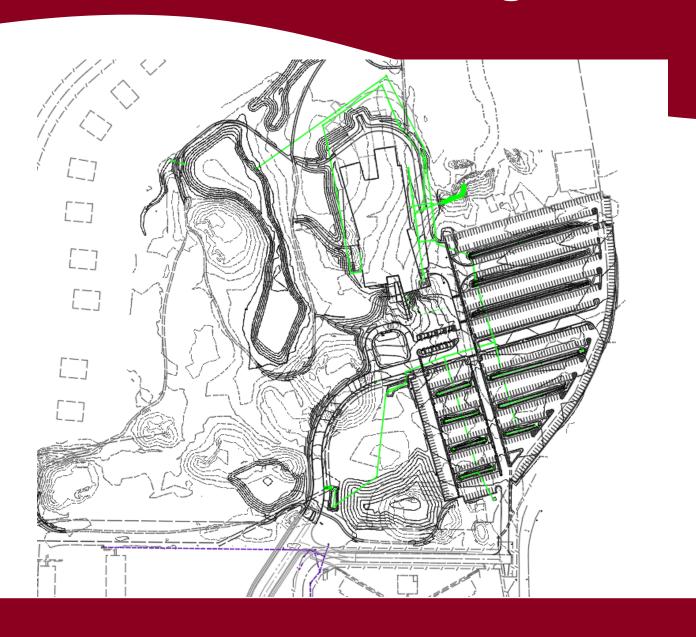
#### Detention basin in woods:

- Environmental report indicated soils conditions conducive to wetlands along swale in woods (not confirmed)
- Would destroy a significant portion of woods
- Conclusion Last Resort
  - Wetlands impact could delay project
  - Potential waters of US
  - Cost of tree removal and additional earthwork could be significant



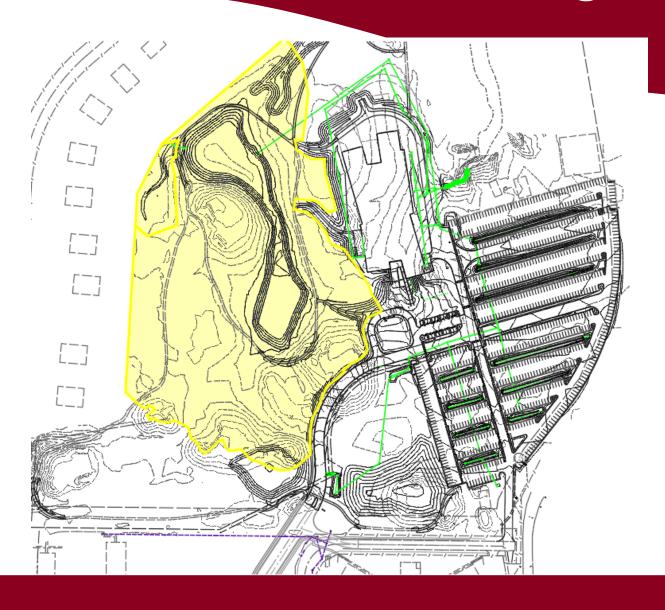


# **Drainage Patterns**



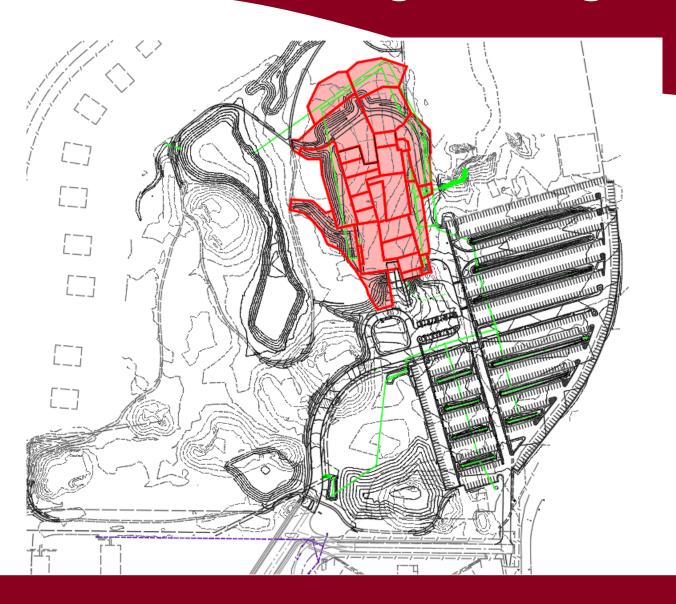


## Drainage Patterns Pond Drainage Areas



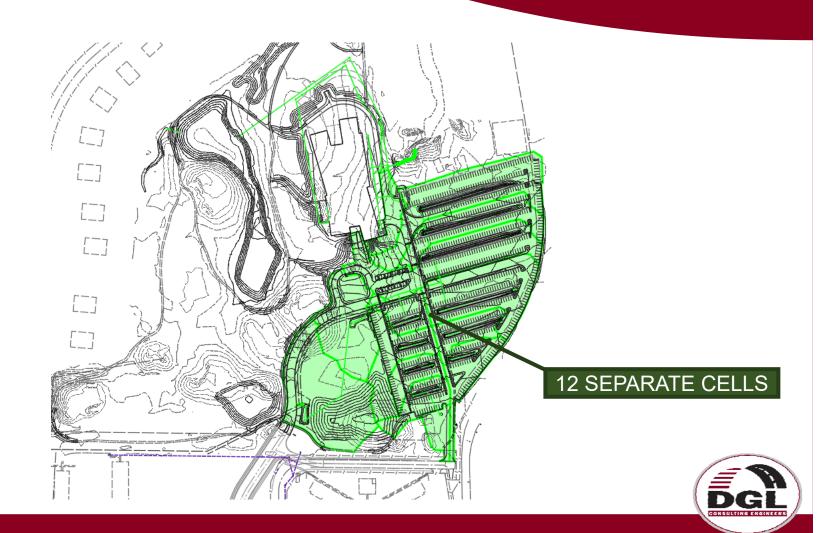


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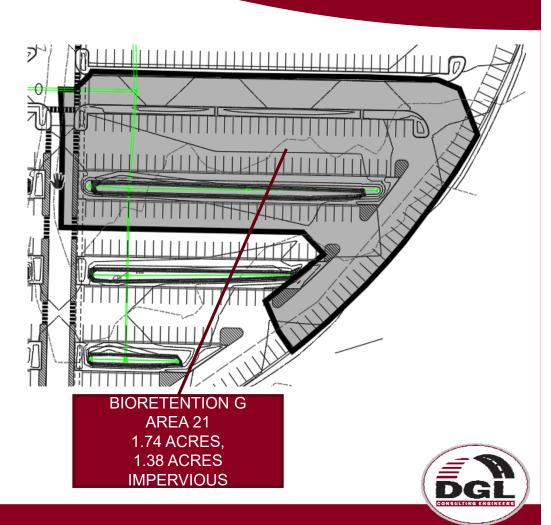




# Drainage Patterns Bioretention Cell Drainage Areas



- Determine impervious area that is tributary to cell
- Set level area of bottom of cell to 5-7% of impervious area
- Design underdrain to be sloped per Lucas County Engineer's Office request (originally proposed level)
- Set cleanouts on underdrains for cleaning, access and ability to monitor, Max 100' spacing
- Replicate process for each cell (12 times)
- Specs for filtration media per ODNR Manual



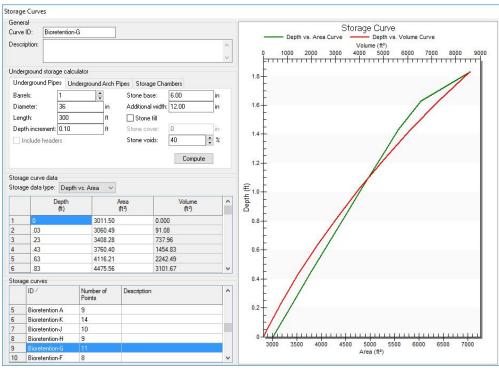
#### What about Detention?

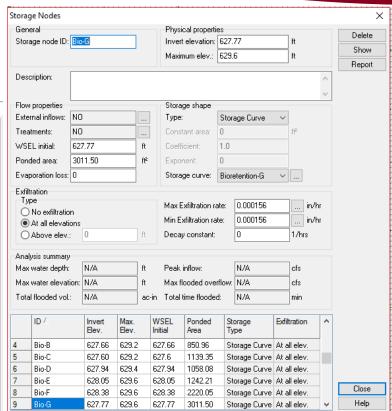
- Set window in each catch basin 1 ft. above finished grade of bioretention cell
- Recommended max depth per ODNR manual
- Catch basin grate set at lowest edge of pavement elevation (2 ft. above bottom of bioretention cell)



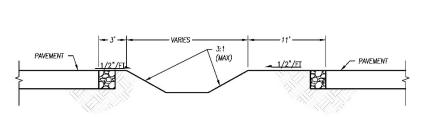


 Volume of bioretention cell determined by grades on adjacent edge of pavement





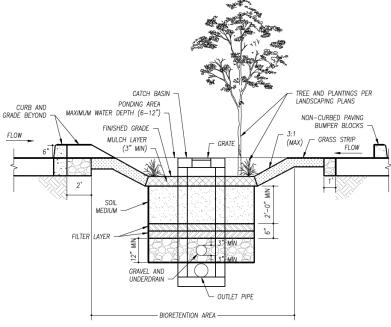
 10 ft. berms placed along one side for lights and trees



BIORETENTION SCHEMATIC

DETAIL

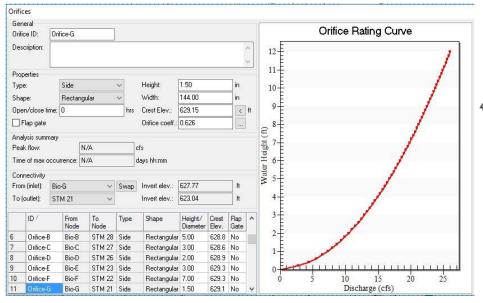
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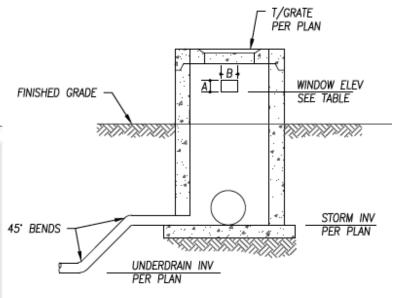






 Size windows on each catch basin based on volume and flow rate (drainage area)





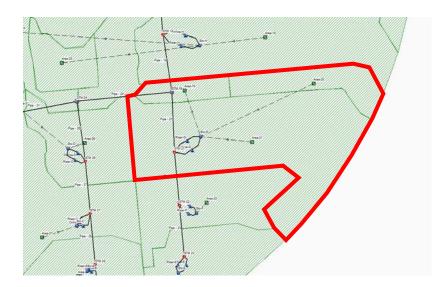
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### System Design

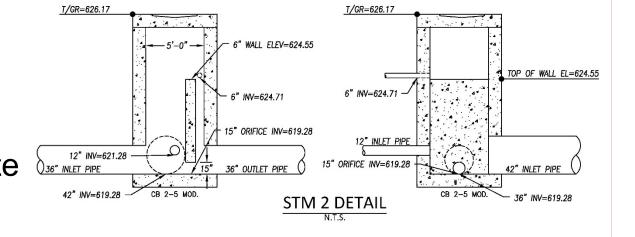
- Route all flows through storm sewer to determine total outflow of site
- Compare to allowable release rate
- Insufficient
  - Now What?





### System Design

- Install an orifice plate on final catch basin to achieve allowable release rate
- Verify HGL is acceptable in storm sewers and bioretention cells
- Set top of orifice plate at 25 year HGL in catch basin as overflow for larger storms





### **System Design**

- Outlet into a shallow water pool as a final protection of downstream swale and potential wetlands
- Rock installed to protect stream bed and dissipate energy





## Construction Photos: Underdrain Installation







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#### **Construction Photos**





# Construction Photos: Flooding Issue



# Construction Photos: Landscaping







# Construction Photos: Landscaping





# Construction Photos: Functioning Bioswales







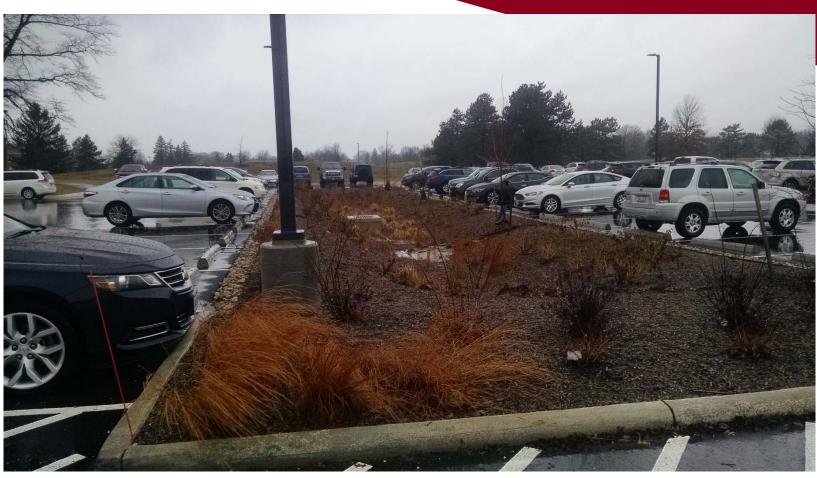














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