

# Stormwater Management Requirements & the Building Permit Process

# Step 1

When was the lot created the building permit is being applied for?

Was the lot a subdivision or off-conveyance that was required to address the 2000 MD stormwater management requirements?

Was the lot recorded prior to any stormwater management requirements?

A lot that addressed stormwater management ESD requirements at the time of subdivision can grandfather the approval provided the square feet of the proposed dwelling is equal or less than what was shown at the time of subdivision.

This even applies to lots that showed 1 drywell for a 2,400– 3,500 sq. ft. dwelling at the time of lot recordation.

A lot of record created prior to the enforcement of stormwater management laws(1984) must address current stormwater management requirements as part of the building permit application.

What is required on the plot plan?

What must be included with the plot plan?

# Stormwater Management Design Computations

Area of the lot and limit of disturbance (L.O.D.) on the lot.

Total impervious area within the L.O.D.

Proposed impervious area being created.

ESD volume required.

ESD volume provided.

The drainage area to the ESD practice must be clearly delineated and the square feet of drainage area (and square feet of impervious area if different) specified.

# Designer must address...

Quantity control. Is it a concern? Does this office have known downstream flooding concerns?

The hydrologic soil group delineation must be provided on the plot plan.

Soil testing requirements for specific ESD practices must be met.



## Soil Testing Requirements

If the site has private septic and is a HSG (hydrologic soil group) 'A' or 'B' with passing perc tests, then no testing is required for downspout drywells. ( No 'A' soil in Carroll County).

If the site is on public sewer, then soil testing is required for downspout drywells regardless of HSG.

If the site is located in HSG 'C' and 'D', then soils testing is required for downspout drywells at the locations and depths of the drywells.

# What type of testing?

A perc test at the proposed drywell bottom elevation.

Extend the test 4 ft. below the bottom elevation to determine if permeable soil exists and no evidence of groundwater or bedrock.

Determine there is no evidence of seasonal high groundwater within the soil test profile.

All findings must be documented in the soil report.

The soil testing could prove that other stormwater management BMPs should be considered.

# Example 2:

LEGEND	
LIMITS OF DISTURBANCE	---
SUPER SILT FENCE	---
SILT FENCE	---
SOIL CLASSIFICATION	---
PROPERTY LINE	---
SEPTIC / STREAM BUFFER	---
CLEANOUT	○
SANitary WELL	□
FAILED PERC TEST	⊙
PROPOSED PERC TEST	⊕
PASSED PERC TEST	⊗
OBSERVATION HOLE / TREATMENT ZONE	⊙
EXISTING WELL	△
PROPOSED WELL	△
UTILITY POLE	○
+25% SLOPES	---
+12% SLOPES	---
STONE CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT	---

PERC TEST RESULTS		
PERC NO.	TYPE	TIME
13	TILE FIELD	16 MIN @ 3'; > 2 MIN @ 7'
14	TILE FIELD	24 MIN @ 3'; > 2 MIN @ 7'
15	TILE FIELD	8 MIN @ 3'; > 2 MIN @ 7'
16	TILE FIELD	24 MIN @ 3'; > 2 MIN @ 7'
17	TILE FIELD	16 MIN @ 3'; > 2 MIN @ 7'

PERC TEST RESULTS		
PERC NO.	TYPE	TIME
1	TILE FIELD	EXCESSIVE ROCK @ 3 1/2'
2	TILE FIELD	28 MIN @ 3'; > 2 MIN @ 7'
3	TILE FIELD	NO TEST @ 3'; < 2 MIN @ 7'
5	TILE FIELD	> 30 MIN @ 3'; > 2 MIN @ 7'
6	TILE FIELD	> 30 MIN @ 3'; > 2 MIN @ 7'

PERC TESTS OBSERVED BY TRUDY BAILEY,  
CARROLL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ON  
DECEMBER 26, 2024

PERC TESTS OBSERVED BY TRUDY BAILEY,  
CARROLL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ON  
OCTOBER 14, 2024



THE PURPOSE  
APPROVAL FOR  
ACCOMMODATION

REVISIONS		
DATE	REVISION	REASON

ALL PERCOLATION TESTS / OBSERVATION HOLES SHOWN HEREON HAVE BEEN FIELD LOCATED AND ARE ACCURATELY SHOWN ON THE PLAN



# Use of Grass Swales

This practice does not require testing.

Depending on lot topography, may be well suited for the site.

If well graded, easy to maintain.



# Micro-Bioretenention Facility

This practice has a maximum drainage area requirement not to exceed 20,000 square feet.

Can provide management for house and driveway.

# Micro-Bioretention Facility

If treating entire house rooftop,

This office will require the rain gutters, downspouts, and conveyance pipes to be designed to capture and convey the volume of runoff that management is being provided for.

The house rooftop runoff must be conveyed with pipes out falling onto the micro-bioretention facility surface, not up the slope.

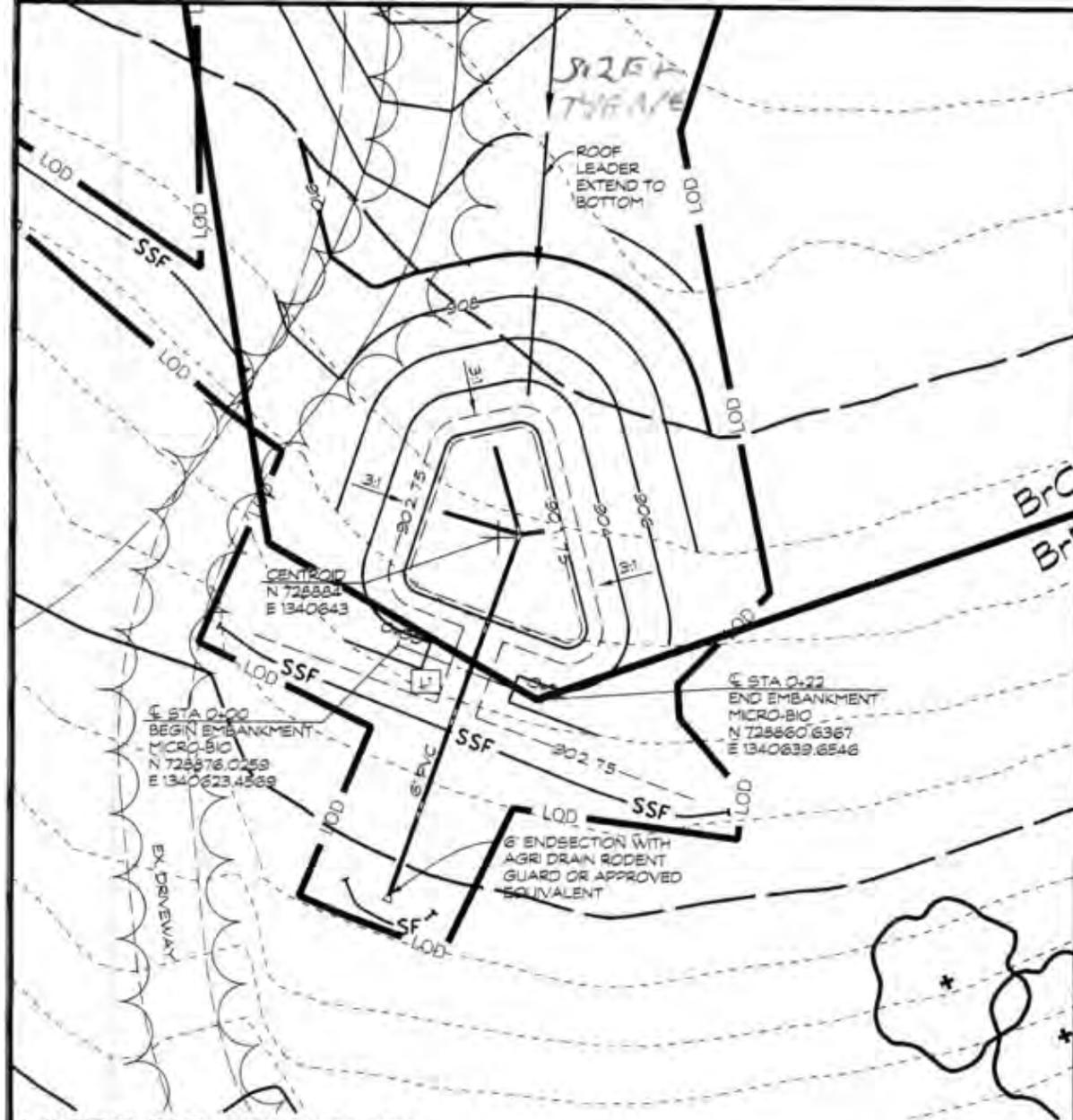
If the micro-bioretention is providing quantity control,

Roof gutters downspouts and conveyance must be designed.





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**MICRO BIO-RETENTION FACILITY LINE DATA**

Ref #	Bearing	Distance
L1	N 46° 27' 59" W	22.34'

LINE DESIGNATED THUS: LX



