

Integrated Water Management & Smart Growth



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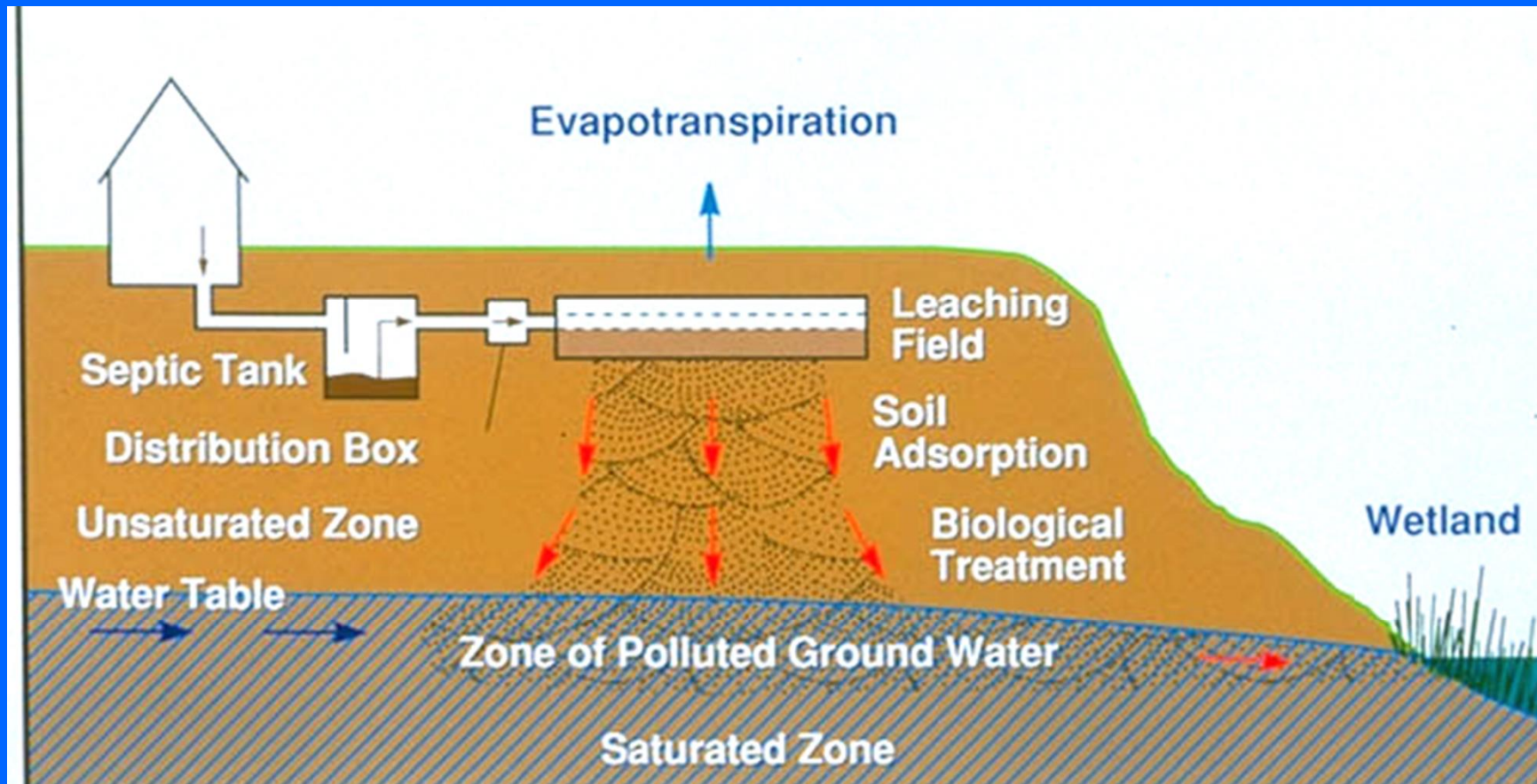
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Providence

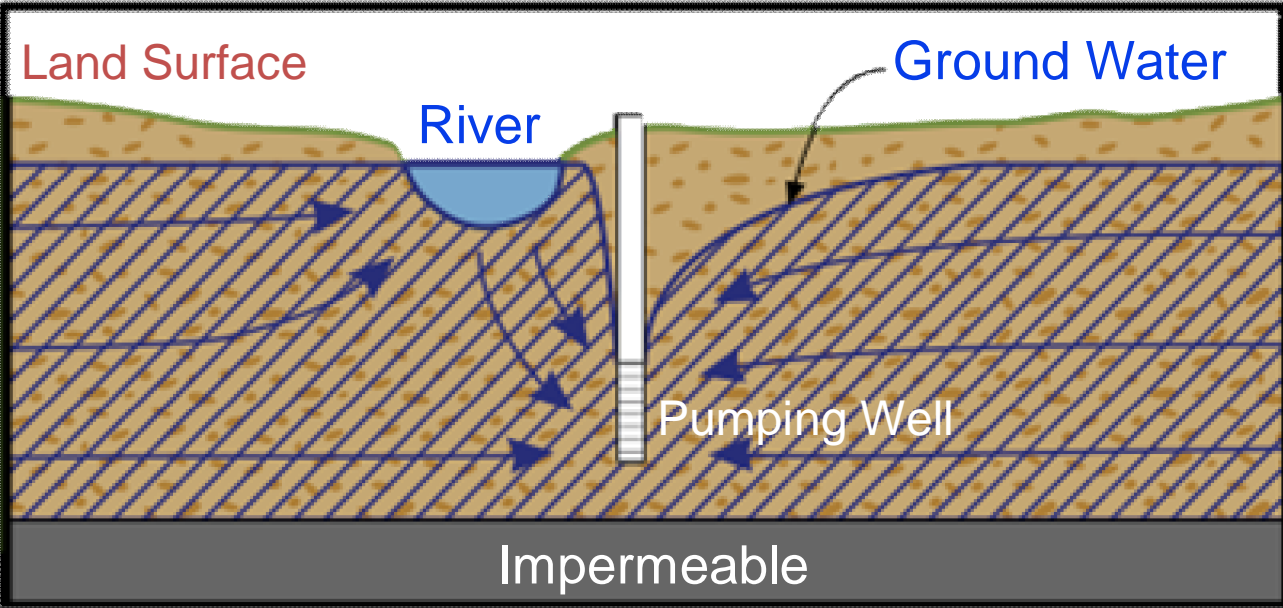
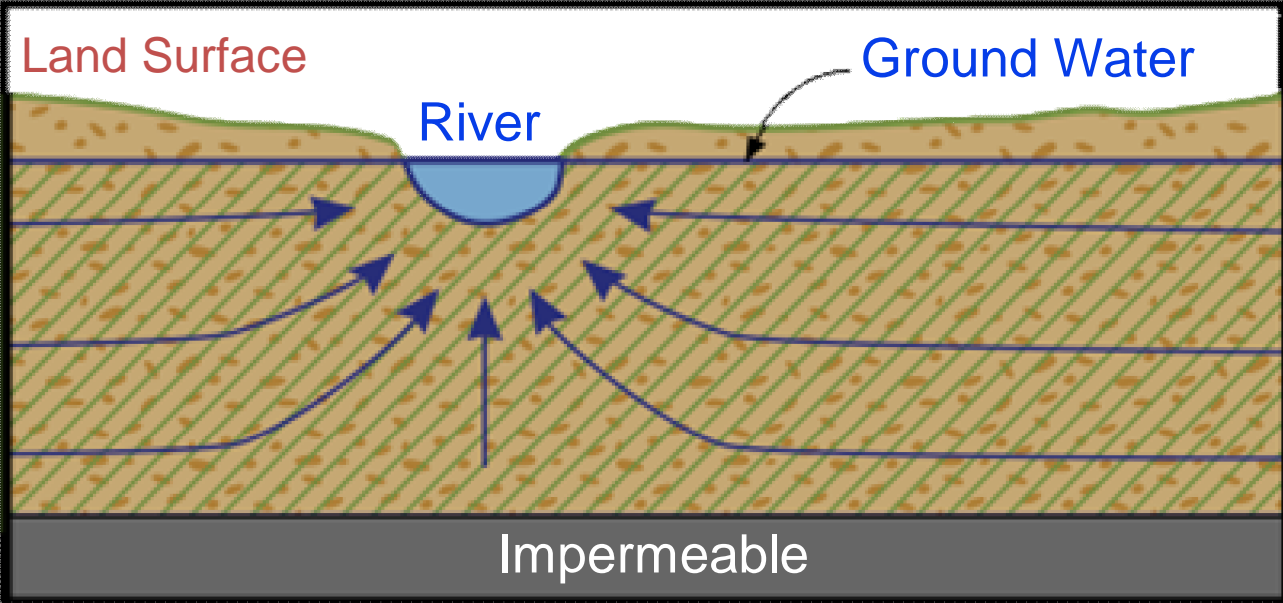
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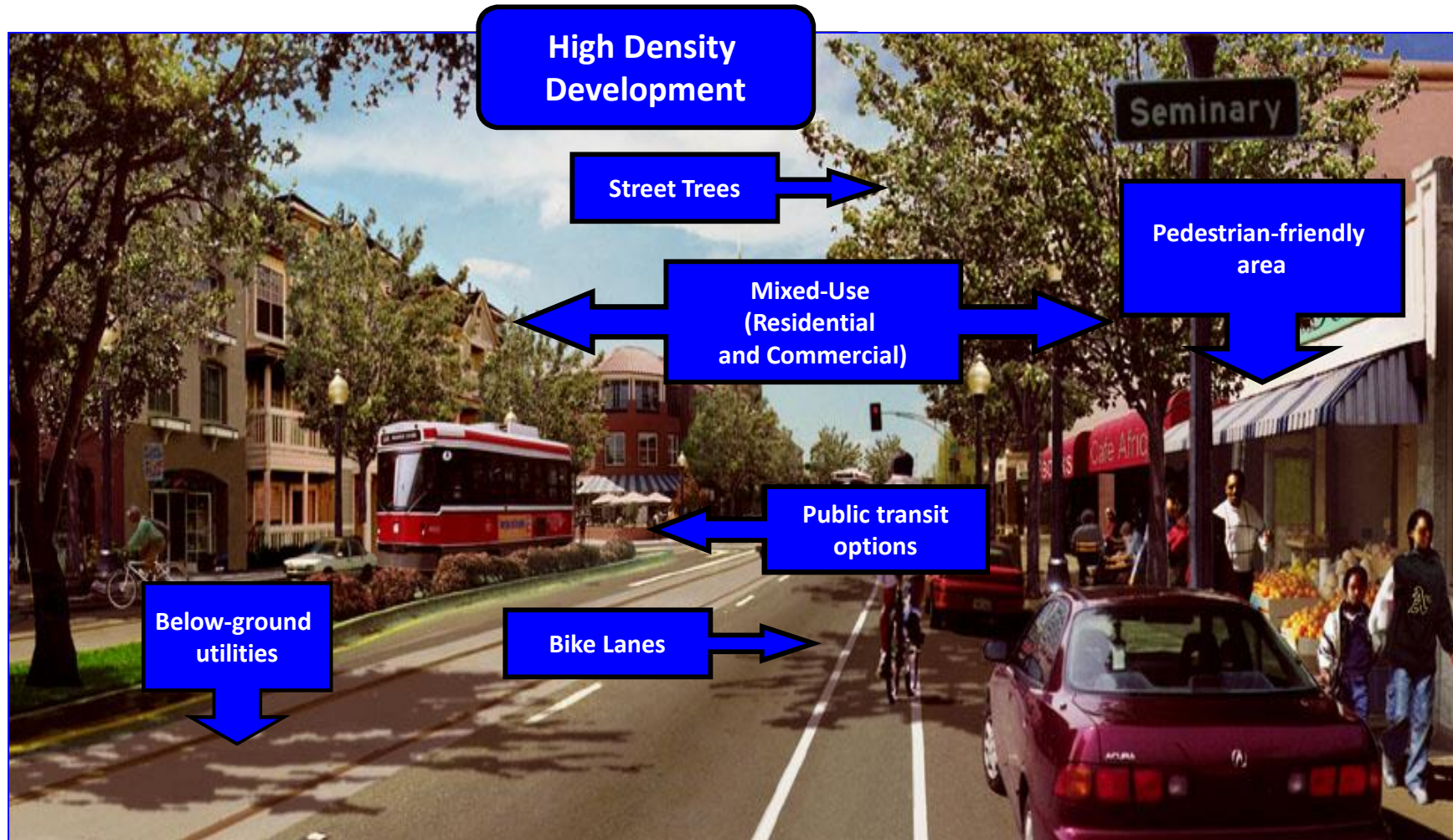
On-Site Septic System



Septic Systems **Do Not** Treat Wastewater



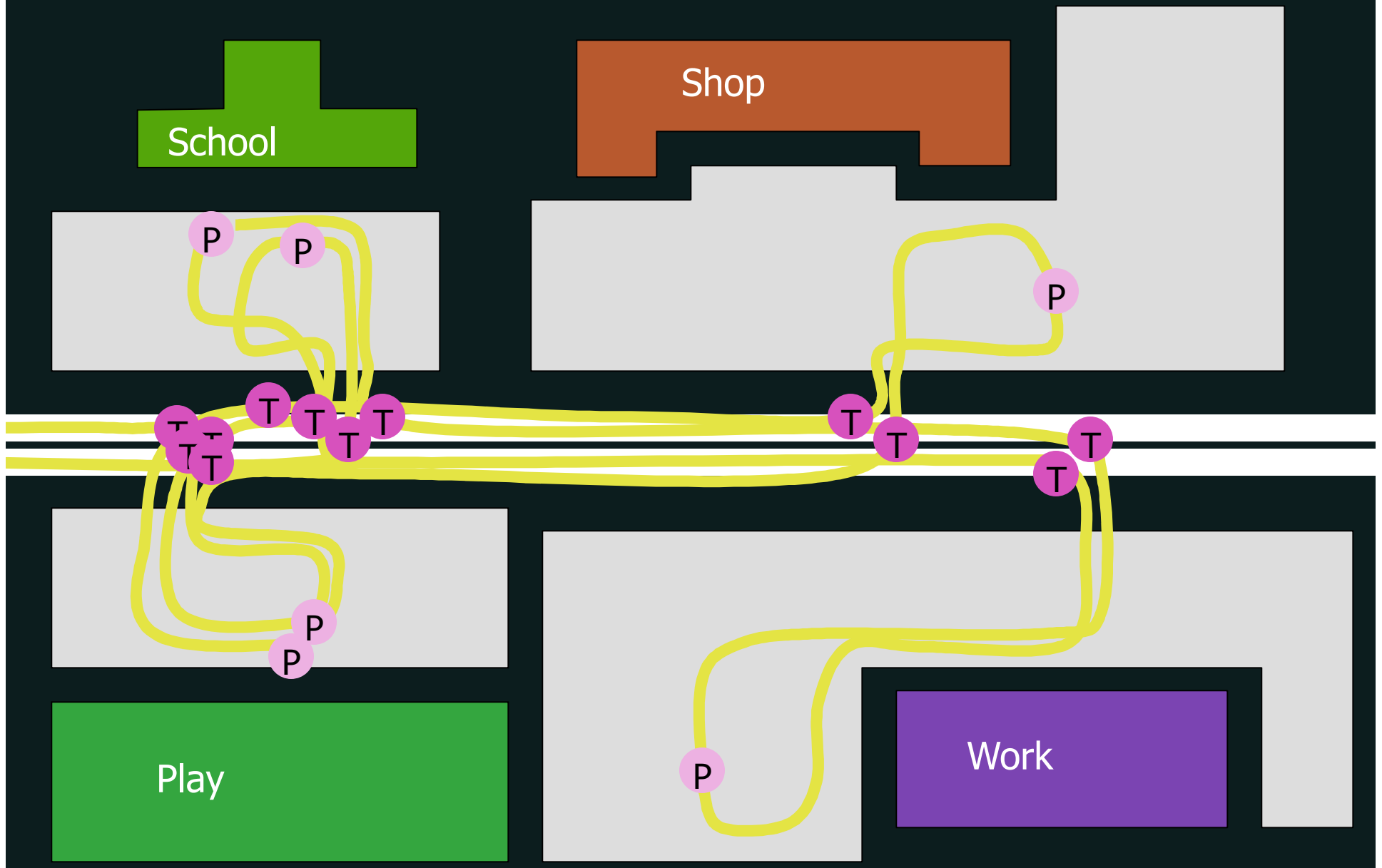
Sprawl Versus Smart Growth Streetscapes



Source: Smart Growth America, Urban Advantage

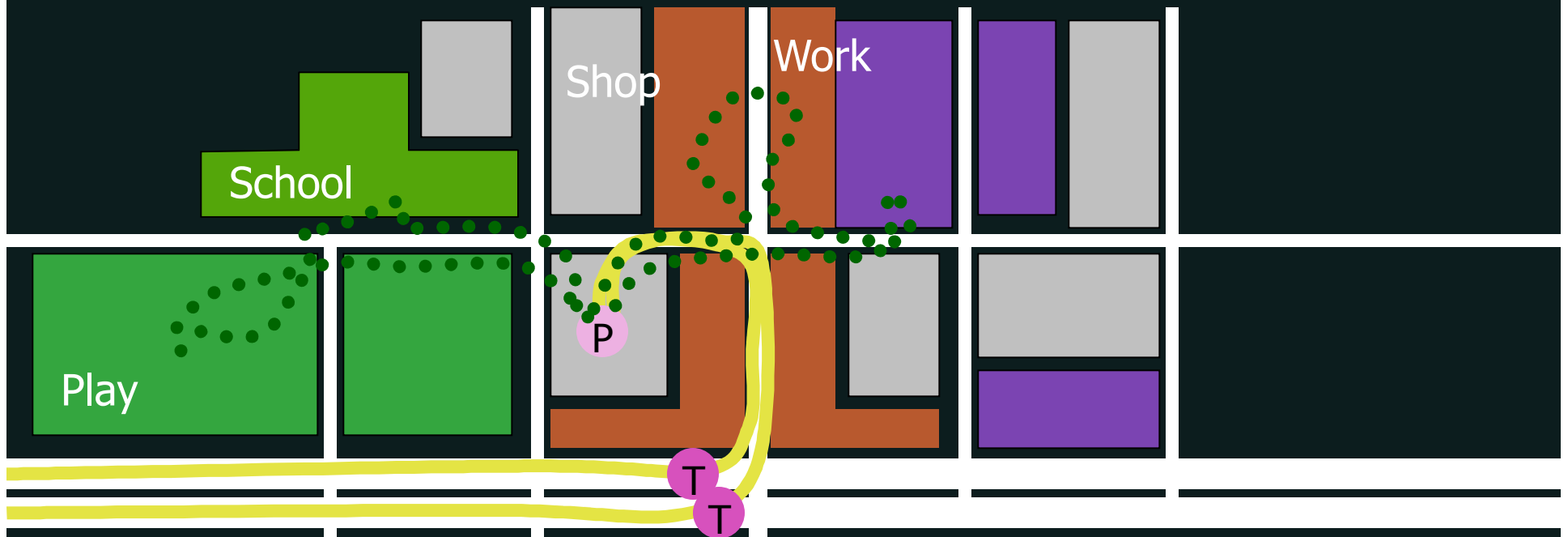
Conventional Development

Source: Jeffery Tumlin, Nelson/Nygaard



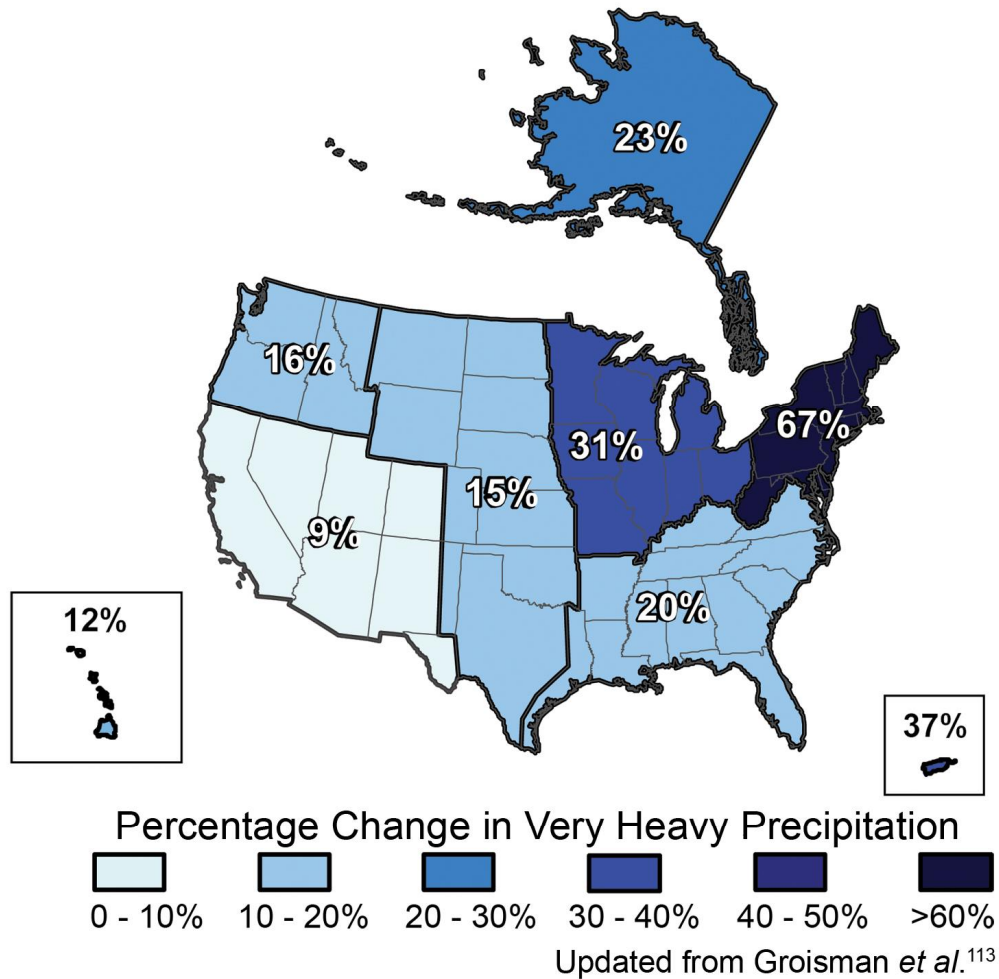
Mixed Use, Park Once District

Source: Jeffery Tumlin, Nelson/Nygaard



Results:

- $< \frac{1}{2}$ the parking
- $< \frac{1}{2}$ the land area
- $\frac{1}{4}$ the arterial trips
- $\frac{1}{6}^{\text{th}}$ the arterial turning movements
- $< \frac{1}{4}$ the vehicle miles traveled



The map shows the percentage increases in very heavy precipitation (defined as the heaviest 1 percent of all events) from 1958 to 2007 for each region. There are clear trends toward more very heavy precipitation for the nation as a whole, and particularly in the Northeast and Midwest.

Image credit: U.S. Global Change Research Program (www.globalchange.gov).

Future Design Storms?

- “ Kirshen et al. (2008) project sea-level rise onto time-series of past surge events in the U.S. Northeast to estimate that the 2005 100-year-event will become the 30-70 year event by 2050.
- “ By 2050, Boston could experience the current 100-year riverine flood every two to three years on average and, by 2100, the current 100-year riverine flood is expected to occur every one to two years under both the low- and high-emissions scenarios (MA Climate Change Adaptation Report)

100-Year Design Storms (inches)

	Springfield	Worcester	Boston
TP40 Design Storm (1930 – 1960)	6.5	6.5	6.6
Cornell Design Storm (1936 - 2008)	8.8	8.8	8.8

Hydrology Handbook for Conservation Commissions: Appendix F. Rainfall Data for Massachusetts from *Rainfall Frequency Atlas of the United States (TP-40)*. Users of this Handbook should note that current MA DEP written guidance (see DEP *Waterlines* newsletter -- Fall 2000) requires the use of TP-40 Rainfall Data for calculations under the Wetlands Protection Regulations and the Stormwater Management Policy. More stringent design storms may be used under a local bylaw or ordinance.

Future Design Storms with Continued Climate Change

25-YEAR, 24-HOUR PRECIPITATION (IN.)					TABLE 5-2 Rainfall Design Depths from Climate Change for Oyster River Infrastructure Vulnerability Assessment
	TP-40	1971-2000 (Baseline)	2046-2075 (A1b)	2046-2075 (A1fi)	
+95% c.i.		7.46	9.53	12.22	
"most likely"	5.1	5.37	6.86	8.35	
-95% c.i.		3.85	4.92	5.66	

Source: University of New Hampshire



Landmarks

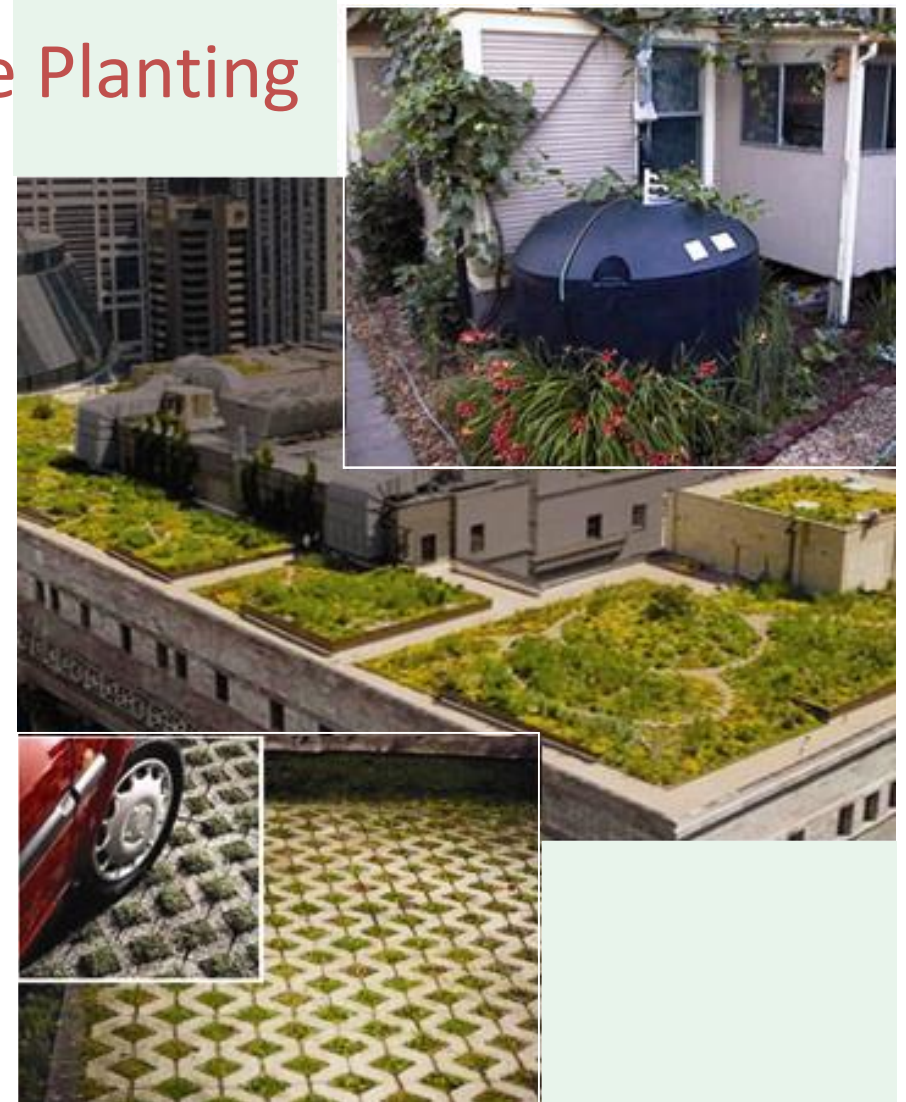
- A. Commonwealth Avenue
- B. Newbury Street
- C. Old South Church
- D. Copley T Station
- E. The Esplanade
- F. Copley Square
- G. Trinity Church
- H. John Hancock Tower
- I. Hatch Shell
- J. Arlington T Station
- K. Public Garden and Swan Boats



■ Current 100-year flood zone
■ Projected 100-year flooded area (higher-emissions scenario)

LID Stormwater Management Techniques

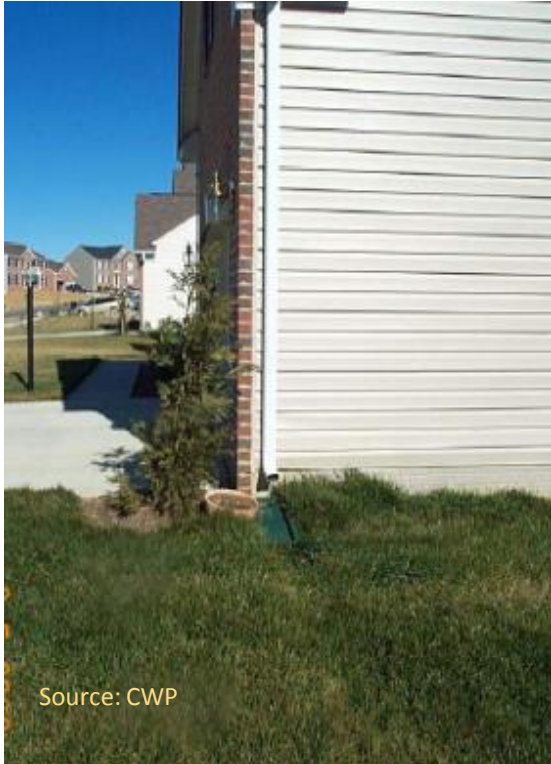
- ” Rain Barrels and Cisterns / Water Re-use
- ” Stormwater Planters, Tree Planting
- ” Permeable Paving
- ” Open Channels
- ” Bioretention
- ” Stormwater Wetlands
- ” Green Rooftop Systems
- ” Vegetative Buffers
- ” Infiltration



Permeable Pavement



Dry Well Infiltration of Roof Runoff



Disconnection of Rooftop
Runoff to Vegetated Swale



Vegetated Swales

Conveyance, Treatment, Infiltration

- Roadside swales (“country drainage”) for lower density and small-scale projects
- For small parking lots
- Mild side slopes and flat longitudinal slopes
- Provides area for snow storage & snowmelt treatment





Bioretention Cell
Water Street, Plymouth Center, MA







NYC GI Design Criteria

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Environmental Engineers & Scientists
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Sustainable Environmental Solutions

New York City – Bioretention Retrofit



Rain Garden



Green Roofs

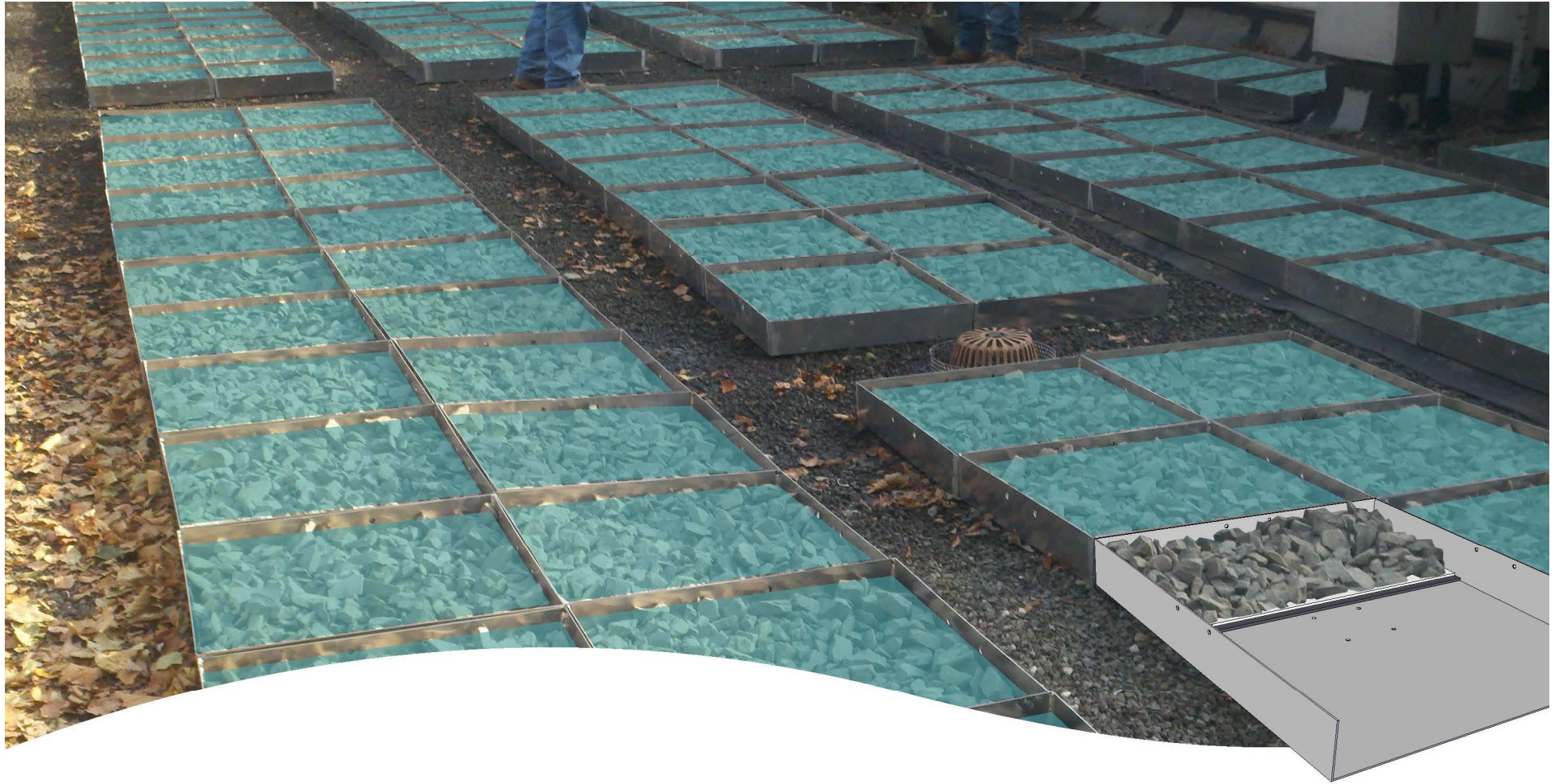


- “ Stormwater Runoff absorption/collection
- “ Reduced flooding of and damage to urban streets
- “ Interior heating and cooling benefits of 10 degrees or more
- “ Air purification
- “ Recreational amenity
- “ Improved aesthetics
- “ Extended roof life, estimated at 40 years









Stormwater Planters



- “ Vegetative uptake of stormwater pollutants
- “ Pretreatment for suspended solids before they reach water-treatment facilities
- “ Aesthetically pleasing
- “ Reduction of peak discharge rate

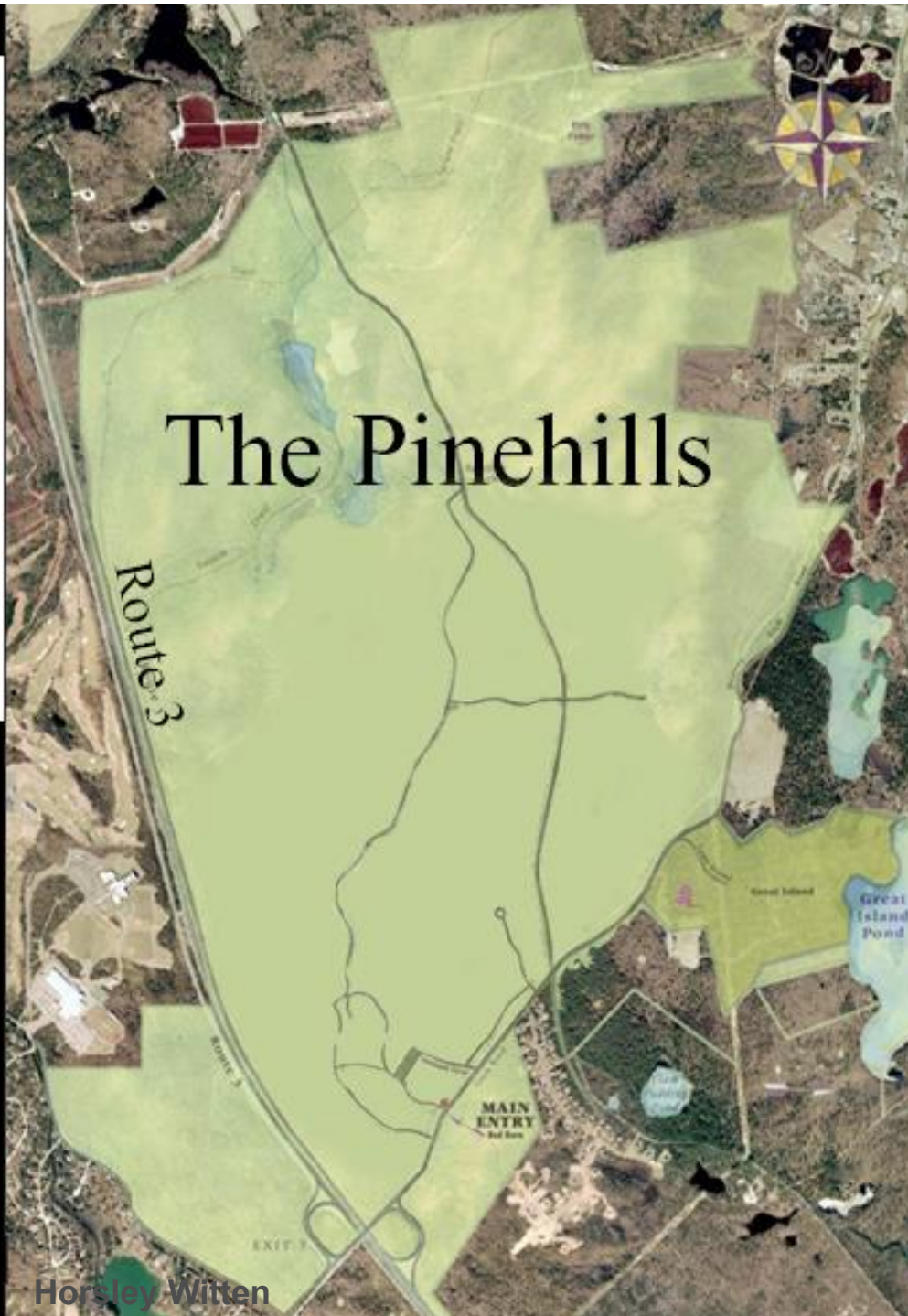
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LID Principles at The Pinehills

- “ Open Space Residential Design
- “ Reduce Impervious Areas
- “ Alternative Landscaping
- “ Stormwater Management
- “ Wastewater Re-use
- “ Nutrient Management



Preserved Historic Sandwich Road



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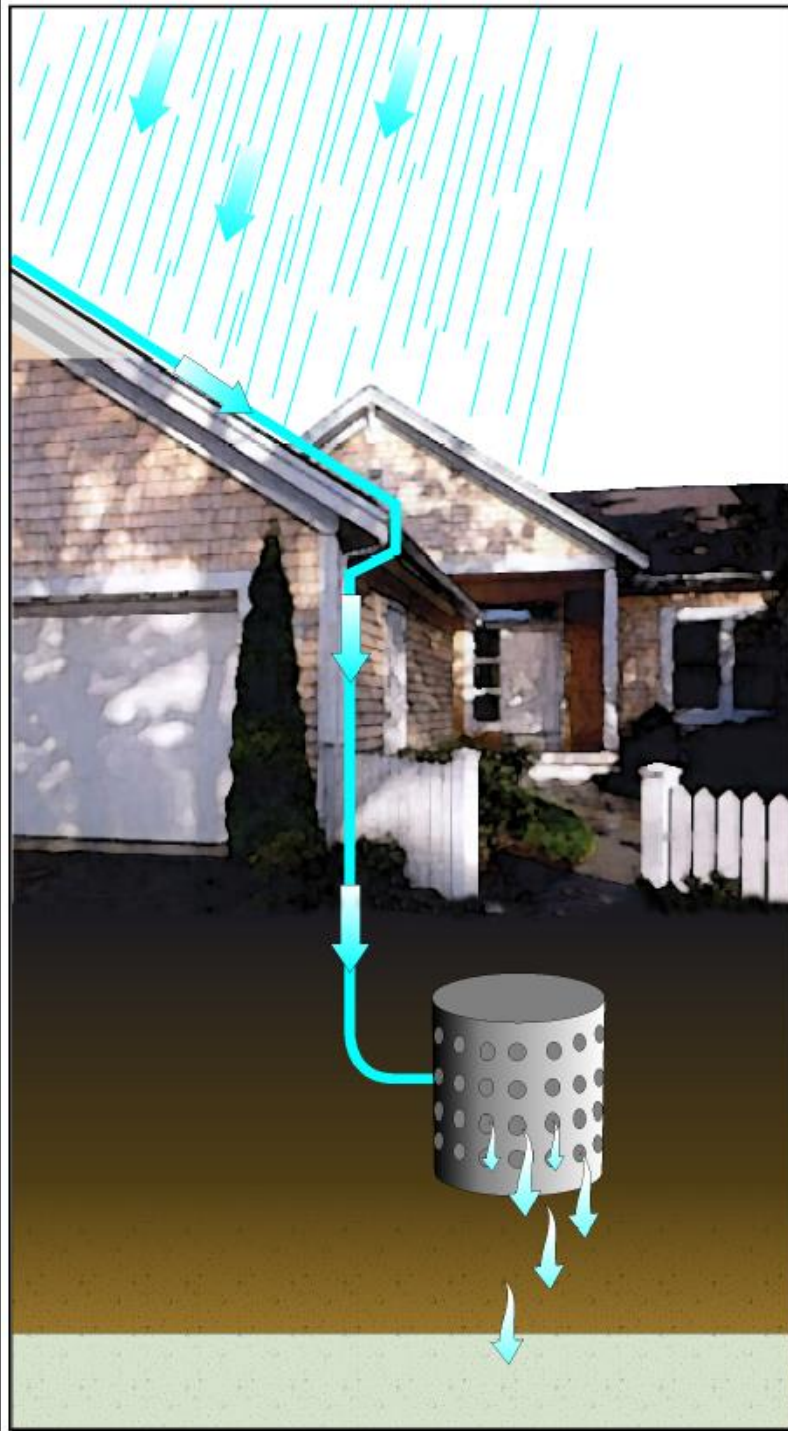


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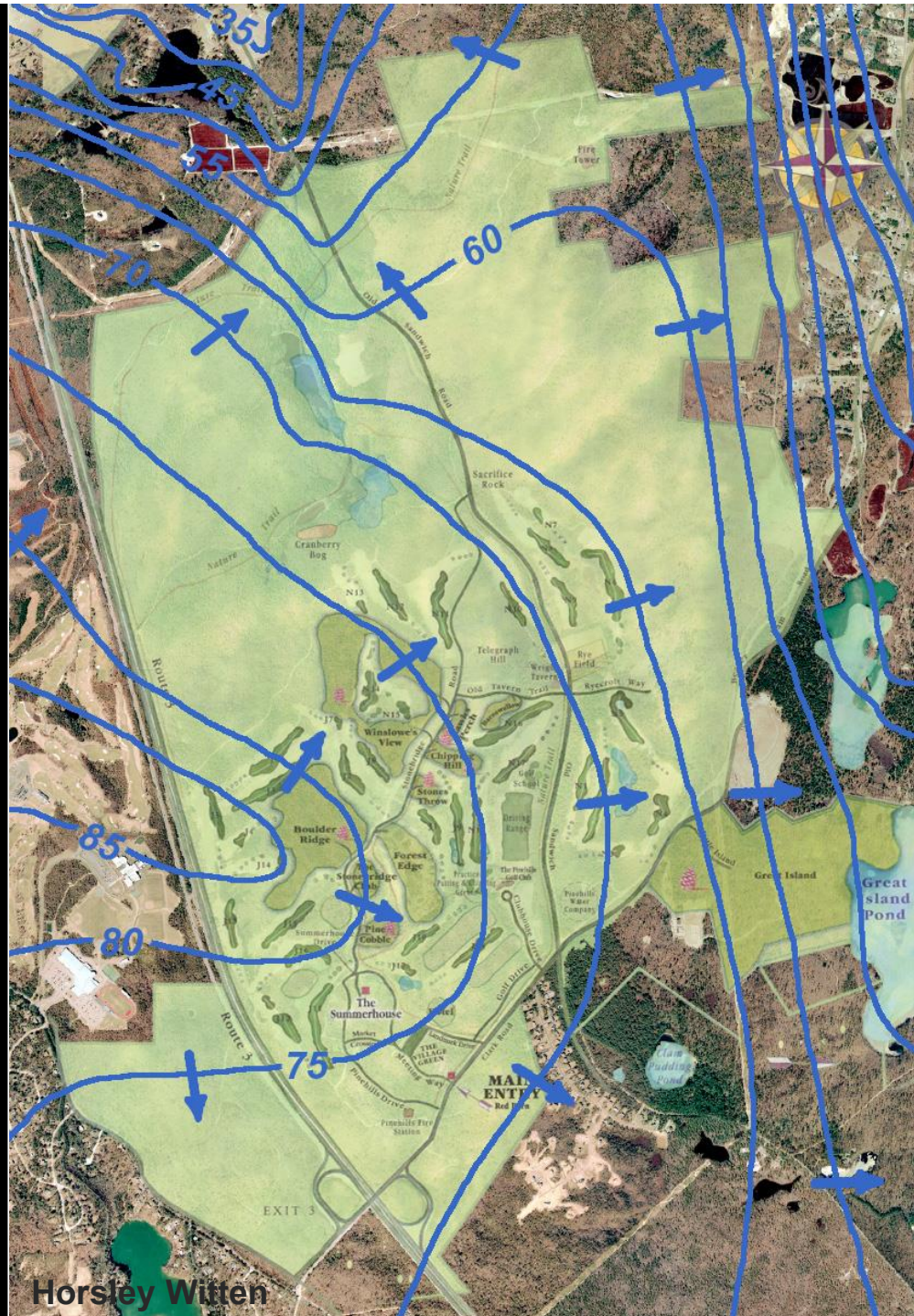
Stormwater Management



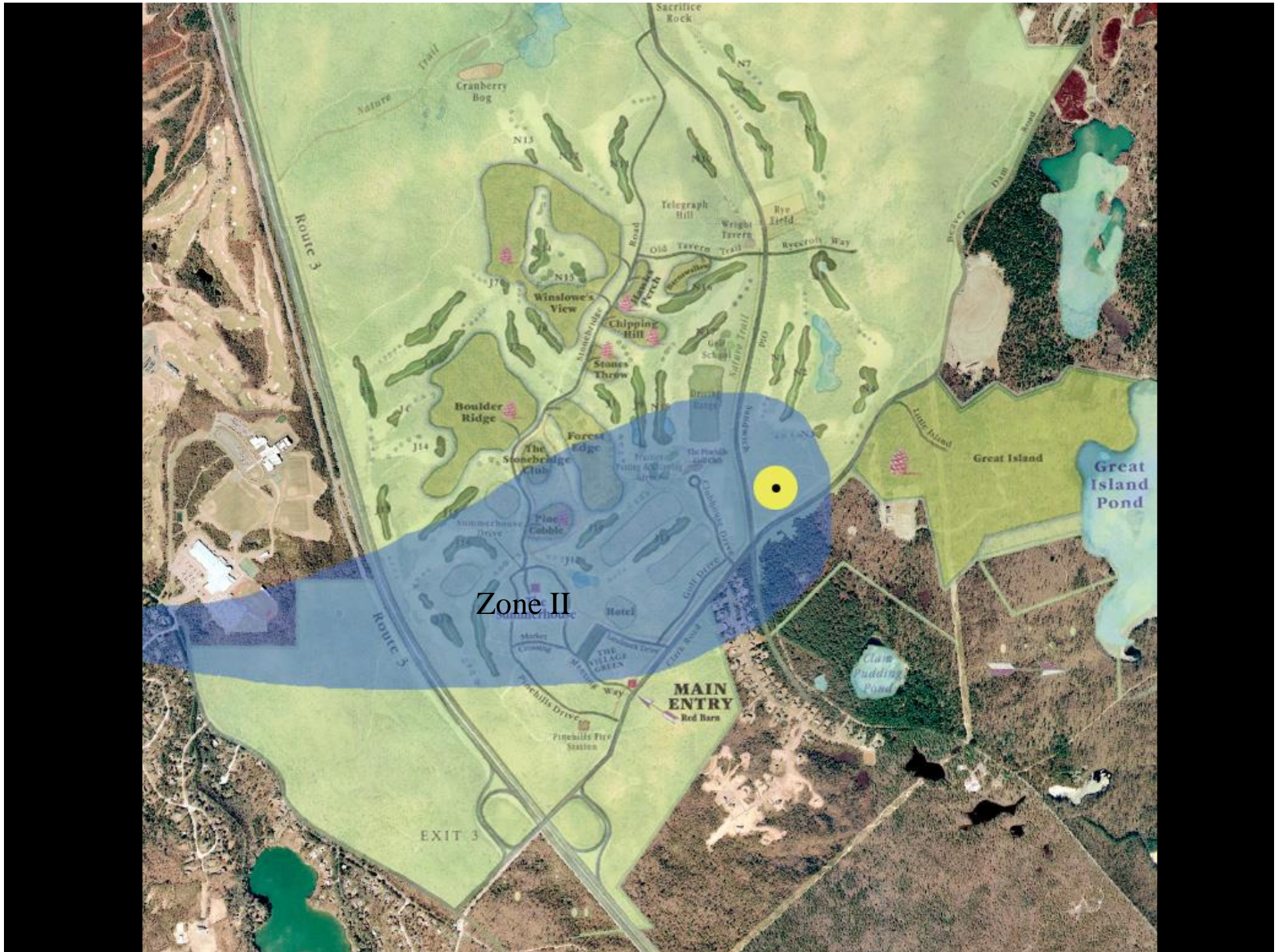




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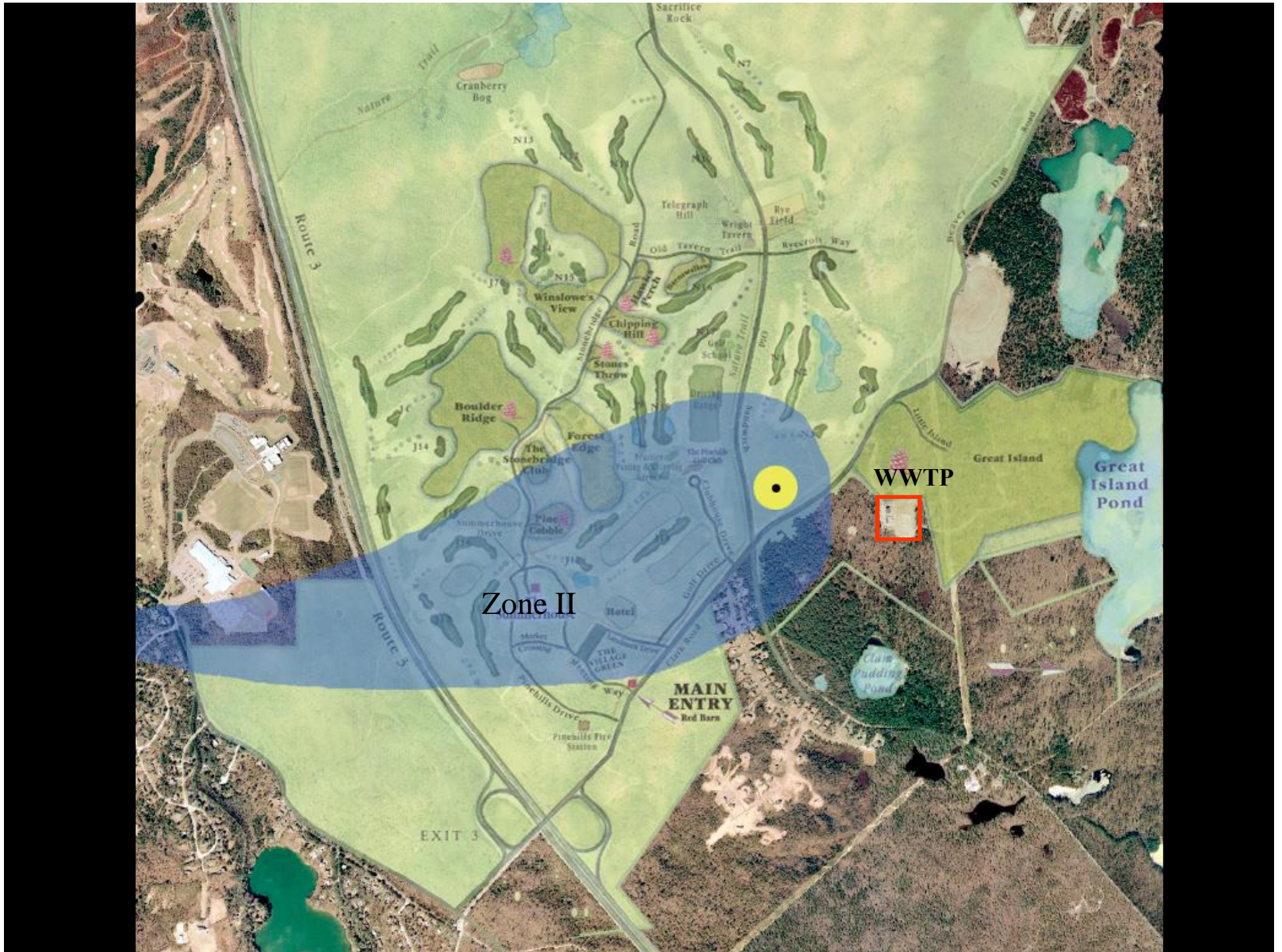


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Zone II

MAIN ENTRY
Red Barn



Zone II

WWTP

MAIN ENTRY

Great Island Pond

Clam Pudding Pond

Route 5

EXIT 3

Hotel

Market Commons

The Village Green

Pinehills Fire Station

Pinehills Way

Summerhouse Drive

Pine Cobble

Golf Drive

Crest Road

Meadow Way

The Pines and Cab

Autbury Trail

Challenge Drive

The Ponds and Cab

Forest Edge

The Stonebridge Club

Boulder Ridge

Stones Throw

Chipping Hill

Old Tavern Trail

Wright Tavern

Rye Field

Ryeeston Way

Beaver Dam Road

Sacrifice Rock

Nature Trail

Cranberry Bog

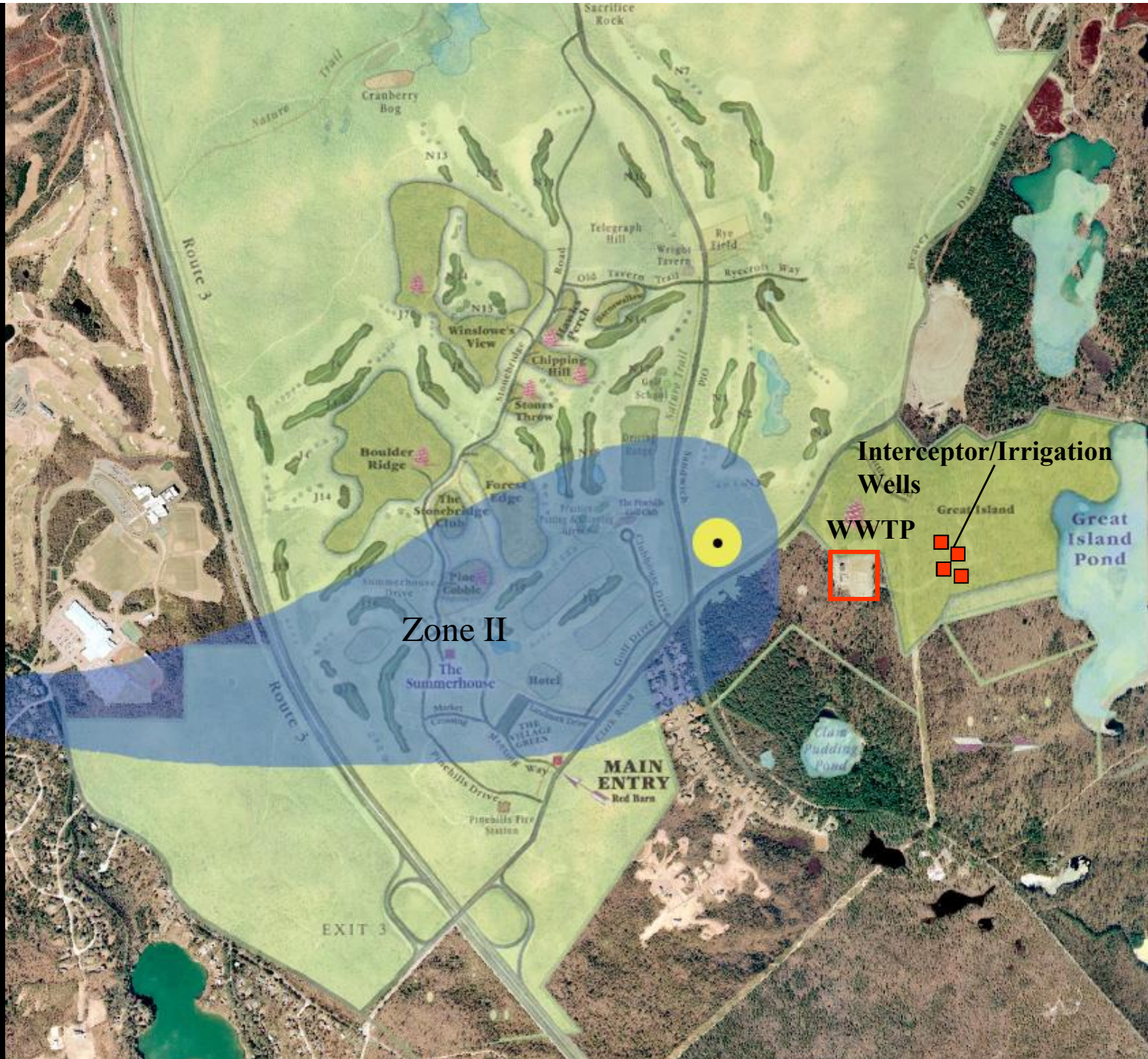
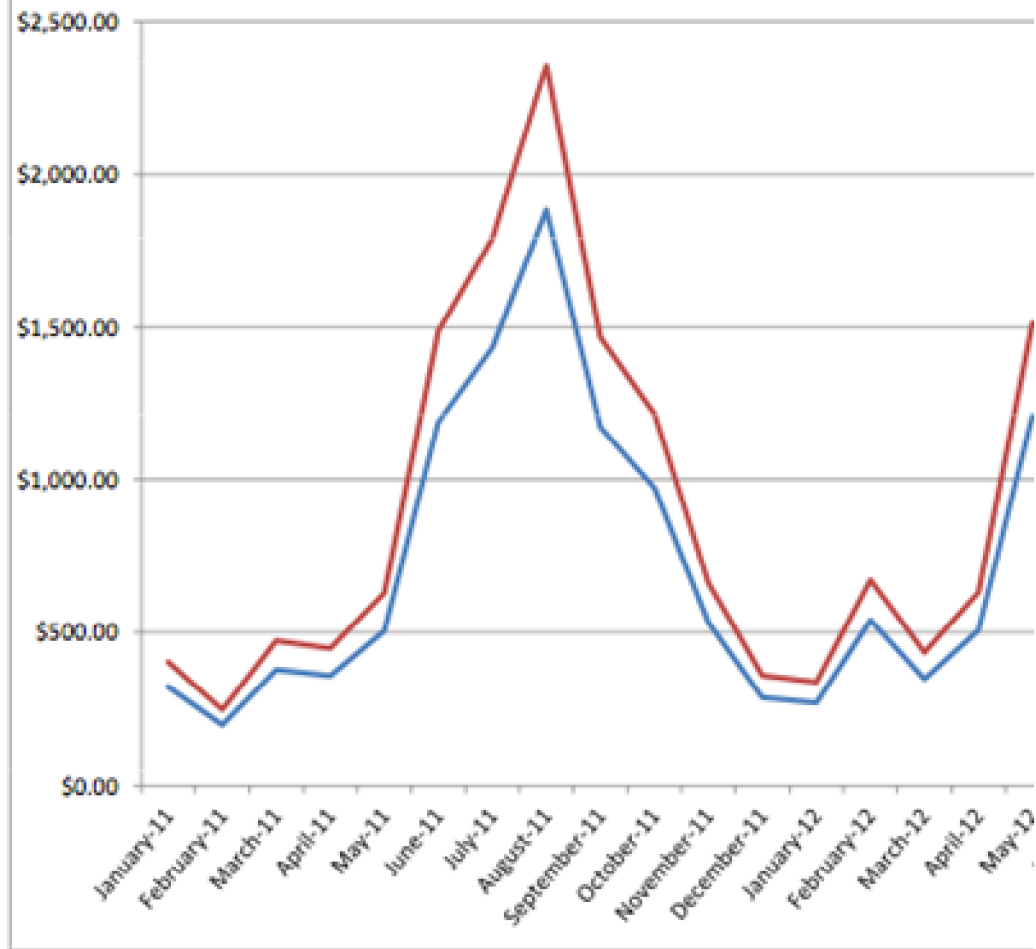
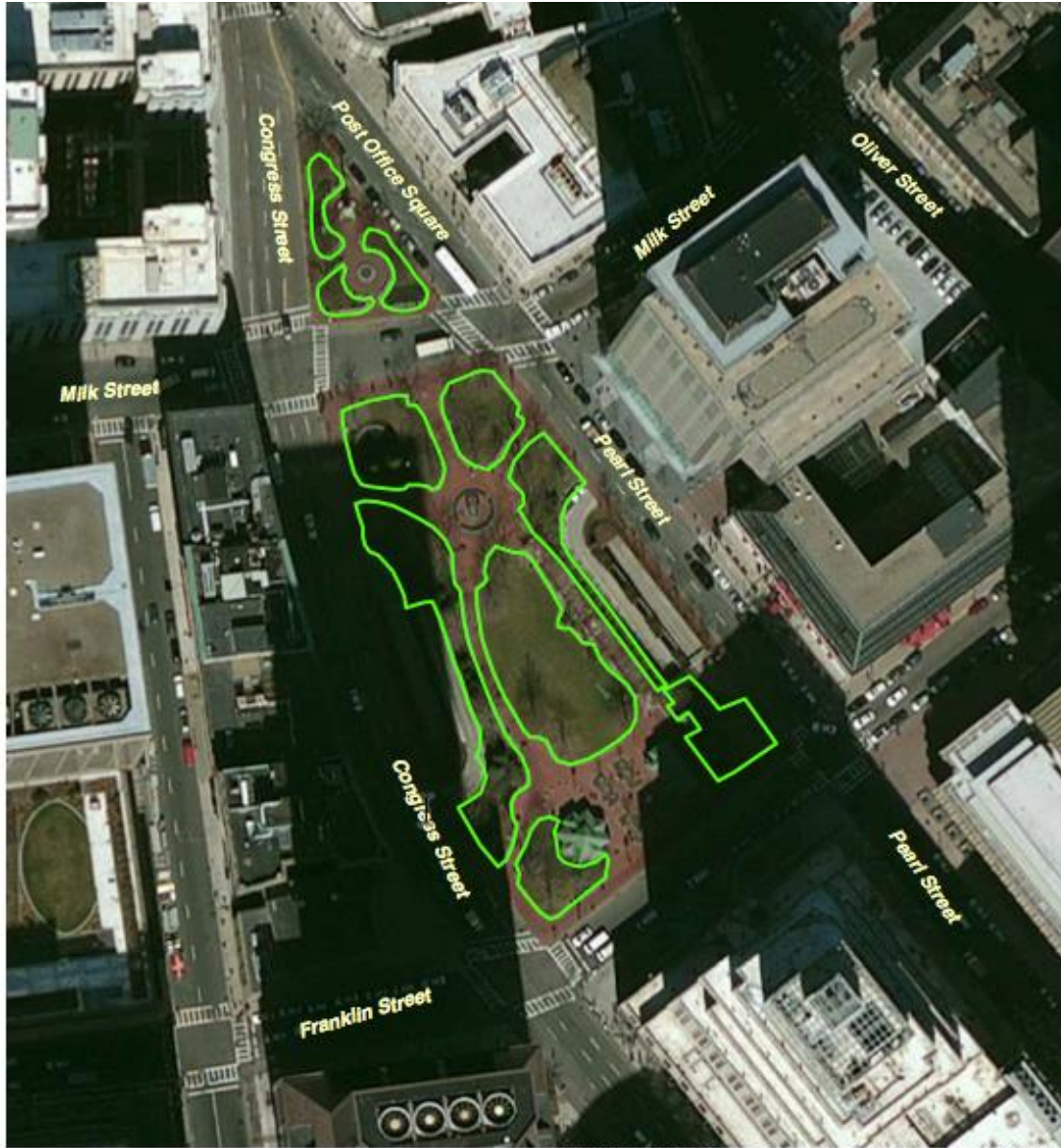




Figure 1: Post Office Square Park and Garage Month





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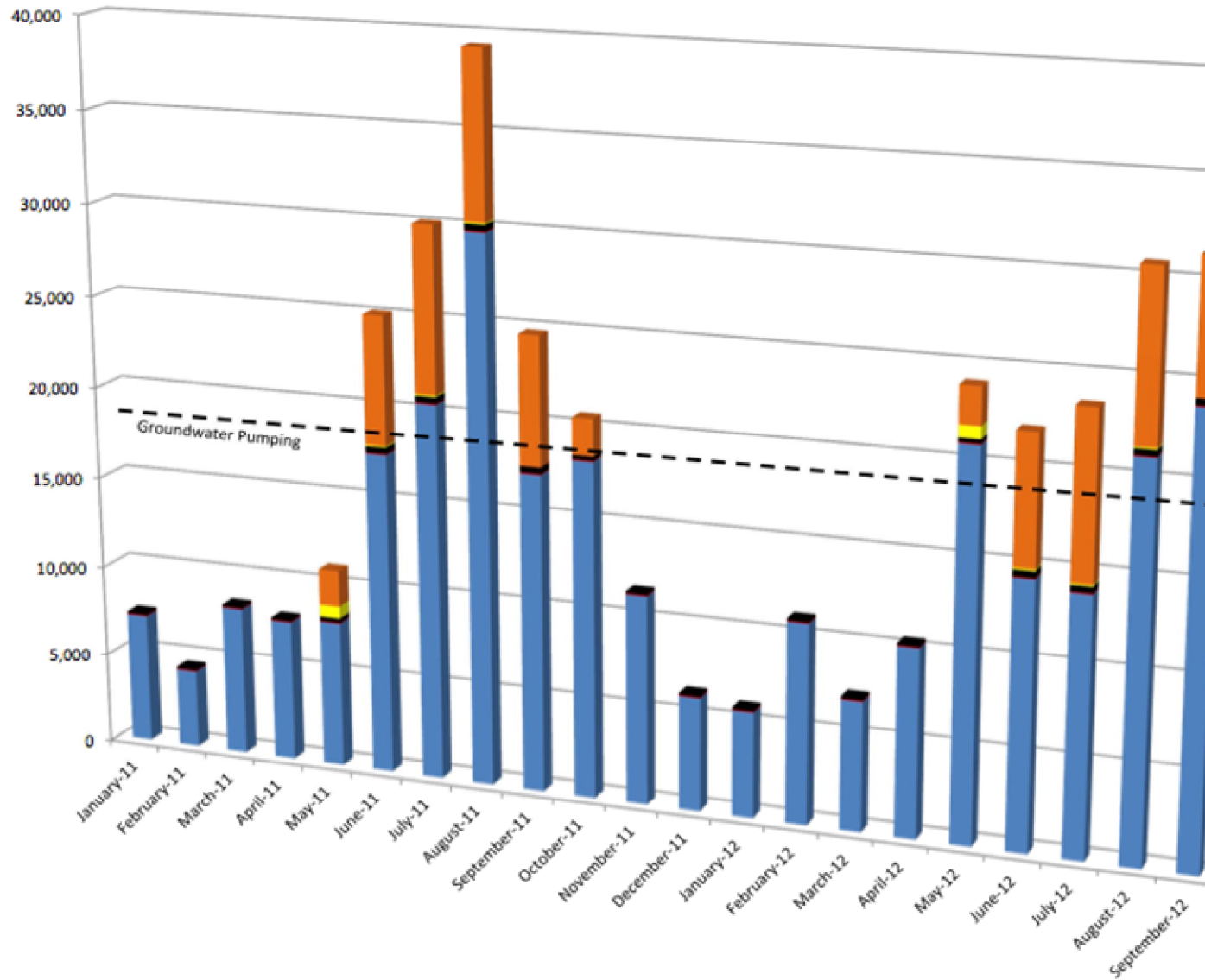
*Bing Imagery, ESRI 2010

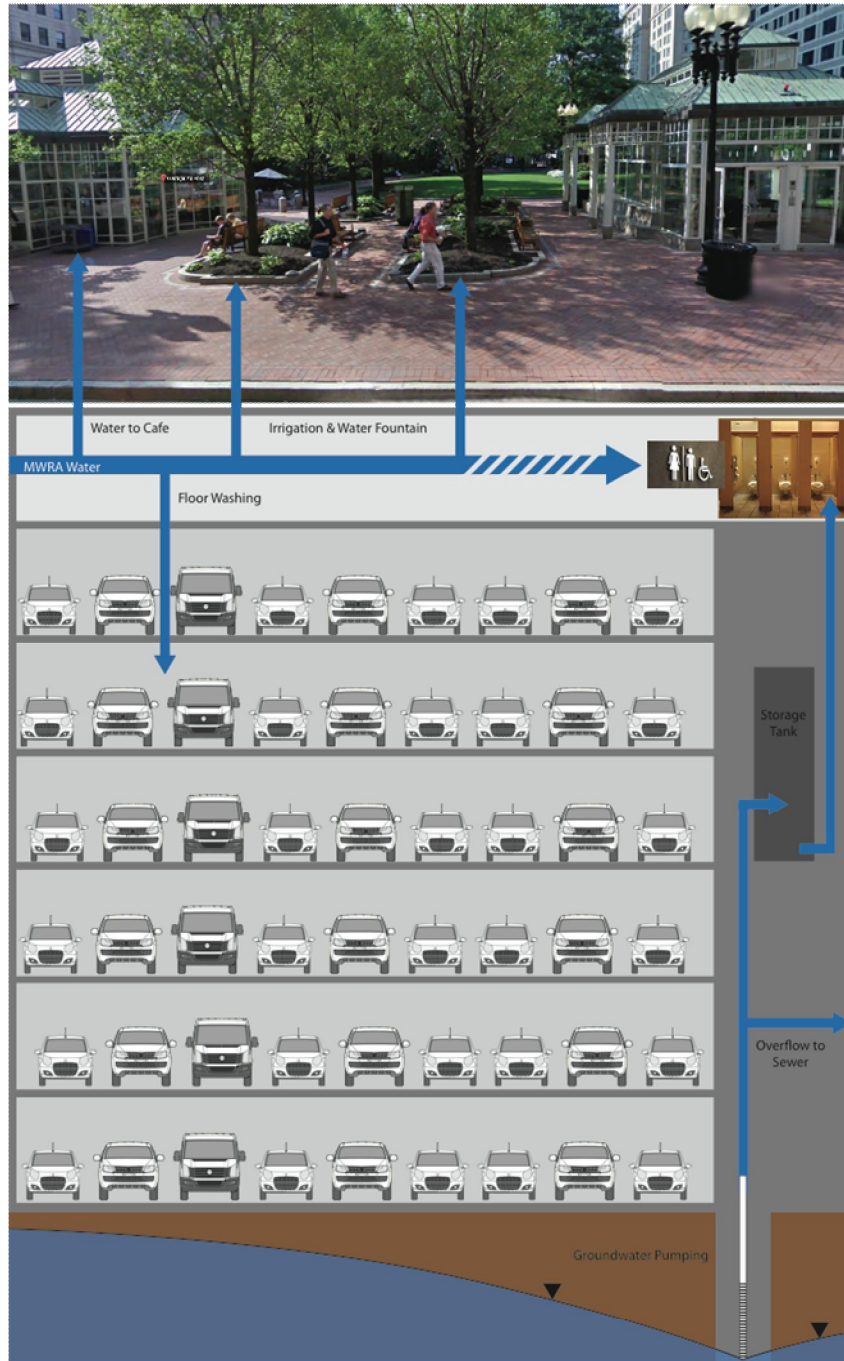
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Legend



Figure 3: Summary of Water Usage at Post Office Square (Cubic Feet/





Subgroup Boundaries 208 Water Quality Management Plan Update



Lower Cape

- Herring River
- Pleasant Bay
- Stage Harbor Group
- Nauset and Cape Cod Bay Marsh Group

Mid Cape

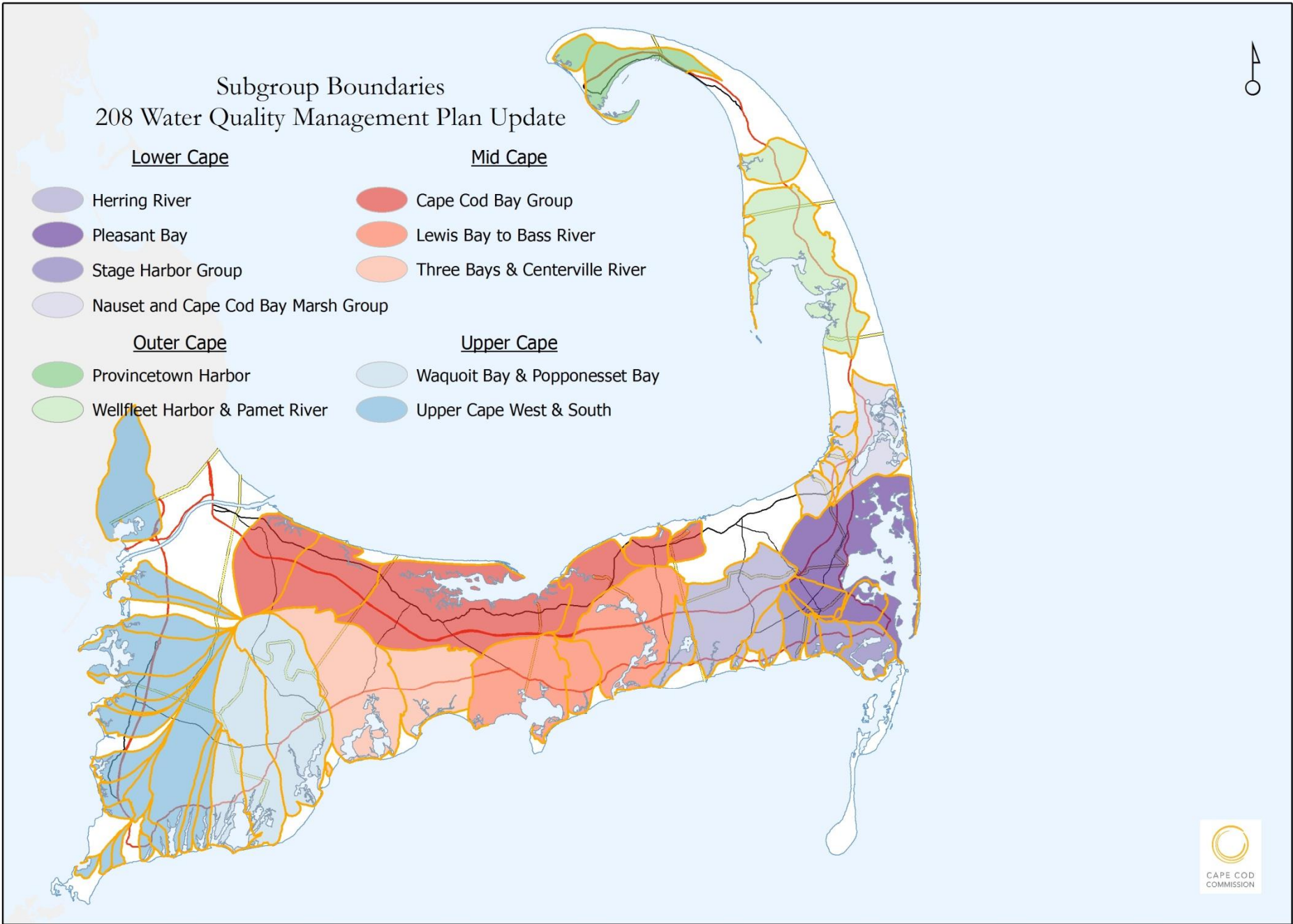
- Cape Cod Bay Group
- Lewis Bay to Bass River
- Three Bays & Centerville River

Outer Cape

- Provincetown Harbor
- Wellfleet Harbor & Pamet River

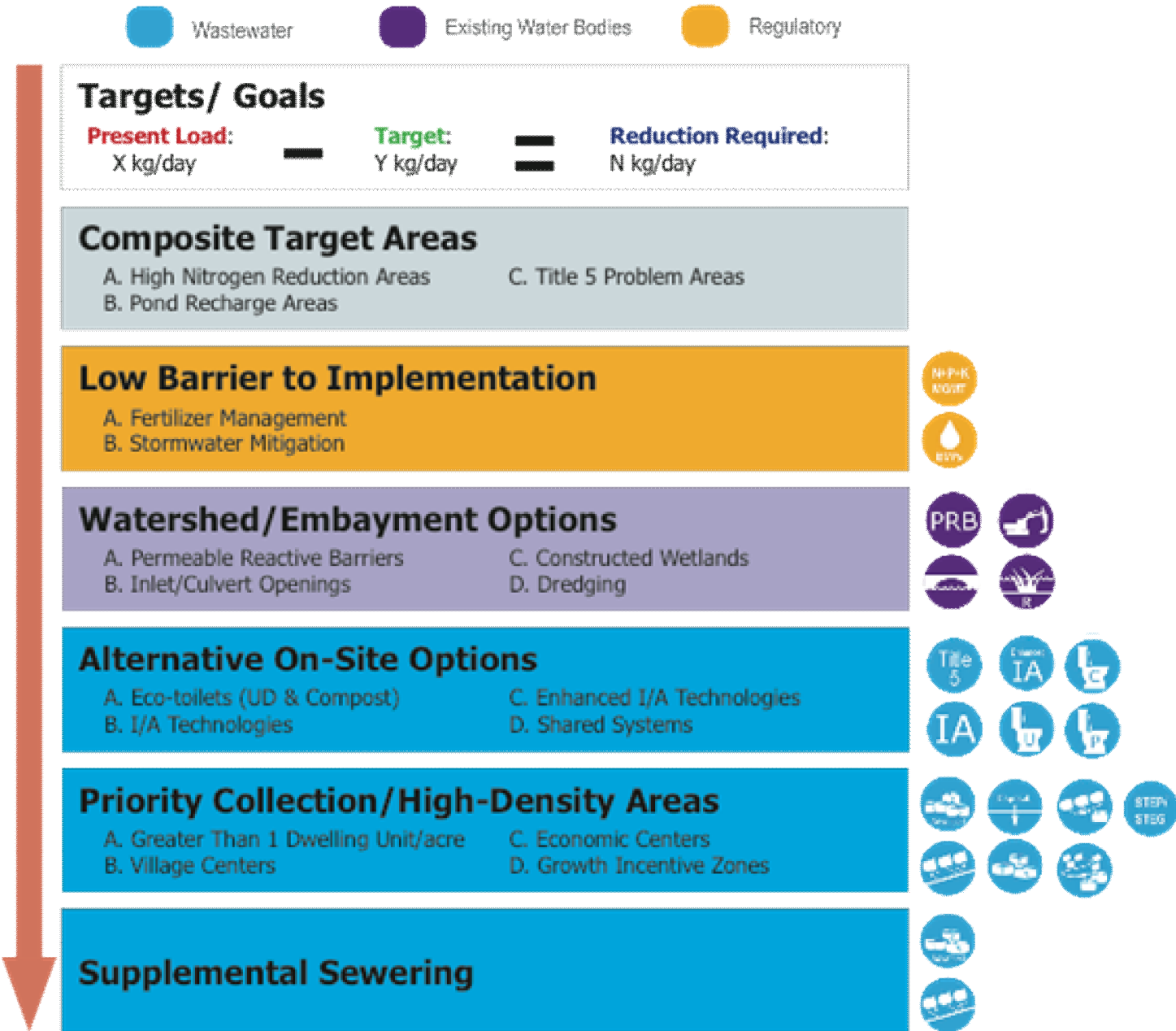
Upper Cape

- Waquoit Bay & Popponesset Bay
- Upper Cape West & South



Alternatives: Screening Method

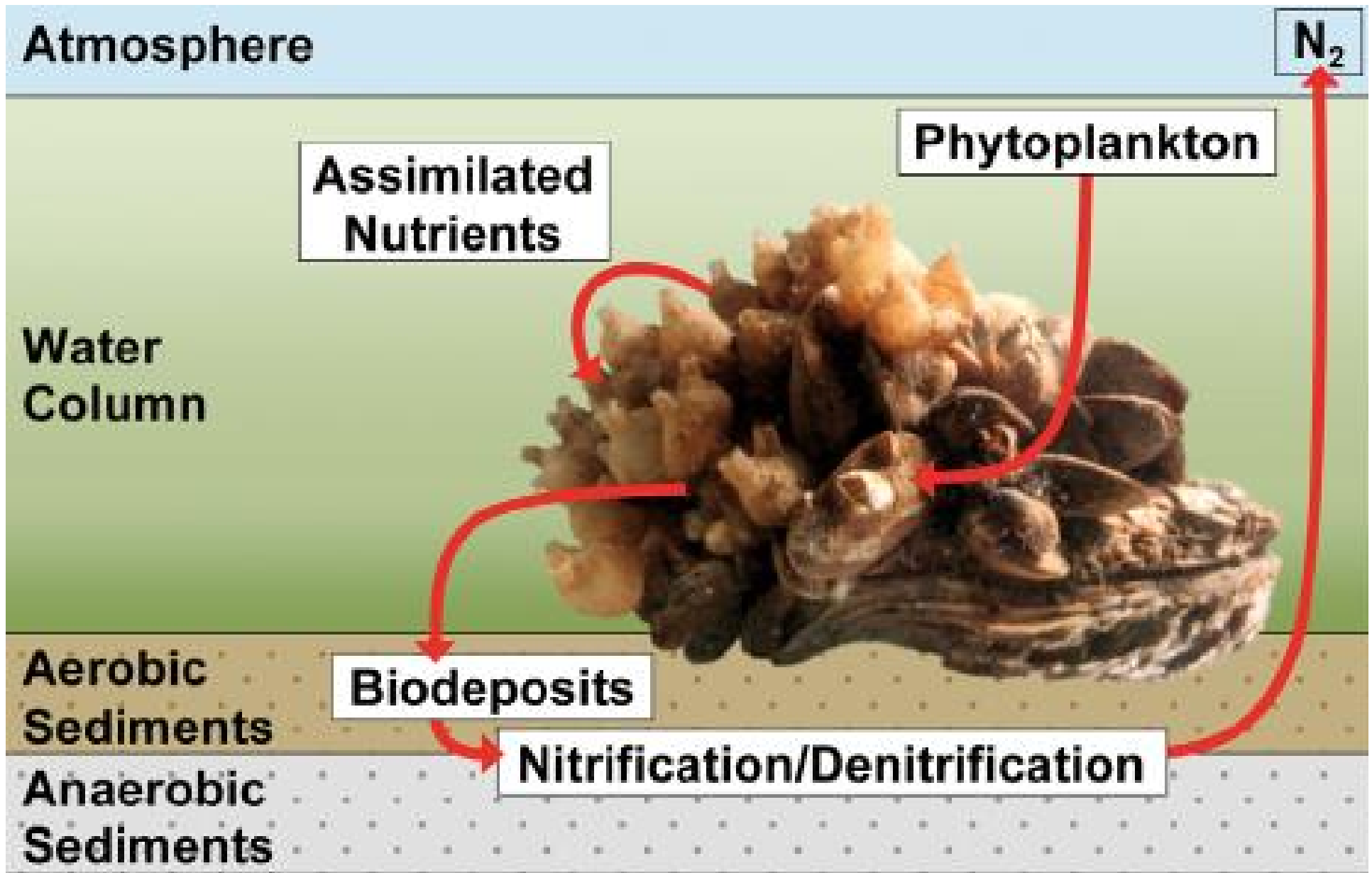
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Rain Garden



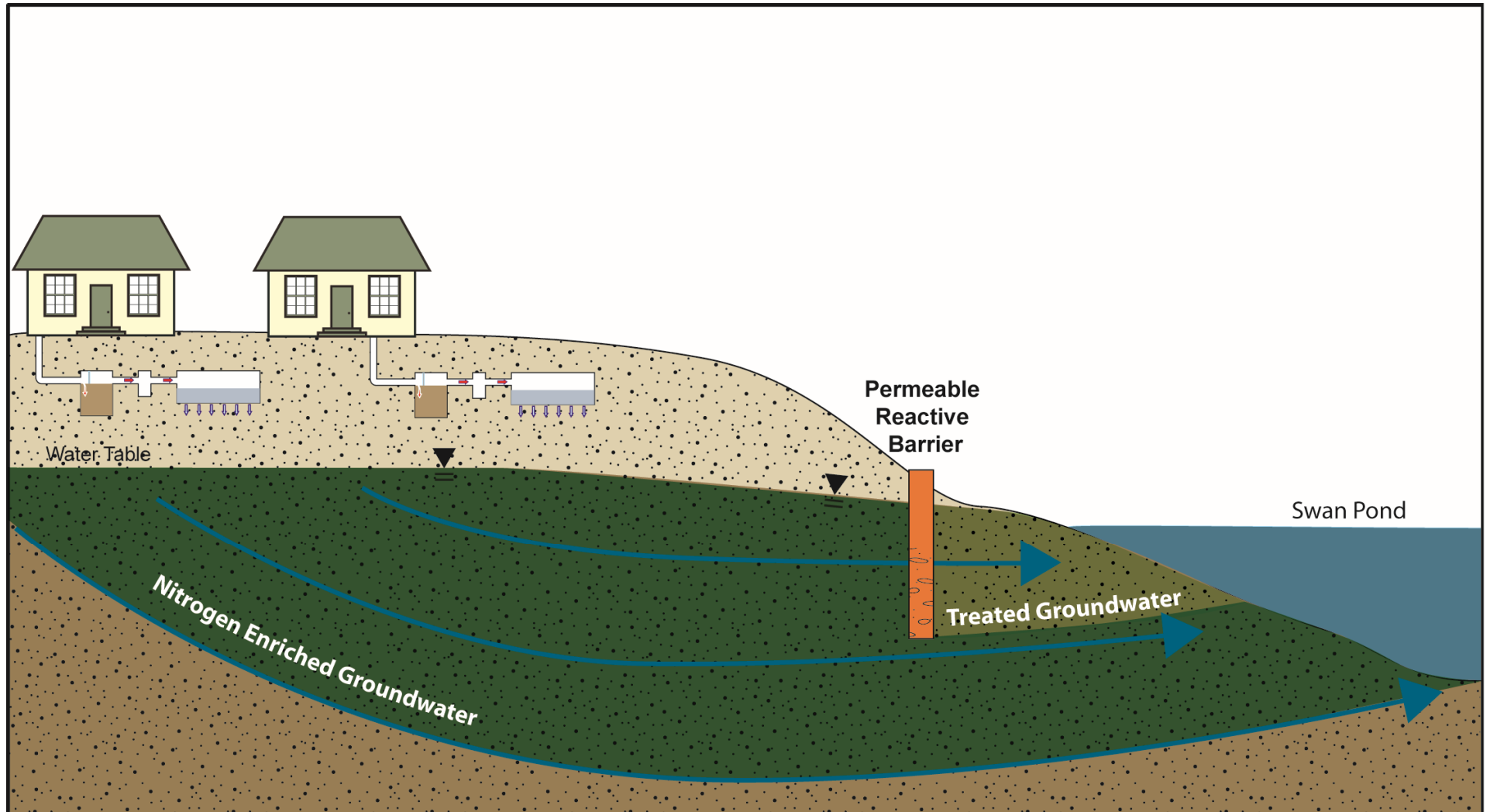


Kellogg et al., Denitrification and nutrient assimilation on a restored oyster reef

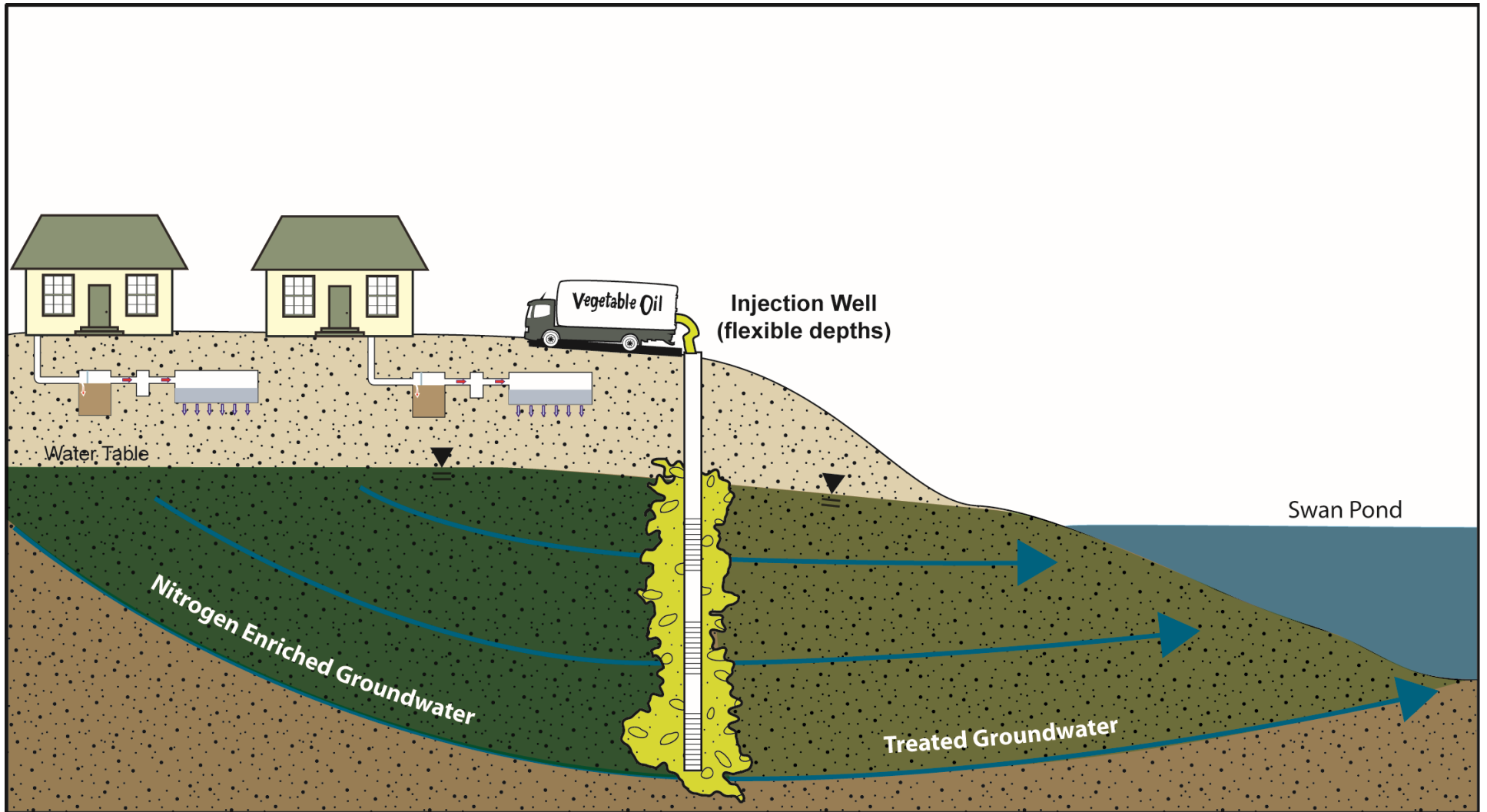


Urine-diverting toilet: 90% of N in wastewater is in the urine!

Permeable Reactive Barriers



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TDR: The Concept

Owner of “sending” parcel sells development rights in exchange for permanent conservation easement.

preservation area



growth area



Owner of “receiving” parcel buys development rights to build at densities higher than allowed under base zoning.

A scenic view of a pond surrounded by lush greenery and trees, with a building visible in the background under a clear blue sky. The foreground is filled with various plants, including tall yellow flowers on the left and purple flowers on the right. The pond is in the center, reflecting the sky and surrounding vegetation. The background shows a dense line of trees and a brick building with a white roof.

THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS?