

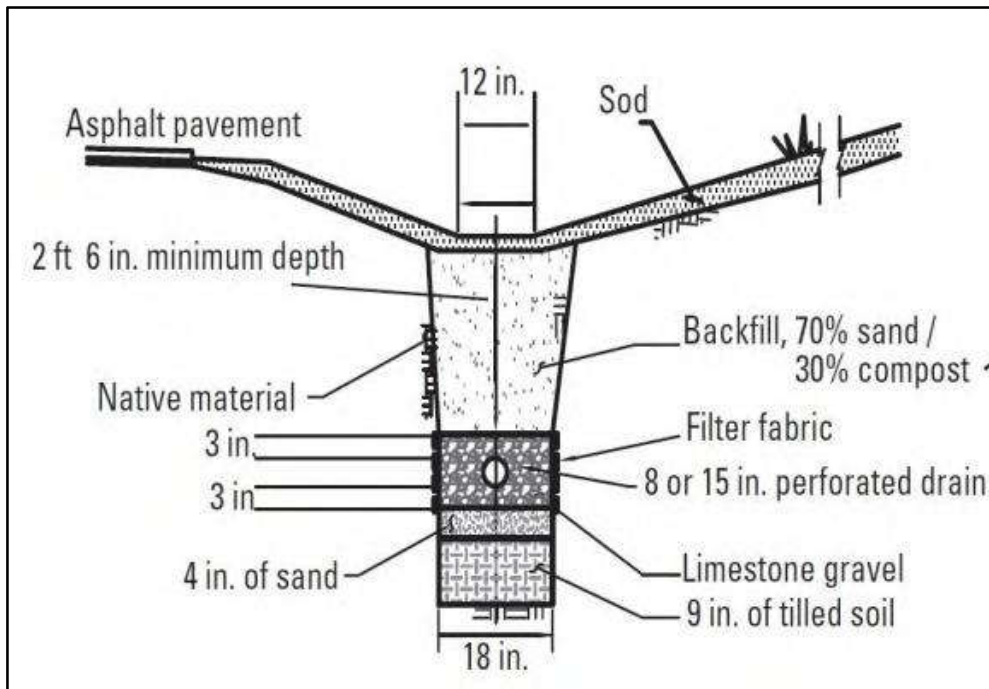
MAINTAINING STORMWATER CONTROL MEASURES

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Vegetated Infiltration Swale

Vegetated infiltration swales are linear, concave-shaped conveyance systems designed to collect and transfer runoff in a non-erosive manner from hard surfaces to other SCMs or natural waterways. Vegetated infiltration swales are vegetated with turf grass or perennial plants which trap sediment and filter pollutants from stormwater runoff as it flows through the swale. Constructed with a mixture of sand and compost, vegetated infiltration swales do allow stormwater runoff to soak into the swale during low flow runoff conditions.



Typical vegetated infiltration swale cross-section view showing how stormwater runoff drains through swale system. Credit: Chagrin River Watershed Partners, Inc.

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Well maintained **vegetated infiltration swale** with stone check dam. Credit: Chagrin River Watershed Partners, Inc.



Maintained **turf grass** protects underlying specialized soils from erosion and slows flow through the swale. Credit: Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Soil & Water Resources.

MAINTENANCE REQUIRED WHEN:

- Erosion or bare soil is visible in the bottom of the swale or on side slopes.
- Standing water is visible after 24 hours.
- Vegetation is in poor condition or dead.
- Trash, debris and sediment have accumulated within the swale or in front of culverts or over catch basins outlets.
- Foul odor present.

Vegetated Infiltration Swale Inspection and Maintenance Checklist

Facility:			
Location/Address:			
Date:	Time:	Weather Conditions:	Date of Last Inspection:
Inspector:		Title:	
Rain in Last 48 Hours <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, list amount and timing:			
Pretreatment: <input type="checkbox"/> vegetated filter strip <input type="checkbox"/> swale <input type="checkbox"/> turf grass <input type="checkbox"/> forebay <input type="checkbox"/> other, specify:			
Site Plan or As-Built Plan Available: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			

Inspection Item	Comment	Action Needed
1. PRETREATMENT		
Sediment has accumulated.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Trash and debris have accumulated.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
2. DEWATERING		
Standing water is present after 24 hours. If yes, describe sheen, color, or smell.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
3. INLETS		
Inlets are in poor structural condition.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Sediment has accumulated and/or is blocking the inlets.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Erosion is occurring around the inlets.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
3. VEGETATION		
Vegetation is wilting, discolored, or dying due to disease or stress.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Vegetation needs to be controlled through mowing or manual removal.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
4. MAIN INFILTRATION AREA		
Trash and debris have accumulated.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Sediment has accumulated at the surface.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Topmost layer is caked or crusted over with sediment.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Erosion is evident.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Mulch is compacted.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Sinkholes or animal borrows are present.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
5. SIDE SLOPES AND EMBANKMENT		
Erosion is evident.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Sinkholes or instability is evident.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
6. OUTLETS AND OVERFLOW STRUCTURE (i.e., catch basin)		
Outlets or overflow structures in poor structural condition.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Sediment, trash or debris is blocking the outlets or overflow structure.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Erosion is occurring around the outlets or overflow structure.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Height from surface of practice to top of overflow structure is insufficient to allow for ponding during rain events.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Additional Notes

Wet weather inspection needed **Yes** **No**

Site Sketch:

