

BMP Inspections and Maintenance Program

Non-structural Maintenance Responsibilities for Stormwater BMPs

TYPE OF	STORMWATER FACILITY TYPE			
MAINTENANCE	Dry & Wet Ponds	Bioretention	Sand Filters	Infiltration Trenches
Grass Cutting and Mowing Prefer at least twice per year	 Downstream slope of dam to the toe. Top of the dam. Upstream slope of dam and remove all cut vegetation. Inlet channels in pond and remove all cut vegetation (Dry Ponds). Channels, headwalls, and pipes into pond area. Outlet channel and remove all cut vegetation. 	 Mow side slopes regularly to prevent weed seed pressure. Keep grass clippings out of bioretention. 	 In and around the sand filter and remove all cut vegetation. Prevent cut grass from blowing onto sand filter during mowing. Prevent grass from growing in sand filter. 	 Around the trench and remove all cut vegetation from the trench. Prevent cut grass from blowing onto the trench during mowing. Prevent grass from growing in the trench (if designed with stones).
Woody Vegetation Cutting and Removal Prefer at least twice per year	 All trees and woody vegetation from the upstream and downstream dam slopes. All trees and woody vegetation from the top of the dam. All trees and woody vegetation from inlet and outlet channels. All trees and woody vegetation within 25 feet of control structure (Dry Ponds). Prevent trees and woody vegetation from growing in or around the flow control. 	 Regularly remove unwanted woody vegetation from within the bioretention. Prune desired shrubs and trees as needed. 	 All trees and woody vegetation in sand filter. Prevent trees and woody vegetation from growing in sand filter. 	 All trees and woody vegetation in trench. Prevent trees and woody vegetation from growing in trench.
Trash & Debris Removal monthly	• From all areas in and around the pond.	From all areas of the bioretention.	From all areas in and around the sand filter.	From all areas in and around the trench.
Other	Verify that all pond safety signs are in place (Wet Ponds).	 Remove weeds regularly during the growing season. Prevent snow and ice piles from accumulating on top of the bioretention area. Re-mulch every year. May need to remove mulch if contaminated with sediment. Cut back grasses and herbaceous plants in spring. 	Discourage children from playing with the sand and damaging or removing the plastic caps.	Discourage children from playing with the stones and damaging or removing the plastic caps.