

6 CONCLUSIONS

This conceptual SBSQMP provides a Stormwater Management Strategy broadly outlining the planning, management and maintenance issues for stormwater treatment measures or water quality issues. The SBSQMP has demonstrated that adequate treatment of stormwater is possible under the proposed conceptual design. Sufficient consideration of stormwater controls has been made at this conceptual stage of the development to demonstrate compliance with relevant Townsville City Council water quality objectives.

The plan has identified the existence of natural opportunities and constraints in relation to stormwater management. Opportunities present on the site include the available open space and streetscape areas where SQBMP's can be sensitively incorporated, and the potential to use alternative water sources to meet on site demands. The principal constraint involved the flat topography (and lack of gradient to drain stormwater off site), and potentially high groundwater levels identified in isolated areas of the site.

Water quality objectives have been derived from current criteria set by Townsville City Council in terms of annual stormwater discharge loads. Total pollutant load results were subsequently predicted with the use of the MUSIC modelling software to provide a representation of how the site will perform under different development and stormwater management scenarios.

The following development scenarios have been modelled using MUSIC:

1. The Base Case - Undeveloped Site (no development);
2. Developed Case - Unmitigated Site (with no WSUD measures implemented);
3. Developed Case - Mitigated Site (with WSUD measures implemented);
4. Developed Case - Mitigated Site Option 1 (rainwater tanks); and
5. Developed Case- Mitigated Site Option 2 (stormwater harvesting);

The results show that with the integration of Water Sensitive Urban Design principles and Stormwater Quality Improvement Devices, the pollutant export loads from the site can be significantly reduced compared to the unmitigated scenario. The Townsville City Council load removal targets (see Table 3-4) for solids, phosphorus, nitrogen and gross pollutants can be achieved through the proposed treatment train consisting of education, gross pollutant traps and streetscape bioretention (Scenario 3). For the purposes of this report, we have provided an estimate of the approximate bioretention filter area (and, of less importance in terms of overall treatment effectiveness, bioretention surface area) required for streetscape bioretention systems within each of the catchment areas of the proposed development. Some of this area may be located immediately adjacent to impervious areas in parklands.

Modelling of the overall development site has indicated that a **bioretention filter area of approximately 1.6% of the catchment size will be required to meet water quality treatment objectives**. The configuration, size and number of the individual bioretention systems required to satisfy the given WQOs will be determined during subsequent design stages. However an indicative cross section of the typical proposed configuration has been provided. The typical configuration

proposed includes the use of a saturated zone, which will allow for improved pollutant removal. The saturated zone also provides an innovative method to reduce the watering requirements of vegetation within bioretention systems, with the water in the saturated zone used to sustain vegetation for extended dry periods without the need for irrigation. The vegetation selected for the bioretention systems will also be drought tolerant native species to ensure a sustainable climate smart solution to managing water quality on site.

The option to use alternate water supply sources including rainwater and stormwater as a best practice options to assist in conserving potable water supplies was also investigated. Although Townsville has an exemption under the QDC for installing mandatory rainwater tanks, the water savings from rainwater tanks was investigated as a potential climate responsive and water saving solution. Results indicated that approximately 38% of on site water demands for toilet flushing, laundry use and irrigation may be met with the use of rainwater tanks, with further improvement to water quality discharged from the site also. This is less than the typical demand met in climates such as South East Queensland (where approximately 70% of demands can be met), however it may still be considered as a water savings option.

Preliminary results for stormwater harvesting indicated that stormwater harvesting for all parkland area was not likely to be feasible/cost effective due to the large tank size required to meet reasonable demand reliability. However it is noted that feasibility of stormwater harvesting may be improved through investigation of alternative options that consider smaller designated irrigation areas (hence improving the demand reliability) and the use of a more affordable storage system (than conventional proprietary tank systems). This option will be further investigated as more information becomes available through the detailed planning and design process for the current and subsequent development stages. Stormwater harvesting is an innovative, climate smart solution which may also be given federal funding under a stormwater harvesting and reuse grant that the Labour government has pledged (if elected) to assist in securing and diversifying water supplies for a sustainable Australia (ABC News, 2010).

Although the options of sewer mining or greywater reuse were not investigated as part of this study, it is noted that these options may also provide viable alternative climate smart options for satisfying a significant portion of irrigation demands (due to consistent supply throughout the year). These alternative water savings options would therefore warrant further investigation by suitably qualified professionals during subsequent design stages.

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APPENDIX A: DETAILED SITE SURVEY

APPENDIX B: SITE LAYOUT (SUPERCEDED) USED FOR WATER QUALITY MODELLING

APPENDIX C: BIORETENTION CONSTRUCTION CHECKLIST

BIORETENTION BASIN CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION CHECKLIST									
Asset I.D.					Inspected By:				
Site:					Date:				
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					Contact During Visit:				

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DURING CONSTRUCTION & ESTABLISHMENT									
A. FUNCTIONAL INSTALLATION					Structural components				
Preliminary Works					17. Location and configuration of inflow systems as designed				
1. Erosion and sediment control plan adopted					18. Location and levels of overflow pits as designed				
2. Temporary traffic/safety control measures					19. Under-drainage connected to overflow pits as designed				
3. Location same as plans					20. Concrete and reinforcement as designed				
4. Site protection from existing flows					21. Set down to correct level for flush kerbs (streetscape applications only)				
Earthworks and Filter Media					22. Kerb opening width as designed				
5. Bed of basin correct shape and slope					23. Level of saturated zone weir/up-turned pipe as designed (if required)				
6. Batter slopes as plans									
7. Dimensions of bioretention area as plans					B. SEDIMENT & EROSION CONTROL (IF REQUIRED)				
8. Confirm surrounding soil type with design					24. Stabilisation immediately following earthworks and planting of terrestrial landscape around basin				
9. Confirm filter media specification in accordance with Step 4					25. Silt fences and traffic control in place				
9. Provision of liner (if required)					26. Temporary protection layers in place				
10. Under-drainage installed as designed									
11. Drainage layer media as designed					C. OPERATIONAL ESTABLISHMENT				
12. Transition layer media as designed (if required)					27. Temporary protection layers and associated silt removed				
14. Extended detention depth as designed					Vegetation				
15. Weir/up-turned pipe is clear of debris (if required)					28. Planting as designed (species and densities)				
16. Water level in saturated zone as designed (if required)					29. Weed removal and watering as required				

FINAL INSPECTION									
1. Confirm levels of inlets and outlets					6. Check for uneven settling of banks				
2. Confirm structural element sizes					7. Under-drainage working				
3. Check batter slopes					8. Inflow systems working				
4. Vegetation as designed					9. Maintenance access provided				
5. Bioretention filter media surface flat and free of clogging									

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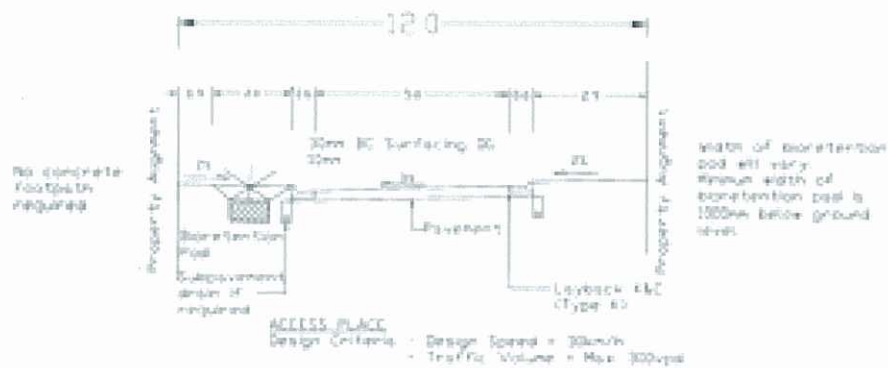
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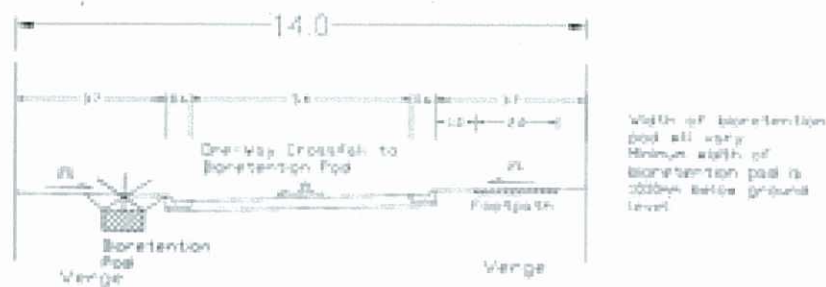
APPENDIX D: TYPICAL ROAD SECTIONS WITH WATER QUALITY TREATMENT & EXAMPLES OF DESIGN DRAWINGS FOR BIORETENTION 'PODS'

Oonooba Subdivision Cross Sections - Water Treatment Options

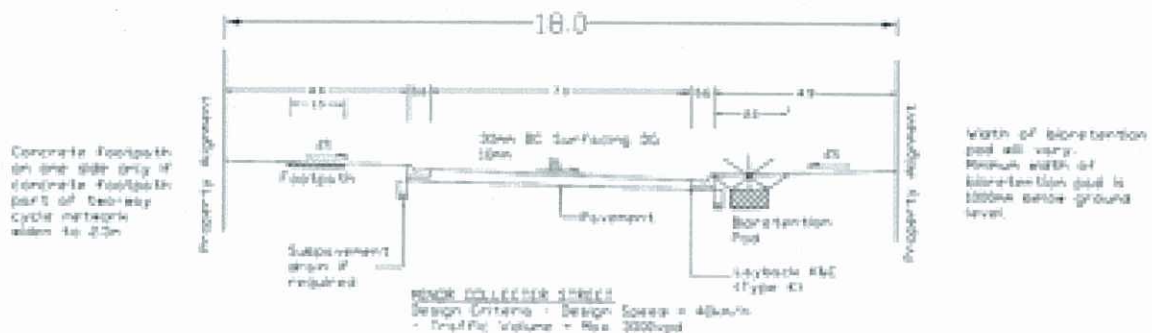
Standard cross section for Access Place



Standard cross section for Access Street



Standard cross section for Minor Collector

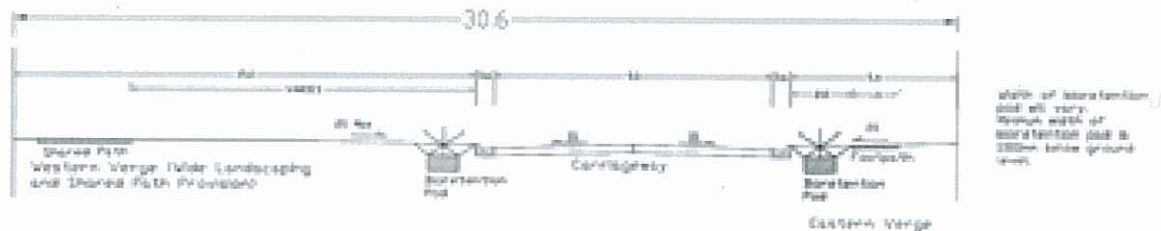


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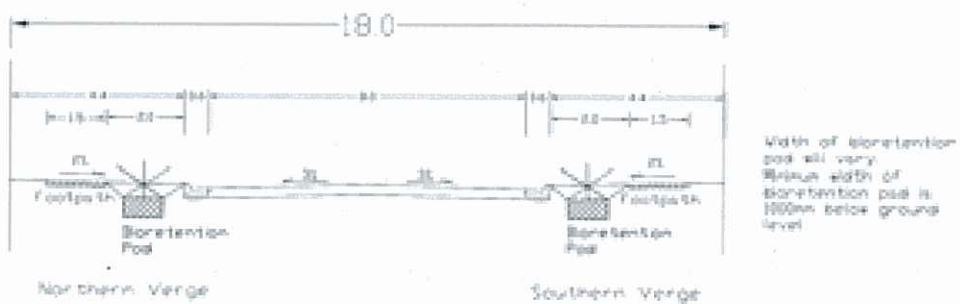
Figure 1 is a plan view of the proposed bridge and approach. The diagram shows a plan view of a bridge and its approaches. The bridge is 37.9 units long. It includes a Service Road, Westbound Lane, Eastbound Lane, and Parking. The diagram also shows the location of the bridge relative to the existing road and the proposed bridge. The diagram is labeled with dimensions and stationing.

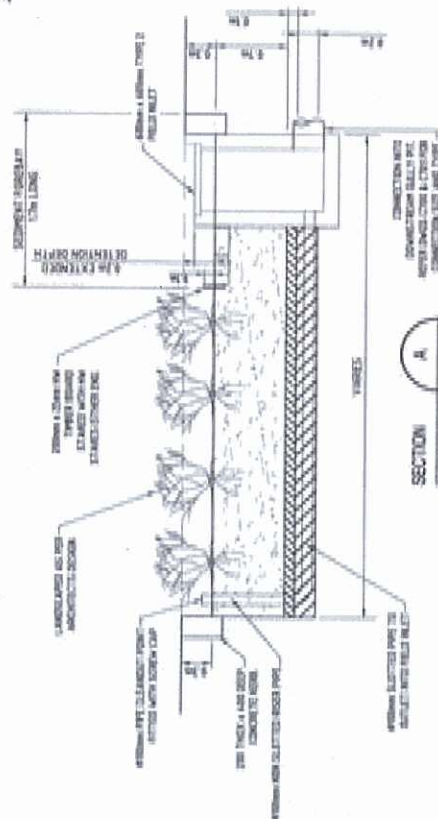
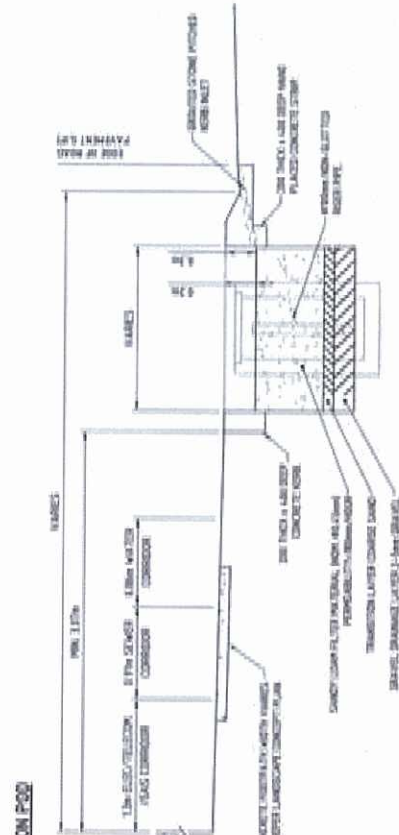
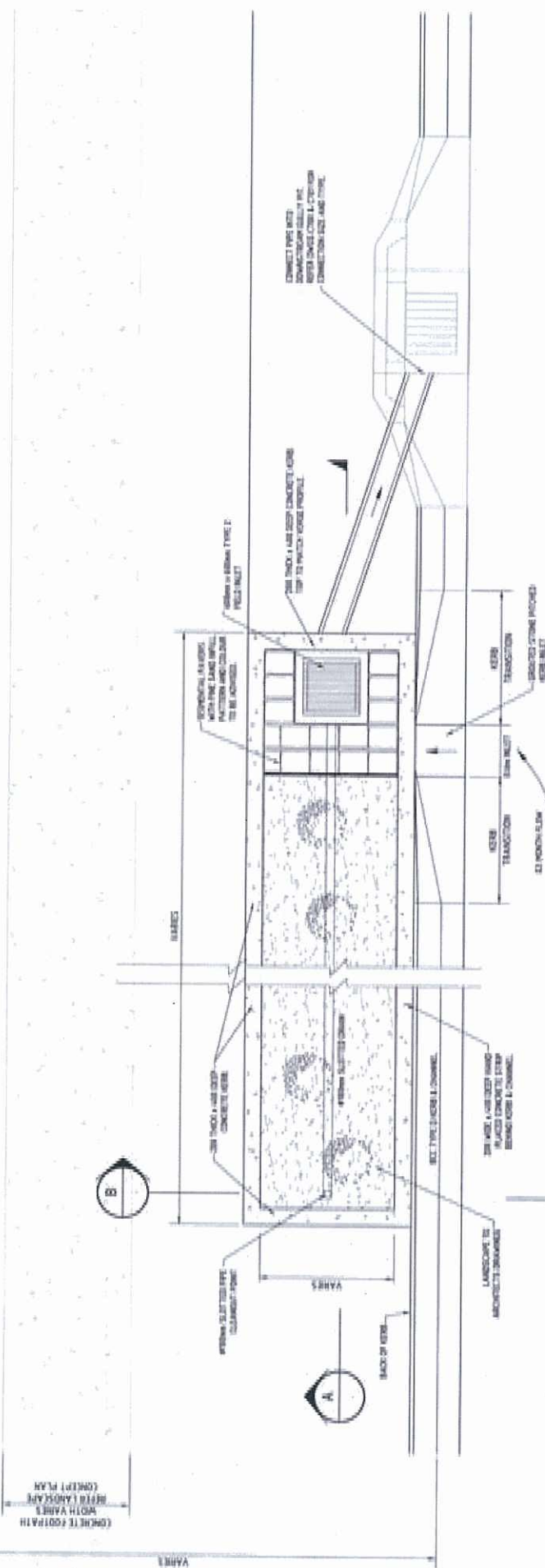
Plan view of the sewer line from the Southern Range to the Northern Range. The diagram shows a horizontal sewer line with several manholes and a large rectangular structure labeled "Sewerage Plant" on the right. The line is labeled "Sewer Line" and "Sewerage Plant". The distance between the Southern Range and the Sewerage Plant is 31.5 miles. The distance between the Sewerage Plant and the Northern Range is 1.5 miles. The diagram also shows the "Sewerage Plant" and "Sewerage Plant".

Special Cross Section for **Section D** – north-south spine road



Special Cross Section for **Section E** – bus route on Minor Collector





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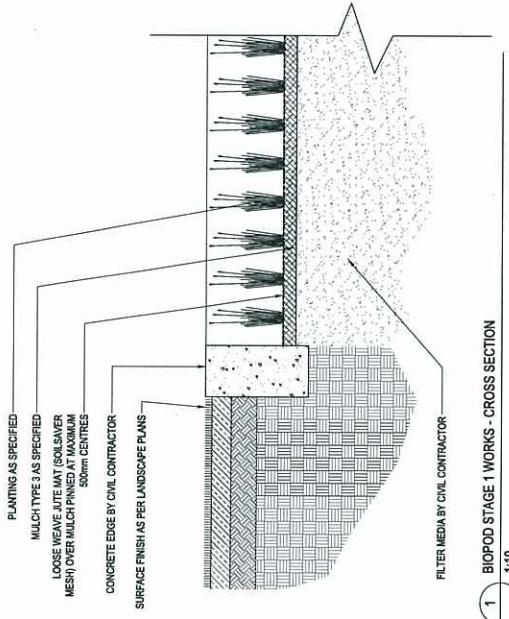
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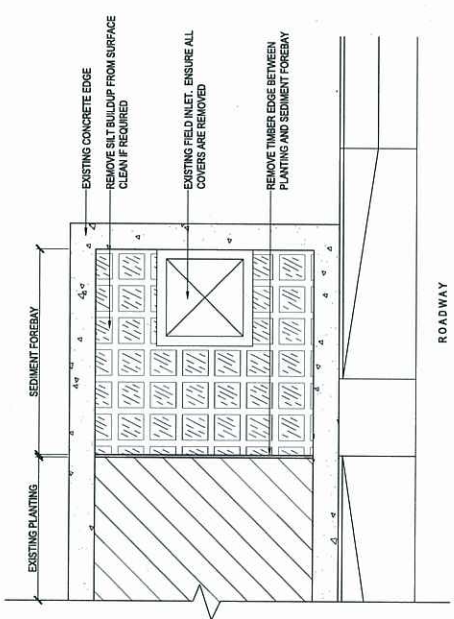
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 - Tree planting to turf footpath UMS 511
 - Tree planting with planted footpath UMS 513
- Parks
 - Typical tree & shrub planting UMS 791
 - Typical planting bed UMS 792

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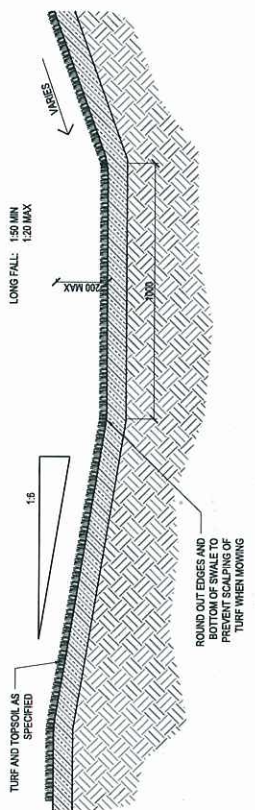
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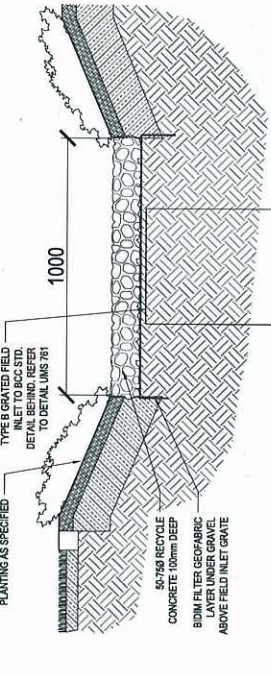
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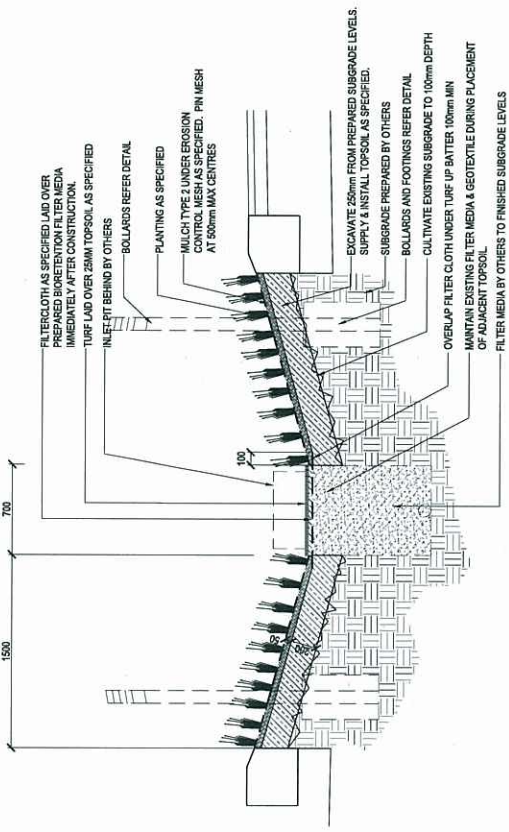
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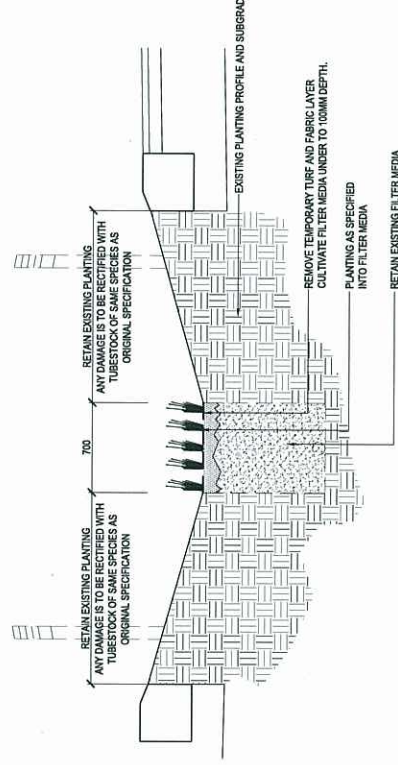
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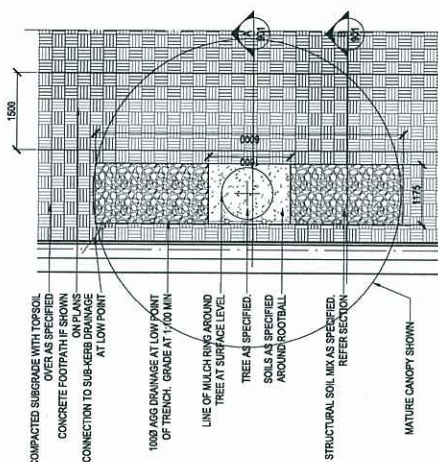
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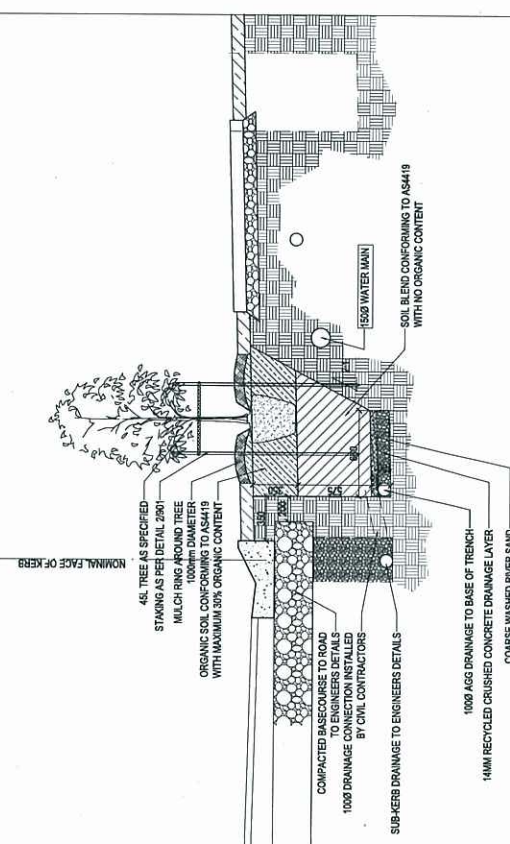
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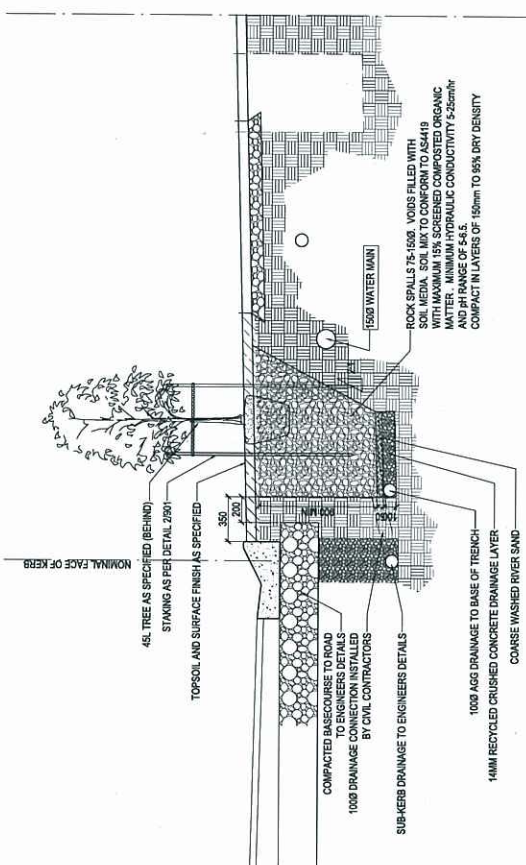
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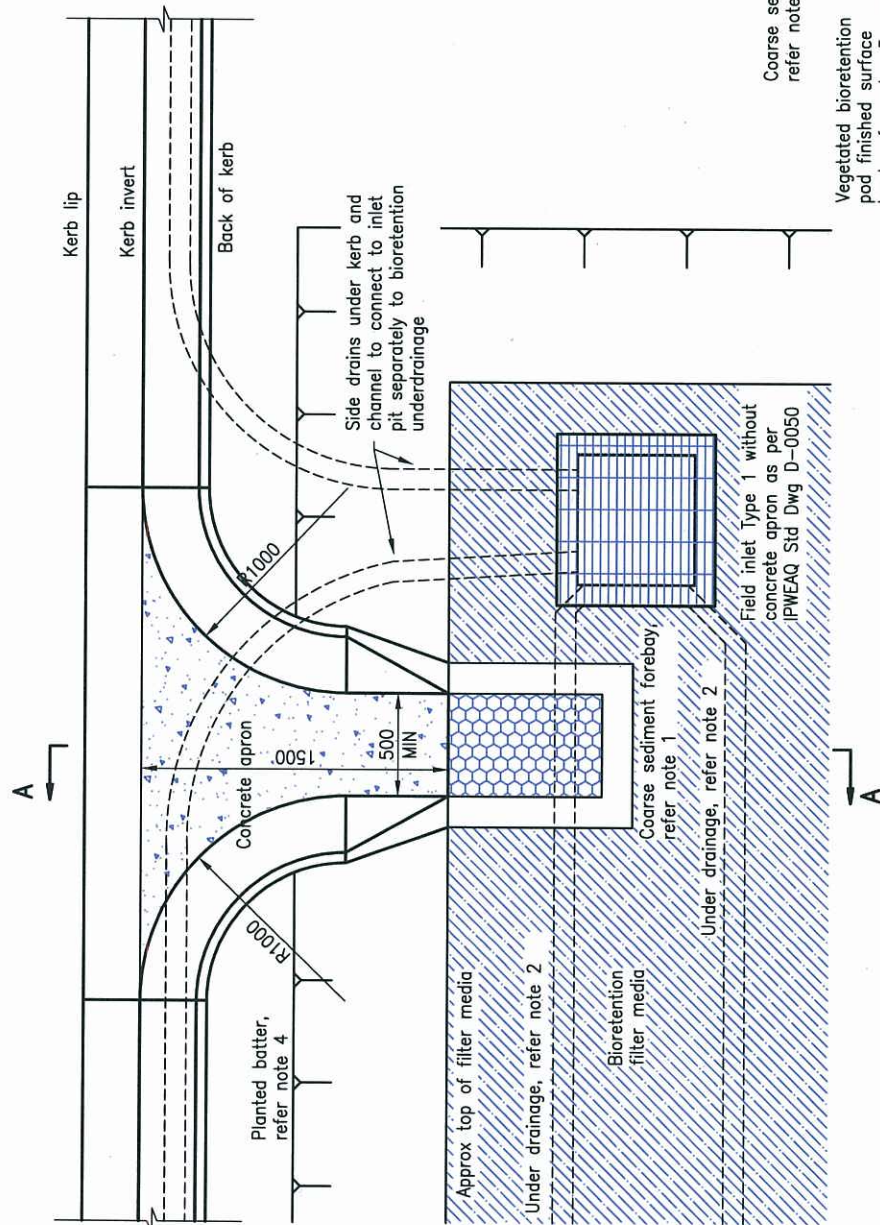
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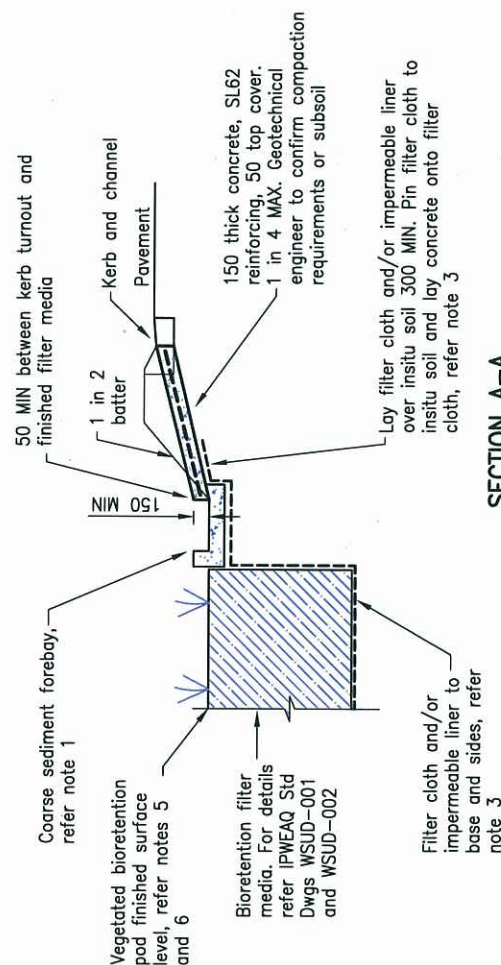
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1. Refer to relevant section of the "Water sensitive Urban Design Technical Design Guidelines" (Water by Design) and project drawings for sizing of coarse sediment forebay.
2. Under-drain: slotted rigid pipe to AS 2439.1 or approved equivalent, 0.5% MIN. grade. Refer project drawings for diameter and invert level (typically $\phi 100-150$). Pipe should not be installed with a filter sock surrounding pipe. Under-drainage pipes shall be sealed into pits using grout or other approved watertight seal.
3. Filter cloth - non-woven geotextile. Filter cloth not to be placed between any filter layers. Impervious liner may be required subject to soil testing requirements in accordance with the "Water Sensitive Urban Design Technical Design Guidelines" (Water by Design).
4. Refer to project drawings for vegetated batter slope (1 in 3 MAX, 1 in 4 typical) and batter topsoil requirements.
5. Construction tolerances as documented in the "Water Sensitive Urban Design Construction and Establishment Guidelines - Swales, Bioretention Systems and Wetlands" (Water by Design) must be achieved. Construction tolerances must be noted on project plans. Invert levels of pits, pipes and base levels must be noted on project drawings.
6. Refer landscape drawings for plant specification. Plant specification and density shall be in accordance with the "Water Sensitive Urban Design Technical Design Guidelines for South-East Queensland" (Water by Design).
8. All dimensions are in millimetres unless otherwise noted.



PLAN

SECTION A-A



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APPENDIX E: BIORETENTION MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

SCHEDULE OF SITE VISITS													
Purpose of Visit	Frequency	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Routine inspection	12/year	√		√		√		√		√		√	
Annual inspection	1/year					√							
Routine Maintenance	4/year	√			√			√			√		

The above schedule is a guideline only. Inspection and maintenance activities during the plant establishment period (first two years) are likely to be more frequent when frequent weed removal and replanting may be required. Inspections should also be performed after large rainfall events to check for damage or significant pollutant accumulation. Maintenance should only occur after a reasonably rain free period when the soil in the bioretention system is dry. Inspections are also recommended following large storm events to check for scour and other damage. Resetting (i.e. complete reconstruction) of the bioretention basin will be required if the system fails to drain adequately after tilling of the surface.

Mowing will be required at frequent (approximately monthly) intervals if the bioretention system (floor and/ or batters) has been planted with turf.

INSPECTION	
1	Routine Inspection
1.1	Routine inspection should be carried out on a regular bi-monthly basis. The purpose of the inspection is to check for weed invasion, litter accumulation and any damage/vandalism.
1.2	The bioretention system (including floor and batters) should be inspected for weed growth.
1.3	The bioretention system (including inflow points, overflow pits, under-drains and vegetation) should be checked for litter accumulation.
1.4	Identify areas of obvious sediment deposition, damage from vehicles and/ or clogging within the bioretention basin (evident by ponding and/ or 'boggy' filter media surface). If there is shallow ponding or evidence of clogging, firstly ensure that cause is not a build up of sediment. Investigate effect of "turning over" or "tilling" filter media soil, and inspect outflow pipes for clogging.
1.5	Identify areas of erosion, including scouring from storm flows and rill erosion of the batters from lateral inflows.
1.6	Any structures such as maintenance accesses, weirs, piping and access restrictions (eg. lock-rails, fencing) should be inspected for damage and or vandalism.
2.	Annual Inspection
2.1	Once per year, the condition of the bioretention basin should be closely inspected. Any damage or problems should be noted on the inspection form for action by the relevant maintenance agency.

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE	
3	Purpose
3.1	Routine maintenance of the bioretention system involves weed control and the collection of any litter and minor remedial works if required. If turf has been planted across the surface of the bioretention system, this will obviously require mowing (with mowed grass deposited offsite at an appropriate waste management facility).
4	Weed Management
4.1	If weeds have been observed within the bioretention system during routine inspection, these weeds should be removed by hand.
4.2	Where physical removal has been specified, the aim is to remove the weed including the roots when the weeds are less than 3 months old.
4.3	Herbicides should not be used.
4.4	The weeds should be disposed of offsite at an appropriate waste management facility.
4.5	Replant plant species as necessary in areas that have been extensively weeded.
4.6	<i>In general, the planted species should not be harvested. Harvesting plants has little, if any, benefit for treatment performance.</i>
5	Litter Management
5.1	Remove and dispose of any accumulated litter/debris within the bioretention basin.
6	Surface Tilling
6.1	If there is evidence of clogging of the bioretention system, tilling the bioretention basin surface or remove of the surface layer.
7	Sediment Removal
7.1	Removal of sediment where it is smothering the bioretention basin vegetation. Remove accumulated sediments by surface scraping (if it does not damage the vegetation too much) or reforming of the bio-retention system.
8	Under-Drainage Cleaning
8.1	If the bioretention system is not draining, a reason may be due to the under-drainage being blocked by sediment or litter/ debris. This blockage should be removed by 'rodding' or 'jetting' (using high pressure water) of the under-drainage. As a result, 'rodding' points should be provided at the upstream ends of all under-drainage.
9	Remedial Works
9.1	Routine inspection may detect minor damage to the bioretention system after storms that should be repaired. This may include erosion on the bioretention system or scouring at the inlet and/or outlet. This damage should be repaired as part of the routine maintenance of the bioretention system. Measures to reduce future damage (eg. erosion) from occurring should also be investigated and, if possible, implemented.
9.2	Resetting (i.e. complete reconstruction) of the bioretention system will be required if the system fails to drain adequately after tilling of the surface and no evidence of sediment accumulation or under-drainage blockage can be identified.

BIORETENTION SYSTEM MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST			
Asset I.D.			
Inspection Frequency:	1 to 6 monthly	Date of Visit:	
Location:			
Description:			
Site Visit by:			
INSPECTION ITEMS	Y	N	ACTION REQUIRED (DETAILS)
Sediment accumulation at inflow points?			
Litter within bioretention system?			
Erosion at inlet or other key structures?			
Traffic damage present?			
Evidence of dumping (building waste)?			
Vegetation condition satisfactory (density, weeds etc)?			
Watering of vegetation required?			
Weed removal required ?			
Mowing/slashing required?			
Pruning and/ or removal of dead or diseased vegetation required?			
Replanting required?			
Damage/vandalism to structures present?			
Set down from kerb still present (if road-side bioretention swale)?			
Evidence of ponding?			
Surface clogging visible?			
Drainage system inspected?			
Clogging of drainage points (sediment or debris)?			
Resetting of system required?			
COMMENTS			

APPENDIX F: BIORETENTION ASSET TRANSFER CHECKLIST

BIORETENTION BASIN ASSET TRANSFER CHECKLIST		
Asset I.D.		
Asset Location:		
Construction by:		
'On-maintenance' Period:		
TREATMENT	Y	N
System appears to be working as designed visually?		
No obvious signs of under-performance?		
MAINTENANCE	Y	N
Maintenance plans and indicative maintenance costs provided for each asset?		
Vegetation establishment period completed (2 years)?		
Inspection and maintenance undertaken as per maintenance plan?		
Inspection and maintenance forms provided?		
ASSET INSPECTED FOR DEFECTS AND/OR MAINTENANCE ISSUES AT TIME OF ASSET TRANSFER	Y	N
Sediment accumulation at inflow points?		
Litter within basin?		
Erosion at inlet or other key structures?		
Traffic damage present?		
Evidence of dumping (e.g. building waste)?		
Vegetation condition satisfactory (density, weeds etc)?		
Watering of vegetation required?		
Replanting required?		
Mowing/slashing required?		
Clogging of drainage points (sediment or debris)?		
Evidence of ponding?		
Damage/vandalism to structures present?		
Surface clogging visible?		
Drainage system inspected?		
Weir/up-turned pipe is clear of debris (if required)?		
Water level in saturated zone as designed (if required)?		
COMMENTS/ACTIONS REQUIRED FOR ASSET TRANSFER		
ASSET INFORMATION	Y	N
Design Assessment Checklist provided?		
As constructed plans provided?		
Copies of all required permits (both construction and operational) submitted?		
Proprietary information provided (if applicable)?		
Digital files (e.g. drawings, survey, models) provided?		
Asset listed on asset register or database?		



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