

Burnett County Natural Shorelines Program

•509 Lakes

•31,258 Acres of Water





The Buffer Zone is in: Is the job done???

Runoff through the view corridor

Extremely steep slopes

Lots of impervious surface . . .

New Program Emphasis

- Increased emphasis on runoff management (diversions and infiltration)
- Technical assistance and cost sharing
- Waterfront runoff book
- Greater emphasis on watering

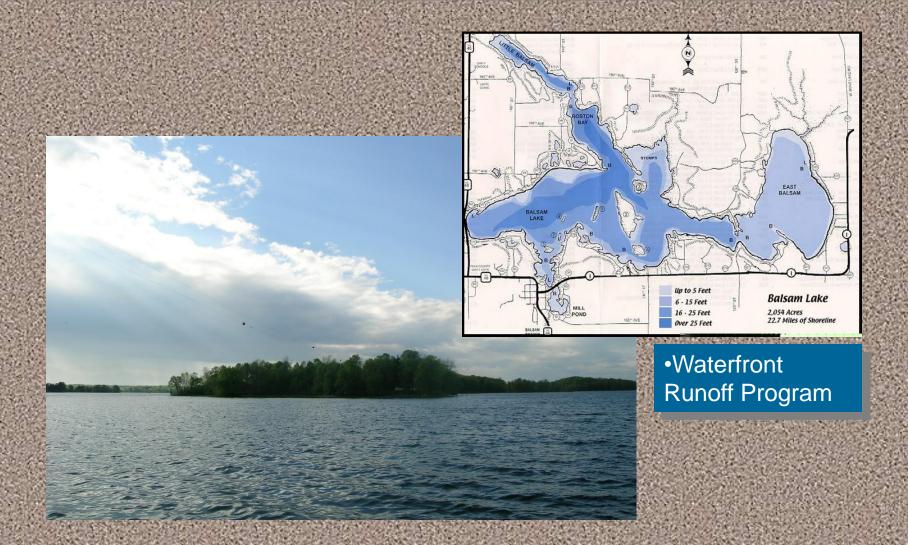
Post-planting Care

WATER
Reminders
Timers
Pumps
Drip Irrigation
Volunteer Crews?

WEEDS

ID Common Invasive
ID Seedlings Planted
Hand pull vs. Herbicide
Initial maintenance
NOT NO MAINTENANCE

Balsam Lake P&R District



Sources of Runoff



Waterfront Runoff Reduction Project:

To reduce nutrient loading to lakes

Minimize impervious surfaces

Divert runoff to prevent erosion

Encourage infiltration

Minimize Hard Surfaces



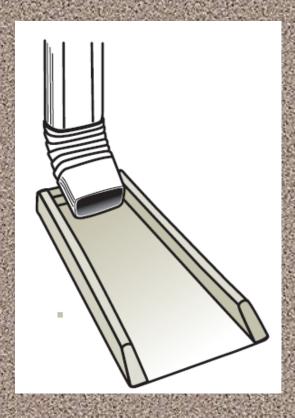
Alternatives:

- Clean ¾ inch rock or pea gravel
- Stepping stones
- Porous paving materials

*Note: Avoid compacting soil with heavy equipment or frequent foot traffic

Divert Runoff

Diversion practices redirect water away from the lake towards infiltration practices



- Gutters and downspouts
- Drain tile
- Berms
- Driveway or path diversions
- Rain barrels

Rain Barrels

Collect and store rainwater from gutters



Provide water for plants and gardens



Encourage Infiltration

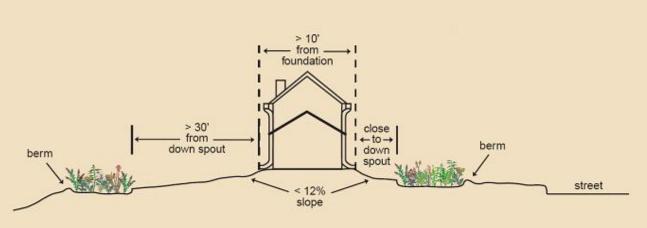
Infiltration practices allow water to soak into the soil

- Rain Gardens
- Shoreline Buffers
- Native Plants
- Rock Pits or Trenches



Rain Gardens:

Sunken gardens with native flowers

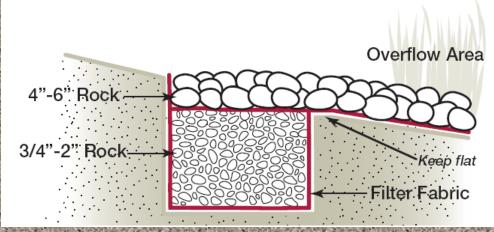




- Intercept and collect rain water
 - Absorb and filter water slowly
- Attract birds and butterflies, not mosquitoes

Rock Pits or Trenches





- Capture and store storm water runoff
- Encourage infiltration



Runoff Practice Considerations

- Drainage area
- Available space
- Infiltration capacity
- Plant selection
- Property use
- Landowner preference

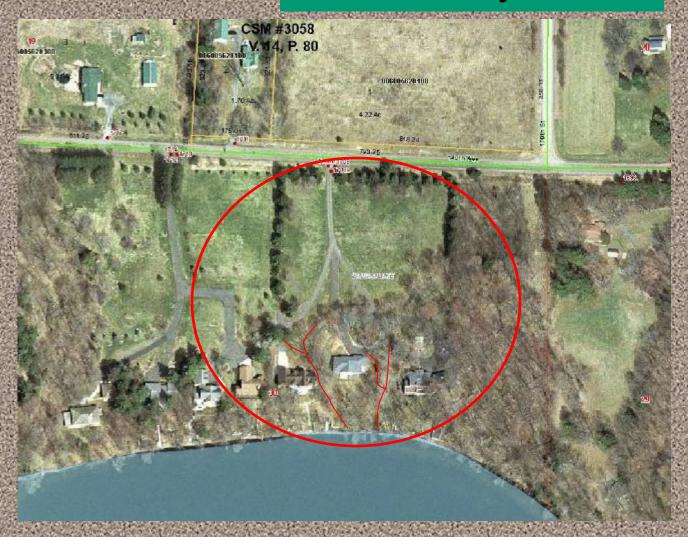
Deer Lake Example Project

Palmer's Landscaping 715-483-9222



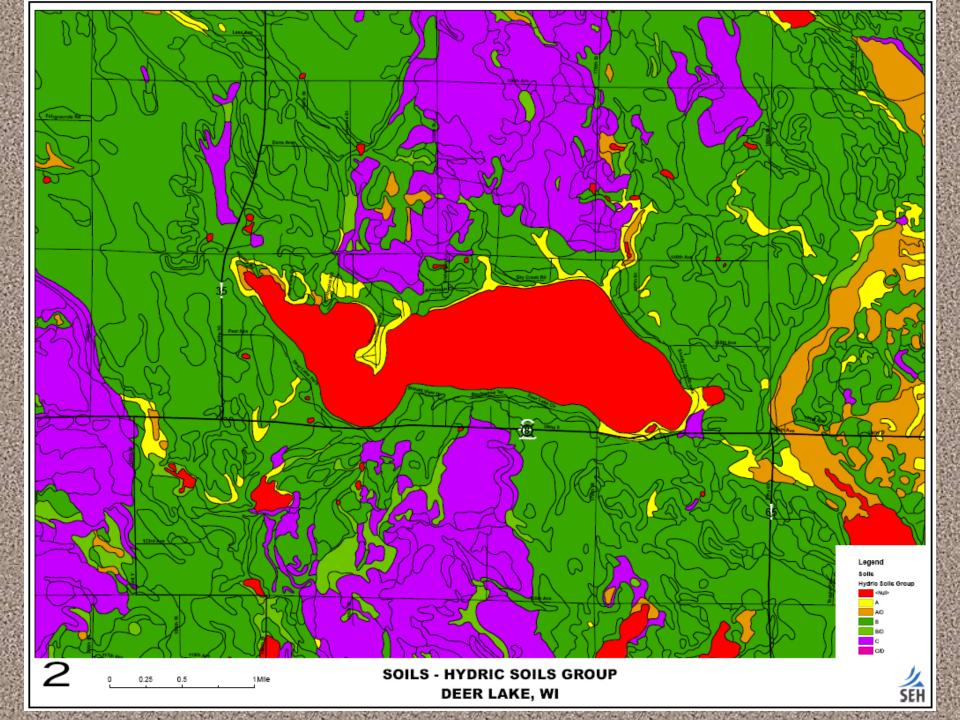


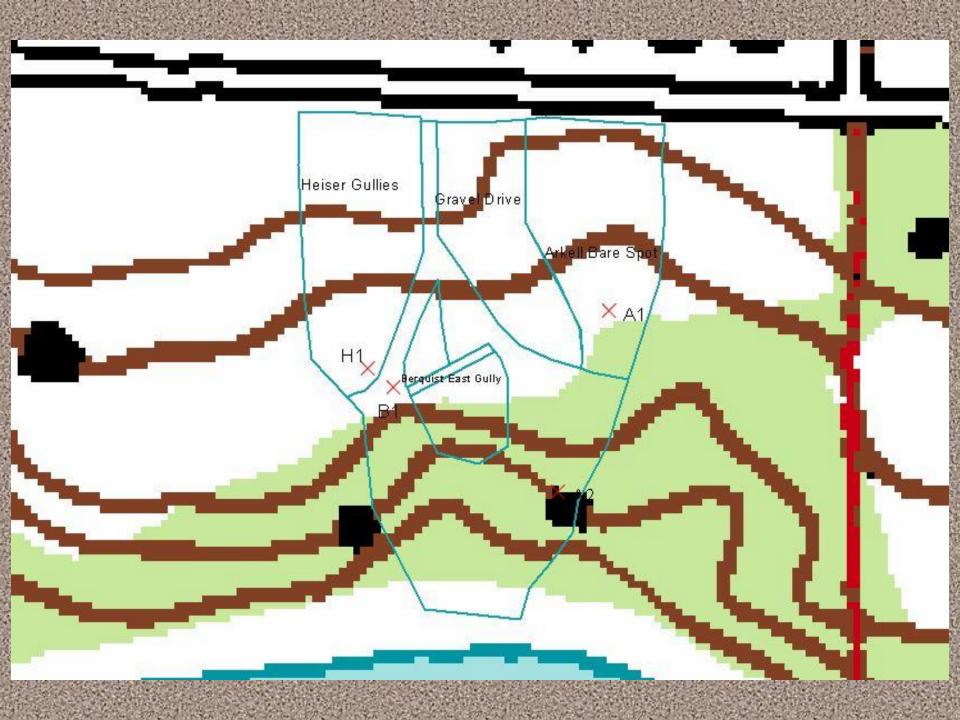
Project Area











Soil Tests Results

Soil Boring #1

0-12" Silt

12-36" Clay

36 - 60"Silt/Gravel

60 – 64" Sand ***

Soil Boring #2

0-11" Silt

12-36" Clay

36 – 60" Sand ***



Area 3 Before Rain Garden



Infiltration Hole to Gravel

























