

Technical Criteria for Non-LID Treatment Facilities

Non-LID Treatment Facilities may be used only in specific circumstances. See “Other types of treatment facilities” on pp. 3-5 and 3-6 of the *BASMAA Post-Construction Manual*. Non-LID Treatment Facilities may be either tree-box-type high-flowrate biofilters or vault-based high-flowrate media filters.

General

- Inflow rate is that generated by a continuous rainfall intensity of 0.2 inches per hour.
- Landscape and non-impervious surfaces should be made self-treating or self-retaining and not drain to treatment facilities, if feasible.
- Use the runoff factors in Table 4-1 (on p. 4-5) of the *BASMAA Post-Construction Manual*.
- The applicant’s Stormwater Control Plan (Plan) must include as an attachment a letter from the manufacturer stating the manufacturer has reviewed the Plan, the proposed device meets these technical criteria, and the manufacturer will provide a warranty for two years following activation of the facility.

High-Flowrate Tree-Box-Type Biofilters

- Maximum design surface loading rate of 50 inches per hour.
- Precast concrete construction.
- Inlet design to capture flows at least up to the maximum design surface loading rate and to bypass high flows.
- Minimum media depth of 1.8 feet (may be reduced, but maintaining the same media volume, if required because of inadequate head to discharge point).
- Media and facility configuration supports a healthy tree or other vegetation.

Vault-Based High-Flowrate Media Filters

- Replaceable cartridge filters.
- Maximum design filter surface loading rate of 1 gpm/ft²
- Storage volume detains runoff and allows settling of coarse solids prior to filtration.
- Flow through the cartridge filters is controlled by an orifice or other device so that the design surface loading rate is not exceeded.

Example Calculations

Given a project with the following Drainage Management Areas draining to a non-LID facility:

DMA 1: 2050 ft² Roof, runoff factor 1.0

DMA 2: 3035 ft² Asphalt, runoff factor 1.0

DMA 3: 250 ft² Solid Unit Pavers Set in Sand, runoff factor 0.5

High-Flowrate Tree-Box-Type Biofilter

Equivalent Impervious Area = $(2050 + 3035) \times 1.0 + (250 \times 0.5) = 5,210 \text{ ft}^2$

Sizing factor = $0.2''/\text{hr} \div 50''/\text{hr} = 0.004$

Minimum biofilter surface area = $0.004 \times 5,210 \text{ ft}^2 = 20.84 \text{ ft}^2$

Vault-Based High-Flowrate Media Filter

Design flowrate = $((3035 + 2050) \text{ ft}^2 \times 1.0 + (250 \text{ ft}^2 \times 0.5)) \times 0.2''/\text{hr} \times 1 \text{ ft}/12'' \times 1 \text{ hr.}/60 \text{ min.} \times 7.48 \text{ gal}/\text{ft}^3 = 54 \text{ gpm}$

Cartridge surface area = 10.7 ft²/cartridge (obtain from manufacturer and verify)

No. of cartridges required = $54 \text{ gpm}/1 \text{ gpm}/\text{ft}^2 \div 10.7 \text{ ft}^2/\text{cartridge} = 5.04 \text{ cartridges (round to 5)}$