

Introduction

This Training Module will cover methods designers may use to demonstrate RPv compliance under the 2019 Delaware Sediment & Stormwater Regulations (DSSR). These methods include use of the Delaware Urban Runoff Management Model (DURMM) covered in Module 1, as well as external proprietary models such as HydroCAD. The examples include analyses of infiltrating retention practices, surface recharge practices and detention practices. Methods covered include:

- Compliance using DURMM only
- Compliance using DURMM + HydroCAD
- Compliance using DURMM + criteria from the BMP Standards & Specifications

Alternative BMP scenarios are covered under these 3 general methodologies.

NOTE: Effective with the 2019 DSSR, the maximum volume of runoff that is required to be managed for the RPv event is 1". DURMM will automatically account for this in the RPv calculations as reflected in the examples included in this module.



Examples – Compliance Using DURMM Only

The first set of examples covers determining RPv requirements and verifying compliance using only DURMM under 3 different development scenarios.



This example illustrates the new development scenario.



For this example, a new small commercial site located in Kent County is proposed. The following site assumptions apply:

- Total site area = 1.20 acres
- Soil type is Hydrologic Soil Group (HSG) C
- Entire site will be disturbed
- Existing condition is grassed open space



The following assumptions apply for the proposed development:

- Total impervious area from roof and pavement = 0.80 acres
- Total site imperviousness = 67%
- Remaining 0.40 acres is assumed as grassed open space*

*Although a portion of the grassed open space will ultimately also include the bioretention facilities, for compliance purposes this area can still be assumed to be grassed open space in the DURMM calculations.

1		PROJECT:	Example 1, Small Commercial								
2		DRAINAGE SUBAREA ID:									
3		LOCATION (County):	Kent								
4		UNIT HYDROGRAPH:	DMV								
	CONTRIB	UTING AREA RUNOFF CURVE NUMBER									
5		(C.A. RCN) WORKSHEET		Curve Numbers for Hydrologic Soil Type							
6	Cover Type	Treatment	Hydrologic	A B			С		D	D	
7			Condition	Acres	RCN	Acres	RCN	Acres	RCN	Acres	RCN
59	FULLY DEVELO	PED URBAN AREAS (Veg Established)									
60	Open space (La	wns,parks etc.)									
61		Poor condition; grass cover < 50%			68		79		86		89
62		Fair condition; grass cover 50% to 75 %			49		69		79		84
63		Good condition; grass cover > 75%			39		61	0.4	74		80
64	Impervious Areas										
65		Paved parking lots, roofs, driveways			98		98	0.8	98		98
66		Streets and roads									
67		Paved; curbs and storm sewers			98		98		98		98
68		Paved; open ditches (w/right-of-way)			83		89		92		93
69		Gravel (w/ right-of-way)			76		85		89		91
70		Dirt (w/right-of-way)			72		82		87		89
71	Urban Districts		Avg % impervious								
72		Commercial & business	85		89		92		94		95
73		Industrial	72		81		88		91		93

<u>Example 2a – New Development (DURMM Only)</u> The post-developed site conditions are entered into the DURMM "C.A. RCN" sheet as shown above.

1	PROJECT:	Example 1, Small Commercial					
2	DRAINAGE SUBAREA ID:	0					
в	LOCATION (County):	Kent					
4	UNIT HYDROGRAPH: DMV						
5	LIMIT OF DISTURBANCE (LOD) WORKSHEET						
6	Step 1 - Subarea LOD Data	HSG A	HSG B	HSG C	HSG D		
7	1.1 HSG Area Within LOD (ac)			1.2			
в	1.2 Pre-Developed Woods/Meadow Within LOD (ac)						
9	1.3 Pre-Developed Impervious Within LOD (ac)						
0	1.4.a Post-Developed Imperviousness Within LOD, Option #1 (ac); OR			0.8			
1	1.4.b Post-Developed Imperviousness Within LOD, Option #2 (%)		0%	67%	0%		
2							
3	Step 2 - Subarea LOD Runoff Calculations						
4	2.1 RCN per HSG	0.00	0.00	90.00	0.00		
5	2.2 RPv per HSG (in.)	0.00	0.00	1.86	0.00		
6	2.3 Target RCN per HSG	0.00	0.00	74.00	0.00		
7	2.4 Target Runoff per HSG (in.)	0.00	0.00	1.06	0.00		
8							
9	2.5 Subarea LOD (ac)	1.20					
0	0 2.6 Subarea Weighted RCN 90.00						

<u>Example 2a – New Development (DURMM Only)</u> The post-developed site conditions are entered into the DURMM "LOD" sheet as shown above



For the purposes of this example, it is assumed that the entire site drains to 1 of 2 Bioretention facilities with underdrains that are interconnected.

The DURMM "RPv" sheet will be used to determine the combined storage capacity of the 2 bioretention areas required for RPv compliance.



Although a designer could determine the required storage for the combined bioretention areas using an iterative approach by entering trial volumes at Step 2.1 on the "RPv" sheet, DURMM provides a quicker method by using the "No BMP" option, as follows:

- 1. Select the "No BMP" option from the dropdown menu for BMP 1
- 2. DURMM calculates the residual volume that needs to be managed
- 3. Results for the residual volume* are shown at Step 5.3

Using this approach, DURMM has calculated the residual volume that needs to be managed is 3,505 CF.

*DURMM uses the term "residual volume" to denote the portion of runoff volume that is <u>not</u> infiltrated or recharged through a permeable surface.



The designer must verify the "No BMP" calculated storage, as follows:

- 1. Select "2-A Traditional Bioretention Underdrain" from the dropdown menu for BMP-1
- 2. Enter "3505" for BMP-1 at Step 2.1
- 3. Verify RPv compliance; "YES" will be shown at Step 4.8 if compliance is met

NOTE: In some cases, the residual volume calculated using the "No BMP" option may not meet compliance at the verification step due to computational rounding. The error will usually be within a few CF and can be corrected iteratively at this point.



The site will meet the RPv requirements of the DSSR if the 2 bioretention facilities have a combined storage volume of 3,505 CF. The designer must then apportion the volumes of the 2 facilities accordingly and demonstrate they have the necessary capacity through a combination of void space in the media and surface ponding in accordance with the BMP Standards & Specifications for Bioretention.

The DURMM calculations and verification of storage volume provided are submitted with the SWM Report to demonstrate compliance. (It is not necessary to include the "No BMP" calculations for estimating the required runoff volume to be managed.)





The next example will use the same proposed small commercial site from Example 2a, but the predeveloped condition will be assumed to have existing impervious area. This then falls under the 15%* reduction in effective imperviousness redevelopment requirements under the DSSR.

*New Castle County requires some redevelopment projects within their jurisdiction to reduce the effective imperviousness by 50%. A special version of DURMM is available from the DNREC Sediment & Stormwater Program website with modified calculations to be used for such projects.



The following site assumptions apply:

- Total site area = 1.20 acres
- Soil type is Hydrologic Soil Group (HSG) C
- Entire site will be disturbed
- Existing condition is:
 - 0.80 acres impervious area
 - 0.40 acres grassed open space

1	PROJECT:	Example 1, Small Commercial				
2	DRAINAGE SUBAREA ID:	0				
3	LOCATION (County): Kent					
4	UNIT HYDROGRAPH: DMV					
5	LIMIT OF DISTURBANCE (LOD) WORKSHEET					
6	Step 1 - Subarea LOD Data	HSG A	HSG B	HSG C	HSG D	
7	1.1 HSG Area Within LOD (ac)			1.2		
8	1.2 Pre-Developed Woods/Meadow Within LOD (ac)					
9	1.3 Pre-Developed Impervious Within LOD (ac)			0.8		
10	1.4.a Post-Developed Imperviousness Within LOD, Option #1 (ac); <u>OR</u>			0.8		
11	1.4.b Post-Developed Imperviousness Within LOD, Option #2 (%)	0%	0%	67%	0%	
12						
13 Step 2 - Subarea LOD Runoff Calculations						
14	2.1 RCN per HSG	0.00	0.00	90.00	0.00	
15	2.2 RPv per HSG (in.)	0.00	0.00	1.86	0.00	
16	2.3 Target RCN per HSG	0.00	0.00	87.60	0.00	
17	2.4 Target Runoff per HSG (in.)	0.00	0.00	1.71	0.00	
18						
19	2.5 Subarea LOD (ac)	1.20				
20	2.6 Subarea Weighted RCN 90.00					

<u>Example 2b – ReDevelopment (DURMM Only)</u> Since the proposed development is the same as Example 2a, the "C.A. RCN" worksheet is filled out the same way. The post-developed site conditions showing the existing impervious area are entered into the DURMM "LOD" sheet as shown above



Using the "No BMP" option as in Example 2a, it was determined that a bioretention facility with 658 CF of storage will meet the RPv requirements of the DSSR. The verification process is performed also as in Example 2a:

- 1. Select "2-A Traditional Bioretention Underdrain" from the dropdown menu for BMP-1
- 2. Enter "658" for BMP-1 at Step 2.1
- 3. Verify RPv compliance; "YES" will be shown at Step 4.8 if compliance is met

NOTE: In some cases, the residual volume calculated using the "No BMP" option may not meet compliance at the verification step due to computational rounding. The error will usually be within a few CF and can be corrected iteratively at this point.



This example illustrates the fact that the RPv runoff reduction requirements are significantly reduced for redevelopment projects, incentivizing these types of projects over converting undeveloped areas.





The next example takes the redevelopment scenario even farther by assuming the existing condition is a site with 100% impervious area.



The following site assumptions apply:

- Total site area = 1.20 acres
- Soil type is Hydrologic Soil Group (HSG) C
- Entire site will be disturbed
- Existing condition = 1.20 acres impervious area

1	PROJECT:	Example 1, Small Commercial					
2	DRAINAGE SUBAREA ID:	0					
3	LOCATION (County):	Kent					
4	UNIT HYDROGRAPH:	DMV					
5	LIMIT OF DISTURBANCE (LOD) WORKSHEET						
6	Step 1 - Subarea LOD Data		HSG B	HSG C	HSG D		
7	1.1 HSG Area Within LOD (ac)			1.2			
8	1.2 Pre-Developed Woods/Meadow Within LOD (ac)						
9	1.3 Pre-Developed Impervious Within LOD (ac)			1.2			
10	1.4.a Post-Developed Imperviousness Within LOD, Option #1 (ac); <u>OR</u>			1.02			
11	1.4.b Post-Developed Imperviousness Within LOD, Option #2 (%)		0%	85%	0%		
12							
13	3 Step 2 - Subarea LOD Runoff Calculations						
14	2.1 RCN per HSG	0.00	0.00	94.40	0.00		
15	2.2 RPv per HSG (in.)	0.00	0.00	2.18	0.00		
16	2.3 Target RCN per HSG	0.00	0.00	94.40	0.00		
17	2.4 Target Runoff per HSG (in.)	0.00	0.00	2.18	0.00		
18							
19	2.5 Subarea LOD (ac)	1.20					
20	2.6 Subarea Weighted RCN	94.40					

Since the proposed development is the same as examples 2a and 2b, the "C.A. RCN" worksheet is filled out the same way. The post-developed site conditions showing 1.2 acres of existing impervious area are entered into the DURMM "LOD" sheet as shown above. The proposed post-developed impervious area of 1.02 acres is entered at Step 1.4a. DURMM has calculated that the post-developed imperviousnessis 85%.



In this case, selecting the "No BMP" option also verifies that the physical reduction of impervious area meets the redevelopment requirements for RPv compliance under the DSSR.



No additional RPv management is therefore required in this case.*

*Some redevelopment projects location within the jurisdictional area of New Castle County have a requirement of 50% reduction of effective impervious for RPv compliance. Under a situation similar to this example, additional management of RPv as calculated in the modified New Castle County version of DURMM would be required.



Summary (DURMM Only)

Summarizing the RPv compliance requirements for the 3 scenarios of development of a small commercial site in Kent County:

- New Development of "Green Space": 3,505 CF runoff management
- Redevelopment (15% Reduction of Effective IMP): 657 CF management
- Redevelopment (Existing IMP reduced by 15%): 0 CF management

NOTE: The "DURMM Only" method is a simplified, though conservative solution. Routing bioretention facilities would typically result in more optimal sizing, with the trade-off being a requirement for additional calculations. Examples of routing solutions are included later in this module.



The next example covers the use of DURMM to determine the RPv runoff management requirements and the use of an external hydrologic software package to verify compliance. In this case, HydroCAD will be used as the external hydrologic software package. The Sediment & Stormwater Program web site maintains a list of approved proprietary and non-proprietary hydrologic software that can be used to meet the requirements of the DSSR. As before, different scenarios will be used to illustrate varying pre-developed and/or post-developed conditions.



For this example, a medium density single family residential development with open section road is proposed in Sussex County. Stormwater runoff will be directed to a proposed infiltration basin. The following site assumptions apply:

- Soil type is Hydrologic Soil Group (HSG) B
- 2 subareas within the LOD
 - Subarea A: Fronts of lots/roofs, driveways and open section road
 - Subarea B: Backs of lots/roofs



Example 2d – DURMM + HydroCAD Additional site conditions:

• A-1 consists of 0.5 acres of roof area



Example 2d – DURMM + HydroCAD Additional site conditions:

• A-2 consists of 0.91 acres of impervious area comprised of the driveways and road



Example 2d – DURMM + HydroCAD Additional site conditions:

• The remaining area in A-2 consists of 1.62 acres of grassed open space



Example 2d – DURMM + HydroCAD The proposed BMP for A-1 consists of:

• Full rooftop disconnection



Runoff from the road channel is collected at the end of the cul-de-sac. It was determined that there is not enough length of flow between the property lines to construct a Bioswale, so the runoff will be conveyed to an infiltration basin through a culvert. The proposed BMP treatment train for A-2 consists of:

- BMP 1 Grassed channel; 100% HSG A/B soil
- BMP 2 Infiltration basin



DURMM will be used to determine the required RPv volume to be managed in order to comply with the DSSR, as well as how much runoff reduction the various BMPs are able achieve. The first subarea to be analyzed is Subarea A-1, which represents the impervious area from the front rooftops. The input data for A-1 is entered in the DURMM "C.A. RCN" sheet as shown above.



The input data for A-1 is entered in the DURMM "LOD" sheet as shown above. In this case, Option #2 is used to enter the rooftops as 100% impervious for the post-developed condition. Alternatively, the user can use Option #1 to enter 0.5 acres. DURMM will then calculate the post-developed imperviousness as 100%.



Input data for the DURMM "RPv" sheet is as follows:

- BMP 1 drop down menu: "7-B Full Rooftop Connection HSG B"
- Step 3.3 Proportion A/B soils in BMP footprint: 100%

DURMM calculates the runoff reduction based on the inputs.



The "DURMM Report" sheet contains a summary of the results for all the selected BMPs for the RPv, Cv and Fv. The information from the "Adjusted Subarea Data for DURMM Downstream Modeling" section contains information that will be used for subsequent calculations for analyzing subarea A-2.



The input data for A-2 is entered in the DURMM "C.A. RCN" sheet as shown above. However, since A-2 also receives the residual runoff from the roofs after the disconnection is accounted for, the area and adjusted CN for A-1 from the "DURMM Report" for subarea A-1 must be included as an upstream contributing area as shown. Thus the analysis is effectively for a combined A-1 + A-2 subarea.
(Medium Density Residential Open Section Road – <mark>A-1 + A-2</mark>						
1	PROJECT	Example	2. MDR				
2	DRAINAGE SUBAREA ID:	A-1+A-2	A-1 + A-2				
3	LOCATION (County):	Sussex	Sussex				
4	UNIT HYDROGRAPH:	DMV					
5	LIMIT OF DISTURBANCE (LOD) WORKSHEET					-	
6	Step 1 - Subarea LOD Data	HSG A	HSG B	HSG C	HSG D	-	
7	1.1 HSG Area Within LOD (ac)		2.53				
8	1.2 Pre-Developed Woods/Meadow Within LOD (ac)						
9	1.3 Pre-Developed Impervious Within LOD (ac)						
10	1.4.a Post-Developed Imperviousness Within LOD, Option #1 (ac); OR		0.91				
11	1.4.b Post-Developed Imperviousness Within LOD, Option #2 (%)	0%	36%	0%	0%		
12							
13	Step 2 - Subarea LOD Runoff Calculations						
14	2.1 RCN per HSG	0.00	74.31	0.00	0.00		
15	2.2 RPv per HSG (in.)	0.00	1.07	0.00	0.00		
16	2.3 Target RCN per HSG	0.00	61.00	0.00	0.00		
17	2.4 Target Runoff per HSG (In.)	0.00	0.65	0.00	0.00		
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Example 2d – DURMM + HydroCAD The input data for A-2 is entered in Step 1 of the DURMM "LOD" sheet as shown above.



DURMM has calculated the total runoff for subarea A-1 + A-2 as 1.07 watershed inches at Step 2.7 on the "LOD" sheet. The target runoff for compliance is calculated as 0.65 watershed inches at Step 2.8 on the "LOD" sheet. That is, the treatment train of stormwater management BMPs must bring the total site runoff down from 1.07 watershed inches to 0.65 watershed inches or less in order for subarea A-1 + A-2 to comply with the DSSR.



The results from the "DURMM Report" for A-1 are entered in Step 3 of the DURMM "LOD" sheet as shown above.



Since the rooftop disconnection is already accounted for from area A-1, the next BMP in the treatment train is the grass channel provided by the open section road. Input data for the DURMM "RPv" sheet is as follows:

- BMP 1 drop down menu: "8-B Grassed Channel"
- Step 3.3 Proportion A/B soils in BMP footprint: 100%

DURMM automatically inputs the allowable runoff reduction allowance of 20% for grassed channel on HSG B soils and calculates the runoff reduction. The analysis indicates that the residual runoff from the combined suabareas A-1 + A-2 after accounting for full rooftop disconnection and runoff reduction in the open road section grassed channels is 0.84 watershed inches.

DURMM has calculated at Step 5.3 that an additional 2,144 cubic feet of residual runoff must be managed in order to comply with the RPv requirements of the DSSR. At this point the designer could simply provide an infiltration basin with 2,144 cubic feet of storage. However, the design could be optimized by using a routing method. Since DURMM is not capable of performing a routing, an external software package, such as HydroCAD, can be used. The next series of slides will illustrate how surface recharge practices can be modeled using HydroCAD so that they can then be used as inputs in the routing of a BMP.



In order to optimize the design of the infiltration basin, the credit for the grassed channels in the open section road using HydroCAD is illustrated in the next series of slides.



Information for the grassed channels of the open section road is contained in Section 8.0 Vegetated Channels specification from the Post Construction Stormwater BMP Standards & Specifications.



Table 8.1 indicates that a grassed channel on HSG A/B soil gets a 20% runoff reduction credit for the RPv event. This can then be used to set up the HydroCAD model for the grassed channels of the open section road.



In order to use HydroCAD for RPv compliance under the DSSR, the following steps must be taken to ensure the RPv computations are consistent with those that are calculated in DURMM:

- 1. Go to "Calculation Settings>Advanced" under the "Settings" menu
- 2. Change the default setting for "Ia/S Ratio" to 0.05
- 3. Click the radio button for "Use composite CN for each subcatchment (Weighted CN)"

NOTE: The adjustment of the Ia/S ratio in HydroCAD is only necessary for modeling the RPv event. Modeling for the Cv and Fv events should continue to use the NRCS Runoff Equation default value of 0.20.



The DURMM "LOD" sheet for the combined A-1 + A-2 subarea will be used for inputs to the HydroCAD model.



The 3.03 acre drainage area and Curve Number of 72 are entered on the "Area" tab for Subcatchment A-1+A-2.



The time of concentration was determined to be the minimum of 10 minutes, which is entered on the "Tc" tab for the subcatchment.



Surface recharge practices are modeled in HydroCAD using a flow factor (or discharge multiplier in HydroCAD terms) with a Link Node. It is important to note that the multiplier as used in HydroCAD represents the percentage of flow that continues to be discharged, not the percentage of runoff reduction (RR). It is therefore necessary to calculate the appropriate multiplier as follows:

HydroCAD Discharge Multiplier = 1 – RR allowance

In this example, it was determined that the RR allowance for grassed channel on HSG A/B soil is 20% (0.20). Thus:

HydroCAD Discharge Multiplier = 1 - 0.20 = 0.80

To enter the multiplier, right click the "BMP-1" node>Edit>Advanced



Running the RPv event in HydroCAD for the Grassed Channel shows that the total runoff entering the Infiltration Basin is 0.98 watershed inches and that the discharge multiplier has correctly reduced (or attenuated in HydroCAD terms) the flow by 20%.

NOTE: The calculated runoff volume of 0.98 watershed inches is slightly less than the 1.0 watershed inches calculated in DURMM due to differing internal rounding and calculation precision settings. However, showing compliance using either DURMM or an approved external program such as HydroCAD is acceptable under the DSSR.



Running RPv event at the Infiltration Basin (BMP-2) shows that the inflow is 0.79 watershed inches. This is still more than the target of 0.65 watershed inches.

0.79" > 0.65" ∴ DOES NOT COMPLY

Thus additional BMPs are required for subarea A-1 + A-2 to comply with the DSSR. Since the soils are classified as HSG B, an infiltration basin would be a logical choice to manage the residual runoff required for compliance.



For this example, full disconnection of the front rooftops and use of an open road section with grassed channels did not quite provide enough runoff reduction for subarea A-1 + A-2 to comply with the DSSR without the need for additional BMPs. However, the additional runoff that must be managed is only 0.14 watershed inches, which may not warrant construction of a BMP as large as an infiltration basin. Although it was determined that there was not enough length of flow between the lot lines at the end of the cul-de-sac to provide a Bioswale, the Post Construction Stormwater BMP Standards & Specifications include procedures for determining partial credit for some of the surface recharge practices, including Bioswales. Module 3 will demonstrate how to model partial credit using the Link Node method in HydroCAD which might confirm that an infiltration basin would not be required for this example.



The next set of examples will illustrate how DURMM is used to determine the required runoff reduction for a project, as before. However, the demonstration of RPv compliance under the DSSR will be based on criteria contained in the Standards and Specifications for Post Construction Stormwater BMPs.



The first example in this series will cover a Traditional Constructed Wetland from BMP 12.0 in the Standards and Specifications for Post Construction Stormwater BMPs.



The site will be the same medium density residential project located in Sussex County as used in Example 2d with some slightly modified conditions, as follows:

- Soil type is Hydrologic Soil Group (HSG) C
- 2 subareas within the LOD, Subarea A and Subarea B
 - Subarea A: Fronts of lots/roofs, driveways and closed section road with storm drains
 - Open space, good condition, HSG C: 1.62 acres
 - Impervious area: 1.41 acres
- Drainage from Subarea A is collected in a storm drain along lot lines that then discharges directly into a proposed Traditional Constructed Wetland with a normal pool surface area of 0.5 acres.
- Although Subarea A is the focus of this example, Subarea B would also need to be analyzed to complete the verification of compliance for the site as a whole.



Note that on the "RPv" sheet, the input cells for both retention and annual runoff reduction are both grayed-out. This is because Constructed Wetlands do not infiltrate or recharge stormwater runoff. Nevertheless, they can be used for full compliance for the RPv event if designed in accordance with the Post Construction Stormwater BMP Standards and Specifications. The following series of slides will illustrate the procedure for demonstrating compliance for a Traditional Constructed Wetland.



Section 12.0 contains the Standards and Specifications for Constructed Wetlands.



Table 12.1-A indicates that a Traditional Constructed Wetland receives full RPv credit when designed in accordance with the specifications.



In order to meet the specifications, the Traditional Constructed Wetland must be designed to meet the volume and/or surface area requirements for the various zones, as illustrated in the graphic included with the specifications.



The equations for determining the required volumes and/or surface areas for the various zones within the constructed wetland are contained in the specifications. However, the DNREC Sediment & Stormwater Program has developed a spreadsheet that greatly simplifies the process. The "BMP Design Worksheet" can be downloaded from the program website under the "Engineering" resources tab. Input for the "green" shaded cells are as follows:

- Total contributing drainage area (From DURMM RPv Sheet, Step 1.1): 3.03 ac
- RPv volume to be managed (from DURMM RPv Sheet, Step 5.3): 5660 cf
- Fraction of rainfall that enters the stormwater wetland (Rational Eq. "C" factor from BMP Design Worksheet): 0.4
- Ratio of contributing drainage area to normal pool surface area (3.03/0.5): 6.06

The required volumes and surface areas for design of the Traditional Constructed Wetland are calculated in the "magenta" shaded cells.



The designer must then demonstrate the required volumes and surface areas for the various zones are provided in order to comply under the DSSR.



The next example will cover another type of constructed wetland known as a Submerged Gravel Wetland.



The proposed project is the small commercial redevelopment project in Kent County. In Example 2b, it was shown that a bioretention facility with 658 cubic feet of storage would comply under the DSSR. For this example, the bioretention facility will be replaced with a Submerged Gravel Wetland (SGW) due to high groundwater conditions. The assumptions and site conditions are the same as for Example 2b. Therefore, the only difference will be the selection of a Submerged Gravel Wetland on the RPv sheet instead of a Traditional Bioretention with Underdrain.



As with the Traditional Constructed Wetland example, a SGW does not receive a runoff retention or recharge credit. However, Step 5.3 indicates that the residual runoff volume required for RPv compliance is the same 658 cubic feet that was required for the Bioretention facility in Example 2b. Therefore, the design of the SGW must meet the requirements in the specifications for Submerged Gravel Wetlands in order to comply.



One of the design criteria for a SGW is that it must store the RPv volume required for compliance within the gravel substrate, the wetland soils, and any surface ponding above the wetland soils. The maximum allowable ponding depth is the tolerance for ponding of the selected wetland plantings or a maximum of 2 feet.



SGWs are unique in that they are designed to retain a certain portion of a previous runoff event. This retained runoff volume is then displaced by subsequent runoff events. As such, there is no hydraulic control for their discharge and there is no minimum detention time requirement. Instead, the SGW must meet the following design criteria from the specifications:

- The gravel substrate must be a minimum of 2 feet in depth
- The gravel substrate must be a maximum of 4 feet in depth
- The gravel substrate must have the capacity to store a minimum of 25% of the RPv volume required for compliance

The design for this example must therefore meet the following requirement:

- RPv volume required for compliance = 658 cf
- Minimum RPv volume stored in gravel substrate = 658*0.25 = 165 cf
- Minimum total volume of the gravel substrate assuming 40% void ratio = 165/0.40 = 413 cf
- The 413 cf gravel substrate section must be between 2 feet and 4 feet in depth



The final example in this module will cover BMP 17 Afforestation from the Post Construction Stormwater BMP Standards and Specifications.



The medium density residential development in Sussex County from Example 2d will again be used, with the exception that the entire LOD will be evaluated rather than a single subarea. The relevant site details are as follows:

- Entire site is Hydrologic Soils Group (HSG) B
- Total site area: 10.08 ac
- Entire site is cropland for the predeveloped condition
- Post-developed Limit of Disturbance (LOD): 4.77 ac



The proposed BMP is a single infiltration facility. However, the developer has proposed to convert the existing cropland areas outside the development LOD to conserved forest area using a combination of afforestation and urban tree plantings. The designer must now determine the RPv runoff reduction allowance from afforestation and urban tree planting so that the final volume for the infiltration facility can be determined.



The designer has determined the remaining areas outside the development LOD will allow the following post-developed conditions:

- Afforestation: 5.31 ac
- Urban Tree Planting: 30 trees



Section 17.0 from the Post-Construction Stormwater BMP Standards and Specifications contains the requirements for Afforestation and Urban Tree Planting as well as the allowable runoff reduction credits.



The Afforestation specification assumes areas that would otherwise be grassed open space in the post-developed condition will instead eventually exhibit the hydrologic conditions of a mature forest. Although this is not the case initially, it is felt that incentivizing the long-term benefits of establishing trees in the urban environment more than makes up for any temporary shortfalls in managing the RPv event. It is anticipated that a brush-like condition will be established in 5 years or less, which can actually outperform a mature forest from a hydrologic standpoint.

The allowable runoff reduction credit for Afforestation depends on the underlying soil HSG. Equations 17.1 through 17.4 are used to calculate the runoff reduction credit. In this case, Equation 17.2 will be used since the entire area to be planted is HSG B.



The Afforestation specification states that the afforested area must be a minimum of 10,000 square feet with a minimum width of 50 feet. However, there is also a provision that allows credit for tree plantings that may not meet these areal requirements. In those cases, the credit is equivalent to 1/200th of the per acre credit for each tree planted.


Example 2g – DURMM + Spec Criteria

Although DURMM can be used to determine the allowable runoff reduction credit for Afforestation areas, it does not have the capability of calculating credits for Urban Tree Planting since DURMM is based on area calculations. However, the "BMP Design Worksheet" covered in Example 2e (on page 59) also has a worksheet that can be used to facilitate the calculations for RPv credit for both Afforestation areas and individual Urban Tree Plantings.

NOTE: Areas to be planted for Afforestation credit are assumed to be "LOD" areas when using DURMM. Results may vary slightly between DURMM and the BMP Design Worksheet due to rounding and computational differences. However, the results from either application are acceptable for compliance purposes under the DSSR.



Example 2g – DURMM + Spec Criteria

In this case, the credits were calculated as:

- RR credit for 5.31 ac Afforestation (HSG B): 2788 cf
- RR credit for 30 individual Urban Tree Planting (HSG B): 79 cf
- Total RR credit for Afforestation and Urban Tree Planting = 2788 + 79 = 2867 cf

The final design volume of the proposed infiltration basin can therefore be reduced by 2867 cubic feet.



This concludes Training Module 2, "Calculations & Examples for RPv Compliance". This module covered various examples using a combination of DURMM, external hydrologic software packages such as HydroCAD and the specifications themselves for meeting full compliance for the RPv event. However, in some cases it may not be possible to meet the requirements for full compliance due to site constraints or other limiting conditions. In other cases, it may be possible to manage more runoff volume than the minimum required for compliance. Module 3 will cover how partial and extra credit can be determined in accordance with the RPv requirements of the DSSR.