

City of Flagstaff Low Impact Development (LID) Bio-Remediation Soil Design

Proposal Presentation

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Project Background and Purpose

- Low Impact Development (LID)
 - Stormwater management systems that integrate natural components to collect and remediate runoff.
- Soil Matrix
 - Infiltrates and treats stormwater runoff through different soil layers.
- Capstone Project
 - Continuation project
 - Designing a soil matrix ONLY with local materials that infiltrates first 1" of stormwater in 1 hour.

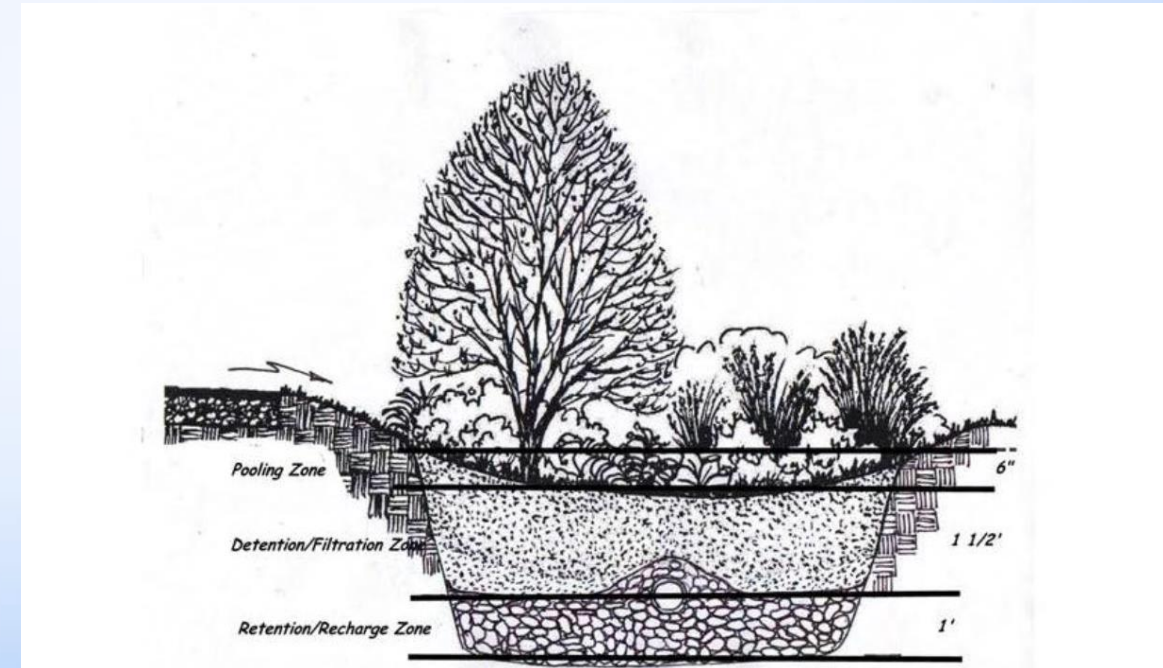


Figure 1. LID Cross-section View Example [1]

Task 1: Soil Identification



Figure 2. Soil Image [2]

- Task 1.1: Local Soil Identification
 - Local soil research
 - Contacting local material providers
- Task 1.2: Obtaining Local Soils
 - Purchasing materials
 - Obtaining them from NAU Facility Services

Task 2: Soil Testing

- Performing tests for each soil layer
- Task 2.1: Hydraulic Conductivity
 - Flow rate through the void space
 - ASTM D5084-16a
- Task 2.2: Specific Gravity
 - Density to density of water
 - ASTM D854
- Task 2.3: Saturated Soil Dry Test
 - Volume and mass of soil
 - ASTM D2980-17



Figure 3. Hydraulic Conductivity Test [2]

Task 3: Soil Matrix Design

Task 3.1: 2017 Capstone Design Re-testing

- Testing best two final soil media designs



Task 3.2: Topsoil Testing

- Testing 3 columns with one type topsoil and 3 with another type



Figure 4. Soil Matrix Infiltration Testing Method [3]

Task 4: Vegetative Coverage Testing

- Task 4.1: Identify Native Species
 - Research on cost, availability, and cultivation times
- Task 4.2: Cultivate Vegetative Coverage
 - Growing grass on separate top soil layer
- Task 4.3: Assess Impact of Vegetative Layer
 - 3 Columns with vegetation AND 3 columns without



Figure 5. LID Vegetation Example [4]

Task 5: Soil Matrix Design Selection

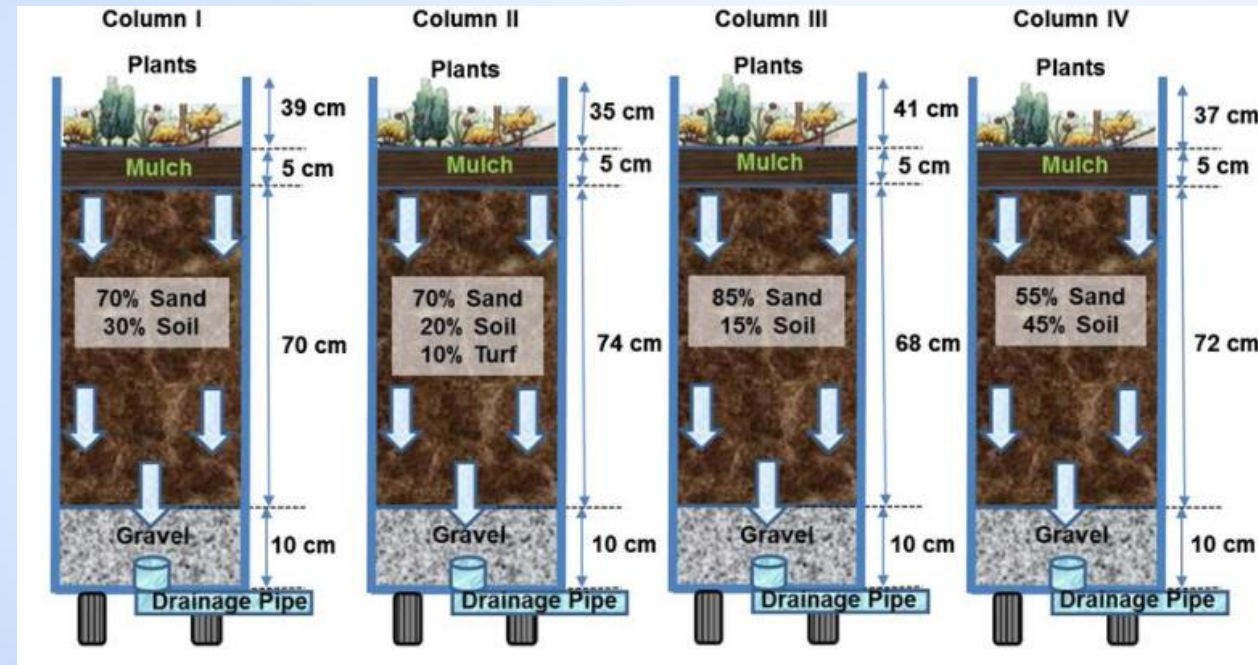


Figure 6. Soil Matrix Column Example [3]

- Soil media design selection based ONLY on infiltration rates according to soil layer ratios.

Task 6: Stormwater Runoff Sampling

- Task 6.1: Alternative 1
 - If precipitation occurs
 - 6 Samples total from storm drains near the wash
- Task 6.2: Alternative 2
 - Artificially contaminated samples



Figure 7. Proposed Sampling Site

Task 7: Stormwater Runoff Testing

- Task 7.1: Fecal Coliform
 - HACH 8074
- Task 7.2: Nutrients
 - HACH 10071 and HACH 10127
- Task 7.3: Petroleum Hydrocarbons
 - ASTM D6855-12
- Task 7.4: Turbidity
 - ASTM D6855-12
- Task 7.5: Metals
 - ASTM D1971-16

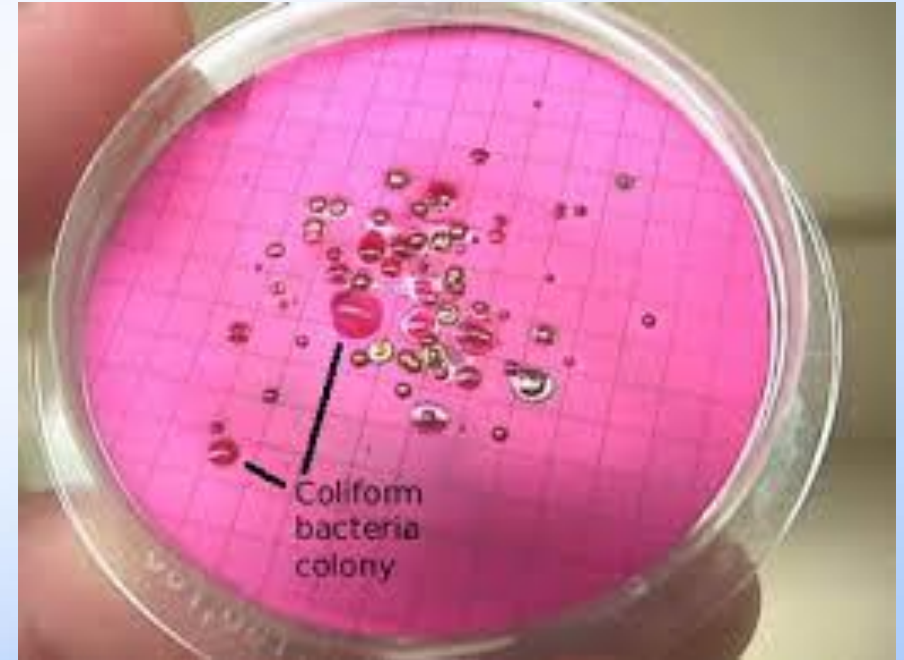


Figure 8: Example of agar plate with fecal coliform bacteria colonies [5]

Task 8: Design Economics

- Cost analysis based on material ratio and costs

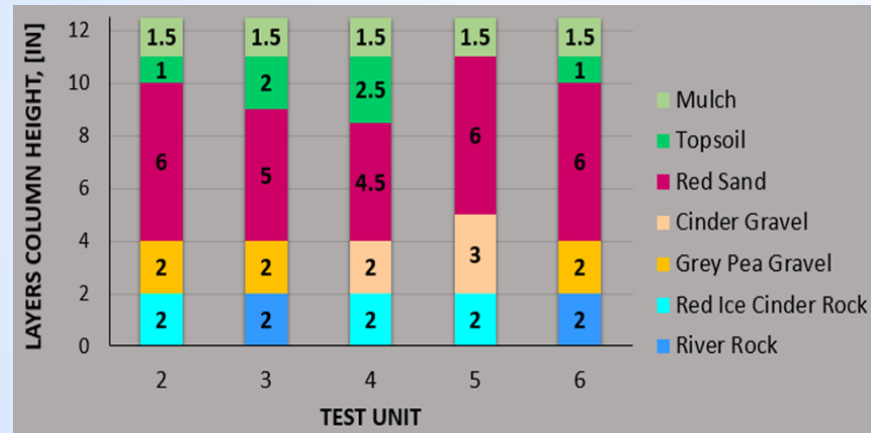


Figure 9. Soil Matrix Column Ratios Example [3]

Task 9: Final Matrix Design

- Based on infiltration rate, ability to remediate stormwater runoff, and cost.

Task 10: Project Impacts

- Task 10.1: Environmental Impacts
 - Reduction of sediments, nutrients, and petroleum hydrocarbons
- Task 10.2: Economic Impacts
 - Reduction of groundwater treatment cost
 - Prevention of property damages
- Task 10.3: Social Impacts
 - Community aesthetics enhancement

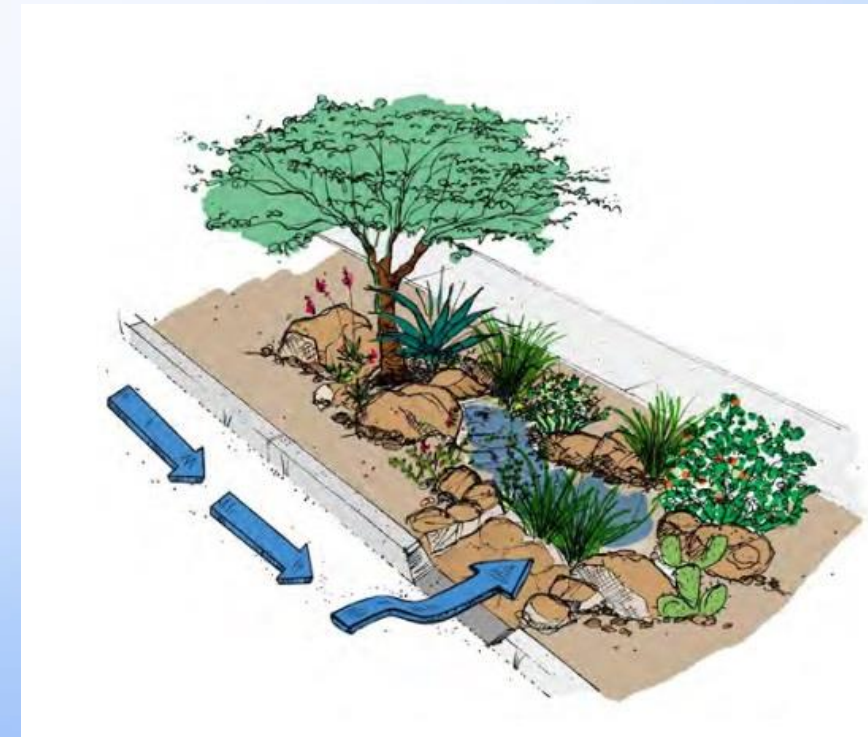


Figure 10. An example of an LID project [6]

Task 11: Project Management

- Task 11.1: Meetings
 - Client, team, technical advisor, grading instructor
- Task 11.2: Meeting Minutes and Agendas



Figure 11. Project Management [7]

Task 12: Project Deliverables

- Task 12.1: 30% Report
- Task 12.2: 60% Report
- Task 12.3: Final Report
- Task 12.4: Final Project Presentation
- Task 12.5: Reflection Document
- Task 12.6: Website



Figure 12. Checklist

Project Schedule

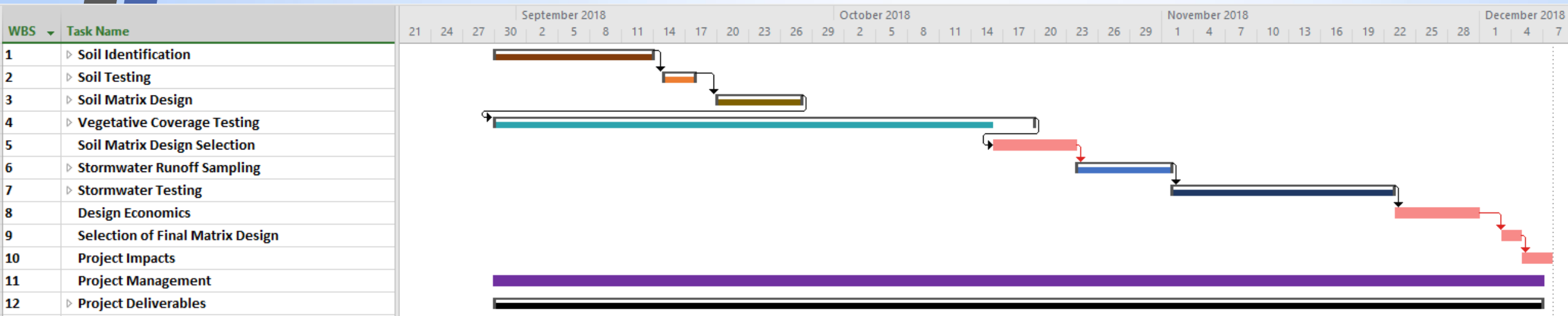


Figure 13. Capstone Project Schedule

Project Staffing

Staffing Hours				
Task	Senior Engineer (hr)	Lab Manager/P.E (hr)	Lab Tech (hr)	Field Tech (hr)
1. Soil Identification	2	2	0	0
2. Soil Testing	3	3	20	0
3. Soil Matrix Design	5	10	10	0
4. Vegetative Coverage Testing	3	10	30	0
5. Soil Matrix Design Selection	2	5	48	0
6. Stormwater Run-off Sampling	2	10	0	40
7. Stormwater Testing	5	7	5	0
8. Design Economics	3	10	0	0
9. Selection of Final Soil Matrix Design	5	10	5	0
10. Project Impacts	3	6	0	0
11. Project Management	98	98	98	98
12. Project Deliverables	36	36	36	36
<i>SUBTOTAL HOURS</i>	167	207	252	174
			<i>TOTAL HOURS</i>	800

Table 1. Project Total Staff Hours

Project Costs

Item	Senior Engineer	Lab Manager/P.E.	Lab Tech	Field Tech
Pay (\$/hr)	\$92	\$38	\$18	\$18
Multiplier	1.9	2.5	3.7	3.7
Cost (\$/hr)	\$175	\$95	\$65	\$65
TOTAL HOURS	167	207	252	174
SUBTOTAL STAFF COST	\$29,192	\$19,665	\$16,317	\$11,267
			TOTAL STAFF COST	\$76,440

Table 2. Staff Cost

Item	Unit	Unit Cost	Unit Total	Cost
2. Soil Testing	Days	\$100	2	\$200
3. Soil Matrix Design	Days	\$100	1	\$100
4. Vegetative Coverage Testing	Days	\$100	1	\$100
5. Soil Matrix Design Selection	Days	\$100	2	\$200
6. Stormwater Sampling Alternative 2	Days	\$100	1	\$100
7. Stormater Testing	Days	\$100	2	\$200
			TOTAL LAB COST	\$900

Table 3. Lab Cost

Project Costs

Item	Cost
Staffing Cost	\$76,440.00
Lab Cost	\$900.00
Materials Cost	\$900.00
<i>TOTAL ENGINEERING DESIGN COST</i>	\$78,240.00

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