

New Hanover Soil & Water Conservation District

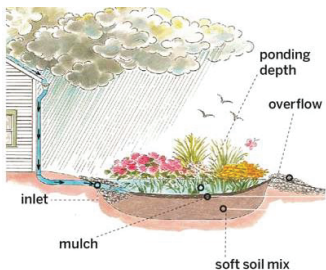
Rain Garden Information

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WHAT IS A RAIN GARDEN?

A rain garden is a Stormwater Best Management Practice (BMP) device that is a depressed area in the landscape where rain water collects and soaks into the ground. Planted with grasses and flowering perennials, rain gardens can be a cost-effective and beautiful way to reduce runoff from your property. Rain gardens can also help filter out pollutants in runoff and provide food and shelter for butterflies, song birds, and other wildlife.



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Need the technical support and funds to help make it happen? Based on your address, you could be eligible for 50-100% funding to install a BMP, such as a rain garden. Learn more:

- Visit SoilWater.NHCgov.com
- Call (910) 798-7135
- Email Dru Harrison at drharrison@nhcgov.com

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Grant Programs for Water Quality Improvements

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What is a BMP?

Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMPs) are control measures a landowner can take to reduce stormwater runoff and pollution from entering our waterways.

A BMP can be an action, a structure, or a practice. BMPs are designed to reduce the volume of runoff and reduce the influx of non-point source pollutants.



Bradley Creek Elementary BMP

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