



Stormwater Retrofits: Optimizing Benefits While Balancing Constraints

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What Is a Retrofit Project?

Before After National Association of City Transportation Official (2017). Urban Street Stormwater Guide. Island Press. Retrieved from https://nacto.org/case-study/barton-cso-control-seatt

Retrofit Considerations





Data Collection – Feasibility



Communicate with Stakeholders as early as possible.



Data Collection - Permitting





Data Collection – Existing Utilities

Records versus Reality

Data Collection – Feasibility



Data Collection – Maintenance

Project Prioritization - Design

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Design and Construction Cost (\$)

Project Prioritization

	Cost	Treatment Volume (cfs)	(\$Cost)
	COSt		Treated Stormwater
Project A	\$45,000	50	×
Project B	\$55,000	150	\checkmark
Project C	\$150,000	15	×

Community Engagement – Partnerships

Community Engagement – Listening Skills

Neighbors know the worst of the problem!

Community Engagement

Project Prioritization – Ancillary Benefits

Unique opportunities for creative designs!

Thanks for Listening!