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## For Municipalities

1. Stormwater GIS Mapping- First step screening tool to determine ideal locations
2. Metropolitan area planning council's stormwater management website <http://www.mapc.org/stormwater>
  - Resources for stormwater management providing tool kits and finance mechanisms.
    - Metropolitan Area Planning Council's (MAPC) mitigating environment strategies <http://www.mapc.org/resources/parking-toolkit/strategies-topic/mitigating-env-impacts>
      - Mitigation strategies that address reducing stall dimensions, increasing pervious surfaces, installing rain gardens and green roofs, and discuss landscaping.
    - MAPC Fact Sheet on permeable paving <http://www.mapc.org/resources/low-impact-dev-toolkit/permeable-paving>
      - A website discussing the application, design, benefits, limitations, maintenance, and more of permeable paving.
    - Metropolitan area planning council's fact sheet on vegetated swales <http://www.mapc.org/resources/low-impact-dev-toolkit/vegetated-swales>
      - An overview of vegetated swales, listing benefits, designs, cost, and maintenance.
3. Navigate EPA's Soak Up the Rain website to understand why soaking up the rain is important and to establish techniques <https://www.epa.gov/soakuptherain>
  - A hub website with links to resources, tools and techniques on absorbing rain. Resources are for municipalities, communities and individual residents. Additional links on benefits and funding are also provided.
4. Navigate Center for Neighborhood Technology's website <http://www.cnt.org/>  
Strategies promoting sustainable and livable urban communities
5. Municipal Stormwater Permit, Green Infrastructure and You!  
<http://www.crwa.org/education/stormwater-management-workshop>  
CRWA's workshop on EPA's MS4 permit
6. EPA MA Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit [https://www3.epa.gov/region1/npdes/stormwater/MS4\\_MA.html](https://www3.epa.gov/region1/npdes/stormwater/MS4_MA.html)

7. Worcester Polytechnical Institute's central Mass stormwater management project  
<http://wp.wpi.edu/wcpc/projects/projects-by-term/fall-2013/phase-ii-ms4-permit-improving-central-mass-achusetts-stormwater-management/>  
 Working with MassDEP WPI examines the issues of stormwater management.
8. CRWA LID brochure
9. Center for Watershed Protection  
<http://www.cwp.org/stormwater-management/>  
 Learn about stormwater management approaches and gain resources

#### For Residence

10. Natural yard care guide for homeowners  
[http://www.nmstormwater.org/Websites/nmcleanwaters/files/Content/4588023/Natural\\_Yard\\_Care\\_Guide.pdf](http://www.nmstormwater.org/Websites/nmcleanwaters/files/Content/4588023/Natural_Yard_Care_Guide.pdf)
  - Five steps to transitioning into a natural healthy yard
11. Sustainable sanitation and water management techniques on surface groundwater recharging  
<http://www.sswm.info/content/surface-groundwater-recharge>
  - An article explaining the process of surface groundwater recharging, going into brief detail of the different techniques.
12. Smart- Water landscape Design Tips [https://www3.epa.gov/watersense/outdoor/landscaping\\_tips.html](https://www3.epa.gov/watersense/outdoor/landscaping_tips.html)
  - Landscape design tips on plants, soil and maintenance for reducing water on your property.
13. Identify appropriate plants for your landscape with EPA's Watersense  
[https://www3.epa.gov/watersense/outdoor/what\\_to\\_plant.html](https://www3.epa.gov/watersense/outdoor/what_to_plant.html)
  - List of native plants available by state. Used to identify appropriate plants that will require low maintenance.
14. Home Water conservation tips from Team A&M Agrilife Extension  
<http://water.tamu.edu/home-water-conservation-tips/>
  - Tips to conserving water at home, geared more towards developing a conscious attitude of conserving water.
15. EPA Municipal Street Tree Structure and Ecosystem Services  
<http://nepis.epa.gov/Exe/ZyPDF.cgi/P100HXU4.PDF?Dockkey=P100HXU4.PDF>
  - An article on utilizing trees and other natural resources to beautify urban areas while improving the environment.
16. EPA green infrastructure brochure  
[https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2014-11/documents/gi\\_brochure\\_508\\_compliant.pdf](https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2014-11/documents/gi_brochure_508_compliant.pdf)
  - A brochure listing the green infrastructure practices and their benefits. Great educational resource.
17. Coloring Book  
[http://centralmastormwater.org/Pages/crsc\\_webdocs/Who%20Owns%20The%20Raindrop\\_Coloring%20Pages\\_Clean%20Waterways.pdf](http://centralmastormwater.org/Pages/crsc_webdocs/Who%20Owns%20The%20Raindrop_Coloring%20Pages_Clean%20Waterways.pdf)

18. CRWA Rain Garden Guide

<http://www.crwa.org/education/rain-gardens/rain-garden-guide>