

NJM Hammonton Regional Operations Facility

NJM Insurance
Group



The Gale Construction Company LLC

Princeton Hydro



A site with sustainability in mind

3rd Floor Fit-out qualified as LEED Silver

Sites

- Brownfield Redevelopment
- Water quantity
- Water quality
- Heat island effect reduction
- Light pollution reduction

Water Efficiency

Potable water use reduced by 34%

Energy and Atmosphere

- Connected lighting power reduced by 35.5%
- ENERGY STAR = 92.5%
- Enhanced commissioning

Materials and Resources

- 80.3% of construction materials recycled (diverted from landfill)
- 22% of construction materials constructed from recycled materials
- 26% of construction materials manufactured within 500 miles

Indoor Air Quality

- ASHRAE Standard 62.1-2007
- No smoking on property
- Construction IAQ Management Plan
- Low-emitting materials (paints & coatings, flooring, wood and agrifiber, furniture and seating)
- Thermal comfort



From concept to reality

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design



reality



Site Layout and Constraints



- 55-acre site.
- Historic peach orchard (remediated for historic pesticides, 26,000 cy removed from the site).
- Adjacent to historic gravel mine.
- Limited stormwater infrastructure in vicinity.
- Within the NJ Pinelands.
- Required to infiltrate difference between 10-year pre- and post-development runoff.

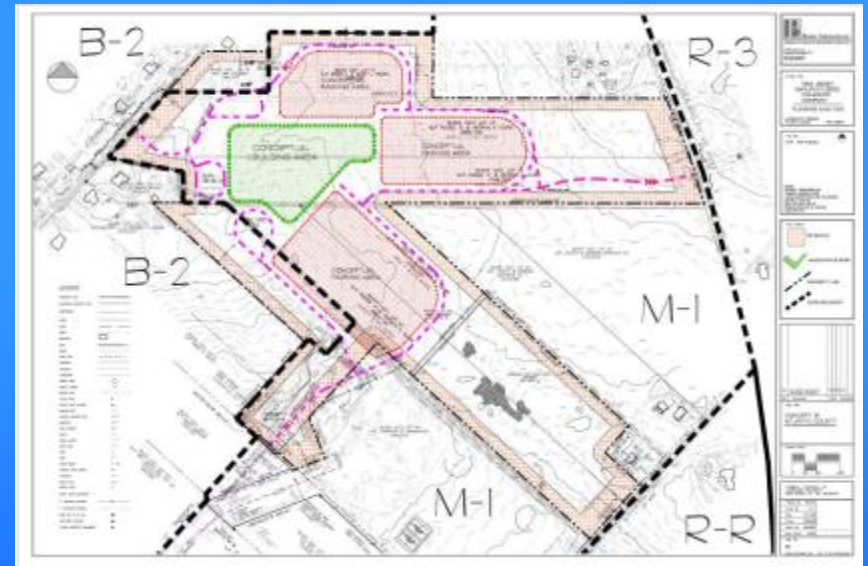
Historic Pesticides

- NJM first remediated site to the residential standard.
 - Historic peach orchard
 - Dieldrin and arsenic contaminated soils
 - Removed 26,000 cubic yards of soil



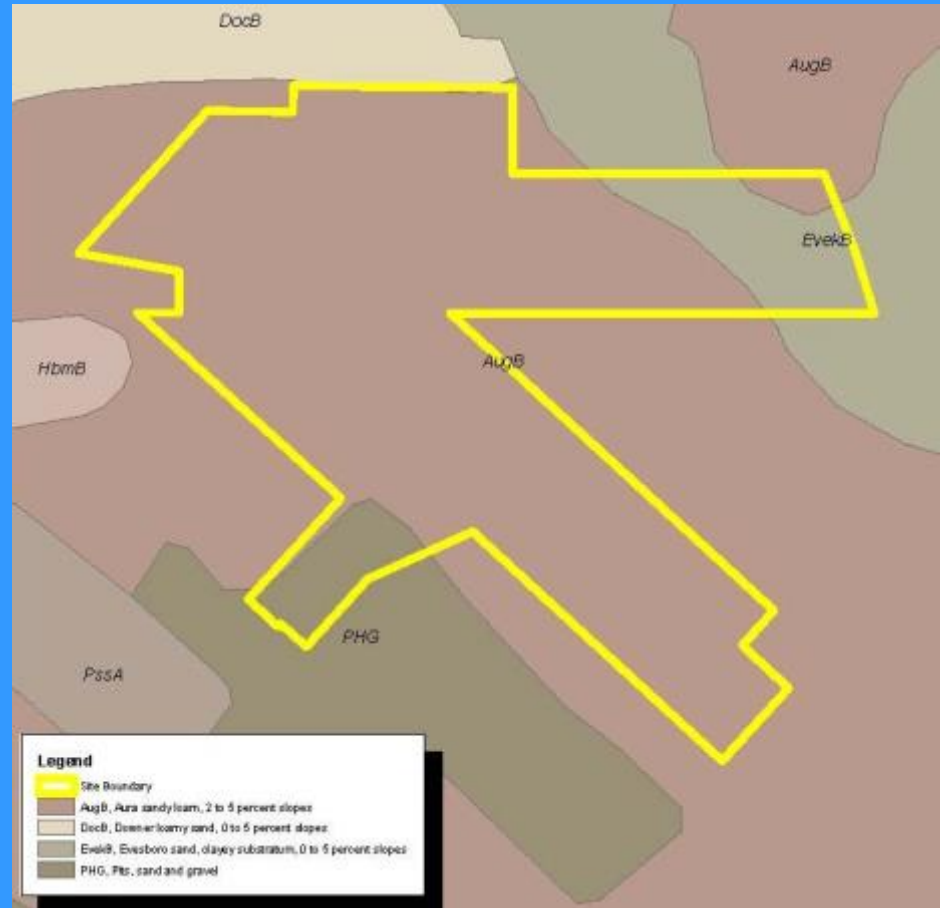
Look into site's ability to manage stormwater

- Client did something that should be considered by others:
 - Asked us to determine the maximum area of impervious cover that the site could handle in relation to the regulations.
 - Then backed into zoning to see what size building they could construct.



Conducted appropriate on site testing

- Desktop review of on-site soils
 - Aura soils limitations revealed
 - Clay bridging between soil particles
 - Fragipan located between 22 and 60 inches.



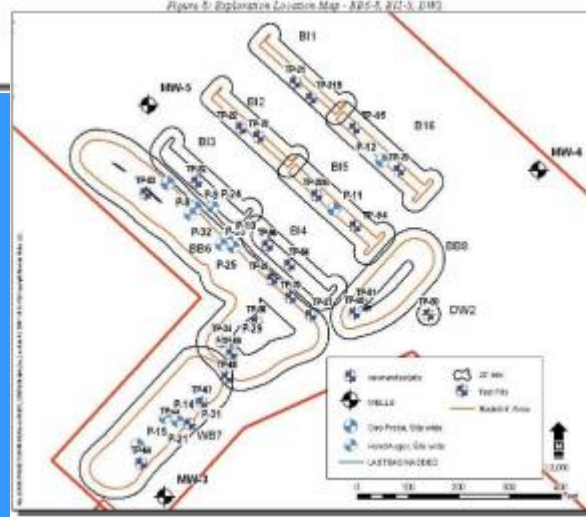
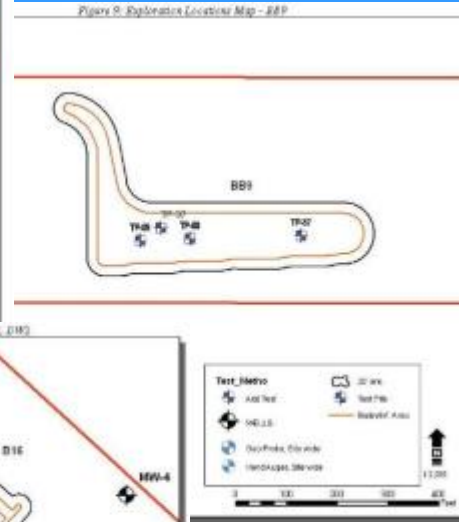
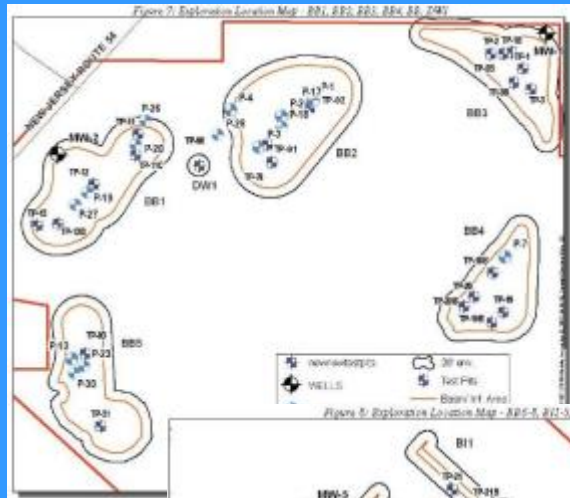
Field Work

➤ Test pits and borings followed a 2 step process:

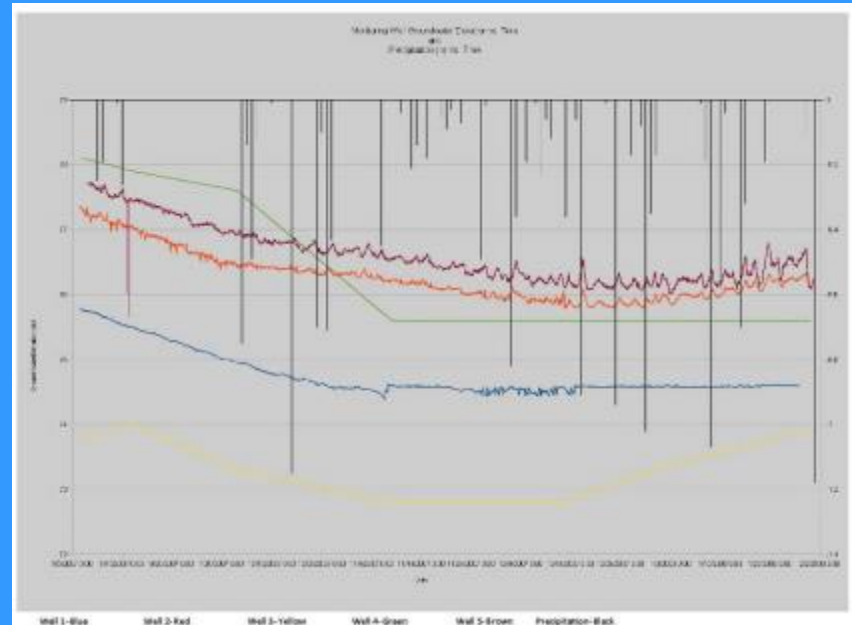
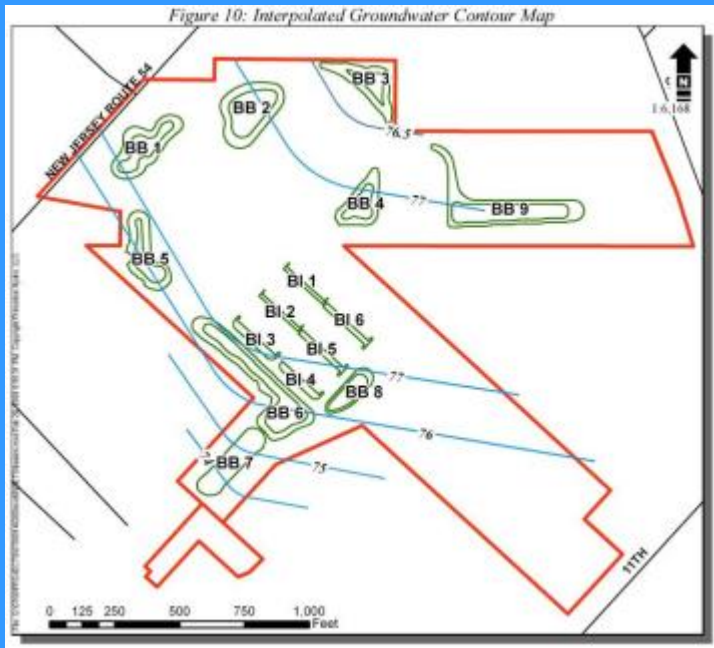
- Step 1: General investigation to determine appropriate locations for basins and other facilities
- Step 2: BMP Specific Investigation
- Installed 5 wells on site to assess regional groundwater and fluctuations



Data Reviewed



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Final Layout and Integration of BMPs



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8 Bio-Infiltration Basins

1 Wetland Basin

6 Bio-Infiltration Islands

1 Bio-Retention Swale

Roof rainwater
harvesting (120k gallons)

(Phase II) Pervious
pavement

Meadow
creation/preservation



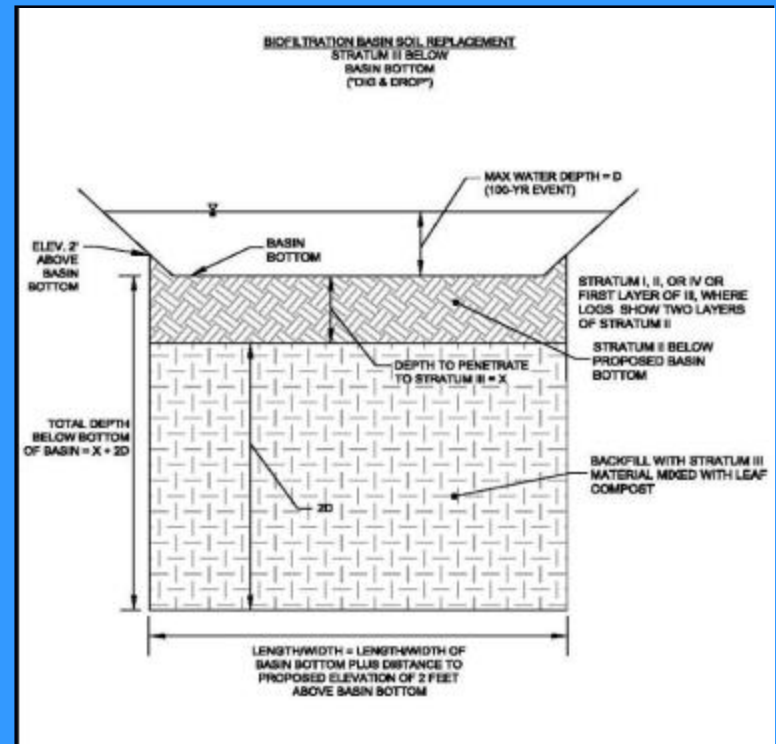
Addressing at the source

- Seepage pit/sumps for pre-treatment
- All areas disturbed to remain non-impervious were roto-tilled and where necessary, compost amended.



Proposed Methods for Preparation of Infiltration Zones

- Need to break-up clay bridging and layers.
- Need to penetrate soils with fragipans.
- Need to reduce bulk density of infiltration zones to achieve higher permeability rates and increase temporary subsurface storage.
- Need to understand underlying aquifer.
- Mounding Analysis was critical in determining effectiveness of infiltration areas.



Solutions for Preparation of Infiltration Zones

- Excavate and remove all fragipans and materials classified as clayey sands and silts.
- Dig and drop all areas to a depth of 2x maximum expected water depth and at least 2x water depth into underlying sandy stratum
- Top 3 feet mixed with organics (i.e. whole leaf/fine leaf composite).



Infiltration can be optimized by excavating and backfilling the subgrade to a depth of 2 times the expected maximum water depth in the basin.



1

Remove deleterious soils



2

Deliver organics



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Spread organics



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After deep mix, mix in organics to 3 feet



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Test to ensure infiltration rate goals

120,000 gallon cistern to collect roof runoff and use for landscape irrigation

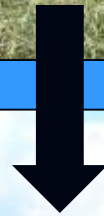


Lessons Learned

- There is a need to change the culture of earthwork contractors and approach to construction.
- Need to develop owner expectations before you start design.
- While 2 feet of separation is mandated, even 4 feet is pushing the limitations to avoid mounding failure.
- While infiltration can be estimated, final results can vary, impacting vegetation cover types. Need to plan to re-visit species once basins are complete.









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Now let's take a walk

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