

What makes a good Credit Program

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Stormwater Fees & BENEFITS OF CREDITS

1. Credits provide incentives for implementing BMPS on your own property -- provides opportunity to participate in creative and innovative solutions.
2. One can make a positive difference close to the source
3. Reduces what you pay to the government and encourages discovery of solutions on your own site.
4. Helps local governments that have limited capacity/land to implement solutions and meet regulatory requirements.
5. Fosters ecological intelligence - making connections to the impacts of the built environment on the natural environment.

- INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS
 - RAIN GARDENS
 - URBAN FORESTS
 - FOREST STEWARDSHIP MANAGEMENT
 - FERTILIZER MANAGEMENT
 - BIOSWALES
 - GRASS FILTERS AND INFILTRATION AREAS
 - PARKING LOT RETROFITS

Stormwater Credits Policy Manual

Summary of Available Credits

Table 1. Summary of Available Credits

Credit	Max Credit
Peak Rate Control / Volume Control Structural BMP	30%
Education Credit	15%
Low Impact Credit	30%
NPDES Industrial Stormwater Permit Compliance	25%
Stormwater Partnership Credit	TBD

- Credits and Credit Polices
 - General Polices
 - Eligibility
- Summary of Available Credits
- Applying for Credit
 - Pre-application Meeting and Field Review
 - Credit Application form
- Maintenance Policies
 - Maintenance Agreement
 - Inspection Requirements / Report Submissions
- Appeals
 - Impervious Area Assessment
 - Appeal Form

Credit Examples



- Peak Rate Control/Volume Control Structural BMPs
- Education Credit
- Low Impact Parcel
- NPDES Industrial Permit Compliance
- Ag E and S Plan
- Riparian Buffers
- Fertilizer Management Programs

1 ERU = \$9.00/mo

Parcel – 191.8 ERU

With 30% credit received a reduction of \$517.05/month

SAVINGS = \$6,204.60/yr

Impervious Cover Appeals— Example

Mountain View Impervious Area

- SIDEWALK-CONCRETE
- MISC
- BUILDING
- GRAVEL
- SIDEWALK-BITUMINOUS
- PARKING-BITUMINOUS
- PARKING-CONCRETE

Winding Creek Impervious Area

- SIDEWALK-CONCRETE
- MISC
- GRAVEL
- PARKING-BITUMINOUS
- SIDEWALK-BITUMINOUS
- BUILDING
- PARKING-CONCRETE

Main Campus Impervious Area

- MISC
- BUILDING



- Track and Field Area – designed to infiltrate with subsurface detention and storage.
- Requested a reduction in the calculated impervious coverage of 3.72 acres.
- Result - approval –