



RAIN GARDEN ADJACENT

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## NOTES:

- 1. Rain gardens sized for compliance with MR #5 shall be in accordance with SWMM BMP L601, available at www.cityoftacoma.org/stormwatermanual. Rain gardens not required to comply with SWMM can be sized per the Rain Garden Handbook for Western Washington, available at cityoftacoma.org/raingardens - where sizing is based upon depth of either 6-inches or 12-inches of ponding.
- 2. Transition zone
  - a. 1-inch grade change from edge of sidewalk, curb and/or other hard surface.
  - b. 2% max. slope.
  - c. Transition shall be amended soils per BMP L613 (Std. Plan GSI-01) if applicable or per note 3.
- 3. Scarify or till subgrade to 3-inch depth. Place 3-inches of topsoil on surface and till into 5-inches of site soil. Install 3-inches woodchip mulch or as specified on plans.
- 4. Freeboard shall be a minimum of 2-inches for contributing areas under 1,000 square feet, or 6-inches for contributing areas 1,000 square feet or greater per SWMM.
- 5. Do not compact the rain garden soil mix.
  - a. Do not operate heavy equipment within the the rain garden.
  - b. Do not place or amend rain garden soil when the ground is frozen or when the soil is excessively wet.
- 6. Continue mulch for a minimum of 2-feet past the top of bank elevation or install landscape edging if rain garden is adjacent to turf.
- 7. Maximum side slope (2:1 or 3:1) varies with size of contributing area. See SWMM BMP L601 or the Rain Garden Handbook for Western Washington, as applicable.



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