

Estimating Subgrade Infiltration Rates for Post-Construction Stormwater Management Site Planning

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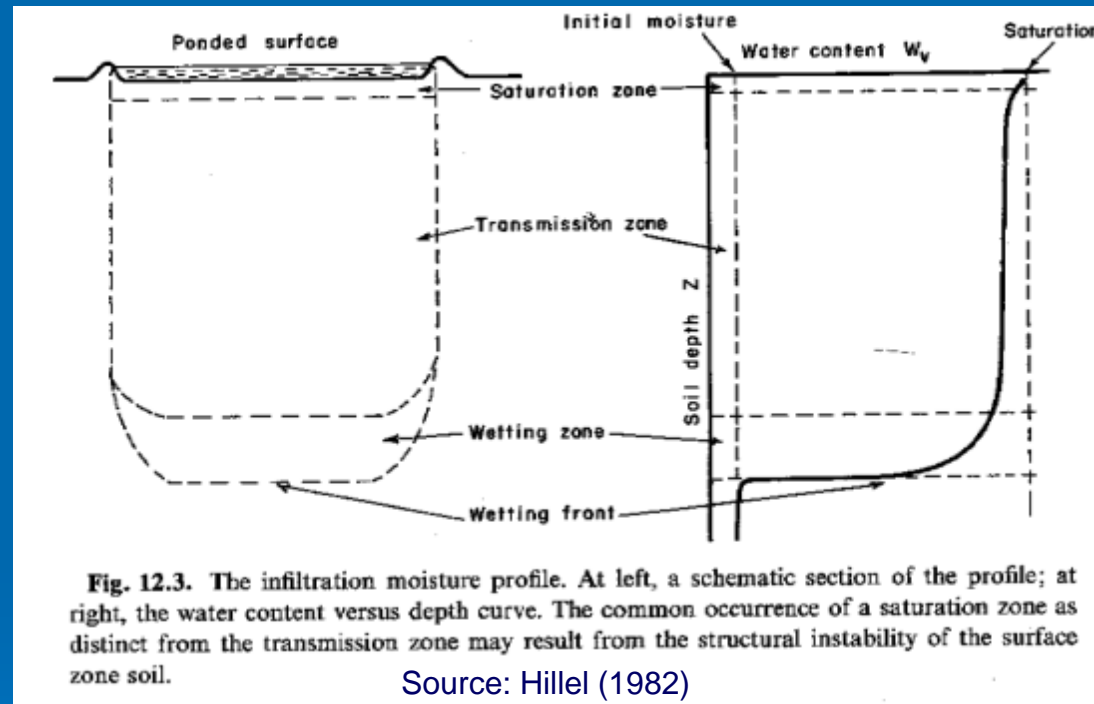
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Overview of Presentation

- Infiltration-based post-construction BMPs
- Planning level site suitability evaluation
- Estimating infiltration rates for preliminary site planning and conceptual design



Relationship between Infiltration Rate and Hydraulic Conductivity



$$i(t) = K_{fs} \frac{\Delta H}{\Delta L} = K_{fs} \frac{H_{pond}(t) + L_f(t) - H_{suction}(t)}{L_f(t)}$$

Post-Construction Stormwater Infiltration BMP Options



Bioretention



Infiltration Basin



Infiltration Trench



Permeable Pavement



Source: Philadelphia Water Department

Underground Infiltration System

Table 4b Infiltration-based Post-Construction Practices

Infiltration Practice		
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Infiltration Basin		
Infiltration Trench		
Permeable Pavement – Infiltration		
Underground Storage – Infiltration		

Source: Ohio EPA. 2018. NPDES Construction Storm Water Permit.

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Source: Ohio EPA. 2018. NPDES Construction Storm Water Permit.

Post-Construction Infiltration BMPs – Minimum Infiltration Rates (Kfs)

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Source: Ohio EPA. Rainwater and Land Development.

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Infiltration Trench	48 hours	0.5 in/hr
Permeable Pavement – Infiltration	48 hours	
Underground Storage – Infiltration	48 hours	

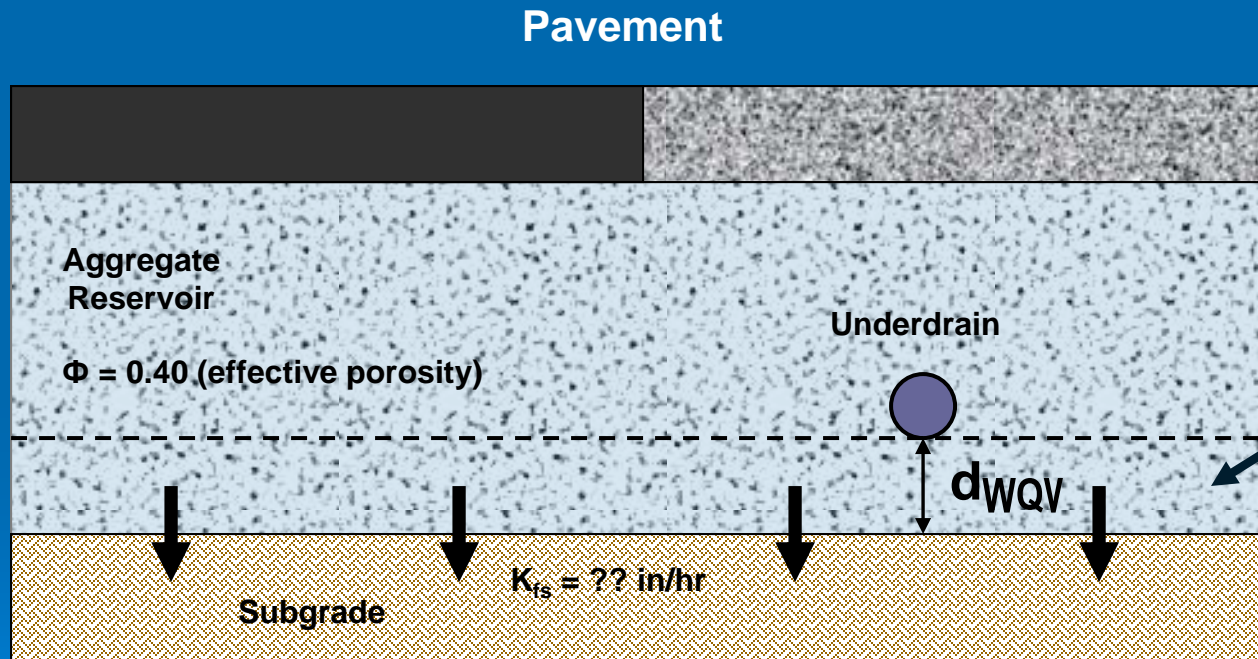
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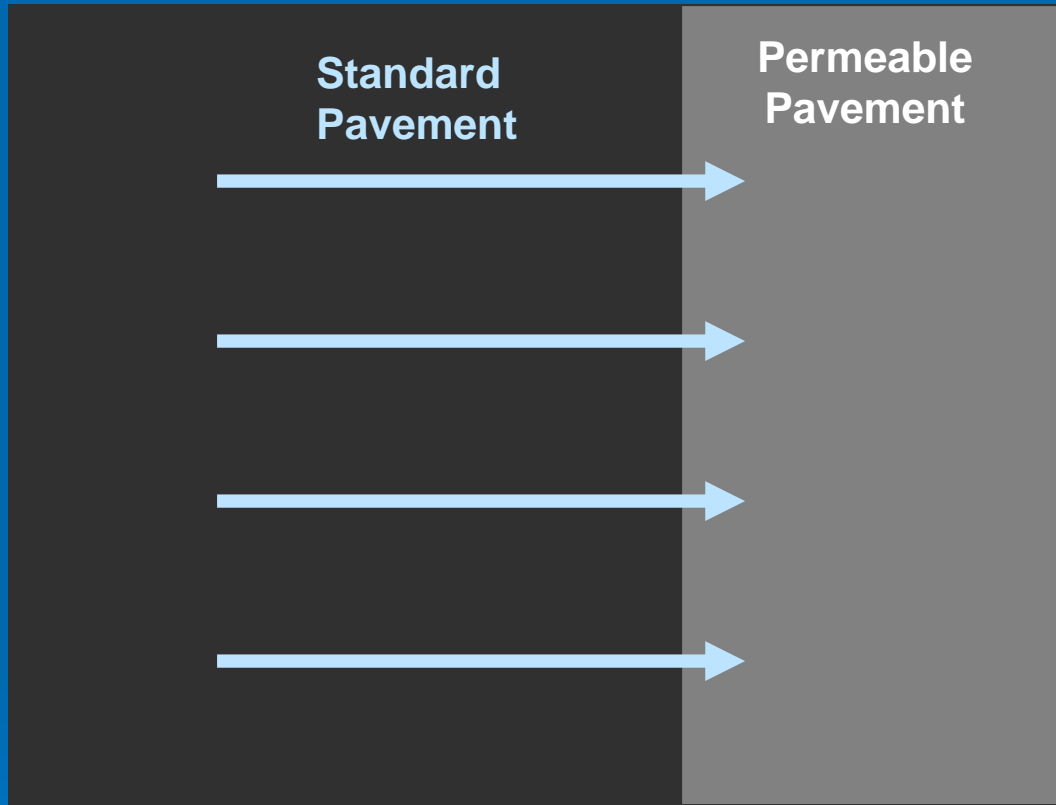
WQv Depth for Permeable Pavement and Underground Infiltration Systems



Internal Water Storage (IWS) Zone

$$d_{WQv} = WQv / A_{\text{infiltration}}$$

Hydrologic Loading Ratio and Minimum Kfs

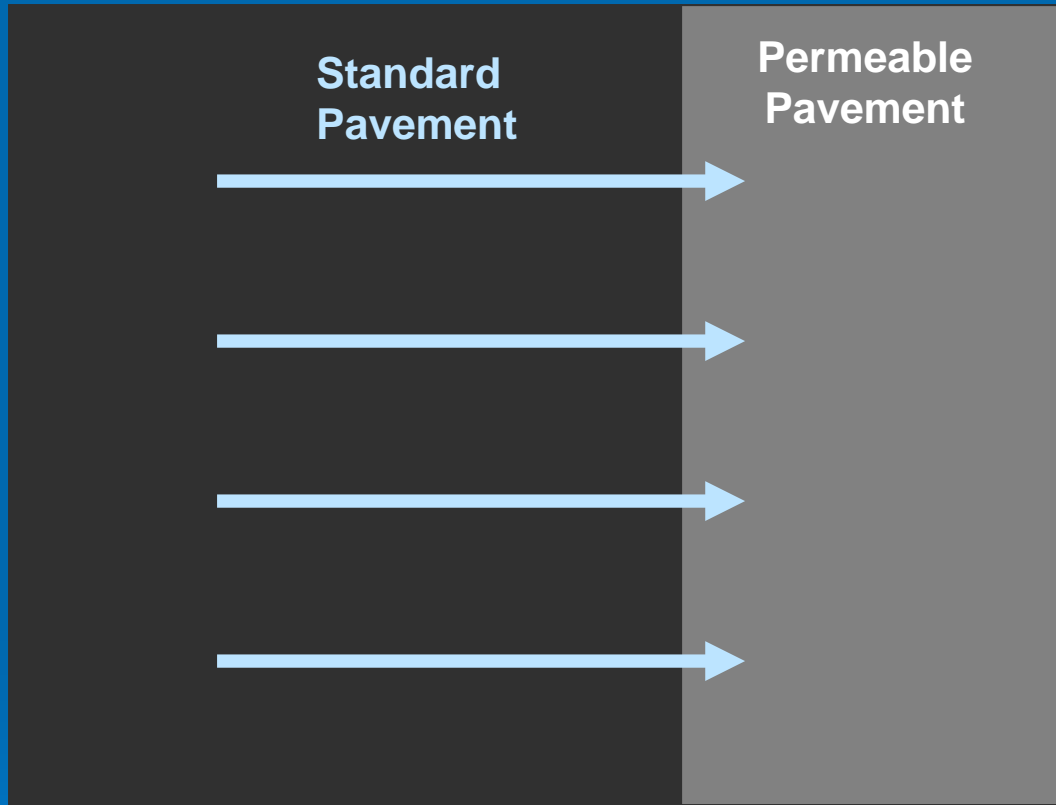


$$d_{WQv} = WQv/A_{\text{infiltration}} = 2.6 \text{ in}$$

$$A_{\text{impervious}} < 2 * A_{\text{permeable}}$$

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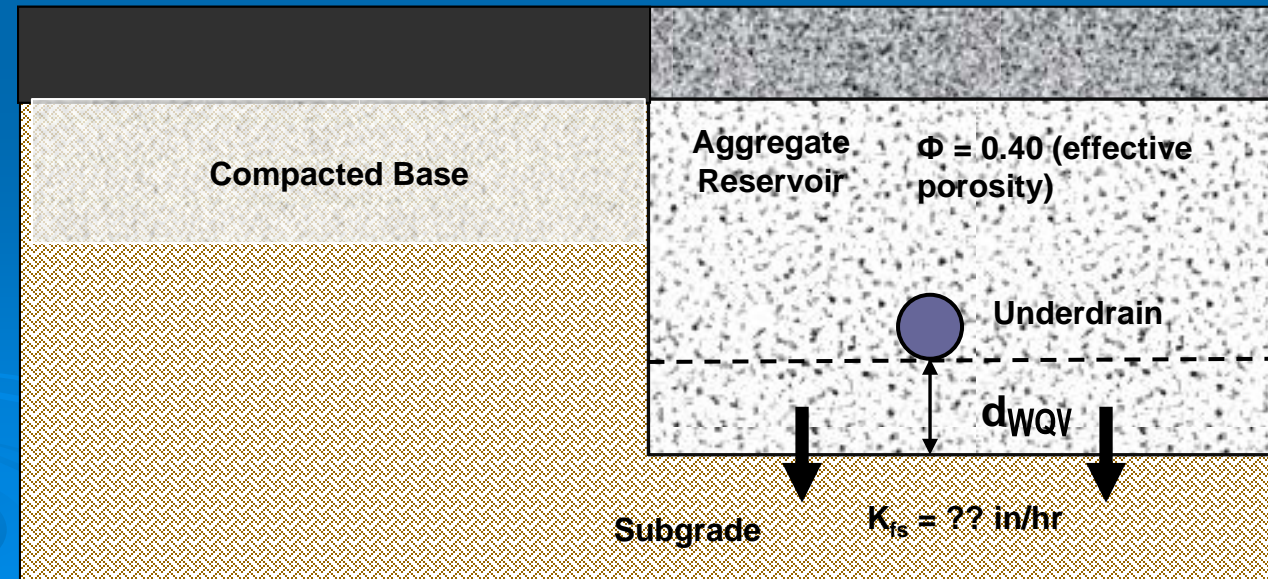
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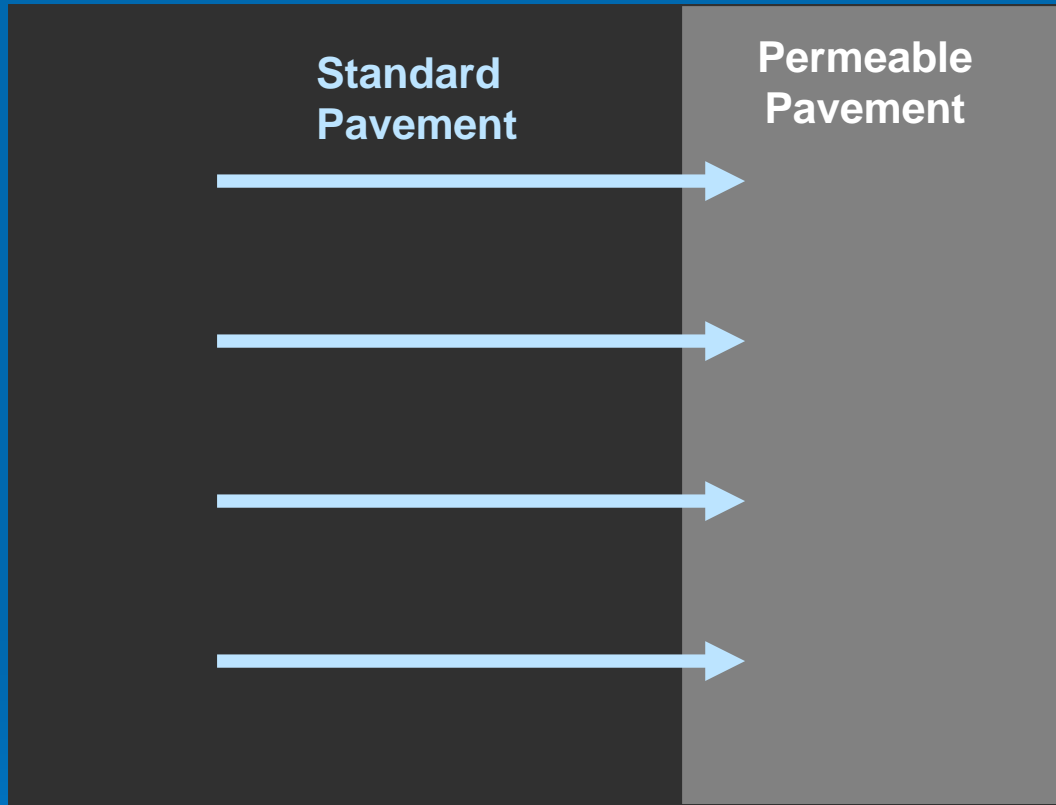
$$d_{\text{WQv}} = \text{WQv} / A_{\text{infiltration}} = 2.6 \text{ in}$$

Adjusted for aggregate porosity of 0.40

$$d_{\text{WQv}} = 2.6 \text{ in} / 0.4 = 6.4 \text{ in}$$



Hydrologic Loading Rate and Minimum Kfs



$$d_{WQv} = WQv/A_{\text{infiltration}} = 2.6 \text{ in}$$

Minimum infiltration rate

$$Kfs(\text{min}) = d_{WQv}/t_d = 2.6 \text{ in}/48 \text{ hr} = \underline{0.054 \text{ in/hr}}$$

$$A_{\text{impervious}} < 2 * A_{\text{permeable}}$$

$$HLR = A_{\text{impervious}}/A_{\text{infiltration}} = 3.0$$

Hydrologic Loading Ratio and Minimum Kfs (subsurface infiltration reservoir, $t_d = 48$ hr)

$A_{\text{infiltration}}$	$A_{\text{impervious}}$	HLR	WQv	dWQv	Kfs(min)	
(acre)	(acre)		(ft3)	(in)	(in/hr)	
1.0	1.0	1	3104	0.9	0.02	HSG-C
1.0	2.0	2	6207	1.7	0.04	
1.0	3.0	3	9311	2.6	0.05	
1.0	5.0	5	15518	4.3	0.09	HSG-B
1.0	10.0	10	31037	8.6	0.18	
1.0	20.0	20	62073	17.1	0.36	HSG-A

WQv Calculator

Water Quality Volume BMP Compliance Worksheets (v3.1 2018-10-23)

Worksheet Contents

- | Worksheet | Contents |
|-----------|---|
| 1 | Introduction |
| 2 | Project Details and WQv Calculation |
| 3 | Wet Extended Detention Basin |
| 4 | Wetland Extended Detention Basin (Constructed Wetland) |
| 5 | Dry Extended Detention Basin |
| 6 | Infiltration Basin |
| 7 | Bioretention |
| 8 | Infiltration Trench |
| 9 | Permeable Pavement - Infiltration |
| 10 | Permeable Pavement - Extended Detention [Under Development] |
| 11 | Sand or Media Filter [Under Development] |

Step 2 - Trench Bottom Area/Dimensions

Area that can drain in 48 hr =		ft ²	
5% of A _{imp} =	0	ft ²	
Minimum Infiltration Trench (Bottom) Area =	0	ft ²	
Infiltration Trench (Bottom) Area =		ft	
Trench Width, W _{trench} =		ft	
Trench Length, L _{trench} =		ft ²	
Trench Area/Impervious Area, A _{trench} /A _{imp} =			
Length to Width Ratio (L:W) =		ft/ft	

Step 3 - Trench Layer Depths

Depth of WQv, d _{WQv} =		ft	
Aggregate Adjusted WQv Depth, d _{aggr-WQv} =		ft	
WQv Drawdown Time, t _{WQv} =		hr	
Depth of Surface Gravel Filter Layer, d _{gravel filter} =	0.50	ft	
Depth of Aggregate Storage Layer, d _{storage} =		ft	
Depth of Bottom Sand Filter Layer, d _{sand} =	0.67	ft	
Total Depth of Aggregate, d _{aggregate} =	1.17	ft	

WQv Compliance Spreadsheet

Available for download at Ohio EPA's Storm Water Program website:

- Search "Ohio EPA Storm Water"
- Click "Construction Activities" tab
- Click "Technical Assistance & Permit Compliance Materials"

Storm Water Program

Storm water discharges are generated by runoff from land and impervious areas such as paved streets, parking lots, and building rooftops during rainfall and snow events. Storm water often contains pollutants in quantities that could adversely affect water quality. Most storm water discharges are considered point sources and require coverage by a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. The primary method to control storm water discharges is through the use of best management practices (BMPs).

For information about storm water management at home, visit the [Public Interest Center's website](#).

NEW! Final General Permit for Storm Water Associated with Construction from Oil and Gas Linear Transmission Line and Gathering Line Installation (OHCG00001)

NEW! Final General NPDES Permit for Storm Water Associated with Construction Activity (OHC000005)

The screenshot shows the Ohio EPA Storm Water Program website. At the top, there are several tabs: "Forms & General Permits", "Issued Permits/Permittee", "Construction Activities", "Industrial Activities", "Municipal MS4", "Additional Information", and "Contacts". An orange arrow points to the "Construction Activities" tab. Below the tabs, there is a sidebar with links: "Background", "Potential Waivers for 1- to 5-Acre Site Disturbances", and "Technical Assistance & Permit Compliance Materials". Another orange arrow points to the "Technical Assistance & Permit Compliance Materials" link. The main content area is divided into sections: "POST-CONSTRUCTION Q&A DOCUMENTS" (with links to various Q&A volumes), "POST-CONSTRUCTION SPREADSHEETS" (highlighted with an orange box, containing links to "WQv Compliance Spreadsheet" and "Runoff Reduction Spreadsheet"), and "CHECKLISTS" (with links to "Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWP3) Check List" and "Construction Site Inspection Checklist").

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Background
Potential Waivers for 1- to 5-Acre Site Disturbances
▼ Technical Assistance & Permit Compliance Materials

POST-CONSTRUCTION Q&A DOCUMENTS

- Post-Construction Q&A – Water Quality Volume
- Post-Construction Q&A – Water Quality Volume Drawdown
- Post-Construction Q&A – Previously Developed Areas
- Post-Construction Q&A – Small Construction Activities (< 2 acres)

POST-CONSTRUCTION SPREADSHEETS

- WQv Compliance Spreadsheet
- Runoff Reduction Spreadsheet

CHECKLISTS

- Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWP3) Check List
- Construction Site Inspection Checklist

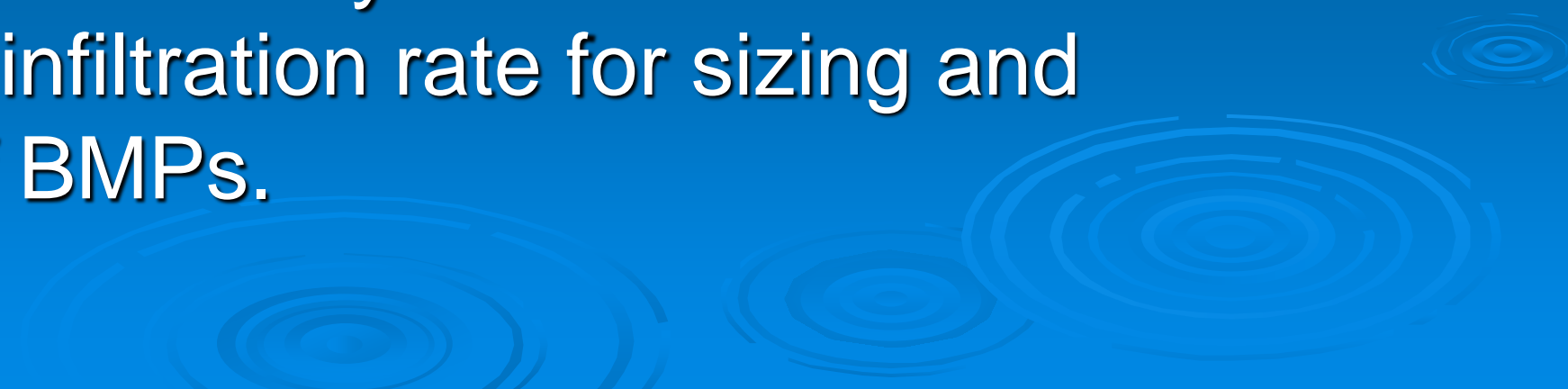
Appropriate Use for Estimates

Methods are available to provide rough estimates of infiltration (exfiltration) rates expected from BMPs such as bioretention or pervious pavement systems.

These methods are appropriate for preliminary site planning, i.e., to determine if an LID approach makes sense for a particular site or to develop a ballpark area allocated for infiltration BMPs.

Appropriate Use for Estimates

If moving forward with a design that incorporates infiltration BMPs (i.e., if credit is being taken toward meeting WQv, runoff volume reduction or peak discharge requirements) field measured infiltration tests are necessary to determine a more accurate infiltration rate for sizing and design of BMPs.



Estimating Infiltration Rates for BMPs for Site Planning


- Estimate the depth of excavation for the proposed infiltration BMP
- Identify the soil texture at the proposed depth of excavation
- Estimate infiltration rate by soil texture



Estimate Depth of Excavation for the Proposed Infiltration BMP

Infiltration Practice	Typical Excavation Depth Range
Bioretention Area/Cell	60" – 84" (72")
Infiltration Basin	48" – 72" (60")
Infiltration Trench	48" – 60" (48")
Permeable Pavement – Infiltration	18" – 30" (30")
Permeable Pavement – Infiltration w/ Q_{peak}	36" – 96" (60")
Underground Storage – Infiltration	48" – 96" (96")

In order of preference:

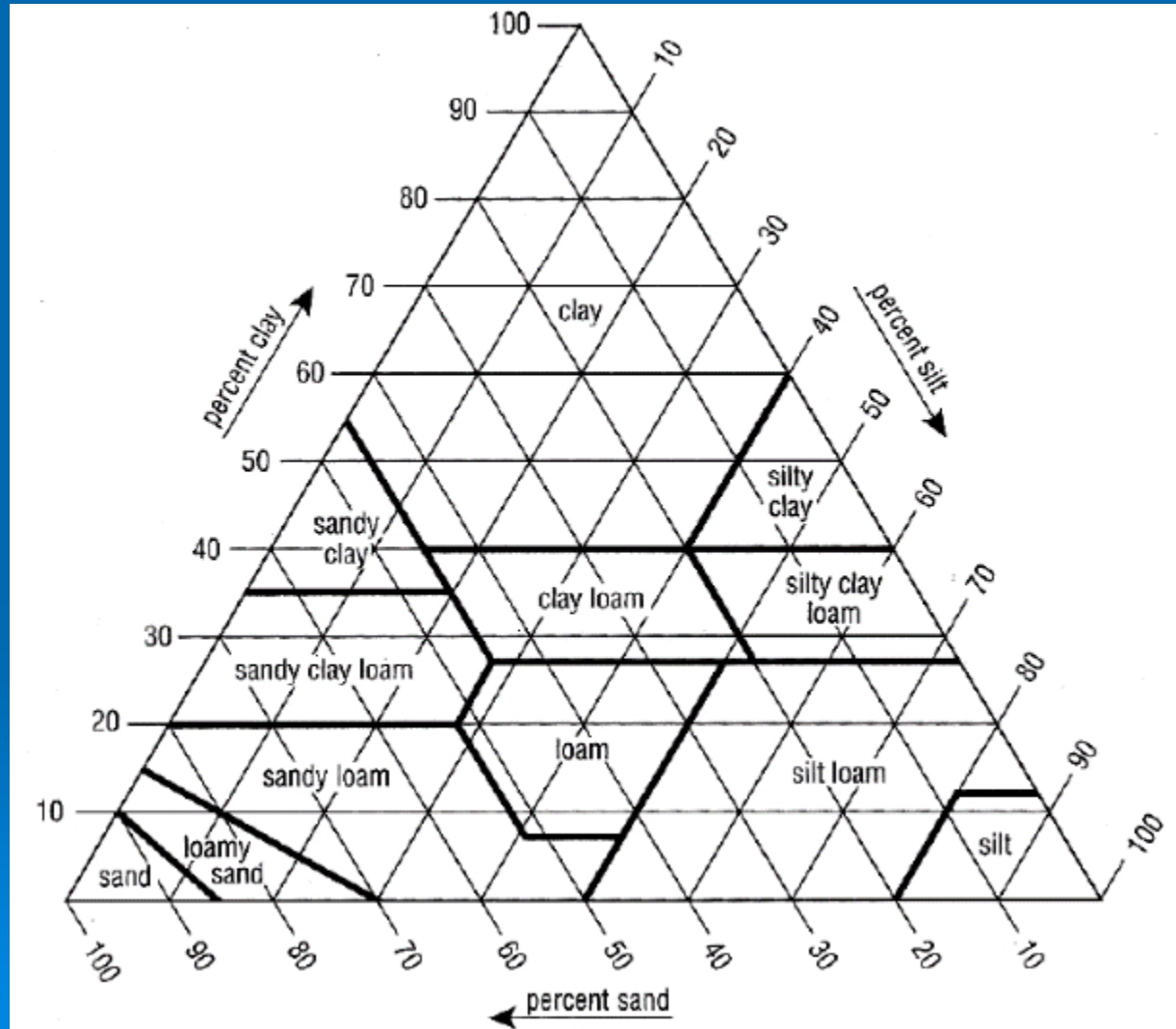
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| ☒ | B-3 | 1.8 | 4.75 | 0.041 | 0.012 | 0.002 | 0.0 | 15.2 | 75.3 | 9.5 |
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USDA Soil Texture



Identify the soil texture at the proposed depth of excavation

In order of preference:

1. Particle or grain size distribution test on soil samples collected at the proposed location and depth (need at least percent sand, silt, and clay).
2. Field-conducted soil classification by a certified professional (soil pedologist or geotech).

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COMPLETION DEPTH: 10.0 ft	DRILL RIG: CME 45C ATV 2007										
BENCHMARK: N/A	DRILLING METHOD: Hollow Stem Auger										
ELEVATION: 973 ft	SAMPLING METHOD: 2-in SS	BORING LOCATION:									
LATITUDE: 40.380419°	HAMMER TYPE: Automatic										
LONGITUDE: -82.472546°	EFFICIENCY: 91%										
STATION: N/A OFFSET: N/A	REVIEWED BY: D.K.										

REMARKS: N ₆₀ denotes the normalization to 60% efficiency as described in ASTM D4633. Soil Symbol In "()" = Visual Classification															
Elevation (feet)	Depth, (feet)	Graphic Log	Sample Type	Sample No.	Recovery (inches)	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	USCS Classification	SPT Blows per 6-inch (SS)	Moisture, %	STANDARD PENETRATION TEST DATA N in blows/ft		STRENGTH, tsf		Additional Remarks	
										X Moisture PL LL					
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0						TOPSOIL (8")									
				1	13	STIFF, BROWN, LEAN CLAY, LITTLE SAND, MOIST	(CL)	3-3-4 N ₆₀ =11	24						
970				2	3	LOOSE TO DENSE, BROWN, SILTY SAND WITH GRAVEL, TRACE ROCK FRAGMENTS, WET		2-2-4 N ₆₀ =9	14						
5				3	10		(SM)	5-8-8 N ₆₀ =24	10						
965				4	0			9-10-10 N ₆₀ =30							
10						BORNG DISCONTINUED UPON COMPLETION AT 10'									

Lean clay (CL)

Texture change at 3.5' depth

Silty sand with gravel (SM)

Translating USCS Classification to USDA Soil Texture

Figure 5. USCS classifications (Ayers et al. 2011) mapped onto the USDA triangle.

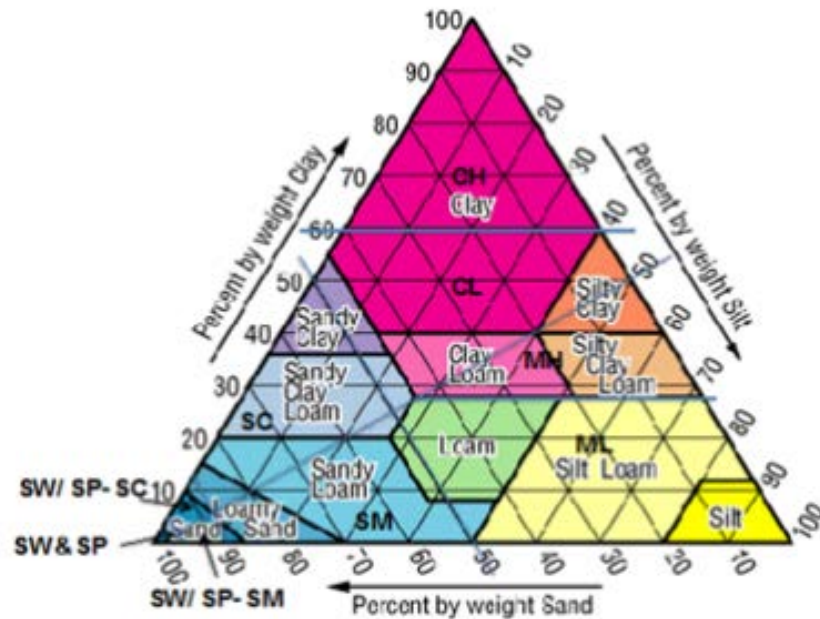
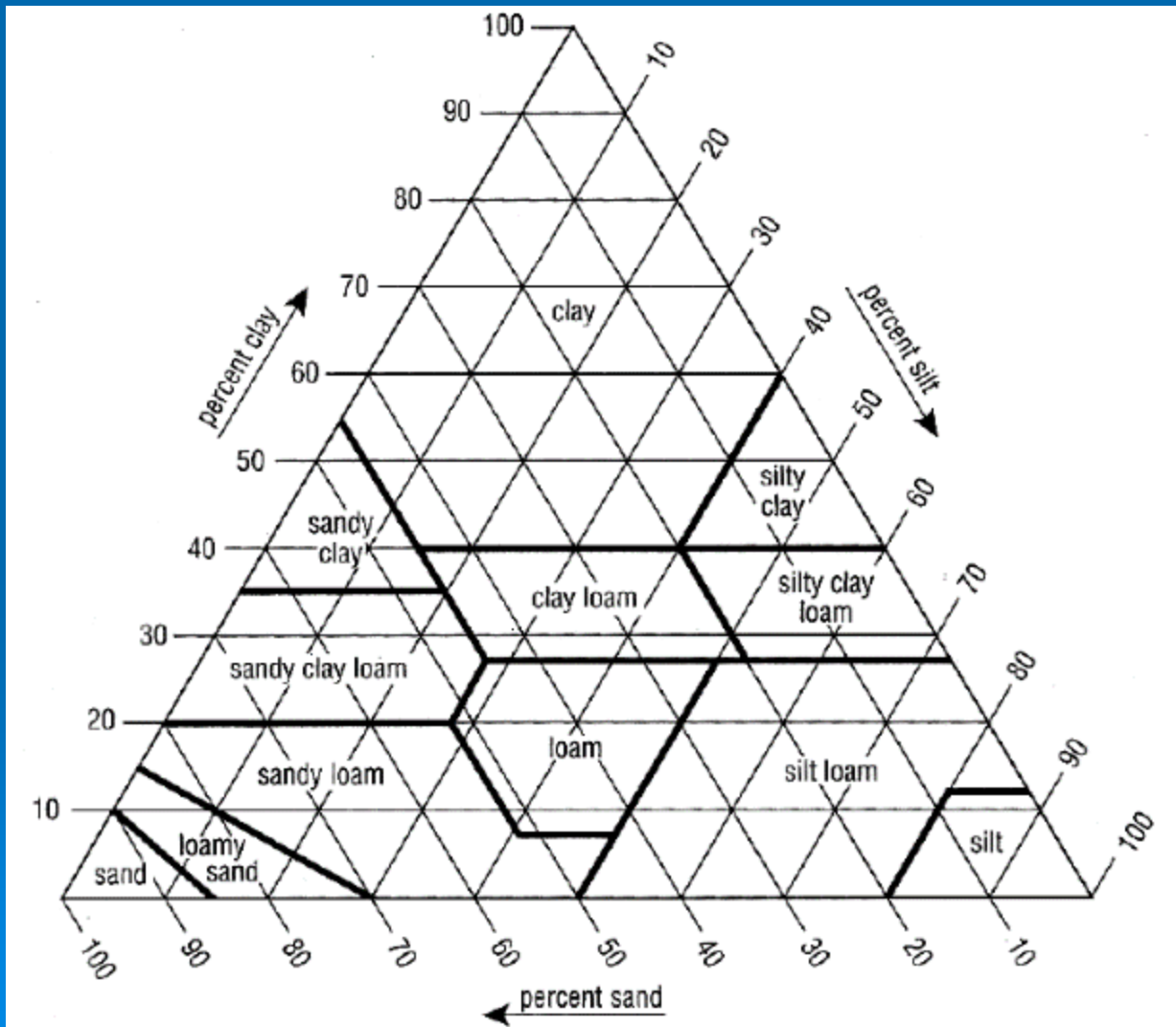


Table 13. USCS classification best fit for USDA classification based on Ayers et al. (2011).

USDA Classification	USCS Classification	
	Most Probable	Possible
Sand	SW, SP	—
Loamy Sand	SM	SC
Sandy Loam	SM	—
Sandy Clay Loam	SC	—
Sandy Clay	SC	CL
Loam	ML	—
Silt Loam	ML	—
Silt	ML	—
Clay Loam	CL, MH	—
Silty Clay Loam	MH	—
Clay	CH	CL
Silty Clay	CL, MH	—
Peat	—	—

USDA Soil Texture



Field Description

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Soil description for the under-construction sediment control basin at Holden Arboretum, Lake County, Ohio. The basin is south/southeast of the visitor's center. The exposed basin wall at the south end of the structure (latitude N 41° 36' 39.7" and longitude W 81° 18' 03.5") was described on September 11, 2013.

The area is mapped to Plateau silt loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes in Web Soil Survey.

Soil description

Ap1 horizon: 0 to 2 inches; dark grayish brown silt loam, 11% clay, 10% sand; many fine and very fine roots; weak fine and medium granular structure; <1% rock fragments

Ap2 horizon: 2 to 8 inches; dark grayish brown silt loam, 11% clay, 10% sand; very few very fine roots; massive structure do to compaction; <1% rock fragments

Bw horizon: 8 to 26 inches; yellowish brown silt loam, 12% clay, 10% sand, with redoximorphic concentrations (10YR 5/6) and depletions (10YR 6/1); no roots; massive structure do to compaction; <1% rock fragments

Bt horizon: 26 to 39 inches; dark yellowish brown silty clay loam, 32% clay, 8% sand with redoximorphic concentrations (10YR 5/6) and depletions (10YR 6/1); moderate medium and coarse subangular blocky structure; 1% to 2% rock fragments

Btx horizon: 39 to 50 inches (to the bottom of the excavation); dark yellowish brown silt loam, 18% clay, 15% sand with redoximorphic concentrations (10YR 2/1); weak very coarse prismatic structure parting to moderate thin platy structure; 3% to 5% rock fragments; note: this horizon is a fragipan

Steve Prebonick

Soil Scientist, ODNR

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In order of preference:

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3. Soil survey texture for appropriate depth based on soil type (soil map unit) at location of proposed practice.

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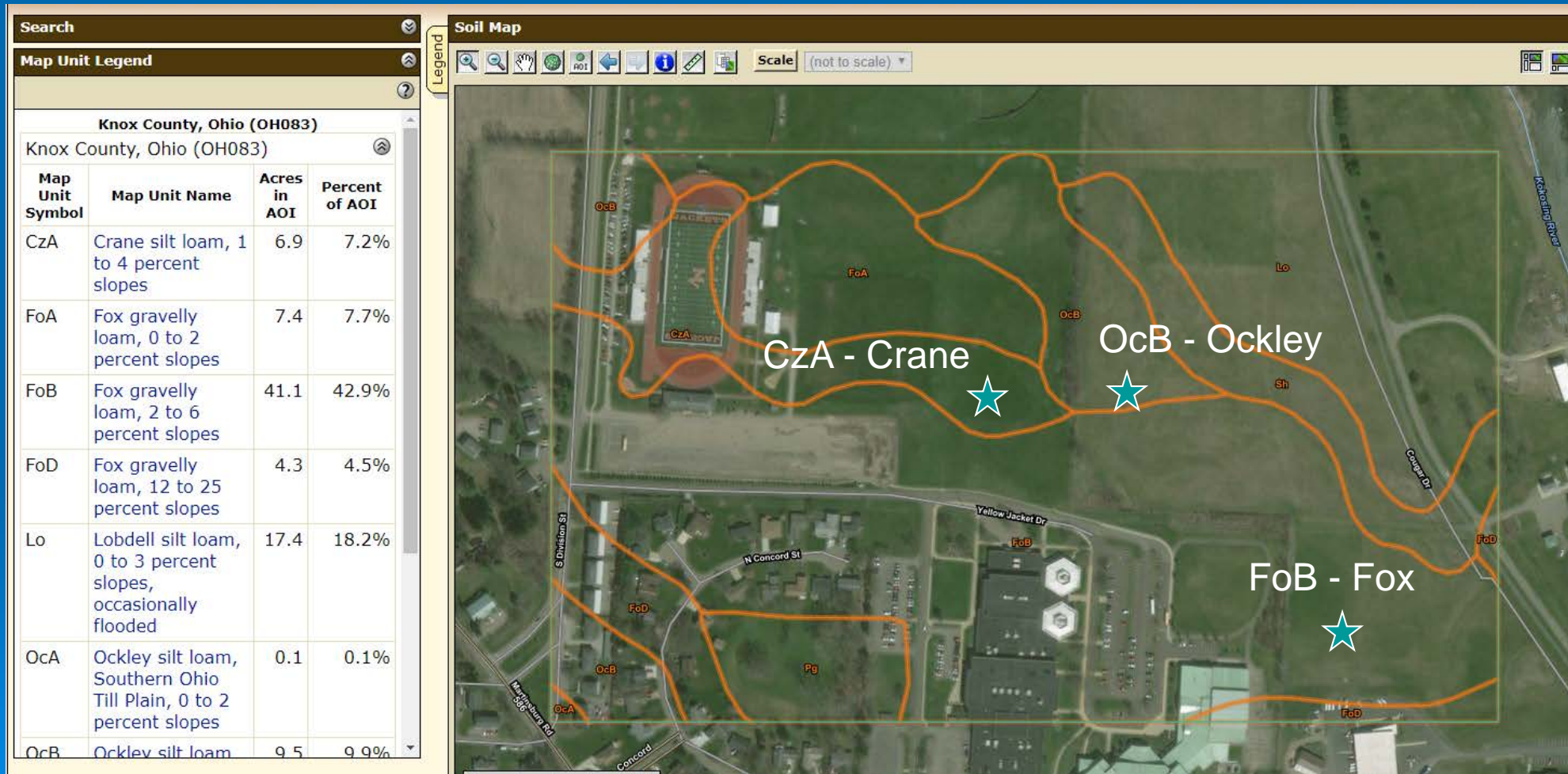
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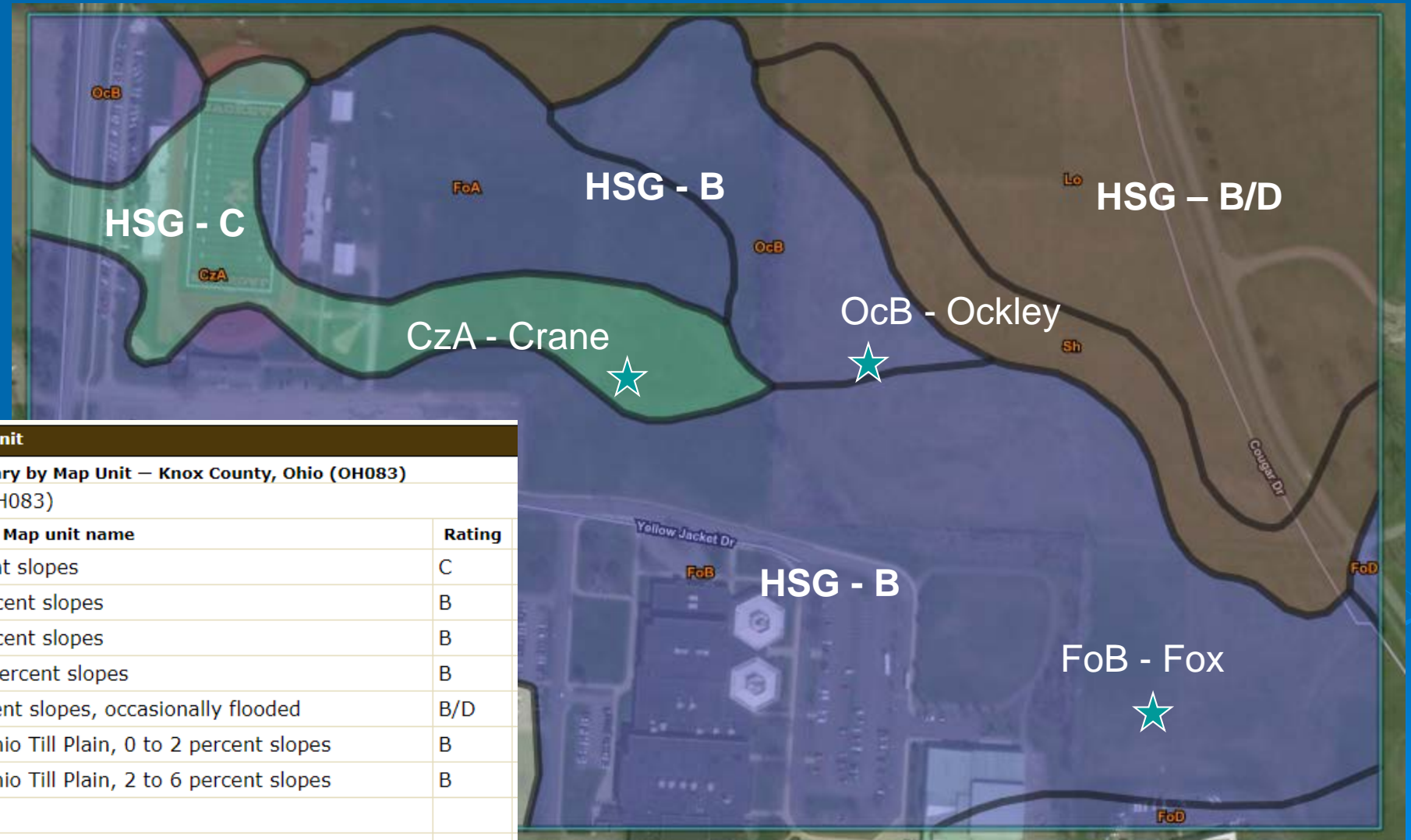
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NRCS Web Soil Survey – Soil Map



NRCS Web Soil Survey – HSG Map



Tables — Hydrologic Soil Group — Summary By Map Unit		
Summary by Map Unit — Knox County, Ohio (OH083)		
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Map unit symbol	Map unit name	Rating
CzA	Crane silt loam, 1 to 4 percent slopes	C
FoA	Fox gravelly loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes	B
FoB	Fox gravelly loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes	B
FoD	Fox gravelly loam, 12 to 25 percent slopes	B
Lo	Lobdell silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes, occasionally flooded	B/D
OcA	Ockley silt loam, Southern Ohio Till Plain, 0 to 2 percent slopes	B
OcB	Ockley silt loam, Southern Ohio Till Plain, 2 to 6 percent slopes	B
Pg	Pits, gravel	
Sh	Shoals silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, occasionally flooded	B/D

NRCS Web Soil Survey – Typical Profile

CzA—Crane silt loam, 1 to 4 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: nlgt
Elevation: 600 to 1,000 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 30 to 40 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 48 to 55 degrees F
Frost-free period: 145 to 180 days
Farmland classification: Prime farmland if drained

Map Unit Composition

Crane and similar soils: 90 percent
Minor components: 10 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the map unit.

Description of Crane

Setting

Landform: Outwash plains, terraces
Landform position (two-dimensional): Toeslope
Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread
Microfeatures of landform position: Mounds
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Loamy glaciofluvial deposits derived from mixed glacial till

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 14 inches: silt loam
H2 - 14 to 24 inches: silty clay loam
H3 - 24 to 34 inches: clay loam
H4 - 34 to 52 inches: gravelly loam
H5 - 52 to 60 inches: gravelly loamy sand

Properties and qualities

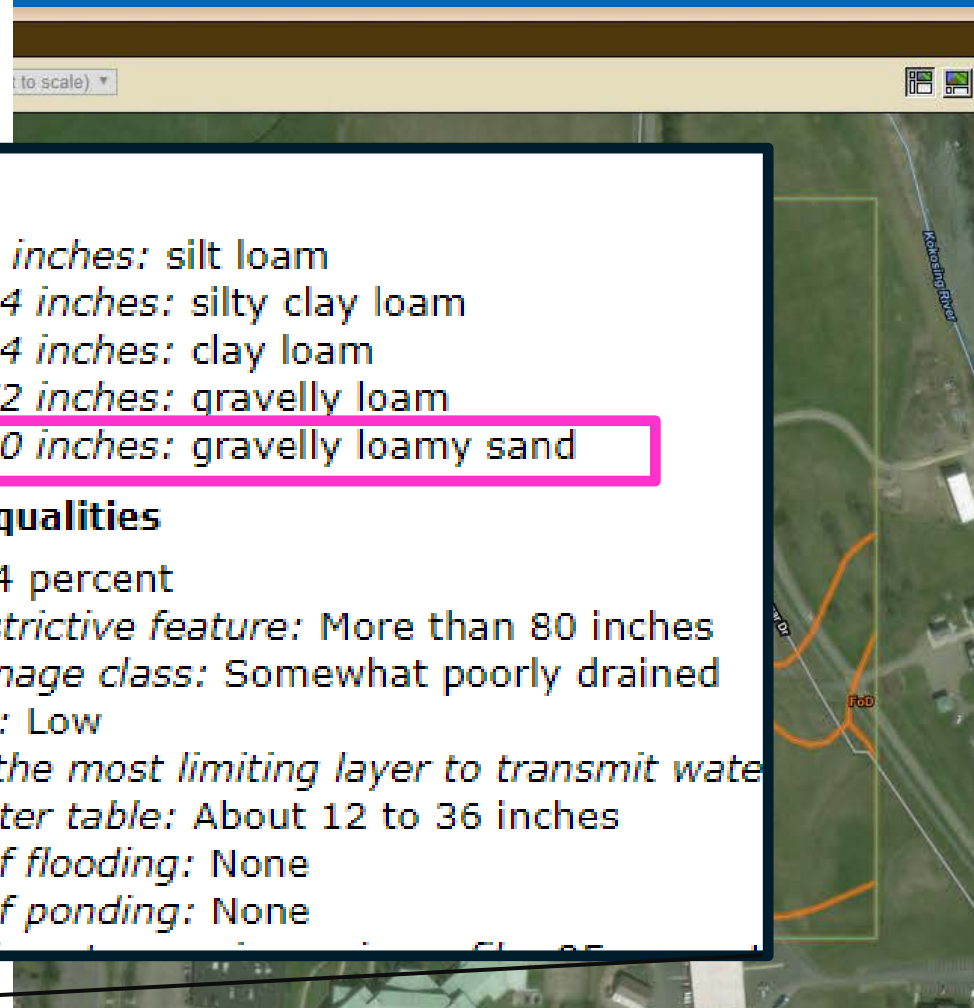
Slope: 1 to 4 percent
Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches
Natural drainage class: Somewhat poorly drained
Runoff class: Low
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderate
Depth to water table: About 12 to 36 inches
Frequency of flooding: None
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile: 25 percent
Available water storage in profile: High (about 9.7 inches)

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Turning Soil Texture into Kfs

Soil Water Characteristic Estimates by Texture and Organic Matter for Hydrologic Solutions

K. E. Saxton and W. J. Rawls

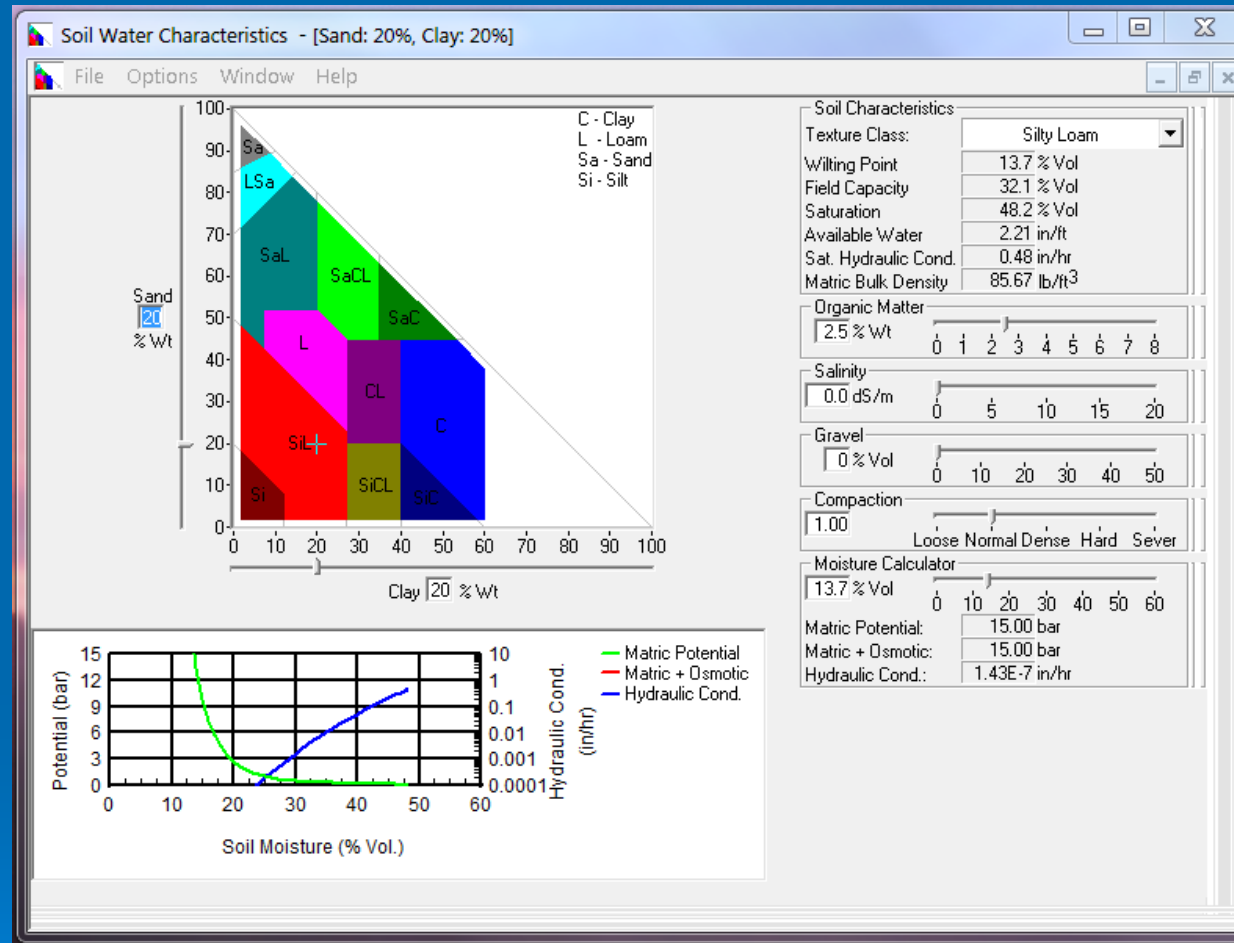
ABSTRACT

Hydrologic analyses often involve the evaluation of soil water infiltration, conductivity, storage, and plant-water relationships. To define the hydrologic soil water effects requires estimating soil water characteristics for water potential and hydraulic conductivity using soil variables such as texture, organic matter (OM), and structure. Field or laboratory measurements are difficult, costly, and often impractical for many hydrologic analyses. Statistical correlations between soil texture, soil water potential, and hydraulic conductivity can provide estimates sufficiently accurate for many analyses and decisions. This study developed new soil water characteristic equations from the currently available USDA soil database using only the readily available variables of soil texture and OM. These equations are similar to those previously reported by Saxton et al. but include more variables and application range. They were combined with previously reported relationships for tensions and conductivities and the effects of density, gravel, and salinity to form a comprehensive predictive system of soil water characteristics for agricultural water management and hydrologic analyses. Verification was performed using independent data sets for a wide range of soil textures. The predictive system was programmed for a graphical computerized model to provide easy application and rapid solutions and is available at <http://hydrolab.arsusda.gov/soilwater/Index.htm>.

characteristics (Van Genuchten and Leij, 1992). Application of this knowledge is imperative for hydrologic simulation within natural landscapes. However, hydrologists often do not have the capability or time to perform field or laboratory determinations. Estimated values can be determined from local soil maps and published water retention and saturated conductivity estimates, but these methods often do not provide sufficient range or accuracy for computerized hydrologic analyses.

The texture based method reported by Saxton et al. (1986), largely based on the data set and analyses of Rawls et al. (1982), has been successfully applied to a wide variety of analyses, particularly those of agricultural hydrology and water management, for example, SPAW model (Saxton and Willey, 1999, 2004, 2006). Other methods have provided similar results but with limited versatility (Williams et al., 1992; Rawls et al., 1992; Stolte et al., 1994). Recent results of pedotransfer functions (Pachepsky and Rawls, 2005) are an example of modern equations that cannot be readily applied because the input requirements are beyond that cus-

Soil Water Characteristics Calculator



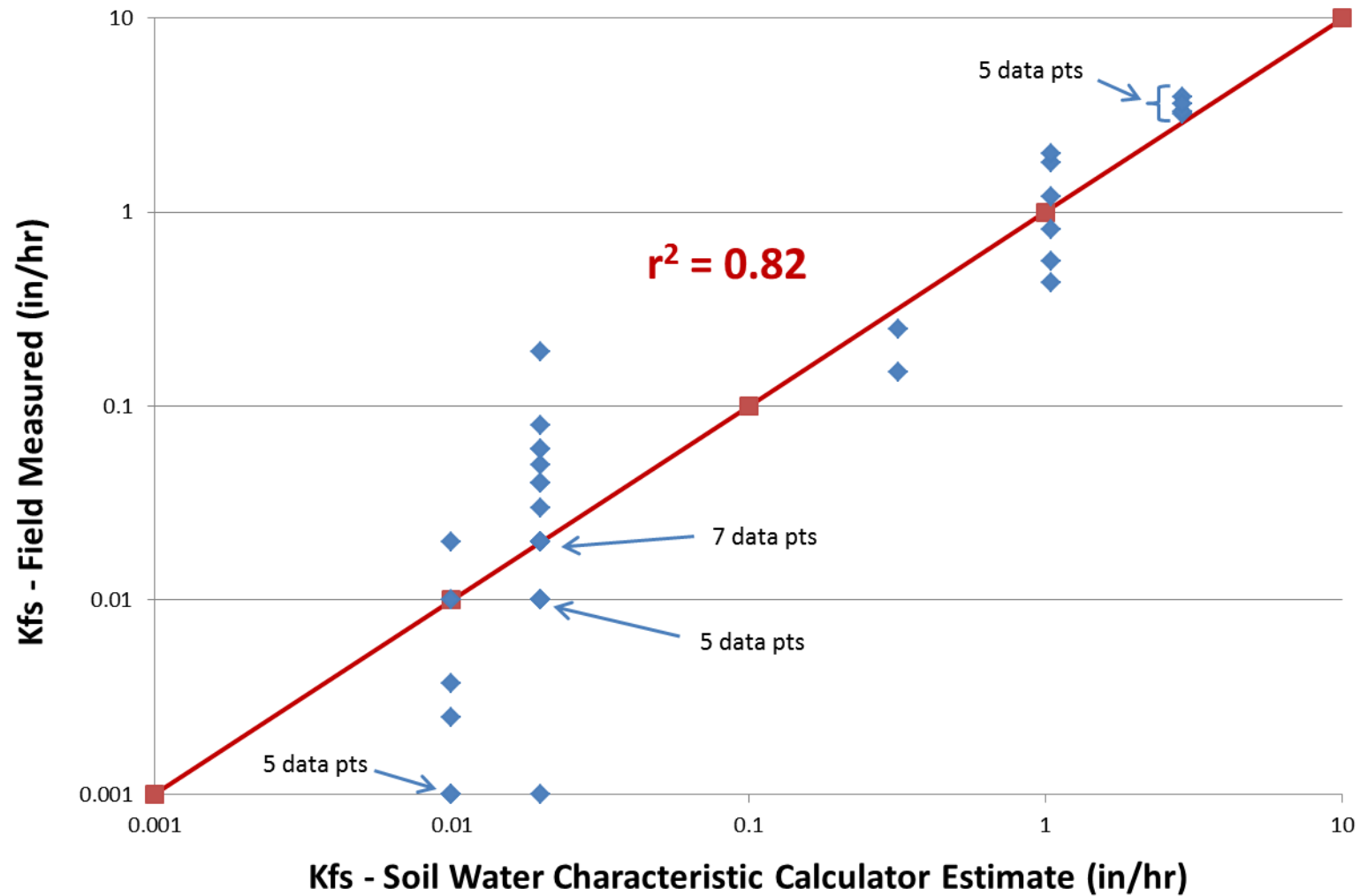
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Estimated Infiltration Rates for BMPs for Site Planning

- Using USDA-ARS Soil Water Characteristic Calculator
 - Select soil texture based on tested particle size distribution or soil survey texture for subgrade layer
 - Reduce organic matter content to 0.05%
 - Increase soil density (“compaction”) to “dense” (1.10)

Kfs Comparison

Field Measured vs SWC Calculator Estimate



Subgrade K_{fs} Estimates

Subgrade USDA Soil Texture	Clay Content %	Ksat (in/hr)
Sand	< 8	2.8
Loamy Sand	< 15	2.0
Sandy Loam	< 20	0.80
Loam	< 20	0.25
Silt Loam	< 20	0.10
Loam	20 – 27	0.06
Silt Loam	20 - 27	0.03
Silt	< 12	0.05
Sandy Clay Loam	20 – 35	0.07
Clay Loam	27 – 40	0.02
Silty Clay Loam	27 – 40	0.02
Silty Clay	40 – 50	0.01
Sandy Clay	35 – 55	<0.005
Clay	> 40	<0.005

Subgrade K_{fs} Estimates

with
Generalized
Hydrologic
Soil Group

Subgrade USDA Soil Texture		Clay Content %	Ksat (in/hr)
Sand		< 8	2.8
Loamy Sand	HSG-A	< 15	2.0
Sandy Loam		< 20	0.80
Loam		< 20	0.25
Silt Loam	HSG-B	< 20	0.10
Loam		20 – 27	0.06
Silt Loam	HSG-C	20 - 27	0.03
Silt		< 12	0.05
Sandy Clay Loam		20 – 35	0.07
Clay Loam	HSG-C or D	27 – 40	0.02
Silty Clay Loam		27 – 40	0.02
Silty Clay		40 – 50	0.01
Sandy Clay	HSG-D	35 – 55	<0.005
Clay		> 40	<0.005

Summary

➤ Infiltration BMPs

- Bioretention – applicable on most sites
- Infiltration basins and trenches – need $Kfs \geq 0.5$ in/hr
- Permeable pavement and underground infiltration systems – good potential for HSG-A, B, C soils

$$Kfs(min) = d_{WQv}/t_d$$

$A_{infiltration}$	$A_{impervious}$	HLR	WQv	dWQv	Kfs(min)
(acre)	(acre)		(ft3)	(in)	(in/hr)
1.0	1.0	1	3104	0.9	0.02
1.0	2.0	2	6207	1.7	0.04
1.0	3.0	3	9311	2.6	0.05
1.0	5.0	5	15518	4.3	0.09
1.0	10.0	10	31037	8.6	0.18
1.0	20.0	20	62073	17.1	0.36

Summary

- Planning level infiltration rate estimates help explore post-construction BMP options
 - Requires identification of soil texture at location and depth of proposed infiltration practice
- Infiltration rate estimates are not sufficient for post-construction BMP design – representative field measurements of infiltration rate necessary for design

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INFILTRATION ESTIMATES FOR STORMWATER PRACTICE PLANNING
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https://epa.ohio.gov/Portals/35/storm/technical_assistance/ProPractices.pdf

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