

Underground Infiltration Maintenance Guide

Inspection Checklist	Y/N		If yes, perform the following maintenance.
Is anything blocking or clogging inlets or outlets?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Remove any debris or sediment that may be preventing water from flowing in to or out of the underground infiltration system.
Has accumulated sediment filled sump structures?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Remove sediment with a vacuum truck as needed.
Is there standing water in the observation well 48 or more hours after a rainfall?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	This is an indication that your underground infiltration system is not functioning as designed, likely due to a larger problem that will require further study and action.

Additional Comments:

Importance of Underground Infiltration Systems

The underground infiltration system on your property makes a significant positive impact on the water quality of nearby lakes and streams. The underground system is designed to capture and store rainwater inside underground pipes and rock beds. Eventually, the stored water soaks into surrounding soils through perforations in the pipes and spaces between rocks. This helps prevent pollutants such as phosphorus, nitrogen, and heavy metals from entering our lakes and streams where they can cause unwanted algae and degrade water quality. Thank you for your help in protecting our water resources by helping ensure your underground system is functioning properly.



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