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Performance Goals Evaluation: Pollutant Loading

p-gen3-12m



Pollutant Loading [mass/time]



Modeled 10-Acre Sites in Twin Cities Region

Condition	Hydrologic Soils Group		
	B	С	
Developed: 20% Impervious Surface			
Developed: 50% Impervious Surface			
Developed: 80% Impervious Surface			



Developed Site <u>Volume</u> Control Performance Goals Modeled

1. Retain a runoff volume equal to one inch times the proposed impervious surfaces

95%

2. Retain the post-construction runoff volume on site for the 95th percentile storm





Questions to address today:

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How does the phosphorus removal compare amongst the four performance goals?

Why is there so little difference in removal between the performance goals?



Phosphorus Loading Reduction from Volume Control BMPs



* Based on average loading from the four performance goal scenarios



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Very well.

Phosphorus removals range from 72% - 97%.



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Results of Pollutant Removal Analysis



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Why is there so little difference in TP removals between the performance goals?



Law of Diminishing Returns

 Law of diminishing returns means that the first unit of consumption of a good or service yields more utility than the second and subsequent units.

 Each additional unit of consumption (e.g., BMP volume) yields less and less utility















Summary of diminishing returns 10-acre site with 20% impervious on B soils

Performance Goal: "X" off impervious surfaces	Increase in BMP Volume	Pounds Phosphorus Removed	% Phosphorus Removal	Pounds removed per cubic foot of BMP volume
0.5 inch	x 1	3.3	67%	9 x 10 ⁻⁴
1 inch	x 2	3.8	78%	1.4 X 10 ⁻⁴
2 inch	x 4	4.1	84%	0.4 X 10 ⁻⁴



Another way of showing diminishing returns of volume control BMPs



BMP Sized for ½inch off impervious surface



BMP Sized for 1-inch off impervious surface

Fills during 2% of events

BMP Sized for 2inches off impervious surface











Conclusions

How well do volume control BMPs reduce phosphorus loading? Very well.

How does the phosphorus removal compare amongst the four performance goals? For all practical purposes, they're the same.

Why is there so little difference in TP removals between the performance goals? The Law of Diminishing Returns.



Questions, Discussion, Feedback???

- Any performance goal method could be adjusted to require a larger BMP and provide more water quality treatment.
- How much water quality treatment is enough?
 - MIDS Legislation
 - TMDLs
 - Anti-degradation

