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STORMWATER RETENTION CREDIT SRC SITE EVALUATION PROGRAM GUIDE

Under this program, the Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE) is making technical assistance available to properties that want to determine the viability of green infrastructure (GI) retrofits on their property. DOEE issued a grant to the <u>Center For Watershed Protection</u> (CWP) to help administer this program. As described below, CWP will interact with program applicants and participants on DOEE's behalf.

Eligibility Properties

Eligible properties are those that:

- Are at least 0.5 acres (21,780 sf) in size.
- Are located in the <u>Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System</u> (MS4) area of the District.
- Will not use the stormwater retention GI to comply with regulatory requirements for a project triggering the District's stormwater management regulations. For large properties where regulated projects are occurring (such as campuses), there may be other areas on the property that are eligible for an SRC Site Evaluation.
- Are determined to have a reasonable chance of resulting in a cost-effective GI project. This will be determined by evaluating an aerial photograph of the property.

How to Apply and Participate

1. Complete the *SRC Site Evaluation Program Application* on the DOEE Surface and Groundwater System (<u>http://doee.dc.gov/sgs</u>).

Applications will be reviewed as they are received as long as funding is available. CWP will notify you of a decision within two weeks of your application.

2. If selected, schedule an evaluation of the potential for SRC-generating GI.

CWP will conduct a field evaluation that consists of estimating the area available for potential GI retrofits, delineating the drainage area, calculating the size required for the proposed project, and identifying site constraints. Evaluations generally take two hours or less. Property owners are welcome to participate; however, it is not a requirement that the owners are present.



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3. Review your SRC Site Evaluation.

All assessed properties will receive an *SRC Site Evaluation* that identifies potential GI retrofits. The report also estimates the Stormwater Retention Credits (SRCs) that may be generated, planning level project costs, and a list of designers who have met the SRC Price Lock Program eligibility criteria. Project alternatives and any potential barriers to construction will be documented, such as utility constraints.

4. Meet to discuss the *SRC Site Evaluation* (optional).

You can request a meeting with CWP to review the *SRC Site Evaluation* and explain the next steps in the process.

5. Consider installing SRC-generating GI

The concept designs developed through this program can enable participation in the <u>SRC Price</u> <u>Lock Program</u>.

You can use the <u>Financial Return Calculator</u> to estimate the potential revenue from selling SRCs from your project.

For more information about the SRC Site Evaluation Program, visit <u>http://doee.dc.gov/src</u> or contact Laura Gardner at <u>llg@cwp.org</u> or (410) 461-8323 ext. 3210.



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Scoring Criteria

Applications will be scored based on the following list of criteria, with specific points assigned to each item in the list (partial points are possible in each category). Applications are rated on a 100-point scale. An applicant should read this list carefully, ensuring that the proposal addresses the criteria. Minimum application score to receive funding is 60 points.

