

# Ventura Countywide Stormwater Quality Management Program

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## Technical Guidance Manual Revision Step-by-Step Process

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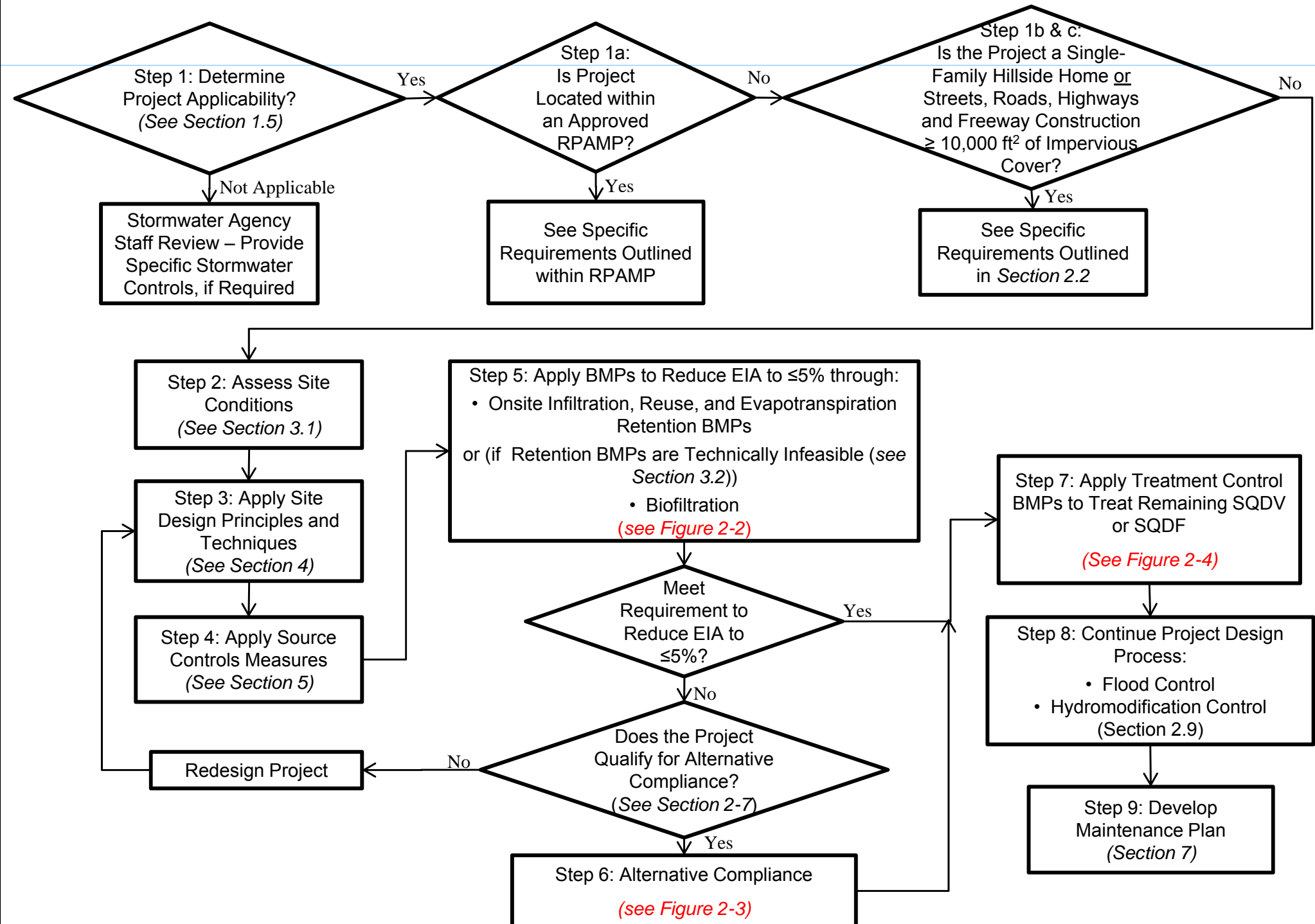


# Introduction

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- 4 Flow Charts:
  - Technical Guidance Manual (TGM) Process
  - Process to Reduce EIA to 5%
  - Alternative Compliance
  - BMP Selection Process
- Establishes a framework and decision process to address permit requirements
- Purpose today is to highlight changes, answer questions and take comments

# FINAL DRAFT 2010 TGM Process Flow Chart



# 2010 TGM Step-by-Step Process

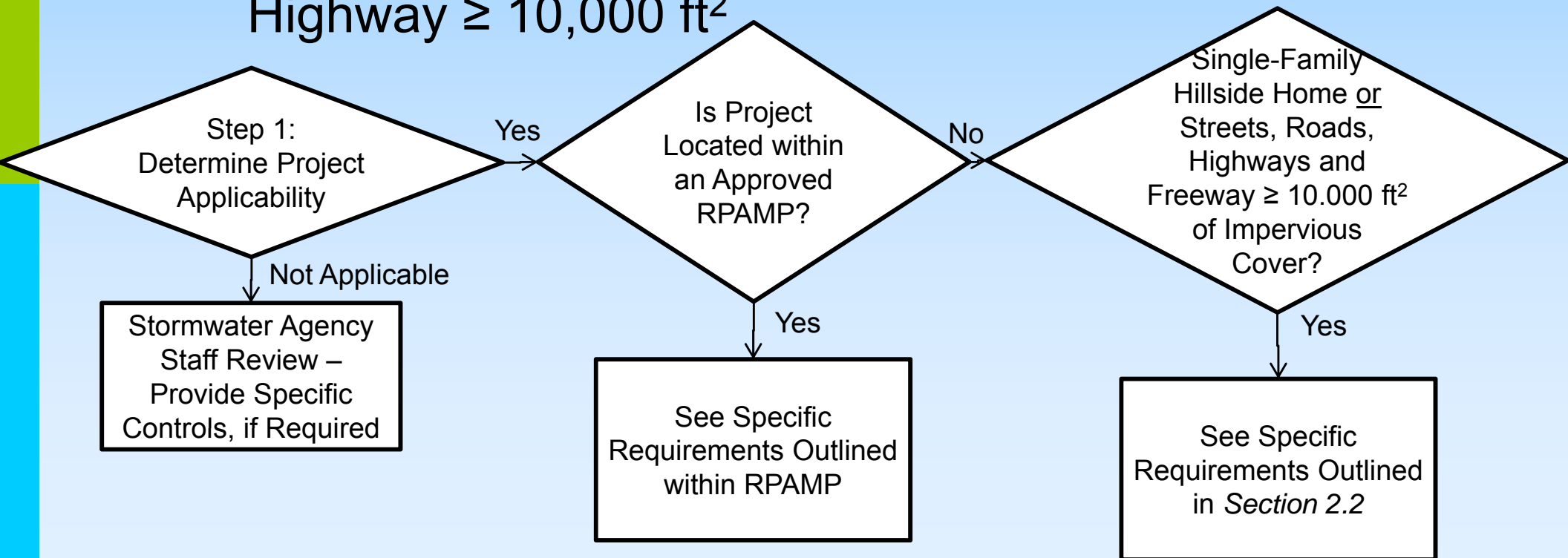
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- Steps roughly correspond to Sections in Final Draft 2010 TGM
- Each step references section where more information will be provided

# 2010 TGM Step-by-Step Process

## 1. Determine if Project is Subject to TGM

- Permit Project Categories
- Within RPAMP
- Single-Family Hillside Home or Street, Road and Highway  $\geq 10,000 \text{ ft}^2$



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## 2. Assess Site Conditions

- Understand conditions and constraints onsite critical to the selection of BMPs
- Site conditions (topo, soils), nearby waterbodies, etc.

## 3. Apply Site Design Principles & Techniques

- Protect Natural Areas
- Minimize Land Disturbance
- LID Considerations Early in Site Planning Process

Step 2: Assess Site  
Conditions  
(See Section 3.1)



Step 3: Apply Site Design  
Principles & Techniques  
(See Section 4)

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## 4. Apply Source Controls

- Same as 2002 TGM
  - Storm Drain Signage, Fueling Area Design, etc.

Step 4: Apply  
Source Controls  
(See Section 5)

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## 5. Reduce EIA to 5%

- Intent is to use Volume as the surrogate

Step 5: Apply BMPs to Reduce EIA to  $\leq 5\%$  through:

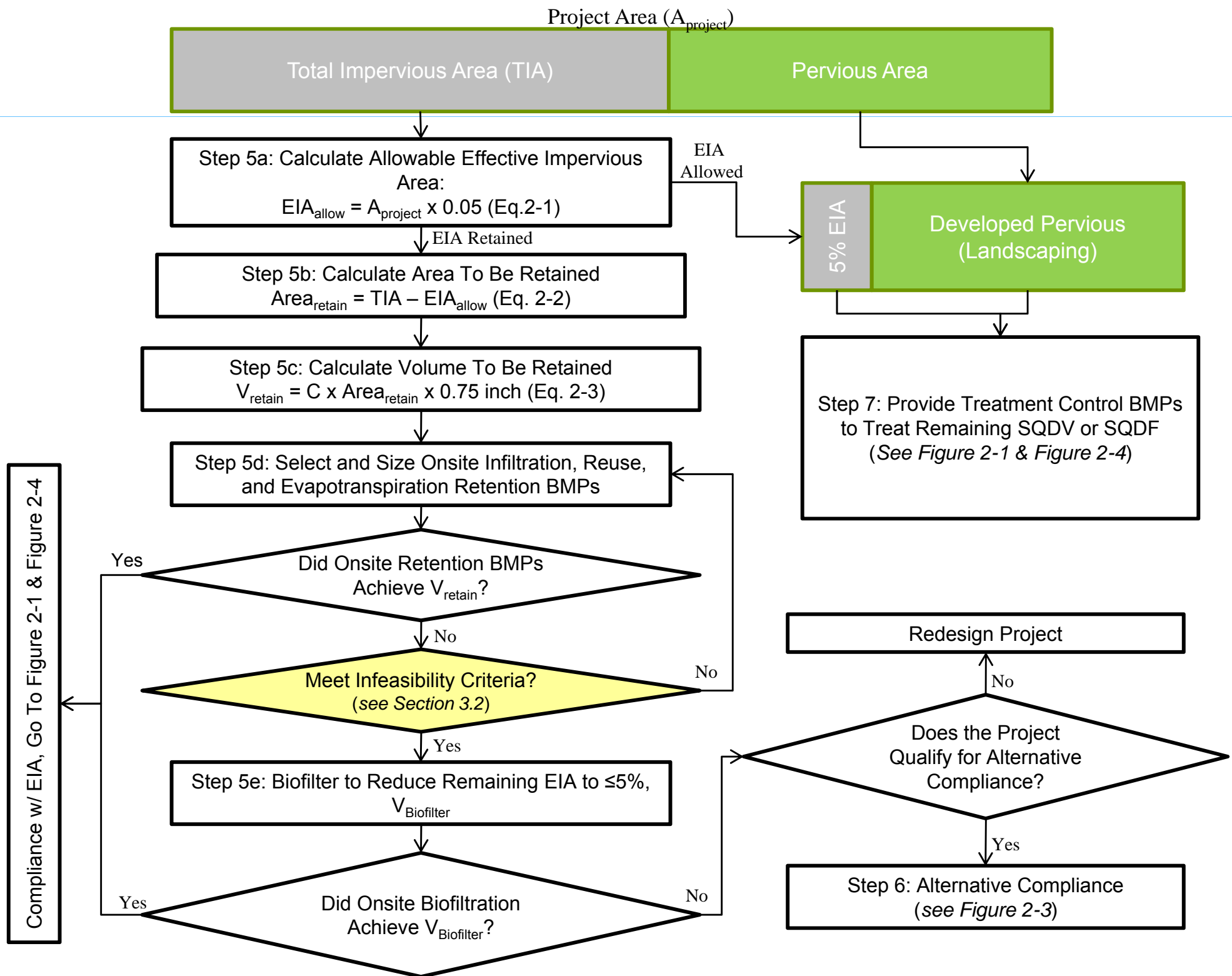
- Onsite Infiltration, Reuse, and Evapotranspiration  
Retention BMPs

or (if Retention BMPs are Technically Infeasible (see  
*Section 3.2*))

- Biofiltration

*(see Figure 2-2)*

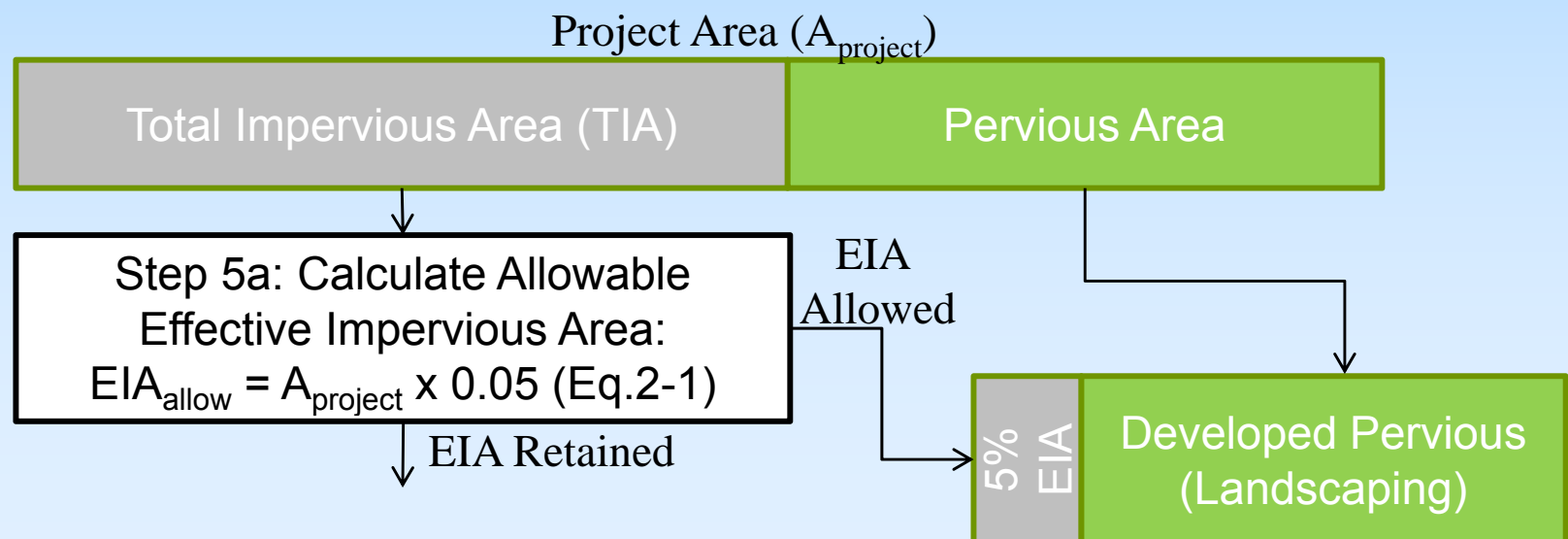




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## 5a. Calculate Allowable EIA

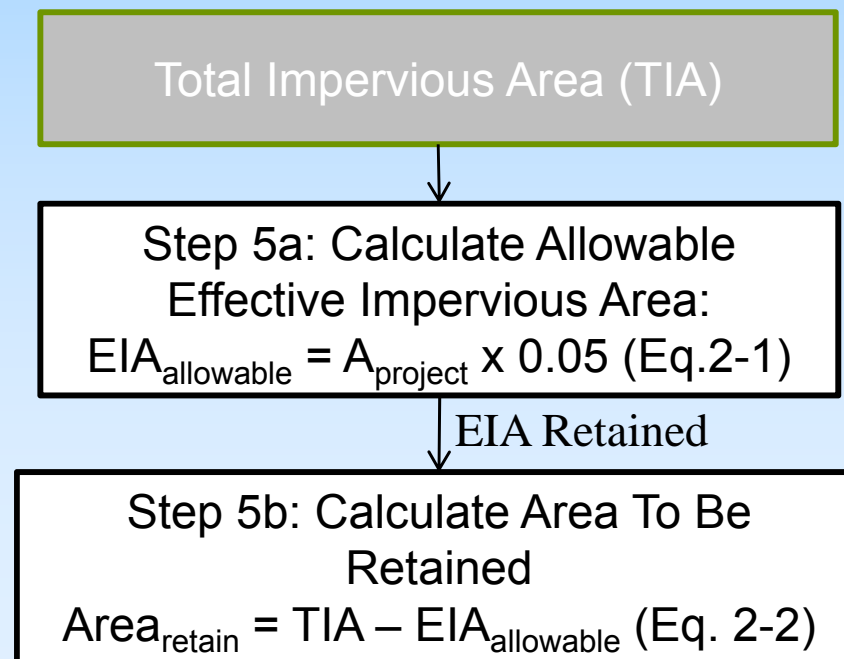
- the maximum impervious area from which runoff can be treated and discharged offsite (acres)
- 5% of total project area



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## 5b. Calculate the Impervious Area to be Retained

- The impervious area from which runoff must be retained onsite is the total impervious area minus the Allowable EIA ( $EIA_{\text{allowable}}$ )



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5c. Calculate the Volume to be Retained

5d. Select and Size Retention BMPs

- In order to render impervious surfaces “ineffective”, Retention BMPs must be sized to retain the Stormwater Quality Design Volume (SQDV)

Step 5c: Calculate Volume To Be Retained

$$V_{\text{Retain}} = C \times \text{Area}_{\text{retain}} \times 0.75 \text{ inch (Eq. 2-3)}$$

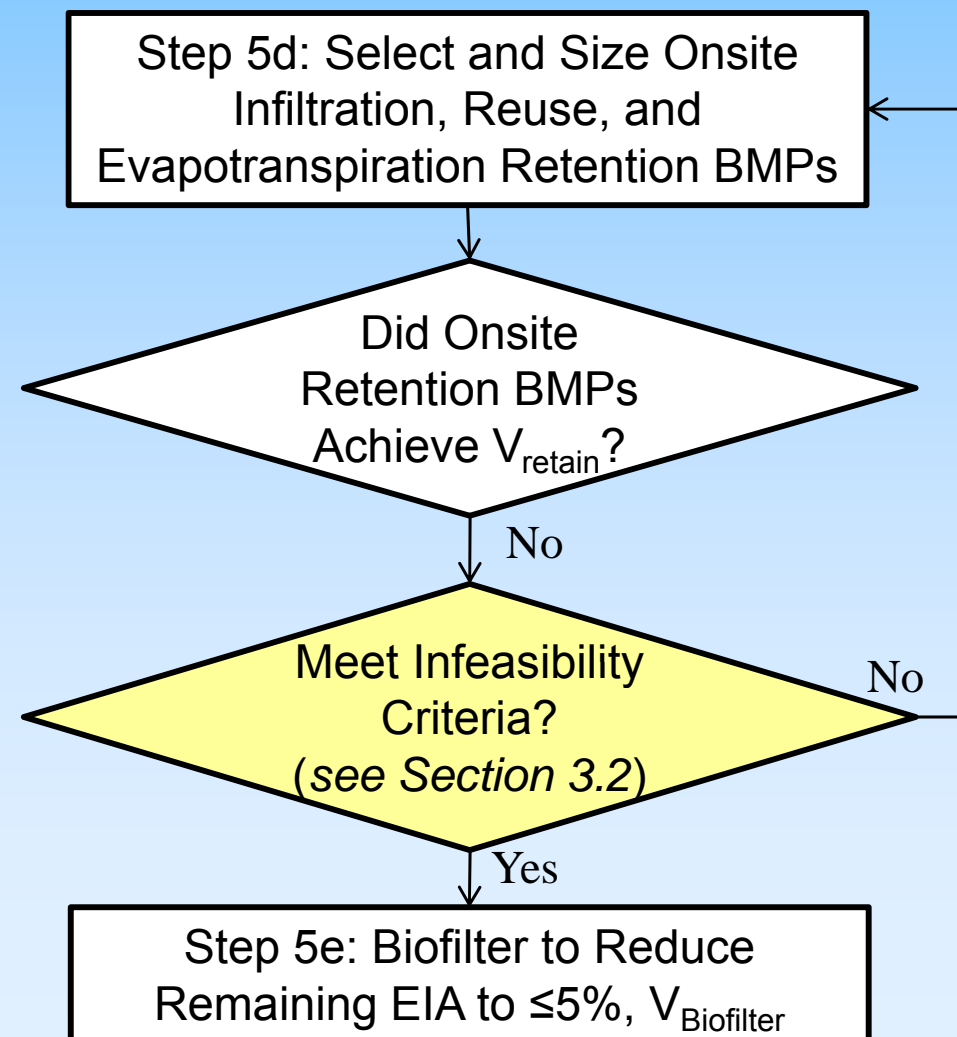


Step 5d: Select and Size Onsite  
Infiltration, Reuse, and  
Evapotranspiration Retention BMPs

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## 5e. Biofilter to Reduce Remaining EIA to $\leq 5\%$

- Apply Retention BMPs to the MEP
- Demonstrate technical infeasibility
- Biofiltration must be sized to treat 1.5 times the remaining volume



# Infill Definition

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- Infill projects meet the following conditions:
  - a) consistent with applicable general plan and zoning designations
  - b) occurs on a project site of no more than 5 ac substantially surrounded by urban uses
  - c) no value as habitat for endangered, rare, or threatened species
  - d) not result in any significant effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality
  - e) can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services
- modified from State Guidelines § 15332

# Smart Growth Definition

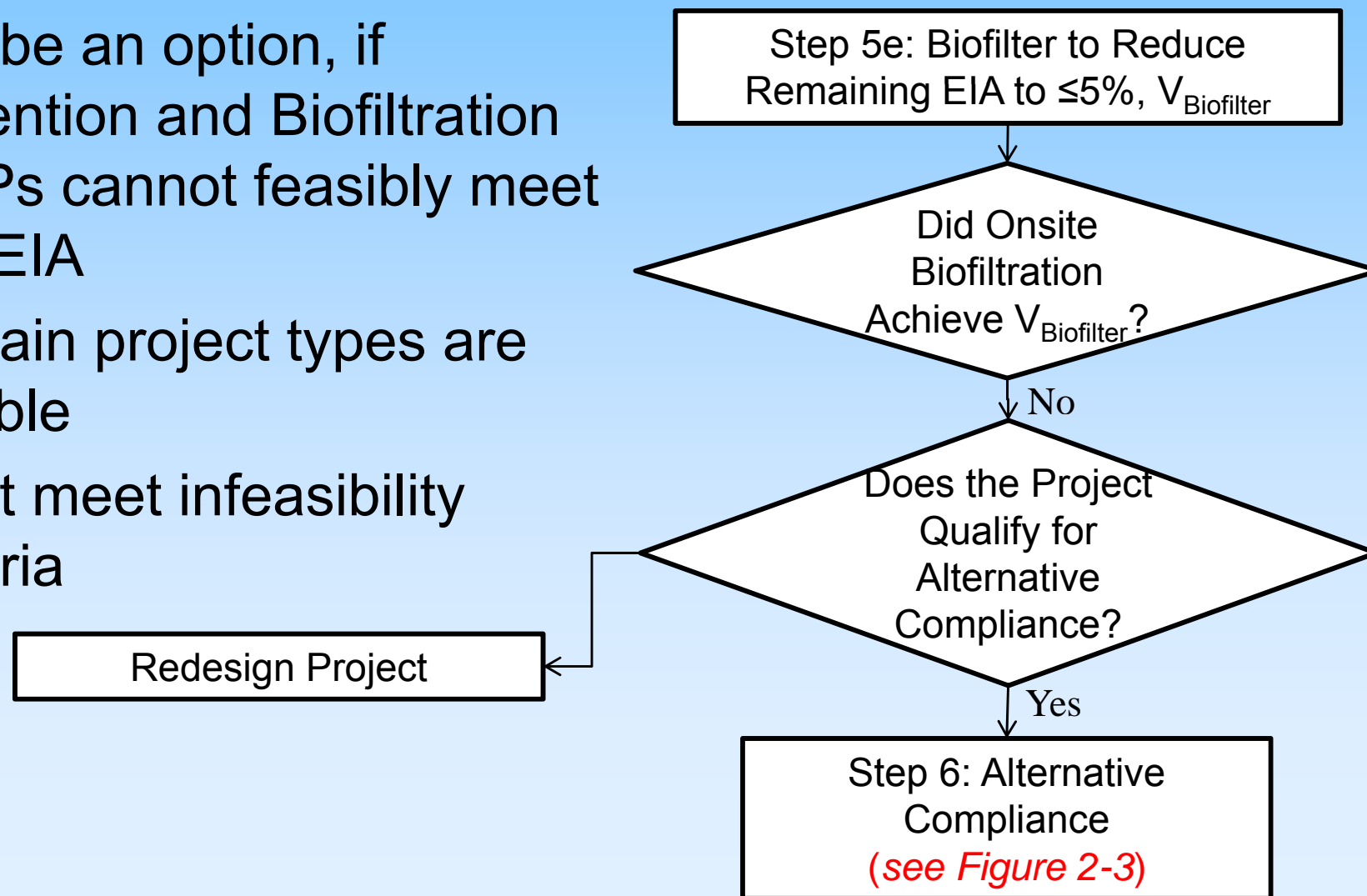
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- Projects that occur within existing urban areas designed to achieve the majority of the following principles:
  - a) Create a range of housing choices
  - b) Create walkable neighborhoods
  - c) Mix land uses
  - d) Preserve open space, natural beauty, and critical areas
  - e) Provide a variety of transportation choices
  - f) Direct development towards existing communities
  - g) Take advantage of compact building design

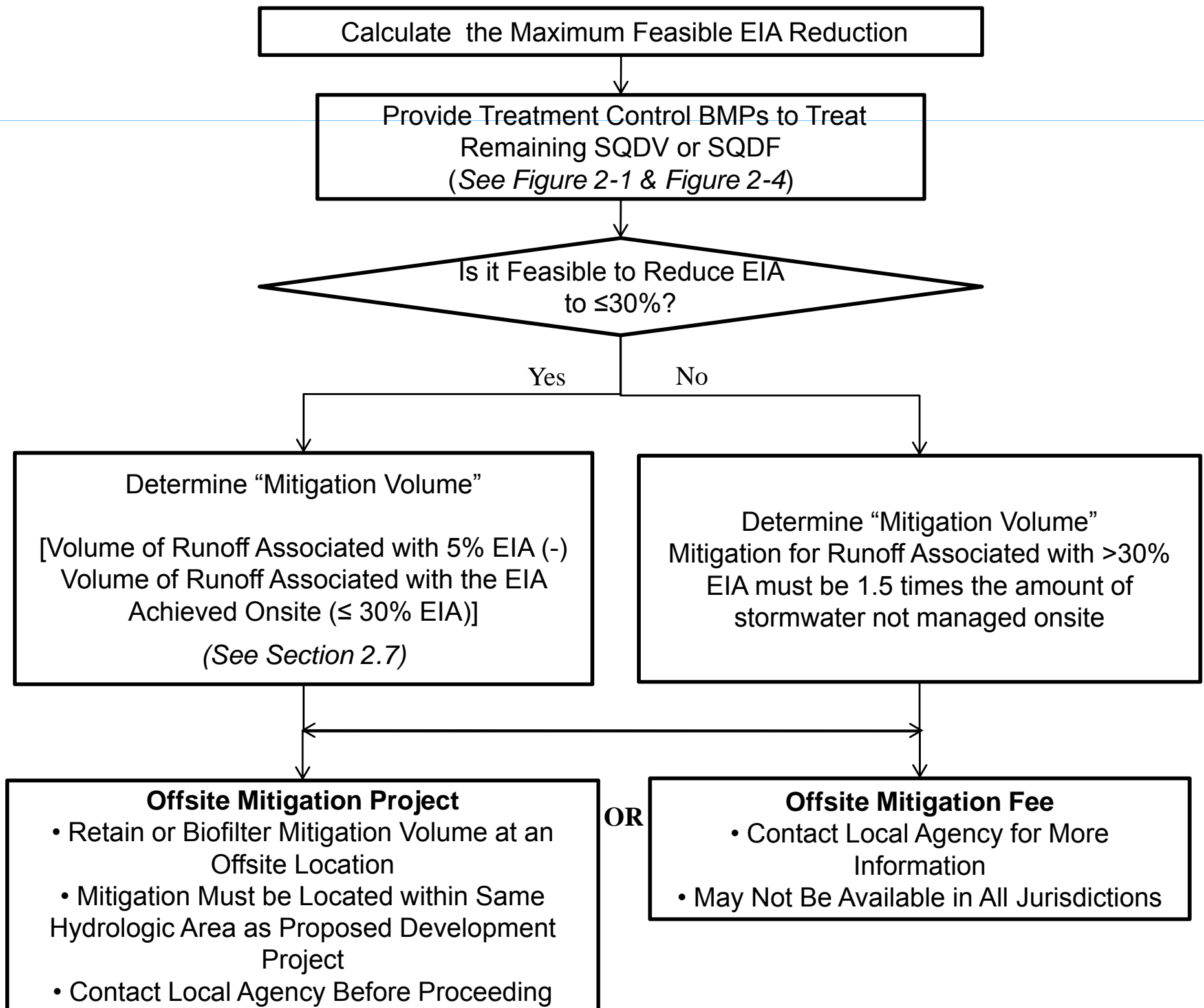
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## 6. Alternative Compliance

- Maybe an option, if Retention and Biofiltration BMPs cannot feasibly meet 5% EIA
- Certain project types are eligible
- Must meet infeasibility criteria







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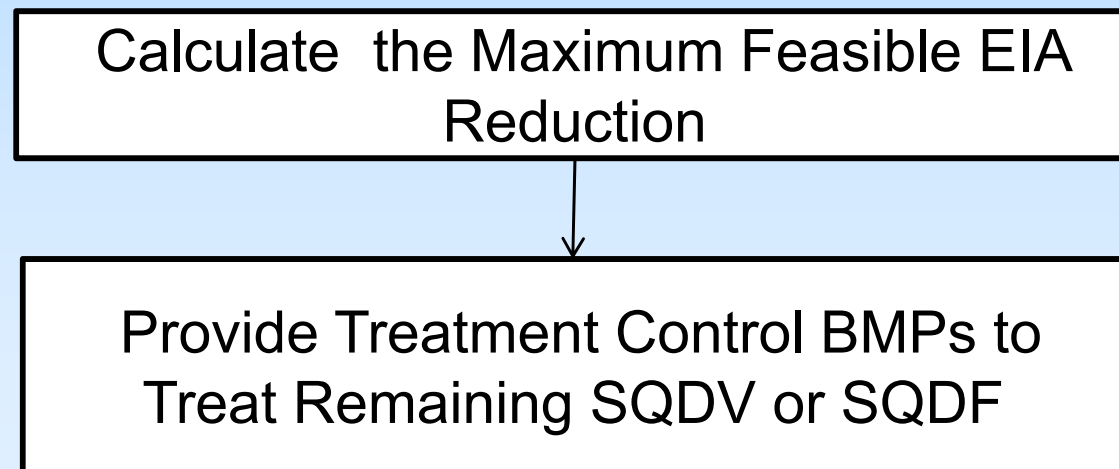
Calculate the Maximum Feasible EIA Reduction

- In addition to technical feasibility criteria, Section 3.2 provides criteria for determining “maximized” volume for Retention and Biofiltration BMPs
- Includes % of site feasible to dedicate to BMPs based on project type

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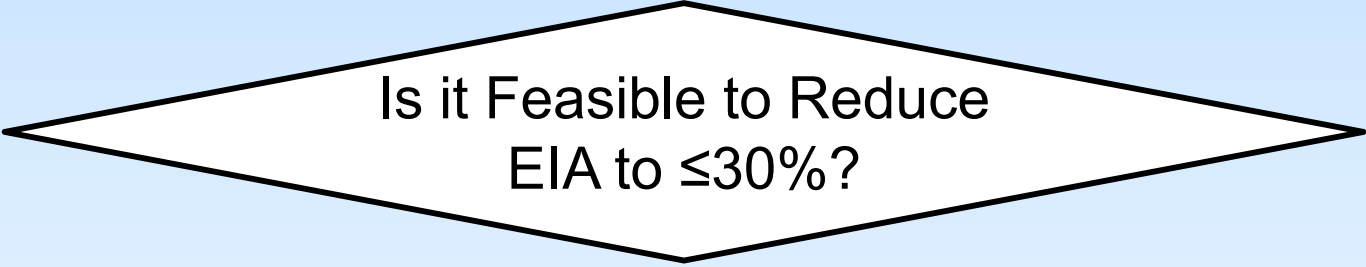
- runoff from impervious surfaces and developed pervious surfaces not fully retained onsite must still be mitigated using Treatment Control Measures



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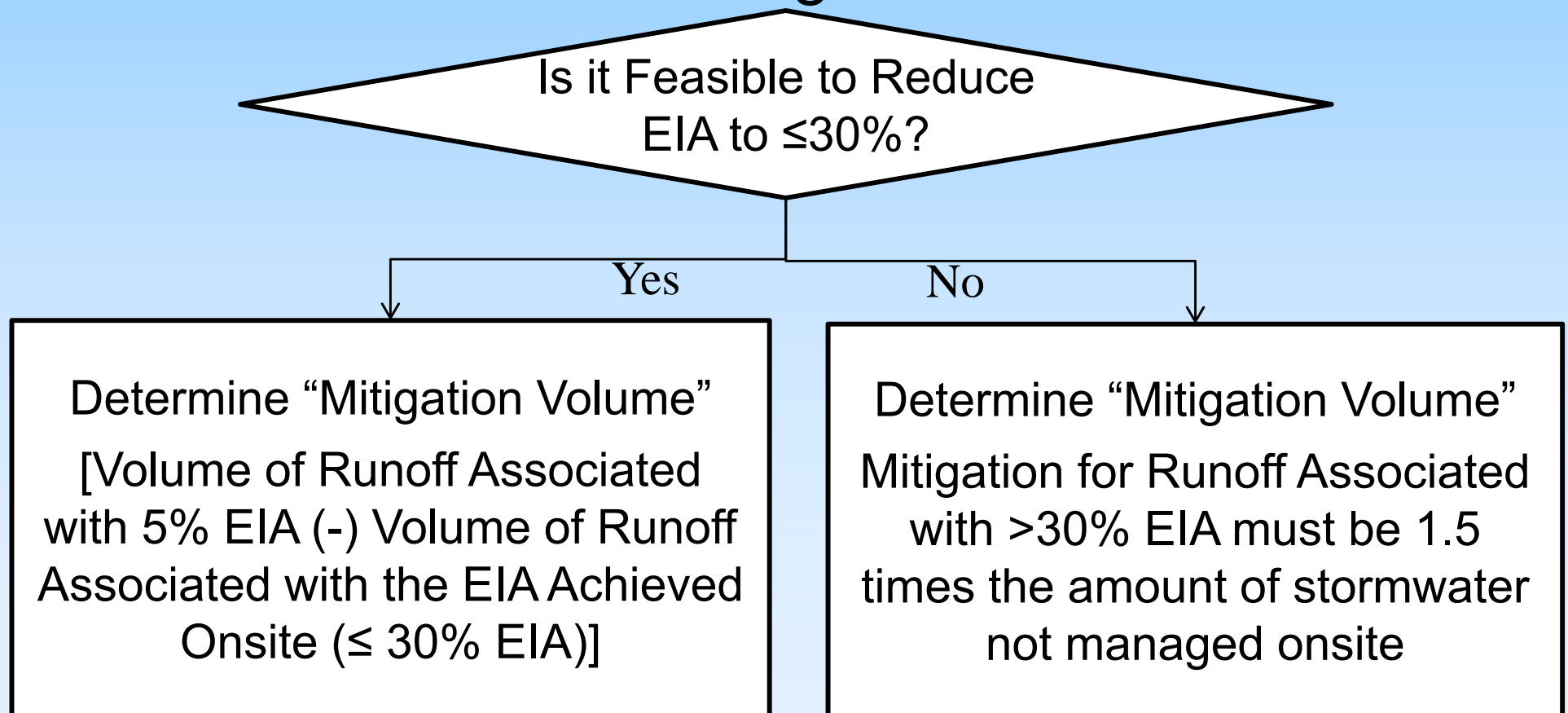
- Alternative compliance options will be based on the “mitigation volume.”
  - The mitigation volume is the difference between the volume that must be retained per the 5% EIA Requirement and the amount feasibly retained and/or biofiltered onsite



Is it Feasible to Reduce  
EIA to  $\leq 30\%$ ?

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- Mitigation for volume assoc. w/  $\leq 30\%$  EIA is 1:1
- Mitigation for  $>30\%$  EIA is 1.5 times the amount of stormwater not managed onsite



# Alternative Compliance

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## Offsite Mitigation Project

- Mitigation Volume must be retained at offsite location
- Must be within same hydrologic area

## Offsite Mitigation Fee

- May be an option in future

### Offsite Mitigation Project

- Retain Mitigation Volume at an Offsite Location
  - Mitigation Must be Located within Same Subwatershed as Proposed Development Project
- Contact Local Agency Before Proceeding

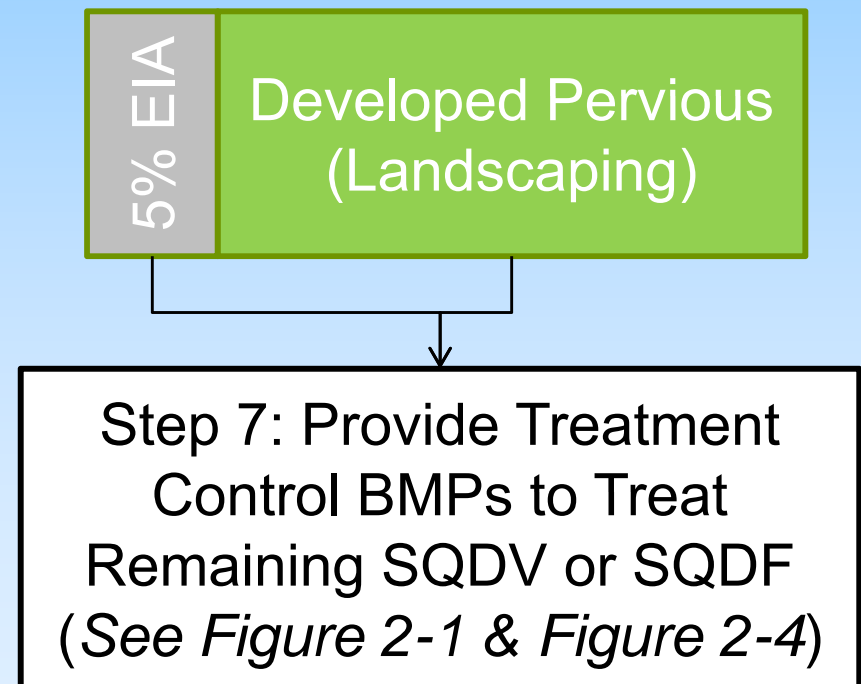
### Offsite Mitigation Fee

- Contact Local Agency for More Information

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## 7. SQDV/SQDF must be captured and treated for Developed Pervious and Allowed EIA



Identify Receiving Waters and Determine Pollutants of Concern



Apply Retention BMPs, Biofiltration BMPs, and/or Treatment Control Measures to Treat Remaining SQDV or SQDF to Address the Pollutants of Concern:

**Retention BMPs**

- Infiltration Basin
- Infiltration Trench
- Bioretention (no underdrain)
- Drywell
- Permeable Pavement (no underdrain)
- Proprietary Infiltration
- Cistern
- Green Roof
- Hydrologic Source Controls (Impervious Area Dispersion, Amended Soils, Street Trees, and Residential Rain Barrels)

**Biofiltration BMPs**

- Bioretention with Underdrain
- Planter Box
- Vegetated Swale
- Vegetated Filter Strip
- Vegetated Sand Filter
- Constructed Wetland
- Proprietary Biotreatment

**Treatment Control Measures**

- Dry Extended Detention Basin
- Wet Detention Basin
- Sand Filters
- Cartridge Media Filter



Select Pretreatment (Required for Infiltration BMPs)

- Biofiltration BMPs
- Proprietary Retention BMPs
- Other Treatment BMPs
- Gross Solids Removal



**Compliance with Retention BMP, Biofiltration BMP and Treatment Control Requirements**



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- Determine receiving waters and identify Pollutants of Concern
- Select BMPs to treat remaining SQDV/SQDF and address pollutants of concern
  - Retention
  - Biofiltration
  - Treatment Control Measures

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8. Address additional requirements including flood control and hydromodification
9. Develop and submit a maintenance plan for stormwater controls

Step 8: Continue Project Design Process:

- Flood Control
- Hydromodification Control



Step 9: Develop  
Maintenance Plan