Technical Memo

То:	Andy Haub, Eric Christensen, City of Olympia Brandi Lubliner, WDOE
From:	William J. Taylor
Date:	February 5, 2019
Re:	Bioretention Hydrologic Performance (BHP) Study II Site Selection Process and List of Selected Sites Technical Memo – Deliverables 2.2 and 2.3 Combined

This memo provides a summary of the site selection process and results of the site evaluations combined into one memo. As the selection process and recommended sites for selection are connected, it made sense to combine these into one product.

Background

The BHP Study II follows the BHP Study I (conducted with the City of Bellingham) and again involved contacting Puget Sound Basin jurisdictions to identify "candidate" bioretention facilities to be recommended for evaluation and possible selection in a set of ten facilities for performance monitoring.

The difference in the BHP II selection criteria from the first BHP Study was specifically to select sites designed using the Western Washington Hydrology Model version 2012 (WWHM 2012). The goal of this project is to evaluate the performance of the model, in addition to observe how the bioretention facilities are performing in the field.

As before, the selected sites are being monitored for inflow and outflowing stormwater flows. Site data is also being collected for groundwater and ponding levels, bioretention soil mix composition and infiltration rate, subsurface soil conditions, and vegetation composition and density as supporting information to evaluate the site performance.

Outreach to Jurisdictions, and Candidate Sites Identified and Evaluated in the Field

Jurisdictions, and this time public school districts, selected for contact to nominate potential sites came from four different sources:

- 1. Jurisdictions indicating interest in the BHP study from previous contact or during the current SAM project selection process,
- 2. Public School Districts identified through the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction
- 3. Jurisdictions identified through the Ecology Water Quality Grant program as having funded construction of a bioretention facility as part of their grant funded project, and
- 4. Jurisdictions that contacted the consultant team as a result of group emails from the Stormwater Work Group, the APWA Stormwater Managers Committee, and from the NPDES Stormwater Permit Coordinators forum.

Over thirty school districts and over 15 jurisdictions were contacted through direct telephone contact with stormwater managers or associated engineers and water quality specialists to discuss the BHP study, and their recommendations on possible candidate sites within their jurisdiction.

Based on the initial criterion that candidate sites had to be designed using WWHM 2012, almost thirty facilities were recommended for site evaluation. Site design plans (including planting plans), technical information reports (TIRs) and modeling information was gathered for most of these facilities. Twenty-five facilities were then identified for conducting a site visit for final evaluation. Because most of the sites contained multiple cells each with their own conditions, the site visits for these twenty-five facilities resulted in visual evaluation of approximately seventy individual cells.

Site Field Evaluation

After receipt of design drawings, TIRs, and hydrologic modeling results, each consultant discipline leader evaluated their background material before assessing each site in the field. Information then assessed in the field related to each of the main disciplines for selection of the sites:

- Assessment of inflow and outflow locations for flow monitoring feasibility
- Qualitative soil media composition and soil probe depths

In a different process from the previous BHP study, we did not conduct vegetation assessments as all the sites were recently constructed, or were still unplanted as we were visiting the sites. It was decided to conduct the vegetation assessment in the following spring to allow final planting and an assessment of initial survival.

Site Selection Criteria

The same site selection criteria developed in the BHP I was used as a reference to review and make note of many of the site design conditions and parameters for the candidate sites. Attachment 1 also provides a list of monitoring, modeling, and geotechnical information for each of the candidate sites.

As with the BHP I study, the accessibility of flow monitoring to attain accurate hydrologic results was almost exclusively the deciding factor. The remaining criteria checklist items were nonetheless useful as a checklist reminder of factors affecting site performance and additional data collection needs.

Separate from the criteria checklist, we used the surficial geologic and jurisdictional representation as guides to select sites that represented a wide range in geologic and jurisdictional participation.

Final Sites Selected for Monitoring

The geographic distribution of the full set of 25 sites visited is presented in Figure 1, and the final set of selected sites is listed in Table 1 below, and shown in Figure 2. Attachment 1 provides a full list of the sites visited, selected, addresses and the associated jurisdiction contacts.

Jurisdiction Project Name Columbia WQ Improvements Bellingham (BUW) Bellingham (BCK) Nevada – Kentucky Bike Boulevard 1st and 3rd Street SW Retrofit Marysville (M3Q) 1st and 3rd Street SW Retrofit Marysville (M1C) Monroe S.D. (MPP) Park Place Middle School Monroe S.D. (SSW) Salem Woods Elementary Renton (RSH) **Green Connections** Tacoma S.D. (FWI) Wainwright Intermediate Tacoma S.D. (TWH) Wilson High School Bush Middle School Tumwater S.D. (TBM)

Table 1. The final set of sites selected under the BHP II project.

Seasonal Schedule for Monitoring

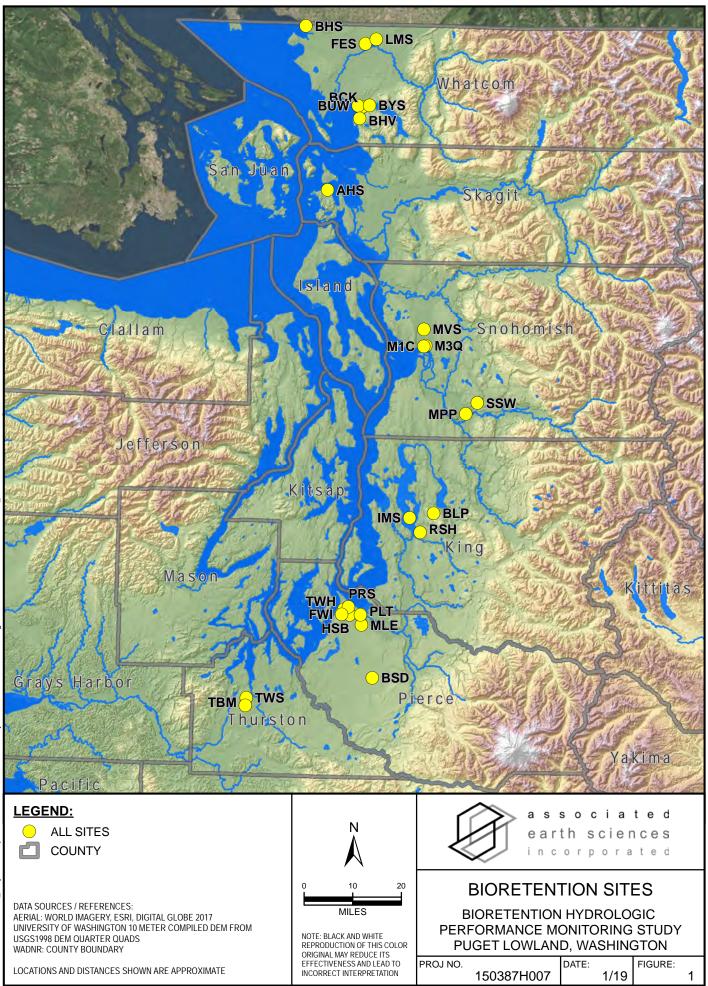
The monitoring phase of the project has begun, with virtually all the sites were installed and collecting continuous flow and rainfall data by October 15, 2018. The only exception was the two Bellingham sites which were installed on 10/22/18; and at the Bellingham BUW site one of the two inlet weirs was not installed until 11/6/18. The geotechnical site assessment work and field infiltration testing was completed during October and November 2018.

As with the BHP I Study, we recommend extending the period of monitoring from the current five months to eight months. The added value of observed groundwater conditions at many of the sites added value to analysis of the spring groundwater transition season.

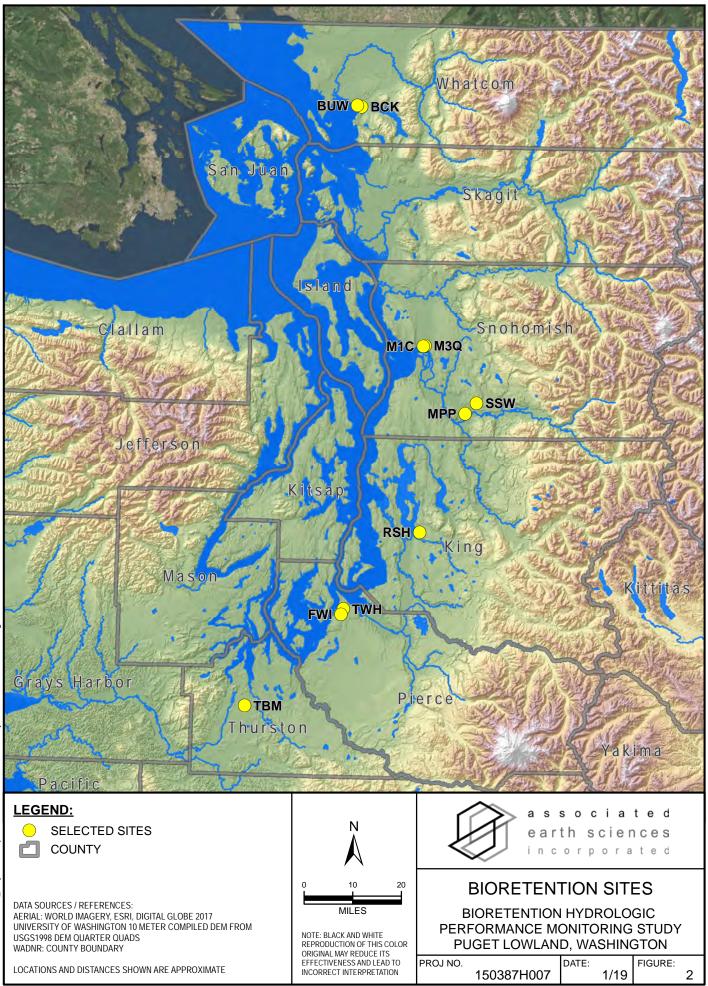
If you have any questions, please feel free call me or Doug Beyerlein.

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Attachment 1. List of candidate bioretention monitoring sites visited and assessed for selection as a site to be monitored during the BHP II study. Sites highlighted in yellow are selected for monitoring.

Jurisdiction	Project Name	Location	Contact Name	Contact Phone
Anacortes (AHS)	Anacortes High School	1600 20th St, Anacortes	Marty Yates	360-293-1228
Bellevue (BLP)	Lewis Cr. Park Picnic Area	Lewis Creek Park	Kit Paulsen	425-452-4861
Bellingham (BUW)	Columbia WQ Improvements	Utter St. and Washington St.	<mark>Eli Mackiewicz</mark>	<mark>360-778-7955</mark>
Bellingham (BCK)	<mark>Nevada – Kentucky Bike Boulevard</mark>	Kentucky St. and Cornwall Avenue	<mark>Eli Mackiewicz</mark>	<mark>360-778-7955</mark>
Bellingham (BYS)	Yew St. SW Improvements	Yew St. between Texas and Alabama St.	Eli Mackiewicz	360-778-7955
Bellingham S.D. (BHV)	Happy Valley Elementary	1041 24th St., Bellingham	Eli Mackiewicz	360-778-7955
Bethel S.D. (BSD)	Shining Mountain Elementary	21615 38th Ave E, Spanaway	David Wells	253-683-6085
Blaine S.D. (BHS)	Blaine High School	1055 H Street, Blaine	Alan Pomeroy	360-332-0738
Lynden S.D. (FES)	Fisher Elementary	501 14th St., Lynden	Patty Fairbanks	360-303-0927
Lynden S.D. (LMS)	Lynden New Middle School	8750 Line Rd., Lynden	Patty Fairbanks	360-303-0927
Marysville (M3Q)	1 st and 3 rd Street SW Retrofit	3 rd and Quinn St.	<mark>Adam Benton</mark>	<mark>360.363.8283</mark>
Marysville (M1C)	1 st and 3 rd Street SW Retrofit	1 st and Cedar St.	<mark>Adam Benton</mark>	<mark>360-363-8283</mark>
Marysville (MVS)	Sonic Drive-In	3802 116th St NE	Adam Benton	360-363-8283
Mercer Island S.D. (IMS)	Islander Middle School	7447 84th Ave SE, Mercer Island	Tony Kuhn	206-230-6339
Monroe S.D. (MPP)	Park Place Middle School	1408 W Main St., Monroe	Heidi Hansen	<mark>360.804.2677</mark>
Monroe S.D. (SSW)	Salem Woods Elementary	12802 Wagner Rd., Snohomish Co.	Heidi Hansen	<mark>360.804.2677</mark>
Renton (RSH)	Green Connections	Harrington at NE 8 th St.	<mark>Ron Straka</mark>	<mark>425-430-7248</mark>
Tacoma (HSB)	Homestreet Bank	1501 S. Union Ave.	Mieke Hoppin	253-573-2332
Tacoma (PLT)	Prairie Line Trail	S. Hood and Dock St.	Mieke Hoppin	253-573-2332
Tacoma	Proctor South Development	N. 25 th Street and N. Madison Street	Mieke Hoppins	253-573-2332
Tacoma S.D. (MLE)	Mary Lyon Elementary	101 E. 46 th St., Tacoma	Mieke Hoppin	253-573-2332
Tacoma S.D. (FWI)	Wainright Intermediate	130 Alameda Ave., Fircrest	<mark>Michael Knaack</mark>	<mark>253-571-3316</mark>
Tacoma S.D. (TWH)	Wilson High School	1202 N Orchard St., Tacoma	<mark>Michael Knaack</mark>	<mark>253-571-3316</mark>
<mark>Tumwater S.D.</mark> (TBM)	Bush Middle School	2120 83rd Ave SW, Tumwater	Tanya Baker	<mark>360-709-7009</mark>
Tumwater S.D.(TWS)	Tumwater Middle School	6335 Littlerock Rd SW, Tumwater	Tanya Baker	360-709-7009

			itoring Assess	ment	-	Can inflow be monitored with simple modifications;		
	Label	Jurisdiction	Site	<u>Site Visit Date</u>	<u>easily</u> monitored; 1 = Yes; 0 = No	<u>1 = Yes; 0 = No</u> or Not applicable	<u>Overall</u> monitoring rating	<u>Comments</u>
1		Marysville	3rd Street LID and Roadway improvement Project	4/30/18, 5/1/18		1	Tier 1	1 inlet and 1 outlet both with easy weir installs or curb cut modification
2		A	Marysville 1st					Only 1 inlet from curb, can't monitor outlet flow excpet via morning glory weir if riser overtops. Can't monitor sidewalk
Ζ	M1C	Marysville	Street LID	4/30/18, 5/1/18	0	1	Tier 1	inputs but they are likely very small Received plan set only. Seasonal high
3	MVS	Marysville	Sonic Drive-In	4/30/18, 5/1/18	1	1	No-Go	GW depth ~5ft. owner said no
4	WHS	Tacoma	Wilson High School	4/30/18	1	1	Tier 1	Underdrained 2 inlets and 1 outlet pipe
5	HSB	Tacoma	Homestreet Bank	4/30/18	1	0	Tier 2	Underdrained could be monitored but lots of inputs Outlet comingled, owner status unknown
6	PRS	Tacoma	Proctor South	4/30/18	unk	unk	No-Go	Construction not finished at time of study
7	MLE	Tacoma	Mary Lyon Elementary School	7/31/2018	unk	unk	No-Go	Constuction not finished at time of study Complcated stone weir walls and other
8	PLT	Tacoma	Prarie Line Trail	4/30/18	0	0	No-Go	confusion
9	BHV	Bellingham SD	Happy Valley Elementary School	7/20/19	0	0	No-Go	Too many inlets and comingled outflow, other cell lined, parking lot too many linked cells
10	AHS	Anacortes	Anacortes High School	10/1/18	unk	unk	No-Go	Constuction not finished at time of study
11	FES	Lynden	Fisher Elementary School	7/20/2018	0	0	Tier 2	Lots of inlets, would need to monitor 1 and model 16, otherwise good
12	LMS	Lynden	Lynden New Middle School	7/20/2018	0	0	Tier 2	Can't monitor inflow as it is all sheet flow but very clearly defined drainage area likely best case for modeling inflow
13	вск	Bellingham	Cornwall Kentucky	7/20/2018	1	1	Tier 1	2 inlets, 1 outlet. 1 inlet subject to some backwater
14	IMS	Mercer Island	Islander Middle School	8/15/2018	0	0	Tier 2	Multiple buried inlets with inverts below BSM level in cell
15	BYS	Bellingham	Yew St	7/20/2018	0	0	No-Go	Adjacent to permeable pavement sidewalk, likely recieves flow from sidewalk base-course. Too many ins and Outs
16	BHS	Blaine	Blaine High School	7/20/2018	1	0	No-Go	Owner said no
17		Tumwater	Tumwater Middle School	7/31/2018	1	0	No-Go	All sites either comingled outlfow or sheet flow to gravel to grass strip inflow
18	твм	Tumwater	George Washington Bush Middle School	7/31/2018	1	1	Tier 1	Small cell in back with 1 inlet is good candidate
19	MPP	Monroe SD	Park Place Middle School	7/31/2018	1	1	Tier 1	Cell 6 has 1 inlet, no outlet, Cells 5 and 7 also considered but more complicated and more visible accessible for potential vandalism
20		Monroe SD	Salem Woods Elementary School	7/31/18	1	1	Tier 1	Cell 2, 1 inlet, outlet is high overflow
21	BLP	Bellevue	Lewis Creek Park	8/15/2018	0	1	No-Go	2 cells. One has sheet flow from pervious & basecourse. Second has overflow from 1st plus 2 curb cuts from pervious. Inflow may be low.
			Wainwright			1	Tier 1	Cell 4 with two inlets selected. Cell 1 underlain by utility. Cell 2 has some minor inflow from sheet flow. Cell 3 extends to include a narrow, vegetated ditch (part of bioretention cell?)
22	FWI	Tacoma SD	Intermediate	8/15/2018	0			anon (part of biorotoficion cont.)
			Shining Mountain					Primarily sheet flow.
22 23 24	BSD	Tacoma SD Bethel SD Bellingham		8/15/2018 8/15/2018 9/28/2018	0	0	Tier 2	

Site Information for Modeling Assessment

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	Label	Jurisdiction	<u>Site</u>	Site Visit Date	<u>SWDM</u>	<u>SWM</u>	<u>Under-</u> drains	Liner	<u>Overfi</u> ow		BSM b	BSM n	Subgrade Design Rate	<u>TIR Civil</u>
			3rd Street LID and Roadway											
1	M3Q	Marysville	improvement Project	4/30/18, 5/1/18	Ecology 2014	WWHM 2012	no	No	Yes		1.5		2	Gray and Osborne, Inc
2	M1C	Marysville	Marysville 1st Street	4/30/18, 5/1/18	Ecology 2014	WWHM 2012	no	no	Yes		1.5		2	Gray and Osborne, Inc
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3	MVS	Marysville	Sonic Drive-In	4/30/18, 5/1/18		WWHM 2012	Yes	No	Yes		1.5		3.1	
					Tacoma									
4	TWH	Tacoma	Wilson High School	4/30/18	SWMM 2012	WWHM 2012	Yes	No	Yes		1.5	0.4	1.5	Sitts & Hill Engineers, Oct 2014
					Tacoma									
5	HSB	Tacoma	Homestreet Bank	4/30/18	SWMM 2016	WWHM 2012	Yes	No	Yes	12	>1.5			PACE, Oct 17, 2016
					Tacoma									
6	PRS	Tacoma	Proctor South	4/30/18	SWMM 2016	WWHM 2012	Yes	No	Yes		1.5			BCRA, Oct 2016
			Mary Lyon											
7	MLE	Tacoma	Elementary School	7/31/2018		WWHM 2012								AHBL, Oct 2017
8	PLT	Tacoma	Prarie Line Trail	4/30/18		WWHM 2012								BCRA, June 2016
9	BHV	Bellingham SD	Happy Valley Elementary School	7/20/19		WWHM 2012	Ves	NE cell is lined						Freeland & Associates, May 2015
10	AHS	Anacortes	Anacortes High School	10/1/18		WWHM 2012	yes	io iniou						
10	Ano	Andorics		10/1/18										
			Fisher Elementary		Ecology 2005,									
11	FES	Lynden	School	7/20/2018	2014	WWHM 2012	no	no		3			27.1	Freeland and Associates
12		Lyndon	Lynden New Middle School		Ecology 2005, 2014	WWHM 2012							14.73	Freeland and Associates
12	LMS	Lynden		7/20/2018	2014		no	no		3			3 cells with 3	
13	DOK	Bellingham	Cornwall Kentucky		Ecology 2005, 2014	WWHM 2012				45	4.5		different design rates	City of Bellingham Public Works
15	BCK	beiingnam	Cornwall Kentucky	7/20/2018	2014		yes	no	yes	15	1.5		rates	
4.4			Islander Middle											
14	IMS	Mercer Island	School	8/15/2018		WWHM 2012	yes	no	yes					LPD
15	BYS	Bellingham	Yew St	7/20/2018		WWHM 2012								
16	BHS	Blaine	Blaine High School	7/20/2018		WWHM 2012	yes							Freeland and Associates
							No -							
							but design							
							include s a							
					Tumwater	WWHM 2012, modeled not	rock- filled						6 biocells: Bio cell 2 and 5 have the	
			Tumwater Middle		DDECM 2010 and Ecology	using bioretention	trench beneat						highest % imp; bio cell 2: 1.7 iph; Bio	
17	TWS	Tumwater	School	7/31/2018	2005	settings	h BSM			3	1.5		cell 5: 2.0 iph	BCRA
					Tumwater DDECM 2010									
18	твм	Tumwater	George Washington Bush Middle School	7/31/2018	and Ecology 2005	WWHM 2012	No	No	No		1.5		0.9	BCRA
19	-	Monroe SD	Park Place Middle School	7/31/2018	Ecology 2005, 2014	WWHM 2012	No		No	2				Harmsen
					Snohomish County									
20	SSW	Monroe SD	Salem Woods Elementary School	7/31/2018	Drainage	WWHM 2012	No	No	No	1.5	1.5			Harmsen
21	BLP	Bellevue	Lewis Creek Park	8/15/2018				r Fabric						SvR Design
22	FWI	Tacoma SD	Wainwright Intermediate	8/15/2018	Ecology 2014	WWHM 2012	Yes	No	Yes		1.5		1.5	AHBL
00		D //	Shining Mountain											
23	BSD	Bethel SD	ES Bellingham	8/15/2018			no		yes					
24	BUW	Bellingham	Columbia Neighborhood	9/28/2018	Ecology 2014	WWHM2012	Yes	No	Yes	12	1.75		0	PSE
25	RSH	Renton	Renton	9/28/2018	Ecology 2014	WWHM4	Yes	No	Yes	5	1.5		1.2	CH2MHILL

Site Information for Geotechnical Assessment

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								Evolor	Inf Test	Hydr	BSM rate <	<u>Estimated</u> Constructi	
	<u>Label</u>	Jurisdiction	Site 3rd Street LID and	Site Visit Date	<u>Geotech</u>	<u>CF</u>	Geology Rec. OW	ations	Type		Native iph		<u>Comments</u>
			Roadway improvement				per) regional						Shallow groundwater, less than 10 feet.
1	M3Q	Marysville	Project	4/30/18, 5/1/18	PanGEO	NA	mapping) Rec. OW (per	EB	grain size	A1	no	2017	Shallow groundwater, less than 5 feet,
2	M1C	Marysville	Marysville 1st Street	4/30/18, 5/1/18	PanGEO	NA	regional mapping)	EB	grain size	A1	no		tidal influence
							Rec. OW		Infil. test				
3	MVS	Marysville	Sonic Drive-In	4/30/18, 5/1/18	Unk	unk	(per) regional mapping)	unk	indicated on plan sheet	unk	unk	2017	Received plan set only. Seasonal high GW depth ~5ft.
Ū	MIVO				AESI 2000,					unit			
4	тwн	Tacoma	Wilson High School	4/30/18		None None,	Till/Adv. OW	EB, EP	None	B2	no		Underdrained. 2 inlets, only one shown on plans.
					Zipper Geo Associate	not suitable			None, "not				
5	HSB	Tacoma	Homestreet Bank	4/30/18	s, LLS.	"	Fill/Till	EB	suitable"	B2	no	2017	Underdrained
					GeoReso urces								
					4/21/2016 (reference								Not yet constructed at time of study.
6	PRS	Tacoma	Proctor South	4/30/18	d, not attached)	unk	Fill/Till	unk	unk	B2	no	NA	Geotech report not included in PDF attachments.
7	MLE	Tacoma	Mary Lyon Elementary School	7/31/2018	GeoEngin	0.45	Rec. OW?/Till	EB	PIT	P 2	no	NA	Not yet constructed at time of study.
8	PLT	Tacoma	Prarie Line Trail	4/30/18		unk	unk	unk			unk No - zero		Geotech report not included.
											field rate in till; did not		
9	BHV		Happy Valley Elementary School	7/20/19	Geotest	NA	Till over outwash	EB, EP	PIT	B2	test the advance	2016	Not suitable for flow monitoring; shallow ground water - one cell lined.
10	AHS	Anacortes	Anacortes High School	10/1/18	AESI	NA	hard silt	EB	none	EX		NA	Not yet constructed at time of study.
													City conditioned the project to conduct
							Rec						PIT at the time of construction; no documentation of test received. GW
11	FES	Lynden	Fisher Elementary School	7/20/2018	Geotest	0.252	outwash (Sumas)	EB, EP	grain size	A1/A2	Yes		ATD 19 to 20' bgs; mottled at 1.5, 4.5 to 5.5, not interpreted as gw per geotech.
			Lynden New Middle				Rec outwash						
12	LMS	Lynden	School	7/20/2018	Geotest	0.252		EB, EP	grain size	A1/A2	Yes 2 cells in	2018	GW ATD 13 to 18' bgs; mottled at 10.5'.
10							B'ham drift				GMD - no; 1 cell in fill -		Cells "field fit", may differ from plans.
13	BCK	Bellingham	Cornwall Kentucky	7/20/2018	мтс	0.18	and Fill	HA	grain size	EX	possibly	2017	Overflow/underdrain present.
													Qpvn at biocell #3, gw at ~10' in EB-7
			Islandar Middla				pre-						ATD near Biocell #3; an MW was installed in the parking lot area. One
14	IMS	Mercer Island	Islander Middle School	8/15/2018	AESI	NA	Vashon nonglacial	EB	none	F	No		inlet not field located, may join other inlet (but plans show separate). Adjacent to permeable pavement
													sidewalk, likely recieves flow from sidewalk base-course. No geotech
15	BYS	Bellingham	Yew St	7/20/2018	unk	unk	fill	unk	unk	unk	unk	2016	report received. Facility may not be complete - may be
16	BHS	Blaine	Blaine High School	7/20/2018	unk	unk	unk	unk	unk	unk	unk	2018	waiting on landscapers. Recieved plan sheet only.
								EB, HA,					Groundwater 10' bgs at time of report, monitoring ongoing. Groundwater TM
17	TWS	Tumwater	Tumwater Middle School	7/31/2018	Landau	not stated	Rec. OW	direct push	grain size	A1	No	2016	calculated adjusted rates based on 1999 groundwater condition.
18	твм	Tumwater	George Washington Bush Middle School	7/31/2018	Landau	not stated	Rec. OW	EB	grain size	A1	No		shallow groundwater; high groundwater hazard area
19	MPP	Monroe SD	Park Place Middle School	7/31/2018	AFSI	0.4	Alluvium	EP, IT, EB	PIT	D1	No		Two phases of construction - 1st set of cell was 2017, second set was 2018
10				1131/2010		0.1						2010	
20	SSW	Monroe SD	Salem Woods Elementary School	7/31/2018	AESI	0.315	Rec. OW	EP, IT, EB	PIT	A1	no		Only one inlet appears to be present, plans show two
21	BLP	Bellevue	Lewis Creek Park	8/15/2018	unk	unk	unk	unk	unk	unk	unk		Received plan sets only. Cell 1 underlain by utility. Cell 2 has
													some minor inflow from sheet flow. Cell 3 and 4 have inflow from 2 curb cuts
22	E\A#	Tacoma SD	Wainwright Intermediate	0/15/0040	AFSI	.45, .045	Rec. OW., till	EP	DIT	4.2	20		each. Cell 3 extends to include a narrow, vegetated ditch (part of bioretention cell?)
	FWI		Shining Mountain	8/15/2018		.045	ull	CP	PIT	RZ	no	2016	
23	BSD	Bethel SD	ES Bellingham	8/15/2018			unk Fill, GMD	unk		unk	unk	2012-2013	No documents received.
24	BUW	Bellingham	Columbia Neighborhood	9/28/2018		stated	and outwash		grain size, PIT	E2	no	2016	Underdrained.
25	RSH	Renton	Renton	9/28/2018	CH2MHILL	8 (or 0.125)	fill/ rec OW	EB, EP	PIT	A3	no	2017	Underdrained, through orifice.