

Remember . . . Minimum Design Criteria

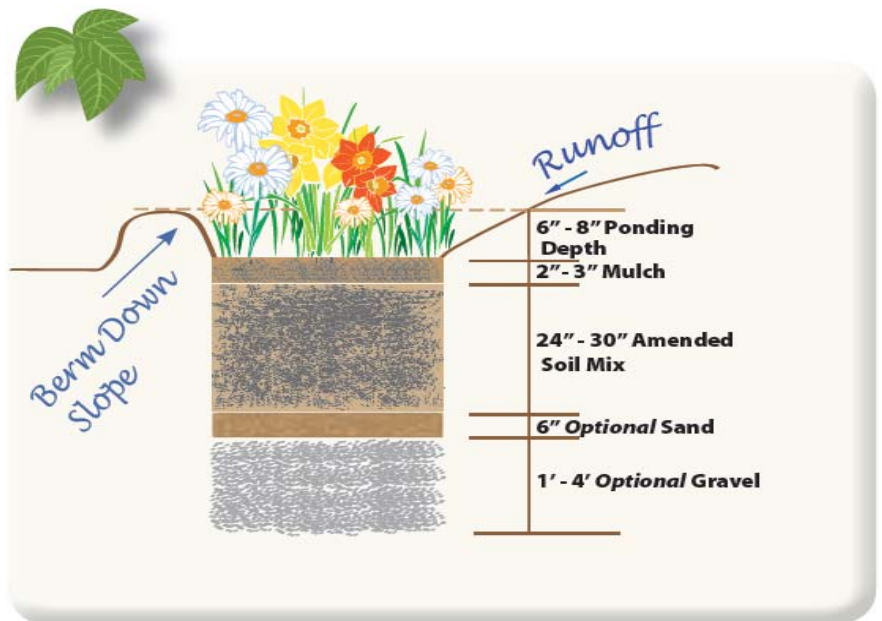
- Runoff *must* get to the rain garden surface
 A **grass swale, gravel swale, or pipe** between your runoff source and garden may help
- Runoff must be able to pond on the surface of the rain garden
 Plan for a **PONDING DEPTH OF 6 - 10 inches**
- Rain garden soil must be a mixture of sand and organic matter, NOT pure topsoil
 Garden soil mixture should be **60% sand, 40% compost/topsoil**
 Depth of the mixed soil should be **24 – 30 inches**
- Rain garden should be planted with appropriate vegetation
 See suggested plant list in manual or online
- Document rain garden construction with digital **PHOTOS**
 Include levels, scales, and tape measures in photos

Have Fun!

Rain Garden Location: _____

Rain Garden Size: _____

Notes: _____



*My name is Kari, 343-8084. Call me when you've finished your garden, or if you need help along the way.

Reimbursement Process

- Submit the Application and Agreement Form by email, fax, or mail to the Municipality of Anchorage Rain Garden Program
- Schedule an Initial Site Evaluation, go over your plans with a rain garden specialist
- Build your rain garden
 - Available resources include: 6 Easy Steps Brochure, Rain Garden Manual, list of trained businesses found online, ongoing consultation with rain garden specialist
- Take LOTS of digital photos of the construction process! Before, during, after
- Save all your receipts
 - 50% Reimbursement for materials, plants, and labor from certified businesses
 - Equipment *rental* is covered - Tool and gutter *purchases* are not

When the garden has been built, planted, and runoff has been directed to the garden...

- Schedule your rain garden Final Inspection
 - Have all your *original* receipts collected, do not mark up receipts.
 - Have your photos ready - Digital format preferred. If photos can be viewed by rain garden specialist before inspection it helps smooth the final inspection visit.
- The MOA will reimburse $\frac{1}{2}$ of total expenditures for the rain garden
 - Maximum residential reimbursement amount: \$750
- Monitor and maintain your rain garden for 2 years: weeding, watering, plant replacement and observation of performance