



URBAN GREENING BAY AREA

Design Charrette Call for Participants

Opportunity to influence regional green infrastructure design – Responses due October 7

Funded by a USEPA grant, a **Design Charrette will be held on Tuesday, November 1**, to develop typical designs to cost-effectively integrate green stormwater infrastructure with bicycle and pedestrian improvements at intersections.

Purpose of the Design Charrette

To date, the high cost of retrofitting existing streets to install green infrastructure systems that treat stormwater runoff has been an obstacle to widespread construction of these projects. Developing typical designs at intersections is anticipated to:

- Facilitate widespread use of approaches that have proven to minimize costs
- Integrate green infrastructure with planned bicycle and pedestrian investments
- Reduce the need for specialized engineering
- Streamline development of contract plans and drawings

Design Charrette Process

On Tuesday, November 1, a full-day charrette in Oakland will convene engineers, landscape architects, construction and maintenance staff, and others to collaborate on designs that integrate green infrastructure with pedestrian and bicycle improvements at intersections. Charrette outputs will be used to build projects in San Mateo and Sunnyvale that are representative of common intersections in Bay Area cities. These projects will help verify cost-effectiveness of the designs.

Submit Your Statement of Interest

The number of participants is limited. If you would like to participate, please send an email to Shelley Larson at info@basmaa.org, expressing your interest. Attach a brief biographical statement (max. 1 page, ½ page is encouraged) in PDF or Word format, summarizing your qualifications and experience relative to the planning, design, construction, and/or maintenance of green infrastructure facilities that provide stormwater treatment. Participants will be credited in the publication of designs developed through the charrette. **Statements of interest are due October 7.**

For More Information

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