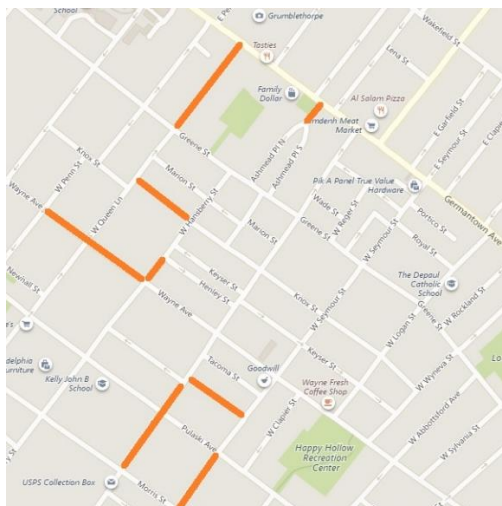
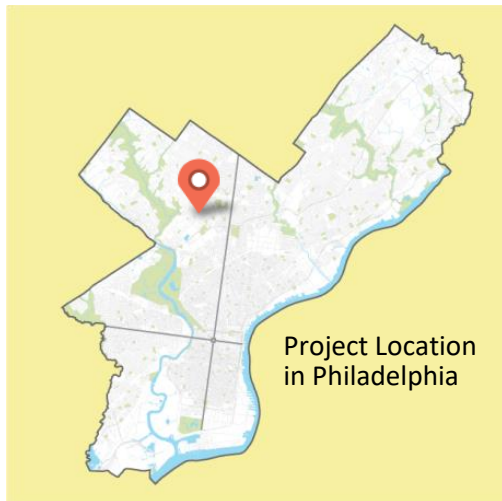


Project Number 50177

Construction of Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI)

Anticipated Start Date: October 2019
 Anticipated Completion Date: Fall 2020



Areas impacted by construction:

- Wayne Ave. from W. Penn St. to Hansberry St.
- Hansberry St. from Wayne Ave. to Henley St.
- Manheim St. from Morris St. to Newall St.
- Newhall St. from Manheim St. to W. Seymour St.
- W. Seymour St. from Morris St. to Pulaski Ave.
- W. Ashmead St. from Greene St. to Germantown Ave.
- W. Queen Lane from Greene St. to Germantown Ave.

Why are we doing this project?

State and federal regulations require Philadelphia to reduce the pollution entering our rivers when excess stormwater causes sewer overflows. **Green City, Clean Waters** is a program designed to meet those regulations and invest in neighborhoods across the city by creating stormwater infrastructure that incorporates green space.

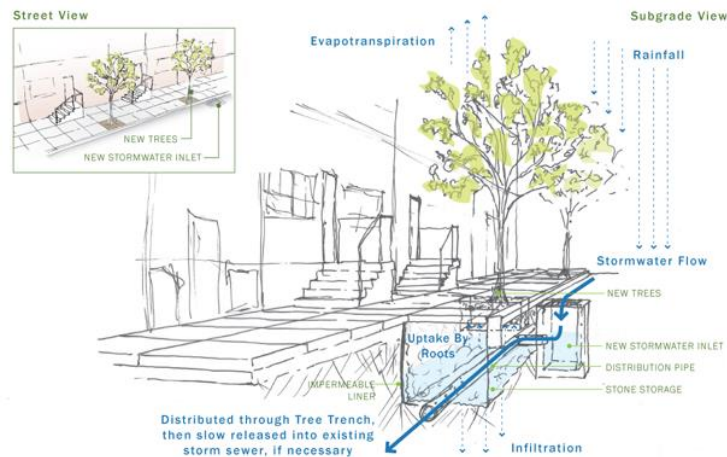
In addition to water quality benefits, green tools used by **Green City, Clean Waters** provide a number of community benefits. New green spaces have been found to **improve the value of homes** and **encourage outdoor recreation** while **reducing stress, noise, air pollution** and **litter** in neighborhoods.

What is green stormwater infrastructure?

Green stormwater infrastructure (GSI) uses materials such as plants, soil, stone and special pavement to slow, filter and soak up water during storms. This project includes the following types of green stormwater infrastructure:

Stormwater Tree Trench - A stormwater tree trench looks like a series of traditional street trees, but underground the trees are connected by a concrete structure designed to store and filter water. During construction, a trench is created along the sidewalk and lined with special fabric, then filled with stone and topped with soil and trees.

Underground Storage - Underground or subsurface storage refers to spaces that store stormwater underground. Typically, a rectangular bed is cut in the street or sidewalk. The bed is lined with special fabric and then filled with stone or gravel and sometimes plastic storage pipes or crates.



At Right: Graphic rendering of stormwater tree similar to those that will be constructed on this project.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

With all construction there is a level of inconvenience. Philadelphia Water is working to minimize construction impacts. Please refer to our Frequently Asked Questions for more information:

Q: Will I lose water service during construction?

A: Minor disruptions of water service are anticipated during construction, resulting in the loss of water service for 1-2 hours while house connections to new pipes are made and for 4-8 hours while water main connections are completed. Residents will be notified when water service outages are anticipated.

Q: Will other utilities be interrupted during construction?

A: No disruption of utilities is anticipated during this construction period.

Q: What are the hours of construction?

A: Typical construction hours are from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. but can vary seasonally.

Q: How will construction impact traffic, sidewalk access and parking?

A: Street parking during hours of construction will be restricted. Temporary “No Parking” signs will be installed as needed for safety and construction. Signs will be installed before the start of work indicating the dates and hours that the areas will be closed. Vehicular traffic, pedestrian access, trash collection and deliveries will be maintained. Any cars left on streets where work is scheduled to take place will be towed to a nearby public street. Project personnel will be available to direct you to your car.

Q: How dusty will my street be during construction?

A: All construction work is subject to dirt and dust, but we try to keep it to a minimum. At the end of each work day, the contractor will be responsible for keeping the site clean.

Q: Will trees be protected during construction?

A: A tree specialist will assess all trees in the project area prior to construction to identify measures to protect the trees.

Q: Will SEPTA service in the area be impacted?

A: No interruptions to SEPTA service are anticipated.

Q: Once the project is built, who will maintain the new plants and trees?

A: Philadelphia Water is responsible for maintaining all of our infrastructure, including green stormwater infrastructure. We visit sites about once a month to perform routine maintenance.

