

UTILIZING GREEN STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) awarded Local Government Commission with funding under the Great Urban Parks Campaign (GUPC) to promote and advance green infrastructure stormwater management projects in three California communities.

Green infrastructure refers to strategically planned systems that conserve or enhances ecosystem values within a landscape. These managed systems can redirect, store, and filter stormwater, reducing the flows to sewer systems and surface water.

Small scale green infrastructure projects allow communities to quickly and cost-effectively convert both paved and existing underutilized green space into highly functional drought and flood-tolerant landscapes within a few months.

Green stormwater management projects can bring to surrounding communities including improved community health, access to green space and nature, opportunities for education and employment, and increased resiliency.



Many communities struggle to implement traditionally engineered, expensive, and time-intensive strategies. Green infrastructure is a viable approach to build climate resilience for all communities, whether they are an urban metropolis or a small rural town.



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