

# MS4 Stormwater Permit, Program, & Utility Ordinance

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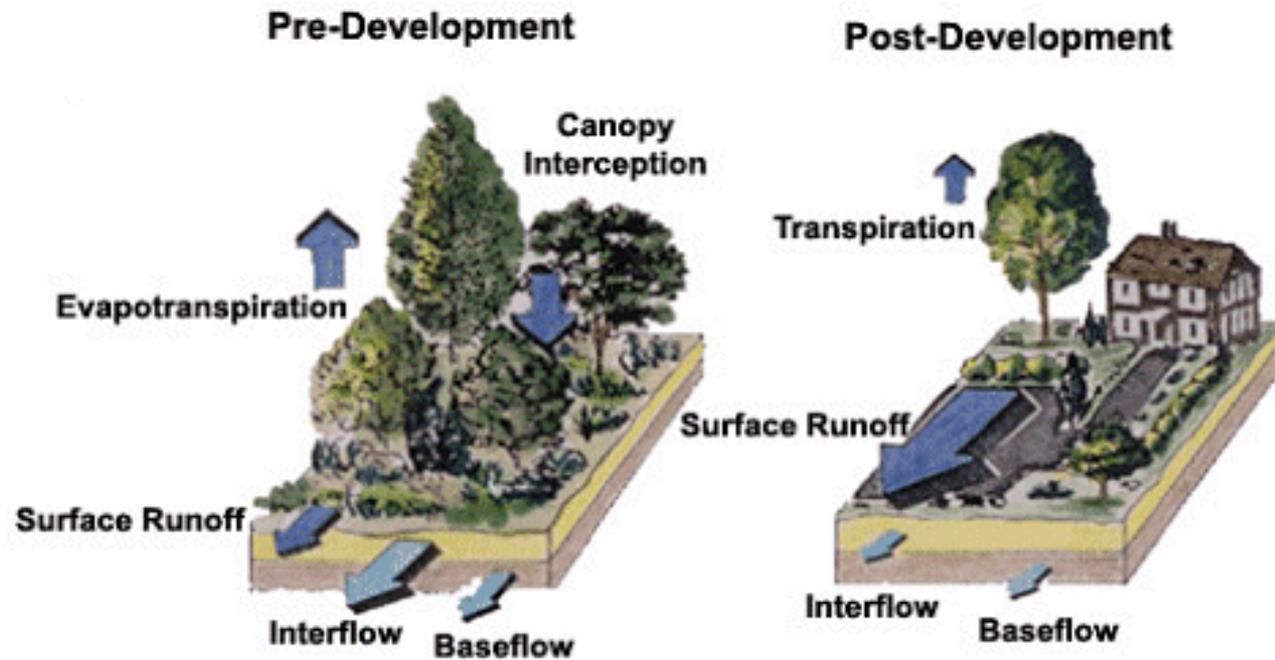
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# What is Stormwater Runoff?

## Water Balance



# Why Do We Care?



# How Do We Do This?

- Administration of the MS4 Permit Program
- Maintenance and operation of city-owned stormwater drainage and stormwater management facilities
- Developing a city-wide Stormwater Improvement Plan
- Design and construction of stormwater capital projects to meet Chesapeake Bay TMDL requirements



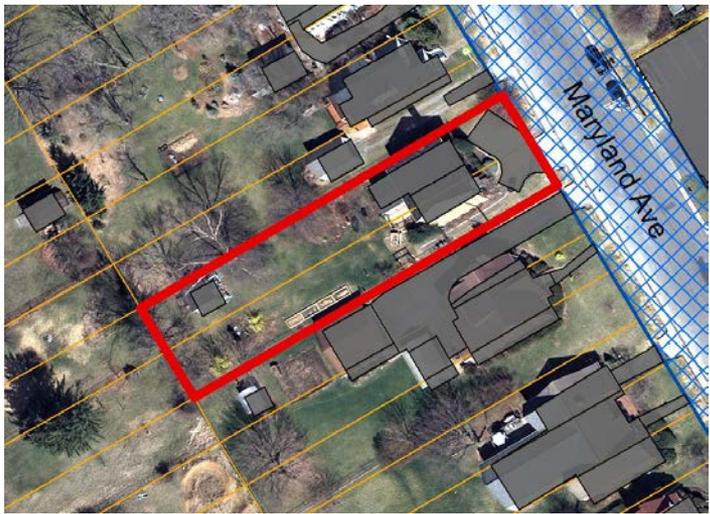
# How Do We Fund It?

- The Stormwater Utility Fee:
  - Is a **dedicated** fund for stormwater management.
  - Is **equitable**; property owners charged based on contributions to stormwater runoff.
  - Gives property owners opportunities to reduce fees (credits).
- Current expenditures from the General Fund will continue to fund a portion of the MS4 Stormwater Program. The Stormwater Utility would primarily fund Capital Improvement Projects required by the MS4 Permit Regulations (Chesapeake Bay TMDL).

# Stormwater Utility Fee

- \$XX per year for every 500 square Feet of impervious area

**IMPERVIOUS AREA:** Roofs, driveways, parking lots, streets and other hard surfaces





# Next Steps

- Stormwater Advisory Committee (SWAC) continues meeting every 1<sup>st</sup> Weds of each month.  
[www.harrisonburgva.gov/swac](http://www.harrisonburgva.gov/swac)
- November 11 – SWAC/ staff presents proposed fee structure to City Council
- **Public Input Meetings**
  - **November 12**, 5:30-7:30pm @ Thomas Harrison MS
  - **December 2**, 5:30-7:30pm @ Spotswood ES
- Early 2015 – City Council to consider Stormwater Utility Ordinance and Fee Structure
- July 1, 2015 – Proposed effective date of Stormwater Utility Ordinance and Fee