Stormwater Performance Standards and Retrofits Scenario Builder/NEIEN Recommendations

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Issue: Historic BMP Data and Retrofits

Q: What if I try to submit a retrofit practice, but there are not enough acres under the original practice in my jurisdiction's historical record in Scenario Builder?

A: You will still receive credit for ALL acres submitted as a retrofit. Retrofitted acres on existing practices will result in removing the existing practice from the database for future years. Example: Historical record says there are 5 acres treated by a wet pond in your county, but you submit 10 acres treated by a retrofit. 5 Acres will be removed from historical record, and you will receive 10 acres of credit for each future year.

Issue: Practice Lifetime

Q: How long will urban stormwater practices receive credit in the modeling tools now that the panel report recommends practices should receive credit for 6-10 years unless a verification inspection is conducted?

A: Beginning June 30, 2013, all new, retrofitted and historic practices will receive 10 years of credit in the modeling tools. This means that jurisdictions will need to submit verification inspections prior to June 30, 2023 to receive additional years of credit.

Issue: Not enough land for practice

Q: What if the modeling tools do not have available land area that can be treated by my practice?

A: The modeling tools will always attempt to credit new practices where possible.

If less impervious urban acres are available for treatment than are reported as treated by your practice, the tools will apply the treatment to other urban acres.

If less urban acres are available for treatment than are reported as treated by your practice, the tools will treat as many acres as possible with your practice. This would be a situation where ALL urban acres are already considered to be treated by practices.

Question from Urban Stormwater Workgroup

Q: Could Scenario Builder credit newer practices first, so that older practices would be in excess of domain, if excess exists?

A: Scenario Builder will credit the new Stormwater Performance Standards and Retrofit practices before other stormwater BMPs. These BMPs do not currently exist in the historic record, so there is a very low likelihood that these new BMPs would be exceed the domain in any area.