

Structural

Non-structural

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- Detention Dams and Basins
- Conveyance Conduits, Channels, Floodwalls and Levees

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- Elevation
- Floodproofing
- Relocation

Example Measures





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Concrete Channels



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Stormwater Conduits





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Example Measures

Green infrastructure: Implementation of GI on this corner in a Tucson neighborhood captures runoff that previously flooded the street while creating a community asset.

Before

Green Infrastructure

Curb Cut with Rain Garden



Green Infrastructure



This long, shallow swale in the right of way has multiple curb cuts along its length.



At this site in Tucson, a 3" deep swale was created in the ROW to collect runoff from the sidewalk and adjacent property.

Example Measures



This series of basins collects stormwater from the adjacent sidewalk and businesses (without curb cut).

Different swales and basins

Median with curb cut

Example Measures

Green Infrastructure



Curb cuts on a street in Flagstaff, AZ (left) and curb cores on a street in Tucson (right) are used to direct stormwater runoff from the street into basins **before** pollutants reach washes and rivers.

Cut Curb and Curb Cores



Bioretention basins, like this one between a restaurant parking lot and the street, capture and filter stormwater. Landscape area is graded **below** the level of the parking lot.



Sedimentation and absorption occur when stormwater is slowed down and is allowed to pool in basins.

Green Infrastructure

Bioretention Basin

Source: Green Infrastructure for Southwestern Neighborhoods, V1.2, Revised 2012



Traffic circle with curb flush with street level

Example Measures



A curb cut draws stormwater from the street into a bioretention basin in the right-of-way.

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Chicane with curb cut

Chicane



In this just-installed chicane, 4"-8" rip-rap is used in the channel where stormwater will flow rapidly, and 1" gravel covers upslope areas.



Figure 7: Pervious Pavers (Interlocking Porous Concrete Pavers) Source: City of Phoenix, Office of Environmental Programs.



Example Measures

Incompacted Subgrade Soil Pervious Surfaces

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Permeable pavers reduce impervious surface areas and aid in heat island mitigation. Photo: Watershed Management Group



Figure 9: Example Porous Concrete Installation Source: City of Phoenix, Office of Environmental Programs



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Elevated First Floor Elevation (1523.0)

Water Surface Elevation (1521.5)

Basement/Crawlspace Elevation (abandoned)

Lowest Adjacent Ground Elevation (1515.5)





• Elevation

ELEVATING UNREINFORCED FOUNDATION

Elevate superstructure only



Wet Floodproofing



Example Measures



Flood vents allow water to enter the basement, preventing excessive pressure from developing on the basement walls. (floodflaps.com/new-construction/)

Successful wet floodproofing involves the following:

- Ensuring that flood waters can safely enter and exit the lower level of the house
- Ensuring that flood waters inside and outside the house rise and fall at the same rate
- Protecting the areas of the house that are below the flood level from damage caused by contact with flood waters
- Protecting or relocating utilities, service equipment and any materials stored below the Flood Protection Elevation

• Dry Floodproofing



Example Measures

- Water resistant sealant applied to walls
- Entrances retrofitted with flood proof barriers

Dry Floodproofing - Passive

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• Dry Floodproofing

Example Measures



Dry Floodproofing - Active



Dry Floodproofing



Image from FEMA's Bulletin: Building with Flood-Resistant Materials

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