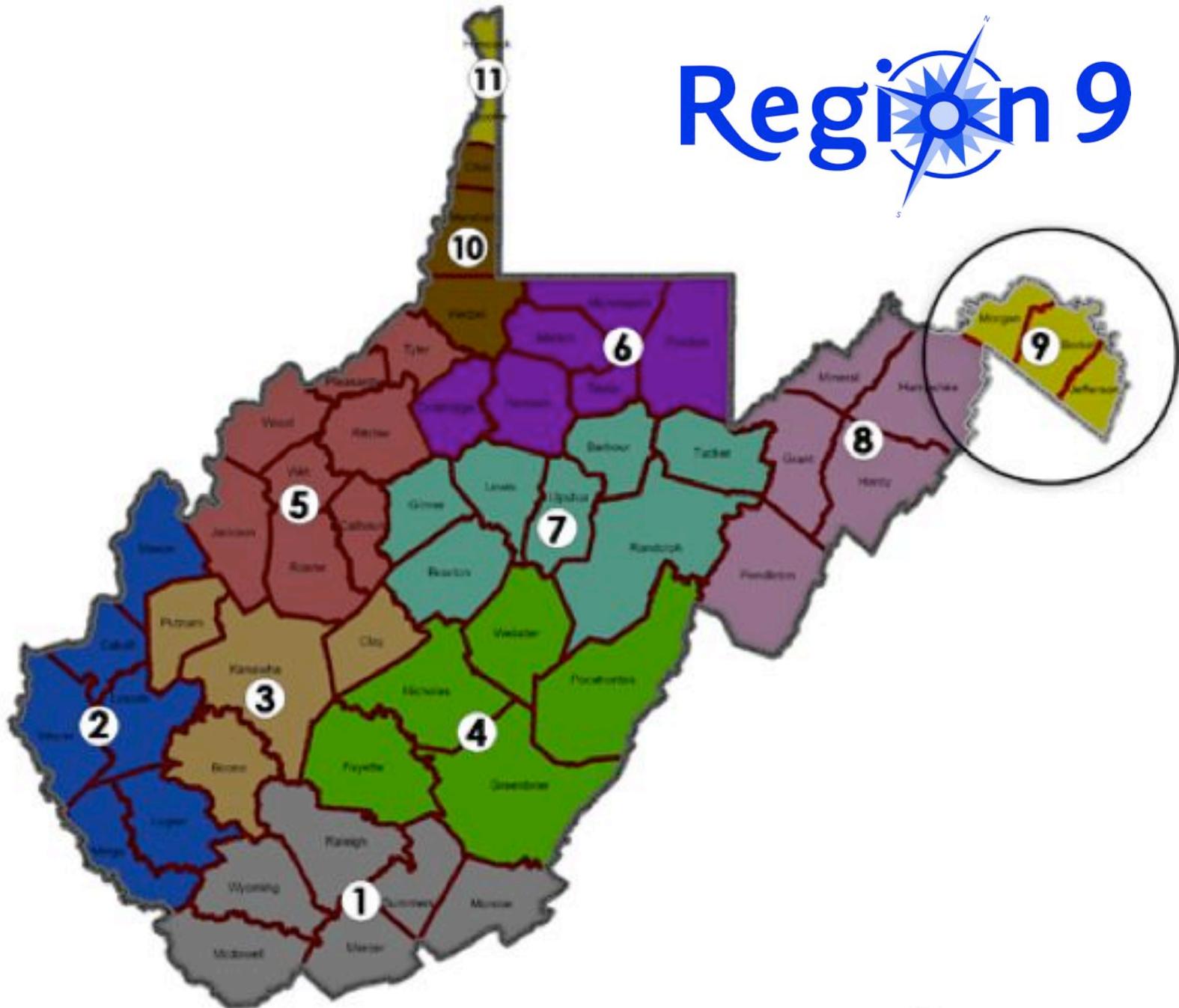


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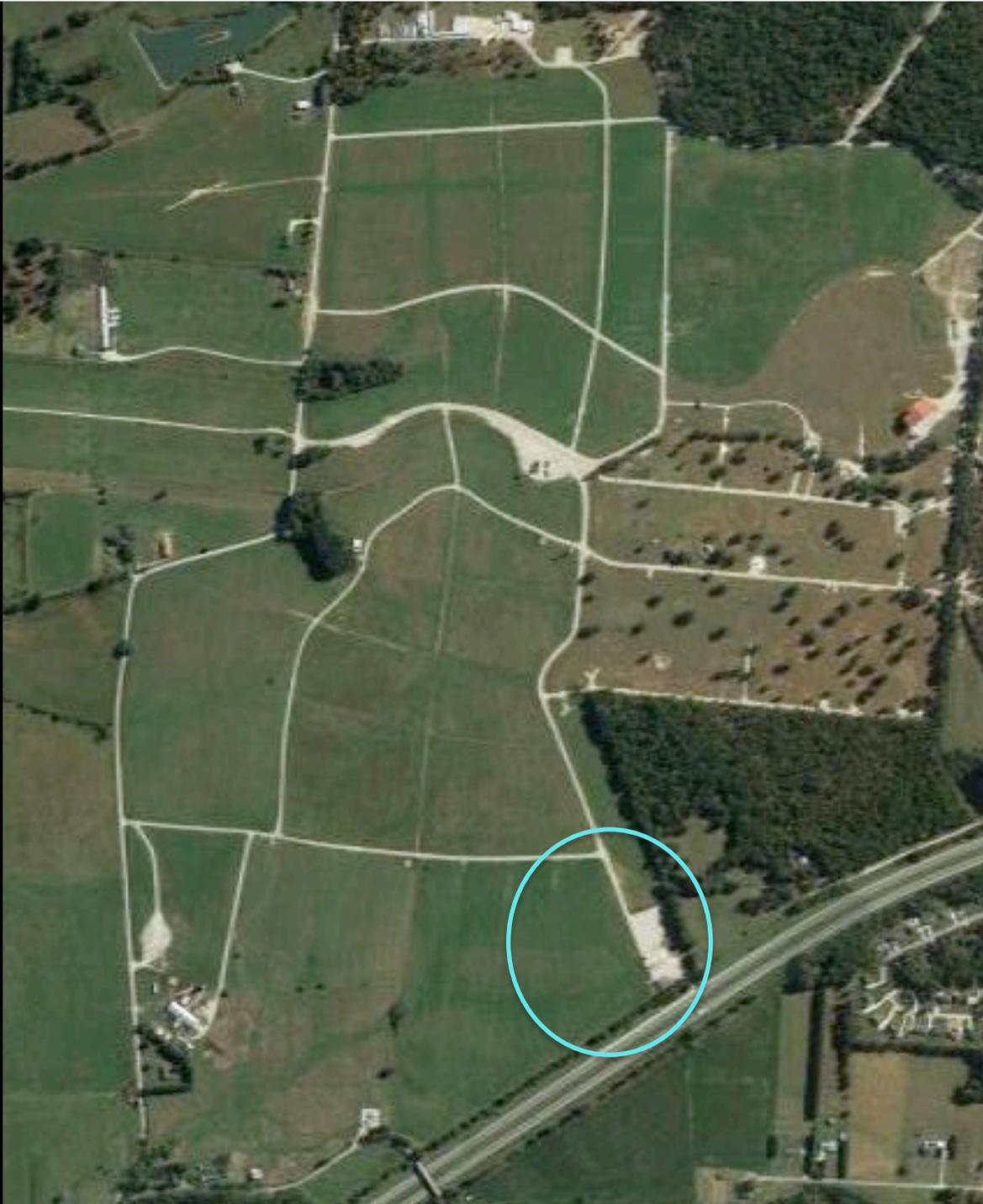


What Is Infrastructure?



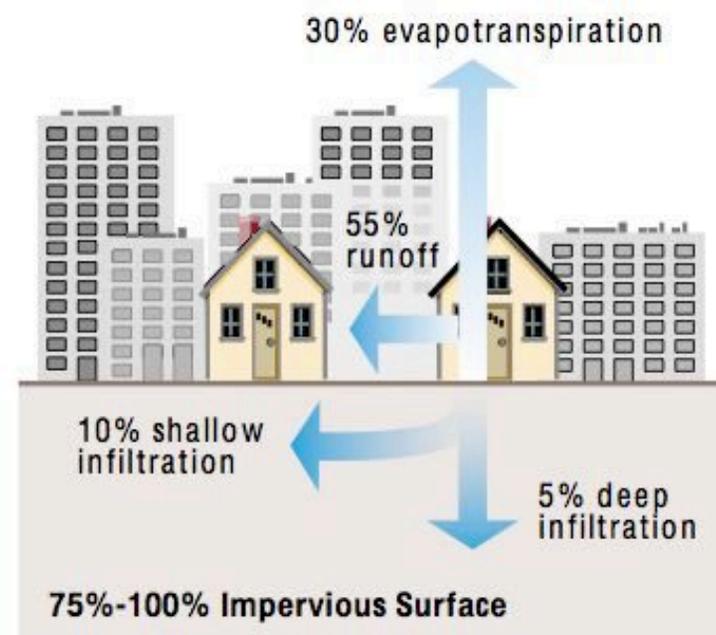
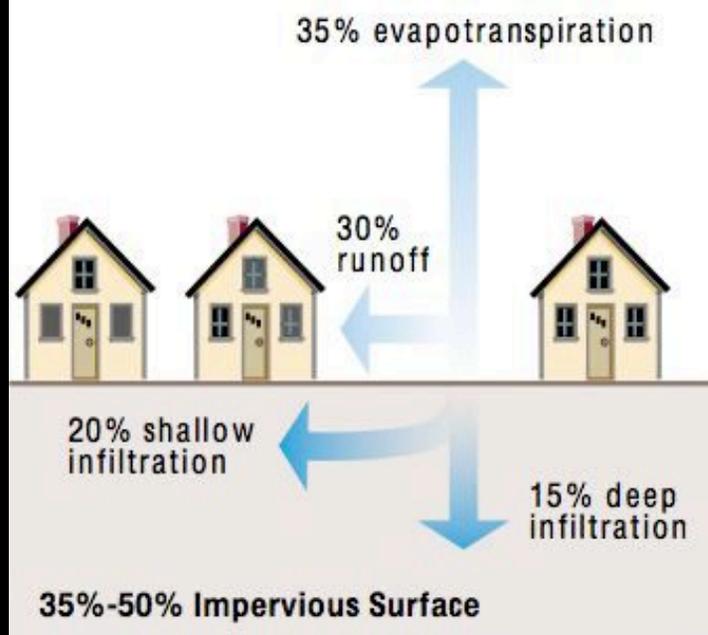
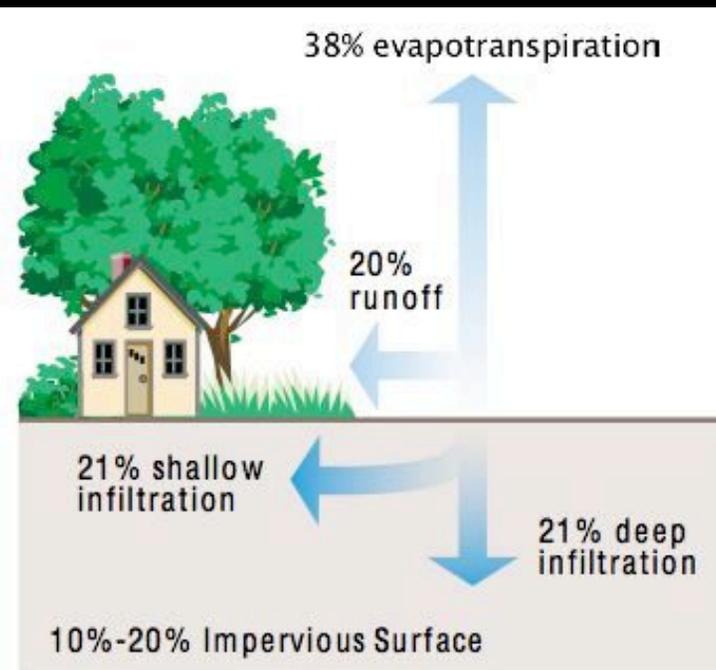
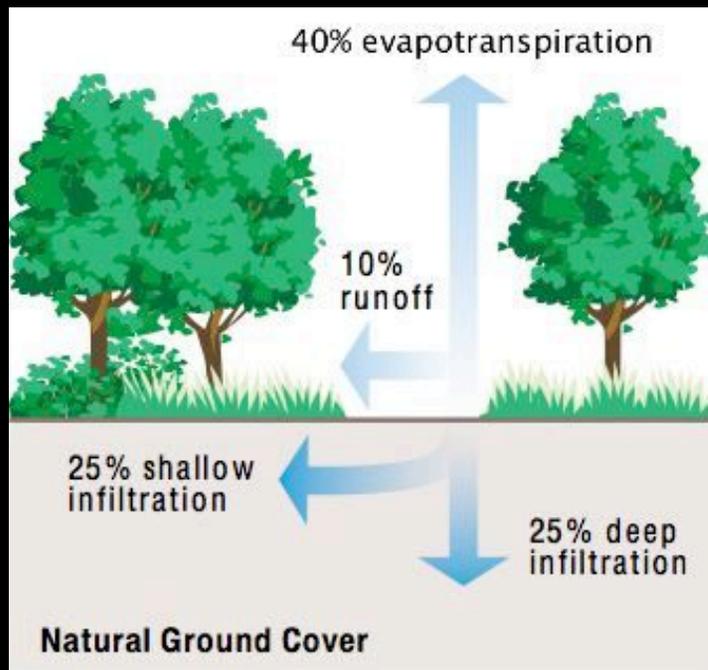


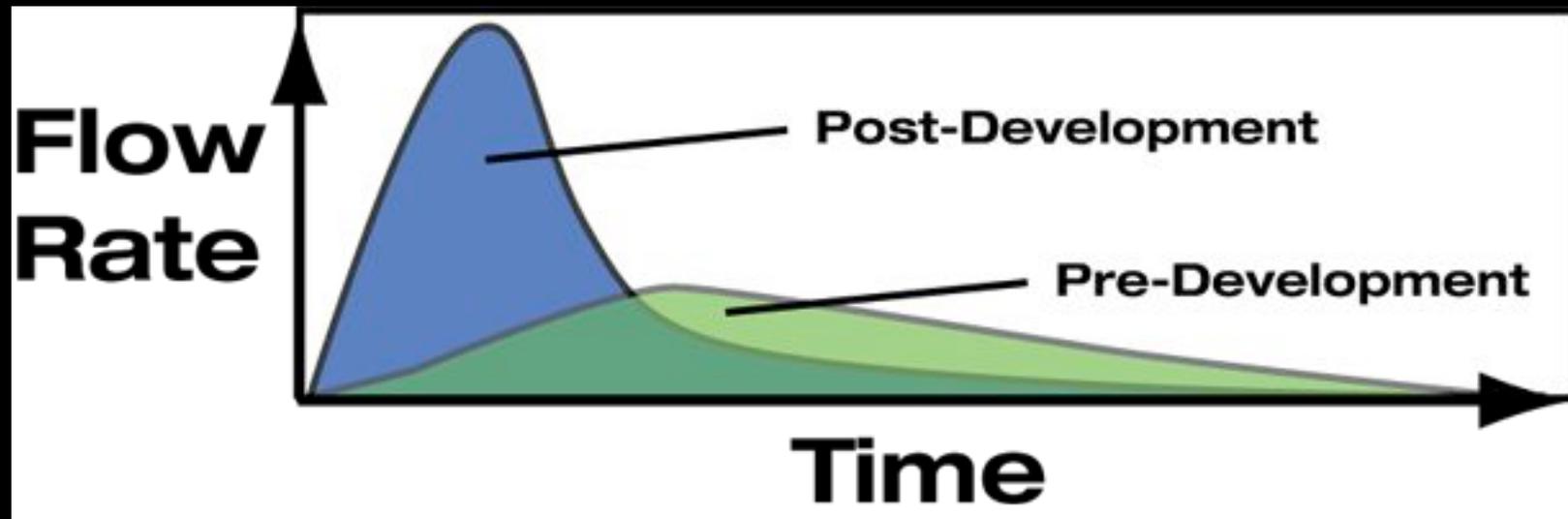
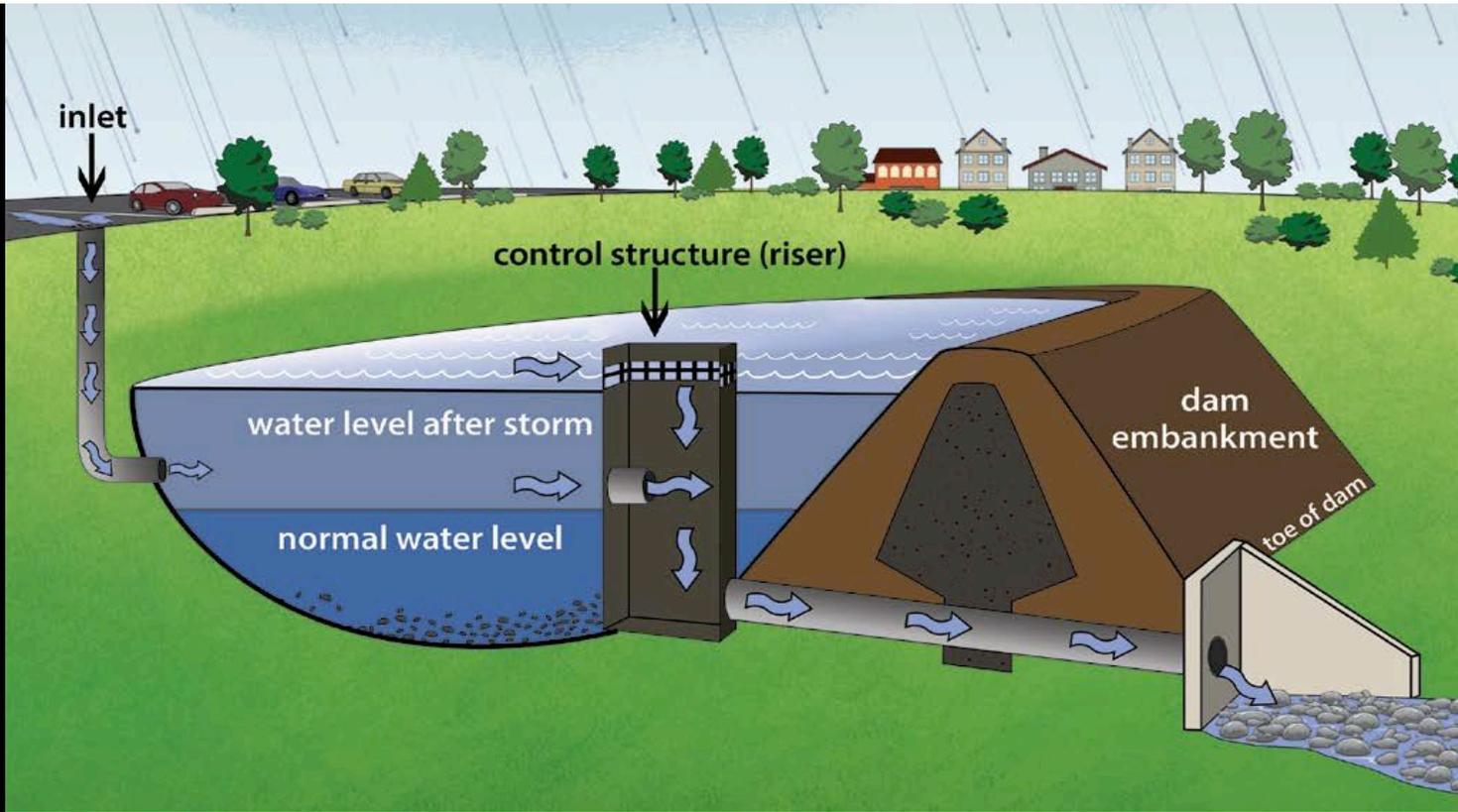












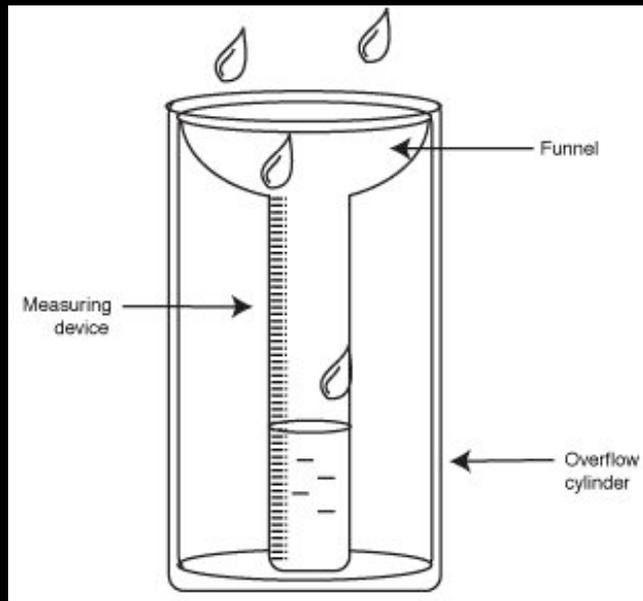
Annual Runoff Volume



**NOAA
Based Data**



**NRCS / USDA
Field Survey
Based Data**





Areas shown in red are off-limits for trees and shrubs.

A photograph of a pond surrounded by lush green trees. The water is calm, reflecting the surrounding foliage. A large tree trunk is visible on the right side of the frame. The scene is bright and sunny, with shadows cast on the grass.

Shading

**Trees planted
south of pond
can reduce
discharged
water
temperatures**

Naturalized Basins

Increased
habitats
and
plants for
pollinators



Naturalized Basins

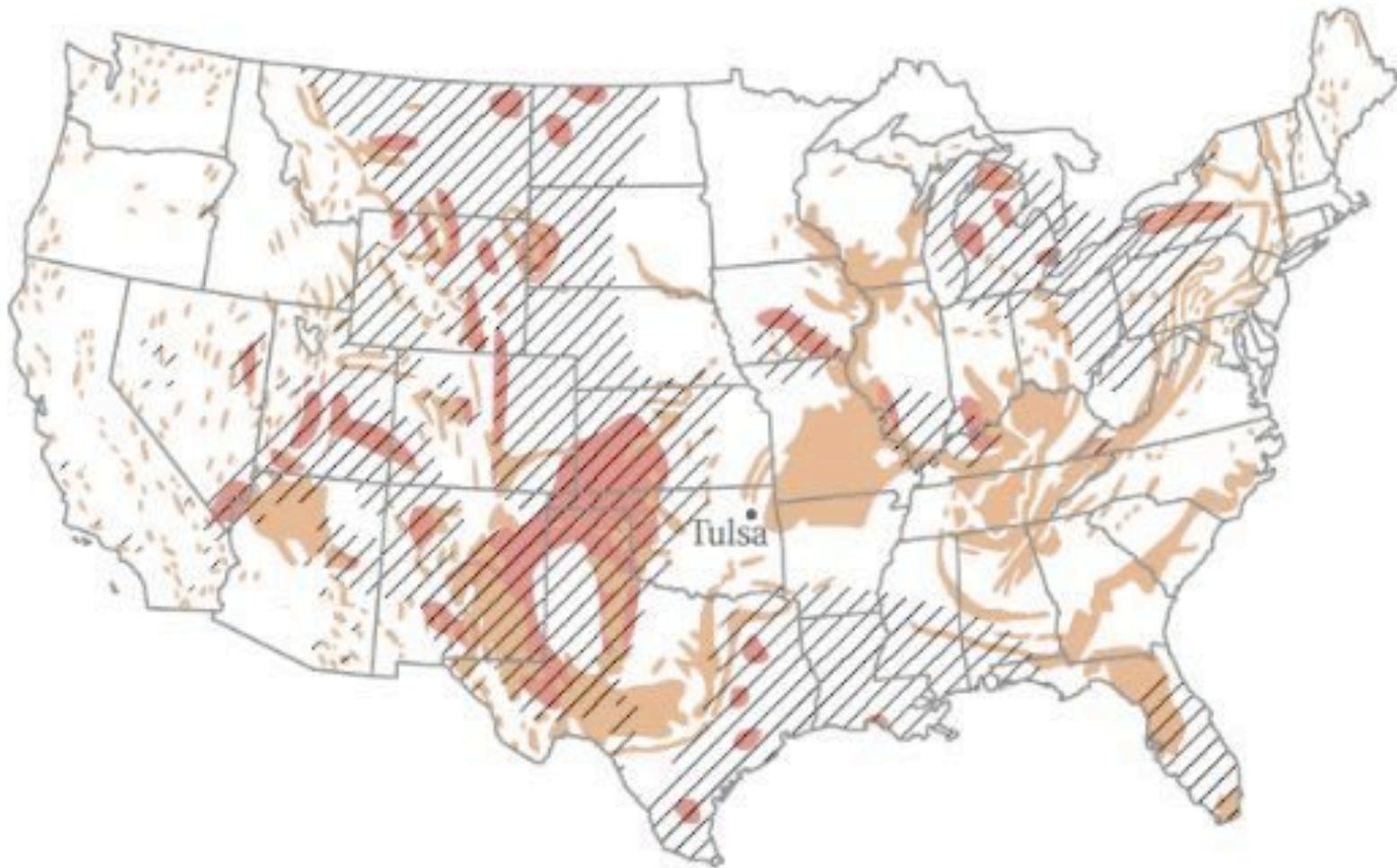


Reduced
Mowing
Expenses

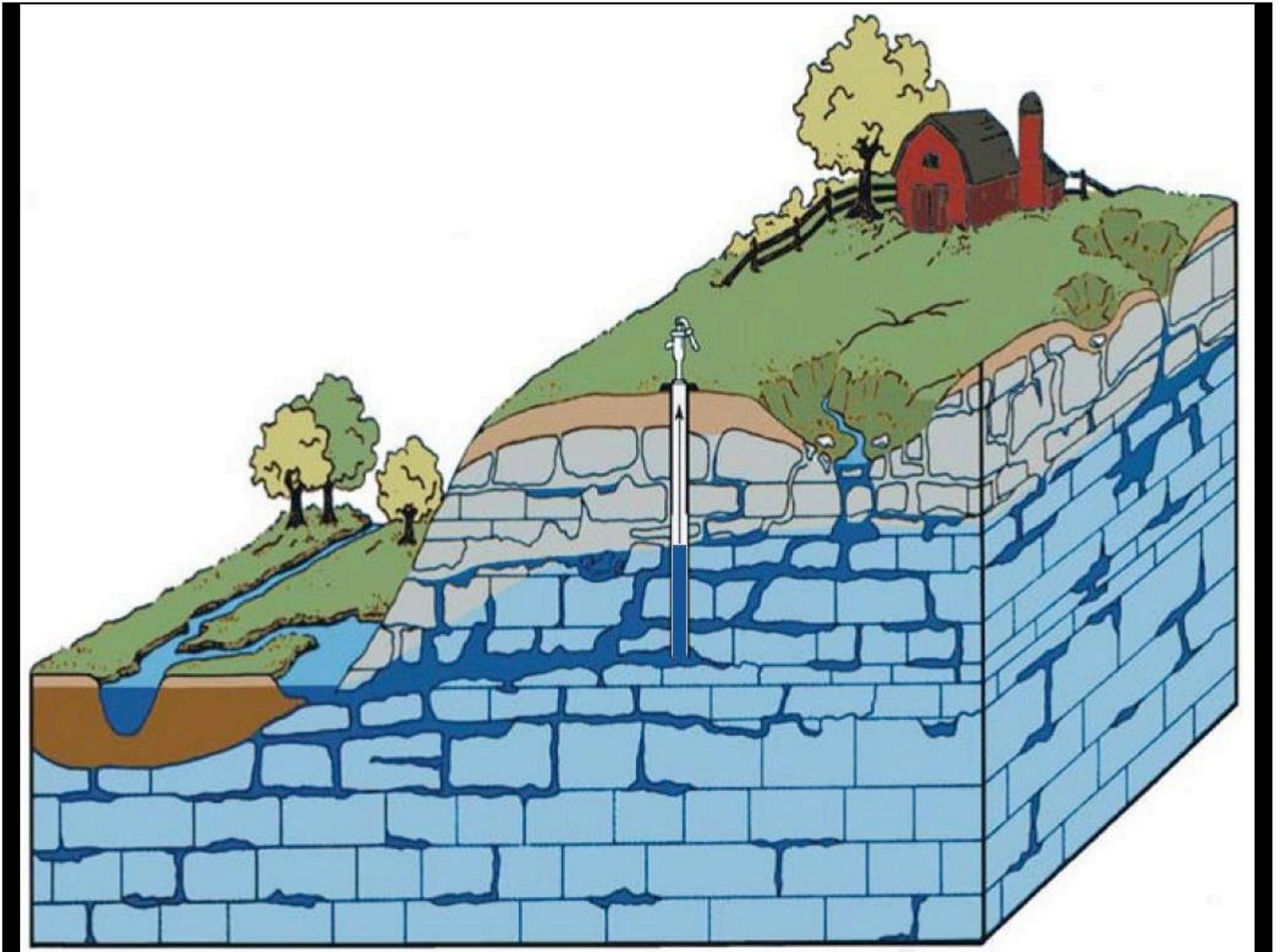
Naturalized Basins

Enhance
Nutrient
and
Sediment
Removal.

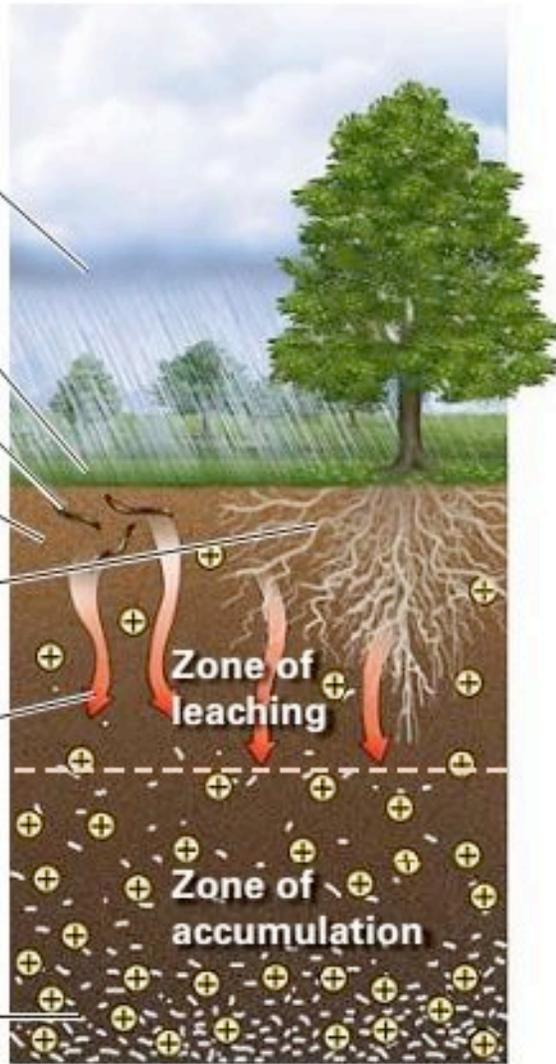




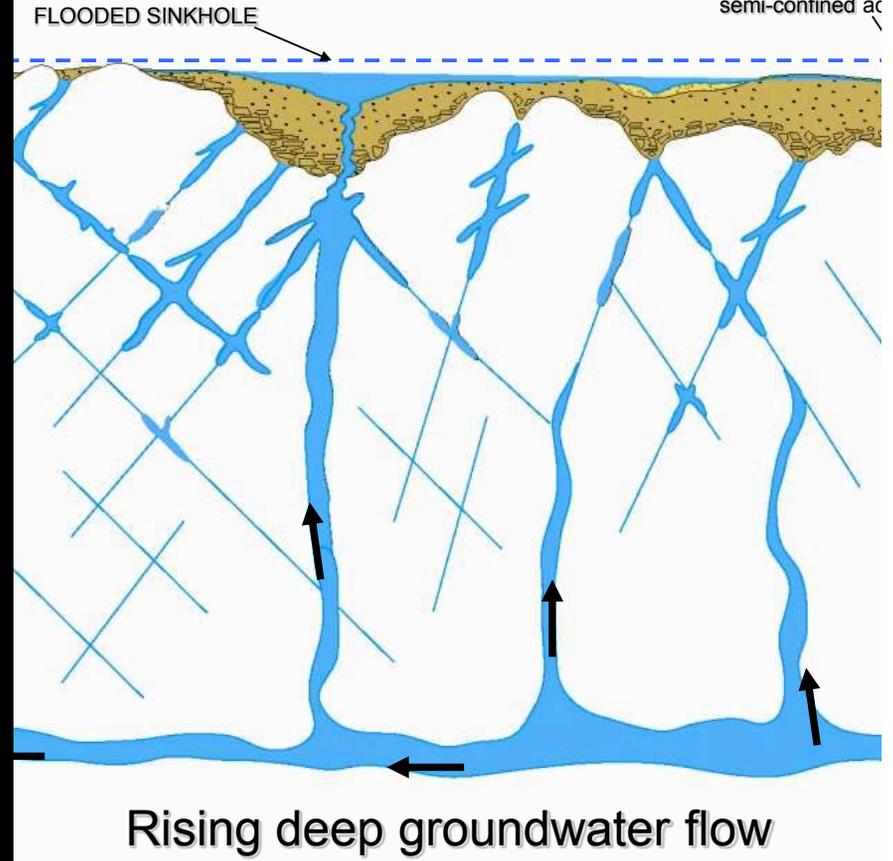
-  Evaporite rocks—salt and gypsum
 -  Karst from evaporite rock
 -  Karst from carbonate rock
- (modified from Davies and Legrand, 1972)



- Rain enters ground.
- Plant debris accumulates.
- Worms churn.
- Microbes and fungi metabolize.
- Roots weather minerals.
- Downward-percolating water transports ions and clay.
- Ions and clay accumulate.



WET CONDITIONS

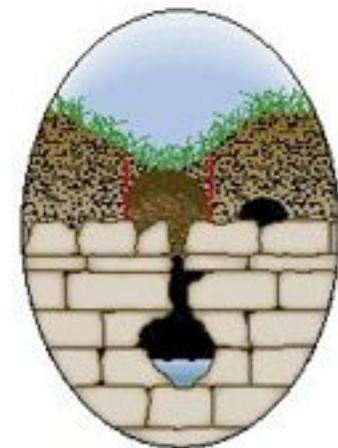
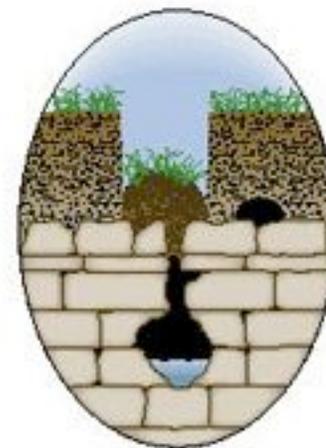
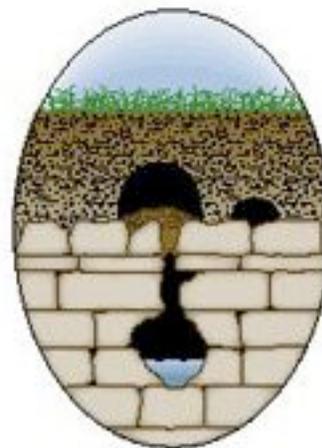
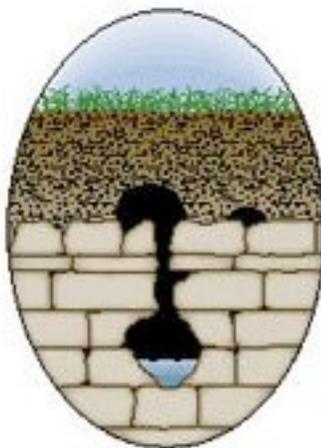
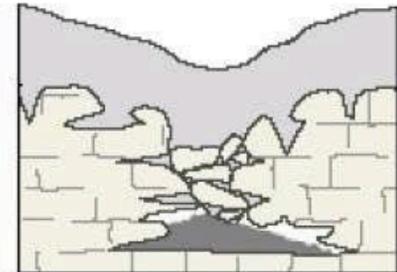
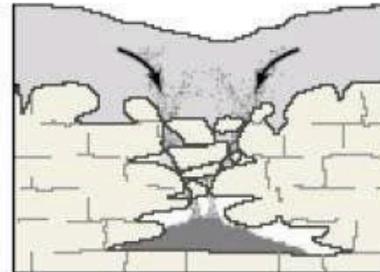
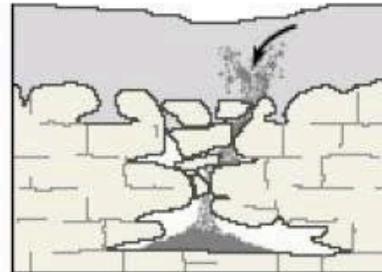
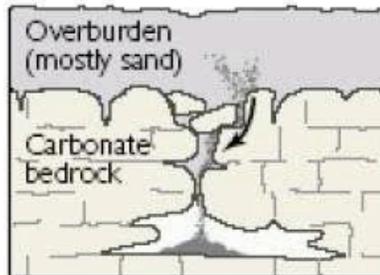


Granular sediments spill into secondary openings in the underlying carbonate rocks.

A column of overlying sediments settles into the vacated spaces (a process termed "piping").

Dissolution and infilling continue, forming a noticeable depression in the land surface.

The slow downward erosion eventually forms small surface depressions 1 inch to several feet in depth and diameter.



Initially, a sinkhole forms as soil collapses into a crevice and is carried away through a conduit by water.

Then the soil roof of the developing sinkhole falls into the hole to form a cylindrical cavity.

Further collapse of the soil cover from below causes circular cracks to develop at the surface.

Erosion by water flowing into this new drain hole smooths the hole's sharp edges to form the typical inverted cone- or bowl-shaped depression.





Managing
Flooding
Risks

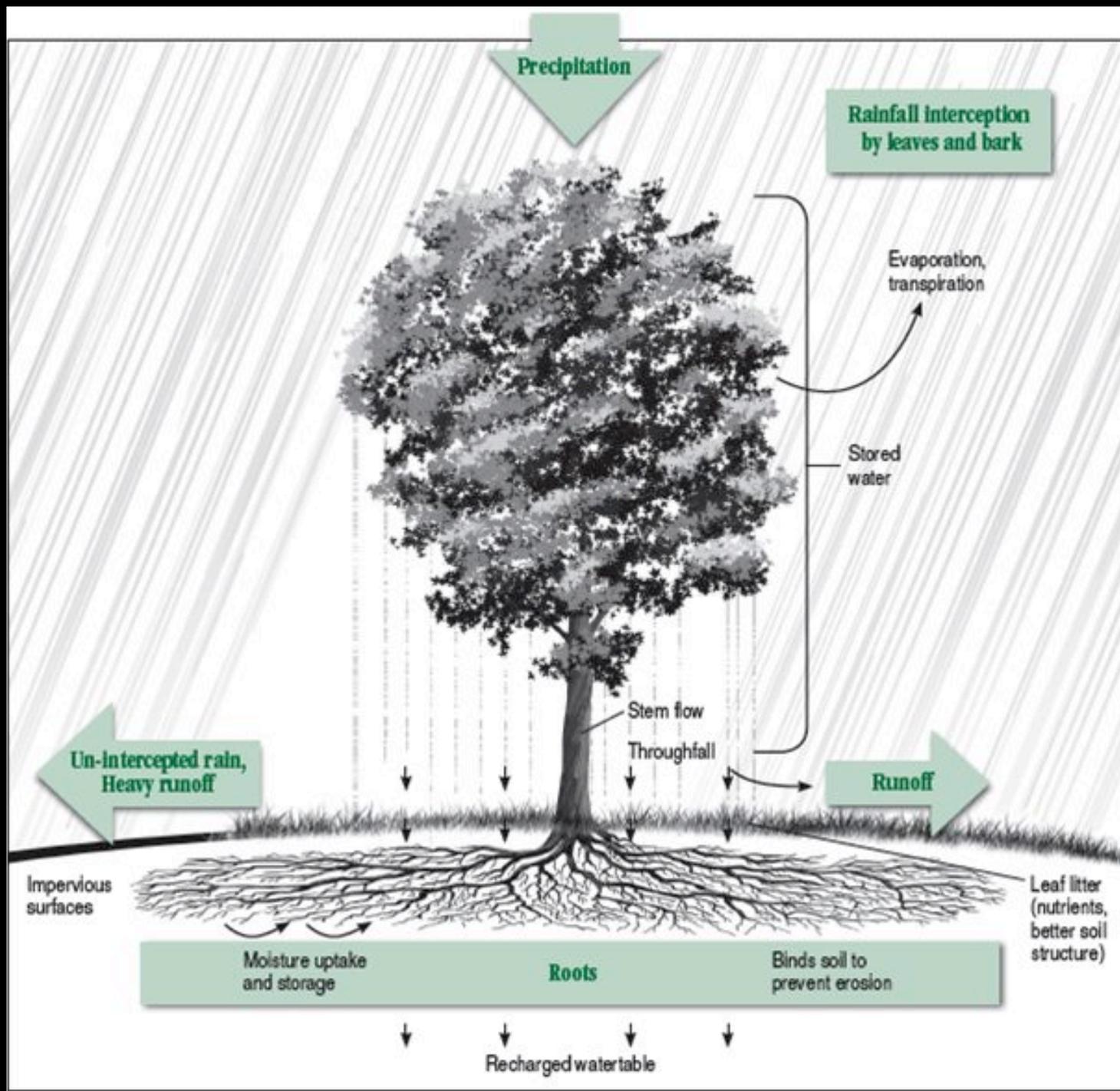


Table 1.1

**Annual Rainfall Interception in Gallons from 1 tree,
40-year average, Midwest Region**

	Small tree: Crabapple (22 ft tall, 21 ft spread)	Medium tree: Red Oak (40 ft tall, 27 ft spread)	Large tree: Hackberry (47 ft tall, 37 ft spread)
Rainfall Interception	292 gallons	1,129 gallons	2,162 gallons



Trapping

Rain

Eliminating

Excessive

Stormwater



Clean
Water



Tangled
Root Systems
Ease
Erosion and
Sedimentation



Air Quality

Imagine If Trees Gave Off
Wifi Signals, We Would
Be Planting So Many Trees



Too Bad They
Only Produce The
Oxygen We
Breathe.

Sun

2 **Smog:** Volatile organic compounds combine with nitrogen oxide and sunlight to form ozone, commonly known as smog.

How trees scrub more pollution

Deciduous vegetation absorbs — through stomata pores on leaves — one-third more volatile organic pollution than previously believed.

1 **Pollutants** emitted by vehicles, lawnmowers, factories and other sources contribute to the toxic brown cloud hanging over metropolitan Denver.

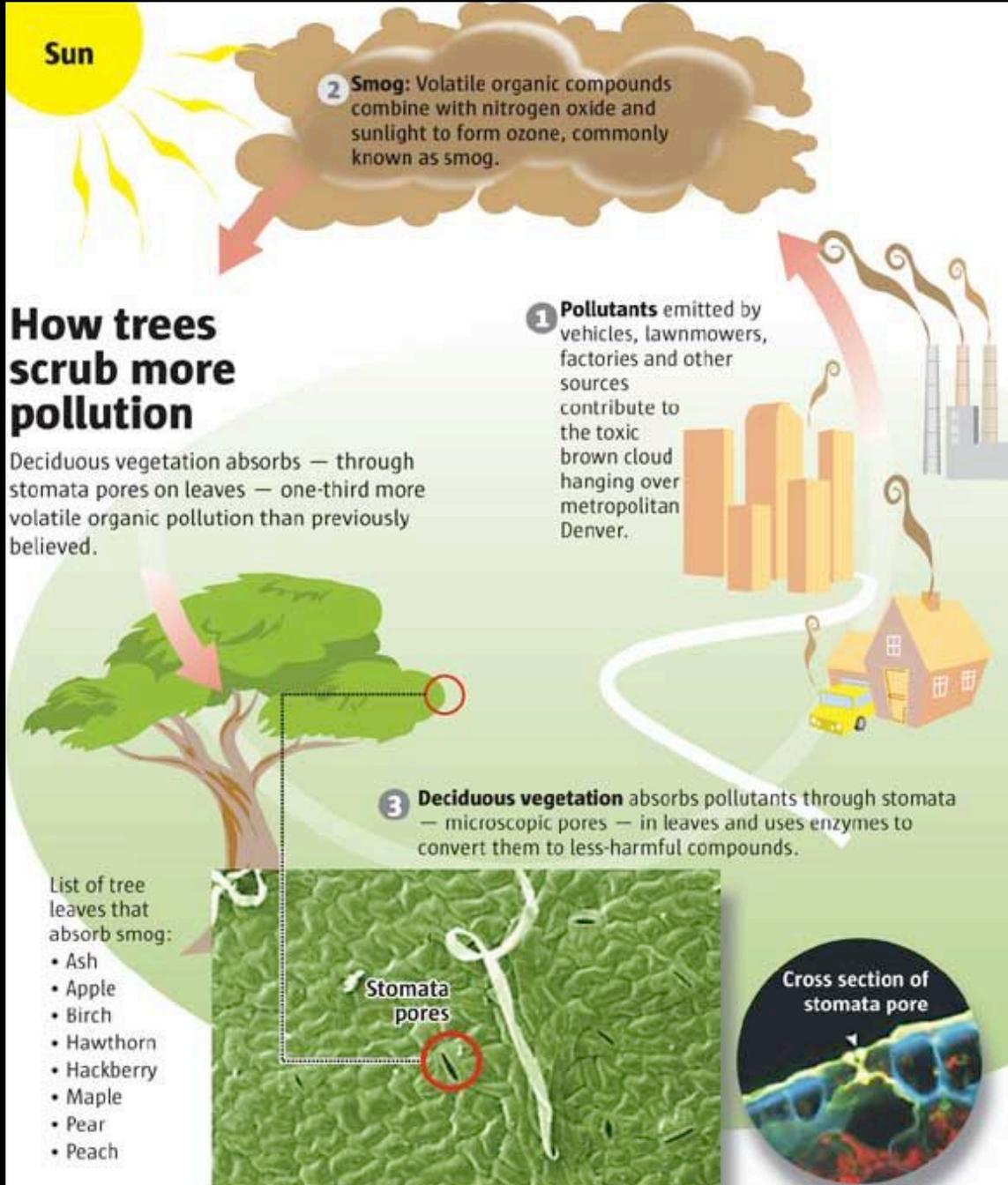
3 **Deciduous vegetation** absorbs pollutants through stomata — microscopic pores — in leaves and uses enzymes to convert them to less-harmful compounds.

List of tree leaves that absorb smog:

- Ash
- Apple
- Birch
- Hawthorn
- Hackberry
- Maple
- Pear
- Peach

Stomata pores

Cross section of stomata pore



	Small tree: Crabapple	Medium tree: Red Oak	Large Tree: Hackberry
NO2 Uptake and Avoided	0.39 lbs	0.63 lbs	1.11 lbs
SO2 Uptake and Avoided	0.23 lbs	0.42 lbs	0.69 lbs
O3 Uptake	0.15 lbs	0.2 lbs	0.28 lbs
PM-10 Uptake and Avoided	0.17 lbs	0.26 lbs	0.35 lbs

- NO2 = \$3.34/lb

- O3 = \$3.34/lb

- SO2 = \$2.06/lb

- PM-10 = \$2.84/lb

Tolerate and
Retain
Emissions,
Exhaust, and
Small Particulates



Reducing Utility
Costs



Energy Savings Reduce
Power Plant Emissions

Wind Speed Reduction
Reduces Air Infiltration

Transpiration by Trees
in the Aggregate
Cools the Air



Direct Shading
Reduces Irradiance
on Buildings

Shading Paved Surfaces
Reduces Urban Heat Island
Effect and Ozone Formation

Table 2.1: 40-year Average Electricity Savings from Trees in the Midwest Region

	Residential Yard Opposite West-Facing Wall	Residential Yard Opposite South-Facing Wall	Residential Yard Opposite East-Facing Wall	Public Tree on a Street or in a Park
Small tree: Crabapple (22 ft tall, 21 ft spread)	96 kWh	54 kWh	68 kWh	48 kWh
Medium tree: Red Oak (40 ft tall, 27 ft spread)	191 kWh	99 kWh	131 kWh	67 kWh
Large tree: Hackberry (47 ft tall, 37 ft spread)	268 kWh	189 kWh	206 kWh	136 kWh

Source: McPherson, E. et al. 2006

Current Rate = \$0.09 / kWh

Range = \$4 - \$25 /Tree

Temperature

Regulating

Energy

Efficiency

Systems



Reducing Sewage
Treatment Costs



Terminate

Raw

Effluent

Entering

Streams

Winter





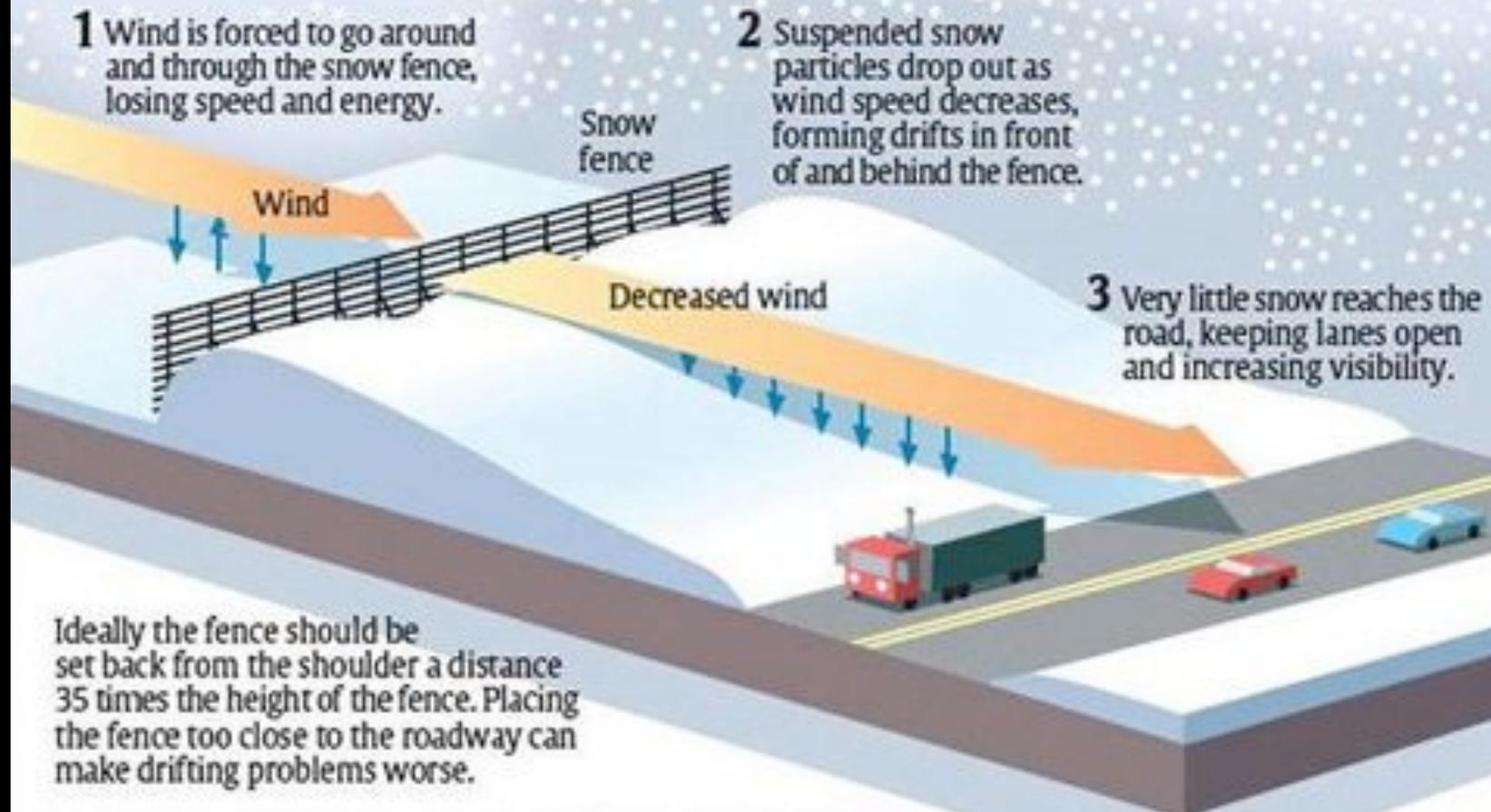
Snow fences reduce drifting, increase visibility for drivers

Travelers through the Rockies and much of the interior West will face blowing and drifting snow today. Danger to drivers will be reduced in areas where properly built and located snow fences are installed.

1 Wind is forced to go around and through the snow fence, losing speed and energy.

2 Suspended snow particles drop out as wind speed decreases, forming drifts in front of and behind the fence.

3 Very little snow reaches the road, keeping lanes open and increasing visibility.



Ideally the fence should be set back from the shoulder a distance 35 times the height of the fence. Placing the fence too close to the roadway can make drifting problems worse.



Living Snow Fences

New York State Department of Transportation





Terminate

Re-plow

Events

Enhancing

Snow Safety

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Urban Stormwater Retrofit Practices

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