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Practicum Exam – 70 Total Points

Goal: Develop a conceptual water harvesting plan for specified site that includes integrated features for at least 1 earthwork system series (conveyance + infiltration based on 1 catchment area), 1 rain tank, and 1 greywater system. The fourth system is your choice based on site context.

Deliverables:

- Site Assessment Map, 10pts
- Conceptual Plan Map, 10pts
- Feature Summary Report detailing 4 water harvesting features, 40pts (10pts/feature)
- Issues, Interests, Goals, Project Priorities, and Reasons Summary, 10pts

To be completed on-site. 1.5 hours.

1. **Site Assessment. 30 minutes.**
 - a. Use the "Assessment map" to draw a comprehensive site assessment. Include all relevant factors (sun, wind, water, human pathways, + 2 more site factors)
2. **Conceptual Site Plan, first draft. 1 hour.**
 - a. Create a "draft Conceptual site plan" map to rough out a quick first concept.
 - b. From your site plan **recommend 4 water harvesting features for the property**. Pick 4 features that you believe are the most important to the site, best fit the property owner's needs, and would be part of an integrated design. Draw the 4 features on the site map and label each feature with a number. Ensure you have all the information you need prior to leaving the site.

To be completed in the classroom. 2.5 hours.

1. **Conceptual Site Plan, final. 0.5 – 1 hour.** Finalize the Conceptual site plan that includes:
 - a. Placement and extent of 4 water harvesting features (note: rain gutters alone are not a feature). Include corresponding number ID to summary report.
 - b. Arrows indicating routing of water (inflows/overflows)
2. **Feature summary report of 4 water harvesting features. 1.5 – 2 hours.** Complete feature summary detail sheets with corresponding number ID to site plan.
3. **Project Priorities and Reasons. 15 minutes.** Prioritize list of suggested 4 features and 1 paragraph explaining reasons.

Site Issues Identified (list at least 3 items):

- Drip irrigation not wanted either to use at all or at least not groundwater
- ✓ No greywater currently in use
- Neighbors visual across the alley

Site Interests (mark all that apply):

Water Harvesting Interests:

- Passive landscape
- Greywater
- Laundry Bathroom
- Kitchen
- ROW Stormwater
- Tanks: Plastic Culvert
- Other:

Restoration Interests:

- Erosion control
- Stream Restoration
- Native Plants
- Wildlife Habitat
- Soil Health

Production Interests:

- Fruit Trees
- Vegetables
- Native Edibles
- Chickens, etc...

Other Items of Interest:

- Passive Solar
- Composting Toilets
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Grapes

Site Goals (based on assessment and discussion with site owner):

- ✓ Utilize greywater and rainwater along the backyard to reduce/remove groundwater use.
- Increase screening of neighbors with plants that won't need groundwater
- Additional earthworks for existing plantings and contribute towards driveway and patio install

Project Priorities and Reasoning

driveway and patio install

List the features you recommended by order of importance. Imagine that the homeowner can only afford to implement one feature at a time (or may only implement some of your recommendations). #1 should be the first feature they should implement and #4 the last feature. Note if any of the features must be implemented at the same time.

1. L2L Greywater

2. Earthworks & Planting

✓ 3. Raintanks for backyard

4. Additional Raintanks & pump for all irrigation

Explain why you chose the features you did, and the order you propose to implement them in. (1-2 paragraphs)

1. L2L is easy, accessible, pump, and satisfies several of their goals - greywater, reduce watering in back, grow neighbor screening.

✓ 2. Earthworks and planting is affordable and could help with reducing the need to irrigate, reduce some nuisance pooling, and improve screening as well as attract more birds. This can be tiered for demand and labor intensity.

3. Some Rain tanks can harvest B.Y. water and supplement water-needy plants and veg.

4. Additional tanks and pump can allow for more capacity and access more plants.

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Feature ID	Purpose/Benefits of Proposed Greywater Feature:
L2L	Easy, accessible, consistent watering for BY plants that need it and that erode screening ✓

Steps to create feature and materials used:

Design, Plume Laundry machine outside (side of shed), and pipe along fenceline. Pipe can be on surface to not disturb roots & plants and make it easier. Outlets for trees/shrubs, grape and trellis. ✓

PVC to poly, 1/2" to ~~3"~~ piece, mulch additions

Water Source Calculations	Feature Capacity Calculations
Annual Volume of Greywater Produced by Feature: $4-6 \text{ loads/week} \rightarrow 5 \text{ loads/week} \times 25 \text{ gal/load} = \sim 6,500 \text{ gal/year}$ seems high	Greywater conveyance and outlet configuration size & capacity: PVC to Poly to $\frac{1}{2}$ " emitters (5-6 total)
Peak Daily Volume Produced by Feature: $2-3 \text{ loads} \rightarrow 3 \text{ loads} \times 25 \text{ gal/load} = 75 \text{ gal}$	Distribution surface area (sq.ft) required = $75 \text{ gal} \times 0.7 \frac{\text{ft}^2}{\text{gal}} = 52.5 \text{ ft}^2$ Infiltration surface area (sq.ft) planned = Bed ~ $40' \times 2' = 80 \text{ ft}^2$ Basin ~ $10' \times 4' = 40 \text{ ft}^2$ $\rightarrow 120 \text{ ft}^2$

Associated plant types:

4 mod shrub 1 high shrub
1 mod grape ✓

Plant function in relation to feature:

GW infiltration and
Soil building ✓
Distribution of GW
and prolonged moisture
in soil

Estimated annual plant demand (gallons) for GW irrigated
landscaping:

Plant Water Use Category: Mod

Planted Area (sq.ft): $5 \times \sim 15 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ each} = 75 \text{ ft}^2$

Annual Water demand: high $2 \times 15 \text{ ft}^2$

$$75 \text{ ft}^2 \times 30 \text{ in} \times 0.623 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{ft}^2 \text{ in}} = 1402 + \frac{0.15 \text{ ft}^2}{822} (44 - 0.623) = 22.24 \text{ gal}$$

What % of estimated demand will GW supply?

100% + There are other existing plants
 $\sim 100 \text{ ft}^2 \times 16 \text{ in} \times 0.623 = \sim 1000 \text{ gal}$
 Can extend beyond path to other bed on E. side

Explain why you chose this water harvesting feature. How does this feature work together as part of an integrated site design?

There can be plenty of L2L GW to replace irrigation for the side beds and grow screen plants as well as bum the vines & volunteers. Waters high demand vines as well

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Feature ID	Purpose/Benefits of Proposed Earthworks System:
Earthwork stormwater plants	Passively utilize roof and patio/path runoff and allow water to gather along planted and newly planted areas. Support screen plants and bird attractors.

Steps to create feature and materials used:

Get level of property and modify design for ease of install, focus basins along planted area's root & future root areas, possibly curb cut, gutter smaller roofs, cut BY overflow to alley? Rise laundry and plum gutter under Dig basins and over flows, e.g. gutter overflows, plant shrubs, mulch, check dam when needed. Need tools, mulch, plants, rocks

Water Source Calculations	Feature Capacity Calculations
<p>(1) Annual Volume of Harvested Water by Feature:</p> <p>BY: $2350 \times 11 \times 0.623 \times 0.5 + 1000 \times 11 \times 0.623 \times 0.9$ $\frac{\text{ft}^3}{\text{in}} \times \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{ft}^3} \times \frac{\text{in}}{\text{yard}} \times \frac{\text{ft}^2}{\text{sq ft}} \times \frac{\text{ft}^2}{\text{sq ft}}$ $= 8050 + 6168 = 14,217 \text{ gal/year}$</p> <p>(2) FY: $2500 \times 11 \times 0.623 \times 0.5 + 625 \times 11 \times 0.623 \times 0.9$ $= 8566 + 3855 = 12,420 \text{ gal/year}$ $FSY = 600 \cdot 11 \cdot 0.623 \cdot .5 + 400 \cdot 11 \cdot 0.623 \cdot .9 = 2056 + 2467 = 4523 \text{ gal/year}$</p> <p>Peak Event (2.5") Volume Directed to Feature: Factor out 11, $\frac{2.5}{11} = 0.22727\dots$ BY: $3231 \times 0.22727\dots = 730 \text{ gal/peak}$ FY: $2,823 \text{ gal/peak}$ FSY: 1028 gal/peak</p>	<p>Feature dimensions & capacity (gallons): $BY = 78 \text{ ft}^2 \times 7'' \times 0.623 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{in}} = 340 \text{ gal}$ $FY = 110 \text{ ft}^2 \times 7'' \times 0.623 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{in}} = 450 \text{ gal}$ $FSY = 48 \text{ ft}^2 \times 10'' \times 0.623 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{ft}^2 \cdot \text{in}} = 300 \text{ gal}$</p> <p>Feature will retain the following rain event: BY: $340 \times 12.29 \text{ gal/in} \approx 1/4'' \text{ rain}$ inch FY: $450 \times 12.29 \text{ gal/in} \approx 0.4'' \text{ rain}$ FSY: $300 \times 12.29 \text{ gal/in} \approx 0.73'' \text{ rain}$</p> <p>Feature will handle $\frac{\text{FSY}}{\text{FSY}} \times 100\% \text{ of Peak Event}$ $\frac{300}{1028} \times 100\% \approx 10\%$ $\frac{450}{2823} \times 100\% \approx 16\%$ $\frac{300}{1028} \approx 29\%$</p>

Overflow routed to: Nearby, highest basins for each

Reason why: Maximum distribution and capacity, easiest plumbing reaches plants that can take that watering pattern ok

Associated plant types:	Plant function in relation to earthworks feature:
Existing plantings: Mostly moderate Some high	Erosion control, infiltration increase, native habitat, mulch accumulation, soil building
New plantings: Moderate, native	Reduce tripping hazard

Explain why you chose this water harvesting feature. How does this feature work together as part of an integrated site design?

Basins optimize Rain tank overflow and grey water harvesting and overflow while reducing irrigation needs overall and growing native screens and habitat. Earthworks is regenerative and is more affordable than other systems

Feature ID Rain tank BY	Purpose/Benefits of Proposed Rain Tank Feature: Divert roof water off of patio and into tank where it is accessible and can supplement backyard veggies ✓
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Steps to create feature and materials used:

Gutter large, back roof to the east, set rad on either side of brick wall, bring tanks in from alleyway or front, cut through brick wall to connect tanks near bottom, place and plumb them.

Can poly 1" to 1/2" along walls to vines, under back path, and fence line/trellis for ease of watering. First flush empty to entice vines

Water Source Calculations	Feature Capacity Calculations
Annual Volume of Rainwater from Collection Area: $680 \text{ ft}^2 \times 11 \text{ in} \times 0.623 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{ft}^2 \text{ in}} = 3,700 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{year}}$	Wet or Dry Inflow: Dry Tank Width: 5' ± Tank Height: 7' Recommended Tank Volume: Multiple tanks? 2,000 gal
Peak Event (2.5") Volume from Collection Area: " 2.5 in. " 84 gal/year	Tank will fill with the following rainfall depth: $338 \text{ gal/in} \times \frac{2000}{338} = 6 \frac{\text{in}}{\text{rainfall}}$

Overflow routed to: Earthwork planted garden with additional overflow to olive then alley
Reason why: Good infiltration and beautification and utilizes earthworks ✓

Use of stored water: Watering vines and side garden beds as well as veggie beds. Some side screening.	Estimated demand (gallons) of intended use for stored tank water? 12ft x veggie .65 in x 0.623 = 486 gal New Natives 10x10ft x (16x0.623) = 997 gal 3 high demand x 10ft x 6.5 in x 0.623 = 822 gal What % of demand will tank supply? ~100% given 2 full uses Water can supplement all hanging & Wall plants as well
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Explain why you chose this water harvesting feature. How does this feature work together as part of an integrated site design? Initial tank install that allows for BY. watering without ground water. Overflow, FE, and RW can water establishing shrubs, fence line plants, and their veggie garden. Overflow uses earthworks and one irrigation line could correspond with greywater irrigation

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Feature ID	Purpose/Benefits of Proposed Rain Tank Feature:		
Rain tank FY + Fmnel(BY)	Capture large, front roof, connect tank storage, and pump to irrigation system. Allow to switch from FY & BY to accommodate watering variation. Watering efficiency is already installed, now use RW.		
Steps to create feature and materials used:			
<p>Gutter front, large roof, make tank pad and place up to 3- 5' dia 7' tall ~1,000 gal tanks and connect together. Plumb connect to back tanks and pipe to pump in backyard. Connect pump with 3 way going to BY irrigation and FY irrigation. Connect those accordingly, label, install backflow. Allow for possible timer/manual options to ease use.</p>			
Water Source Calculations		Feature Capacity Calculations	
Annual Volume of Rainwater from Collection Area: $625 \text{ ft}^2 \cdot 11 \text{ in} \cdot 0.623 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{in ft}^2} \cdot 9 = 3,855 \text{ gal/year}$ (+3,700 from back)	Wet or Dry Inflow: Dry Available space for Tank: 5' wide 7' high Width: 5' Height: 7'	Recommended Tank Volume: ~1000 gal $\times 3 = 3,000 \text{ gal}$ (+2,000 from back)	
Peak Event (2.5") Volume from Collection Area: $2.5 \text{ in} \cdot 625 \text{ ft}^2 \cdot 0.623 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{in ft}^2} = 876 \text{ gal}$ (+841 from back)	Tank will fill with the following rainfall depth: 8.6" rain 3.5" (red) or 5,000 gal from 1225 ft ² $686 \frac{\text{gal}}{\text{in}} = 7.3" \text{ for all}$ from both BY & FY		
Overflow routed to: Nearest, highest basin in FY (for ease and maximum distribution and capacity)			
Reason why: Overflow accesses at least 3 basins before leaving property			
Use of stored water: Connection to irrigation line and hand watering option for FY	Estimated demand (gallons) of intended use for stored tank water? 1-2000 ft ² planted in FY & BY for very low-med w/some high $7500 \cdot 16 \cdot 0.623 \sim 15,000 \text{ gal}$ What % of demand will tank supply?	30-60% with 1.5 full uses supplemented with greywater and decreased use w/earthworks & stormwater	
Explain why you chose this water harvesting feature. How does this feature work together as part of an integrated site design?		<p>Irrigation is already installed for current planting and owner wished to use RW instead of groundwater. This system allows to supplement most of that and the overflows contribute to basins and plantings that need watering anyways. The greywater reduces that demand so the RW can benefit the other plantings, and the option for hand watering in the front can help with more specific plant demands. The earthworks mulching will also benefit the water use throughout the property</p>	

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