



# Field of Green

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# Background

- Develop a Collaborative Effort between Universities and Municipalities
- Reduce Dependency on Imported Water
- Improve Security of Water Supply
- Prevent Over Drafting
- Develop Reliable Local Water Supply



# Where Southern California Gets its Water



# Collaboration

- Foothill Municipal Water District (FMWD)
- La Cañada United Methodist Church
- La Cañada Unified School District
  - La Cañada High School
- City of La Cañada Flintridge
- Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts
- California State Polytechnic University – Pomona
  - College of Engineering
    - Civil Engineering Department
  - College of Environmental Design
    - Landscape Architecture
    - Urban Planning



CAL POLY POMONA

# Foothill Municipal Water District

- Distributes Metropolitan Water District to meet 60% of the Communities Water Needs
- Remaining sources:
  - Groundwater basins: Verdugo and Raymond Basins
  - Canyon Runoff
  - Recycled Water



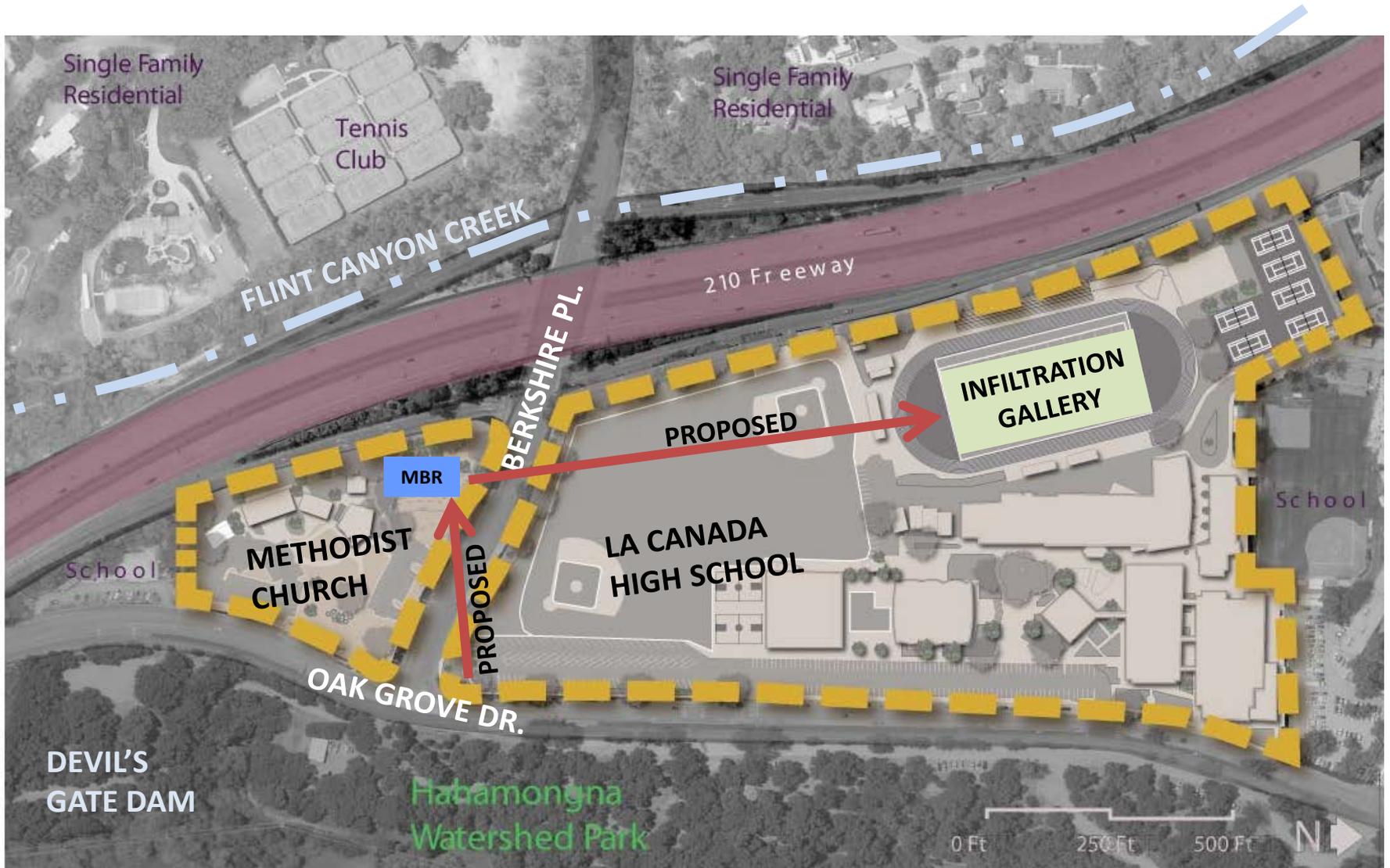
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Foothill Municipal Water District Recycled Water Demonstration Project

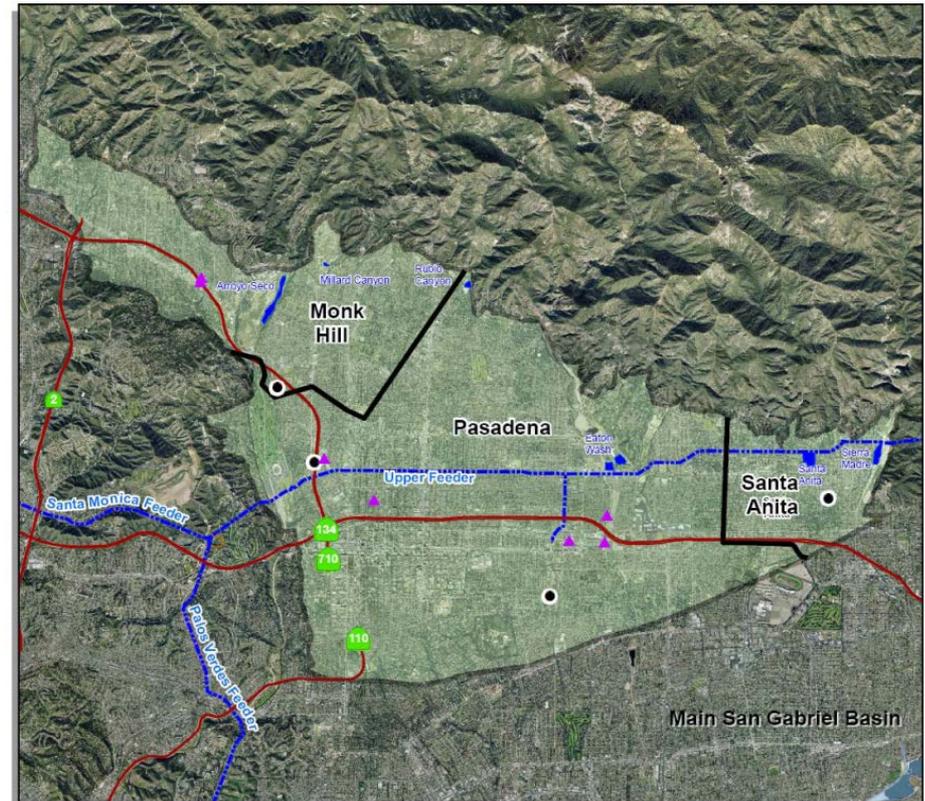
## **CAL POLY POMONA – INNOVATIVE SOLUTION**

# Project Scope



# Groundwater Basin

- Infiltration water enters underlying soil
- Flows to groundwater table
  - Raymond Basin
    - Monk Hill Sub-basin
- Stored for later use as drinking water source



Raymond Basin

Source: Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

# Urban Planning

## Policy and Challenges of Recycled Water

- Regulated by Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations since 1978
- California Department of Public Health (CDPH) in the process of adopting new policy
- Variable water sources and a growing population
- Potential resources for water security
- Community perceptions of Recycled Water
- Expanding resources and advocating for funds
- Contaminants of Emerging Concern
  - Meeting treatment requirements
  - Establish monitoring program
  - Particular concerns with subsurface spreading direct to source

# Policy Approach

- Tier One
  - Obtain a waiver from California Water Resources Control Board and California Department of Public Health
- Tier Two
  - Obtain special permit for the US Environmental Protection Agency
- Tier Three
  - Obtain new state legislation that would allow recycled water projects of this kind

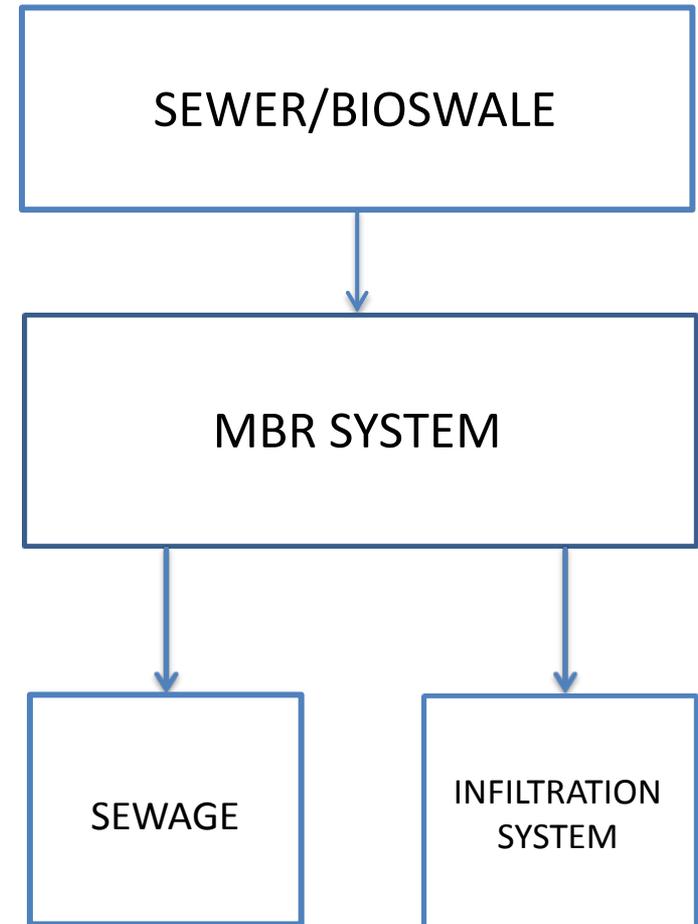
# Urban Planning Educational Outreach

- Educate public on important resource issues
- Community outreach on human innovation in water management
- Promoting community and global stewardship



# Civil Engineering Design

- Access Sewage from Oak Grove and Storm water from School and Church
- Treat Storm Water and Waste Water using Membrane Bioreactor Systems (MBR's)
- Infiltration Galleries At La Canada High School to recharge groundwater





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Clearwell "E"

MBR

Bioswale

La Canada High School

Wetwell "B"

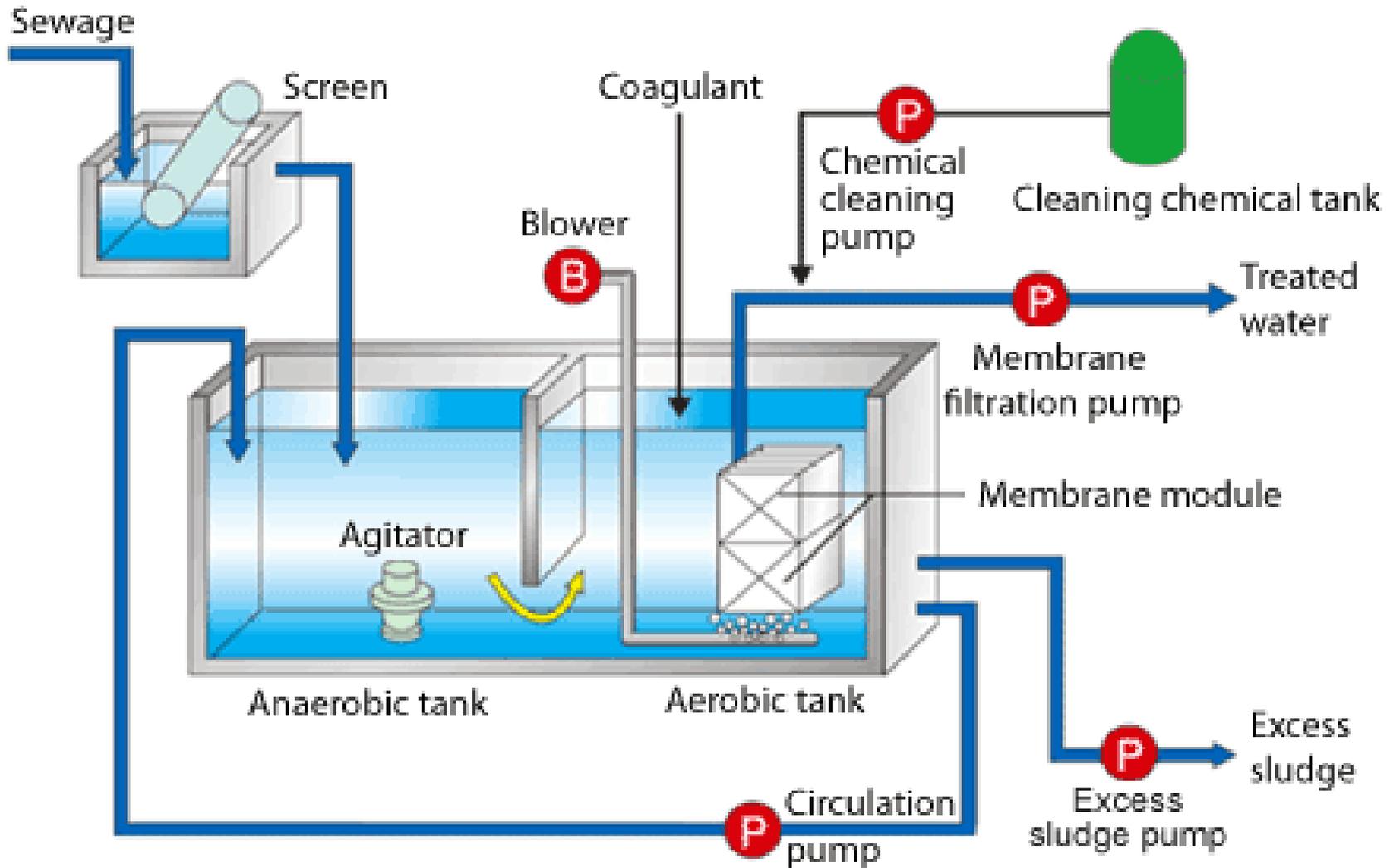
Manhole "A"

Existing Sewer

Berkshire Place

Oak Grove Drive

# Membrane Bioreactor System



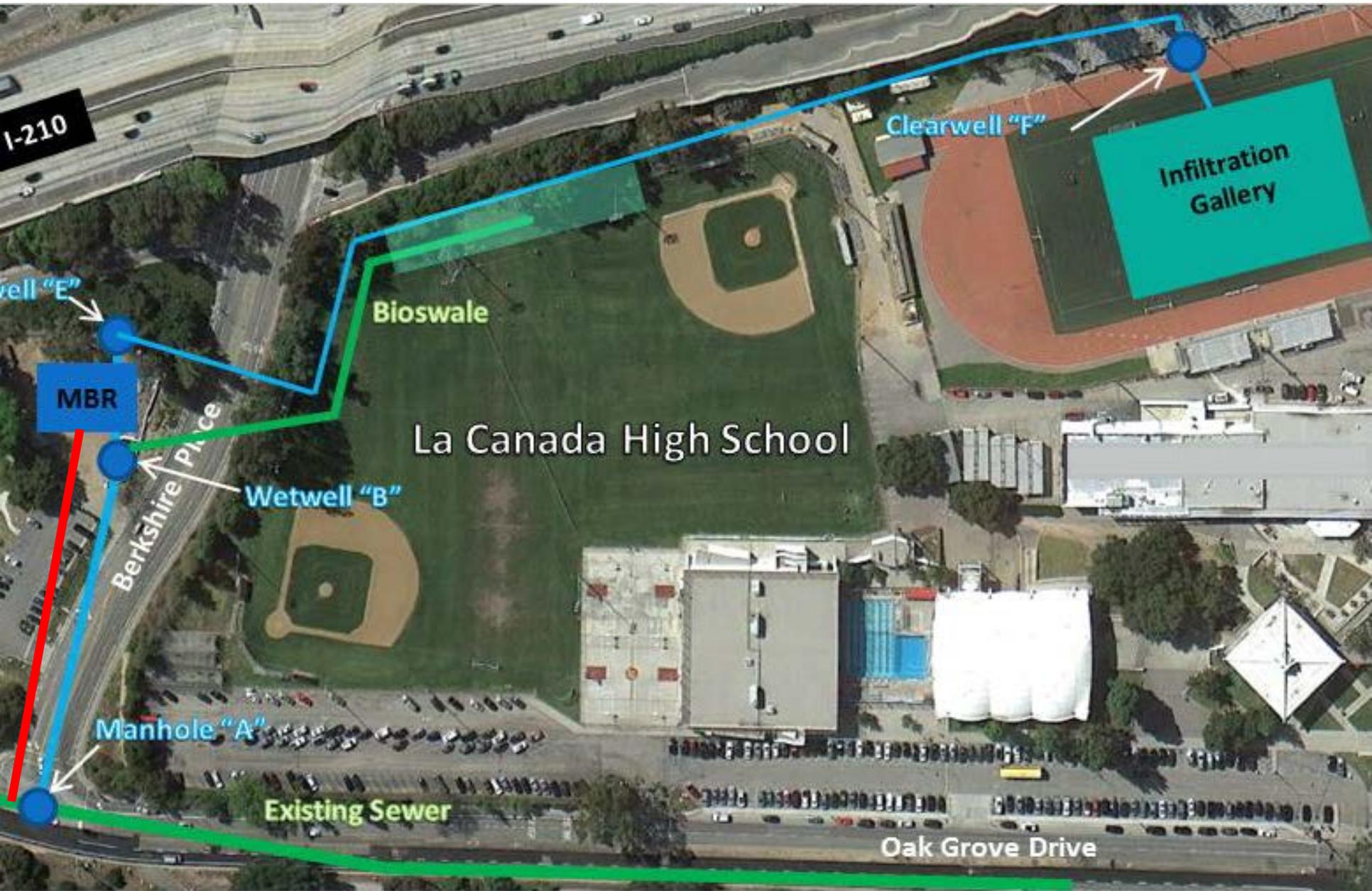
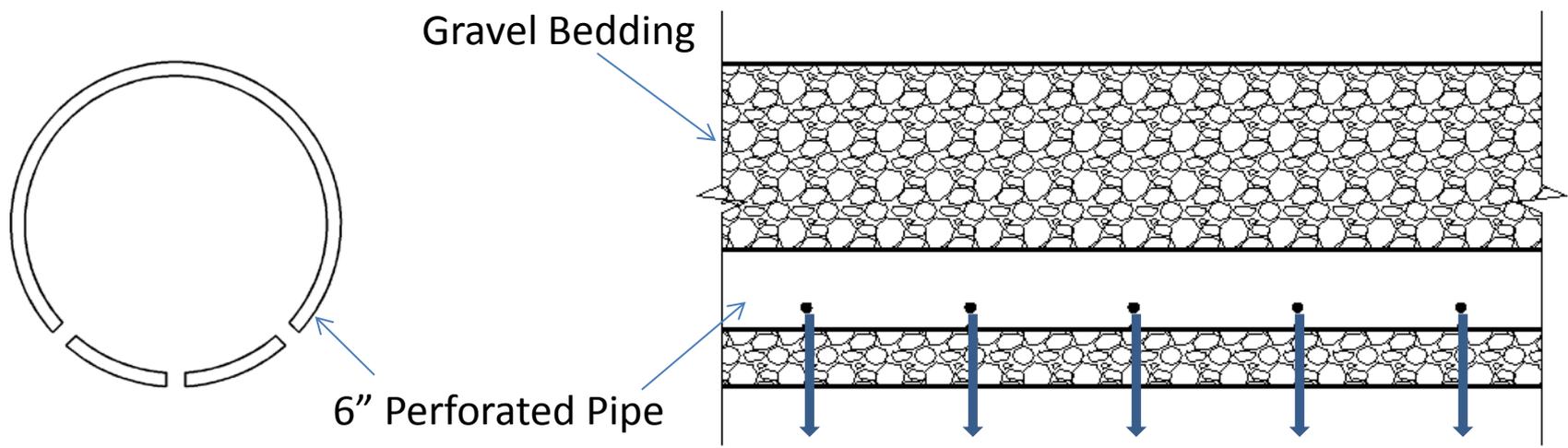
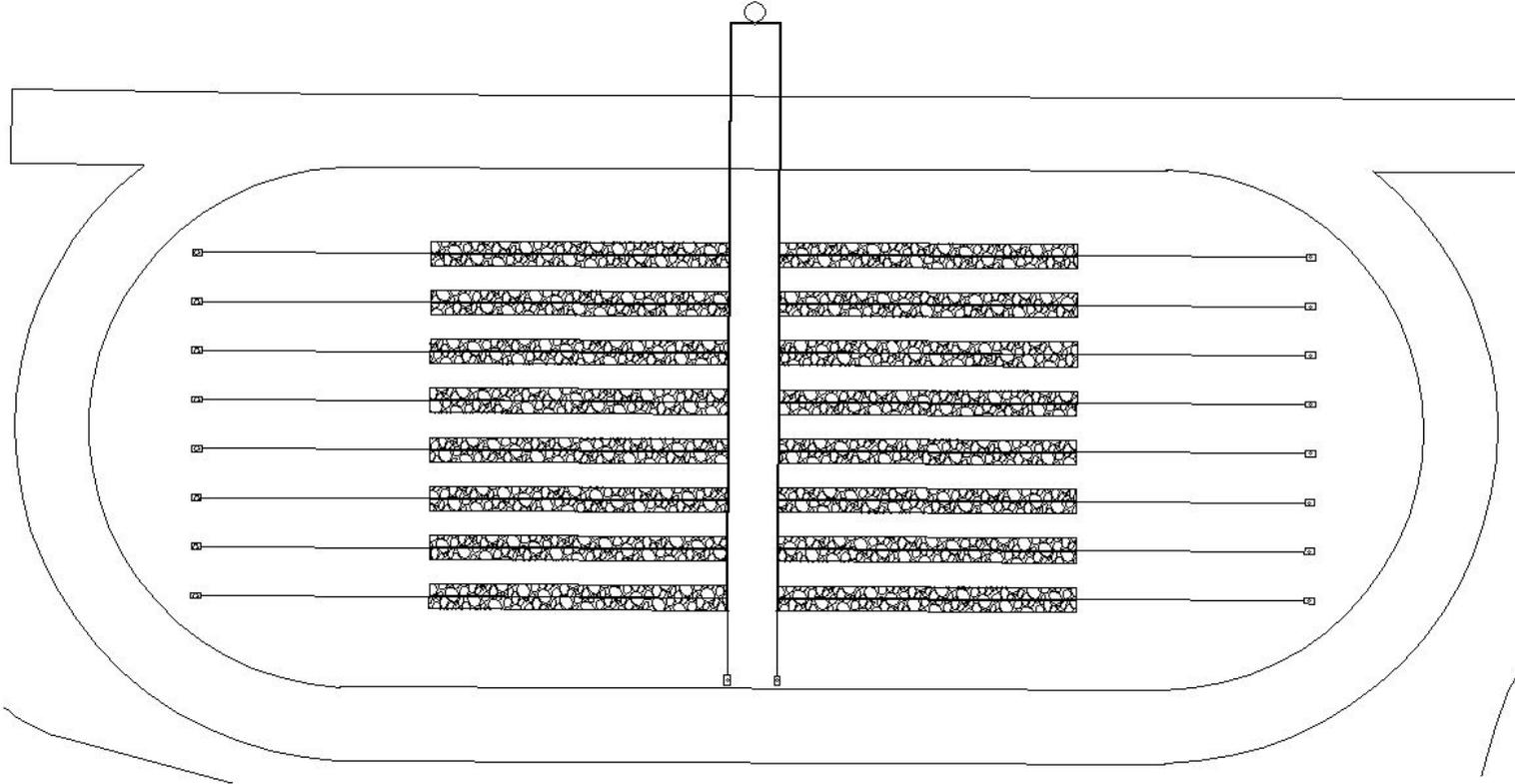


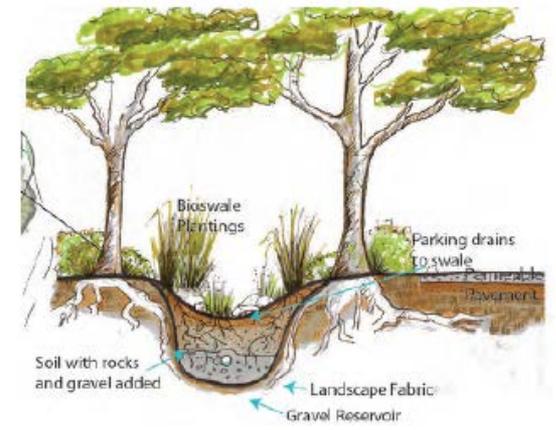
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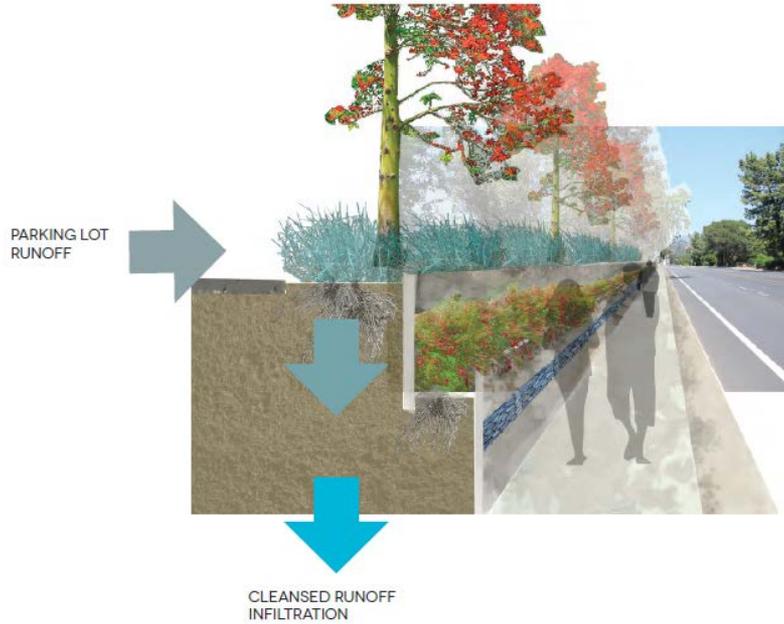
Underlying Soil

# Landscape Architecture Church Site

CHURCH PARKING LOT SECTION



# Landscape Architecture Oak Grove Drive



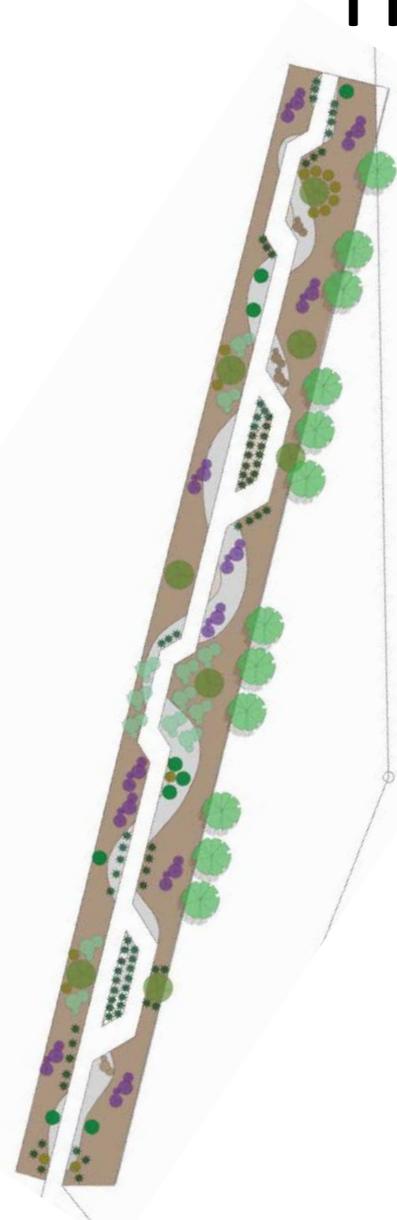
# Landscape Architecture Outdoor Classroom



# Landscape Architecture High School

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La Canada High School  
Admission Area Plan View



1' diameter sculpture pipe  
5' above ground level suspended on  
metal suspension posts

Semi-Intensive Green Roof on  
Building A-Administration and  
Classrooms

Perimeter planter wall with  
cascading rosemary  
3'H x 4'W

1.5' deep bioswale with rockbed  
lining. Water infiltrates into the  
ground

Lunch Area

B.1'



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# Future Direction

- Continue to Work with FMWD on the proposed project
- Research pilot equipment opportunities
- Develop a monitoring plan on performance of the infiltration galleries
- Develop educational material that can be used within the community