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# Historic D.C. cemetery partners with environmentalists to reduce impervious space

To help lower monthly stormwater fees and the capacity for runoff generation at the Mount Olivet Cemetery in Washington, D.C., the Catholic Archdiocese of Washington (D.C.) has partnered with the D.C./Maryland chapter of The Nature Conservancy (TNC; Bethesda, Md.) to build more than \$1.5 million of green stormwater infrastructure on the property. Find out how much the project reduced the fees

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## Roadway runoff causes long-term sensory damage in Pacific Northwest salmon

Toxic roadway pollutants captured and conveyed by stormwater pose a serious threat to coho salmon and other fish in the Pacific Northwest's urban watersheds. New research from Washington State University (WSU; Vancouver) shows that green infrastructure can help reduce mortality rates, but that pollutants can still potentially make fish more susceptible to predators. Get the full details on this research

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### State-of-the-art Hong Kong flooding project recognized for innovation and creativity

Located between a busy highway and Hong Kong's Victoria Harbour, Happy Valley Recreation Ground is a heavily frequented hotspot for locals and tourists alike. But during the rainy season, the appeal of the low-lying neighborhood's museums, sports fields, and horse-racing track is compromised by its high susceptibility to stormwater flooding.

In 2011, Hong Kong's Drainage Services Department (DSD) began construction on a \$1 billion HKD (\$127.8 million USD) project intended to compensate for Happy Valley's significant amount of runoff-generating cover while also bolstering the area against the expected effects of climate change. The project, which wrapped up construction last year, received a 2017 Hong Kong Award for Industries in the innovation and creativity category. Watch a video about this project

#### Simple hotel stormwater capture and reuse system benefits local environment

While rainy days during a vacation or business trip aren't ideal, the Grand Hyatt Atlanta hotel in the Buckhead area of Atlanta, uses a simple stormwater collection and reuse system to make the most of wet weather.

The hotel captures rain water from flat portions of its roof and an outdoor zen garden. It also collects condensation water from guest-room air conditioners and meltwater from ice machines. This water is stored in eight tanks with a combined 113,500-L (30,000-gal) capacity. Learn how the hotel reuses this water

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