LID and Stormwater in Watsonville

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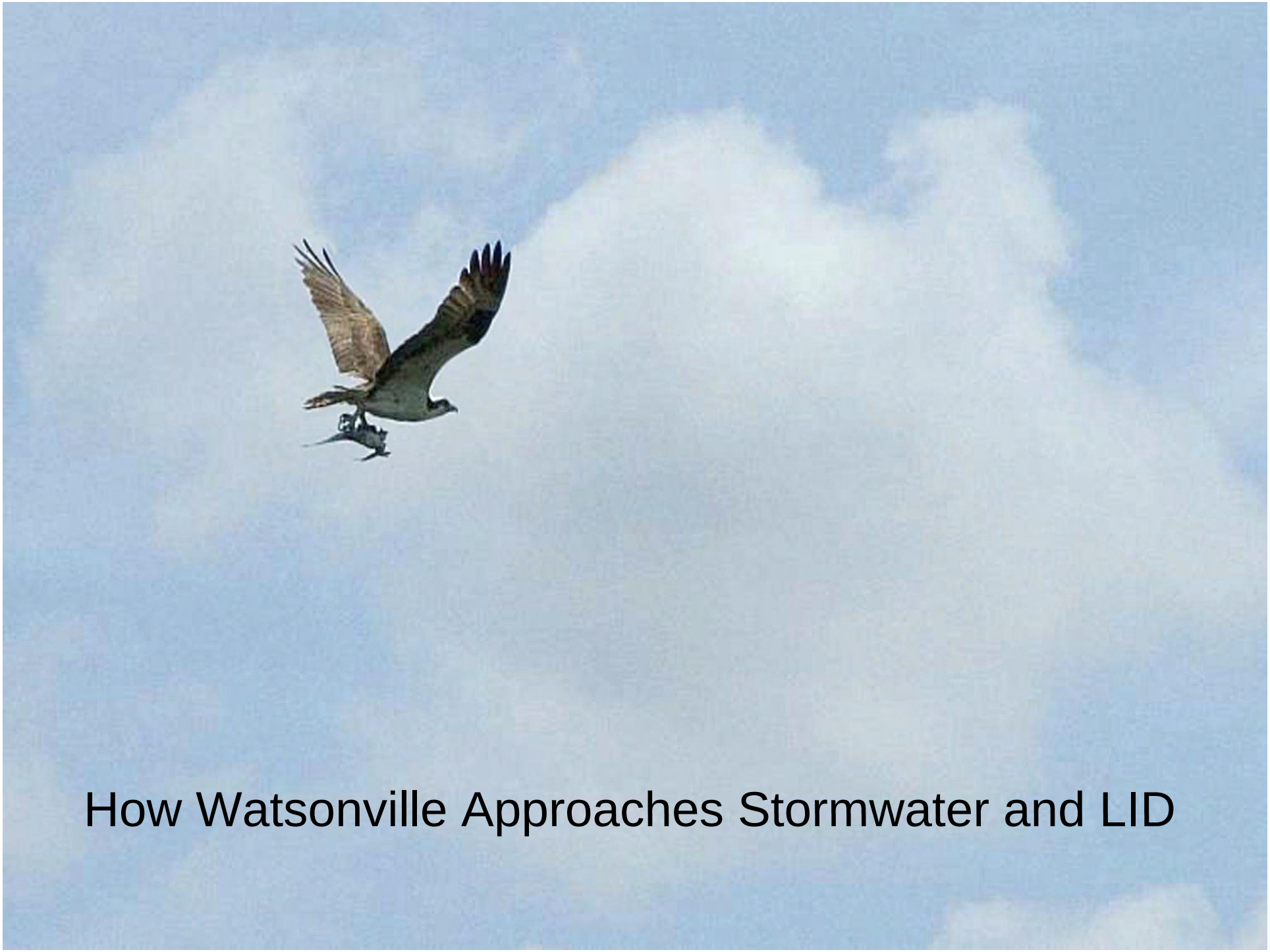

How Watsonville Approaches Stormwater and LID

Disconnecting
Impervious Areas

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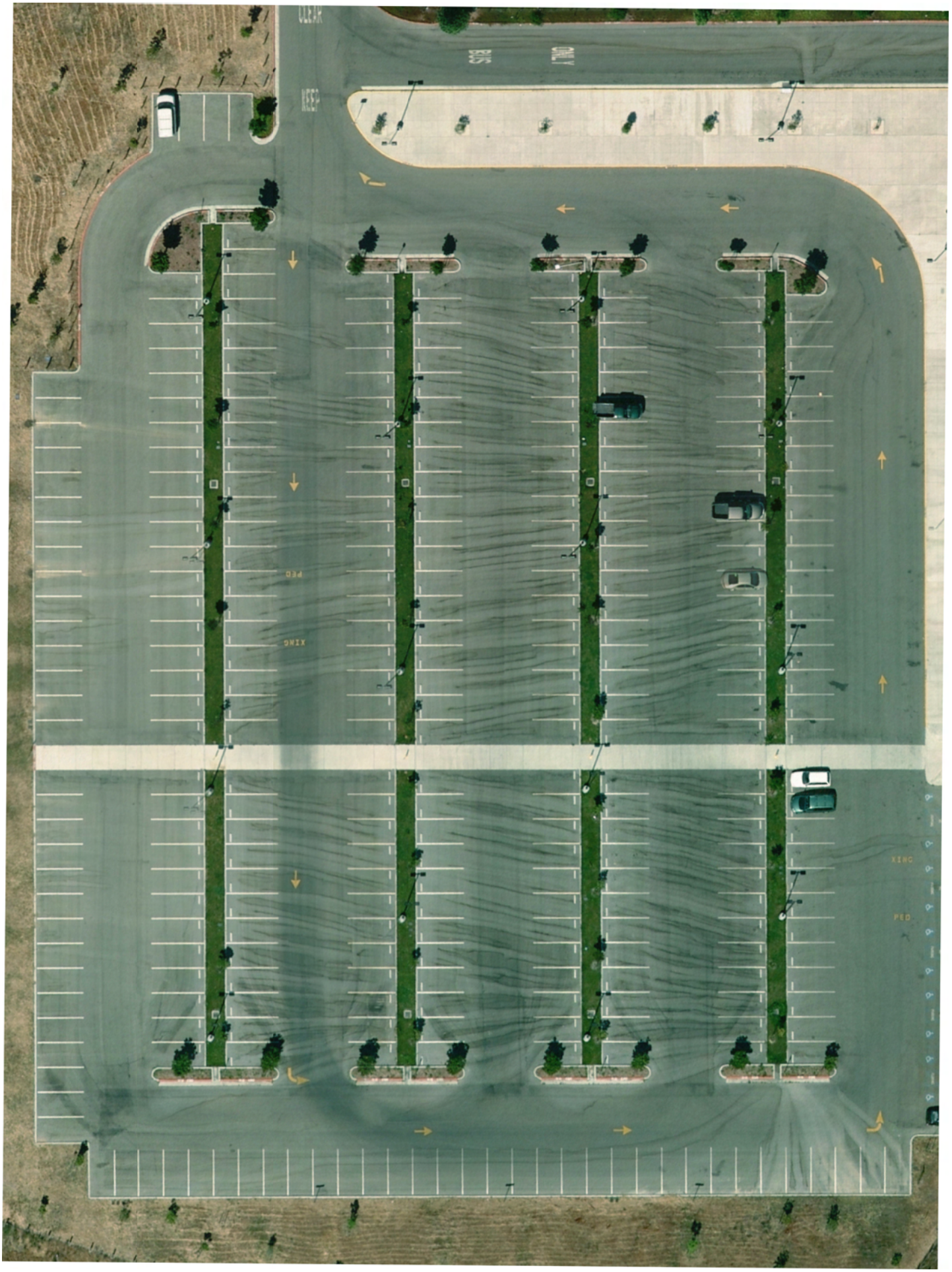
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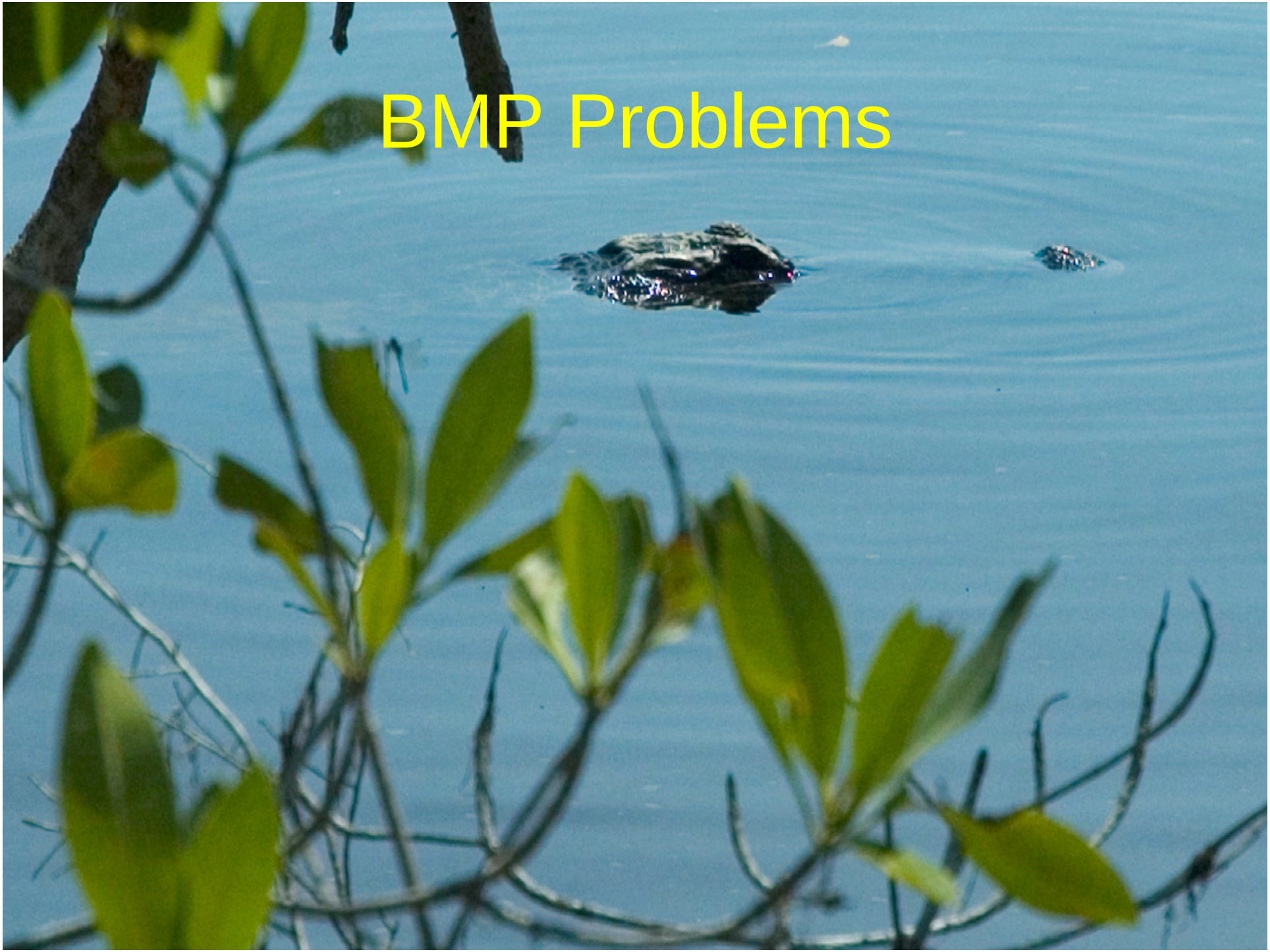
Incorporating LID Into Landscaping

Swale With Detention

Bioretention

BMP Problems



Pond Outlets

Outlet Blocked?

Launch The Boat!

Make Sure
The Contractor
Uses The
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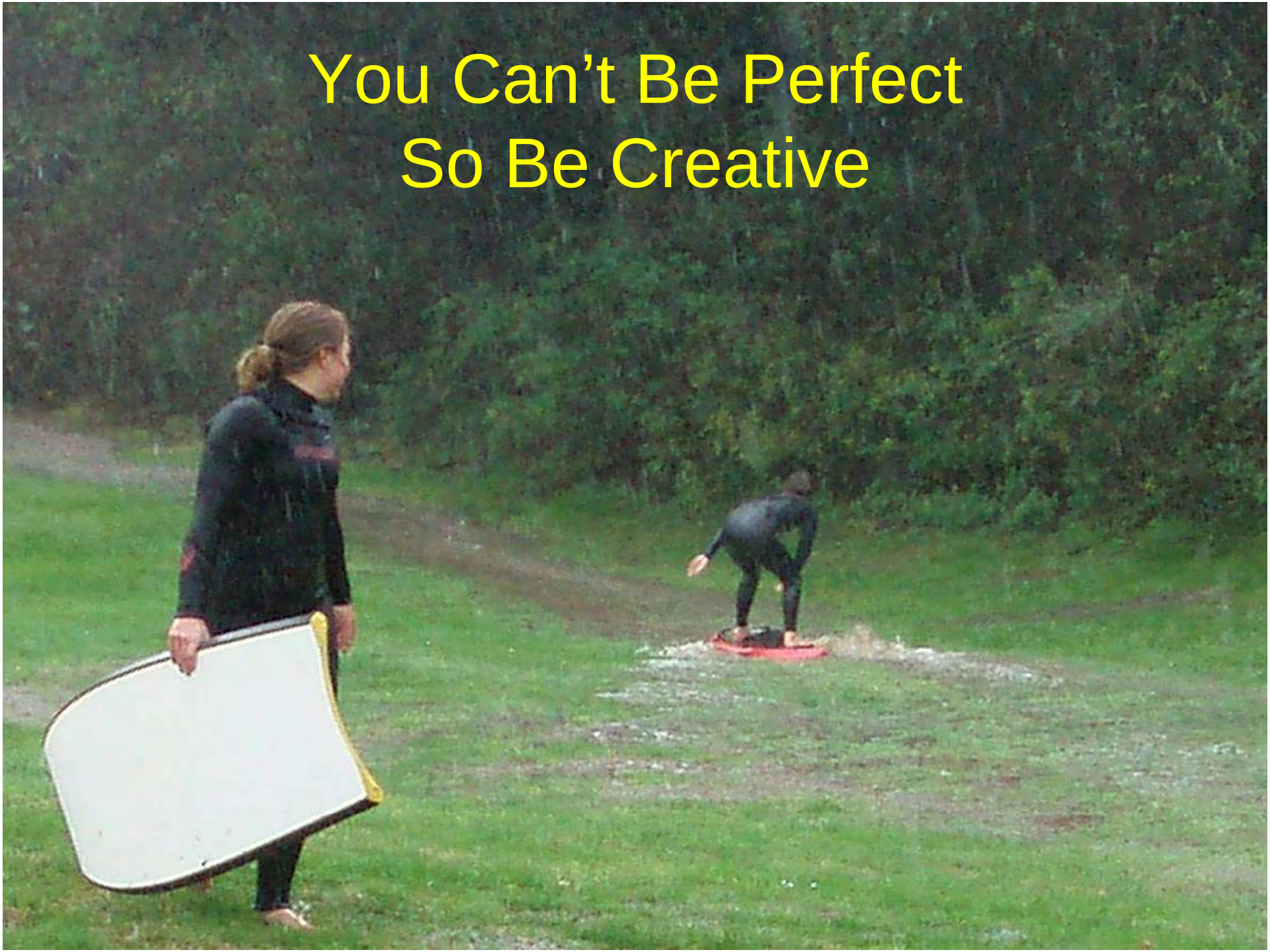
Materials

Nature Reclaims an Extended Detention Pond

Groundwater

Nutrient Management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So Be Creative