

# CONVERSENT WATER TECHNOLOGIES

Delivering next generation stormwater technologies by harnessing the power of collaborative effort.

breaking down barriers to innovation delivering solutions-oriented distribution enabling innovators to reach a national market

#### **Next Generation Technologies**

DRIVING DOWN COSTS WHILE IMPROVING PERFORMANCE, MAINTENANCE AND RELIABILITY IN GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE

#### **High Performance Modular Biofiltration System**

[TAPE, TARP]

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Industrial waste product that removes phosphorus

[University]

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Technology that enables dual use detention & harvesting

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Grass that establishes quickly and reduces vegetative maintenance

[Local]



### **The Value of Testing**

- Independent • results verify or refute claims
- Offers confidence to state and local reviewers



**Stormwater** 

very important

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All are interested in testing, some accept results from TAPE or now defunct programs



#### **Stormwater Testing Reality**

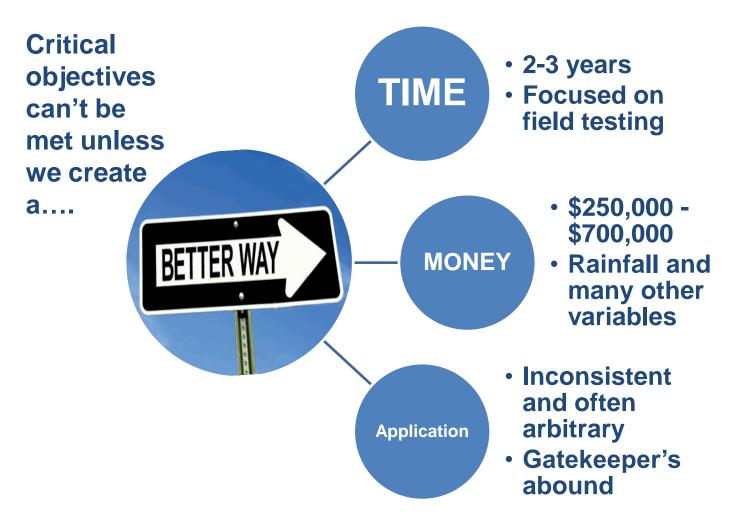
Absence of national standards leaves a vacuum

Patchwork quilt of regulatory contradiction

National rulemaking critical, but tabled for now



#### There's Got To Be...









[Stormwater Testing & Evaluation of Products & Practices]

- [What I'd like to see]
  - Lab-focused verification triggers market access
    - Public health & safety protected
    - Verification of claims and/or publication of actual results
      - Proprietary AND non-proprietary systems
    - Allows for 'Provisional' certification
      - Enable sales with the caveat that at least "X" long-term monitoring programs must be carried out and submitted within three years
      - Data to be published
  - Field Monitoring results triggers Certification
    - As is, or with adjustments (published)
  - Universal acceptance driven by the stormwater permit
    - Localities free to set own thresholds (published)



## **Go To Market Now**

- 'Guerilla' tactics available
  - Retrofit
  - Redevelopment
  - Emphasize less regulated markets
    - Use economics to frame the discussion
  - Grant-funded projects
- Participate in STEPP
- Reject the system...it has no substance
  Localities will find a way if they want the tech



## WHAT IF STORMWATER C O M P A N I E S THINK MORELIKE

TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES?

# **INNOVATE or DIE**