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SITE ASSESSMENT REVIEW WILL BE REQUIRED STARTING IN OCTOBER

Bainbridge Island, Wash., (September, 2017) – Beginning October 1, 2017, a completed Site Assessment Review (SAR) will be required prior to the submission of most Land Use or Building applications.

In December 2016, the City Council adopted new stormwater regulations and policies related to Low Impact Development (LID) techniques, as required through the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit. The required SAR process ([Chapter 15.19 of the BIMC](#)) gives property owners, and their design professionals when appropriate, an opportunity to meet with City staff during initial project planning to identify project requirements, potential issues, and hear recommendations on LID strategies applicable to the site and project.

The SAR process should help projects avoid unexpected costs and delays by identifying effective solutions for stormwater management upfront. Additionally, the permit process should result in projects that contribute to healthier stormwater management island-wide.

More information on the Site Assessment Review process can be found on the City website at <http://bit.ly/SiteAssessmentReview>. Questions can be submitted by email to PWInspection@bainbridgewa.gov, by phone to 206.780.3788 or at the Public Works Development Engineering counter on Monday and Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

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