

Water Assets – Stormwater Structures, Conduits, Gross Pollutant Traps, Raingardens and Bioswales

Attention: You must read and understand the information below prior to commencement of design or construction works on affected sites

Important

Due to the nature and the age of stormwater assets and records, the accuracy and/or completeness of the City's information cannot be guaranteed. The City does not make any representation or give any guarantee, warranty or undertaking as to the accuracy, currency, completeness, effectiveness or reliability of the information.

You should still undertake a thorough site examination for visible structures through field survey including the use of appropriately qualified personnel and equipment.

This information has been generated by an automated system based on the information specified by the Enquirer. It is the Enquirer's responsibility to ensure that the work site has been properly identified and is accurately reflected in the information provided by the City. If the information does not match the work site, resubmit your enquiry for the correct site.

To the extent of any inconsistency, the information contained in this document will prevail over any other information provided to you by the City and Dial Before You Dig.

Asset Ownership

Stormwater assets within the City's local government area are owned by a number of organisations including Sydney Water Corporation, Roads and Maritime Services and other public or private entities. The City provides available information on stormwater assets irrespective of ownership. The City does not explicitly or implicitly claim to own all stormwater assets indicated on the plans.

Combined Storm/Sewer systems

There are a number of legacy combined stormwater/sewer systems within the City's local government area. These assets are owned by Sydney Water Corporation and are not depicted on City plans. Information regarding combined Storm/Sewers should be obtained from Sydney Water Corporation.

Data limitations

Diagrammatic information regarding the existence of stormwater assets is provided in accordance with the conditions and limitations stated in the City's documentation. It is the responsibility of the Enquirer to undertake appropriate site investigations to confirm details such as asset existence, ownership, location, type, dimensions, and levels.

The City has not undertaken survey to determine the position of its assets in relation to property boundaries. It is the responsibility of the Enquirer to ascertain the position of stormwater assets in relation to property boundaries.

Stormwater Quality Assets

Stormwater quality devices such as Gross Pollutant Traps, Raingardens and Bioswales can be impacted by construction at significant distances from these assets through actions such as insufficient erosion and sediment control. It is the responsibility of the Enquirer to ensure that construction activity does not impact stormwater quality assets.

Duty of Care

When working in the vicinity of stormwater assets, you have a “duty of care” that must be observed.

Works or proposed works should be planned to allow for minimal impact and appropriate protection of stormwater assets.

Locating Stormwater Assets

It is the Enquirer’s responsibility to:

- Request plans of stormwater assets for a particular location at a reasonable time before work begins. If you have any doubts as to the exact location of stormwater assets, we strongly recommend that you engage the service of a suitably qualified locator; and
- Visually locate stormwater assets. For buried assets this should be done by hand digging or using non-destructive methods such as water jetting (pot holing) where construction activities may damage or interfere with stormwater assets.

Damage of Assets

Damage to stormwater assets must be reported immediately to the owner of the stormwater asset. For City owned stormwater assets, please contact 02 9265 9333 or council@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au anytime, any day.

Enquirers and other parties undertaking works will be held responsible for all damage that occurs or impacts stormwater assets as a result of the works. This includes interfering with stormwater assets and conducting unauthorised modification works.

The City reserves all rights to recover compensation for any Loss (including consequential losses).

Relevant Approvals

Relevant approval must be obtained prior to commencement of works on or near stormwater assets. The Enquirer is responsible to ensure that all requisite approvals have been obtained prior to works and that all works are undertaken in accordance with the requirements of any approval.

User Risk

The Enquirer acknowledges that they use the information at their own risk. In consideration of the information provided by the City to the fullest extent permitted by law:

- All conditions and guarantees concerning the information (whether as to quality, outcome, fitness, care, skill or otherwise) expressed or implied by statute, common law, equity, trade, custom or usage or otherwise are expressly excluded. To the extent that those statutory guarantees cannot be excluded, the liability of the City to the Enquirer is limited to the supplying of the information again;
- In no event will the City be liable for, and the Enquirer releases the City from any Loss arising from or in connection with the information, including the use of or inability to use the information and delay in the provision of the information;
- The Enquirer will indemnify the City against any Loss arising from or in connection with the information and the works; and
- The Enquirer assumes all risks associated with the use of the Dial Before You Dig and City websites, including risk to the Enquirer's computer, software or data being damaged by any virus, and release and discharge the City from all Loss which might arise in respect of your use of the websites.

Glossary

“**City**” means The Council of the City of Sydney.

“**Enquirer**” is the person(s) or organisation(s) requesting or using the information.

“**Loss**” includes any loss, cost, expense, claim, liability or damage (including arising in connection with personal injury, death or any damage to or loss of property and economic or consequential loss, lost profits, loss of revenue, loss of management time, opportunity costs or special damages).