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Executive Summary

This guidance book is an introduction to the inspection and maintenance (I&M) of common stormwater control measures (SCMs). These measures include wet and dry swales, vegetated filter strips, bioretention and bioinfiltration, sand filters, wet ponds, stormwater wetlands, and extended detention basins (dry ponds). I&M protocols for other SCMs can be found in EWRI literature from respective task committees.

This book is structured to explain the function and operation of SCMs, as well as to provide suggestions on troubleshooting SCMs. Chapters 1 through 4 provide information for stormwater infrastructure asset managers (e.g., property owners, facilities managers, and municipal managers) on the implementation of I&M procedures to protect and sustain performance of stormwater infrastructure investments. Provided guidance is intended to be adapted by asset managers to regional and site-specific conditions. This guidance book is intended for use in I&M program planning, as well as in the field by maintenance personnel.