

## Three easy steps to enroll

### Step One:

Go online to complete an application with the County or print and mail a copy to the County using the web and mailing addresses on the back of this brochure. Select the eligible option(s) (below) most appropriate for your organization.

### Step Two:

Meet with a County representative who will develop an alternative compliance plan with you and finalize which option(s) are feasible to implement.

### Step Three:

The Department of the Environment (DoE) will evaluate the plan to determine the amount of credit applicable to the property.

## What are the eligible options?

- Opt 1: Install Green Stormwater Practices  
*(Up to 50% Impervious Area Impact Fee Waived)*
- Opt 2: Conduct Outreach & Education  
*(Up to 25% Impervious Area Impact Fee Waived)*
- Opt 3: Put Good Housekeeping and Green Lawn Care Practices into Action  
*(Up to 25% Impervious Area Impact Fee Waived)*



For more information about the Prince George's County Alternative Compliance Program, scan the code above or visit: [www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/StormwaterManagement/Services/RainCheck/Alternative%20Compliance/](http://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/sites/StormwaterManagement/Services/RainCheck/Alternative%20Compliance/)

Applications can be submitted through the website or mailed to:

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*About Prince George's County's*

# ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE PROGRAM



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## The clean water challenge

Water is intrinsic to life, but ensuring the gift of clean water is a challenge. Much of the land in Prince George's County's urban and suburban communities is covered by buildings, pavement and compacted soils. These hard surfaces prevent rain from soaking into the ground. Most of this water "runs off" the surfaces instead, where it flows into storm drains and then into local streams. The runoff is not treated in any way.

On July 24, 2013, Prince George's County adopted a Clean Water Act Fee to provide necessary funds to help clean up polluted runoff. Because everyone contributes to the problem, everyone pays. However, nonprofits and houses of worship participating in the County's *Alternative Compliance Program* can waive up to 100% of their Impervious Area Impact Fee.

## About the program

Non-profit and faith-based groups that are landholders in Prince George's County can reduce all or a portion of the Impervious Area Impact Fee. This can be done in exchange for implementing on-site and off-site systems, facilities, services or activities that slow the runoff down and keep the pollutants out.



*Breaking ground at the at Forestville New Redeemer Baptist Church in Forestville, MD.*

Did you know? 

Qualified organizations can receive reductions of up to 50% against the base Impervious Area Impact Fee by allowing the County to design, install and maintain green infrastructure features such as those listed below.



**Tree Plantings**



**Rain Gardens**



**Pavement Removal**



**Permeable Pavement**



**Filtering Devices**

Organizations who take part in the County's Clean Water education and outreach campaign and/or agree to implement good housekeeping practices on property grounds can get up to 100% of their Impervious Area Impact Fee waived.



*Adam Ortiz, Director, of the Department of the Environment, speaks at the Alternative Compliance Program's kickoff event.*

## Who is eligible?

Any qualified 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization or tax-exempt faith-based organization that owns property in the County and currently is charged a Clean Water Act Fee.

## Can all of the fees be waived?

Up to 100% of the Impervious Area Impact Fee portion of your bill can be waived, depending on the options your organization selects. The County also charges an annual Administrative Fee (currently \$20.58) per each tax account. The Administrative Fee cannot be waived.