Site Selection Student

Picking the Best Location

The location of your stormwater project is a key consideration. For instance, a Conservation Garden might reduce stormwater runoff on two different sites, but one of those locations might not be visible to students. If your goals include student usage or public educational value, the site with little visibility would be a poor choice.

Use the findings from your investigations and goal-setting session to answer the following questions. The answers can guide your classes' decision-making process. Feel free to add other characteristics to this decision-making-table.

Use the chart below to help your class select a site for your project.

Questions to Consider	Site A	Site B	Site C	Comments
Would a project on this site reduce stormwater runoff?				
Would this site support any wildlife- related goals?				
Is it important that the project be visible to students and the public?				
Does the area have high visibility?				
Is it important that students can get to the site easily?				
• If so, can they?				
Can the site be watered and maintained easily?				
Is there ever standing water on the site?				
Does the site present particular challenges? If so, note them. (Challenges could include steep slope, deep clay, and invasive plants.)				
Does the amount of sunlight on the site support your project goals? (This question might require plant research.)				