

### Campus Water and Stormwater Management

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# HSU is working on a number of projects related to water sustainability.



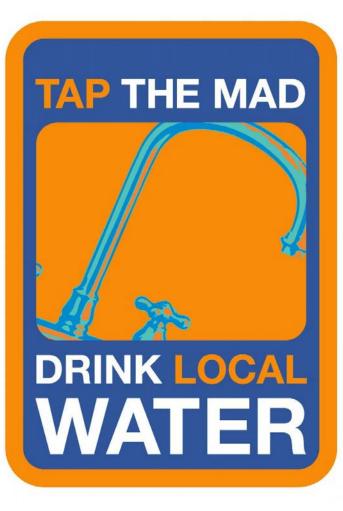
Parking lot retrofits



### "I pledge to consider the social and environmental consequences of my future actions and associations."

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Take Back the Tap

Go Green.

Make a

Go Healthy.

Difference.

http://www.humboldt.edu/wrrap/tbtt

# In spring of 2009, two hydration stations were installed as a pilot project sponsored by **Take Back the Tap**.



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# The \$4500 hydration stations were funded by the Humboldt Energy Independence Fund.



#### Humboldt State University Taps into Water and Energy Savings

Humboldt Energy Independence Fund has installed filtered water bottle refill stations on drinking fountains across campus. Filling a reusable bottle helps you save money, reduce the environmental and societal impacts of bottled water production, and increase campus sustainability.

#### Being #1 Isn't Always a Good Thing

Disposable water bottles are made from #1 plastic called polyethylene terephthalate (PETE). In the U.S., 29 billion bottles of water are sold every year, most of which are never recycled.



Join our campus community by using a reusable water bottle to reduce our energy footprint!



### Campus restroom faucets have been retrofit with aerators that reduce flow from 2.2 gpm to 0.5 gpm.





125 faucets have been retrofit since summer 2011 resulting in a 77% reduction in water use from those faucets.

### **HUMBOLDT STATE HAS STOPPED** selling plastic water bottles on campus, making it the first public university in California and just the third in the nation to do so.







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# There is no bottled water available at HSU graduation ceremonies.



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### The Campus Center for Appropriate Technology rents graduation cap and gowns made out of recycled plastic bottles.



Graduation Gowns Now made of 100% Recycled Plastic Bottles

With millions of plastic bottles going into U.S. landfills alone daily, GreenWeaver offers colleges and universities a chance to turn trash into keepsakes.

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# HSU is working to make campus events **Zero-Waste Events**.

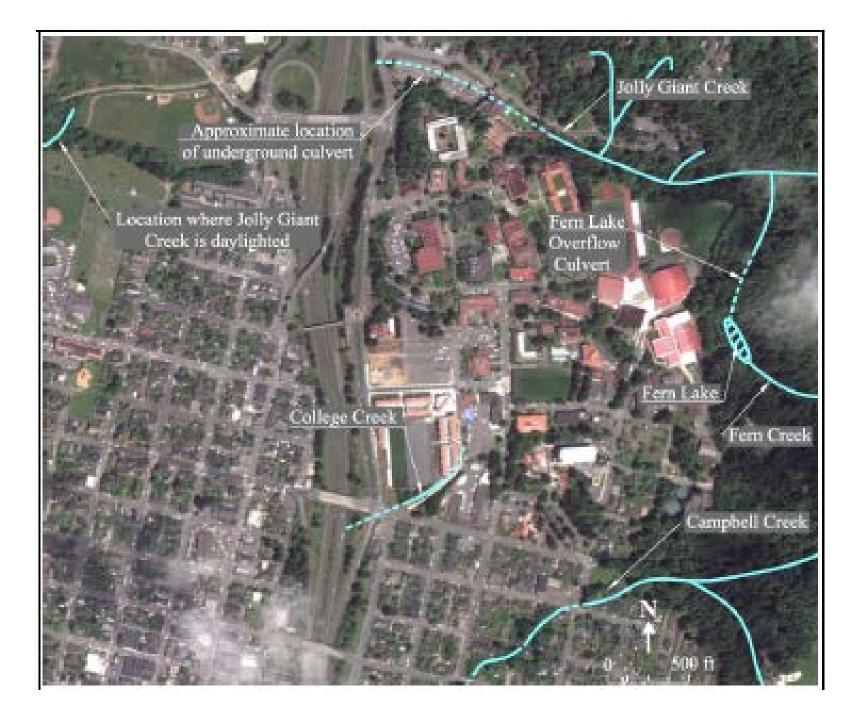


# HSU Grounds department has significantly increased the use of natural mulch as ground cover.

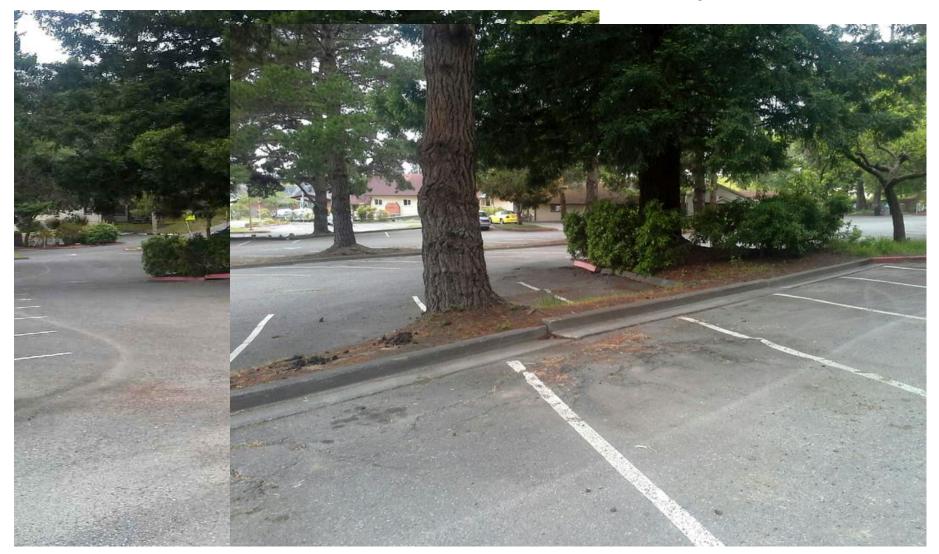


The parking lot retrofit is a unique partnership between the City of Arcata, Humboldt State and Arcata High School.



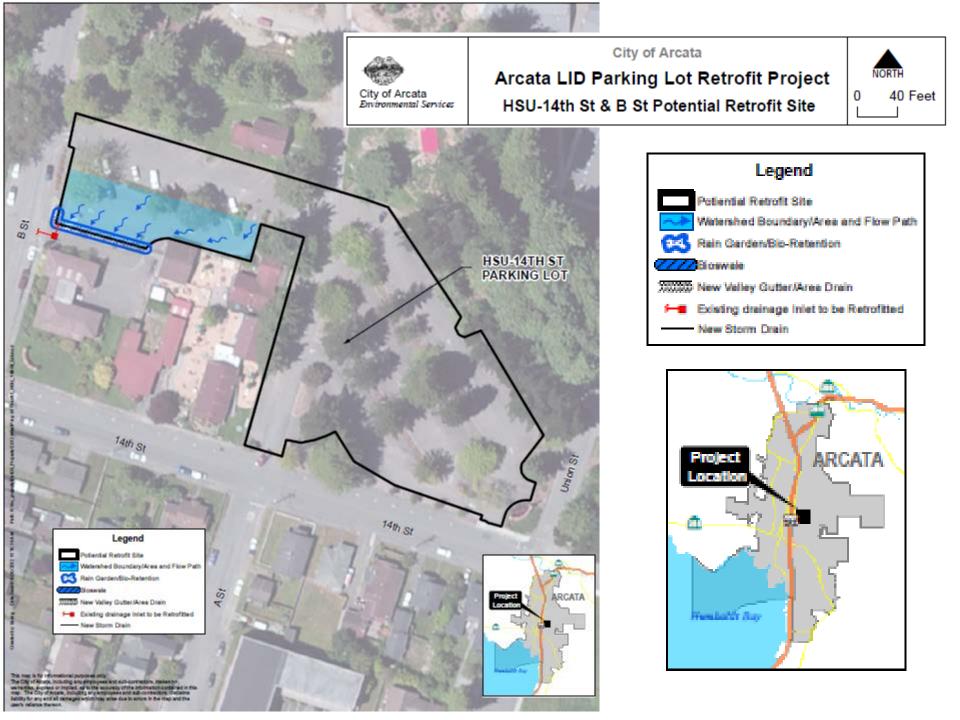


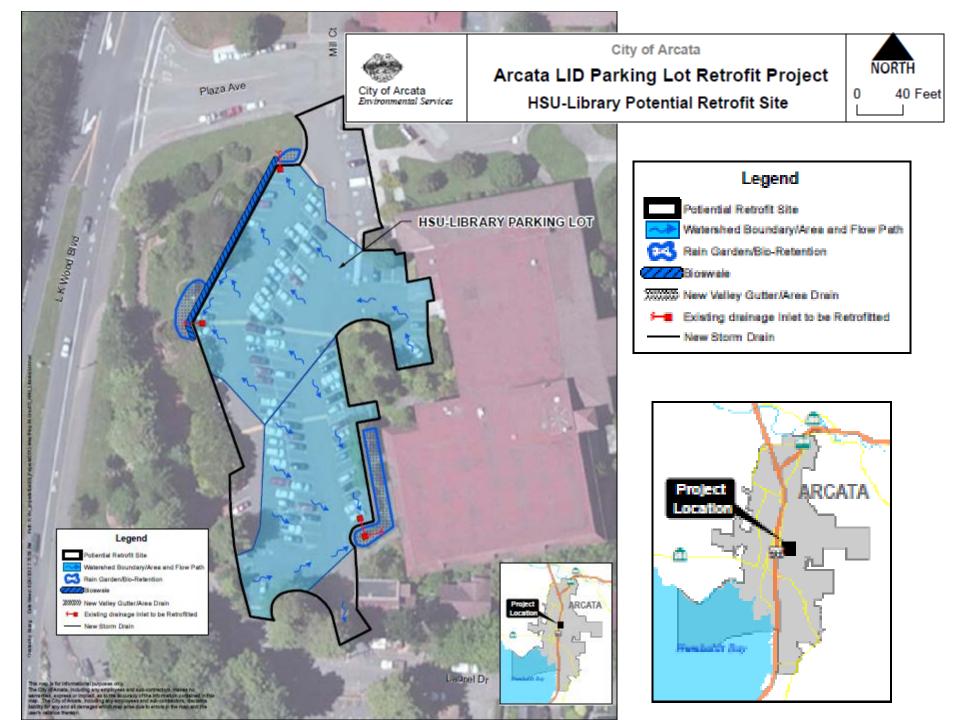
# The project targets existing parking lots in need of maintenance and repair.

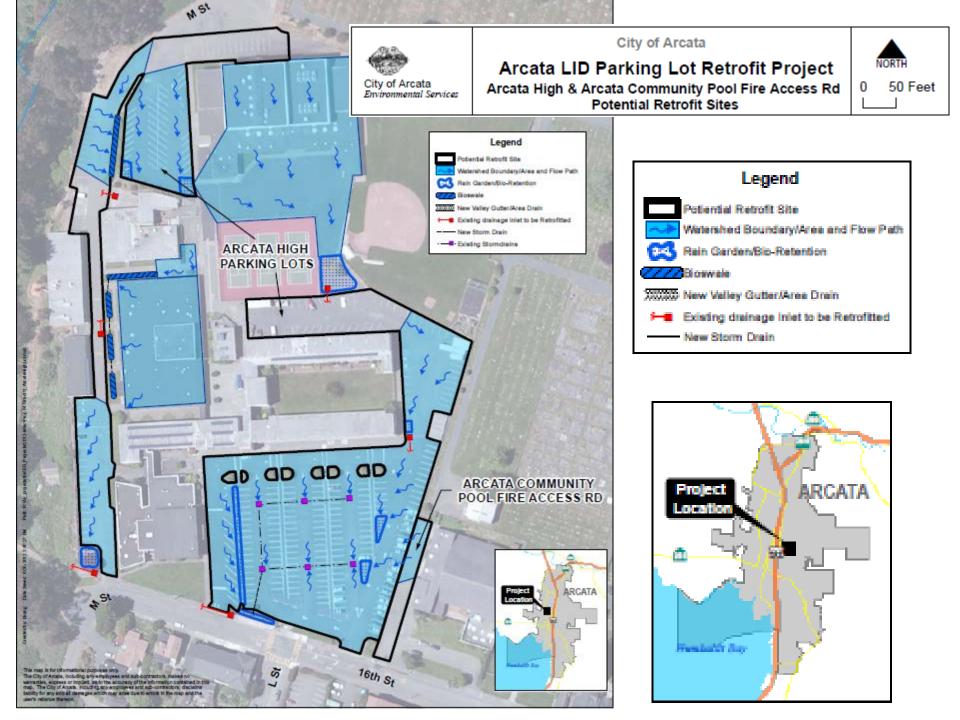


# The focus is on implementation of bioswales and rain gardens.





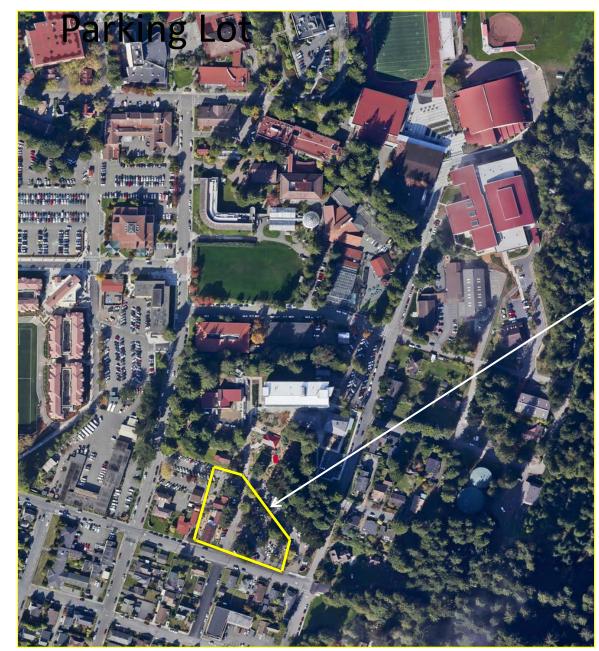




#### The parking lot retrofits will include students for pre and post monitoring, design review and analysis.



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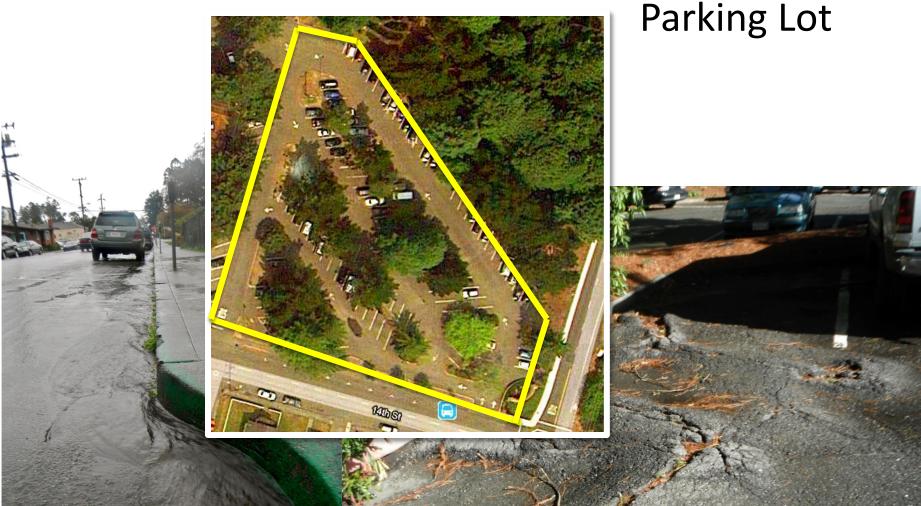




14<sup>th</sup> and Union Parking Lot

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## The parking lot configuration increases the number of parking spaces and preserves trees.

50 ft

Rain gardens/Infiltration galleries

Valued redwood trees Native soil around trees Direction of traffic flow

0 ft

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## ERE students designed a permeable pavement lot and evaluated two subsurface designs.

### Tire Derived Aggregate (TDA)

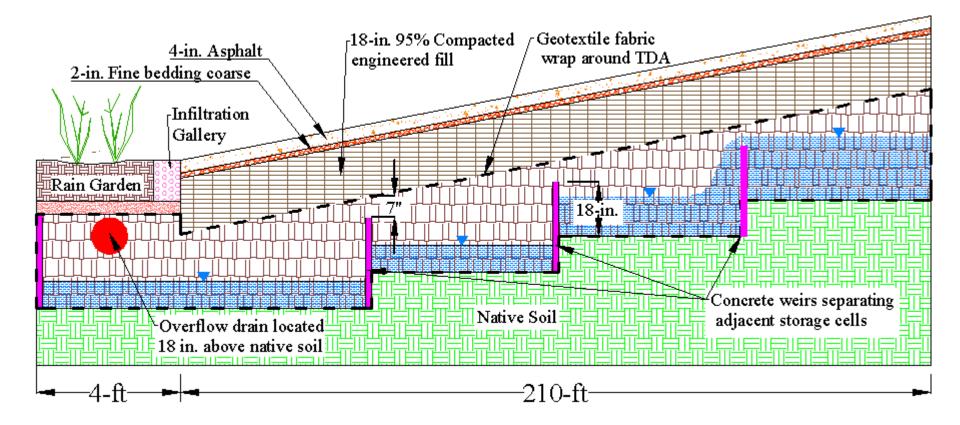


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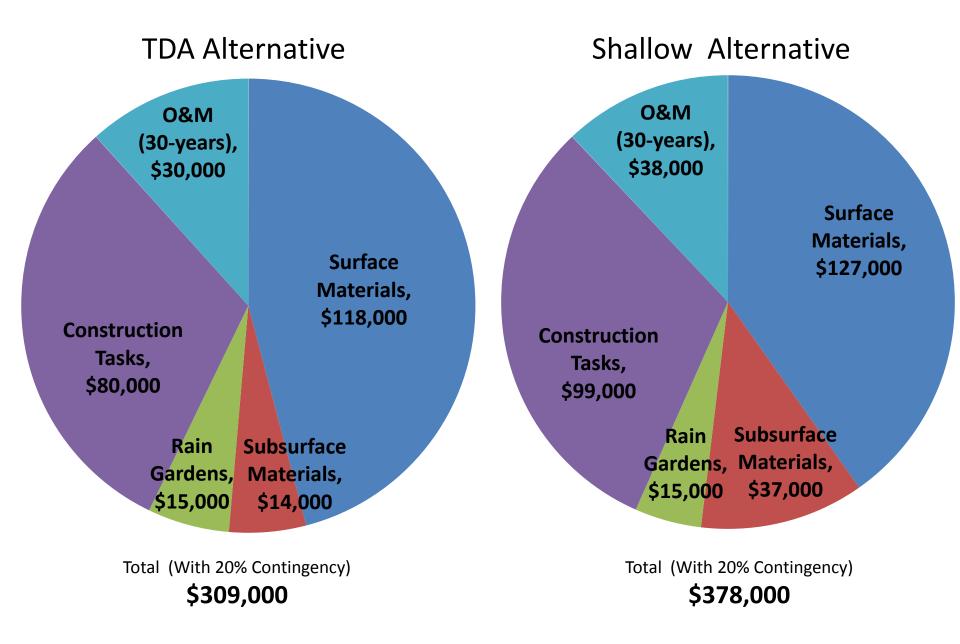
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#### **TDA Alternative Cross section**

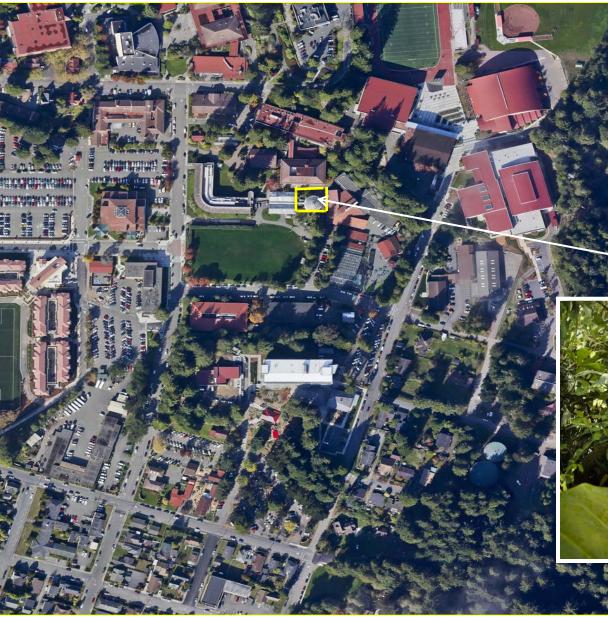


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#### **Environmental Resources Engineering Students**

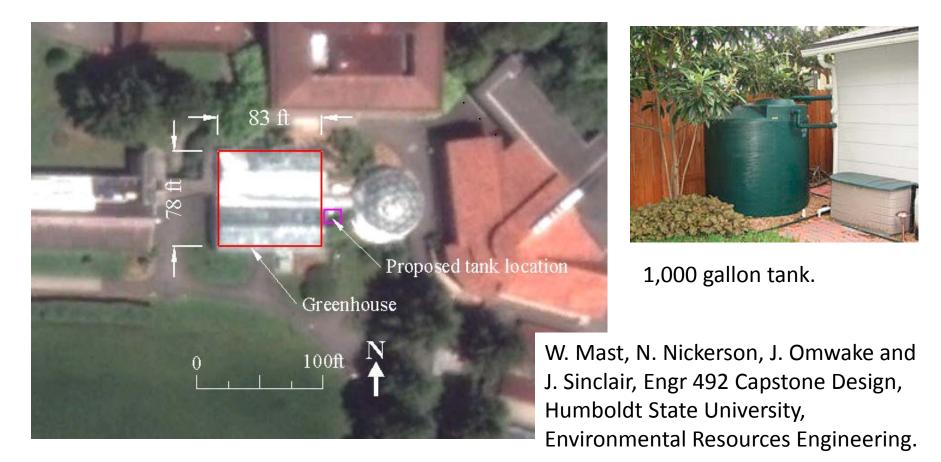


designed a rainwater catchment system.



HSU's Greenhouse

A system that incorporates a 1,000 gallon tank would have a capital cost of \$3400, offset 25% of the annual water demand and result in annual savings of approximately \$900.



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