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Compact (high rate) biofiltration BMPs have a media filtration rate greater than 5 in/hr. and a media surface area smaller than 3% of contributing area times adjusted runoff factor. Compact biofiltration BMPs are typically proprietary BMPs that may qualify as biofiltration.

A compact biofiltration BMP may satisfy the pollutant control requirements for a DMA onsite in some cases. This depends on the characteristics of the DMA and the performance certification/data of the BMP. If the pollutant control requirements for a DMA are met onsite, then the DMA is not required to participate in an offsite storm water alternative compliance program to meet its pollutant control obligations.

An applicant using a compact biofiltration BMP to meet the pollutant control requirements onsite must complete Section 1 of this form and include it in the PDP SWQMP. A separate form must be completed for each DMA. In instances where the City does not agree with the applicant's determination, Section 2 of this form will be completed by the City and returned to the applicant.

Section 1: Biofiltration Criteria Checklist (Appendix F)

Refer to the City of Chula Vista BMP Design Manual – Appendix F to complete this section. When separate forms/worksheets are referenced below, the applicant must also complete these separate forms/worksheets (as applicable) and include in the PDP SWQMP. The criteria numbers below correspond to the criteria numbers in Appendix F.

Criteria	Answer	Progression
Criteria 1 and 3: What is the infiltration condition of the DMA? Refer to Section 5.4.2 and Appendix C of the BMP Design Manual for guidance. Applicant must complete and include the following in the PDP SWQMP submittal to support the feasibility determination: • Infiltration Feasibility Condition Letter; or • Worksheet C.4-1: Form I-8A and Worksheet C.4-2: Form I-8B. Applicant must complete and include all applicable sizing worksheets in the SWQMP submittal	☐ Full Infiltration Condition	**Stop**. Compact biofiltration BMP is not allowed.
	☐ Partial Infiltration Condition	Compact biofiltration BMP is only allowed, if the target volume retention is met onsite (Refer to Table B.5-1 in Appendix B.5). Use Worksheet B.5-2 in Appendix B.5 to estimate the target volume retention (Note: retention in this context means reduction). If the required volume reduction is achieved **proceed to Criteria 2.** If the required volume reduction is not achieved, compact biofiltration BMP is not allowed. **Stop.**
	☐ No Infiltration Condition	Compact biofiltration BMP is allowed if volume retention criteria in Table B.5-1 in Appendix B.5 for the no infiltration condition is met. Compliance with this criterion must be documented in the PDP SWQMP. If the criteria in Table B.5-1 is met **proceed to Criteria 2.** If the criteria in Table B.5-1 is not met, compact biofiltration BMP is not allowed. **Stop.**

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Provide basis for Criteria 1 and 3:

Feasibility Analysis:

Summarize findings and include either infiltration feasibility condition letter or Worksheet C.4-1: Form I-8A and Worksheet C.4-2: Form I-8B in the PDP SWQMP submittal.

If Partial Infiltration Condition:

Provide documentation that target volume retention is met (include Worksheet B.5-2 in the PDP SWQMP submittal). Worksheet B.5-7 in Appendix B.5 can be used to estimate volume retention benefits from landscape areas.

If No Infiltration Condition:

Provide documentation that the volume retention performance standard is met (include Worksheet B.5-2 in the PDP SWQMP submittal) in the PDP SWQMP submittal. Worksheet B.5-6 in Appendix B.5 can be used to document that the performance standard is met.

Criteria	Answer	Progression
Criteria 2: Is the compact biofiltration BMP sized to meet the performance standard from the MS4 Permit? Refer to Appendix B.5 and Appendix F.2 of the BMP Design Manual for guidance.	☐ Meets Flow based Criteria	Use guidance from Appendix F.2.2 to size the compact biofiltration BMP to meet the flow-based criteria. Include the calculations in the PDP SWQMP. Use parameters for sizing consistent with manufacturer guidelines and conditions of its third-party certifications (i.e., a BMP certified at a loading rate of 1 gpm/sq. ft. cannot be designed using a loading rate of 1.5 gpm/sq. ft.) **Proceed to Criteria 4.**
	☐ Meets Volume based Criteria	Provide documentation that the compact biofiltration BMP has a total static (i.e. non-routed) storage volume, including pore-spaces and pre-filter detention volume (Refer Appendix B.5 for a schematic) of at least 0.75 times the portion of the DCV not reliably retained onsite. **Proceed to Criteria 4.**
	☐ Does not Meet either Criteria	**Stop**. Compact biofiltration BMP is not allowed.

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Provide basis for Criteria 2:

Provide documentation that the BMP meets the numeric criteria and is designed consistent with the manufacturer guidelines and conditions of its third-party certification (i.e., loading rate, etc., as applicable).

Criteria	Answer	Progression
Criteria 4: Does the compact biofiltration BMP meet the pollutant treatment performance standard for the project's most significant pollutants of concern? Refer to Appendix B.6 and Appendix F.1 of the BMP Design Manual for guidance.	☐ Yes, meets the TAPE certification.	Provide documentation that the compact BMP has an appropriate TAPE certification for the projects most significant pollutants of concern. **Proceed to Criteria 5.**
	☐ Yes, through other third-party documentation	Acceptance of third-party documentation is at the discretion of the City. The City will consider, (a) the data submitted; (b) representativeness of the data submitted; and (c) consistency of the BMP performance claims with pollutant control objectives in Table F.1-2 and Table F.1-1 while making this determination. If a compact biofiltration BMP is not accepted, a written explanation/ reason will be provided in Section 2. **Proceed to Criteria 5.**
	☐ No	**Stop**. Compact biofiltration BMP is not allowed.

Provide basis for Criteria 4:

Provide documentation that identifies the projects most significant pollutants of concern and TAPE certification or other third-party documentation that shows that the compact biofiltration BMP meets the pollutant treatment performance standard for the projects most significant pollutants of concern.

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Criteria	**Answer**	**Progression**
Criteria 5: Is the compact biofiltration BMP designed with vegetation to promote appropriate biological activity to support and maintain treatment processes? Refer to Appendix F of the BMP Design Manual for guidance.	☐ Yes	Provide documentation that the compact biofiltration BMP support appropriate biological activity. Refer to Appendix F for guidance. **Proceed to Criteria 6.**
	☐ No	**Stop**. Compact biofiltration BMP is not allowed.
Provide basis for Criteria 5: Provide documentation that appropriate biological activity is supported by the compact biofiltration BMP to maintain treatment process.		
Criteria	**Answer**	**Progression**
Criteria 6: Is the compact biofiltration BMP designed with a hydraulic loading rate to prevent erosion, scour and channeling within the BMP?	☐ Yes	Provide documentation that the compact biofiltration BMP is used in a manner consistent with manufacturer guidelines and conditions of its third-party certification. **Proceed to Criteria 7.**
	☐ No	**Stop**. Compact biofiltration BMP is not allowed.
Provide basis for Criteria 6: Provide documentation that the BMP meets the numeric criteria and is designed consistent with the manufacturer guidelines and conditions of its third-party certification (i.e., maximum tributary area, maximum inflow velocities, etc., as applicable).		

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Criteria 7: Is the compact biofiltration BMP maintenance plan consistent with manufacturer guidelines and conditions of its third-party certification (i.e., maintenance activities, frequencies)?	☐ Yes, and the compact BMP is privately owned, operated and not in the public right of way.	Submit a maintenance agreement that will also include a statement that the BMP will be maintained in accordance with manufacturer guidelines and conditions of third-party certification. **Stop.** The compact biofiltration BMP meets the required criteria.
	☐ Yes, and the BMP is either owned or operated by the City or in the public right of way.	Approval is at the discretion of the City. The City will consider maintenance requirements, cost of maintenance activities, relevant previous local experience with operation and maintenance of the BMP type, ability to continue to operate the system in event that the vending company is no longer operating as a business or other relevant factors while making the determination. **Stop**. Consult the City for a determination.
	☐ No	**Stop**. Compact biofiltration BMP is not allowed.

Provide basis for Criteria 7:

Include copy of manufacturer guidelines and conditions of third-party certification in the maintenance agreement. PDP SWQMP must include a statement that the compact BMP will be maintained in accordance with manufacturer guidelines and conditions of third-party certification.

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Section 2: Verification (For City Use Only)	
Is the proposed compact BMP accepted by the City of Chula Vista for onsite pollutant control compliance for the DMA?	☐ Yes ☐ No, See explanation below
Explanation/reason if the compact BMP is not accepted by the City for onsite pollutant control compliance:	