

# Living Streamside

Guide to Designing your Property and Protecting our Watershed



BACKYARD BUFFER PROGRAM

## Permeable/Porous Pavers

## Tip Sheet #7

### Description:

- Permeable surfaces allow water infiltration.
- Material can vary from asphalt to interlocking pavers to meet any need.
- Can be used on driveways, sidewalks, and patios.
- Multiple styles/options (interlocking, grass pavers, etc.).

### Functions/Benefits:

- Provides natural path for water infiltration.
- Improves stream water quality by first recharging groundwater and reducing direct stormwater runoff.



Photo 1



Photo 2



Photo 3



Photo 4

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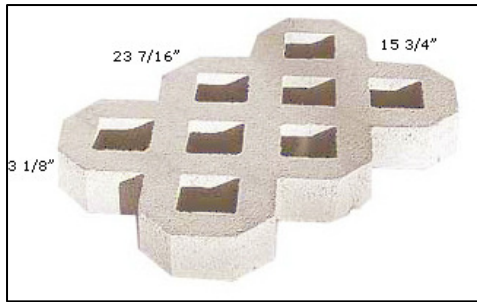
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Turf Pavers



EcoPavers™



Porous Concrete

**This is not a typical homeowner/do-it-yourself project and is usually installed by a professional landscape contractor.**

### Cost Estimates:

Project cost based on contractor estimates in the Philadelphia area: \$15-\$25 per square foot installed.

### Sources:

EP Henry® Environmental Paving Systems ([www.ephenry.com](http://www.ephenry.com))

Rinox Environmental Pavers ([www.rinoxpavers.com](http://www.rinoxpavers.com))

Retail & wholesale materials are available at local landscape and contractor stores

### References:

- Stormwater Management Guidance Manual v2.0 (City of Philadelphia)
- Low Impact Development Benefits of Permeable Pavers:  
[www.lid-stormwater.net/permpavers\\_benefits.htm](http://www.lid-stormwater.net/permpavers_benefits.htm)

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