

# Add a Watershed Solution

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Indicate the approximate location of the turf/  
concrete reduction area on map.

Indicate location of rain garden on map

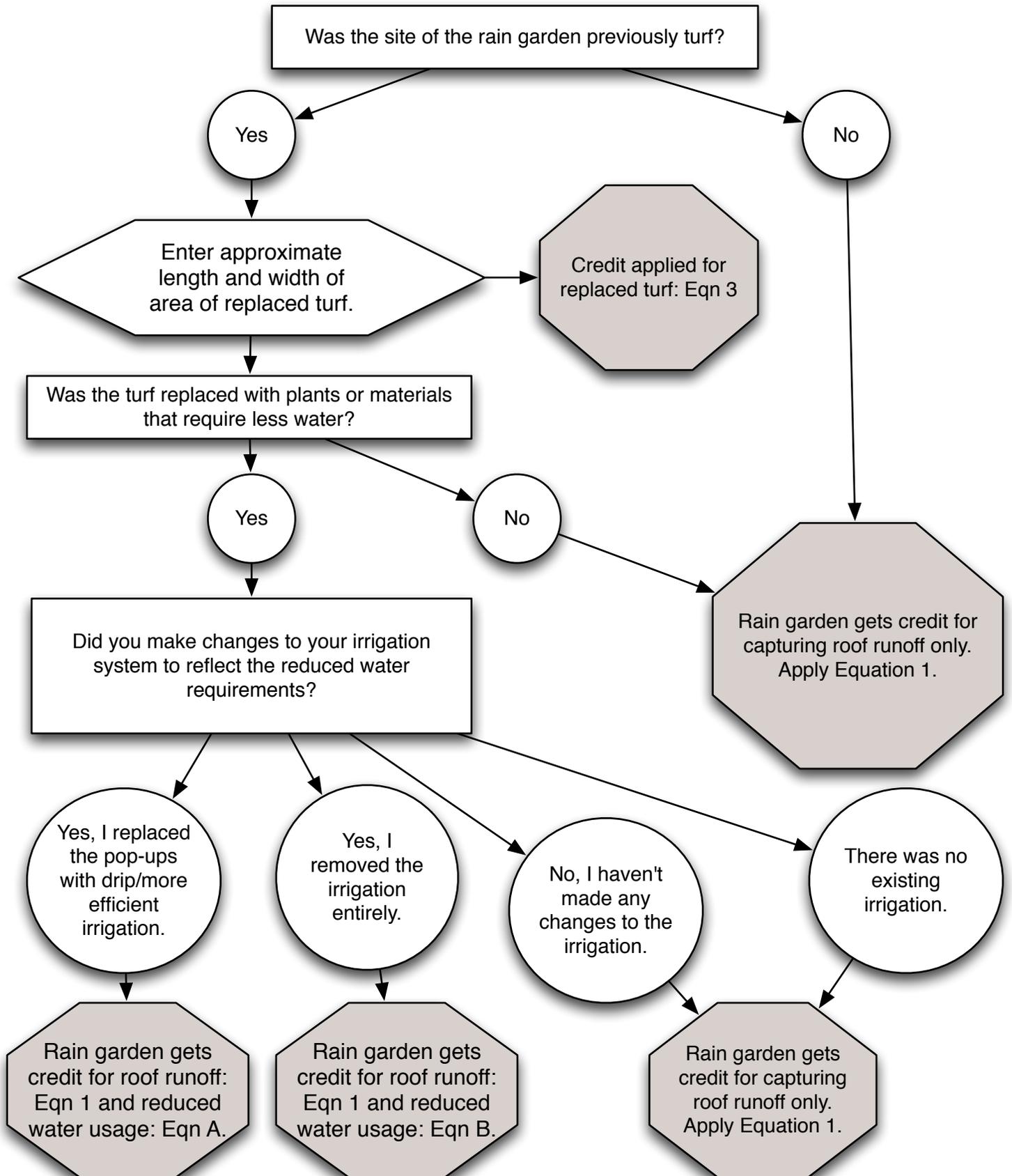
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cistern/tank on map

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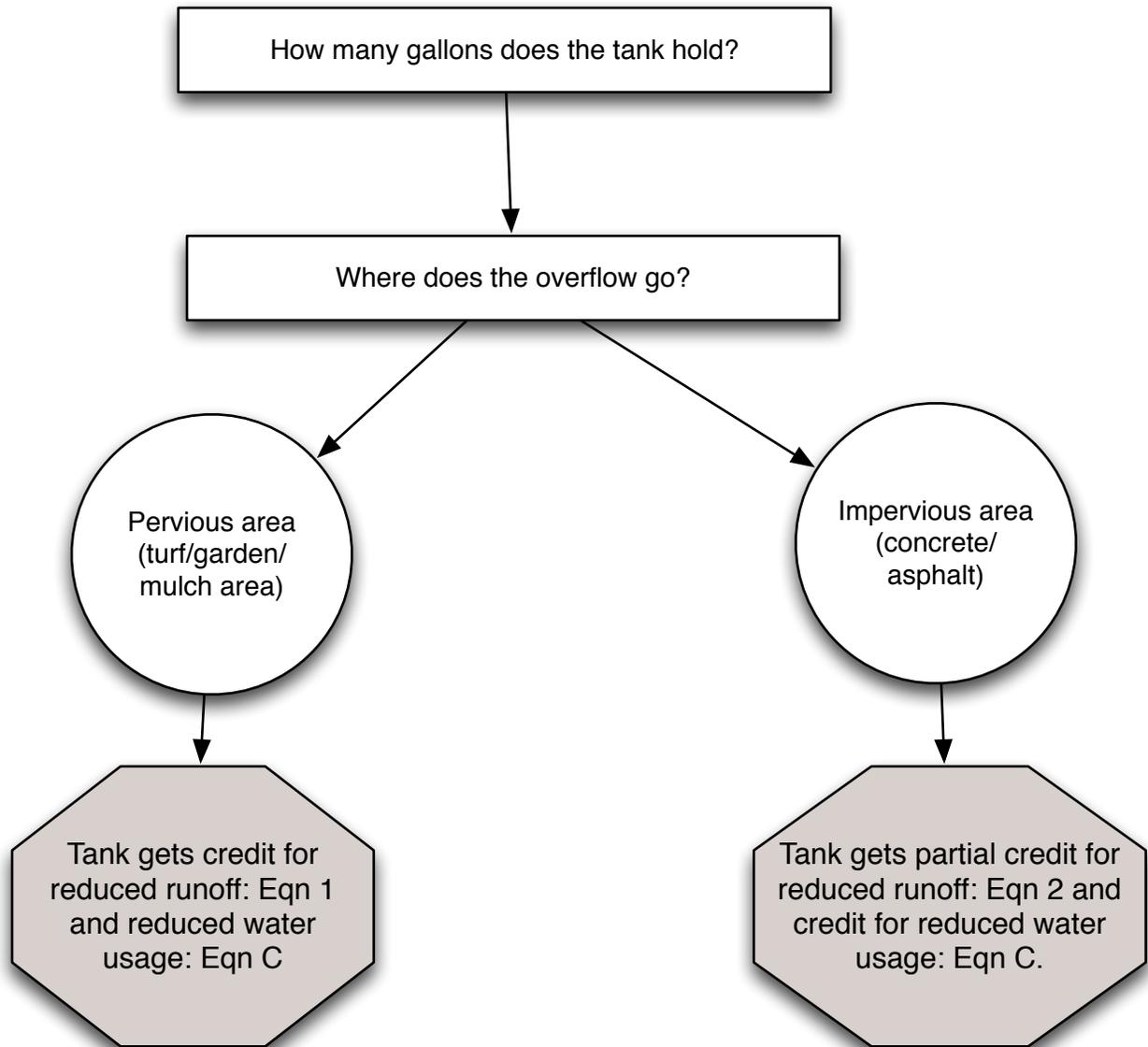
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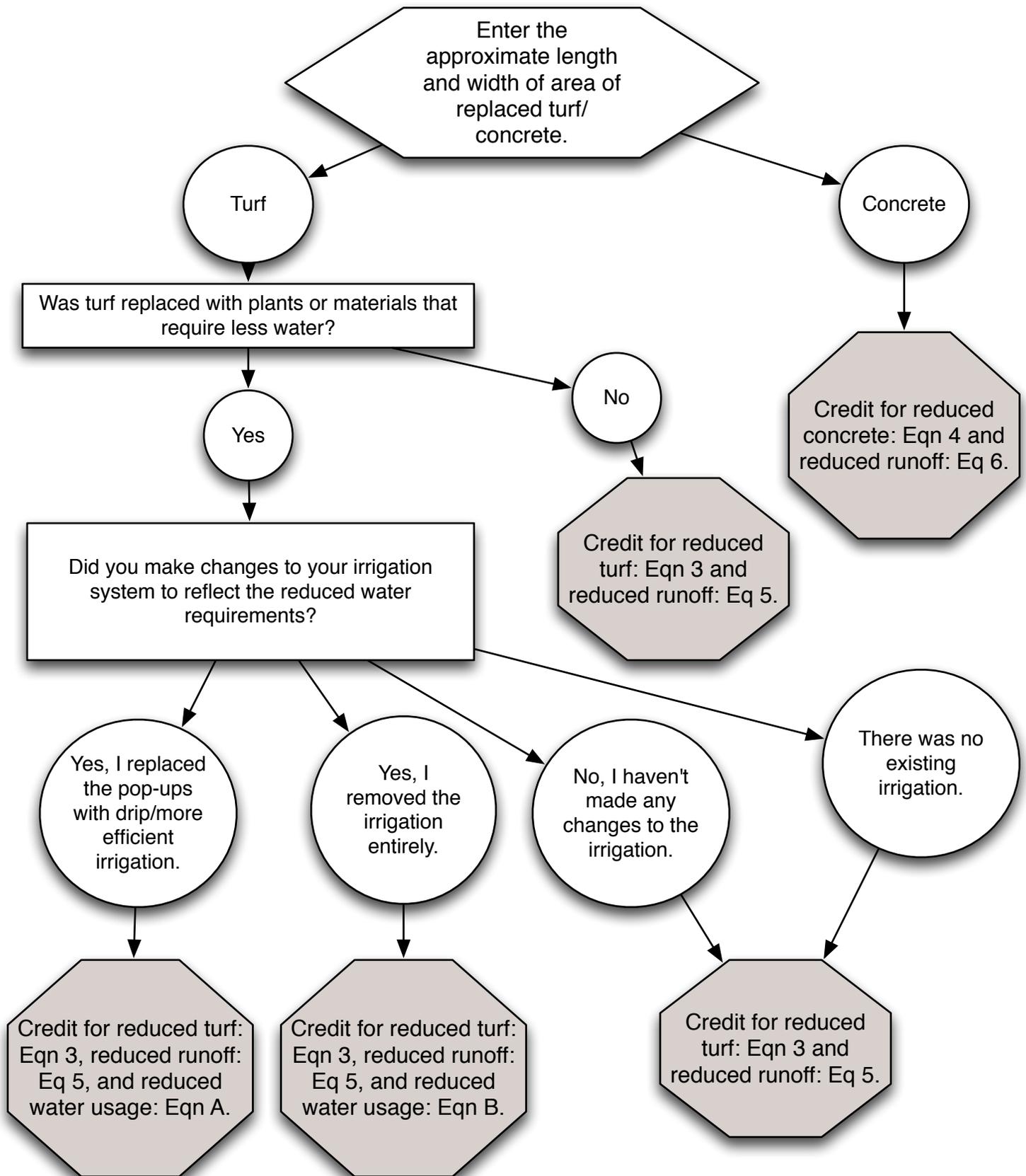
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# Equations

## Reduced runoff equations

Equation 1: Roof runoff (gallons) =  $(C) (P/12) (7.48) (0.85)$

Equation 2: Annual tank capacity (gallons) = If  $T < 500$ ,  $T * 7$ . else  $T * 3.5$ , but not to exceed roof runoff as calculated in Eq. 1

(In other words, for tanks less than 500 gallons, multiply the tank size times 7; for tanks bigger than 500 gallons, multiply the tank size times 3.5, but the total annual tank capacity can't exceed the amount of runoff from the catchment area.)

Equation 3: Turf removed (sq ft):  $TR = L * W$  of turf area

Equation 4: Concrete removed (sq ft):  $CR = L * W$  of concrete area

Equation 5: Reduction in runoff after turf removal (gallons) =  $(TR) (P/12) (7.48) (0.15)$

Equation 6: Reduction in runoff after concrete removal (gallons) =  $(CR) (P/12) (7.48) (0.75)$

## Reduced water usage equations

Equation A: Reduced water use due to more efficient irrigation =  $0.83 * 17.7 * RG$  (or  $TR$  or  $CR$ )

Equation B: Reduced water use due to removed irrigation =  $1.75 * 17.7 * RG$  (or  $TR$  or  $CR$ )

Equation C: Reduced water use due to presence of tank = same as Equation 2

## Variables

$P$  = annual precipitation (inches)

$C$  = catchment area (roof or turf/concrete replacement area) (sq ft)

$T$  = rain barrel/tank/cistern capacity (gallons)

$RG$  = rain garden area (sq ft)

$TR$  = turf replaced (sq ft)

$CR$  = concrete replaced (sq ft)