

## **OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE FOR RAIN GARDENS**

- a. Annual maintenance of plant material, mulch layer and soil layer is required. Maintenance of mulch and soil is limited to correcting areas of erosion or wash out. Any mulch replacement shall be done in the spring. Plant material shall be checked for disease and insect infestation and maintenance will address dead material and pruning.
- b. Schedule of plant inspection will be twice a year in spring and fall. This inspection will include removal of dead and diseased vegetation considered beyond treatment, treatment of all diseased trees and shrubs and replacement of all deficient stakes and wires.
- c. Mulch shall be inspected each spring. Remove previous mulch layer before applying new layer once every 2 to 3 years.
- d. Soil erosion to be addressed on an as needed basis, with a minimum of once per month and after heavy storm events.