

Ramsey Conservation District Multi Unit Dwelling Policy

The Ramsey Conservation District will initiate conservation projects on multi unit dwelling properties with the intent to manage stormwater runoff, using best management practices for conservation preservation working with landowners on a voluntary basis to improve water quality and soil health. Project consideration will be given on a case by case basis, evaluated for feasibility, project visibility, habitat preservation, and enhancement of natural resources.

Criteria Classification of Multi unit dwellings shall include but aren't limited to, apartment dwellings, condominiums, duplex or semi-detached properties, townhomes and housing cooperatives. In addition to residential multi unit classifications, nonprofit entities such as hospitals, churches, and education institutions shall be included in the policy.

Funding for these projects are available on a first come first serve basis, pending receipt of application, and approval letter provided by the Ramsey Conservation District. Program projects outlined in this policy are listed below.

Stormwater Management- The Ramsey Conservation District will implement best management practices for multi unit dwellings, to meet the requirements for obtaining NPDES permit requirements, to reduce the effects of stormwater runoff to include bioretention swales, rain gardens, infiltration basins, permeable pavers, and native plantings.

Retrofit Analysis- Analysis shall include costs for items in the project for stormwater flow control and runoff treatment, BMP designs as well as those conveyance costs directly related to the stormwater design. Stormwater conveyance costs should include bid items associated with the conveyance of stormwater to the BMP and to the eventual discharge point.

Erosion Control- The Ramsey Conservation District and our partners, are committed to working with landowners in implementing BMP's on their sites to prevent sediments from escaping, and contaminating water supplies. Therefore Ramsey Conservation Staff will conduct regular site visits, ensuring multi unit dwelling projects meet erosion control state, regulatory, and district standards.

This policy will be updated on an annual basis, to be amended by the district board supervisors pursuant to state statutes.

