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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to notice for the installation of bioswales, rain gardens, or other bioretention systems

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 5 of title 24 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 24-534 to read as follows:

§ 24-534 Notice of bioretention installations. a. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

Department. The term “department” means the department of environmental protection.

Bioretention system. The term “bioretention system” means any living vegetative system designed to capture, store, and cleanse stormwater. Such term includes, but is not limited to, rain gardens, vegetated buffers, and bioswales.

Public right-of-way. The term “public right-of-way” means any public highway, road, street, avenue, alley, sidewalk, parking lane, median, roadway, or other public way.

b. No later than 30 days prior to the installation of any bioretention system in or on any public right-of-way, the department shall provide electronic notice to the council member in whose district such installation shall occur.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 60 days after it becomes law.

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