



Raingarden Construction Cheat Sheet

1. Contact Kristine Jenson (651-204-6074) to schedule an on-site visit (if you live within the VLAWMO area).

Meeting Date/Time: _____

2. Contact Gopher One (<http://www.gopherstateonecall.org/> or 651-454-8388) to locate utilities.

Ticket Number: _____

3. Perform a soil infiltration test. Determine the size and depth of your raingarden.

4. Remove sod.

5. Dig basin, build a berm and if needed, install retaining wall.

6. Loosen the soil under the raingarden (at least 12" below the bottom of the raingarden).

7. Spread leaf litter compost and mix it into the soil.

8. Install edging if desired.

9. Spread shredded hardwood mulch.

10. Install plants.

11. If you've received a cost share grant, contact Kristine for a final inspection.

12. Water 1" per week and weed consistently to give your plants the best chance at surviving. Enjoy your new garden and feel good knowing that you have helped keep our lakes, rivers, and wetlands clean!