

## **Glossary**

**Aquifer:** A geologic stratum containing groundwater that can be withdrawn and used for human purposes.

**Culvert:** Pipe or concrete box structure which drains open channels, swales, or ditches under a roadway or embankment typically with no catch basins or manholes along its length.

**Detention:** Release of surface and storm water runoff from the site at a slower rate than it is collected by the drainage facility system, the difference being held in temporary storage.

**Discharge:** Runoff, excluding offsite flows, leaving the proposed development through overland flow, built conveyance systems, or infiltration facilities.

**Pollution-generating pervious surface:** A non-impervious surface with vegetative ground cover subject to use of pesticides and fertilizers.

**Recharge:** The flow to groundwater from the infiltration of surface and stormwater runoff.

**Runoff:** Water originating from rainfall and other precipitation that ultimately flows into drainage facilities, rivers, streams, springs, seeps, ponds, lakes, and wetlands as well as shallow groundwater.