

Barriers to Green Infrastructure

Technical and Physical

- Lack of understanding
- Lack of data showing benefits, costs, and so on
- Insufficient technical knowledge or experience
- Lack of design standards, codes, and ordinances

Legal and Regulatory

- Local rules lacking, conflicting, or restrictive
- State policies
- Property rights issues
- Federal rules can be conflicting

Financial

- Not enough data about costs and economic benefits
- Perceived high costs over short and long terms
- Lack of funding for implementation
- Too much risk – not enough incentives

Community and Institutional

- Insufficient information on green infrastructure benefits for political leaders, administrators, staff, developers, builders, and landscapers
- Community and institutional values that underappreciate green infrastructure aesthetics and characteristics
- Lack of interagency and community cooperation

