Recommended Resources



Inventory, Analysis & Project Management



- Planning & Urban Design Handbook Student Edition /Steiner and Butler
- Site Planning & Design Handbook 2nd Edition / Russ
- Sustainable Sites Handbook / Calkins
- Site Analysis, 3rd Edition / LaGro
- Project Management for Design Professionals / Ramroth

Planning & Design



- Landscape Architectural Graphic Standards Student Version / Hopper
- Landscape Architecture Documentation Standards / Design Workshop
- Sustainable Stormwater Management / Liptan and Stanten
- Sustainable Sites Handbook / Calkin
- Site Planning and Design Handbook, 2nd edition / Russ

Construction Documentation & Administration



- Construction Contracts, 3rd edition / Hinze
- Landscape Architectural Graphic Standards Student Version / Hopper
- Time-Saver Standards for Landscape Architects, 2nd Edition / Harris and Dines
- Landscape Architecture Documentation Standards / Design Workshop
- Landscape Architects Portable Handbook / Dines and Brown

Grading, Drainage and Stormwater Management



- Landscape Architectural Graphic Standards Student Version / Hopper
- Time-Saver Standards for Landscape Architecture, 2nd edition / Harris and Dines
- Sustainable Stormwater Management / Liptan and Stanten
- Site Engineering for Landscape Architects, 6th edition / Strom, Nathan and Woland
- Sustainable Sites Handbook / Calkins

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