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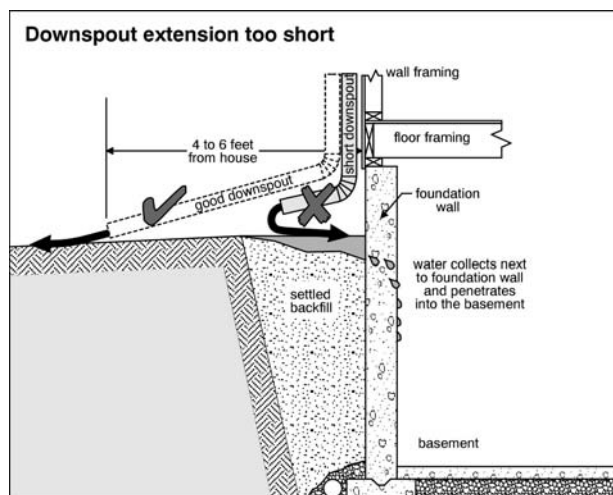
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## Inspection Picture of the Month:

**Drainage & Grading Importance** One comment we often make as home inspectors, is to ensure the grading and drainage away from the home is adequate. Especially in Colorado, with our swelling soil concerns.



This is getting a little carried away...but there was an issue with not enough grade away from the home at this property, so the current home owner took matters into his own hands and did a little extending of the gutters and downspouts.



The rule of thumb to apply is a 4 to 6 feet extension away from the home for downspouts, and also good sloped grading of the landscaping away from the home, to prevent water from pooling and potentially causing damage to the foundation.