Best Management Practices (BMPs): Sediment

LAND AND DRAINAGE ALTERATION PROGRAM (LDAP)

Sediment Fence

Slows sheet flows from a site and catches large sediment particles. Use for light flows.

INSTALLATION STEPS:

- 1) Excavate a trench two (2) inches in width and six (6) inches in depth parallel to the slope contour and perpendicular to flow.
- 2) Stake the sediment fence on the downhill side of the trench and extend a minimum of six (6) inches of fabric below grade.
- 3) To join two sections of fence, overlap the stakes and twist in two full rotations to create a solid joint.
- 4) Backfill the trench on the uphill side of the fence and compact the trenched area.

For more BMP examples, see Springfield's "Engineering Design Standards and Procedures Manual" Chapter 8.





