# **MUNGER CONSTRUCTION**



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## What's inside?

**Stormwater Management** on construction sites.

### WHY YOU SHOULD PROTECT STORMWATER SYSTEMS

When rain falls or snow melts, the water that runs off construction sites can wash sediment, chemicals, and other pollutants into adjacent properties, storm drains, and nearby bodies of water. Erosion from a one-acre construction site can discharge as much as 20 to 150 tons of sediment in 1 year if not properly managed.

**Proper Stormwater protection should:** 

- Reduce soil erosion.
- Reduce sediment loss from the site.
- Manage materials and waste.

Examples of Stormwater protection include:

- Silt fencing.
- Concrete washouts.
- Inlet protection.
- Stabilized construction exits.

#### Typical erosion rates for land-based activities

soil loss from various land areas, in tons per acre per year)

80-100

Bare Soil (e.g., unmanaged construction sites)



Farm Land (row crop)

2-4

8-15

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#### Silt Fence

- Typically located
  Ensure proper downstream of disturbed areas to intercept runoff.
- embedded 6 inches in soil.
- Must be inspected regularly for holes or soil bypass.
- Can fail structurally under heavy storm flows.

**Inlet Protection** 

grading, filter

stone, filter

fabric. inlet

inserts etc.

Evaluate

drainage

flooding.

patterns to

ensure inlet

doesn't cause

Inspect regularly

for damage or flow bypass.

#### **Concrete Washouts**

- signage is used to identify concrete washout area.
- Must be securely
  Rock should be placed at the entrance of washout to prevent offsite tracking.
  - May be an approved build structure or a prefabricated container.



#### Stabilized Const. Exit

- Utilize depressed Minimizes the tracking of soil onto public roadways.
  - Check and repair any voids between stone that may be filled with sediment.
  - Try to slope exit away from offsite paved surface, where possible.
  - · Periodically regrade with additional stone.

