Objectives

• Know the difference between erosion and sediment controls
• Recognize the different types of erosion and sediment controls
• Identify examples of good and bad sediment and erosion control applications
Installation Requirements

• Install your stormwater controls before you start clearing and grubbing work at the site.

• Follow manufacturers’ specifications for proprietary products (e.g., erosion control blankets, turf reinforcement mats, soil binders, hydro-mulch, etc.)
Construction Phasing

- Before work begins:
  - Prepare SWPPP
  - Whenever possible, schedule work to minimize areas of bare soil
Coordination with MS4

- Ensure you know all the requirements of the MS4 you are working in
  - DOH requirements
Maintenance Requirements

• Operate and maintain your controls to prevent erosion and sediment runoff from the site

• Repair your controls immediately after discovering the problem (by the end of the work day for minor problems, and within 7 days for major issues or new BMPs)
Perimeter Controls

• Install sediment controls (e.g., silt fence, sediment barrier) along the site perimeter that receives runoff from disturbed areas

• Remove sediment once it reaches ___?___ above ground height behind silt fence or sediment barrier
Silt Fences

- Greatly misunderstood, frequently abused
Poor Silt Fence Locations

- Up and down slopes
- In drainage channels
- In creeks or streams
Minimize Sediment Track-Out

- Restrict designated entrance/exit points
- Install rock exit pad with geotextile under-liner
- Install a grizzly/rattle plate in combo with rock trackout
- Add a wheel washer if necessary to keep exits clear of track-out mud
- Remove sediment from paved roads by the end of each day (or more frequently if permits require)
- Do not hose or sweep sediment into storm drains or ditches!
Preserve Topsoil

- Preserve native topsoil whenever feasible
  - Use on site to ensure good vegetative cover
  - Stockpile topsoil during initial grading/excavation

- Minimize soil compaction
  - Where final vegetative stabilization has occurred, restrict vehicle and equipment use
  - In areas to be vegetated, use soil conditioning techniques that will support vegetated growth.
Control Discharges From Stockpiles

- Locate temporary soil stockpiles outside of surface water buffers and away from ditches and channels
- Protect from contact with stormwater, including from run-on, with silt fencing, fiber rolls, etc.
- If possible, provide cover or appropriate temporary stabilization
Minimize Dust

• Use water or other dust suppression techniques when needed
• For periods of long, hot, dry weather: consider soil binders
• Check manufacturer’s claims and application requirements
Blankets and Mats (Rolled Erosion Control Products)

- Excellent for slope and channel protection
- Use blankets for slopes flatter than 3:1 and ditches flatter than 20:1
- Use mats for slopes greater than 3:1 and ditches steeper than 20:1
• Blanket installation
Protect Storm Drain Inlets

• Install inlet protection measures (e.g., rock berm collars, fabric filters, sand or rock bags)

What is wrong in these two pictures?
Outlet Protection

1.

2.

3.
Ditch Liner Materials

- Steep or high flow channels (> 20%)
  - Use concrete or riprap

- Moderately steep channels (~ 10%)
  - Use riprap or turf mats & seeding

- Slightly sloping channels (~5%)
  - Use turf mats or blankets & seeding

- Mostly flat channels (~2%)
  - Use seeding with blankets

Seed ditches immediately after construction

Triple the seeding rate
Ditch Check Dams

- Constructed in channels to reduce runoff velocity and trap sediment
- Bottom of upper silt check is at the same elevation as the top of downstream check
Sediment Traps and Basins

- Designed & placed to pool runoff so sediment can settle out
- Installed before grading/fill work begins!
Dewatering Practices

- Direct water removed from excavations and trenches to sediment controls
- Sediment controls include sediment basins, bag filters, or other sediment removal device
- Follow manufacturer’s specifications

2 BMP minimum for dewatering