



STORMWATER AND THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

Inlet Protection

Debris and sediment from construction sites can make its way into storm drains and eventually into local waterways. Inlet protection is important for keeping our local waterways clean and clear. There are a wide variety of inlet protection products and it's important to select the appropriate product for each inlet. Making sure inlet protection is properly installed and maintained can make a big difference in how well it works. When using the appropriate product for inlet protection and maintaining it properly, it should be able to withstand bad weather and other challenges on your construction site.



- Install prior to any soil disturbance.
- Use appropriate material to cover the storm drain inlet to filter out trash and debris (silt fence fabric is not an appropriate material).
- Make sure all parts of the inlet are protected.
- Inspect and maintain after each rainstorm.
- Make sure water is not bypassing any parts of the inlet protection.
- Clean out all sediment and debris that has collected around the inlet. This will also help to reduce ponding behind the inlet protection in rainstorms.
- Don't neglect maintenance. Replace any torn or damaged materials.



Have questions? We're here to help!

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