



Developing Native Plant and Erosion Control Solutions for Shorelands

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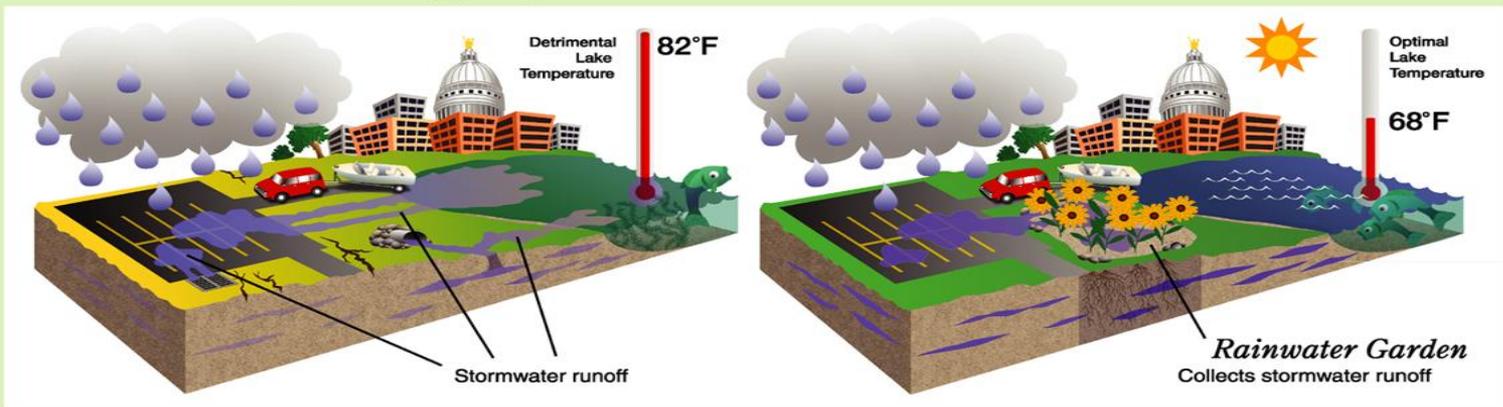
Landscaping Sustainability



Infiltrate Storm water and Trap Pollutants

The Urban Hydrology Cycle

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Large amounts of water run off of parking lots, streets and sidewalks, carrying harmful pollutants to area lakes and streams.

Rain Gardens are natural water quality systems – collecting runoff, filtering out pollutants and helping protect our lakes and streams. They allow about 30% more water to soak into the ground.



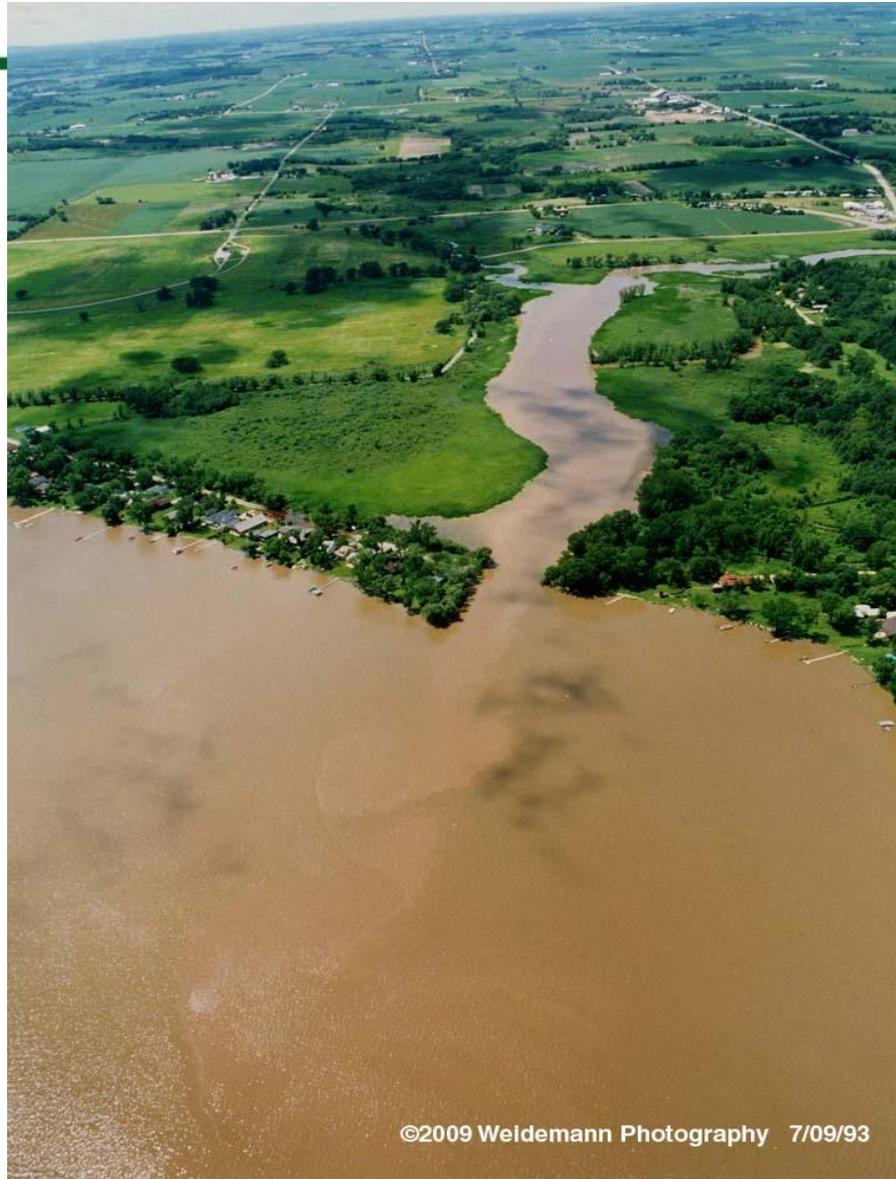
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Six Mile Creek Phosphorous and Sediment Loading



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Important ecological functions



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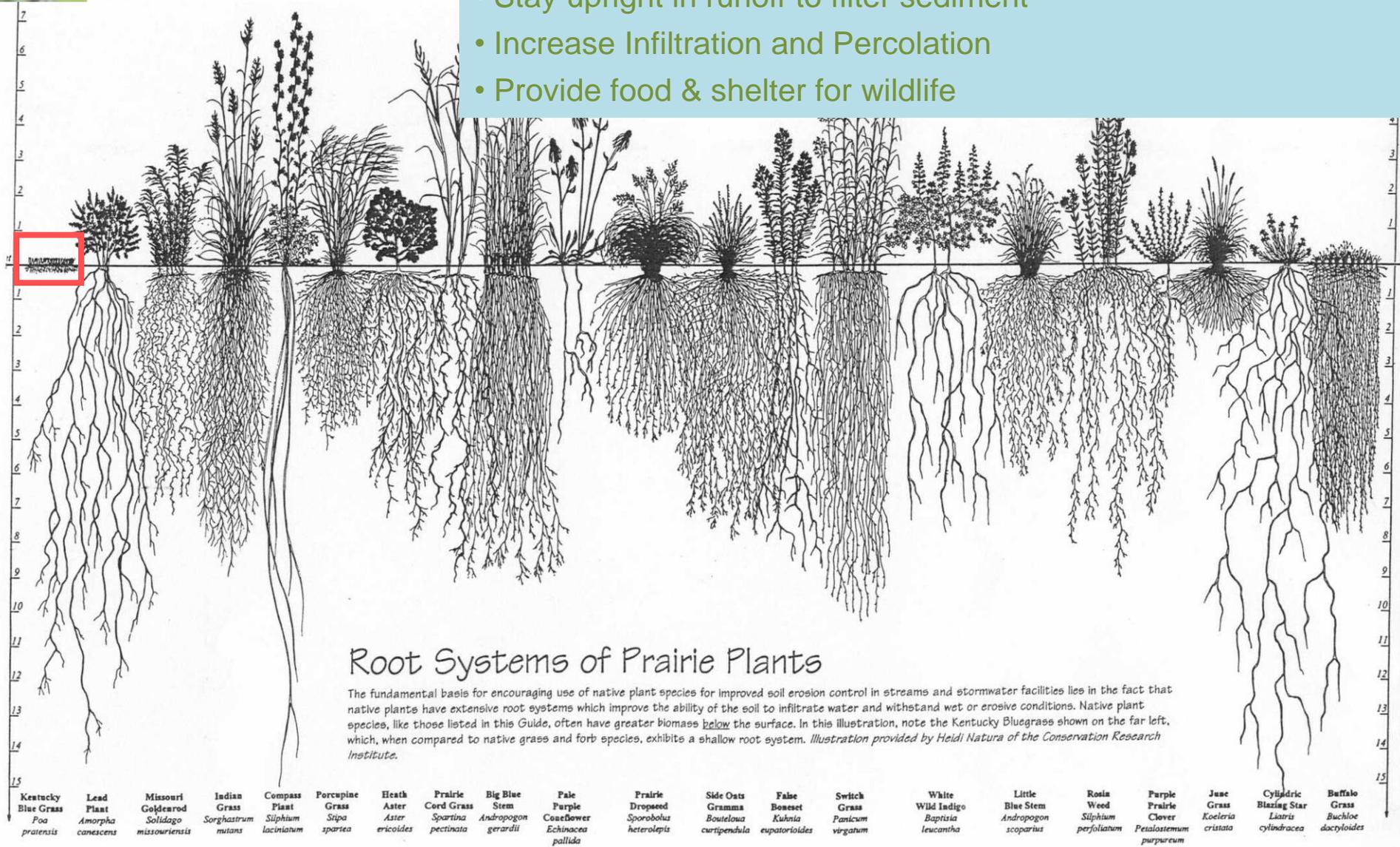


- Help clarity by holding sediment in place.
- Take up nutrients that would be used by algae.
- Shelter for wildlife.
- Wildlife food and nesting areas.
- Can help reduce erosion and runoff.
- Spawning beds in sedges /emergent plants for fish.

80-90% of all lake life is born, raised and fed in the area where land and water meet.

Native plants...

- Have deeper roots that stabilize & reinforce soil - living Geogrid
- Lessen raindrop impact & erosion
- Stay upright in runoff to filter sediment
- Increase Infiltration and Percolation
- Provide food & shelter for wildlife



It's all about native vegetation!



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- ❑ Natural Selection 10,000+Yrs
- ❑ Hardy to your area
- ❑ Deep root system
- ❑ Reinforcement, Anchorage & Matting
- ❑ Perennial
- ❑ Absorb Rain Drop Impact
- ❑ Infiltration/Percolation
- ❑ Root Microbes Clean Water
- ❑ Low Maintenance
- ❑ Habitat Restoration
- ❑ Aesthetic Beauty

Native Root Facts

- ❑ 1/3 die each year creating long channels to transport water, oxygen and microbes.
- ❑ They cycle minerals from deep in the soil to the top horizons.
- ❑ They both allow water infiltration from the surface to deep depths and they mine that same water during dry periods.
- ❑ Their root films provide habitat for microbes that are excellent at purifying recharge groundwater.



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Agrecol Basic Statistics

- ❑ Started Native Plant and Seed Production '95
- ❑ Increased to 1,100 acres on area farms.
- ❑ Produce 3.5 million greenhouse plants yearly
- ❑ 200 species on 350 production beds
- ❑ Produce 100,000 lbs of pure live seed
- ❑ Envirolok™ vegetative green wall system '05
- ❑ Envirolok™ Distributors throughout N.A.
- ❑ Consulting, Installation and Restoration



Agrecol is a primary producer of native seed and plants



Local Native Seed Production



Agrecol's Core-Native Seeds and Plants



Native Nursery Fields



Native PLS Seed



Live Native Plants



Conservation Installs & Maintenance

Harvesting and Cleaning Prairie Seed



Applied Ecology

Infiltration Swale



Tall-Grass Conservation Meadow

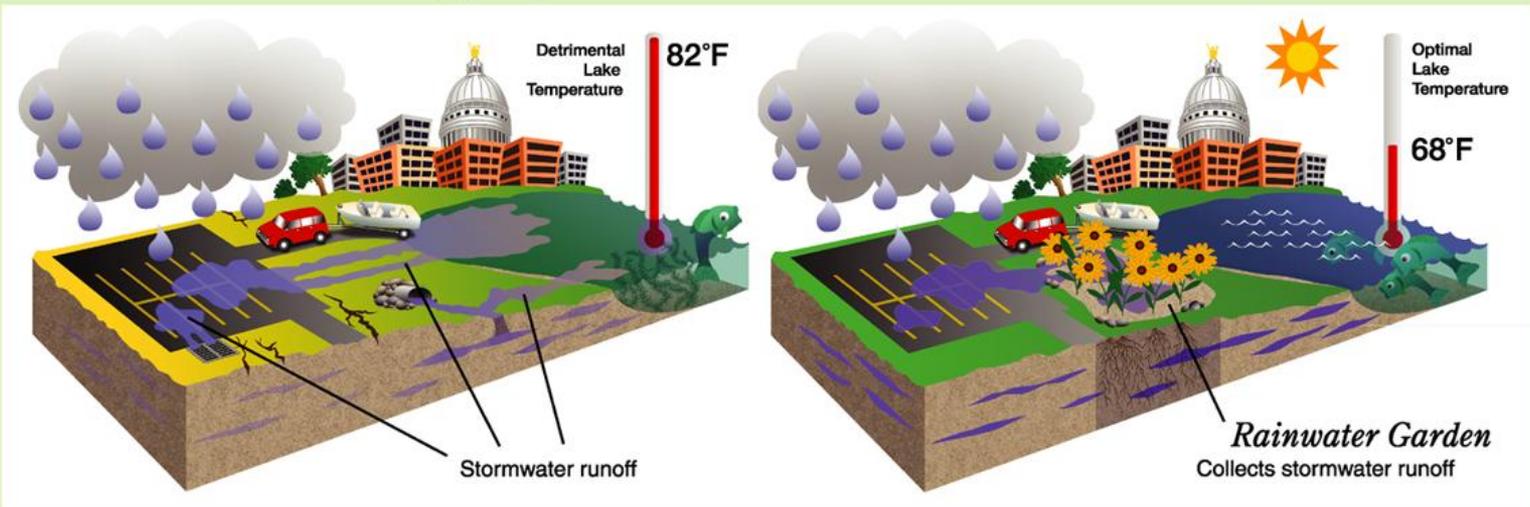


Rainwater Garden

Rain Gardens

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Warner Park Existing Infiltration Basin June 2005



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Warner Park Infiltration Basin August 2006



Warner Park Rain Garden



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Deerfield School Prairie Restoration



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Wetland Restoration



Cogen Retention Basin



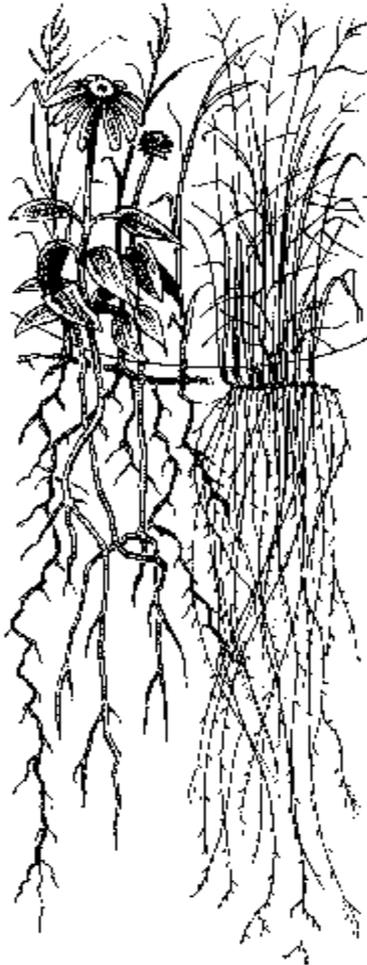
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Storm Water Swale



Sustainable - Long Term Solution

Deep Rooted Native Prairie



When Natives are not enough in our flashy artificial man made environment

- ❑ Erosion Control Devices
- ❑ Prairie Sod
- ❑ Green Walls

Concentrated Flow Areas



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CHANNEL EROSION CONTROL MATRIX

(Concentrated Flow Application)

TYPE OF EROSION CONTROL DEVICE	PERMISSIBLE SHEAR LBS./F.	DITCH GRADE															REMARKS															
		< 2%			2% - 4%			4% - 6%			6% - 9% *			9% - 12% *																		
		Max. Length (ft.)			Max. Length (ft.)			Max. Length (ft.)			Max. Length (ft.)			Max. Length (ft.)																		
		300	600	1200	300	600	1200	300	600	1200	300	600	1200	300	600	1200																
Seed with properly anchored mulch	0.6	██████████																		Anchor mulch per specifications.												
Sod ditch checks with seed and mulch	N/A	██████████			C																Install one ditch check for every 1 foot of drop. Sod stakes required.											
Temporary ditch checks (hay bales or approved manufactured alternatives listed in the WisDOT PAL)	N/A	██████████																					Install one ditch check for every 2 feet of drop. Maximum 200' spacing. Not recommended for slopes less than 1%.									
Sod ditch liner	1.0	██████████																		Upstream end must be buried. Additional sod stakes required.												
Double netted light duty (WisDOT Class I Type B) erosion mat	1.5	██████████																					Only mat type products allowed.									
Sod reinforced with a double netted jute (WisDOT Class II Type A) erosion mat	1.5	██████████																					Upstream end must be buried. Additional sod stakes required. Two bid items needed.									
Stone or rock ditch checks, or Rock-Filled Filter Bags	N/A	██████████																								Use No. 2 coarse aggregate, railroad ballast, or breaker run. Install one ditch check for every 2 feet of drop. Use in conjunction with a channel lining.						
Medium duty coconut erosion mat (WisDOT Class II Type B or C)	2.0	██████████									(X)																					
Heavy duty synthetic (WisDOT Class III Type A) erosion mat or turf reinforcement mat (WisDOT Class III Type B)	2.0	██████████									██████████																					Germination may be a problem with Class III Type A mats. An ECRM is required for initial erosion protection for Class III Type B mats.
Heavy duty synthetic turf reinforcement (WisDOT Class III Type C) mat	3.5	██████████																											An ECRM is required for initial erosion protection. Contact manufacturer if higher shears are needed.			
Riprap ditch checks	N/A	██████████															Place top of downstream ditch check level with bottom of upstream ditch check. Use in conjunction with a channel lining.															
Heavy duty synthetic turf reinforcement (Class III Type D) mat	5	██████████															An ECRM is required for initial erosion protection. Contact manufacturer if higher shears are needed.															
Light riprap	4	██████████															Outfalling, overtopping and scour need to be addressed. Use 2' minimum ditch depth.															
Medium riprap	5	██████████																														
Heavy riprap	8	██████████																														
Riprap measures apply to all ditch types. Use of these measure requires engineering judgement and design.																																

Prairie Sod



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Prairie Sod Cut to Order







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Prairie Sod Install Nearly Complete



Prairie Sod Days after Installation





***Green vegetated
walls are strong,
environmentally-
friendly, and create
beautiful,
permanent natural
landscapes with native
plants***

Encapsulated Green Wall Solutions

- ❑ Decorative Vegetated Walls, fences and signs
- ❑ Stream Bank Corridors
- ❑ Estuary protection
- ❑ Shoreline & Beach Stabilization
- ❑ Steepened slope Protection
- ❑ Culvert protection
- ❑ Vegetated Ditch Check Dams
- ❑ Rain water garden perimeter
- ❑ Weir Structures for rain water gardens
- ❑ Anywhere that can be vegetated or UV protected
- ❑ Limited only by your imagination

Stream bank Stabilization





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Shoreline Walls



Residential Lakeshore



Flashy Storm Water



Steep Walls



Weir Structure - Rain Water Garden



Rainwater Gardens



Shoreline Stabilization



Landscape Enhancements



Decorative water feature



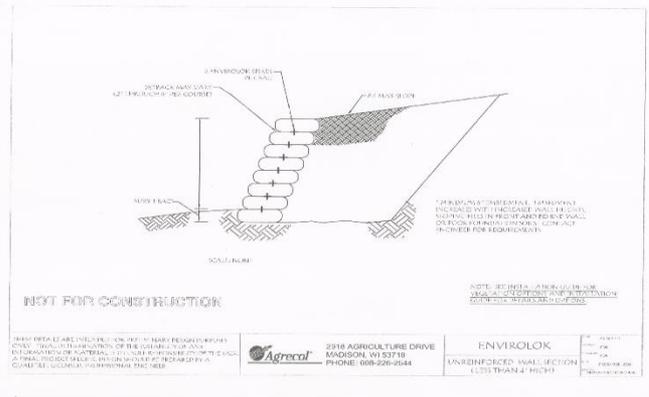
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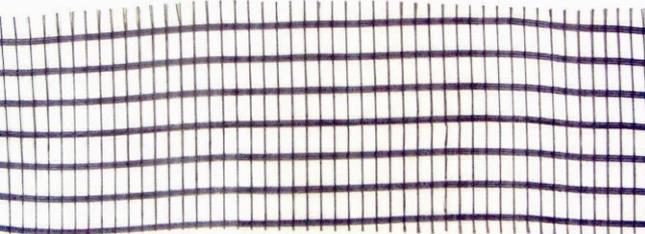
Native Vegetation



Bags



Engineering and Specifications



Bag Stabilizer



Spike



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Bag Life - 7 to 50+ Years

- Ultra Violet Radiation
 - Unprotected Bag life is 7 years
 - Protected Bag life is up to 200 years



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- ❑ Natural Selection for 10,000+ years
- ❑ Hardy to your area
- ❑ Deep root system
- ❑ Perennial
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The roots grow through the Green wall bags

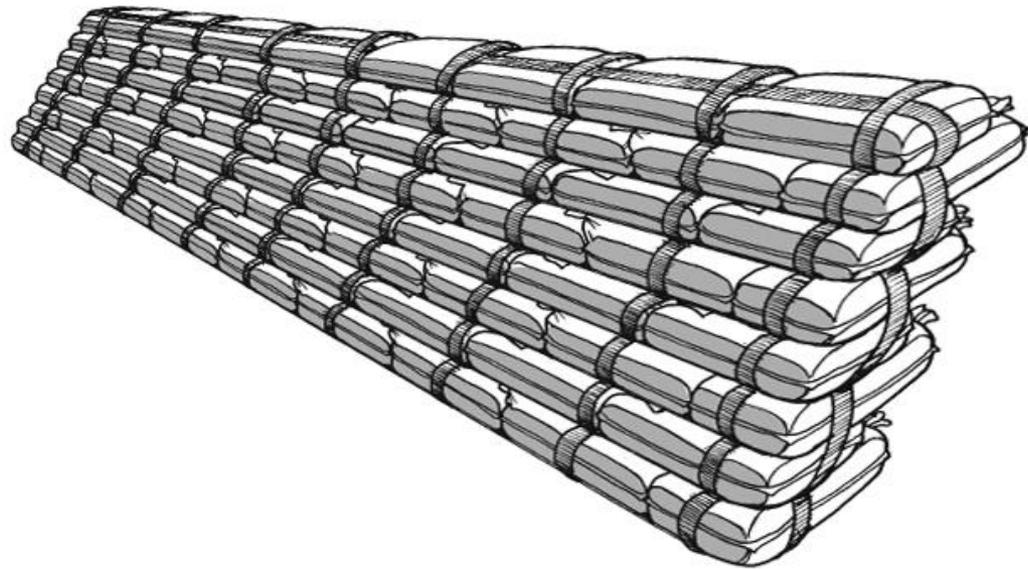


Engineered Bag Media Specifications

- ❑ 60%* Coarse granular sand
- ❑ 40% High grade compost
 - *by volume and is site specific

- ❑ Medium must be free from debris, live rhizomes, and petrochemicals

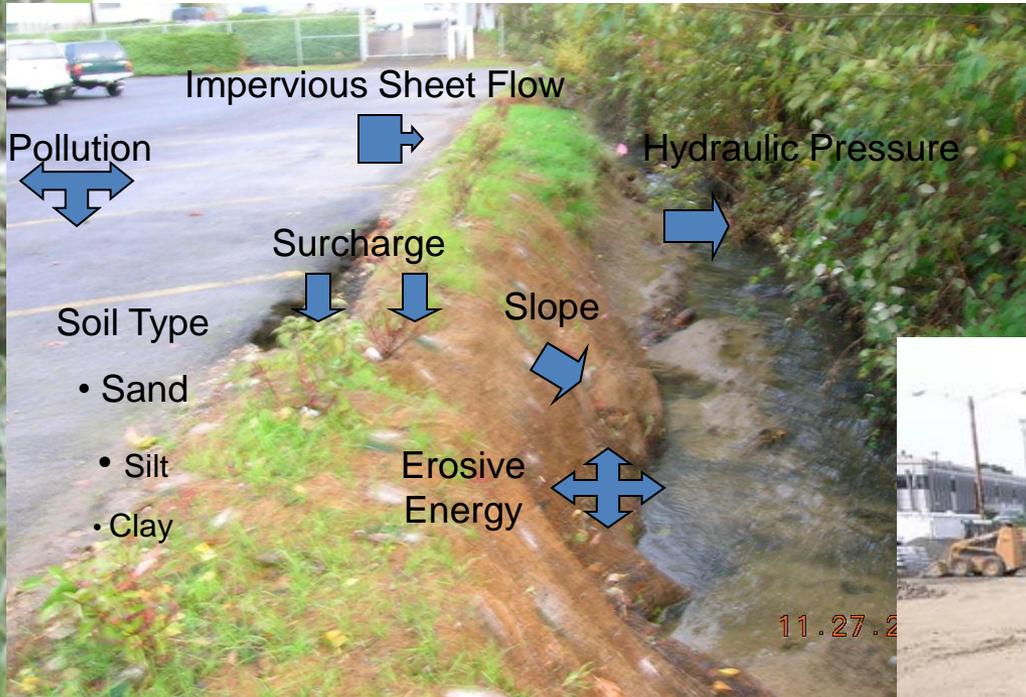
**When constructed to
manufacturer's specifications,
the wall grows into a solid,
monolithic structure**



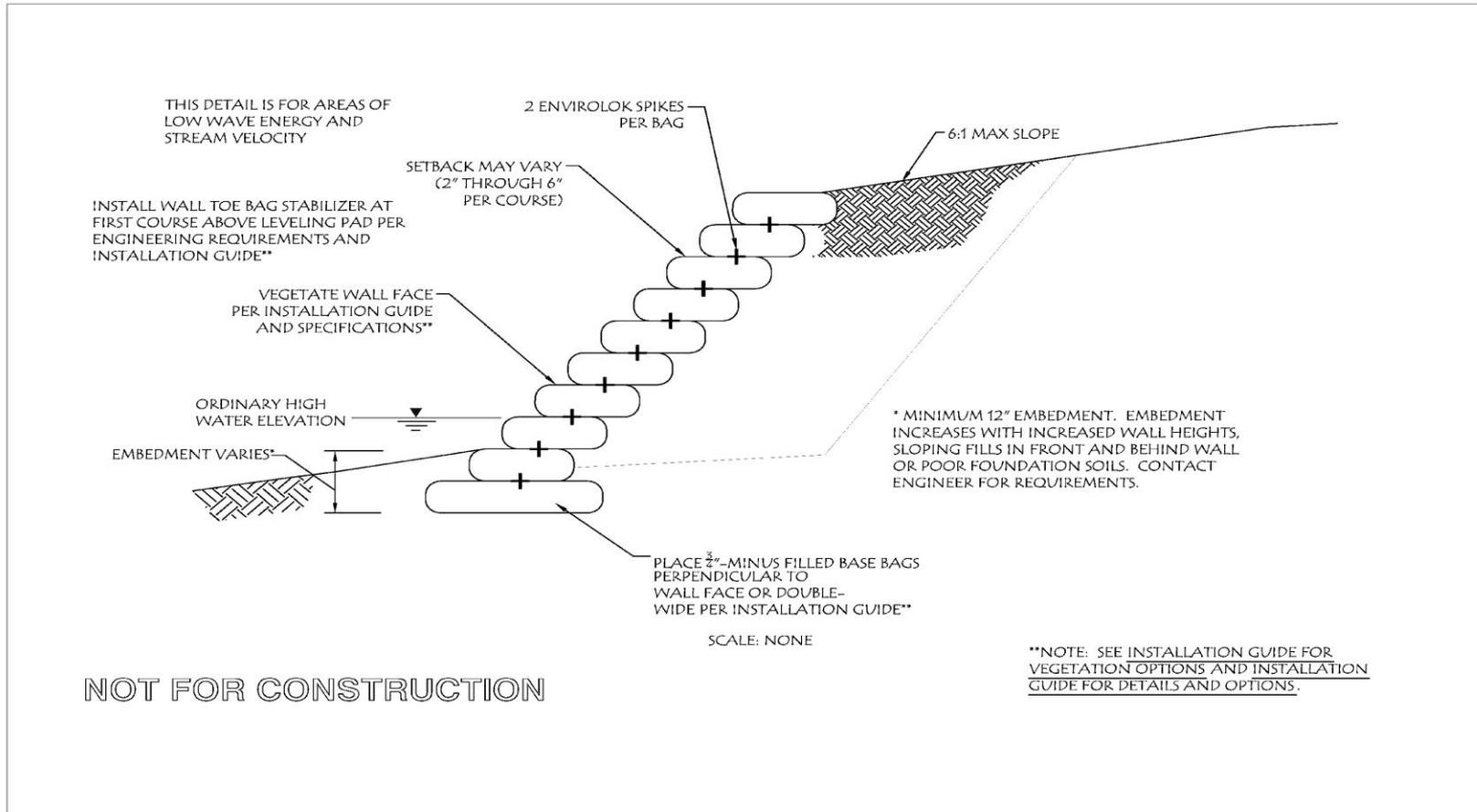
**The ecologically-advanced
Green Wall System
provides
permanent erosion control.**

***The system grows
stronger with time.***

Site Evaluation



Un-reinforced Shoreline Wall



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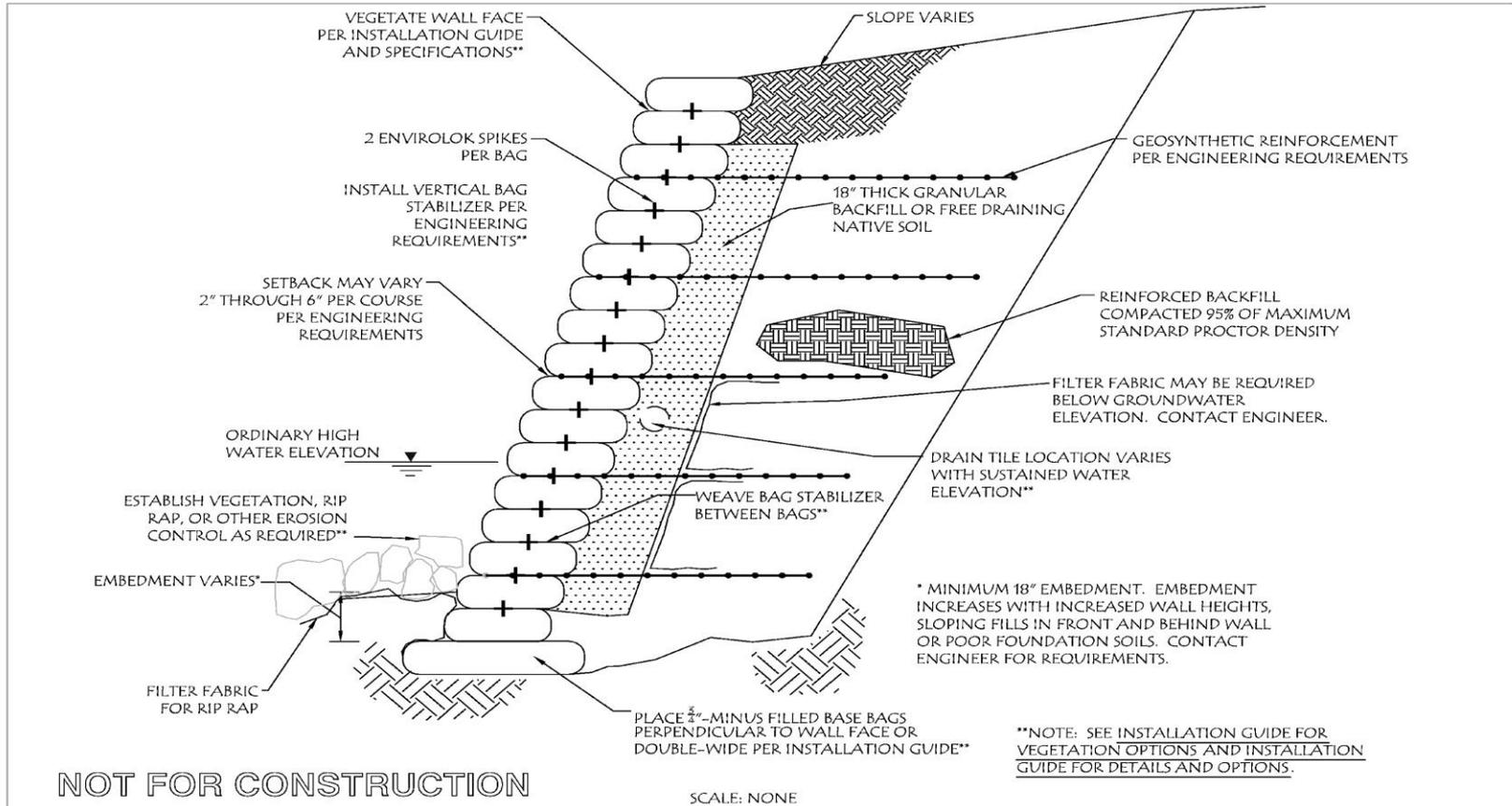
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Reinforced Shoreline wall



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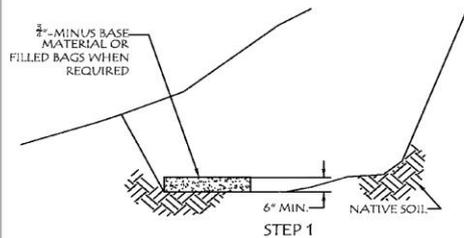


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Installation Sequence

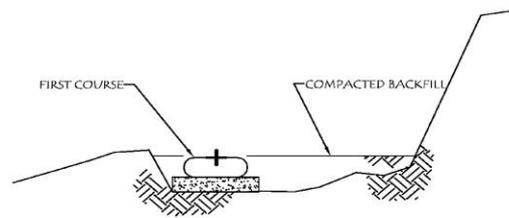
WALL CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE WITH ENVIROLOK

- EXCAVATE TRENCH FOR A LEVEL BASE, REMOVE ALL ORGANIC AND UNSUITABLE SOILS AND COMPACT.
- INSTALL COMPACTED GRANULAR BASE MATERIAL OR PERPENDICULAR BAG LEVELING PAD WHEN REQUIRED.
- CHECK LEVELNESS OF BASE MATERIAL OR LEVELING PAD.
- PLACE INITIAL BAG STABILIZER ON BASE MATERIAL.**



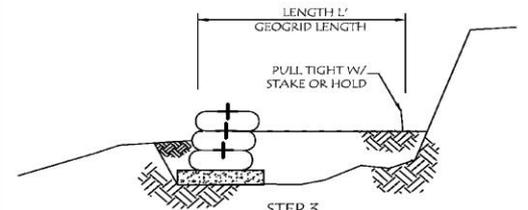
STEP 1

- CHECK ALL LINE GRADE AND CURVES.
- INSTALL FIRST COURSE INSURING ALL BAGS ARE REASONABLY LEVEL.
- ALIGN BAG FACES TO INSURE A STRAIGHT INSTALLATION.
- SET UNITS SIDE BY SIDE, SO THEY ARE TOUCHING AND ENDS ARE SLIGHTLY OVERLAPPING.**
- CONTINUE BAG STABILIZATION INSTALLATION.**
- PLACE AND COMPACT BACKFILL BEHIND AND IN FRONT OF THE FIRST COURSE.
- INSTALL TWO ENVIROLOK SPIKES PER BAG.



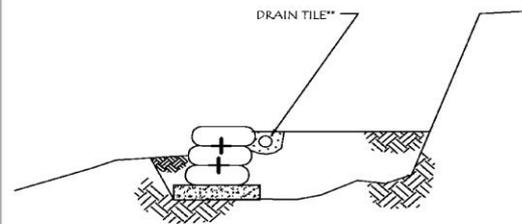
STEP 2

- INSTALL NEXT COURSE BY OFFSETTING THE CENTER OF BAGS OVER THE SEAMS OF PREVIOUS COURSE. PROVIDE MINIMUM 2 INCHES OF BATTER PER COURSE.
- CONTINUE BAG STABILIZATION INSTALLATION.**
- CONTINUE PLACING COURSES AND ENVIROLOK SPIKES UNTIL GEOGRID PLACEMENT IS REQUIRED.
- PLACE AND COMPACT 6" MAX LIFTS.
- PLACE GEOGRID OVER BAGS AND LAY OVER COMPACTED BACKFILL.
- PLACE NEXT COURSE OF BAG OVER GEOGRID.
- PULL GEOGRID TIGHT, KEEP TENSION APPLIED UNTIL BACKFILL IS PLACED.



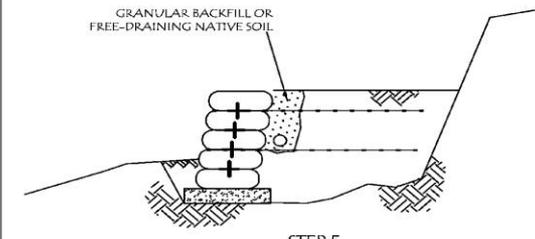
STEP 3

- PLACE DRAIN TILE ABOVE THE FINISH GRADE IN FRONT OF WALL WITH ONE FOOT OF GRANULAR BACKFILL OR FREE DRAINING NATIVE SOIL BEHIND WALL WHEN REQUIRED.
- PLACE COMPACTED BACKFILL BEHIND DRAINAGE SOIL.
- PLACE ADDITIONAL BAG COURSES, ENVIROLOK SPIKES, AND BAG STABILIZER BY REPEATING STEP 3.**



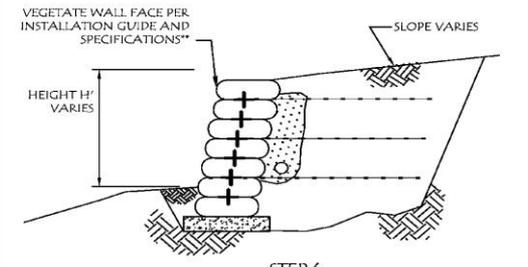
STEP 4

- CONTINUE WALL CONSTRUCTION TO FULL HEIGHT.
- PLACE ADDITIONAL BAG COURSES, ENVIROLOK SPIKES, AND BAG STABILIZER BY REPEATING STEP 3.**
- PLACE GEOGRID AT REQUIRED HEIGHTS AND LENGTHS (SEE ENGINEERING DETAILS) BY REPEATING STEP 4.



STEP 5

- REPEAT STEPS 3 THRU 5 UNTIL WALL IS AT REQUIRED HEIGHT.
- INSTALL FINAL BACKFILL AND FINISHED GRADE.
- REFER TO "INSTALLATION GUIDE FOR VEGETATION OPTIONS."



STEP 6

**NOTE: SEE INSTALLATION GUIDE FOR VEGETATION OPTIONS, AND INSTALLATION GUIDE FOR DETAILS AND OPTIONS.

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Green Wall Installation Equipment



One: Build the Wall



Native Plant Specifications

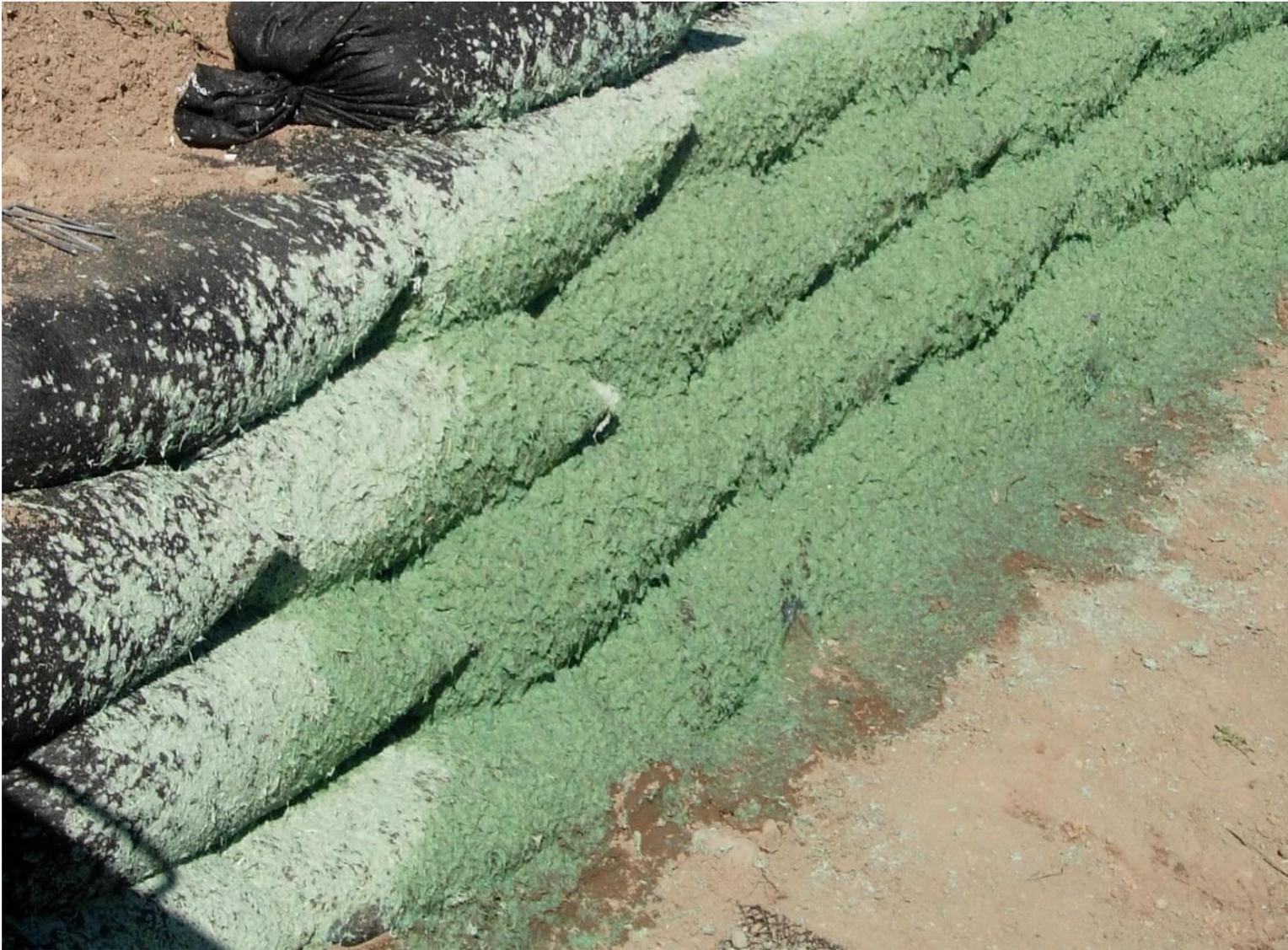
Species Selection Criteria

- Perennial Native Species Preferred
- Aggressive and structurally sound root system
- Thrive in engineered bag media
- Will thrive in local climate (local ecotype)
- Fast establishment
- Long term stability
- Biodiversity and Appearance

Two: Plant the wall



Hydroseeding



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Shorelines



Tenney Park



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Day 16



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Day 64



Badfish River

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Mass Wasting of River Bank in Midwest



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River in Midwest during install

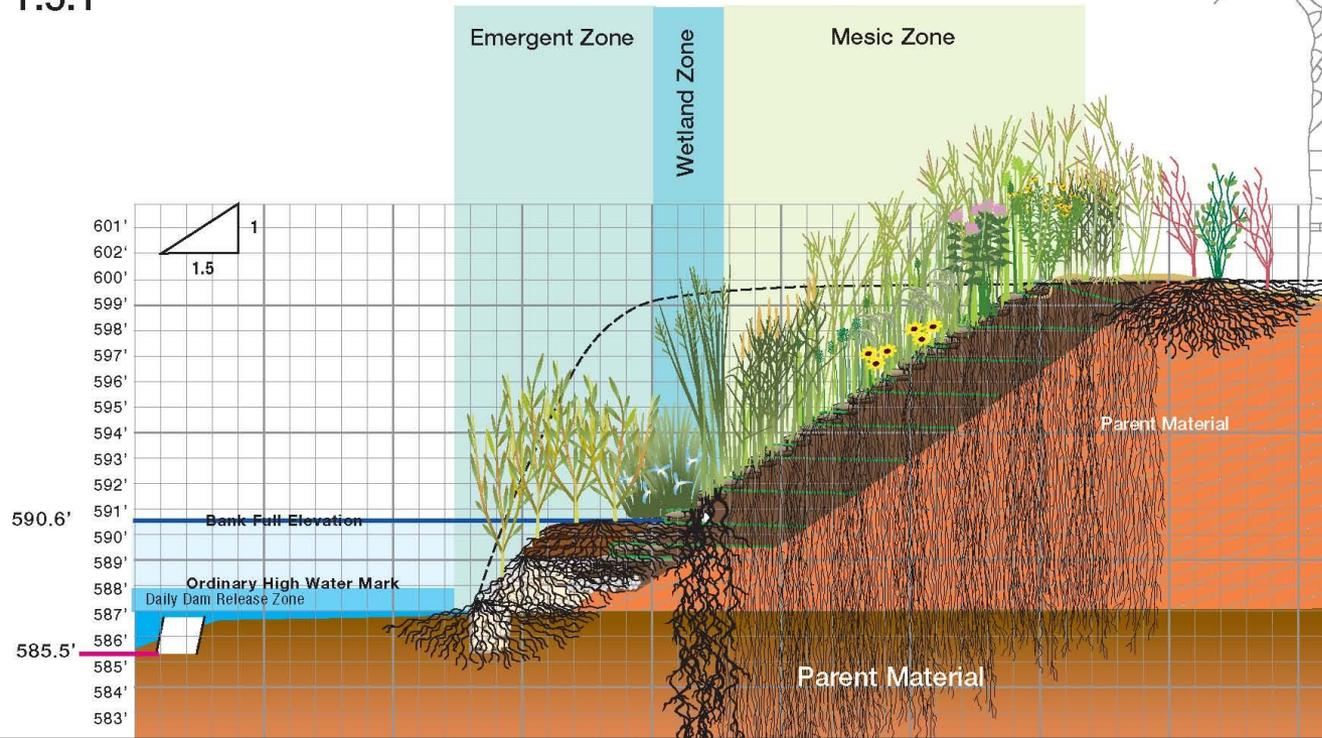


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Reach M, Upper

Green wall: with soft bench
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Managed Canopy



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Fish Passage Restoration:

Problem - Fish migration populations have been reduced due to current culvert/bridge passage designs. Fish do not like to pass through darkened areas and artificial structures caused from culverts. It is also difficult and expensive to replace these passage systems.

Poor Fish Passage System



Poor Fish Passage System



Solution - Sunmark has developed a new fish passage system called the FishWay Rx™. Solid deck and/or damaged culverts/bridges are replaced with engineered, modular components that do not hinder the fish from passing through.



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Integration of:



Native Environment



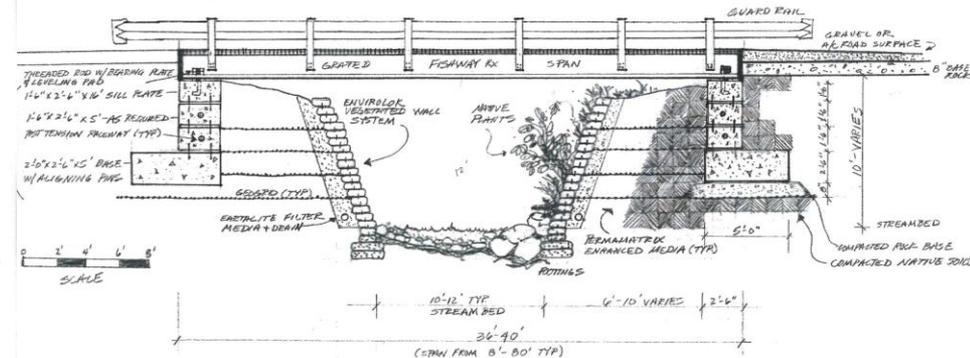
Natural Light



Engineered Structure

The FishWay Rx™ system uses Agrecol's Envirolok™ structural vegetated wall consisting of geosynthetic bags filled with engineered growing media to create a structural wall and control erosion. This wall is locked into place with geosynthetic strapping, anchor spikes and completed with native vegetation that provides a natural habitat for fish migration.

Behind the wall pre-cast concrete footings are placed to support a mesh faced deck, or grate type crossing that serves as the bridge. These grates meet AASHTO load ratings from 12-30 tons per axle depending on the grate used. They also meet the specifications established by state and federal agencies including DOT, BLM, USFS, NP, and US Military installations. Due to the screen-like construction of the bridge deck, sunlight can penetrate to the water level supporting both plant and fish life. A secondary benefit to the cattle grate crossing is to prevent free-range animals from crossing into undesired territories.



- Low impact installation
- Prefabricated components assembled on-site

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Toe Protection



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Versa-Lok – Patio Town



Golf Course Drainage Ditch Before Restoration



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Golf Course Drainage Ditch With Envirolok





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Low Energy Shorelines



Lake Mendota WI



**Lake
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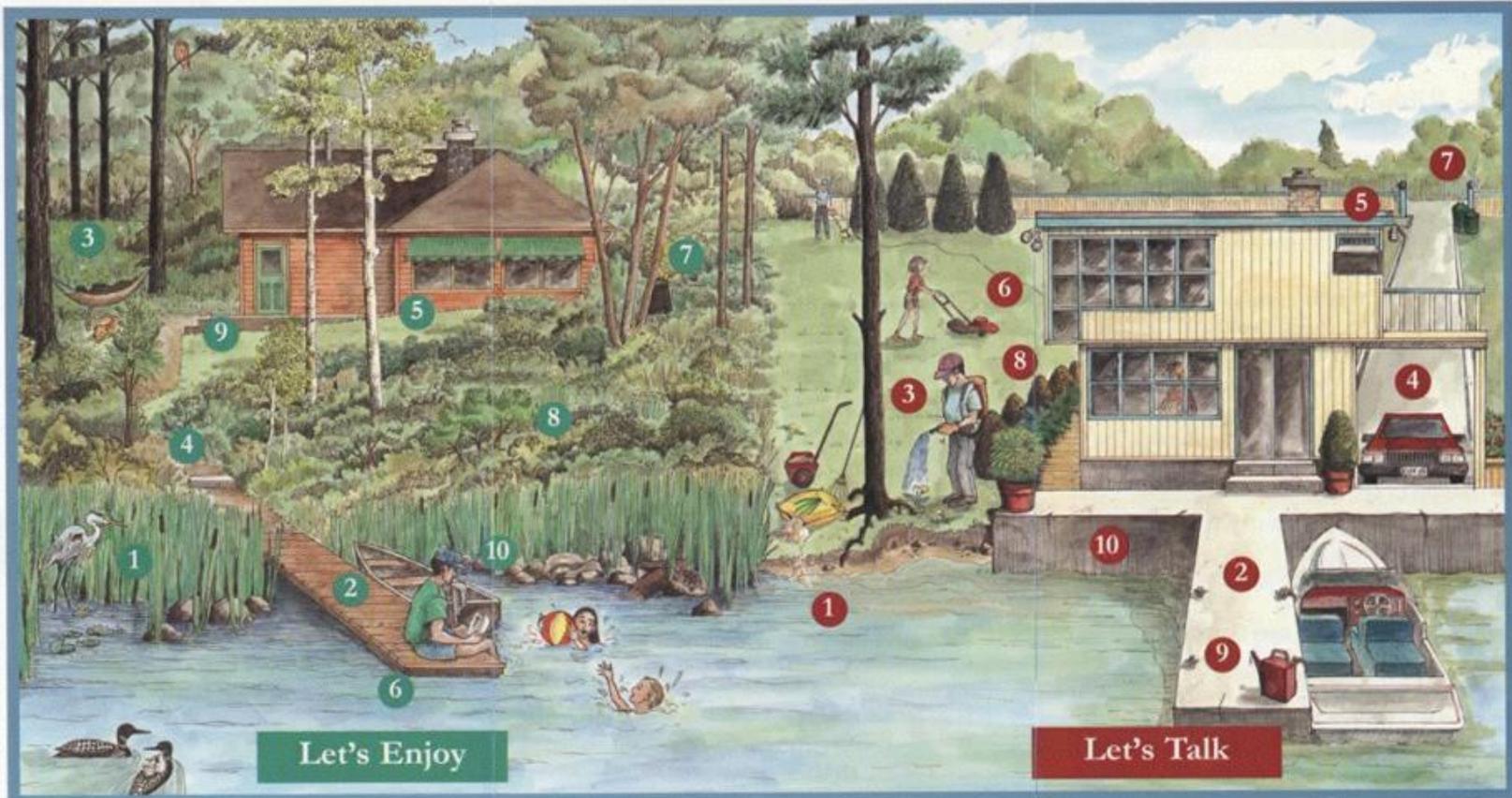


Starkweather Creek WI



Raised Garden Growth





Let's Enjoy

Let's Talk

1. Natural shoreline — great wildlife habitat.
2. Small floating dock — low impact on "ribbon of life."
3. Septic system far from the shore — reduces water pollution.
4. Narrow, gravelled footpath — less chance of erosion.
5. Trimmed trees and adjustable awnings — natural air conditioning with view maintained.
6. You work less — relax more!
7. Kitchen compost — improves your soil's quality.
8. Low-maintenance native plants — provide shoreline buffer.
9. Building — set back from shore and in character with setting.
10. Well-maintained motor — electric, or modern 4-stroke outboard, operated with low wake near shore.

1. Bare shoreline — subject to erosion.
2. Solid dock — destroys wildlife habitat, alters currents, causes erosion elsewhere.
3. Fertilizer spills and chemical run-off from lawn — damage water quality.
4. Paved lane — pollution-laden runoff flows to water.
5. No shade trees — overworked air conditioner adds to electric bill.
6. Removal of natural vegetation — more work for you and more runoff.
7. Collecting lawn clippings — deprives soil of nutrients.
8. Ornamental shrubs — require chemicals and extra work.
9. Poor fuel management — spills are deadly.
10. Hardened shoreline — eliminates "natural filter," degrades water quality, and blocks wildlife access.

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Agrecol Installation Specifications

The screenshot displays the Agrecol website interface. At the top left is the Agrecol logo, followed by the tagline "Agricultural Ecological Solutions" and a search bar. A green navigation bar contains links for "Seeds & Plants", "Installation", "Erosion Control", and "Consulting". A secondary menu on the right includes "Installation Services" and "Maintenance Guide".

The main content area features a central text block: "Agrecol is the largest grower of native plants in the midwest. Agrecol grows over 200 species of native wildflowers and grasses for conservation, restoration and erosion control." Below this is a "Current Projects" section with a photo of a wetland and a list of projects: Warner Park Rainwater Gardens, Co-GEN Facility, Installation Guide, Village of Fontana, Deerfield School, Allen Centennial Gardens, and Olin Turville Park Garden. A "Current News" section lists: NASECA Field Day 2006, Pheasants Forever Tours Rock Prairie Farm, and Agrecol Installs Envirolok™ System on Lake Winnipeg.

A sidebar on the left contains a "Contact Us" section with links for "Photo Galleries", "Search", and "Home", and a list of services including "Agrecol® Native Species 2006", "About Agrecol®", "How to Order", "About Native Species", "Pure Live Seed (P.L.S.)", "Native Seed Mixes", "Live Native Plants", "Rainwater Gardens", "Shipping Terms & Conditions", "Envirolok™", "Envirolok™ Seed Mixes", "Siltmaster™", "Pheasants Forever", "Staff", and "Links".

On the right, there is an advertisement for "Envirolok™ Eco-engineered Vegetated Retaining Walls from Agrecol™" with a list of applications: "Vegetated Retaining Walls", "Erosion Control", "Shoreline Stabilization", "Stormwater Management", "Stream Restorations", "Residential Lakeshore", and "Tributary Buffers".

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