

## REUSABLE SEDIMENT CONTROL WATTLE

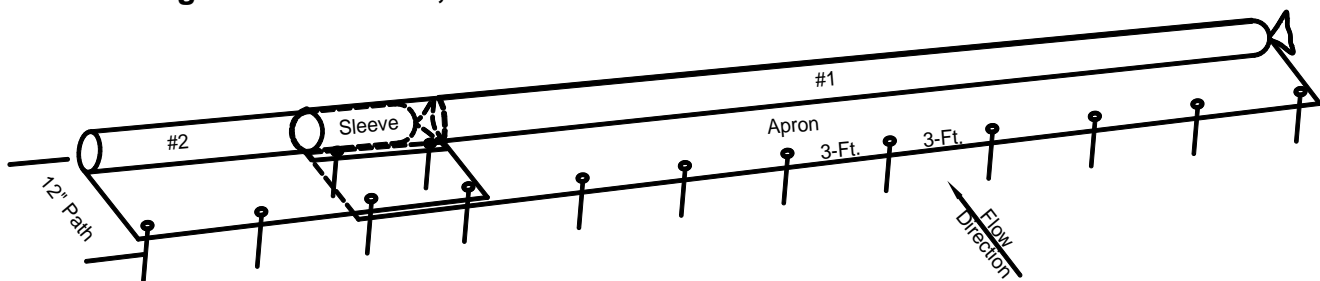
**98% effective GATOR GUARD wattles are a BETTER ALTERNATIVE to straw wattles and silt fence for most, but not all applications. (20 times less soil loss than straw wattles)**

**NOT ON YOUR PLANS – Write in Gator Guard wattles on the SWPPP as an equal or better BMP, sign and date. (if in-doubt, check with your engineer, contract administrator and/or agency official first)**

**PACKAGE INCLUDES:** One 25-foot x 6-inch diameter wattle, 14 pins, 2 zip ties  
(UV resistant geotextile stuffed with recycled closed-cell foam.) Weight = 8 pounds / roll

## INSTALLATION

1. Keep wattles 6-inches back from exposed sidewalk edges. Do not place wattles across rock site entrance.
2. Prepare a smooth path or bench for the wattle (pile dirt on uphill side).
3. Place wattle on path or bench with apron uphill (sleeve at left end - looking downhill).
4. Pin apron approximately every 3-feet (2-inches from edge of apron) using pins included. Cap Nails, Landscape staples, or big nails with washers may be used.
5. Connect two wattles (per figure). Straighten both aprons, pull sleeve tightly over second wattle and pin in two places (through sleeve and both aprons). Insert stake or rock behind joint.
6. Place 1-inch of dirt on apron and compact with your feet.
7. **Alternate Install** – place apron in a 3 to 4-inch trench, backfill & compact (pin sleeve).
8. To cut a wattle, shake stuffing from desired cut location, insert two zip ties through inside of apron and around wattle about 6-inches apart and tighten. Cut fabric with a torch, or cut with scissors and seal cut fabric with a lighter or torch.
9. **For high flow channels, use a series of wattles to catch sediment overflow.**



## MAINTENANCE

1. Repair cuts with caulk – stuff anything in the hole for temporary fix – pick up foam.
2. Inspect, clean out excess sediment and repair washouts after each runoff event.
3. Dispose of wattle properly if damaged, deteriorated or no longer needed.

## REMOVAL / RE-USE

1. Pull up wattle by hand and remove dirt and pins for reuse, **or THROW AWAY - it's OK.**
2. Remove weeds and seeds before transport to another site.