

## STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR TOPSOIL

## DEFINITION

PLACEMENT OF TOPSOIL OVER A PREPARED SUBSOIL PRIOR TO ESTABLISHMENT OF PERMANENT VEGETATION.

TO PROVIDE A SUITABLE SOIL MEDIUM FOR VEGETATIVE GROWTH. SOILS OF CONCERN HAVE LOW MOISTURE CONTENT, LOW NUTRIENT LEVELS, LOW PH. MATERIALS TOXIC TO PLANTS, AND/OR

## CONDITIONS WHERE PRACTICE APPLIES

I. THIS PRACTICE IS LIMITED TO AREAS HAVING 2:1 OR FLATTER SLOPES WHERE:

UNACCEPTABLE SOIL GRADATION.

- A. THE TEXTURE OF THE EXPOSED SUBSOIL/PARENT MATERIAL IS NOT ADEQUATE TO PRODUCE VEGETATIVE GROWTH.
- B. THE SOIL MATERIAL IS SO SHALLOW THAT THE ROOTING ZONE IS NOT DEEP ENOUGH TO SUPPORT PLANTS OR FURNISH CONTINUING SUPPLIES OF MOISTURE AND PLANT
- C. THE ORIGINAL SOIL TO BE VEGETATED CONTAINS MATERIAL TOXIC TO PLANT GROWTH. D. THE SOIL IS SO ACIDIC THAT TREATMENT WITH LIMESTONE IS NOT FEASIBLE.
- II. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THESE STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS, AREAS HAVING SLOPES STEEPER THAN 2:1 REQUIRE SPECIAL CONSIDERATION AND DESIGN FOR ADEQUATE STABILIZATION. AREAS HAVING SLOPES STEEPER THAN 2:1 SHALL HAVE THE APPROPRIATE STABILIZATION SHOWN ON THE PLANS.

### CONSTRUCTION AND MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS

- I. TOPSOIL SALVAGED FROM THE EXISTING SITE MAY BE USED PROVIDED THAT IT MEETS THE STANDARDS AS SET FORTH IN THESE SPECIFICATIONS. TYPICALLY, THE DEPTH OF TOPSOIL TO BE SALVAGED FOR A GIVEN SOIL TYPE CAN BE FOUND IN THE REPRESENTATIVE SOIL PROFILE SECTION IN THE SOIL SURVEY PUBLISHED BY USDA-SCS IN COOPERATION WITH MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENTAL STATION.
- 11. TOPSOIL SPECIFICATIONS SOIL TO BE USED AS TOPSOIL MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING:
- I. TOPSOIL SHALL BE A LOAM, SANDY LOAM, CLAY LOAM, SILT LOAM, SANDY CLAY LOAM, LOAMY SAND. OTHER SOILS MAY BE USED IF RECOMMENDED BY AN AGRONOMIST OR A SOIL SCIENTIST. AND APPROVED BY THE APPROPRIATE APPROVAL AUTHORITY. REGARDLESS, TOPSOIL SHALL NOT BE A MIXTURE OF CONTRASTING TEXTURED SUBSOILS AND SHALL CONTAIN LESS THAN 5% BY VOLUME OF CINDERS, STONES, SLAG, COARSE FRAGMENTS, GRAVEL, STICKS, ROOTS, TRASH, OR OTHER MATERIALS LARGER THAN 1.5-INCH IN DIAMETER.
- II. TOPSOIL MUST BE FREE OF PLANTS OR PLANT PARTS, SUCH AS BERMUDA GRASS QUACKGRASS. JOHNSONGRASS. NUTSEDGE. POISON IVY. THISTLE, OR OTHERS AS SPECIFIED.
- III. WHERE THE SUBSOIL IS EITHER HIGHLY ACIDIC OR COMPOSED OF HEAVY CLAYS, GROUND LIMESTONE SHALL BE SPREAD AT THE RATE OF 4-8 TONS/ACRE (200-400 POUNDS PER 1,000 SQUARE FEET) PRIOR TO THE PLACEMENT OF TOPSOIL. LIME SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED UNIFORMLY OVER DESIGNATED AREAS AND WORKED INTO THE SOIL IN CONJUNCTION WITH TILLAGE OPERATIONS AS DESCRIBED IN THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES.
- III. FOR THIS SITE. WHICH HAS A DISTURBED AREA UNDER 5 ACRES:
- i. PLACE TOPSOIL (IF REQUIRED) AND APPLY SOIL AMENDMENTS AS SPECIFIED IN 20.0 VEGETATIVE STABILIZATION - SECTION 1 - VEGETATIVE STABILIZATION METHODS AND MATERIALS.
- IV. FOR SITES HAVING DISTURBED AREAS OVER 5 ACRES: I. ON SOIL MEETING TOPSOIL SPECIFICATIONS, OBTAIN TEST RESULTS DICTATING FERTILIZER AND LIME AMENDMENTS REQUIRED TO BRING THE SOIL INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING:
- A. PH FOR TOPSOIL SHALL BE BETWEEN 6.0 AND 7.5. IF THE TESTED SOIL DEMONSTRATES A PH PF LESS THAN 6.0. SUFFICIENT LIME SHALL BE PRESCRIBED TO RAISE THE PH TO 6.5 OR HIGHER. B. ORGANIC CONTENT OF TOPSOIL SHALL BE NOT LESS THAN 1.5 PERCENT BY WEIGHT.
- C. TOPSOIL HAVING SOLUBLE SALT CONTENT GREATER THAN 500 PARTS PER MILLION SHALL NOT BE USED D. NO SOD OR SEED SHALL BE PLACED ON SOIL. SOIL WHICH HAS BEEN TREATED WITH SOIL STERILANTS OR CHEMICALS USED FOR WEED CONTROL UNTIL SUFFICIENT TIME HAS ELAPSED (14DAYS MIN.) TO PERMIT DISSIPATION OF PHYTO-TOXIC MATERIALS.

NOTE: TOPSOIL SUBSTITUTES OR AMENDMENTS. AS RECOMMENDED BY A QUALIFIED AGRONOMIST OR SOIL SCIENTIST AND APPROVED BY THE APPROPRIATE APPROVAL AUTHORITY, MAY BE USED IN LIEU OF NATURAL TOPSOIL

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## V. TOPSOIL APPLICATION

- i. WHEN TOPSOILING, MAINTAIN NEEDED EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PRACTICES SUCH AS DIVERSIONS. GRADE STABILIZATION STRUCTURES, SILT FENCE. SEDIMENT TRAPS AND BASINS.
- ii. GRADES ON THE AREAS TO BE TOPSOILED, WHICH HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY ESTABLISHED. SHALL BE MAINTAINED, ALBEIT 4" - 8" HIGHER IN ELEVATION.
- iii. TOPSOIL SHALL BE UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED IN A 4" 8" LAYER AND LIGHTLY COMPACTED TO A MINIMUM THICKNESS OF 4". SPREADING SHALL BE PERFORMED IN SUCH A MANNER THAT SODDING OR SEEDING CAN PROCEED WITH MINIMUM ADDITIONAL SOIL PREPARATION AND TILLAGE. ANY IRREGULARITIES IN THE SURFACE RESULTING FROM TOPSOILING OR OTHER OPERATIONS SHALL BE CORRECTED IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE FORMATION OF DEPRESSIONS OR WATER POCKETS.
- iv. TOPSOIL SHALL NOT BE PLACED WHILE THE TOPSOIL OR SUBSOIL IS IN A FROZEN OR MUDDY CONDITION, WHEN THE SUBSOIL IS EXCESSIVELY WET OR IN A CONDITION THAT MAY OTHERWISE BE DETRIMENTAL TO PROPER GRADING AND SEEDBED PREPARATION.

## PERMANENT SEEDING NOTES

Apply to graded or cleared areas not subject to immediate further tisturbance where a permanent long-lived vegetative cover is needed

Seedbed Preparation: Loosen upper three inches of soil by raking, disking or other acceptable means before seeding, if not previously loosened.

Soil Amendments: In lieu of soil test recommendations, use one of the following schedules:

1. Preferred - Apply 2 tons/acre dolomitic limestone (92 lbs/1000 sq. ft.) and 600 lbs/acre 10-10-10 fertilizer (14 lbs/1000 sq. ft.) before seeding. Harrow or disk into upper three inches of soil. At time of seeding, apply 400 lbs/gcre 30-0-0 ureaform fertilizer (9 lbs/1000 sq.

2. Acceptable - Apply 2 tons/acre dolomitic limestone (92 lbs/1000 sq. ft.) and 1000 lbs/acre 10-10-10 fertilizer (23 lbs/1000 sq. ft.) before seeding. Harrow or disk into upper three inches of soil.

Seeding - For the periods March 1 - April 20, and August 1 - October 20, inclusive, seed the appropriate seed mixtures: Seed Mixture No. 1 - (relatively flat areas regularly mowed and exposed to normal conditions) with 192 lbs PLS/acre of 85% certified turf-type Tall Fescue. 28 lbs PLS/acre of 10% certified Kentucky Bluegrass and 14 lbs PLS/acre of 5% Perennial Ryegrass. Supplemental seed — Annual

Ryegrass 25 lbs PLS/acre. Seed Mixture No. 2 — (sloped areas not subject to regular mowing) with 85 lbs PLS/acre of 75% Hard Fescue, 23 lbs PLS/acre of 20% Chewings Fescue and 7 lbs PLS/acre of 5% Kentucky Bluegrass. Supplemental

seed - Redtop 3 lbs PLS/acre. Seed Mixture No. 3 - (wetland areas and their associated buffer zones with 83 lbs PLS/acre of 60% Fowl Meadow Grass, 34 lbs PLS/acre of 30% Chewings Fescue and 14 lbs PLS/acre of 10% Perennial Ryegrass. Supplemental seed — Redtop 3 lbs PLS/acre.

Seeding performed after October 20 should be a temporary cover of annual ryegrass and followed by overseeding of the appropriate seed mixture during the spring seeding season.

Mulching - Apply 1-1/2 to 2 tons per acre (70 to 90 lbs/1000 sq. ft.) of unrotted small grain straw immediately after seeding. Anchor mulch immediately after application using mulch anchoring tool or 218 gallons per acre (5 gal/1000 sa.ft.) of emulsified asphalt on flat areas. On slope 8 feet or higher, use 348 gallons per acre (8 gal/1000 sq. ft.) for anchoring.

Maintenance - Inspect all seeding areas and make needed repairs, replacements and reseedings.

## TEMPORARY SEEDING NOTES

Apply to graded or cleared areas likely to be re-disturbed where a

Seedbed preparation: - Loosen upper three inches of soil by raking, disking or other acceptable means before seeding, if not previously

Soil Amendments: - Apply 600 lbs/acre 10-10-10 fertilizer (14 lbs/1000 sq. ft.).

Seeding: - For periods March 1 - April 30 and from August 1 -November 30, inclusive, seed with 2-1/2 bushel per acre of Annual Rye/Redtop (3.2 lbs/1000 sq. ft.). For the period May 1 - July 31 inclusive, seed with 13.6 lbs PLS/acre of Little Bluestem. For the period November 16 - February 28, protect site by applying 2 tons/acre of straw mulch and seed as soon as possible in the spring,

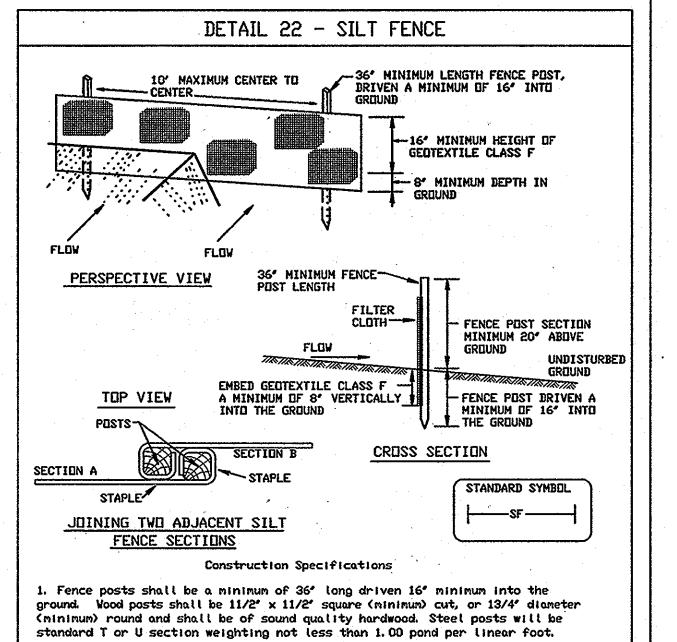
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Refer to the 1994 MARYLAND STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL for additional rates and methods not

## SEDIMENT CONTROL NOTES

- 1. A minimum of 48 hours notice must be given to the Howard County Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits, Sediment Control Division prior to the start of any construction (313-1855).
- 2. All vegetative and structural practices are to be installed according to the provisions of this plan and are to be in conformance with the most current MARYLAND STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL and revisions thereto.
- 3. Following initial soil disturbance or re-disturbance, permanent or temporary stabilization shall be completed within: a) 7 calendar days for all perimeter sediment control structures, dikes, perimeter slopes and all slopes greater than 3:1, b) 14 days as to all other disturbed or graded greas on the project site.
- 4. All sediment traps/basins shown must be fenced and warning signs posted around their perimeter in accordance with Vol 1. Chapter 12 of the HOWARD COUNTY DESIGN MANUAL, Storm Drainage.
- 5. All disturbed areas must be stabilized within the time period specified above in accordance with the 1994 MARYLAND STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL for permanen seeding (Sec. 51), sod (Sec. 54), temporary seeding (Sec. 50) and mulching (Sec. 52). Temporary stabilization with mulch glone can only be done when recommended seeding dates do not allow for proper aermination and establishment of grasses.
- 6. All sediment control structures are to remain in place and are to be maintained in operative condition until permission for their removal has been obtained from the Howard County Sediment Control Inspector.
- 7. Site Analysis Total Area of Site 1.73 Acres Area Disturbed: 0.7 Acres
- Area to be roofed or paved: 0.3 Acres Area to be vegetatively stabilized: 0.4 Acres
- Total Cut: 850 Cu. Yds. Total Fill: 20 Cu. Yds.
- Excess material to be hauled to an approved site.
- 8. Any sediment control practice which is disturbed by grading activity for placement of utilities must be repaired on the same day of
- 9. Additional sediment control must be provided, if deemed necessary by the Howard County Sediment Control Inspector.
- 10. On all sites with disturbed areas in excess of 2 acres, approval of the inspection agency shall be requested upon completion of installation of perimeter erosion and sediment controls, but before proceeding with any other earth disturbance or grading. Other building or grading inspection approvals may not be authorized until this initial approval by the inspection agency is made.

11. Trenches for the construction of utilities is limited to three pipe lenaths or that which shall be back-filled and stabilized by the end of each work day, whichever is shorter.



2. Geotextile shall be fastened securely to each fence post with wire ties. or staples at top and mid-section and shall meet the following requirements for Geotextile Class Fi

50 lbs/in (min.) 20 lbs/in (min.) Test MSMT 509 Tensile Modulus 0.3 gal ft2/ minute (max.) Test MSMT 322 Filtering Efficiency 75% (min.)

3. Where ends of geotextile fabric come together, they shall be overlapped, folded and stapled to prevent sediment bypass.

4. Silt Fence shall be inspected after each rainfall event and maintained when

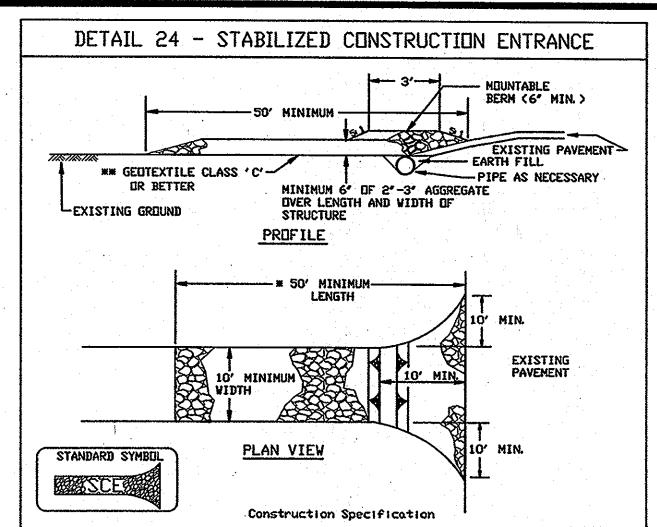
bulges occur or when sediment accumulation reached 50% of the fabric height. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE WATER MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATION

"I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PLAN FOR EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL REPRESENTS PRACTICAL AND WORKABLE PLAN BASED ON MY PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF THE SITE CONDITIONS THIS PLAN WAS PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE HOWARD SOIL

"I/WE CERTIFY THAT ALL DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION WILL BE DONE ACCORDING TO HIS PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT FOR SEDIMENT & FROSION CONTROL, AND THAT ALL RESPONSIBLE Personnel involved in the construction project will have a certificate of attendance F SEDIMENT AND EROSION BEFORE BEGINNING THE PROJECT." I ALSO AUTHORIZE PERIODIC

DEVELOPERS CERTIFICATE



1. Length - minimum of 50' (#30' for single residence lot),

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2. Width - 10' minimum, should be flared at the existing road to provide a turning radius.

3. Geotextile fabric (filter cloth) shall be placed over the existing ground prior to placing stone. \*\*The plan approval authority may not require single family residences to use geotextile.

4. Stone - crushed aggregate (2' to 3') or reclaimed or recycled concrete equivalent shall be placed at least 6' deep over the length and width of the

5. Surface Water - all surface water flowing to or diverted toward construction entrances shall be piped through the entrance, maintaining positive drainage. Pipe installed through the stabilized construction entrance shall be protected with a mountable berm with 5:1 slopes and a minimum of 6° of stone over the pipe. Pipe has to be sized according to the drainage. When the SCE is located at a high spot and has no drainage to convey a pipe will not be necessary. Pipe should be sized according to the amount of runoff to be conveyed. A 6° minimum will be required.

6. Location - A stabilized construction entrance shall be located at every point where construction traffic enters or leaves a construction site. Vehicles leaving the site must travel over the entire length of the stabilized construction entrance U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT

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WATER MANAGEMENT ADMINISTRATION

## SUPER SILT FENCE

DETAIL 33 - SUPER SILT FENCE

10' MAXIMUM

WITH 1 LAYER OF

FILTER CLOTH

Construction Specifications

latest Maryland State Highway Details for Chain Link Fencing. The specification

2. Chain link fence shall be fastened securely to the fence posts with wire ties.

The lower tension wire, brace and truss rods, drive anchors and post caps are not

3. Filter cloth shall be fastened securely to the chain link fence with ties spaced

5. When two sections of filter cloth adjoin each other, they shall be overlapped

7. Filter cloth shall be fastened securely to each fence post with wire ties or

50 lbs/in (min.)

20 lbs/in (min.)

75% (min.)

0.3 gal/ft\*/minute (max.)

staples at top and mid section and shall meet the following requirements for

6. Maintenance shall be performed as needed and silt buildups removed when "bulges"

1. Fencing shall be 42' in height and constructed in accordance with the

for a 6' fence shall be used, substituting 42' fabric and 6' length

4. Filter cloth shall be embedded a minimum of 8° into the ground.

develop in the silt fence, or when silt reaches 50% of fence height

FLOW

16' MIN. 1ST LAYER OF

MINIMUM

-8' MINIMUM

STANDARD SYMBOL

Test: MSMT 509

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<u>OWNER</u>

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ELLICOTT CITY, MD 21043 (410) 744-7472

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NOTE: FENCE POST SPACING SHALL NOT EXCEED 10' CENTER TO CENTER

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GROUND / SURFACE

CHAIN LINK FENCING-

required except on the ends of the fence.

every 24" at the top and mid section.

Tensile Strength

Filtering Efficiency

Tensile Modulus

Flow Rate

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by 6° and folded

Geotextile Class Fi

MINIMUM INTO GROUND

**\*IF MULTIPLE LAYERS ARE** 

REQUIRED TO ATTAIN 42'

FILTER CLOTH-

21/2' DIAMETER

GALVANIZED

OR ALUMINUM

EMBED FILTER CLOTH 8'

## Design Criteria

Stope	Stope Steepness	Slope Length (max1mum)	Silt Fence Length (maximum)
10 - 20%	10:1 - 5:1	200 feet	1,500 feet
50 - 33%	5:1 - 3:1	100 feet	1,000 feet
33 - 50%	3:1 - 2:1	100 feet	500 feet
50% +	2:1 +	50 feet	250 feet
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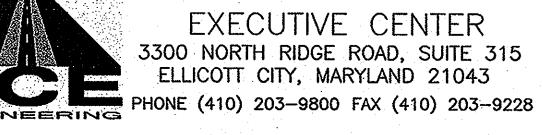
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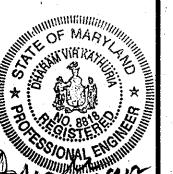
## O'NEILL SUBDIVISION LOTS 1 TO 3

A SUBDIVISION OF PARCEL 559, TAX MAP 31, GRID 15 1ST ELECTION DISTRICT HOWARD COUNTY, MD. ZONE R-20



# KCE ENGINEERING, INC.





DRAWN BY: MG

CHECKED BY: DVK

SCALE: 1" = 30'DATE: 02/07/2012

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SHEET:

F-07-164

APPROVED: HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

SEQUENCE OF CONSTRUCTION

Construct stabilized construction entrance.

With Inspector's approvals, clear and grub site to LOD.

With approval of Inspector, remove sediment control devices.

Stabilize all disturbed areas with seed and mulch.

Notify Howard County Bureau of Inspections and Permits (313-1880) at least 24

Obtain grading permit.

hours before starting any work.

Install perimeter silt fence.

Rough grade site.

APPROVED: HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING

DURATION

1 DAY

1 DAY

1 DAY

1 WEEK

5 DAYS

1 WEEK

1 DAY

3/15/12 3/19/12

REVIEWED FOR HOWARD SCD AND MEETS TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS A-NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE PPROVED FOR SOIL EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL \_E ENGINEERS CERTIFICATE

Testi MSMT 322

SIGNATURE OF ENGINEER D. VIR KATHURIA

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

AT A DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT APPROVED TRAINING PROGRAM FOR THE CONTROL

SIGNATURE OF DEVELOPER ANGELA O' NEILL

