

## REUSABLE SEDIMENT CONTROL WATTLE

# DAMAGE PREVENTION GUIDELINES

Driving over any BMP is **NOT** recommended. It will immediately or eventually damage it and can cause erosion, track-out and litter.

Gator Guard wattles can typically withstand occasional “necessary” drive-over with little or no damage. “Unnecessary” drive-over should be avoided.

## INSTALLER / MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES

1. Do not place wattles across rock site entrance – curve it up along both sides.
2. Keep wattles 6-inches back from exposed sidewalk and curb edges.
3. Inspect for tears and escaping foam every 1-2 weeks – Fix tear and pick up foam.

## CONTRACTOR GUIDELINES

1. Instruct workers to respect BMP’s and avoid “unnecessary” drive-overs.
2. Instruct workers to move BMPs instead of damaging them.
3. Fix damaged wattles and pick up spilled foam.

## WORKER GUIDELINES

1. Move BMPs before digging – don’t cut the BMP with a backhoe or loader bucket.
2. Avoid “unnecessary” drive-over of all BMP’s.
3. If a tear occurs, stuff anything in the hole, pick up the foam and notify contractor.

## HOW TO FIX A TORN GATOR GUARD WATTLE

1. The quickest temporary fix is to stuff anything into the hole to contain the foam.
2. Patch small cuts with any type caulking. Dispose of loose foam.
3. For large tears, replace wattle, or use 2 zip ties (located in apron near tag) to tie-off both sides of the tear. Dispose of loose foam.
4. Dispose of BMPs properly if severely damaged, deteriorated or no longer needed.