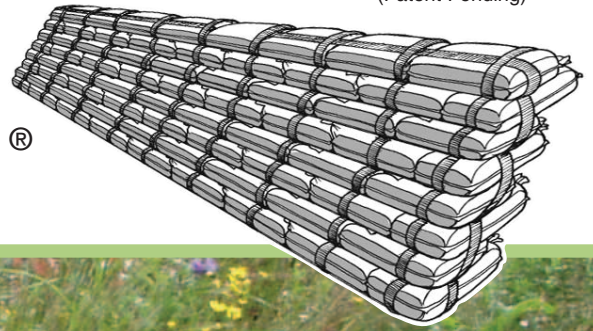




(Patent Pending)

*Vegetated Retaining Walls from Agrecol®*



## *Native Plants*

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



Day 1



Day 3



Day 60





## *Vegetated Retaining Walls from Agrecol®*

The Envirolok system is a patent-pending erosion control and slope stabilization system that creates vegetated retaining walls and berms with deep-rooted native plants.

The Envirolok vegetated retaining wall system is a strong, environmentally-friendly alternative to conventional erosion control systems. This system creates beautiful, permanent natural landscapes with native plants.



### *Stormwater Erosion Control*



### *Our Mission:*

**Agrecol is driven to protect, enhance and create native plant communities that provide perennial biodiversity and add value to our landscapes, while enhancing and preserving our environment.**

### **Our History**

Agrecol Corporation, founded in Madison, Wisconsin in 1991, combines the best principles of production agriculture with the science of ecology to produce high quality native seed and plants.

### **Products and Services**

Agrecol's ecological products and services include seed and plant production, design, installation and maintenance, consulting, erosion control and stormwater management.

### **Agrecol's focus includes:**

- Nursery production of seed and live plants for prairie, woodlands, wetlands and savanna plant communities
- Design, installation and maintenance of native seed and plants
- Environmental consulting and resource management services
- Restoration design, installation, site monitoring and management



*Residential Lakeshore*



*Seashore*

**Use the Envirolok vegetated retaining wall system for these applications:**

- Erosion control
- Shoreline stabilization
- Residential lakeshore preservation and remediation
- Natural retaining walls
- Stormwater management
- Stream restorations
- Rainwater gardens
- Landscape enhancements
- Creating naturalized buffers along tributaries
- Creating functional green spaces

**The Science of Erosion Control**

Temporary erosion control is the ability to hold soil in place long enough to establish vegetation with an extensive root system, which provides permanent erosion control.



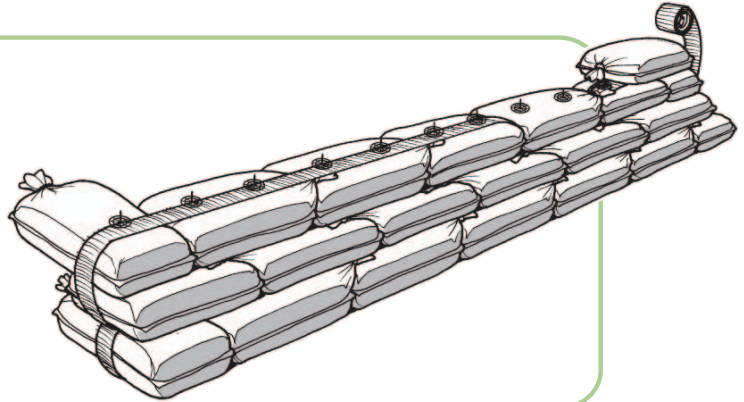
# How it Works

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

**The ecologically-advanced Envirolok System provides permanent erosion control in three important steps:**

## *Build the Wall*

Envirolok sand/soil bags are woven into a monolithic wall unit. This creates immediate soil confinement. Weaving the wall makes it into one strong unit instead of individual components. (Patent pending).



## *Vegetate the Wall*

After construction, the face of the bags are planted with native seed, plants and sod. The roots grow and develop extensive root systems, growing through the bags. Depending on local conditions, natives may take six months or more to develop the root system necessary to insure permanent erosion control success.

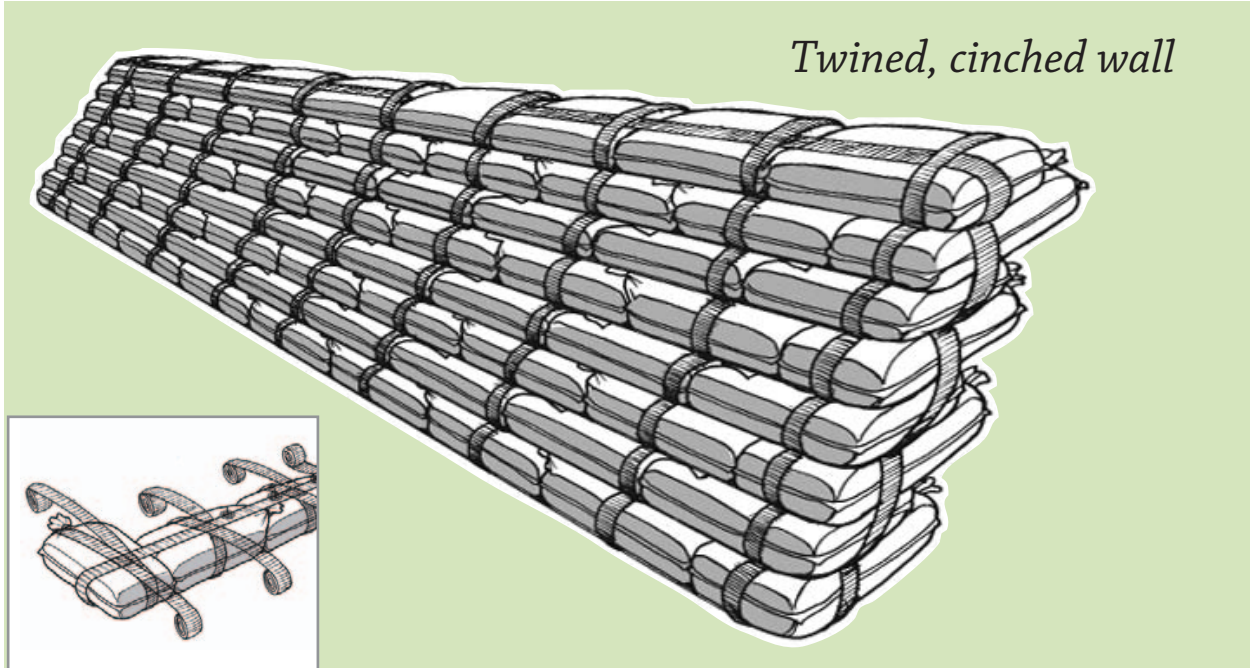


## *Grow the Wall*

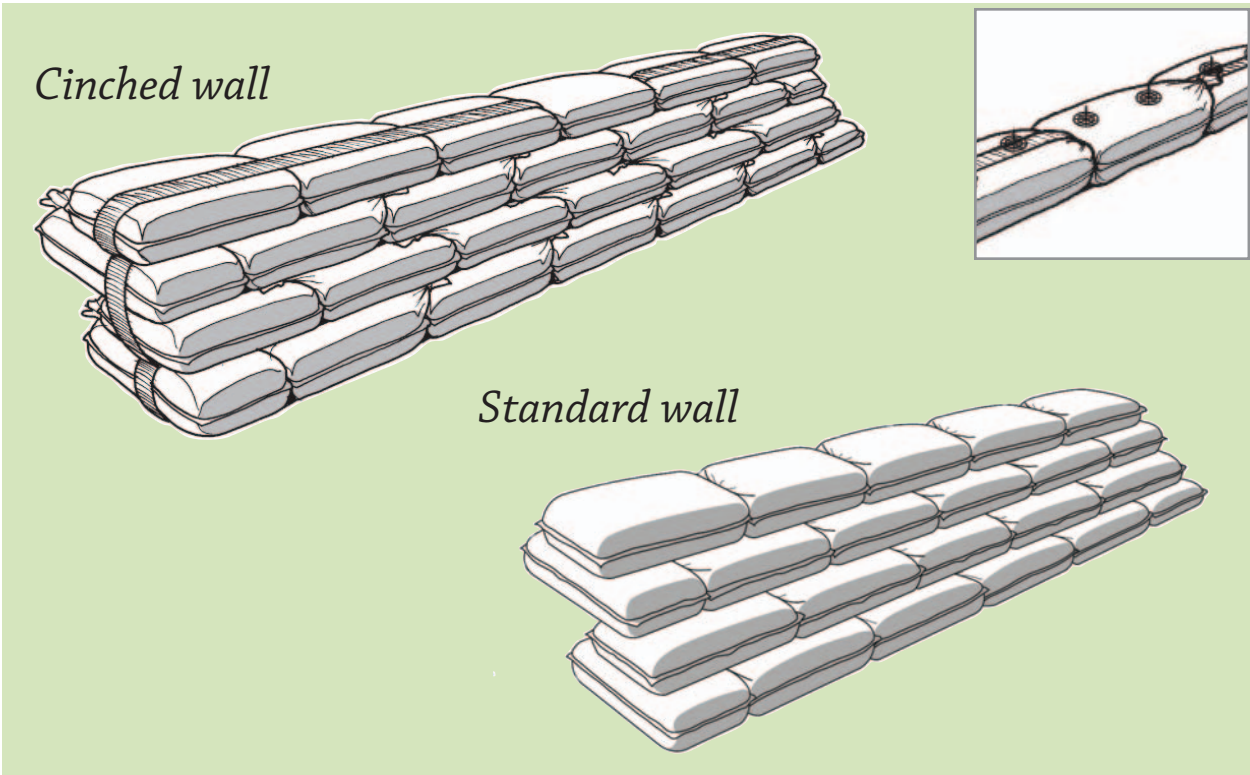
Mature natives, with some of their powerful root structures growing up to 20 feet into the earth, lock the wall into place, growing into the soil below and adjacent to the wall. This provides an ecologically sound and beautiful vegetated erosion control system with permanent structural strength.



**>4 Height**



**<4 Height**



# Components



## Envirolok Soil Bag and Tie

Item #904

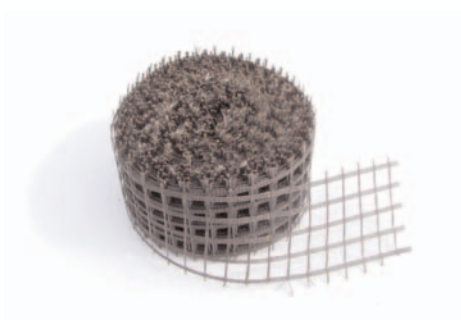
- Bag measures approximately 16"x 36"
- Filled bag measures approx. 14" x 24" x 6"
- Bags filled on-site, or shipped on pallets.
- Bag-filling equipment available



## Engineered Soil

Bag is filled with an approximately 80 lb. mixture of sand and compost

- 80% Coarse Sand
- 20% High-grade topsoil or compost: by volume



## Envirolok Bag Stabilizer

Item #912

- 100 ft. strips (4" x 100')  
Envirolok Bag Stabilizer



## Envirolok Spikes

Item #915

- Locks bags and wall, weaving material in place



**Envirolok Dibble**

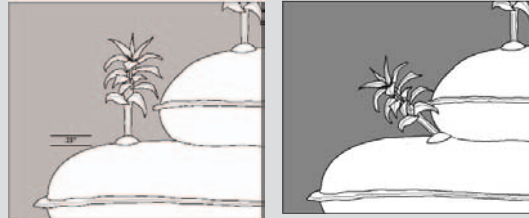
- Dibble tool pierces bags to install live native plants into the sand/soil bags



**Tamping Tool**

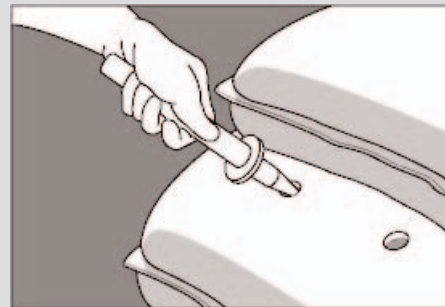
- Tamp each bag to flatten it slightly to insure a solid and uniform structure

**How to use the dibble tool to plant the bags**

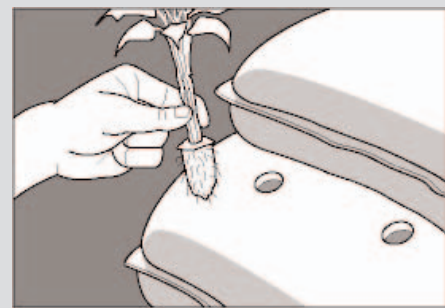


**Plant Placement Options**

*Crown: .25" Exposure*



*Punch a clean hole in the bag*



*Insert the plant plug into the hole*



*Use flat end of the dibble to push the edges of the bag fabric around the plug*



# *Vegetating the Wall*

**It is advisable to both hydroseed the retaining wall and to plant native plants and/or native sod on the face of the wall.**

**If you use both methods to vegetate the structure, it is preferable to hydroseed the structure first, then add plants and sod.**



*Hydroseeded shoreline wall*



*Hydroseeded streambank wall*

## **Root establishment in sand/soil bags**

- Sand/soil bag does not limit or constrict the diameter of the roots
- Rapid root colonization within the bag
- Bag material does not minimize quantity of root development; equal on both sides of the bag
- Roots can easily grow through multiple bags
- Once vegetation begins, the roots do the work, and the system becomes stronger over time







## Live Native Plants

In trays of:

- 32, 2 1/2" square plugs
  - 128, 15/16" square plugs
- or
- Your local native eco-types

### IMPORTANT

Water the bags thoroughly before planting and do not allow the plants to dehydrate.



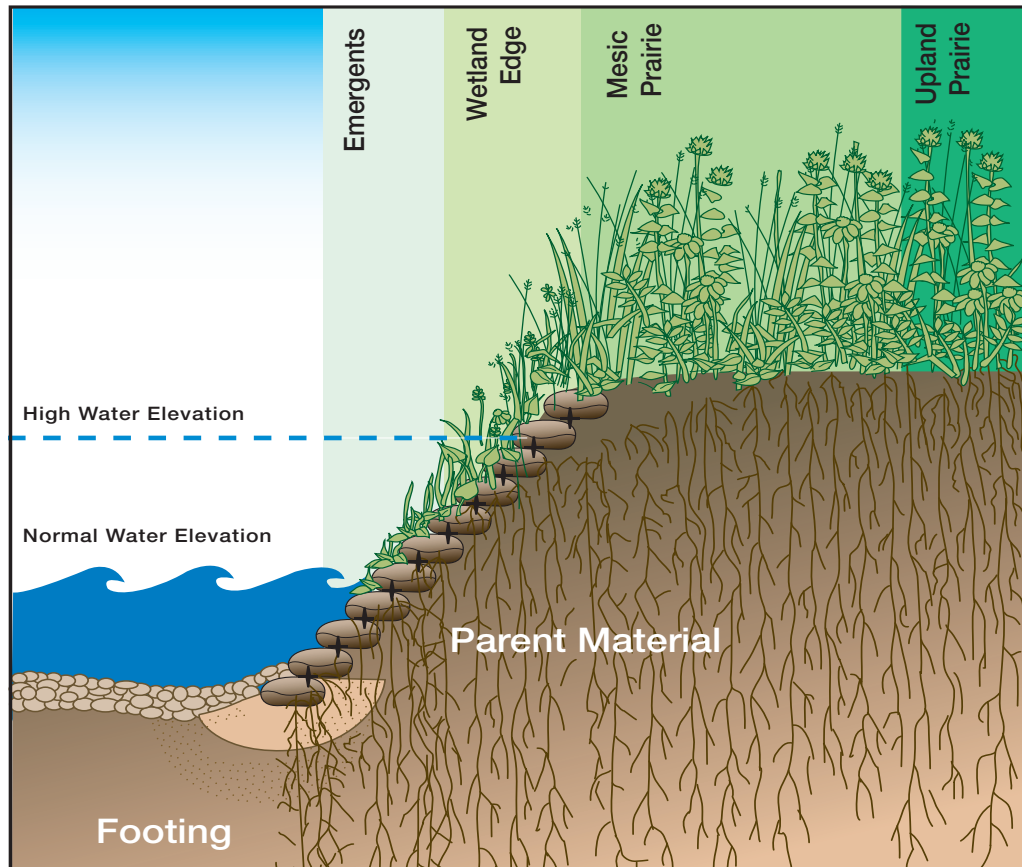
## Native Seed for Hydroseeding

### Agrecol's Envirolok Native Seed Mixes

- Mix #920 – Envirolok Full Sun, No Water Mix
  - Mix #921 – Envirolok Part Sun, No Water Mix
  - Mix #922 – Envirolok Part Sun, Riparian Mix
  - Mix #923 – Envirolok Full Sun, Riparian Mix
- or
- Your local native eco-types
  - BFM Recommendations for best results



# Vegetating the wall



## Mesic Prairie Zone

- Highest elevations of basins
- Buffer area that meets adjacent land use
- Never under standing water

*Species include: Big Bluestem, Indian Grass, Wild White Indigo, Rattlesnake Master, Ironweed*

## Wet Meadow Zone

- Represents elevations at the midpoint between standing water and Mesic Prairie
- Rarely under standing water – able to tolerate for short periods (<1wk.)

*Species such as: Bluejoint Grass, Rice Cut Grass, Common Fox Sedge, Boneset, Obedient Plant*

## Deep Marsh Zone

- Inundated nearly all of the time
- Dries out only in driest times if ever

*Species include: Soft-Stem Bulrush, Bur Reed*

## Wet Mesic Prairie Zone

- Next elevation down from Mesic Prairie
- Never under standing water except for 100 yr. situations
- Slightly closer to the water table

*Species include: Fringed Brome, Cordgrass, New England Aster, Great St. John's Wort, Meadowrue*

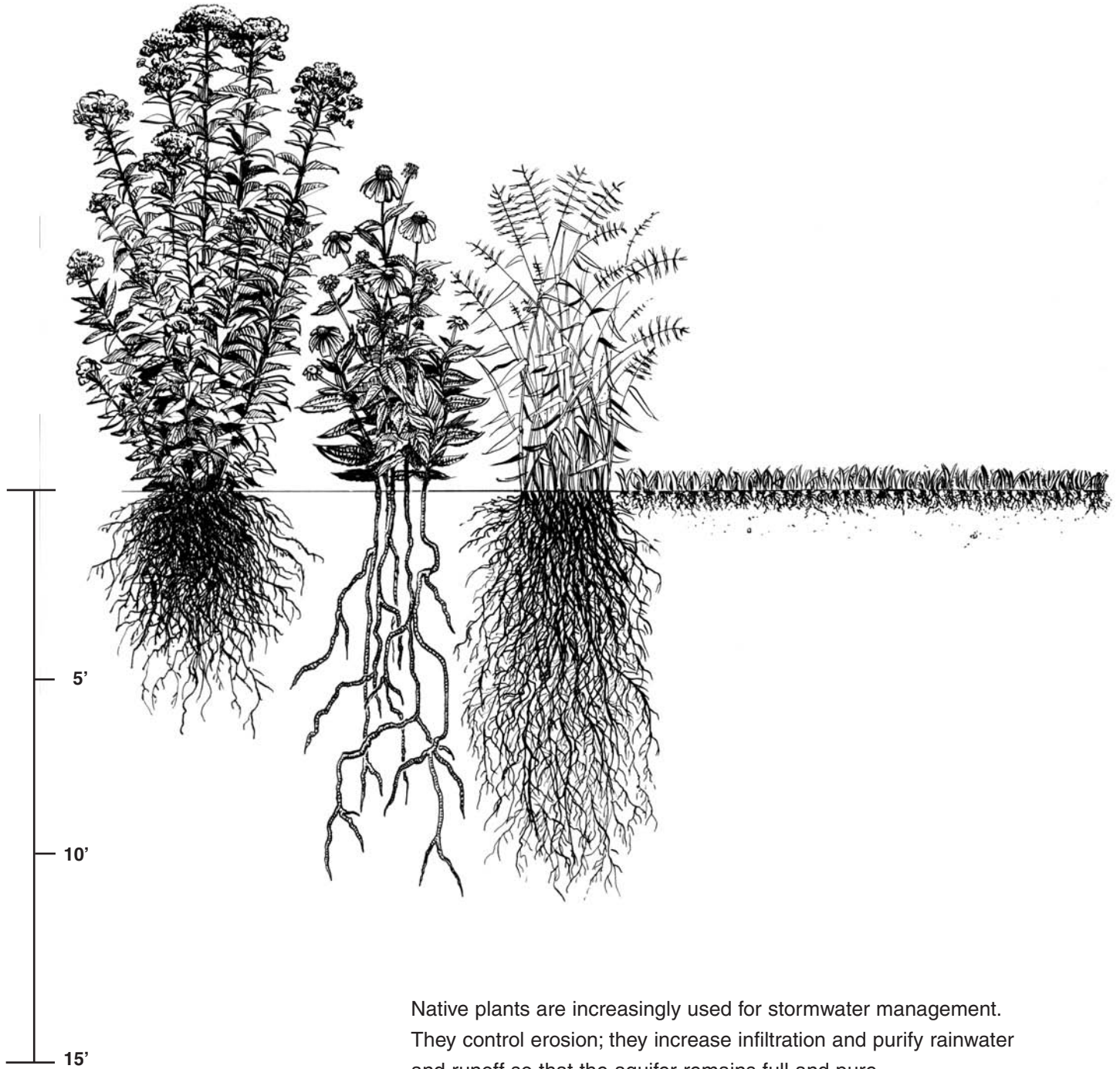
## Shallow Marsh Zone

- Inundated most of the time
- Dries out occasionally during dry times

*Species such as: Reed Manna Grass, Wool Grass, Arrowhead*



**Native prairie root system compared to a turf root system**



Native plants are increasingly used for stormwater management. They control erosion; they increase infiltration and purify rainwater and runoff so that the aquifer remains full and pure.

# System Benefits

## Building and vegetating the wall



*Building the wall*



*Planting the courses*



*Completed wall*



*Installing the wall*



*Installing the wall*

## Envirolok System Benefits

- Deep-rooted perennial vegetation locks, renews and improves the structure year after year
- Does not interfere with hydrological processes
- Provides habitat, safe for amphibious species
- Retains oxygen and moisture
- Absorbs sound
- Moves with freeze / thaw cycles
- Weeping/hydraulic piping is minimal in comparison to block or stone wall erosion control systems





**Single-bag filler**



**Three-bag filler**



*Pre-filled and palletized –  
delivered to your job site*



**Do NOT burn  
vegetation growing on  
the Envirolok system**

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