



Construction:

1. Uniformly grade a shallow depression approaching the inlet.
2. Drive 5-foot steel posts 2 feet into the ground surrounding the inlet. Space posts evenly around the perimeter of the inlet, a maximum of 4 feet apart.
3. Surround the posts with wire mesh hardware cloth. Secure the wire mesh to the steel posts at the top, middle, and bottom. Placing a 2-foot flap of the wire mesh under the gravel for anchoring is recommended.
4. Place clean gravel (NC DOT #5 or #57 stone) on a 2:1 slope with a height of 16 inches around the wire, and smooth to an even grade.
5. Once the contributing drainage area has been stabilized, remove accumulated sediment, and establish final grading elevations.
6. Compact the area properly and stabilize with groundcover.

Maintenance:

1. Inspect sediment fences at least once a week and after each 1 inch or greater rainfall. Make any required repairs immediately.
2. Clear the mesh wire of any debris or other objects to provide adequate flow for subsequent rains. Take care not to damage or undercut the mesh during sediment removal.
3. Replace stone as needed.