



# **GEORUNNER®** FLOW PROTECTION SYSTEM INSTALLATION GUIDELINE







## **NOTE:** The following installation techniques and recommendations may require an evaluation by Presto Geosystems to determine the applicability of use for individual project requirements.

#### **Base Preparation**

- 1. Prepare the sub grade as specified. No depressions shall exist that can retain water.
- 2. If flowing water is present, a sub-drain and outlet may be required. Ensure that proper slope is maintained throughout the drainage system and that the outlet is free from any obstructions preventing free drainage.
- 3. Excavate or fill foundation soils as required to elevations and dimensions as indicated on the drawings or as directed by the Engineer.
- 4. Ensure foundation soil meets specification requirements and is examined by the Engineer. If unacceptable foundation soils are encountered, excavate affected areas and replace these areas with suitable quality material as directed by the Engineer.

#### Surface Treatment

The specified surface treatment shall be installed immediately after the sub grade is prepared and approved. The surface treatment shall be fertilized and watered in accordance with the Contract Documents.

- 1. If required, seed and restrictions on noxious weeds shall conform to the requirements of the governing authority.
- 2. If required, sod shall consist of a dense, well-rooted growth of permanent and desirable grasses indigenous to the area of installation.
- 3. If required, the turf reinforcement mat (TRM) or erosion control blanket (ECB) shall be placed and secured in accordance with Manufacturer's recommendations. The type of TRM/ECB shall be based on the specific application. Consult with Presto Geosystems or project engineer for TRM/ECB recommendation.
- 4. In cases where vegetation is intact and the application doesn't require additional protection, the GeoRunner panels may be placed directly over the surface.
- 5. Installing the GeoRunner panels directly over bare ground is not recommended.





#### Installation of GeoRunner® Panels

- GeoRunner panels shall be placed down so that the flat surface of the 2 in x 24 in center band is facing up. The bottom side of the GeoRunner panel has four, ¼ inch diameter x ¼ inch long molded-in locator buttons on one end.
- The GeoRunner panels shall be placed with the locator buttons on the downstream side of the panel and with the long direction (4-foot length) in the direction of flow. Refer to Figure 1.

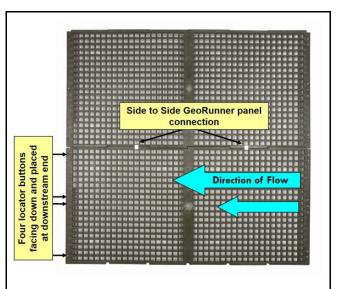
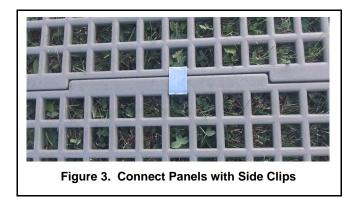


Figure 1. GeoRunner Panel and Direction of Flow

- 3. Snap the GeoRunner 2-foot ends together to engage the locator buttons.
- 4. Insert three rivets in the hole locations to secure the panels. Refer to Figure 2.
- 5. The GeoRunner panels are easily laid down in a running row and column pattern.
- 6. The panels can be installed in-place or assembled off to the side of the installation site and transferred to the installation area.
- When panels are attached side-to-side, interlock the 4-foot (long edge) side connections and secure with two side clips evenly spaced. Refer to Figure 3.



Figure 2. Install Rivets







#### Anchoring GeoRunner® Panels

- A minimum of four earth anchors shall be installed for each GeoRunner panel. Additional anchors may be required to keep the panels smooth and to ensure contact with sub grade. Refer to GeoRunner drawing for recommended anchor placement.
- 2. Install earth anchors by inserting the drive rod into the Duckbill® anchor head. Refer to Figure 4.
- Position and drive earth anchor into the soil with a sledge hammer or impact hammer to the length of the cable or until the desired resistance is achieved. Refer to Figure 5.
- 4. Twist and remove the drive rod. Drive rod may require "rocking" action to dislodge from the earth.

5. Using a wire gripper or other method, pull the cable firmly to remove slack and to set the earth anchor. Refer to Figure 6. The cable will move approximately 2 inches and the Duckbill will rotate beneath the surface to become permanently fixed in place, creating a "deadman".



Figure 4. Install Anchor



Figure 5. Position and Drive



Figure 6. Secure Earth Anchor





- Slide the Gripple® into the same panel opening as the cable. Refer to Figure 7.
- Install so the anchor Gripple sits atop of the panel opening. Refer to Figure 8.



Figure 7. Install Gripple



Figure 8. Set Gripple into GeoRunner Panel Opening

 Stand on Gripple and pull cable tight to remove slack and secure GeoRunner mat to ground surface. Refer to Figure 9.



Figure 9. Tighten Gripple to Secure GeoRunner to Ground

- 9. **Recommended:** Cut the cable approximately 2 inches above the Gripple head to allow for re-tensioning in the future, if required. Refer to Figure 10.
- Loop the cut end back into the Gripple head. Refer to Figure
  Looping the cable locks the free end safely as the Gripple is bi-directional and will permanently hold the free end of the cable.



Figure 10. Cut the Cable to Loop the Trailing End



Figure 11. Loop Cable Back in the Gripple



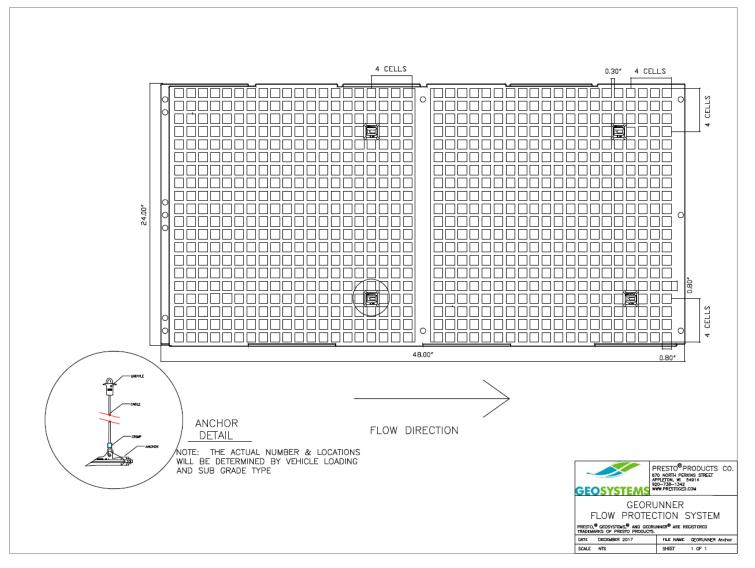


#### Maintenance

- 1. The final anchored surface will be relatively flat and smooth. Caution should be exercised to assure all components are properly installed to prevent trip hazards.
- 2. The GeoRunner area can be mowed and maintained once adequate vegetation has been established. A minimum blade height of 4 inches is recommended. Ensure that no edges or areas protrude that could catch on the mower blades.
- 3. Minor thermal expansion of the exposed GeoRunner panels due to high temperatures is normal. This expansion may result in intermittent bulging of the secured GeoRunner system. As vegetation is established, the turf will insulate the GeoRunner system and the potential for thermal expansion will be minimized.







Drawing 1. GeoRunner Anchor Pattern





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