

Source: Caltrans Construction Site Best Management Practices Manual, 2003.

#### Description

Devices installed at storm drain inlets to detain and/or filter sedimentladen runoff. These devices trap and prevent sediment from entering into the storm drain system.

#### **Applications**

Every storm drain inlet that may intercept sediment-laden runoff shall be covered or protected.

### Installation and Implementation Requirements

- Five types of inlet protection are described below.
  - Geotextile Filter Fabric Fence: Applicable to drainage basins less than one acre and with less than a 5 percent slope.
  - o Block and Stone Filter: Applicable to flows exceeding 0.5 cfs.
  - Stone and Wire Mesh Filter: Applicable to curb or drop inlets subjected to traffic from construction equipment.
  - Sandbag Barrier: Applicable to sloped, paved streets; creates a small sediment trap upstream of inlets.
  - Excavated Drop Inlet Sediment Trap: Applicable to areas requiring overflow capability due to expected high flows; an excavated area around the inlet which detains runoff and allows sediment to settle.
- In addition to the methods of inlet protection described above, there
  are other effective methods and proprietary devices, which may also
  be used.
- Limit to drainage areas less than one acre, unless a sediment trap intercepts the runoff prior to the inlet protection device.
- Provide an area for water to pond around inlet without flooding nearby structures and property.

### Installation and Implementation Requirements (Continued)

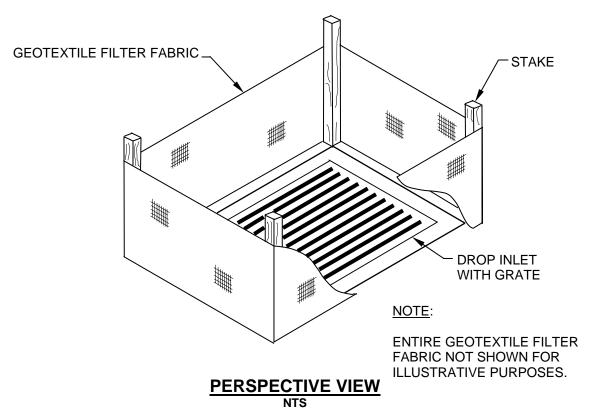
• Other proprietary devices may be used and shall be installed per manufacturer's recommendations.

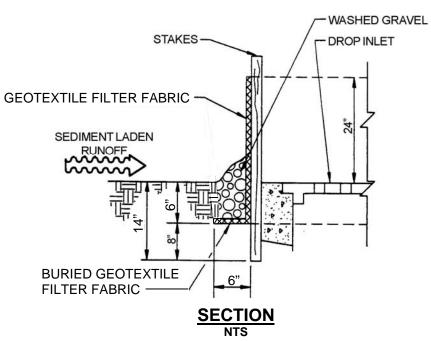
#### Limitations

- Short-term flooding at a protected inlet will occur but must not become a traffic hazard.
- Drainage area limited to one acre or less.
- Straw bales shall not be used for inlet protection.
- Runoff on slopes may bypass protected inlets

# Inspections and Maintenance

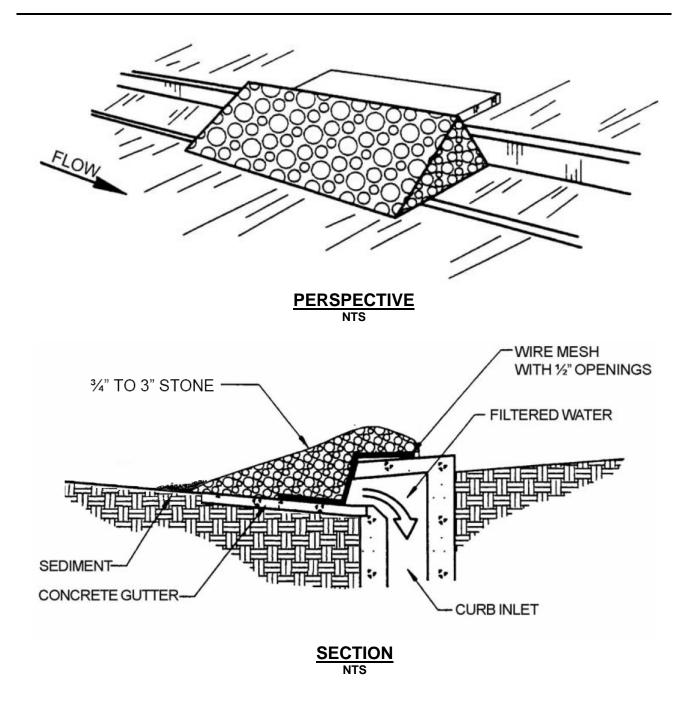
- Inspect weekly during dry periods as well as within 24 hours of any rainfall of 0.5 inch or greater which occurs in a 24-hour period and daily during periods of prolonged rainfall.
- Immediately replace clogged geotextile filter fabric or stone filters.
- Remove accumulated sediment when depth reaches half of the filter height or half of the sediment trap depth.
- Remove inlet protection after stabilization of upstream soils and sweeping of streets is completed. Properly dispose of trapped sediment.





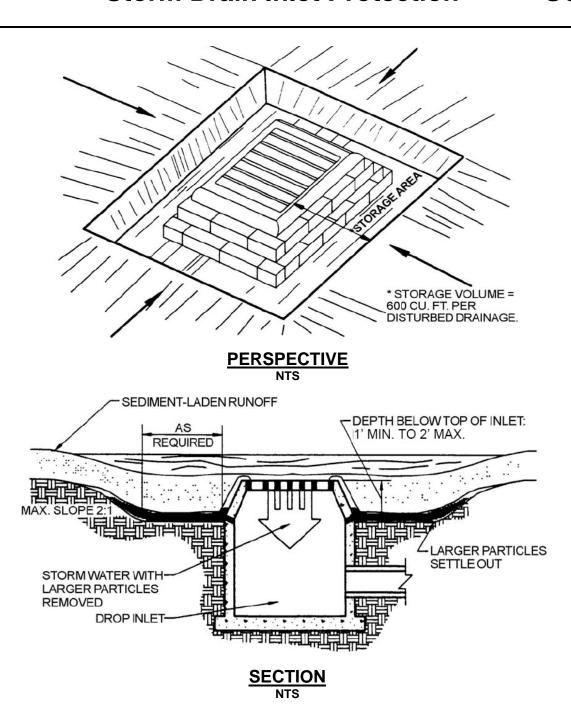
# **GEOTEXTILE FILTER FABRIC FENCE FOR DROP INLET FILTER**

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NOTE: NOT APPLICABLE TO AREAS WITH HIGH TRAFFIC VOLUMES.

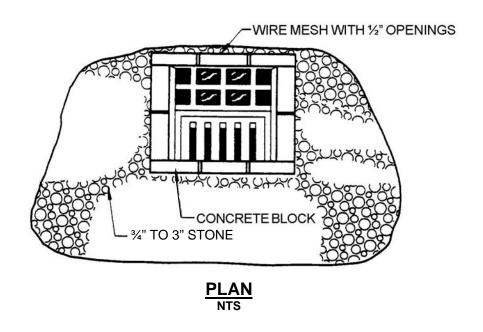
### STONE AND WIRE MESH FILTER FOR CRUB INLET

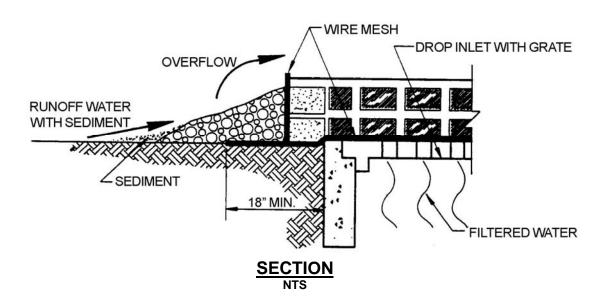


NOTE: THIS METHOD OF INLET PROTECTION IS APPLICABLE WHERE HEAVY FLOWS ARE EXPECTED AND WHERE OVERFLOW CAPABILITY AND EASE OF MAINTENANCE ARE DESIRABLE.

# **EXCAVATED DROP INLET SEDIMENT TRAP**

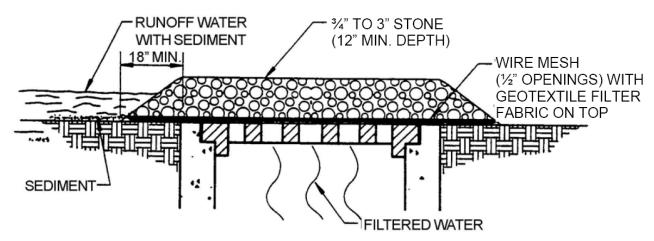
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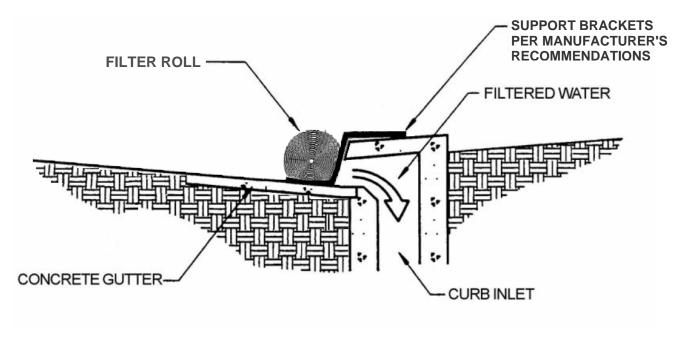


# **BLOCK AND STONE FILTER AT DROP INLET**

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# STONE AND WIRE MESH FILTER FOR DROP INLET



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