

Preface

The purpose of this Field Guide is to provide a quick, handy guide for persons involved in land disturbing activities. This includes homebuilders, general contractors, road builders, installers of best management practices, erosion and sediment control planners and designers, plan reviewers and inspectors.

The basis for the Field Guide is Volume 2 of the Alabama Handbook for Erosion Control, Sediment Control and Stormwater Management on Construction Sites and Urban Areas (Blue Book), July 2022.

The Field Guide covers the most commonly used erosion and sediment control practices contained in the Blue Book. Some details and most pictures of the practices were omitted to maintain a small format.

Consult the Blue Book Volumes 1 and 2 for details on planning, design, construction, and inspections. It may be viewed at the Alabama Soil and Water Conservation Committee homepage (<https://alabamasoilandwater.gov/alesc/>) and it may be purchased from the Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation Foundation (order form is at the same web location mentioned above).

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