FACTSHEET 05

Diversion of Up-Slope Water

WHERE STORMWATER RUN-OFF
IS MORE THAN 0.5 HECTARE AND
WHERE PRACTICAL, UP-SLOPE
WATER SHOULD BE DIVERTED
AROUND THE SITE. STORMWATER
CAN BE DIVERTED WITH THE USE OF
SMALL TURF OR GEOTEXTILE LINED
CATCH DRAINS, OR WITH THE USE
OF DIVERSION BANKS.

Diverted stormwater should be discharged onto stable vegetated areas and should not be diverted into neighbouring properties unless written permission is obtained from the land owner(s). Avoid directing stormwater towards the site's entry/ exit point.

- Advantages. There is a reduction in the amount of water that must be treated onsite. The site is kept drier during wet periods.
- Remember on steep sites, depending on duration of works and expected water flows, it is best to line the earth drain with turf or a geotextile fabric to avoid unnecessary soil erosion.

