



## El Paso County Conservation District

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## Falcon Field Metropolitan District

Noxious weeds are a major resource concern for the El Paso County Conservation District and weeds need to be managed and controlled prior to going to seed either by chemical, mechanical, or biological control. Please contact the El Paso County Conservation District for fact sheets on specific weed control measures for each noxious weed present on the site.

Topsoil should be stripped to a depth of 6 inches and all stock piles should have side slopes no steeper than 3:1 and seeded. All disturbed areas should be seeded and mulched with weed free hay mulch at 4,000 lbs. /acre. All disturbed areas should be reseeded between the planting dates of Nov. 1-April 30<sup>th</sup>. Grass seed should be drilled at a depth of ¼ to ½ inch deep. . Please utilize the attached El Paso County Conservation District Native Shotgun mix and rates that was approved by a NRCS Rangeland Management Specialist for best results if native species are preferred on your predominately Sandy Foothill and Gravelly Foothill range sites.

According to NRCS soils survey, the 8-Blakeland loamy sand 1-9% slope soils are very limited for shallow excavations. Due to the limitations on the above soils, alternatives to mitigate the limitations of the above soil will be required in your engineering design or construction techniques.

The El Paso County CD board strongly recommends that Low Impact Development (LID) techniques be implemented for economic and conservation benefits.

The channels of many of the major streams are not stable and undergo substantial shifts in alignment during flood events. Upstream development increases the magnitude and frequency of local flooding. Floods that exceed the computed 100-year storm do regularly occur. The district does not support development proposals that are located in or near drainages. The district recommends that no disturbance occurs within 50 feet from the top of the bank on both sides of all drainages is allowed to avoid a potential flood hazard to the property and to prevent water and soil erosion.

Silt fences or other forms of erosion barriers should be planned and need to be installed as a temporary sediment control device used on construction sites to protect water quality.

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