


## The use of Geosynthetic Cementitious Composite Mats (GCCM's) for Erosion Control Applications

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## New Class of Geosynthetic material



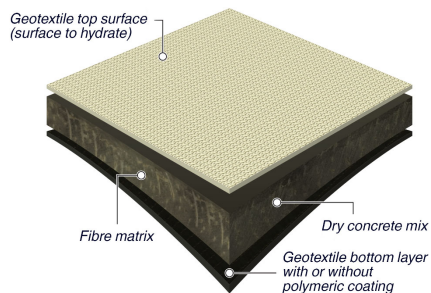
GCCMs change from flexible to rigid on hydration

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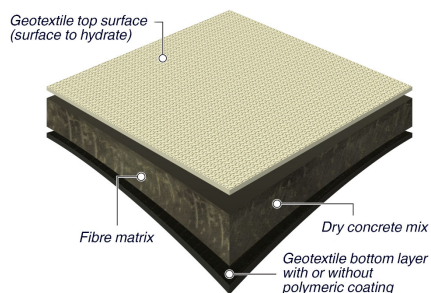
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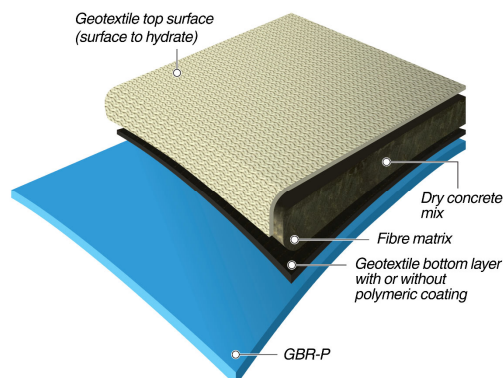


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## Typical Delivery Formats



**CC Bulk Rolls**  
Up to 200sqm of concrete on a single pallet



**CC Batched Rolls**  
Man portable batched rolls of 5 or 10sqm



**CC Wide Rolls**  
Available in 2.2m and 3.3m widths


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Typical Type I GCCM slope protection application  
 CC5™, Brunei, 2019




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Typical Type II GCCM channel lining application  
 CC8™, Myra Falls, Canada, 2016




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Typical Type III GCCM application over loose subgrade with high velocity flow. CC13™, Willow Creek, Canada, 2012



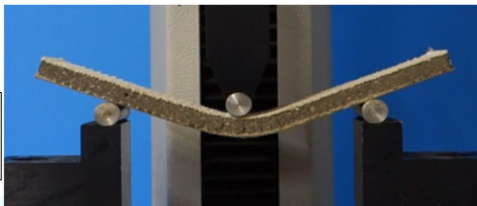
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Flexural Strength testing



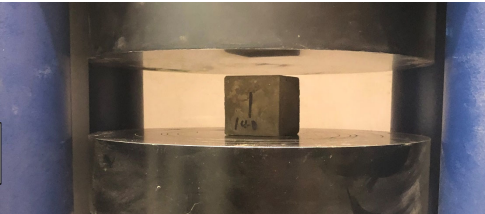
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Compressive Strength  
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#### BBA Certification

Durability (GCCB / GCCM)	BBA	50yrs / 120yrs
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**GCCM Core Applications**

**CHANNEL LINING**  
SLOPE PROTECTION  
BUND LINING  
CONCRETE REMEDIATION  
WEED SUPPRESSION

**Rapid lining of earth channels, ditches, gullies, canals and spillways.**

Compared to conventional concrete lining:

- Faster
- Easier
- Less expensive
- Does not require specialist contractors or equipment
- Environmentally friendlier



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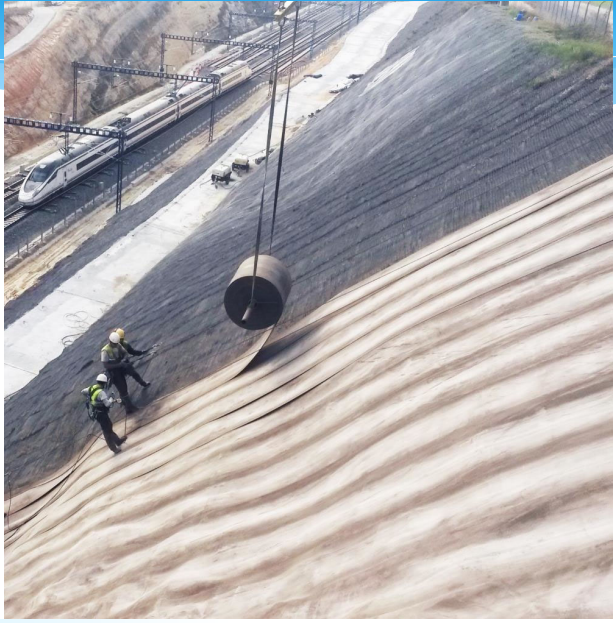
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**Hard armoured facing for slopes to mitigate weathering erosion and water ingress.**

Compared to shotcrete:

- Typically faster to install
- More cost effective
- Does not require specialist contractors or equipment
- Eliminates the risk associated with rebound or debris



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**GCCM Core Applications**

CHANNEL LINING  
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WEED SUPPRESSION

**Encapsulation of typically trapezoidal earth or clay secondary containment berms.**

- Provides protection against weathering erosion
- Effective weed suppression
- Protects against burrowing animals
- Reduce maintenance costs
- Provide additional level of impermeability



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CHANNEL LINING  
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**CONCRETE REMEDIATION**  
WEED SUPPRESSION

**Reinstatement of existing assets, typically repairing cracked and dilapidated pre-cast concrete sections.**

Compared to injection resins, in-situ pour or slab replacement:

- Swift return of asset to operation
- Maintain internal volume of structure to preserve capacity



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**GCCM Core Applications**

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**WEED SUPPRESSION**


**Rapidly installed, effective vegetation control typically installed along road or rail structures, under pipe tracks and across easement areas of security fencing.**

Compared to geotextiles and aggregate:

- Durable
- Reduce maintenance
- Protects against burrowing animals
- Effective against invasive species




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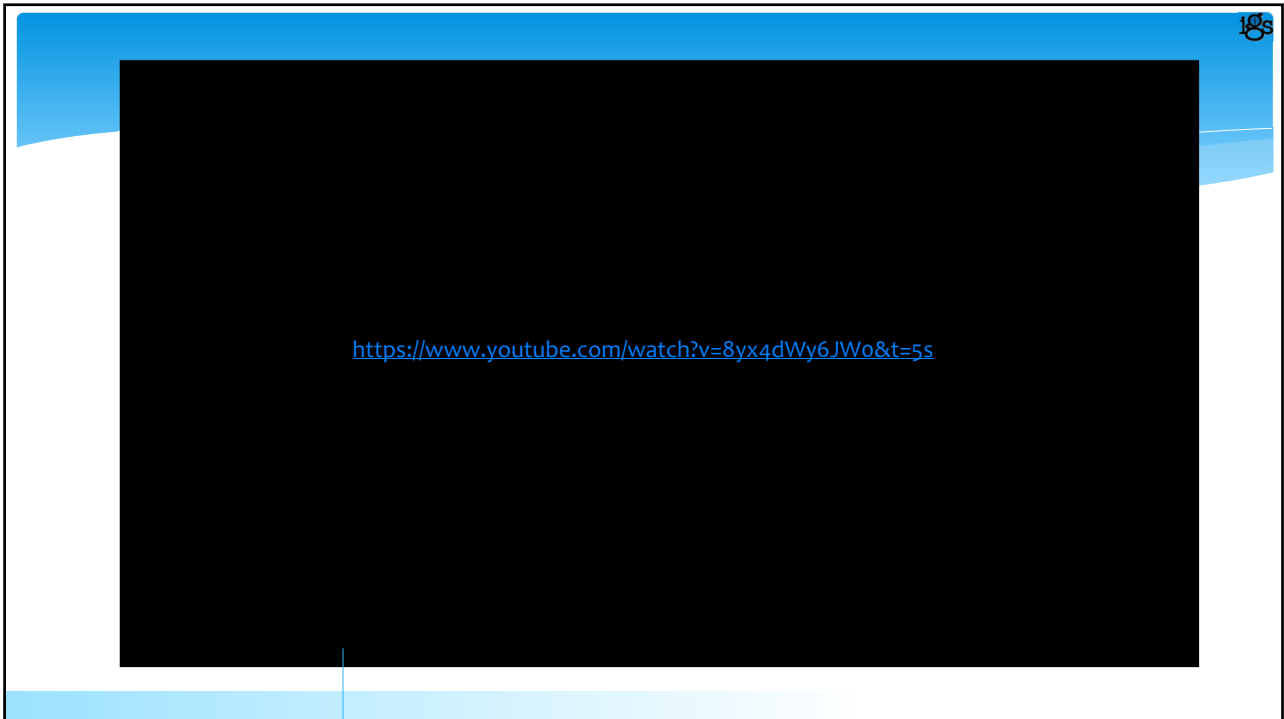


**OTHER**

- Culvert Repair
- Gabion Reinforcement
- Temporary Works
- Pipe Protection
- Mining Vent / Blast Walls
- Cable Covering / Protection



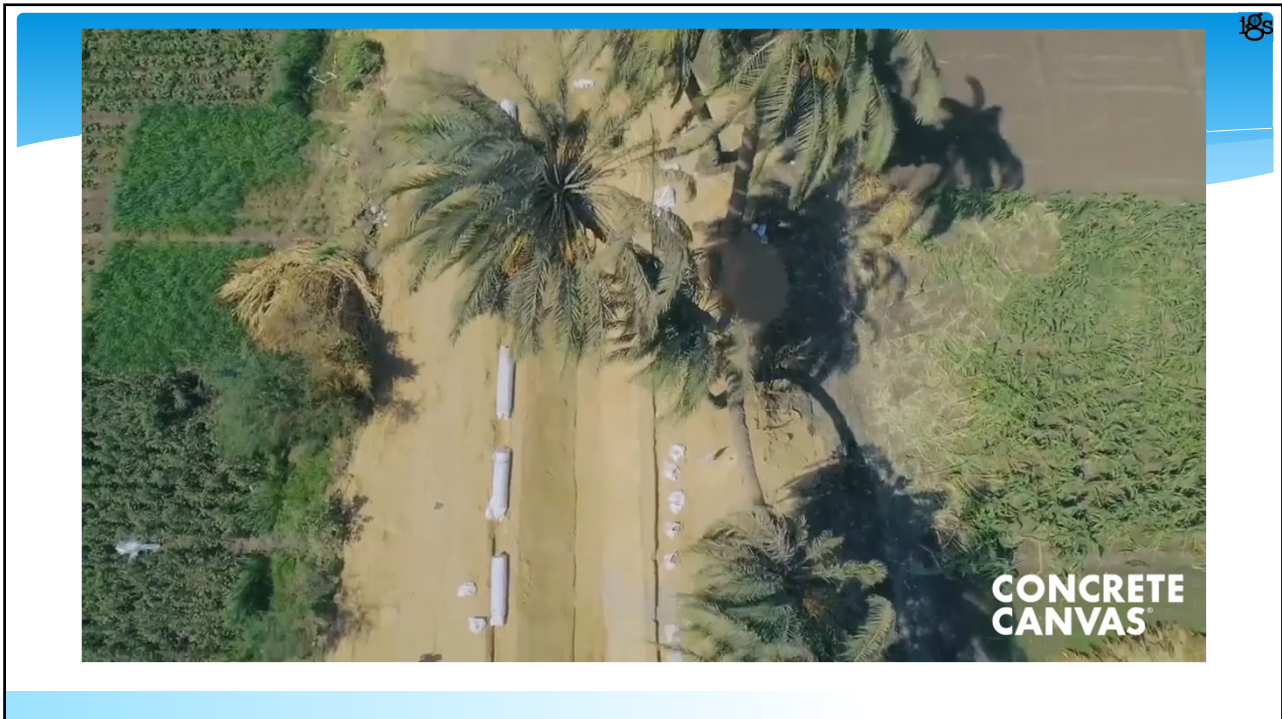
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**GCCMs : for Erosion Control**  
**GCCBs : for Seepage Control**

- Speed of Installation
- Ease of Installation
- Durable
- Lower Carbon




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Thank You

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**ASTM D8364 TABLE 1**

GCCM Property	Test Method	State of GCCM	Unit	Minimum Values Unless Specified		
				Type I	Type II	Type III
Thickness	ASTM D5199	uncured	mm	4.5	7.0	7.0
Thickness	ASTM D5199	cured - 24 hrs	mm	4.5	7.0	7.0
Mass per Unit Area	ASTM D5993	uncured	kg/m <sup>2</sup>	6.5	10.5	10.5
Density	ASTM D5993/D5199	uncured	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	1250	1250	1250
Flexural Strength - Initial Breaking Load	ASTM D8058	cured - 24 hrs	N/m	625	1500	3750
Flexural Strength- Initial Flexural Strength	ASTM D8058	cured - 24 hrs	MPa	3.5	3.5	3.5
Flexural Strength- Final Flexural Strength	ASTM D8058	cured - 24 hrs	MPa	4	4	4
Compressive Strength of Cementitious Mix	ASTM D8329	cured - 28 days	MPa	40	50	60
Pyramid Puncture Resistance	ASTM D5494 Type B	cured - 28 days	kN	2.0	3.5	4.5
Abrasion Resistance (maximum value)	ASTM C1353	cured - 28 days	mm/1000 Cycles	0.3	0.3	0.3
Tensile Strength - Final	ASTM D6768	uncured	kN/m	8	8	8
Tensile Strength - Initial	ASTM D4885	cured - 28 days	kN/m	3.5	6.5	9
Tensile Strength - Final	ASTM D4885	cured - 28 days	kN/m	10	19	19
Freeze - Thaw (residual Initial Flexural Strength after 200 cycles)	ASTM C1185	cured - 28 days	%	80	80	80

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ASTM D8364 TABLE 1



CC SPEC SHEET TO ASTM D8364

Concrete Canvas® (CC) Classification Properties to ASTM D8364 'Standard Specification for GCCM Materials' 2103.01 EN

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				Type I Specification	CC5™	Type II Specification	CC8™	Type III Specification	CC13™
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Mass per Unit Area	ASTM D5993	uncured	kg/m²	6.5	>6.5	10.5	>10.5	10.5	>16.5
Density	ASTM D5993/D5199	uncured	kg/m³	1250	>1250	1250	>1250	1250	>1250
Flexural Strength - Initial Breaking Load* (1st crack in cementitious material)	ASTM D8058	cured - 24 hrs	N/m	625	>625	1500	>1500	3750	>3750
Flexural Strength - Initial Flexural Strength* (1st crack in cementitious material)	ASTM D8058	cured - 24 hrs	MPa	3.5	>3.5	3.5	>3.5	3.5	>3.5
Flexural Strength - Final Flexural Strength*	ASTM D8058	cured - 24 hrs	MPa	4	>4	4	>4	4	>4
Compressive Strength of Cementitious Mix (water/cementitious materials ratio to ASTM D8329)	ASTM D8329	cured - 28 days	MPa	40	>70	50	>70	60	>70
Pyramidal Puncture Resistance	ASTM D5494 Type B	cured - 28 days	kN	2.0	>3.5	3.5	>8.0	4.5	>10
Abrasion Resistance (cementitious barrier depth of wear - maximum value)	ASTM C1363	cured - 28 days	mm/1000 Cycles	0.3	<0.25	0.3	<0.25	0.3	<0.25
Tensile Strength - Final*	ASTM D6788	uncured	kN/m	8	>8	8	>8	8	>8
Tensile Strength - Initial** (1st crack in cementitious material)	ASTM D4885	cured - 28 days	kN/m²	3.5	>6	6.5	>7	9	>9
Tensile Strength - Final**	ASTM D4885	cured - 28 days	kN/m²	10	>17	19	>19	19	>19
Freeze - Thaw (residual initial Flexural Strength to ASTM D8058 after 200 cycles)	ASTM C1185	cured - 28 days	%	80	>80	80	>80	80	>80
GCCM Classification	ASTM D8364		Type	CC5™ = Type I GCCM		CC8™ = Type II GCCM		CC13™ = Type III GCCM	

\* GCCM materials are non-isotropic and the values for flexural strength, tensile strength, and initial breaking load are reported as the lower of the material machine production direction (length of roll) or material cross-machine production direction (width of roll).  
 \*\* When using CC tensile strength properties for design purposes, please contact Concrete Canvas Ltd for advice on the appropriate data to use.  
 For independent laboratory test results please consult the CC5™ ASTM D8364 Type I, CC8™ ASTM D8364 Type II and CC13™ ASTM Type III reports by BICS Laboratories Ltd

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 Dates Issued: 09/02/2019-03/03/2021

Client: Concrete Canvas  
 Material: Concrete Canvas

TEST METHOD: TEST SPECIFICATION NUMBER: P: 1 2 3 4 5 6  
 BICS Sample Ref: 1

Sample ID: CC5

Thickness (ASTM D5199-15D199) 1.56 1.49 1.46 1.38 1.36 1.27 1.19 1.21 1.37 1.35 1.08 1.07 0.91  
 Thickness (uncured) 5.16 5.18 5.15 5.13 5.21 5.03 5.16 5.26 5.25 5.28 5.19 5.03 5.00

Mass Per Unit Area (ASTM D5993) 7.07 7.24 6.83 6.78 7.88 6.34 7.41 7.86 6.07 7.07 6.79 6.48

Density (ASTM D5993/D5199) 1448

Flexural Strength (ASTM D8058-07) Machine Direction  
 Initial Flexural Strength (N/m) 712 713 771 681 722 738 722 730 714 730 734 681 625  
 Initial Flexural Strength (MPa) 44.12 44.58 46.48 40.61 42.25 43.8 41.94 42.11 44.36 41.2 42.72 40.37 37.66  
 Final Flexural Strength (N/m) 1390 1352 1372 1248 1277 1338 1339 1315 1384 1323 1318 1284 1271  
 Final Flexural Strength (MPa) 8.67 8.45 8.55 7.42 7.65 8.34 8.36 8.27 8.64 8.26 8.23 7.92 7.63  
 Deflection at First Crack (mm) 13.32 13.19 13.25 14.23 13.72 13.27 13.51 12.68 13.77 14.42 13.89 13.25 12.28  
 Final Flexural Strength (N/m) 68.90 67.08 67.05 65.00 66.00 65.00 65.00 66.00 66.00 66.00 66.00 66.00 66.00  
 Final Flexural Strength (MPa) 2090 2042 2050 2040 2050 2020 2020 2040 2040 2040 2040 2040 2040  
 Deflection at First Crack (mm) 21.60 24.20 24.40 23.50 23.60 23.60 23.60 23.60 23.60 23.60 23.60 23.60 23.60  
 Initial Modulus of Elasticity (N/m²) 3794 3940 3538 4960 4953 4788 4787 4908 4204 3877 4365 4880 4469

Flexural Strength (ASTM D8058-07) Cross Direction  
 Initial Flexural Strength (N/m) 610 576 628 518 524 626 630 641 555 476 619 576 647  
 Initial Flexural Strength (MPa) 37.8 36.8 39.3 32.1 32.6 39.2 39.4 40.7 34.7 29.1 38.7 36.6 40.0  
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 Final Flexural Strength (N/m) 4020 4130 3450 3640 3840 4200 3840 3730 3320 4130 3840 3320 3320  
 Final Flexural Strength (MPa) 2500 2575 2092 2212 2372 2692 2502 2422 2162 2692 2502 2162 2162  
 Deflection at First Crack (mm) 8.80 8.30 7.80 7.10 8.00 7.80 8.20 8.20 8.80 8.10 8.64 8.80 1.72  
 Initial Modulus of Elasticity (N/m²) 3733 3858 3672 3611 3515 3766 3766 3766 3622 3762 3641 3515 760

Compression Strength (ASTM D695-02B (8-16) 8-16 Edge Corner @ 30°C)  
 Compression Strength (MPa) 72.9 80.1 80.1 80.1 72.9 81.4 80.1 78.7 72.9 80.1 78.7 72.9 80.1

Pyramidal Puncture Resistance (ASTM D5494-03) Additional 2 - with Minimum Plate at the Indenting Rods  
 Puncture Resistance (kN) 4571 4408 4254 4441 4274 4441 4274 4441 4274 4441 4274 4441 4274

ASTM D5494-03 (8-16) 8-16 Edge Corner @ 30°C  
 Puncture Resistance (kN) 4571 4408 4254 4441 4274 4441 4274 4441 4274 4441 4274 4441 4274

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