

**Water Trucks**  
**Not recommended for post seeding watering.**

*We strongly recommend that water trucks not be used for post seeding watering.*

In our experience, the use of water trucks on projects has proven to be unsuccessful.

Even the most conscientious, well-intentioned truck operator has little or no chance of successfully delivering water to effectively and consistently cover the seeded areas. The seeded areas receive either too much water- which washes away the seed and may initiate some actual erosion – or not enough water to effect germination and maintain the plants. Ineffective watering will also break down the integrity of the fiber and binder which leaves the seeds exposed and reduces the ability of the material to provide erosion control.

We are convinced that it is better to allow natural rainfall to germinate and sustain non-irrigated seeded areas – or budget for, plan, and install a temporary above ground irrigation system to insure that water can effectively, evenly, and consistently cover the newly seeded areas.

Remember that most native plants will not germinate during the late spring and summer months. Daylight hours, ground and air temperatures as well as water influence whether or not native seeds will germinate.