

US Army Corps of Engineers



STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE FOR BACKFILL OF ANIMAL BURROWS IN OR NEAR LEVEES AND FLOODWALLS



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Holes and/or animal burrows are sealed by pumping a high solids bentonite clay grout (Cetco PureGold grout or equivalent) with a tremie pipe from bottom to top of the burrow. In order for this mixture to properly set and provide the necessary seal it is critical that the manufacturers mixing instructions be strictly followed (typically not more than 15 gallons of water per 50 pound sack of bentonite). The outer two feet of the burrow is backfilled and compacted with soil.