

Start by walking in the woods

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Walk the contour, hang flagging tape, consider the incline and side tilt. Look out for large tree, particularly the stumps. It is easy to cut



down a tree but sometimes try hard to remove the stump. Go around when necessary. Most important plan a route that avoid direct water run off, determine how you will channel the water, note where a bridge or culvert may be better than geo road fabric and rip rap. (note that there are many sizes of stone and they all have different uses.) Determine what time of year is best to work in the area without creating too much disturbance. Then when done, seed and mulch. (if you

drag on in to winter than seed in the spring and than mulch). And of course once the ground is wet and soft you can not drive any machines over it. But than again once winter freeze s the ground solid, and if there is not too much snow, fabric and gravel can be moved into the appropriate areas.

The 3" stone is best for the roadbed. Usually a song geo road fabric should be put down first and the gravel on top. this prevents the gravel from being pushed into the dirt / mud and becoming ineffective. So therefore the fabric.

If you notice the two piles of rock in the picture below. one is 3 inches rock the other is 6 inches or better. Some of the pieces are 12 inches or more. This is sometimes called rip rap rock. The large 14 yard dump trucks often can not get into the areas you want to repair. So a skid steer on track or a tractor with a 1 heard bucket might be the only way to move the material. Again, depending on the time of year and the firmness of the ground.

Pile on the Gravel

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Road Fabric

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