



## Case Study: Slope Protection, Primark Distribution Centre

During the construction of the DHL & Primark distribution centre in Thrapston, near Kettering, erosion protection was required along a stretch of newly formed embankments.

Covamat™ Fresh was selected for its ability to provide effective erosion control while promoting rapid grass seed germination. Covamat Fresh blankets consist of a coir blanket stitched with organic fertiliser, micro-organisms, grass seed, and a 5mm layer of topsoil, all supported by a biodegradable paper backing. The inclusion of topsoil ensures that seeds begin to germinate immediately upon installation, facilitating faster establishment of vegetation. With this in mind, Greenfix coordinated with the site team to ensure staggered deliveries, enabling the blankets to be installed as soon as they arrived.



Each pre-seeded Covamat Fresh blanket comes with one of six standard seed mixes. For this project, Seed Mix 2A was chosen, which includes 5% Creeping Red Fescue, 30% Chewings Fescue, 30% Smooth Stalked Meadow Grass, and 5% Brown Top Bent. This mix is ideal for low-maintenance applications, is shade-tolerant, and thrives in higher-quality soils. It promotes strong root development and provides excellent erosion control.



The embankment was prepared according to Greenfix's detailed installation instructions. The Covamat Fresh rolls were unrolled down the embankment, with the paper side facing down, and securely pinned into place following the recommended pinning pattern.



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