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The ground stabilisation mat for track & utility area construction

## CASE STUDY - DOC GISBORNE AREA OFFICE - 30-02-09

## PROJECT:

## GREYS BUSH SCENIC RESERVE – TRACK UPGRADE

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## **Project Brief**

The primary aim was to upgrade the current track to an enhanced short walk experience within a tall stand, kahikatea (podocarp), forest area close to an urban area i.e. 9.5 kilometres from Gisborne town centre. A secondary aim was to provide the opportunity of enjoyment to as wide a proportion of the general public as possible, in particular the disabled and young families using wheel chairs and strollers.

## **Construction Steps**

- Levelled the ground with a slight elevation in the middle of the track. The total width of the track is approximately 1.6 metres.
- 2. Laid sand, approximately 20ml, onto the track (over the compacted parent material) and compacted to provide a bed for the mat to lie on.
- The mats were laid, shortest side (4mats x 400mm total 1600mm) across the track interlocking the mats in straight sections of track.
- The mats were secured in place using 10mm gauge reinforcing steel cut to 200mm lengths @ approx 1 per matt.









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5. The mats were filled and compacted, using a local aggregate (Matakoitoki Red Rock)



 A cap layer was then applied of GAP20 with a small amount of cement added to aid compaction and surface strength.



#### Summary

Track has now been down 4 months with regular visitors and very favourable comment as to enhanced walking comfort.

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