

# Erosion protection for water bodies by applying the NovoCrete technology



## The spreading process:



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## The milling process:



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## The levelling process:



### **The compaction process:**









## **Construction methodology - Preparation:**



# Construction methodology - implementation of the first part of the berm and 17 layers of backfill:





Compaction

## **Construction methodology - recutting of the embankment:**



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## **Background:**

#### The milling-mixing-injection process used in depth soil solidification

The milling-mixing-injection process (MMI process) is an economical and environmentally friendly technology in special civil-engineering, in which the soil is intensively mixed with a binding agent suspension. The mixing takes place in-situ, without an open construction pit, with a specially developed soil milling machine. A homogeneous, water-impermeable, frost-proof and joint-free "earth concrete" body is created.

Due to the intensive mixing of the different types of soil during the mixing process, organic layers can also be improved.

#### Fields of application:

- In-depth soil improvement for traffic route engineering
- In-depth soil stabilisation of railway embankments
- Protection of road shoulders
- Construction of cut-off walls in dike construction
- Immobilisation of harmful substances

#### **Process description:**

#### In depth soil solidification using the milling-mixing-injection process (MMI process)

The milling-mixing-injection process is an "in situ" soil solidification. In this process, the existing soil is milled in one operation and evenly mixed with a binding agent suspension to create "earth concrete". At no point an open pit arises. The binder is added at the lowest point of the cutting blade, so that even mixing from bottom to top is enforced. Defects in the cut-off wall are therefore excluded.

With the newly designed MMI milling machine, the soil can be soldified up to a depth of 15 m. The milling widths can vary here (minimum 50 cm).

In the run-up to the construction of the cut-off wall, an excavator is used to create a feed trench which absorbs the excess masses caused by the process and thus protects the surrounding area from contamination with binder suspension.

The binding agent suspension is produced in an external mixing system and fed to the cut-off wall milling machine via pump systems and hose lines. The maximum conveying capacity is approx. 2 km, so that in the ideal case, with the central positioning of the mixing plant, a distance of approx. 4 km can be processed without transpositioning the working equipment. The process proves to be particularly low in vibration and noise. The impact on people and nature is thus reduced to a minimum.

Before starting work, suitability tests must be carried out to determine the recipe. In the suitability tests, the optimal amount of binding agent and the type of binding agent to comply with the required parameters (e.g. compressive strength, water permeability coefficient) are determined with the existing soil.





# **NovoCrete®** Ground improvement on railway embankments



#### Special advantages of the MMI process:

- Resource-saving minimization of mass transports in in contrast to soil exchange methods
- Vibration-free implementation of the process in contrast to soil compaction processes
- No longitudinal track shoring between construction tracks and operating track
- Implementation during continuous rail operation (alternating side single track)

- Strengthening of subbases with organic layers
- no in-house approval required
- No dismantling of the contact line is necessary due to the low device height
- Environmental aspects of existing vegetation on embankments can be met
- Short construction time



#### Special advantages of the MMI process:

By using the Novolnject process cut-off walls are created without replacing the soil by milling binding agents deep into the existing subsoil. The cut-off wall manufactured using the MMI process is a particularly effective solution for flood protection.

- Resource-saving by minimizing mass transports and using less raw materials
- vibration-free implementation of the procedure
- > great resistance to natural influences
- great resistance to chemical attack
- close distance to existing structures possible
- short construction time

# **Construction of cut-off walls using MMI process**



# Macro stability





# **Problem: Undermining of dikes (1)**







# **Problem: Undermining of dikes (2)**





# **NovoCrete®** Flood prevention using the MMI process







The combination of the MMI process with the use of steel girders at a statically required spacing enables extremely high loads. Occuring bending moments can be absorbed perfectly.



# Thank you for your attention!

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