

# **Geosynthetics, Sustainable Solutions!**

## Sustainability

• As global warming threatens our built environment, the term "sustainability" has become a key word in our daily life

#### Facts!

"Buildings and construction together account for 36% of global final energy use and 39% of energy-related carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ ) emissions when upstream power generation is included" (Global Status Report for Buildings and Construction 2019 – Analysis - IEA)

• Sustainable solutions for infrastructure development are also needed by adopting innovative materials, new design and construction technologies for construction

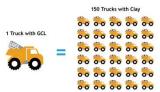
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### Geosynthetics provide sustainable solutions

- Smaller construction footprints (e.g., less land disturbance)
- Significantly lighter than earthen materials like clay, therefore, require significantly fewer truckloads to site





 Greater reuse of on-site materials with geosynthetics vs trucking in special fills

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