# Omaha Sewer **Porous Pavement** Case Study

**Project:** Fire Lane Infantry Brigade Headquarters

Location: Fort Riley, Kansas

**Application/Solution:** Porous Pavement for Fire Truck Access

Market Sector: Porous Pavement

Salesperson: Todd Noble Owner: Fort Riley Public Works Engineer: Army Corps of Engineers Contractor: Blueville Nursery Installed: January 2014



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### Challenge

Fort Riley needed fire truck access to the infantry brigade headquarters. A narrow sidewalk and grass area between buildings didn't provide enough room to allow for an emergency fire lane. The access area would need to support a fire trucks gross vehicle weight of 80,000 lbs.

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#### DESIGN 1

The area was excavated and a 6" aggregate base was added and compacted creating a solid base.



In order to still provide the same look of the vegetated area and not increase impermeable surface 275 units of Geoblock 5150 was installed on a 6" aggregate base. The geoblock units would be infilled with topsoil and seeded and protected with hydramulch.



#### **Results**

Fort Riley Public Works was able to add 1400 square feet of fire lane access and keep a green vegetated space, while not increasing stormwater runoff.



Geoblock units are filled in using a brick pattern to cover the area.

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#### **Products**

Manufacturers included in solutions and product:

Product: Geoblock 5150

Manufacturer: Presto





5 Topsoil is added to the open cells and brushed so the top of the cells are not covered by soil. This will allow the cell walls to protect the vegetation from the weight of the fire truck.





6 The area was seeded early spring 2014. Blueville Nursery also chose to cover the new seed with hydromulch knowing that the area was not irrigated.

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