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Mary Anne,

We have also noticed this on some of our tubes. Sharpening the edge will definitely help and make sure the beveled edge is from the outside in.

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We have seen this on a few occasions but definitely only in a few tubes. Might be your soil type. You could try and sharpen the edges of the cores so they cut more cleanly. Did you first pull back the litter layer to where it is fragmented?

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Hi all,

We will install our soil tubes this week, but we have a concern. We installed a couple of prototype tubes and we found that the soil inside the tubes became compressed during the installation process and ended up being about 3-4 cm lower than the soil around the tubes. I have attached a photo. (The tube is approximately level with the ground on the outside.) I assume that as the tubes were pounded in, roots that spanned the diameter of the tube were pressed downward by the tube edges before being cut, and this resulted in compaction of the soil below. Anyone else have this happen? Should we be concerned? (We have asked our shop to sharpen the outer edge of the tubes; maybe that will help.)

Any advice appreciated.

Thanks,
Mary Anne

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