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- 3. Clean pipe surface thoroughly.
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- Mount saddle on pipe with outlet facing desired direction.
- Tighten nuts evenly to a torque of 30-35 FOOT POUNDS on DI pipe and C900 PVC.
- 7. Overtightening can cause failure of the pipe and/or the saddle.
- 8. After the corporation stop has been installed, recheck saddle torque and tighten if necessary.
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