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Removal of Suspended Sediments during a Pond Dewatering using PAM Treatment Train: a Case Study Approach

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## Outline:

- 1. Project Background
- 2. How Polymer Works
- 3. Selection of Polymer
- 4. Treatment Method and Setup
- 5. Results







## **Project Background**

Install Date	July, 2016
Location	Highway 407 Extension Courtice Ontario
Scope of Work	<ul> <li>Supply and install sediment removal process using Clearflow Polymer</li> <li>Objective was to remove suspended solids from pond water before discharging to local receiving watercourse</li> </ul>
Challenge	<ul> <li>26 million litres of water pumped using a single 150mm (6") pump</li> <li>Meet local regulatory guidelines</li> <li>The process needed to run with little to no intervention.</li> </ul>







## **How Polymer Works**

- Water Lynx<sup>™</sup> polymer blocks and Treated Geo-Jute<sup>™</sup> contain anionic polyacrylamide (PAM)
- PAM is safe, easy to use, and very effective at solids removal, achieving rates up to 95%
- Called anionic because it has a net negative charge, allows it to bind with positively charged soil particles
- Other contaminants bound to the soil particles are also removed from suspension

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## **Selection of Polymer**

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**Jar Test Procedure** 

- 1. A sample, representative of the water/ suspended sediment within the pond is collected.
- 2. Approximately 100mL of sample is poured into a jar and a piece of water lynx block is added to the jar, with several samples jars and several different polymers tested within each jar.
- 3. Each jar is observed to determine the polymer which best flocculates the suspended solids
- 4. An NTU meter is used to confirm the before and after clarity of the each sample jar. The polymer which provides the best results is selected.









## Water Lynx release rates

#### **Example:**

Water Lynx polymer blocks used in a ditch flowing at 500 US gallons per minute.

- Typical design is 50 gpm/block
- Requires 10 Water Lynx blocks.
- Conservative estimate is to assume the blocks will be completely used up in 6 weeks.
- Go to curve on chart to determine average dosage of 0.22mg/L



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#### **Example of Water Lynx Product Results**

#### **Project Profile**









### **Pond Site**









## **Treatment Method and Setup**

**Components included:** 

- Clearflow Pipe Reactor "Bazooka"™
- Water Lynx<sup>™</sup> polymer blocks
- Treated Geo-jute<sup>™</sup> materials
- Ten- Cate Geotubes®
- Pumps and hoses to carry flow
- Liner for clarifying ditch









### Its all in the process!

**Project Profile** 

Zone A: Optimal Flow Velocity 1m/sec

















## **Dosing & Mixing Stage using Bazooka**



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### **Settling and Filtration**







## **Outlet and Monitoring**

















### Summary

- Economically and environmentally beneficial, as the products can be reused in future dewatering projects
- Significantly decreased the amount of TSS through 3 water treatment techniques from over 700 NTU to an acceptable level of less than 15 NTU
- Ability to accommodate different sized pumps to allow for minimal dewatering time
- The pump functioned automatically and worked well with the designed system, which resulted in minimal supervision



