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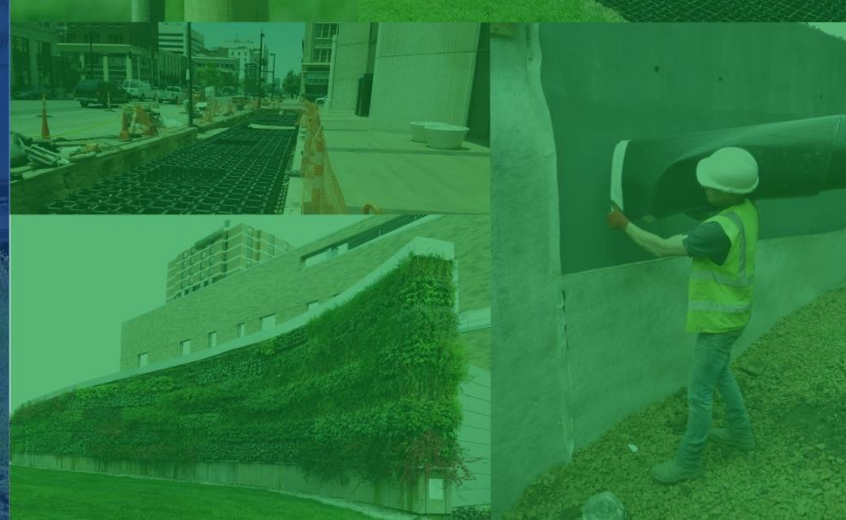
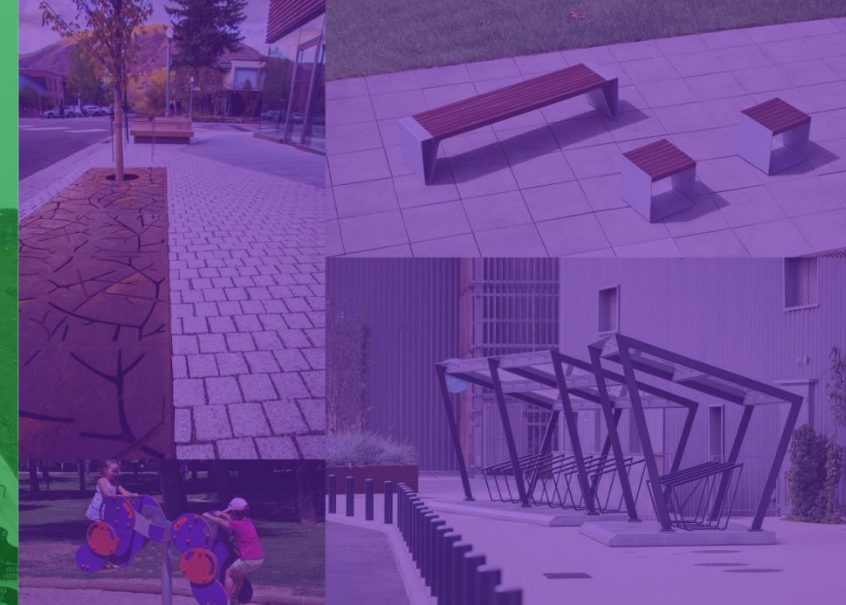
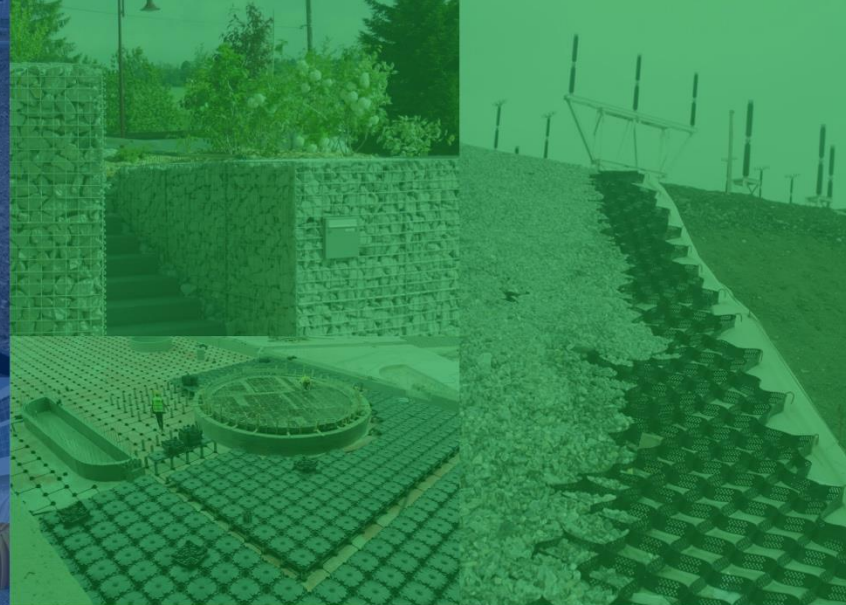
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Surface Water Drainage Seminar 2019

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1. Introduction to WTBurden



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landscape

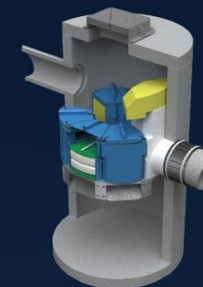
WTBURDEN
street furniture

An aerial photograph of a massive construction site, likely for a large-scale infrastructure project. The foreground shows a large, rectangular concrete structure under construction, with a complex network of steel reinforcement bars (rebar) and wooden formwork visible. A blue semi-transparent banner is overlaid across the middle of the image. In the background, numerous construction cranes are visible against a hazy sky, and a large crowd of workers is scattered across the site. The overall scene conveys a sense of large-scale industrial activity and teamwork.

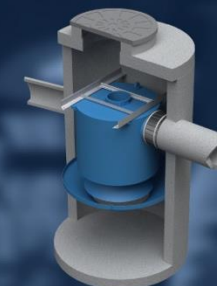
*What brings us all
together?*



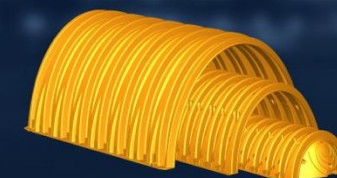
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Optimum™



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Filter Modules



90
Downstream
Defenders®

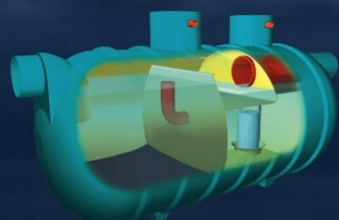


60,000m³ of
water storage in
underground
infiltration tanks

WT BURDEN
drainage&civils landscape street furniture



80 Hydro Vortex
Drop™ Shaft



80 Oil
Separators

An aerial photograph of a large-scale infrastructure project in a desert environment. The image shows a wide, multi-lane highway under construction, with several lanes already paved and others still in the process of being laid out. To the left of the highway, there is a large, modern building with a glass facade, which appears to be a hotel or a commercial complex. The surrounding area is mostly flat and sandy, with some construction materials and equipment visible. The sky is clear and blue. The text "Why are we all here today?" is overlaid in the center of the image in a white, serif font.

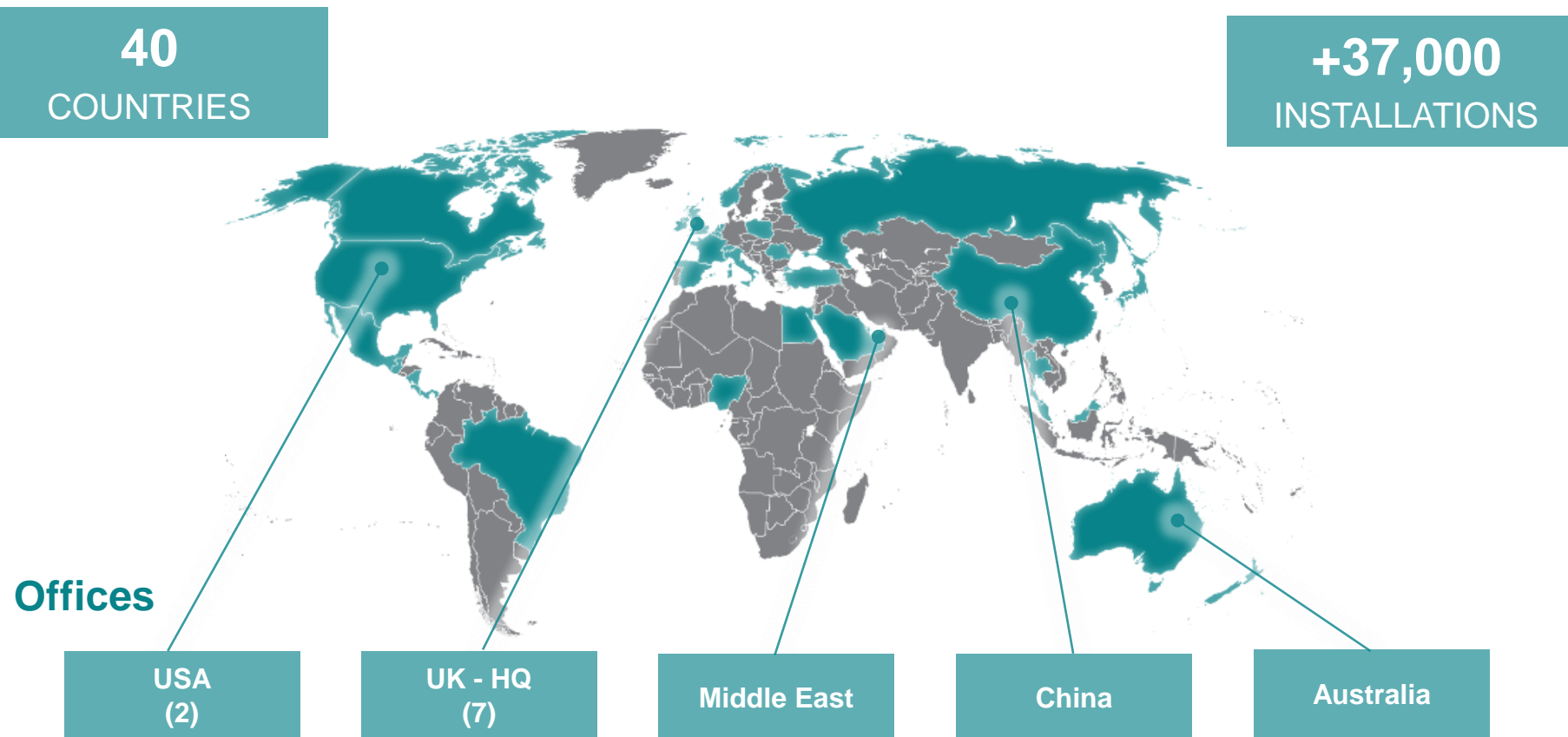
*Why are we all here
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Maintenance

1. Introduction to Hydro International

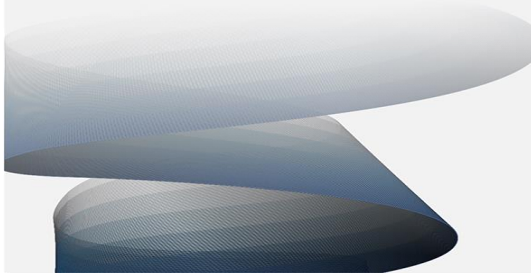
Hydro International: Who are we?





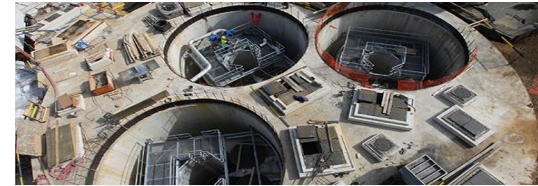
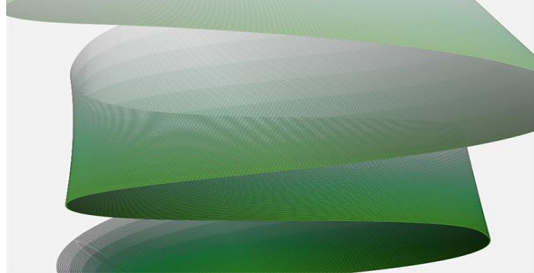
Water Quantity

Manage the rate that water travels through a catchment.



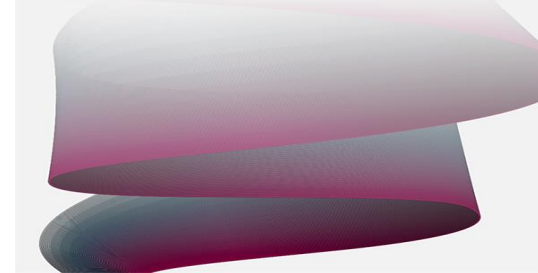
Water Quality

Removal of unwanted pollutants and particles from water collected from the catchment.



Water Behaviour

Collect and analyse water quality and quantity data as the water travels through the catchment.



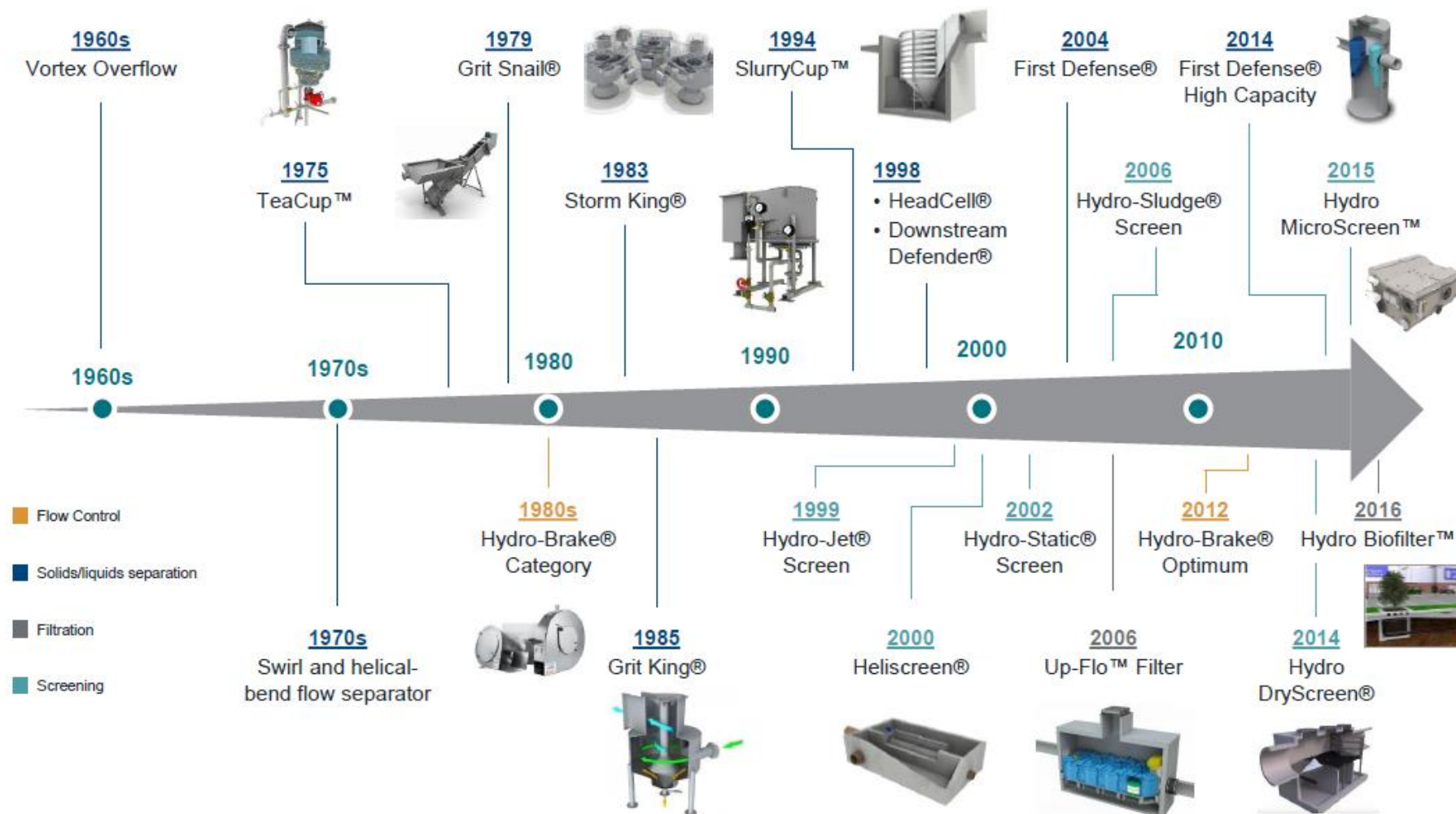
Hydro International Product Philosophy



- Hydro International product goals
 - No moving parts / minimal moving parts
 - No power / minimal power
 - Simple to install
 - Highly effective
 - Low maintenance
-Technologies that have low ecological footprint



A Foundation of Good Science

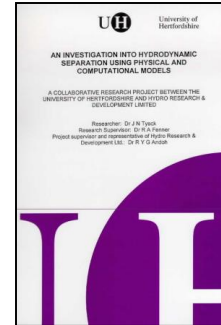
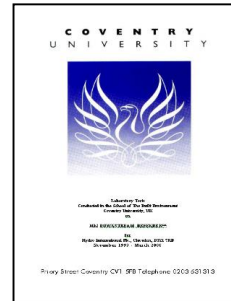


Testing and Validation

Comprehensive facilities for full-scale tests



Our Collaborations

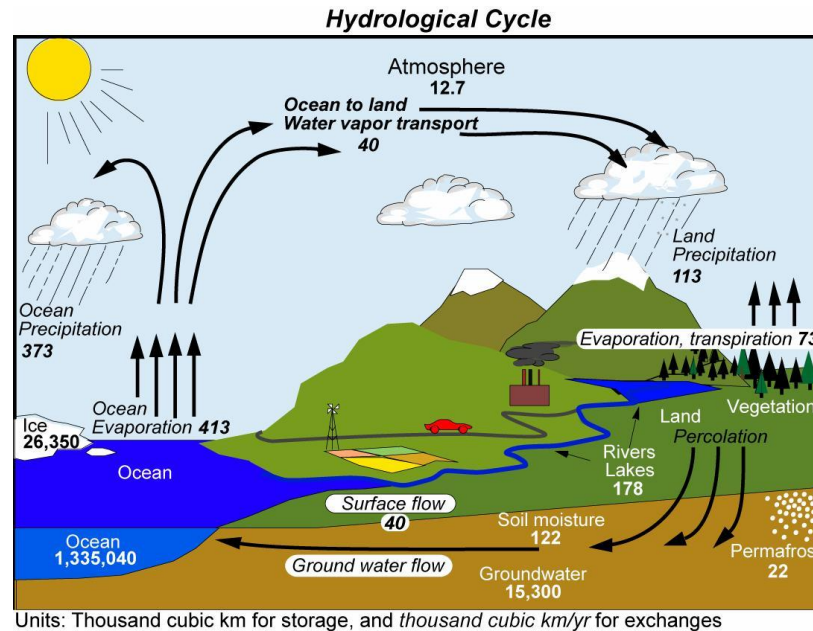


Certifications



2. Urban Water Management

The Water Cycle

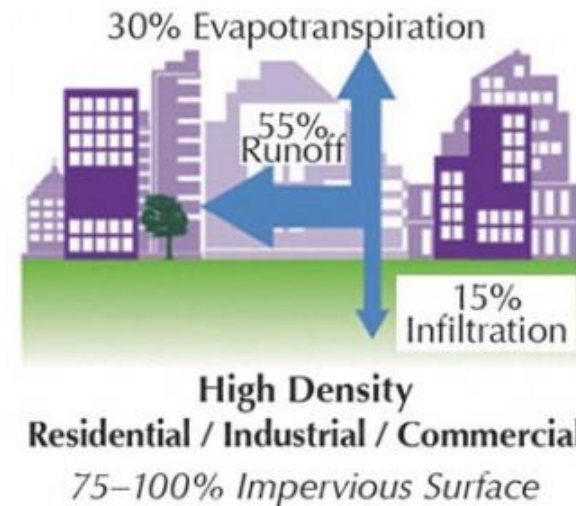
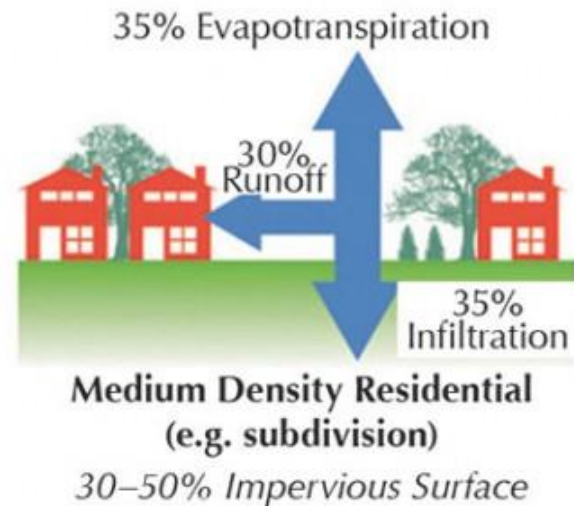
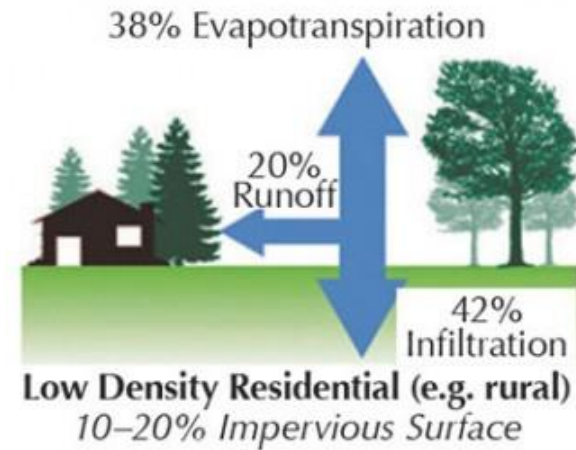
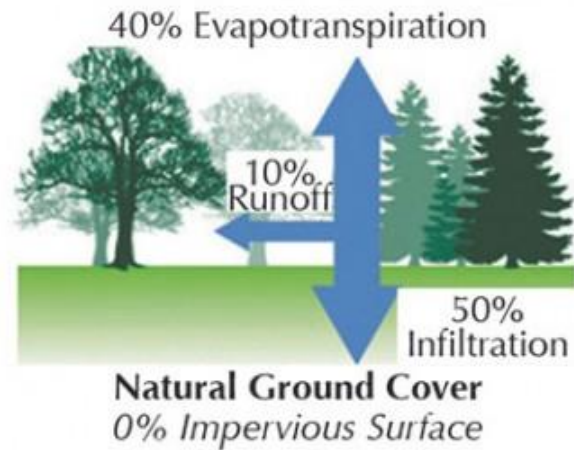


Nature has evolved balanced hydrological / hydro-geological cycles over the millennia

“However, in the relatively recent emergence of the human race on planet earth; the human being has become such a force of change and influence that we are now impacting and interfering with these cycles on an unprecedented global scale”

Effects of Imperviousness

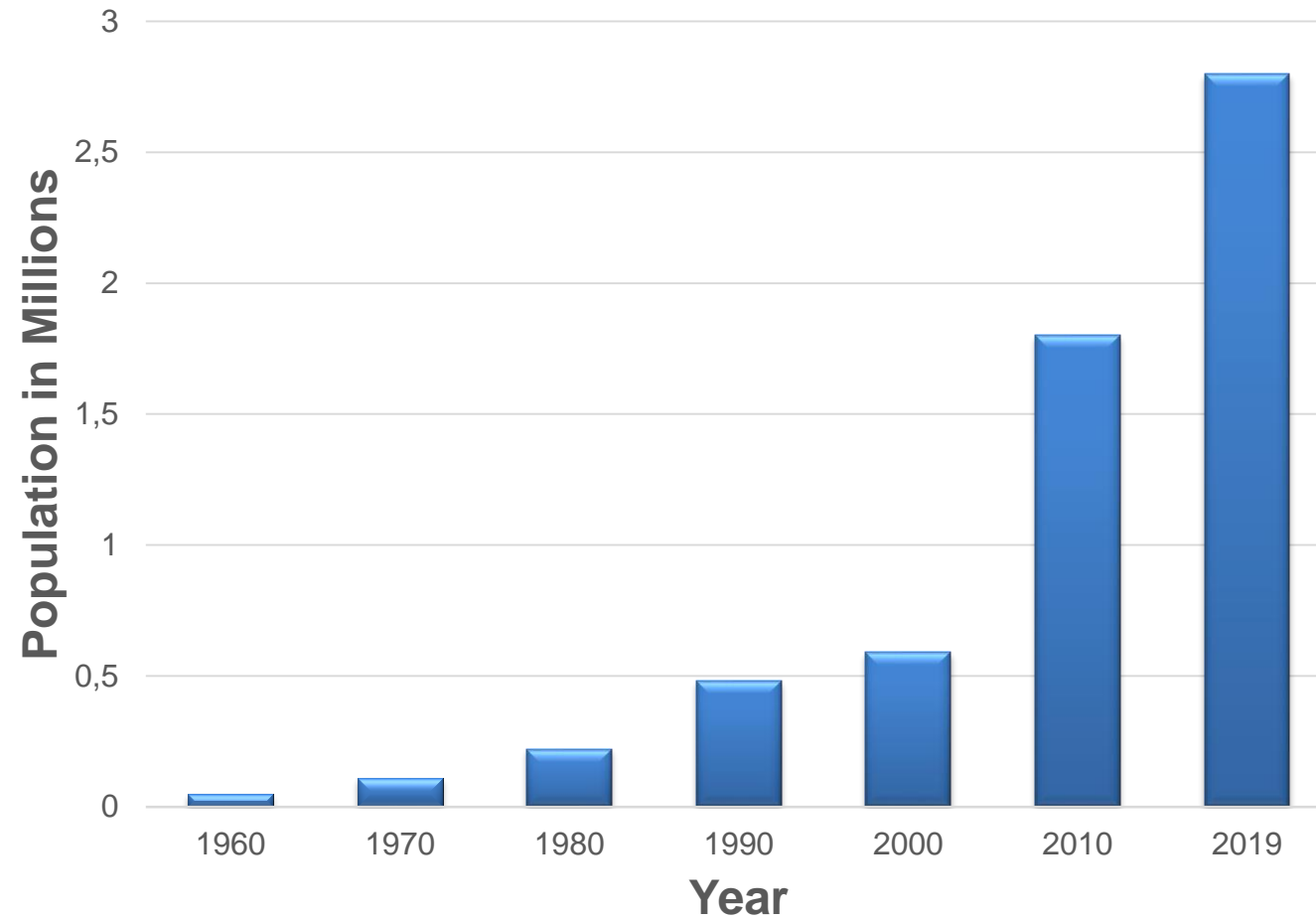
EFFECTS OF IMPERVIOUSNESS ON RUNOFF AND INFILTRATION



Water Quality and Quantity Impacts



Population of Qatar



Population growth increases water management challenges

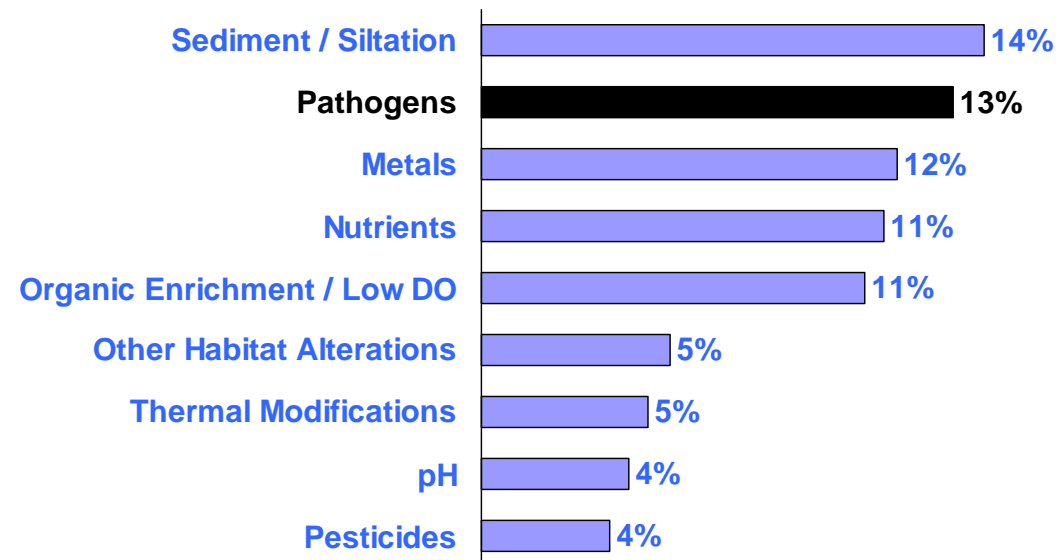
3. Controlling your water Quality – Innovative and cost effective treatment train

What should we prioritise?

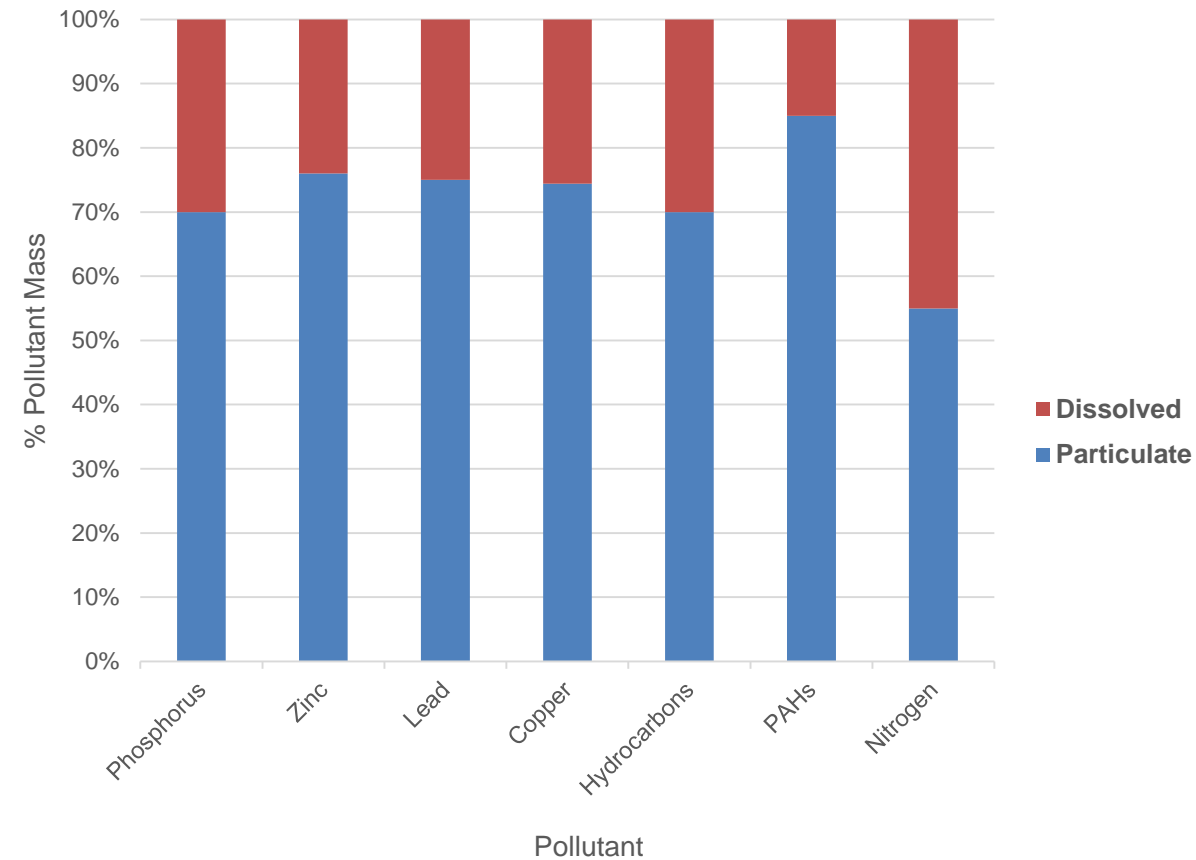
- According to USEPA, sediment is the leading cause of water-quality impairment in the US.



Top 100 Impairments to Waters in the United States



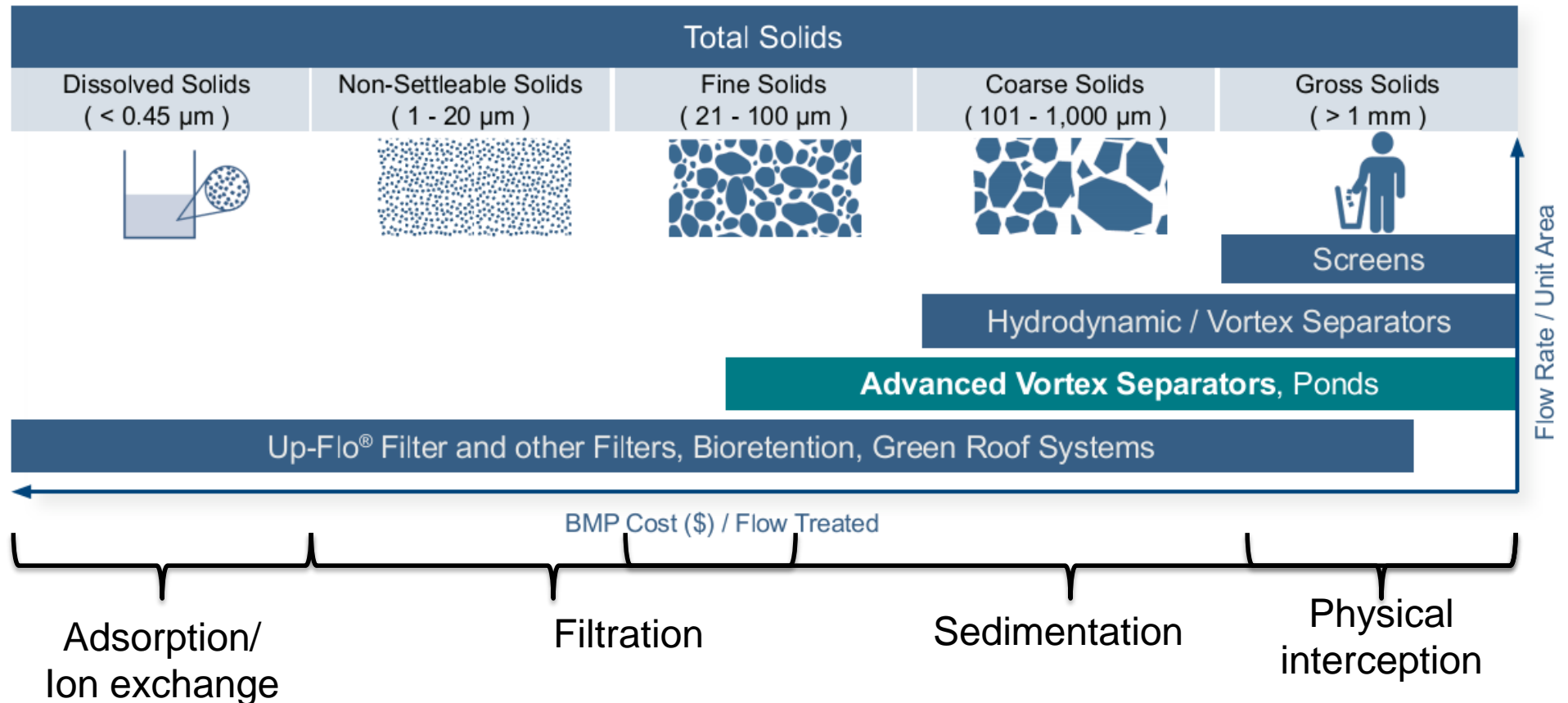
Dissolved or solids?



Typically 2/3rds of pollutants or greater are associated with sediments...

The Treatment Spectrum

- Screening
- Sedimentation & floatation
- Filtration
- Sorption
- Soil processes



a. Downstream Defender® Hydrodynamic Vortex Separator

Traditional vs. Vortex Separation

How do you differentiate?

- **Conventional Approach**

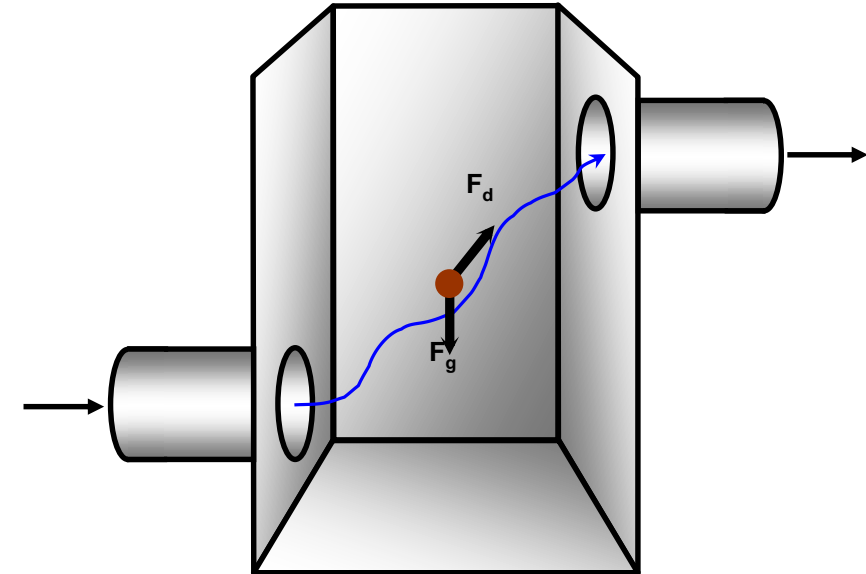
- Gravitational sedimentation
- Quiescent conditions
- Linear tanks and catch pits
- Particle reaches base before flow exits chamber

- **Particle Forces**

- Gravity (F_g)
- Drag (F_d)

Sizing criteria

- Particle settling velocity
- Settling distance
- Tank length
- Flow-rate



Forces Acting on a Particle in a Simple Linear Sedimentation Chamber

Stoke's Law:

$$V_m = \frac{\delta\rho \gamma d^2}{18\mu}$$

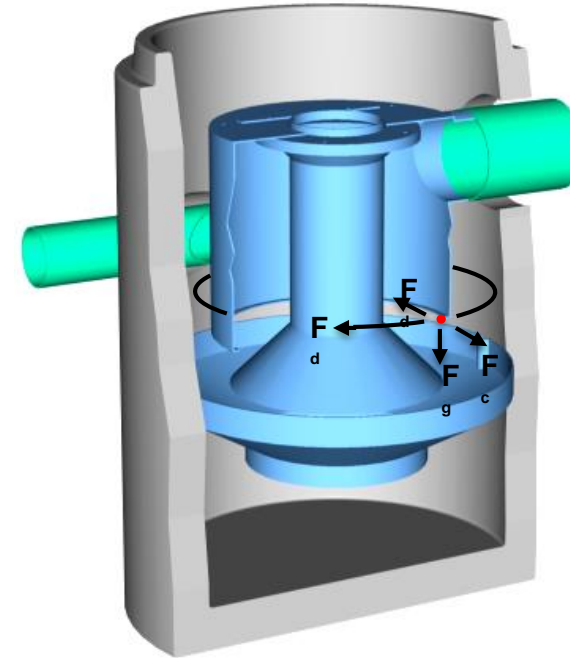
Where,

V_m =	migration velocity
$\delta\rho$ =	density difference between the particle and fluid
γ =	the intensity of the acceleration field
d =	effective diameter of the particle
μ =	the viscosity of the fluid

Traditional vs. Vortex Separation

How do you differentiate?

- **Vortex approach:**
 - Enhanced gravitational sedimentation
 - Harness rotational behaviour
 - Extends particle path and chance to settle
 - Reduced footprint and cost
 - Low headloss separation
 - Base flow sweeps sediment into sump
- **Particle Forces:**
 - Gravity (F_g)
 - Drag (F_d)
 - Centrifugal force (F_c)
- **Sizing criteria**
 - Particle settling velocity
 - Balance centrifugal and drag forces
 - Flow-rate



Forces Acting on a Particle in a Vortex Separation Chamber

Centrifugal Force:

$$F = \frac{mv^2}{r}$$

Where,

F = Force

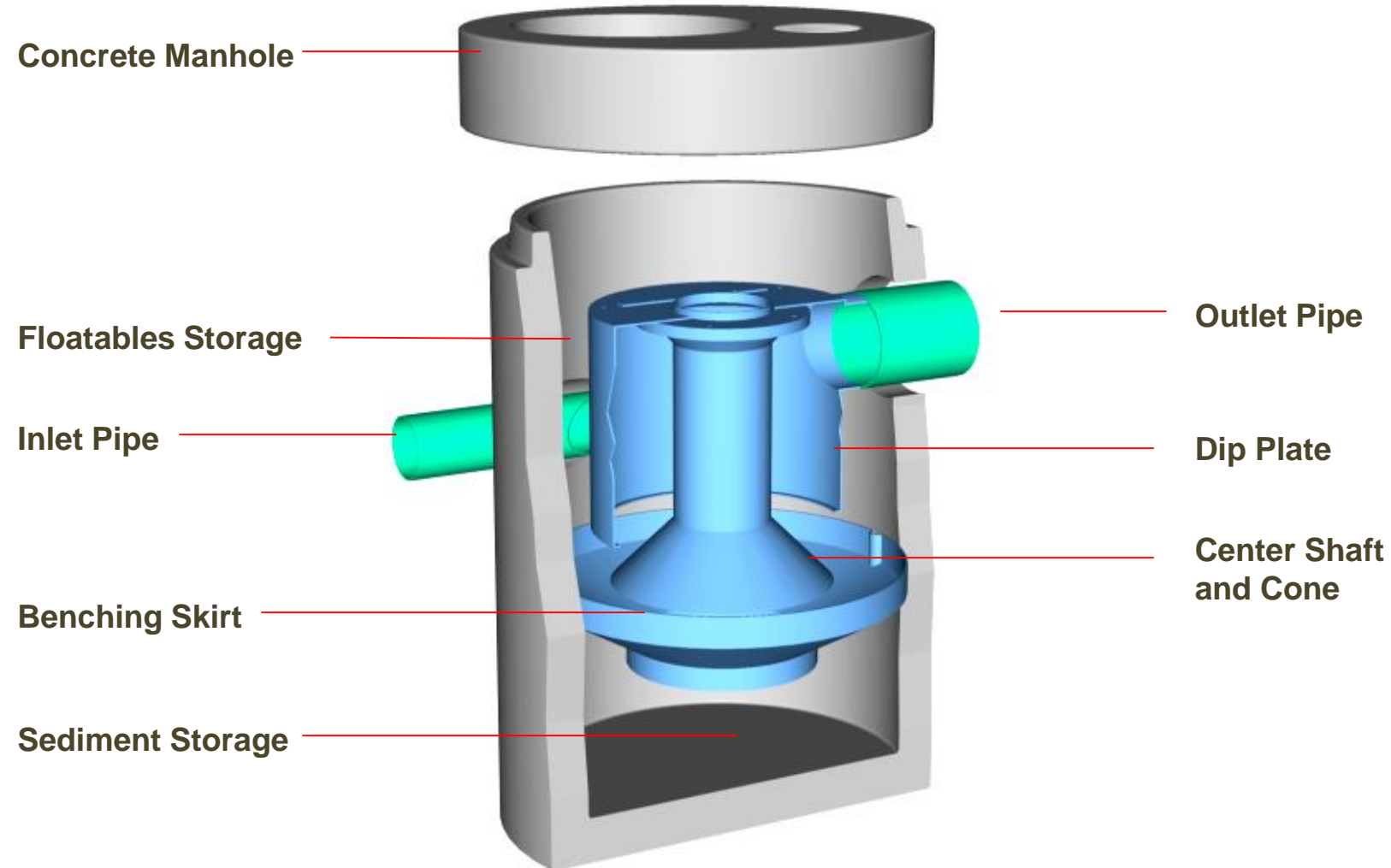
m = mass of particle

v = velocity

r = radius of the flow path

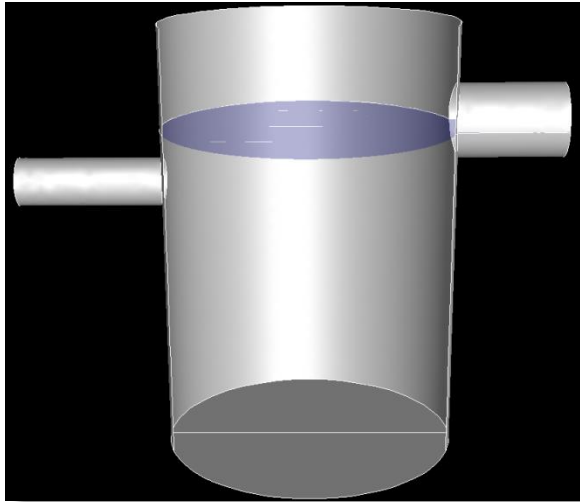
Downstream Defender Components

- Swirl enhancing system internals:

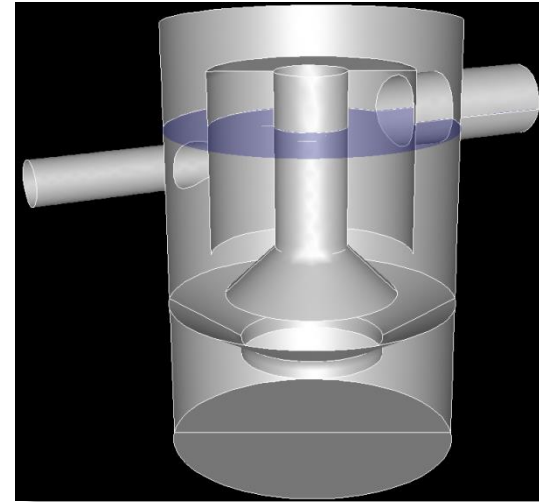


Comparison of Chamber Performance

- Comparisons made using CFD and physical testing
 - Particle capture efficiency
 - Particle retention efficiency
- Geometries for comparison:

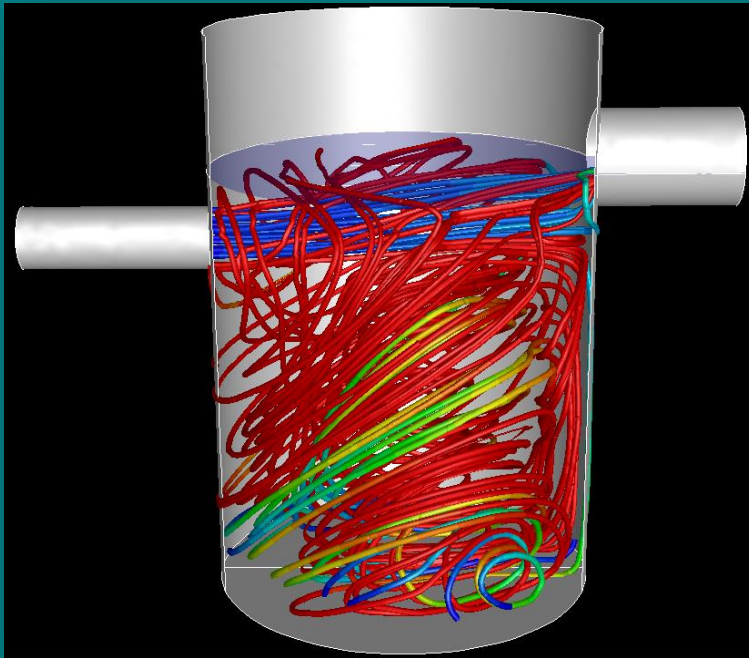


Gravitational Separation
Device
(GSD)
No internals
(catch pit)

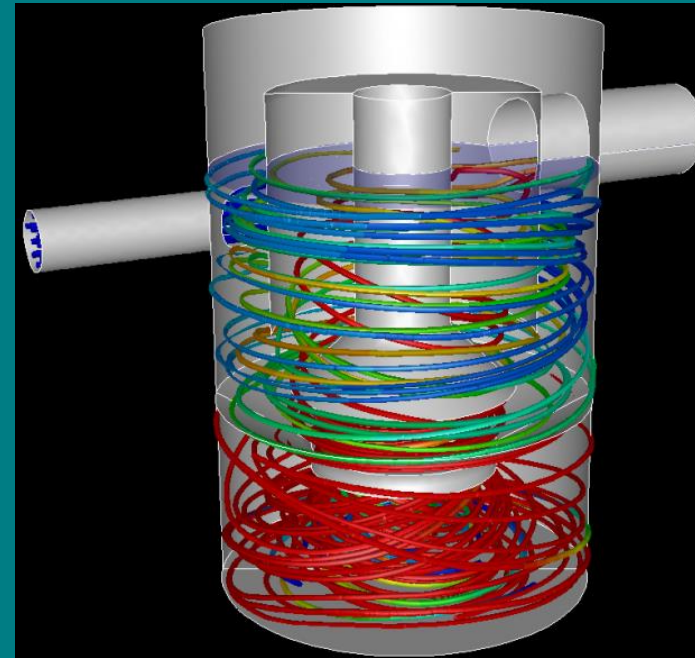


Downstream Defender®
Advanced Vortex Separator
(AVS)
Rotational flow with proprietary
components

Fluid Path Lines Coloured by Age

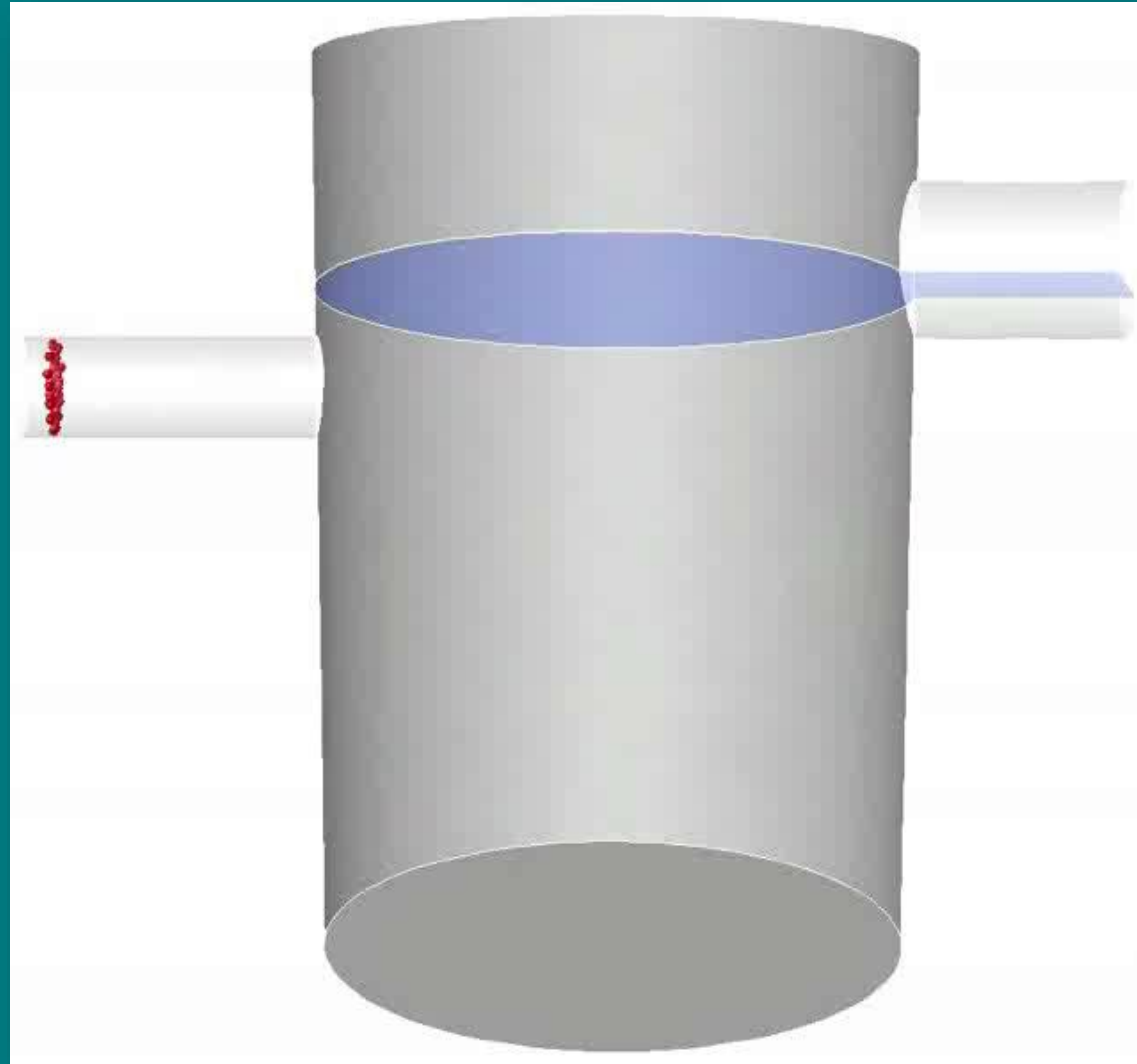
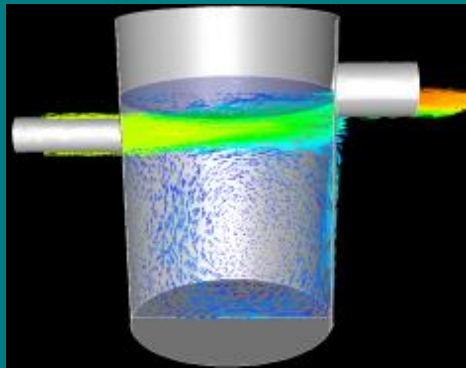
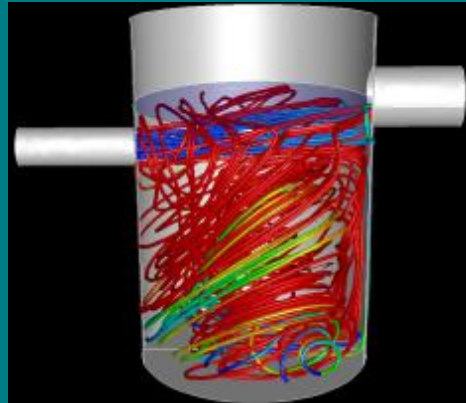


**Simple Chamber
(GSD)**

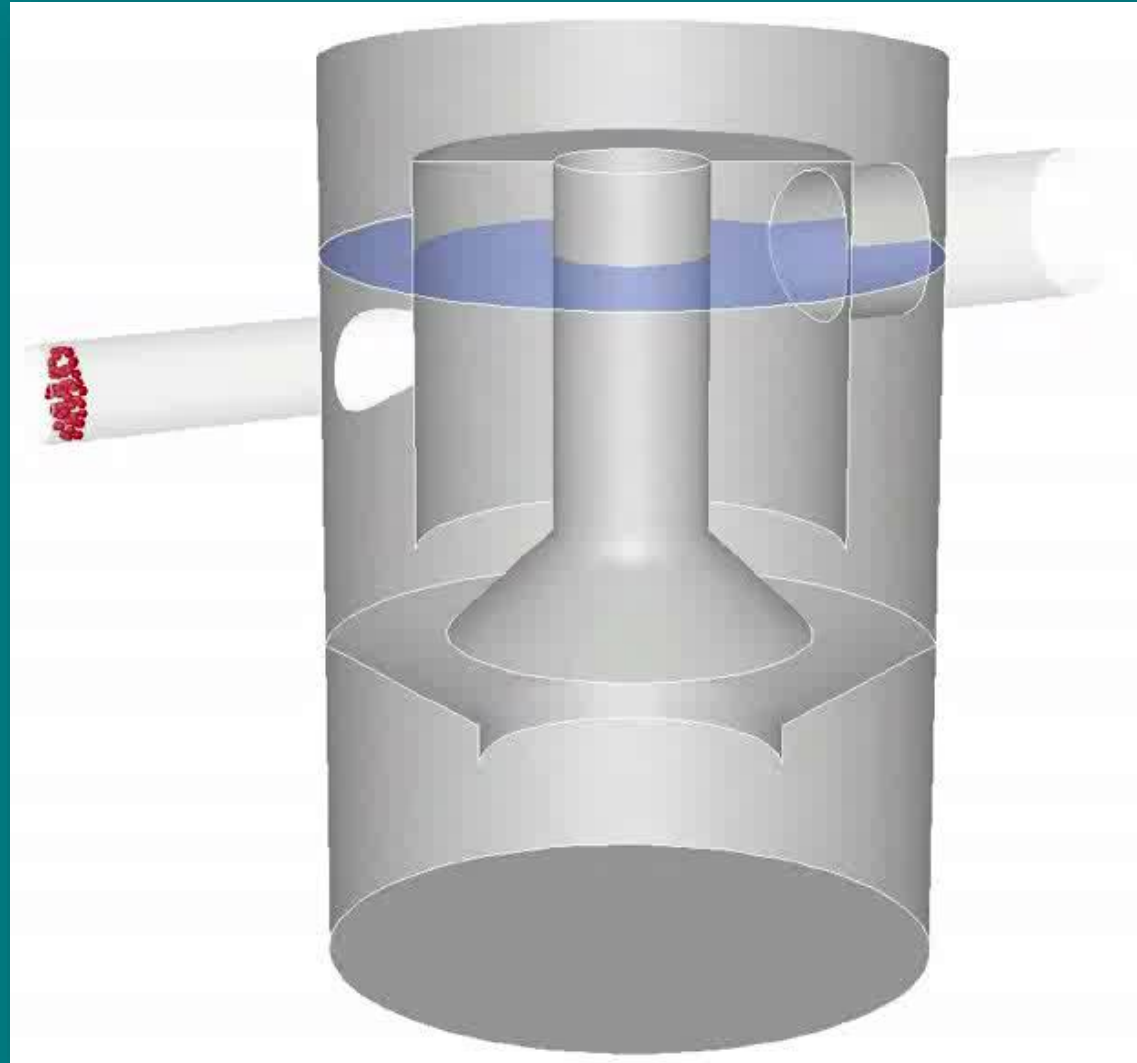
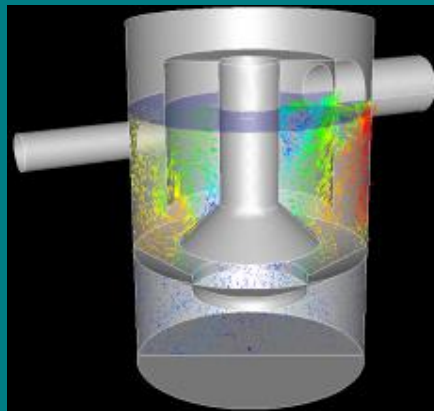
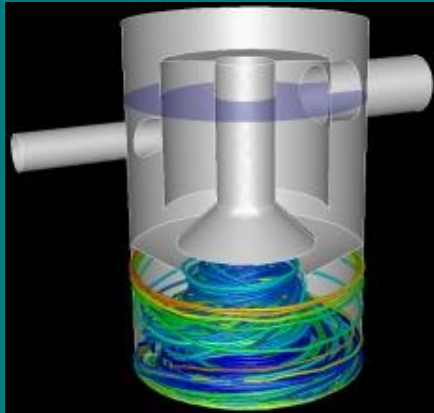


**Advanced Vortex Chamber
(AVS)**

GSD – Capture Efficiency

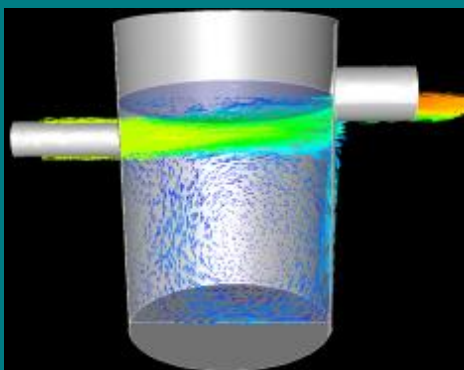
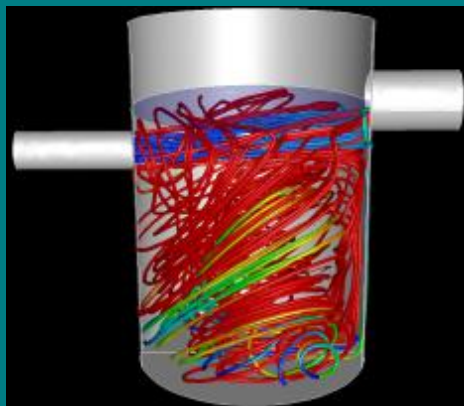


Downstream Defender – Capture Efficiency



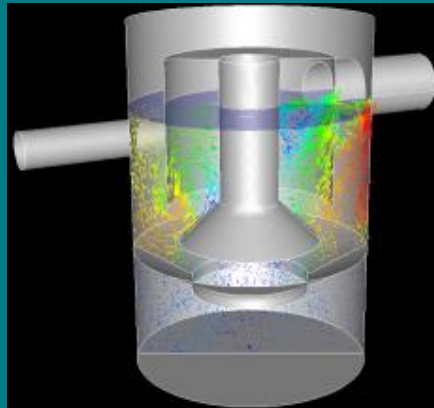
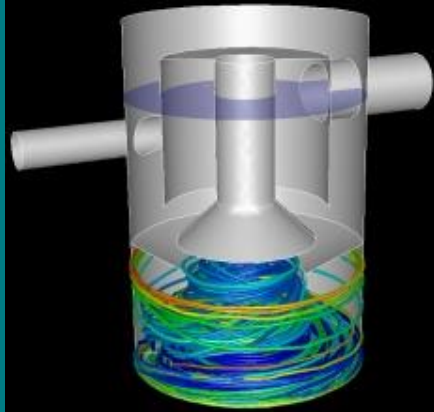
GSD – Retention Efficiency at Peak Flow

Sump initially loaded with fine sediment to test for washout



Downstream Defender – Retention Efficiency at Peak Flow

Sump initially loaded with fine sediment to test for washout



What Gets Captured



Dirt,
Debris,
Organics



Oil,
Gasoline



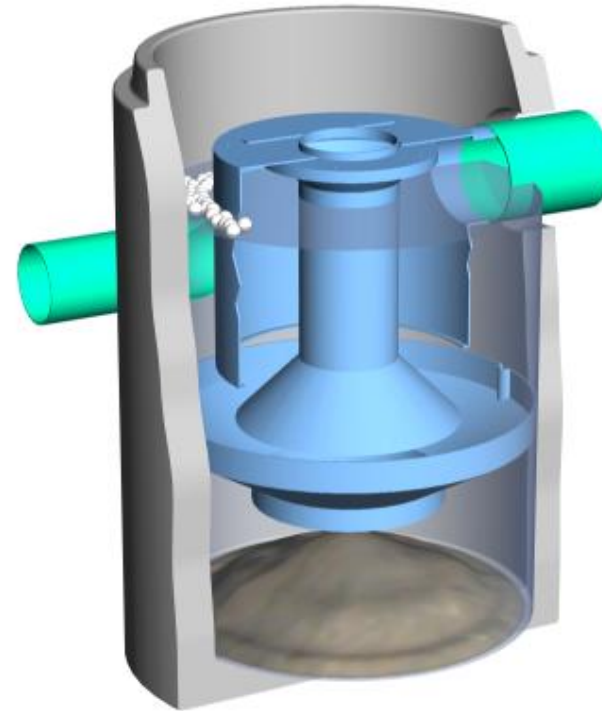
Trash,
Plastics
Wrappers

Maintenance



Downstream Defender

- Optimised Internal Geometry
 - Advantages:
 - Control of sediment, floatable trash and petroleum products.
 - Smaller footprint than traditional methods
 - Independently verified performance
 - Low head loss
 - Easy maintenance access
 - **Proven to prevent washout**



b. Up-Flo Filter[®], Media filtration

Multi-Stage Treatment Flow Path

Chamber – Floatables and trash

Angled Screens – Neutrally buoyant material

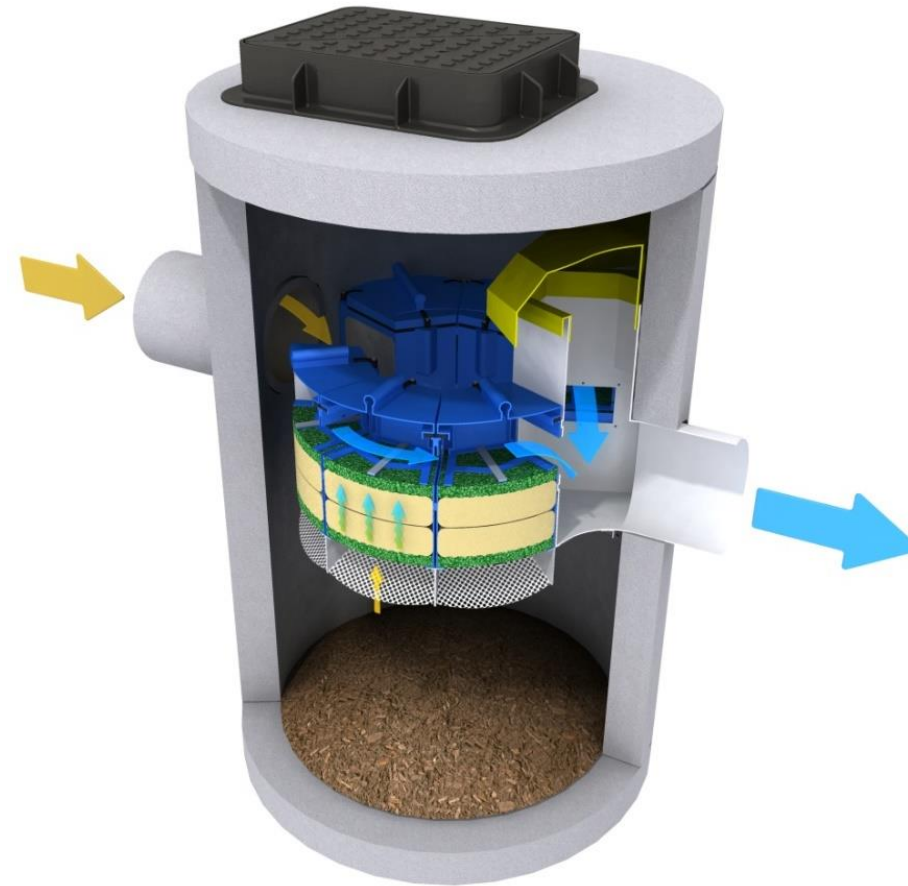
Sump – Coarse grit and gross debris

Filter media:

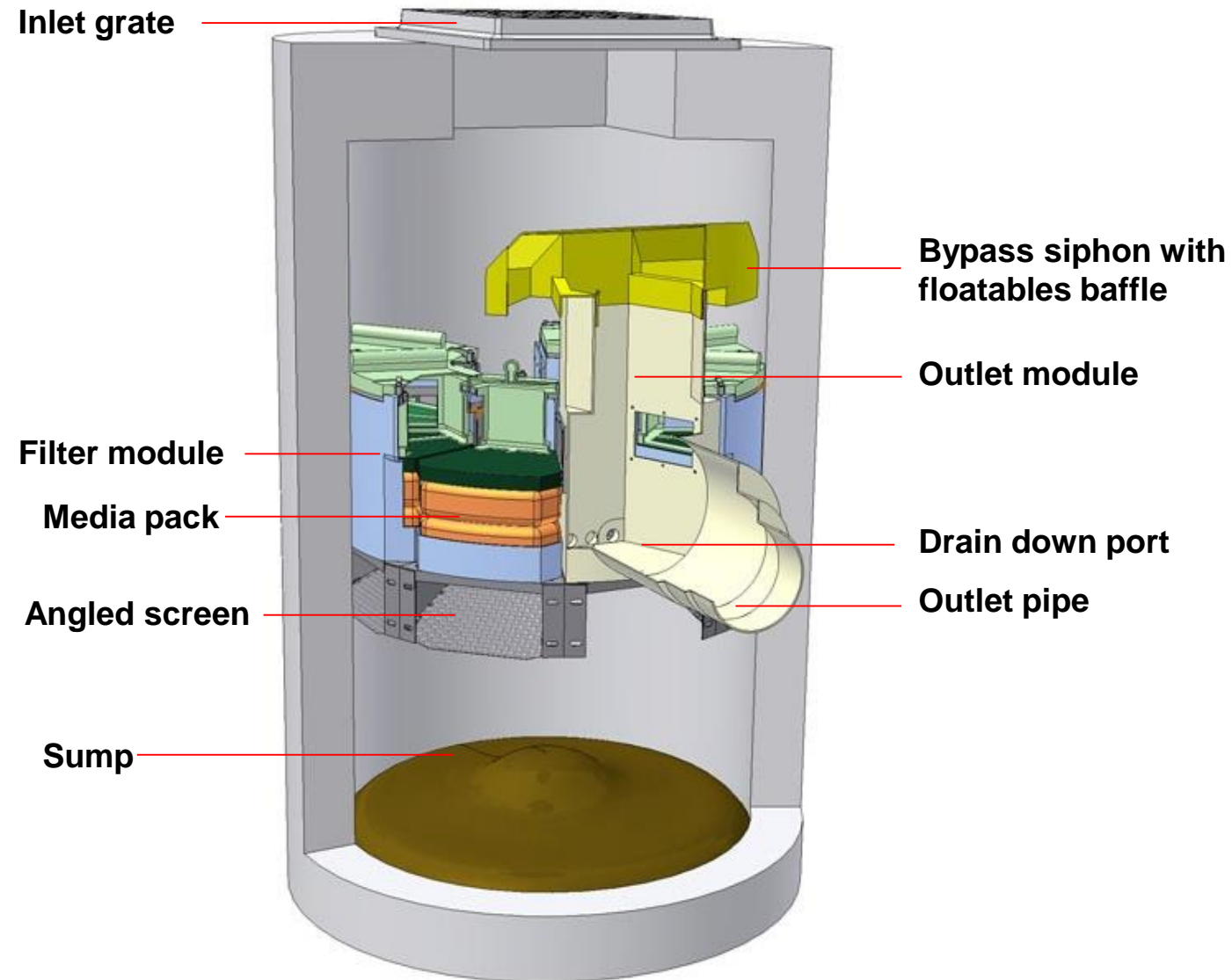
- Fine sediment
- Hydrocarbons
- Metals
- Organics
- Nutrients

Up flow filtration advantages

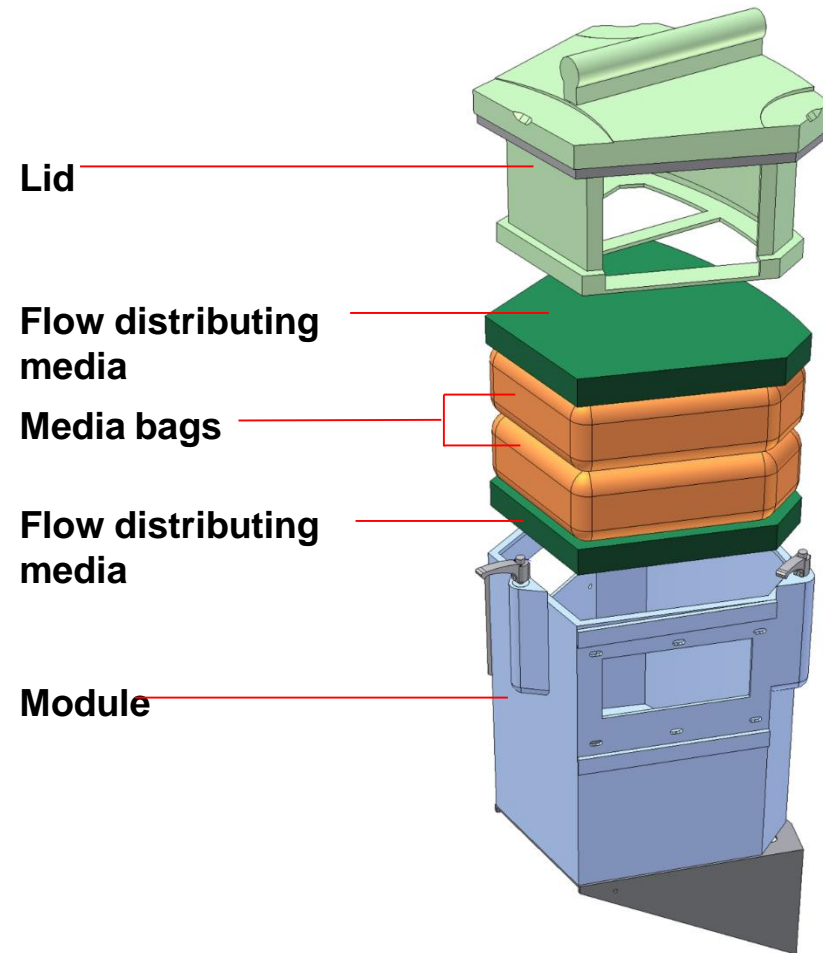
- High throughput
- Clogging resistant
- Drain-down
 - Prevents anaerobic conditions
 - Prevents pollutant leaching
 - Back washes filter media



Up-Flo® Filter System Components



Filter Module Components

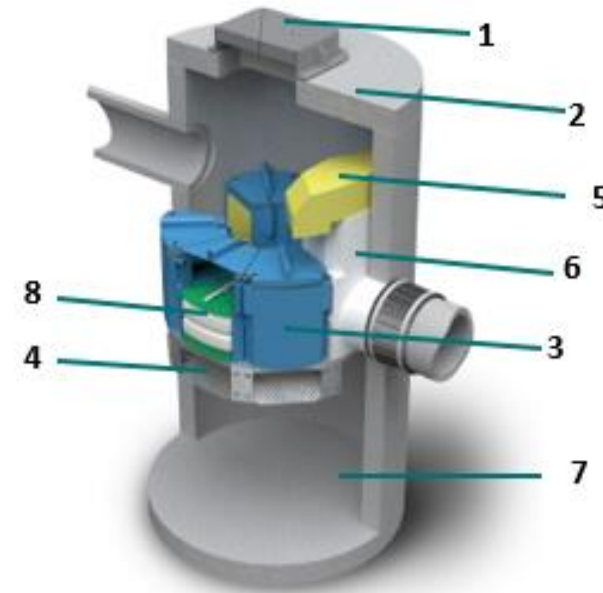
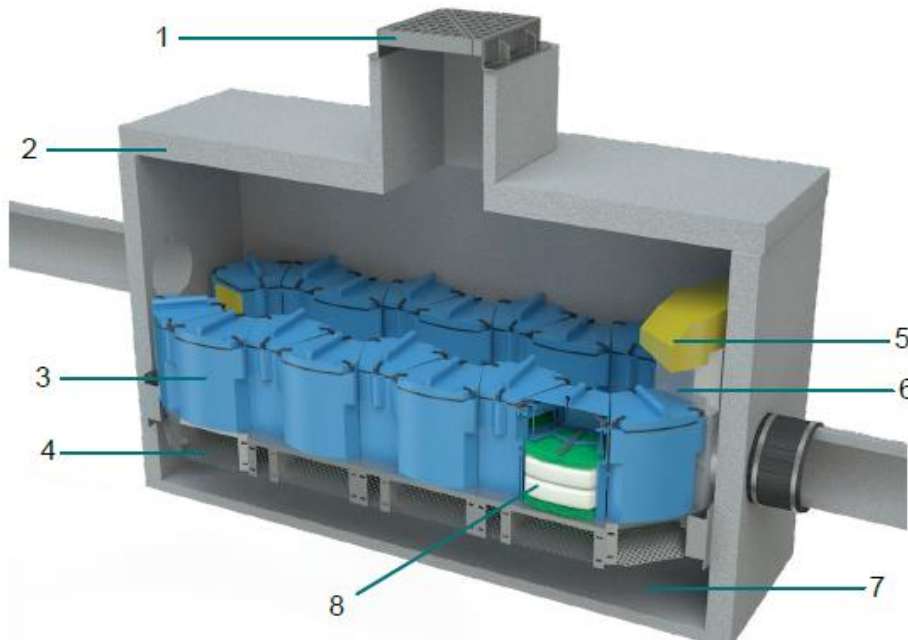


Up to 1.5l/s per Module

Configurations

System Components

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1. Inlet grate (pictured) or Inlet Pipe (not shown) | 5. Bypass Hood/Siphon |
| 2. Precast Filtration Chamber | 6. Outlet Module with Drain Down Filter |
| 3. Filter Module | 7. Pollutant Storage Sump |
| 4. 4mm Screening | 8. Media bags |



Third Party Verification & Field Testing

The University of Alabama:

- Controlled field tests by sediment dosing
- 20 storms monitored for solids and a suite of pollutants
- Protocols follow US regulatory standards
- Third party verification with industry expert





**River flow pumped to
flow control chamber**

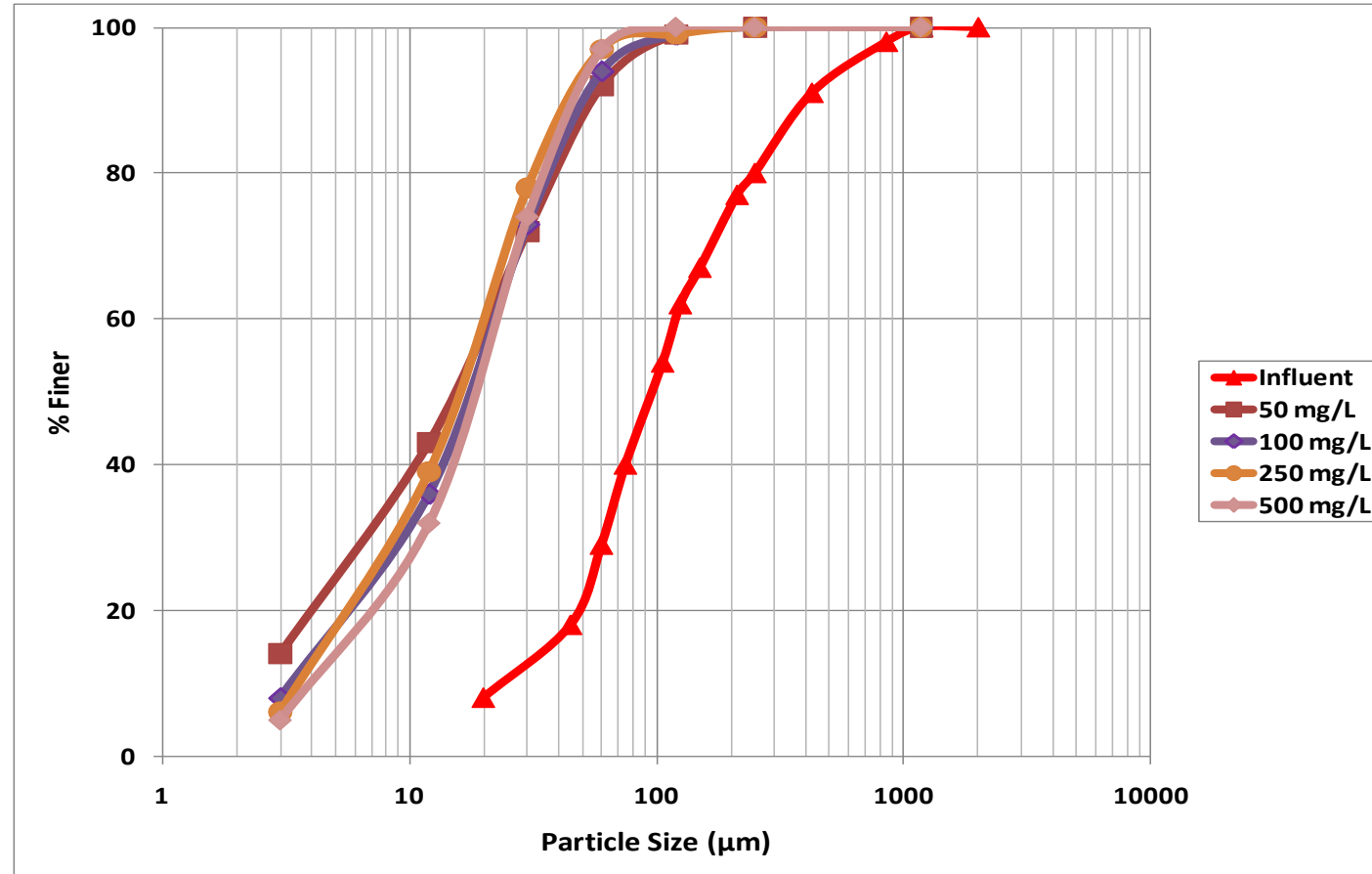


**Seeding of influent
with mixed sediment**



**Grab sampling in outlet
chamber**

Particle Capture Results (Particle Seeding)



✓ Effluent PSDs are significantly finer ($d_{50} < 20\mu\text{m}$)
when compared with the influent gradation ($d_{50} \sim 100\mu\text{m}$)

Particle Capture Results (Particle Seeding)

Particle Size (µm)	Average Influent Concentration (mg/L)	Average Effluent Concentration (mg/L)	Solids Reduction (%)
<0.45	165	123	26
0.45-3	20	3	84
3-12	74	15	79
12-30	93	21	78
30-60	50	11	77
60-120	6	2	73
120-250	3	0	94
250-1180	31	0	100
>1180	14	0	100
Total	292	53	82

Provides information of system performance for different particle size ranges

Particle Capture Results (Storm Monitoring)

Particle size range (μm)	SS influent mass (lb)	SS effluent mass (lb)	Solids Reduction (%)
0.45-3	0.3	0.2	38.8
3.0-12.0	10.7	5.1	52
12.0-30.0	35.7	12.4	65.2
30-60	81.2	12.4	84.8
60-75	24.3	1.7	92.9
75-150	43	1.3	97.1
150-250	21.9	2.8	87.1
250-425	21.4	0.4	98.3
425-850	30.1	0	100
850-1400	21.2	0	100
1400-2000	15.7	0	100
2000-4760	17.6	0	100
>4760	10.9	0	100
Sum	333.8	36.3	85.8

✓ **Results from actual storms show good correlation with controlled test results ...**

Average of 20 storms

Maintenance

Inside view of a similarly sized Up-Flo Filter vault



Power washing of Up-Flo Filter components



View of spent media removed and brought above grade



Application of fresh Up-Flo Filter media

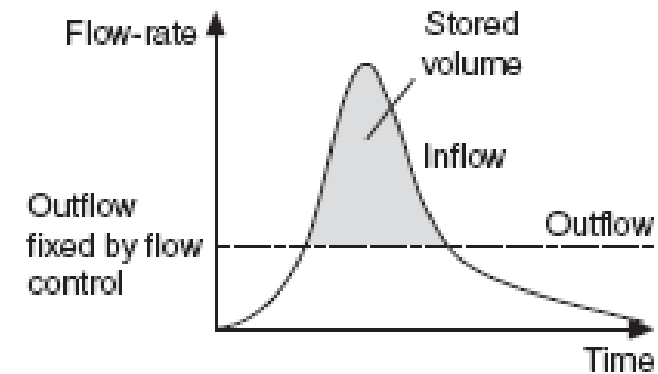
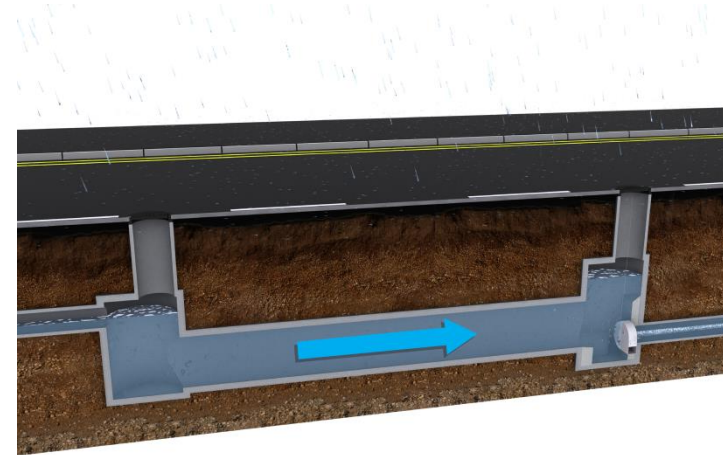


4. Controlling your water Quantity – Energy dissipation, Odor control and mitigation of hazards

a. Hydro Brake® Optimum

Flow Attenuation Systems

- Functions
 - Minimise flood risk
 - Effectively transport pollutants
- Flow attenuation system = control + storage
 - A storage volume is required to prevent upstream flooding
 - Outflow control required to protect downstream from flow-rate/volume
 - Flow control influences the required storage volume and flood risk



$$I - O = \frac{dS}{dt}$$

I	inflow rate (m^3/s)
O	outflow rate (m^3/s)
S	stored volume (m^3)
t	time (s)



S-Range

- Surface water only systems
- Requires sump

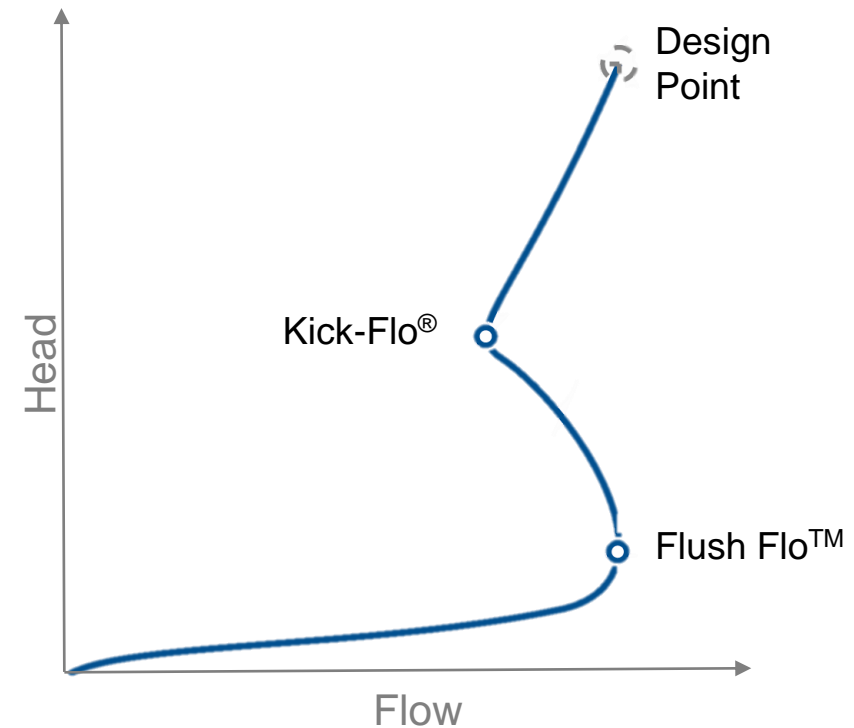


C-Range

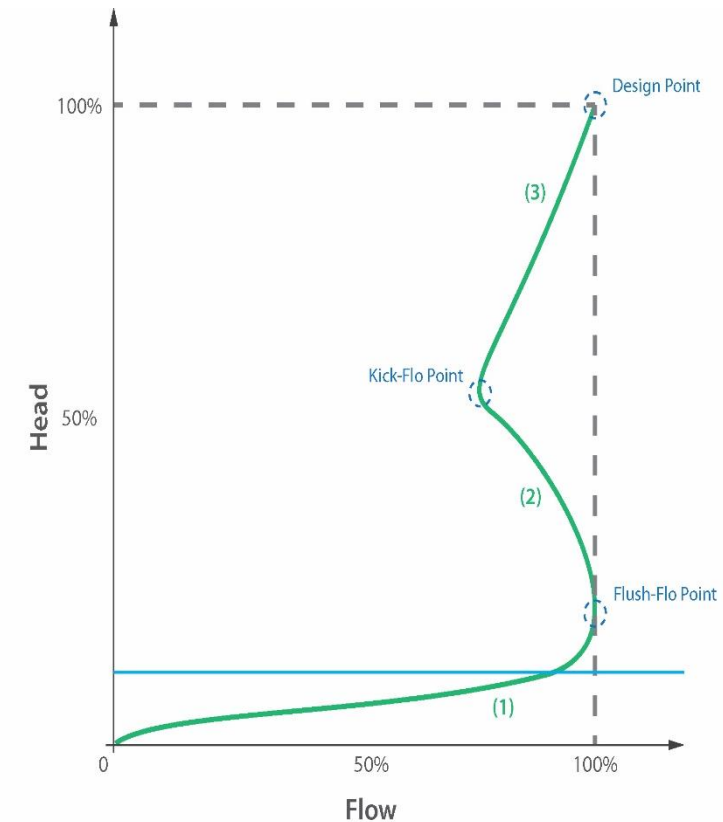
- Foul / combined systems
- Surface water systems
- Sumplless systems

Hydro-Brake® Phases of Operation

1. Pre-initiation phase
2. Transition phase
3. Post-initiation phase

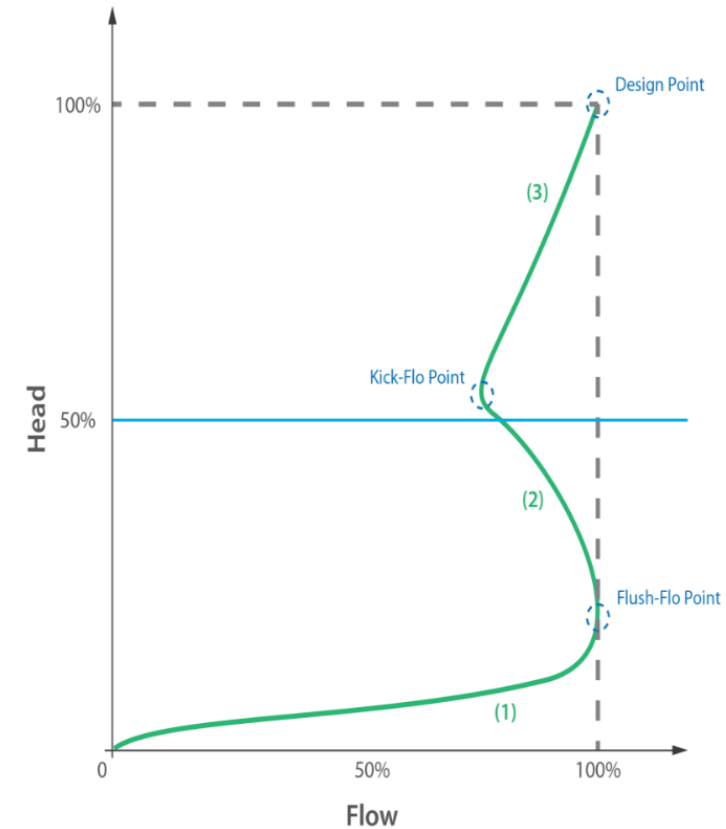


1. Pre-Initiation Phase



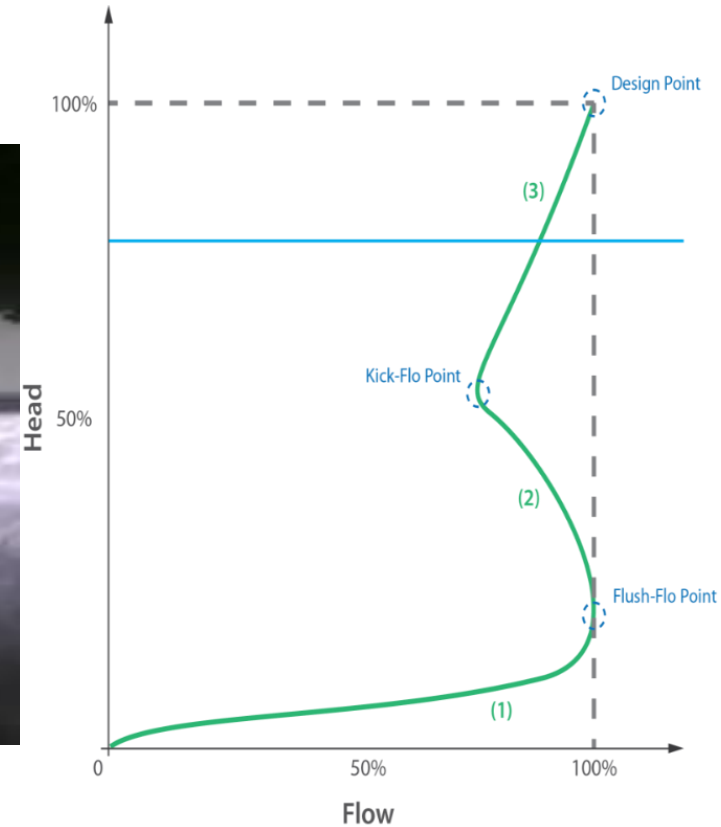
Essentially orifice flow $Q = C_d A \sqrt{2gh}$, with A being full cross sectional area of outlet orifice.

2. Transition Phase



Turbulent flow as vortex continually forms and collapses Trapped air pocket produces back pressure, which works against the flow.

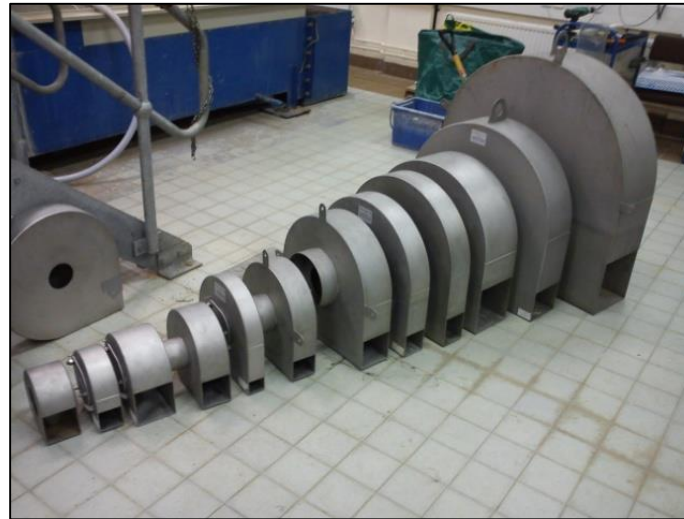
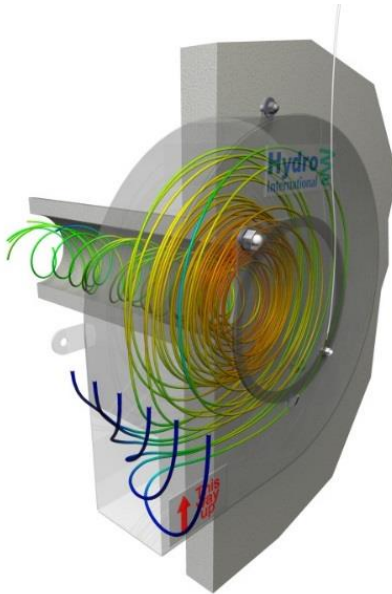
3. Post Initiation Phase



Hydraulic performance similar to orifice flow ($Q = C_d A \sqrt{2gh}$), with variable C_d and A being cross sectional area of outlet available for water flow (donut)

Why use the Hydro-Brake Optimum®?

- The Hydro-Brake Optimum® Offers
 - Performance backed by significant R&D Investment

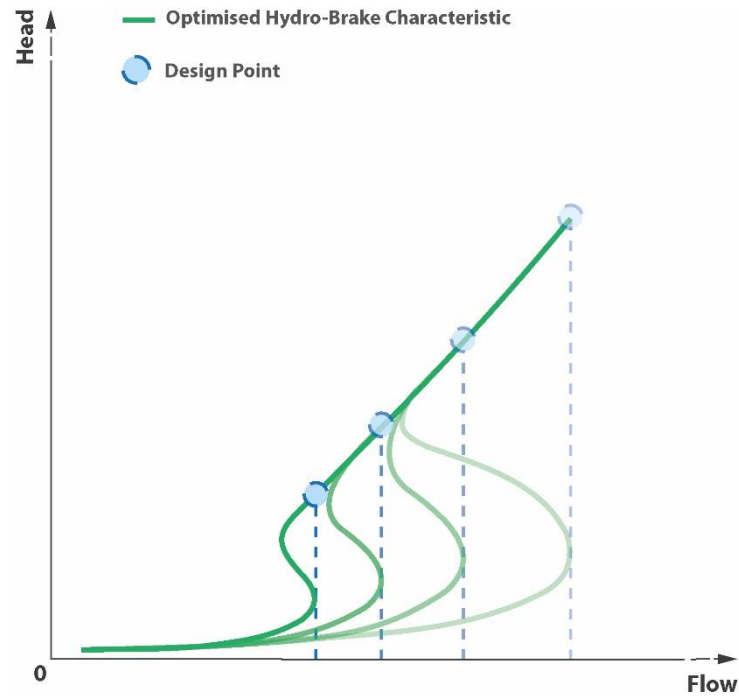


Why use the Hydro-Brake Optimum®?

- The Hydro-Brake Optimum® Offers
 - Independent design and performance accreditation



- The Hydro-Brake Optimum[®] Offers
 - Unique tailoring of full response characteristic



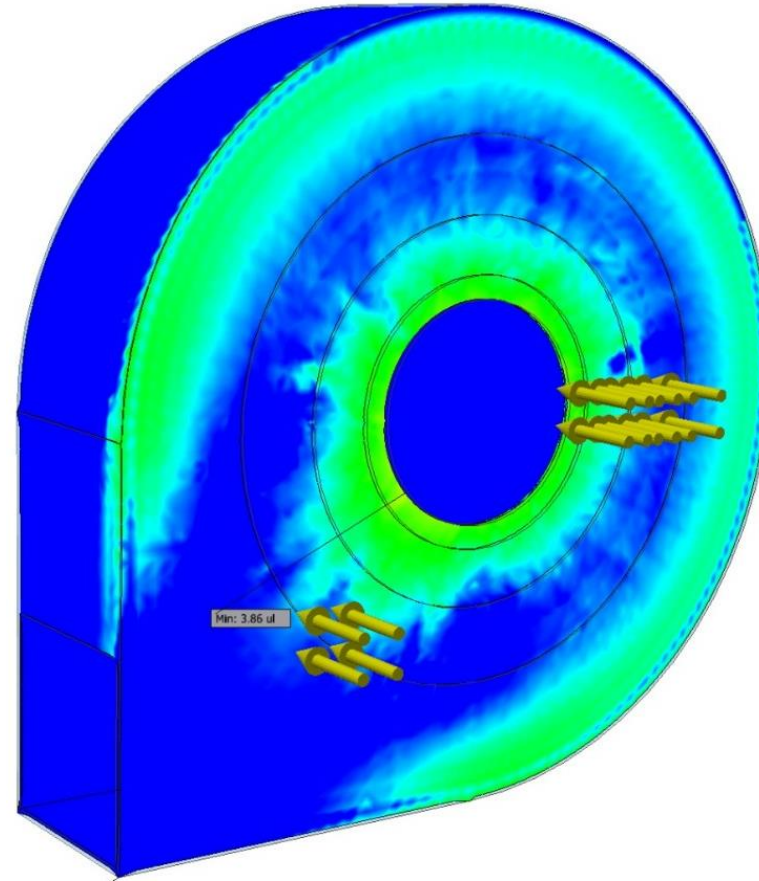
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- The Hydro-Brake Optimum® Offers
 - Up to 15% storage saving compared to other vortex flow controls



- The Hydro-Brake Optimum® Offers
 - Verified structural fit for purpose



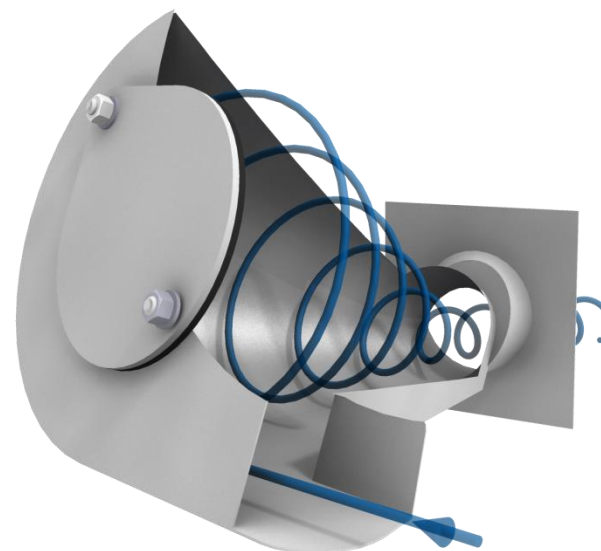
Advantages

- The Hydro-Brake Optimum® Offers
 - Integral by-pass door design in line with outlet



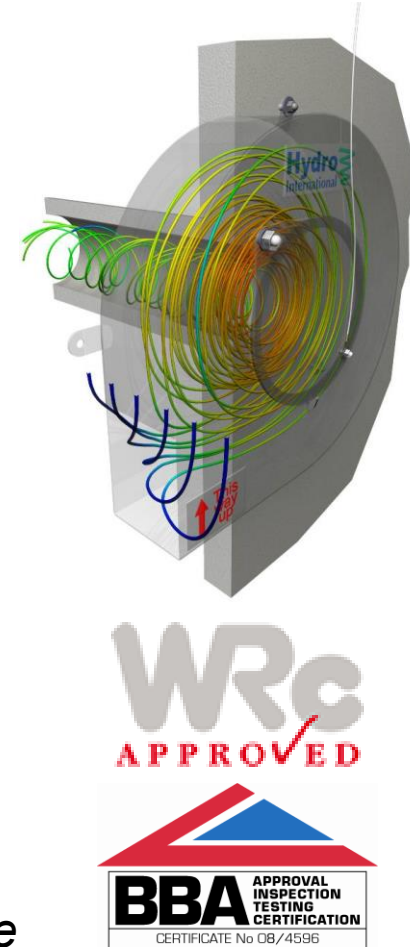
Why use the Hydro-Brake Optimum®?

- Performance
 - Out performs conventional throttle based solutions
 - Increased pass forward flows
 - Reduces frequency of flooding upstream
 - Minimise land-take
 - Optimises forward flow into downstream network
- Larger Cross Sectional Area
 - Up to 600% larger than conventional throttle devices
 - Significantly reduces the risk of blockage
- Self-Activating
 - Accurate, reliable and proven technology
 - No moving parts
 - No power requirements
 - Fail safe
- Water Quality Benefits
 - Aeration of Flows
 - Reduction of scour and erosion



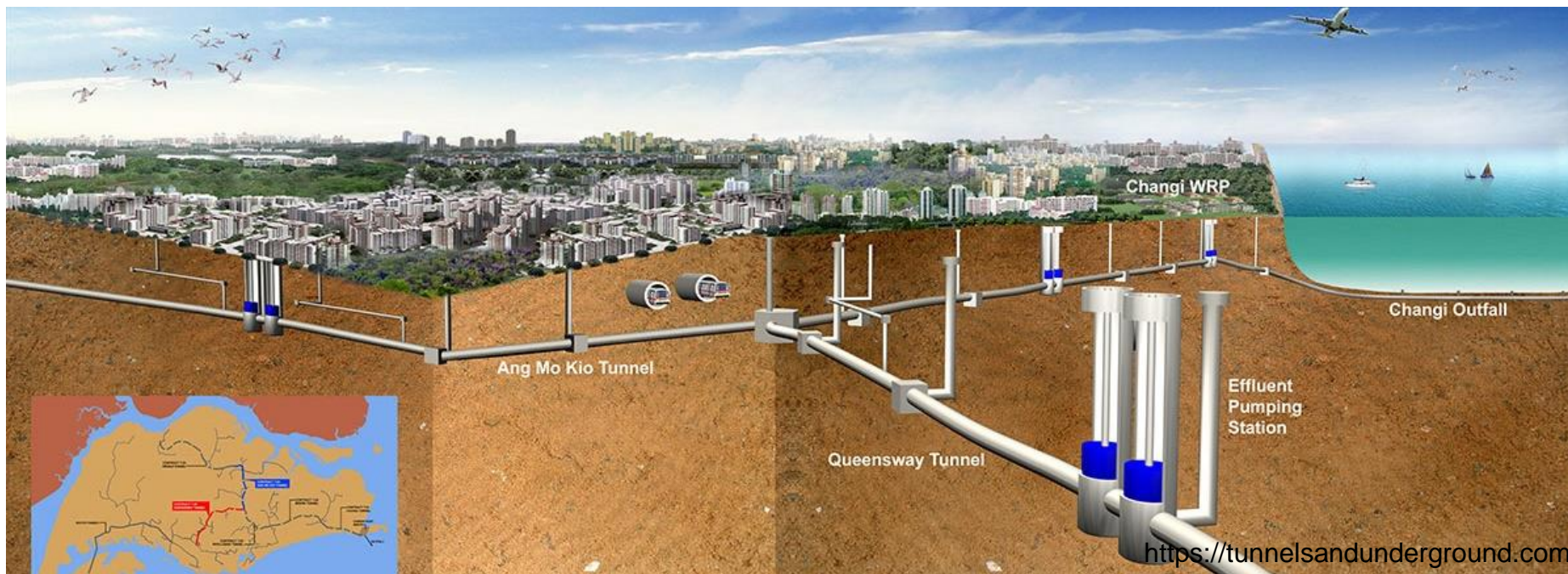
- Assessment Criteria:
 - Compliance with building regulations
 - Hydraulic Assessment
 - Experimental testing
 - CFD predictions
 - Structural analysis
 - Evaluation of the design and proposal process
 - QA auditing of production facility
 - Random assessment of production units
 - Assessment of installation procedures
 - Formal three-yearly review

“In the opinion of the BBA, the units will have a design life in excess of the design life of typical structures in which they might be installed.”



b. Hydro Vortex Drop Shafts

The need for vortex drop shafts



Design Parameters & Requirements

- Parameters
 - Flow-rate
 - Drop height
- Other considerations
 - Hydraulic hazards
 - Pneumatics
 - Odour
 - Corrosion
 - Grit & debris

Safely convey a varying quantity of water from a high level to a low level along a desired path.

Typical power dissipation range: 0.01 MW – 10 MW

$$P = q\rho gh$$

- Hazards:

Erosion

Hydraulic shocks

Cavitation

Vibration

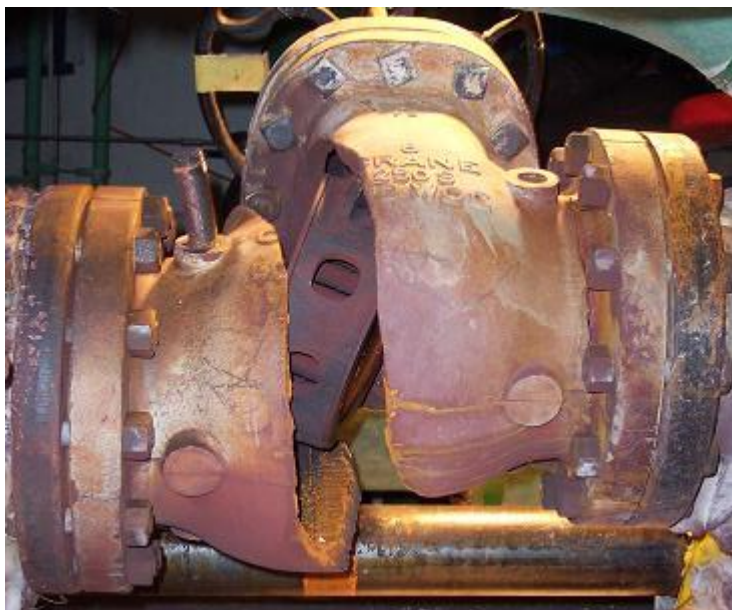
Erosion

- Thrust and shear force of water
- Impact of objects in flow



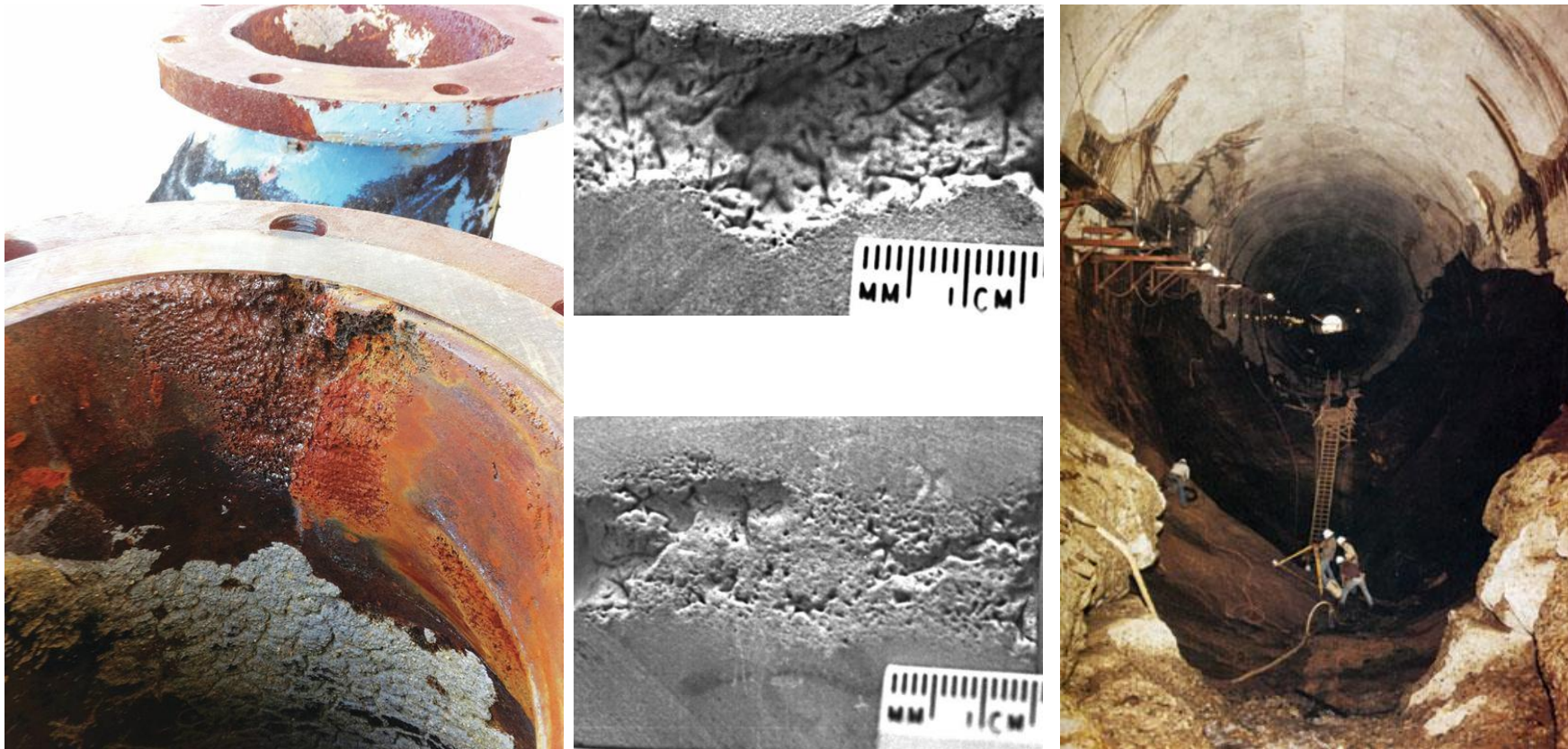
Hydraulic Shock (Water Hammer)

- Entrainment of air or rapid change in flow-rate

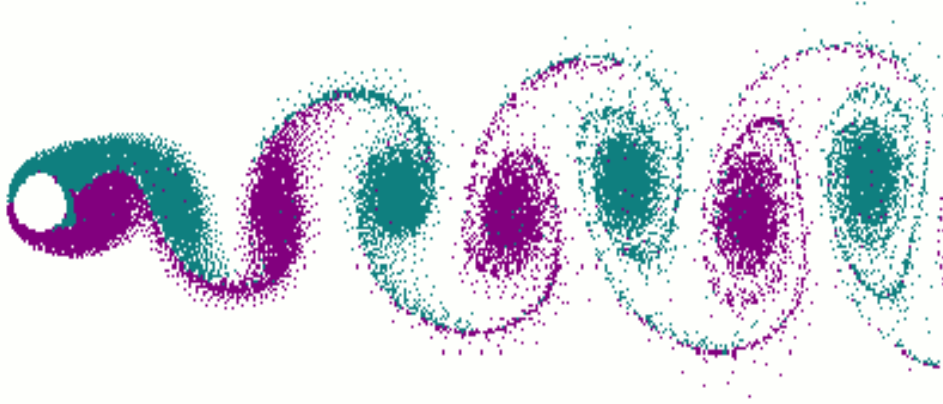


Cavitation

- Formation and collapse of water vapour bubbles



- Vortex shedding + previous hazards





History

History of Drop Structure Design

Italy – Drioli 1940's

UK - Ackers & Crump 1960's

US – Jain & Kennedy 1980's



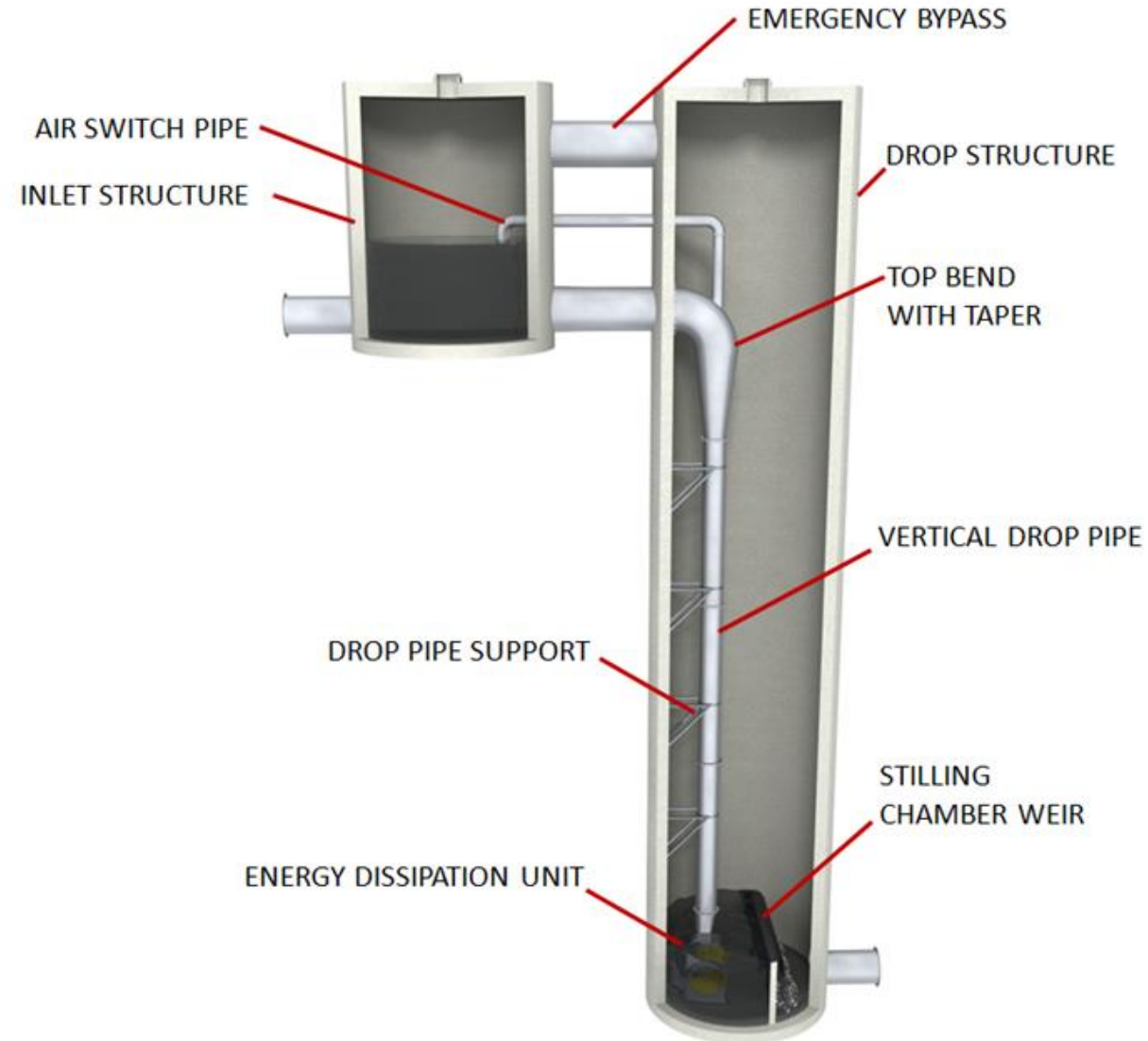
Hydro Vortex Drop Shaft

Hydro Vortex Drop Shaft

- ✓ Significant cost savings on construction
- ✓ Smaller footprint & pipe sizes
- ✓ Erosion, corrosion & odour control
- ✓ Reduction of noise and vibration at high flow rates
- ✓ No maintenance
- ✓ Versatile design with simple construction and installation



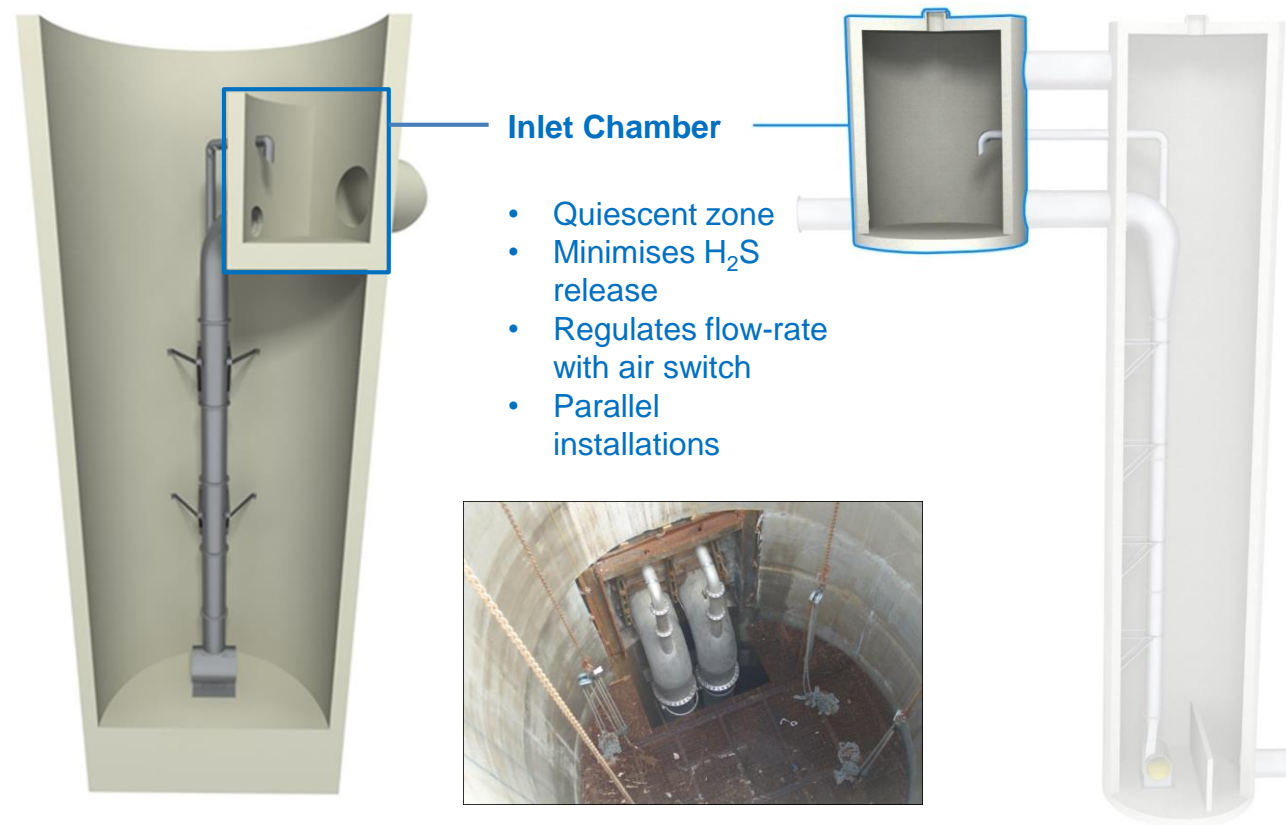
Hydro Vortex Drop Shaft Components



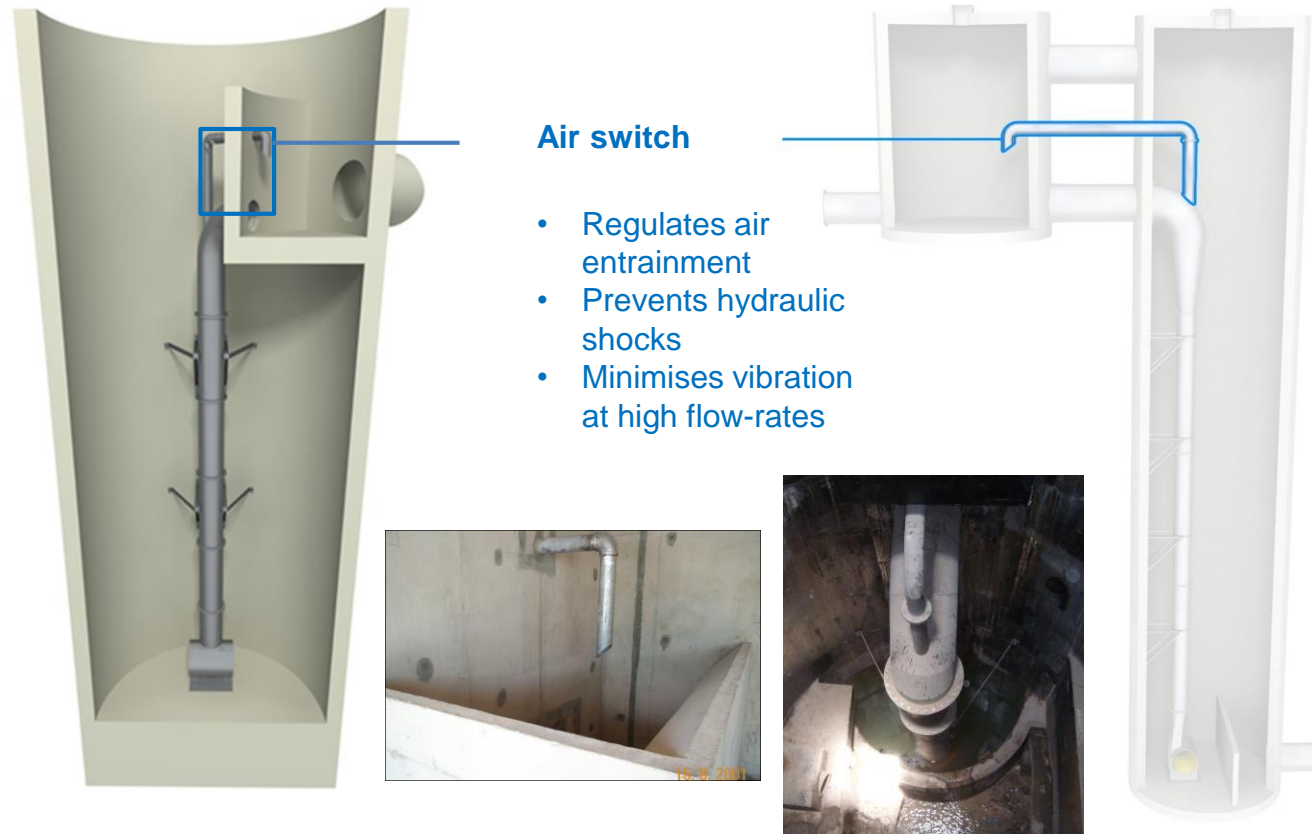
Integrated Inlet Design



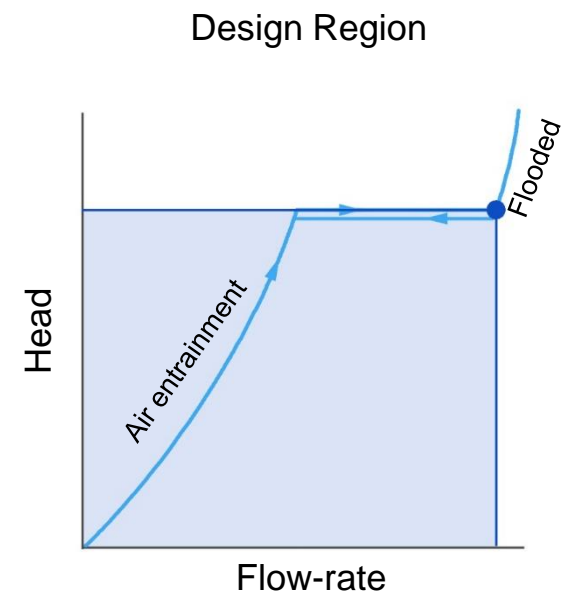
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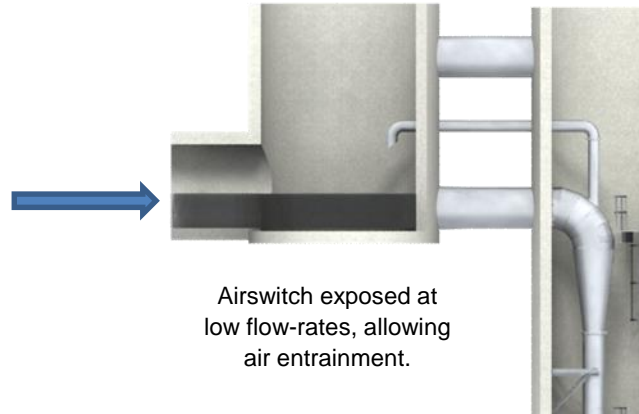
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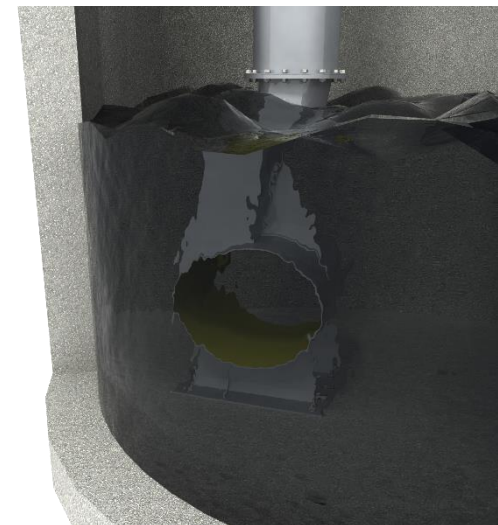
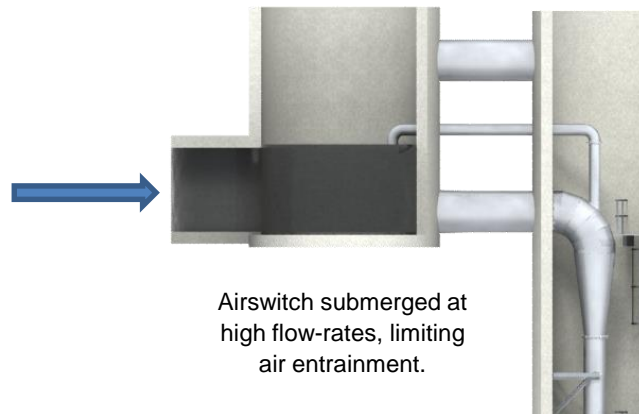
Transition Phase



Low flow-rate

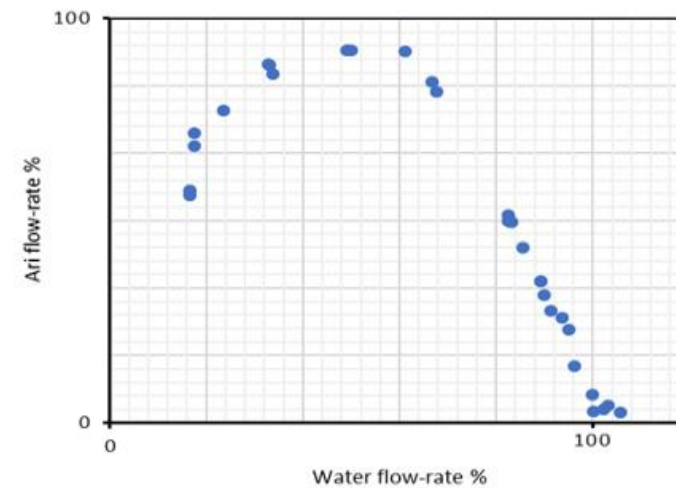


High flow-rate

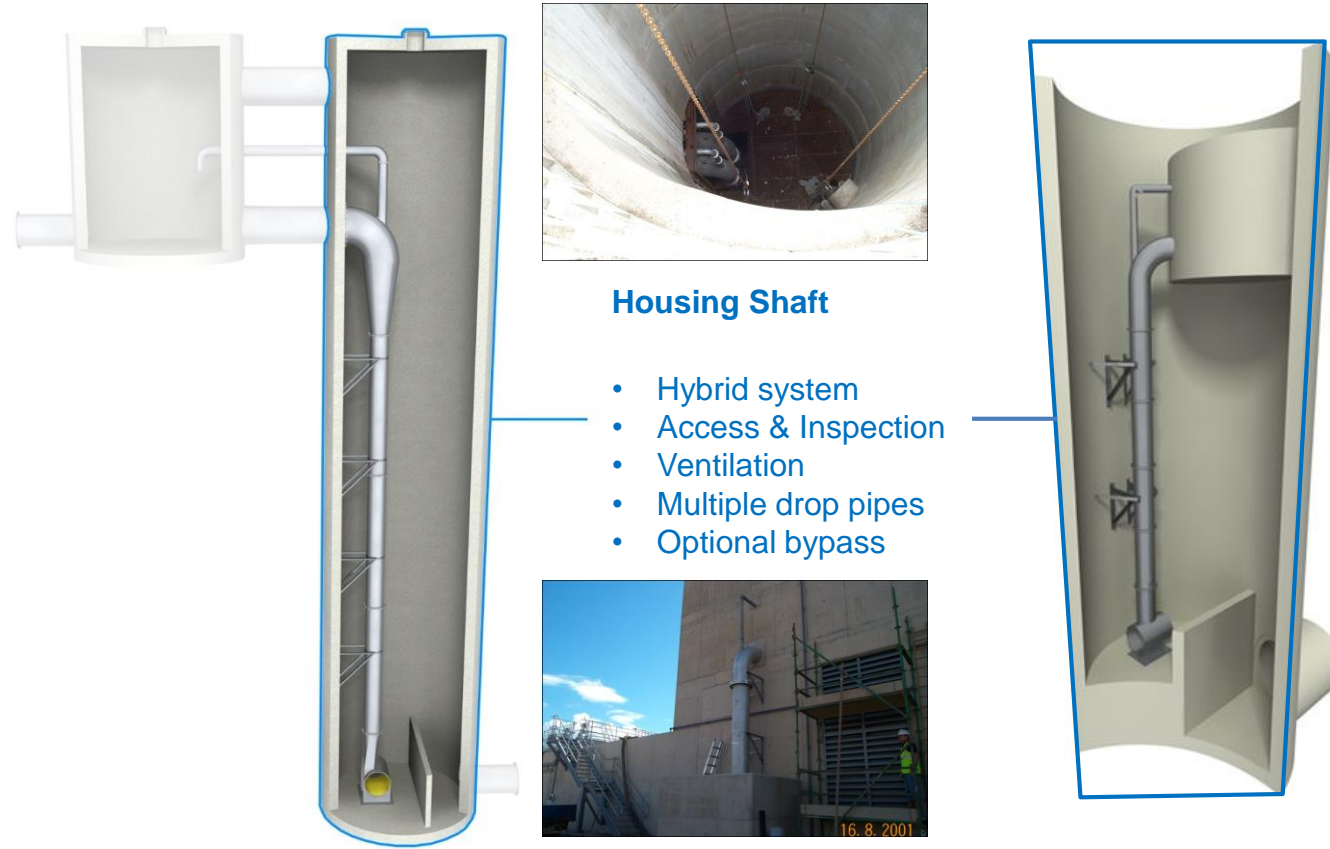


Pneumatic Control

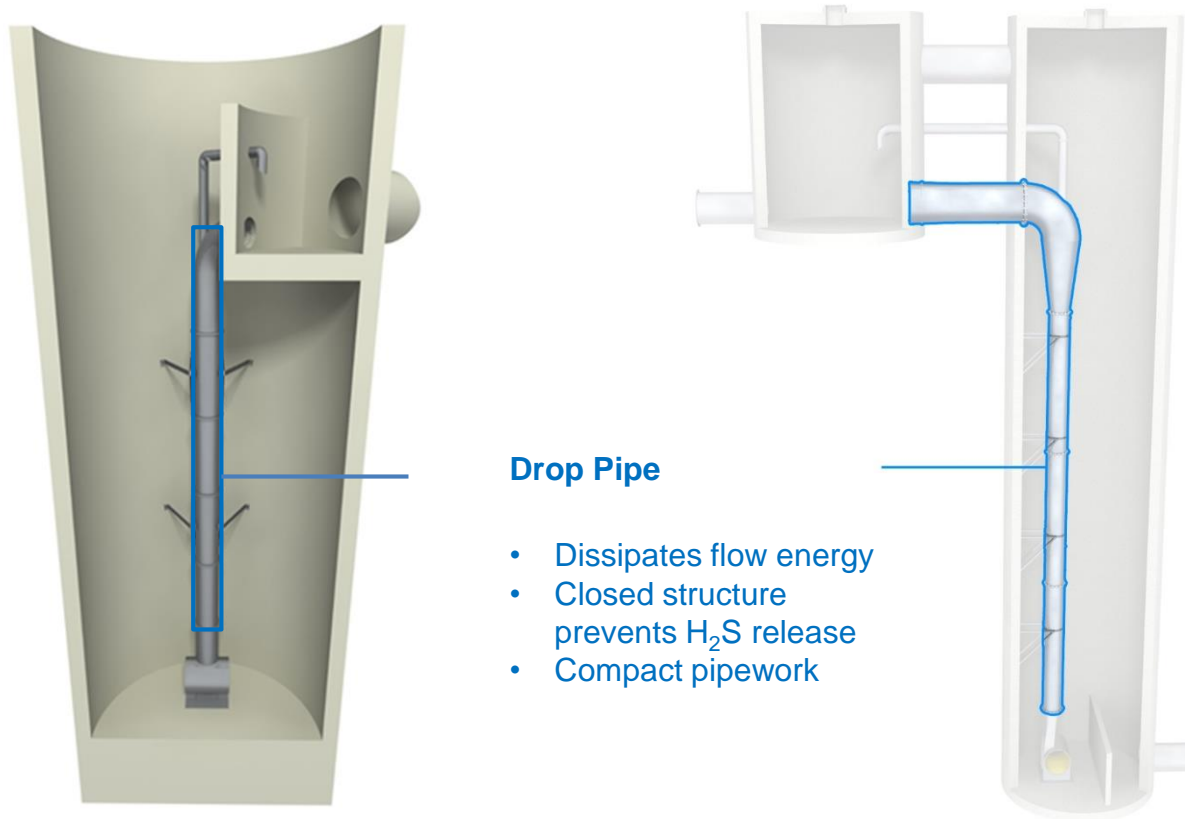
Limits air entrainment at high flow-rates to prevent sewer pressurization



Components



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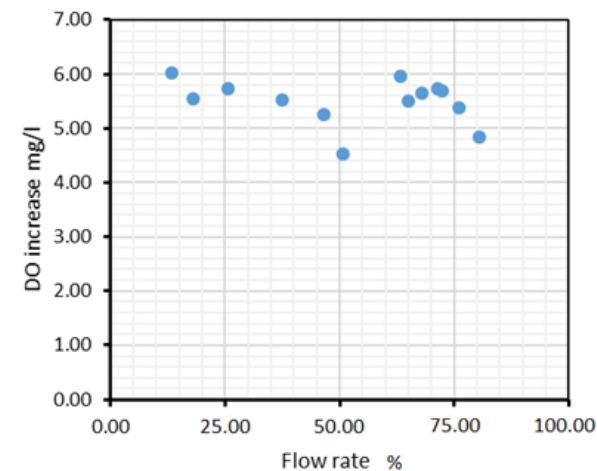
Energy Dissipation Unit

- Maximises turbulence & dissolved oxygen
- Minimises erosion

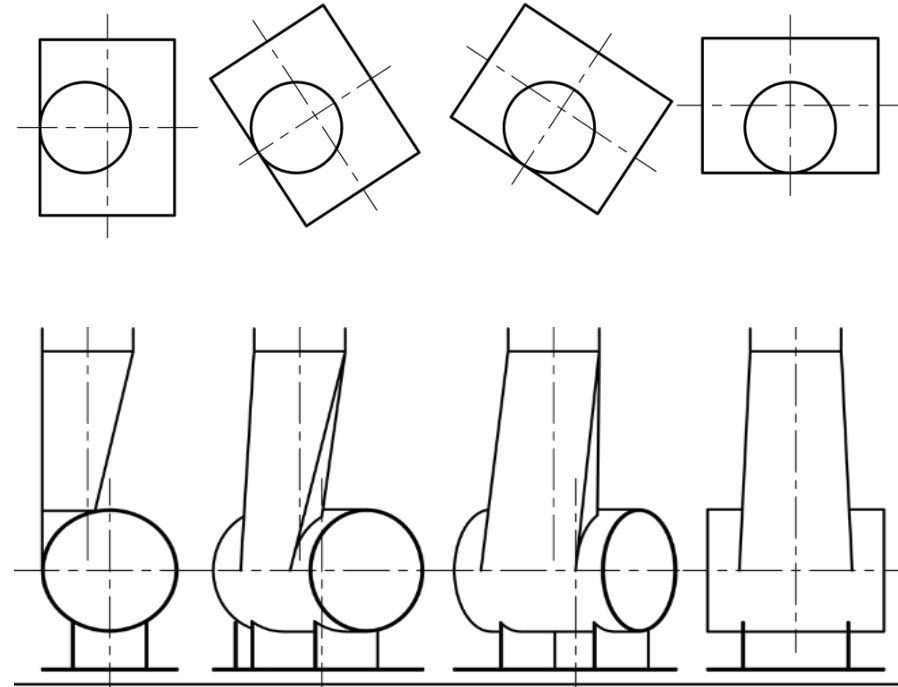
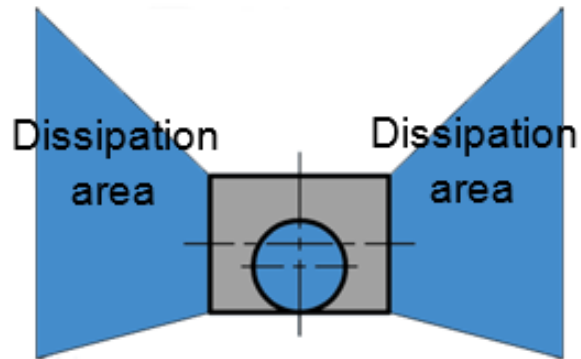


Odour Prevention

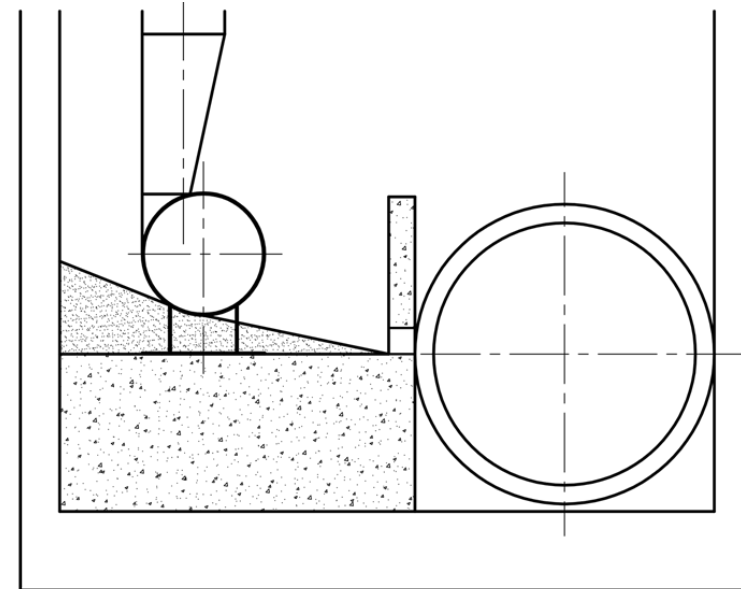
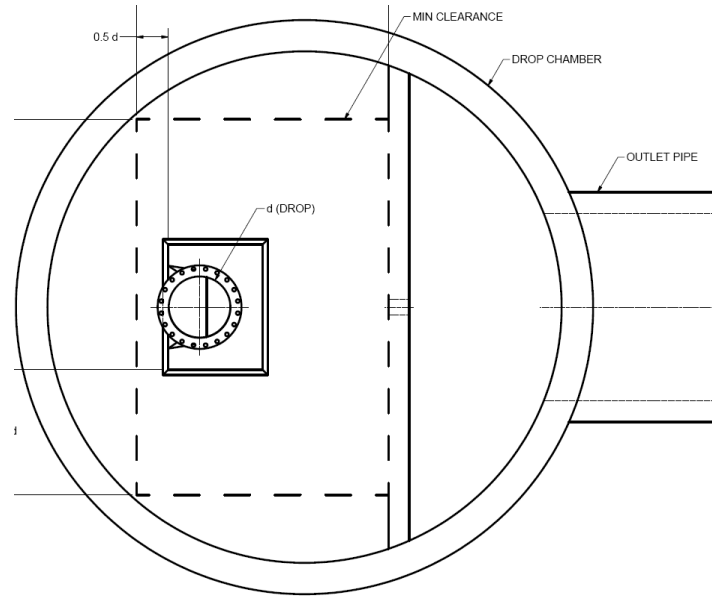
Increases DO concentrations by 600% for wastewater
Prevents H₂S formation by maintaining DO concentration > 1mg/l

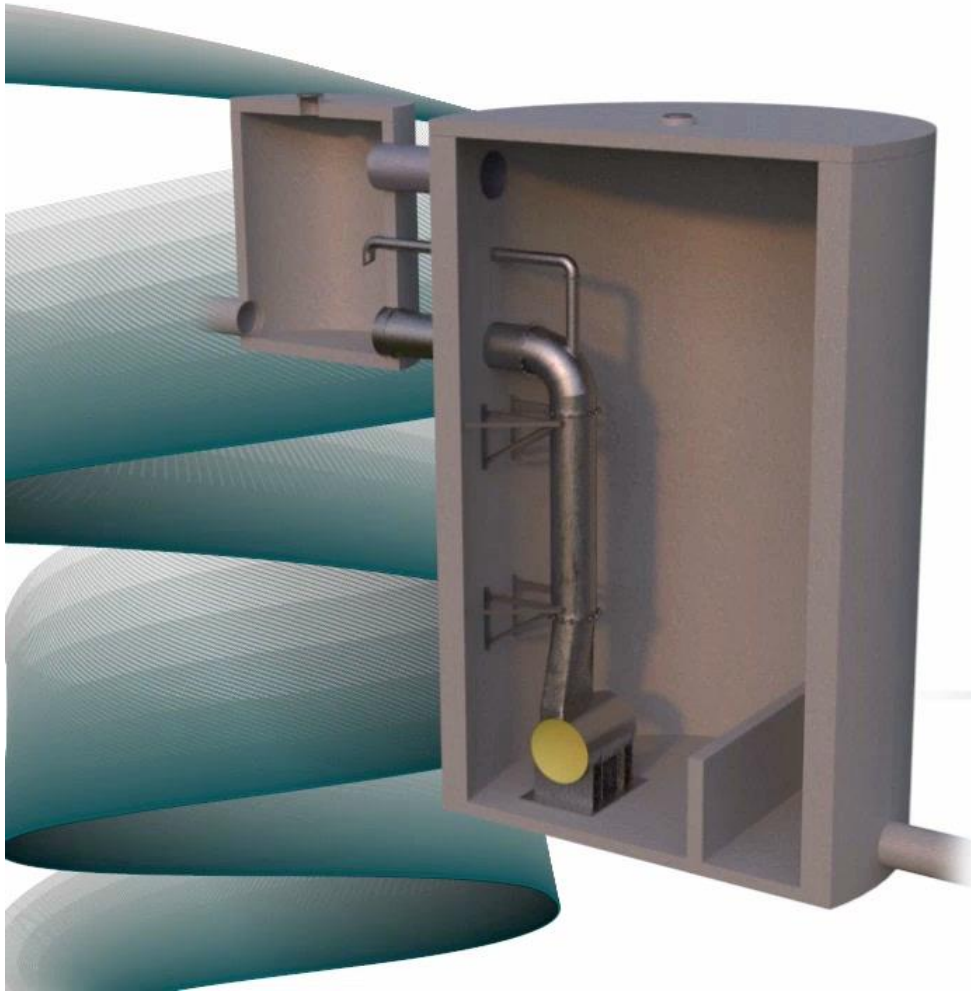


- Energy dissipation unit



- Dissipation chamber



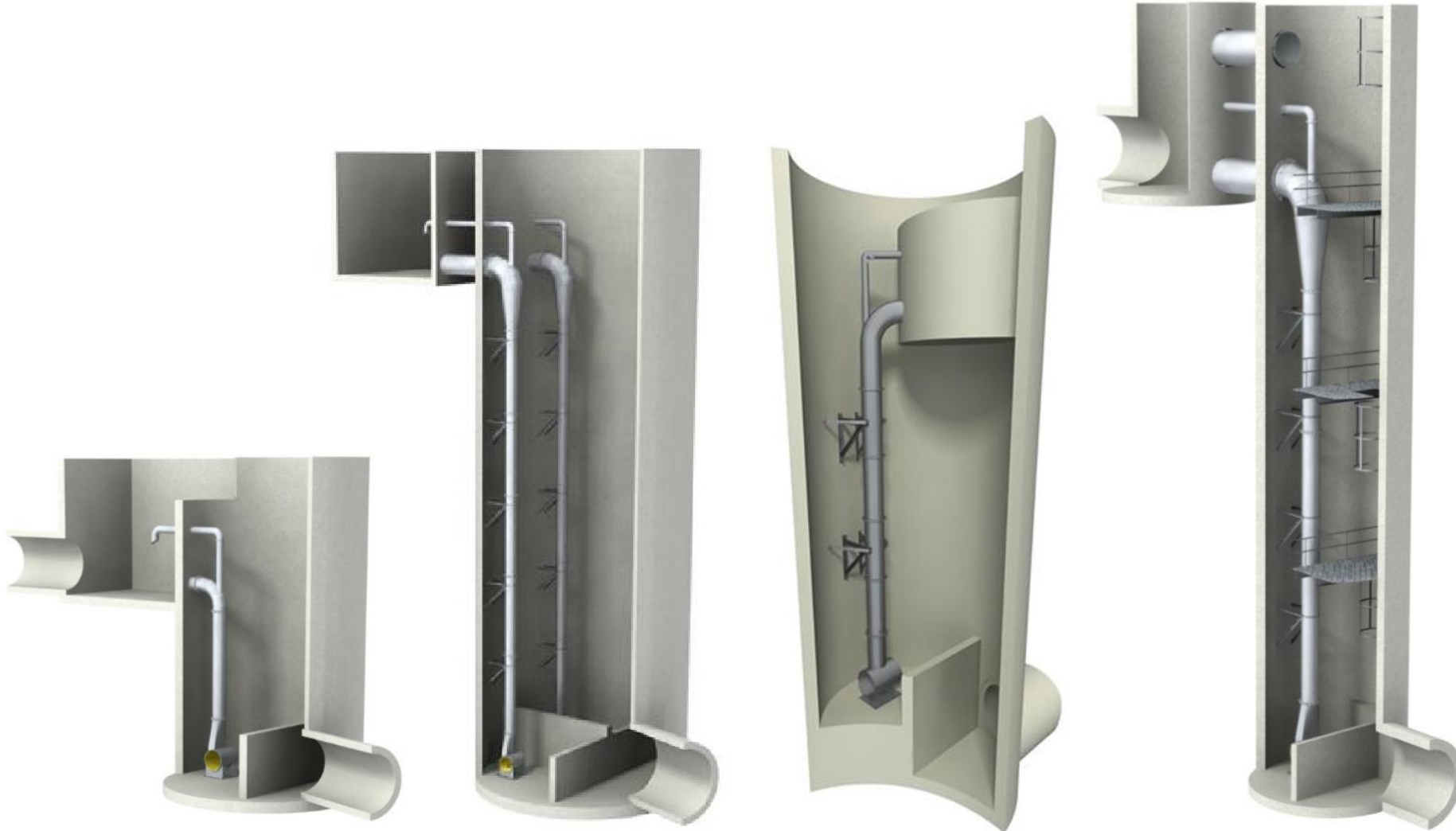


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International

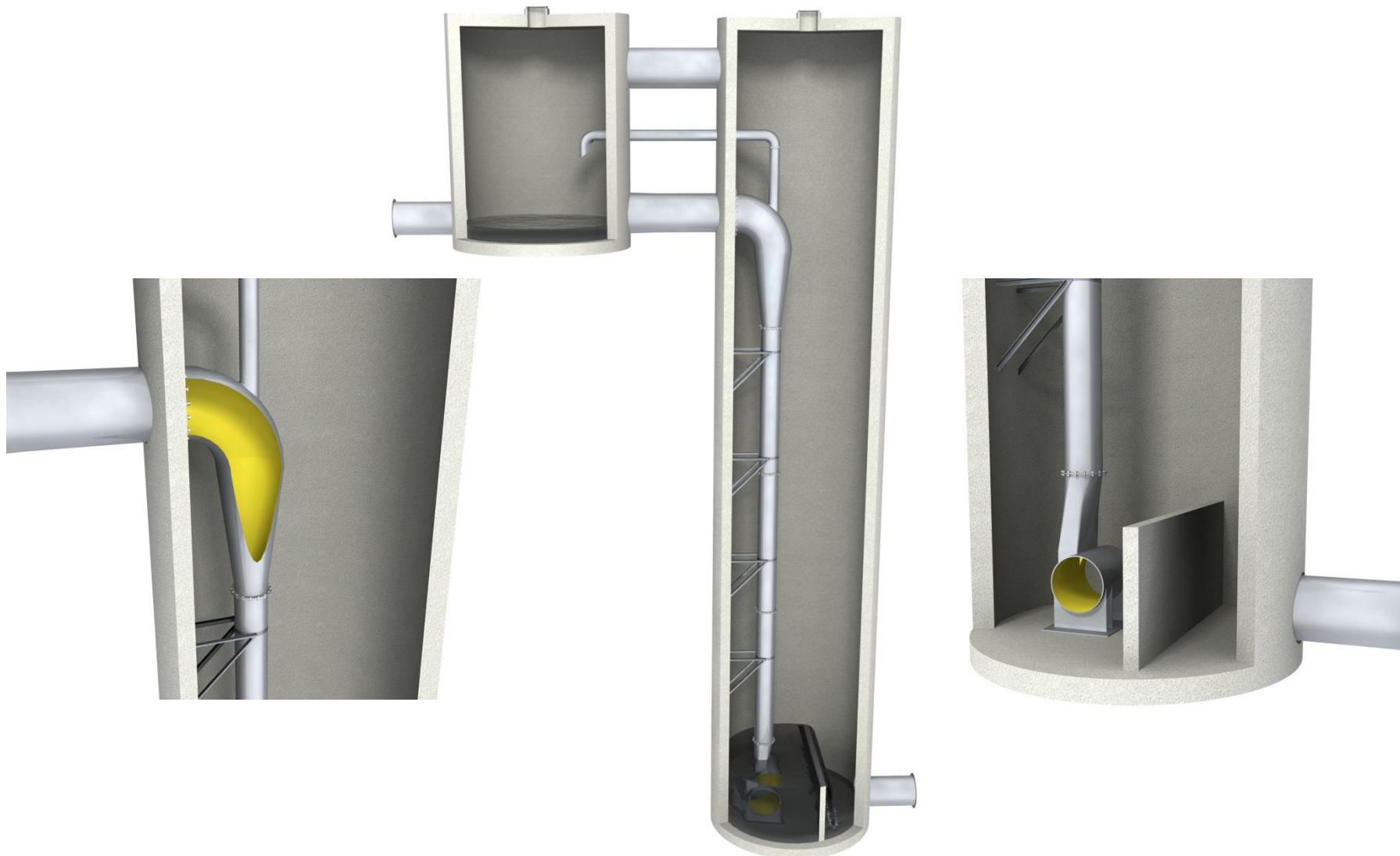
Hydro-Brake[®] Drop

Self Activating Drop System

Design Flexibility



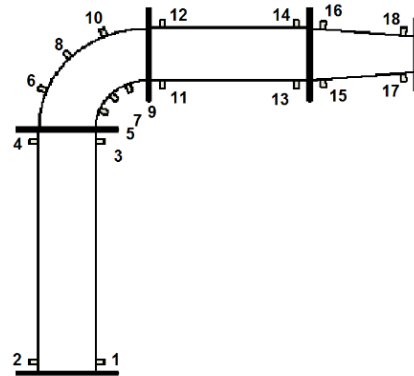
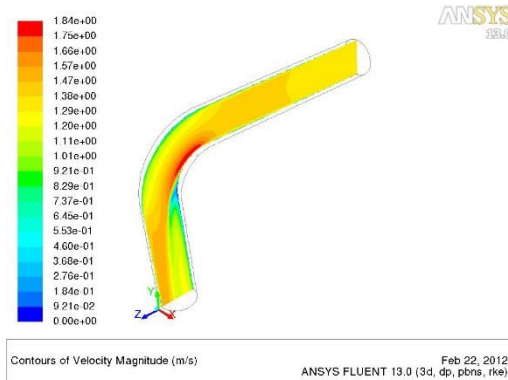
Material Selection



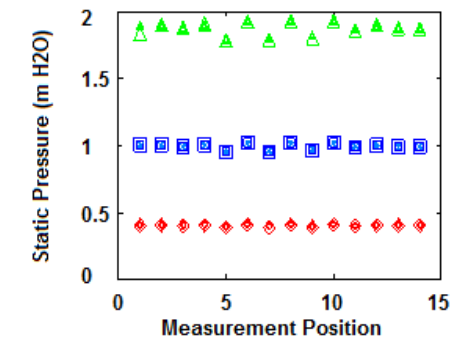


Detailed Design

Laboratory and CFD Analysis

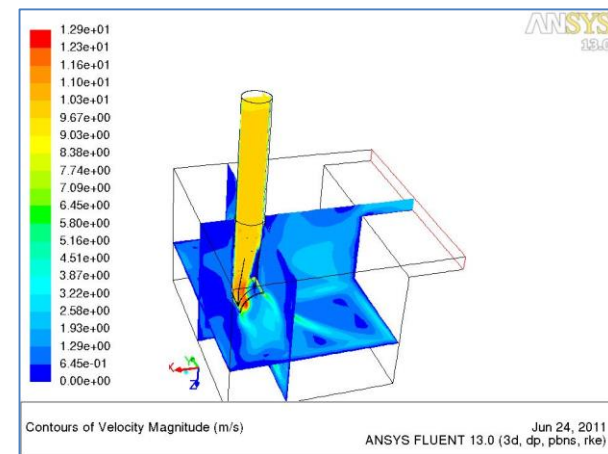
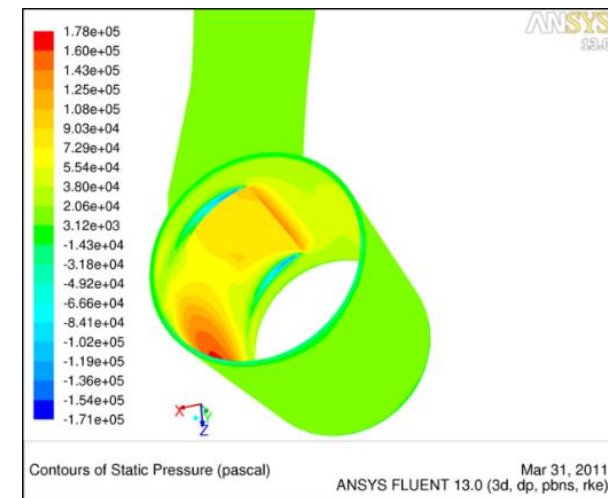


Drop Pipe



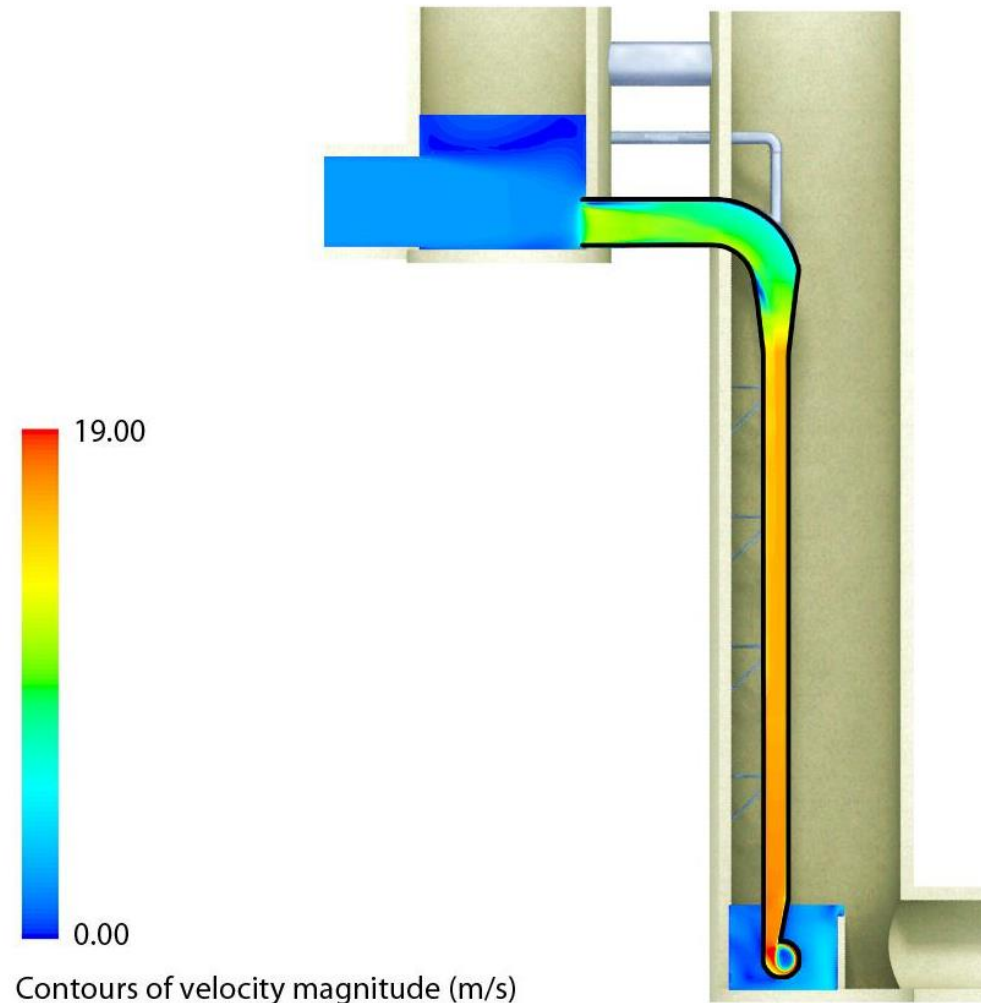
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| △ Experimental 27.5 l/s | ××× OpenFOAM 19.1 l/s (a) |
| ◇ Ansys Fluent 10.1 l/s | +++ OpenFOAM 19.1 l/s (b) |
| □ Ansys Fluent 19.1 l/s | △△△ OpenFOAM 27.5 l/s |

Laboratory and CFD Analysis



Energy Dissipation Unit

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ABSTRACT

The Hydro-Vortex™ Dropshaft is a hydraulic energy dissipation system for dropping flows from high to low levels. The system can run in, and safely manage the transition to and from, pipe-full conditions; it is therefore considerably more compact than conventional drop structures. The system is designed to operate without risk of cavitation or harmonic vibration damage to it or the surrounding structure. The system was modelled with computational fluid dynamics (CFD) using both Ansys Fluent and OpenFOAM with meshes generated using Gambit, Pointwise and Ansys Mesher. The meshes used were tetrahedral, hexahedral, and hybrids thereof. Experimental work was carried out on Hydro International's in house facilities, the measurements from which are traceable to international standards. This paper describes the CFD model validation of the Hydro-Vortex™ dropshaft. Good correlation between the experimental and model data was found.

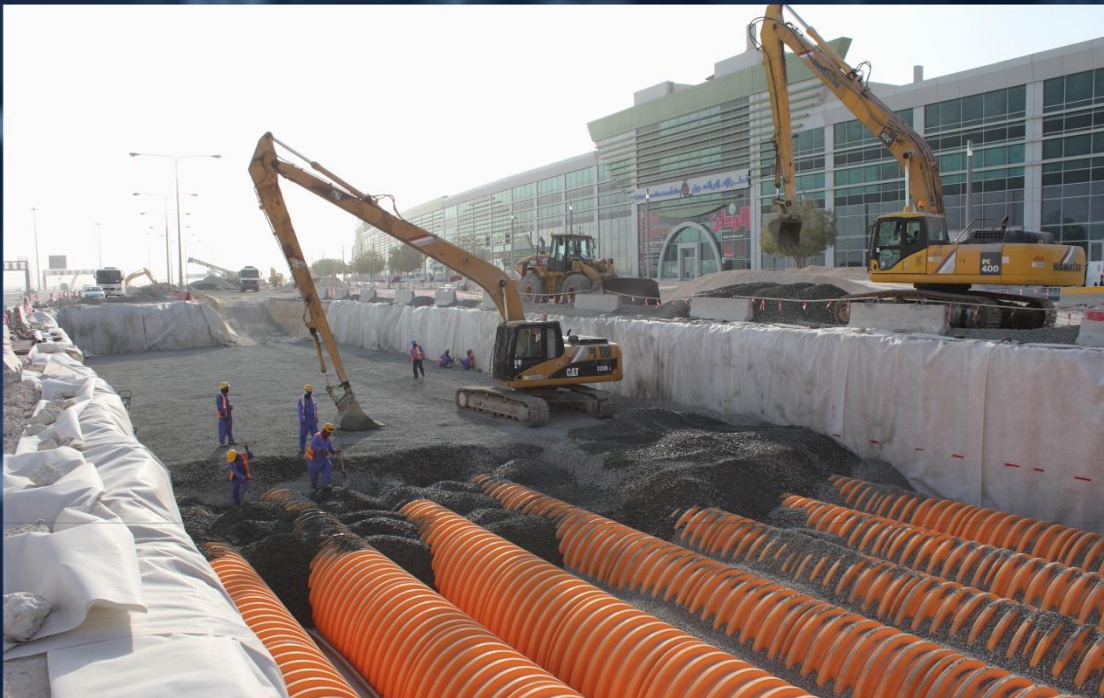
INTRODUCTION

Dropshafts are hydraulic control structures that drop water from a high level to a lower one while minimising the risk of failure. Conventional vortex dropshafts are designed only to operate in an air entraining mode, as if they transition to the pipe full mode they may fail (Dei Giudice & Gismonni, 2010). This restriction of the flow regime is due to the risk of damage caused by water hammer as the drops transition to and from air entraining modes of operation. In a similar way, good practice in hydro-power system design includes the possibility of inlet pipe rupture from water hammer due to quick flow velocity changes (US Army Corps of Engineers, 1979).

At certain critical inflow rates cyclic oscillation of outflow rate can occur. As the water level in the upper chamber increases there will come a point where the vortex air core collapses. The shaft then enters pipe full mode, where the discharge is significantly higher for a given upstream head, and draws the upstream water level

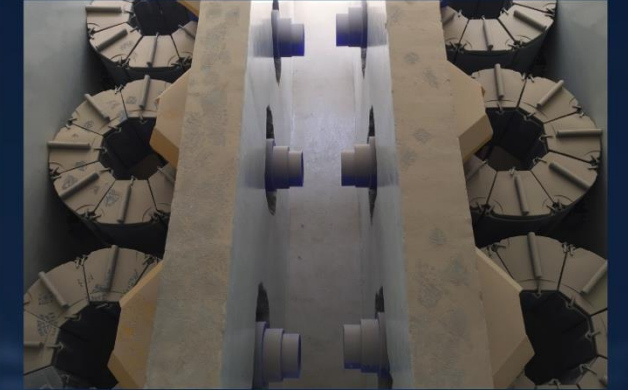
5. Local and International Projects References

Al Muntazah Street



43,050m³ Water Storage Capacity
26 Infiltration Tanks
46 Downstream Defenders
20 Hydro Brakes
2 Drop Shafts

Bani Hajer



34 Up-Flo Filters
8 Downstream Defenders
7 Hydro Brakes

AS-01 Shaft Pumping Station



>7000l/s Peak Treatment flow rate
10 Downstream Defenders
First Installation above ground

Al Khor Expressway



>28,500l/s Carrying Combined
16 Vortex Drop Shafts

Doha Industrial Area



>20,250l/s Carrying Combined
16 Vortex Drop Shafts
One of the largest Hydro Brake
in Doha at 6000lps flow rate -
14m head

E-Ring Road



>10,600l/s Carrying Combined
3 Vortex Drop Shafts

Qetaifan Island, Lusail City



>6,300l/s Peak Treatment flow rate
14 Downstream Defenders

Al Rayyan



Flow rate: 200 l/s
Head: 4 m

Doha Industrial Area



Flow rate: 6000 l/s
Hydraulic Head: 14 m

Lusail City - Qatar 2014



Road drainage
Total flow = 4,500 l/s
8x 8.9m – 19.7m drop heights
150 kW maximum dissipation
Design criteria
Corrosion
Design life

City of Bristol - UK 1962



Relief sewer
Combined system
5,000 l/s
45m Design drop
2.2 MW dissipation
Design criteria
Safety
No cavitation

Cardiff West - UK 1996



Flood prevention scheme involved diverting flow into new deep tunnel drainage network.

Stormwater deep tunnel bypass
Drop height 28 m

Handling peak flow of 2,500 l/s
2x 450/600 mm drop pipes;

Power dissipation = 0.75 MW
Design criteria
Compact
Noise (urban area)

White Cart Flood Attenuation Scheme



Flow rate: 33,000 l/s
Hydraulic Head: 7.6 m

VDOT: Highway Application



Five Up-Flo Filter units

6. Q&A

THANK YOU