

Confined Water Sensitive Urban Design Stormwater Filtration/Infiltration Systems for Australian Conditions



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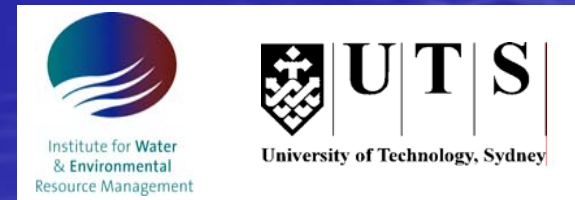
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Presentation Summary

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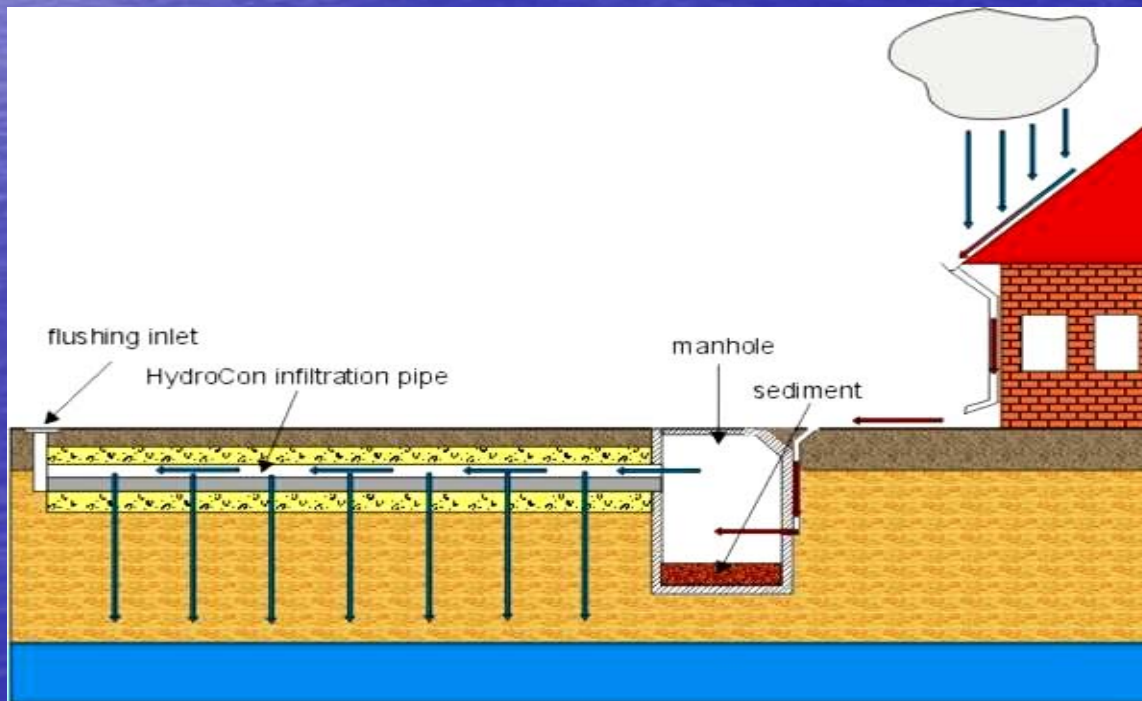
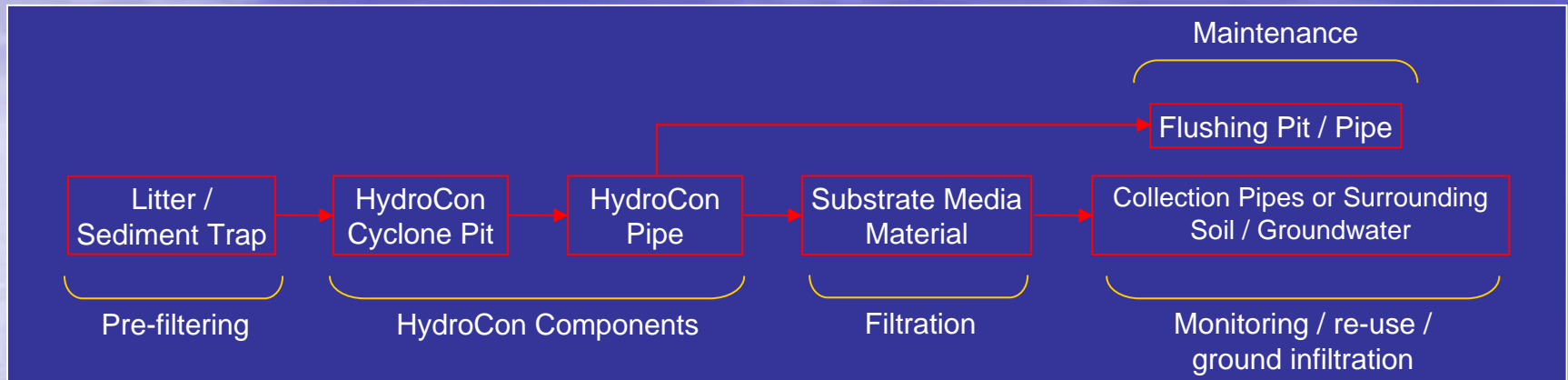
Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD)



WSUD has obvious benefits:

- Sustainable approach to managing the urban water cycle
- Minimising impact of urbanisation
- Treatment and/or harvesting of stormwater
- Provision of alternative water supplies combined with measures to reduce potable water usage from municipal supplies

Porous Pipe Stormwater Treatment System



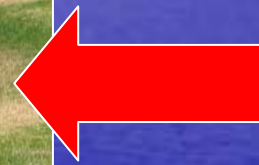
Field Sites

Site Location	Mills Park Tennis Centre, Asquith	Weathertex Industrial Site, Heatherbrae	Hindmarsh Park, Kiama
Land Use/s	car park	industrial	commercial, residential & parkland
Catchment Area (m²)	1600	2185	65000
Filtration Media	Gravel / Sand	Gravel / Sand / Sand & GAC	Sand
HydroCon Pipe Diameter (mm)	400	600	400
Length of HydroCon Pipe (m)	100	18	32
Infiltration/Filtration System	Infiltration	Infiltration	Filtration
Water Sampling Set-up	Inlet: Automatic sampler Outlet: Half-pipe collection pipes	Inlet: Automatic sampler Outlet: Half-pipe collection pipes	Inlet: Automatic sampler Outlet: Automatic sampler
Pre-filtering	Litter basket and precast sump pits	Litter baskets and a prefiltering cyclone pit	Litter baskets and screen
Receiving Location of Treated Stormwater	Discharge to Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park	Tomago Sandbeds (drinking water aquifer)	Stormwater reuse for park irrigation



Hindmarsh Park, Kiama

System during
dry weather



System surcharging
during wet weather



Mills Park Tennis Centre, Asquith



- site selected for seeding of the filter media with nutrients, organic matter and microbial populations
- system flushed with treated effluent



Area upstream of
the system

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Weathertex Industrial Site, Heatherbrae

System during dry
weather



System during
construction



Sampling Protocol

- Detailed protocol developed
- Quality assurance

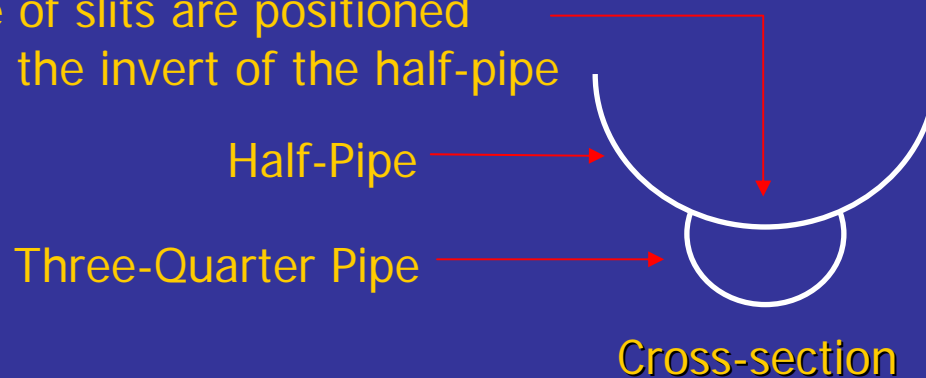


Sampling Methods

➤ Automatic Samplers

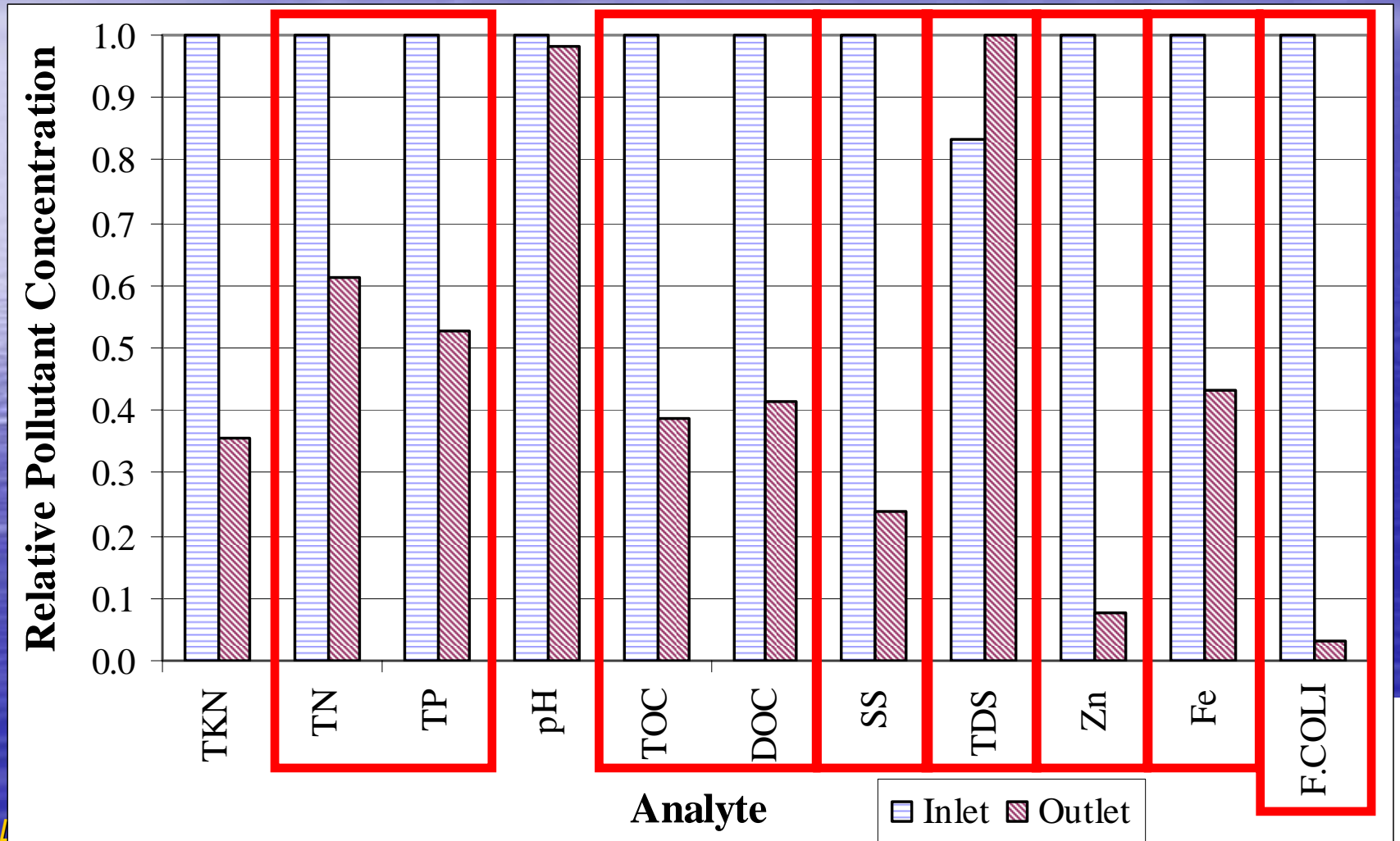
➤ Half-Pipe Collection System

A line of slits are positioned along the invert of the half-pipe



Field Investigation Results

➤ Hindmarsh Park, Kiama



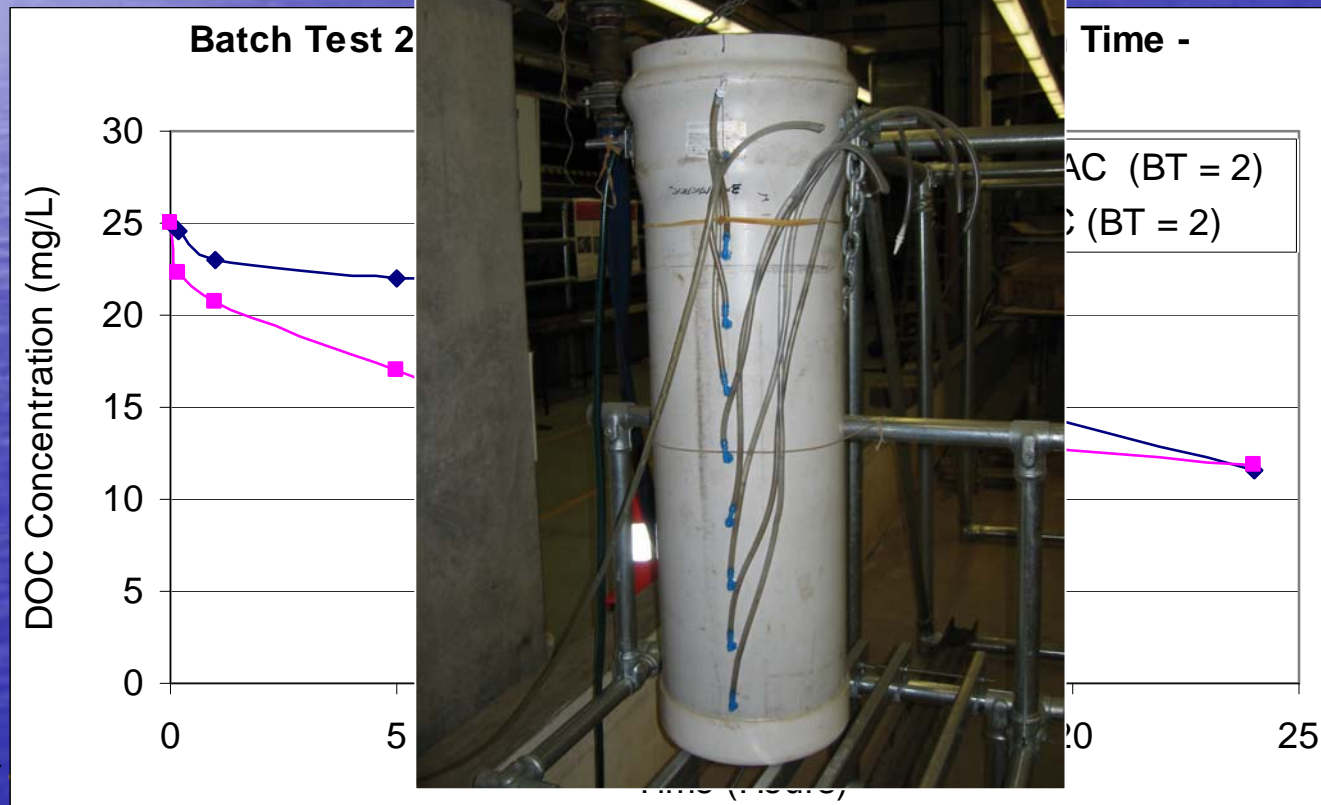
Field Investigation Results

- Mills Park Tennis Centre, Asquith
 - results indicate expected short-term increased nutrient, organic and suspended solid loads
- Weathertex Industrial Site, Heatherbrae
 - most recent system to be constructed
 - limited number of stormwater samples have been collected
 - further collections are awaited before conclusions are drawn

Laboratory Results

➤ Experimental Investigation

- preliminary laboratory tests were undertaken using GAC to investigate its organic removal capabilities - in-progress



Conclusions

- Fieldwork is ongoing, further samples are required to validate the results
- Results to date indicate the treatment system has the ability to reduce the concentration of pollutants
- Expected short-term effect of seeding a system with tertiary treated effluent has been realised

Future Work

- Findings are part of a three-year research project
- Goal of project is to develop a model that is transferable to other sites
- Project is due to be completed by December 2006
- Further field work is to take place
- Additional experimental work is to take place

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