

# GeoMat IN GROUND AND PRESSURE DISTRIBUTION COMPONENT DESIGN

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## INSTRUCTIONS

This GeoMat Design Application (GMDA) was designed to meet most standard system designs for residential and small commercial systems up to seven bedrooms or a 1,500 gpd design flow rate. Higher flows could be used but the file has limitations that may be exceeded.

Persons familiar with in ground and pressure distribution system design will find this file very helpful. Even though all calculations should be correct and a code compliant in ground system would be

designs are just about always best if the site will accommodate it and high orifice density ( $< 6.0 \text{ ft}^2$  per orifice) is highly recommended for optimal treatment performance.

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Instructions are generally in blue font and warnings are in red. Most cells where data is entered have a red triangle in the corner of a cell. These are design comments that pop up when you put the mouse cursor on it. There are also a few drop down menus for certain inputs that have limits.

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A second common warning is that the dose volume is large and there is  $< 5$  doses per day. This is fixed by reducing lateral size by choosing a central manifold, smaller orifices, or fewer orifices (i.e. greater spacing). Keep in mind that a high orifice density is good so don't spread the holes out too much.

Due to uniform surface that distribution pipe will lay on, and the desire to have more doses at a smaller volume, try to choose smaller distribution lateral diameters. This will increase wet/dry cycles, which in turn will increase oxygen transfer.

Every effort has been made to provide a file without any errors in calculations and design concepts. The user of the file assumes all responsibility for the design produced by this GMDA file.

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Residential Application

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Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner's Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Property Info

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Legal Description: \_\_\_\_\_ S \_\_\_\_\_ T \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_  
Township \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_  
Subdivision Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lot Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Block Number: \_\_\_\_\_ CSM#: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parcel I.D. Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Plan Transaction No.: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: 12/23/25

License Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Designer Stamp: \_\_\_\_\_

State of Wisconsin Approval Stamp: \_\_\_\_\_

Designed Pursuant to the  
GeoMat In Ground Component Manual Ver. March 20, 2017,  
SSWMP Publication 9.6 Design of Pressure Distribution Networks for ST-SAS (01/81) and  
Pressure Distribution Component Manual Ver. 2.0 SBD-10706-P (N. 01/01, R. 10/12)

## In Ground and Pressure Distribution Component Design

### Design Worksheet

#### Site Information

<b>R</b>	Residential or Commercial Design	<b>96.50</b>	Lowest Original Grade Ele. In System Area (ft)
<b>300.00</b>	Estimated Wastewater Flow (gpd)	<b>97.00</b>	Finished Grade Elevation (ft)
<b>1.50</b>	Peaking Factor (e.g. 1.5 = 150%)	<b>0.63</b>	Depth Below Original Grade (ft)
<b>450.00</b>	Design Flow (gpd)	<b>1.13</b>	Depth of cover over pipe (Min 1', Max 42")
<b>1.00</b>	Site Slope (%)	<b>Y</b>	24" Separation from bottom of component to limiting factor
<b>94.60</b>	Installation Elevation (ft)	<b>N</b>	ISD Required?
<b>53.00</b>	Depth to Limiting Factor (in)		
<b>1.00</b>	In-situ Soil Application Rate (gpd/ft <sup>2</sup> )		
<b>120.00</b>	Contour Length Available (ft)		

#### Distribution Cell Information

<b>3.25</b>	Cell Width (ft)	<b>70.00</b>	Designer Input Cell Length
<b>2.00</b>	Dispersal Cell Design Loading Rate (gpd/ft <sup>2</sup> )	<b>69.23</b>	= Dispersal Cell Length (ft)
<b>2</b>	Influent Wastewater Quality (1 or 2)	<b>1</b>	Number of Cells

#### Pressure Distribution Information

<b>E</b>	Center or End Manifold	Are the laterals the highest point in the distribution network?	<b>Y</b>
<b>1</b>	Number of Laterals		
<b>0.00</b>	Cell Spacing (S) (ft)		
<b>3.25</b>	Lateral Spacing Between Cells (V)		
<b>2.75</b>	Forcemain Drainback (gal)		
<b>0.50</b>	Forcemain Filter Loss (ft)	If N above, enter the elevation (ft) of the highest point.	
<b>1.50</b>	Forcemain Diameter (in)		
<b>30.00</b>	Forcemain Length (ft)	Does the forcemain drain back?	<b>Y</b>
<b>90.00</b>	Inside Pump Tank Elevation (ft)		
<b>0.156</b>	Orifice Diameter (in) (e.g. 0.25)		
<b>3.00</b>	<u>Estimated</u> Orifice Spacing (ft) =	<b>9.89</b>	ft <sup>2</sup> /orifice
<b>4.55</b>	System Head (ft) x 1.3		
<b>8.70</b>	Vertical Lift (ft)		
<b>0.46</b>	Friction Loss (ft)		
<b>14.21</b>	Total Dynamic Head (ft)		
<b>55.62</b>	5x Void Volume (gal)		
<b>58.38</b>	Minimum Dose Volume (gal)		
<b>12.39</b>	System Demand (gpm)		

#### Diameter Selection

Lateral Diameter Selection			Manifold Diameter Selection		
in. dia.	options	choice	in. dia.	options	choice
0.75			1.25		
1.00			1.50		
1.25			2.00		
1.50	<b>x</b>		3.00		
2.00	<b>x</b>	<b>x</b>			
3.00	<b>x</b>				

#### Manufacturer Information

Treatment Tank Information		Effluent Filter Information	
<b>1000.00</b>	Septic Tank Capacity (gal)	<b>Polylok Inc./Zabel</b>	Filter Manufacturer

<input type="text"/>	Manufacturer	<input type="text" value="3014-525-1/16-10,000 GPD"/>	Filter Model Number
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**Dose Tank Information**

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<input type="text" value="17.20"/>	Dose Tank Volume (gal/in)
<input type="text"/>	Manufacturer

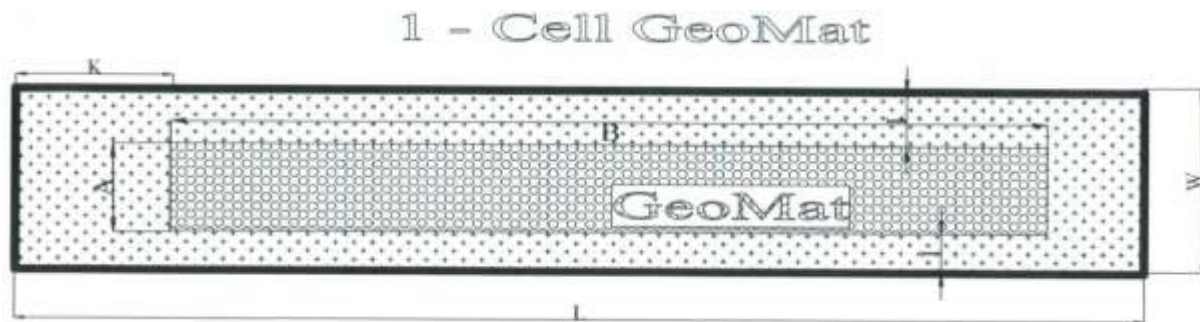
**Gallons/Inch Calculator** (optional)

<input type="text"/>	Total Tank Capacity (gal)
<input type="text"/>	Total Working Liquid Depth (in)
<input type="text"/>	gal/in (enter result in cell DoseTankVolume)

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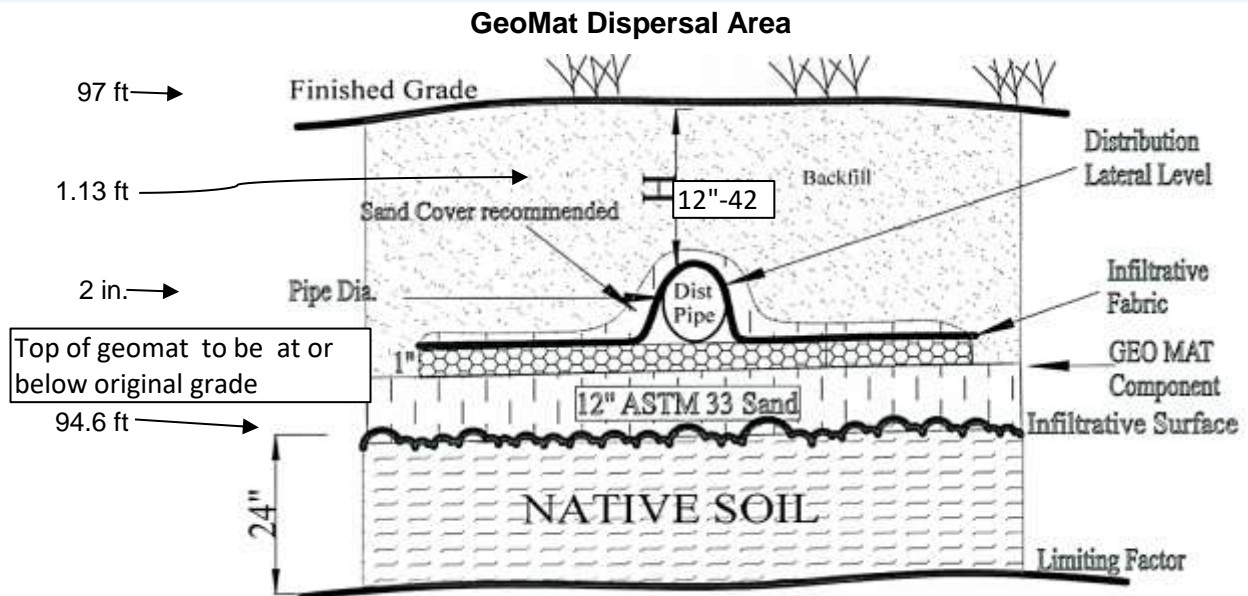
## In Ground Plan View



## In Ground Component Dimensions

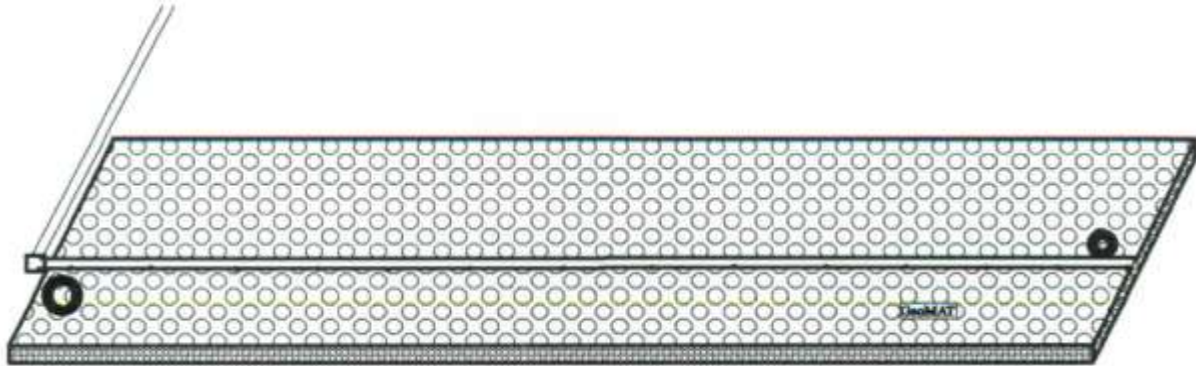
3.25	A (ft)	367.50	Basal Area Available (ft <sup>2</sup> )
70.00	B (ft)	450.00	Basal Area Required (ft <sup>2</sup> )
72.00	L (ft)	Observation Pipes Placed @ End of GeoMat	
5.25	W (ft)	225.00	Required GeoMat Area (gpd/ft <sup>2</sup> )
1.00	S (ft)	227.50	Proposed GeoMat Area (gpd/ft <sup>2</sup> )
1.00	Side Dimension (I) (ft)	6.43	Linear Loading Rate (gpd/ft)
1.00	End Dimension (K) (ft)		
1.13	Depth of Cover (in)		

## In Ground Cross Section View



See details on page 4 for number, size, and spacing of laterals.

## End Connection Lateral Layout Diagram

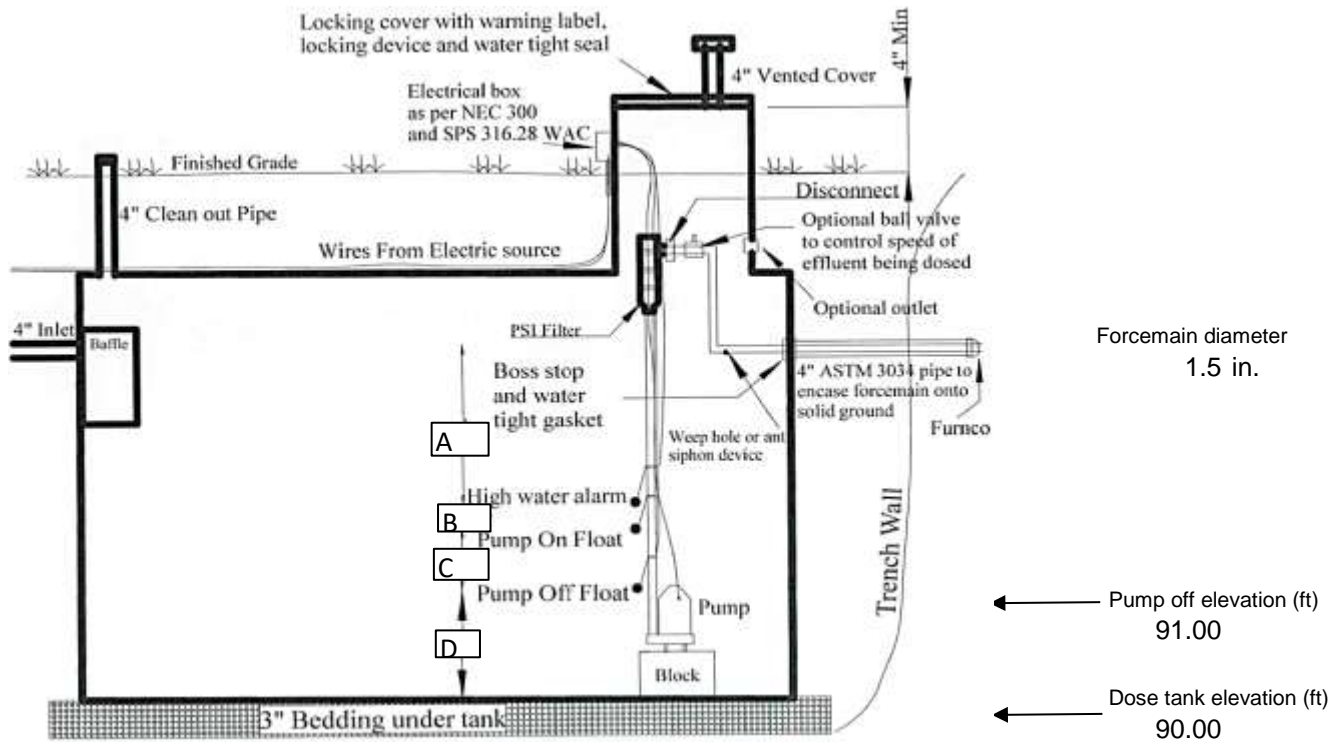


Number of Laterals	1	Orifice Diameter	0.156 in
Lateral Diameter	2.00 in	Orifice Spacing (X)	3.10 ft
Lateral Length (P)	69.10 ft	Orifices per Lateral	23
Lateral End (Z)	0.90 ft	Orifice Density	9.89 ft <sup>2</sup> /orifice
Cell Spacing (S)	0.00 ft	Manifold Length	0.00 ft
Lateral Spacing Between Cells (V)	3.25 ft	Manifold Diameter	NA in
Lateral Flow Rate	12.39 gpm	Forcemain Velocity	2.25 ft/sec
System Flow Rate	12.39 gpm		
Total Dynamic Head	14.21		

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## Dose Tank Information



Dimension	Inches	Gallons
A	20.61	354.42
B	2.00	34.40
C	3.39	58.38
D	12.00	206.40
Total	38.00	653.60

Capacity	653.60
Volume	17.20 gal/inch

Filter Manufacturer Sim / Tech Filter  
 Filter Model Number STF 100 1/16

Alarm Manufacturer SJE Rhombus  
 Alarm Model Number AB

Pump Manufacturer Little Giant  
 Pump Model Number 6ec

Pump Must Deliver 12.39 gpm at 14.21 ft TDH

Note: Switches containing mercury may not be used in this system.

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## GeoMat Distribution Cell Media Layout


3.25 Cell Width (ft)

2.63 Sidewall to Lateral (ft)

### Distribution Cell Cross-section Arrangements



### Component Legend

- |   |   |   |                  |
|---|---|---|------------------|
| ○ | Distribution Pipe With Pressure Lateral |  | Orifice Shield   |
| ● | Turnup Enclosure                        | ---   | Pressure Lateral |

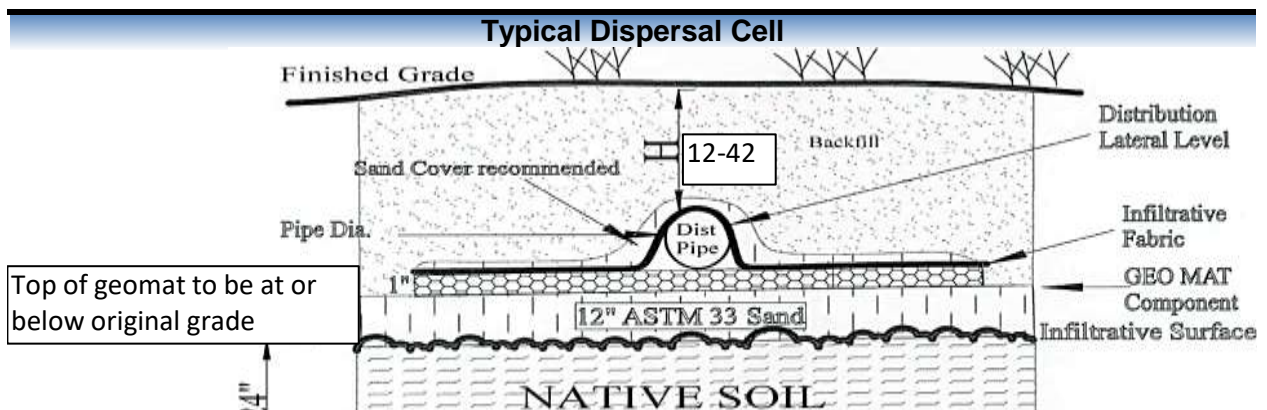
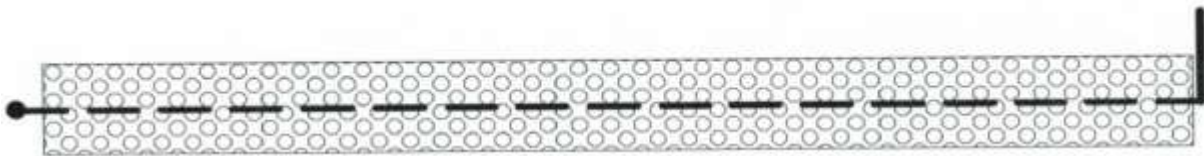
GeoMat is covered with approved geotextile fabric as per the their product approval.

### Distribution Cell Plan View Layout - Typical

3.25 Cell Width - A (ft)

70.00 Cell Length - B (ft)

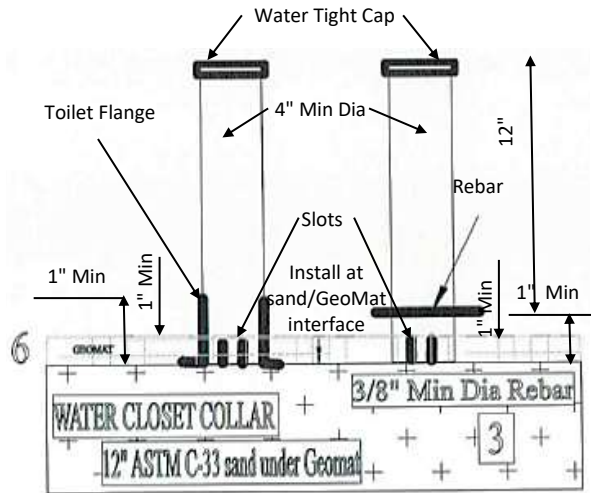
*End Connection Lateral Layout Diagram*







## Observation Pipes



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## Shading Key

- |   |  |                           |
|---|--|---------------------------|
| 1 |  | <b>Topsoil Cap</b>        |
| 2 |  | <b>Subsoil Cap</b>        |
| 3 |  | <b>ASTM C 33 sand (F)</b> |
| 4 |  | <b>ASTM C 33 sand (D)</b> |
| 5 |  | <b>Tilled Layer</b>       |
| 6 |  | <b>Geo Mat</b>            |

## In Ground System Maintenance and Operation Specifications

Service Provider's Name   
 POWTS Regulator's Name

Phone   
 Phone

**Please enter Service Provider and POWTS Regulator Names**

### System Flow and Load Parameters

Design Flow - Peak	450	gpd	Maximum Influent Particle Size	1/8	in
Estimated Flow - Average	300	gpd	Maximum BOD5	30	mg/L
Septic Tank Capacity	1000	gal	Maximum TSS	30	mg/L
Soil Absorption Component Size	227.5	ft <sup>2</sup>	Maximum FOG	10	mg/L
Type of Wastewater	Domestic		Maximum Fecal Coliform	10E4	cfu/100 mL

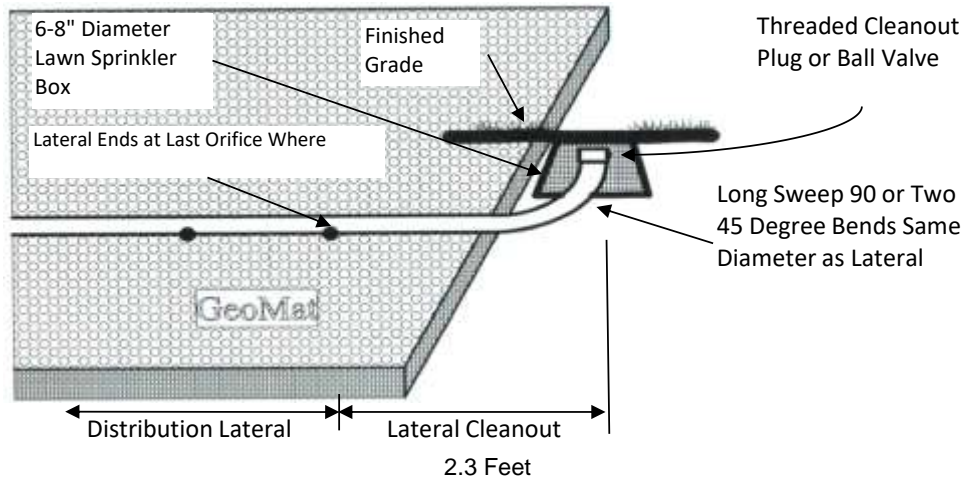
### Service Frequency

Septic and Pump Tank	Inspect and/or service once every 3 years
Effluent Filter	Inspect and clean as necessary at least once every 3 years
Pump and Controls	Test once every 3 years
Alarm	Should test periodically
Pressure System	Laterals should be flushed and pressure tested every 3 years
In Ground	Inspect for ponding and seepage once every 3 years
Other	

### Miscellaneous Construction and Materials Standards

1. Observation pipes are slotted and materials conform to Table SPS 384.30-1, have a watertight cap and are secured in as shown in the GeoMat In Ground Component Manual Ver. 1, 2017.
2. Dispersal cell media conforms to GeoMat products approved for use with the GeoMat In Ground Component Manual Ver. March 20, 2017. Media is covered with an approved geotextile fabric.
3. All gravity and pressure piping materials conform to the requirements in SPS 384, Wis. Adm. Code.

#### Lateral Turn-up Detail



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## Notes/ Maintenance Requirements

### MANAGEMENT PLAN

This private onsite wastewater (POWTS) has been designed, and is to be installed and maintained in accordance with SPS 383, Wis. Admin. Code, the in-Ground Soil Absorption Component Manual for Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems Version 2.0 SPS-10705-P (N.01/01). GeoMat in ground Component manual Version1.

1. This POWTS has been designed to accommodate a maximum daily flow of 450.00 gallons of wastewater per day. The quality of influent discharge into the POWTS treatment or dispersal component shall be equal to or less than all of the following.

A monthly average of 30 mg/L fats, oil and grease

A monthly average of 220 mg/L BOD5

A monthly average of 150 mg/L TSS

Wastewater shall not discharge to the POWTS in quantities or qualities that exceed these limits or that result in exceeding the enforcement standards and preventative action limits specified in ch. NR 140 Tables 1 & 2 at a point of standards application, except as provided in DSPS 383.03 (4), Wis Admin. Code.

2. The owner of this POWTS is responsible for system operation and maintenance.

3. Defects or malfunctions identified during maintenance described above shall be repaired in conformance with SPS383 Wis. Admin. Code, and the pertaining county Private Sewage Systems Ordinance. The user's manual, provided to the owner of the POWTS includes the names and telephone numbers of the properly licensed individuals to contact for such repairs.

5. No product for chemical or physical restoration or chemical or physical procedures for POWTS may be used unless approved by the Dept. of Commerce in accordance with SPS. 384, Wis. Admin. Code.

6. If the POWTS is replaced, or its use discontinued, it shall be abandoned in accordance with SPS 383.33, Wis. Admin. Code.

### NOTES

Two Effluent Filters to be installed where possible 1 to be installed in ST, and or 1 in pump tank in order to insure particle size less than or equal to 1/8". Filters should be cleaned once in spring, and once in fall. Also, strainers in sinks in the building shall be maintained, so that solids and fats are minimized to flow into system.

A minimum of 2 observation pipes per cell shall be installed. These pipes shall be located approximately at the end of each cell.

The plumber, or county shall see to it that a copy of these plans including this page, maintenance folder, and maintenance agreement is given to the homeowner.

This system may contain a dose chamber. If a pump, float, electrical outage causes the dose tank to fill, the homeowner should see to it that the effluent level in the tank is brought down gradually and not all dosed to the system at once. One large dose could causedamage.

Contact a pumper or your installer if this problem occurs.

The homeowner is responsible for formulating a water conservation plan that will ensure the system is rarely overloaded. I.E spread laundry out over time, not 6 loads in 2 hours, while everybody showers, and uses the toilet, ETC.

### CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR COMPONENT FAILURE

**A. Septic Tank.** Any structural failure resulting in cracks or leaks in the tank must be corrected by replacement of the septic tank component. Leaks in the joints between manhole risers or covers shall be repaired by replacing faulty seals with approved materials to make joints water-tight.

**B. Outlet Filter.** The outlet filter shall be replaced or repaired when it is either no longer capable of preventing the discharge of particles larger than 1/8 inch or when it has become permanently degraded by clogging so as to interfere with the design flow out of the septic tank.

**C. Dosing chamber and pump.** The dosing chamber shall be replaced if any structural failure is found. Leaks in joints between manhole risers or covers shall be repaired by replacing faulty seals with approved materials to make joints water-tight. The pump and controls shall be replaced when they are no longer capable of functioning according to the design plan.

**D. Pressure Distribution Piping.** Partial clogging of the distribution network may result in unduly long dosing cycles. The ends of the distribution laterals may be exposed and the threaded end caps removed. The piping can be disconnected on the outlet end of the pump. The distribution piping may then be back flushed to cleanse any accumulated matter from the piping. It is recommended that the dosing chamber then be pumped by a licensed plumber.

**E. Soil Absorption Cell.** The discharge of sewage or wastewater to the ground surface is strictly prohibited due to the human health hazard created by the effluent. All failures created by surface discharge shall immediately be reported to the appropriate county. The pump shall then be immediately disconnected to prevent further discharge to the ground surface via the soil absorption cell. The existing septic tank and dosing chamber shall be used as a temporary holding tank until the necessary repairs to the soil absorption tank can be achieved. The replacement shall be initiated only after any necessary plan approvals have been obtained from the appropriate plan review authority and the required sanitary permit is obtained from the county.