Construction Sediment Settling Basin Surface Outlets -or-

"Skimmers"

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OHC000006 Part III.G.2.d. Sediment Control Practices

- Timing. Sediment control structures shall be functional throughout the course of earth disturbing activity. Sediment basins and perimeter sediment barriers shall be implemented prior to grading and within seven days from the start of grubbing. They shall continue to function until the upslope development area is stabilized with permanent cover. As construction progresses and the topography is altered, appropriate controls shall be constructed, or existing controls altered to address the changing drainage patterns.
- ii. Sediment settling ponds. A sediment settling pond is required for any one of the following conditions:
 - Concentrated or collected stormwater runoff (e.g., storm sewer or ditch);
 - Runoff from drainage areas, which exceed the design capacity of silt fence or other sediment barriers; or
 - Runoff from drainage areas that exceed the design capacity of inlet protection.

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OHC000006 Part II. Non-Numeric Effluent limitations

F. Surface Outlets. When discharging from sediment basins utilize outlet structures that withdraw water from the surface, unless infeasible. (Note: Ohio EPA believes that the circumstances in which it is infeasible to design outlet structures in this manner are rare. Exceptions may include time periods with extended cold weather during winter months. If you have determined that it is infeasible to meet this requirement, you shall provide documentation in your SWP3 to support your determination.)

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Skimmer Outlet

Detail the skimmer outlet in the SWP3/construction plans to ensure proper function and discharge criteria are met.

OHC000006 Part III.G.1.n.ix. (SWP3 Requirements) Sediment traps and basins noting their sediment storage and dewatering (detention) volume and contributing drainage area. Ohio EPA recommends the use of data sheets (see Ohio EPA's Rainwater and Land Development manual and website for examples) to provide data for all sediment traps and basins noting important inputs to design and resulting parameters such as their contributing drainage area, disturbed area, detention volume, sediment storage volume, practice surface area, dewatering time, outlet type and dimensions;

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Skimmer Outlet Sizing

Size a skimmer to drain the required dewatering storage volume of 1800 cu. ft. per acre of drainage area between 48 hours and 7 days

> Recommend using Ohio EPA's sediment basin compliance worksheet







Skimmer Outlet Sizing

Size the skimmer for the <u>REQUIRED</u> dewatering volume. In many WQ instances "oversized" is NOT beneficial. It means small, more common storms receive less treatment.

If the dewatering volume **PROVIDED** is larger (perhaps due to the eventual postconstruction pond design or need for fill material) than the required 1,800 cu. ft. per acre of drainage area, the skimmer is still sized for 1,800 cu. ft. per acre of drainage area.



Example

10-acre drainage area, 0.5 ac pond0.5 inches of runoff per acre = 18,000 cu.ft. of runoff2-day drawdown, h = 1.4 ft.

<u>Design A - Minimum Sed Basin requirements</u>

Sediment storage – 10,000 cu. ft. Dewatering volume – 18,000 cu. ft. 2.9" Diameter skimmer orifice <u>Design B -</u> Graded for post-const. size

Sediment storage – 30,000 cu. ft. Dewatering volume – 54,000 cu. ft. 4.6" Diameter skimmer orifice

Basin B is **3x** larger than Basin A But both have the same drainage area...

Example

 Basin A will fill the dewatering volume completely and drain in 48 hours from the 2.9-inch orifice

JANWINER								
Skimmer size	1.5"	2"	2.5"	3"	4"	5"	6"	8"
24 hours	1,728	3,283	6,234	9,774	20,109	32,832	51,840	97,978
2 day	3,456	6,566	12,468	19,548	40,218	65,664	103,680	195,956
3 day	5,184	9,849	18,702	29,322	60,327	98,496	155,520	293,934
4 day	6,912	13,132	24,936	39,096	80,436	131,328	207,360	391,912
5 day	8,640	16,415	31,170	48,870	100,545	64,160	259,200	489,890
6 day	10,368	19,698	37,404	58,644	120,654	196,992	311,040	587,868
7 day	12,096	22,981	43,638	68,418	140,763	229,824	362,880	685,846

FLOW CAPACITIES (IN FT ³) FOR THE FAIRCLOTH SKIMMER®

• Basin B will only fill 1/3 of the provided dewatering volume (18,000/54,000 cubic feet) and due to the 4.6-inch orifice, it will dewater in **less** than 24 hours



Skimmer Outlet Sizing

Any type/brand of skimmer may be used but they are not universal! From the example...

10-acre drainage area, 0.5 ac pond
0.5 inches of runoff per acre = 18,000 cu.ft. of runoff.
2-day drawdown, h = 1.34 ft.
Size using manufacturer tools:

<u>Skimmer A</u>



<u>Skimmer B</u>

24	40	0.10	00	56	
98	41	0.09	66		
:	MF 4				



Hydraulic Head "h"







Skimmer Outlet Sizing

The SWP3 may include:

- a proprietary specification for a particular brand skimmer with its appropriate size,
- a compliant brand specification for multiple brands and their appropriate sizes, or
- a performance specification with complete data for sourcing.

NOTE: "size" = skimmer and orifice



TEMPORARY SEDIMENT BASIN SCHEDULE									
STRUCTURE	TRIBUTARY ACREAGE	DISTURBED ACREAGE	REQUIRED BASIN DEWATER VOLUME (1800 CF/AC)	PROVIDED BASIN DEWATERING VOLUME	REQUIRED SEDIMENT STORAGE VOLUME (1,000 CF/DISTURBED AC)	PROVIDED SEDIMENT STORAGE VOLUME	DEWATERING VOLUME DRAWDOWN (HR)	REQUIRED DEWATERING VOLUME DEPTH (FT)	
А	29.62	26.58	53,316	53,316	29,620	142,487	72	0.85	









With the hydraulic design complete, there is more design work to do!!

Do <u>NOT</u> rely solely on manufacturer cut sheets and drawings to indicate proper on-site construction/installation.

- Installed as shown in drawing may not comply with the Ohio EPA's CGP (Sediment storage zone?)
- Outlet structure configuration, connection?



- 1. Design any necessary temporary outlet modifications. It will be necessary to:
 - A. Temporarily connect the skimmer to the permanent outlet structure with a secure, watertight connection.













Recommend Kor-N-Seal or equivalent





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 - B. Temporarily block permanent outlets as necessary to develop dewatering storage volume.
 - C. Delay installing post-construction orifice?



Blocked?





2. Specify all other skimmer connections.

- A. Be more specific than "flexible connection".
- B. Specify the arm length.







DEWATERING ELEVATION PROVIDED=936.80 PROPOSED GRA ΔElev. NWSE=935.50 (A)TO BE COVERED PROTECTION NOTE TO CONTRACTOR: SEDIMENT RISER INSTALLED ON CATCH BASIN FOR CONSTRUCTION TO REMAIN INSTALLED THROUGHOUT .JR ENTIRE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT. SKIMMER SPECIFICATIONS SKIMMER SKIMMER ORIFICE SKIMMER PIPE LENGTH, L (FT.) DIAMETER (IN.) DIAMETER (IN.) TEMPORARY SEDIMENT SKIMMER **BASIN A DURIN** BASIN A 4.7 5.0 6.0 NOT

Longer arm = smaller angle, less flex, less stress.

Also places skimmer away from shoreline where less debris accumulates and is less likely to get stuck in muck.



What should the SWP3 look like ?





If the planned post-construction control is not a wet basin, the temporary sediment basin may require careful planning and additional modifications.



- Under excavate to protect infiltration rate
- Final excavation and media placement after stabilization of drainage area.



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- Modify outlet for permanent pool
- Seed after completion
- Protect underdrains, etc.



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• Sediment Traps at inlets.



Questions and Thank You!

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