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Big Water Test Data

Liquid Trans Hydro Mini Pond With Vegetation Mount Airy, Maryland May 2004

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Facts & Figures..

- During May 2004, Larry Davis, VP of GBW Associates, LLC led a series of performance tests and operational demonstrations on the Liquid Trans Hydro Mini. This presentation is a brief summary of a test involving the use of the Mini in a pond where past drafting operations were impeded by vegetation.
- The test was conducted in Mount Airy, Maryland where the Mini was deployed at a pond and supplied a small master stream device to assess whether or not the pump would get clogged by vegetation.
- The Mini pumped for over 10-minutes without issue while the traditional pumpers clogged in just a couple of minutes.
- The reason the Mini did so well is that it does not develop a vacuum because the pump is in the water.

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Overview of the Pond



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Water Supply

Typical, large home for which this water supply is the only fire water supply.



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Overview Looking East



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Dry Fire Hydrant

Dry hydrant looks impressive but struggles because of vegetation that plugs the strainer when used.

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Vegetation

Heavy vegetation in May becomes even greater during the summer months.



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Normal Operation

At a water supply drill, three pumpers used floating strainers for their drafting operations.



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A Clogged Strainer



Floating strainer as it should look compared to one which has been plugged by vegetation - which actually collapsed the strainer, making it useless

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Testing the Mini

Setting up under darkness.

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Deploying the Mini

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Mini is Set Up to Feed a Blitzfire



Mini Pumping

Mini's pump setting in vegetation supplies portable monitor through 50 feet of 3" hose

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TFT Blitzfire in Operation

Portable monitor supplied by Mini

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No Clogging

After 10 minutes of operation, the Mini's pump was removed to check for vegetation. Because the pump does not work under vacuum, the strainer was clear of any vegetation

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