AquaBlok[®] Installation Profiles



Site Location: US EPA Region 5 I-475 Jeep Pkwy. Interchange, Toledo, Ohio Project Status: Completed September 2012

Setting / Purpose: Construction of an interstate highway expansion resulted in a release of arsenic bearing water. The seep occurred on a slope that was to be reinforced and expanded to support lane widening. Objective is to provide both adsorptive treatment materials in combination with a low-permeability cap to limit the migration of residual contaminants within the slope.

Contaminant(s) of Concern: Arsenic from historic accumulation of fill material.



AquaBlok Design / Site Area:

The design utilizes a "funnel & gate" treatment approach to direct and apply reactive, treatment materials to address the potential spread of the contaminant of concern from the seep zone. To accomplish this, a low-permeability layer of AquaBlok was placed on the slope to minimize migration and direct residual seep downward to the base of the slope. At the base of the slope, a permeable treatment zone was constructed using AquaGate[®]+materials. The AquaGate coating is a proprietary treatment material which has been tested and utilized in applications to remove metals and other contaminants from water. Due to the steep slope (approximately 1:1), a cellular slope stability material was used to maintain the AquaBlok prior to backfill.







Below: Completed Installation with Geotextile Cover – For Protection Prior to Backfill of Slope

Above: AquaBlok Placement into Cellular Slope Stability Material

Treatment of Arsenic Seep Zone





RCRA Metals Before Aug13' March14' June13' 60 mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L Arsenic 0.15 mg/L 0.12 mg/L ND mg/L 0.1mg/L Barium 0.0033 mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L Cadmium Chromium 0.067 mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L 0.043 mg/L Lead 0.17 mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L 0.81 mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L Selenium Silver 0.0034 mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L Mercury ND mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L ND mg/L