

PROJECT PROFILE

OIL & GAS PRODUCTION WATER IMPOUNDMENT

OWNER Oil & Gas Exploration Company

SIZE 5 acres

LOCATION Pennsylvania

DESIGN 3:1 Slopes

Conductive HDPE geomembrane

Brine-resistant GCL

Geocomposite leak detection layer Conductive HDPE geomembrane Cushion non-woven geotextile Geomembrane leak detection testing



CONSTRAINTS

National/Local EPA Oversight Leak-Free Design

Stringent Safety
Concerns

Community Concerns
Accelerated

Construction Schedule

BACKGROUND

The oil & gas water impoundments located in several counties in PA were deemed insufficient by the EPA and local DEP Agencies following several investigations into groundwater impacts. The previously constructed water impoundments were not performing as designed, and potential water contamination was a concern. In order to continue operation of these impoundments, they were under strict supervision by state and local officials to upgrade several to new and safer standards. The Pennsylvania Environmental Council pushed the legislature and owners for thicker double lined systems in all holding ponds.

SOLUTION

Hallaton Environmental Linings was contracted to provide design and material input to implement a new best practice geosynthetic impoundment design. It was recommended that owners install a multi-layer geosynthetic liner system consisting of 4 layers: a primary HDPE geomembrane liner, a geocomposite leak detection layer, a secondary HDPE geomembrane liner, and a bottom geocomposite drainage layer. In addition to the double lined system, Hallaton provided geomembrane leak detection testing post liner installation per ASTM D 6365.

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