The Design and Performance of Reliable Irrigation Systems Using Fusible PVC® Pipe

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Pipe & Plastics Background

- My background and experience with plastic pipe span over 35 years as does my work with ASTM and AWWA as a standards committee volunteer.
- Prior to UGSI, I was the Executive Director for the PVC pipe industry association - Uni-Bell.
- I am an appointed member of the Plastic Pipe Institute’s Hydrostatic Design Stress Board and have served on the Board for 30+ years.
“I'm going to say just one word, son... PLASTICS.”
What are the two most commonly specified plastic pipe materials?

PVC & PE are the two most widely used plastic pipe materials

- The major markets for PVC pipe include pressurized water distribution and transmission, pressurized sewer mains, gravity-flow sanitary sewers, DWV plumbing, conduit, and both turf and agricultural irrigation.
- The major markets for PE pipe include natural gas distribution, pressurized gas and oil, industrial, mining, drainage, conduit, water service lines and distribution.
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PVC and PE Pipe Joining Methods

**PVC Pipe** – Bell and spigot with compression gasket seal

**PVC Pipe** – Socket or twin socket coupler and spigot with solvent cement

**PE Pressure Pipe** - Thermal butt-fusion
What is Fusible PVC® pipe?

Fusion Process

Pipe is loaded into the machine.

Internal and External Bead Removal is Optional – friction losses are negligible (‘C’-factor of 150) and are significantly less than mechanically joined pipe (i.e. for 8” DR18 with 1000gpm in a length of 1000LF, flow loss is 0.173 gpm and a head loss of 0.013 ft) and pipe tensile strength is not impaired (extra material in bead).
Fusion Process Is Tightly Controlled

- Qualified fusion technicians are trained and retrained every year by Underground Solutions
  - Initial 3 day course
- Fusion equipment must meet minimum company standards to be approved for PVC fusion
- Data loggers record critical fusion data for each joint
  - Provide real time feedback on joint integrity
  - Provide record of entire project for proof of system integrity
- Fusion conditions logged by technician and “as-built” fusion joint record is developed for owner as necessary
Advantages Over Mechanically Restrained Joints

Barrel = 13.2”
Bell = 16.75”
Restraining Hardware = 19.45”

Bulldog™ Restraint
Barrel = 13.2”
Bell = 16.13” DR 18,
16.97” DR 14

Certa-Lok™
Barrel = 13.2”
Bell = 15.83”

Barrel and Fused Joint Have Consistent O.D. = 13.2”
Standard Fittings & Mechanical Connections
Can Be Used with Fusible PVC® Pipe

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Fusible PVC® Pipe Irrigation Fitting Details

Disneyworld Animal Kingdom Irrigation Project
4,280’ of 4, 6, & 8”
# Fusible PVC® Pipe: Available Dimensions

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Plastic Pressure Pipe Design

The key to long-life performance for plastic pipe is stress management.

Pressure Pipe Stress Diagram
Sustained Stress Capacity = HDB

(Hydrostatic Design Basis)

HDB

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PE = 1,600 psi
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Material & Installation Savings

### Efficiencies with Fusible PVC® Pipe

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OD= 15.30”
ID= 11.70”

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ID= 11.65”
The relationship between pressure fluctuations and fatigue failure is a function of three variables:

- Hoop Stress Amplitude
- Mean or Average Hoop Stress
- Cycle Frequency

Fatigue failure of PVC pipe has been thoroughly investigated.

Those investigations have produced quantitative design methods to prevent premature fatigue failures.
Figure 6. Fatigue criteria from Jeffery (Jeffery, et al, 2003).
Record Setting HDD Raritan River Crossing

- 5,400 LF of 24” DR18 Fusible C905®
- Longest unassisted pull of thermoplastic pipe in the water & wastewater industry
- “Trenchless Technology Project of the Year 2010”
Summary of Installed Cost Advantages

• **Standard Fittings:** Fusible PVC® pipe utilizes standard mechanical joint fittings. No special fittings or equipment are required for connections. As a result, Fusible PVC® pipe is easy to connect to and maintain.

• **Safe Pulling Allowance:** Fusible PVC® pipe has a safe pulling allowance that is significantly greater than that of most other pipe systems, and does not depend on pull-in duration.

• **Lower Material Weight:** Fusible PVC® pipe will have a lower overall material weight than other pipe systems. This means that drilling equipment costs may be lower to install Fusible PVC® pipe.

• **Smaller Bore Hole:** Fusible PVC® pipe will require a smaller bore hole diameter than other pipe systems. A smaller bore-hole diameter means that there will be less back reaming, less drilling mud, and less spoil disposal.
Fusible PVC® - Pipe Innovation

• Fastest growing underground infrastructure product-line in North America
  – Leak free, restrained joint pipe systems
  – Trenchless installation modes that reduce contractor costs
  – Rehabilitation capabilities for intractable high pressure water pipe applications
  – “Trenchless Rehab Project of the Year 2013”

• Over 7,000 successful projects installed to date with ~ 1,500 miles in service
  – In all 50 states, Canada, Mexico, New Zealand
  – Over 5,000 HDD’s (directional drills)
  – Over 8,000 separate pull-in instances (HDD, Slipline, Pipe Burst, Open-Cut)

• Compliant with relevant industry standards
  – AWWA C900, C905, NSF-61, NSF-14, PPI-TR2, ASTM D1785, D2241
  – Utilizes standard PVC, ductile iron, and steel fittings
  – Available in common pipe industry configurations

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Engineering Structural Soils: Characteristics Impacting Irrigation & Drainage

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Why Structural Soils?

- **Sand Based Structural Soils are used for:**
  - High intensity sites that would otherwise become overly compacted
  - Urban construction sites so that the soils can be installed without compaction problems
  - Urban and sports venues that need to drain rapidly after a large rainstorm

- **Gravel Based Structural Soils are used:**
  - Urban tree planting so the tree roots can grow under the sidewalks without cracking the pavement
Great Lawn in Central Park, NYC
Nelson Rockefeller Hudson River Park
Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial, DC
Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square, PA
Sand Based Structural Soils
**Soil Particle Size**

- **Particle size diameters**
  - Very coarse sand – 1.00 to 2.00 mm
  - Coarse sand – 0.50 to 1.00 mm
  - Medium sand – 0.25 to 0.50 mm
  - Fine sand – 0.125 to 0.25 mm
  - Very fine sand – 0.050 to 0.125 mm
  - Silt – 0.002 to 0.50 mm
  - Clay - < 0.002 mm

- **Well graded sands – poor for infiltration**
  - 0.05 to 1.00 mm – very fine sand to coarse sand
  - Particles pack together and create less porosity and smaller effective pore diameters

- **Uniformly graded sands – good for infiltration**
  - 0.25 to 1.00 mm – medium and coarse sand; remove particles < 0.25 mm and particles > 1.00 mm
  - Particles do not tightly pack and create more porosity and larger effective pore diameters
Principals of Water Movement

The Six Principals of Water Movement in Soils

No Graduate Soil Physics Course is Required

The Six Principals That Make Most Engineers Scream and Run
Principles of Water Movement

Sandy Soil over Gravel Layer

P-1: When saturated to the surface water flows in proportion to size of pores, head, and drips into the gravel layer

- When the soil is completely saturated it is at zero negative pressure (soil moisture tension = 0), the rate of flow is through the macro-pores

- The gravel layer has large pores which are at zero negative pressure (soil moisture tension = 0)

- Therefore water can flow from the soil layer into the gravel layer
Principles of Water Movement

Macro-Porosity vs. Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity for Sudbury Watershed

\[ y = 6.2706x^{0.2953} \]
\[ R^2 = 0.8222 \]
**Principles of Water Movement**

**Sandy Soil over Gravel Layer**

**P-2:** Uniformly graded coarse and medium sand conducts water faster when **saturated** than well graded sands

- Uniformly graded (**good sands**) means that all of the finer and larger sand particles has been screen out and the remaining is only coarse to medium sand (0.25 to 1.0 mm in diameter)

- Well graded (**bad sands**) include very fine sand, fine sand, medium sand, coarse sand, and very coarse sand. When compacted the different sizes lock together, thus it makes a good concrete sand, but a bad sand for drainage
Principles of Water Movement

Percent Sand vs. Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity

\[ y = -0.0091x^2 + 0.9429x + 75.591 \]
\[ R^2 = 0.9472 \]

\[ y = -0.0161x^2 + 1.2917x + 73.728 \]
\[ R^2 = 0.9476 \]

- Coarse Sand
- Medium Sand
- Poly. (Coarse Sand)
- Poly. (Medium Sand)
Principles of Water Movement

Sandy Soil over Gravel Layer

P-3: When unsaturated the flow of water in the soil slows to very low hydraulic rates:

- Just like when you irrigate a site if the application rate is less the saturated hydraulic conductivity, the soil remains unsaturated.

- The hydraulic rate slows because the unsaturated flow occurs in micro-pores or on the surface of macro-pores.

- After the irrigation or rain the water in an unsaturated state slowly begins to redistribute through the soil.
Principles of Water Movement

Hydraulic Conductivity vs. Soil Moisture Tension in Sand Based Structural Soils

- Coarse Sand: $y = 7.2194x^{-1.014}$, $R^2 = 0.8688$
- Medium Sand: $y = 1.1424x^{-1.308}$, $R^2 = 0.911$
Principles of Water Movement

**P-4:** When unsaturated, water stops flowing into gravel layer, due to the greater soil moisture tension in the sandy soil

- After a small amount of water drains out of the sandy soil, it is no longer saturated and the negative pressure (soil moisture tension) has increased.

- When unsaturated water always flows in the direction of the greatest negative pressures (greatest soil moisture tension) and since the tension in the gravel is still zero, the water cannot move downward into the gravel.

- Engineers know that water in pipes flow from high pressure to low pressure; but in soils water always flows from low negative pressures to high negative pressures. **Hold on tight the world just flipped upside down!**

- The gravel layer acts to impede unsaturated water movement from moving downward, thus leaving considerably more water in the sandy soil.
Principles of Water Movement

Water Drainage In Coarse Sand Based Structural Soil

Sandy Layer Over Fine Gravel
P-5: When unsaturated more water is held in uniformly graded medium and coarse sand, than in well graded sands

- More water is held in the uniformly graded sands because it has a greater porosity
- Well graded sands have a variety of sand sizes that pack together and have a lower porosity
P-6: When unsaturated water continues to drain from the sandy soil because the underlying loamy soil has a greater soil moisture tension.

When unsaturated water always flows in the direction of the greatest negative pressures (greatest soil moisture tension) and since the tension in the loamy soil is greater, the water continues to move downward until the sandy soil is dry.
Principles of Water Movement

Water Drainage In Coarse Sand Based Structural Soil

- Sandy Layer Over Loam
- Sandy Layer Over Fine Gravel

Water Content, Percent

Coarse Sand, Percent

Legend:
- Wilting Point -15 Bar
- Plant Available Water
- Saturated 0 Bars
- Poly. (Wilting Point -15 Bar)
- Poly. (Plant Available Water)
- Linear (Saturated 0 Bars)
Review - Principles of Water Movement

P-1: When saturated to the surface water flows in proportion to size of pores, head, and drains readily into an underlying gravel layer.

P-2: Uniformly graded coarse and medium sand conducts water faster when saturated than well graded sands.

P-3: When unsaturated the flow of water in the soil slows to very low hydraulic rates.

P-4: When unsaturated water stops flowing into gravel layer, due to the greater soil moisture tension in the sandy soil.

P-5: When unsaturated more water is held in uniformly graded medium and coarse sand, than in well graded sands.

P-6: When unsaturated water continues to drain from the sandy soil because the underlying loamy soil has a greater soil moisture tension.
Which profile will drain the fastest when fully saturated?

All profiles have free drainage at the base.
Which profile will hold the most moisture after draining?

Profile #1: Medium Sand 0.25 to 0.50 mm, Coarse Sand, Fine Gravel
Profile #2: Coarse Sand 0.50 to 1.00 mm, Medium Sand, Fine Sand
Profile #3: Very Fine to Coarse Sand 0.05 to 1.00 mm, Coarse Sand

All profiles have free drainage at the base.
Layered systems can be used to hold moisture in the rooting zone, prevent downward or upward water movement.

Layered systems are used for structural soils, high infiltration rates, high quality lawn systems, high traffic areas, and golf greens.

Standards for layer soil systems:

- Bridging Factor – allows bridging of a layer of finer particles over a layer of coarser particles; comparison of two layers
- Uniformity Factor – determines whether layer is narrowly enough graded
- Permeability Factor – determines the saturated hydraulic rate of a layer
Soil Profile Design

- Medium to Coarse Sand: 0.25 to 1.00 mm, Min. Ksat = 3.33 in/hr
- Fine Gravel
- Landfill Soil Cap
- Landfill Rubble

Bridging Factor
Existing Grade

- No Filter Fabric
- ADS Drain Line
- CMP Drain Line
High Impact Venue

Pocahontas Premiere

4th of July Concert

New York Philharmonic Concert

Bon Jovi Concert
100-Year Storm Drainage – Zero Runoff

Drainage: 100 Year Storm – 10-Inch Rainfall Occurring 3 Hours Before Event.
More About The Soil Principles!

- Most of the soil principles are contained in a new publication recently published by ASLA entitled:


  http://www.asla.org/ContentDetail.aspx?id=1064&PageTitle=Professional%20Practice&RMenuId=58
How to Determine the Amount of Irrigation that is Needed

- Average water needed for optimum growth of open grown trees after the late Dr. Thomas O. Perry:
  - Low moisture species = 0.70 inches/week (approximates the ET)
  - Moderate moisture species = 1.75 inches/week
  - High moisture species = 7.00 inches/week

- Most consultants simply use about 1.00 inches/week.

- What is the optimum amount for hot dry periods???
  We really need to understand the climatic extremes more than the averages.
Evapotranspiration Data for NYC

- **PET Central Park Station, New York, NY - inches/day**
  - January 0.025
  - February 0.035
  - March 0.068
  - April 0.125
  - May 0.160
  - June 0.225
  - July 0.265
  - August 0.245
  - September 0.180
  - October 0.115
  - November 0.050
  - December 0.025

- **July PET Central Park Station, New York, NY – inches/week**
  - Average July Day: 7 x 0.265 = 1.86 inches/week
Rainfall Probabilities for NYC

- Monthly Precipitation Probabilities and Quintiles, 1971–2000 by NOAA
- July Quintiles for Central Park Station, New York, NY

- \( Q_{0.0} = 0.44 \text{ inches} \)
- \( Q_{0.1} = 1.43 \)
- \( Q_{0.2} = 2.11 \)
- \( Q_{0.4} = 3.33 \)
- \( Q_{0.5} = 3.99 \)
- \( Q_{0.6} = 4.73 \text{ inches} \)
- \( Q_{0.8} = 6.77 \)
- \( Q_{0.9} = 8.63 \)
- \( Q_{\text{max}} = 11.77 \)
A New Approach

Determining the Drainage and Irrigation for the Real Extremes using

DRAINMOD Computer Simulated Model
DRAINMOD Computer Simulation Model

- State of art computer model using hourly or daily climatic data and actual soil characteristics for your site

- Accurately determines subsurface drainage – spacing, depth, and size of pipes

- Accurately determines irrigation needed for optimum soil moisture

- Accurately determines percent of plant stress due to excess water or lack of water
DRAINMOD determines water balance on daily or hourly basis in soil profile using climatic records to simulate performance of:

- Infiltration
- Evapotranspiration
- Runoff
- Depth to water table
- Amount of drainage through soil
- Amount of irrigation
DRAINMOD input files include:

- Soil – depth, Ksat, and soil moisture release curves for each layer – using both field and lab data
- Weather – daily or hourly rainfall and temperature data from nearest official meteorological station
- Plantings – depth of rooting, plant data and growing season,
- Drainage system files – type of drainage structures, size, depth and spacing
DRAINMOD allows us to accurately focus on:

- Most extreme climatic conditions of record
- Actual soil characteristics, infiltration rates, and runoff volumes (not peak flows)
- Determining the affect of proposed changes in soil profile to achieve enhanced infiltration
DRAINMOD Computer Simulation Model

Daily Rainfall 1999

63.7-in.

Daily Evapotranspiration 1999

38.7-in.

Daily Infiltration 1999

41.0-in.

Daily Drainage 1999

2.3-in.

Daily Surface Runoff 1999

22.7-in.

Daily Water Table 1999

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Testing the Great Lawn Soil Design

Daily Water Table 1978

Wet year with subsurface drainage
Testing the Great Lawn Soil Design

Daily Water Table 1986

Dry year without irrigation
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Maximum duration = 2 hours

Amount of rain to postpone irrigation = 0.40 inches

Minimum SMT required to irrigate = -25 cm

July 1966 rainfall = 5.97 inches

July 1966 irrigation = 4.72 inches

July 1966 drainage = 0.00 inches

Total water used = 10.69 inches or 2.67 inches/week
Central Park Metrological Station, New York, NY

Mean July Rainfall = 6.34-inches  Mean July Irrigation = 2.34-inches
DRAINMOD Irrigation Simulation

Irrigation: Triggers @ -25 cm Tension
2.67 inches/week
Comparing 5 Approaches for Central Park, New York, NY

- **Method #1 – DRAINMOD: 30 Year Irrigation Simulation**
  - DRAINMOD – July 1966 rainfall = 1.50 inches/week
  - DRAINMOD – July 1966 irrigation = 1.17 inches/week
  - Total = 2.67 inches/week 100%

- **Method #2 – Probability**
  - $Q_{0.5}$ Rainfall = 1.43 inches/week
  - $Q_{0.5}$ Irrigation = 0.53 inches/week
  - Total = 1.96 inches/week 73%

- **Method #3 – Evapotranspiration**
  - Average July evapotranspiration = 1.86 inches/week 70%

- **Method #4 – Average Moisture for Trees**
  - Mod. moisture uptake by trees = 1.75 inches/week 66%

- **Method #5 – PAW Lab Data Analysis**
  - July PAW = 1.61 inches/week 60%
Central Park Metrological Station, New York, NY

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Questions!

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Have completed the following in the past (5) years.

**Associate Builder**
(1) 18 Hole Equiv.

**Associate GC Irrigation Contractor**
(1) 18 Hole Equiv.

**Renovation Builder**
(2) 18 Hole Equiv.

**GC Irrigation Contractor**
(3) 18 Hole Equiv.

**Builder**
(3) 18 Hole Equiv.

**Certified Builder**
(5) 18 Hole Equiv. or 90 Holes

**Certified Renovation Builder**
60 Hole Equiv.

**Certified GC Irrigation Contractor**
90 Hole Equiv.
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– Member in Good Standing >1 yr.

– Project Types
  • New Construction
  • Renovation, Green, Tees, Bunkers
  • Green Construction
  • Tee Renovation Only
  • Tee Leveling Only
  • Bunker
  • Etc..

– Project Components
  • Costing
  • Clearing
  • Earthwork
  • Site Drainage
  • Design Firms

– References

– Interview amongst Peers
• **Certified Golf Course Builder**

• GCBAA Board of Governors – Entity of individuals representing suppliers, consultants, contractors, manufacturers
  – Member in Good Standing Minimum 5 years under same company name
  – Completed construction on 18 holes of golf per year for 5 years (90 Holes)
  – References from:
    • Owner/Developer
    • Golf Course Architect
    • Engineer
    • Irrigation Designer
    • Golf Course Superintendent
    • Municipality
    • GCBAA Certified Builder
    • Financial Institution
    • Credit Agency
    • Insurance Company
    • Bonding or Bank Letter of Reference
  – Pass written Certification Exam
  – Interview with GCBAA Board of Governors
  – Attend Annual Industry Event
  – Consistently Engage in Ethical Business Practices
  – Maintain annually re-certification – **18** hole equivalent
  – Company Representatives maintaining Continuing Education
GCBAA Certification Program

- Certified Golf Course Renovation Builder
  - GCBAA Board of Governors – Entity of individuals representing suppliers, consultants, contractors, manufacturers
    - Member in Good Standing Minimum 5 years under same company name
    - Completed construction on 18 holes of golf per year for 5 years (60 Holes)
    - References from:
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    - Consistently Engage in Ethical Business Practices
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    - Company Representatives maintaining Continuing Education
GCBAA Certification Program

- **Certified Golf Course Irrigation Contractor**
- **GCBAA Board of Governors** – Entity of individuals representing suppliers, consultants, contractors, manufacturers
  - Member in Good Standing Minimum 5 years under same company name
  - Completed installation of 90 holes of golf irrigation in the past 5 years
  - Have installed one complete 18 hole golf course irrigation system in the past year
  - References from:
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    - **Distributor/Manufacturer**
    - Golf Course Architect
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- **Certified Golf Course Builder**
- **Certified Golf Course Renovation Builder**
- **Certified Golf Course Irrigation Contractor**
  - ACC Golf Construction
  - Aspen Corporation
  - Course Crafters, LLC
  - Duininck Golf
  - Frontier Golf
  - Glase Golf, Inc.
  - Golf Creations
  - Golf Development Construction
  - Heritage Links
  - Landirr, Inc.
  - Landscapes Unlimited, LLC
  - Lepanto Golf Construction, Inc.
  - MacCurrach Golf
  - McDonald & Sons, Inc.
  - Medalist Golf, Inc.
  - Mid-America Golf & Landscape, Inc.
  - NMP Golf Construction Corp.
  - QGS Development
  - Ryan Inc. Central
  - Ryan Golf Corporation
  - Shapemasters, Inc.
  - Southeastern Golf, Inc.
  - TDI International, Inc.
  - Total Golf Construction Inc.
  - Total Turf Services, Inc.
  - United Golf LLC
  - Wadsworth Golf Construction

**Certified Golf Course Renovation Builder**
- George E. Ley Co.
- Hartman Companies

**Certified Golf Course Irrigation Contractor**
- Formost Construction Co.
- Mike Roach, Inc.
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The USGA Water Initiative

Pat Gross
Southwest Director
USGA
Green Section
What is the USGA doing about the water issue?
Issue 1: Drought, water restrictions, limited water supply
Issue 2: Water quality protection

- Clean Water Act
- TMDL (total maximum daily load)
I’ve never seen a superintendent get fired because the golf course was too green.
USGA Water Initiative

- Water related research
- USGA Water Resource Center website
- Course Consultation Service
- USGA Resource Conservation efforts.
Green Section
Turfgrass and Environmental Research

• **Key Initiatives (1985):**
  1. Develop grasses that use less water, fertilizer, and that have better pest resistance.
  2. Research golf’s impact on the environment.
  3. Communicate research results for the benefit of golf course and environmental sustainability.
Water Conservation

- ET for various turfgrass species.
- Impact of deficit irrigation
- Information and guidelines on recycled water
- Turfgrass cultural practices during drought.
Fate and Transport

- Groundwater
- Surface water
- Volatilization

We have the information!!!
1. Resources for the Community

- Non-technical audience.
- Regulators, press, politicians, neighbors.
- “Why golf courses need water and how they manage this valuable resource.”
2. Resources for Golfers

- Non-technical audience.
- “How water affects your course and your game.”
- Educate golfers to support/prefer less than lush green conditions.
3. Resources for Golf Facilities

– Technical audience; superintendents, general managers, golf professionals, committees.
– Organize and assemble existing resources.
– Know how to reduce water use; just need permission to do so.
Case Studies

- Interactive map.
- State BMP’s
- Case Studies
- Contributions from allied associations.
USGA Water Initiative

• Course Consulting Service: Irrigation and Water Use Efficiency Visit.
  – Document irrigation practices.
  – Water management plan.
  – Best management practices.
  – Preventive maintenance program.
  – Hire designers, consultants, specialists to correct deficiencies.
USGA Resource Conservation Program

- Money
- Water

Pace of Play

Playing Quality
Two of the most commonly cited reasons for not playing more golf:

“It takes too long”
“It’s too expensive”

The most serious environmental issue facing the game:

golf’s consumption of water
Solution to the Dilemma

• Identify course areas that result in slow play
  – Identify where players are going and NOT going
• Reduce maintenance and water use on areas of the course that seldom come into play
• Reallocate resources to areas that come into play most often
• Increase efficiency of maintenance tasks
By converting this
To this
### Course-wide totals

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**R1** Fine textured turfgrass, mowed weekly at 1.5 inches or less, green throughout growing season, find the ball quickly, no exposed soil, no more than 1/2 shot penalty

**R2** Fine to coarse textured turfgrass, mowed four times monthly at 3.0 inches or less, dormant (brown) during drought stress, find the ball quickly, no exposed soil, no more than 1 shot penalty

**R3** Mixture of coarse textured grass plants, mowed monthly at 12 inches or less, wide variance in color during the year, finding the ball more difficult, exposed soil, minimum of 1 shot penalty

**R4** Mixture of native grasses, wildflowers, and woody plants, mowed twice annually at 18 inches or less, wide variance in color during the year, finding the ball very difficult, Minimum 1 shot penalty
GPS/GIS Analysis

Track Players

GPS Data Loggers

Track Maintenance
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*(Caution! Roughly 75% of all records currently have no full text to search.)*

**Maximum number of records to retrieve:** All (Default)

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**Other Search Options**

- Guided Search
- Power Search
- Browse Options
- Browse Turf Topics
- Browse Full-Text Journals **(Logs out)**
- What’s NEW in Turfgrass Research

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**Basic Search Hints and Examples**

**Experiencing Search Difficulties?**

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**Getting Started with TGIF Guide (PDF)**

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We need you!
email if questions or with leads on resources which we should know about. We need you as a supplier, cooperator – and user!

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Executing Professional Specifications
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Discussion Topics

• Advantages to obtaining CSI Certifications

• Common Specifying Mistakes

• MasterFormat – Old vs. New
Certification Structure

- CDT: Construction Documents Technologist
  - CCS: Certified Construction Specifier
  - CCCA: Certified Construction Contract Administrator
  - CCPR: Certified Construction Product Representative
CSI Certification - CDT

• CDT: Construction Documents Technologist Certificate:
  – Basic foundation in industry knowledge:
    • Construction Processes
    • Contractual Relationships
    • Document Procedures and Organization
CSI Certification - CDT

• Candidates may have any level of:
  – Education
  – Years/experience in Construction Industry

• Source Material:
  – Project Delivery Practice Guide
  – MasterFormat
  – Uniformat
  – SectionFormat/PageFormat
  – GreenFormat
  – Sustainability/Green Building: US EPA
  – General Conditions
Fall 2014 Exams

• Registration Opens  *June 2, 2014*
• Early Registration Ends *July 31, 2014*
• Final Registration  *August 31, 2014*
• Exam Window  *Sept 29-Oct 25, 2014*
Facts

• Consultant/Engineers Facts:
  – No higher education is offered for Consultants/Engineers in project delivery or contract requirements.
  – The first education of this kind, for a consultant, typically happens as a result of a conflict on a specific project.
  – Consultants almost never see the Owner/Arch Agreement, General & Supplementary Conditions, or Division 01 requirements.
  – Consultants typically do not get a full copy of the contract documents until the project hits the streets.
  – Consultants rarely have trained specification writers. Individuals in a firm, regardless of training, typically write and edit their own specs on each project.
  – Sometimes, multiple staff members in one firm are working on different parts of the same spec.
Consulting engineers represent 4% of total CSI Membership

Where are consultants learning about contract requirements to avoid conflicts?

THEY’RE NOT!
Common Problems/conflicts with Consultants

- Duplications
- Omissions
- Contract or Bid Requirements
- Lack of Division 01 Knowledge
- Standard Format/Language Differences
- Open Communication/Exchange
- Owner’s Role
- Timing of Decisions
- Terminology
Common Areas needing Coordination/Communication

- Architect/Owner Agreement – Requirements
- General & Supplementary Conditions
- Seismic and Geotech Data
- Existing Conditions/Owner Requirements
- Unit Prices/Alternates/Allowances
- Contract Modification Procedures
- Submittal Procedures
- Location Specific Regulatory Requirements
- Special Project Requirements
- Meetings
- QA/QC Procedures
Common Areas needing Coordination/Communication

- Temporary Facilities/Utilities
- Access Panels
- Warranty Requirements
- LEED Requirements
- Cutting and Patching
- Delivery, Storage and Handling
- Substitution Requirements and Procedures
- Substantial Completion/Final Acceptance
- Startup/Commissioning/Training/Demonstration
- Cleaning/Closeout/Maintenance

- Division Specific Items that may require cross coordination (i.e. Civil and Plumbing)
Possible Consequences from Lack of Coordination

- Loss of valuable time during CA dealing with conflicts
- Excessive Change Orders
- Construction Budget Overrun
- Mediation/Arbitration
- E & O Claims
- Loss of Client

If you can’t afford to take the time to coordinate your project then you can’t afford the time it will take to deal with the issues.
• Spearin Doctrine

A U.S. Supreme Court decision in 1918, *United States v. Spearin*, is a key case that has far-reaching implications for the design professions and construction industries.

Basically, *Spearin* holds that a contractor is entitled to rely on the construction documents provided by the Owner to be sufficient for their intended purpose and is not responsible for the consequences of defects (errors, inconsistencies, or omissions) in the contract documents.
• Your drawings AND Specifications are the Contract Documents and are complementary.

• Contrary to popular belief, one does not take precedence over another.

• In case of a conflict, what is “reasonably inferred” will prevail.

• Treat your documents like you would treat a contract.
• Basic Structure for Administrative Requirements – Know where things belong:
  – Supplementary Conditions – Expand on and Revise General Conditions
  – Division 01 – General Requirements further expand and define the Conditions of the Contract and Administrative Requirements
  – Part 1 of the Specification Section defines administrative requirements specific to that section
• Spec Sections consist of 3 Parts (See CSI SectionFormat™):
  – Part 1 – GENERAL
    • Administrative Requirements specific to that section. Things like Submittals, Quality ASSURANCE, Reference Standards, Warranty Requirements, etc.
• Spec Sections consist of 3 Parts:

  – Part 2 – PRODUCTS

  • Articles related to the manufacture and fabrication of products, including:
    – Assembly or Fabrication Tolerances
    – Source Quality Control
    – Tests
    – Inspections
    – Nonconforming Work
    – Manufacturer Services
Specification Sections – Where does it Belong?

• Spec Sections consist of 3 Parts:
  
  – Part 3 - EXECUTION
    • Covers work performed at the project site as well as:
      – Tolerances
      – Field or Site Quality Control
      – Field or Site Tests
      – Field or Site Inspection
      – Nonconforming Work
      – Manufacturer’s Services
• As legally enforceable contract documents, construction specifications should be prepared with concern and respect for their legal status.

• Always use the four principles of effective communication:
  – Clear: Use correct grammar and simple sentence construction.
  – Concise: Eliminate unnecessary words, but not at the expense of clarity.
  – Correct: Present information accurately and precisely.
  – Complete: Do not leave out important information.
Writing Style

• Good writing style is characterized by accuracy, brevity, and clarity:
  – Use simple sentences. Long, complex sentences and stilted language do not contribute to effective communication.
  – Avoid complicated sentences where inadvertent omission or insertion of punctuation could change meaning or create ambiguity.
  – Use words and terms that are simple and clearly understood.
• The “Imperative Mood” is the recommended method for instructions covering the installation of products and equipment.

  – Imperative Mood: The verb that clearly defines the action becomes the first word in the sentence.

  – For example: “Spread adhesive with notched trowel.” The imperative sentence is concise and readily understandable.
The “Indicative Mood”, passive voice, requires the use of shall in nearly every statement. This sentence structure can cause unnecessary wordiness and monotony. This is not recommended.
• Abbreviations, while sometimes effective on Drawings, should generally be avoided in Specifications.

• When numbers are used to define both size and quantity, use the symbol for the number, spell out the quantity
  – For example: Use 2-inches not 2”
  – 50 degrees F.
  – 20 percent
  – Five 2 by 4s
• Capitalization should be consistent throughout the Construction Documents. Capitalize specific nouns and proper names defined in the Conditions of the Contract.

• Sentences should be constructed to that the misplacement or elimination of a punctuation mark will not change the meaning.
• Use singular verbs with singular subjects and plural verbs with plural subjects.
  – Incorrect: One of the elongated central fasteners are to be placed around the eye of the panel and bolted.
  – Correct: One of the elongated central fasteners shall be placed around the eye of the panel and bolted.
  – Preferred: Bolt one elongated central fastener to panel eye.
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Inappropriate Terms:

- As approved; as indicated; as required
- Herinafter; herinbefore; herewith
- Any or all
- Etc.
- As per
- In a workmanlike manner
- To the satisfaction of the architect/engineer
- Also
- Minimize or avoid use of pronouns, avoid “which”
Avoid Unnecessary Words

• For example, use of the word “all” is usually unnecessary.
  – Poor:
    • Store all millwork under shelter.
  – Better:
    • Store millwork under shelter.
  – It is a given that the 2nd sentence means all of the millwork.
Prepositional Phrases - Streamlining

• Sentences may be shortened in specification language by using modifiers in place of prepositional phrases.
  – Correct:
    • Top of platform.
  – Preferred:
    • Platform top.

  – Attempt to reduce verbiage. As an old boss told me, K.I.S.S. – Keep it Simple Stupid. Good examples:
    • Adhesive: Spread with notched trowel.
    • Equipment: Install plumb and level.
    • Portland Cement: ASTM C 150, Type 1.
Vocabulary

• Use “amount” when talking about money, “quantity” when writing about number, measurement, area, or volume.
• Do not use the word “any” – It is imprecise
• “Either” implies choice, “Both” is all inclusive
• Flammable and Inflammable mean the same thing
• Use the Right One:
  – Furnish = Supply and deliver to project, ready for installation.
  – Install = Place in position for service or use.
  – Provide = Commonly accepted to mean furnish and install., complete and ready for intended use.
Vocabulary

- Shall = Required
- Will = Optional
- Avoid “must” and “is to”

- Do not give instructions to specific entities.
  - Incorrect: Subcontractor to install 12-feet of pipe.
  - Correct: Install 12-feet of pipe

Design professionals, contractually, are not responsible for the Contractors means and methods. It is up to the Contractor to decide who does what and when.
• Important Rule to Remember:
  – Drawings = Quantity & Spatial Relationships
  – Specifications = Quality
  – Example:
    • Drawings should show how many toilets, where they are located and spatial relationships.
    • Specs should define materials, sizes, components, etc.
    • Do not write or repeat specs on your drawings.
  • Say it once and say it in the right place.
• Educate yourself. **There is no excuse** for not understanding the documents for which you are legally bound.

• We can’t begin the dialogue on coordination until you come to the table and get this knowledge. You can’t protect yourself without it.

• There are super cost effective ways to get this training for your entire staff. See me after class, I will tell you.

• Don’t be afraid to communicate. Ask the right questions.

• Invite a qualified architect or CSI Member to lunch. Bribe them with food and ask if they will look over a few of your sections and get you started in the right direction and in closing the gaps.

• If they are your client, they will be really impressed that you are proactively trying fix these issues. **TRUST ME!**

• Pay a qualified person to go through your documents and provide advice. The time and money you will save in the long run will far outweigh the cost.
• Don’t let every engineer/consultant in your office write specs. If they don’t have the education, they shouldn’t touch them. Remember, the drawings and specs are the CONTRACT!

• Educate your support staff. There are many ways your support staff (admin, drafters, etc.) can help you catch mistakes. Get them CDT certified.

• Ask for a copy of the Owner/Architect Agreement, General and Supplementary Conditions, Division 01, and any other important documents you need to do your job.

• Make your own list, in the same order it appears in your documents, of all the items/areas that need to be coordinated or have potential for conflict.

• Call your client, go over your list, ask questions and get on the same page.
  • This will knock their socks off!
  • Why? Because engineers NEVER do it.
  • How do I know? I do it!
Bottom Line

• Consultants:

  – Step outside the box and learn what you don’t know
  – I do not have time is an excuse, not a reason
  – Start asking questions, asking for requirements, communicating
  – Be accessible and collaborative
  – Be the consulting engineer that stands out from the crowd. Be the pioneer!
MasterFormat

• Old: Get rid of it.
  – No longer supported by CSI or any current spec writing software.
  – Most new software has a conversion table should you encounter a client using MF95.
New:

“MasterFormat is a master list of numbers and subject titles classified by work results or construction practices for organizing information about their requirements, products and activities into a standard sequence.”
MasterFormat – Organizational Structure

- Groups (2)
- Subgroups (5)
- Divisions (50) numbered with titles
- Sections, numbered with titles
- SectionFormat (3 parts) (General, Products, Execution)
Procurement and Contracting Requirements Group

Procurement and Contracting

Requirements: Division 00

Specifications Group

General Requirements Subgroup: Division 01
Facility Construction Subgroup: Divisions 02 - 19
Facility Services Subgroup: Divisions 20 - 29
Site and Infrastructure Subgroup: Divisions 30 - 39
Process Equipment Subgroup: Divisions 40 - 49
MasterFormat – Facility
Construction Subgroup

02 Existing Conditions
03 Concrete
04 Masonry
05 Metals
06 Wood, Plastics, and Composites
07 Thermal and Moisture Protection
08 Openings
09 Finishes
10 Specialties
11 Equipment
12 Furnishings
13 Special Construction
14 Conveying Equipment
15-19 Reserved
20 Reserved
21 Fire Suppression
22 Plumbing
23 Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning (HVAC)
24 Reserved
25 Integrated Automation
26 Electrical
27 Communications
28 Electronic Safety and Security
29 Reserved
30 Reserved

31 Earthwork

32 Exterior Improvements

33 Utilities

34 Transportation

35 Waterway and Marine Construction

36-39 Reserved
MasterFormat – Process Equipment Subgroup

40 Process Integration
41 Material Processing and Handling Equipment
42 Process Heating, Cooling, and Drying Equipment
43 Process Gas and Liquid Handling, Purification, and Storage Equipment
44 Pollution and Waste Control Equipment
45 Industry-Specific Manufacturing Equipment
46 Water and Wastewater Equipment
47 Reserved
48 Electrical Power Generation
49 Reserved
MasterFormat – Sections

- Sections are within Divisions
- Section numbers are generally 6 digits.
- Additional digits are available for very specific or user defined topics.
- Consider as 3 pairs (plus additional pairs when required).
MasterFormat – Guide

- Application Guide
- Key Word Index
- Transition Matrix
  - 1995-2012
  - 2011-2012

- Training:
  - Programs provided by CSI and in collaboration with other organizations.
  - Customized in-house training programs and implementation assistance.
  - Web-based information and training, including continuing FAQ on CSI.net.org.
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A Very Candid Look at the State of the Green Industry

Pat Jones
Good afternoon...

- Background
- Landscape Industry
- Golf Industry
- Questions...
We’re working together!

IRRIGATION ISSUES
THE LITTLE THINGS
Low-to-no-cost additions to make your system easier to operate.

M any times the little things make the difference in separating good from average and great from superior. Irrigation design and installation is no different. The little design and installation nuances that make the irrigation system better have always impressed me. When designing, renovating or installing a system, the following are some of the little things that will make your system easier to manage and troubleshoot.

VALVE BOX COVERS
Today’s irrigation systems have lots of valve boxes installed for isolation valves, drain valves, air release valves, quick couplers, wire splices and electric valves. When you walk up to a group of valve boxes it would be nice to know what it housed in which box without having to pop them all open, especially if you’re too busy due to a pipe or fitting break. Valve box covers can be available in a variety of colors. Pick one each type of valve, keeping in mind what they’ll look like in their installed environment and let your crew know what each color represents.

Tired of not being able to find valve boxes? Here’s a hint: attach a #10 stainless-steel washer with a stainless-steel screw on the underside of the cover. This makes the valve box easy to locate with a metal detector. Some manufacturers will even supply the covers with the detection already installed. You can also easily add them to your system’s existing boxes.

IDENTIFICATION TAGS
Identifying cables and valves helps tremendously with troubleshooting. With the popularity of today’s decoder systems, identifying where a communication cable is coming from or where it is going should be labeled at the time of installation. For example: “Front,” “F,” “West,” “W,” “South” and “S” at each junction should be put on the tag. Lastly, on conventional systems tagging the communication cable path and all electric valves with controller and zone number is also very helpful.

BALL VALVES
Tired of getting wet when quick couplers are engaged or the key removed? Put a ball valve on the outlet between the key and the oiled using two hose supplies. Now you can keep the water flow off when engaging and disengaging the key, keeping you and your crew drier.

WIRE COLOR
Wire comes in many different colors, for #12 and #14 AWG valve and sprinkler wires, decoder cable and some manufacturers’ communication cables. Color coding also helps identify what color operates which communication path or what area of the golf course. For example, greens and tee people control wires, fairway and rough orange control wires; path A communication blue and path B communication yellow.

However, the most beneficial part with different colors is distinguishing between old and new wires. When you install new irrigation the new wires should not be any of the same colors as the old wires, so you immediately know which wires you need to deal with.
GIE Media...
Landscape: Next five years

- Design/build and construction and renovation work will continue to grow
- Housing starts and construction are on the rise, but not at an untenable pace like we saw in the middle of the decade
- Money is still flowing, both in project spending and in M&A (KKR, Brickman, ValleyCrest, etc.)
- Continued consolidation in the middle of the market ($5 to $10 million)
Opportunities

- The best opportunity in commercial landscaping is a focus on water management, not irrigation.
- Water management is the only way landscapers can truly show ROI to building owners/managers. Smart ones are starting to market that.
Water rates

- Source: 2012 USA Today survey (bit.ly/waterrates)
Nearly half of respondents – 48 percent to be exact – say their budgets will go up in the next two years. Another 45 percent say their budgets will stay about the same.

- A well-maintained landscape at my building helps increase occupancy rates. 78%
- A well-maintained landscape is good for the environment. 74%
- A well-maintained landscape helps save water. 67%
- I spend more time working through problems with my landscaper than with other service contractors. 7%
Golf: Today’s market

- 15,650 “facilities”
  - 4,200 private clubs
  - 2,300+ mgt co/multi-course
  - 9-holers are endangered species
- +/- 500M rounds played every year
  - Weather adjusted, trending down 1.5% annually
- $76B = industry impact
- $9B = maintenance spending
- Avg. maintenance budget is $650K
Digging Down

• A third of all courses lose money
• Net loss of 150 courses annually (1%)
• At least 10 years to even supply/demand
• About 8,500 “standard and premium” facilities command 80% of all revenue and spend 77% of total maintenance dollars
Very Candid Conclusions #1

- Flat is the new up for U.S. golf rounds
- Slow market correction means discounting and poor operations will plague us for a decade
- The “core” of the market is relatively sound and those facilities can thrive if they evolve
- Success largely means taking share of wallet from those who already play golf
What the future holds...

- Leaner, smarter market
  - 13,000 courses?
  - Underperforming facilities benefit from underemployed supers?
- Precision Turf Management
  - Metrics for everything
- Variety!
  - No one style works for everyone
Very Candid Conclusions #3

- The key is great cultural management combined with great land management
- Clubs must be meaningful to people who aren’t old rich white guys
- Technology will separate winners and losers (PTM)
- Superintendents will play THE critical role in the future
- Nothing matters unless we figure out the water issue
H2O is all that matters

- It is possible that golf may not be played on grass 50 years from now
- It is CERTAIN that the cost of water will become the top economic issue facing golf
- We must be proactive, unified and committed to being the best urban water users (Georgia, etc.)
- Kudos to USGA for focusing on the issue.
H2O is all that matters

- Ironically, that’s not where the capital spending is...
Final thoughts...

- Landscape market looks good and spending will remain strong for 3-5 years
- Golf should look better but doesn’t overall – the key is to target the opportunities with clubs and smart facilities
- Increasing water prices will drive everything

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Agenda
PDF background
Workflows using PDF
Live demo
What is PDF?

A. Protected Document File
B. Published Drawing Format
C. Portable Design File
D. None of the Above
Portable Document Format

• History
  ➢ Pre-press Industry
  ➢ Adobe 1993
  ➢ Free Reader
  ➢ De Facto Standard
  ➢ 2008 ISO 32000
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AEC Industry

Past
- Static
- Non-proprietary
- Universally Accepted
- Project Deliverable

Trends
- Navigable Sets
- Mobile & Cloud
- Java Script
- 3D
- PDF/A

Future
- Dynamic
- Mobile & Cloud
- PDF/E
Bluebeam Software

Better Ways to Work Digitally

Design Reviews
Bids and Estimates
RFIs and Submittals
Field Inspection
Site Mgmt
Punch and Back Check
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Take Your Projects Paperless...

From this...

...to this.
Bluebeam Software

Bluebeam Revu

- Intuitive Interface
- Industry Standard Markups
- Exclusive Tool Chest™
- Markups list
- Bluebeam Studio™
Bluebeam Software

PDF and Cloud
Bluebeam Software

Improve Communication

- Project Team
- Current Project Information
- Tracked and Recorded
- Permissions
Enable real-time

- Design Coordination
- Submittal Review
- Field to Office Issues
- Punch
Bluebeam Software

PDF and Cloud

Sessions
Document-based online collaboration

Projects
A simple document management system in the cloud for PDFs and other files

- Share files with others and set permissions
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Submittals
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Punch List/Inspections
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Controller Chart
Controller Chart
Let’s See

Bluebeam Revu

In Action...
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REAL RESULTS

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