

# GORDON SERVICES – KEENE PIT BRW-12 SLUG TEST DATA & RESULTS



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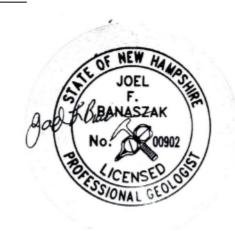
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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

A slug test was performed in monitoring well BRW-12 (2-inch diameter PVC in a 3-inch borehole). The well is 90 ft deep, screened from 30–90 ft bgs. The producing interval extends from 30–78 ft bgs. At the time of testing, static water level was measured at 59.4 ft bgs, yielding an effective saturated thickness of  $\sim$ 18.6 ft. The well screen below the water table therefore fully penetrated the saturated thickness during the test.

#### 2.0 METHODS

Head displacement, H(t), was defined as the instantaneous change in water level relative to the static condition. The maximum displacement, H<sub>0</sub>, was identified at the start of recovery, and subsequent measurements ( $t \ge t_0$ ) were normalized as the ratio H/H<sub>0</sub>. Recovery data were then plotted as  $\ln(H/H_0)$  versus elapsed time (trel), and a straight-line fit was applied over the intermediate range of normalized displacement ( $0.2 \le H/H_0 \le 0.8$ ). This mid-range window is standard practice, as it minimizes the influence of early-time turbulence and late-time storage or boundary effects, producing the most reliable estimate of the aquifer response.

#### **Bouwer & Rice Equation**

For a fully penetrating well in an unconfined aquifer, Bouwer & Rice (1976, 1989) give:

$$K = (\alpha \cdot r_c^2 \cdot \ln(R_e/r_w)) / (2L)$$

where:

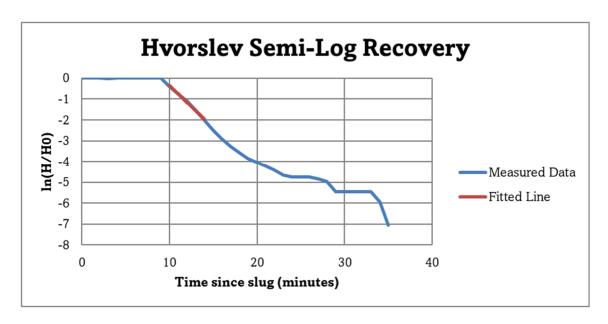
- $\alpha$  = slope of semilog fit (1/min)
- r\_c = casing radius (ft)
- r\_w = well radius (ft)
- R<sub>e</sub> = effective radius of influence (ft)
- L = submerged screen length (ft)

For this test:

- r c = 0.0833 ft
- $r_w = 0.125 \text{ ft}$ ;
- $R_e = 1.5 \times b_eff = 27.9 \text{ ft.}$
- L = b eff = 18.6 ft;

The regression yielded a decay constant  $\alpha \approx 0.4046 \text{ min}^{-1}$  with  $R^2 = 0.995$ . Substituting into the Bouwer & Rice equation with  $\ln(R_e/r_w) = 5.814$ , the calculated hydraulic conductivity is:

$$K \approx 0.633 \text{ ft/day } (\approx 0.316 \text{ in/hr})$$



#### 3.0 CONCLUSION

The slug test at BRW-12 indicates an upper-bound hydraulic conductivity of  $\sim$ 0.63 ft/day, equivalent to an infiltration capacity of  $\sim$ 0.32 in/hr.

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