

# Nominated Area Water Balance & Storage Calculations - Wick Trench Design (EPA compliant)

Site Address: **Beech Forest** Secondary Effluent - Wick Trench 1-3 bedrooms

INPUT DATA			
DO NOT MODIFY CELLS IN BLUE			
Design Wastewater Flow	Q	720	L/day
Daily DLR		12.0	mm/day
Nominated Land Application Area	L	102.0	m sq
Crop Factor	C	0.4-0.7	unitless
Retained Rainfall	RR	0.85	unitless
Void Space Ratio	V	0.45	unitless
Rainfall Data	Beech Forest		
Evaporation Data	Beech Forest		

Estimated daily load from 1-3 bedroom residential property, with standard water fixtures and town water  
 Enter DLR from table at right based on Appendix A Table 9 EPA Code of Practice (2013) for limiting soil horizon  
 Used for iterative purposes to determine storage requirements based on nominated trench/bed bottom area  
 Estimates evapotranspiration as a fraction of  $ET_0$ ; varies with season and crop type (from EPA 168)  
 Proportion of rainfall that remains onsite and infiltrates; function of slope/cover, allowing for any runoff  
 Proportion of trench that is available for storage (assumes arch drain)  
 BoM 70th percentile monthly  
 SILO Data Drill Average monthly

Bed Water available (days) = **90**

Soil Category (AS1547:2012)	DLR
Gravels & Sands (1)	NS
Sandy Loams (2) Loams (3) High/Mod Clay Loams (4a)	NS
Weak Clay Loams (4b)	20
Massive Clay Loams (4)	10
Strong Light Clays (5a)	12
Moderate Light Clays (5b)	10
Weak Light Clays (5c)	8
Medium to Heavy Clays (6)	5

Parameter	Symbol	Formula	Units	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Total
Days in month	D	\	days	31	28	31	30	31	30	31	31	30	31	30	31	31	28	31	30	31	30	365
Rainfall	R	\	mm/month	88.1	90.8	114.0	178.8	207.7	242.0	232.7	243.6	213.1	187.2	134.1	113.6	88.1	90.8	114.0	178.8	207.7	242.0	2,045.7
Potential Evapotranspiration	$ET_0$	\	mm/month	128.0	105.0	87.0	54.0	34.0	22.0	26.0	38.0	55.0	81.0	97.0	118.0	128.0	105.0	87.0	54.0	34.0	22.0	846.0
Crop Factor	C			0.70	0.70	0.70	0.60	0.50	0.45	0.40	0.45	0.55	0.65	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.60	0.50	0.45	
<b>OUTPUTS (LOSSES)</b>																						
Evapotranspiration	ET	$ET_0 \times C$	mm/month	89.6	73.5	60.9	32.4	17.0	9.9	10.4	17.1	30.3	52.7	67.9	82.6	89.6	73.5	60.9	32.4	17.0	9.9	544.2
Percolation	B	$(DLR) \times D$	mm/month	372.0	336.0	372.0	360.0	372.0	360.0	372.0	372.0	360.0	372.0	360.0	372.0	372.0	336.0	372.0	360.0	372.0	360.0	4,380.0
Outputs		ET+B	mm/month	461.6	409.5	432.9	392.4	389.0	369.9	382.4	389.1	390.3	424.7	427.9	454.6	461.6	409.5	432.9	392.4	389.0	369.9	4,924.2
<b>INPUTS (GAINS)</b>																						
Retained Rainfall	Re	$R \times RR$	mm/month	74.9	77.2	96.9	152.0	176.5	205.7	197.8	207.1	181.1	159.1	114.0	96.6	74.9	77.2	96.9	152.0	176.5	205.7	1,738.8
Applied Effluent	W	$(Q \times D) / L$	mm/month	218.8	197.6	218.8	211.8	218.8	211.8	218.8	218.8	211.8	218.8	211.8	218.8	218.8	197.6	218.8	211.8	218.8	211.8	2,576.5
Inputs		Re+W	mm/month	293.7	274.8	315.7	363.7	395.4	417.5	416.6	425.9	392.9	377.9	325.7	315.4	293.7	274.8	315.7	363.7	395.4	417.5	4,315.3
<b>STORAGE CALCULATION (<math>\Delta</math>)</b>																						
Storage remaining from previous month			mm/month	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.2	119.9	195.9	277.6	283.5	179.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.2	
Storage for the month	S	$((Re+W)-(ET+B))/V$	mm/month	-373.1	-299.3	-260.4	-63.7	14.2	105.7	76.0	81.7	5.9	-103.8	-227.0	-309.4	-373.1	-299.3	-260.4	-63.7	14.2	105.7	-1,353.1
Cumulative Storage	M		mm	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.2	119.9	195.9	277.6	283.5	179.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.2	119.9	
Maximum Storage Depth for Nominated Area	N		mm				<b>283.5</b>															
Maximum Storage Vol. for Nominated Area	V	$N \times L$	L				<b>28,919</b>															

**BOTTOM AREA REQUIRED FOR ZERO STORAGE**  $m^2$  57.7 60.7 66.4 89.8 105.1 131.5 120.9 122.6 103.3 84.1 68.8 62.3 57.7 60.7 66.4 89.8 105.1 131.5

**MINIMUM BOTTOM AREA REQUIRED FOR ZERO STORAGE:** **132**  $m^2$  Value is based on the worst month of the year, so the balance overestimates the storage requirement for all other months. Assumes zero effluent depth (storage) in trench/bed. Model is run for 18-months to ensure trench/bed empties at least once per cycle.

- Wick trench dimensions (mm) Trench Width = **600** Depth = **450**  
 Bed Width = **1,000** Depth = **150**
- Recommended wick trench length (m) = **120.5**
- Minimum trench spacing: 1m for Soil Categories 1-3; and 1.5m for Soil Categories 4-6
- No. of trenches @ (max) 20m length = **7**
- Total footprint with 1m spacing ( $m^2$ ) = **361**
- Total footprint with 1.5m spacing ( $m^2$ ) = **424**

