

Empowering Nature in Wastewater Treatment Systems



We love our lakes - So how do we protect them?







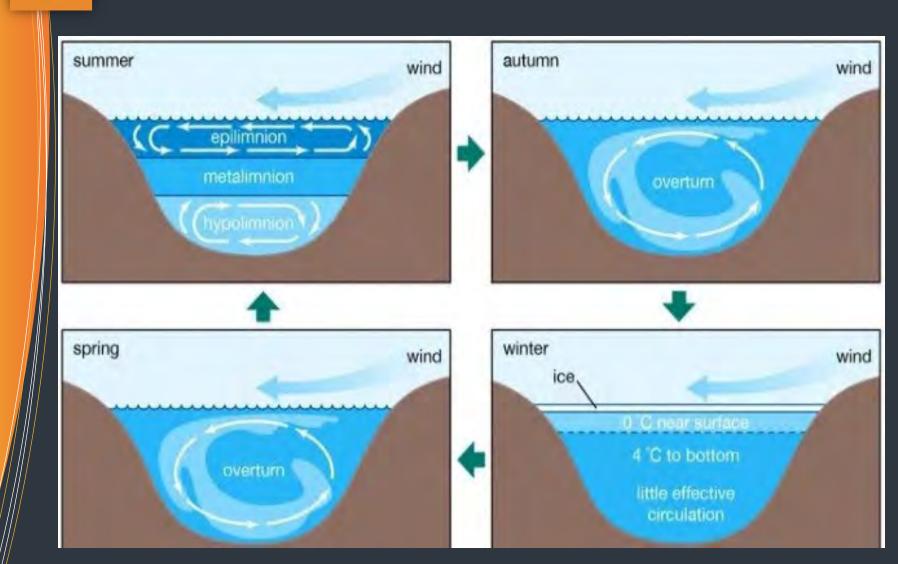
How do you keep a lake like this from becoming







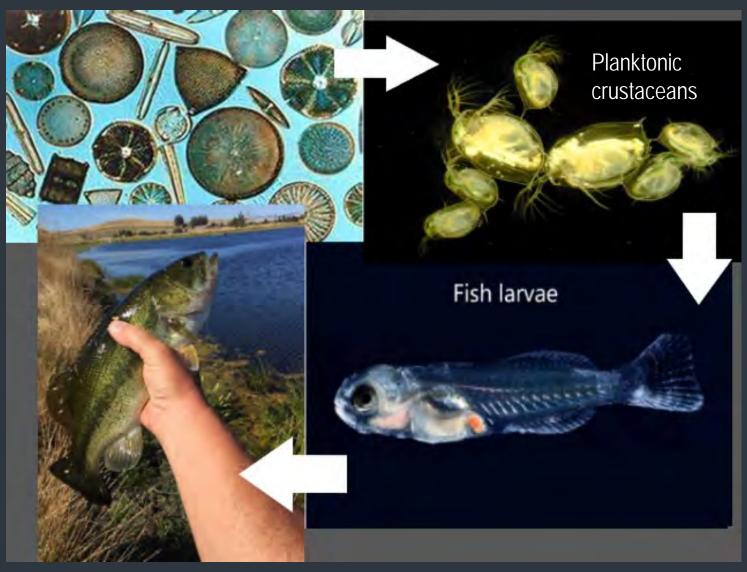
Annual Lake Weather Cycle

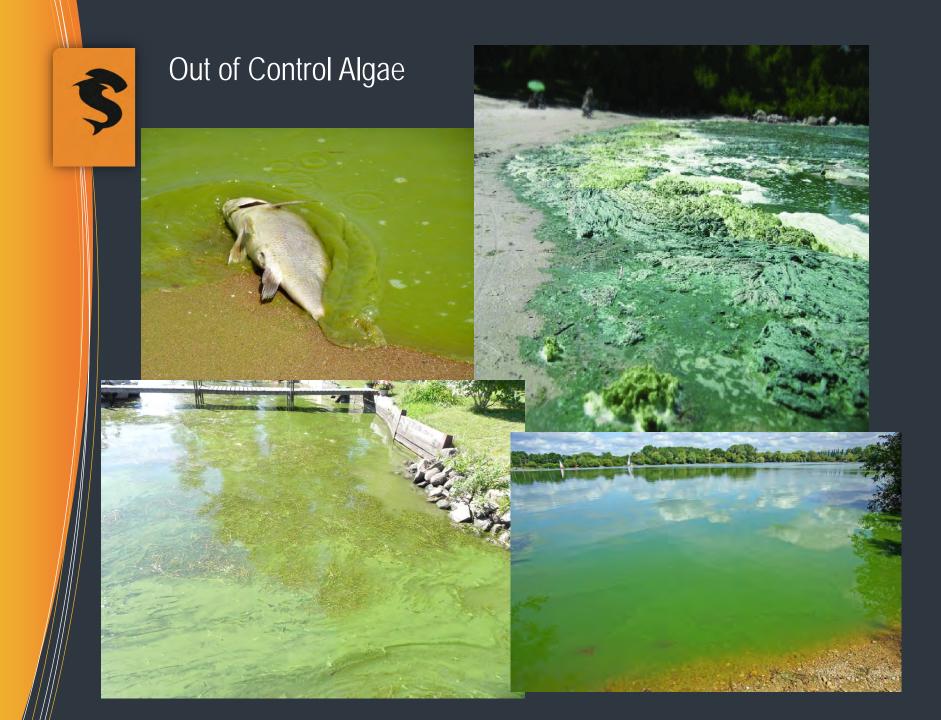


Spring Diatom Increase and Aquatic Food Cycle



Diatoms





Bacterial Bioremediation











Dr. Wickham Develops the SludgeHammer Blend Bacteria and displays successful soil remediations at the Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Oakland Naval Supply Depot, Chevron Oil and PEMEX.

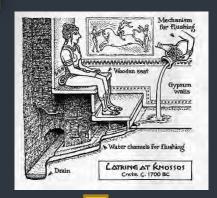


Active Fermentation in Manure Lagoon



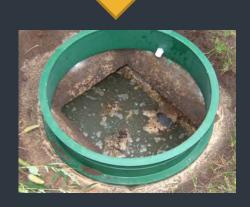


Sources of Wastewater Bacteria

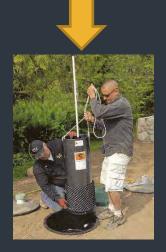














Weaknesses of Intestinal Bacteria

Low Appetite for Food



Narrow Temperature Range

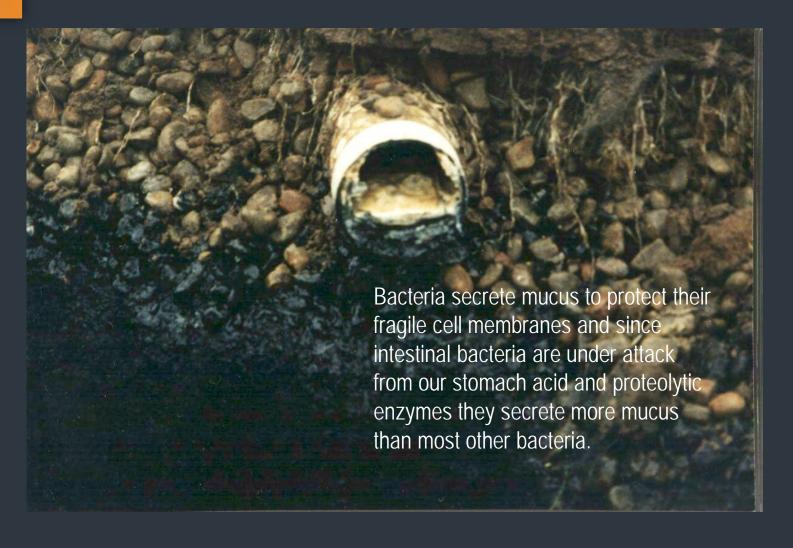


Mucus





Why does this matter?





Weaknesses of Strict Aerobes



- 1. Random sourcing
- 2. Appetite constrained by host dependency
- 3. Require O₂ Cannot survive in anaerobic leach field.
- 4. Cannot ferment
- 5. Cannot denitrify



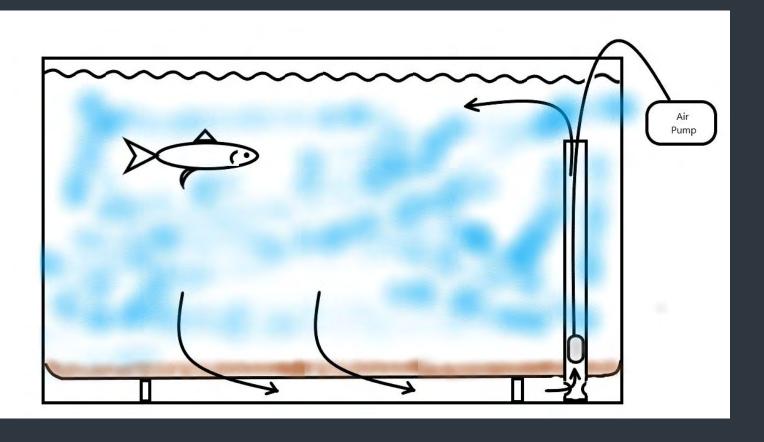
SludgeHammer Blend Bactería



- Survive in anaerobic conditions
- When anaerobic they ferment sugars such as muco-polysaccharides
- Denitrifiers when anaerobic
- Operate at low temperatures
- Spore formers are "R" selected
- Produce very small level of biomass
- Robust enough to recover quickly

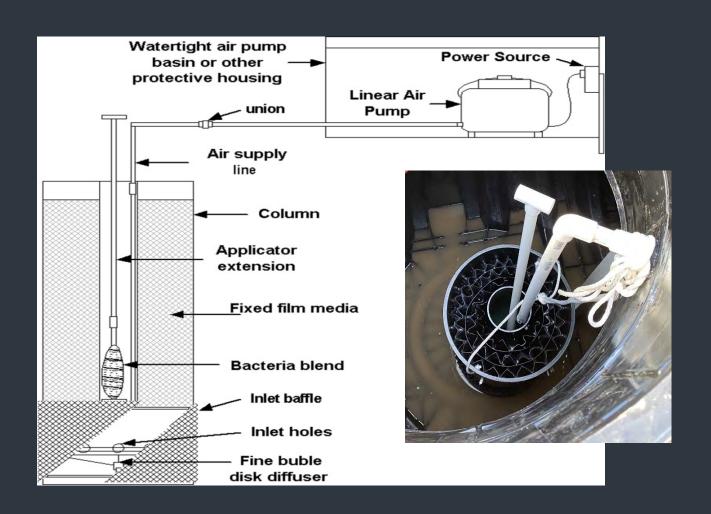


Aquarium Design Principle





The ABG is an aeration device that provides a specific refuge where facultative soil bacteria can be grown inside the tank.





Nutrient control is the key with phosphate being the most important. Aeration may be the best way to keep it in the soil and out of the Groundwater

Lysimeter Soil Samples at Depth Total Phosphorus readings as mg/l

	Site 3				Site 1				Site 2		
	Conventional				Single SludgeHammer				SludgeHammer		
	Septic/leachfield				in septic tank/leachfield				with subsurface drip		
	Depth				Depth				Depth		
Date	6"	12"	24"		6"	12"	24"		6"	12"	24"
Baseline 11/12	1.19	1.59	0.5		0.15	0.14	0.12		0.13	0.14	0.47
12/13/2004	1.95	NS	1.63		0	0	0		0	0	NS
1/5/2005	2.96	3.23	1.89		0.12	0	0		NS	NS	0
1/10/2005	NS	3.78	1.58		0.06	0	0		NS	NS	0
1/26/2005	5.12	NS	2.81		0.09	0	0.11		NS	NS	NS
2/8/2005	6.7	NS	3.56		0.06	0	0	,	NS	NS	0
2/14/2005	6.97	7.06	4.5		0.09	0.05	0.07		NS	NS	0.57
2/21/2005	7.96	8.06	5.22		0.08	0	0	,	0.08	0	0
2/28/2005	7.05	8.51	5.28		0.27	0.07	0.32		0.09	0.25	0.08
3/7/2005	6.28	NS	4.29		0.09	0.06	0		0.09	0	0.05
avg	5.62	6.13	3.42		0.10	0.02	0.16		0.07	0.06	0.10





Clean Water instead of nasty septic effluent is the key to keeping lakes healthy!!



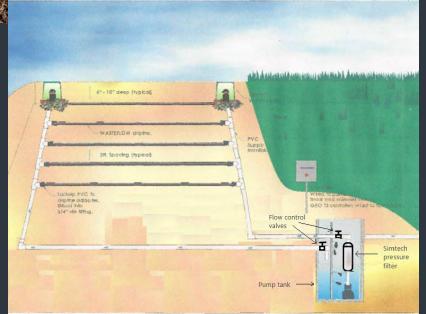


GeoFlow Subsurface Drip Irrigation



Nitrogen and Phosphate Directly taken up by Vegetative Growth

Enriched organic environment of discharge point increases nutrient absorption and biological treatment even in winter.





Conventional Leach Trenches

Effluent released closer to aquifer
Effluent released below living soil
Absorptive surface is anaerobic
Soil is saturated, moving down by gravity
Septic effluent is nasty and stinks
Nitrates contaminate aquifer
Phosphates move through soil to lakes
Large areas are needed for trenches
Rectangular configuration is restrictive
Mounds are required on many properties
Water is wasted
Trees need to be eliminated

ATU/Drip Irrigation

2-3' increase in groundwater separation
Effluent is placed in biologically active soil
Effluent is always aerobic
Soil is unsaturated and effluent moves up
Effluent is clean and odor free
Nitrates are taken by vegetation
Phosphates absorbed by soil
Footprint for required surface area is smaller
Drip field can be shaped to property
Mounds can be eliminated or minimized
Water is reclaimed and replaces potable
Trees can be part of the disposal system



Lush drip-irrigated lawn with SludgeHammer effluent along Lake Charlevoix





DigIt Excavation converts pumpand-Haul tanks to Drip at Lake Cora





Small Side-Yard drip field on Mullet Lake













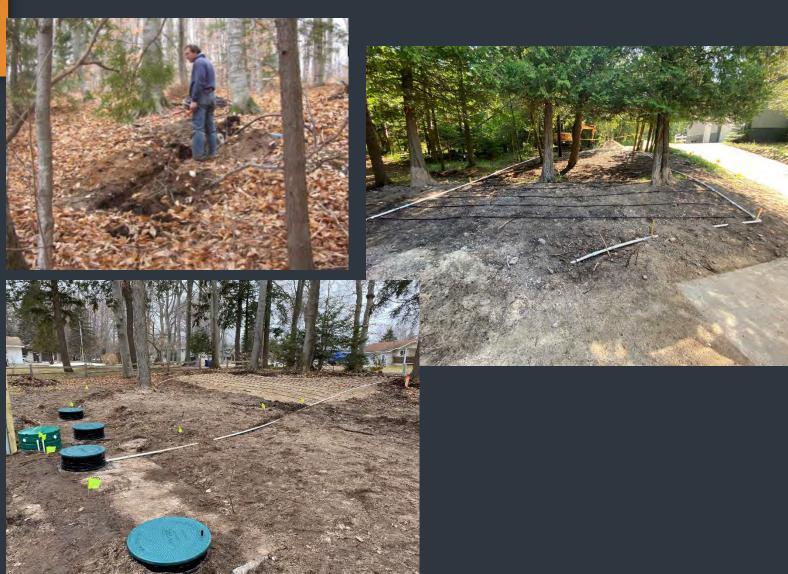
Tiny yard next to private lake near Traverse City





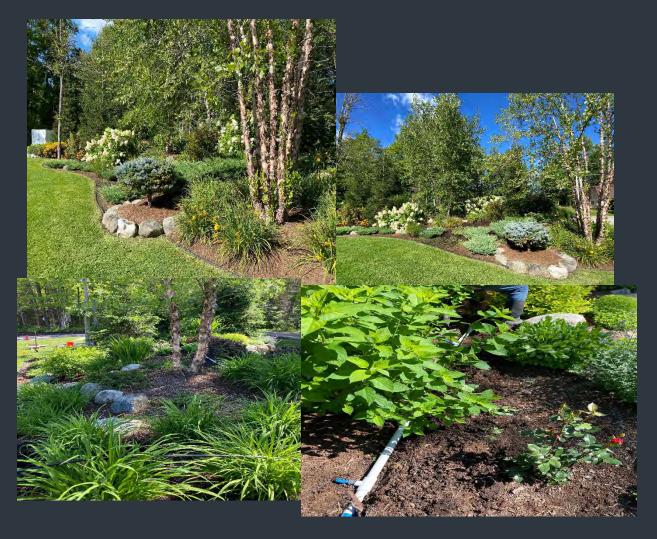


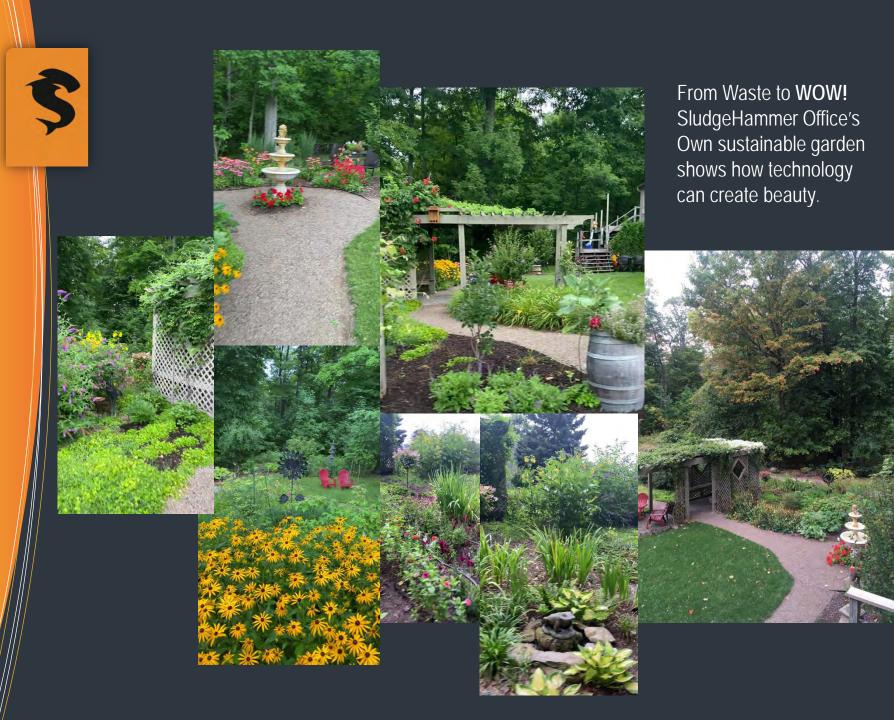






The Visconti's on Mullet Lake already had a gorgeous landscape mound. SludgeHammer gave it water and nutrients.









What about Lakes that already have blooms?

PondBot added to Pea Soup lake



Solar powered pond treatment unit

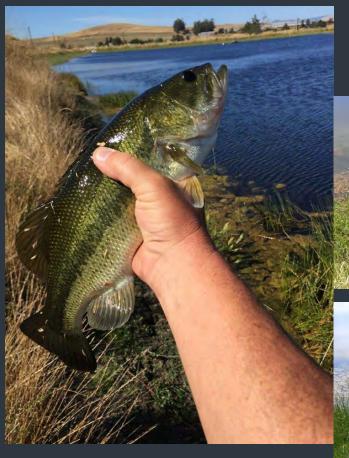
Pond water without algae







PondBot restored Reichardt's riparian zone by eliminating the algae bloom and <u>Lo and Behold</u> - The first fish ever caught from the pond!!!





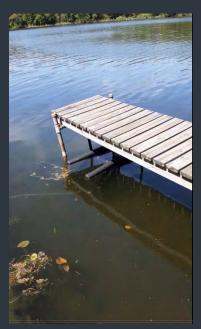


Experimental DockBot - Algae control for lakes quietly sitting under your dock!





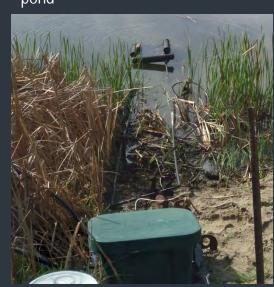
DockBot under Brooks Lake Dock



Pushing bacteria out into the lake with air



Sitting off shore along a small pond



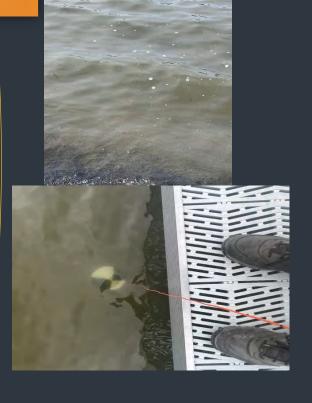


Phosphate Adsorption Media

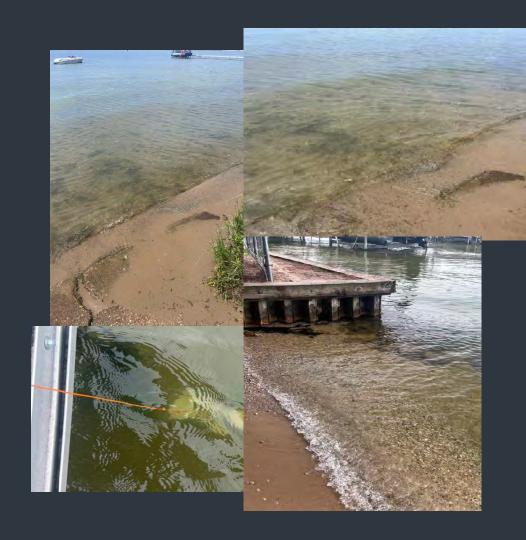


Silver Lake Biochar Installation





June 10 – Installation with Secchi disc at 32"



August 11 – Secchi reading at 48" and visible clearing throughout the lake.