### BARRON COUNTY, WI FARMLAND VALUE

#### 2002-2022



### FARMLAND LIFECYCLE: COMPONENTS OF RETURNS



### BARRON CORN YIELD GROWTH 4X FASTER THAN U.S.

#### SINCE FIRST FLC ACQUISITION (2013-2021)



Source: USDA NASS, as of September 2022

### FLC YIELDS IN BARRON PASSED NATIONAL AVERAGE IN 2021

#### CORN YIELD SINCE FIRST FLC ACQUISITION (2013-2021)





### FERTILIZER COST FIXED TO YIELD; OTHER COSTS TO AREA

#### 2023 PROJECTED NORTHERN U.S. CORN COSTS PER BUSHEL VS CORN YIELD



### STACKED CORN PRODUCTION COSTS PER BUSHEL

WITH INCREASED YIELD, COSTS PER BUSHEL DECLINE DUE TO COSTS FIXED PER AREA



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Bushels per Acre

### BARRON INCOME INCREASED 3X MORE THAN U.S. AVERAGE

#### INCREMENTAL CORN INCOME SINCE 2013<sup>[1]</sup>







# WHAT WE THOUGHT WE KNEW

It is always wet under the film. Within minutes of applying the film, it starts raining inside.





It is like a sauna, hot and wet. Every seed grows. The corn can be in an open trench.





# OOPS



In Michelson upon our midnight arrival we saw what looked like a bad stand. In the daylight we realized that while the corn mostly looked great, there were areas that were not germinating because they were bone dry. Those areas were patchy and depended heavily on the inflow patterns of the irrigation water into the film.





The dry soil was very close to saturated soil, but there was little horizontal movement, and it stayed dry through multiple irrigation passes.

# We saw the same thing in Washington.



## What changed?

Normally capillary action brings water to the surface. That requires available water deeper in the profile, and small spore space to move it. These soils were very dry underneath, and they lacked the small clay particles and organic matter to move the water.

# Solution: Manage film surface topography and film holes to control even inflow rate. Pre-irrigate the land.

# Be sure to understand the factors affecting capillary action.

# CAPILLARY ACTION IN SOL





# SURFACE TENSION AND WATER AVAILABILITY: >3 ORDERS OF MAGNITUDE OF TENSION AND THICKNESS



# CAPILLARY ACTION IS LATERAL TOO





# PORE SIZE DOMINATES MENISCUS ANGLE



# CAPILLARY ACTION DEPENDS ON CONDUCTIVITY OF FULL PATH Study: Hydrophobic soil layer reduces evaporation



# CAPILLARY CONDENSATION:

A steep meniscus in a very small pore space increases Van der Waal forces between vapor and liquid phased molecules, reducing vapor pressure and causing capillary condensation.



# CAPILLARY CONDENSATION



# TEMPERATURE AFFECTS CAPILLARY ACTION



#### **IOWA VS MISSISSIPPI SOYBEAN PLANTING DATES**



## Tile Project Results

47 bu/ac

Impact of land leveling TBD

57 bu/ac +21% No earlier planting in 2016

6 Inch Gate

6 Inch Gate

Well





### Irrigation Potential - Renewable Water



Watersheds and Irrigation



## **Irrigation Design - Watershed Analysis**



Noxubee River Watershed

Average Year		West Parcel	East Parcel	Dry Year		West Parcel	East Parcel
Annual Rainfall	inch/yr	53.5	53.5	Annual Rainfall	inch/yr	35.0	35.
Runoff	%	33%	33%	Runoff	%	18%	18
Area	ac	7,276	8,347	Area	ac	7,276	8,34
Flow	ac.in	128,458	147,366	Flow	ac.in	45,839	52,58
Flow	ac.ft	10,705	12,281	Flow	ac.ft	3,820	4,38
Area to Irrigate	ac	3,072	1,604	Area to Irrigate	ac	3,072	1,60
Water needed	in/ac	12	12	Water needed	in/ac	14	14
Water needed	ac.in	36,864	19,248	Water needed	ac.in	43,008	22,45
Water available	%	348%	766%	Water available	%	107%	234

Scenarios of Water Availability



Distribution of Annual Rainfall





8,347

Correlation between Runoff (River Flow) and Rainfall



### Irrigation Design - Reservoir Selection









### **Irrigation Design – Execution**



Reservoir Design



June 13, 2016

Attn: Mr. Jose "Pepo" Peschiera Southern Are, LLC 119 South B Street San Mateo, CA 94401

#### RE: DAM CONSTRUCTION APPLICATION NO. 16-007 FOR MCCAIN FARM DAM IN CHICKASAW COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

#### Dear Mr. Peschiera:

Data third contains. Enclosed you will find the permit to construct the above referenced Low Hazard dam, nabject to be constructed in accordance with the size, dimensions and design information you furnished in the permitted of the second was constructed in adstantial compliance with the approved plans and specifications. Does we nection the notice of complexiton, we will asign the dura satic identification number and plane it to end matter and written contrastic of non-state second second second second second second second second second matter and written continues in the dura has the added to a second section number and particle it on our investory with the name AKCain Form Low. At that time, we will provide you the assigned state ID standard second sec

Please he assure that ore written audiorization does not audioriza you to proceed only on construction of the proposed and my can be not or obtained the proposed field my can be not produced and my can be called approxed. The proposed should be applied to your project, such as a Carpo of Engineers permit for plancing fill in worknowle conditional design to strong the call on design of the condition of the strong of the

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me at (601) 961-5061 or Dusty Myers, Dam Safety Division Chief, at (601) 961-5207.

Sincerely, Rachel Jutor Rachel Tutor Dam Safety Division

Enclosure Cc: Stephen L. Miller, P.E., Engineering Plus, Inc., PO Box 763, Columbus, MS 39703

Reservoir Permitting



Reservoir Construction



### RESERVOIR 203 ac under water

1,709 ac-ft storage 171.936 cy excavation

#### PUMPS

4 200HP pump 1 40HP pump 11,350 GMP

#### **PIVOTS (PHASE 1)**

11 Pivots (1,170 irrigated ac) 13,670 ft pivot machine

#### PIVOTS (PHASE 1 + PHASE 2) 16 Pivots (1,737 irrigated ac) 21,950 ft pivot machine



## Critical Components











### TILE DEVELOPMENT





282 ac
30 ft spacing
282,900 ft laterals (3", 4")
12,000 ft laterals (6", 8", 10", 12", 15")
350 connections (bedding material used for each of those connections)





### DEERBROOK





TILE NORMALLY INSTALLED IN CATALPA, GRIFFITH AND LEEPER SOILS SERIES

Catalpa: 305 ac Griffith: 485 ac Leeper: 293 ac Total: 1083

**TILE INSTALLED 2018** 

282 ac

**REMAINING TILE** 

500 ac (estimate)







	AASHTO M252						
	Corrugated Polyethylene Pine Te	st Poport f	or				
Company:		streport	01				
Log #	31641 and 31683	-					
1st Set Date Received:	Tuesday August 22 2017 3 and 4" Pine						
2nd Set Date Received	Wednesday, August 23, 2017						
Date Reported:	Tuesday, September 12, 2017	-	4 1 100				
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	(Classification 424420C per ASTN	1 D 3350					
Test Method - Description	Specification Limits	Result		Cell Class		Pass / Fai	
ASTM D 1505 – Density	0.948 ≤ g/cm3	0.957 g/cm3		5		Pass	
ASTM D 1238 – Melt Index	≤ 0.4 g	0.13 g		4		Pass	
ASTM D 790 – Flexural Modulus	≥ 110,000 psi	151,021	psi	5		Pass	
ASTM D 638 – Tensile Strength at Yield	≥ 3,000 psi	4,186	4,186 psi		6		
ASTM D 1693 – ESCR 50°C, 24 Hours, 10% Igepal	≤ 20% Failure	0.0	%	2.0		Pass	
	PIPE TESTING						
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Test Method - Description	Specification Limits	(SI)		(US Customary)		Pass / Fai	
AASHTO M 294 – Workmanship/Delamination	No visible defects	ок		ок		Pass	
ASTM D 2122 – Pipe Inside Diameter	73.9 (2.91) ≤ Diameter ≤ 78.4 (3.09)	81.00	mm	3.19	in	Fail	
ASTM D 2412 – Pipe Stiffness @ 5%	≥ 240 kPa (34.8 psi);	376.6	kPa	54.6	psi	Pass	
	Max Load at 21% Deflection (lbs)	112.7	Kg	248.0	lbs	n/a	
AASHTO M 294 – Pipe Flattening	No buckling, cracking, splitting, or delamination prior to 20% deflection	No buckling, etc. prior to 20% deflection		No buckling, etc. prior to 20% deflection		Pass	
AASHTO M 294 – Pipe Brittleness	no cracks	6 nonfailures		6 nonfailures		Pass	
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Test Method - Description	Specification Limits	(SI)					
AASHTO M 294 – Workmanship/Delamination	No visible defects	ОК		ок		Pass	
ASTM D 2122 – Pipe Inside Diameter	98.5 (3.88) ≤ Dia. ≤ 104.5 (4.11)	101.50	mm	4.00	in	Pass	
ASTM D 2412 – Pipe Stiffness @ 5%	≥ 240 kPa (34.8 psi);	301.2	kPa	43.7	psi	Pass	
	Max Load at 21% Deflection (lbs)	98.6	Kg	217.0	lbs	n/a	
AASHTO M 294 – Pipe Flattening	No buckling, cracking, splitting, or delamination prior to 20% deflection	No buckling to 20% de	, etc. prior eflection	No buckling, etc. prior to 20% deflection		Pass	
AASHTO M 294 – Pipe Brittleness	no cracks	2 non-failures		2 non-failures		Pass	
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### SUPPLIER QUALITY ENGINEERING

Material Transport Management





### **BURIED DETECTION TAPE:** \$.04/FOOT



