

## SAGD Sand Control: Large Scale Testing Results

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### Summary

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### Introduction

Provide a summary of large scale liner testing results to confirm previously presented small-scale SAGD liner testing results and make a final recommendation for liner technology and aperture sizing for the future McMurray SAGD project in Pike.

### Theory and/or Method

Laboratory performance testing of different sand control technologies and aperture sizes using Pike McMurray sand in the Devon patented large scale liner testing apparatus. The apparatus uses 50kg of sand and a full scale 7"OD Liner sample.

### Examples

This is the first paper to present large scale liner testing results for wire wrapped screen and compare it to other liner technologies without any scaling/normalization of the results.

### Conclusions

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