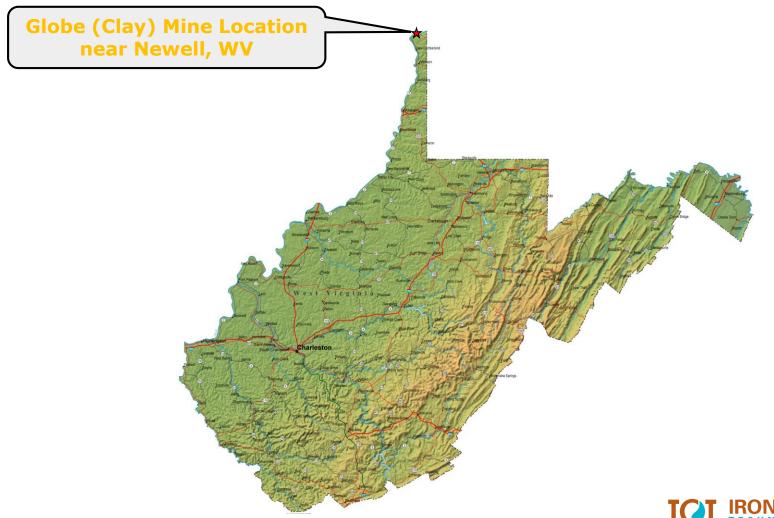
A Design & Build Active Treatment Plant for the Globe Mine High Strength Mine Drainage

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# **Globe Mine Location near Newell, WV**





### **Globe Mine Site (Clay Mine)** Raw Water Characteristics

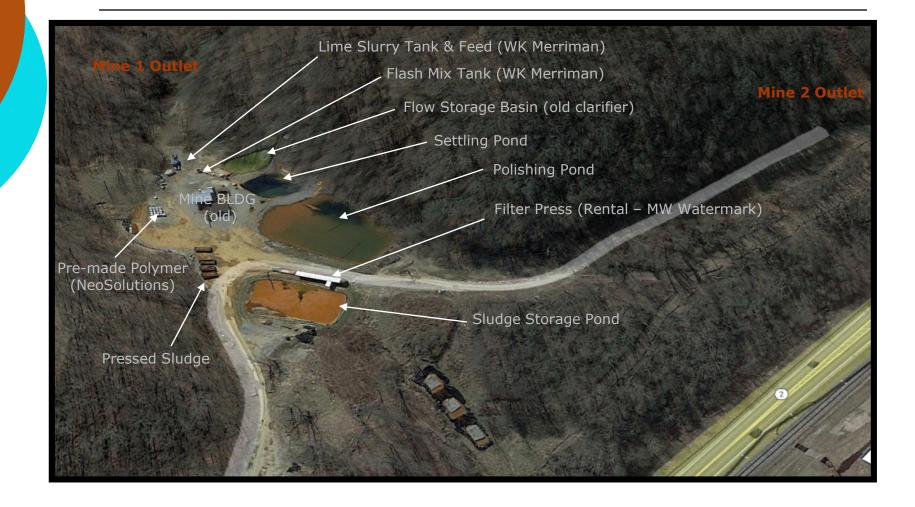
Parameter	Units	Mine 1	Mine 2	Flow Weighted Average		
Flow, Average	gpm	6.7	18.6	25.3		
рН	S.U	4.5	3.5	3.6		
Acidity	mg/L as CaCO <sub>3</sub>	308	6,770	5,060		
Iron, Total	mg/L	130	2,710	2,030		
Manganese, Total	mg/L	5.0	45.	34.4		
Aluminum, Total	mg/L	7.0	245.	162.		
Sulfate	mg/L	840	10,500	7,100		
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	1,150	18,900	6,730		
Calcium, Total	mg/L	83	218	163.		

At Low Flow:

Acidity = 8,000 mg/L Iron = 3,900 mg/L



### **Globe Mine Site** Temporary Treatment



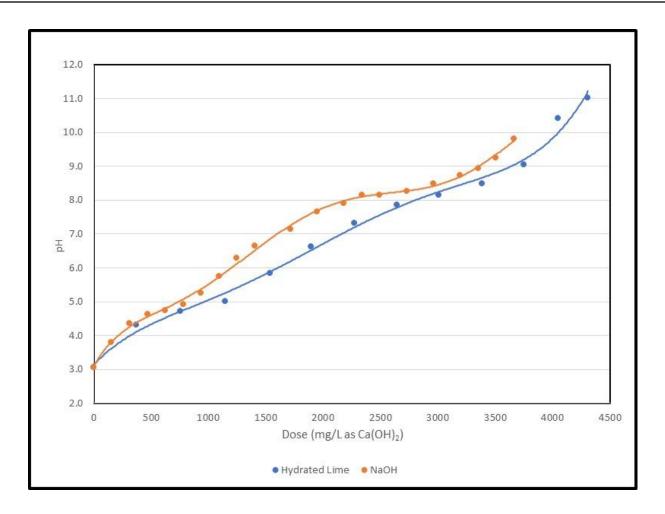


# **Globe Mine Site**

# **Treatability Investigation**

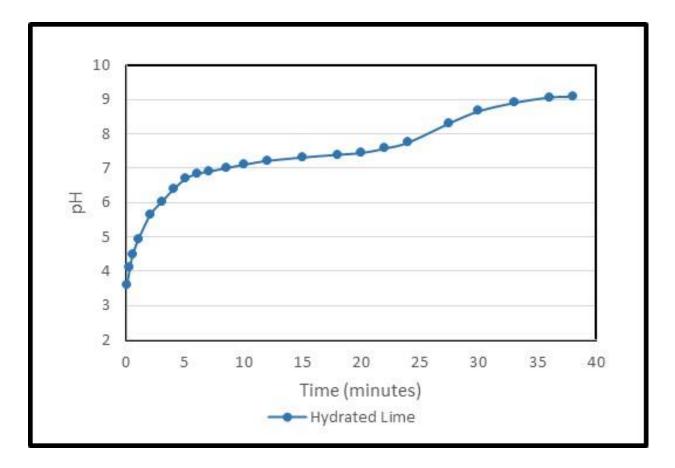


### **Neutralization Titration Evaluation**



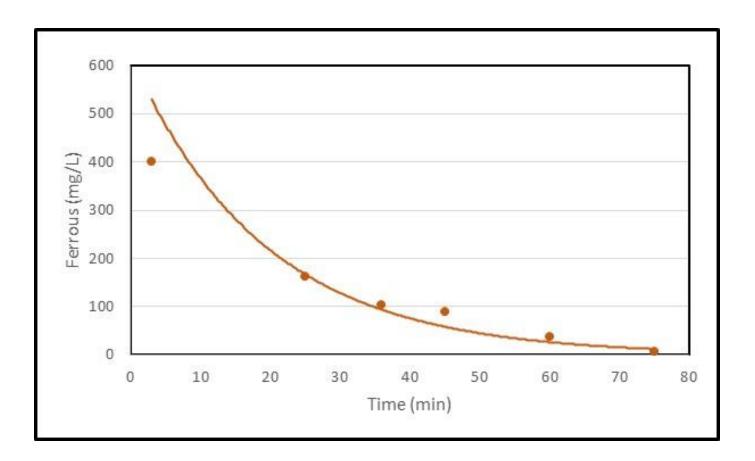


### **Lime Dissolution Kinetics**



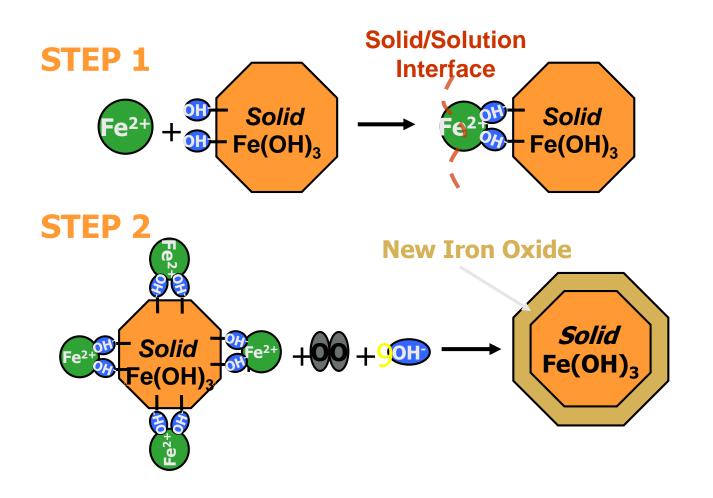


### **Ferrous Oxidation Kinetics** pH = 7.0 to 7.5



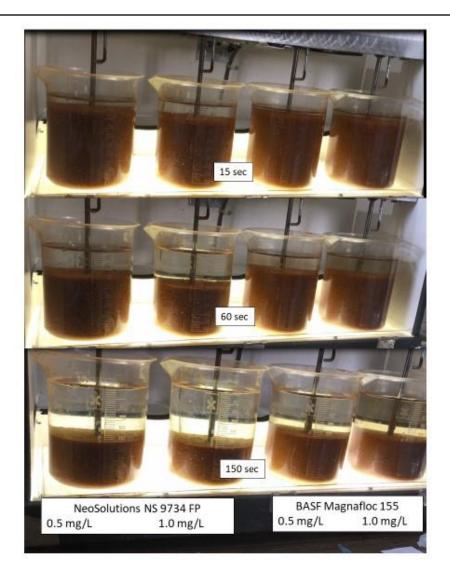


### Heterogeneous Ferrous Iron Oxidation Surface-based Oxidation & Precipitation



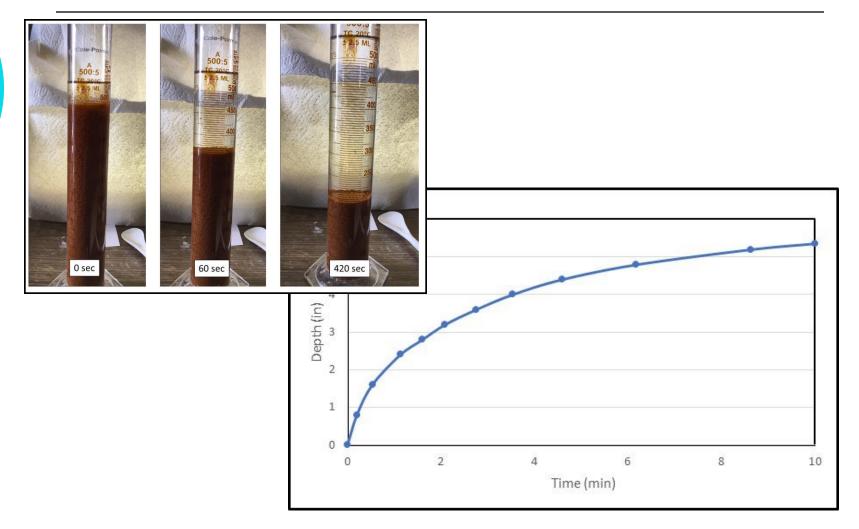


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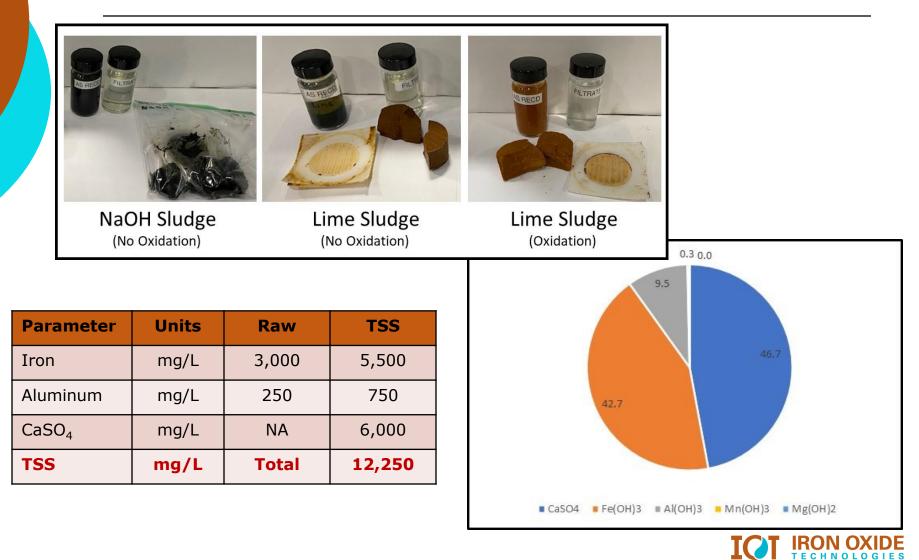


### **Solids Settling Tests**





### **Solids Characteristics & Dewatering**

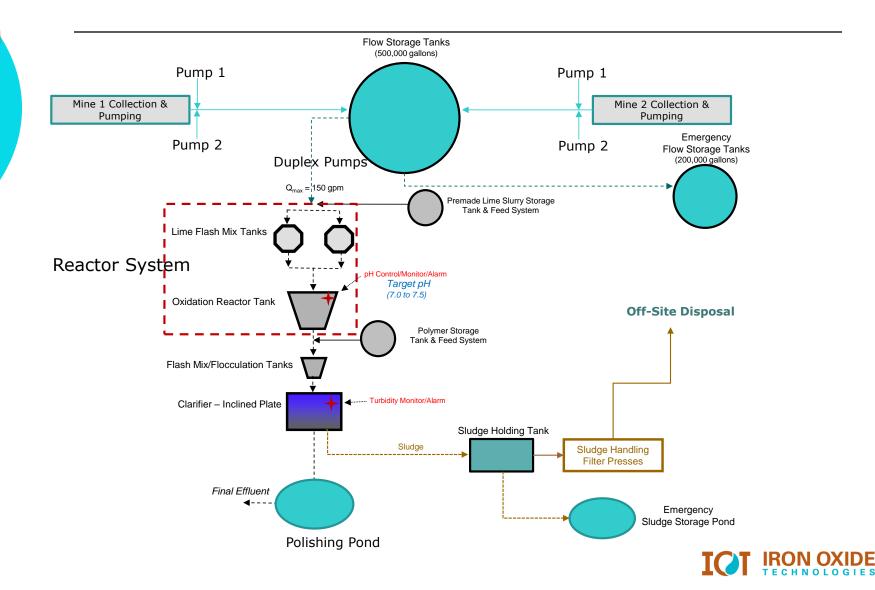


# **Globe Mine Site**

# **New Treatment Plant**



### **Globe Mine Site Process Flow Diagram**

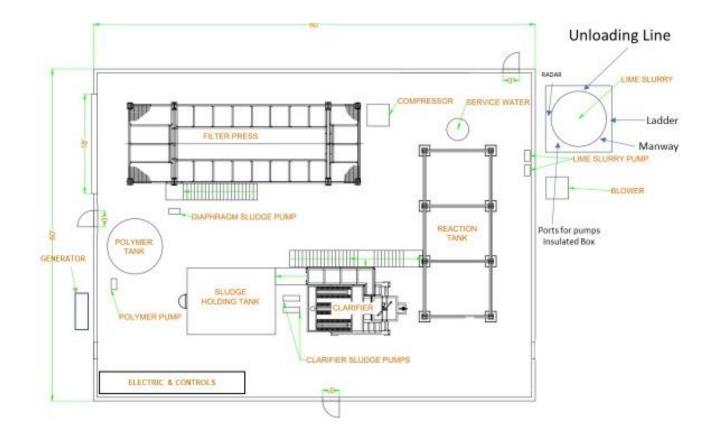


### **Globe Mine Site** Location & Plan View





### **Globe Mine Site** Building & Treatment Plant Layout





# Mine Entry Pump Systems



Mines are gravity flow with water stored behind concrete walls near the entry



Duplex submersible SS pumps 1½ HP (~150 gpm) are operated by floats (also provide alarms)



# Above Ground Storage Tank

Above Ground Storage Tank (500k gals) stores pumped mine water to allow flexibility of operation & maintenance (AST level monitored)

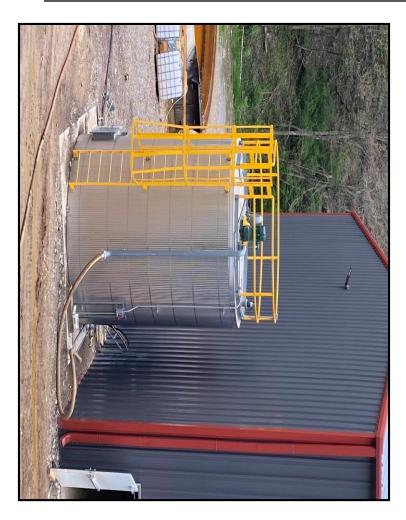




Duplex submersible SS 1½ & ¾ HP pumps (50-150 gpm) deliver flow to treatment system



# Lime Slurry Storage Tank & Feed System WK Merriman, Inc.



#### Lime Slurry System Consists of:

- 1. Insulated & Heated Storage Tank
- 2. Level Monitoring
- 3. Mixer to Suspend Lime Slurry
- 4. Offloading Equipment
- 5. Duplex Hose Pumps (Manual or pH Controlled)





### Reactor Tank System Purestream, Inc. (Kentucky)

#### Reactor Tank System Consists of:

- 1. SS Inlet Flow Control Box
- 2. Lime Flash Mix Tanks (2 only one operating)
- 3. Oxidation Reactor with Mixers and Diffused Air
- 4. PD Blower to Deliver Air
- 5. Outlet Trough



#### pH Monitoring & Control



Blower Unit





# Flocculation & Clarifier System WESCO, Inc.

Clarifier System Consists of:

- 1. Polymer Flash Mix Tank
- 2. Flocculation Mix Tank
- 3. Inclined Plate (Lamella) Clarifier
- 4. SS Plates and Troughs









# Polymer (Pre-Made) Storage & Feed System



#### Polymer System Consists of:

- 1. 6,0000 gal Storage Tank
- 2. Watson Marlow Qdos Pump (2 operating/backup)
- 1. Stores & Delivers Premade Polymer
  - 1. Neolsolutions 9734 Premade Polymer



# Sludge Pumps & Storage Tank

Sludge Storage Tank Mixers provide Uniform Sludge

Progressive Cavity Sludge Pumps (2)

Pump Sludge from Clarifier to Storage Tanks







### Sludge Filter Press System M.W. Watermark, LLC

#### Plate & Frame (65 CF) Filter Press



#### Diaphragm Pump

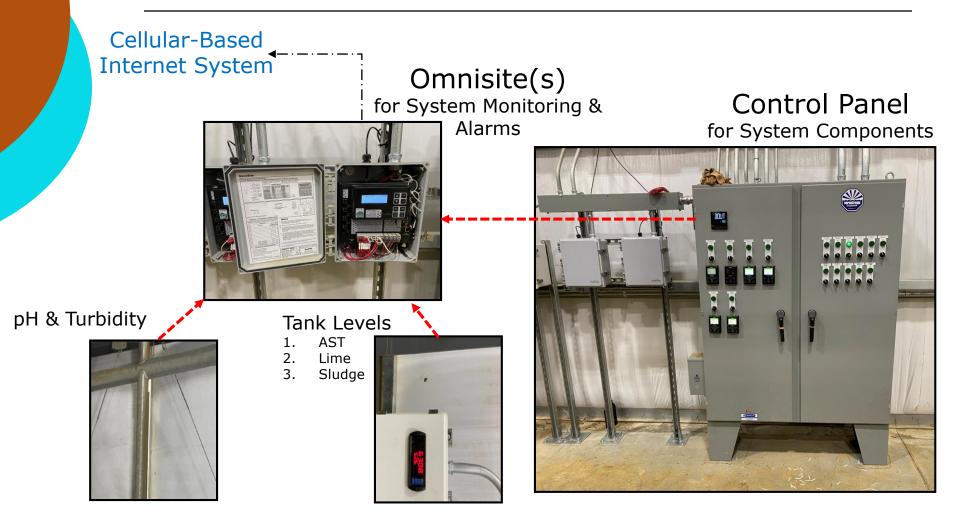


Screw Compressor With Dryer





# **Control & Monitoring Systems**





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# Backup Power Supply (Propane)





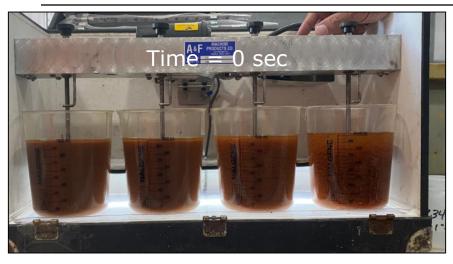
# **Globe Mine Plant Operation**

- 1. Start-up April 2022
- 2. Initial operating pH of 9.0 (due to Mine 1 water in AST)
- 3. Decreased operating pH to 7.5
- 4. Expect to lower operating pH to  $\sim 7.0$
- 5. Effluent Compliant with NPDES Effluent Limits Since Startup
- Low flow operation has high solids (> 10,000 mg/L)
  - a. Causes Hindered Settling vs. Slow Zone Settling
  - b. Due to limited particle interaction

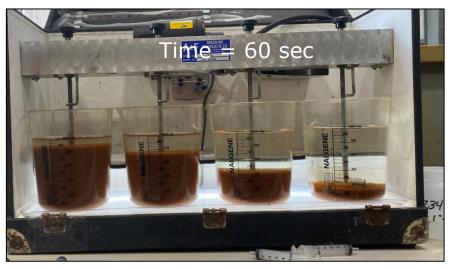




## Planned Low Flow Operational Modification



Dilution Ratio 0 3:1 1:1 1:3



#### **Based on IOT suggestions:**

**Dalton Derberry of Neosolutions** conducted Jar Tests at various dilutions of neutralized/oxidized water containing solids (>15,000 mg/L) with clarified water (< 10 mg/L) using a 2 mg/L NS9734 pre-made polymer dose.

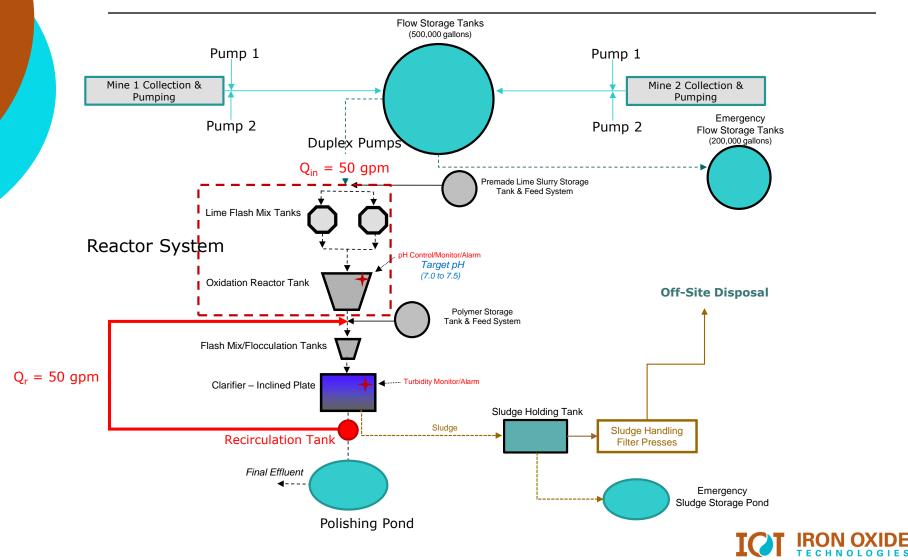
Jar Testing indicated that 1:1 dilution ration yielded settling rates 8x faster than without dilution.

Dilution allowed for increased particle interaction (i.e., flocculation) forming larger particles that settled faster, and is consistent with Stoke's Law.



# **Globe Mine Site**

**Modified Process Flow Diagram for Low Flow** 



A Design & Build Active Treatment Plant for the Globe Mine High Strength Mine Drainage

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