



Green Gears
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AREA 2

FUNDAMENTALS OF AQUACULTURE ENGINEERING

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INTRODUCTION TO AQUACULTURE

Aquaculture basically refers to the deliberate **breeding and rearing of aquatic organisms in an environment that is controllable by man**. Although fishing and aquaculture are both components of the fisheries industry, fishing is more comparable to hunting, referring to the collection of aquatic organisms from their natural habitat. The importance of aquaculture includes:

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- **To reduce pressure and prevent overharvesting natural stocks.**
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CLASSIFICATIONS BASED ON GROWING MEDIUM

- 1. Freshwater Aquaculture** - aquatic organisms are grown in freshwater (salinity is <0.5 ppt) sourced from springs, rivers, lakes, and also from developed underground water resources.
- 2. Brackishwater Aquaculture** – brackish water refers to the combination of fresh and sea water, typically found in estuaries and mangrove areas where the river mixes with tidal water. The salinity of brackish water is often variable, ranging from 0.5-35 ppt depending on the tidal phase and the freshwater discharge.
- 3. Mariculture** – this refers to the use of sea water as the growth medium, typically in coastal areas. The salinity of water is above 35 ppt.

CLASSIFICATIONS BASED ON PURPOSE OR FUNCTION

1. Broodstock
2. Hatchery
3. Nursery
4. Growout
5. Combination



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CLASSIFICATIONS BASED ON METHODS OF PRODUCTION

- 1. Extensive Method** - this is characterized by minimal stocking density (1-3 fish per sq. m) and dependence on natural feed in the culture facility.
- 2. Semi-Intensive Method** – this is characterized by moderate stocking density (4-6 fish per sq. m), the use of natural and supplemental feed (with fertilizer), and with partial water exchange.
- 3. Intensive Method** – this is characterized by high stocking density, (6 and more fish per sq. m), the use of artificial feeds, and high water exchange rate (for maximum aeration).

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- 2. Flow-Through Systems** – also referred to as semi-closed systems, are systems in which the culture water makes a single pass through the aquaculture system and is then discharged
- 3. Closed Systems** - the water is reconditioned and then recirculated throughout the system.

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CLASSIFICATIONS BASED ON NUMBER OF SPECIES

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The availability and quality of water supply is the most crucial factor to be considered in aquaculture. An **adequate supply of water free from any form of pollution** should be available throughout the year or at least the whole growing period.

- A minimum requirement of 5 L/sec/ha of pond for systems supplied with water from reservoirs such as rivers, wells, groundwater.
- A minimum requirement of 10-15 ha of catchment area to 1 ha of pond for systems supplied with rainwater.

WATER SUPPLY AND QUALITY

- **Temperature** – this refers to the hotness or coldness of the growing medium.
- **Color and Turbidity** – color refers to the visible hue or tint of the water due to dissolved substances, while turbidity pertains to the clarity of the water as an effect of the scattering of light due to suspended particles.
- **Suspended Solids** – small solid particles that are dispersed in water.
- **Dissolved Oxygen** – this refers to the amount of oxygen that is present in water. A DO level greater than **3 mg/L** is required for aquaculture.

Parameter

pH

Alkalinity (as CaCO_3)

Dissolved oxygen

Total hardness

Carbon dioxide

Iron – ferrous (Fe^{2+})

Unionized Ammonia (NH_3)

Nitrate-N ($\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$)

Nitrite-N ($\text{NO}_2\text{-N}$)

Acceptable range

7.0 - 8.5

100 - 400 ppm or mg/L

> 3 mg/L

100 - 400

0 - 15

Less than 0.1 ppm

Less than 0.02 ppm

0 - 3.0 ppm

0.1 ppm

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TYPE OF SOIL

1. The soil should not be highly permeable to prevent the excessive seepage of water from the pond. It should also be able to support vegetation growth at the pond bottom.

VEGETATION

Vegetation in an area can also provide insights regarding the quality of the soil. The type and density of vegetation is indicative of the productivity and physical property of the soil.

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TOPOGRAPHY AND DRAINAGE

Topography refers to the lay of the land with respect to the variations in elevation. Site suitability should be assessed based on the economic cost of converting the area into a fishpond.

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- B. Ponds should be designed based on the height of a flood with a recurrence interval of 10-15 years.**
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WATERSHED AND CLIMATIC CONSIDERATIONS

1. Prevailing winds are considered in designing due to its erosive properties and its ability to provide natural aeration to the pond.
2. Rainfall and watershed is also evaluated due to its influence in flooding and runoff. Generally, a larger watershed produces a larger quantity of runoff.

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Milkfish (*Chanos chanos*)

1. Bangus can grow in salt water and freshwater but is mainly cultured in brackish water ponds
2. Usually raised in extensive and semi-intensive systems.
3. Takes at least 3-4 months to reach marketable size.

https://www.fao.org/fishery/docs/CDrom/aquaculture/I1129m/file/en/en_milkfish.htm

PNS:BAFS 196:2025 Milkfish and Tilapia – Code of Good Aquaculture Practice

Table A.1. Recommended stocking density for milkfish in relation to the type of cage (PCAARRD-DOST, 2016)

Type of cage	Stocking density
Floating and stationary cages in shallow water	5-30 pcs/m ³
Floating cages in deep lakes and bays	30-40 pcs/m ³
Offshore cages	40-100 pcs/m ³

Table B.1. Water quality requirements of milkfish (PCAARRD-DOST, 2016)

Parameters	Range
Dissolved oxygen	5 ppm
pH	-
Temperature	25 °C-32 °C or 10 °C – 40 °C
Salinity	0.5-40 ppt



Nile Tilapia (*Oreochromis niloticus*)

1. Nile Tilapia is cultured in floating fish cages and fish pens, usually in semi-intensive or intensive methods
2. Also cultured in earthen ponds.
3. Takes at least 4 months to reach marketable size.

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Table A.2. Recommended stocking density for tilapia in ponds based on the type of culture system (Eguia et al., 2020)

Culture system	Stocking density (fingerlings/m ³)
Extensive	1-2
Semi-intensive	3-4
Intensive	5-10

Table B.2. Water quality requirements of tilapia (Eguia et al., 2020)

Parameter	Range	Optimum for growth
Salinity (ppt)	0-36 ppt (depending on species)	Up to 19 ppt
Dissolved oxygen (mg/L)	Down to 0.1	>3
Temperature	8-42	22-29
pH	3.7-11	7-9
Ammonia (mg/L)	Up to 7.1	<0.05



Catfish (*Clarias spp.*)

1. Common catfish species raised in the Philippines are *C. gariepinus*, *C. macrocephalus*, and *C. batrachus*.
2. Cultured in freshwater ponds and tanks; known or being very hardy.



Grouper

1. Groupers, commonly known as lapu-lapu, may be raised in sea-based cages and pens and brackishwater ponds and tanks.

PNS:BAFS 334:2022 Grouper – Code of Good Aquaculture Practices



Big Head Carp (*Hypophthalmichthys nobilis*)

1. Bighead carp is usually grown together with tilapia or milkfish in Laguna Lake.
2. Has a very niche market.



Asian Sea Bass / Barramundi
(*Lates calcarifer*)



Pompano
(*Trachinotus blochii*)



Tiger Shrimp (*Penaeus monodon*)

1. Locally known as sugpo.
2. Raised in brackishwater ponds, commonly polycultured with milkfish.
3. It takes at least 4 months to grow prawns into marketable sizes.



Whiteleg Shrimp (*Penaeus vannamei*)



Giant Freshwater Prawn (*Macrobrachium rosenbergii*)



Mud Crab (*Scylla serrata*)

1. Thrives in brackishwater and is a popular species for aquasilviculture.



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SEAWEEDS

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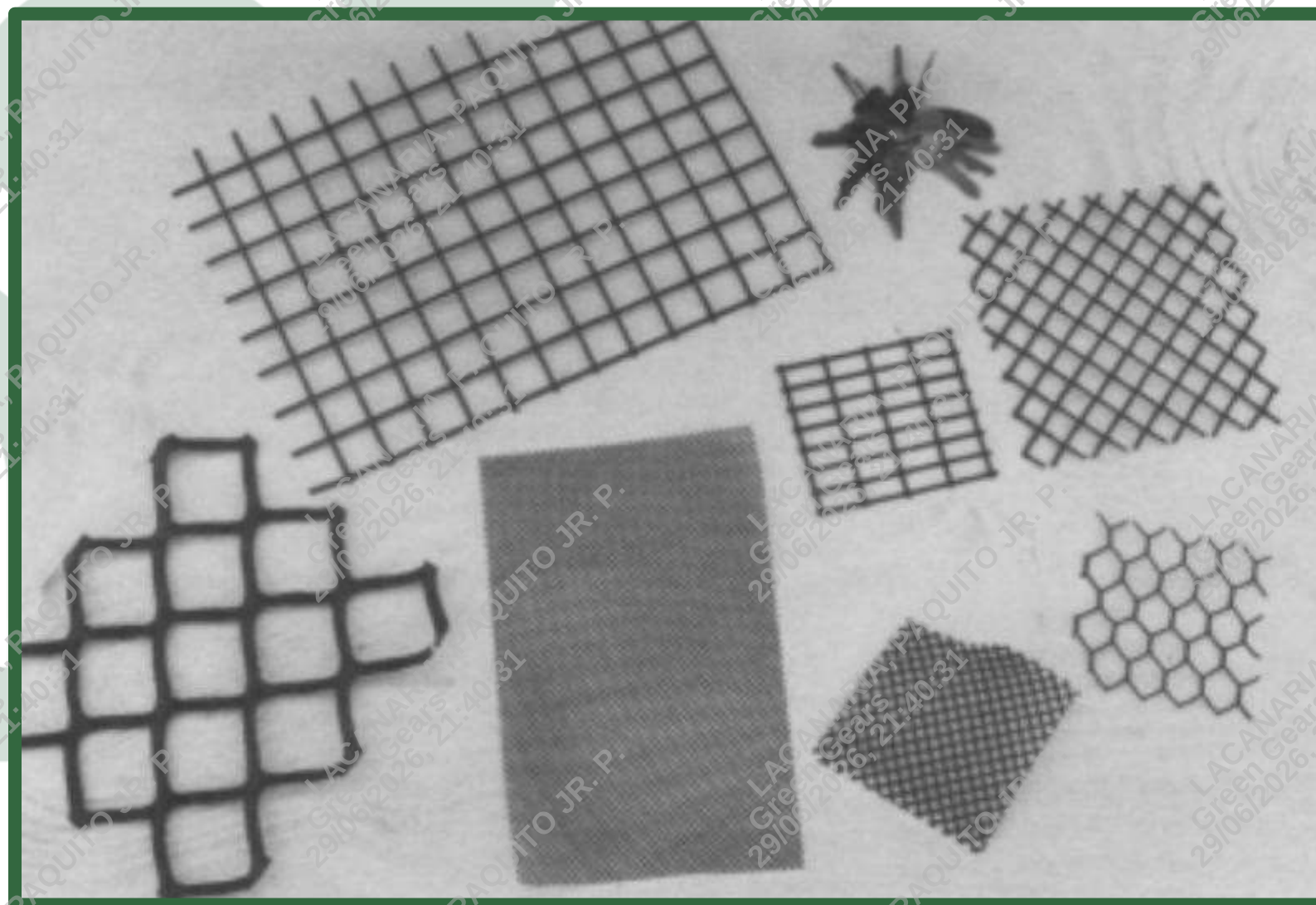


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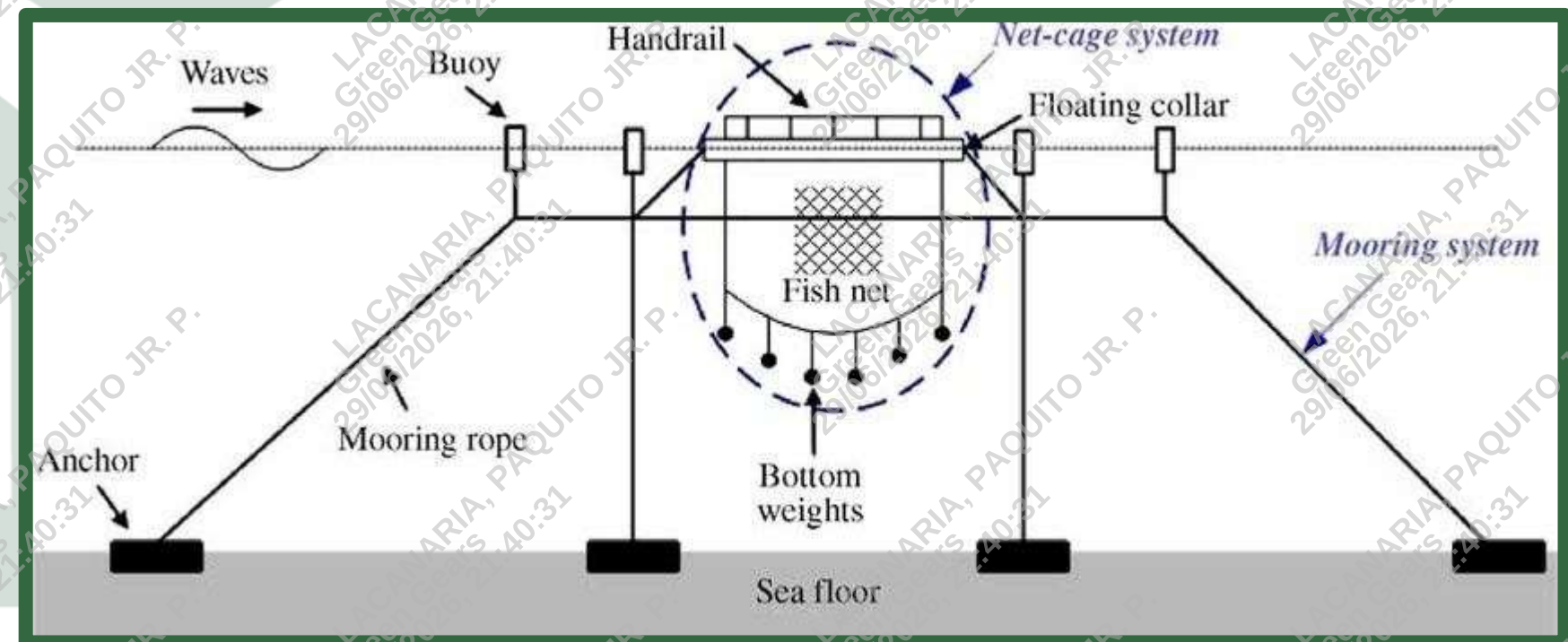


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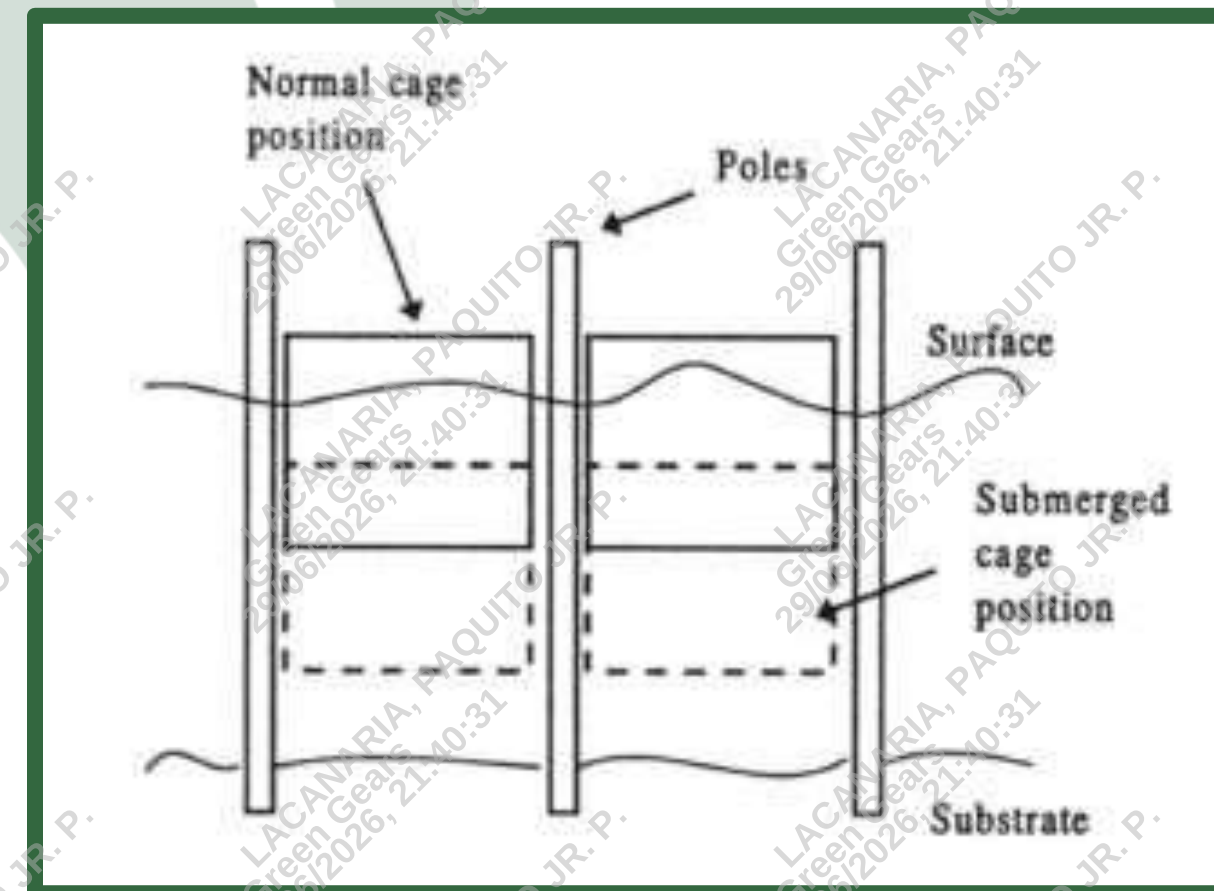


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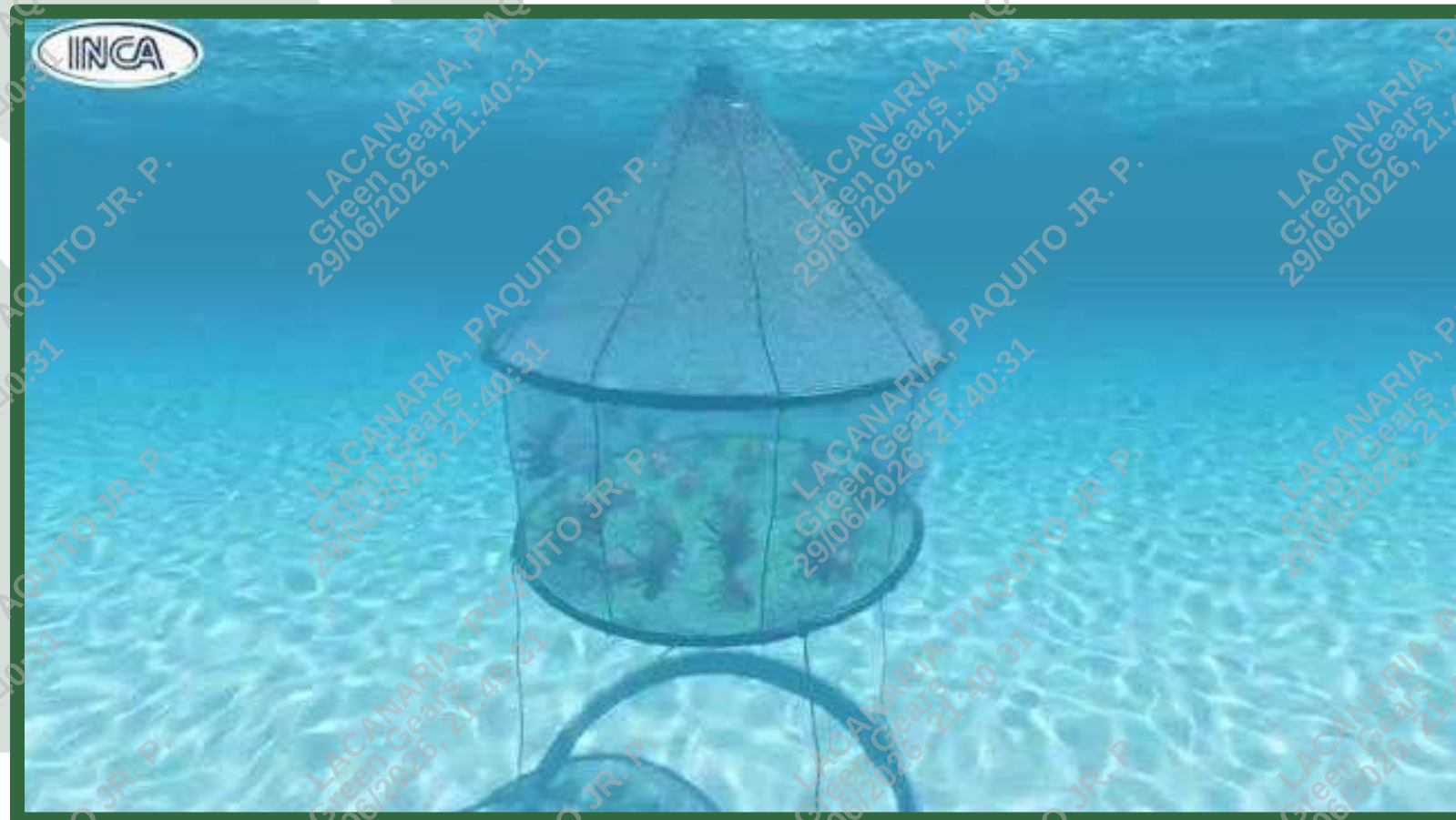


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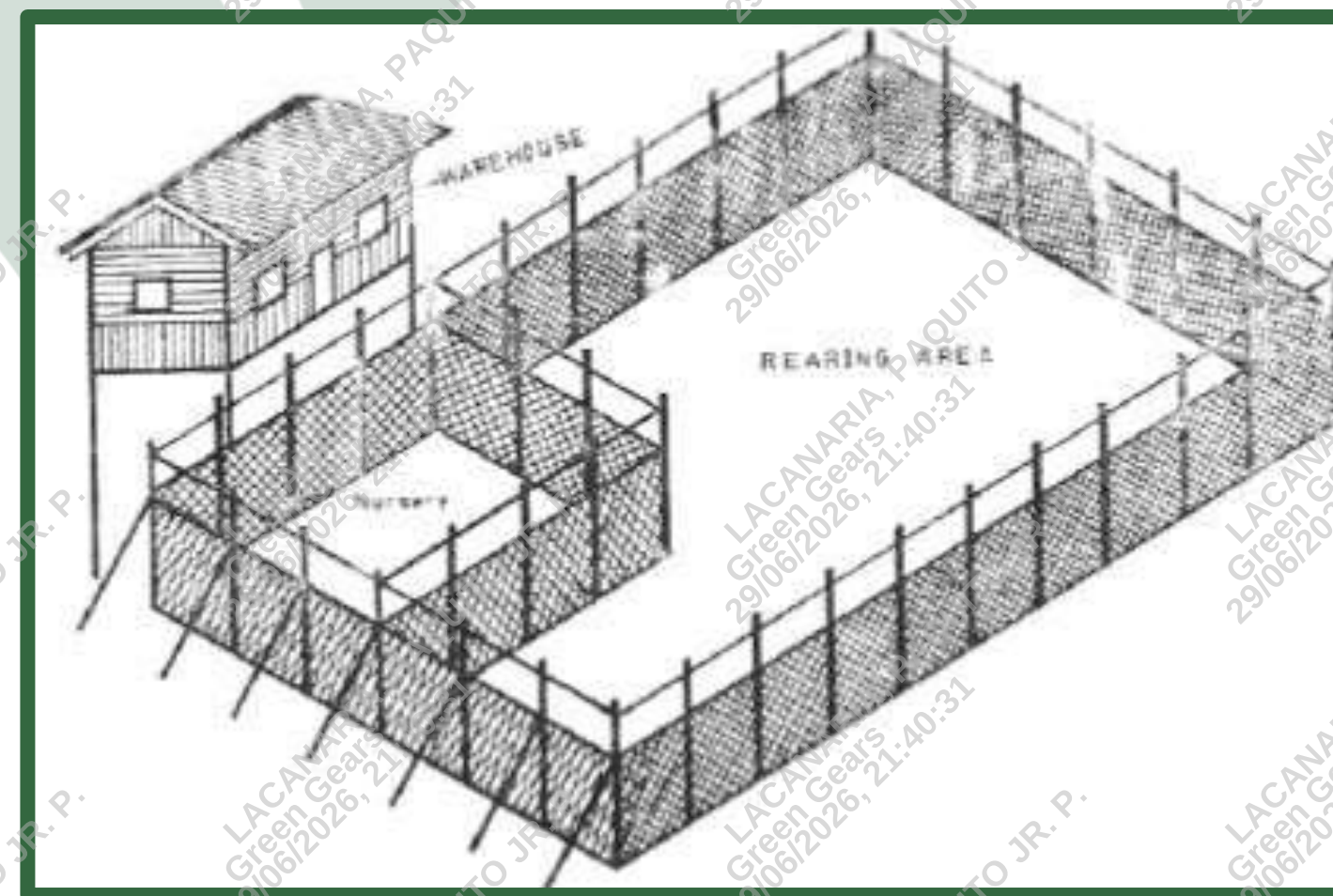


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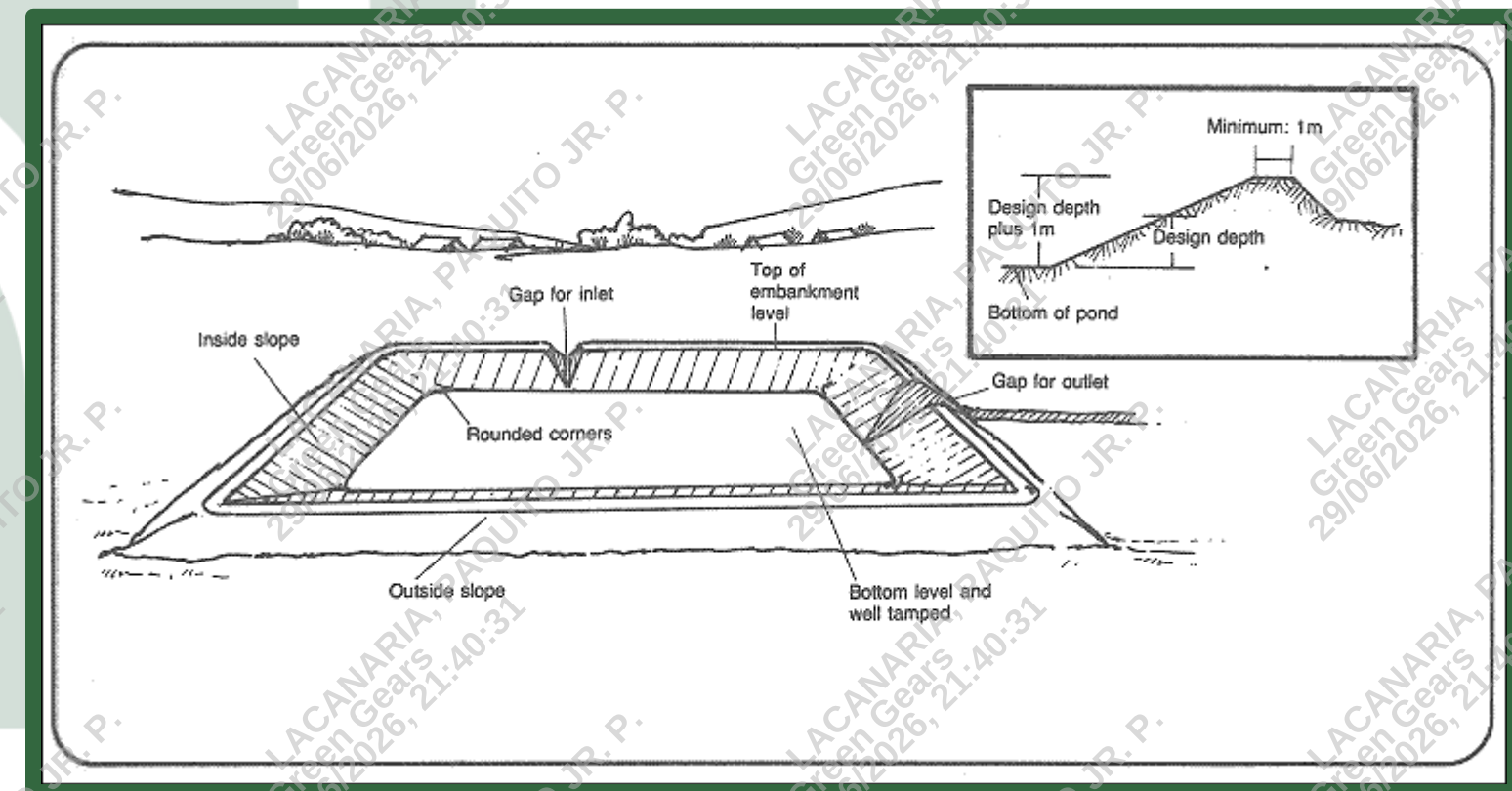


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- 3. Embankment Ponds** - levees, dikes, and bunds are constructed to contained water for raising aquaculture organism. This is the primary method of pond culture and can be constructed over a wide range of topography. This process involves both digging (for depth) and construction (for embankments).

Considerations in Pond Construction

1. Pond design should be dependent on topography, water supply, drainage, and purpose. The bottom slope should be at least 0.05 to 0.2 percent.
2. Smaller ponds incur greater construction and maintenance cost but is easier to manage. Deeper ponds are expensive to construct.
3. Oxygen depletion is less likely on larger ponds, but contamination and infestation is harder to manage. It is also more prone to the erosion due to the effect of wind (produces waves).

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Wave Height is in cm, fetch is in km.

where B = fetch (pond dimension in the wind direction)

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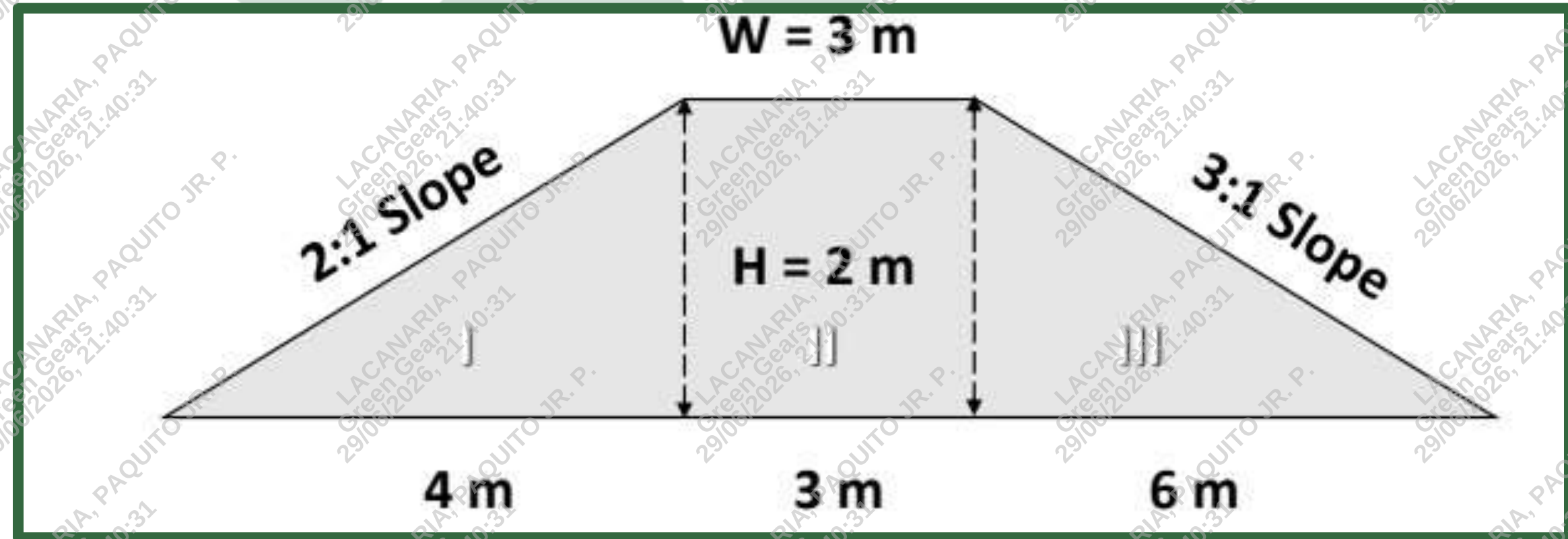
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Considerations in Levee Construction

1. If the longer side of the pond is perpendicular to the general wind direction, it reduces susceptibility to erosion; while being oriented parallel increases wind action and helps with aeration.
2. The main levee should be at least 6 meters wide to allow passage of harvesting equipment; while levees dividing the ponds should be at least 3 meters wide to for feed trucks.
3. The recommended side slope is 3:1. It should be provided with at least 30 cm of free board.
4. Add 20% for core trench and 15% for settlement.

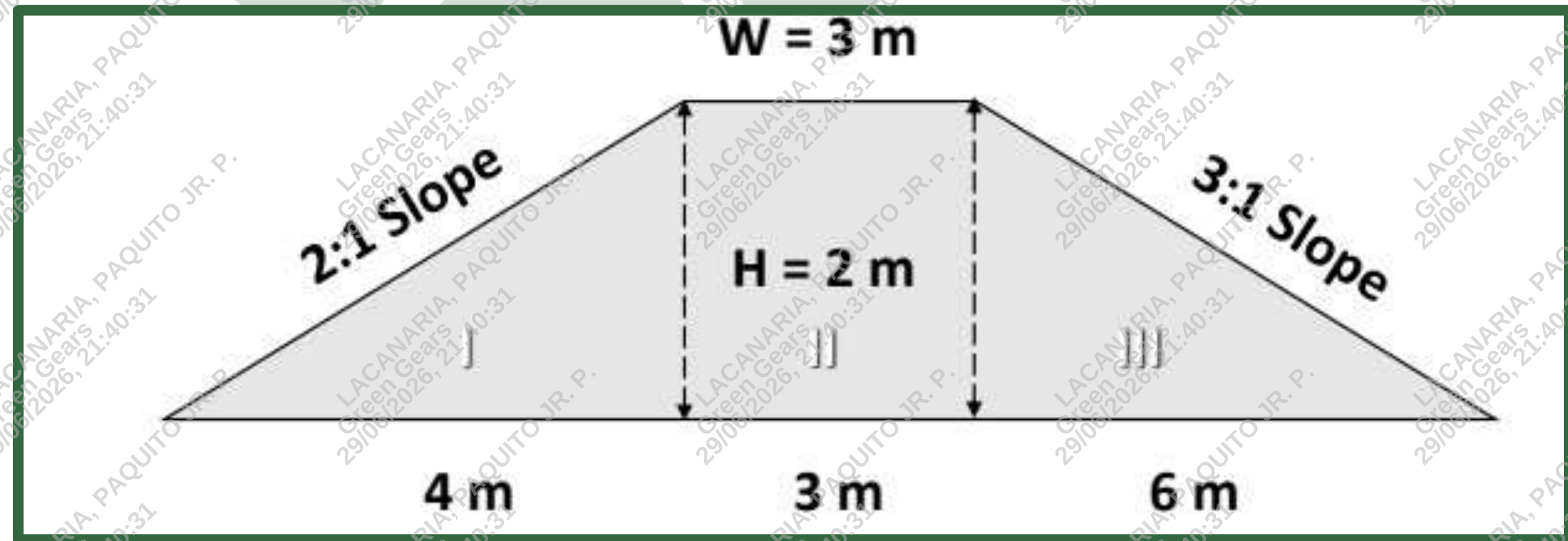
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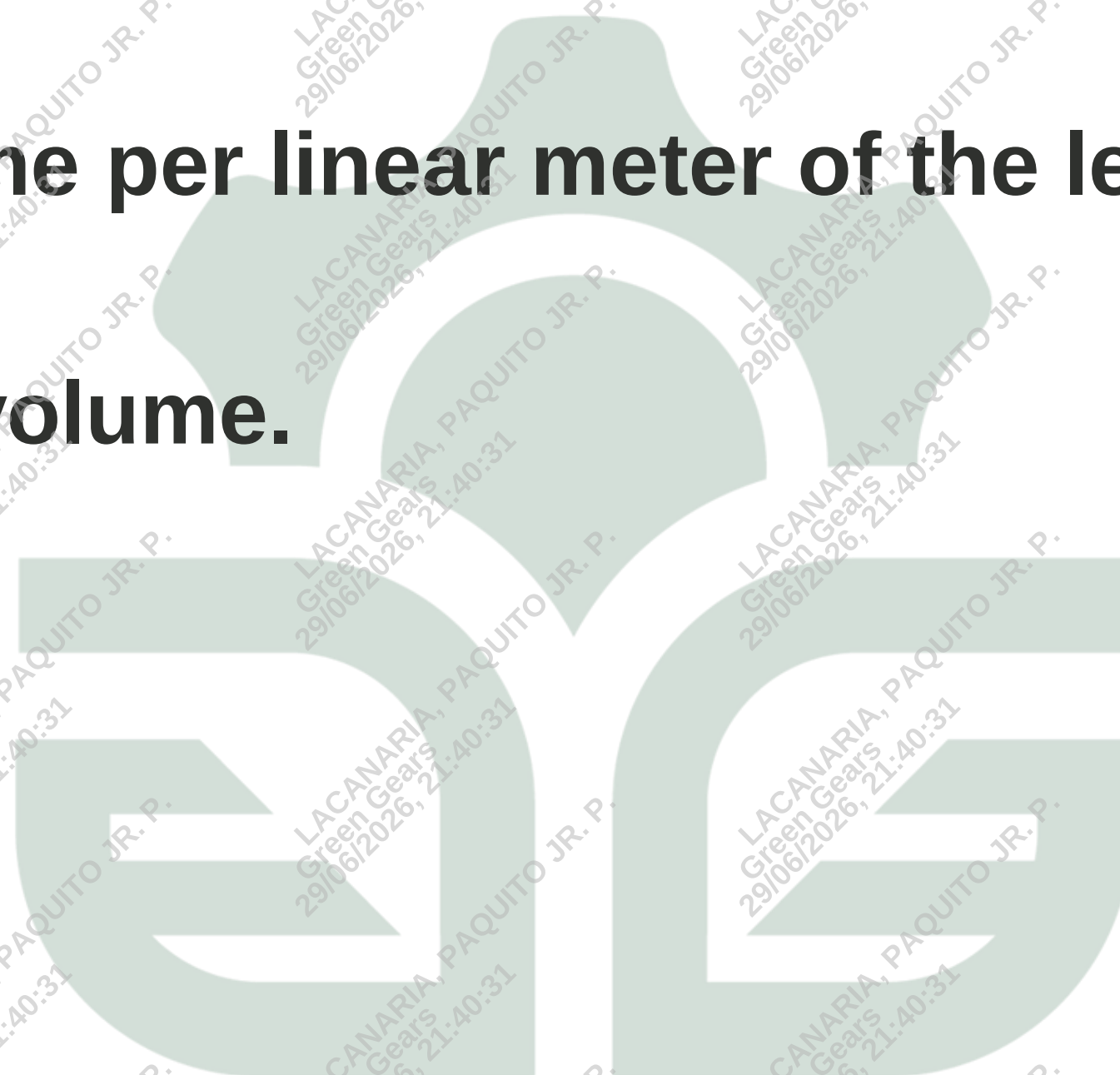


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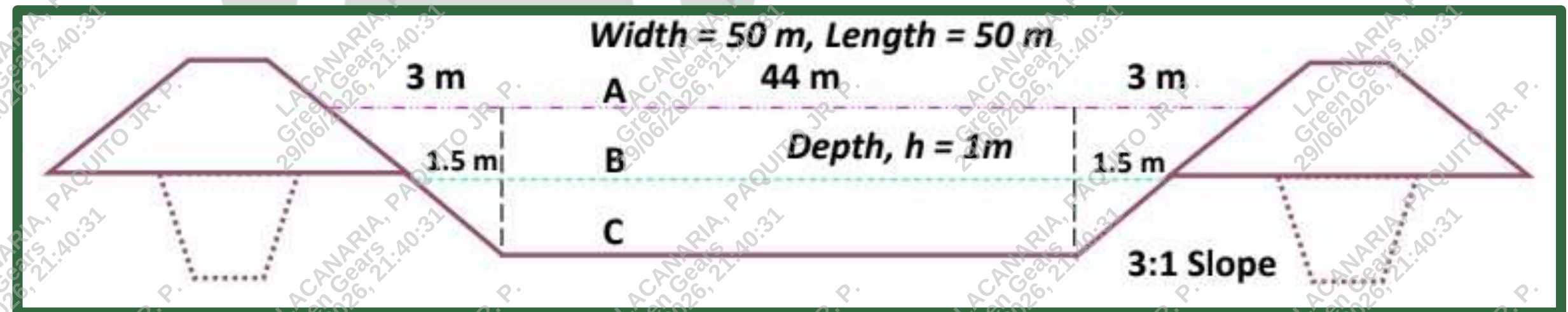


Other Considerations

1. The water supply must be able to fill the pond in seven days or less.
2. Ponds should be able to completely drain in less than two days.

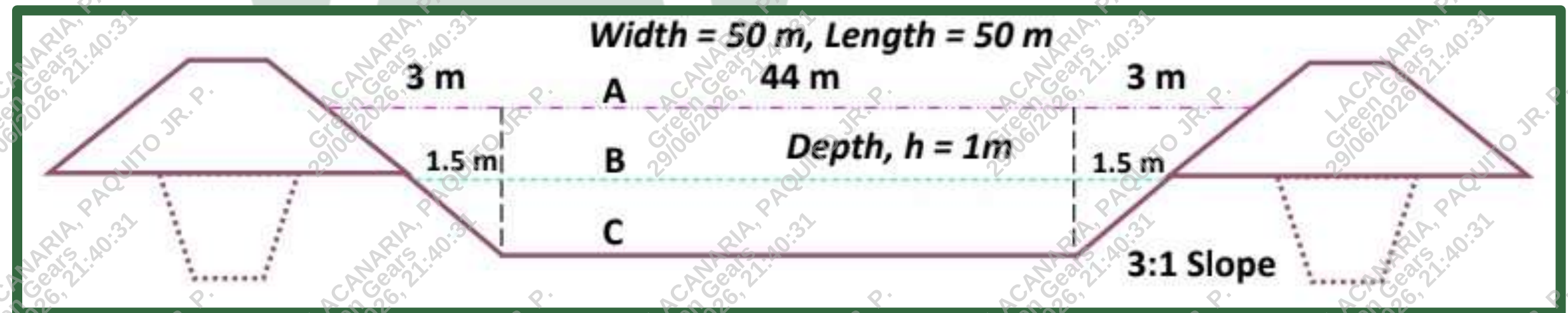
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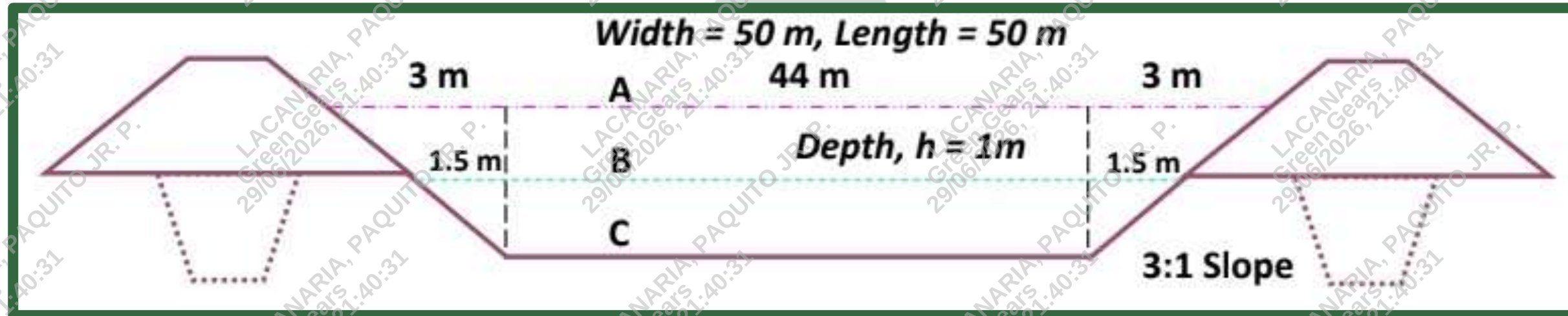
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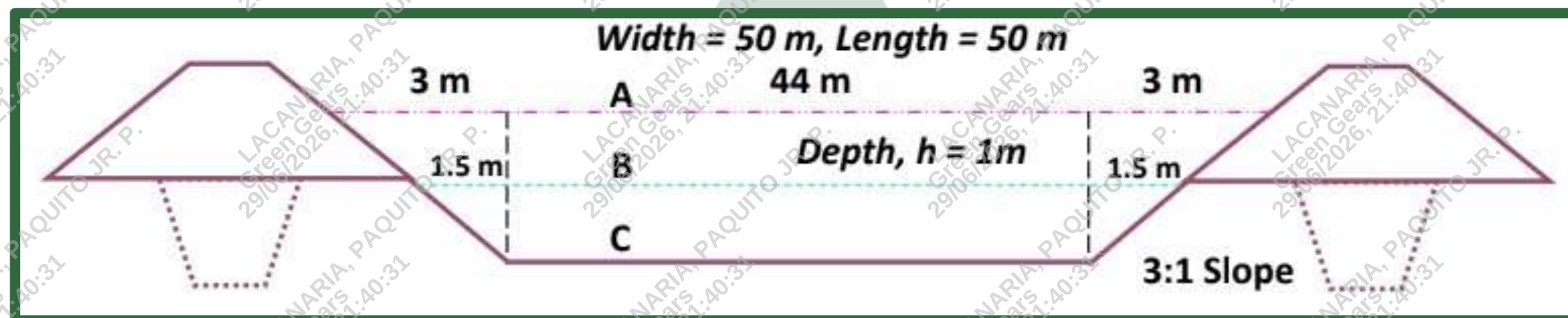




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$$Volume = \frac{(A_a + 4A_b + A_c)}{6} (depth)$$

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$$\text{Discharge} = \frac{\text{Volume}}{\text{Time}}$$

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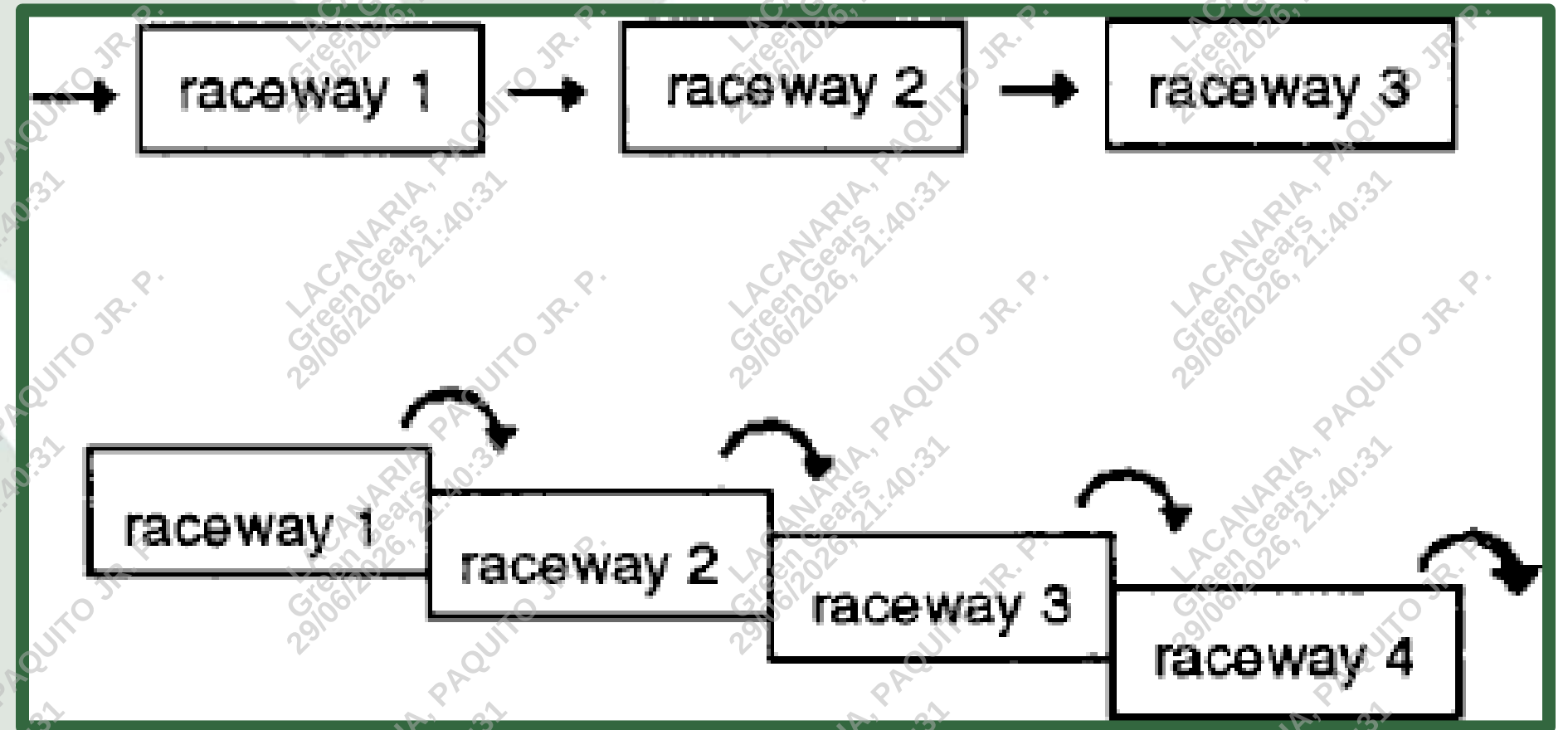
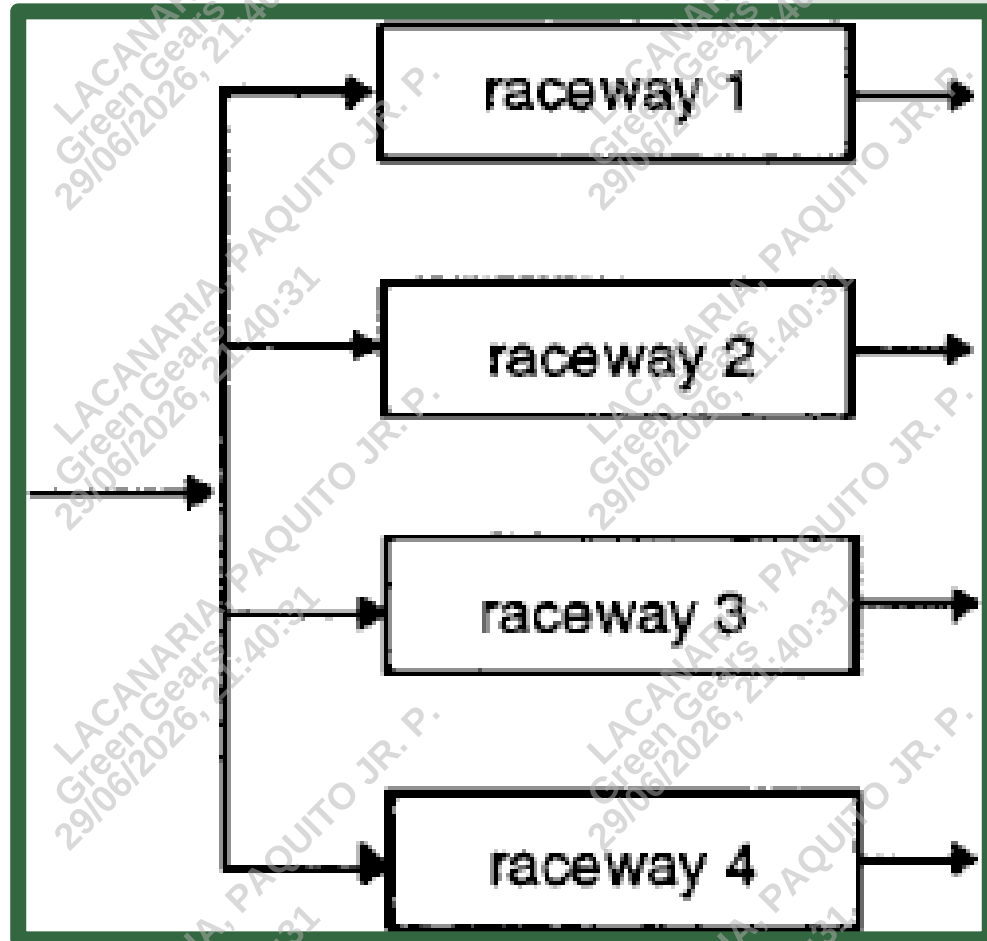
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Flow Requirement in Raceway Systems

Hydraulic Retention Time

$$\text{HRT} = \text{Volume} / \text{Discharge}$$

Time Required to Replace Water

$$t = -\ln(1-f) \text{ HRT}$$

For every one (1) kg of feed:

250 g of DO consumption

500 g of fecal solids produced

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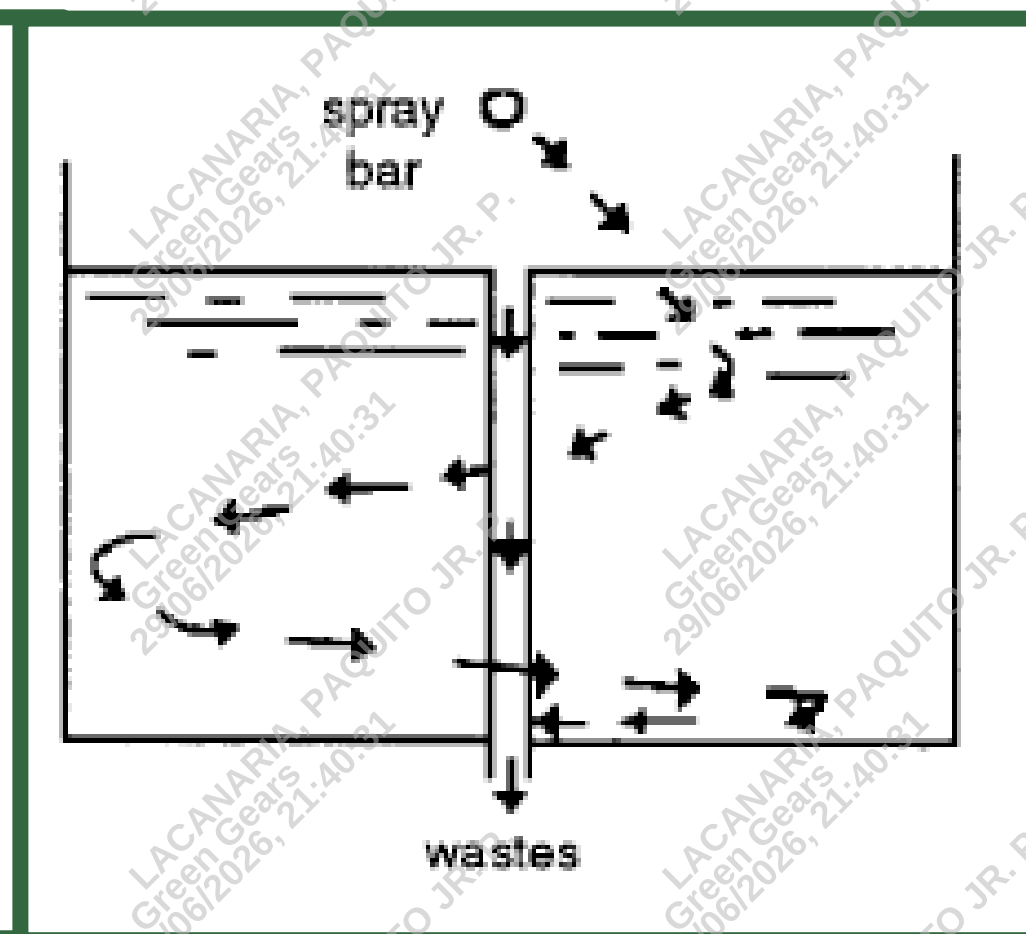
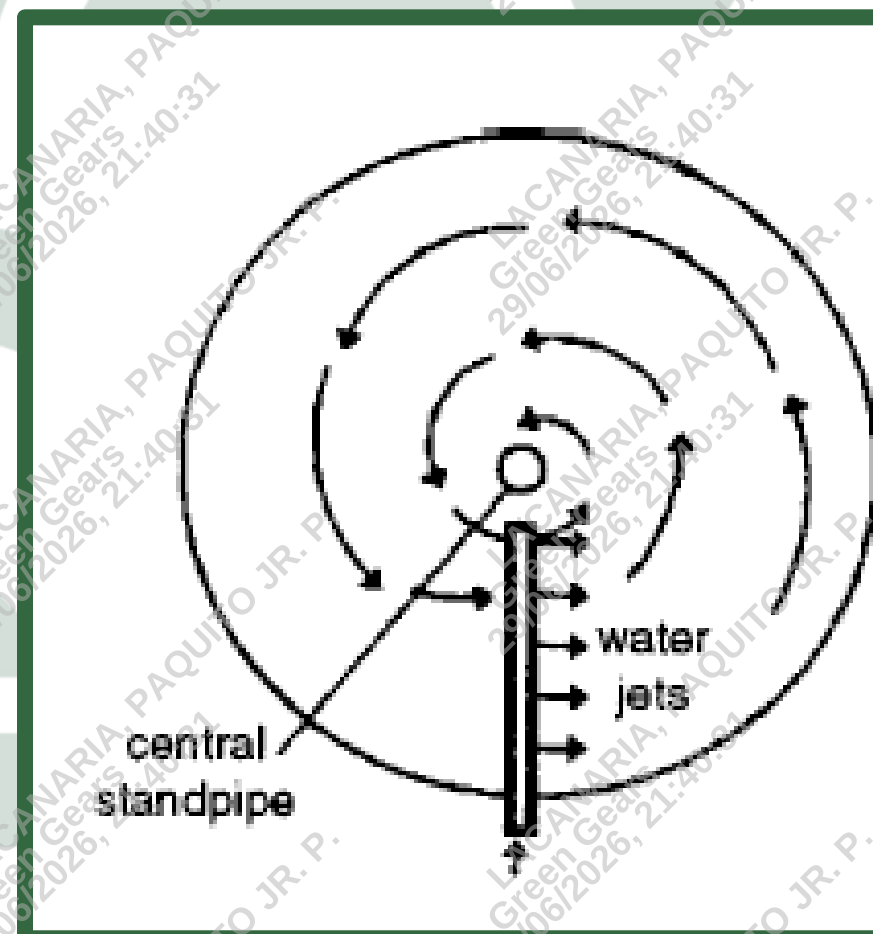
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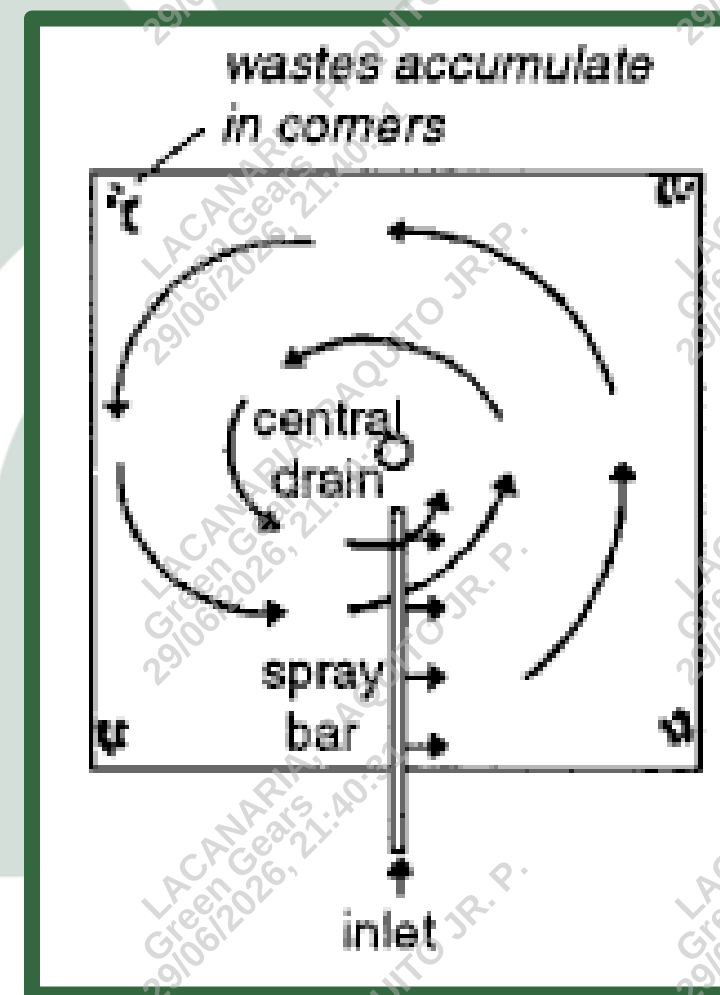


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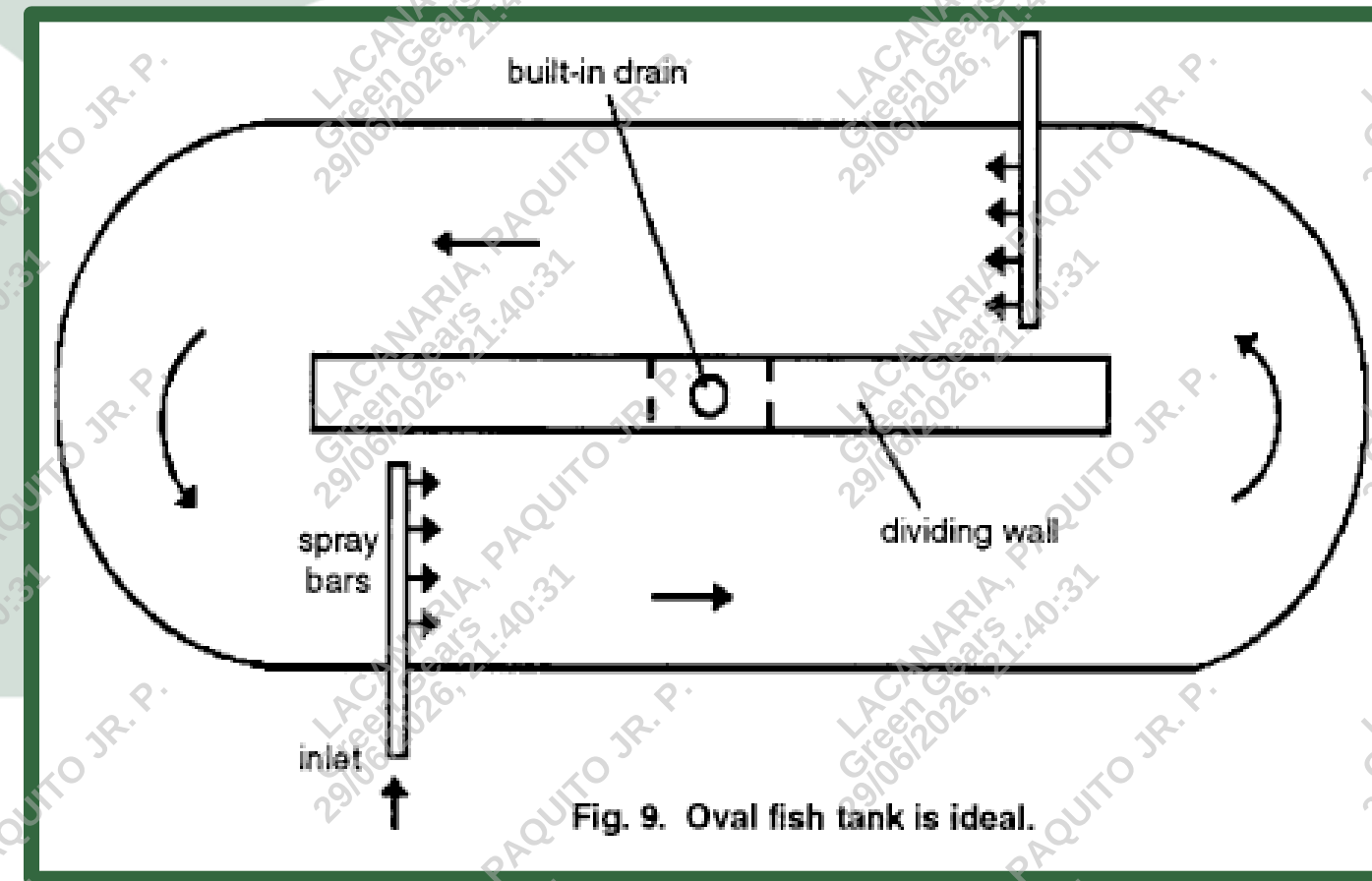


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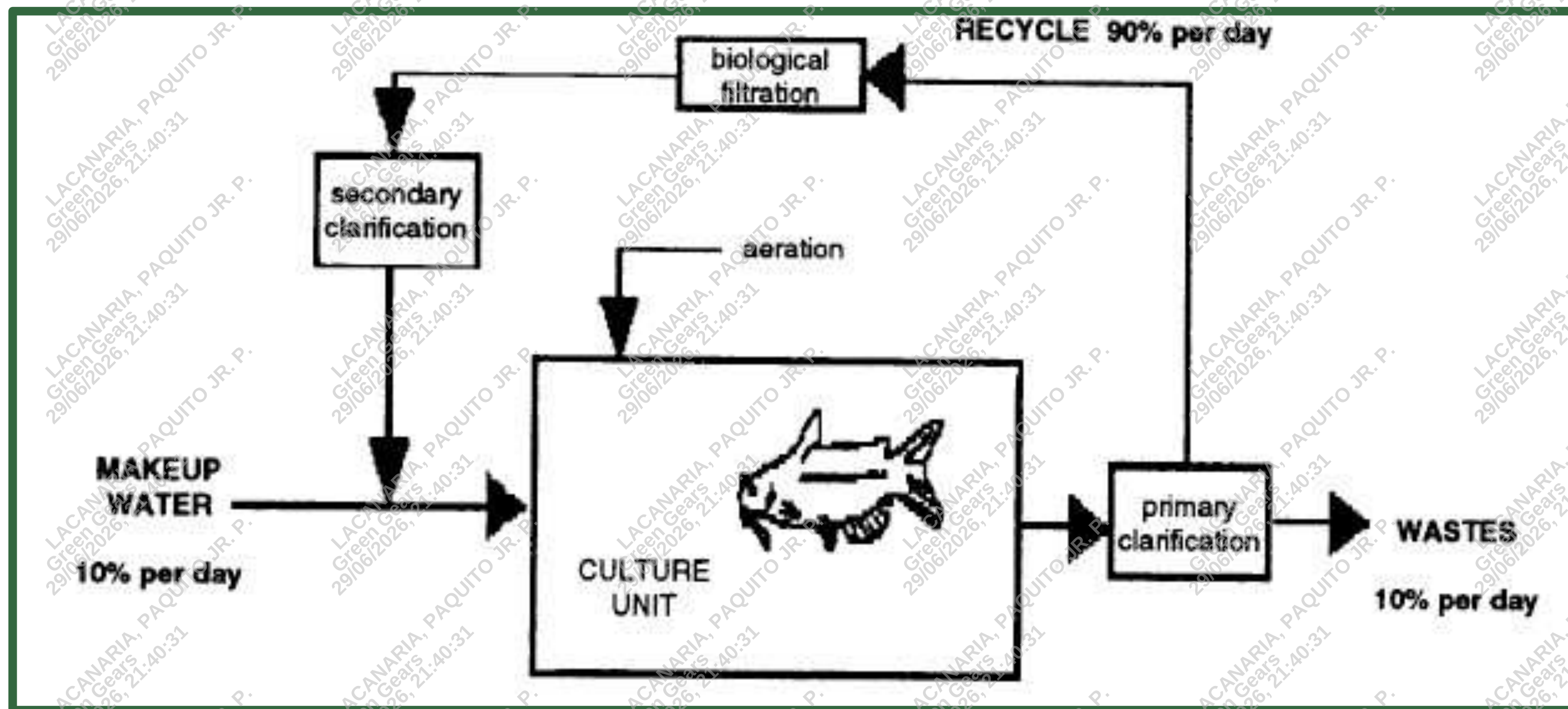
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Choose the type of biofilter (Bead Filters, Fluidized Sand Beds, Trickling Filters, Rotating Biological Contactors)

Calculate the biofilter size (Bead Filters = 490 g TAN / m³, RBCs = 0.1 – 3 g TAN / m²)

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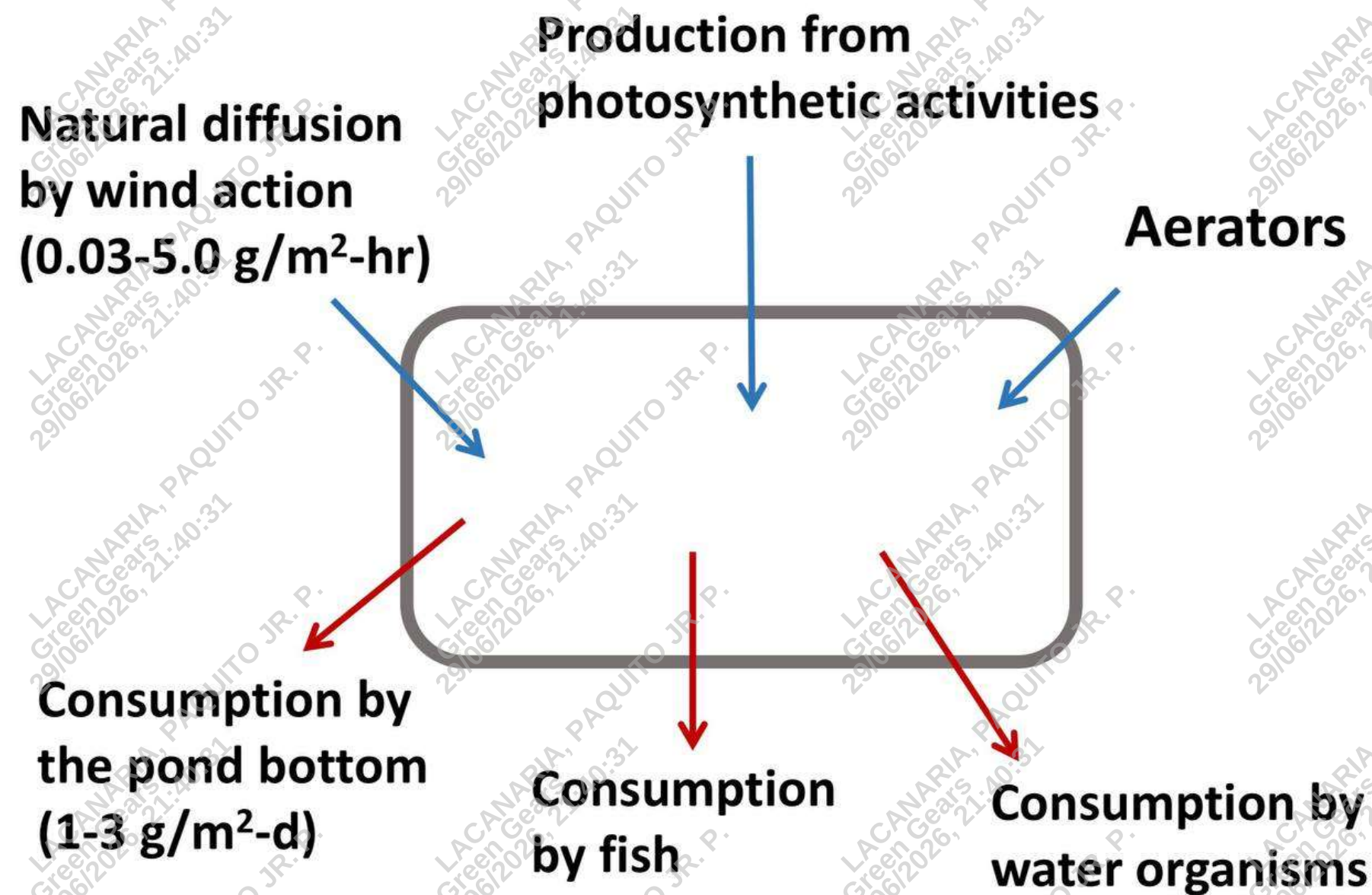
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Engr. Izz Nicki Meenaj is supposed to aerate a rectangular tank for the temporary holding of fingerlings. Consider the following:

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ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

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Biosecurity & Health Plans: Operators are required to implement biosecurity measures and an aquatic animal health plan to prevent and control disease spread.

ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE

Disease Management: Diseased or dead organisms must be collected immediately and disposed of hygienically using dedicated mortality pits or fish cemeteries. Treatment using authorized veterinary drugs requires a proper diagnosis, adherence to strict manufacturer guidelines, and mandatory compliance with withdrawal periods to meet Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs).

Humane Handling: Operators must minimize stress and physical damage during culture, sampling, harvesting, and quarantine, ensuring rapid and humane slaughter practices.

ENVIRONMENTAL INTEGRITY AND SUSTAINABILITY

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Waste & Effluent Management: Farms must utilize reservoir ponds for incoming water and settling ponds for handling effluents. Regular environmental monitoring must be completed via a Self-Monitoring Report (SMR).

SOCIO-ECONOMIC FACTORS

Labor Rights: Workers must receive fair treatment, salaries, mandatory benefits, and incentives aligned with national laws and International Labour Organization (ILO) standards.

Health & Safety: Employees must be provided with Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) training, appropriate protective gear, accessible first-aid kits, and mandatory annual medical examinations.

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Inclusivity & Community Care: The code mandates a proactive anti-child labor policy and strictly prohibits discrimination based on gender, race, religion, culture, or age. Furthermore, operations must respect the rights of host local communities, safeguarding public lands, infrastructures, and local fishing grounds.

TRACEABILITY AND DOCUMENTATION

To maintain compliance, farms must establish a traceability system and retain all operational, feed, and health records for a **minimum of 24 months**. Local Transport Permits (LTP) alongside health certificates are mandatory prior to moving aquatic organisms.