

H₂S Case Study



BACKGROUND

DATE:
May 2014

EQUIPMENT:
EcosFrac 10 BPM
("EF10")Ozonix® Units

FORMATION:
Permian Basin (NM)

FLUID TYPE:
Produced Water

VOLUME:
~300 barrels

TREATMENT RATE:
~10 BPM batch treatment



Produced Water Treatment for H₂S in the Permian Basin

Successfully Treated H₂S in Produced Fluid

The objective of this pilot study was to treat produced water specifically for Hydrogen Sulfide ("H₂S"). Based on the findings of this pilot, FNES validated the Ozonix® treatment system's ability to eliminate H₂S and allow our customer to reuse this produced fluid. The customer had traditionally disposed of this fluid but would prefer to reuse it once treated through the Ozonix® process.

FNES processed approximately 300 barrels ("bbl") of the produced water with an EF10 Ozonix® treatment unit. The fluid was batched treated over a period of five and one quarter (5.25) hours, with samples taken at approximately every twenty (20) minutes. FNES measured H₂S concentration in each sample immediately on-site, using an instrument that had an upper limit of 80 mg/L. Using these readings FNES can calculate reaction rates and initial concentrations up to approximately 769 mg/L.

In addition to testing for H₂S, FNES also tested the Friction Reduction using a typical anionic friction reducer. The produced fluid treated through the Ozonix® treatment unit demonstrated a 19% improvement in drag reduction, proving that FNES treated fluid improves compatibility with friction reducers.

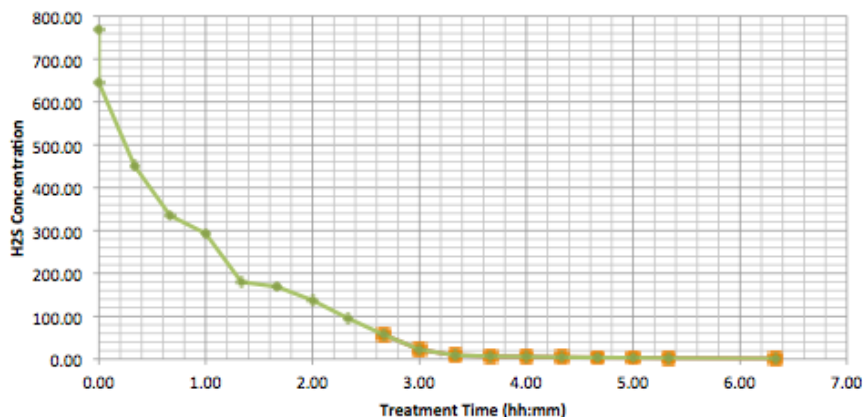


Figure 1: Hydrogen Sulfide Concentration Results

| Treatment Time | S ² as H ₂ S |
|----------------|------------------------------------|
| 0.00 | 769 |
| 0.00 | 645 |
| 0.33 | 451 |
| 1.00 | 293 |
| 1.33 | 180 |
| 2.00 | 137 |
| 2.33 | 95 |
| 3.00 | 22.16 |
| 3.33 | 9.12 |
| 4.00 | 5.78 |
| 4.33 | 4.42 |
| 5.00 | 3.07 |
| 6.33 | 1.04 |

Figure 2: Summary of Calculated H₂S Results in mg L⁻¹

| Water Type | % Drag Reduction |
|------------|------------------|
| Treated | 57 |
| Untreated | 38 |

Figure 3: Friction Reducer Compatibility Results Mixed with 0.5 gpt Anionic FR

| TDS | pH | TOC | Alk as CaCO ₃ | Cl | Ba | Ca | Fe | Mg | K | Na | Sr | Oil & Grease |
|---------|-----|-----|--------------------------|---------|----|-------|-----|-----|-----|--------|----|--------------|
| 210,000 | 7.0 | 22 | 550 | 100,000 | 0 | 3,000 | 0.5 | 660 | 490 | 77,000 | 62 | 40 |

Figure 4: Representative Influent Water Analytics of Produced Water