

# A Combination of Bauxsol™ Acid B Extra™ Blend and Biochar to Reduce Metal Concentrations in Eveline Acid Mine Drainage

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# AMD Active Treatment



# AMD Sulfate Reducing Bioreactor





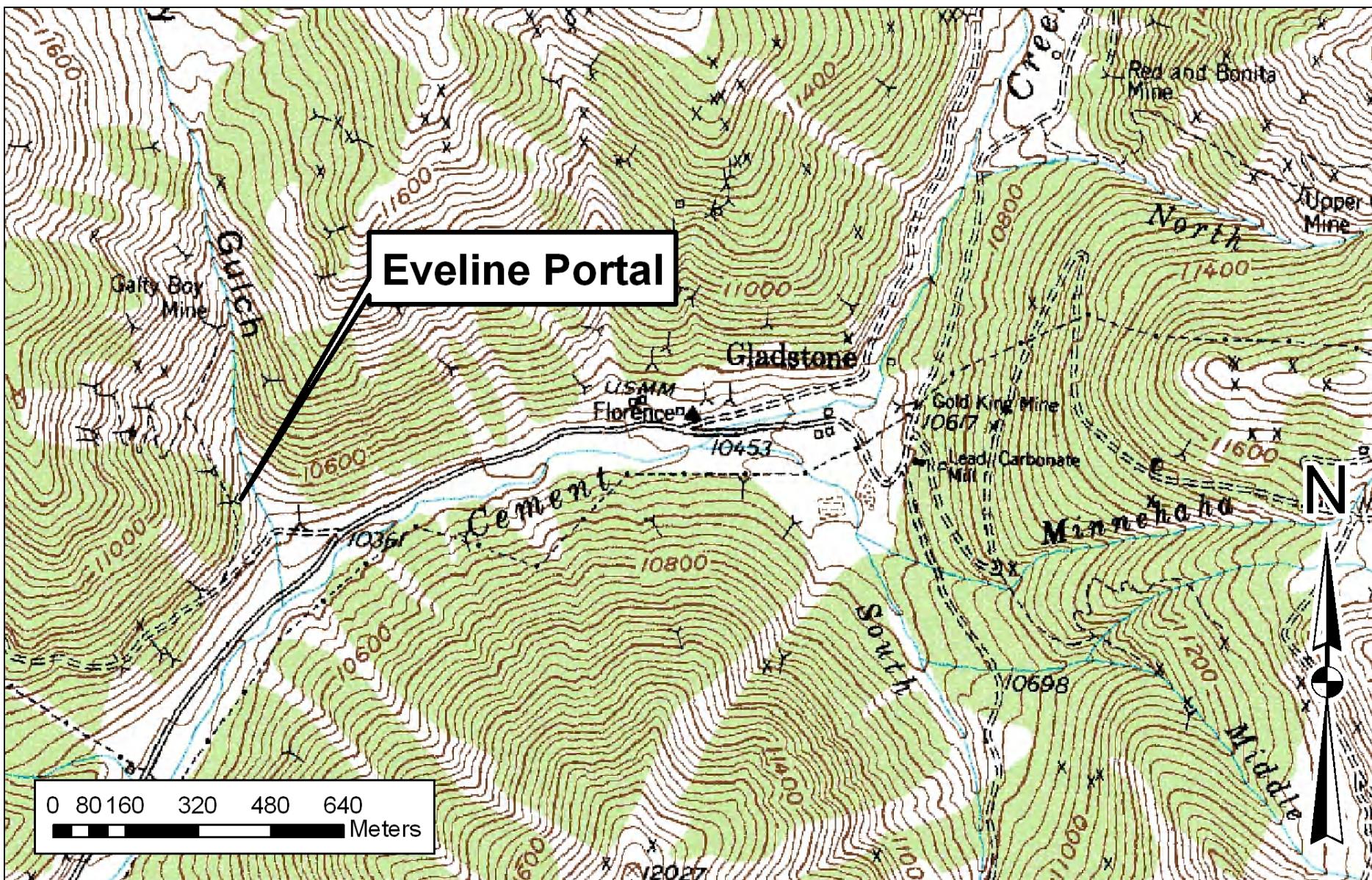
**Eveline Mine**

**SILVERTON, CO**



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## Eveline Portal



# Eveline Mine





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# Eveline Mine Drainage

- BLM and ARSG identified the Eveline for remediation
- 2007 – BLM National Operations Center performs pilot tests

	Q (gpm)	pH	Al*	Cd*	Cu*	Fe*	Mn*	Zn*
Ford, Flemming, Odell 2009	7.6	3.2	9.4	0.014	0.08	25.2		1.1
Eveline inflow August 2012	3.6	3.4	13.5	0.02	0.10	29.4	1.06	1.5
Eveline inflow August 2011	5.5	3.3	12.9	0.021	0.07	29.5	0.95	1.3
Average	5.6	3.3	11.9	0.012	0.1	28.0	1.0	1.3

\*mg/L

# Eveline Treatment Vault

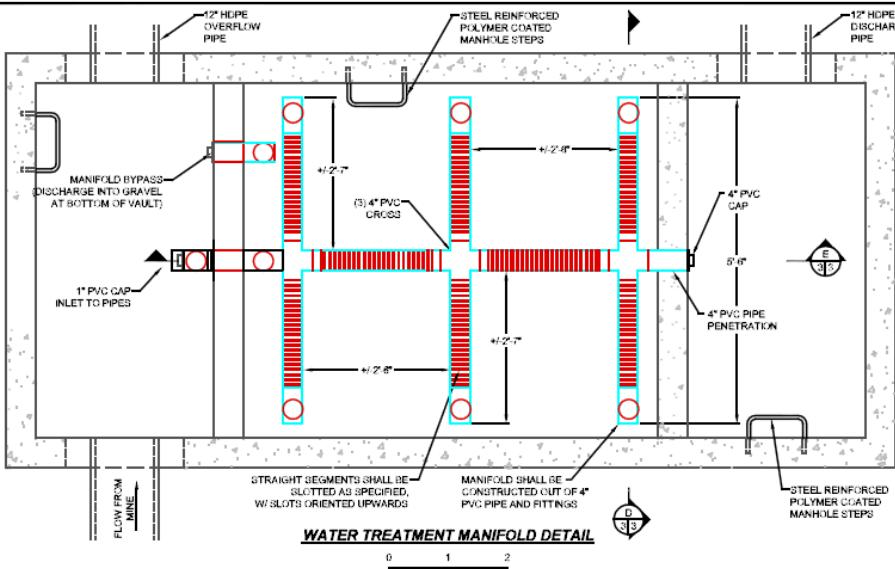
- Designed to treat 8 gpm
- ARRA Funded
- Constructed in 2010



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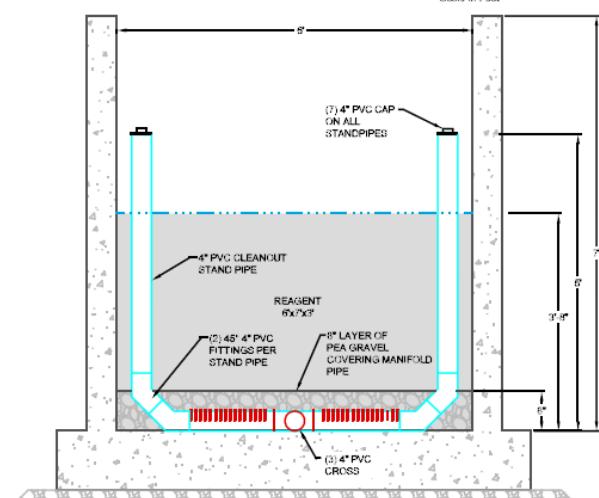
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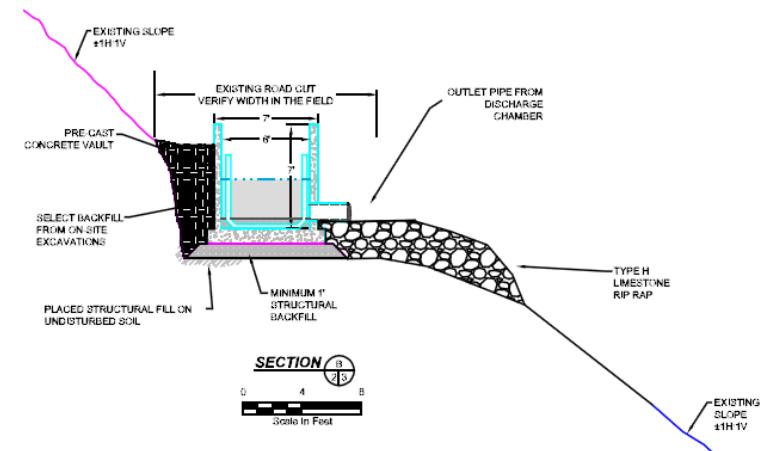
DESIGN CRITERIA:

1. AVERAGE DRAINAGE FLOW RATE 7.06 gpm.
2. VOLUME OF REAGENT IN WATER TREATMENT VAULT 105 GALLONS MINIMUM.
3. FLOW RATE AND REACTANT CONTACT TIME PER BLM REPORT (TREATMENT OF ACID MINE DRAINAGE USING BAUXICOL AND ZERO-VALENT IRON).
4. SITE TOPOGRAPHY FROM BLM DRAWINGS.
5. DESIGNED TO FLOW THROUGH THE PIPES
6. VAULT DESIGNED TO FLOW THROUGH GRAVEL IF PIPES CLOG



**NOTE:**

1. MANIFOLD TO BE CONSTRUCTED USING PVC PIPE & FITTINGS. FIELD VERIFY LENGTHS & CUT STRAIGHT PIPE TO ACCOMMODATE FITTING SIZES.



AS BUILT				ELEVATION MINE			
#	REVISIONS DESCRIPTION	DATE	BY	DRAINAGE TREATMENT DETAILS			
				TREATMENT OF ACID MINE DRAINAGE DISCHARGE FROM THE TREATMENT VAULT AND THE VARIOUS VENTS			
1				DESIGNED BY: <b>ESCAPE</b>	APPROVED BY: <b>ESCAPE</b>	JOINT NO.: <b>15-16-11</b>	HEET: <b>3 of 3</b>
2				DRAWN BY: <b>ESCAPE</b>	DATE: <b>15-16-11</b>		
3				CHECKED BY: <b>ESCAPE</b>	SCALE: <b>AS NOTED</b>		







**2011 - ZVI**



# Bauxsol™ Acid B Extra™

- Altered by-product of the Alumina Refining Industry
- Purchased from Virotec
- Basic
- Fine grained powder
- Iron rich and silica rich minerals
- Has been used to treat tailings ponds and waste piles







# 2012 Eveline Bauxsol™ Pilot Tests

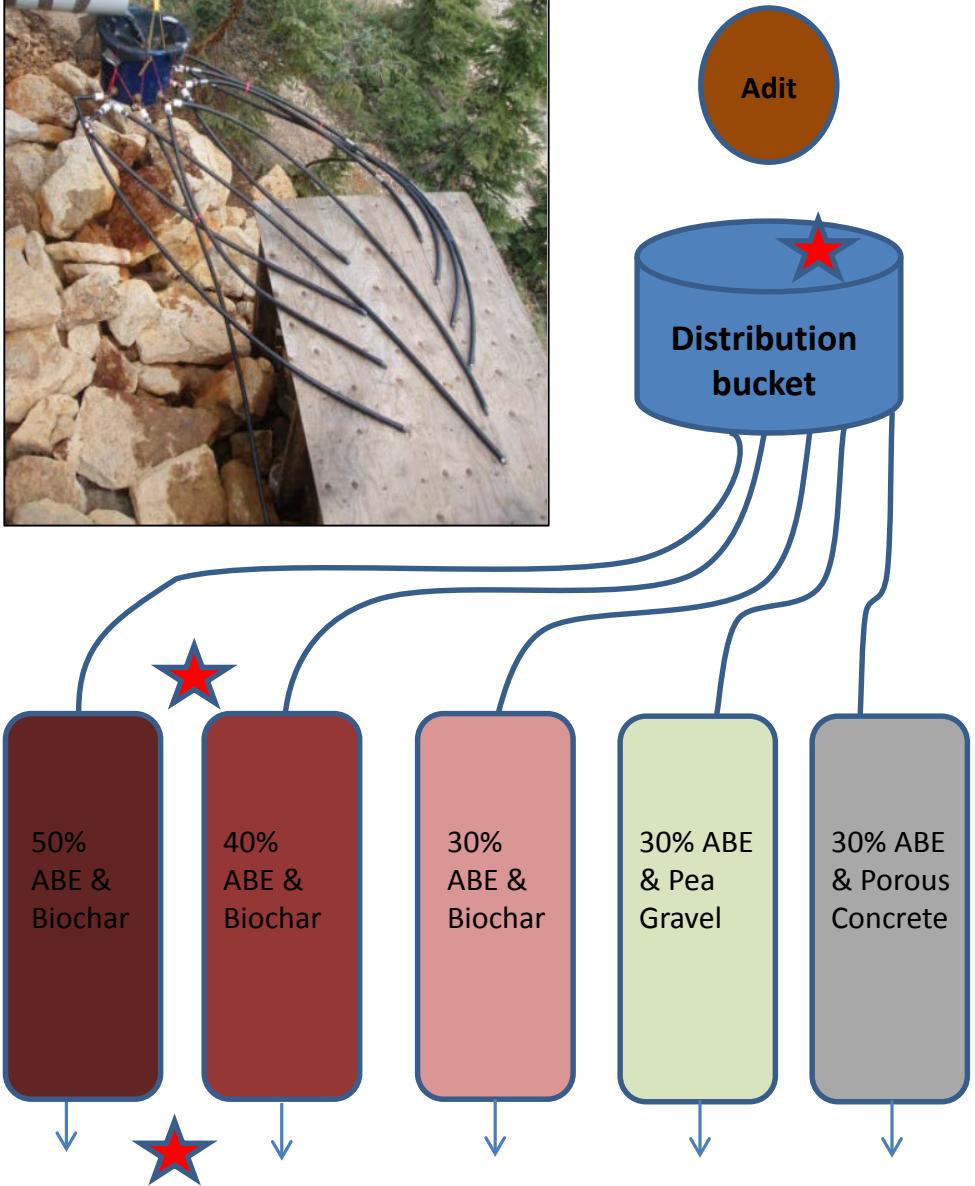
- Biochar
- Porous Concrete (Aerix)
- Pea Gravel

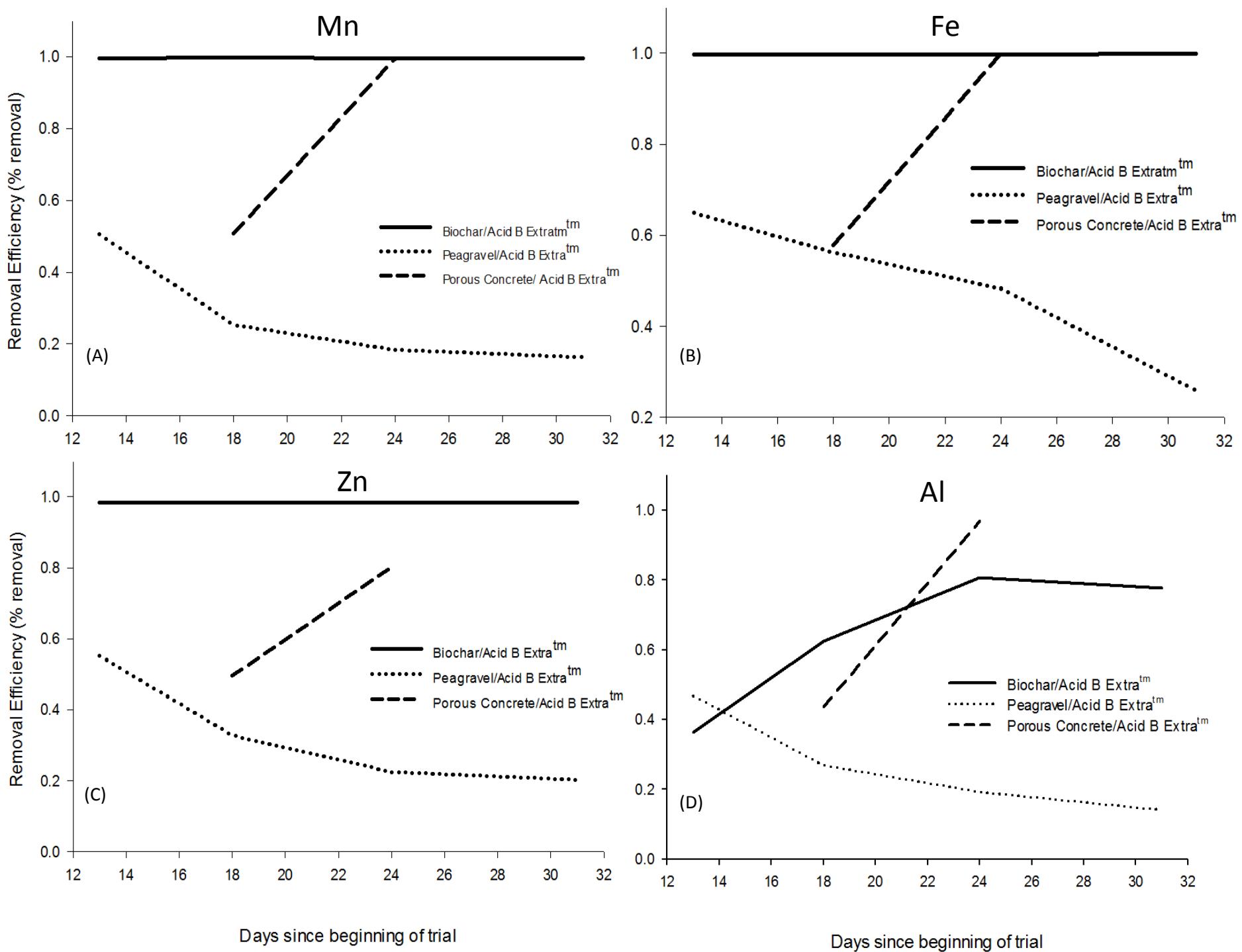


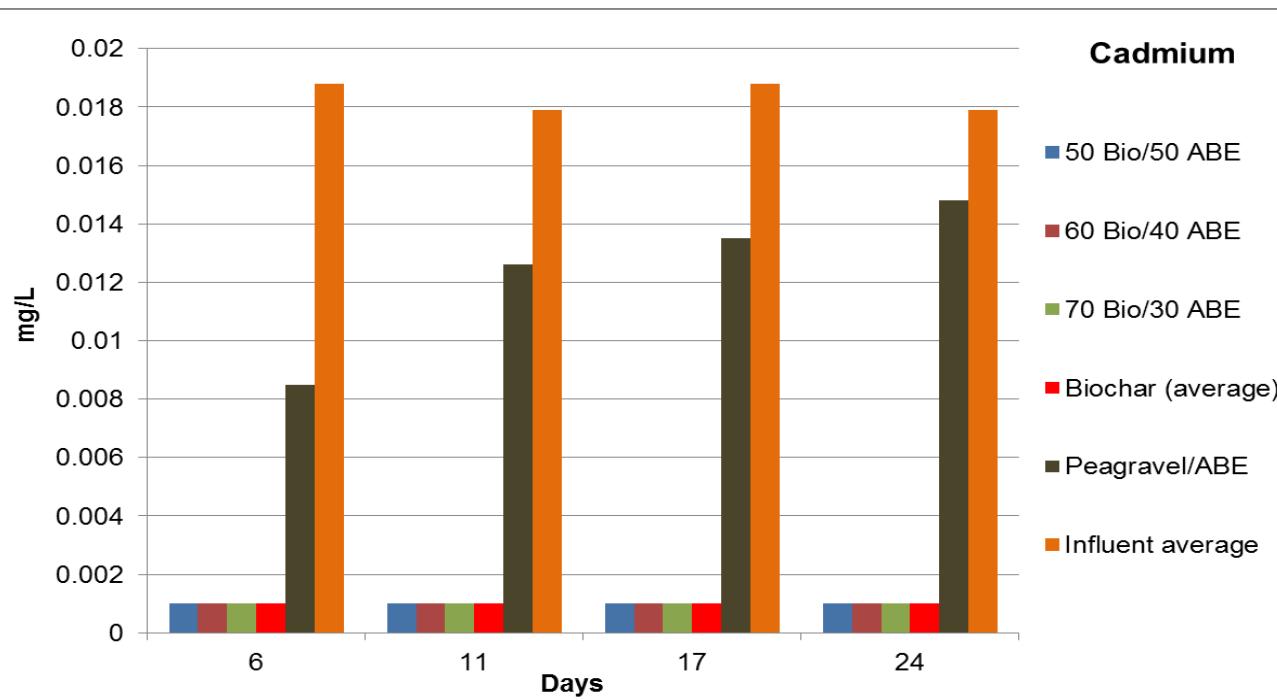
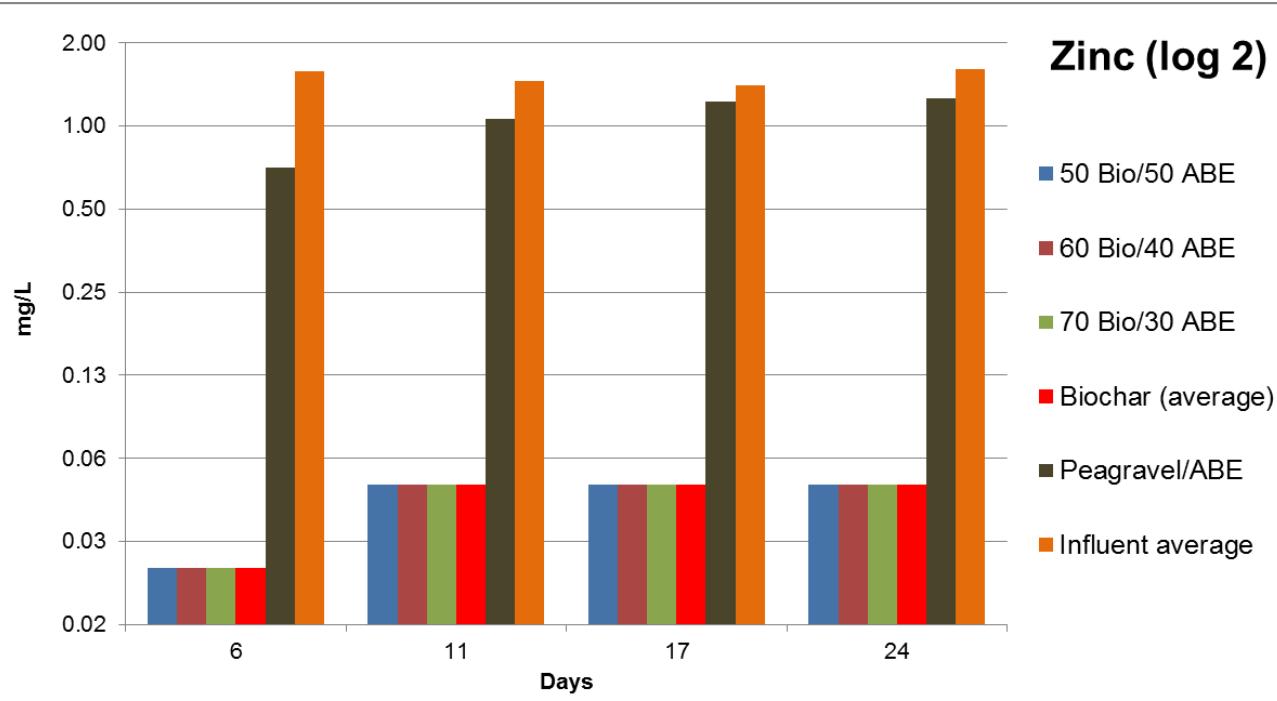


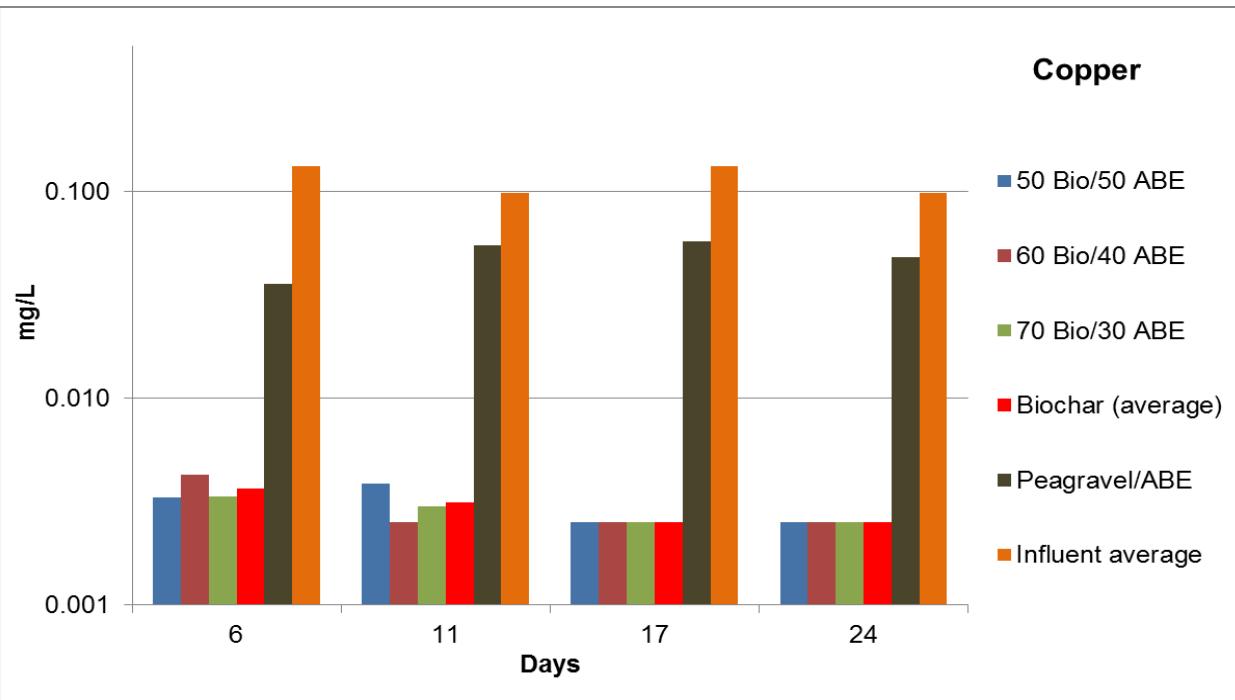
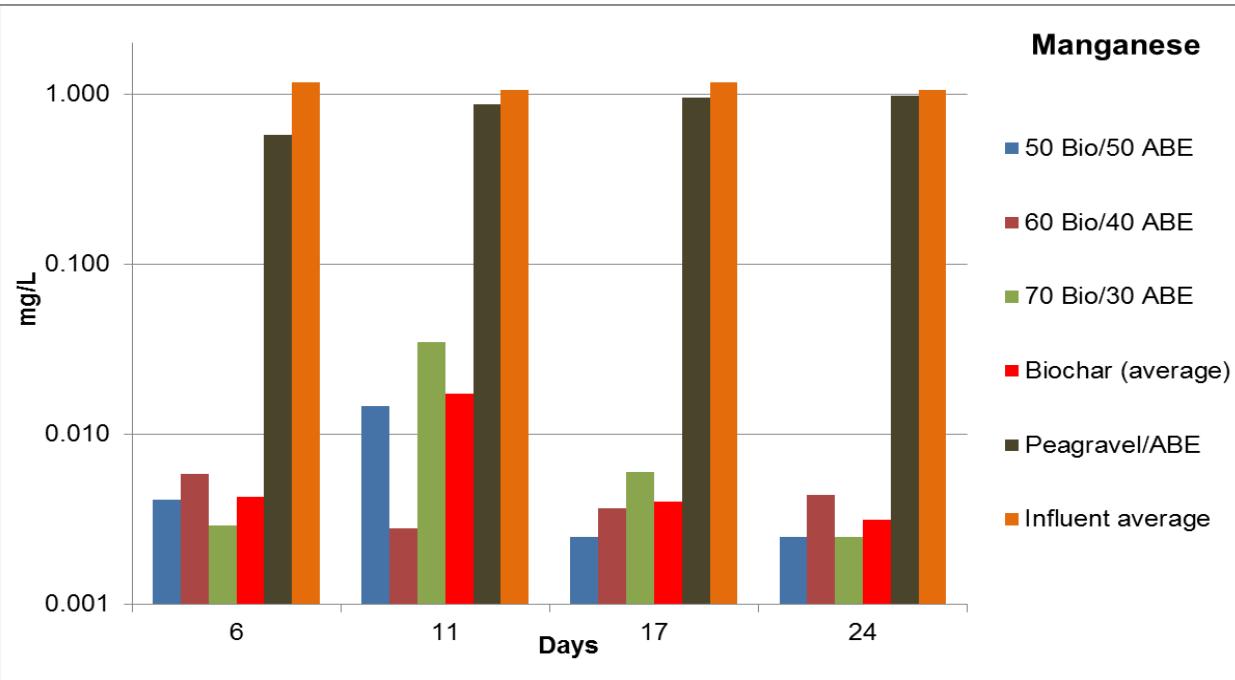


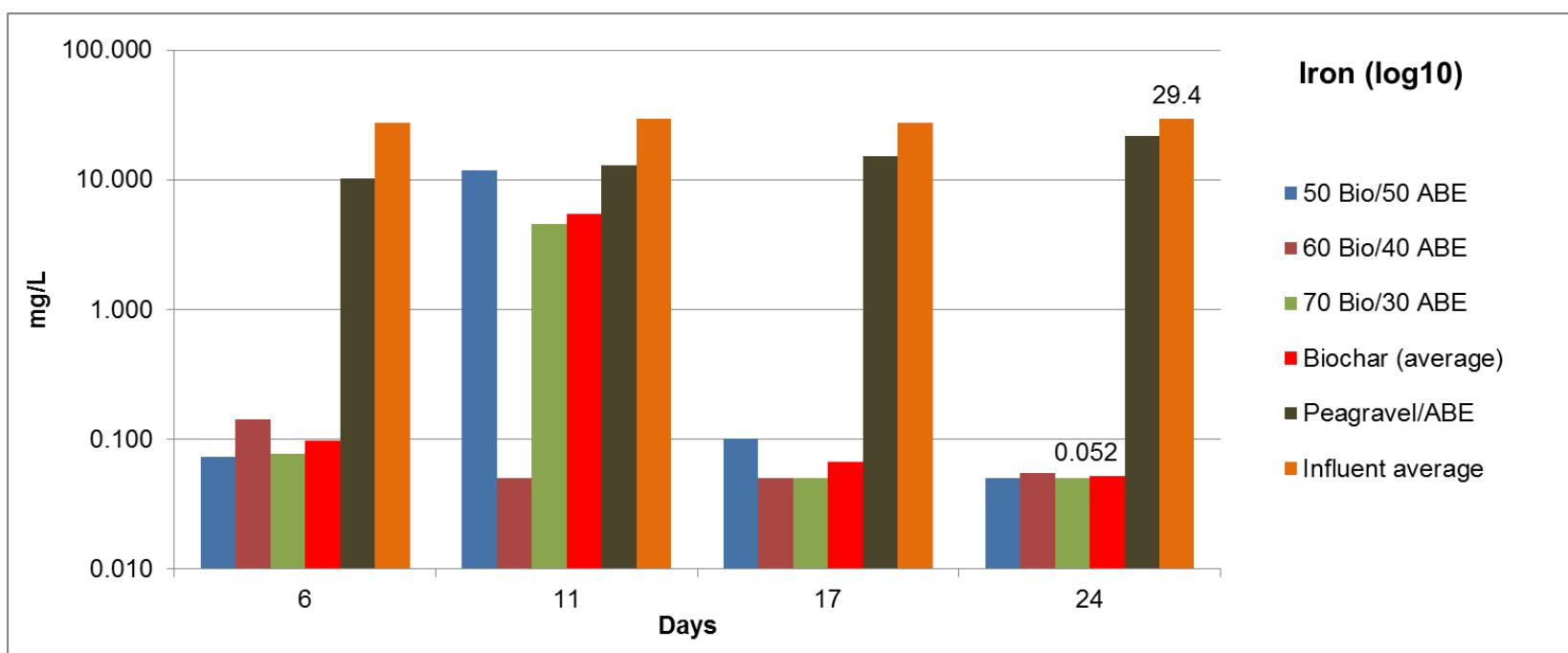
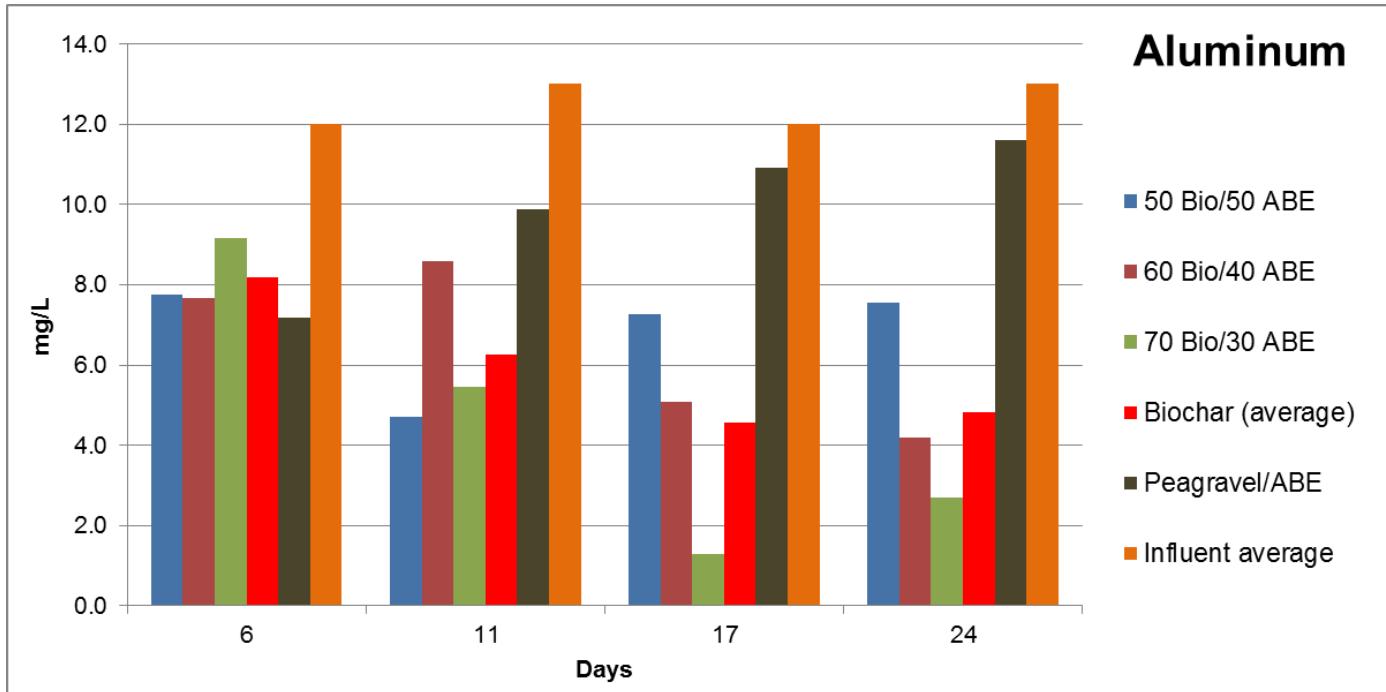


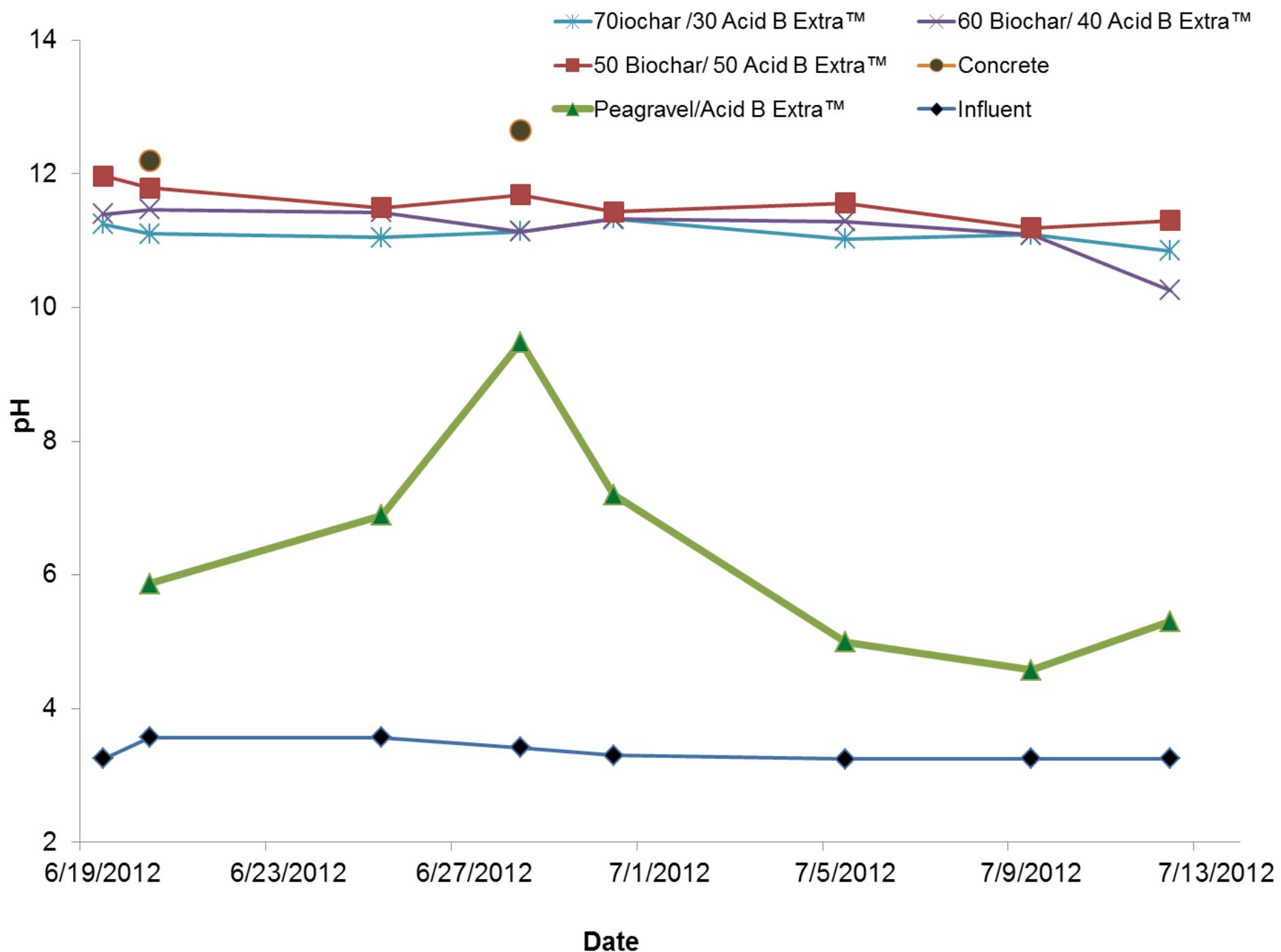












# Conclusions

- Porous Concrete and Pea Gravel – may be suitable to PRB
- All Bauxsol™ Acid B Extra™ combinations performed similarly
- The 30% Bauxsol™ and 70% Biochar combination was installed in the Eveline Treatment Vault in September of 2012.
- Initial sampling indicates issues with plumbing, but some removal is occurring.
- Eveline sampled a month ago



