

Case Study #05

- Client Category:** Chicken Processing Plant
- Location:** Georgia, USA
- Physical Plant:** 3.5 million gallon pond and 0.9 million gallon settling pond
- Flow:** 230,000 GPD
- Problem:** The protein conversion plant (rendering plant) has a LAS permit (Land Application System Permit) that allows the rendering plant to spray the treated water from the final settling pond onto fields at a rate limited by the phosphorous levels in the water. The phosphorous level was at the maximum allowable limit.
- Previous Treatment:** Chemically treated for reduction of BOD and grease. There was not a phosphate removal system.
- Custom Treatment:** An initial “shock” treatment of 110 gallons of **Custom FM+PO4** with a daily application of 20 ppm **Custom FM+PO4**. The initial sludge analysis showed phosphate in the amount of 448.03 mg/L.
- Custom Results:**

Days	PO4 Level	
0	448.03	mg/L
31	248.17	mg/L
42	153.00	mg/L

Also, the average sludge reduction was 12 inches in the final settling pond with some reported reduction up to 26 inch as measured by a “sludge judge”.