

Two (2) $1 / 2$ acre ponds were treated with AQUAPRO-B and two were untreated control ponds. The ponds were stocked at the same density, $50-55 \mathrm{~L}$. vannamei PLs per square meter.

During the seven month cycle ( 28 weeks) $46.5 \mathrm{lbs}(21.1 \mathrm{kgs}$ ) per pond of AQUAPRO-B. The selling price of AQUAPROB was $\$ 7.00 /$ pound ( $\$ 15.40$ per kg ).

At harvest, the farm manager (Mr. John Harvin) remarked very favorably about the greatly reduced organic sludge build-up in the AQUAPRO-B treated ponds. The product controlled build-up of sludge to the extent that he estimated the sludge layer to be $1 / 2$ inch or less. This meant that he will not have to dredge the treated ponds before re-stocking them. The untreated ponds built up organic sludge from shrimp waste and uneaten feed that must be cleared annually. Mr. Harvin noted that increased productivity, reduced stress and disease incidence were the greatest benefits.

| \$/lb (shrimp wholesale price) | $\$$ | 3.50 | $\$$ |
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| \$ increase | $\$$ | 19253.00 | $\$$ |
| Cost (of AQUAPRO B at \$7.00/lb) | $\$$ | 325.50 | $\$$ |
| \$ Gain | $\$$ | 18927.50 | $\$$ |
| \% ROI (\$ gain/divided by cost of AQPB) For each dollar spent <br> on AQPB this figure is the number of dollars in increased profit |  | $>\$ 58$ | 27574.50 |
| Difference in production (controls vs. AQPB treated ponds) |  | 5578 lbs | $>\$ 84$ |

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