

CASE STUDY



PROJECT SNAPSHOT

PROJECT

- Grand Chute-Menasha West
- Interceptor lines-manhole relining

LOCATION

Butte Des Morts Beach Road
Neenah, WI

PROJECT SUMMARY

14 manholes relined with GeoKrete® only one year after Polyurea coating failed. 10 years later, manholes are in excellent condition.

OWNER

Grand Chute-Menasha West Sewer Commission

CONTRACTOR

Hydro-Klean (formerly Infratech)

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Manholes Rehabilitated with GeoKrete® Still Looking Good After 10 Years.

SAME MANHOLES ORIGINALLY LINED WITH POLYUREA COATING FAILED AFTER ONE YEAR.

VORTEX PRODUCTS USED

1 GeoKrete®

THE CHALLENGE

In 2006 an annual inspection of manholes on Butte Des Morts Beach Road in Neenah, WI, revealed a lining failure of more than a dozen manholes that had been rehabilitated with a polyurea coating just one year prior. Extensive flaking and peeling was already present indicating a complete failure was imminent.

2016



Same manholes 10 years after being relined with GeoKrete.



No visible evidence of manhole deterioration.



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2016 UPDATE ON THE CONDITION OF THE MANHOLES

Rodney Manthey, from the Grand Chute-Menasha West Sewer Commission recently inspected the same manholes and reported that after 10 years the manholes show no signs of failure and are still in excellent condition.

Rather than re-coat the manholes with the same material, the Grand Chute-Menasha West Sewer Commission instead chose to reline them with a much more robust material, GeoKrete® Geopolymer, manufactured by Quadex LLC., as recommended by a local manhole rehabilitation specialty company, Hydro-Klean (formerly Infratech).

Once the manholes were properly prepped, GeoKrete was applied using a spin-casting apparatus to ensure a consistent and even coating from top to bottom. Only one pass was required for specified coverage. Then the contractor used trowels to smooth out the finish. GeoKrete has an excellent cure rate, and the manholes do not have to be taken out of service.

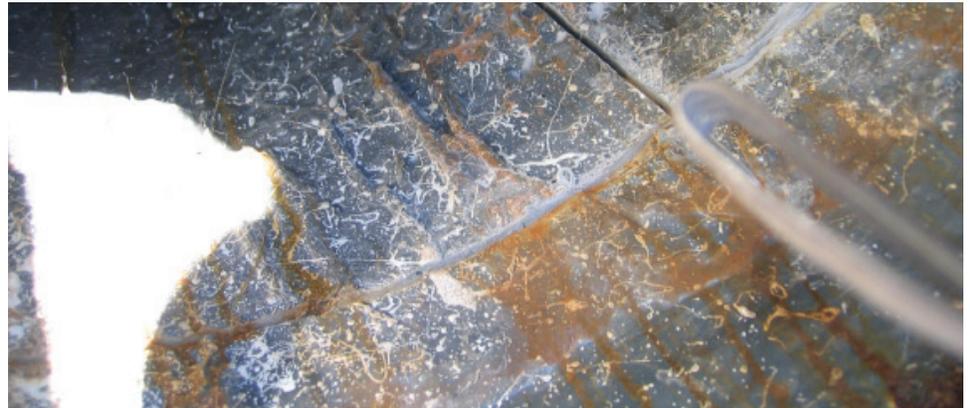
THE RESULTS

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WHAT IS GEOKRETE?

GeoKrete is specifically designed to provide extraordinary corrosion resistant protection in high hydrogen sulfide environments, add structural integrity and stop the infiltration of groundwater. Unlike cementitious liners, which hydrate to harden, the reaction mechanism in GeoKrete is polymerization which yields superior strength and chemical resistance. GeoKrete exhibits less than <1% mass loss when submerged in a sulfuric acid bath with a pH of 1.0 over an 8-week test. It can be applied in one pass up to three inches thick on vertical surfaces by low pressure spraying or centrifugal spinning.

2006



Polyurea coating peeled and flaked, exposing the concrete manholes to hydrogen sulfide gas and consequential corrosion.



Failed Polyurea coating was removed before new GeoKrete coating was applied.