

Influence of constructed wetland water quality based on the ecological design and restoration project*

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The ecological design projects of different levels were carried out at the demonstration area. From 2013 to 2015, the dynamic monitoring of the demonstration zone water quality was carried out: the background information of wetland was investigated in 2013; two wetlands with serious pollution were selected as the research object in the 2014; ecological projects were full implemented in the demonstration area in 2015. Water quality was researched; analyze the water quality improvement after ecological engineering implementation. Results show that in 2014, the two indicators of COD and BOD₅ decreased significantly in the I and II ecological restoration projects, but degradation of N and P was not obvious; in 2015, with the full implementation of ecological engineering measures, wetland water quality has been improved.

Keywords: Wetlands; Ecological Design; Ecological Engineering; Water Quality.

1. Introduction

Sewage, livestock and poultry breeding, industrial effluent and so on lead nutrients such as nitrogen and phosphorus in the rivers, lakes and other water accumulation, causing eutrophication nearly 30 years[1], wetland has certain purging effects[2], sewage purification effect of constructed wetland is affected by many factors[3]. When the pollution reaches a certain level, it will also pose a threat to the wetland ecosystem environment.

Wetland ecological restoration technology mainly has 3 aspects: wetland habitat restoration technology, wetland biological restoration technology, wetland ecosystem structure and function restoration technology [4-5]. Research and practice of wetland restoration work carried out in some cities of China

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since 1980s [6]. In the over past 30 years, several of damaged wetland restoration technologies were formed [7]. The techniques to purify polluted water are so abundant, such as using aquatic plant [8], combined ecological floating bed technology [9], Water conservancy construction project [10], biological control technology [11], watershed management methods [12], and so on. Water quality is an important factor that affects the ecological environment of the wetland, it is important to research the influence of ecological engineering design on water quality.

2. Methods of Ecological Restoration Engineering Design

Using the theories and methods of landscape ecology and environmental ecology, to carry out the ecological engineering design of different levels, to further promote the restoration of artificial wetland and optimization of ecological environment.

2.1. Selection of demonstration area

Select the Daqing Oilfield Mining Area Wetland as the research demonstration area. Currently, the main problems of Daqing oilfield wetland ecosystems of the main problems is the reduction of the wetland area, wetland degradation, contamination of some wetlands and fragmentation of the wetland landscape type, etc. The main features of the oilfield groups of lakes and wetlands are characterized by a large number of ponds and lakes, small and shallow ponds and lakes of which most are below 1000hm². Such wetland ecosystems are poor in stability and prone to change when disturbed.

2.2. Green Design of the Demonstration Area

In order to practice the green design, considering about such kind of structure characteristics and natural laws, we propose the ecological restoration guideline as “Planting trees in the high ground, storing water in the lower parts, leaving the naturally growing reeds in the transition zone”.

2.3. Comprehensive Ecological Projects

Ecological projects should be adjusted differently to local conditions in the restoration of impaired wetland in the oilfield, such as “lake connection and water storage project”, “pit management project”, “grassland virescence project”, “project for treating polluted wetlands” and so on.

3. Sampling and Monitoring Method

3.1. Sampling point description

2013: XA--small gourd lake before the treatment, ZA--three new South Station lakes before the treatment.

2014: Constructed wetland with surrounding lake bubble replenishment, where the sampling points IS1, IIS1 are two inlet of demonstration area, IS2, IIS2 respectively are the two sampling points of two sets of ecological restoration engineering measures after the implementation of I and II, SZ is the lowest point after ecological restoration engineering measures implementation, which is the last place of all the water inlet, when the water does not affect oil production, the amount of water will gradually reduce due to the natural evaporation and groundwater infiltration and other forms, when the amount of water is too high, SZ sampling points with pump, through the water pump provided the water into the drainage canal that discharge demonstration zone.

2015: XA-small Gourd Lake after the treatment, ZA-three new South Station Lake after the treatment.

3.2. Monitoring methods

COD was monitored by dichromate titration, BOD₅ was monitored by dilution and inoculation method; TP was monitored by spectrophotometric determination of molybdenum and ammonia; TN was monitored by Alkaline potassium sulfate digestion UV spectrophotometry.

4. Ecological Restoration Effects

4.1. Sampling annual design and monitoring results

Background information of the wetland was researched in 2013; wetland with heavy pollution was selected as the research object in 2014; full implementation of ecological restoration projects in the demonstration area in 2015, research repairing effect of the whole research area after the ecological restoration engineering implementation. The wetland water sampled 4 times every year, the determination results are shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Statistical table of monitoring results of Ecological Construction Demonstration Area

Serial numbers	Sampling position	Year of sampling	COD (mg/L)	BOD ₅ (mg/L)	TP (mg/L)	TN (mg/L)
1	XA	2013	56-86	6.2-7.8	0.11-0.18	0.54-1.06
2	ZA		68-98	6.3-7.9	0.13-0.19	0.73-1.02
3	IS1	2014	79-121	7.0-16.0	0.26-0.35	0.95-1.69
4	IS2		76-112	7.0-12.0	0.18-0.40	0.83-1.98
5	IIS1		79-137	7.0-16.0	0.12-0.40	0.65-1.69
6	IIS2		66-102	7.0-12.0	0.06-0.36	0.91-1.96
7	SZ		75-121	8.0-14.0	0.17-0.50	0.84-2.36
8	XB	2015	31-40	<2.0-2.6	<0.01-0.03	0.32-0.46
9	ZB		28-38	<2.0	<0.01-0.03	0.34-0.48

4.2. Analysis of Heavy Pollution Area Ecological Restoration Demonstration Project Effect in 2014

The detection index including four indicators such as COD, BOD₅, TN, TP. Ecological restoration project turn down the pollutants concentration of COD and BOD₅ significantly, but influence on the pollutants concentration of TN and TP are uncertain. The results are shown in Figure 1.

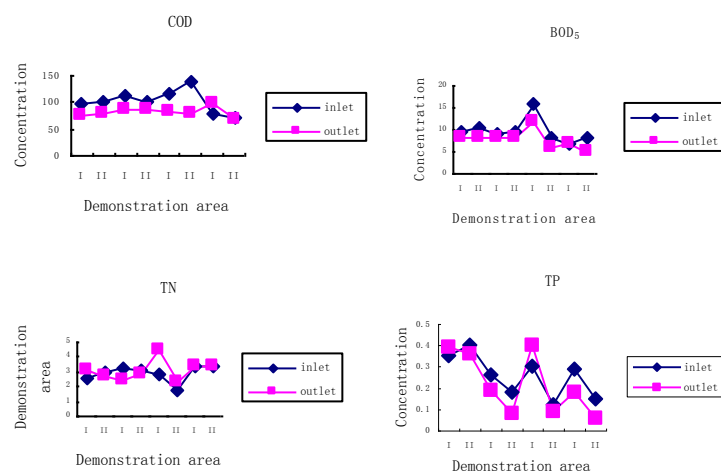


Fig. 1. Pollutants concentration changing in the Ecological Construction Demonstration Area.

4.3. The effects of implementation of ecological restoration in 2015

According to the implementation of ecological engineering, the wetland water quality was improved obviously by the implementation of ecological engineering in 2015. Due to the full implementation of the ecological engineering measures in 2015, water quality improvement effect was better then the effect in 2014, but because of the ecological engineering design mainly

depend on water conservancy engineering and plant restoration, the effects were limited.

5. Conclusion

Effects of ecological restoration engineering on artificial wetland ecosystem is various, combined with the wetland ecological construction project of Daqing Oilfield, summarize and analyze the effect of ecological restoration engineering on artificial wetland water quality, provide certain theoretical basis for wetland management. However, the effect of water quality improvement by ecological engineering need for a certain period of time, all the problems would not shown in short-term (1-2 years), during the research process in the future, we should also strengthen wetland management and fixed-point observation, to form a relatively complete theory and wetland management system.

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