



FLOATING UPWELLER SYSTEM (FLUPSY)

A FLUPSY is an upweller system that is located on the water. In a FLUPSY, water flows from the bottom of the pot, through the screen to the drain at the top of the post. The water then flows back to the river. The key difference between a FLUPSY and an upweller is the location of the pump, which in a FLUPSY is in the main drain. This results in the water being sucked through the system rather than pumped through like it is in an upweller.

As water travels through the screens where the spat are located, the spat are filtering the water and feeding.

FLUPSY systems are mostly used overseas but there is growing interest here in Australia. They are a good option for any farmer with restrictions in the size of their operating area.

Maintenance

Daily*: Drain the tank and clean the screens by giving the spat and screens a light hosing.

*Depending on river water quality you may need to do this several times a day

Weekly: Grading of oysters to move those that have grown into the next section of screen. This ensures oysters of similar sizes are kept together.



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