



HDPE pipe used in wood stave pipe replacement in LaTuque Québec

When the old stave wood line which acted as the main water intake line needed to be replaced, HDPE pipe was the only logical solution. The water intake for St-Laurent Paperboard and the town of LaTuque was originally made from British Columbia Fir. This wood stave line which in some cases was over 100 years old, required constant maintenance.

HDPE pipe was chosen due to its flexibility over rough terrain and its butt fused, leak-proof joints, virtually eliminating maintenance. These were the two main concerns of the mill and city council.

There are two main sections of pipe left after this 1999 project is completed. This will bring the total linear feet of HDPE pipe installed in this “Paper Town” to 52,000 feet.

Source: KWH pipe
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