

**Foundation failures during flood**

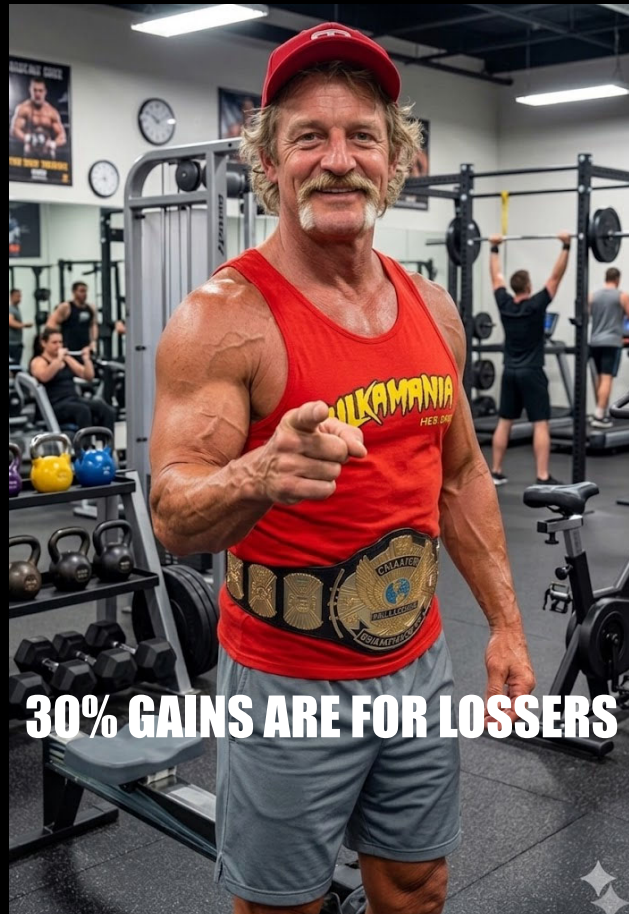
My first prototypes were strong in test but a nightmare to install





Test foundation have now been in the field for 5 years

My early prototype had one other floor  
1st permanent lean moment when the pole  
would not return to original positions, only  
had only a 30% gain over the standard control  
method.



*\*AI MAY HAVE CREATED THIS PHOTO*

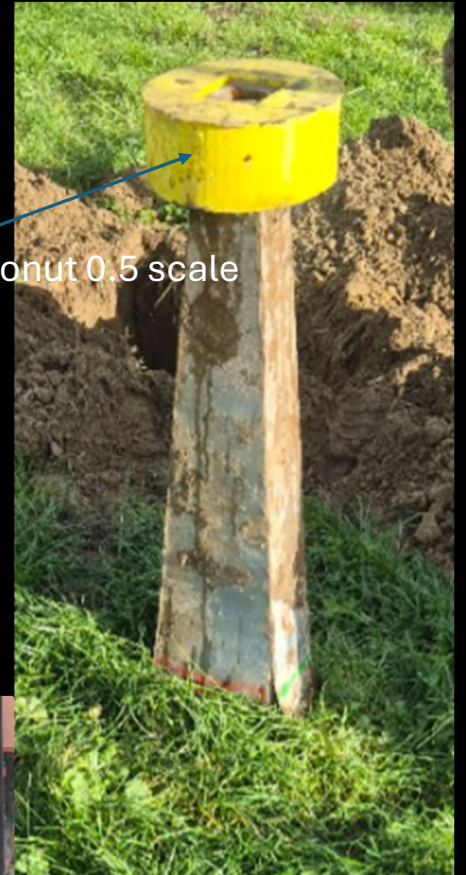


How much testing did I do?  
**SHIT LOADS!**



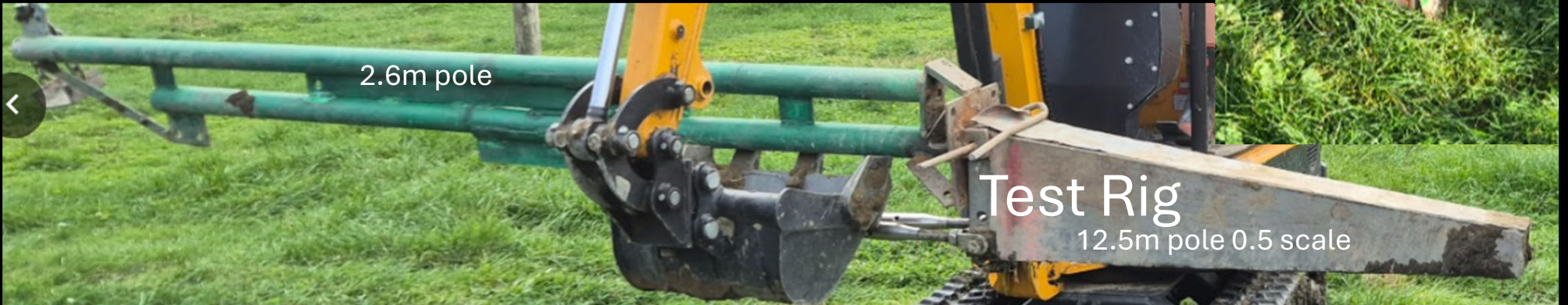


Sandy cohesive soil  
Poor soil for foundations



490 donut 0.5 scale

600mm breast block 0.5 scale



2.6m pole

Test Rig

12.5m pole 0.5 scale

Tests must be realistic of real-  
world load events  
But controlled to make fair  
comparison


Two types of excavation method was tested  
Auger and bucket excavated



The test procedure goes as follows...  
pull hold record  
Release load record  
Increase load by  
0.5kn....rinse and repeat



If the soil moisture  
changed the  
control method  
was retested and  
any new test within  
24hrs of that test



Please don't rain I don't want to  
dig another test control

Standard control test of a 12.5m pole with 600mm breast block in moist sandy cohesive volcanic soil will on average require....

**1.6kN** to permanently lean

**5.24kN** to overturn

So what did my best performing foundation on average get?

**3.0kN** to permanently lean  
**13.8kn** to overturn



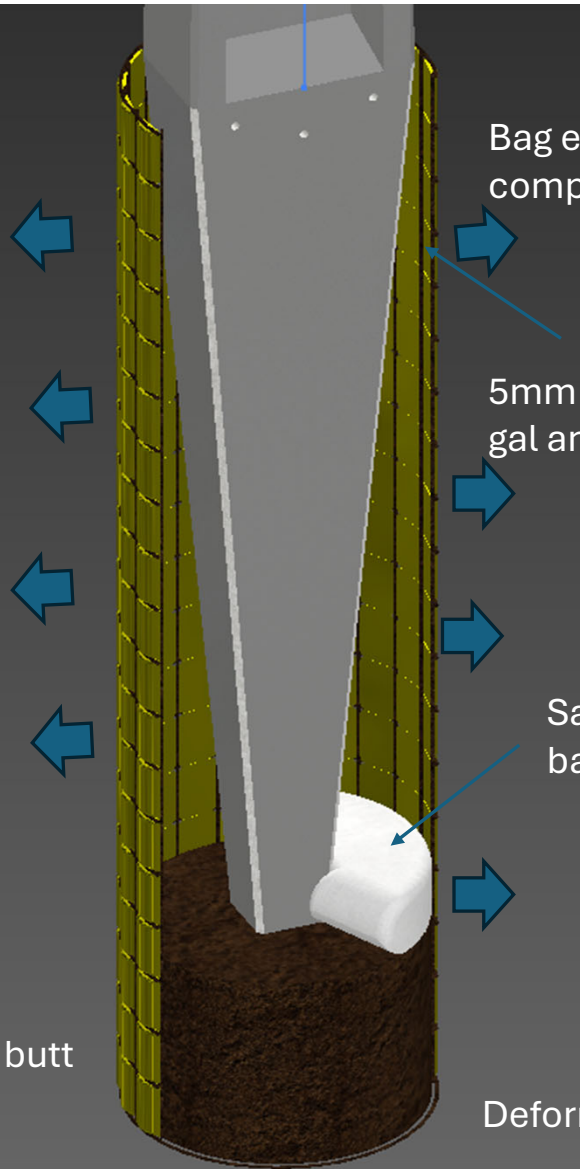
Nobody does foundations better than <sup>★</sup>Jed

# But how?

- 1. Hoop stress
- 2. A little more depth
- 3. More grip
- 3. And a shit load of holes



600mm below pole butt



Bag expands when filled and compresses outer soil

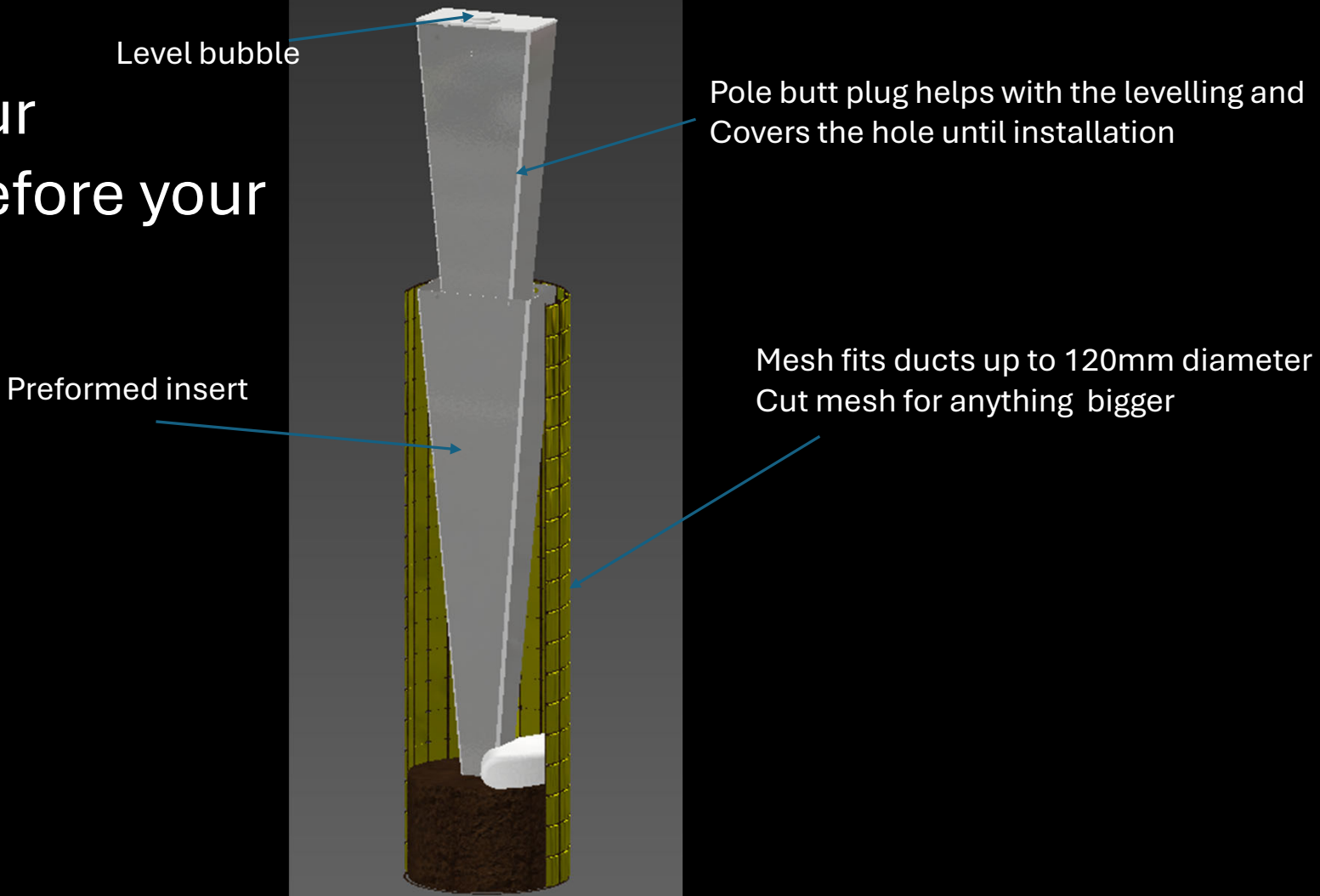
5mm welded mesh hot dipped gal and hot dipped TPU

Sand bag

Deformed fabric and mesh create extra grip



# Pre install your foundation before your shut down



I filed for my first ever patent  
That makes me a big boy inventor now

