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Abstract: The effects of pond water depth (0.5, 1.0 and 1.5 m) and artificial circulation on certain pond dynamic processes were evaluated in a factorial design. Deep ponds had more uniform temperatures, with less rapid temperature changes, greater whole pond respiration, and greater temperature and oxygen stratification. Artificial circulation reduced thermal and oxygen stratification. Sediment respiration, which was estimated using a new technique, was more than three times greater than plankton and shrimp respiration combined, regardless of treatment combination. Shrimp yields were not significantly different for any of the six treatment combinations.

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