ConsoliDator+

MasterClass

Week 2 – Flow Applications

Today's Key Topics

- Basic Flow Monitoring
- Advanced Open Channel Flow
- Input Types
- Data Logging
- Multiple Totals Per Channel
- Non-Resettable Totals
- Real-Life Application Example





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You can monitor flow rate in ANY engineering unit, including custom units, per second, minute, hour, or day!

Although our rate is in GPM, we can see our total in any engineering unit we want!



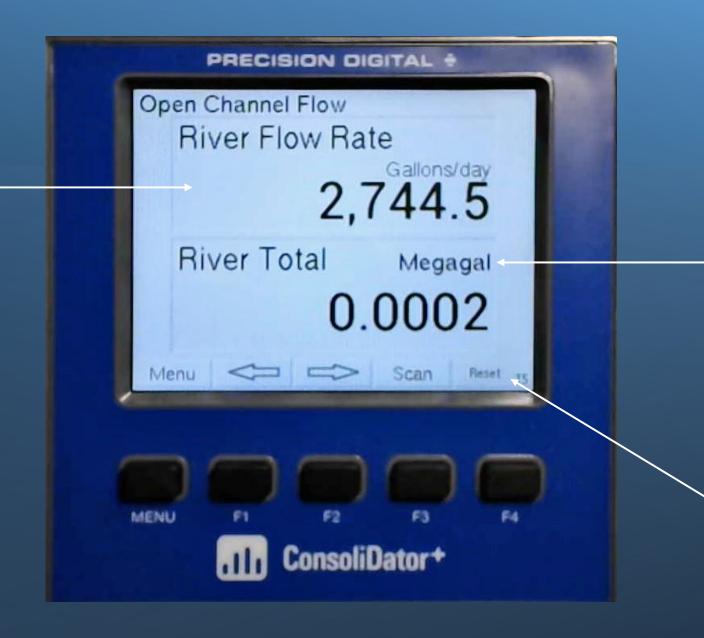
We can use a "Soft Key" to reset the total shown on the screen.

In this case, we must also CONFIRM our decision to ensure there are no accidental resets.

That confirmation feature CAN be turned off!

Using the open channel flow formulas for weirs and flumes found in your ISCO handbook, we can calculate flow rates based off a level signal.

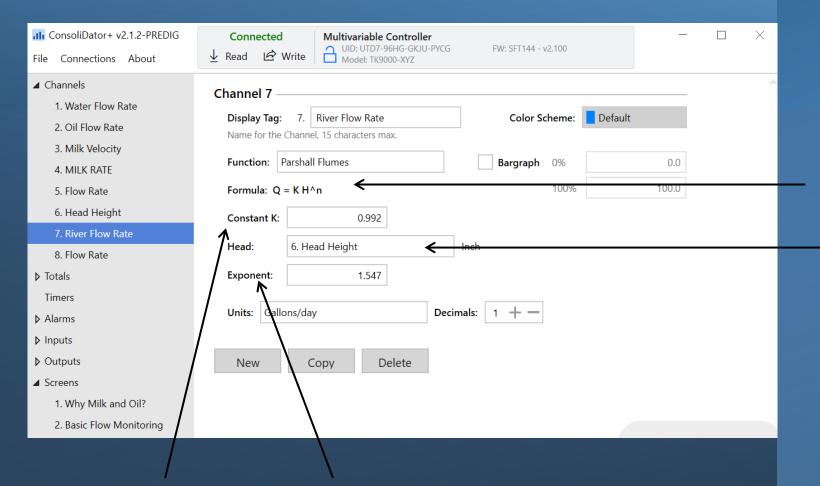
In fact, the formulas needed are already programmed, and the user just fills in the variables!



Even with flow totals, we can use custom engineering units if what you need isn't found in the library internal to the device.

I created the unit
"Mega gallons" to
represent the total
flow without having
any giant numbers on
the screen!

Like the last screen, a Soft Key can be used to reset the total



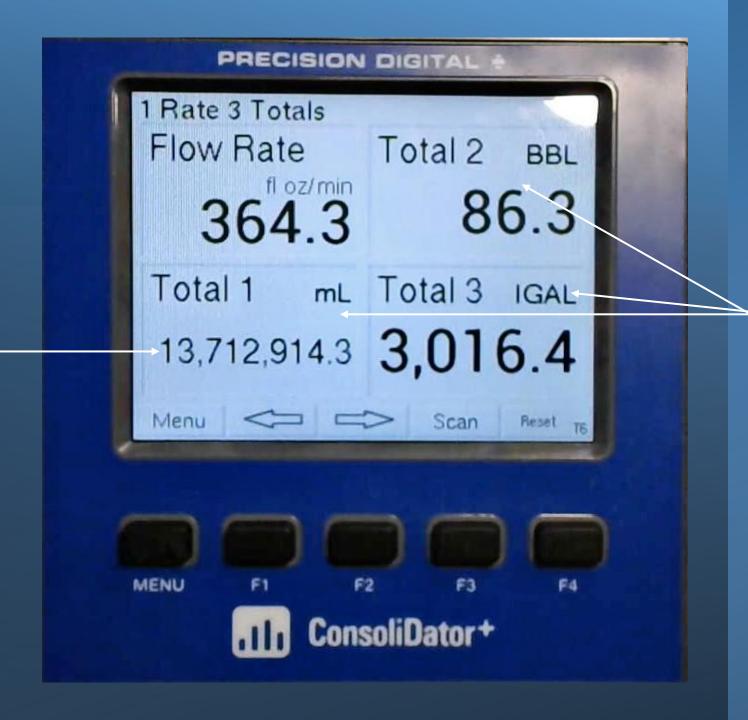
Formula for open channel flow using Parshall Flumes.
This formula is preprogrammed into the unit.

User defines a "Head Height" using a separate channel that is scaled 0 – X"

The "Constant K" and "Exponent" variables are automatically filled out for you depending on the "Function" (type of weir or flume) you choose for the channel, but they CAN be changed by the user!

Since the
ConsoliDator+
uses commas,
displaying and
reading LARGE
numbers is no
longer an issue.

On previous flow products, we did not have the ability to show commas



Just like we saw with the level screens last week, you can program multiple totals based on ONE total

And, the unit of measure can be completely unique, and the ConsoliDator+ will do the unit conversion automatically!

CANNOT do that with a ProVu!

Again, we can name our screens
ANYTHING we want! – Even if we want to ask a rhetorical question!

You will notice THREE unique color profiles for each "product" we are monitoring.

These color profiles are created by the user!



I made sure each total aligned with the correct flow rate.

But, to make monitoring the flow of various materials as SIMPLE AS POSSIBLE for the user, they can always color code their products!

Plus, it look pretty cool too, huh?



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A user can configure an alarm for either a flow rate, or a flow total.

On this screen, I programmed an alarm for the flow rate (velocity) of the milk...

Do you know WHY
there would be an
alarm for high flow
velocity of milk?

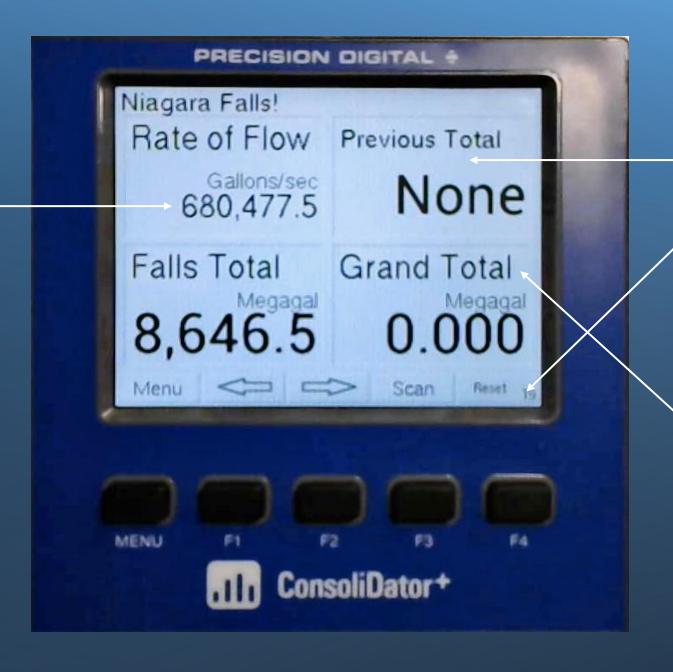


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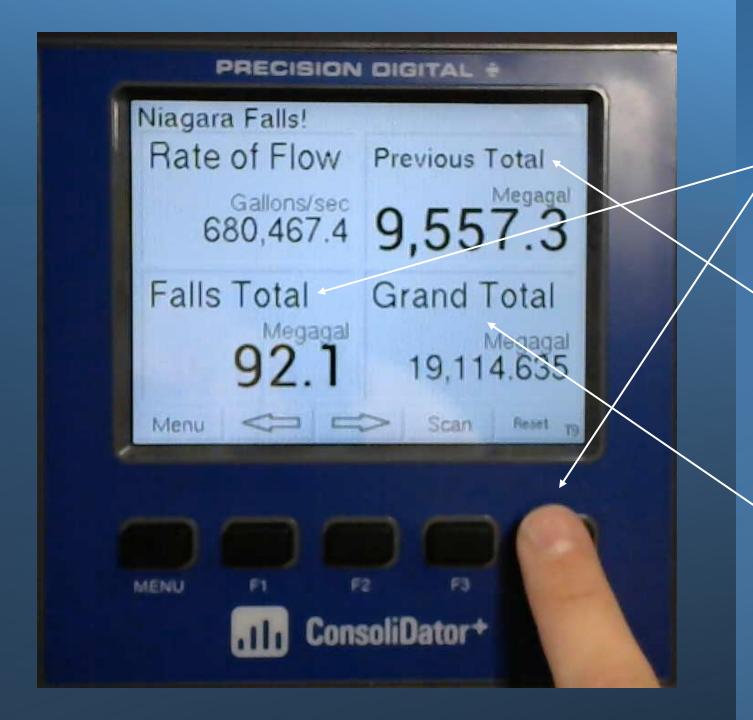
Believe it or not, according to "History's Greatest Mysteries" on History Channel, this is the ACTUAL flow rate of Niagara Falls!

That is a TON of water... or maybe more than a ton!



The "Falls Total" is just totalizing off the "Rate of Flow". But if I reset the "Falls Total", that number will get added to the "Previous Total" until the next time I reset the "Falls Total".

The "Grand Total" is actually a NON-RESETTABLE total that is totalizing based off the "Previous Total". So, the only totalizer continually increasing is the "Falls Total"



Each time my finger presses the "F4" Soft Key, the "Falls Total" resets to 0.

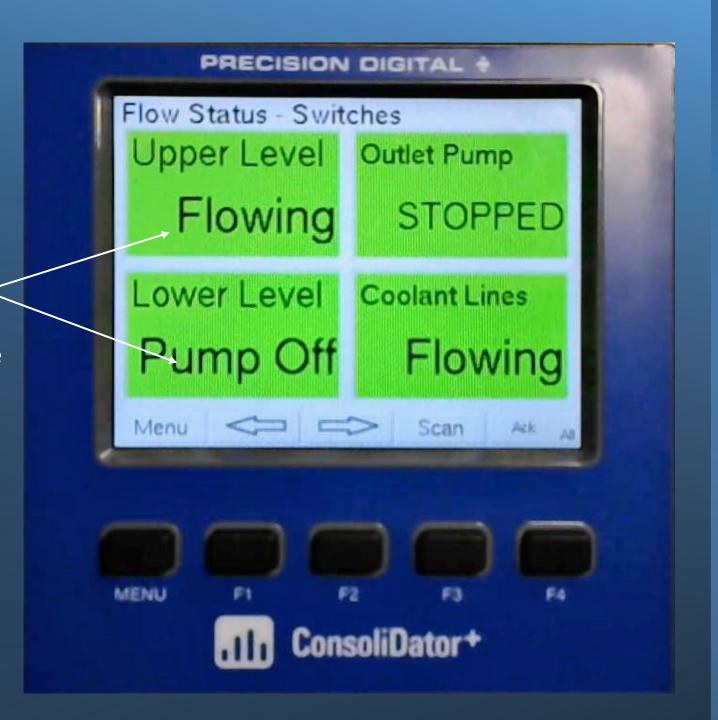
The "Previous Total" will grab the "Falls Total" number BEFORE you reset it, and it will display that there until the next time I press F4!

At the same time, every time I press the F4 button, the number that was in "Previous Total" gets added to the "Grand Total"



This screen is all about flow status based on an input from several flow switches.

The wording you see on each channel is completely custom, made by me.



In this example, let's suppose the operator pressed a button to turn a pump on.

Well, the outlet pump says it's running (or, at least it received power), but the upper level isn't getting any flow!



You cannot see it on the slide, but the "Upper Level" channel has not only turned red, but it is flashing to catch the operator's attention.

They could also have a relay tied to that alarm that gets wired to an audible alarm.

That would mean the operator gets a visual alarm, an audible alarm, and the ConsoliDator+ TELLS them exactly what's wrong, and where.