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Revolutionising: Hexa-Covers are floating discs that prevent evaporation and algae.

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Floating discs have evaporation covered

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and reduce evaporation by up to 80 per cent.

Aeramix is the Australian distributor for Hexa-Cover and the Victoria-based company has worked with farmers, local councils, mines and water authorities.

“They are mainly using Hexa-Cover for evaporation reduction and the prevention of algae growth within their water storages,” said Aeramix’s chief executive Cole Harvey.

“It’s a viable drought-proof option — it significantly reduces the evaporation of water from holding dams and storages, which goes a long way to preserving and conserving water.”

Mr Harvey said the cost of fabric covers was expensive, whereas Hexa-Covers were easily installed, or removed if necessary, and lasted more than 25 years. Hexa-Cover is manufactured from 100 per cent recycled plastic and is delivered in bags that hold 50sq m for the R90 model or 42sq m for the R114 model.

There are two Hexa-Cover models: the 180mm R90 model that uses 43 discs per square metre and the R114 228mm model that uses 28 discs per square metre.

Hexa-Covers can be installed by tipping a truck load into the water storage area or emptying a bag into it.

On very large water bodies — greater than 5000sq m — floating berms are recommended to prevent the tiles spreading out to far.

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