



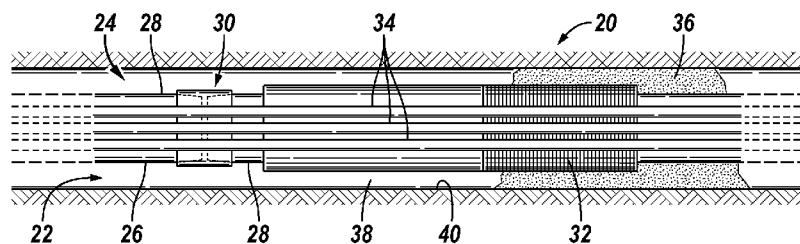
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FIG. 1



(57) **Abstract:** A technique facilitates formation of a gravel pack. Gravel slurry is delivered downhole through at least one solid walled tube disposed externally to a base pipe positioned in a wellbore. A structure is used to enable connection of base pipe joints while enabling flow of the gravel slurry past the base pipe joint connection and into a corresponding downstream tube or tubes. The gravel slurry is then discharged at a desired location to help form the gravel pack by depositing the gravel and separating the carrier fluid. The separated carrier fluid is returned back through at least one permeable dehydration tube.