**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A flow control apparatus for a borehole, comprising:

a basepipe (52) having a bore (55) for conveying fluid and defining at least one elongated slot (57) permitting fluid communication between the bore (55) and outside the basepipe (52); and

at least one flow device (70) disposed on the basepipe (52) and restricting fluid communication between outside the at least one flow device (70) and the at least one elongated slot (57) in the basepipe (52),

the at least one elongated slot (57) bridging off with particulate (P) in fluid communicated in the basepipe (52) during a loss control operation.

2. The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising filter media (60) disposed on the basepipe (52), the filter media (60) screening fluid from outside the basepipe (52) and communicating the screened fluid with the at least one flow device (70).

3. The apparatus of claim 1 or 2, wherein the at least one flow device (70) comprises at least one flow restriction (80) or nozzle (82).

4. The apparatus of claim 1, 2, or 3, wherein the at least one flow device (70) comprises means for producing a pressure drop in the flow of the fluid.

5. The apparatus of any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the at least one flow device (70) comprises:

a first end in fluid communication with the borehole fluid from outside the basepipe (52); and a second end in fluid communication with the at least one elongated slot (57).

6. The apparatus of any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the at least one elongated slot (57) defines parallel sides (59); or wherein the at least one elongated slot (57) defines sides (59) angling away from one another toward an interior of the basepipe (52).

7. The apparatus of any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein the at least one elongated slots (57) comprises at least one of:

a length greater than a width, the width being configured to engage a size of the particulate (P) during the loss control operation;

an axis defined along the basepipe (52); and

a plurality of the elongated slot (57) defined around an interior of the basepipe (52).

8. The apparatus of any one of claims 1 to 7, wherein the apparatus is a sand screen joint for screening borehole fluid during production and for bridging off particulate (P) in loss control fluid during a loss control operation, the joint comprising:

the basepipe (52) having the bore (55) and defining the at least one elongated slot (57) therein;

filter media (60) disposed on the basepipe (52) and screening the borehole fluid; and

the at least one flow device (70) disposed on the basepipe (52) and restricting communication of the borehole fluid from the filter media (60) to the at least one elongated slot (57).

9. The apparatus of any one of claims 1 to 8, wherein during the production, the at least one elongated slot (57) communicates the borehole fluid from the at least one flow device (70) to the bore (55), and wherein during the loss control operation, the at least one elongated slot (57) bridges off with the particulate (P) from the loss control fluid communicated from the bore (55) to the at least one flow device (70).

10. A flow control method for a borehole, comprising:

screening fluid from outside a basepipe (52);

restricting communication of the screened fluid through at least one flow restriction (80);

communicating the restricted fluid into the basepipe (52) through at least one elongated slot (57) in the basepipe (52); and

bridging off particulate (P) in loss control fluid communicated in the basepipe (52) against the at least one elongated slot (57) during a loss control operation.

11. The method of claim 10, wherein restricting communication of the screened fluid through the at least one flow restriction (80) comprises at least one of:

flowing the screened fluid through at least one nozzle (82), the at least one nozzle (82) being

the flow restriction (80); and

producing a pressure drop in the flow of the screened fluid.