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Product Tutorial

Using Agent to Collect Data from Vibrating Wire Sensors



Before Continuing

Prior to viewing this tutorial, please read the <u>Using Agent</u> <u>Software with GeoNet Wireless Data Hosting Systems</u> tutorial and familiarize yourself with the basics of how to use the Agent program

If you have not already done so, create a Project and a Network inside the Agent program for the GeoNet Network that is reading vibrating wire sensor(s), then perform a data download

Adding Sensors

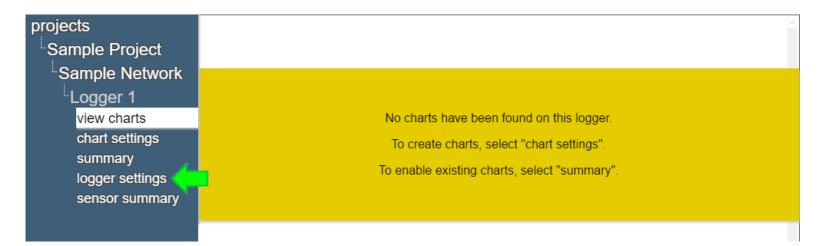


Adding a Reading Sensor

- To view the data collected from a vibrating wire sensor, a "reading sensor" must be added in Agent
- 1. Select the Project and Network which contains the desired logger, then click the name of a Logger that has a vibrating wire sensor attached

projects Sample Project Sample Network	logger type VW Logger	name Logger 1	serial number 1537823	last reading 2020-02-27 10:30 -0500	2.9 volts	signal strength	<u>charts</u> 1	remove X
loggers network settings	VW Logger	Logger 2	1533349	2020-02-27 10:30 -0500	2.6 volts	100%	0	X
export live	Gateway	Gateway	1537815	2021-06-25 12:24 -0400	2.9 volts	100%	1	х

2. Agent will navigate to the "view charts" screen, click "logger settings" on the left side of the screen



3. Click "Add reading sensor"

projects	- Node				
Sample Project	Name	Serial Number	Туре		
Sample Network	Logger 1	1533349	VW Logger	•	
Logger 1	Save				
view charts					
chart settings					
summary	- Sensors				
logger settings	Add reading sensor				
sensor summary	Add multiple channels				
2	Add thermistor sensor				
	Add logger sensors				

4. The edit sensor dialog box will open

projects	Edit Sensor
Sample Project	- Sensor
Sample Network	Name Serial Number
Logger 1	Reading_1 Get Calibration
view charts	Type Category Calibration Units Output Units
chart settings	Reading 1 V Default V - V Digits V
summary	Multiplier Offset
logger settings	Description/Notes
sensor summary	Description/notes
	Start Date: 2016-08-22 End Date: None Change Choose a color: Calculations (ftH2O) Calculation: [G*(R1 - R0) + K*(T1 - T0)] * Multiplier + Offset Output = [1 * (R1 - 0)] * 1 + 0
	Linear Gage Factor(G): 1 Zero Reading(Ro): 0
	Polynomial Factors A: D B: 1 C: 0 Calculate C
	Temperature Correction
	Thermal Factor(K): 0 Zero Temperature(To): 0
	Save Cancel

6. Enter a descriptive name for the reading sensor, and the serial number of the VW sensor attached to the Logger

Edit Sensor			
- Sensor			
Name	Serial Number		
Sample Readings Sensor	1901397	Get Calibration	

7. Clicking "Get Calibration" will retrieve the calibration factors for the specified serial number from GEOKON's calibration database and automatically populate them into the Edit Sensor dialog (Only available for certain vibrating wire sensors manufactured after 2016)

8. Select the "Category" that matches the type of VW sensor being read (Choose "Load" for load cells, "Strain" for strain gauges, "Pressure" for pressure transducers, etc.)

The types of "Calibration Units" and "Output Units" available are determined by the category that is chosen

lame	Serial Number
S.E. well piezo	1901397 Get Calibration
Type Category Reading ▼ Pressure Aultiplier Default 1 Pressure ↓ Load Description/ Distance Strain Temperature	Calibration Units Output Units psi psi

- 9. Click "Output Units" to select the type of engineering units the data from the VW sensor will be displayed in
 - The "Multiplier" field will automatically populate with the factor needed to convert the Calibration units to the Output units

Type Reading 🔻	Category Pressure	Calibration Units	Output Uni ftH20 •	ts
Multiplier	Offset		psi	
2.3108	0		psf	
Description/	/Notes	1	inH2O ftH20	
	1000		mmH2O	
			cmH2O	
			mH2O	/
Ctart Datas	2016-08-25 End		mbar	
Start Date:	2010-06-25 End	Date: None	bar	
Choose a co	lor: 🗾 🔻		kPa	
			MPa	

10. "Offset" is an optional constant that can be added to the sensor output to adjust the data. For example: If a piezometer installed at a site elevation of -40 feet is reading +2 feet of water, entering an offset of -40 would adjust the reading to -38 feet, the actual water elevation of the sensor

- Sensor	Serial Number
S.E. well piezo	1901397 Get Calibration
Type Category Reading V Pressure Multiplier Offset 2.3108 -40 Cescription/Notes	Calibration Units v psi v ftH2O v
Start Date: 2016-08-25 En	nd Date: None Change

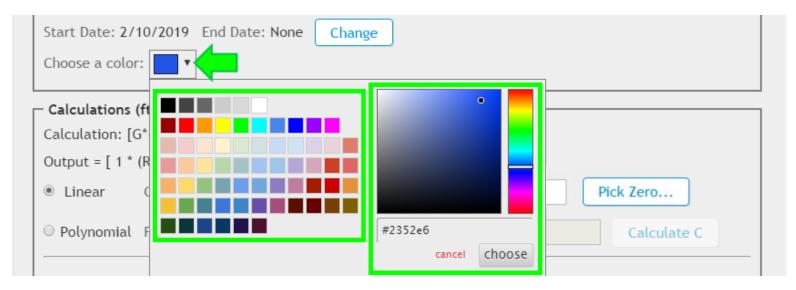
11. The Description/Notes field is provided for the user to record any additional information about the VW sensor

Name S.E. well piezo	Serial Number 1901397 Get Calibration
Type Category Reading Pressure	Calibration Units Output Units Image: space state Image: space state Image: space state
Multiplier Offset 2.3108 -40	
Description/Notes Geokon model # 45005-35 Installed Feb. 10 2019	jokpa
Installed Feb. 10 2019	
Start Date: 2016-08-25 E	nd Date: None Change

 The Start and End dates determine the date range of data that will be displayed on charts. To change the dates, click, "Change" (The Start Date should be set to the day the VW sensor was installed. The End Date should only be entered if the VW sensor is removed from the Logger)

Multiplier Offset	Choos	e sta	rt and	d end	date				
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Installed Feb. 10 2019	02/1			ary 2	019		0		
Start Date: 2016-08-25 End Date: None Change	Su	Mo	Tu	We		Fr 1	Sa 2		
Choose a color:	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
Calculations (ftH2O)	17	18	19	20	21	22	23		
Calculation: $[G^*(R_1 - R_0) + K^*(T_1 - T_0)]^*$ Multiplier + Off Output = $[1^*(R_1 - 0)]^* 2 3108 - 40$	24	25	26	27	28			Done	Cancel

13. Click "Choose Color" to select the color that will represent the VW sensor data on charts. Select a standard color from the left side of the menu, or use the color palette on the right to create a custom color



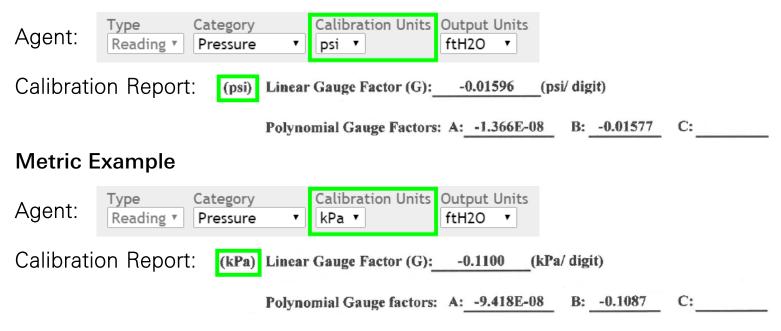
14. The default gauge factor of 1 can be used to output the data from the vibrating wire sensor as digits. To output the data in other engineering units, the gauge factors found on the GEOKON Calibration Report provided with the vibrating wire sensor must be entered.

Calculations (ftH2O)
Calculation: [G*(R1 - R0) + K*(T1 - T0)] * Multiplier + Offset
Output = $[1 * (R_1 - 0)] * 2.3108 - 40$
Linear Gage Factor(G): 1 Zero Reading(Ro): 0 Pick Zero
O Polynomial Factors A: 0 B: 1 C: 0 Calculate C
Temperature Correction
Thermal Factor(K): 0 Zero Temperature(To): 0

Adding a Reading Sensor: A Note on Gauge Factors

Most GEOKON calibration reports provide gauge factors in metric and imperial units. When entering gauge factors in Agent, make sure to use the factors that match the selected "Calibration Units"

Imperial Example



Adding a Reading Sensor: Linear Calculations

15. Enter the Linear Gauge Factor from the calibration report

Imperial Example



Metric Example



Adding a Reading Sensor: Linear Calculations (Continued)

16. Enter the initial zero reading taken onsite with the VW sensor

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Iinear	Gage Factor(G):	-0.01596	Zero Reading(Ro):	8621		Pick Zero	

16a. If using the Logger to take the initial zero, click "Pick Zero..." then select the relevant reading

● Linear G	age Factor(G): -0.01596 Zero Reading(Ro): 0 Pick	Zero
	Pick Zero Reading	
	Readings (digits): Readings Date 10:25:29 AM: 8711.1172 10/30/2020	
	10:30:00 AM: 8711.9883	
	10:31:00 AM: 8711.1465	
	0k Cancel	
	10:33:00 AM: 8711.6396 -	

Important Notes on Initial Zero Readings

- It is essential that an accurate onsite zero reading is entered; it will be used for all subsequent data reduction
- Prior to taking the reading, make sure the sensor is prepared as described in the sensor manual
- Consult the sensor manual for more information

Adding a Reading Sensor: Polynomial Calculations

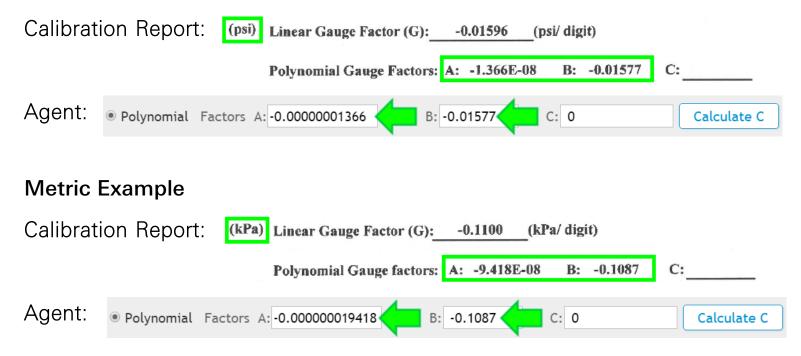
17. The polynomial equation can be used for greater accuracy. To utilize the polynomial equation, click the corresponding button

🔍 Linear	Gage Factor(G): 1	Zero Readin	g(Ro): 0	Pick Zero
Polynomial	Factors A: 0	B: 1	C: 0	Calculate C
Temperatu	re Correction			
Thermal Facto		Zero Temperature(T	0): 0	

Adding a Reading Sensor: Polynomial Calculations (Continued)

18. Enter the polynomial gauge factors from the calibration report

Imperial Example

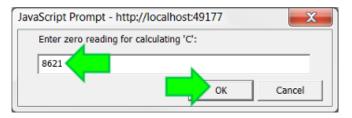


Adding a Reading Sensor: Polynomial Calculations (Continued)

19. Click "Calculate C"

Polynomial	Factors A:	-0.0000001366	В:	-0.01577	C:	0	Calculate C

20. Enter the initial zero reading taken onsite with the VW sensor then click "OK"



21. Agent will calculate and display the value of Factor "C" based on the information entered



Adding a Reading Sensor: Temperature Correction

22. For optimum accuracy, or if ambient temperature changes are large, a temperature correction can be applied. To factor changes in temperature into the selected equation, check the "Temperature Correction" box

Linear (Gage Factor(G):	1	Zero Reading	(Ro): 0	Pick	Zero
Polynomial F	actors A: -1.3	366E-08	B: -0.01577	C: 13	6.96840361	Calculate C
Temperature	Correction					
hermal Factor	(K): 0	Zero	Temperature(T	o): O		

Adding a Reading Sensor: Temperature Correction (Continued)

23. Enter the Thermal Factor from the calibration report

Imperial Example Calibration Report: Thermal Factor (K): -0.0004642 (psi/ °C) Agent: ✓ Temperature Correction Thermal Factor(K): -0.0004642 (psi/ °C) Ø Temperature Correction Thermal Factor(K): -0.0004642 (psi/ °C) Ø Temperature Correction Calibration Report: Thermal Factor (K): -0.003200 (kPa/ °C) Agent: ✓ Temperature Correction Thermal Factor(K): -0.003200 (correction) Calibration Report: Thermal Factor(K): O O

Adding a Reading Sensor: Temperature Correction (Continued)

24. Enter the temperature recorded when the onsite zero reading was taken (must be entered as degrees Celsius)

Calculations (ftH2O)
Calculation: [A*R1 ² + B*R1 + C + K*(T1 - T0)] * Multiplier + Offset
Output = [-1.366E-08 * R1 ² - 0.01577 * R1 + 136.96840361606 + 0 * (T1 - 0)] * 2.3108 - 40
Linear Gage Factor(G): 1 Zero Reading(Ro): 0 Pick Zero
Polynomial Factors A: -1.366E-08 B: -0.01577 C: 136.96840361 Calculate C
✓ Temperature Correction
Thermal Factor(K): -0.0004642 Zero Temperature(To): 22.5
Save Cancel

25. Once all pertinent information had been entered, click "Save"

projects	Edit Sensor				
Sample Project Sample Network Logger 1 view charts chart settings summary logger settings sensor summary	Sensor Name Sample Reading Sensor 1901397 Get Calibration Type Category Calibration Units Output Units Reading 1 • Pressure • psi • ftH20 • Multiplier Offset 2.3108 -40 Description/Notes Geokon model # 4500S-350KPA Installed Feb. 10 2019 Start Date: 2016-08-22 End Date: None Change Choose a color:				
	Calculations (ftH2O) Calculation: [A*R1² + B*R1 + C + K*(T1 - T0)] * Multiplier + Offset Output = [-1.366E-08 * R1² - 0.01577 * R1 + 136.96840361 - 0.0004642 * (T1 - 20.8)] * 2.3108 - 40 Linear Gage Factor(G): 1 Zero Reading(R0): 0 Polynomial Factors A: -1.366E-08 B: -0.01577 C: 136.96840361 Calculate C Image: Temperature Correction Thermal Factor(K): -0.0004642 Zero Temperature(T0): 20.8				

26. The edit sensor dialog box will close and the reading sensor will be added to the list of sensors on the logger settings screen (Sensor settings can be edited at any time by clicking on the name of the sensor)

projects Sample Project Sample Network Logger 1 view charts	Node Name Logger 1 Save		Serial Num 1533349	ber Type VW Logger ▼	
chart settings summary logger settings sensor summary	Add reading sens Add multiple char Add thermistor se Add logger senso	nnels ensor			
	Name	Туре	Alerts	Additional Information	
	VW Reading	Reading_1	None	Start date: 2016-08-25. End date: Nor	ne remove

Adding a Thermistor Sensor

- Most GEOKON vibrating wire sensors include a built-in thermistor. To view the temperature data collected by the thermistor, a "thermistor sensor" must be added in Agent
- 1. To add a thermistor sensor, click "Add thermistor sensor"

projects Sample Project Sample Network Logger 1 view charts	Node Name Logger 1 Save		Serial Nur 1533349	21	
chart settings summary logger settings sensor summary	Add reading sens Add multiple char Add thermistor se Add logger sense	nnels ensor			
	Name	Туре	Alerts	Additional Information	
	VW Reading	Reading_1	None	Start date: 2016-08-25. End date: None	remove

2. The edit sensor dialog box will open

projects Sample Project	- Node -	Edit Sensor	
Sample Network Logger 1 view charts chart settings summary logger settings sensor summary	Name Logge Sav Sav Sensol Add rea Add mul Add the	Sensor Name Therm_1 Type Units Thermistor 1 V °C V Description/Notes	
	Add log(Name VW Re	Start Date: 2016-08-25 End Date: None Change Choose a color:	remove

3. The "Units" field determines the type of temperature units the thermistor data will be displayed in

projects Sample Project	- Node -	Edit Sensor	
Sample Project Sample Network Logger 1 view charts chart settings summary logger settings sensor summary	Name Logge Sav Sensol Add rea Add mul Add thei Add logg Name VW Re	Sensor Name Therm_1 Type Thermistor 1 V C V Description/Notes ° F ° K Start Date: 2016-08-25 End Date: None Change Choose a color:	remove
		Save Cancel	

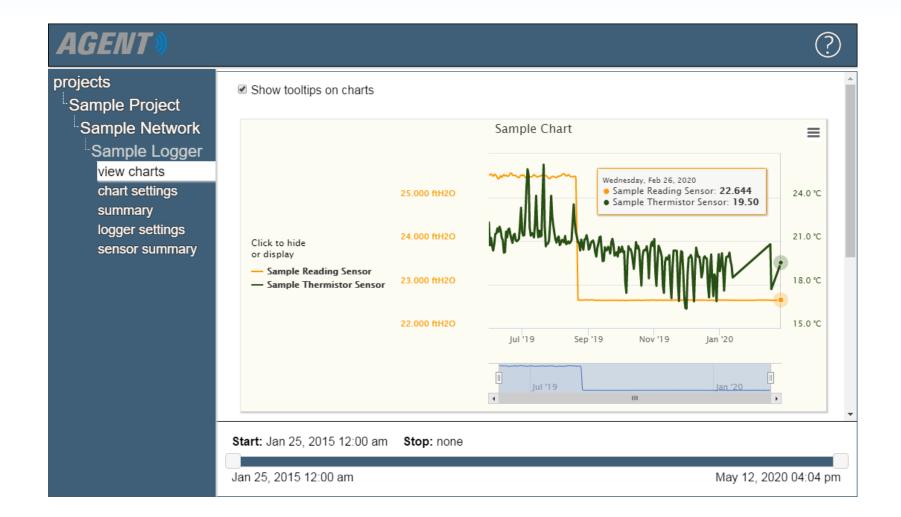
4. The remaining fields function as previously described; edit them as desired and then click "save" (The "Type" should not be changed; it is used to differentiate addressable thermistors)

projects	Node - Edit Sensor	
Sample Project Sample Network Logger 1 view charts chart settings summary logger settings sensor summary	Name Logge Sav Sav Sav Name Therm reading Type Units Thermistor 1 • °C • Description/Notes Add mu Add rea Add mu Add the Add logg Name VW Re Choose a color:	remove
	Save Cancel	

5. The edit sensor dialog box will close, and the thermistor sensor will be added to the list of sensors on the logger settings screen (Sensor settings can be edited at any time by clicking on the name of the sensor)

projects Sample Project Sample Network Logger 1 view charts chart settings summary	Node Name Logger 1 Save Sensors Add reading sensor Add multiple channels		al Number 3349	Type VW Logger ▼	
logger settings sensor summary	Add thermistor sensor Add logger sensors				
	Name	Туре	Alerts	Additional Information	
	VW Reading	Reading_1	None	Start date: 2016-08-25. End date: None	remove
	Therm reading	Therm_1	None	Start date: 2016-08-25. End date: None	remove

Charts





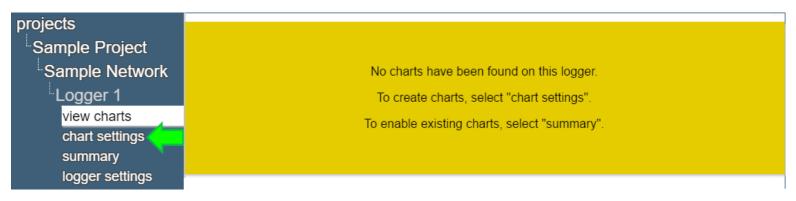
- Charts display data imported by sensors as a graph; therefore, sensors must be added to a chart before it will display any data
- Only data that has been downloaded from the Network will be displayed (For information on how to download data, read the <u>Using Agent Software with GeoNet</u> <u>Wireless Data Hosting Systems</u> tutorial or refer to the <u>GeoNet manual</u>)
- If automatic download is enabled, new data will be added to charts automatically each time data is downloaded from the Network
- If automatic download is disabled, charts will not update until a manual download is performed

Creating Charts

1. Select the Project and Network which contains the desired logger, then click on the name of the Logger

projects Sample Project Sample Network	logger type VW Logger	name Logger 1	serial number 1537823	last reading 2020-02-27 10:30 -0500	2.9 volts	signal strength	<u>charts</u> 1	remove X
loggers network settings	VW Logger	Logger 2	1533349	2020-02-27 10:30 -0500	2.6 volts	100%	0	X
export	Gateway	Gateway	1537815	2021-06-25 12:24 -0400	2.9 volts	100%	1	х

2. Agent will navigate to the "view charts" screen, click "chart" settings" on the left side of the screen



Creating Charts

1. Click "add chart"



3. Give the chart a name, and then click "Ok"



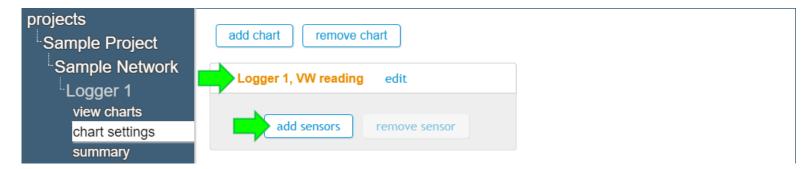
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Creating Charts (Continued)

4. Charts that have been added to a device will be shown in the "chart settings" screen

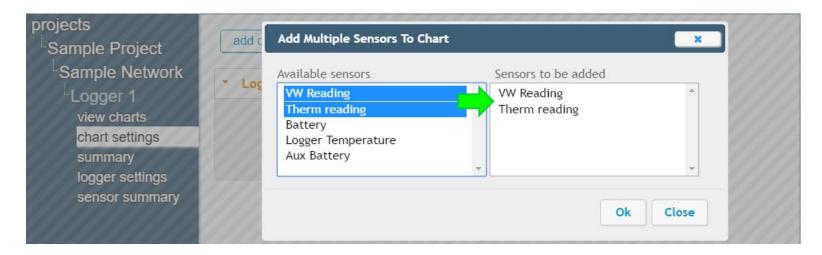


5. Click on a chart name, and then click "add sensor"



Creating Charts (Continued)

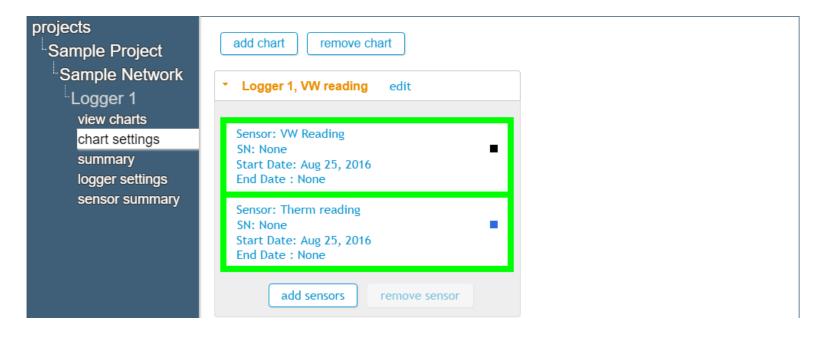
 Select sensors to move them from the "Available sensors" column to the "Sensors to be added" column (Only sensors that were previously added to the device will be shown as "Available Sensors")



7. When all desired sensors have been added, click "Ok"

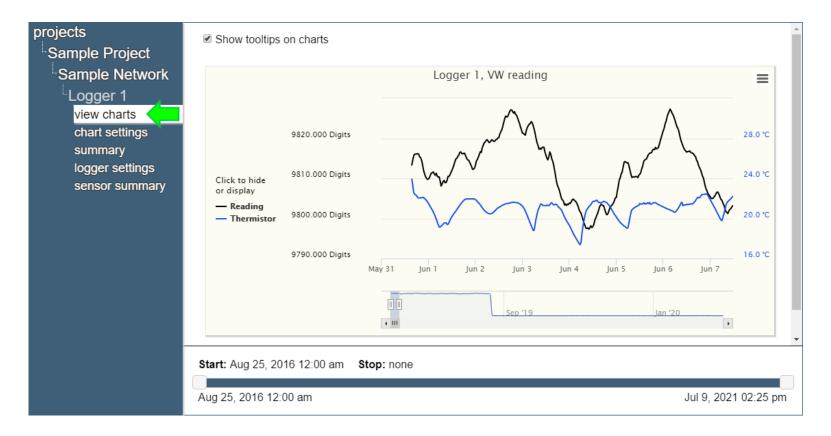
Creating Charts (Continued)

8. Sensors added to the chart will be shown below the chart name



Viewing Charts

Click "view charts" to display all charts on the device



For more information...

 Consult the Agent instruction manual, which can be accessed by clicking on the question mark at the top of the screen

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projects Sample Project	Show tooltips on charts	*
Sample Network	Sample Chart	=

- Instruction manuals are available for download at: <u>www.geokon.com/Manuals</u>
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