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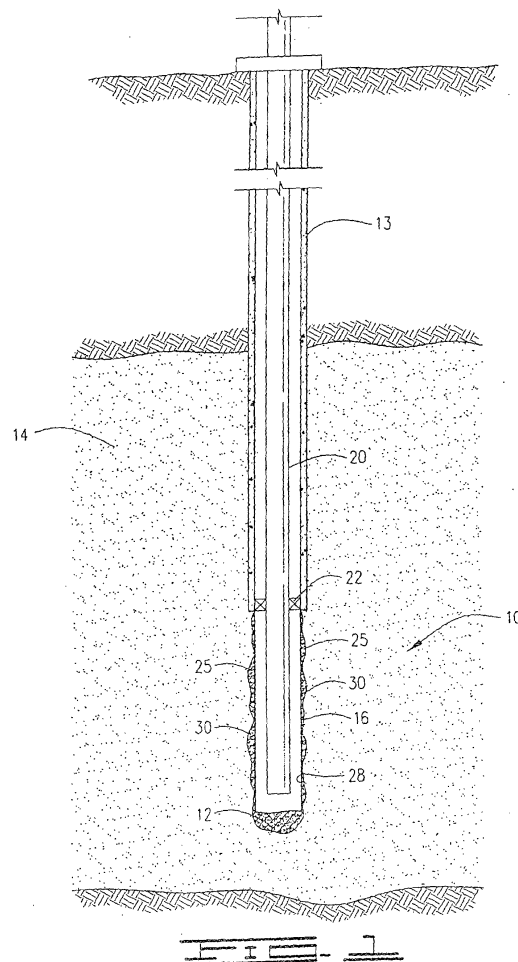
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(54) **Downhole removal of particulates from produced fluids**

(57) Particulate matter is removed from produced fluids downhole by providing a solid permeable composition (25) downhole through which the fluids are passed. Expandable well screens (28) may also be used in association with the composition (25).



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