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# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR PART #50103 Diesel TOW MAX™ WATER / METHANOL INJECTION SYSTEM FORD POWERSTROKE



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## Kit Contents

### Parts

- UHO Pump (Ultra High Output)
- 7 Gallon Reservoir
- 25 ft High Pressure Tubing
- 3 ft Black Wire Loom
- 18" 1/8" Silicone Tubing

### Electrical Packet

- 2 Blue Butt Connectors
- 3 Small Eyehooks
- 1 Male Connector
- 3 Female Connectors
- 10 Tie Wraps
- 1 Arm Switch
- 5" Double Sided Tape
- 1 Brass Hose Barb
- Diesel TOW MAX™ Controller
- Temperature Probe
- Yellow Temp Probe Connector

### Required Tools

Electric Drill w/ Drill Bits  
Utility Knife  
Screwdriver – Phillips  
Assorted Wrenches  
1/8" - 27 NPT Tap

### Mechanical Packet

- 1 Nozzle Holder
- 7 Gallon Fitting Set:
  - 90° Elbow
  - 3/8 Reducer Bushing w/ filter screen
- 4 #8x1&1/2" Screws
- 4 #8 Washers
- 1 Dual Nozzle Upgrade
- 1 Solenoid Upgrade
- 1 Temp Probe Compression Fitting – 3/16"
- 1 E-6000® (GOOP)
- 1 375ml/min Nozzle
- 2 625ml/min Nozzles

### Upgrades

- 2.5 Gallon Reservoir
- Hose Adaptor or Bung
- Level Switch

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## Introduction

The TOW MAX™ Diesel Boost Coolers™ are designed to maximize fuel economy and safe power while towing. This controller senses not only manifold boost pressure but also exhaust gas temperatures. Using two inputs allows for the smoothest injection control.

More importantly, it also keeps the EGTs as low as possible – if they begin to climb, even if the boost stays constant, the TOW MAX™ controller will read this and inject more water-methanol to compensate.

The adjustments to the delivery on the fly are accomplished with two easy-to-use push buttons, allowing for more or less injection, or switching from both boost & EGT referenced injection (smoothest, best for towing and EGT control) to just boost referenced injection (most responsive, best for performance and racing).

Please refer to the following system diagram during install. Completely read through this instruction manual before attempting installation. Contact Snow Performance for any questions or concerns.

## Nozzle Identification Chart:

Nozzle Number	Nozzle Size	Nozzle Number	Nozzle Size
1	60 ml/min	4	225 ml/min
2	100 ml/min	5	375 ml/min
3	175 ml/min	6	625 ml/min

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## Install Notes

Pump Setting \_\_\_\_\_(psig)

Nozzle Size \_\_\_\_\_(ml/min)

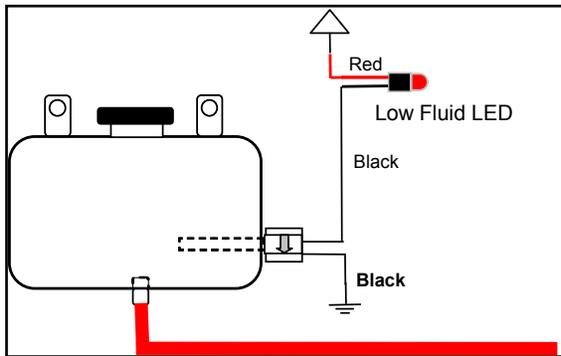
Controller Setting \_\_\_\_\_

Misc:

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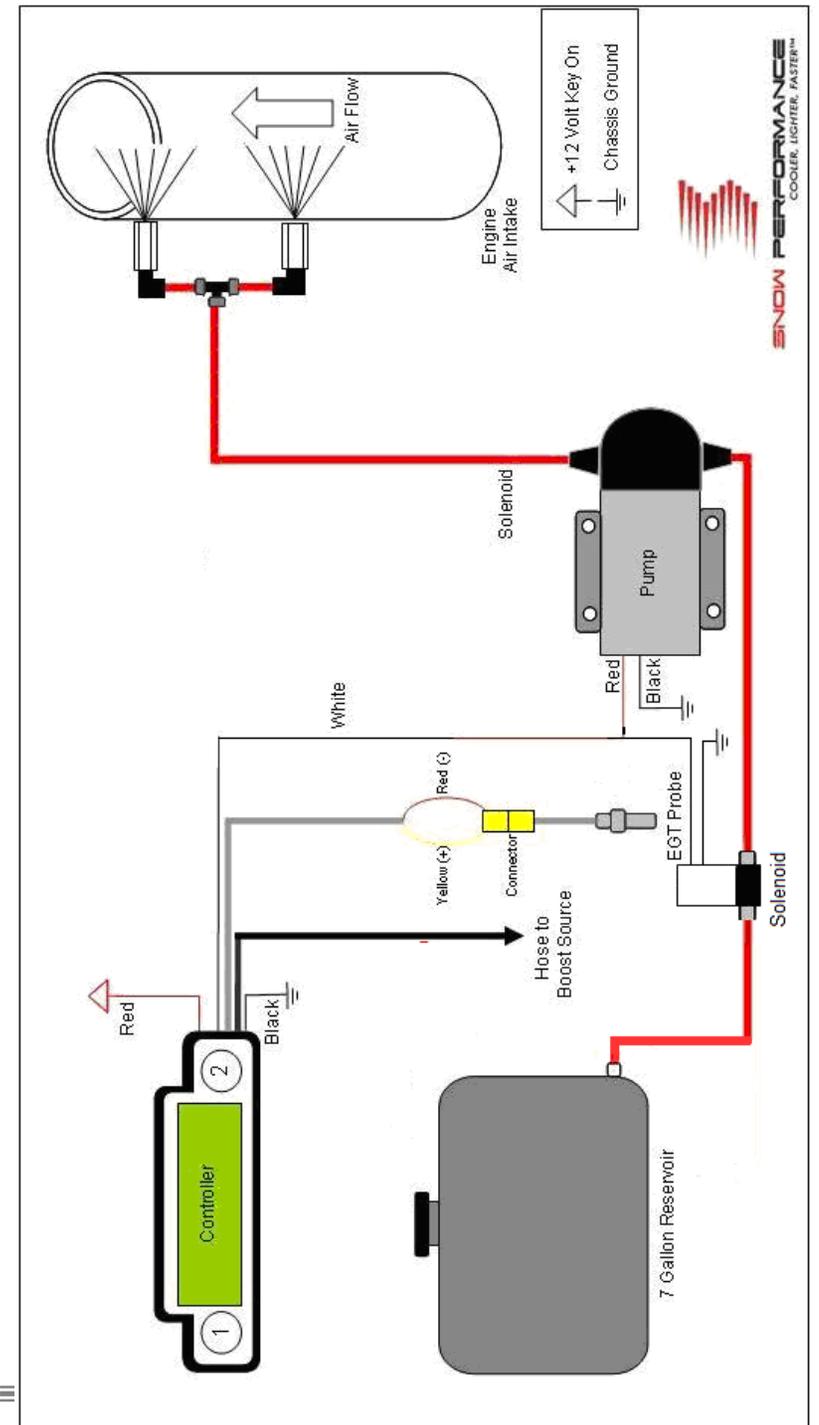
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## Fluid Level Switch (optional)



### Instructions

- Locate desired level switch mounting position. Suggested placement is 1/5 of max reservoir height.
- Carefully drill side of reservoir using 13/16" bit. A step bit is recommended for best drilling results. Hole must be free of nicks or shavings for proper sealing.
- Remove rubber seal from level switch. Insert seal into reservoir until fully seated. Goop can be used around the edges of the hole.
- Lubricate exterior of level switch with water and insert into seal until fully seated. Position level switch so **GT** symbol is at six o'clock position.
- Wait 30 minutes for Goop to cure, then test for leaks. With fluid level above level switch, float should be angled up. With fluid level below level switch, float should be in horizontal position.
- Connect one black wire from level switch to ground.
- Connect other black wire from level switch to white wire from LED.
- Connect red wire from LED to +12 volt key on power source.



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## Installation - Mechanical

### Step 1 Reservoir Install

- Install 90 degree elbow into reducer bushing using E6000 sealant. Turn ½ turn past finger tight. Do not use Teflon sealants on Snow Performance fittings. Install reducer bushing into reservoir outlet using E6000 sealant. Turn ½ turn past finger tight.



- Test fit reservoir in desired mounting location. Typical placement is tucked up along the side of a pickup bed or in a bed mounted tool box.
- Check the area under the bed near the desired mounting location. Note the location of fuel tanks, fuel lines, and wiring.
- Mark the location of the four aluminum mounting strap tab bolt holes.
- Drill through bed with appropriately sized drill bit. USE CAUTION WHILE DRILLING.
- Mount reservoir with aluminum mounting straps using appropriate hardware.

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**Maintenance** – Remove nozzle(s) and clean screen filters at least once per year using carb cleaner.

The Boost Cooler® has been designed to operate with high concentrations of methanol. Oil or other additives are not required for system lubrication.

For best performance, cooling and system life it is recommend that Snow Performance Boost Juice™ (#40008) be the exclusive fluid used in the system.

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## Tuning Quick Reference

If combustion quench occurs as evidenced by engine “bucking”, reduce the injection quantity. This can be done by:

1. Using a smaller nozzle(s).
2. Using Screen 10 and Screen 11 to adjust the gain.

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## Caution\*\*\*\*\*

**Prolonged quench may cause lower engine damage over a period of time.**

Also, fresh methanol – less than 1 month old when exposed to atmosphere – and using a greater methanol concentration – up to 50% - will reduce combustion quench.

100% water will cool combustion and EGTs and will increase power approx 20-30 HP.

75/25 water/methanol will reduce EGTs and power will increase approximately 40 HP.

50/50 water/methanol will reduce EGTs and increase power approximately 70+ HP.

**Caution:** To avoid “pooling” in the intake it is recommended that:

1. The engine be run without water/methanol for at least 5 minutes after injection before turning the engine off.
2. The “armed switch” is turned to the off position when the engine is off.

**Caution:** Do not attempt to inject water/methanol until the engine has reach operating temperature. A cold engine is more susceptible to quench and poor performance.

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## Caution\*\*\*\*\*

To avoid gravity feeding of fluid with rear mount reservoirs, it is essential to use a solenoid in-line between the reservoir and pump. **Do not operate** your rear mount equipped vehicle without a solenoid installed.

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## Step 2 Pump Install

Mount the pump so the inlet is positioned at the lowest point of the reservoir or lower. Pump can be mounted horizontally or vertically using the supplied screws and washers. Ensure that no sharp bends in the high pressure tube occur near the pump. Sharp bends can cause stress on the inlet and outlet ports of the pump, causing leaks. Trim tube with a utility knife or razor blade, making sure to eliminate any burrs or kinks on the end. Insert firmly into the pump about ½ inch through the light grey locking collar. Note the arrows indicating flow direction on the top of the pump. To remove the hose, gently and evenly push the light grey locking collar into the head unit of the pump, then pull on the hose gently.



Measure the distance from the reservoir outlet to the pump inlet. Cut the ¼” red tubing using utility knife. Make cuts are as square as possible.

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Ensure there are no kinks in the tubing and insert tubing into quick disconnects at pump and reservoir until fully seated. Keep the pump within 2 feet of the reservoir. The pump can be mounted under the truck bed in a place protected from road spray.

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## Caution\*\*\*\*\*

Pump must be shielded from road debris and tire wash. Failure to do so will result in pump failure

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### Step 3 Nozzle Selection

Nozzle sizing is a function of horsepower, which approximates the engine airflow, and boost, which approximates intake charge heat. Often only one nozzle is needed.

Recommended starting points:

250 - 350 WHP	625 ml/min nozzle
400 - 500 WHP	375 & 625 ml/min nozzle
550 - 650 WHP	2 X 625 ml/min nozzle

 **TECH TIP** Seal the nozzle into the nozzle holder using included GOOP® sealant. Using a sealant that is not permanent will allow for nozzle changes during tuning. Simply remove the nozzle, clean the threads, and reinstall using sealant.

Assemble desired nozzle into nozzle holder using E6000® sealant. **The end of the nozzle with the fine mesh screen is to be inserted into the nozzle holder.** Torque 1/2 turn past hand tight. Do not use Teflon sealants on Snow Performance fittings.

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Activation of pump for short periods (1 - 5 sec.) will purge air bubbles from the system. This can be accomplished during initial use.

### Step 2 Test Controller

- With the nozzles removed from the intake, place the controller in “boost only” mode by disabling the EGT Control mode. Set gain to 100.
- Using a hand pump, apply 10-20 psig of pressure to the boost line leading to the controller.
- Pump should activate, fluid should flow, and tank level should go down.

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## Testing the System

Note: for best results, prime pump before use

To clear air from the pump and insure that the system is primed:

- Fill reservoir with water approx ¼ full.
- Remove tubing from nozzle (or solenoid if solenoid used in-line between pump and nozzle) and run tube into separate container.
- Apply 12 VDC to red pump wire for approximately 5 seconds or until fluid flow is consistent.
- Pump is now primed. Reconnect tubing from pump outlet to nozzle (or solenoid).

**If using a solenoid in between the pump and the reservoir:** Remove the solenoid and place a solid piece of tube between the pump and the reservoir and prime the system. Then replace the solenoid in between the pump and reservoir.

### Step 1 Test Pump and Mechanical System

Disconnect pump from controller. Using a 12 volt source, apply power to red wire of pump. Pump should activate and fluid level in tank should go down. It is recommended to also check the nozzle spray pattern while following this procedure. Also check for leaks.



If pump goes on and fluid level doesn't go down, there is an obstruction in the tube or nozzle.



Correct



Incorrect

**NOTE:** If nozzle is mounted lower than the reservoir, a solenoid (#40060) must be used to prevent draining.

### Step 4 Nozzle Mounting

The nozzle assembly should be installed 90° to the direction of airflow. On round intake tubes, this is 360° around the tube meaning the nozzle can be mounted in any direction. This will ensure maximum cooling as the nozzle sprays in a cone pattern. Choose and mark mounting location for nozzle placement. Nozzles can be located on the charge tube between the intercooler outlet and the intake inlet. Place nozzles at a location where they have an unobstructed spray pattern into the airflow.

Remove the selected piece and drill and tap (1/32 pre-drill, 1/8"-27 NPT tap) for one or two nozzles. Note that NPT is a tapered thread, and be cautious not to over-tap thin walled pipes. Test fit nozzles into the pipe to ensure a tight fitment.



The nozzle is mounted using its external 1/8 NPT threads. Tighten the nozzle and nozzle holder assembly one half turn past finger tight using E6000® to seal the threads.

### Step 5 Nozzle Connection and Solenoid Connection

Solenoid is flow directional. Be sure to note which port is the INLET/PRESSURE port (2 or IN) and which is the OUTLET port (1 or OUT).

**The main outlet line coming from the Reservoir connects to the solenoids inlet. The outlet of the solenoid connects to the inlet of the pump.**

Measure the distance from the pump outlet to the nozzle holder. Cut the 1/4" tubing using utility knife. Make cuts are as square as possible. Ensure there are no kinks in the tubing and insert tubing into quick disconnects until fully seated. Gently pull on tubing to ensure a good connection.

Use tie wraps to help route tubing and to ensure it doesn't contact moving or hot parts in the engine compartment. Have tubing connect to quick connect fittings at shallow angles. Having an immediate sharp bend may unseat the tubing from the internal o-ring and create a leak.

Continual insertion and removal from quick connect fittings will mar the end of the tubing. Over time the internal gripping teeth may lose their

## Variable Controller Tuning

### **EGT Control Mode**

When EGT Control mode is enabled, the controller will measure EGTs and boost pressure to calculate the injection rate. In this mode, a high gain setting will result in a larger injection rate.

- Toggle to Screen 8. Set EGT Control to ON.
- Toggle to Screen 10. Adjust the gain up to 100.
- If combustion quench occurs as evidenced by engine "bucking", reduce the injection quantity or lower the gain setting on the module. This can be done by:
  - Using a smaller nozzle(s).
  - Adjusting the gain.
- To adjust gain down, toggle to screen 11. Adjust the gain down until engine runs smooth with no bucking.

### **Boost Only Mode**

The controller has a "boost only" mode. When EGT Control mode is disabled, injection is a function of boost pressure only which is desirable in racing applications and day to day driving where more immediate injection is desired.

- Toggle to Screen 8. Set EGT Control to OFF.
- Toggle to Screen 10. Adjust the gain up to 100.
- If combustion quench occurs as evidenced by engine "bucking", reduce the injection quantity or lower the gain setting on the module. This can be done by:
  - Using a smaller nozzle(s).
  - Adjusting the gain.
- To adjust gain down, toggle to screen 11. Adjust the gain down until engine runs smooth with no bucking.

### Screen 5

BAR DegC  
%Injection

This mode displays the boost, EGT and injection in Metric units

### Screen 6

PSI  
DegF

This display shows both digital and bar graph readings for boost and EGT in English units.

### Screen 7

BAR  
DegC

This display shows both digital and bar graph readings for boost and EGT in Metric units.

### Screen 8

EGT Control  
Change

This is the setup screen for the “Boost Only” control mode. Pressing the right Button (button 2) will toggle the setting between ON and OFF. If the “EGT Control” is ON, the matrix value for the injection is used. If the “EGT Control” is OFF, the “Boost Only” injection setting will be used. The selection of this function is also stored in system memory and recalled on power on. EGT control is used in towing or heavily loaded situations.

### Screen 9

Boost Range  
Change

This screen is used to select between LOW, MED, and HI boost mode. **For vehicles making 8-18 psig of boost, use LOW mode. For vehicles making 18-25 psig of boost, use MED mode. For vehicles making 25+ psig of boost, use HI mode.**

### Screen 10

Injection Gain  
Increase

This screen is used to increase the injection gain setting. Pressing and releasing Button 2 will increase the gain setting. This setting is also remembered on power up. **5%-10% changes in gain will make significant changes in injection.**

### Screen 11

Injection Gain  
Decrease

This screen is used to decrease the injection gain setting. Pressing and releasing Button 2 will decrease the gain setting. This setting is also remembered on power up.

hold of the tubing which may create a leak. If this occurs simply remove the tubing and make a fresh cut using a razor blade.

## Step 6 Install EGT Probe

Drill and tap exhaust manifold pre-turbo. If this is performed with the exhaust manifold still on the engine, start the engine and let it idle while drilling and tapping. This will prevent shaving from entering the exhaust and turbo. During tapping, coat tap with heavy grease so it will collect any metal shavings.



Mount the Temp Probe using the 3/16” compression fitting (provided).

## **Installation - Electrical**

### Variable Controller Installation



Attach controller to secure location with easy access in driver's compartment using supplied tape. Connect silicone tubing from intake plenum boost line (use the included boost 'T') to clear tubing coming from the controller and secure with a tie wrap.

**CAUTION:** Disconnect the negative battery terminal while connecting wires to prevent electrical fire or damage to controller.

- Connect BLACK wire to a good ground location.
- Connect WHITE wire to Pump RED power wire.
- Connect RED wire to inline switch and connect to +12 volt key on source.
- Wire the Yellow "K" type temp probe connector to temp probe installed in Step 6 above. The YELLOW wire connects to the POSTITIVE terminal, the RED wire connects to the NEGATIVE terminal of the connector. Connect to the lead from control module.

**TECH TIP** Always have a good electrical ground connection. Poor ground will result in erratic operation of controller.

## Controller Operation

The controller has an LCD display screen. The display software allows for seven different display "modes" and three control/setup screens.

To control the screen selection, the unit has two operator buttons; one to the left of the screen (Button 1) and one to the right of the screen (Button 2). Pressing and releasing Button 1 will cause the display to sequence to the next mode. Button 2 is only active in the control/setup screens, and is used to change the current control setting of the setup screen displayed.

The system memory will remember the current display setting even if the unit is turned off. The controller will turn on at the last used display setting.

Additionally, Button 2 is used for the "Injection ON/OFF" function.

**Pressing and holding Button 2, then pressing Button 1, then releasing both buttons will change the system to read only without changing the display screen. All screen display functions will remain active even when the injection is turned off. To get the controller out of read only mode, just repeat the procedure.**

### Screen 1



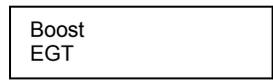
This mode displays Boost Pressure (P), Temperature (T) and Injection percentage (I) as three independent bar graphs. The pressure scale is scaled proportional to the Lo/Hi boost selection.

### Screen 2



This mode displays the boost pressure and EGT temperature in PSI and °F.

### Screen 3



This mode displays the boost pressure and EGT temperature in BAR and °C.

### Screen 4



This mode displays the boost, EGT and injection in English units.