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Water Reclamation District

of Greater Chicago

**WELCOME
TO THE SEPTEMBER EDITION
OF THE 2017
M&R SEMINAR SERIES**

BEFORE WE BEGIN

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Amit Pramanik, Ph.D., BCEEM

Dr. Pramanik is currently Water Environment & Reuse Foundation's (WE&RF's) Chief Innovation and Development Officer.

Dr. Pramanik has >30 years of experience in environmental engineering in the USA and overseas on projects funded by municipalities, industry, multi-lateral agencies, and other organizations. He worked with various companies and water/wastewater treatment facilities prior to joining the not-for-profit Water Environment Research Foundation (WERF) in 1997. Dr. Pramanik served as WERF's Director of Research, with oversight and responsibility for WERF's diverse portfolio of research and coordination with collaborative partner organizations. He manages a diverse portfolio of research and innovation projects, some with national or global implications, and works with world renowned technical experts and partner organizations on these topics.

In 2016, WERF merged with the Water Reuse Research Foundation, and the newly merged organization is now known as the Water Environment & Reuse Foundation (WE&RF). WE&RF's charge is to advance the concept of One Water through research and innovation in reuse and resource recovery, demonstrating the value of all water.

WE&RF's Role in Assisting Utilities to Become the Utility of the Future

Amit Pramanik
Water Environment & Reuse Foundation

Chicago, IL
Friday, September 29, 2017



Content

- About WE&RF and our Water industry
- LIFT and how WE&RF can Help
- The Utility of the Future and “One Water”
- Where are we headed and some examples
 - East Bay MUD, CA
 - Hampton Roads Sanitation District, VA
 - DC Water, DC
- Closing / Questions



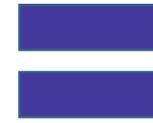
About WE&RF



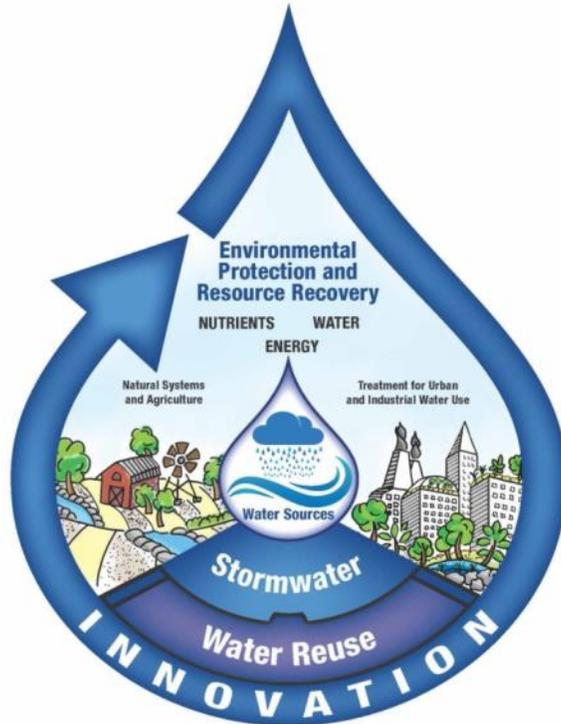
Established 1989



Established 1993



Merged July 2016



CORE PROGRAM ELEMENTS

- Applied research in water and environment
- Accelerating innovation and adoption of technology
- Transferring knowledge
- Setting an industry research agenda

*Providing exceptional water research to
advance science and technology*



Water Environment & Reuse Foundation

Established 2016

Alexandria, VA – www.werf.org



Water Environment Research Foundation

Formed in 1989 | Alexandria, VA

Focus:

- Wastewater
- Resource Recovery
- Stormwater

Issue Areas: Climate Change, Conveyance Systems, Energy, Nutrient Removal, Integrated Water, Resource Recovery, Sensors, and Stormwater

Projects: More than 200 valued at \$50M initiated in the past 10 years

Research Value: \$138M

Subscribers: 270

Employees: 25

Notable Activities:

- Leadership Innovation Forum for Technology (LIFT)
- Paul L. Busch Award



Mission: Catalyze innovation through actionable research in water and the environment

Focus:

- Applied research in water and the environment
- Accelerating innovation and adoption of technology
- Transferring knowledge
- Setting an industry research agenda

Issue Areas:

- Compounds of Emerging Concern/Trace Organics
- Energy Production and Efficiency
- Integrated Water Management
- Intelligent Water Systems
- Linkages in Water Quality
- Resource Recovery
- Reuse and Desalination
- Treatment Intensification

Projects: Approximately 100 current valued at \$35M

Research Value: \$200M

Subscribers: 350

Employees: 30

Notable Activities:

- Leadership Innovation Forum for Technology (LIFT)
- Annual Research Conference
- DPR Research Initiative
- Paul L. Busch Award



WaterReuse Research Foundation

Formed in 1993 | Alexandria, VA

Focus:

- Nonpotable Reuse (urban, industrial and agricultural)
- Potable Reuse
- Desalination

Projects: 150 projects valued at \$30M initiated in the past 10 years

Research Value: \$76M

Subscribers: 97

Employees: 5

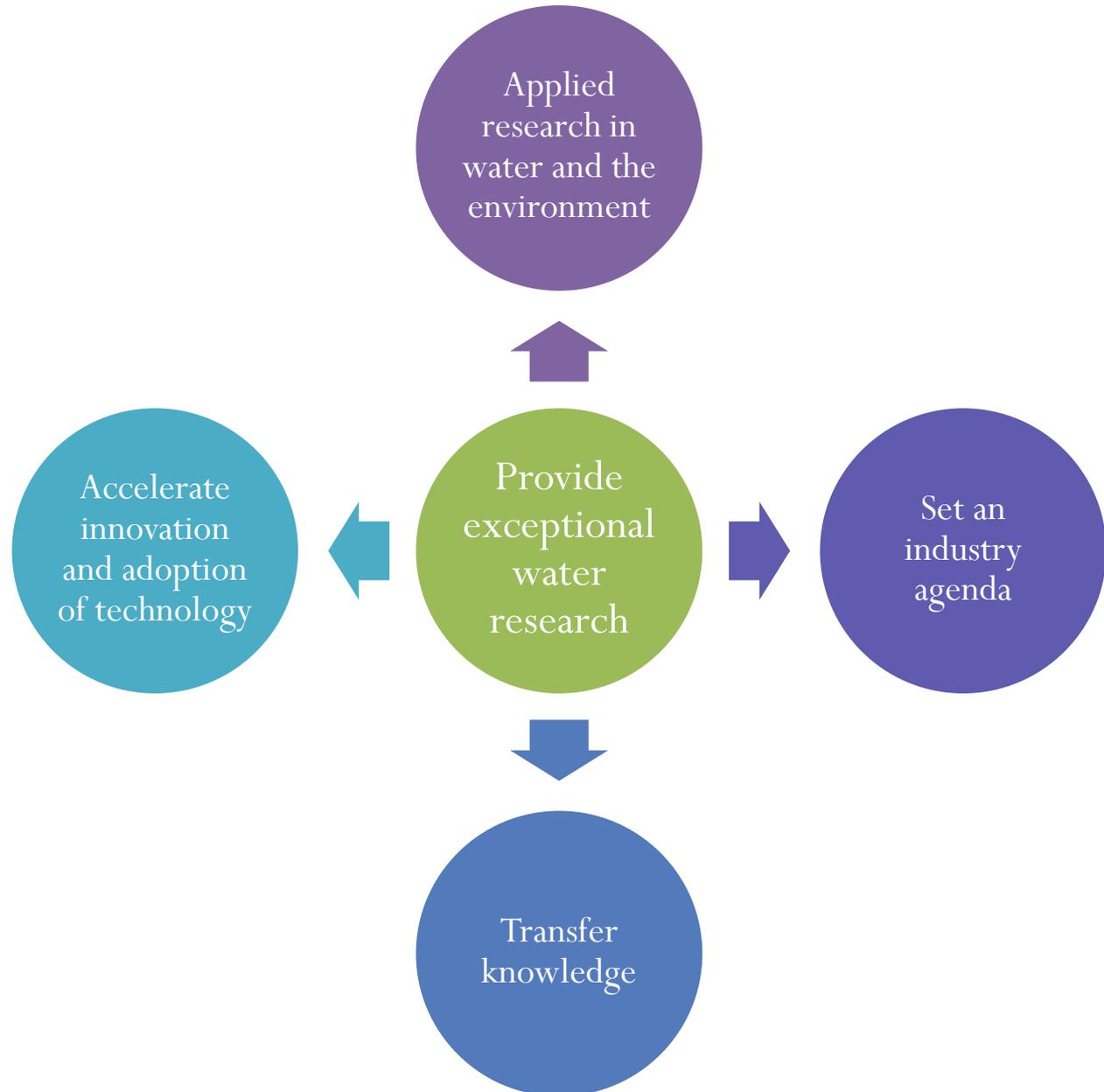
Notable Activities:

- DPR Research Initiative
- Annual Research Conference

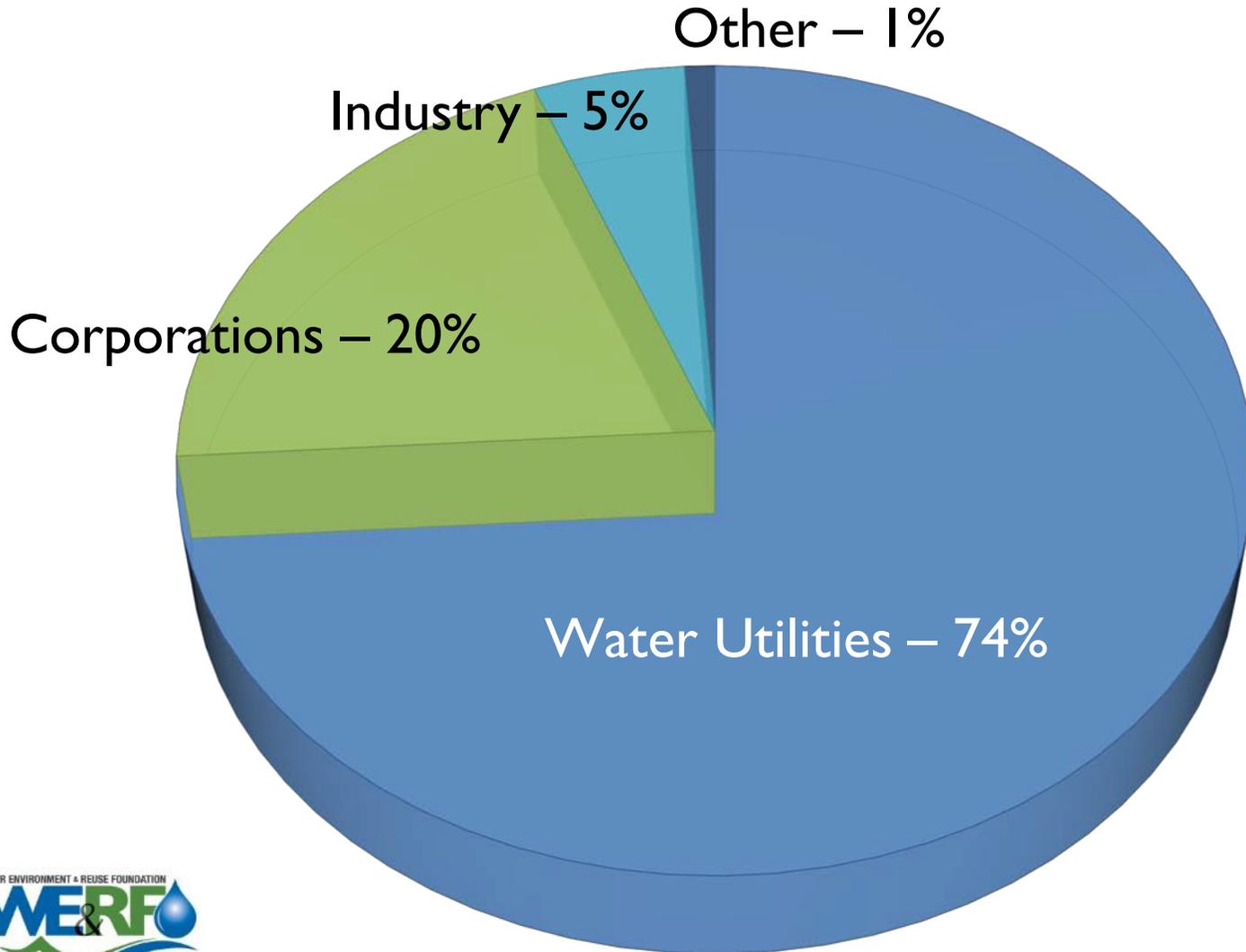


What does WE&RF do?

- Portfolio of high quality research valued at more than \$200 million
- 4-to-1 return on investment (\$1 invested generating \$4 in matching funds and in-kind contributions)
- Average annual investment of \$5 million in new research



WE&RF Subscribers



MWRD Chicago, IL

- 28 Years Founding Subscriber (since 1990)
- Collaborative partner on many projects – providing both financial & intellectual resources
- Staff actively engaged in WE&RF Research and Innovation (LIFT) programs – serve(d) on Board of Directors, Research Council, Issue Area Teams (IATs), PSCs, PACs, etc.

Thank You!

Strategic Collaborators & Partners

USA

- Federal and State agencies
- Water Industry associations and research foundations
- Water Sector Utilities and agencies
- Multi-lateral agencies

International

- WRC of South Africa (MOU signed 2015, First International LIFT HUB – Sep 2017)
- Singapore PUB
- WSAA (Australia)
- Korea Water Partnership
- WaterTAP (Canada)
- GWRC
- Water Sector Utilities and Agencies

***Enhance collaborative peer to peer networking
Increase ROI – intellectual and financial***



WATER
RESEARCH
COMMISSION

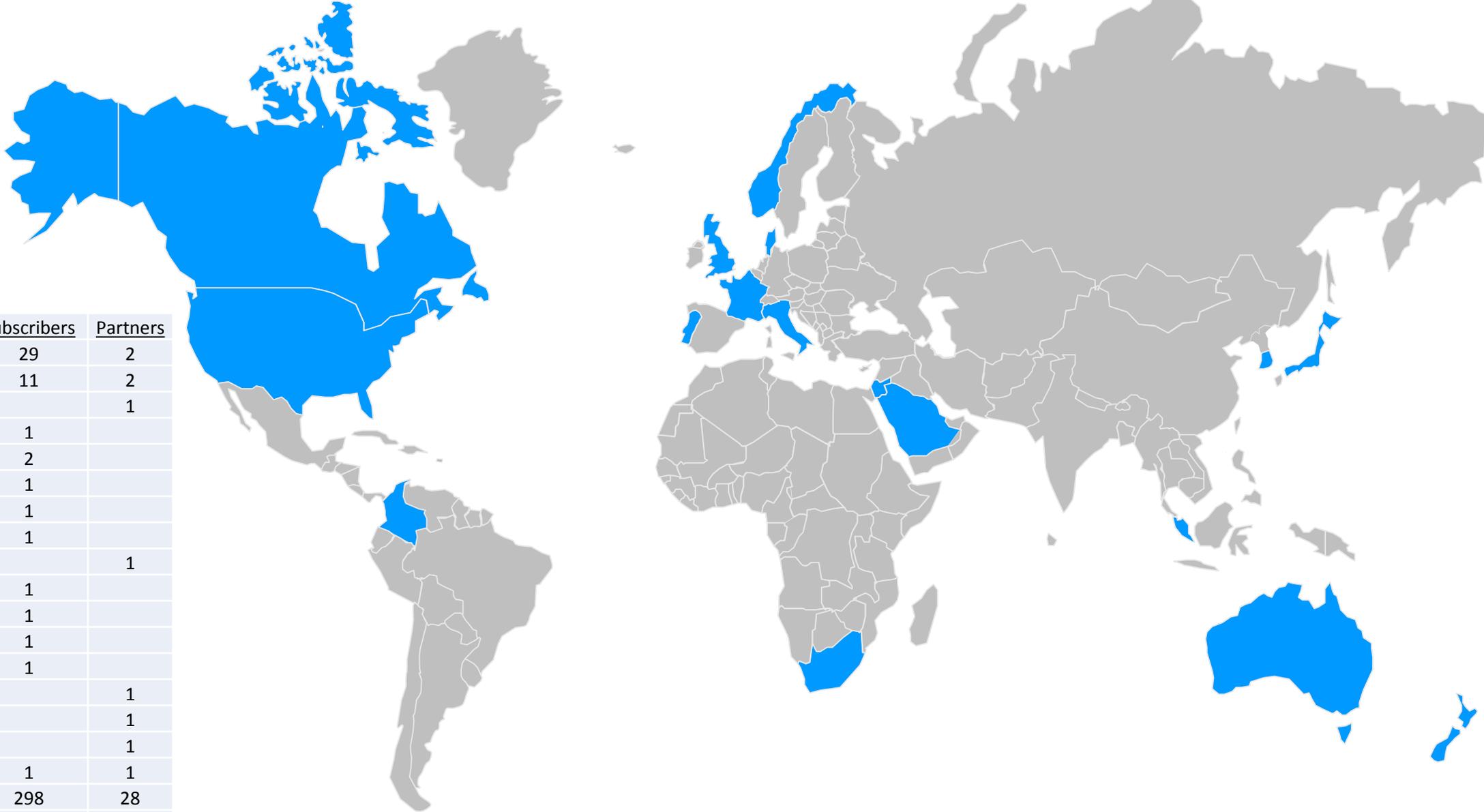


Global Water
Research Coalition

Collaboration – Innovation – Results

WE&RF Subscribers and Partners – Global

	<u>Subscribers</u>	<u>Partners</u>
Australia	29	2
Canada	11	2
Colombia		1
Denmark	1	
France	2	
Israel	1	
Italy	1	
Japan	1	
Netherlands		1
Norway	1	
New Zealand	1	
Portugal	1	
Saudi Arabia	1	
Singapore		1
South Africa		1
South Korea		1
United Kingdom	1	1
USA	298	28
Total	348	38

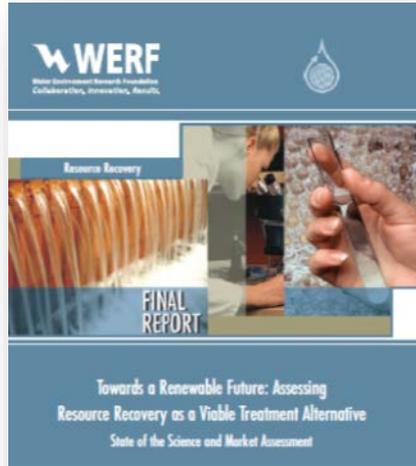




WE&RF and WRF are founding members of the GWRC
Our CEO, Melissa Meeker, is on the GWRC Board

Growing WE&RF – one good example on integration and leverage: WE&RF's Nutrient & Resource Recovery Research

Resource Recovery Challenge

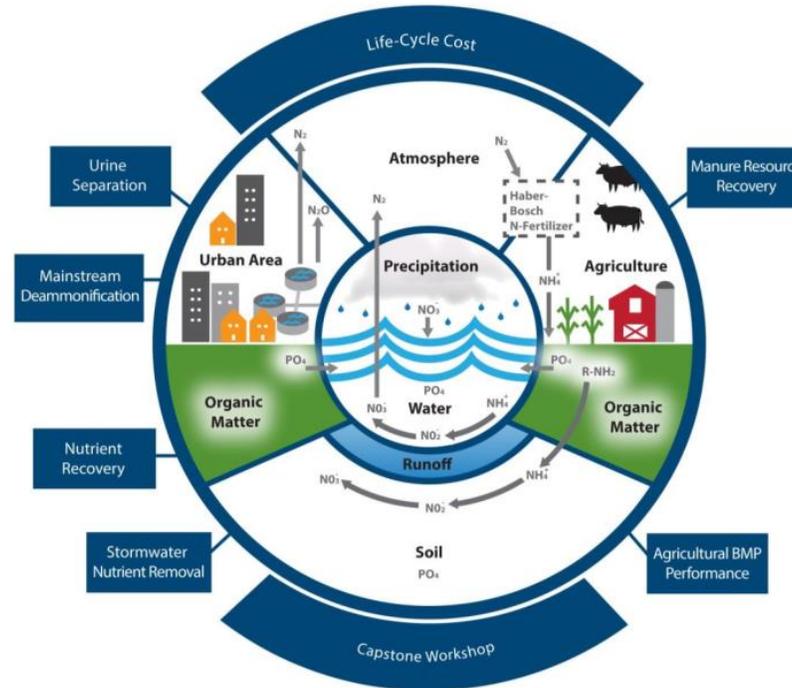


Project	Principal Investigator(s)	Status
NTRY1R12 Resource Recovery as Viable Treatment Alternative (aka – P-recovery research) (Goals 1, 2)	Ron Latimer (Hazen & Sawyer) , Wendell Khunjar (Hazen & Sawyer), Sam Jeyanayagam (CH2M)	Complete
NTRY3R13 Recovering Carbon and Other Commodities from Wastewater (Goals 1, 5)	Wendell Khunjar (Hazen & Sawyer) , Kevin Gilmore (Bucknell Univ.), Sam Jeyanayagam (CH2M)	Complete
NTRY4R14 Recovering High Value Carbon Products from Wastestreams (Goal 5)	Kam Law (Greeley & Hansen) , Kartik Chandran (Columbia Univ.), Wendell Khunjar (Hazen & Sawyer), Chris Wilson (HRSD)	Ongoing
NTRY5R14 Producing Value Added Bioplastic from Methane Gas (Goal 5)	Molly Morse (Mango Materials) , Ganesh Rajagopalan (Kennedy/Jenks)	Complete
NTRY6R14 Production of Biosoprene (Goal 5)	Nicole Buan (Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln) , Karrie Weber (Univ. of Nebraska-Lincoln)	Ongoing
NTRY7R15 High Quality Biosolids (Goal 6)	Trudy Johnston (Material Matters) , Chris Peot (DC Water)	Ongoing
NTRY8R15 Plasmids and Rare Earth Elements (Goal 5)	Kevin Gilmore (Bucknell Univ.) , Sam Jeyanayagam (CH2M), Wendell Khunjar and Thomas Worley-Morse (Hazen & Sawyer)	Ongoing



Mostly funded by WE&RF
Subscribers (\$1.5M, including
TCR funds, plus \$3M in-kind)

National Research Center for Resource Recovery & Nutrient Management



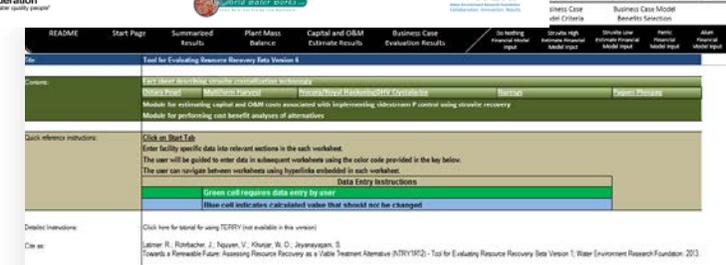
Mostly funded by U.S. EPA (National Priorities
Federal Funding) (\$2.22M from EPA + \$1.15M
in-kind)

LIFT Technology Focus Areas:

- Biological Nutrient Removal
- Phosphorus Recovery

LIFT-TEP Deammonification Workshop
Dec 11-12, 2012 Chicago

1. Technology provider presentations
2. Networking reception
3. Deammonification education sessions
4. Facility owner information sharing on pilots/demos
5. Pilot plant tour



WE&RF Subscribers through shared
knowledge, risks and costs, e.g., TCRs

Growing WE&RF – ROI examples (leveraging funding): TCRs and Partnerships

- WE&RF led-research typically provides 4-to-1 return-on-investment (ROI) (every \$1 invested generates \$4 in matching funds & in-kind contributions). Partnerships, Collaborations, and Alliances help leverage our resources to produce more research. Examples include:
 - *“Design and Implementation of Peracetic Acid for Municipal Water and Wastewater Related Processes”* – >\$200,000 in TCR funding from 12+ Utility Subscribers and NACWA
 - *“Balancing Flocs and Granules for Activated Sludge Process Intensification”* – Unsolicited Research project with >\$1.75 million in-kind and cash contributions from 10 Subscribers from around the world, for <\$120,000 in WE&RF funding
 - *“LIFT Utility Assessment and Improvement Methodology”* – >\$900,000 in TCR funding from >12 Utility Subscribers to map business processes to enhance utility management
 - *“Workforce Skills of the Future”* – WE&RF is providing AUS \$45,000 towards a global study on the skills needed for the Utility of the Future, with the Water Services Association of Australia (WSAA) providing AUS \$70,000
 - *“Compendium of Sensors and Monitors and Their Use in the Global Water Industry”* – WE&RF led GWRC research project (~\$980,000) with 8 funding partners contributing \$200,000
 - WE&RF is collaborating with the National Science Foundation (NSF) to provide \$160,000 for three new Treatment Intensification research projects with NSF providing \$845,000 in additional funds

Collaborative Research Funding Partnerships - 2017

- US DOE – \$1.5M for demo of “Genifuel” project



- WRC – First international LIFT HUB (South Africa)



- NSF – co-digestion workshop



- CA State Water Resources Control Board - \$4.5M grant for recycled water research



Additional Funding Partners:

- MetroVancouver
- Xylem
- Pentair



- GWRC and members



Global Water
Research Coalition

- WSAA (Australia)



- Singapore PUB



- Water Research Foundation



Various Research Programs

Solicited Research

- Primary program representing 60% of research budget
- Addresses high-priority, multi-year research needs identified by Subscribers

Unsolicited Research

- Represents 20% of research budget
- Seeks to fund innovative research which will significantly advance knowledge and scientific understanding that could provide fundamentally transformative results

Subscriber Priority

- Represents 15% of research budget
- Provides Subscribers and opportunity to develop projects that address the need for applied research that would benefit the broader water community

Research Partnership

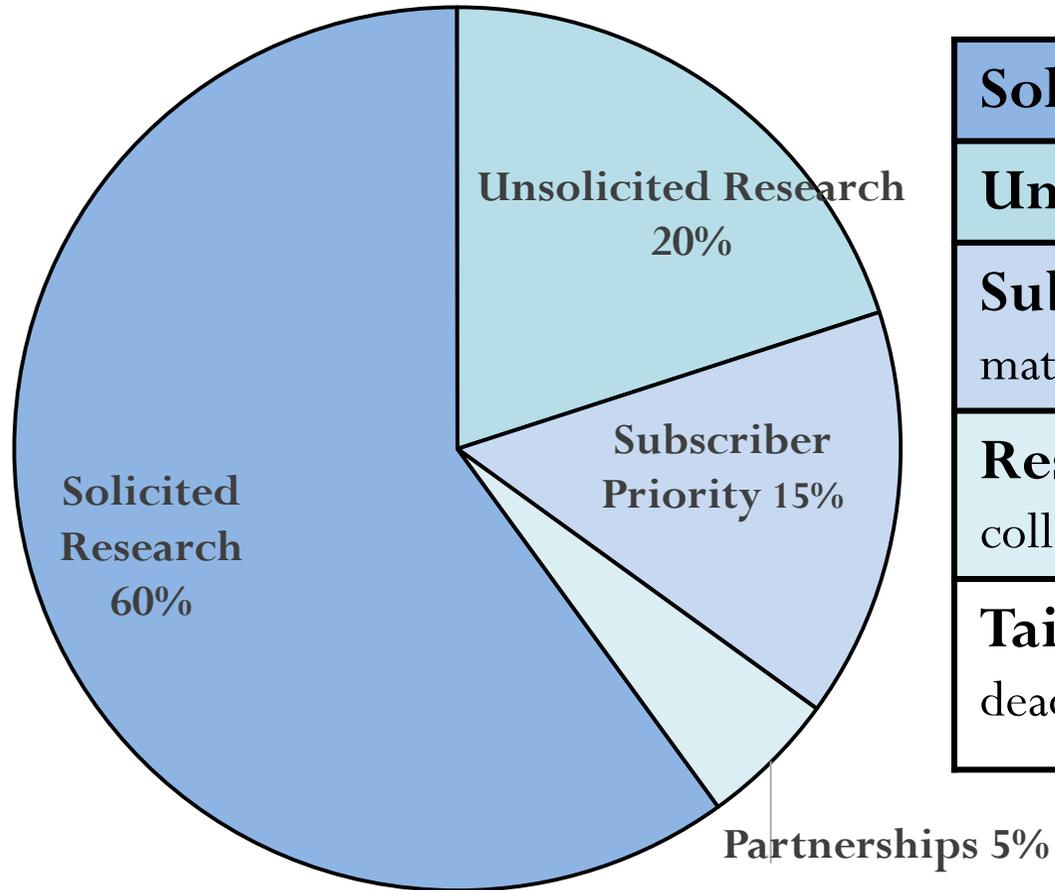
- Accounts for 5% of research budget
- Collaboration with government agencies and nonprofit organizations to conduct research on broad-based issues consistent with WE&RF research agenda

Tailored Collaborative Research (TCR)

- Does not require WE&RF financial contribution
- Leverages WE&RF research management expertise to serve Subscribers or teams of utilities with project management and guidance in raising project funding



WE&RF Research Programs and Funding



Solicited Research - specific RFPs; targeted areas

Unsolicited Research - annual RFP; any area

Subscriber Priority - annual RFP; any area; requires matching funds

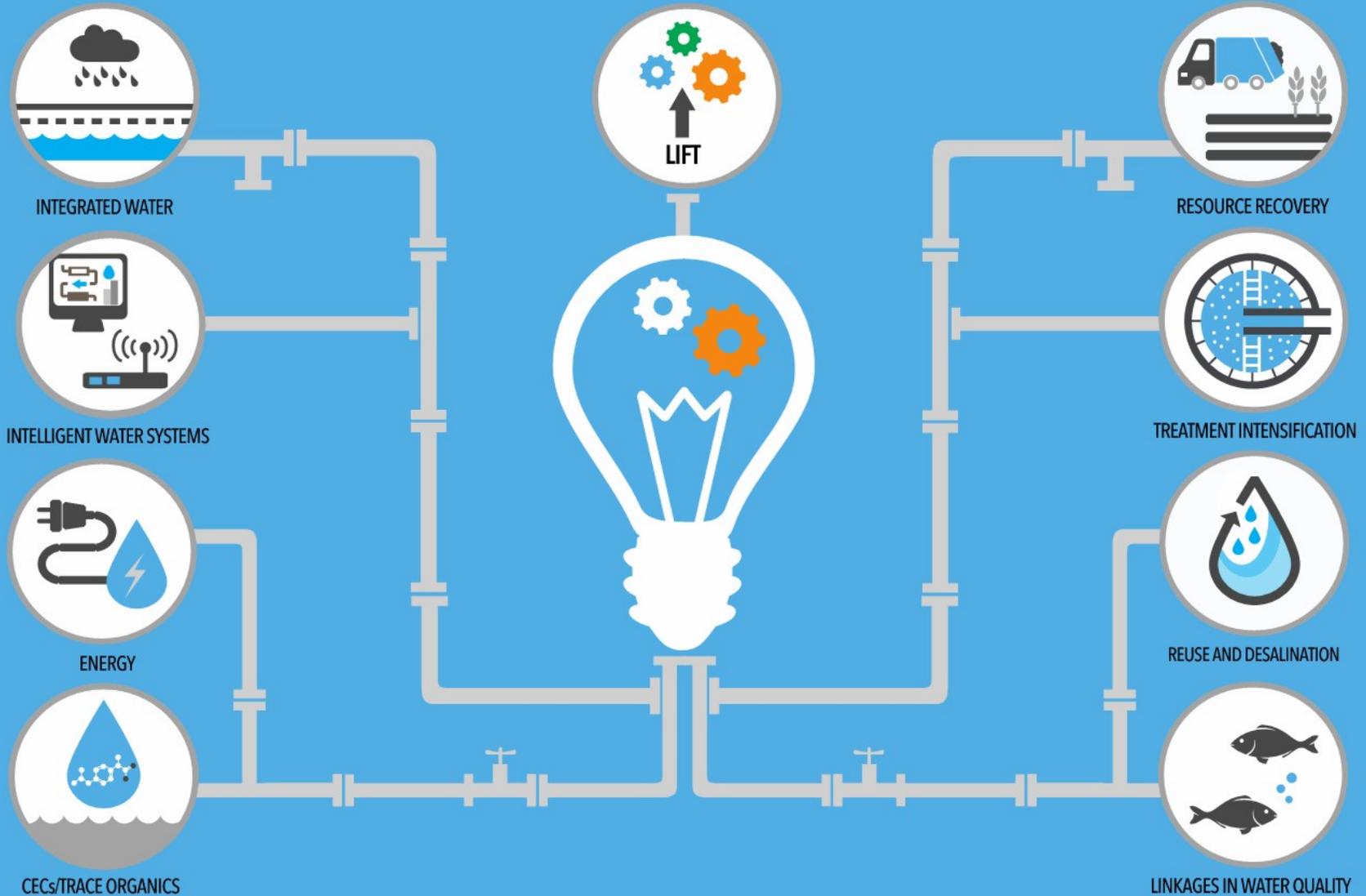
Research Partnership - board-advised fund for collaborations; rolling deadline

Tailored Collaborative - no dedicated budget; rolling deadline; WE&RF provides fundraising support and management

See all opportunities: <http://www.werf.org/a/o/Funding.aspx>

WE&RF RESEARCH PORTFOLIO

Interim portfolio (2017), may change >2018 after long-term visioning process





DONATE

Potable Reuse Research Compilation: Synthesis of

This newly published report provides an accessible resource for communities and makers interested in potable reuse, as well as a better understanding of the value challenges associated with DPR.

Visit www.werf.org/waterreuse to learn more about the latest projects.

- SEARCH OUR RESEARCH
- SIGNUP FOR RESEARCH AREAS
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- BIOSOLIDS
- CLIMATE CHANGE
- COMPOUNDS OF EMERGING CONCERN
- CONVEYANCE SYSTEMS
- DECENTRALIZED SYSTEMS
- DESALINATION
- ENERGY
- INTEGRATED WATER
- INTELLIGENT WATER MANAGEMENT
- NUTRIENTS
- OPERATIONS OPTIMIZATION

LIFT NEWS & HIGHLIGHTS

LIFT TECHNOLOGY SCAN IDENTIFIES SIXTEEN NEW TECHNOLOGIES

Sixteen new technologies will be featured in the upcoming Leaders Innovation Forum for

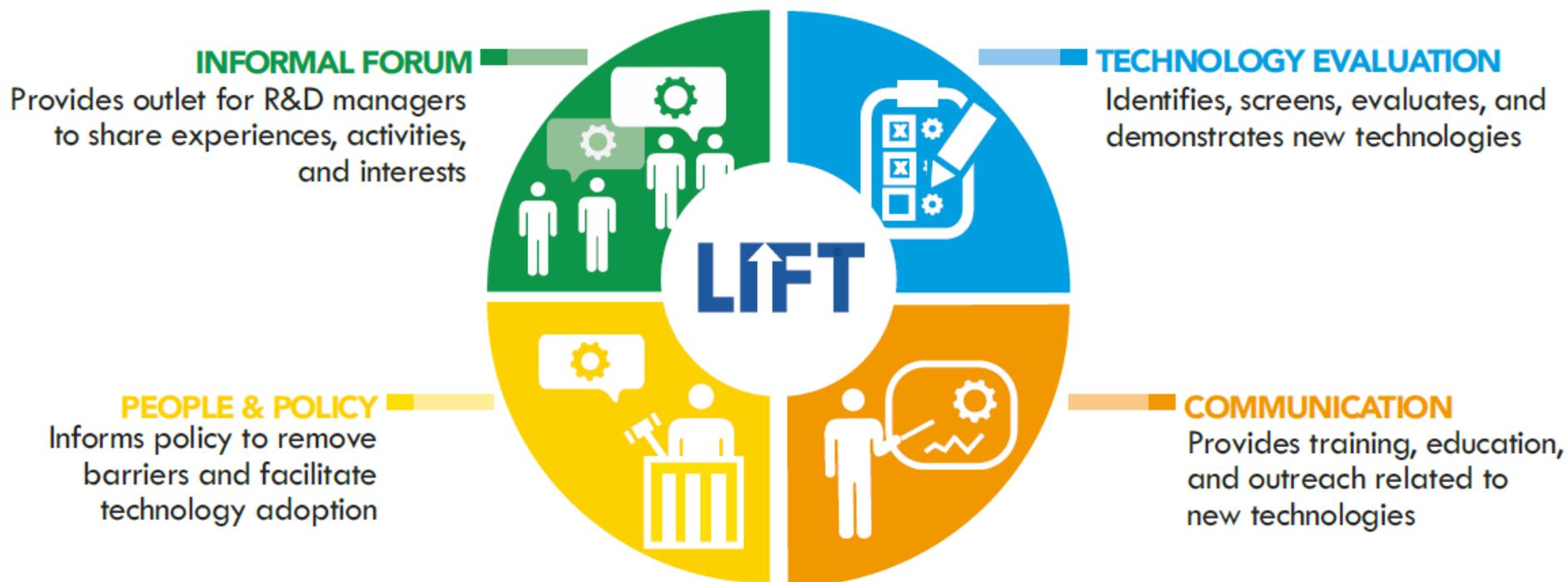
https://www.werf.org/search

What is LIFT?

WEF/WE&RF initiative to accelerate innovation and help move new water technologies into practice



LIFT'S TECHNOLOGICAL, SOCIAL, AND REGULATORY/POLICY ASPECTS



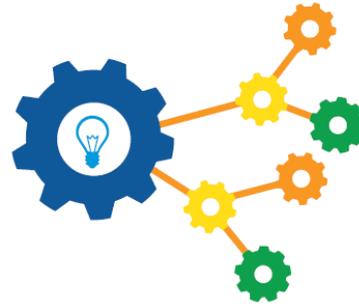
LIFT 101



Technology Survey



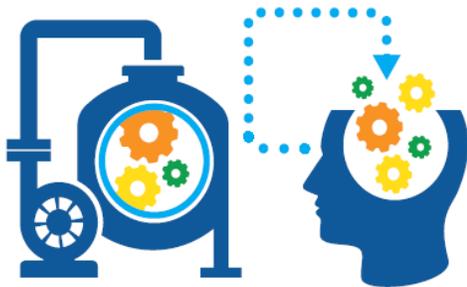
Technology Scans



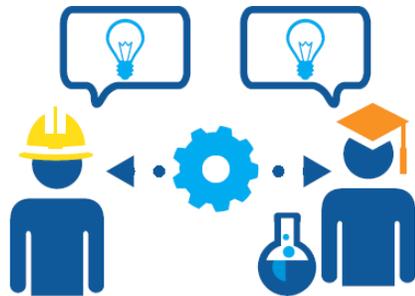
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FAST Water Network



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University-Utility
Partnership



Utility Peer Network

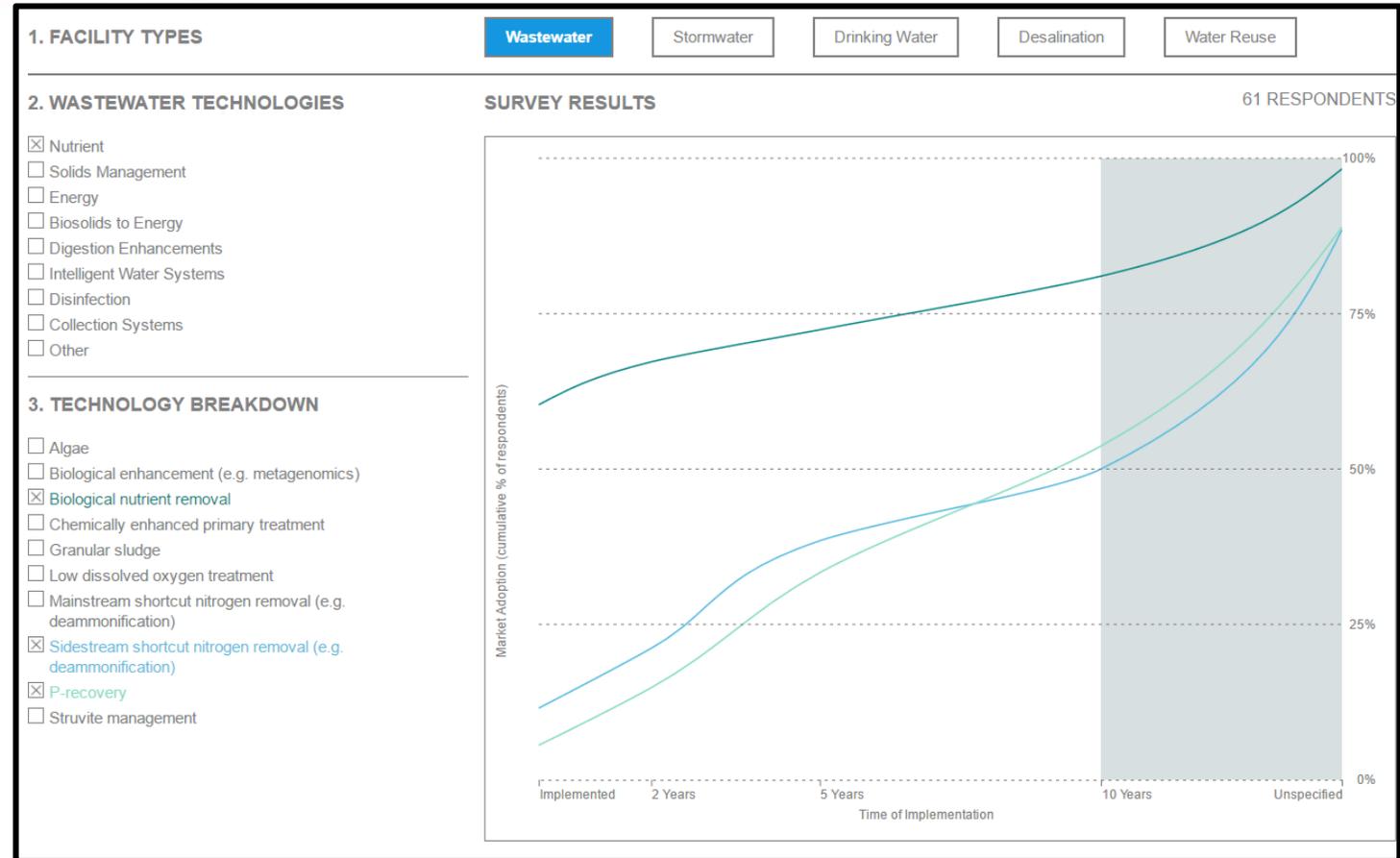
2017 Water Technology Survey



<http://www.werf.org/lift/visualizationtool>

****Just Released****

- Deeper understanding of industry direction and peer's activities
- 90 responses received to date regarding 100+ types of technology
- Survey to stay open through 2017, please invite utilities to participate



Technology Scans



LIFT[®] Technology Scans 3-Step Process



LIFT

Leaders Innovation Forum
for Technology



**111 Technologies
103 Companies**

BIOFORCETECH Corporation
CLEARWATER CONTROLS
AMERICAN WATER
PICA Pipeline Inspection and Condition Analysis (USA) Corp.
aquisense technologies
RainGrid POT-LEVEL STORMWATER UTILITIES
RENEWABLE NUTRIENTS
Emefcy
novozymes
OSTARA
PERLEMAX
Water Environment Federation the water quality people®

Anaergia
BASWOOD
PAVER GUIDE ADVANCING PERMEABLE
Geniefuel
Microvi BIOTECHNOLOGIES
Tellus Utilities
suez
Opti
PRIME SOLUTION
inCTRL SOLUTIONS
Opti
BIO MICROBICS
NuReSys
OXYMEM SMART AERATION
PARJANA & PARJANA Distribution
SCFI SMARTER ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGIES
invest-e
centrisys CENTRIFUGE SYSTEMS
BKT Water & Energy
STARBURST INNOVATION
epic cleantec
Nexom

WESTECH
Wavve REDEFINING CLEAN WATER
VEOLIA
ci agent solutions
DOOSAN
FRONGINEER
TROJAN technologies
Optimatics PLAN SMARTER
arisdyne systems
NEPTUNE DIAGNOSTICS
PASTEURIZATION TECHNOLOGY GROUP
Advanced Biological Services Environmental Pollution Prevention and Control
AYYEKA
eVOQUA WATER TECHNOLOGIES
algae systems
HACH
UCONN UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

Optimatics
Saltworks
Optimatics
ROYAL HASKONING DHV Enhancing Society Together
NXP ENERGY
OVIVO
cnpi
HACH
UCONN UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT
IN-PIPE TECHNOLOGY
ElectroCell Technologies
HAZEN AND SAWYER Environmental Engineers & Scientists
TerraSolve, LLC
C&B EQUIPMENT
SCHREIBER Pure Ingenuity
PAQUES
FORWARD WATER TECHNOLOGIES
InfoSense, Inc Innovating Acoustic Inspection Technology®
atomes
BLUEWATER BIO
emnet
MANGO MATERIALS
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BIOGILL
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WATER ENVIRONMENT & REUSE FOUNDATION
WERF &

2017 LIFT Scan Webinar Series



<http://www.werf.org/lift/techscanpresentations>

Topic	Technologies	Date
Early-Stage Technologies	Milli-electrode Array, PaverGuide, Cold Plasma, SAF-MBR	October 10 th

Other topics include: Water Reuse/Disinfection, Intelligent Water Systems, P-Recovery, Nutrients, Collection Systems, Odor Control, and Decentralized Systems

LIFTLink



Discover
Collaborate
Connect

A screenshot of the LIFTLink website homepage. The background is a photograph of a large industrial water treatment facility with multiple long, parallel channels. The website header is dark blue with the 'LIFT Link' logo and tagline 'Discover, Connect, Collaborate' on the left. On the right, there are links for 'ABOUT' and 'LOGIN' along with an email icon. A prominent orange box with a black border contains the URL <http://liftlink.werf.org>. The main content area features a large blue gear icon with a magnifying glass inside, followed by the word 'DISCOVER' in white. Below this, there are four links: 'Research & Technology Needs', 'Topical Experts & Solutions', 'New Technologies', and 'Pilot & Demonstration Sites & Data'. At the bottom of the screenshot, there is a section titled 'Most Followed' with the subtitle 'Check out the most followed innovative technologies:' and four small thumbnail images representing different water treatment technologies.

Discover Innovation



Discover Technologies

Discover Technologies

Discover

- Technologies
- People
- Needs

GO

Sort By

- Most Recent
- Most Followed
- Most Comments
- Company Name
- Technology Name

Categories

- All
- Biosolids to Energy
- Biosolids Upgrading
- Brine Concentrate Management
- Carbon Diversion
- Collection Systems
- Decentralized Systems
- Decision Support Tools
- Desalination
- Digestion
- Direct Potable Reuse
- Disinfection
- Energy Conservation

NEW



ENERGY CONSERVATION, DIGESTION, FERMENTATION

Microbubbles generated by fluidic oscillation

Perlemax Ltd

In combination with a standard diffuser, the fluidic oscillator is capable of generating ...

[FOLLOW 0](#) [COMMENTS 0](#)

NEW



INTELLIGENT WATER SYSTEMS, SENSORS, DECISION SUPPORT TOOLS

Monitoring & Control Platform (M&CP)

inCTRL Solutions Inc.

inCTRL's Monitoring & Control Platform uses a unique suite of tools to i) guide operators ...

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NEW



INTELLIGENT WATER SYSTEMS, STORMWATER BMPs

Continuous Monitoring and Adaptive Control (CMAC)

OptiRTC, Inc.

Opti's CMAC technology uniquely combines sensor data, weather forecasts, and proprietary ...

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NEW



DESALINATION, WATER REUSE, ENERGY CONSERVATION

Commercial Forward Osmosis

Forward Water Technologies

PWT is developing a low cost forward osmosis technology for the treatment of industrial ...

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NEW



NUTRIENT OR P3 REMOVAL, ENERGY CONSERVATION, ENERGY PRODUCTION

AvN

World Water Works, Inc.

A low energy, controlled approach to maintaining high Ammonia Oxidizing Bacteria ...

[FOLLOW 1](#) [COMMENTS 0](#)

NEW



COLLECTION SYSTEMS

HYDRAPULSE

Tellus Utilities

HydraPulse is an innovative passive gate installed in sewer manholes upstream of ...

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Discover Needs

Discover Needs

NEW NEED

NEW CATEGORY

Discover

- Technologies
- People
- Needs

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Disinfection : Alternative disinfectant

Last Comment: 2017-03-13 02:27 Posted on: 2016-09-23 01:37

We are interested in testing new disinfection technologies to eliminate sodium hypochlorite. We recently finished a side-stream pilot study to evaluate peracetic acid. We will be very interested in testing other advanced and environmental friendly technologies at our resource recovery (wastewater) plants.

Posted by: Achal Garg Organization: City of Cincinnati Total Comments: 1 [NEW COMMENT](#)

Total Followers: 6 [FOLLOW](#) Users with this Need: 2 [I HAVE THE SAME NEED](#)

Comment by: Shriresh Gollhar | 13-Mar-2017 Organization: Dallas Water Utilities

[REPLY](#)

Hello Achal, I am not sure if you have come across the "eBeam" technology. Dr. Suresh Pillai from Texas A&M is working on it for past few years. The technology has not yet commercialized for wastewater yet but has potential to safely disinfect and possibly reduce endocrine disruptors as well.

Other : Use of electrocoagulation for removal of dispersed solids in effluents

Posted on: 2016-12-12 05:04

Electrocoagulation has been mainly used in the treatment of industrial wastewater. Has electrocoagulation been used for the removal of dispersed solids in wastewater effluents and process streams? It is believed that the in-situ formation of the coagulating species results in lower volume sludge. Any case studies on the use and performance of this technology would be appreciated.

Posted by: Heriberto Bustamante Organization: Sydney Water Corporation (WSAA) Total Comments: 0 [NEW COMMENT](#)

Total Followers: 2 [FOLLOW](#) Users with this Need: 1 [I HAVE THE SAME NEED](#)

Collection Systems : Use of calcium aluminate cement to repair and protect concrete gravity sewers against corrosion

Posted on: 2016-12-12 04:52

FAST Water National Test Bed Network

- Steering Committee

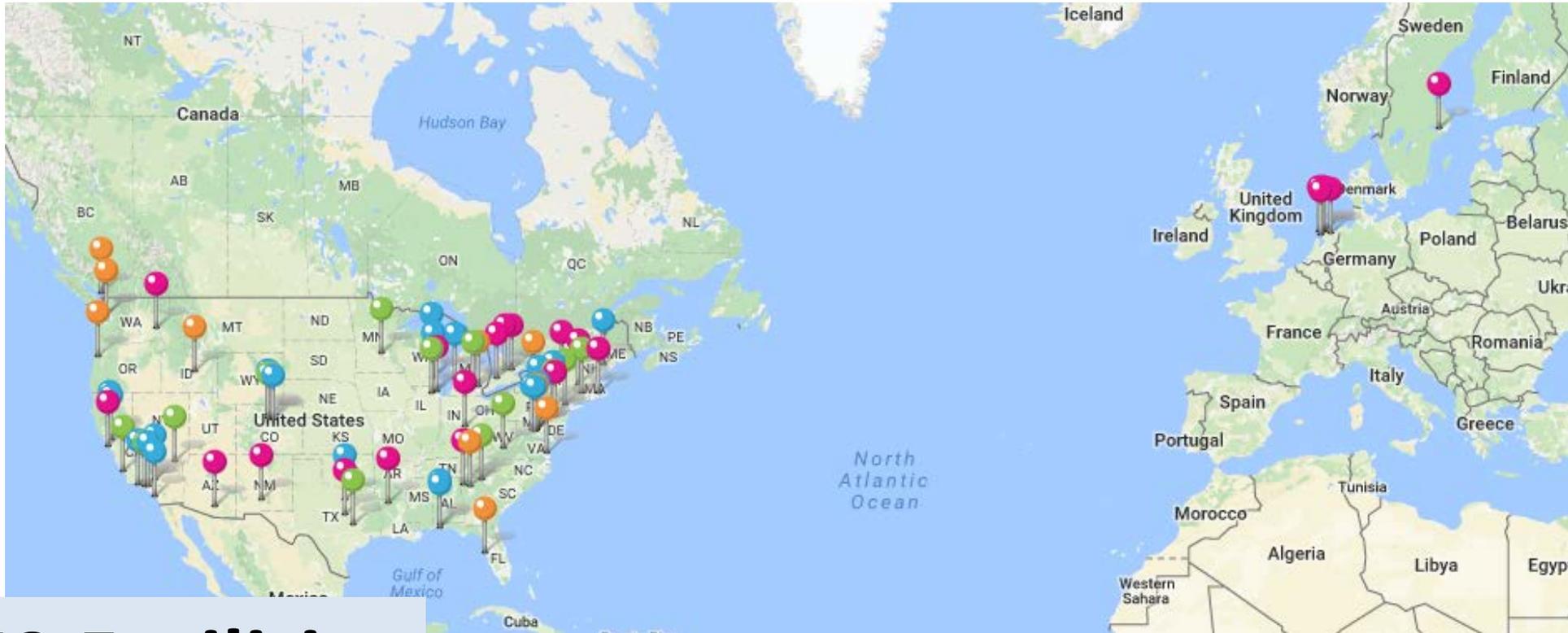
www.werf.org/testbednetwork



- Planning Partners



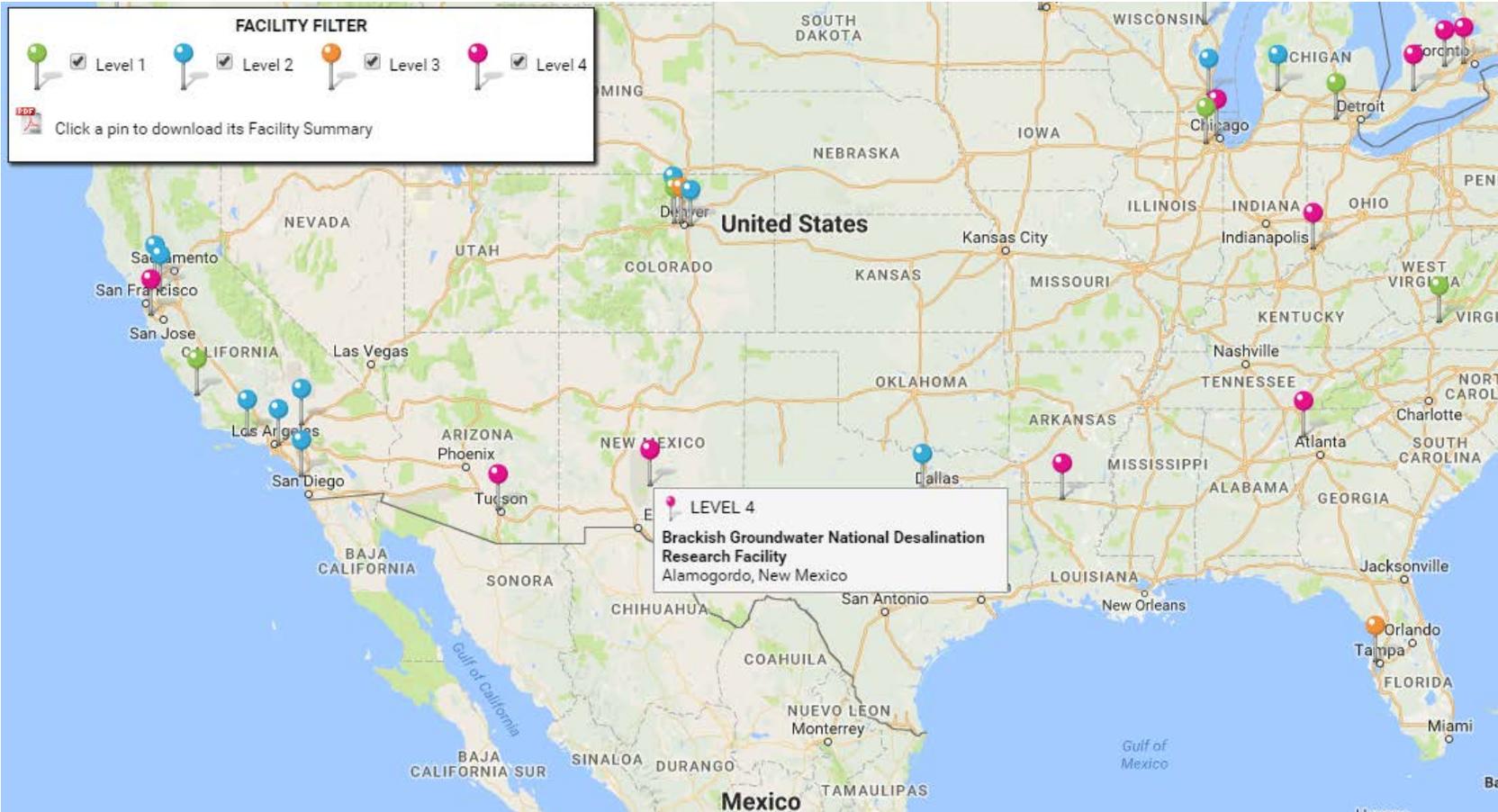
FAST Water Directory



- Level 1
- Level 2
- Level 3
- Level 4

70 Facilities

Facility Details

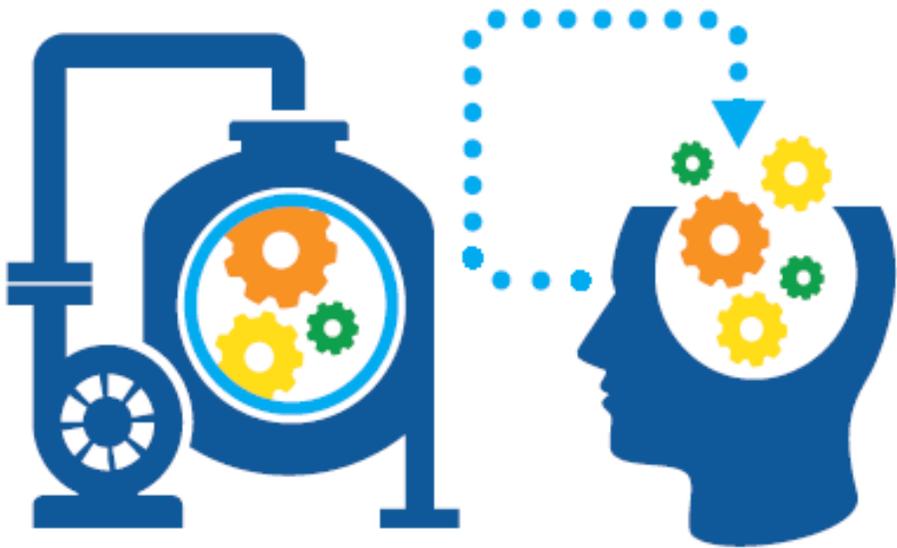


Brackish Groundwater National Desalination Research Facility

Bureau of Reclamation

Type of Facility	Level 4: A staffed facility dedicated solely to R&D/piloting of new technologies (can be housed at a functioning WRRF)
Facility Contact	Randy Shaw, PE Facility Manager (575) 443-6553 rshaw@usbr.gov http://www.usbr.gov/research/AWT/BGNDRF/index.html
Facility Address	500 LaVelle Road Alamogordo, NM 88310 United States
Facility Partners	
Description of Test Facility	The Brackish Groundwater National Desalination Research Facility (BGNDRF) is a 43 acre complex comprised of a central research building, outdoor test pads, 5-acre agricultural research area, renewable energy test areas and 4 brackish water wells including a storage and source water delivery system. Research, development and demonstration work are conducted by a variety of organizations including universities, private sector companies, entrepreneurs, and government agencies. Facility use fees are being waived through September 2017.
	The BGNDRF staff operate and maintain the facility. The Water Treatment Group in the Denver Reclamation office provide desalination technical assistance upon request. The

LIFT SEE IT



- Scholarship Exchange Experience for Innovation and Technology
- WE&RF, NACWA, WEF Partnership
- \$30,000 in Travel Scholarship Funds
- 11 Utilities Awarded in 2017
- 2018 Program Open: Apply by Dec 15

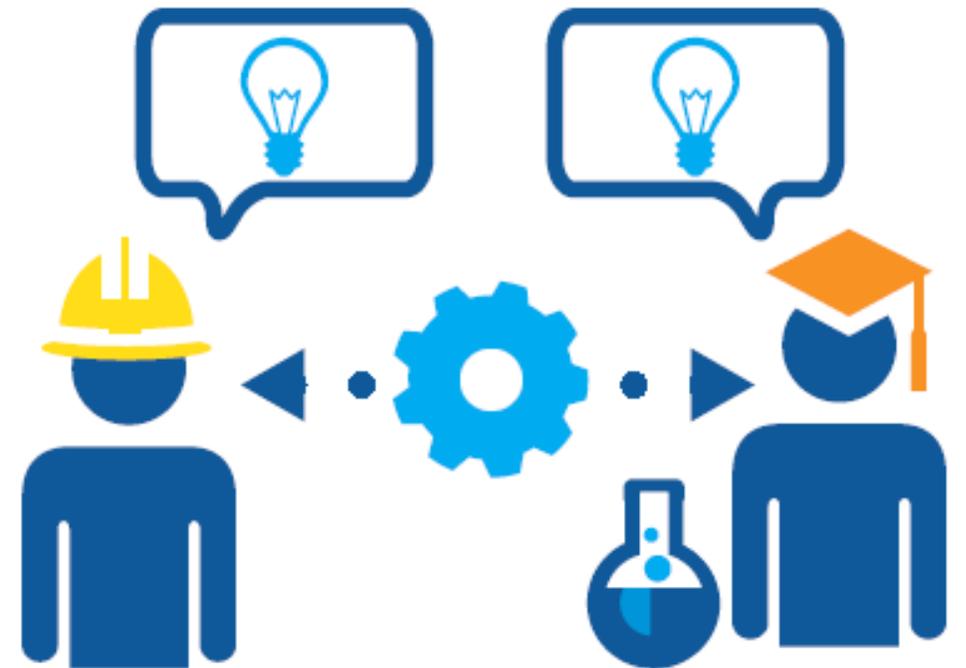
University-Utility Partnerships Program

Benefits:

- Practical Experience for Students
- Low-Cost, Targeted R&D for Utilities
- Patent Opportunities
- Workforce Training, Talent Identification

Activities:

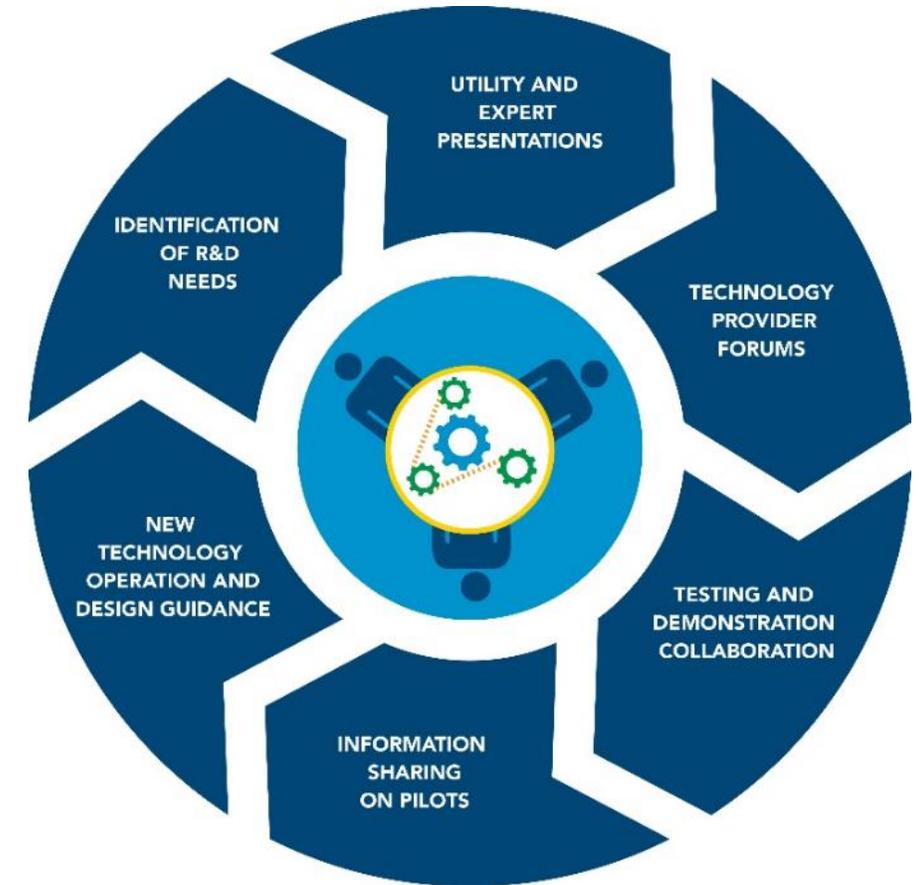
- How-To Guidance Manual
- Case Studies
- Workshops / Web Meetings
- Matchmaking



Utility Peer Innovation Network



- Utility Working Group and Focus Groups
 - Over 400 utility & industry participants
- Web & In-Person Meetings
- Activities:
 - Peer Information Exchange
 - Expert Presentations on Technologies
 - State of the Art Technology Guidance Documents
 - Collaborative Demonstration Projects



Utility Technology Focus Groups



1 Biological Nutrient Removal

2 P-Recovery

3 Digestion Enhancements

4 Biosolids to Energy

5 Energy from Wastewater

6 Collection Systems

7 Green Infrastructure

8 Small Facilities

9 Odor Control

10 Disinfection

11 Water Reuse

12 Intelligent Water Systems



← New in 2017

Collaborations for R&D&D



Utilities

Universities

Consultants

NGOs

Others

Federal
Agencies

Financers

Technology
Providers



Example Collaboration – Hydrothermal Processing Technology



Phase 0- \$230k

- proof-of-concept at PNNL
- 10 utilities

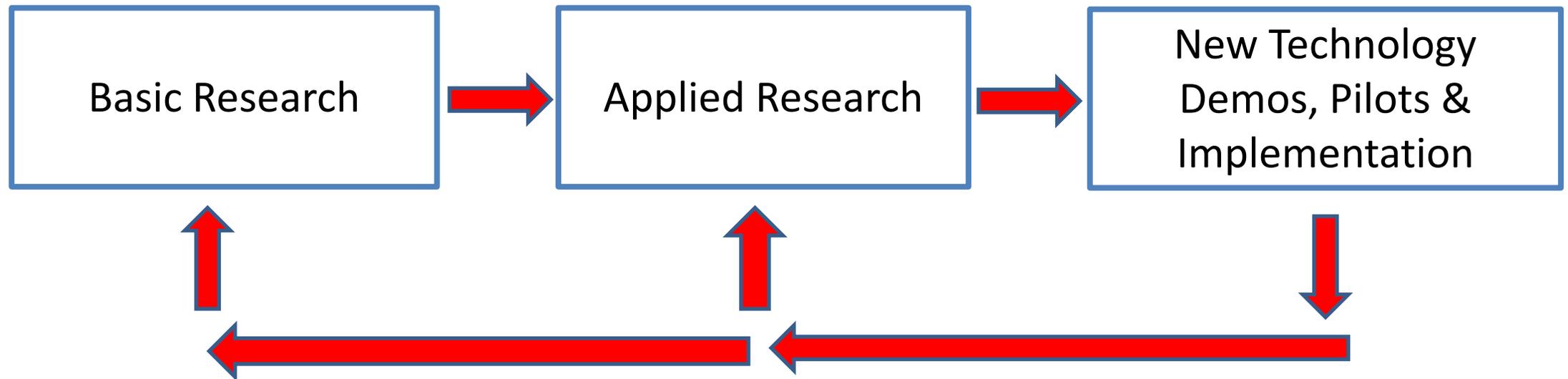
Phase 1- \$2.5M (50/50 DOE cost-share)

- validation, planning, and FEED (front-end engineering and design)
- 18 utilities, 1 refinery, 1 utility

Phase 2 (planned)- \$15M (50/50 DOE cost-share)

- construction and piloting of a 3 dry ton/day facility at Central Contra Costa (CA)

Integration of WE&RF Research & Innovation Programs



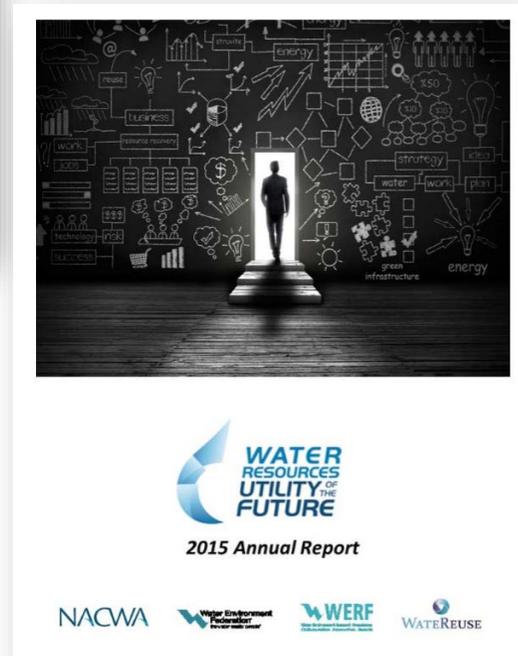
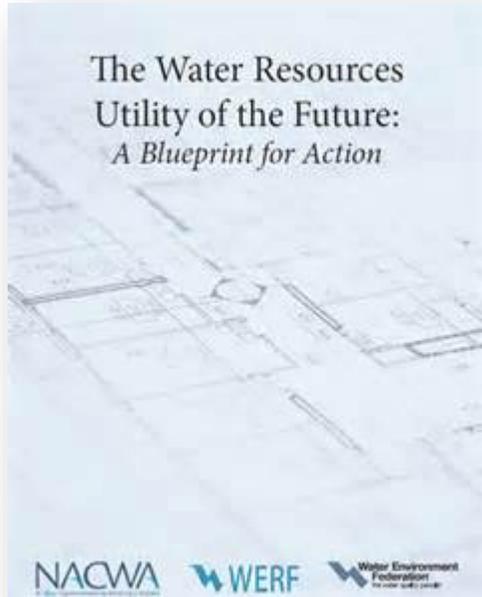
LIFT Hubs and Affiliates



- Facilitate an international network for new technology identification, demonstration, and deployment.
- Advance innovative technology in their region.
- Benefit from LIFT resources, tools, and global cooperation.



“Utility of the Future”



PAST

collect wastewater, move it quickly downstream, treat it to acceptable standards, and dispose of waste without harming the environment

FUTURE

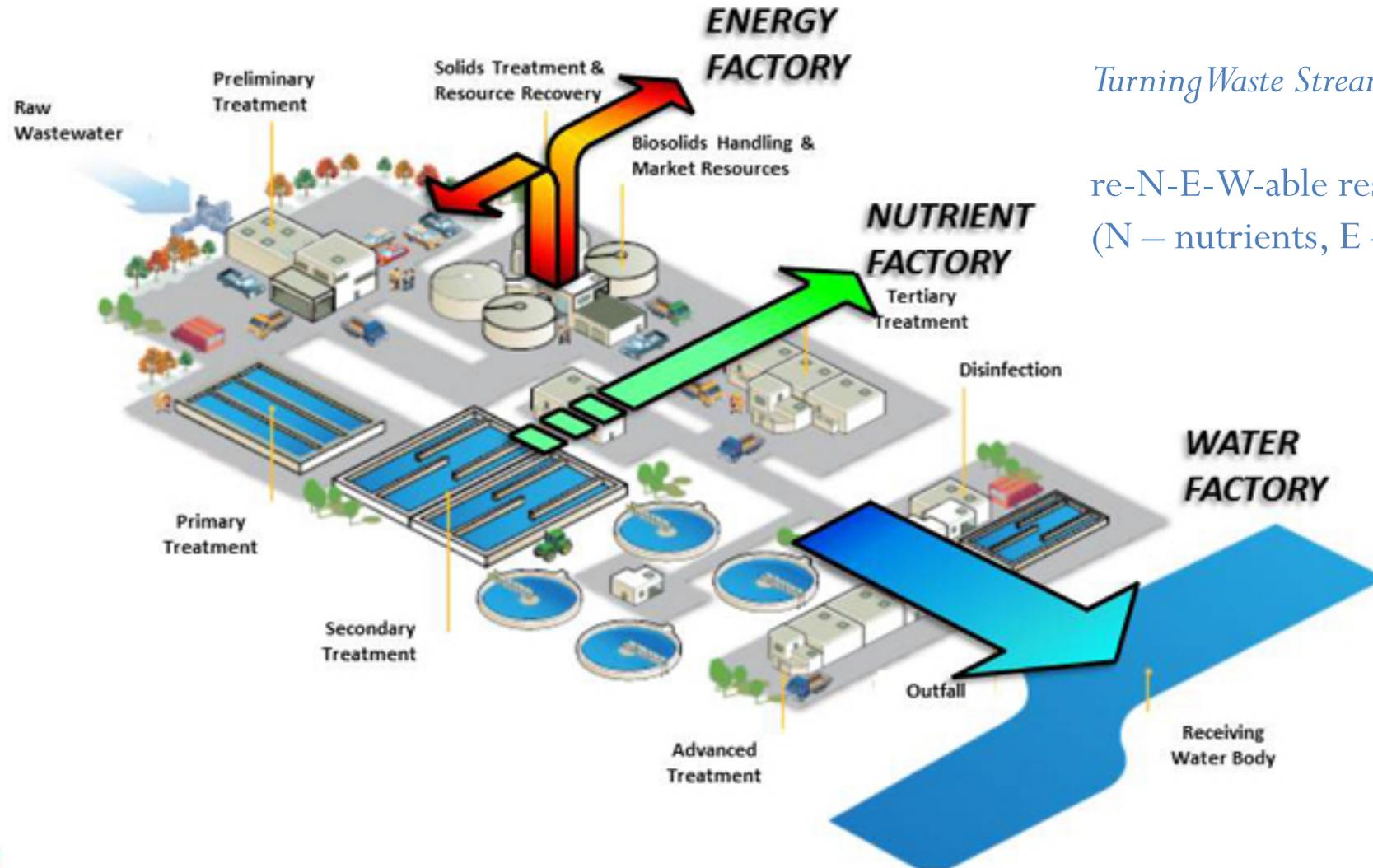
manage resources to generate value for the utility and its customers, improve environmental quality with the least cost to the community, and contribute to the local economy

The Utility of the Future: Recovering Resources

WRRF – Water Resource Recovery Facility

Turning Waste Streams to Value Streams

re-N-E-W-able resource extraction
(N – nutrients, E – energy, W – water)

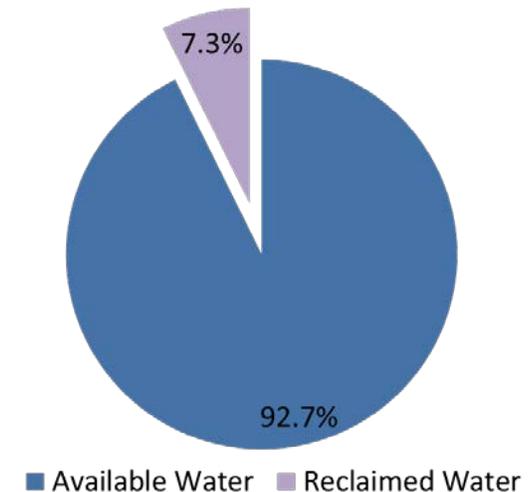


Resource Recovery – Water Reuse: Global Progress

- Israel reuses over 70% of its wastewater
- Singapore reuses 30% with plans to double that by end of 2060
- Australia reuses 8%, has a national goal of 30%
- U.S. reuses about 7% and growing
 - Agriculture
 - Business and Industry
 - Community
 - Drinking – Indirect and Direct Potable Reuse



About 33 BGD Municipal Effluent



Global Water Connections Map

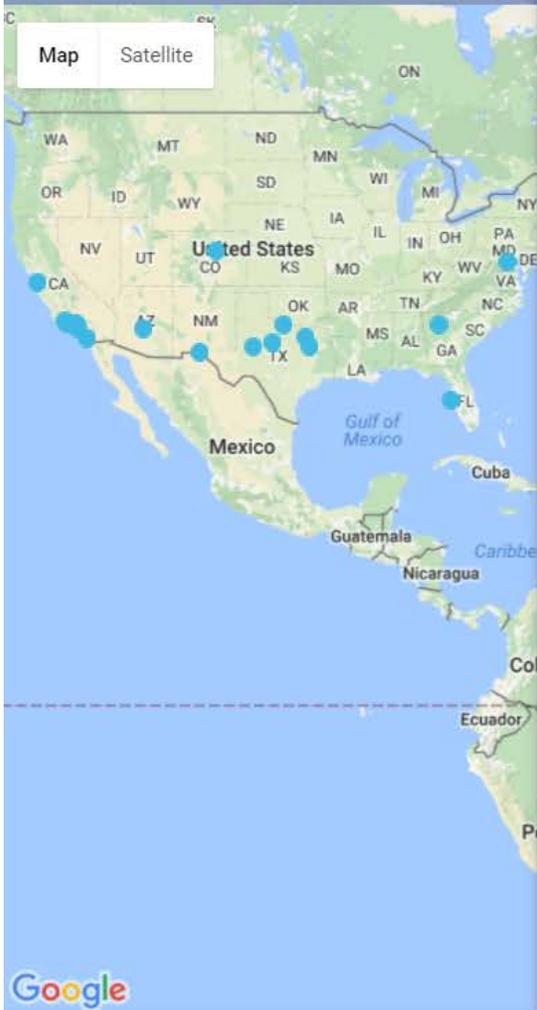
What is Water360?

Water360 is a digital repository which provides water professionals with access to hundreds of digital community education and customer engagement items. Videos, animations, guides and interactive maps can be accessed for presentations, websites, displays, e-learning, workshops, forums, and social media.

Water360 has been developed by the Australian government, and the water industry partners in Australia and the United States.

Start your Water360 journey by exploring some innovative water supply and purification projects around the world.

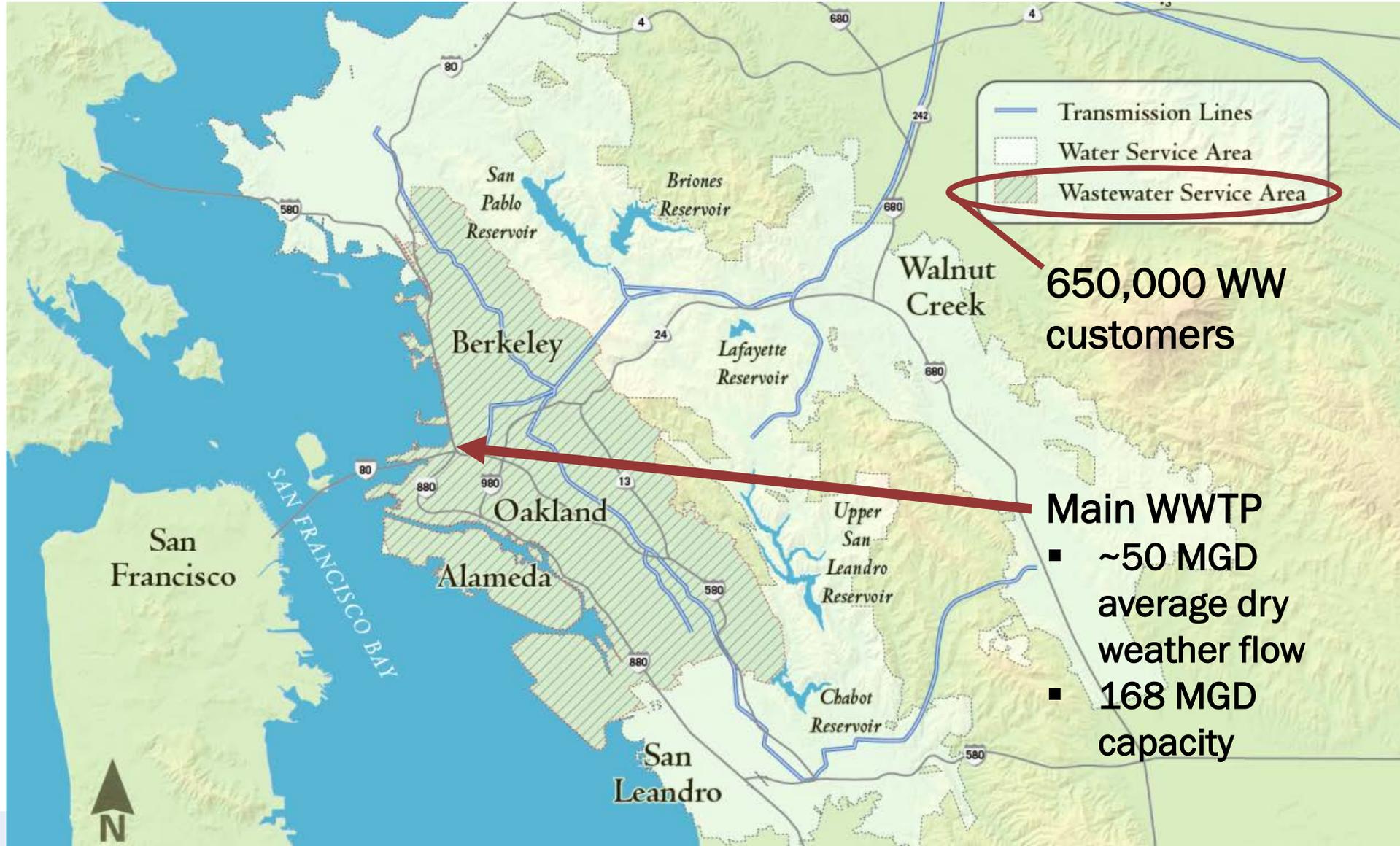
EXPLORE



Resource Recovery – Kobe, Japan – CNG Fleet



EBMUD Background Service Area



EBMUD Background

Excess Digestion Capacity

- 11 in-service anaerobic digesters (1.8 MG each)
- Canneries facility was designed to serve: 20
- Remaining canneries: 0



R2 Program Overview

Trucked Waste

- Began accepting trucked waste in 2002
- 4,000 trucks/month
- 20 million gallons/month non-hazardous liquids
- Trucked wastes received 24-7, 365 days/year

2002 ● Septage Receiving \$1M



2004 ● Solid-Liquid Receiving \$7M



2014 ● Blend Tank Receiving \$13M



R2 Program Overview

Renewable Energy Generation

- Savings of \sim \$2M on plant power costs
- Electricity export revenue of \sim \$1M/year
- First wastewater treatment plant in N. America to produce more electricity than plant demand

1985 ● Three
2.2 MW
engines



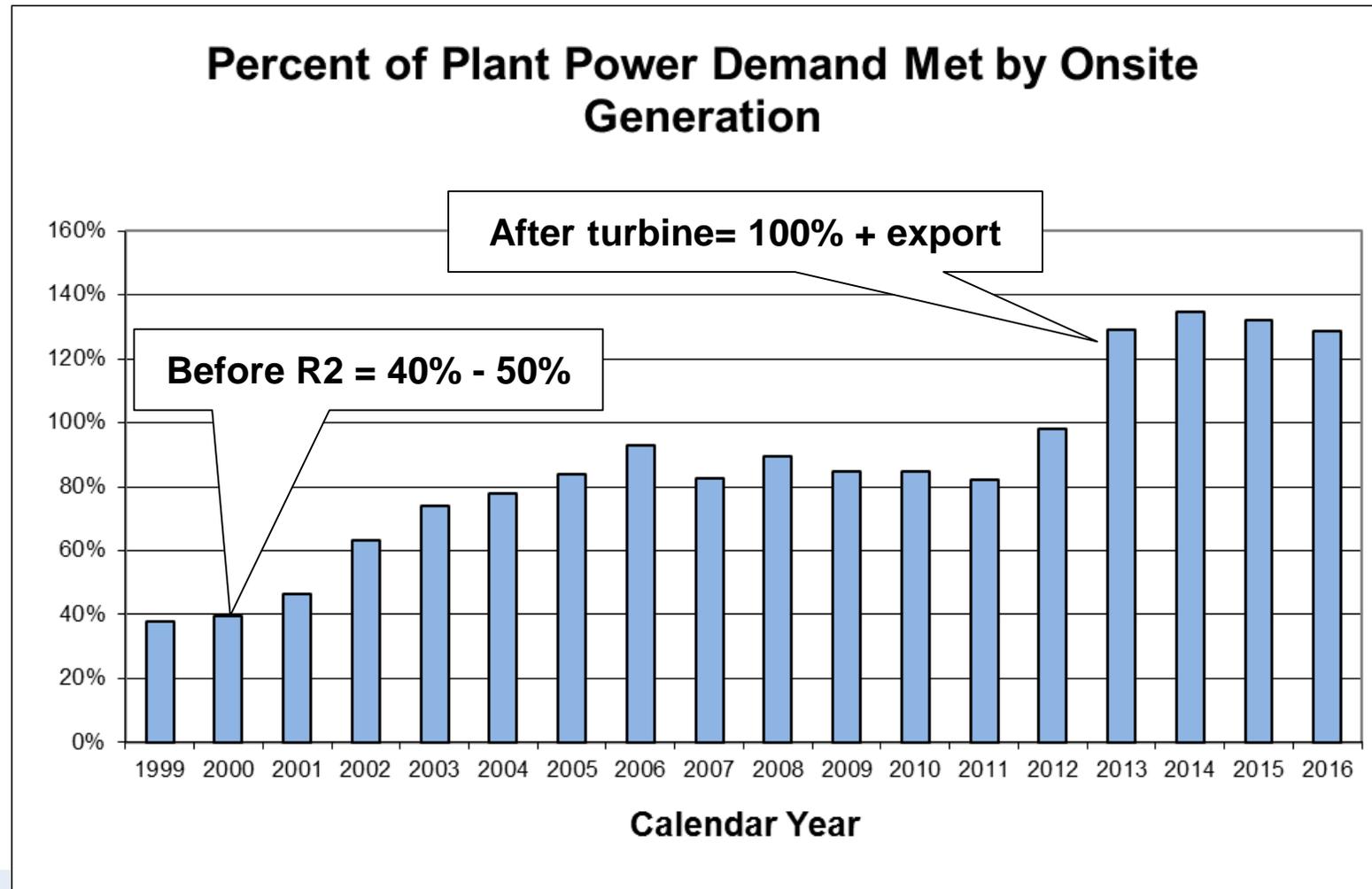
2013 ● 4.5 MW
Turbine
\$13M



R2 Program Overview

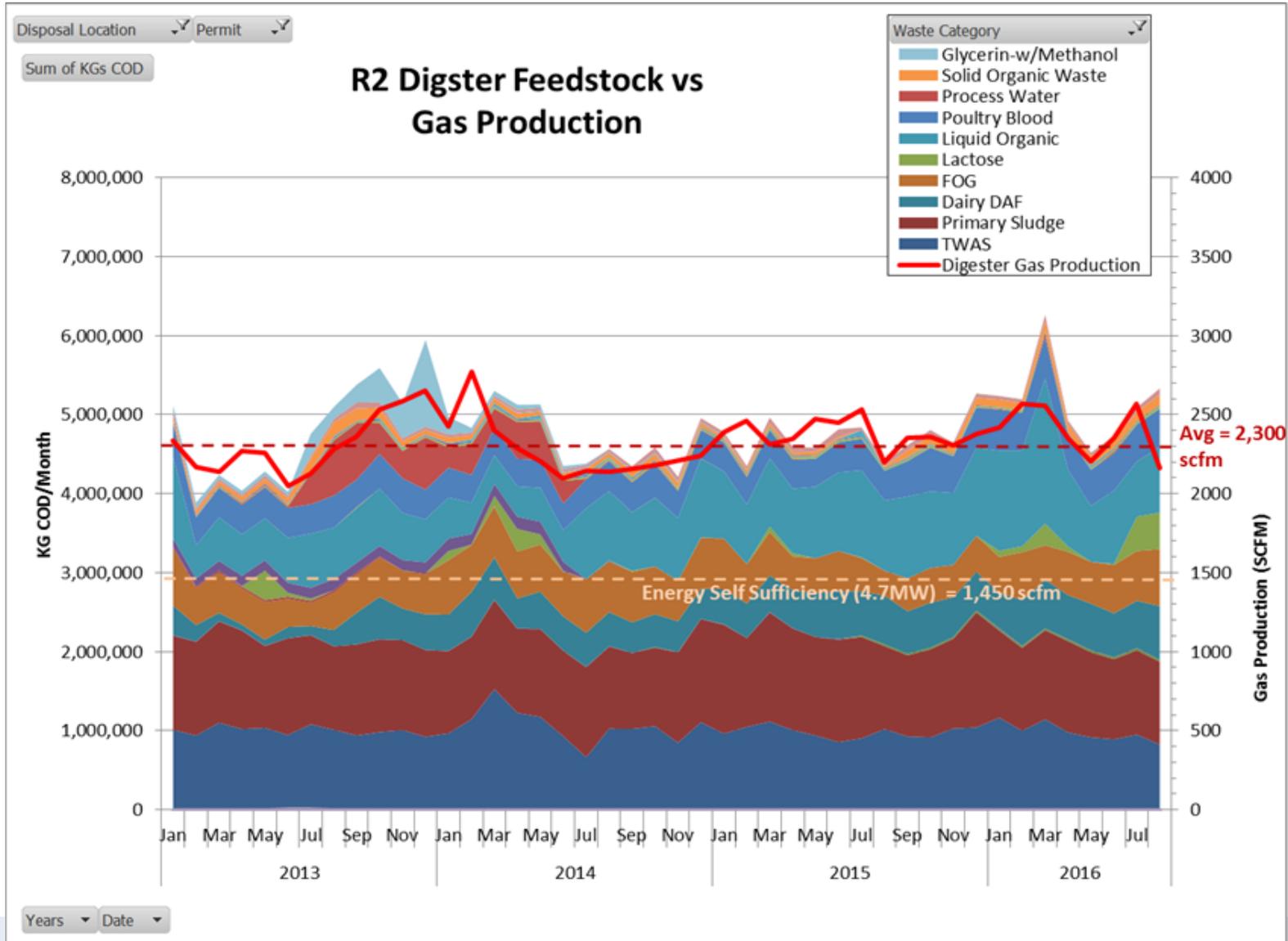
Renewable Energy Generation

% of WWTP demand met by onsite generation



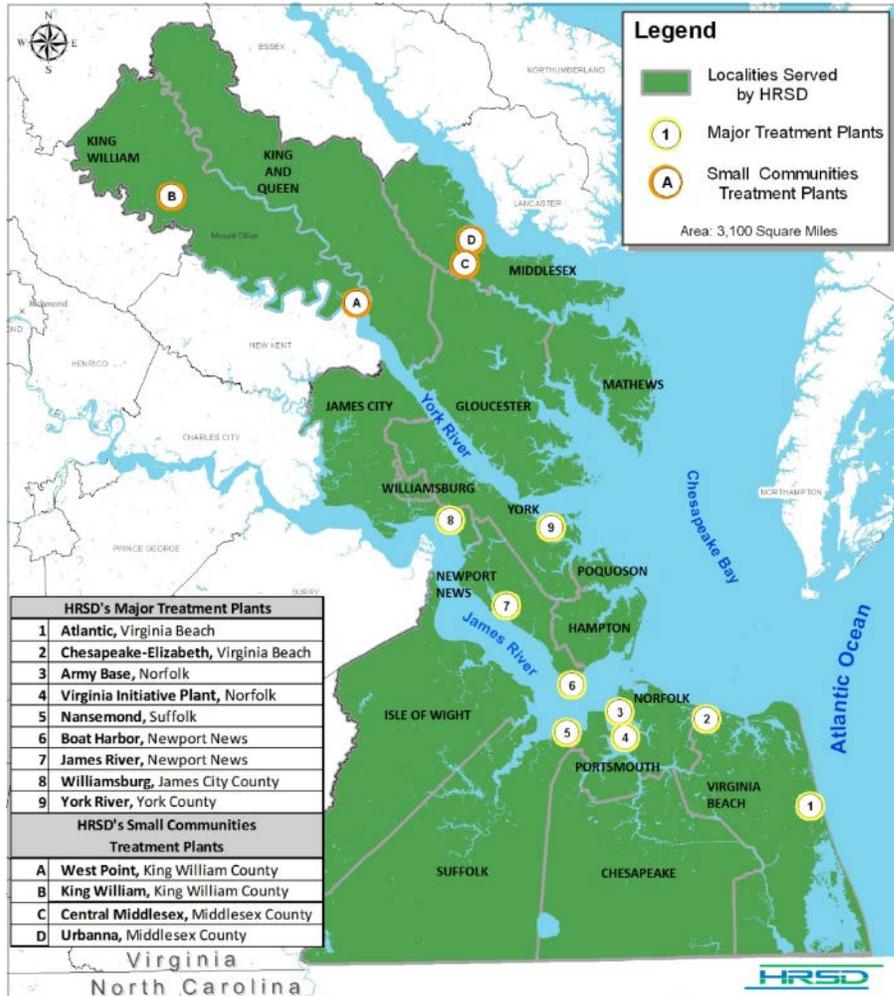
Biogas Production

High Strength Waste Contribution



~2/3 of biogas from R2 wastes

Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD), VA Treatment Plants



Atlantic (54 mgd)

Virginia Initiative Plant (40 mgd)

Nansemond (30 mgd)

Boat Harbor (25 mgd)

Army Base (18 mgd)

Chesapeake Elizabeth (24 mgd)

Williamsburg (22.5 mgd)

James River (20 mgd)

York River (15 mgd)

West Point (.6 mgd)

Central Middlesex (.025 mgd)

Urbanna (.1 mgd)

King William (.05 mgd)

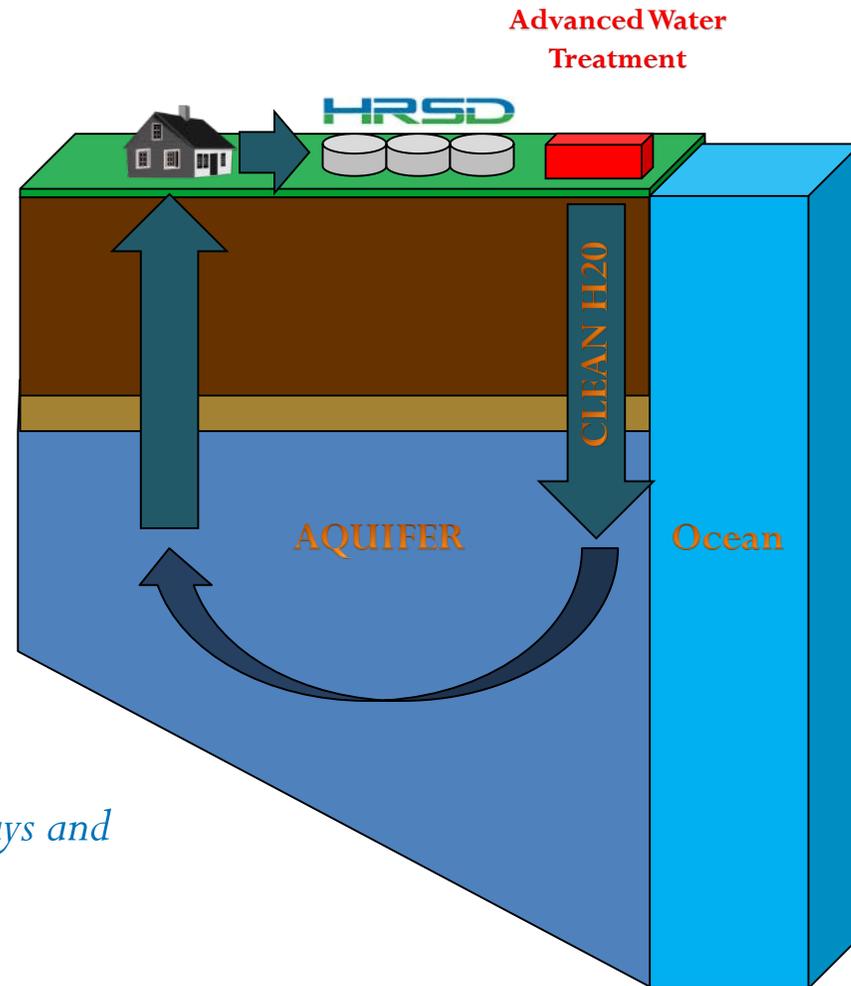
Water Issues Challenging Virginia and Hampton Roads

- Restoration of the Chesapeake Bay
 - Harmful Algal Blooms
 - Localized bacteria impairments
 - Urban stormwater retrofits (cost and complexity)
- Adaptation to sea level rise
 - Recurrent flooding
- Depletion of groundwater resources
 - Including protection from saltwater contamination
- Wet weather sewer overflows
 - Compliance with Federal enforcement action



- Treat water to meet drinking water standards and replenish the aquifer with clean water to:
 - Provide regulatory stability for wastewater treatment
 - Reduce nutrient discharges to the Bay
 - Reduce the rate of land subsidence
 - Provide a sustainable supply of groundwater
 - Protect the groundwater from saltwater contamination

*Future generations will inherit clean waterways and
be able to keep them clean.*





UP TO \$148
 BUYER'S GUIDE

Can your sinks and toilets fight sea-level rise?

Virginia GOP asks state to cancel "loyalty oath"

Can your sinks and toilets fight sea-level rise? In a coastal area where sea level rise is a real concern, one solution is to pump treated wastewater back in.

HRSD doesn't want to waste wastewater
 By Dave Mayfield
 The Virginian-Pilot

SEAFOED
 Ted Henifin crouched next to a floor drain at the Hampton Roads Sanitation District's York County treatment plant. Into his palm ran a soft stream of clear water — clean enough, probably, to drink. But the lab results aren't back to confirm that. So, Henifin will hold off before he sips these days. He has dived into a project to prove that HRSD can turn what Hampton Roads flushes down

recycled
 The sanitation district wants to launch a \$1 billion, decade-long project that would refill the region's aquifers with treated wastewater.

See WASTE, PAGE 10

Daily Press
 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2008

GROUNDWATER DRAIN: A BIG-DOLLAR DILEMMA

Groundwater water level decreases from 1990 to 2008

Peninsula cities in economic doldrums

Facing sluggish job growth, defense cuts, region faces poorly in national rankings

By J. EDGAR O'NEAL



NO WASTING WATER

Following the lead of other regions, local plant tries treating wastewater

By Dave Beem
 dbeem@dailypress.com

SEAFORD — With a sip of specially treated wastewater, Hampton Roads Sanitation District general manager Ted Henifin put his mouth where his money is — what could be a \$1 billion effort to replenish eastern Virginia's rapidly shrinking pool of groundwater.

A pilot program at the agency's York River Treatment Plant shows it is possible to clean the water Hampton Roads residents flush out of their homes and businesses so that it is safe to drink, he told a

gathering of state and local officials. Not that he expects anyone will be drinking it any time soon. The plan is to eventually inject 200 million gallons a day of treated water deep underground to begin replenishing the wedges of waterlogged sand tapped by wells that serve hundreds of thousands of people and businesses.

They're currently drawing about 300 million gallons a day from these wells, resulting in groundwater levels in parts of eastern Virginia dropping 200 feet over the past century.

See WATER, PAGE 8

Sip shape

Hampton Roads Sanitation District's treated sewage water tastes great, say officials, and could shore up the area's sea level rise and bay cleanup issues

By Dave Mayfield
 The Virginian-Pilot

YORK COUNTY
 Earlier this year, as the Hampton Roads Sanitation District ramped up plans to make its wastewater clean enough to drink, general manager Ted Henifin vowed he'd take the first gulp.

On Thursday at the HRSD's York County treatment plant, Henifin made good on the promise, leading dozens of employees and invited guests in downing glasses of water that came from a sewer and toilets.

"Great!" he proclaimed after his first sip. "Ahhh." To Henifin, it was no mere stunt. It was an early demonstration of the potential for an ambitious initiative to turn what goes down Hampton Roads'

See HRSD, BACK PAGE



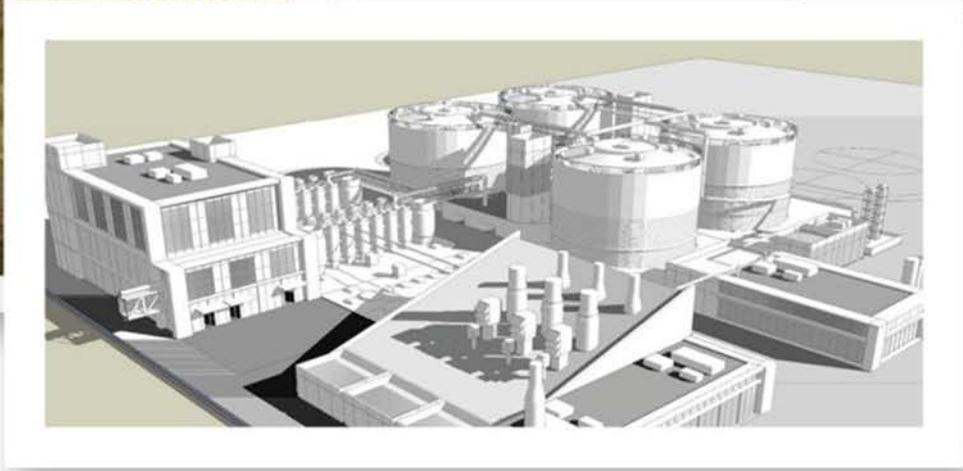
Ted Henifin, Hampton Roads Sanitation District general manager, vowed to take the first gulp of HRSD's treated wastewater. He made good on his promise Thursday.

Resource Recovery Reinventing Biosolids

at DC Water



**DC's Blue Plains
AWF Biosolids
Facility**



NUTRIENTS and CARBON RECYCLING

FARMING



Provides carbon and nutrients valued at \$100.00 per acre.

SILVICULTURE



Increases yield and improves understorey.



used for fuel.

RECLAMATION



Restoring rivers to their natural state and providing wildlife habitat.

URBAN RESTORATION



Grow trees and reduce runoff.



BLUE PLAINS ADVANCED WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT: A RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY

water • nutrients • carbon • energy



BLUE PLAINS SERVICE AREA
DC Water receives and treats wastewater collected from the District of Columbia sewer system and from the Maryland and Virginia suburbs. On an average day, more than 130 million gallons of raw sewage flow into the Blue Plains Advanced Wastewater Treatment Plant from area jurisdictions.

GREEN ENERGY BIORENEWABLES



THERMAL HYDROLYSIS PROCESS (THP) AND DIGESTION FACILITY



DC Water will be the first in North America to use thermal hydrolysis for wastewater treatment. When completed, this facility will be the largest plant of its kind in the world.

GREEN BENEFITS:

- Produce combined heat and power, generating 13 MW of electricity
- Save DC Water \$10 million annually cutting grid demand by a third (DC Water is the largest consumer of electricity in the District)
- Reduce carbon emissions by approximately 50,000 metric tons of CO₂e per year.
- Reduce trucking by 1.7 million miles per year.
- Save \$10 million in biosolids trucking costs.
- Produce Class A biosolids to grow trees, sequester carbon and reduce runoff.

dcwater.com/biosolids

Past Economics of DC Water Biosolids Recycling Program

- Pay a third party \sim \$43/wt for full service contract (transport, land app, reporting) of Class B biosolids
- \$19M/yr program cost = 21% of the Blue Plains operating budget
- Delivered free to farmers
- Farmers value product at \$300/acre (nutrients, lime, etc.), approximately \$15/wt
- Nutrient rebate back to DC Water (\$2/wt), \$500K/yr designated for research and outreach.
- Value to farmers @ \$15/wt, 1200 wtpd = \$6,570,000/yr
- We do not extract this value

Composted biosolids: “gateway” material for urban use (Class A)



Blue Plains Garden & Compost Giveaway



Urban Gardening Community Outreach

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A Celebration of DC Farms and Gardens

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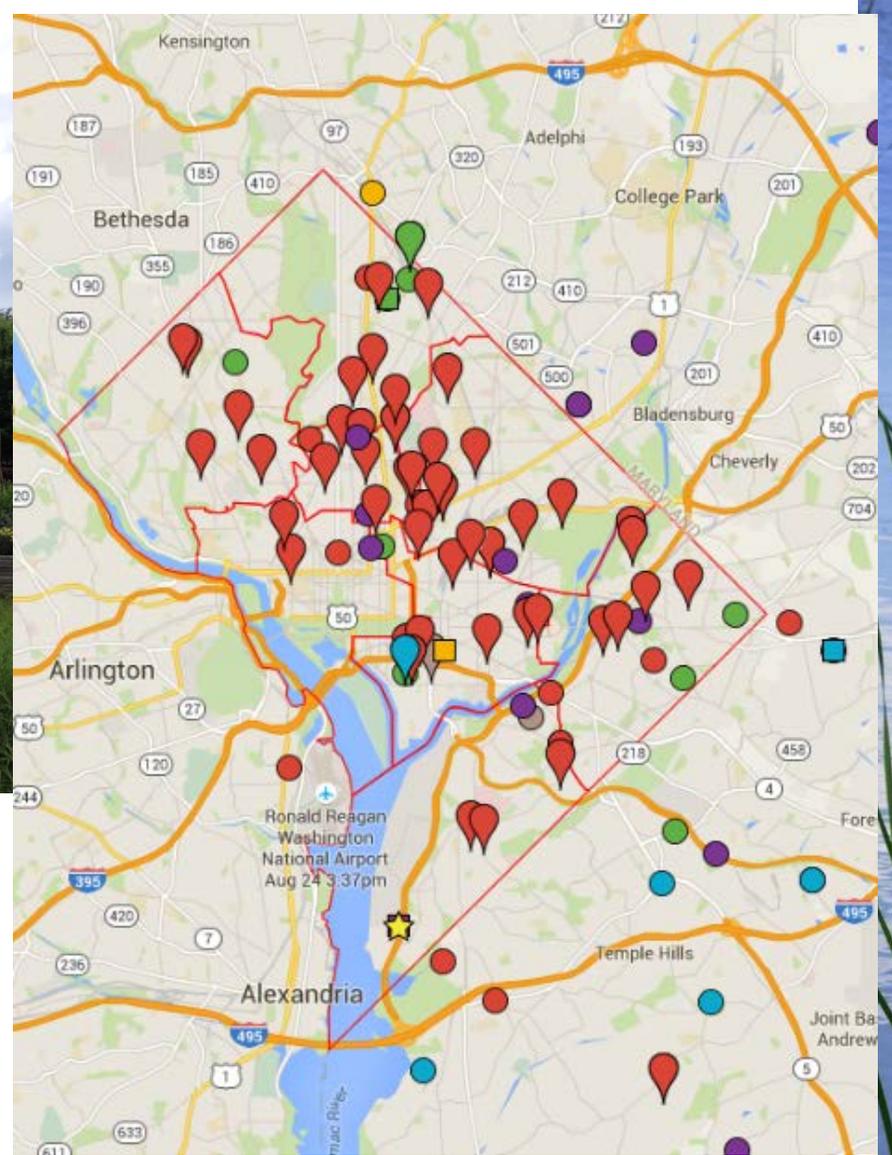
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Connecting with the DC Gardening Community



Community Gardens



Youth Garden The Washington Youth Garden
Yesterday

That's right - we're trying out the highly regulated bio-solids compost from DC Water - and the raised bed we're using them in is amazingly healthy! — with Anna Benfield.



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Kristin Brower, Emily Anne Roberts, Meghan Higginbotham and 23 others like this.

70+ comm. gardens & tree plantings in all 8 wards
(430+ tons)

765+ tons to employees and on-site

New solids processing equipment: Anaerobic digesters and thermal hydrolysis





Positive feedback from Virginia biosolids opponents



Kama Allen ▶ **Goochlanders Against Sludge**

September 2 · 🌐

Hello from Spotsylvania! Yesterday found our motley crew joining 55th District's Buddy Fowler on a field trip to Blue Plains WWTP in Washington DC, This is the country's largest and most forward-thinking operation in processing waste. They only produce Class A biosolids and all is currently being placed in Virginia.
The first positive thing we've seen on this journey. Many thanks!

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2 people like this.

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Kama Allen Class B biosolids are so antiquated. Let's insist our magnificent Virginia set the pace rather than accepting yesterday's tired diatribe. Go Goochland. Work today for a better tomorrow!

Like · Reply · 👍 1 · September 2 at 11:51pm



Kathie Walker It was an honor to be invited and I learned so much, thanks to our guides.



Like · Reply · September 12 at 9:57pm

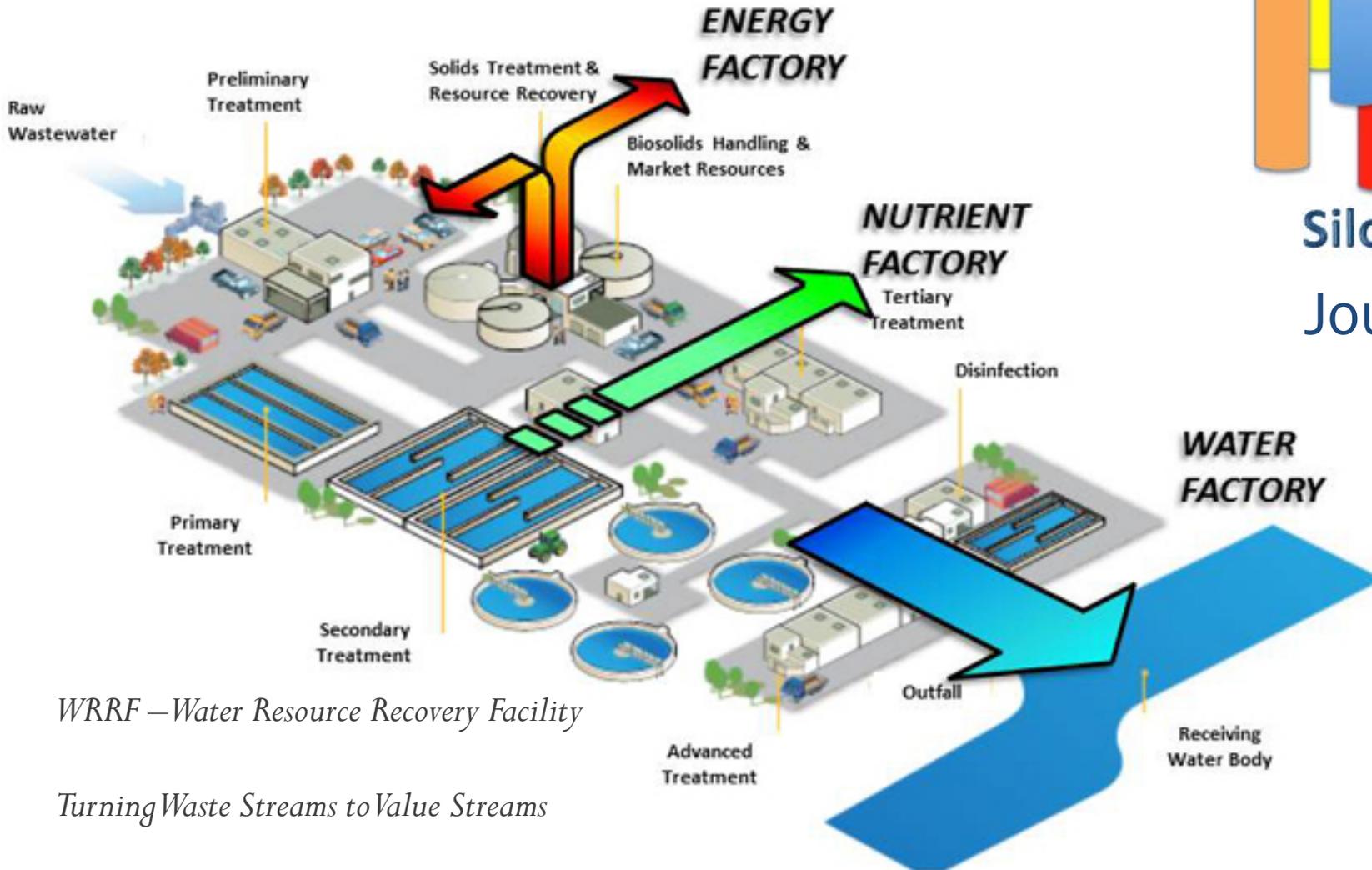


Kathie Walker These are the newly online thermal units which heat up the sludge to three times what hospitals use to sterilize instruments. Pretty neat.

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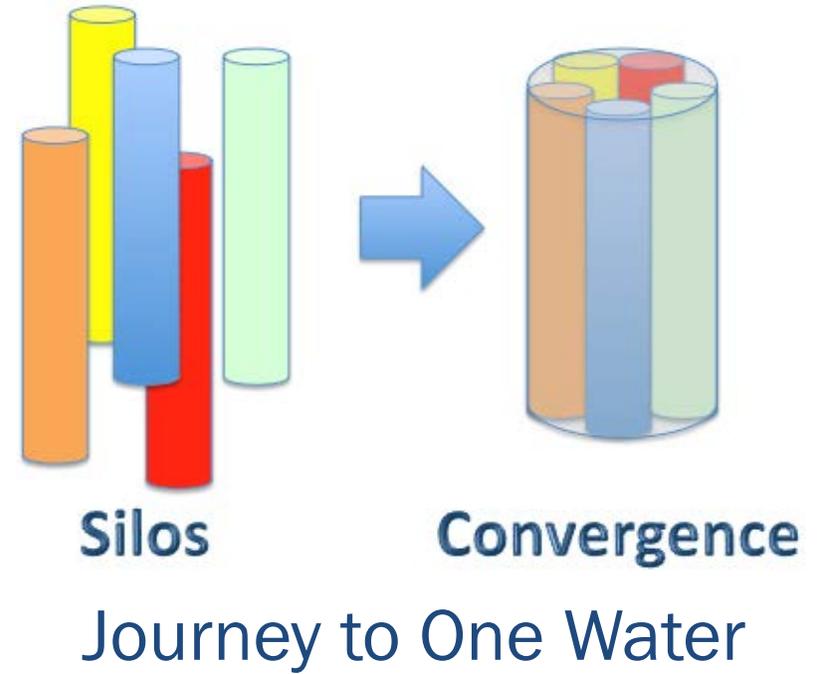


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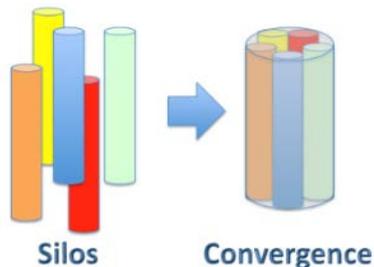


Thank you for listening! Questions?



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