

Reducing H₂S and Odors with Superoxygenated Wastewater

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York Sewer District

- Original sewers late 1800's early 1900's
 - York Village Corporation
 - York Beach Corporation
 - York Harbor Corporation
- 1947 M&E Study of Sewer System for York Water District
- York Sewer District Established in 1951



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SHORT SANDS BEACH



Welcome to Short Sands Beach

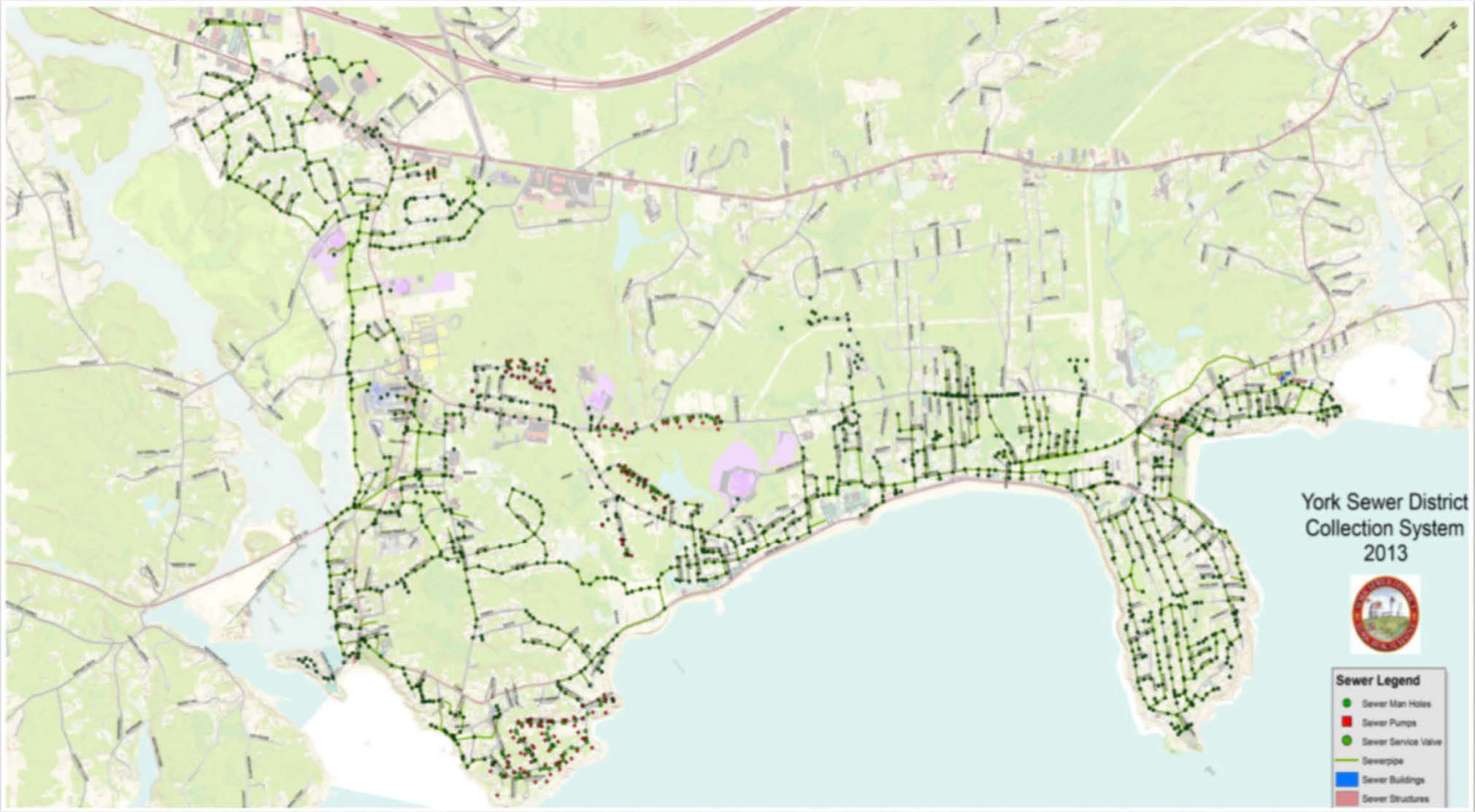


Not so Welcome
to Short Sands
Beach

York Sewer District

- Year round population - 12,656 (2012 Census)
 - Snowbirds, 30-40% still seasonal
- Summer weekends - 50,000-75,000
- Over 90 % residential flows
- 4,420 sewer accounts
- 119 Mostly Seasonal Restaurants
- 1,800 motel/hotel rooms
- Campground, B&B's, Day Trippers





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The Origin of The Problem

Long Beach Pump Station



Solutions to H₂S Odor and Degradation Problem?

Phased Approach

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Headworks Building

Hydrogen Sulfide Degradation



Epoxy Coating Applied



Solutions to H2S Odor and Degradation Problem?



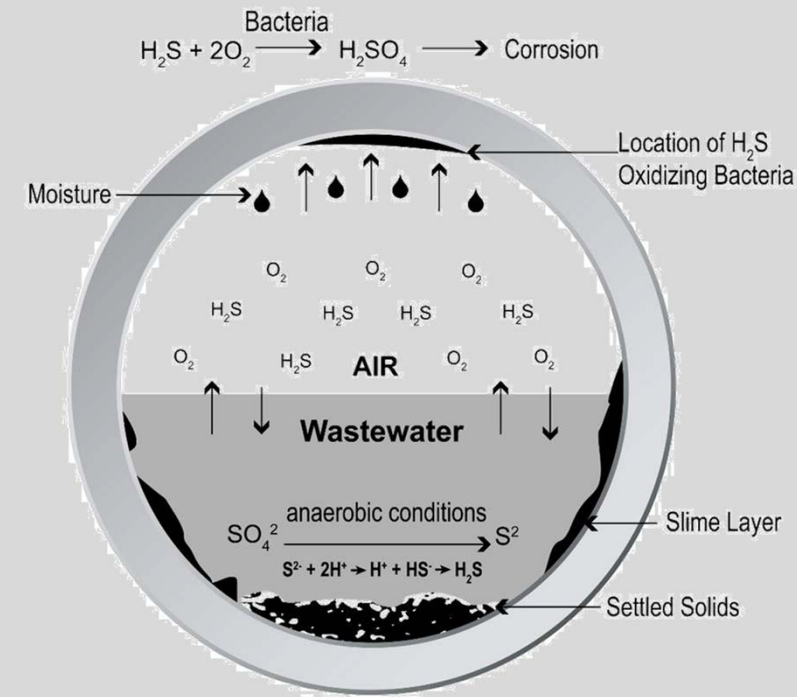
Eliminate H2S

Background

Defining the Problem



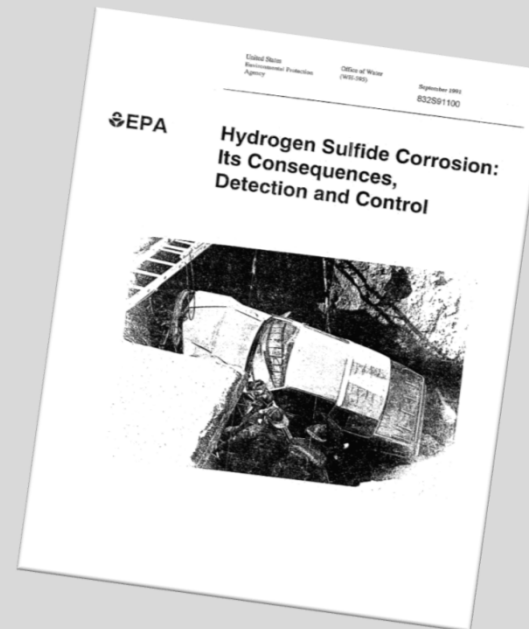
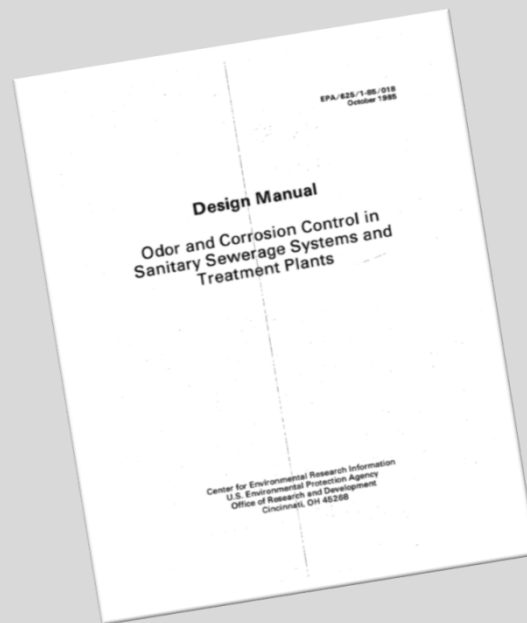
- Hydrogen sulfide, H_2S
 - toxic substance that acts as a respiratory depressant
 - probably the most difficult compound plaguing wastewater collection systems today
- The formation of hydrogen sulfide raises two primary concerns
 - nuisance complaints from odor emissions
 - corrosion to steel and concrete pipe & structures



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Defining the Problem

- Millions of dollars are spent annually to address odor issues and correct long-term corrosion damage to structures within collection systems.



Design Considerations

Designing Oxygen Injection Equipment for Odor and Corrosion Control

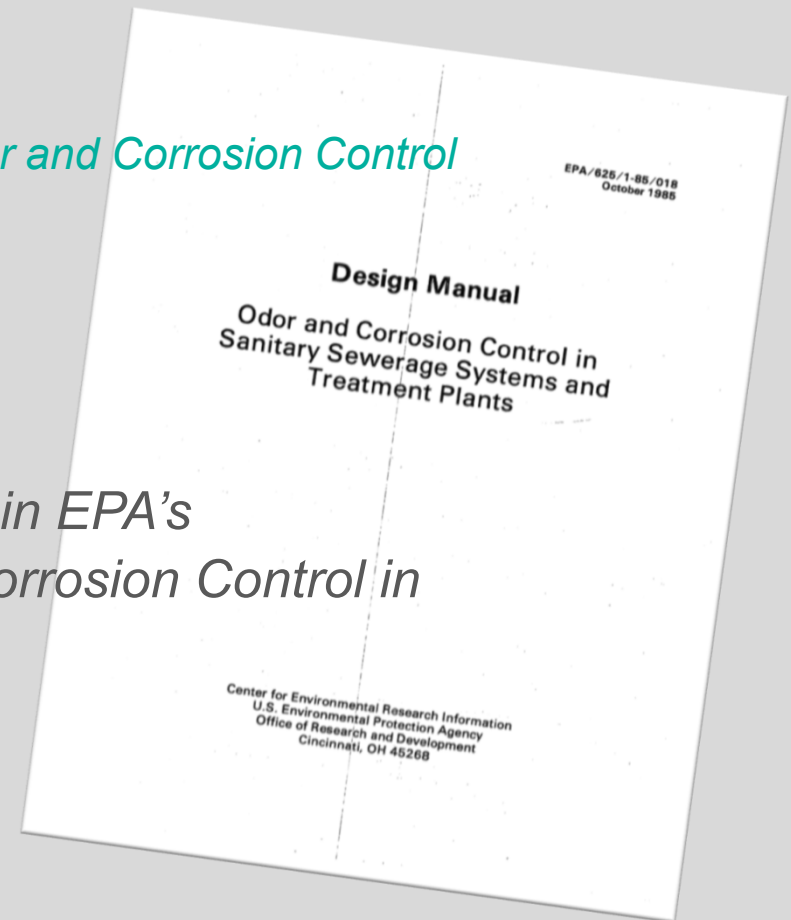
- There are two key questions that must be considered when designing an oxygen injection system for odor and corrosion control
 - How much oxygen is needed? Quantity.
 - Where should it be injected? Location.



Design Considerations

Sizing Oxygen Injection Equipment for Odor and Corrosion Control

- Estimating Oxygen Quantity
 - $\text{Total O}_2 = \text{O}_{2\text{OUR}} + \text{O}_{2\text{S}_2}$
 - *Based on methods outlined in EPA's Design Manual: Odor and Corrosion Control in Sanitary Sewerage*



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Sizing Oxygen Injection Equipment for Odor and Corrosion Control

Oxygen Uptake Rate (OUR)

- Measure of microbiology oxygen consumption within the wastewater.
- Must be satisfied to maintain aerobic conditions within the pipeline.
- Varies with temperature and wastewater quality (COD/BOD).
- Ranges from 5 to 15-mg/L/hr for most municipal wastewaters
 - 10-mg/L/hr is typical for design, if information not available

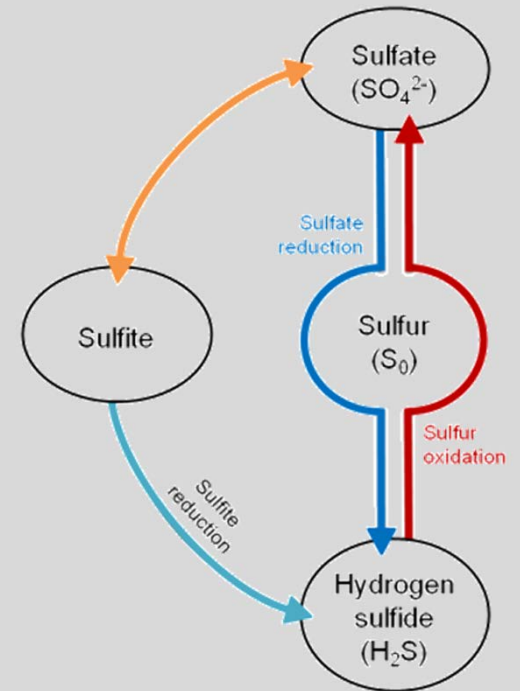


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Sulfide Oxidation (S₂)

- In most cases, sulfides have already formed upstream of oxygen injection.
 - Dissolved free sulfides (H₂S, HS⁻ and S₂⁻)
- Oxidization of existing sulfides is needed to prevent possible odor or corrosion concerns.
- S₂ varies with temperature and wastewater quality, specifically pH.
- Theoretically, O₂:S₂ ratio is 2 : 1



Design Considerations

Locating Oxygen Injection Equipment for Odor and Corrosion Control

- Location is Dependent on Goals
 - Odor Control
 - can be located more closely to problem area
 - Corrosion Control
 - ideally entire pipeline is free of H₂S
 - can be strategically located
- Requires in-depth knowledge of collection system, diurnal flows, pump operations, etc.
 - field evaluation studies recommended
- Oxidation Reduction Potential (ORP)
 - Good indicator of biological activity and electron availability
 - ORP levels greater than -150mV (negative) generally correspond to minimal activity of sulfate-reducing bacteria, effectively preventing the formation of H₂S.

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Sizing Oxygen Injection Equipment for Odor and Corrosion Control

Basis for Design	
Given	
Oxygen Demand	--- <u>lbs/day</u>
Minimum Flow	600 <u>gpm</u>
Average Flow	1000 <u>gpm</u>
Maximum Flow	3200 <u>gpm</u>
Pumping Frequency	Continuous
Location of Injection	Pump Station
<u>Forcemain</u> Length	6,382 <u>ft</u>
<u>Forcemain</u> Diameter	16 in
<u>Forcemain</u> Pressure	14 psi
Maximum Temperature of Wastewater	19°C
Assumptions, To Be Confirmed	
Influent Sulfide Concentration	1.0 mg/L
pH	6-8

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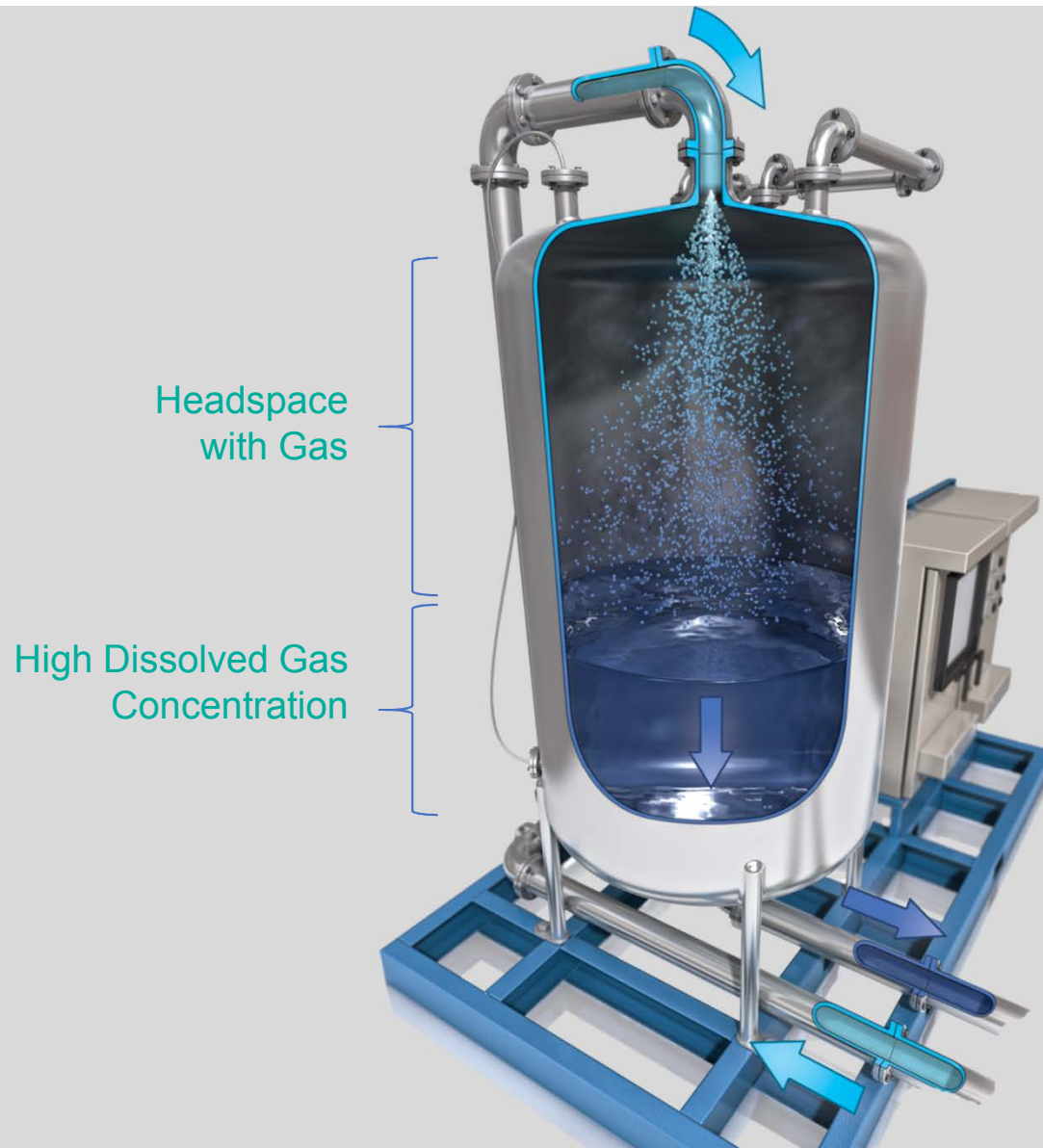
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- Oxygen Uptake Rate (OUR)
 - $O2_{OUR} \text{ (lb/d)} = \text{OUR (mg/L/hr)} * \text{HRT (hrs)} * \text{Q (mgd)} * 8.34$
 - $O2_{OUR} \text{ (lb/d)} = 10 \text{ (mg/L/hr)} * 2.0 \text{ (hrs)} * 1.4 \text{ (mgd)} * 8.34$
 - $O2_{OUR} \text{ (lb/d)} = 230$
- Sulfide Oxidation (S₂)
 - $O2_{S2} \text{ (lb/d)} = S2 \text{ (mg/L)} * O2:S2 * Q \text{ (mgd)} * 8.34$
 - $O2_{S2} \text{ (lb/d)} = 1 \text{ (mg/L)} * 2 * 1.4 \text{ (mgd)} * 8.34$
 - $O2_{S2} \text{ (lb/d)} = 25$
- Total O₂ = $O2_{OUR} + O2_{S2}$
 - Total O₂ (lb/d) = 25 + 230
 - Total O₂ (lb/d) = 255

Needed DO concentration is ~22-mg/L



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solutions for water quality

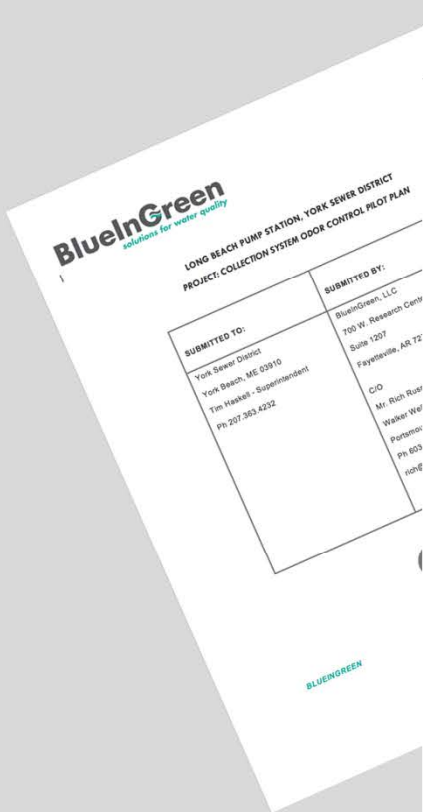


- Patented Side Stream Gas Dissolution Method
- Water Serves as a Barrier to Limit Undissolved Gas from Escaping
- Achieves Very High O₂-O₃-CO₂ Concentrations
- Allows for a Much Smaller Carrier Stream
- Results in Less Cost for the Same Level of Treatment

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Long Beach Forcemain - Pilot Plan

Planning for Success



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Introduction

The information contained within this document is intended to outline the piloting and demer efforts, define roles and responsibilities, and define a successful demonstration.

The remainder of this Pilot Plan is broken into the following sections:

- Pilot Study Objectives and Outcomes
- Roles & Responsibilities
- Reporting
- Pilot Scope and Pricing
- Confidentiality

Notably, this document is intended to be a general guide for the Pilot Study. As the work progresses, and additional information is gained, it is anticipated that this plan will be revised accordingly. As such, this plan should be considered a flexible working document.

Pilot Study Objectives and Outcomes

Based on conversations with management and operations staff at York Sewer District, three objectives for the Pilot Study have been defined below:

- Task A: Demonstrate Ability to Reduce Odor at WWTP Headworks
- Task B: Familiarize Staff with Proposed Equipment

The primary goal of the pilot study is to demonstrate BlueInGreen's ability to decrease the o-corrosion associated with hydrogen sulfide production in the Long Beach Forcemain. Base work completed by York Sewer District a base line Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S) production has t along with the required amount of oxygen delivery. Therefore, assuming BlueInGreen deliv required amount of oxygen, it is anticipated that a project will commence around design of a system with the final size to be determined based on the cost/benefit analysis.

Considering the above, the purpose of this Pilot Study is to identify operational and equime modifications that would support the above objectives, as well as to develop design criteria t used for full-scale design of selected improvements.

Roles and Responsibilities

The Long Beach Pilot Study Team includes:

- York Sewer District
- BlueInGreen

The Pilot Study is being performed for York Sewer District in support of their on-going opera maintenance needs. BlueInGreen will coordinate the delivery of the pilot unit, provide 3 day start-up and training, and aide in the evaluation of the pilot study. York Sewer District will be for assisting with the construction of temporary pilot utilities at the site, daily operation as we general oversight and guidance as needed.

York Sewer District will be ultimately responsible for all data collection, sampling, and analysis. Their own samples will be utilized to provide lab analysis and reporting as part of the pilot study monitoring.

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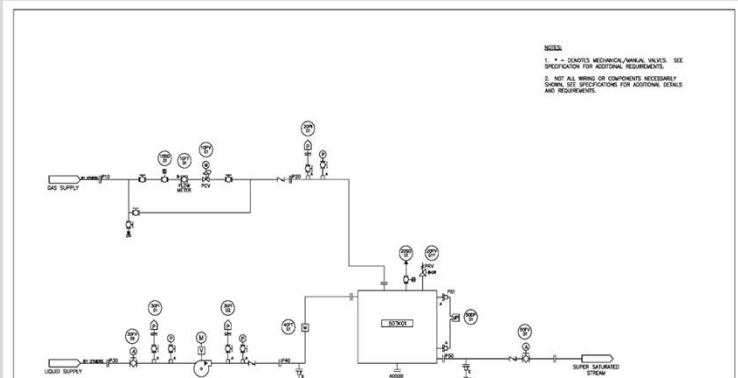
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Task	BlueInGreen	York Sewer District
Management and Administration	Responsible for communicating with team, review of test plan	Schedule personnel, provide timely input and review
Prepare Pilot Study Plan	Provide details on system design, operation as needed for Study Plan	Provide timely input and review. Obtain baseline H2S and DO.
Pre-Pilot Study Preparation	Assemble, check, and deliver Pilot Unit	Assist in installation and provide temporary staging and utility provisions
Startup	Provide technicians for startup, and provide input	Provide operators for oversight and training
Pilot Study Execution	Provide operational assistance and data collection support. Review data and input to enhance effectiveness and troubleshooting	Provide timely input and review, data collection and monitoring. Provide staff for daily operation needs.
Data Analysis	Review operational and water quality data and perform analysis	Provide timely input and review
Reporting	Review regular data summaries, participate in conference calls, prepare Pilot Report	Participate in conference calls

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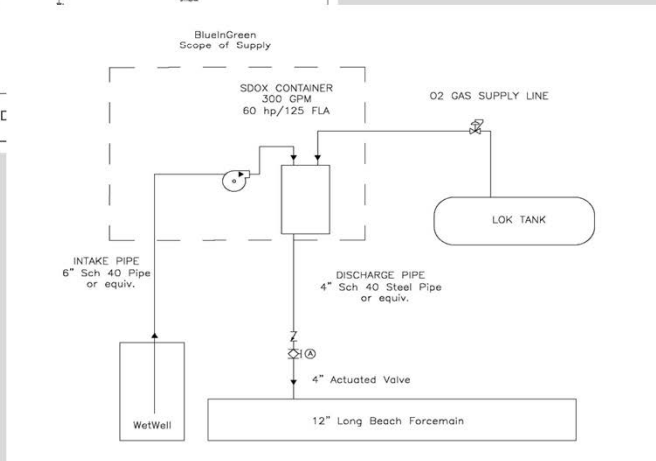


Figure 1. Pilot Unit Layout

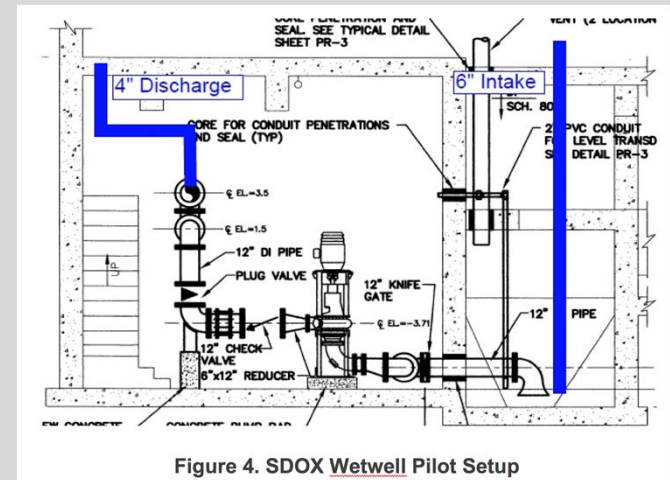
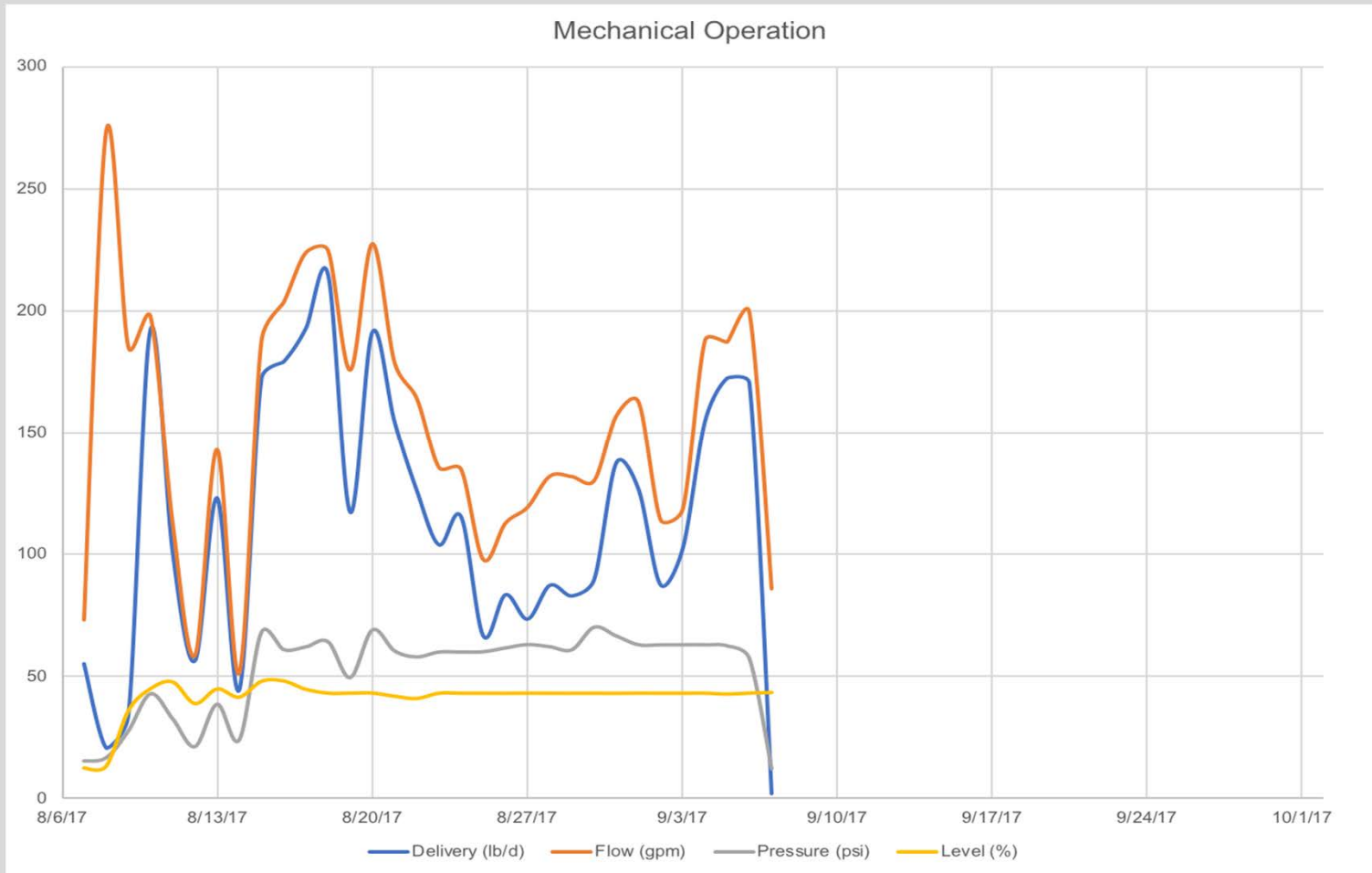


Figure 4. SDOX Wetwell Pilot Setup

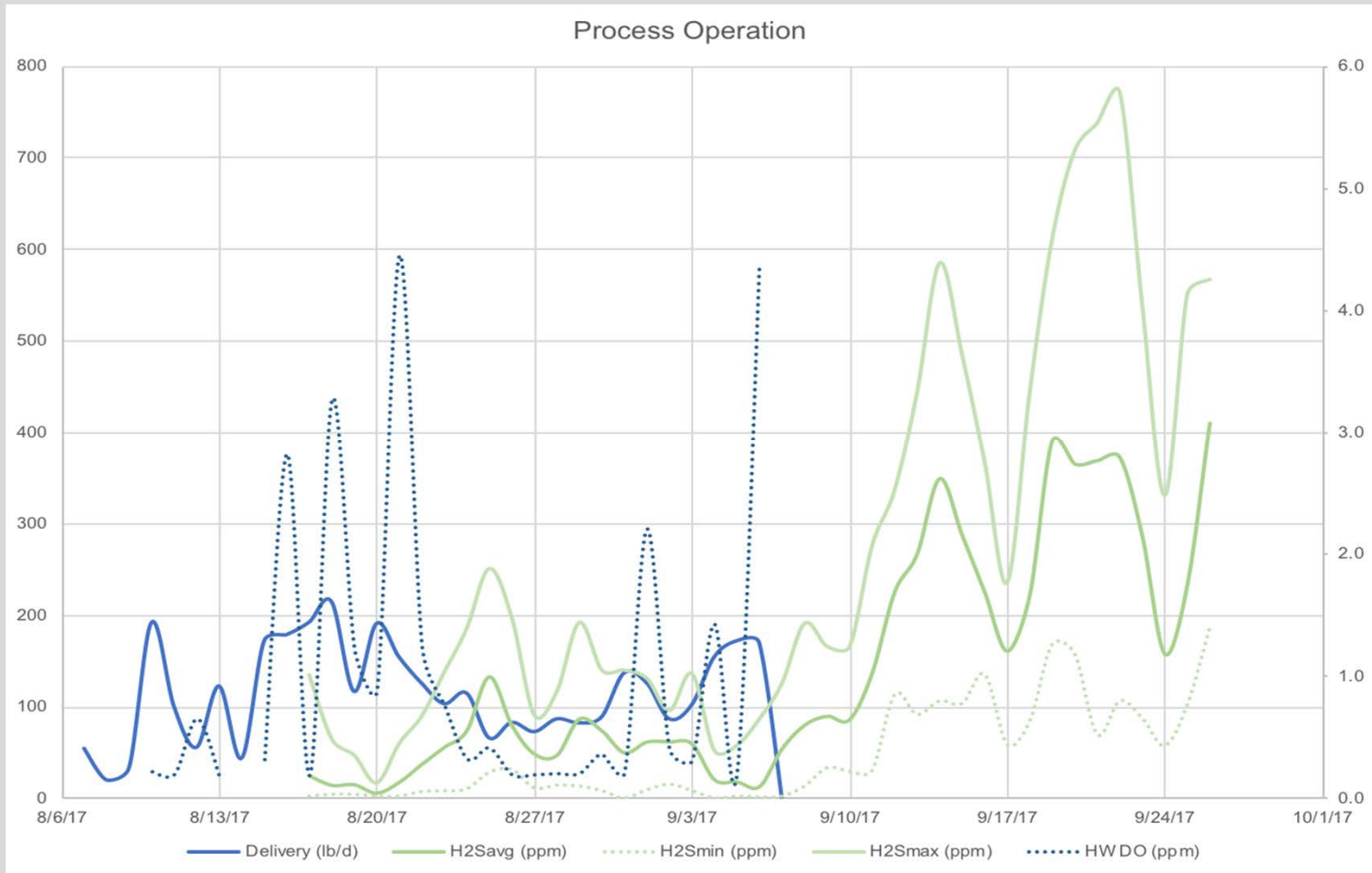
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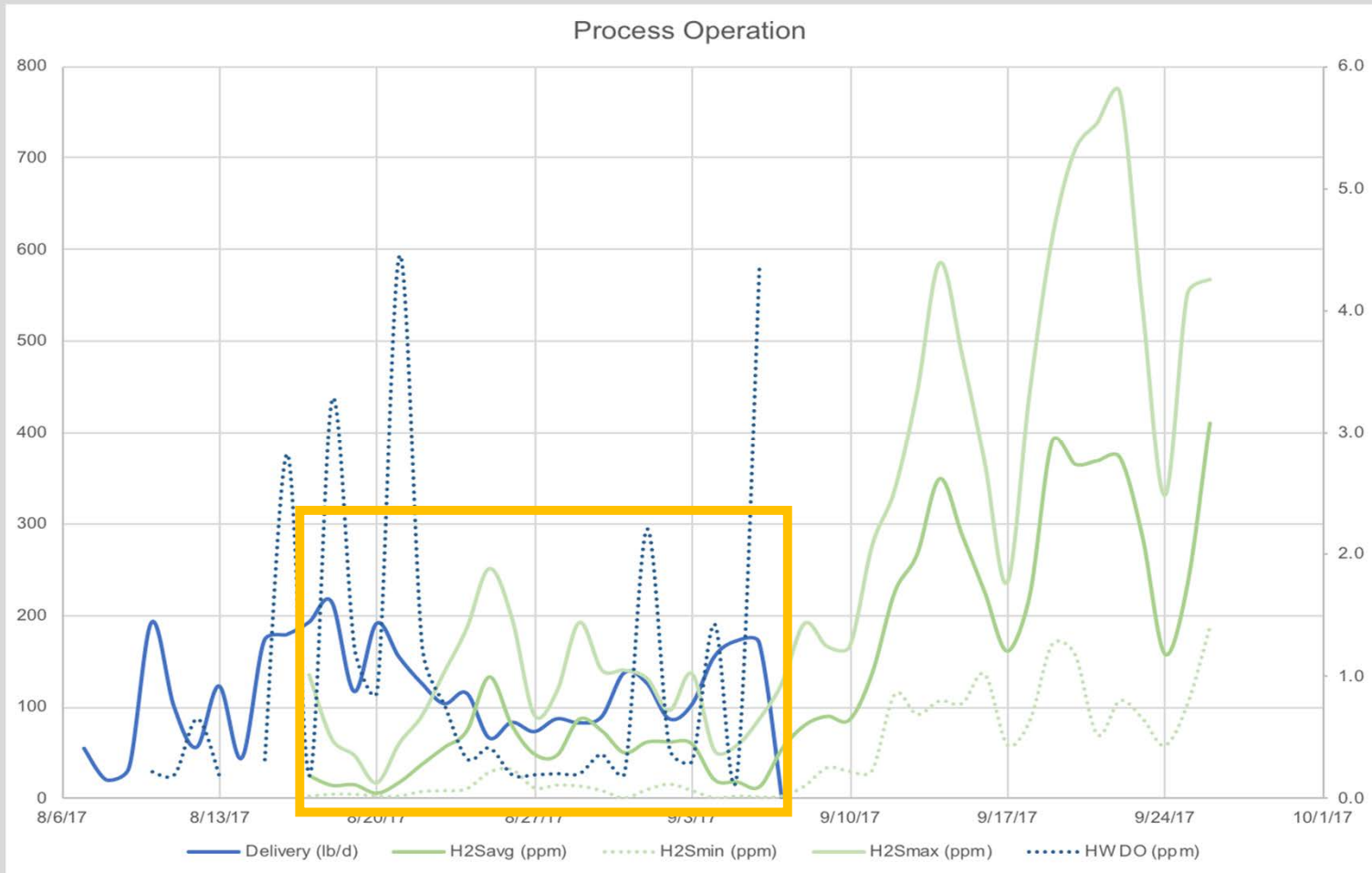
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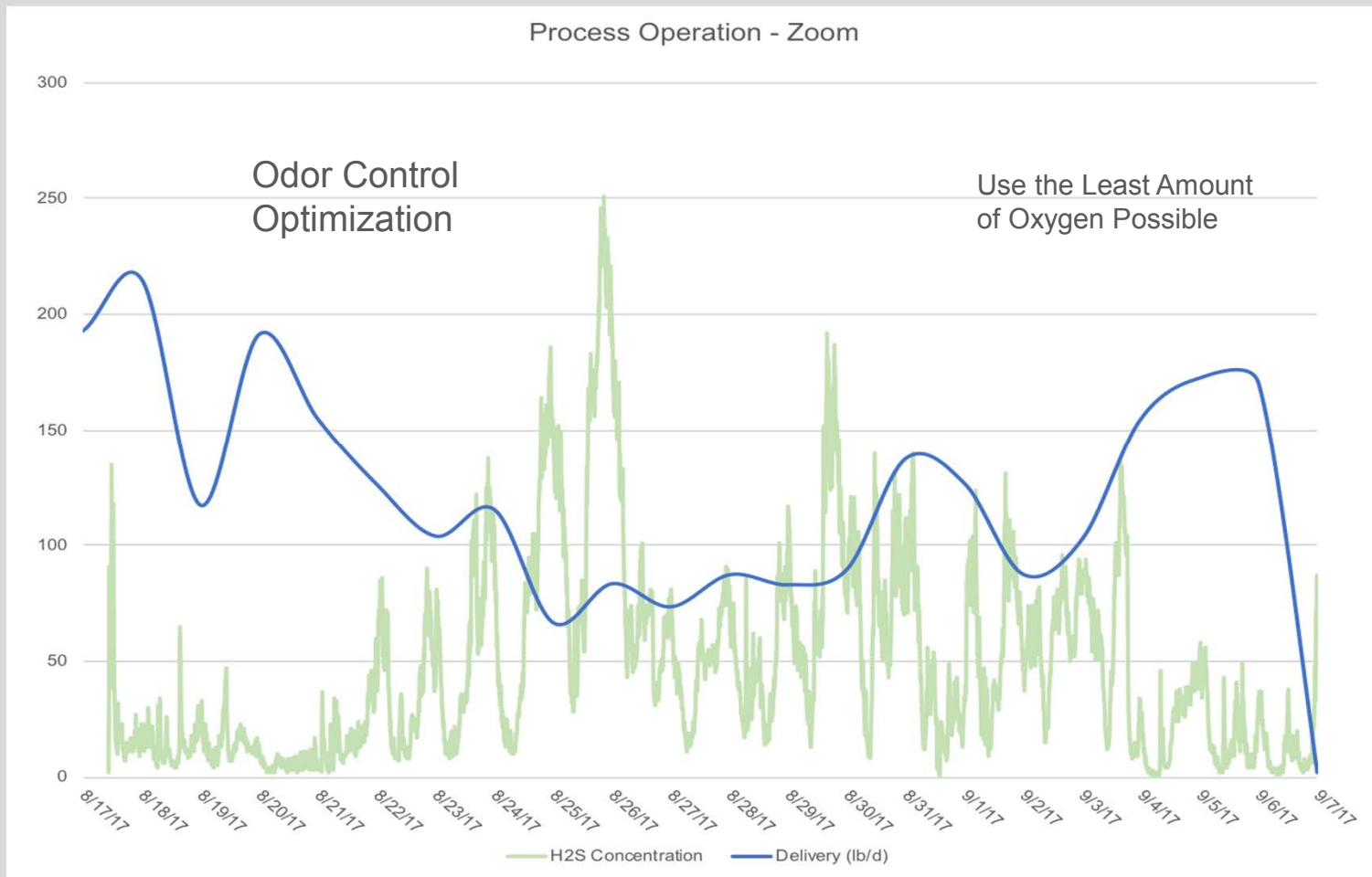
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- Demonstrated ability to 'control' H₂S levels with oxygen addition via BlueInGreen technology.
- Confirmed estimated oxygen requirements for H₂S control at > 200-lb/d.
 - Depending on goals, oxygen dose can be varied to meet process, treatment, or financial constraints.
- Operations and maintenance staff became familiar with equipment and control methodologies.

Financial Impacts

BluewinGreen - SDOX CS Application Tool
 Chemical Treatment Comparison - York, ME
 ONLY CHANGE VALUES IN RED

Component	Symbol	Value
Pipe diameter	D	16
Pipe length	L	6382
Average wastewater flow rate	Q	1.44
Summer wastewater temperature	T _{summer}	21.1
Winter wastewater temperature	T _{winter}	21.1
Five-day biochemical oxygen demand	BOD ₅	250
Dissolved sulfide at upstream end of pipe	S _{in}	7
Threshold sulfide concentration (outlet)	S _{threshold}	0
Calculated Values		
Pipe Retention Time	R	66.65
Summer BOD adjusted for temperature	BOD _{adj}	269.32
Winter BOD adjusted for temperature	BOD _{adj}	269.32
Summer substrate concentration at the downstream end of the pipe	S _{out}	8.30
Winter substrate concentration at the downstream end of the pipe	S _{out}	8.30
Summer daily sulfide load	Load _{summer}	99.82
Winter daily sulfide load	Load _{winter}	99.82
Threshold Comparison		
Summer		Yes, chemical treatment needed
Winter		Yes, chemical treatment needed

Chemical	Dose (gal/ lb sulfide)	Cost (\$/gal)	Yearly Chemical Costs
Bioxide *	0.87	2.83	\$89,702
Calcium Nitrate (50% CaNO3 Solution)	1.80	2.95	\$193,460
Ferrous Chloride (30% FeCl ₂ Solution) *	1.10	2.39	\$95,782
Hydrogen Peroxide (50% Solution) *	2.40	3.00	\$262,318
Potassium Permanganate (3% KMnO4 Solution)	0.59	22.13	\$473,630
Sodium Hypochlorite (12.5% solution) *	3.20	1.00	\$116,586
Chemical 1	0.00	1.00	\$0
Chemical 2	0.00	1.00	\$0

* These values based on numbers from various studies and reports

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- Operating costs - including electricity, oxygen, operations, and maintenance – are estimated at less than \$30,000/yr.
 - Significantly less than competing chemical solutions

Conclusion

Consider the Benefits

- Odor and Corrosion are effectively controlled through oxygen injection.
 - Treat the problem, not the symptom.
 - Lower annual cost than iron salts and chlorine, with no by-products.
 - Reduced soluble BOD loadings at WWTP due to aerobic processes.

Questions?

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