



# **Small Community Solutions: Packed Bed Filter achieves stable Nutrient Reduction**

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# Decentralized



# California FEMA Base Camp



- Town of Paradise
- 100,000 gallons per day
- Over 1,500 workers
- Kitchens and Laundry Facilities
- Sand Filter System
- All treated water captured









# ***Gillette STADIUM***

**Installation Date: 2002**

**Design Flow: 1.2 MGD**

**Treatment: MBR w/Reuse**

**Disposal: drainfield under parking lot.**





## Residential



Up to 1,500  
gallons per day

## Community



STEP or cluster  
systems

## Commercial

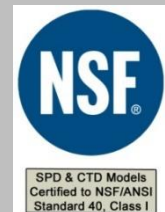


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# Enhanced Sand Filter System

- Combined Treatment and Dispersal (CTD) system
- Gravity flow secondary treatment system
- Passive, No Energy input
- Manufactured in NH



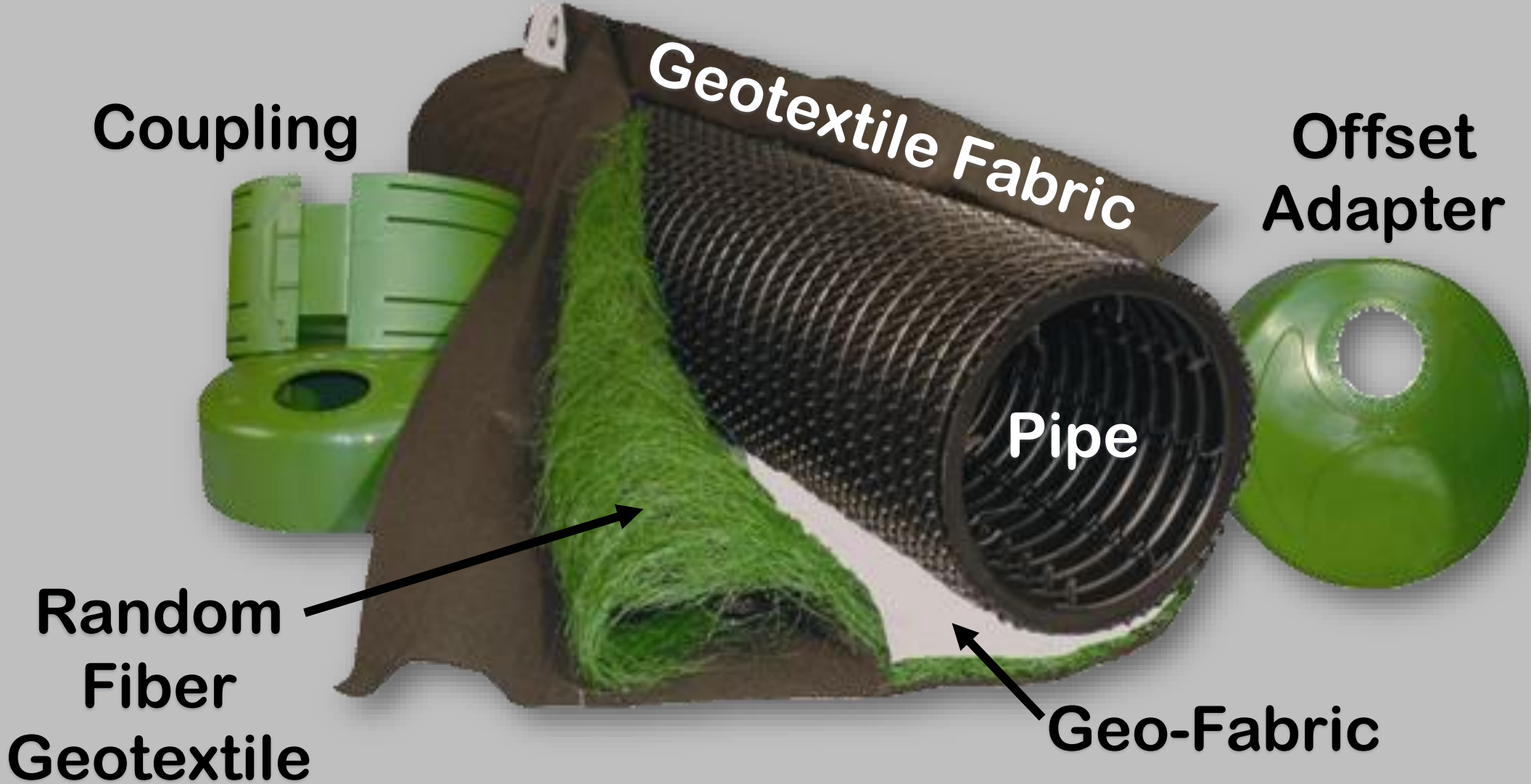


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# Sand Filter Advantages

- Passive System, Low Energy
- Advanced Treatment
- No Chemicals
- Diverse Configurations to fit the site
- Very limited O&M
- Does not require skilled personnel to operate
- Low cost, locally sourced materials





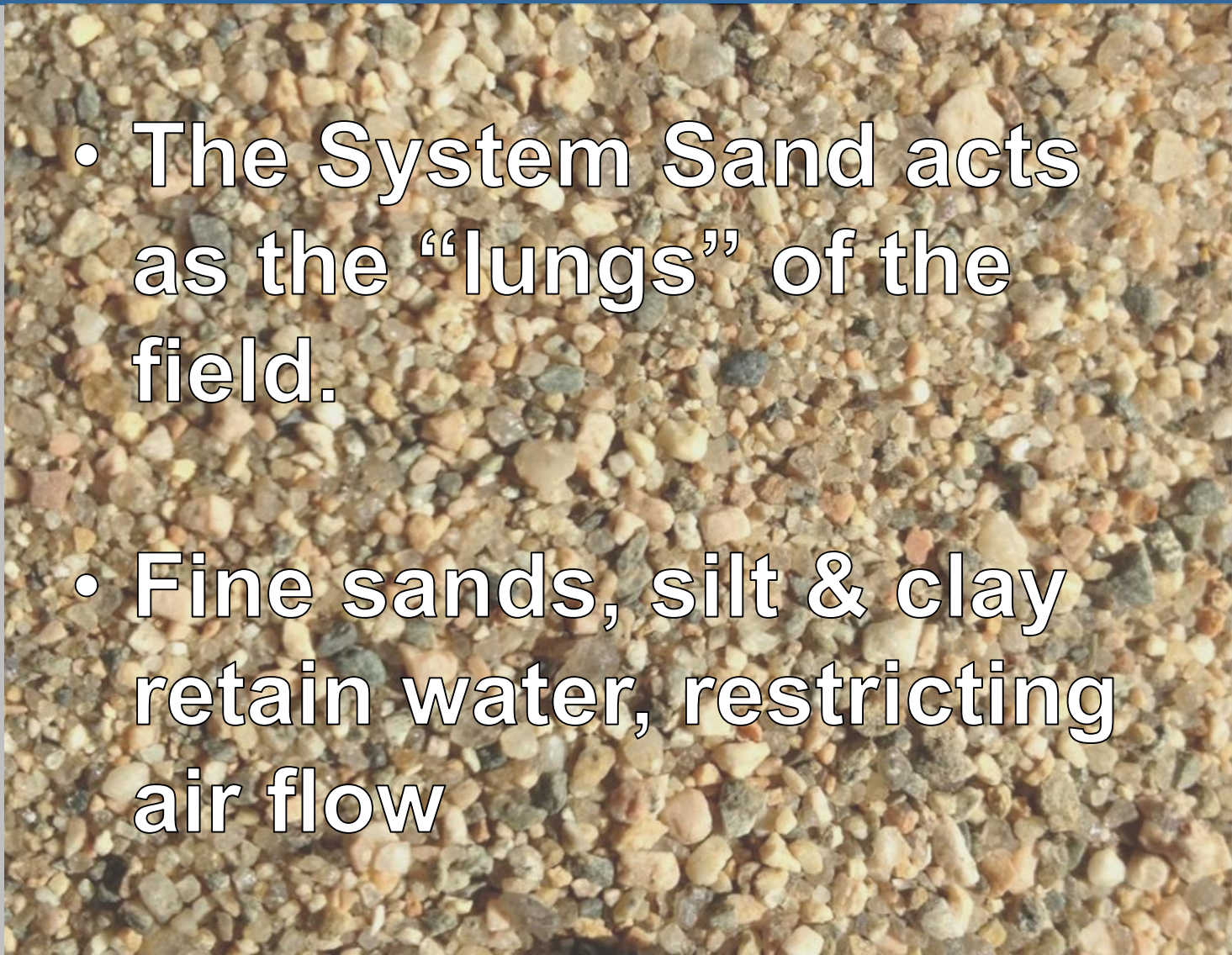
# Sand Filter Disadvantages

- Clogging
  - Improved dispersal system, better air exchange
- Land Intensive
  - Reduced footprint due to increased loading rate
- Cold Temperature performance
  - Bury the system
- Sand Specification (quality)

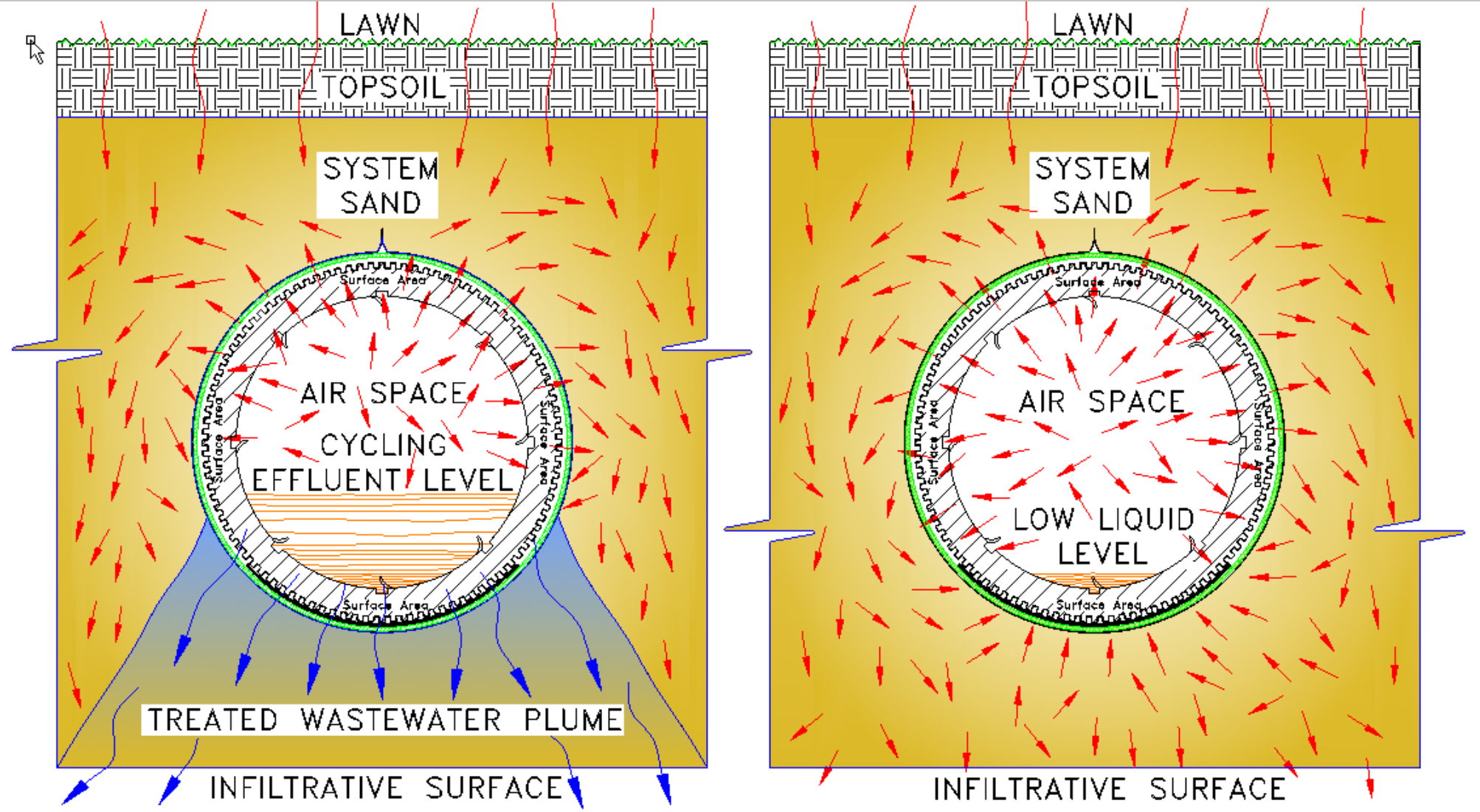


# System Sand Sourced Locally, Specified Criteria

Sieve Size	ASTM C-33 Fine Aggregate
3/4 inch	
3/8 inch	100% passing
#4	95-100% passing
#8	80-100% passing
#10	
#16	50-85% passing
#30	25-60% passing
#35	
#40	
#50	5-30% passing
#100	0-10% passing
#200	0-3% passing (default if not specified)

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- The System Sand acts as the “lungs” of the field.
  - Fine sands, silt & clay retain water, restricting air flow

# Efficient Oxygen Delivery to Biologically Active Surface Areas







# Blodgett Landing Treatment Plant

Newbury, New Hampshire  
Residential Community

**Design Flow**  
**50,000 GPD**





Blodgett Landing, Newbury, NH  
50,000 GPD

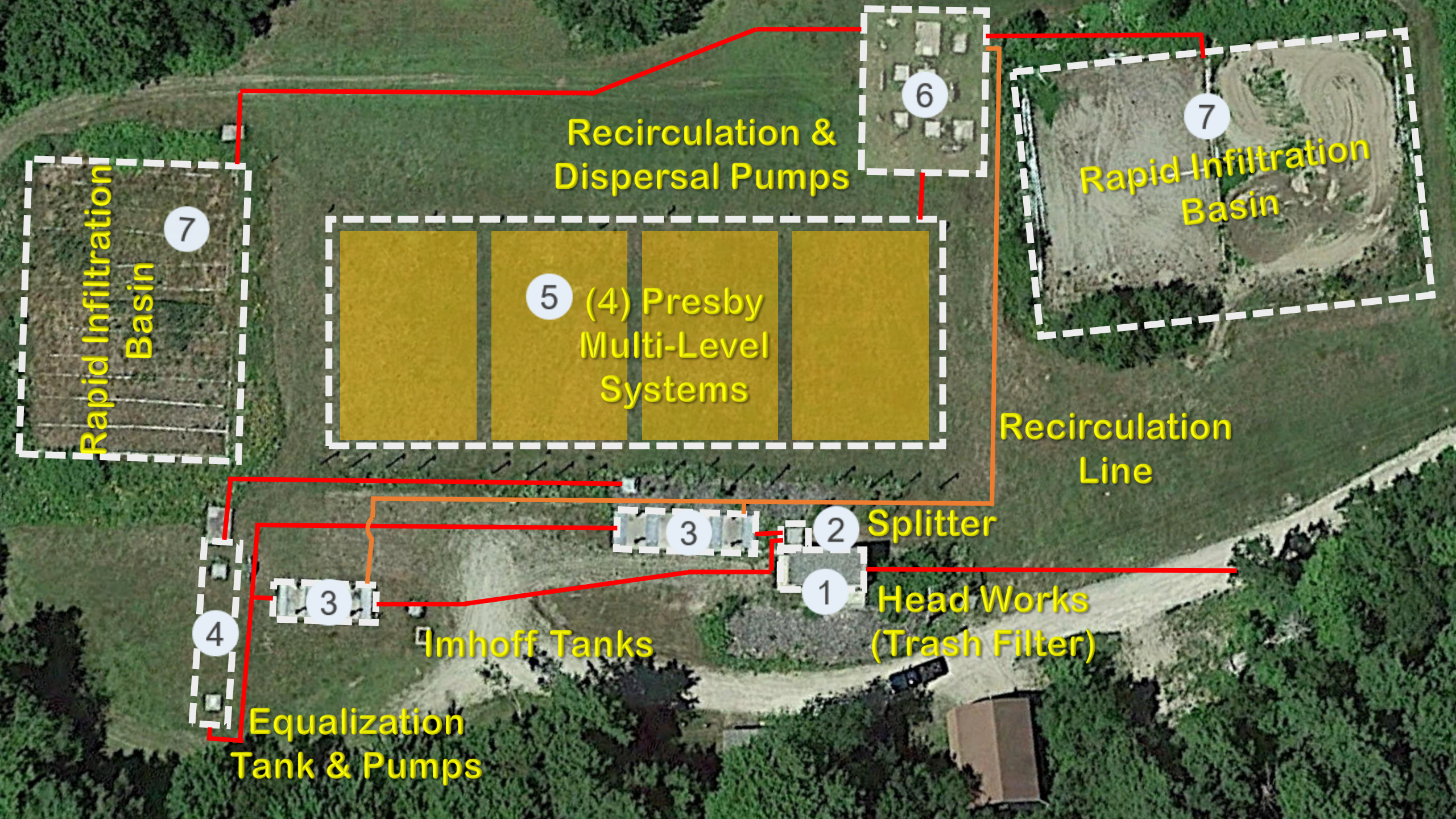




# Blodgett Landing, Newbury, NH

## 50,000 GPD





Recirculation & Dispersal Pumps

Rapid Infiltration Basin

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(4) Presby Multi-Level Systems

Recirculation Line

Splitter

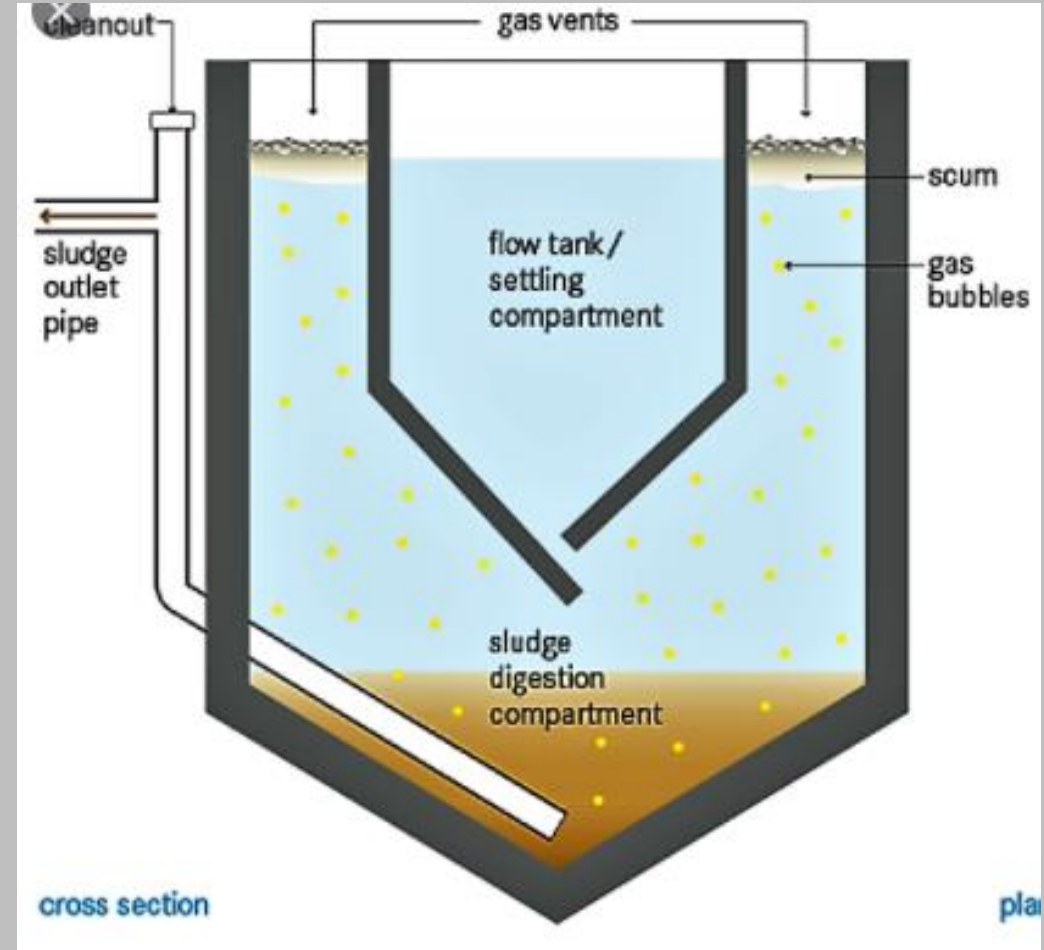
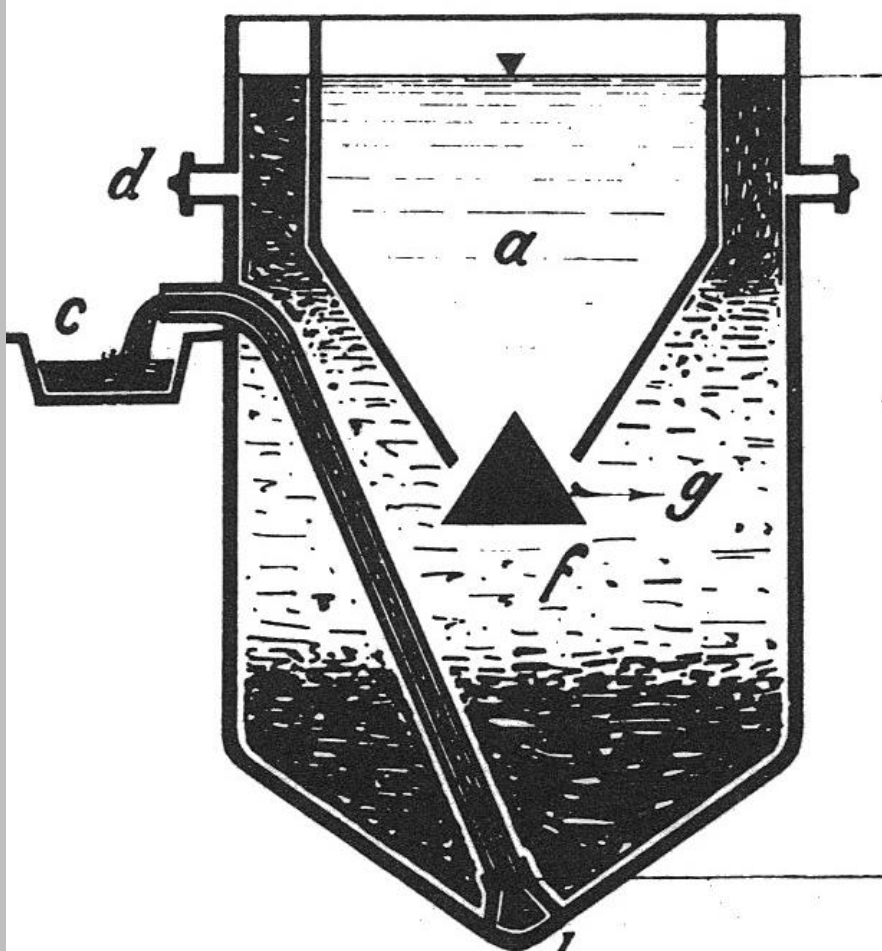
Head Works (Trash Filter)

Imhoff Tanks

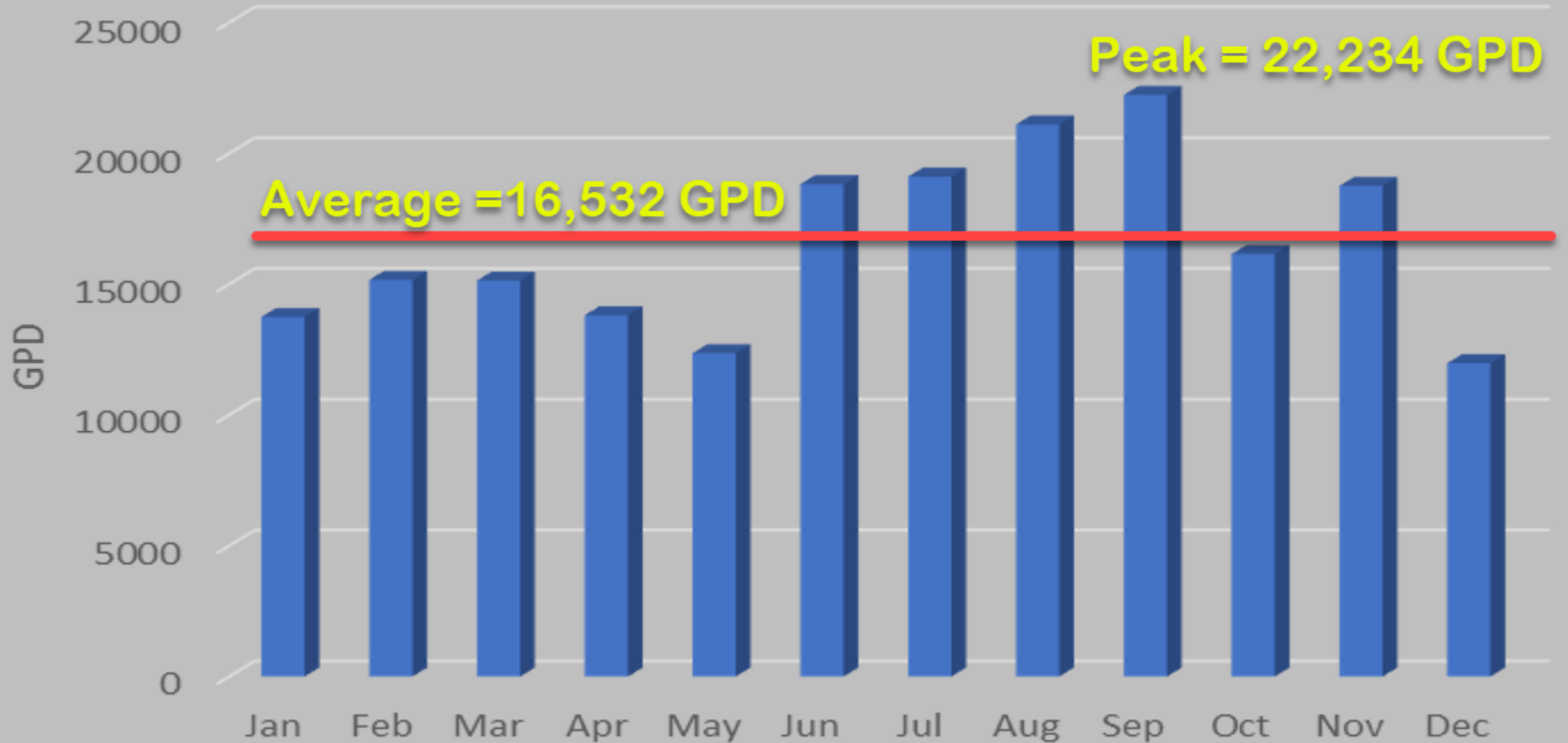
Equalization Tank & Pumps



# Imhoff Tank



# Average Daily Flows 2018

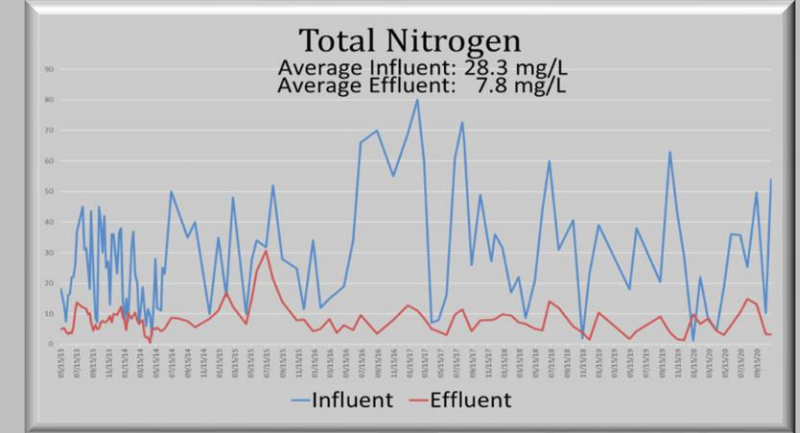
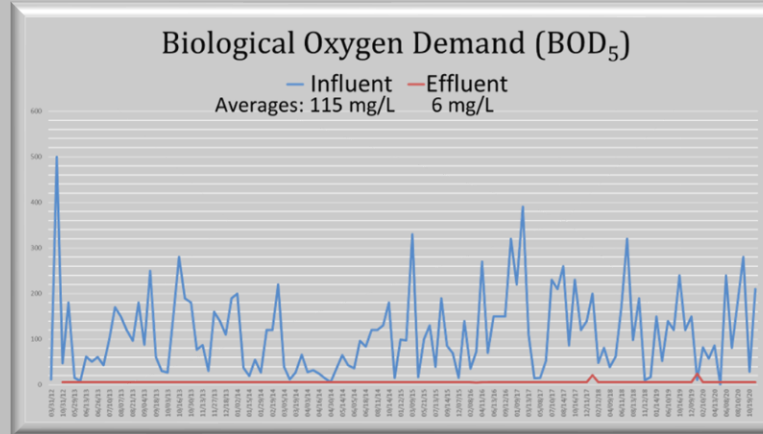
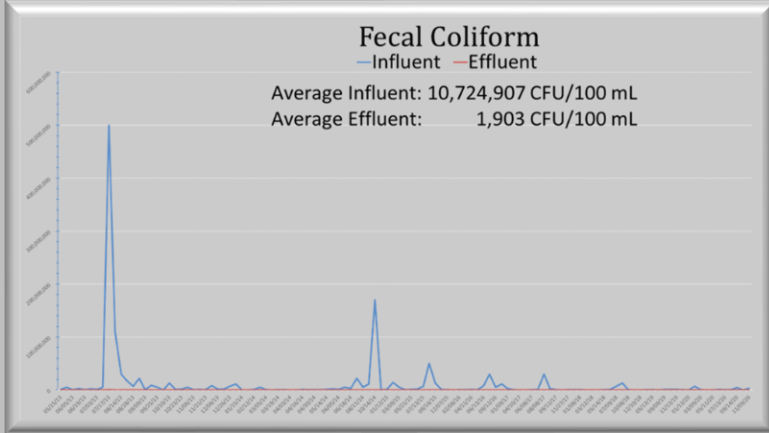




# Blodgett Landing Data (≈80% Recirculation Volume)

Parameter	Average		% Change	Parameter	Average		% Change
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TSS - Effluent	5	mg/L		Total Phosph. - Influent	4.7	mg/L	-61.0%
Nitrite - Influent	0.50	mg/L	-1.51%	Total Phosph. - Effluent	1.8	mg/L	
Nitrite - Effluent	0.49	mg/L		BOD - Influent	115	mg/L	-94.5%
Nitrate - Influent	0.93	mg/L	573%	BOD - Effluent	6	mg/L	
Nitrate - Effluent	6.29	mg/L		pH - Influent	6.8		2.69%
Ammonia - Influent	19.8	mg/L	-96.98%	pH - Effluent	7.0		
Ammonia - Effluent	0.6	mg/L		Total Coliform - Influent	263,071,948	CFU/100 mL	-99.9972%
TKN - Influent	27.4	mg/L	Total Coliform - Effluent	7,251	CFU/100 mL		
TKN - Effluent	1.7	mg/L	-93.70%	Fecal Coliform - Influent	10,724,907	CFU/100 mL	-99.9823%
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Average Values from January 2012 to November 2020



Data Collection 2013 to 2020



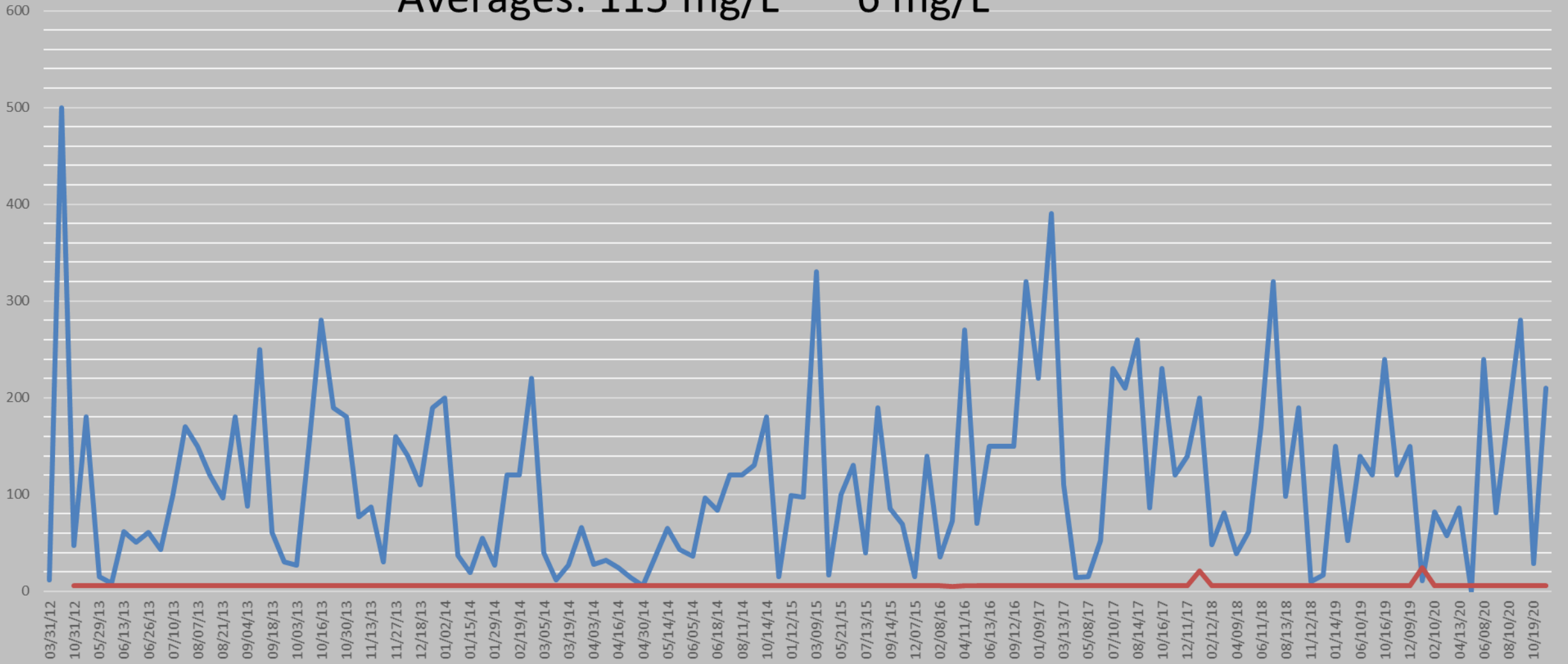
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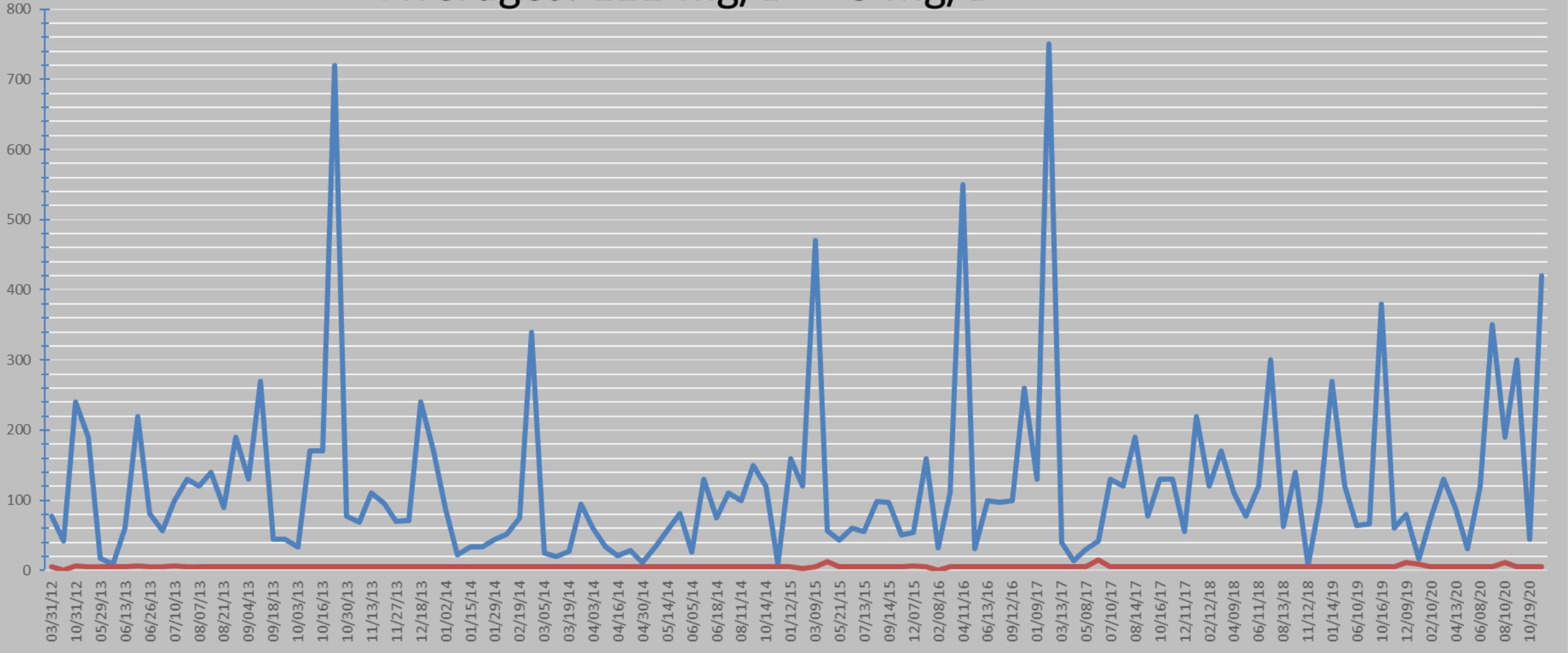
# Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD<sub>5</sub>)

— Influent — Effluent  
Averages: 115 mg/L 6 mg/L



# Total Suspended Solids (TSS)

— Influent — Effluent  
Averages: 122 mg/L 5 mg/L



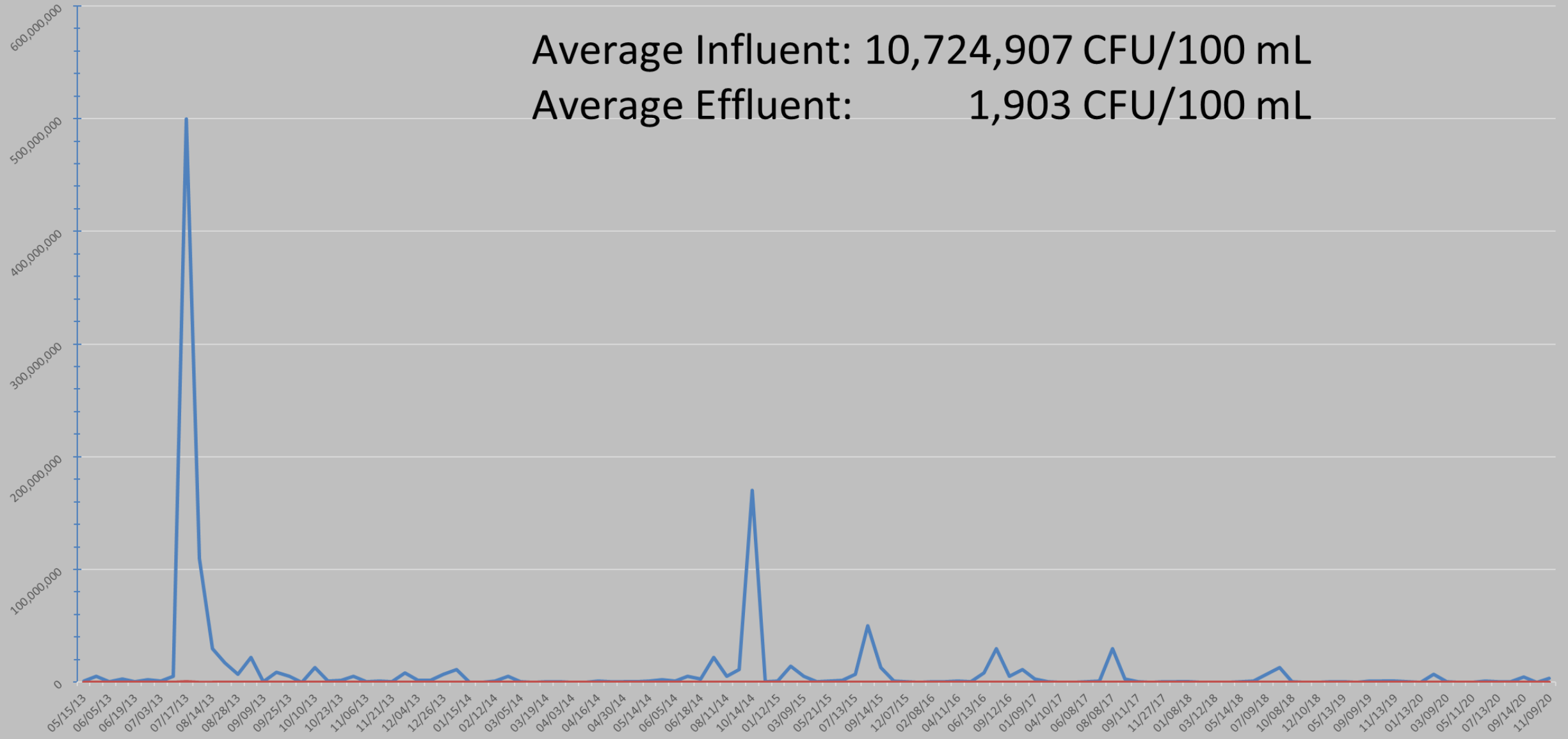


# Fecal Coliform

— Influent — Effluent

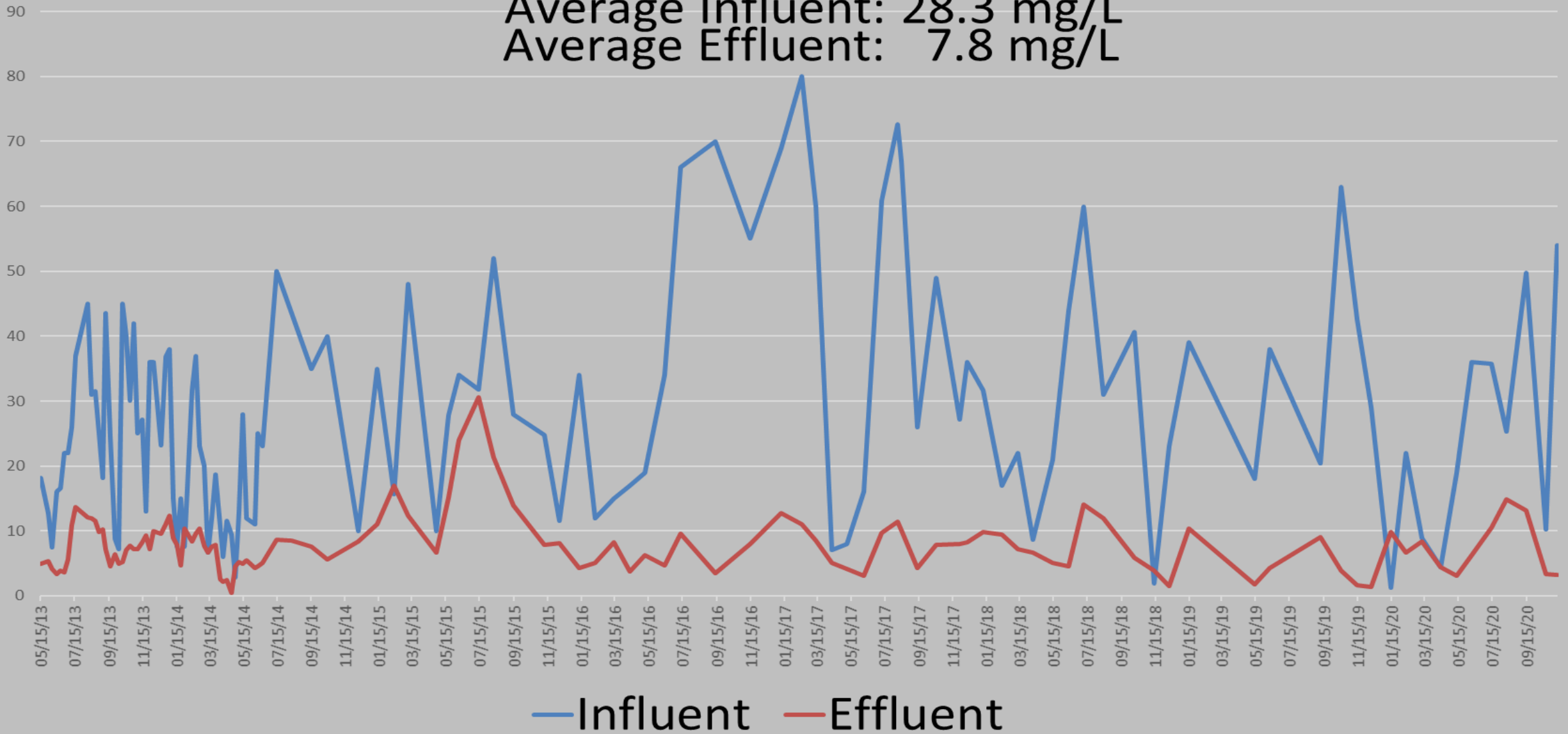
Average Influent: 10,724,907 CFU/100 mL

Average Effluent: 1,903 CFU/100 mL



# Total Nitrogen

Average Influent: 28.3 mg/L  
Average Effluent: 7.8 mg/L





# In Conclusion:

- Decentralized Systems can be an effective solution
- Decentralized can be adapt to the site
- Simple Solutions can be investigated as an option, and can be customized to treat for specific contaminants such as nitrogen



# Questions?

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