



# Triple Crown of Energy Efficiency

MWRA Braintree-Weymouth Pump Station

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# Presentation Overview

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# Background



## MWRA Wastewater Collection System

- 43 communities
- 2.5 million customers
- 360 MGD ADF
- 12 pump/lift stations
- 4 headworks
- 19 miles of tunnels
- Deer Island WWTF



# Background



## Braintree-weymouth facilities

- 73 MGD peak capacity
- Intermediate pump station (IPS) – 45 MGD
- Braintree-Weymouth pump station – 28 MGD
  - Serves Quincy, Weymouth, and Hingham
  - 60" Braintree Weymouth interceptor / 30" Quincy interceptor
  - Discharge to high-level sewer to nut island

# Background



## Braintree-Weymouth pump station

- Major process equipment
  - Two channel grinders
  - Three submersible pumps (14-mgd each)
  - Dual-bed carbon odor control system
- SCADA with full remote-control capability
- Floodproofing

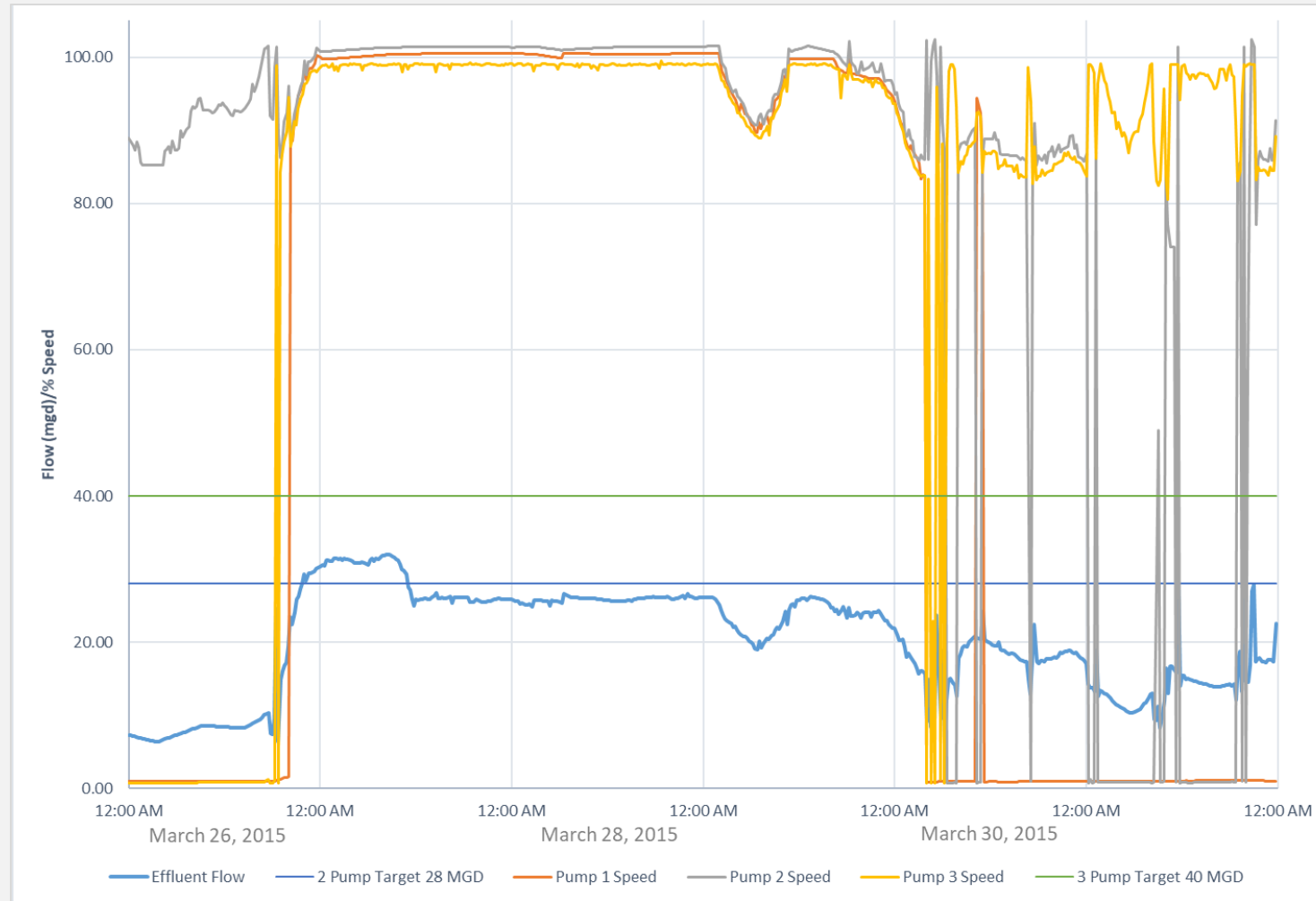
# Issues Experienced



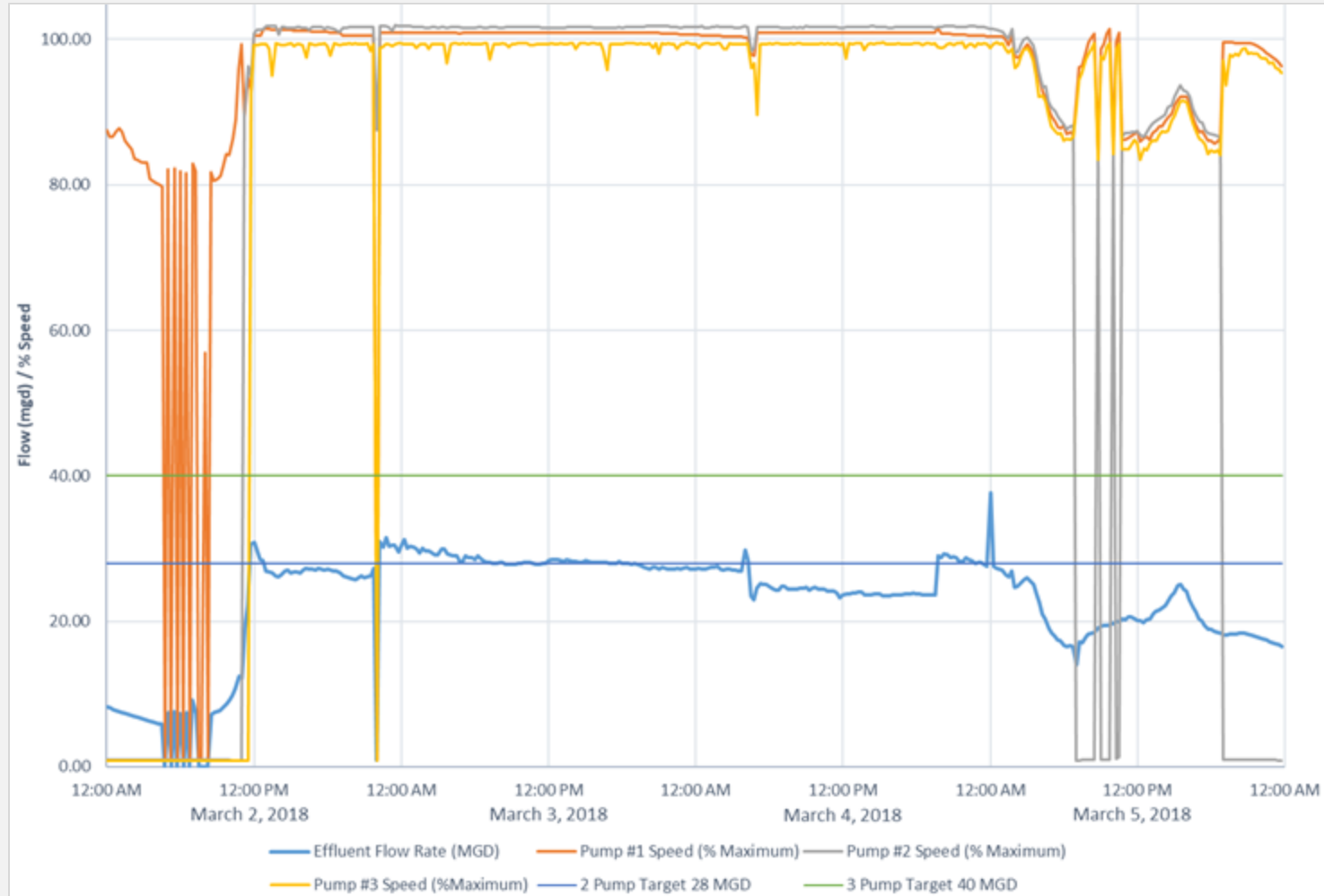
## Facility Operational and Maintenance Issues

- Ineffective grinders; leading to solids buildup in the wet well.
- Manual screens inserted during high weather flows
- Bound-up pumps, reduced pump performance, and high pump wear rates
- Portable Pumps kept onsite
- Inefficient at low pump-speed flows
- Challenges with equipment removal
- Ventilation/odor control limitations resulting in high hydrogen sulfide levels

# Ragging & Pump Capacity – March 26 through 31, 2015

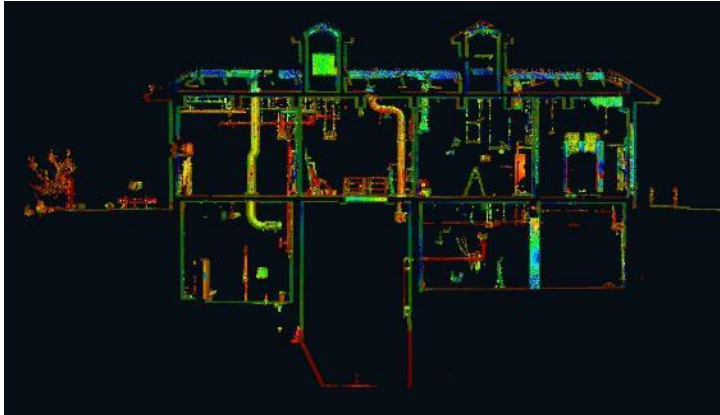


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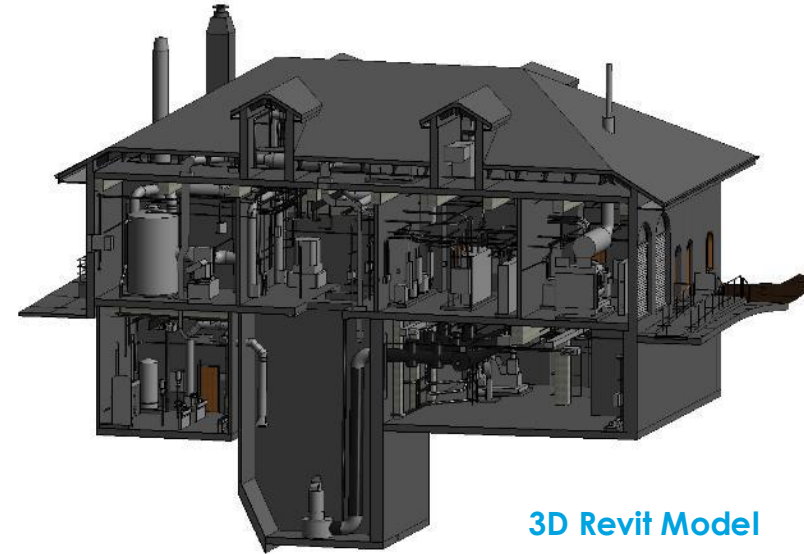




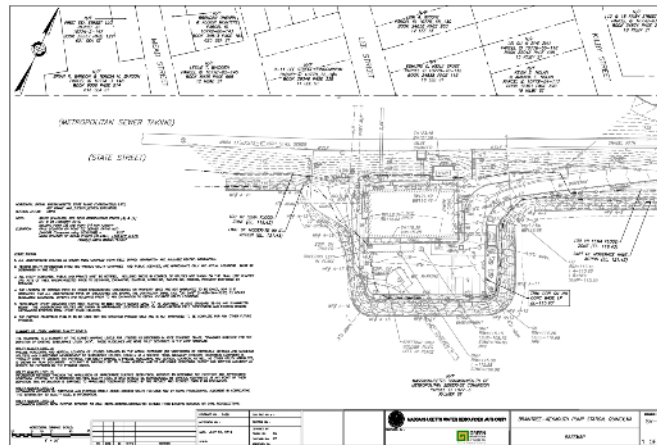
# Survey and Mapping



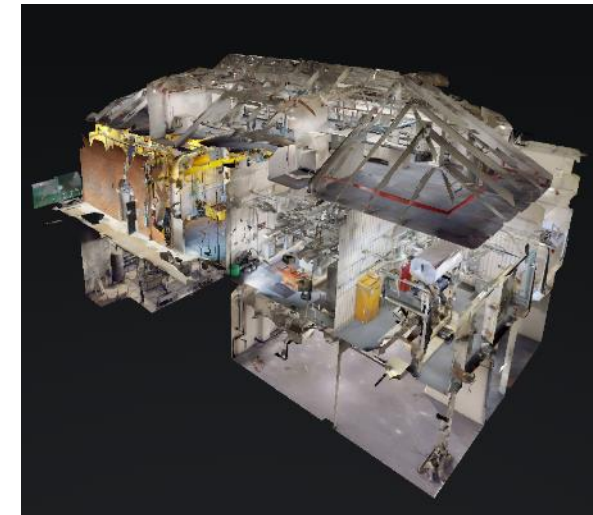
Raw 3D Point Cloud



3D Revit Model

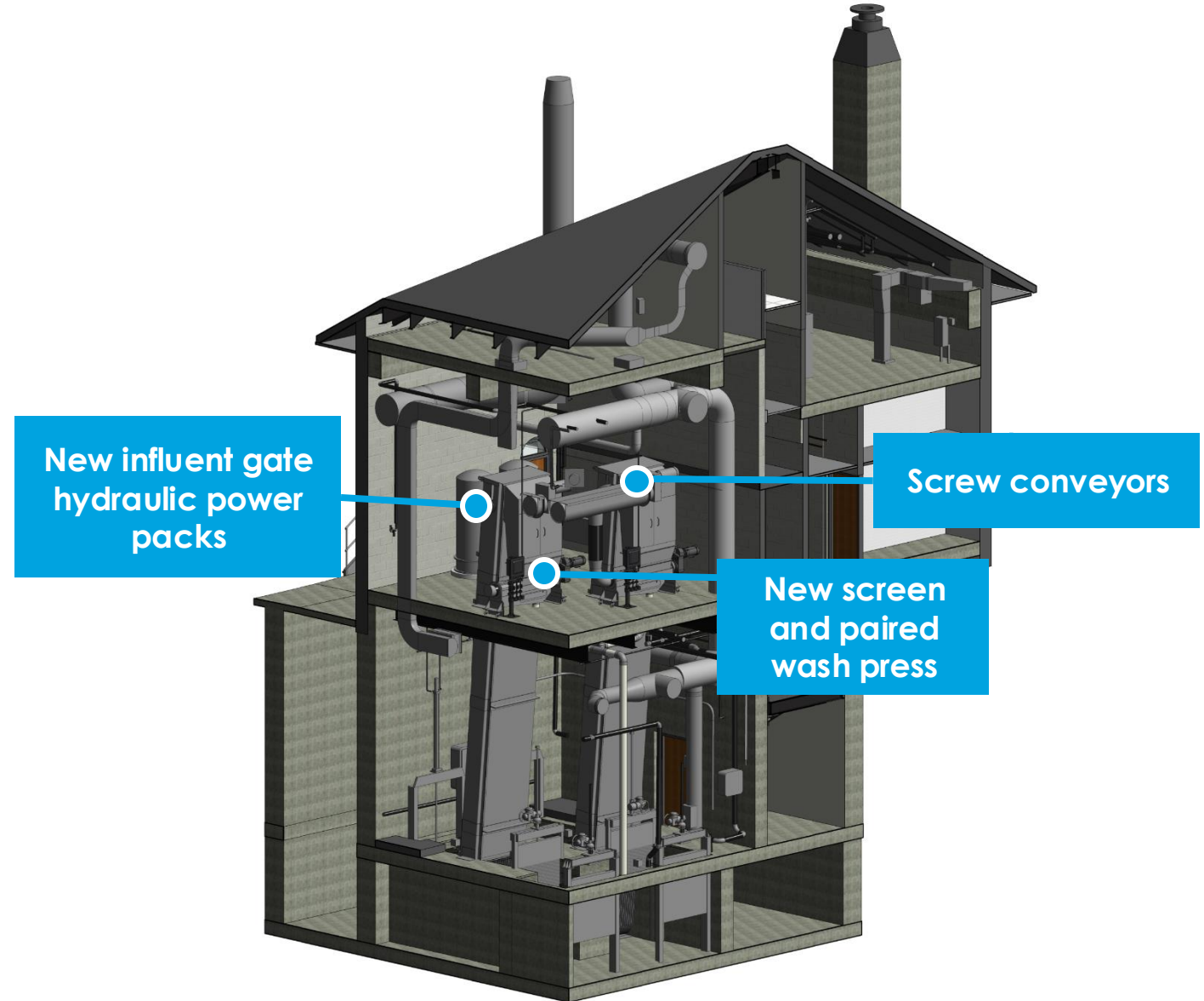
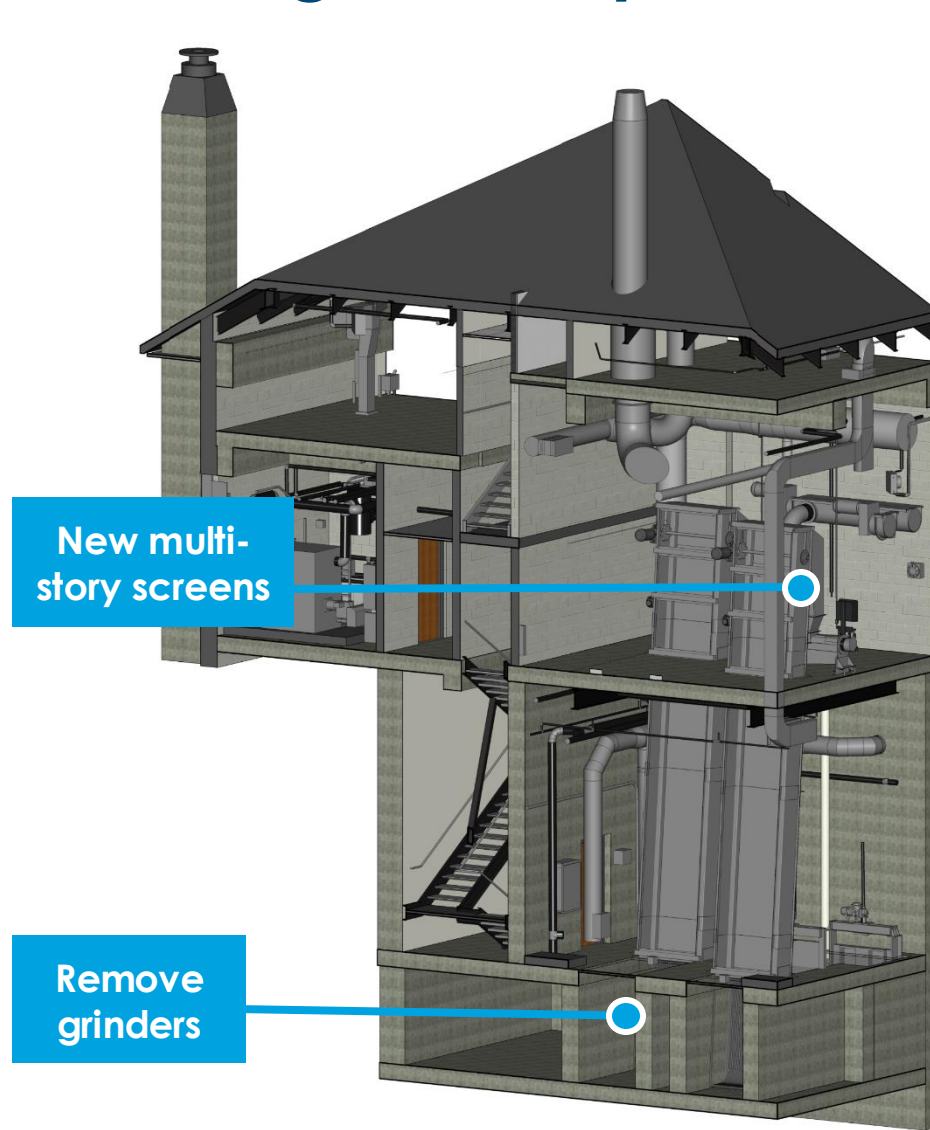


Conventional Site Survey

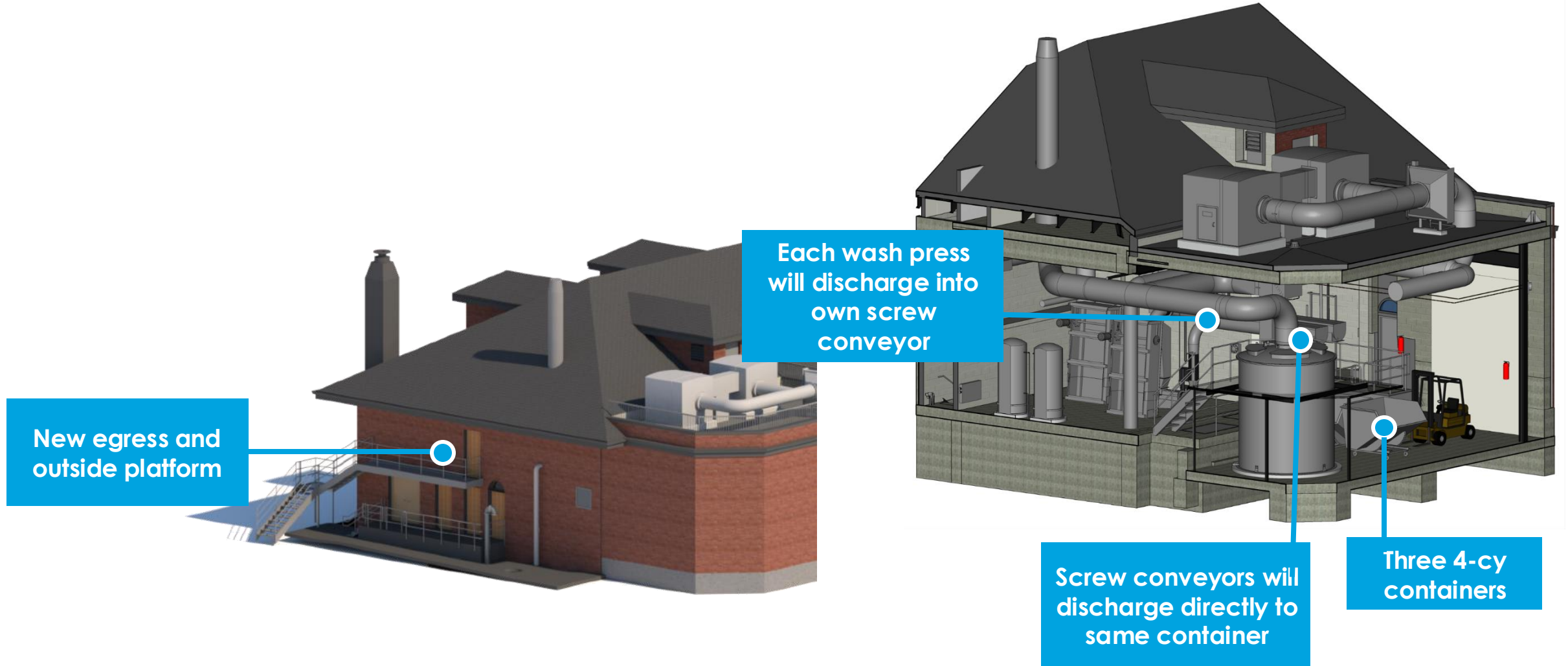


Matterport 3D Imaging

# Screening/Conveyance

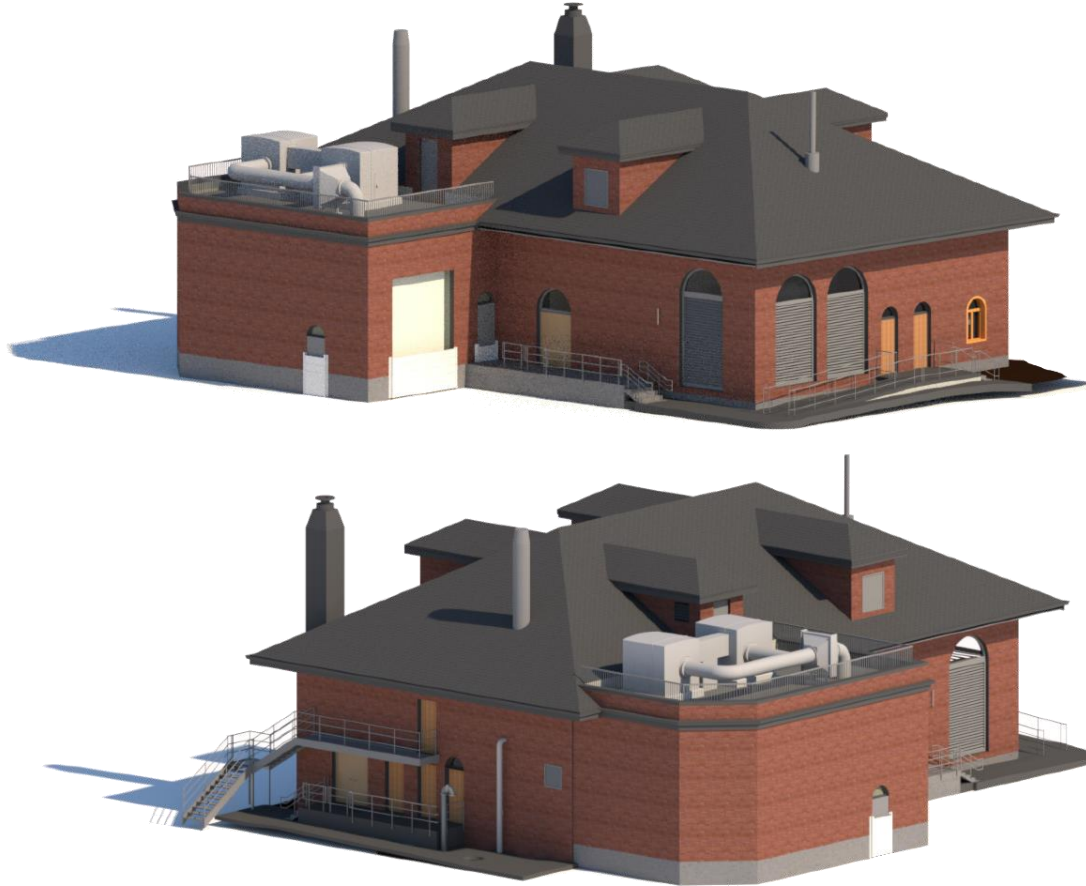


# Screening Building Addition





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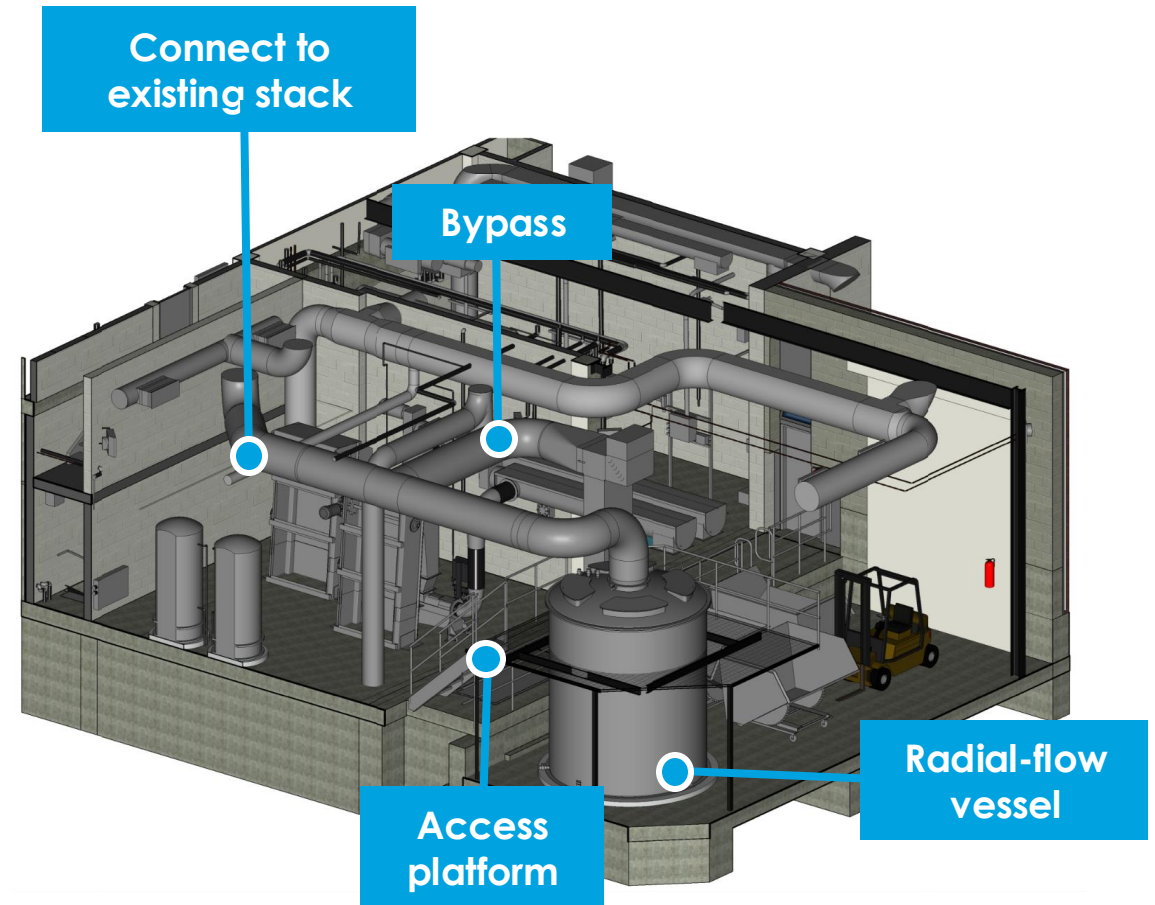
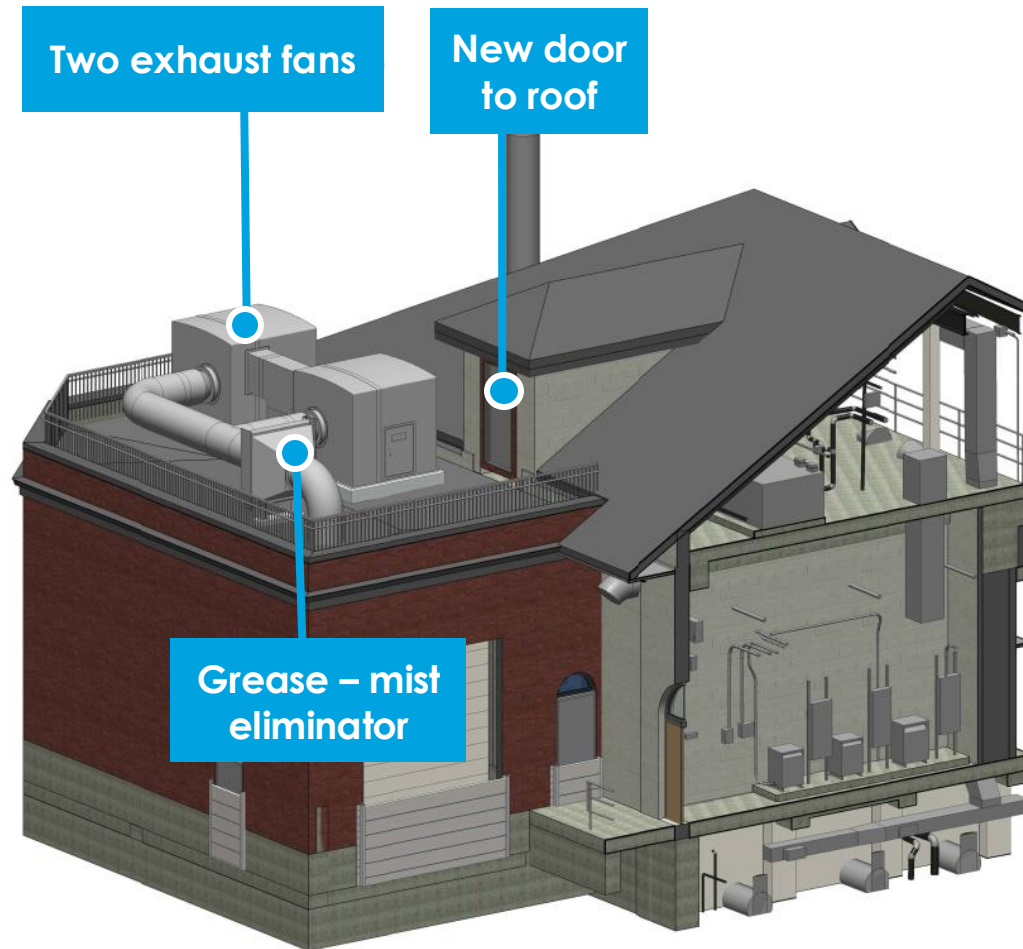


## Design

- **Building addition**
  - 26-ft x 42-ft
  - Match existing architecture
  - Access roof thru second floor dormer
  - Manual hoist on roof
  - Pump room monorail and hoist extended into building addition
  - Flood protection
  - Micropile foundation



# Odor Control System

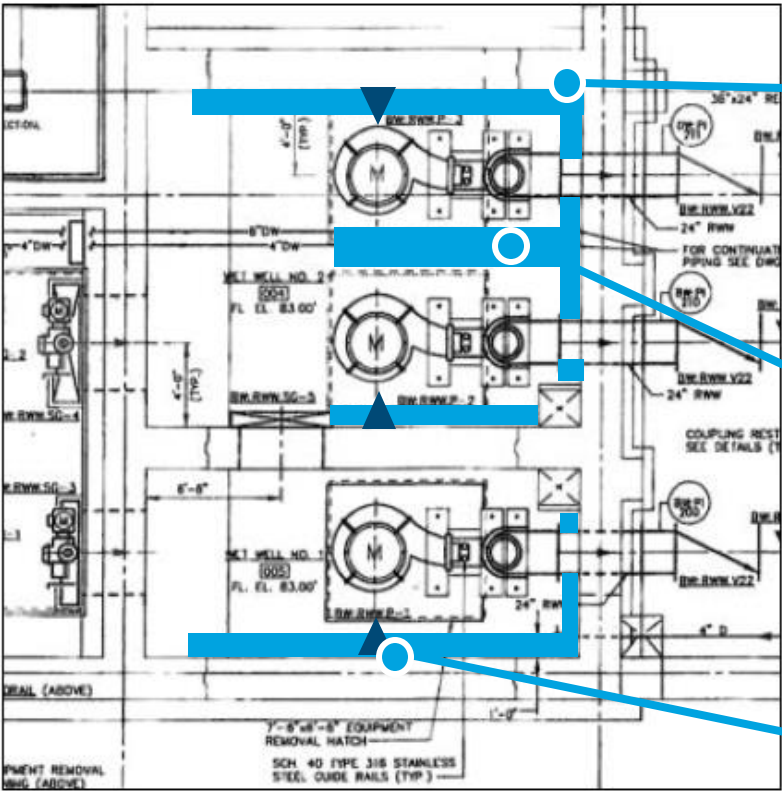
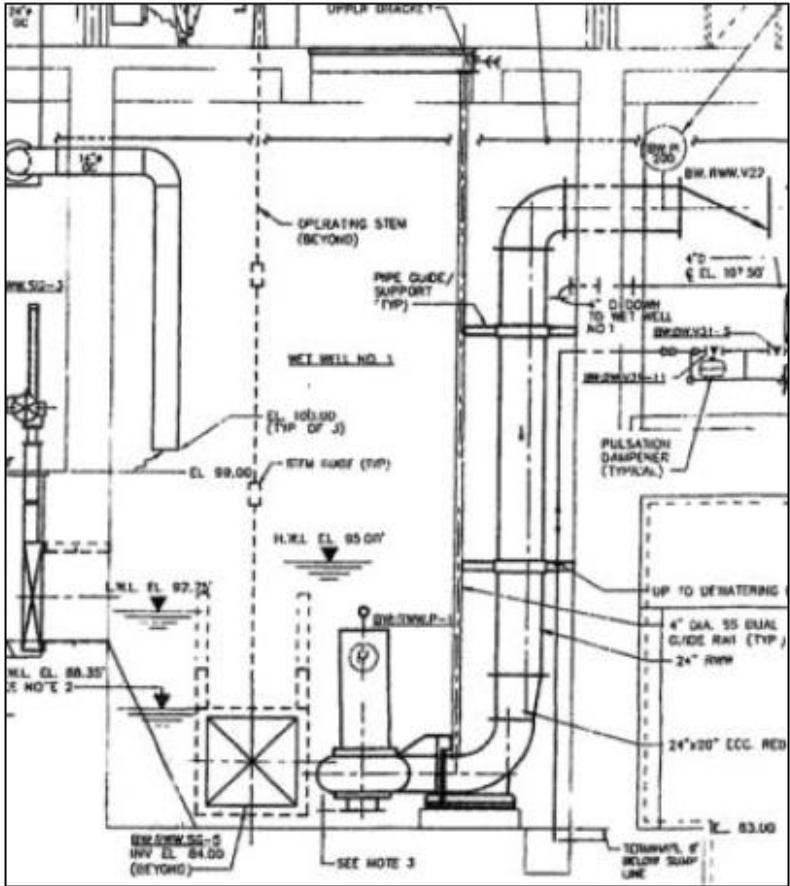


# Pump Access Room



- Relocate conduit and open to new screening loading area
- Extend monorail over into screenings loading area

# Pumping System & Pump Access Room



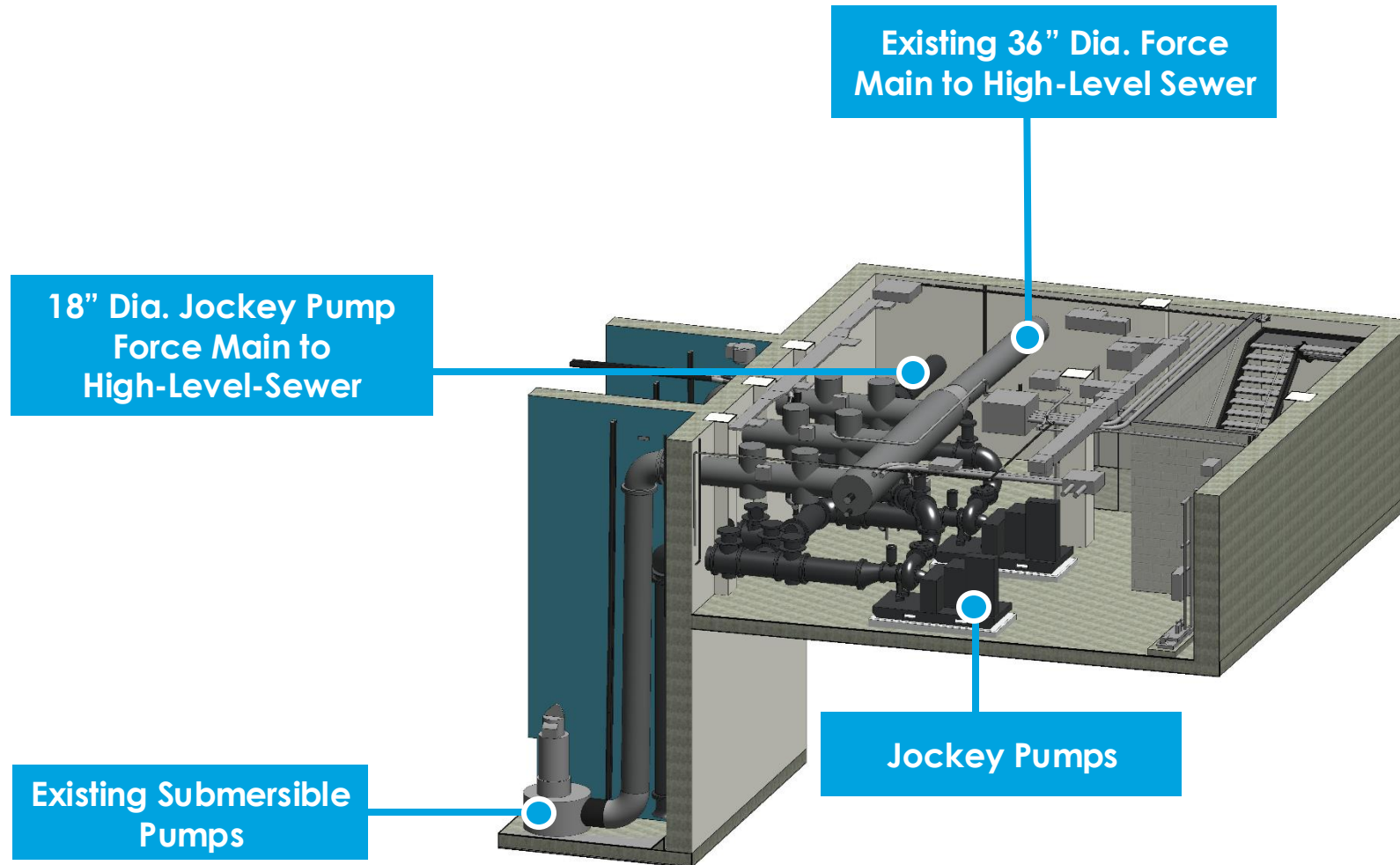
Sloped concrete fill

Partial wall

Anti-rotation baffle



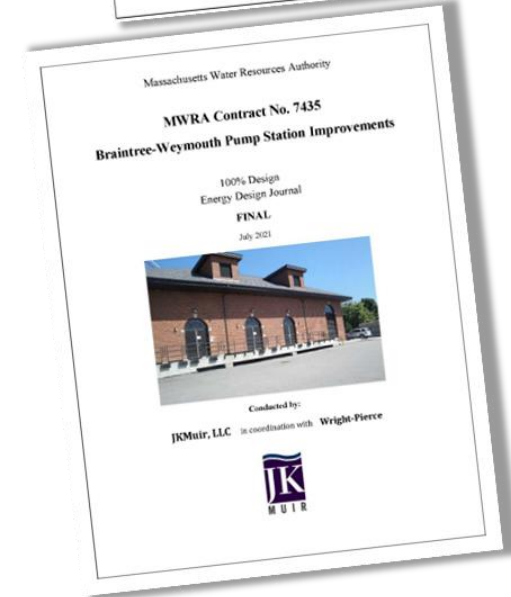
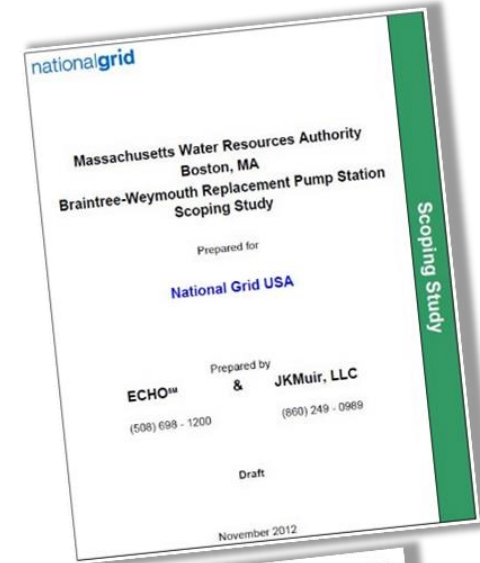
# Jockey Pumps





# Energy Design Journal

- **Massachusetts Executive Order 484: Clean Energy and Efficient Buildings (2007) – Reduce greenhouse gas emissions**
- **Initiated facility energy audit program in 2009 for all facilities (BWPS 2012)**
- **MWRA developed standard procedures in 2014 to ensure that energy efficiency was embedded into all of MWRA's facility construction projects**
- **Procedures included the development of an Energy Design Journal for new projects to document and design the optimum energy efficient facility to “leave no stone unturned.”**



# Triple Crown of Energy Efficiency



## Sustainability Initiatives

- Process equipment
- Odor control
- Mechanical (HVAC)

# Sustainability Initiatives



- **Jockey pumps**
  - Lower horsepower pumps on VFDs
  - More efficient at lower flows
  - Combined energy and maintenance cost savings
  - Maintenance cost savings \$550,000 over the 20-year design period
  - Anticipated yearly energy savings: \$10,000/yr (-79,000 kWh/yr)

# Sustainability Initiatives

## Jockey Pumps

	Equipment	Operation	Horsepower	Existing Annual Operating Hours	Proposed Annual Operating Hours	Annual Energy Impact (kWh)	Annual Energy Cost Impact
Existing	Submersible pumps	Fill/Draw	150	6,450	438	(475,000)	(\$60,000)
Proposed	Jockey pumps	Level Pace	60	-	8,300	396,000	\$50,000
Savings						(79,000)	(\$10,000)



# Sustainability Initiatives



- **Mechanical screens, wash presses, and conveyors**
  - Replaced continuously operated grinders
  - Intermittent operation
  - Anticipated yearly energy savings: \$2,000 (15,300 kwh/yr)

# Sustainability Initiatives

## Mechanical Screens, Wash Presses, and Conveyors

	Equipment	Operation	Horsepower	Existing Annual Operating Hours	Proposed Annual Operating Hours	Annual Energy Impact (kWh)	Annual Energy Cost Impact
Existing	Grinders	Continuous	5	9,000	-	(32,300)	(\$4,100)
Proposed	Mechanical screen	Intermittent	5	-	2,700	8,300	\$1,000
	Wash press	Intermittent	5	-	900	3,000	\$400
	Conveyor	Intermittent	7.5	-	1,000	5,700	\$700
Savings						(15,300)	(\$2,000)

# Sustainability Initiatives



- **Odor control**
  - New odor control fans to be on VFDs
  - 2-speed operation – occupied/unoccupied
  - Anticipated yearly energy savings: \$11,700 (93,100 kWh/yr)

# Sustainability Initiatives

## Odor Control

	Equipment	Operation	Horsepower	Existing Annual Operating Hours	Proposed Annual Operating Hours	Annual Energy Impact (kWh)	Annual Energy Cost Impact
Existing	OC fan	Continuous	25	8,760	-	(148,400)	(\$18,600)
Proposed	OC fan	Occupied/ Unoccupied	30		8,760	55,300	\$6,900
Savings						(93,100)	(\$11,700)



# Sustainability Initiatives



- **Mechanical (HVAC)**
  - **Air handling unit makeup air rates**
    - Occupied/unoccupied to match odor control
  - **Modify valve room ventilation**
    - Normal mode ( $>50^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) full outdoor air
    - Recirculation mode ( $<50^{\circ}\text{F}$ ); 75% recirculation
  - **Anticipated yearly energy savings \$2,300 (18,000kWh/yr)**

# Sustainability Initiatives

## Mechanical (HVAC)

	Equipment	Operation	Horsepower	Existing Annual Operating Hours	Proposed Annual Operating Hours	Annual Energy Impact (kWh)	Annual Energy Cost Impact
Existing	Air handling unit	Continuous	5	8,760	-	(31,000)	(\$3,900)
Proposed	Air handling unit	Occupied/Unoccupied	5	-	8,760	7,500	\$900
	Recirculation fan	Continuous	0.75	-	8,760	5,300	\$700
Savings						(18,300)	(\$2,300)

# Results

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