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Water Reuse: Drivers and Success





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GW Overdraft Condition



Recycling Waste

In Orange County, Calif., the <u>Groundwater Replenishment</u> <u>System</u> treats 70 million gal of wastewater every day and injects it into the region's groundwater basin.



Groundwater Collapse

Over five decades, the ground level in California, dropped by almost 30 feet because of groundwater overdraft.

Major Paradigm Shift

PAST

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



 Improve environmental quality, at least cost to the community

FUTURE

 Use a holistic "one water" approach to water management



Challenges in Water Reuse

Organics

Contact

- Brine stream for discharge
- Expensive technology
- Failure and Resilience

"We know that the technologies exist to create water that is equal to or better than many source water qualities," **BUT**

- Treatment requirements
 - <u>Need for criteria</u> for pathogen and chemical control
- On-line monitoring
 - Performance monitoring
- Treatment technologies
 - Defining reliability
- Source Control
 - Managing the collection system
- Operations and operators
- Response time (respond to off-spec water)
- Public acceptance

Southern California, USA





Drivers for Water Reuse

Liquids Treatment / Reuse

- Limited fresh water supply
- Increasing population and domestic water needs
- Upcoming stringent wastewater effluent nutrient regulations
- Depleting groundwater aquifers resulting in land subsidence
- Sustainability of water supply
- Industrial applications

Treatment Levels for Various Reuse Applications

Types of Use	1	Treatment Level		
	Disinfected Tertiary	Disinfected Secondary	Undisinfected Secondary	
Urban Uses and Landscape Irrigation Fire protection Toilet & urinal flushing Irrigation of parks, schoolyards, residential landscaping	$\overline{\mathbf{N}}$			
Irrigation of cemeteries, highway landscaping Irrigation of nurseries Landscape impoundment		✓✓✓✓		
Agricultural Irrigation Pasture for milk animals Fodder and fiber crops Orchards (no contact between fruit and recycled water) Vineyards (no contact between fruit and recycled water) Non-food bearing trees			N N N	
Food crops eaten after processing Food crops eaten raw			_	
Commercial/Industrial Cooling & air conditioning - w/cooling towers Structural fire fighting Commercial car washes Commercial laundries	5 5 5 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	⊻*		
Soil compaction, concrete mixing	V			
<i>Environmental and Other Uses</i> Recreational ponds with body contact (swimming) Wildlife habitat/wetland		ব		
Aquaculture		 ₹		
Groundwater Recharge Seawater intrusion barrier Replenishment of potable aquifers	∑* ∑*			
*Restrictions may apply			_	

Source: California Department of Water Resources

Treatment Needs for Various Reuse Applications



Source: California State Water Resources Control Board

Stantec Projects with 2 Major Clients in SoCal

- Metropolitan Water District (MWD) of Southern California
- 19 Million Users
 - 0.5 MGD (80 m3/hr) Advanced Water Treatment (AWT) Demonstration Facility
 - 150 MGD (23,655 m3/hr) AWT Facility at the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant: MBR + RO + AOP facility (\$770M OPCC)
- City of Los Angeles
 - 1.0 (**158 m3/hr**) MGD AWT Demonstration Facility
 - 70 MGD (**11,039 m3/hr**) MBR conversion at Hyperion WRP for AWT / IPR (**\$550M OPCC**)
 - Terminal Island WRP Solids Management Study
 - Hyperion WRP Full Reuse Feasibility Study
 - Hyperion WRP Solids Management Study

Metropolitan Water District (MWD) of Southern California

MWD's Advanced Water Treatment (AWT) Facility

- <u>Will be the largest AWT Facility in the world when fully implemented</u>
- Will produce 150 MGD (23,655 m3/hr) of recycled water to recharge four groundwater basins in Los Angeles and Orange County
- Will be first in the U.S. to implement MBR RO AOP process train for IPR
- Capital cost estimated at \$2.7B including treatment and conveyance

Location of AWT Facility at JWPCP



MWD's AWT Demonstration Facility

Stantec designed the demonstration facility; construction to be complete by the end of this year

- Construction Cost \$13.8M
- Design Fees \$2.5M





City of Los Angeles

Hyperion WRP - AWT Facility

- 70 MGD of Hyperion's 450 MGD capacity will be converted from HPOAS to MBR during the first phase
- High quality effluent to be further treated with RO and AOP for IPR
- MBR at Hyperion will allow eliminating Ozone + MF at West Basin MWD
- City plans for full reuse of Hyperion effluent so eventually the entire facility will be converted to MBR

Location of AWT Facilities at Hyperion WRP



Hyperion WRP - AWT Production Facility

Stantec serving as owner's engineer on the 1.5 MGD Hyperion Advanced Water Purification Facility for LAX High Quality Water Needs



Multiple Sources

Stantec Santa Monica Sustainable Water Infrastructure Project (SWIP)





Challenges:

- Combination of technology
- Health regulations

Indirect Potable: Ozone-BAC: Alternative to RO AWTF

- Most refractory organics destroyed, not concentrated in brine stream
- No brine stream generated needing treatment and/or disposal
- Lower capital cost
- Lower energy utilization and O&M cost



Why Ozone-BAC Treatment Trains for Inland Locations?

Technology	Preliminary Relative Capital Cost
O3-BAC-LUV	\$ 1.0x
O3-BAC side-stream RO-OD	\$ 1.4x
RO-H2O2-HUV-OD	\$ 1.7x
O3-BAC-LUV side-stream RO-ZLD	\$ 2.5x
RO-H2O2-HUV-ZLD	\$ 3.3x
Acronyms: O3: Ozone BAC: Biological activated carbon LUV: Low-energy UV RO: Reverse Osmosis H2O2: Hydrogen Peroxide HUV: High-energy UV OD: Ocean discharge ZLD: Zero liquid discharge	

0.6 Ocean Discharge (OD) Zero Liquid Discharge (ZLD) Scenario 5 Acronyms: O3- Ozone BAC- Biological Activated Carbon LUV - Low-Energy UV RO - Reverse Osmosis Scenario 4 HUV - High-Energy UV H2O2 - Hydrogen Peroxide Scenario 3 0.37 OD - Ocean Discharge Scenario 2 SS - Side Stream 0.17 RO - Reverse Osmosis ZLD - Zero Liquid 0.07 0.18 Discharge Scenario 1 0.06 0.06 0.06 0.06 0.06 0.06 0.06 0.06 0.0 03-BAC-LUV O3-BAC-LUV SS RO-OD RO-HUV-H2O2-OD O3-BAC-LUV SS RO-ZLD RO-HUV-H2O2-ZLD Post-secondary Pretreatment Cost O3-BAC & LUV Cost RO & HUV based Cost

Figure 2: Annual Energy Cost Per MGD (Unit Power Cost = \$0.14/kWh)

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Potable Reuse Approaches



Source: The Water Reuse Roadmap Ch. 7

