SWIFT: An Innovative Approach to Managed Aquifer Recharge Using Purified Recycled Water in Virginia

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- Hampton Roads Sanitation District (HRSD)
- Provides wastewater treatment for 17 localities (250 mgd treatment capacity)
- Serves 1.7 million people (20% of all Virginians)



Major facilities include the following treatment plants:

- 1. Atlantic, Virginia Beach
- 2. Chesapeake-Elizabeth, Va. Beach
- 3. Army Base, Norfolk
- 4. Virginia Initiative, Norfolk
- 5. Nansemond, Suffolk
- Boat Harbor, Newport News
 James River, Newport News
- West Point, King William County
 Central Middlesex, Middlesex County

9. York River, York County

8. Williamsburg, James City County

- 12. Urbanna, Middlesex County
- 13. King William, King William County
- Serving the Cities of Chesapeake, Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk, Poquoson, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Virginia Beach, Williamsburg, and the Counties of Gloucester, Isle of Wight, James City King and Queen, King William, Mathews, Middlesex and York





Current state of wastewater in Hampton Roads







Advanced water treatment to produce **PURIFIED WATER**

- SWIFT concept replenish the aquifer with purified water to:
 - Reduce nutrient discharges to the Bay
 - Provide a sustainable supply of groundwater
 - -Reduce the rate of land subsidence
 - Protect the groundwater from seawater intrusion



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Modeled Potomac Aquifer Water Levels With And Without SWIFT





Managed Aquifer Recharge



- Soil aquifer treatment, blending with existing groundwater
- Human health criteria still apply due to drinking water designation of aquifer
- Geochemical compatibility is required!



Treatment Process Selection Approach

Identify candidate treatment processes for evaluation that can:

- 1. Comply with EPA primary MCLs
- 2. Provide a multi-barrier approach to removal of pathogens and organics
- 3. Achieve consistent TN < 10 mg/L-N

Additional considerations:

- Consider alternatives to RO-based treatment
- Consider TDS sMCL (500 mg/L) vs aquifer compatibility (>1,000 mg/L)



What advanced water treatment alternatives were considered?







Pathogen Reduction Comparison

Parameter	Floc/Sed-Ozone-BAC-GAC-UVD Log Reduction Credits								
	Coag/Sed (+BAC)	Ozone	BAC+GAC	UV	Cl ₂	SAT	Total		
Enteric Viruses	2	0-3	0	1-4	0-4	6	9-19		
Cryptosporidium	4	0	0	4-6	0	6	14-16		
Giardia	2.5	0-1.5	0	4-6	0	6	12.5-16		

Parameter	MF-RO-UVAOP Log Reduction Credits								
	MF	RO	UVAOP	Cl ₂	SAT	Total			
Enteric Viruses	0	2	6	4	6	18			
Cryptosporidium	4	2	6	0	6	18			
Giardia	4	2	6	0	6	18			



Class IV-V cost estimate for non-specific 20 MGD AWT facility

Treatment Train	eatment Train Total Capital Cost		Total Net Present Value	
RO-Based	\$170,000,000	\$7,200,000	\$281,000,000	
GAC-Based	\$128,000,000	\$3,500,000	\$182,000,000	

Extensive Pilot Testing Conducted to Select the Appropriate Treatment





RO-Based Pilot System



Carbon (GAC) Based Pilot System

Coag/Floc/Sed

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BAC/GAC



Ozone

UVD







Pilot Water Quality Results



YR Pilot Plant Performance and Drinking Water Primary MCLs

			Carbon	Train			Membra	ne Train	
Parameter	Primary MCL mg/L	Max	Min	Average	Sample Location	Max	Min	Average	Sample Location
Barium	2	0.008	0.008	0.008	S6	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	S10
Chlordane	0.002	<0.00002	<0.00002	<0.00002	S6	<0.00002	<0.00002	<0.00002	S10
Endrin	0.002	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001	S6	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001	S10
Heptachlor	0.0004	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001	S6	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001	S10
Heptachlor Epoxide	0.0002	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001	S6	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001	S10
Lindane	0.05	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001	S6	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001	S10
Methoxychlor	0.04	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001	S6	<0.00001	<0.00001	<0.00001	S10
Toxaphene	0.003	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	S6	<0.00005	<0.00005	<0.00005	S10
PCBs- AR1016	0.0005	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	S6	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	S10
PCBs- AR1221	0.0005	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	S6	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	S10
PCBs- AR1232	0.0005	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	S6	<0.0001	<0.0001	<0.0001	S10
PC	0.0007	<u>۵</u>	-0.0001	•		<0.0001	`າ1	21	S10

- Vast majority of primary MCL contaminants not detected
- Of those detected, none were even close to MCL limits



Pilot Performance: Secondary MCLs

			Pilot Effluent Values				
Parameter	Unit	Value	GAC: 50%	GAC: 99%	RO: 50%	RO: 99%	
Aluminum	mg/L	0.05	<0.04	<0.04	<0.04	<0.04	
Chloride	mg/L	250	171	221	<4	<4	
Color	color units	12	2	5	1	2	
Copper	mg/L	1	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	
Corrosivity		Non-corrosive	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Fluoride	mg/L	2	0.6	0.7	<0.1	<0.1	
Foaming agents	mg/L	0.5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Iron	mg/L	0.3	<0.02	0.05	<0.02	<0.02	
Manganese	mg/L	0.05	<0.01	0.01	<0.01	<0.01	
Odor	TON	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
рН	pH unit	6.5 - 8.5	7.5 - 7.7	7.5 - 7.7	7.5 - 7.7	7.5 - 7.7	
Silver	mg/L	0.1	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	
Sulfate	mg/L	250	95	107	<1.0	1.6	
TDS	mg/L	500	541	635	12	29	
Zinc	mg/L	5	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	

Summary of Organics Testing Results



Contaminants of Emerging Concern (CECs)

- Treatment case study for sampling done on 8/31/16
- Multi-barrier approach is shown by decrease in concentration through the treatment process
- All values shown in ng/L

Contaminant	Pilot Feed	Ozone Eff	BAC1 Eff	BAC2 Eff	GAC1 Eff	GAC2 Eff	RO Eff	UVAOP Eff
Iohexal	7500	4000	1500	1400	15	<10	31	<10
Sucralose	43000	28000	17000	12000	<100	<100	140	130
тсрр	980	720	260	110	<100	<100	<100	<100
Primidone	130	46	28	21	<5	<5	<5	<5

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Swift Pathogen results (viruses)

• RO-based train (calc'd):

- 8-log via AWT
- 6-log via SAT
- Total =14-log

Carbon-based train (calc'd):

- 6 to 10-log via AWT
- 6-log via SAT
- Total > 12-log



Summary of Pathogen Results (bacteria)

	S6 (U)	VD)	S10 (UVAOP)			
	Total Coliform	E. Coli	Total Coliform	E. Coli		
Date	MPN/100mL	MPN/100mL	MPN/100mL	MPN/100mL		
7/20/2016	31	<1	No sample	No sample		
7/27/2016	No sample	No sample	<1	<1		
8/3/2016	5	5	<1	<1		
8/10/2016	No sample	No sample	<1	<1		
8/17/2016	1	<1	<1	<1		
8/19/2016	<1	No sample	<1	<1		
8/22/2016	<1	No sample	<1	<1		
8/24/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
8/26/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
8/29/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
8/31/2016	<1	<1	No sample	No sample		
9/2/2016	1	<1	1	<1		
9/9/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
9/12/2016	770	4	15	<1		
9/14/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
9/16/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
9/19/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
9/21/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
9/23/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
9/26/2016	<1	<1	No sample	No sample		
9/28/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
9/30/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
10/3/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
10/5/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
10/7/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
10/12/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
10/14/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
10/17/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
10/19/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		
10/21/2016	<1	<1	<1	<1		

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Summary of Pilot Testing Results: Carbon vs. Membranes

- Both carbon-based and membrane-based trains meet all primary drinking water quality standards
- Carbon-based approach is equally protective of public health compared to membrane-based approach
- Carbon-based approach better geochemical compatibility with less chemical conditioning required
- Carbon-based approach selected for implementation

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Where is SWIFT going?

- On-going Pilot Testing (2016 – 2018)
- 1 MGD Research Center (April 2018)



SWIFT Research Center (1.0 MGD AWT + recharge well + monitoring wells + public outreach and education center + research facilities)



*Design/Construction by Crowder/Hazen



1 mgd SWIFT Research Center at HRSD Nansemond Treatment Plant (30 MGD)





Where is SWIFT going?

- On-going Pilot Testing (2016 – 2018)
- 1 MGD Research Center (April 2018)
- Advanced treatment to be provided for 7 major WWTPs (>100 MGD)
- Full implementation planned by 2030





Thank you

Questions?

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