

Recycled Water Use at the Pasatiempo Golf Club *Optimizing the Use of a Local Resource*

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Water resource diversification continues to be critical



- Recycled wastewater is a valuable part of a golf course water resource portfolio
- Many details to consider for implementation

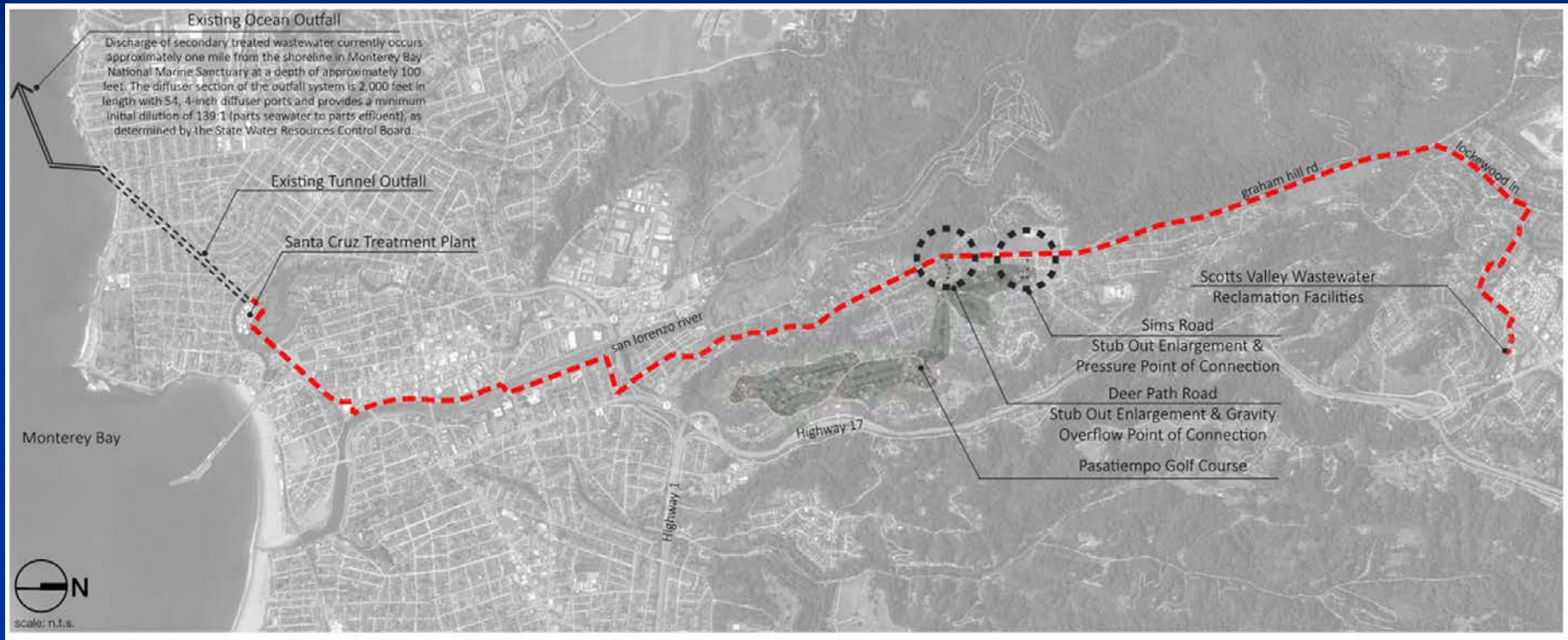
Some Recycled Water Use Considerations:

- Is there enough recycled water available when it is needed for optimal irrigation application rates and timing?
- How will the water be treated to meet Title 22 Tertiary Standards?
- What happens to water not used for irrigation?
 - Daily
 - Seasonally
- What happens to the residuals developed from meeting Title 22 Tertiary Standards?

Recycled Water Source

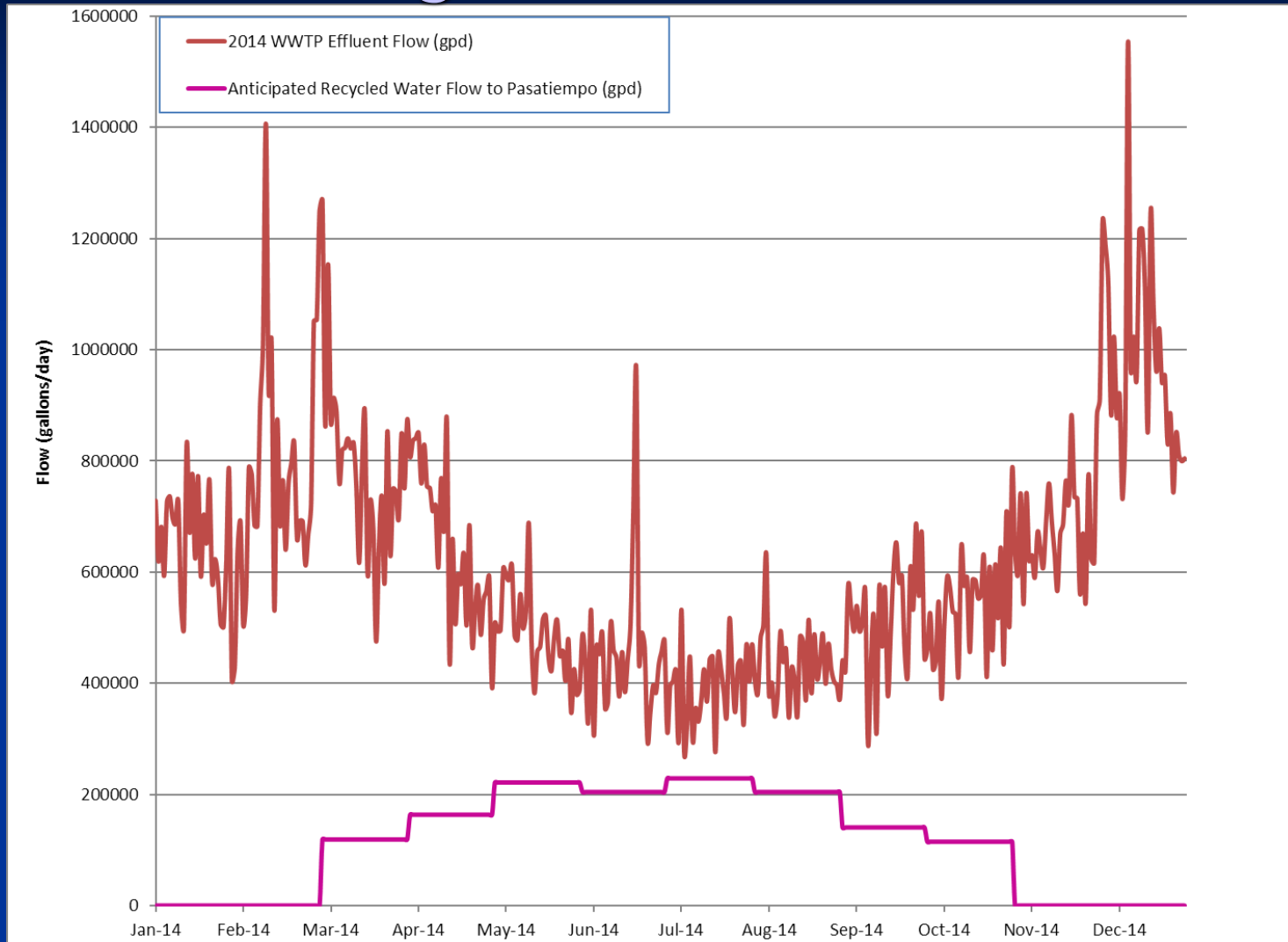
- Scotts Valley Water Reclamation Facility (SVWRF)
- Existing 1-mgd average flow capacity facility
- Produces consistent secondary effluent for ocean discharge
- Can produce tertiary effluent at additional cost
- Outfall pipeline runs adjacent to Pasatiempo Golf Course (7 miles from WWTP to Golf Course)
- Golf course planning on using up to a 2:1 Recycled Water : Potable Water blend.

SVWWTP Effluent Pipeline Overview



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Yes, but sometimes just enough

Requires operational flexibility

- On-site storage needed

- Ability to take recycled water 24 hr/day

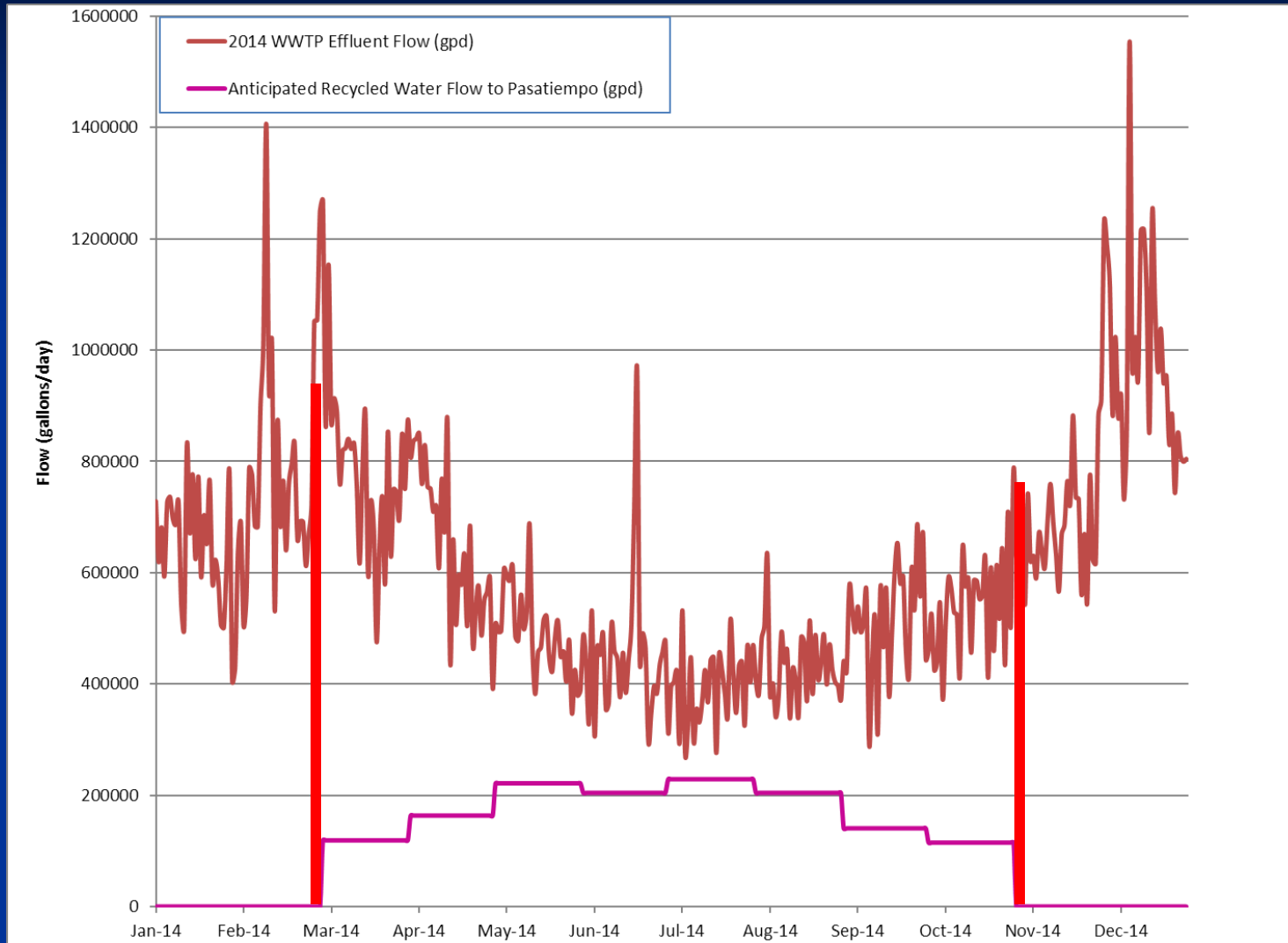


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How will the water be treated?

- Option 1: Have SVWRF treat all effluent to Tertiary standards during irrigation periods
 - This is 2-8x more tertiary recycled water than is needed on a daily basis. Overall, approximately 2x the needed water would get treated each irrigation season
 - Paying to treat 2x more water than needed is not ideal

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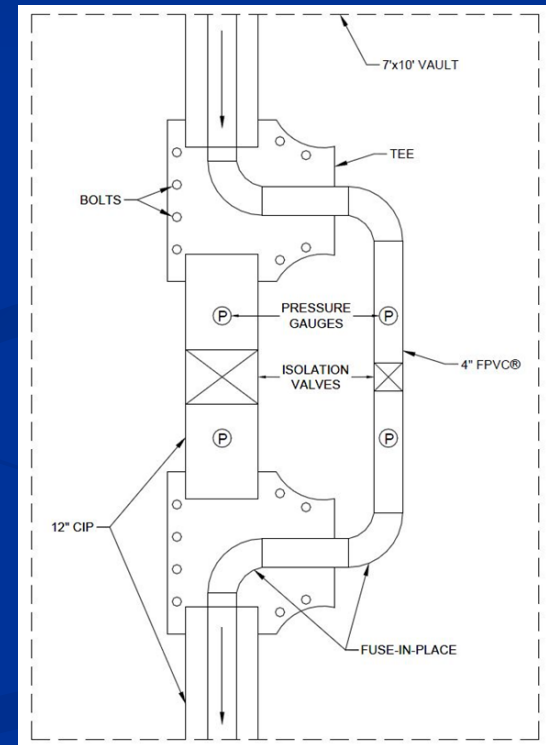
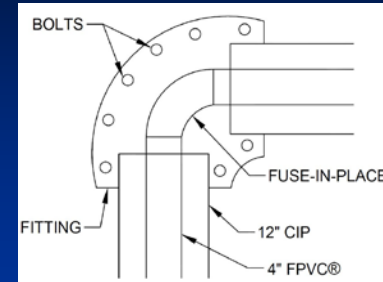
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 Option 2: Have SVWWTP treat only the water needed to Tertiary standards, separately pipe to the Golf Course

- 7 miles of pipeline, easements, etc. – far more expensive/time consuming
- Explored “pipe-in-pipe” alternative – expensive and problematic

Separate Pipeline?



How will the water be treated?

- Option 3: Treat secondary effluent to tertiary standards at the Golf Course
 - Allows treatment only what is used
 - Requires local operation of a filtration and disinfection facility
 - Explored different filtration options
 - Cloth
 - Microfiltration
 - Thread/Cartridge

How will the water be treated?



Based on preliminary cost assessment, decided on Option 3 – treat to tertiary standard on-site

- Preliminary selection of Amiad AMF Thread/Cartridge filter
 - Relatively inexpensive capital (although close with cloth filters)
 - Simplest/least expensive maintenance
 - Title 22 certified (certification performed at Lincoln WWTRF)
 - Good (although limited) reports from existing user (San Simeon WWTP)
 - Existing secondary effluent of consistent very high quality, making cartridge filter system seem feasible
 - Concern about performance, flux rates, backwash rates, general operating parameters and ease of operation

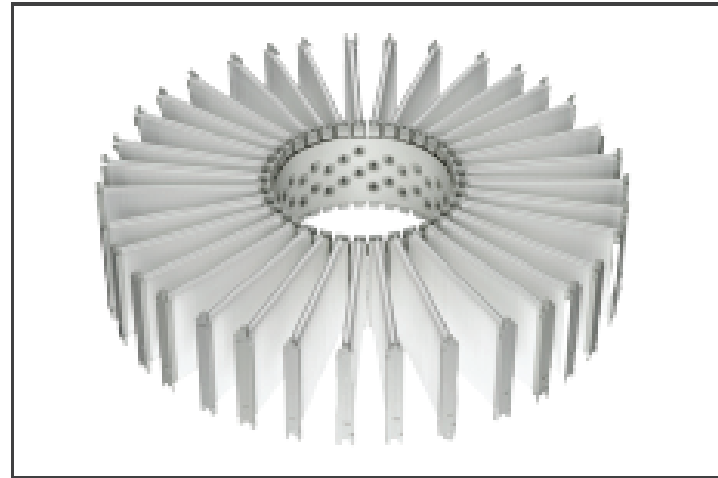
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Amiad AMF Cartridge Filter



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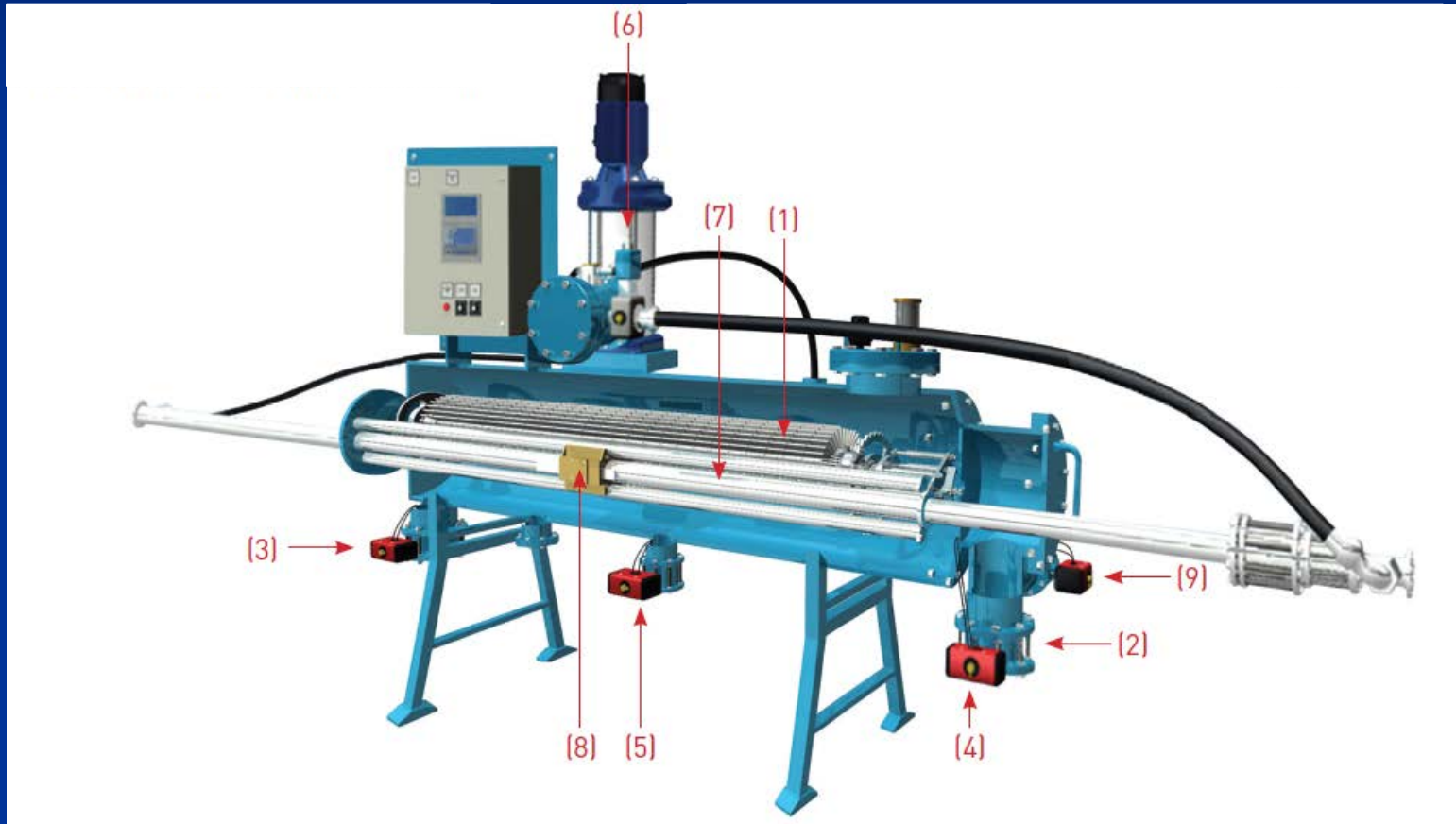
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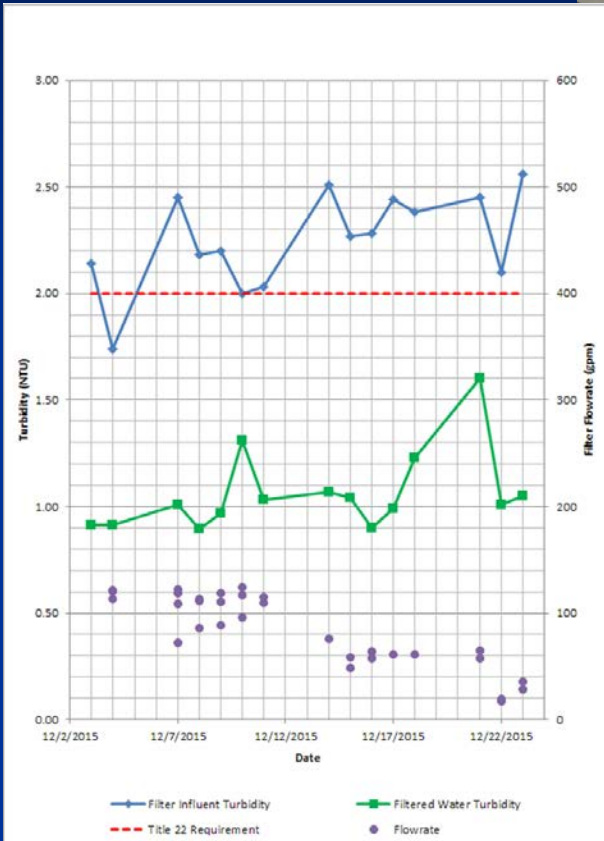
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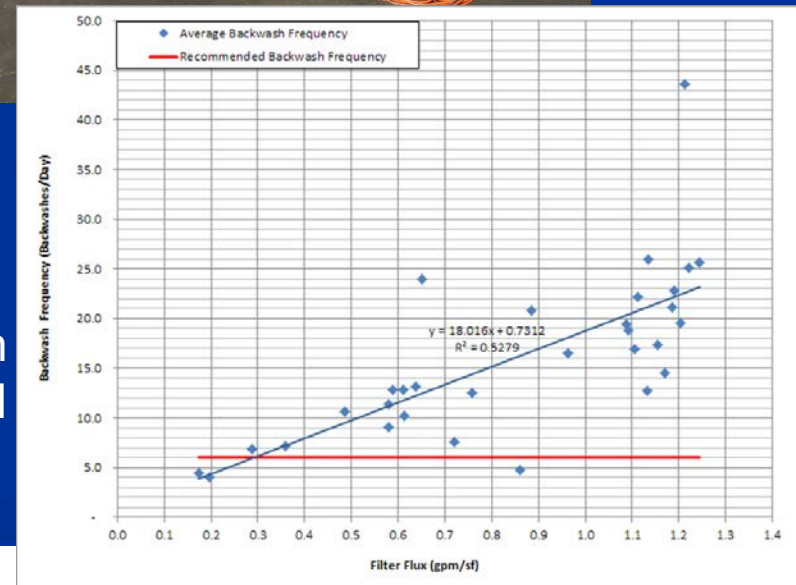
Pilot Test

- Performed 1-month pilot test
 - Worked in concert with SVWWTP personnel
 - Pilot unit supplied by Amiad (cost of pilot discounted from purchase price)
 - Good, consistent treatment performance
 - Optimized flux and backwash
 - Very low flux required to reduce backwash frequency to recommended rate
 - Resulted in specifying larger filters than originally anticipated
 - Still a cost saving
 - Operationally very straight forward

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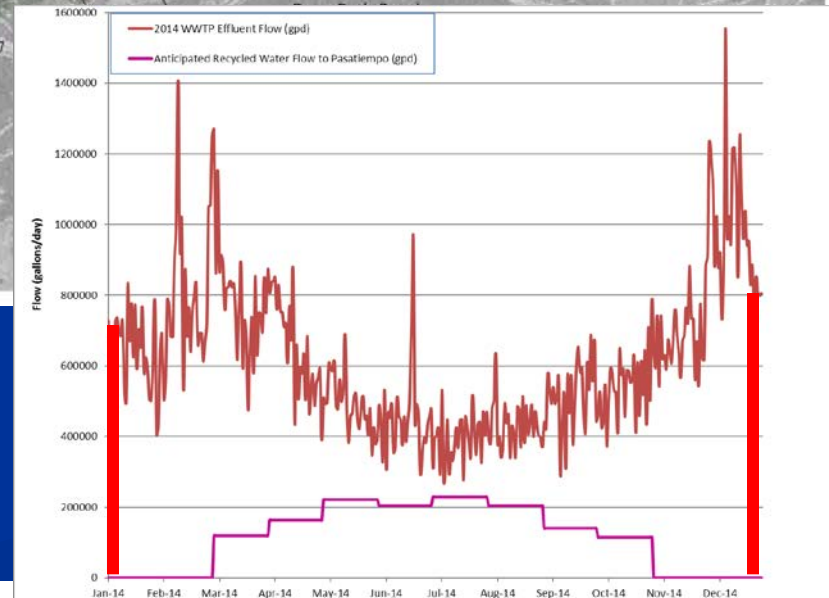
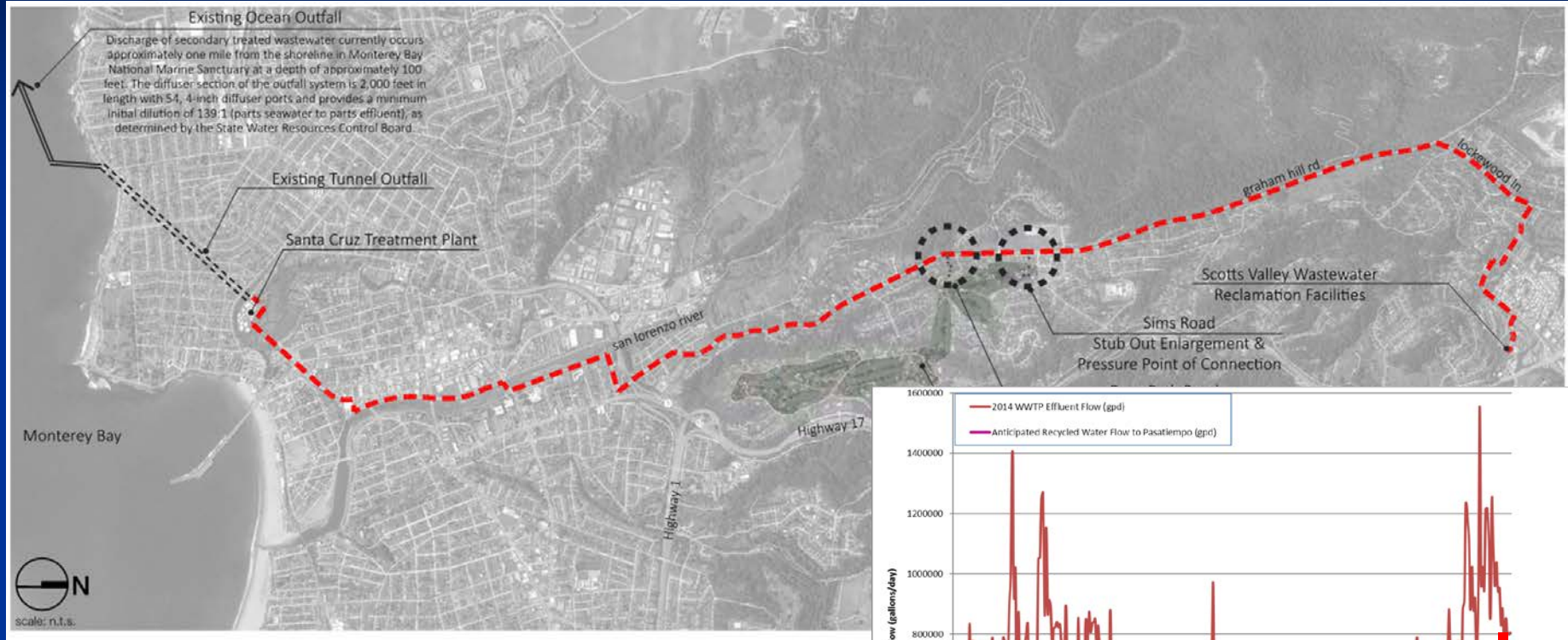


Proceeded with implementing Amiad AMF filters using operating and design parameters indicated during pilot test.



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What happens to the water not used for irrigation?



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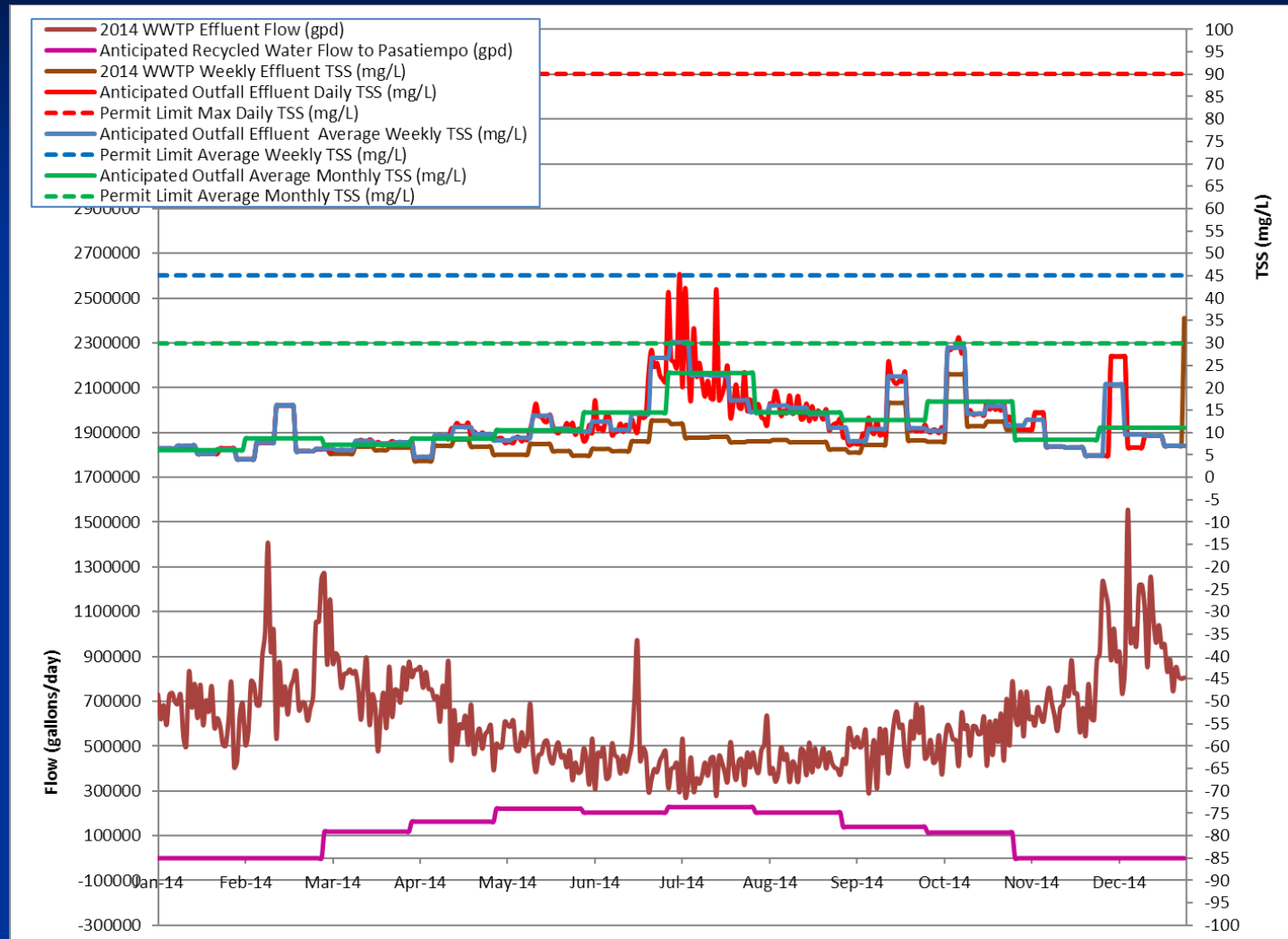
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Backwash waste

- Backwash waste has concentrated levels of any suspended solids in the secondary effluent
- Returned to secondary effluent pipeline
- Relies on blending with secondary effluent to maintain permit compliance at ocean outfall
- Difficult when Recycled Water use is near Secondary Effluent flowrate
- Currently exploring enhancing operational flexibility by adding option of some portion of sewer discharge of backwash waste, returning it to SVWWTP for re-processing of suspended solids removed by filtration.

What happens to the residuals?



Model of Filter Building



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