

WaterReuse – Orange County Chapter Meeting

Advancements in Potable Reuse

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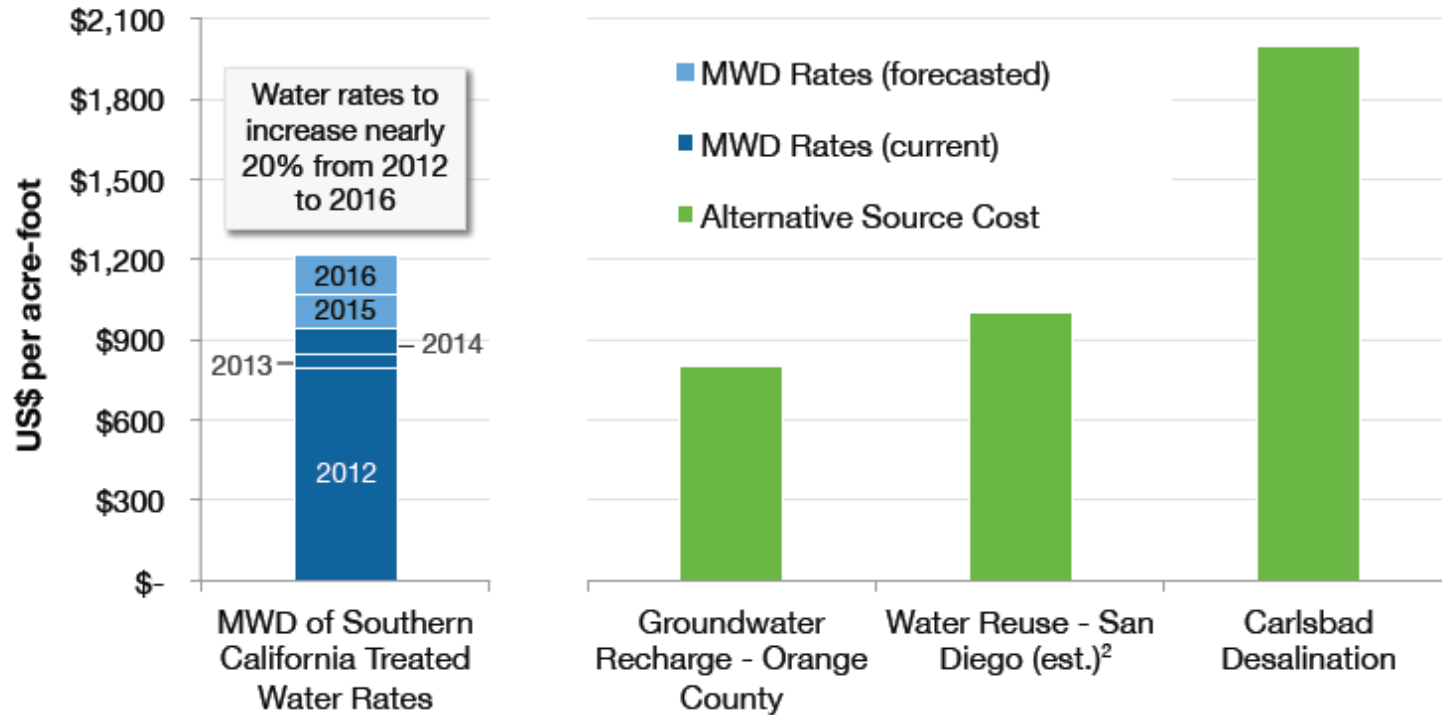
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Alternative Water Supplies in the California Market

Supply Comparison: MWD Rates vs. Alternative Sourcing Costs



Source: Metropolitan Water District (MWD) of Southern California, Restore the Delta, City of San Diego, AWWA, Bluefield Research

² Estimated cost includes US\$1000 per acre-foot offset for avoiding wastewater treatment capacity expansion.

Potable reuse is cost competitive with imported water supplies and significantly less costly compared to seawater desalination. DPR could be even more cost effective.

Project Hurdles

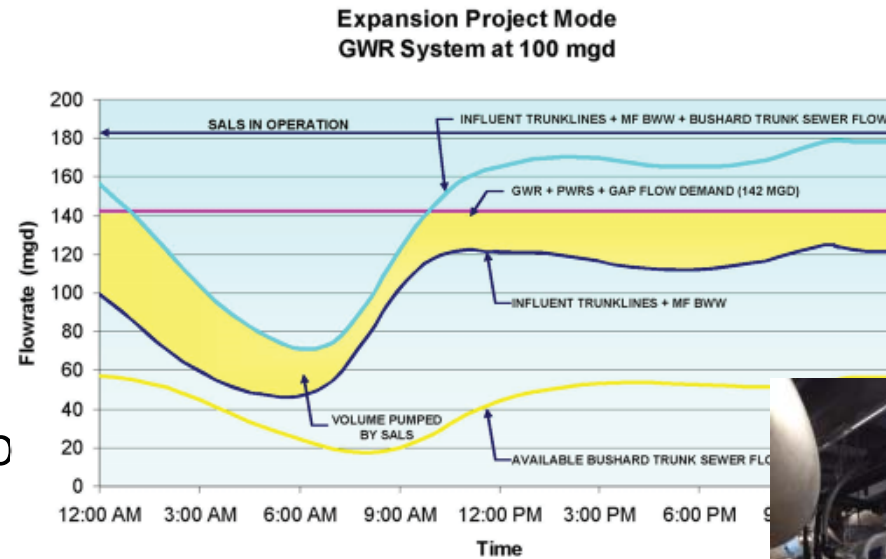




Where Are We Headed in Potable Reuse

Initial Expansion of OCWD GWRS Provided Opportunities to Enhance Performance and Reliability

- Optimize Secondary Treatment
- Secondary flow equalization
- Incorporated energy recovery devices (ERD) to new RO units
- New lime system and post-treatment target
- Final Expansion of GWRS?



Post-Treatment Enhancements

- Post-treatment water quality target was adjusted during Initial Expansion to:
 - Better protect cement mortar lined pipes
 - Prevent scaling of the injection well screens

OCWD GWRS Purified Water Quality Targets

Parameter	Current Goal	Alternative Target
pH	8.5 to 8.8	7.6 to 7.9
Alkalinity, mg/L as CaCO ₃	40	40 to 50
Calcium, mg/L	3 to 4	10 to 13
Hardness, mg/L as CaCO ₃	7 to 10	25 to 33
Free Carbon Dioxide, mg/L	None	< 3
Buffer Intensity	None	0.100
CCPP, mg/L as CaCO ₃	-4 to -2	-3

- Alternative target also mitigated against arsenic mobilization in the groundwater aquifer

West Basin Municipal Water District

- Source Water Impacts
 - Climate Change
 - Conservation
- Performance Enhancements and Reliability
 - Pre-ozonation
 - Tertiary MBR
 - Universal module MF

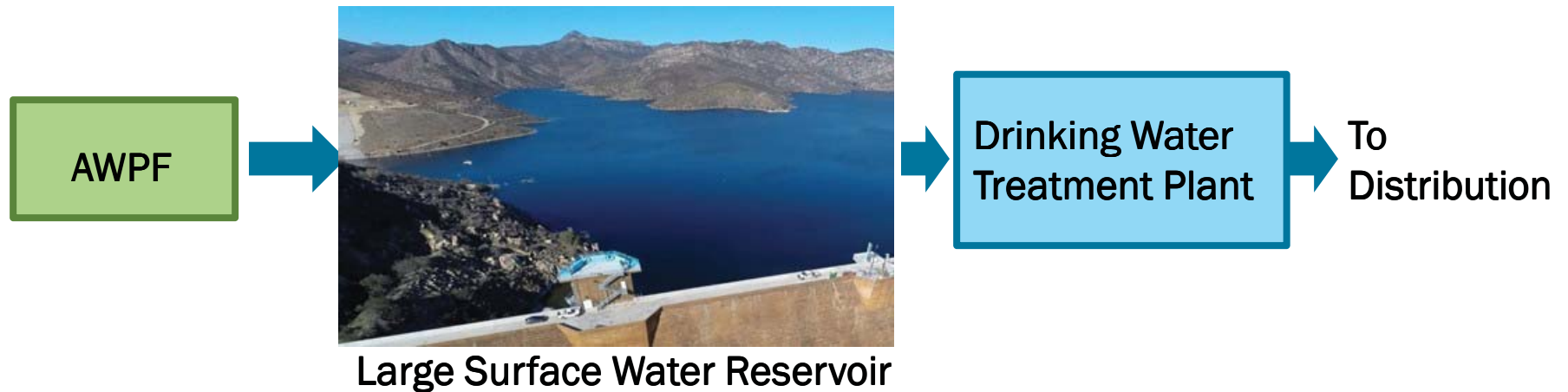


Pure Water Runs a Successful Demonstration Plant



- Treatment: O_3 +BAC +MF+RO+UV AOP
- 28,000 lab tests: **Met all standards**
- Water quality: **Exceptional**
- Energy use: **Comparable to imported water**
- Application: Surface Water Augmentation

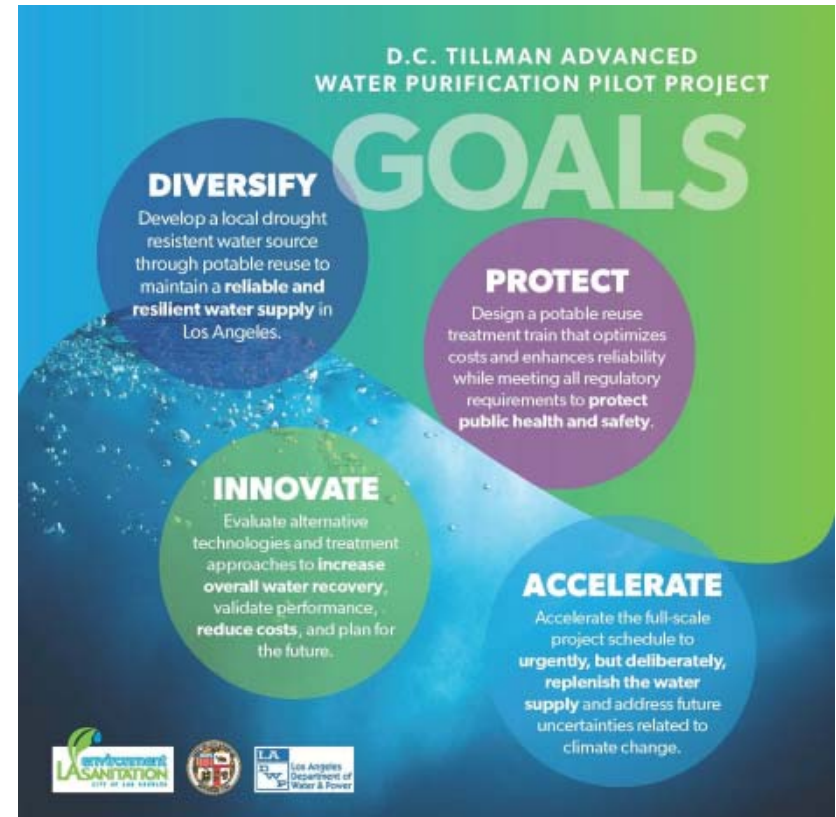
Surface Water Augmentation with Pure Water



- Draft Criteria for Surface Water Augmentation (CA)
 - Retention time \geq 6 months
 - Full advanced treatment
 - Dilution and mixing options = 99:1 dilution or 9:1 dilution with +1-log treatment

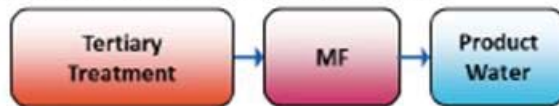
City of LA DC Tillman AWPf Pilot

1. Design a “Fit for Purpose” treatment train
2. Reverse osmossis brine minimization
3. Test new AOP technologies for DCTWRP water matrix
4. MF/UF Prequalification



Treatment Trains for Pilot Evaluation

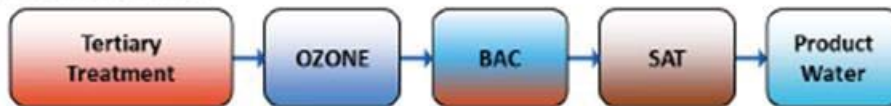
Treatment train 0 (MF prequalification)



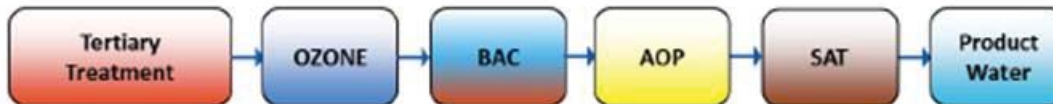
Treatment train 1



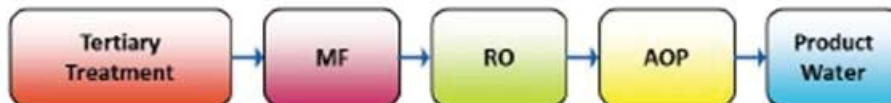
Treatment train 2



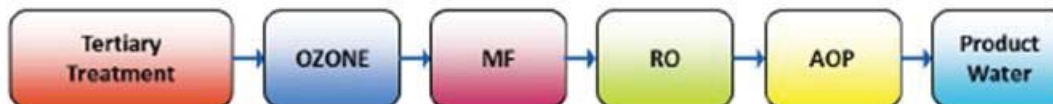
Treatment train 3



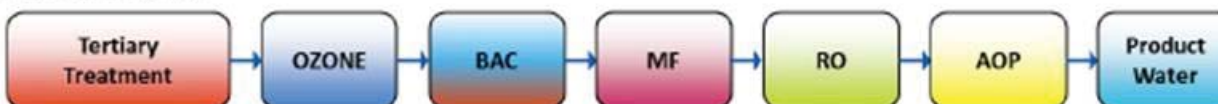
Treatment train 4



Treatment train 5



Treatment train 6



Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's Regional Recycled Water Supply Program

- Regional partnership between Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and Los Angeles County Sanitation District
- Diversify water supply portfolio beyond traditional supplies
- Demo project for proof of concept (tertiary MBR)
- Planned ultimate production capacity of 150 mgd

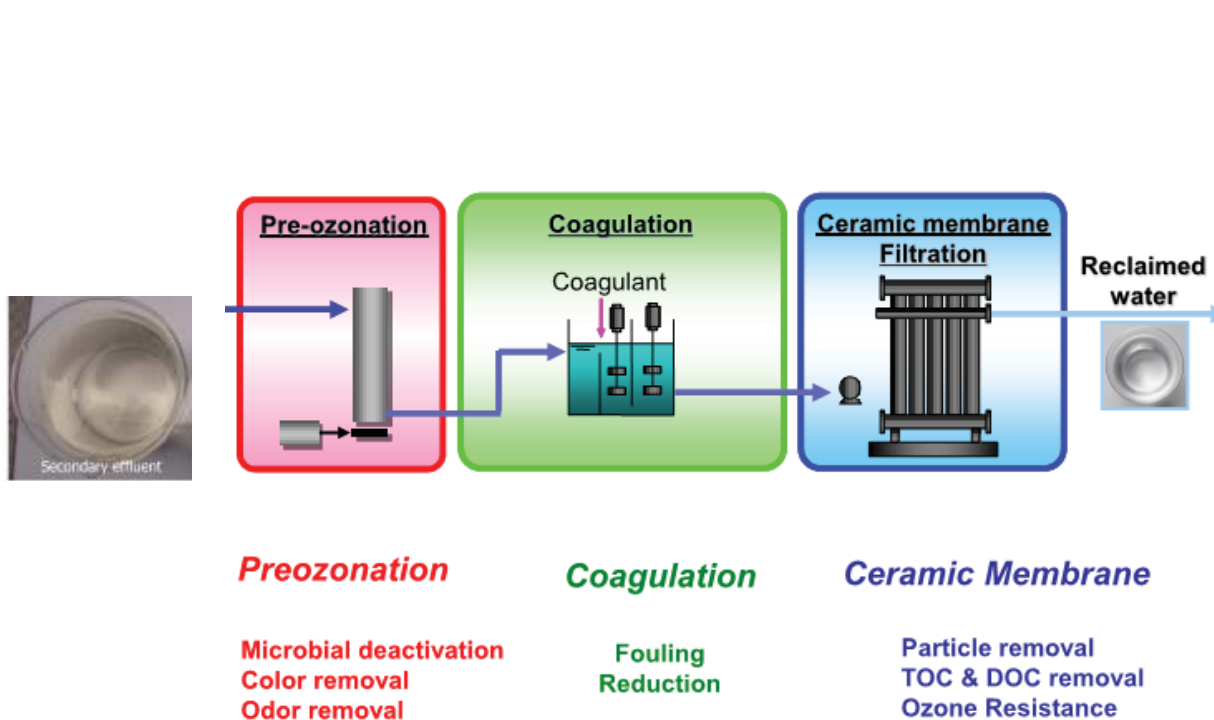


Source: Metropolitan Water District of Southern California



Treatment Technology Advancements

Technology Advancements – MF/UF



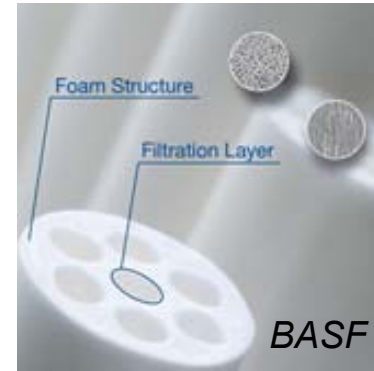
O₃ + Ceramic MF Metawater, IOA 2015

Alternative Non-RO Potable Reuse Train w/ O₃ + Ceramic MF + GAC + UV AOP?

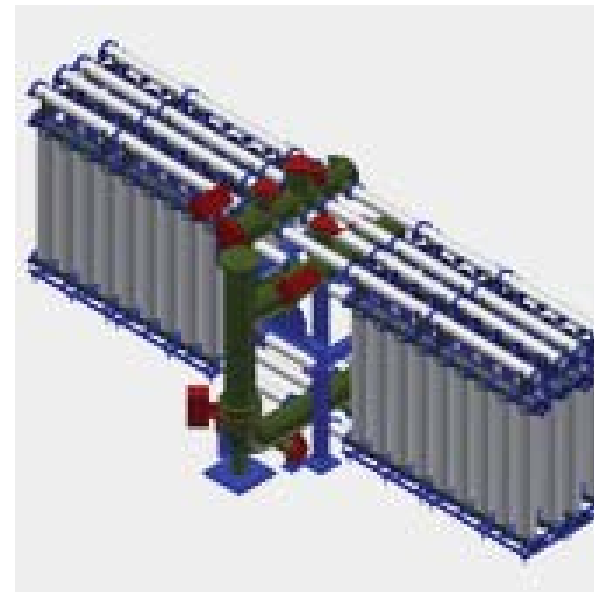
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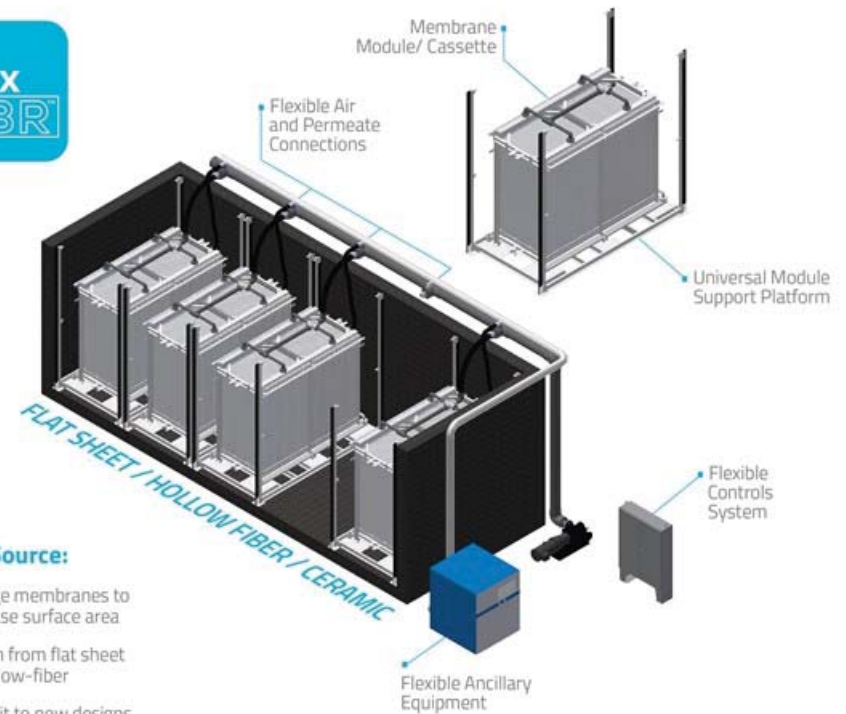
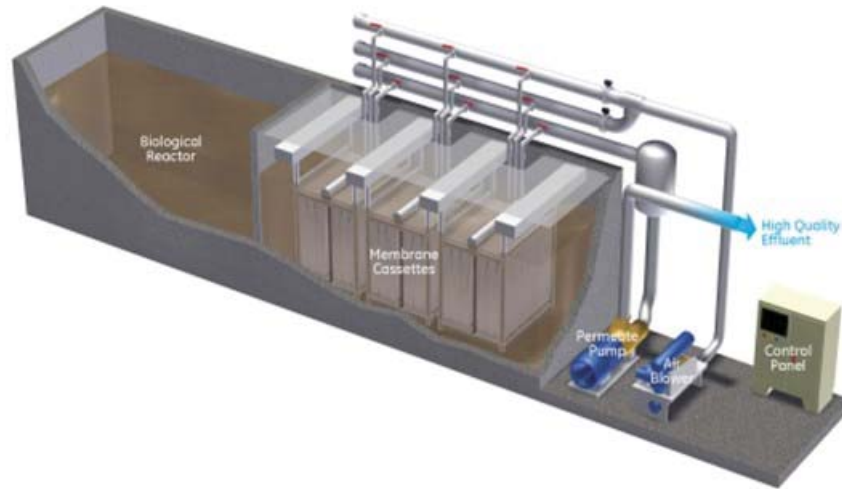
Universal Rack



Multibore membranes (PES)



Tech Advancements - MBR



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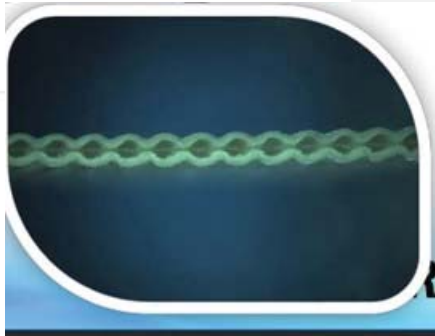
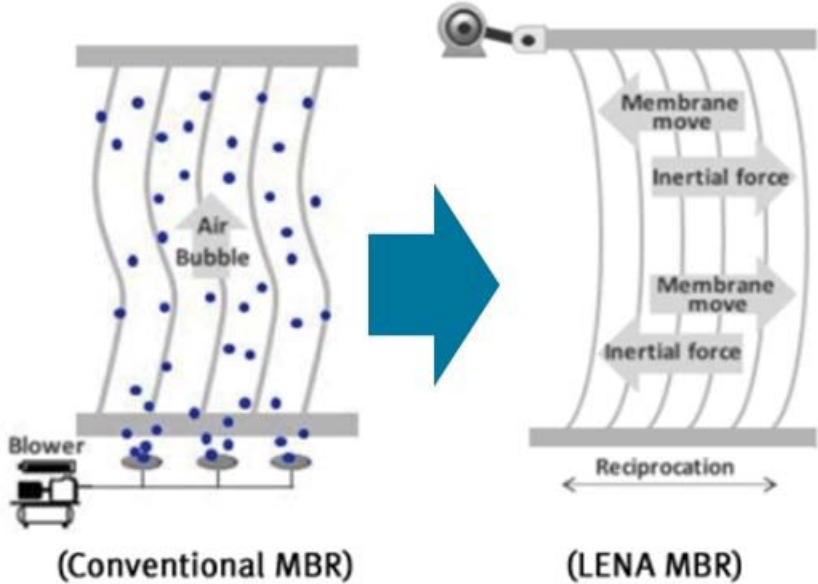
- Tertiary MBR
- MBR Log Removal Credits for Potable Reuse
- Open platform
- New configurations
- Alternative cleaning systems

1. Change membranes to increase surface area
2. Switch from flat sheet to hollow-fiber
3. Apply it to new designs or retrofit applications

h₂O Innovation

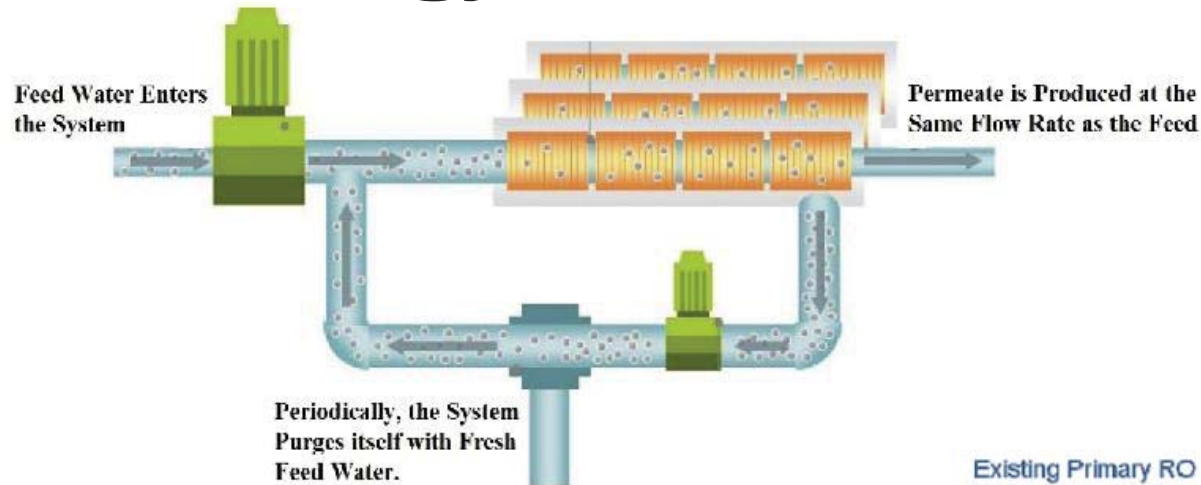
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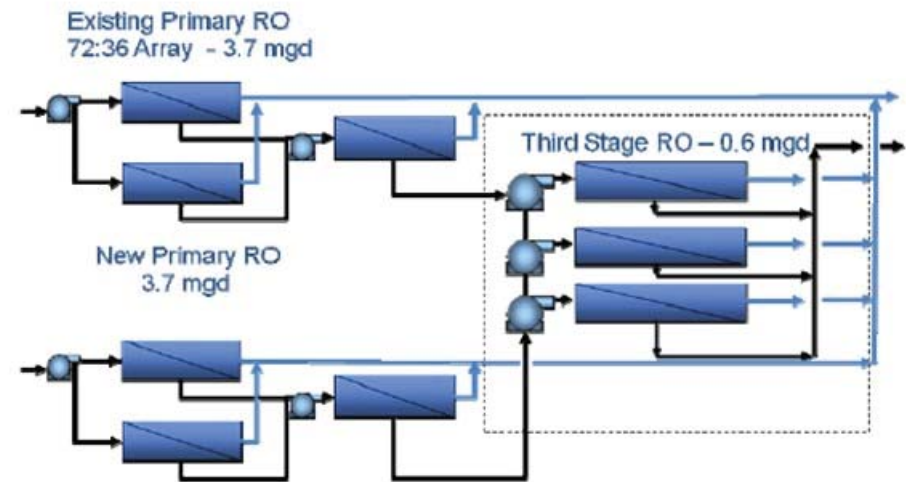
Anaergia FiberPlate

Technology Advancements - RO



Closed Circuit Desalination *Desalitech*

- Others:
 - HERO
 - VSEP
 - Forward Osmosis

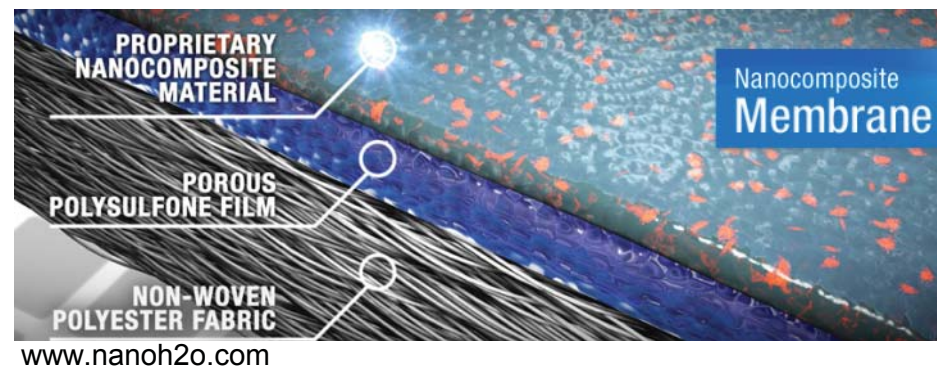
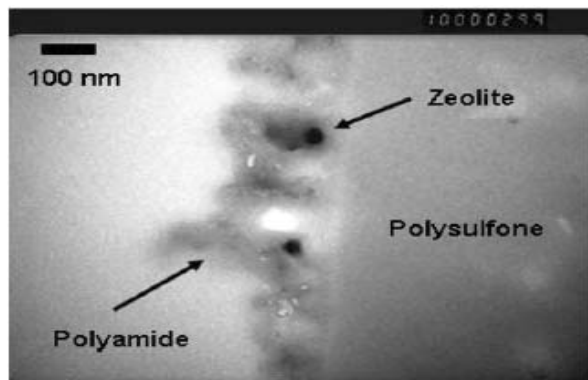
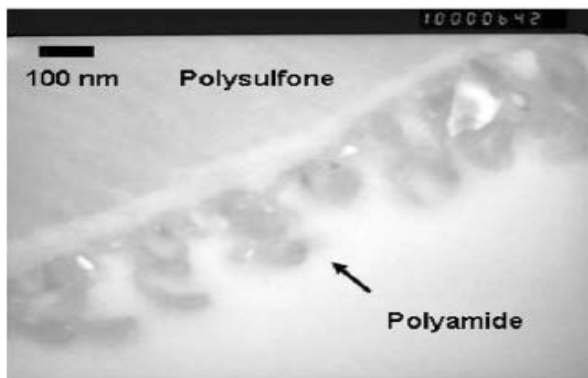


Three-Stage RO

Water Replenishment District of Southern California

Technology Advancements – RO Membranes

- Thin Film Nanocomposite – Preferential transport of water molecules through super-hydrophilic nanoparticles.



Up to 20%
Less Energy



Up to 70%
More Water

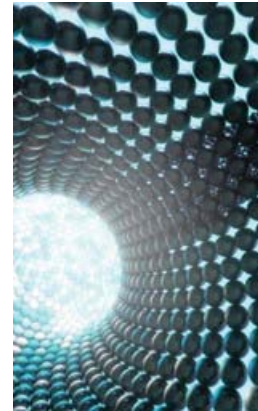


Up to 40%
Smaller Plant

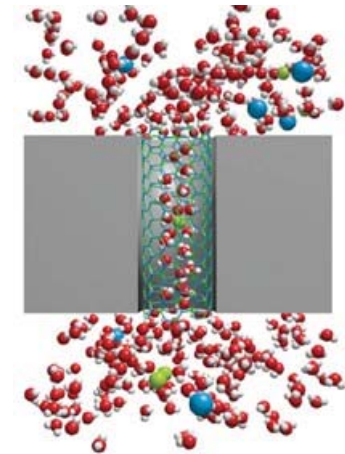
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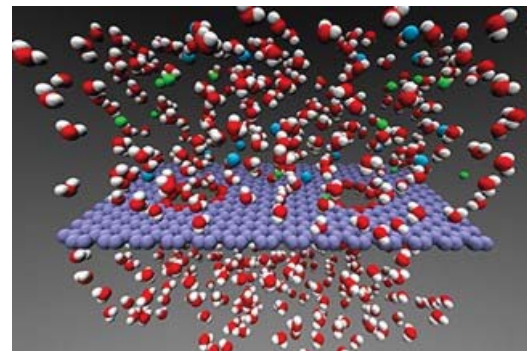
- Nanotube Membranes – Preferential transport of water molecules through super-hydrophilic carbon and boron nitride nanotubes.
- Graphene Oxide Membranes – Low-friction water molecules transport through two-dimensional nanocapillaries with sieving mechanism for salt rejection.
- Aquaporin Membranes – Transport of water molecules through protein channels. Selective rapid diffusion caused by osmotic gradients.



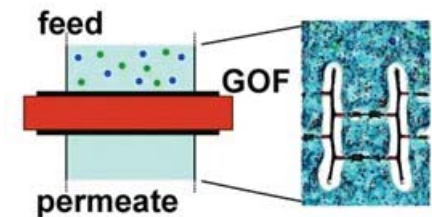
www.nanoasisinc.com



Hilder et al., *Small*, 2009.

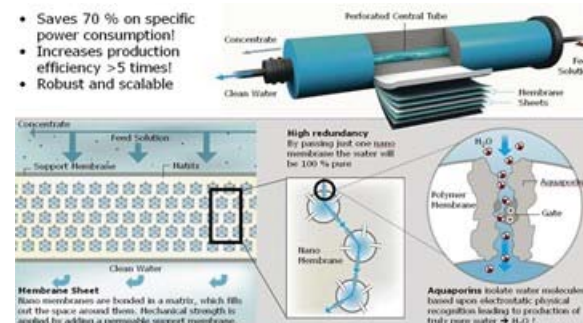


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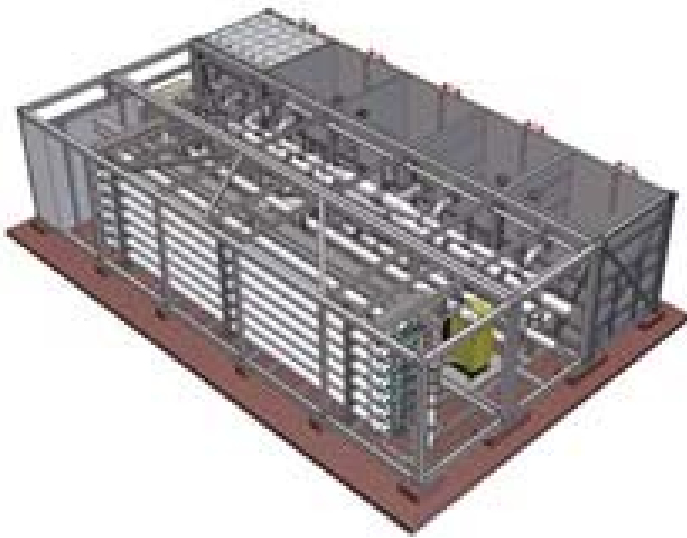
Nicolia et al., *Phys.Chem.Chem. Phys.*, 2014.

- Saves 70 % on specific power consumption!
- Increases production efficiency >5 times!
- Robust and scalable



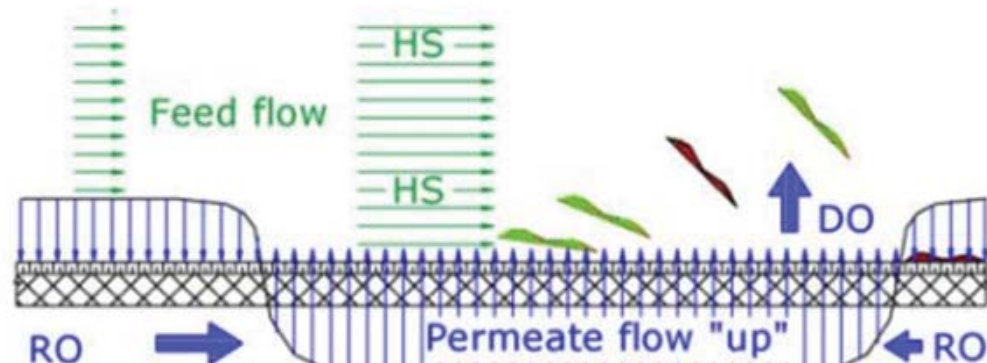
Technology Advancements – RO Membrane Cleaning

- IDE PROGREEN and Direct Osmosis Cleaning System



IDE Technologies

- Biofouling control via dehydration of bacteria with high salinity solution
- Increase in shear velocity from high salinity pulse
- Dissolution of proto-crystals from permeate backflow

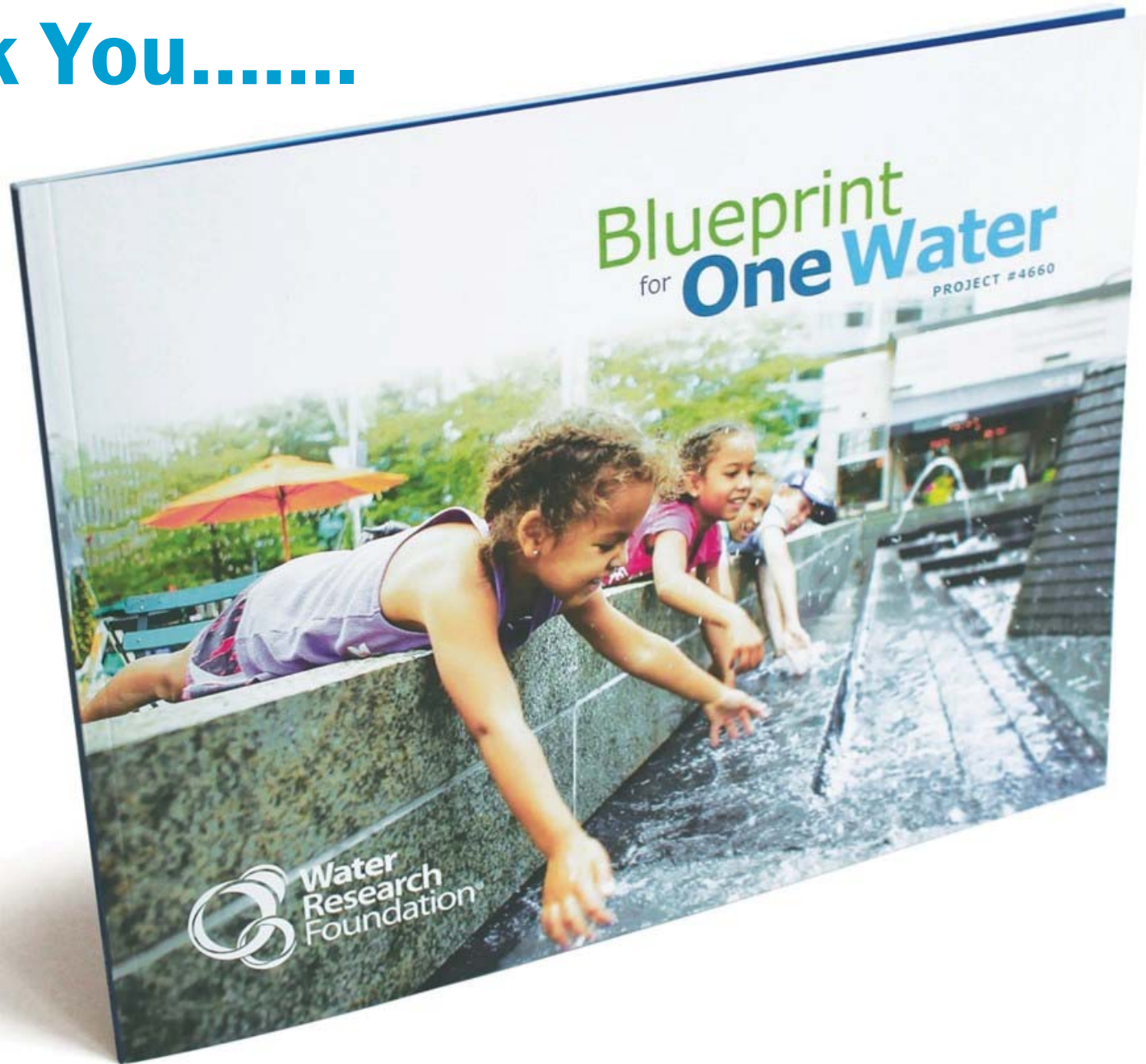


Qin et al., 2010

Alternative Treatment Solutions – Potable Reuse

- Aquifer Storage Recovery
- High Recovery RO systems
- Non RO based treatment trains = ozone, BAC, GAC, soil aquifer treatment
- Sensor Technology
- Critical Control Points
- Many more.....DIRECT POTABLE REUSE?

Thank You.....





Questions?

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