





MBR Lessons Learned

Irvine Ranch Water District's
Michelson Water Recycling Plant
Phase 2 Expansion



Irvine Ranch Water District

Service area of 179 square miles is
over 20% of Orange County

- **Potable Water**

75% Groundwater & 25% Imported Water

- **Wastewater**

23.5 MGD of Title 22 recycled water capacity

- **Recycled/ Non-potable Water**

Irrigation, high-rise building toilet flushing,
industrial use

- **Urban Runoff Treatment**

Man-made wetlands to treat dry weather runoff
and first flush



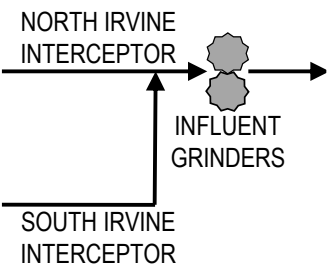
Michelson Water Recycling Plant

- Existing plant produced approximately 18 MGD of Title 22 recycled water for unrestricted landscape irrigation
- Phase 2 Expansion increased capacity to 33 MGD



Michelson Water Recycling Plant

Existing Treatment Process



Phase 2 Expansion

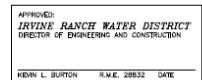
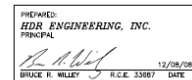
- Increase capacity to approximately 33 MGD
- Completed 2014
- Expansion included
 - New Sewers
 - New Headworks
 - Expanded Primary Sedimentation Tanks
 - Expanded Flow Equalization Facilities
 - Upgrades to Conventional Activated Sludge Process
 - New High Rate Clarifier
 - New Membrane Bioreactor
 - New Ultraviolet Disinfection Process
 - Upgrades to Chlorine Contact Basin
 - Expansion of Recycled Water Pump Station
 - New Chemical Facilities
 - New Electrical Facilities



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FOR
IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT

MICHELSON WATER RECLAMATION PLANT
PHASE 2 EXPANSION

PROJECT NUMBERS 20214 AND 30214



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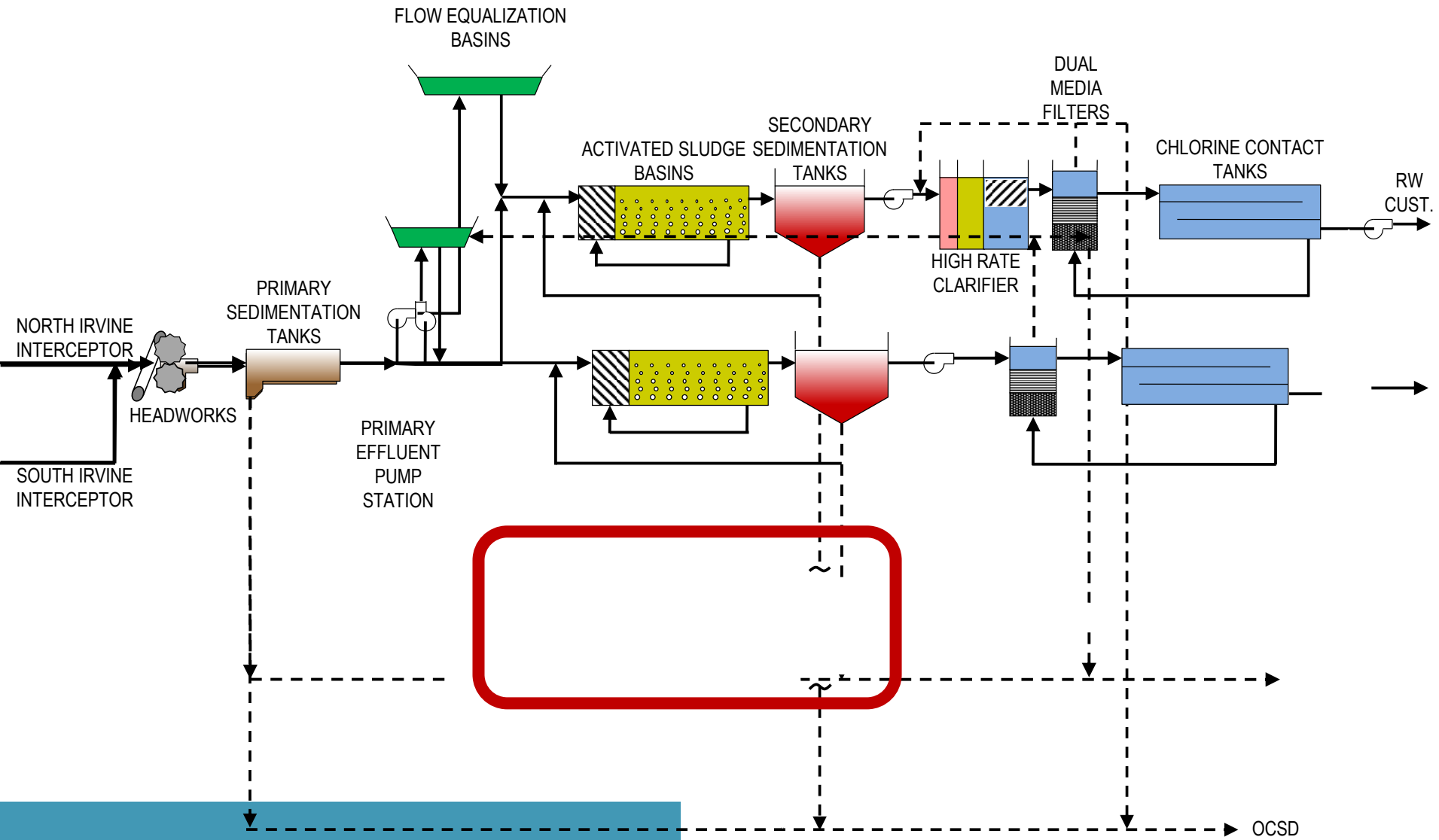
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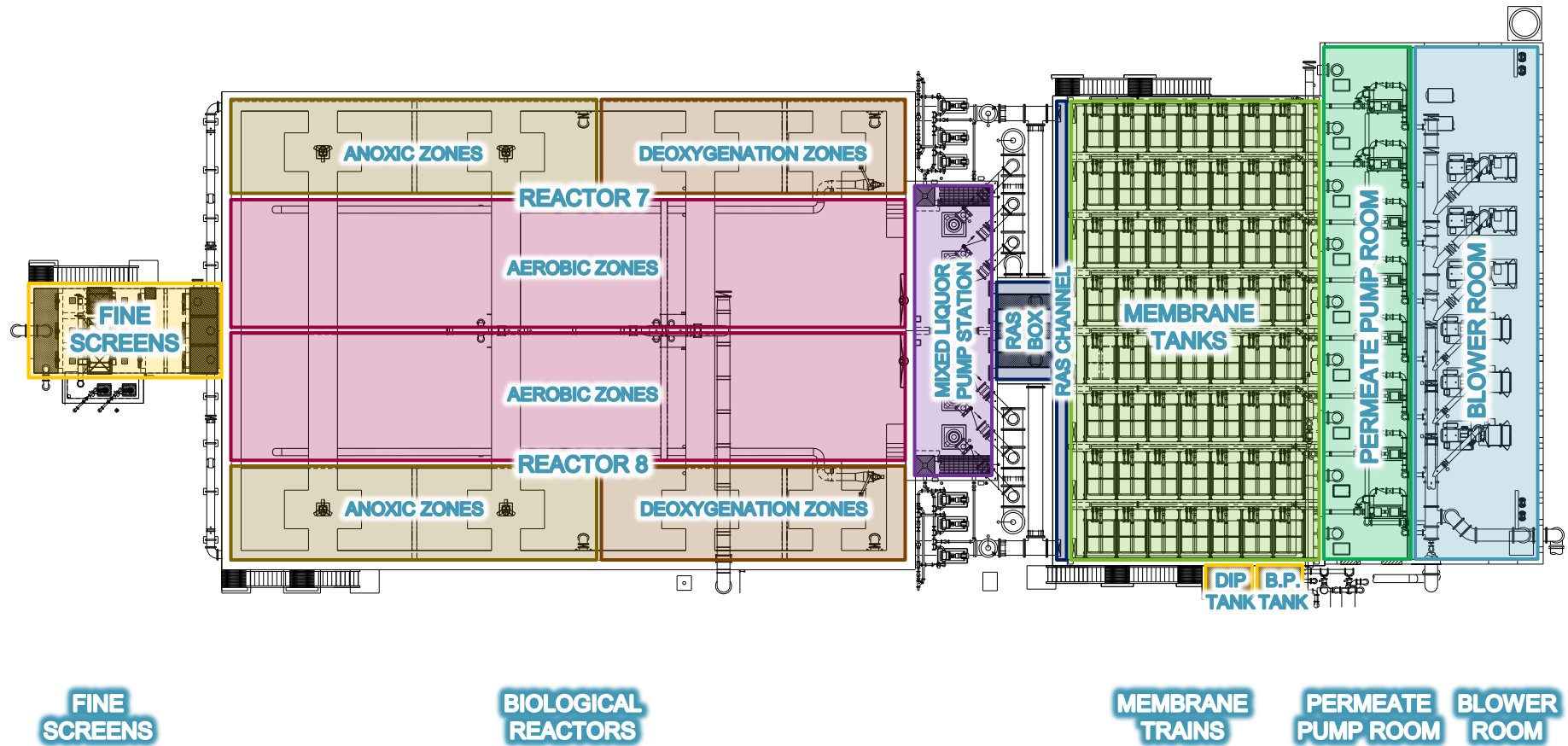
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Membrane Bioreactor Design

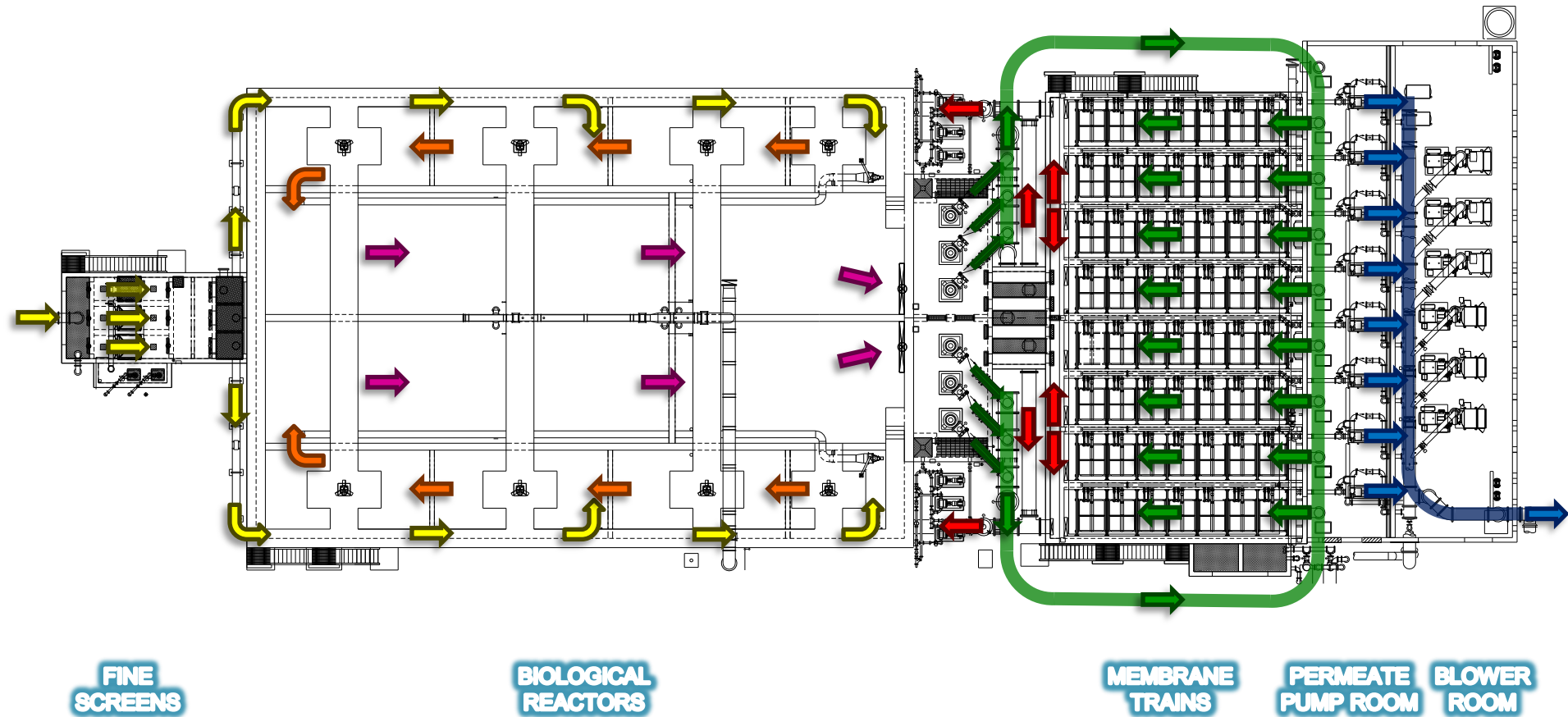
- Evaluation and selection of membrane manufacturer
- Pre-purchase of membrane equipment
- Design around GE/Zenon ZeeWeed 500D Wastewater Membranes
- \$9M for 10.6 MGD flow or 1,080,000 sq ft of membranes





Membrane Bioreactor

Michelson Water Recycling Plant



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Construction Sequencing

- Maintain existing plant capacity and operation
- Identify hydraulic and electrical tie-ins
- Set limits on shutdown durations
- General sequence of construction
- Detailed sequence for establishing biomass
- Detailed functional testing



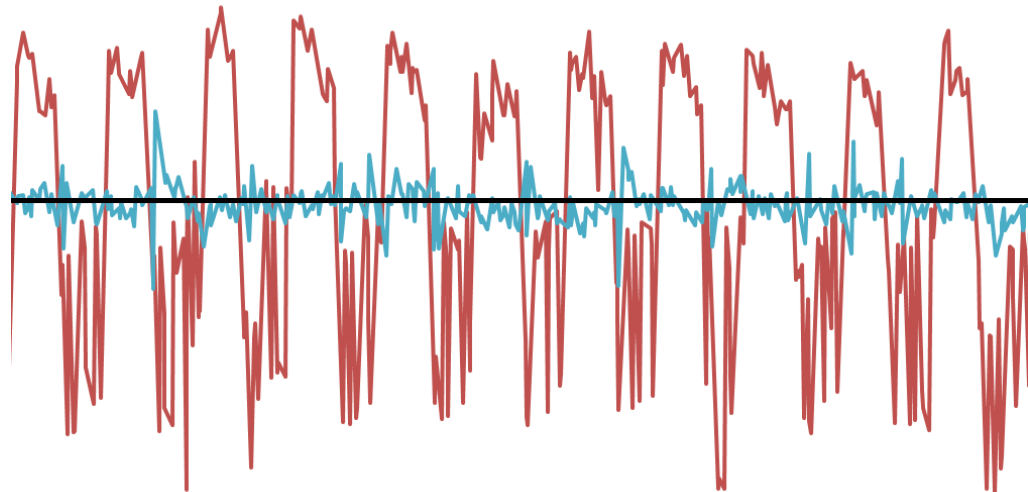
Foam and Mixed Liquor Management

- Create continuous unobstructed path for foam. Avoid traps/dead ends.
- Foam removal is continuous, which results in additional WAS.
- Solids concentration of Foam/WAS mixture is highly variable.
- Need means to measure flow and sample foam to accurately track solids inventory.
- Mixed Liquor internal bypass
- Mixed Liquor Re-screening



Permeate Flow Variation

- GE's standard programming results in a pulsed flow pattern.
- Discovered during commissioning.
- Impacts to downstream processes.



Membrane Handling and Tracking

- Proper storage - conditioned space.
- Educate crew on sensitive nature of the membranes.
- Membrane Tracking Tool
 - Serial Number
 - Moisture / Temperature history
 - Installed location
 - Damaged strands
 - Permeability history
- Training during startup
- Membrane Tank Access
- Bridge Crane Design



GE-Specific Lessons

- Permeate Pumps
- Cyclic Valves – LEAP Conversion



Questions

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