



# An Innovative and Cost-Effective Solution for Updating Your Reclaimed Filter Needs



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# Presentation Outline

- Service Area
- Treatment Facilities
- Reclamation Facilities
- Filtration Needs
- Filter Evaluations
- Water Quality Data
- Capital Costs



# Palm Bay Utility Service Area

- 97 square mile service area
- 104,000 population
- Two treatment plant facilities
  - WWTP: 4.0 mgd
  - Troutman Water Reclamation Facility: 1.2 mgd
- Acquired from GDU in 1992



# FDEP Permitted Facilities

<b>Facility Component</b>	<b>Permitted Capacity</b>
Wastewater Treatment Plant	4.0 MGD
Water Reclamation Facility	1.2 MGD
Reuse System	2.3 MGD
Deep Injection Well	5.0 MGD

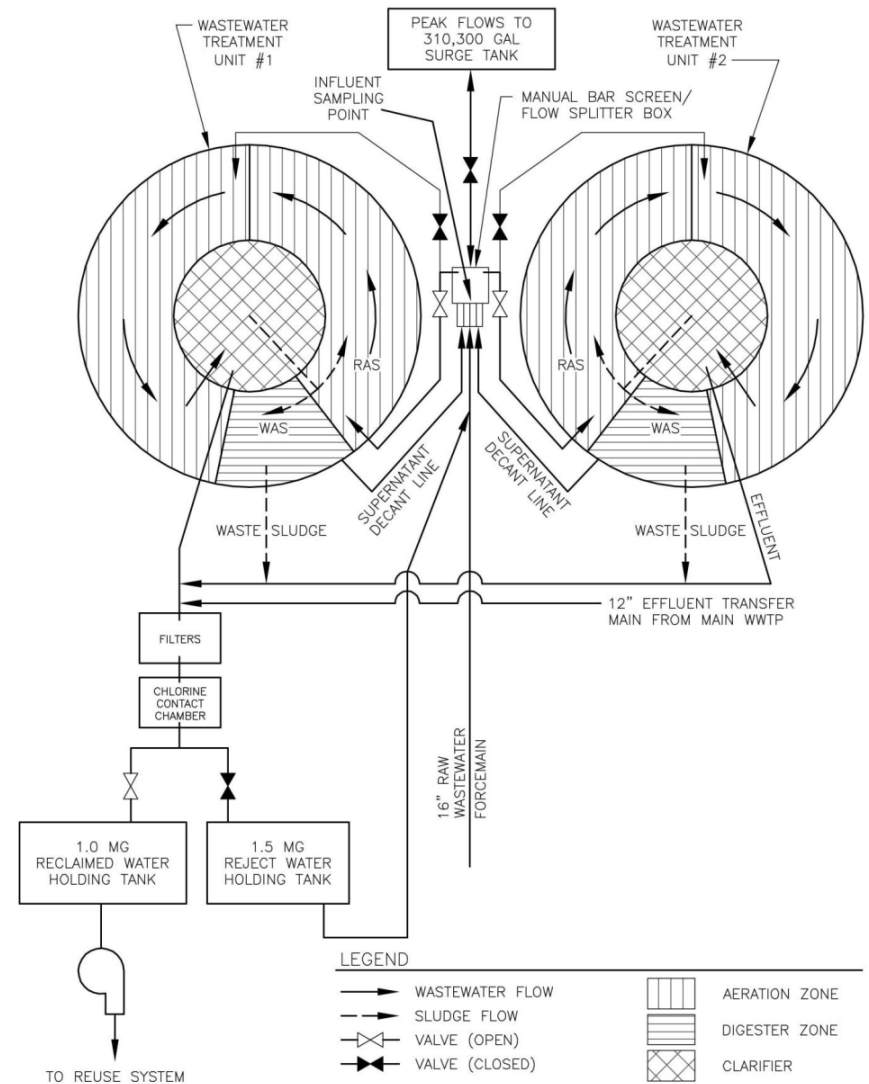
# Wastewater Treatment Plant Facility

- 4.0 mgd permitted capacity
- Conventional activated sludge treatment plant
  - Pre-treatment (screening & grit removal)
  - Aeration (1.3 MG)
  - Secondary clarification
- Effluent disposal - 5.0 mgd deep injection well or pumped to WRF



# Troutman Water Reclamation Facility

- 1.2 mgd AADF capacity
- Screening
- Aeration / Clarification
- Filtration
- Chlorination



# Reclaimed Water Users

Permitted User	User Type	Capacity (mgd)
1. Harris Corporation	Irrigation	0.570
2. Intersil	Irrigation & Cooling Tower	0.440
3. Sandy Pines (3 Phases)	Irrigation	0.260
4. Palm Bay WWTF & WRF	Irrigation	0.100
5. Palm Bay Greens	Future Development	0.210
6. Knecht Park	Irrigation	0.097
	<b>TOTAL REUSE</b>	<b>1.677</b>

# Original Filtration Design

- 4 DynaSand<sup>®</sup> upflow sand filters
- Gravity fed from secondary clarifiers
- Tank dimensions:
  - 12'-7"(L) x 8'-2" (W) x 15' (D)
- Rated capacity =  
0.67 mgd/filter (4.55 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup>)
- Total Filter Capacity =  
2.68 mgd (4 filters)





# New Filter Drivers

- Future capacity = 4.4 mgd
- Rising O&M costs (existing filters)
- Maintain existing hydraulic profile
- Use existing tankage (capital \$ savings)
  - Rehab 3 existing filter banks
  - Use 4<sup>th</sup> filter bank as a pump or equipment room
- Retrofit a single filter while others remain on-line



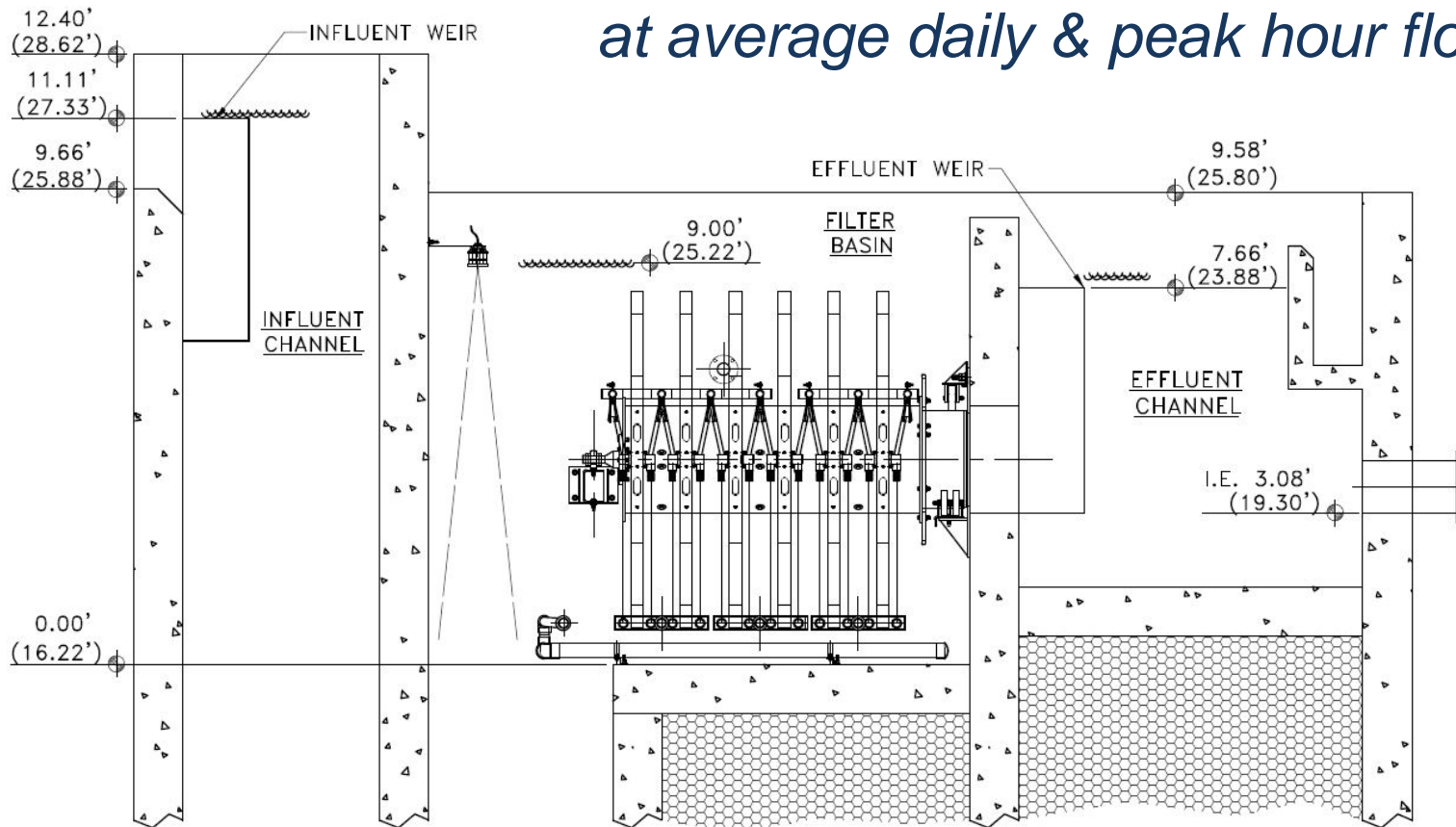
# Filter Evaluations

- Three manufacturers evaluated:
  - Kruger/Hydrotech Discfilter
  - Nova Water Technologies
  - Aqua-Aerobic Systems
- Aqua-Aerobic (AquaDisk<sup>®</sup>)
  - Installed into existing tankage
  - Operate in a submerged environment
  - Maintains existing hydraulics
  - Minimal structural modifications required



# AquaDisk® Cloth Media Filter

*Maintained existing hydraulic profile at average daily & peak hour flow rates.*



**BASIN SECTION VIEW B-B**  
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# AquaDisk® Cloth Media Filter

- No major structural modifications required
- No modification of the influent channel necessary
- Weir boxes installed for even flow distribution and to avoid hydraulic overloading on a single filter unit



# AquaDisk<sup>®</sup> Cloth Media Filter

- Filter Surface Area – 2 disks provide 646 ft<sup>2</sup>
- Design Capacity = 1.5 MGD (ADF); 3.0 MGD (PHF)
- Hydraulic loading rate = 3.25 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> (ADF); 6.5 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> (PHF)



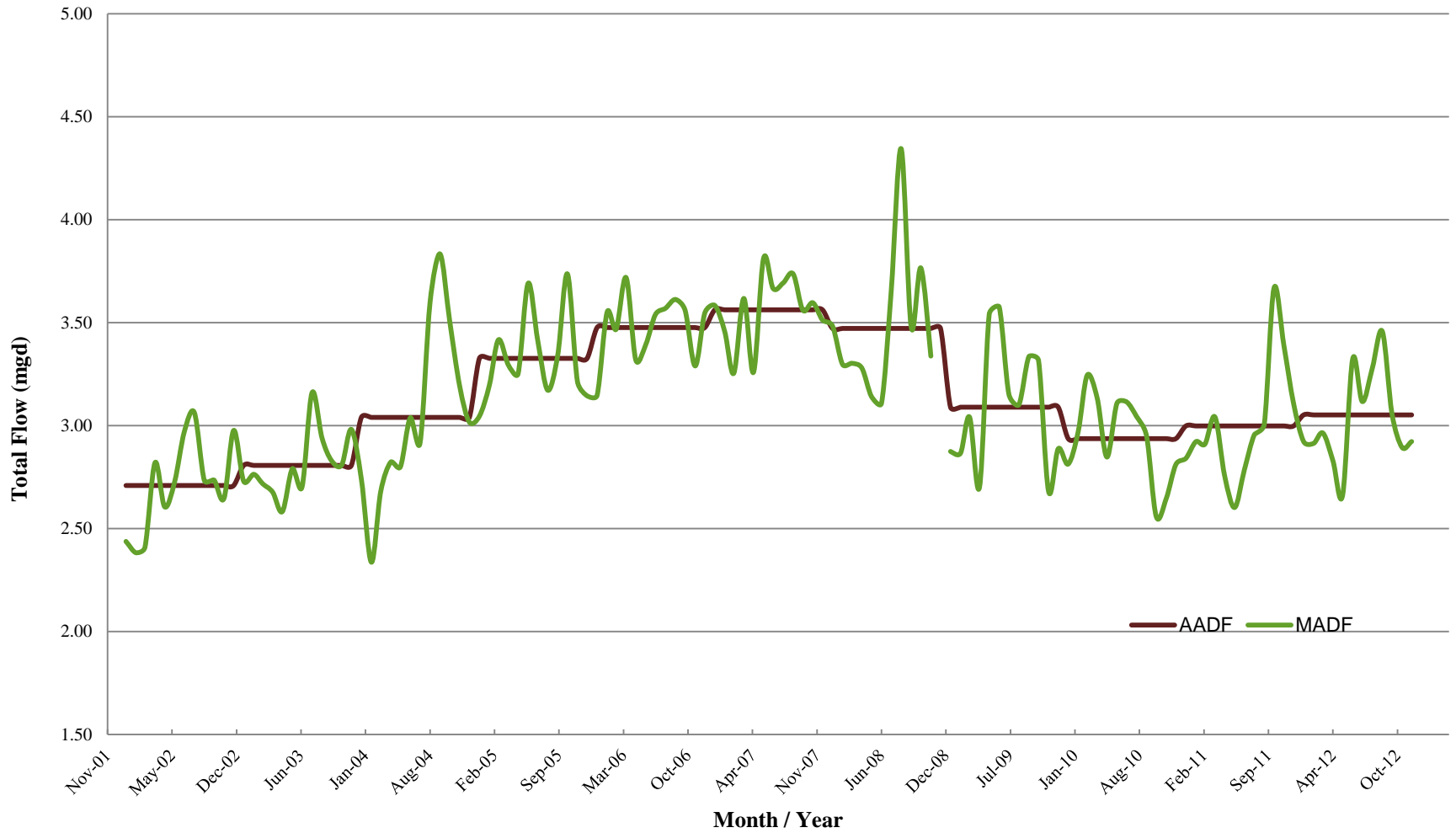
# Project Timeline



- Planning – 2006
- Design – 2007
- Permit Issued – Jan. 2008
- Owner Purchase – Spring 2008
- Construction – Spring 2009
- Commissioning – Nov. 2009



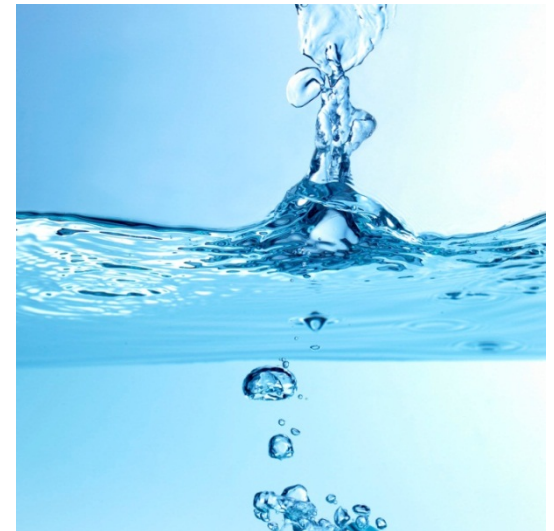
# Influent Flow Data – AADF & 3MADF



# Influent Water Quality – CBOD<sub>5</sub> & TSS

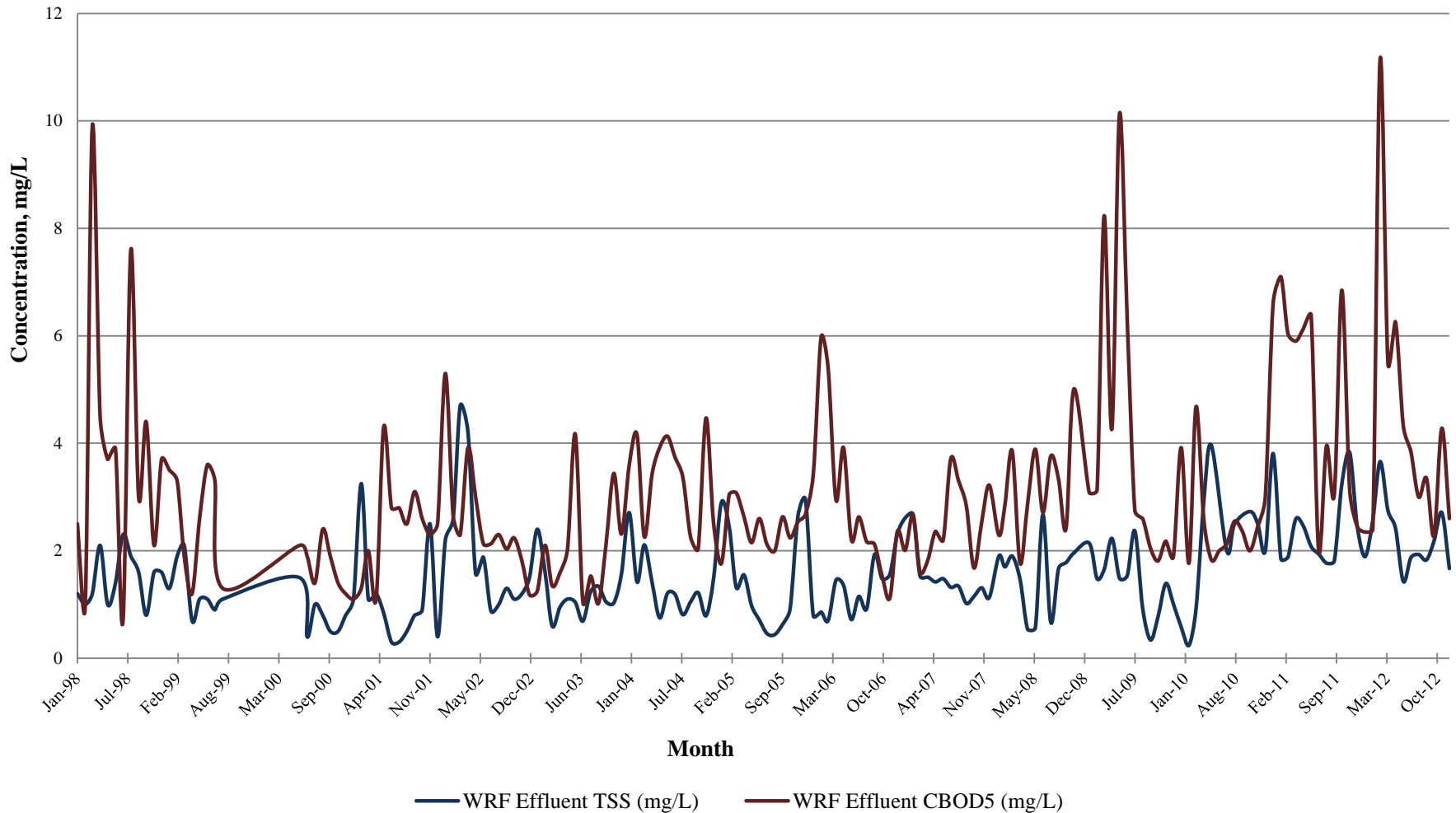
## Troutman Water Reclamation Facility

- 10-yr period of record: 2002 – 2012
- Annual Average Influent CBOD<sub>5</sub>
  - Concentration range: 110 – 190 mg/L
  - Loading range: 854 – 1,471 lbs/day
- Annual Average Influent TSS
  - Concentration range: 88 – 187 mg/L
  - Loading range: 590 – 1,230 lbs/day





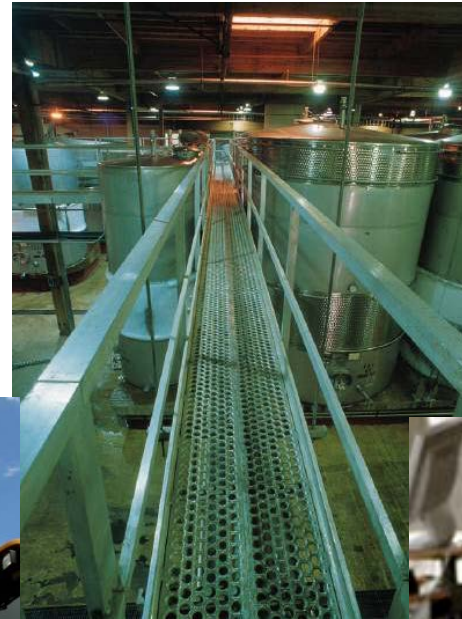
# CBOD<sub>5</sub> & TSS Effluent Monitoring Data



# Filter Rehabilitation Project Costs (\$526K)



Construction  
\$85K



Engineering  
\$69K



Owner  
Purchased  
Equipment  
\$362K

Misc. Fabrication  
\$10K



# Conclusions/Summary

- An economical solution for the City's future filtration needs
- Increased reclaimed water production
- Low capital costs
  - Utilized existing structural components
  - Maintain existing hydraulic profile
- Provided a phased approach for future filtration demands



# Questions?

