



Proposed  
Wastewater  
Facility  
Investments

**PLANNING  
FOR THE  
NEXT 20  
YEARS**



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# Master Planning Process



**Rigorous Regulatory  
Reviews Were Completed**



**Facility Plan developed by electrical,  
mechanical, and operations  
expertise in the industry in Fall 2021**

# Capital Improvement Drivers



## Reliability

- Process Equipment
- Structural and Architectural
- Electrical
- Health and Safety
- Age & Condition of Facilities
- Operational Improvement

## Growth

- Flow and Loads

## Regulatory

- Improvements needed to meet current rules that have increased treatment requirements above how the plant was designed
- Looking ahead to new treatment requirements on the horizon



# Capital Improvement Drivers

**Treatment capacity is a combination of:**

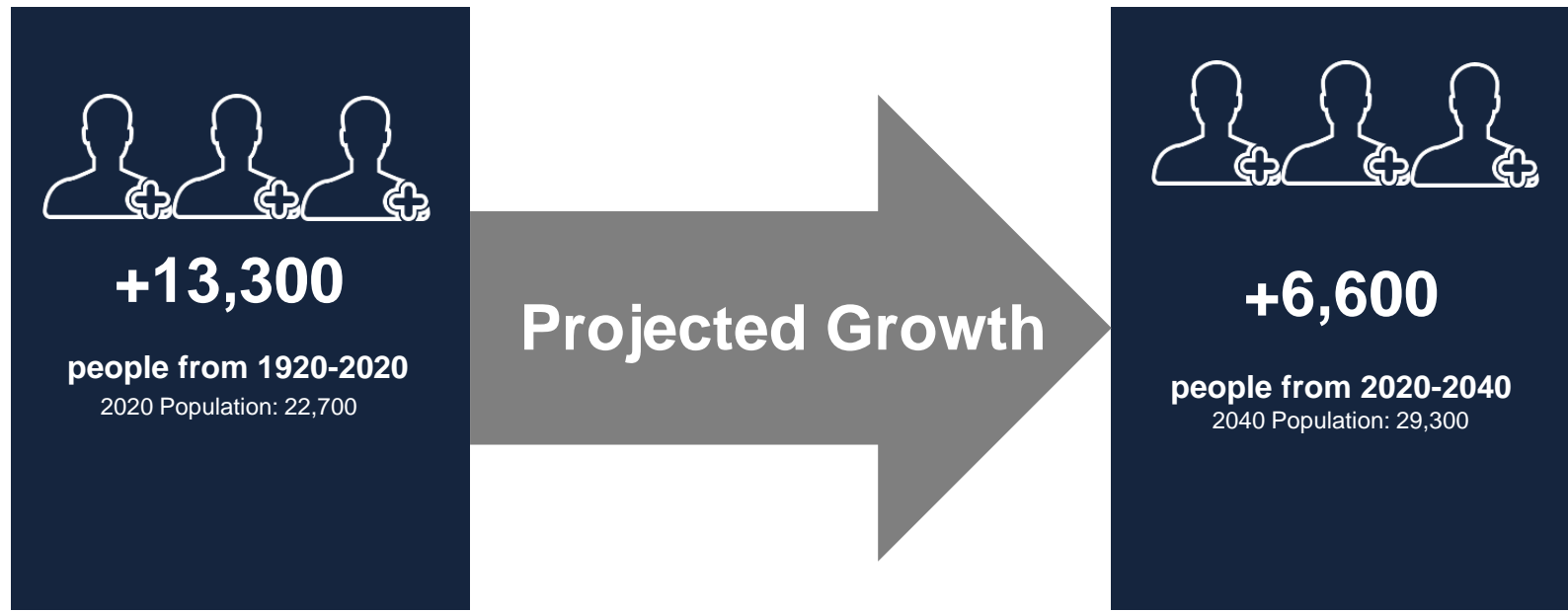
- Hydraulic capacity (volume of water)
- Capacity of each treatment process used to meet discharge limits

**As service population increases, so does wastewater loadings received at the facility.**

**As wastewater flow increases, time to treat wastewater in the facility decreases.**

**Treatment processes will be improved to meet future capacity needs**

# Growth of the City

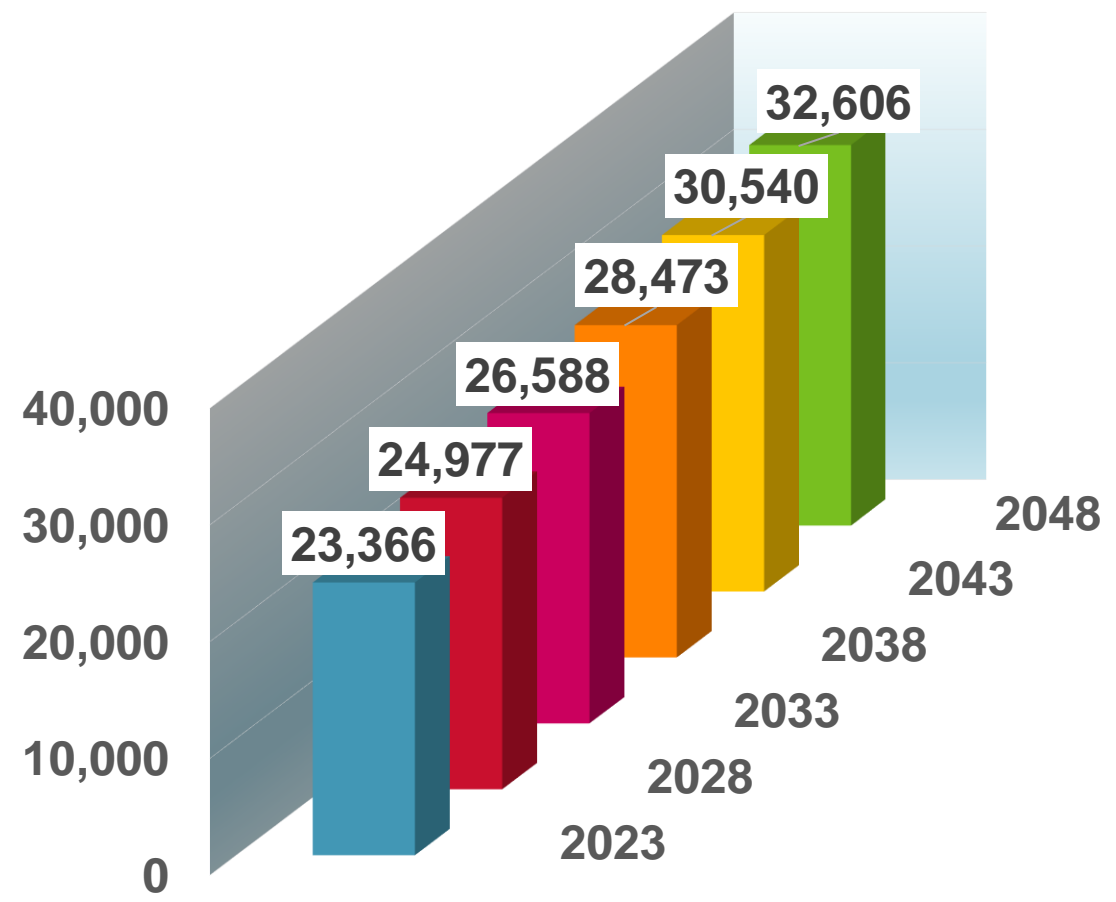


Master Plan Drivers:

# Capacity for Growth

Add 6,000+ in population in next 20 years

### Projected 25-Year Service Population



**Watertown WWTP - Continuing to Grow as a Provider**



# About the Collection System



**Collection System**



**sewer pipe**  
**135 miles**

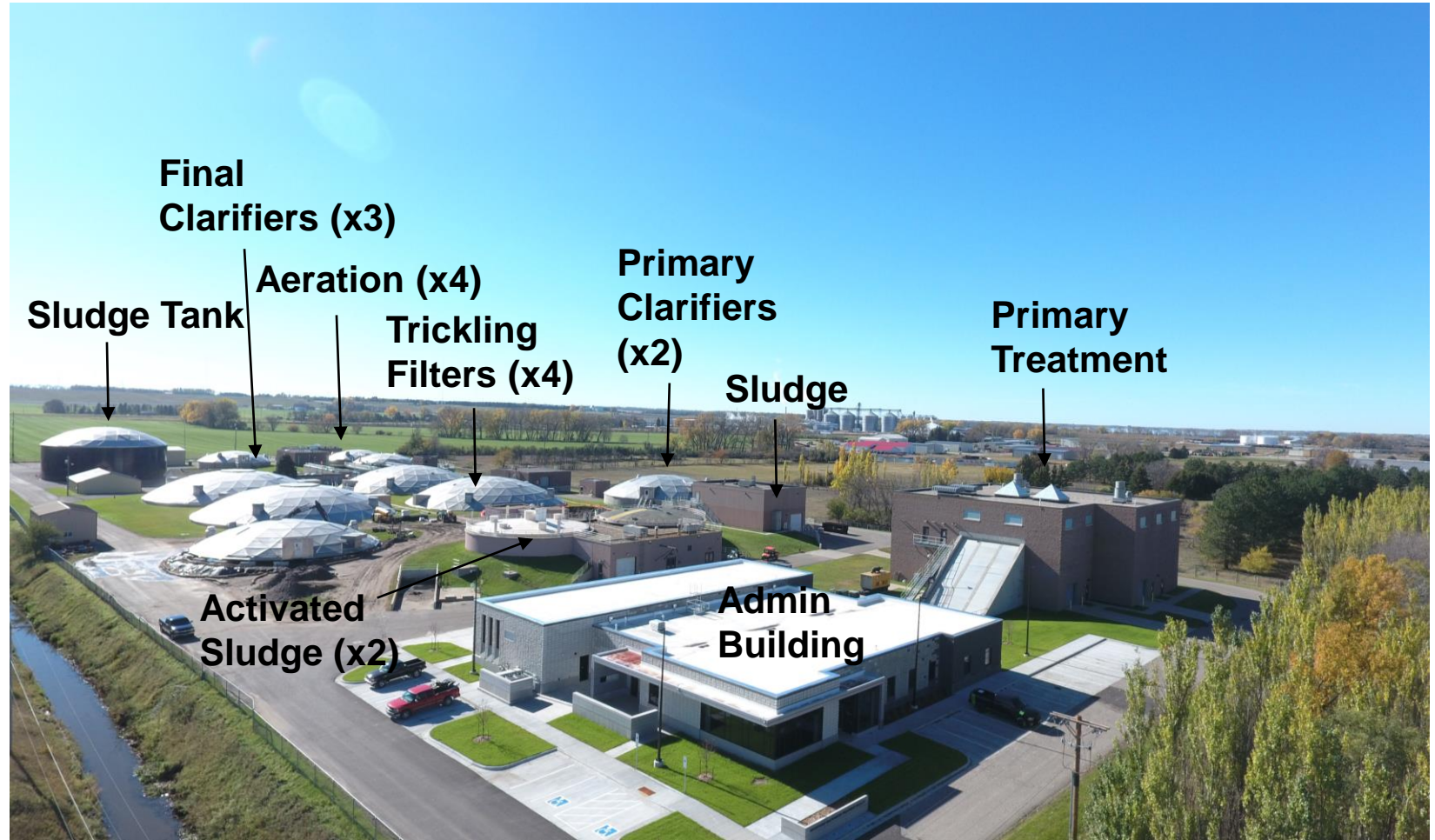


**manholes**



**48 City-owned lift stations**

# About the WWTP Facility

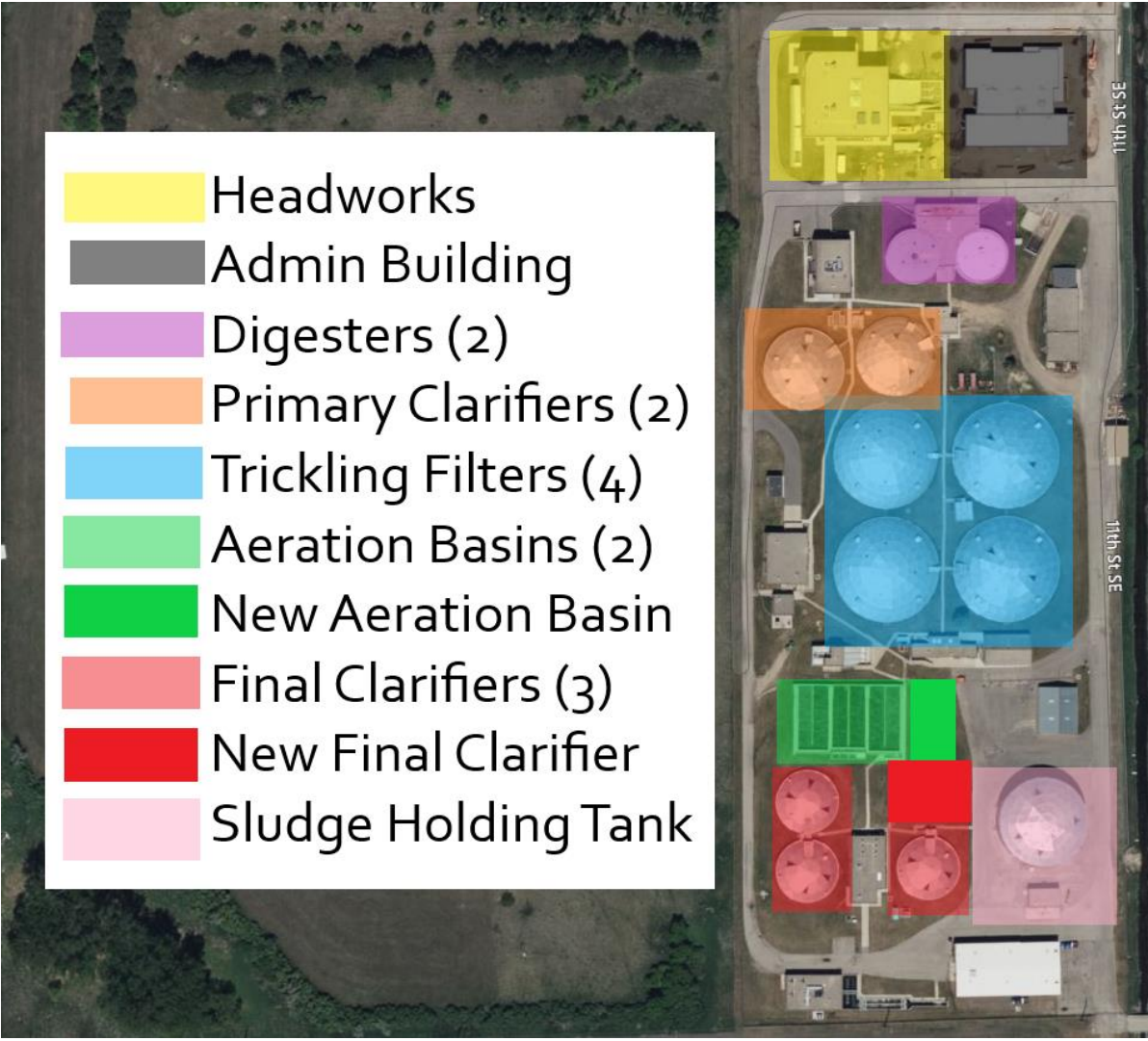


 **4.0 MGD**

**Average Design Capacity**

*(MGD = Million Gallons per Day)*

# WWTP Unit Process Summary





# Project Background

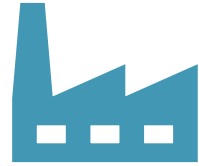
Facility Plan and Condition Assessment completed in 2021.

Original facility constructed in 1930s

Additional parts of facility constructed in the 1960s

Major expansions in late 1990s, 2010s

# Financial Summary (44% Grant Funding)



## Total Project costs: \$35.7 Million

Wastewater Treatment  
Plant Improvements:  
\$28.2 million

Collection System  
Improvements: \$7.5  
million



## Revenue

City ARPA Funds: \$3.7  
million

Matching State ARPA  
Funds: \$3.7 million

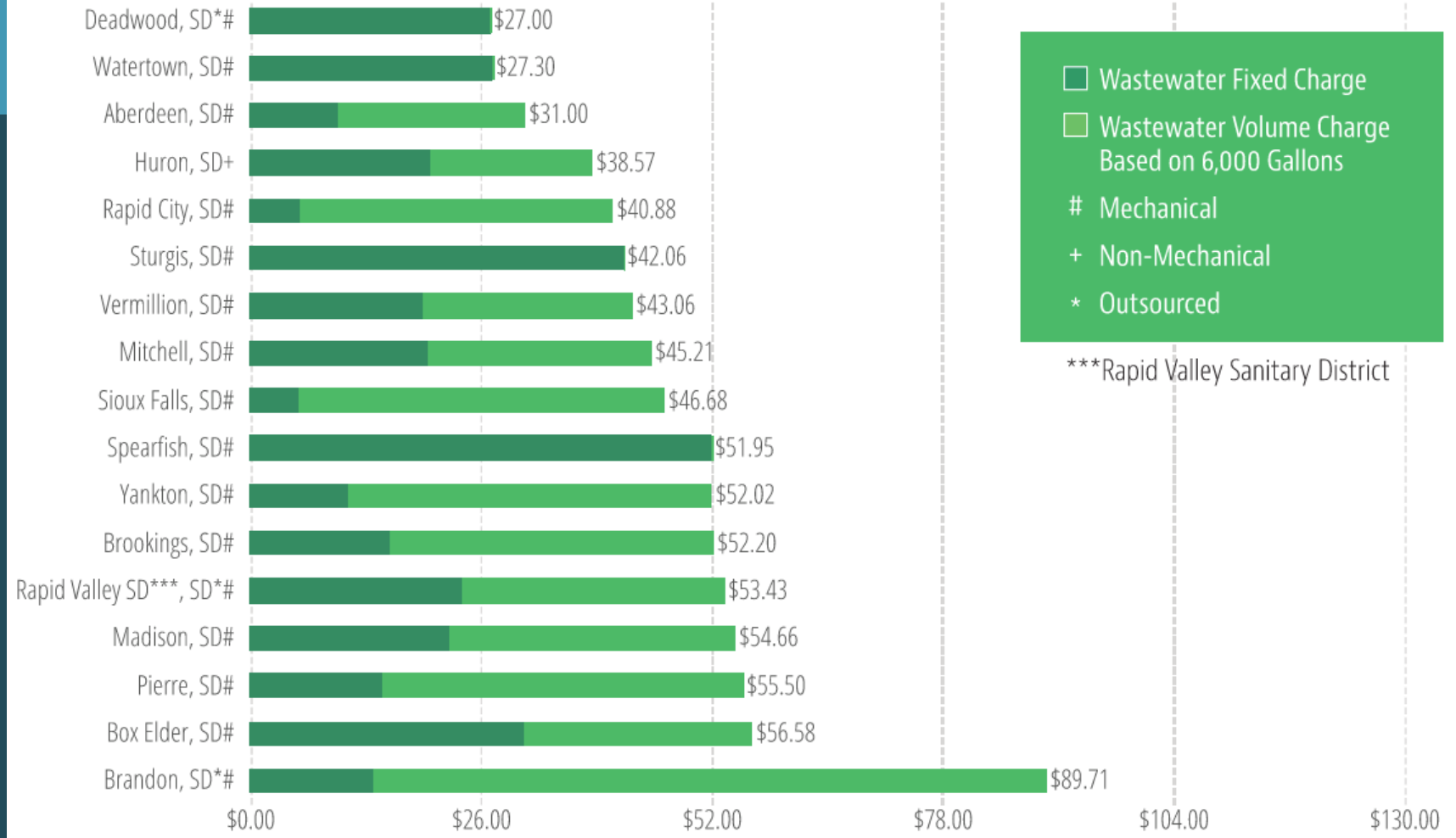
Grant (30%): \$8,494,200

SRF Loan: \$19,819,800

- \$4.025/mo increase per  
account (11,514  
accounts)

# User Fee Comparison

## SOUTH DAKOTA



- Wastewater Fixed Charge
- Wastewater Volume Charge Based on 6,000 Gallons
- # Mechanical
- + Non-Mechanical
- \* Outsourced

\*\*\*Rapid Valley Sanitary District

# Engineering Contract - HDR

## Engineering - \$3,774,342

- Preliminary Design - \$265,760
- Final Design - \$3,409,382
- Bidding - \$99,200
- Construction Administration - Future Contract

## DRIVING FORCE FOR IMPROVEMENT

	Growth	Regulatory	Reliability	Priority
Preliminary Treatment			✓	High
Primary Clarifier & Sludge Pumping			✓	High
Trickling Filters & Pumping			✓	High
Activated Sludge Aeration Tanks	✓	✓	✓	High
Final Clarification	✓	✓	✓	High
Sludge Handling			✓	High
Digesters & Sludge Storage			✓	High
Biosolids Dewatering	✓		✓	High
Effluent Pumping			✓	High
Miscellaneous Plant Improvements	✓		✓	High
Lift Station Improvements	✓		✓	High
Sanitary Sewer Improvements	✓		✓	High

# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Preliminary Treatment OPCC: \$562,000

- Description
  - Equipment rehab and coatings
  - New starters on grit units
- Reason for Improvement
  - Failure of existing coating systems
  - Equipment is nearing the end of its useful life
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
  - High – Reliability Driven



# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Primary Treatment OPCC: \$4,867,000

- Description
  - Sludge Pump Building Improvements
  - New Sludge Recirculation Pumps
  - New Sludge Conveyance Pumps
  - Primary Clarifier Scraper Mechanism Rehab
  - Miscellaneous Improvements
  - Primary Scum Box Improvements
  - VFD Replacement
- Reason for Improvement
  - Failure of existing coating systems
  - Pumping equipment nearing end of useful life
  - Sludge pump building nearing end of useful life
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
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# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Trickling Filters and Pumping OPCC: \$392,000

- Description
  - Trickling Filter Pumping Equipment Rehab and Coatings
  - Trickling Filter Door and Fan Control Wiring Replacement
- Reason for Improvement
  - Failure of existing coating systems
  - Equipment is nearing the end of its useful life
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
  - High – Reliability Driven

# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Activated Sludge OPCC : \$3,446,000

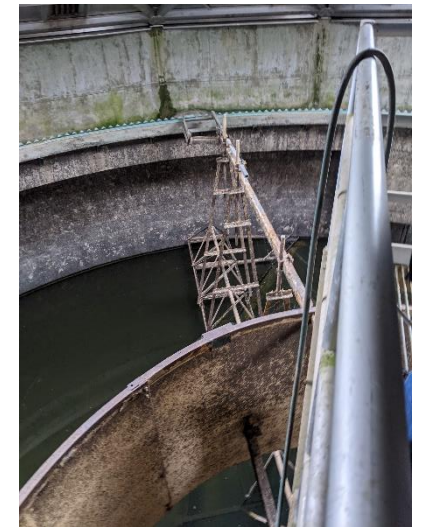
- Description
  - New Activated Sludge Tankage
  - Replace Activated Sludge Air Diffusers
  - Upgrade Aeration Controls
  - Blower and VFD Replacement
  - Aeration Basin Cleaning and Inspection
- Reason for Improvement
  - Accommodate future flows and loads
    - New discharge permit limits
  - Failure of existing coating systems
  - Equipment is nearing the end of its useful life
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
  - High – Growth, Regulatory, and Reliability Driven



# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Final Clarifiers OPCC : \$6,519,000

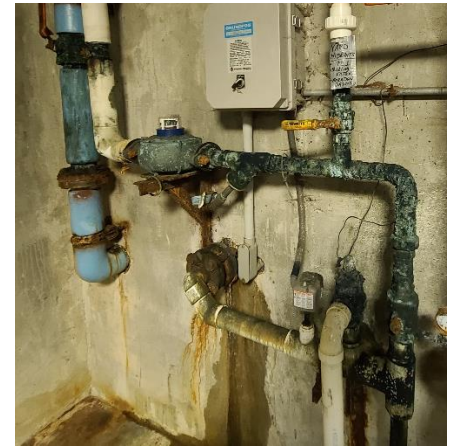
- Description
  - New Final Clarifier and Splitter Structure
  - Rehab and Recoat Scraper Drives and Mechanisms
  - Drain Valve Replacement
  - Instrumentation Upgrades
- Reason for Improvement
  - Accommodate future flows and loads
    - New discharge permit limits
  - Failure of existing coating systems
  - Equipment is nearing the end of its useful life
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
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# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Solids Handling OPCC : \$1,089,000

- Description
  - Upgrade Pumps, Thickening, and Polymer Equipment
  - Plumbing Improvements
  - Overhead Door Replacement
- Reason for Improvement
  - Equipment is nearing the end of useful life
  - Piping and equipment corrosion
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
  - High – Reliability Driven



# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Digesters and Sludge Storage OPCC : \$492,000

- Description
  - Replace Recirculation Pumps
  - New Feed Line to Boiler #2
  - Miscellaneous Plumbing and Rehabilitation
  - Reinstall Pipe to Waste Gas Burner to Remove Low Spot
  - Replace Both Waste Gas Burners
- Reason for Improvement
  - Equipment is nearing the end of useful life
  - Piping and equipment corrosion
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
  - High – Reliability Driven



# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Biosolids Dewatering OPCC : \$4,393,000

- Description
  - Replace Heating Boilers (x2)
  - Increase Water Feed Pipe Size for Greater Water Availability
  - Add Second Biosolids Dewatering Screw Press Unit
  - Eliminate Sludge Holding Tank
  - Repurpose Sludge Mixing Building
  - Replace or Rehabilitate Screw Press Conveyor
- Reason for Improvement
  - Equipment is nearing the end of its useful life
  - Piping and equipment corrosion
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
  - High – Growth and Reliability Driven

# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Effluent Pumping OPCC : \$303,000

- Description
  - Replace Pump Motor Drives (VFDs)
  - Upgrade Electronics
- Reason for Improvement
  - Equipment is nearing the end of its useful life
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
  - High – Reliability Driven

# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Site and Plant-Wide Improvements OPCC : \$6,117,000

- Description
  - HVAC Improvements
  - Electrical Improvements
  - Roadway Improvements
  - Fencing Improvements
  - Drainage Improvements
  - New Storage Building
- Reason for Improvement
  - Equipment is nearing the end of its useful life
  - Improved site access
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
  - High



# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Lift Station Improvements OPCC : \$1,224,000

- Description
  - Capacity Improvements:
    - Lift Stations Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 21 and 23
  - Structural Improvements (Traffic Door):
    - Lift Station Nos. 9, 10, 11, 15 and 22
- Reason for Improvement
  - Increased sanitary sewer flows due to new development
  - Doors are in poor condition
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
  - High – Growth and Reliability Driven

# Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

## Sanitary Sewer Replacement and Rehabilitation OPCC : \$6,309,000

- Description
  - 8-inch Sewer Replacement: 4,100 Feet
  - 21-inch Sewer Replacement: 1,000 Feet
  - 8-inch through 15-inch CIPP Liner: 9,700 Feet
  - Manhole Replacement: 5
  - Manhole Rehabilitation: 11
- Reason for Improvement
  - Sanitary Sewer piping and manholes are in poor condition
- Recommended Timeframe
  - Immediate
- Importance
  - High – Growth and Reliability Driven

# Project Schedule

## Collection System Improvements

- SRF Funding Obtained: April 2022
- Proceed with Design: August 2022
- Final Construction Documents: March 2023
- Advertise for Bids/Bid Opening: April/May 2023
- Contract Award/Notice to Proceed: June 2023
- Construction Complete: June 2025

# Project Schedule

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- SRF Funding Obtained: April 2022
- Proceed with Design: August 2022
- Final Construction Documents: Sept 2023
- Advertise for Bids/Bid Opening: Oct/Nov 2023
- Contract Award/Notice to Proceed: Dec 2023
- Construction Complete: Dec 2026