

Energy Efficiency, Water Conservation, Chemical Optimization Kerry Ingredients

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Company Background: Kerry

- **Food, ingredients, and flavours**
 - Sales in over 140 countries
 - Global HQ: Ireland
 - Americas HQ: Beloit, Wisconsin
- **Rochester Manufacturing Site**
 - Opened in 1970, acquired in 2004
 - Functional Ingredients & Actives
 - UpGrade™
 - Accel™



Motivations for Change

KERRY 2015-2020 ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME			
Targets	Carbon Emissions	Water Use	Waste
BASELINE YEAR 2013	-13%	-7%	-12%
2016 Performance	-2.5%	-2.7%	-10%
BASELINE YEAR 2013			



Reasons for MnTAP Assistance

- **Assess energy and chemical usage**
- **Reduce environmental impact**
 - Electric & natural gas
 - City and well water use
 - Cleaners/chemicals
- **Evaluate savings for proposed ideas**



Supporting Agencies

- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 5
 - Pollution prevention in food processing industry

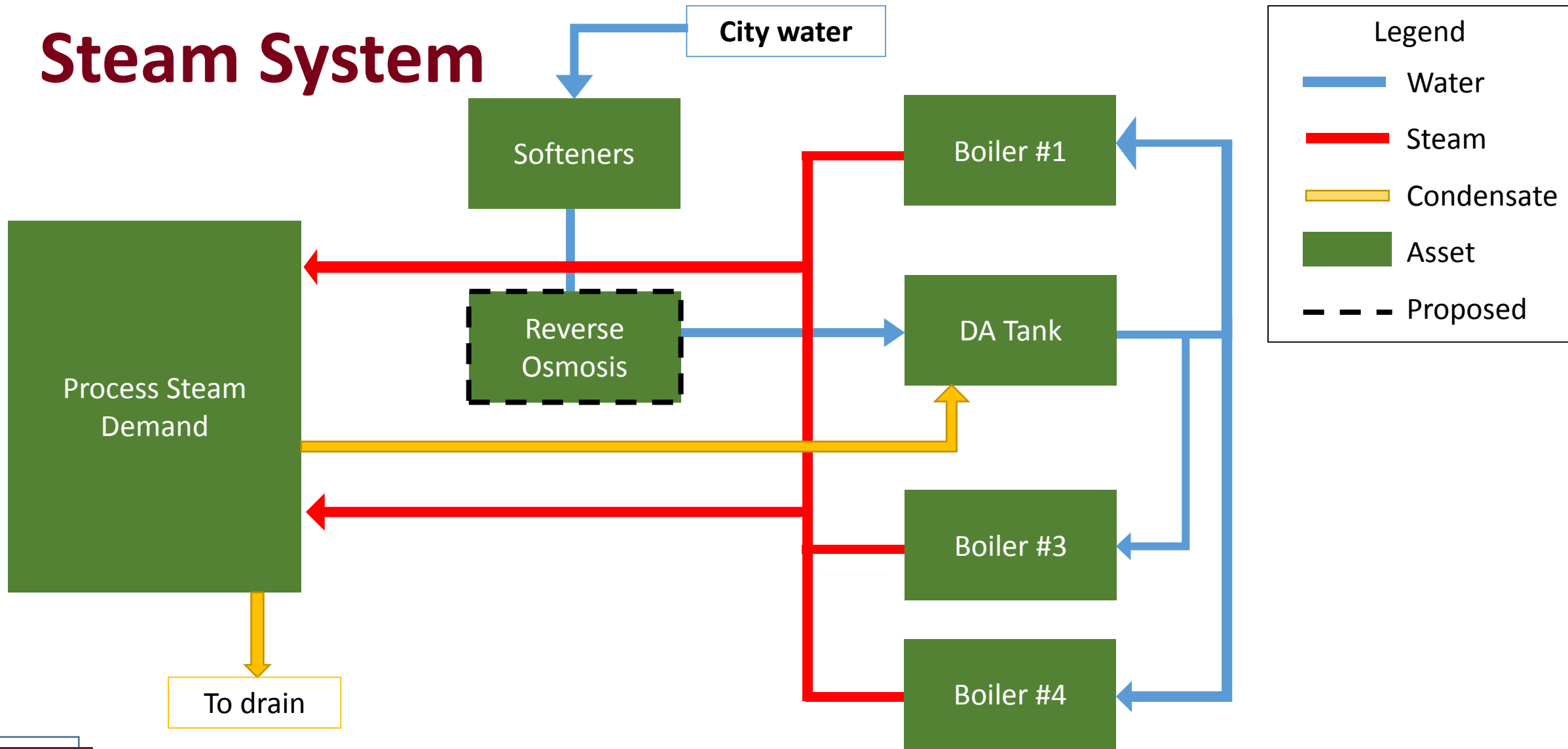


Approach

- **Understand plant utilities**
 - Steam usage, water treatment and usage
 - City and well water
- **Contact chemical vendors for chemical inventory and usage**
- **Prioritized investigation**
 - Opportunities for improvement
 - Importance to manufacturing process



Steam System



Recommendation: Reverse Osmosis (RO)

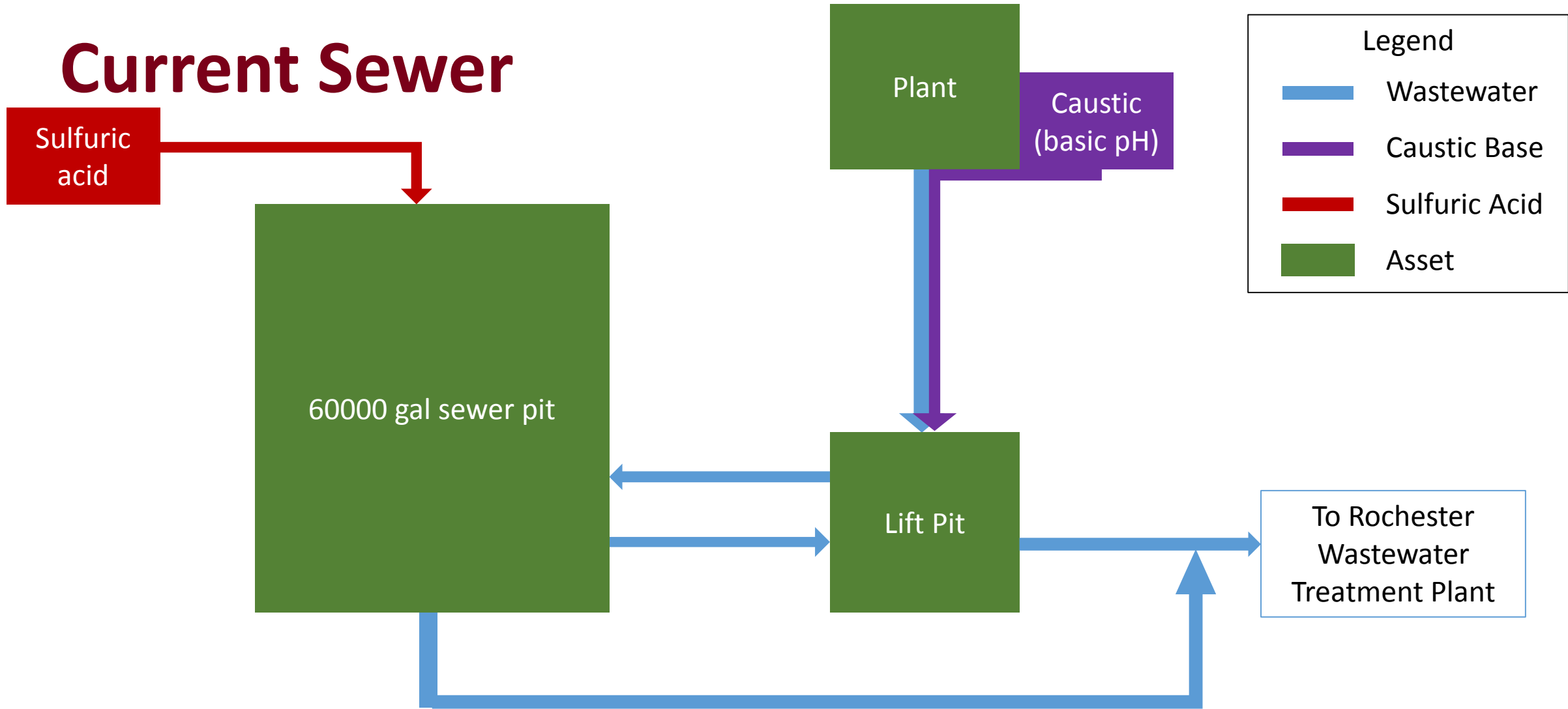
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- **Improve water chemistry**
 - Reduce boiler blowdown
 - Reduce treatment chemical use
 - Cleaner heat transfer surfaces
 - Increase equipment longevity
- **Environment**
 - 361 metric tons of CO₂

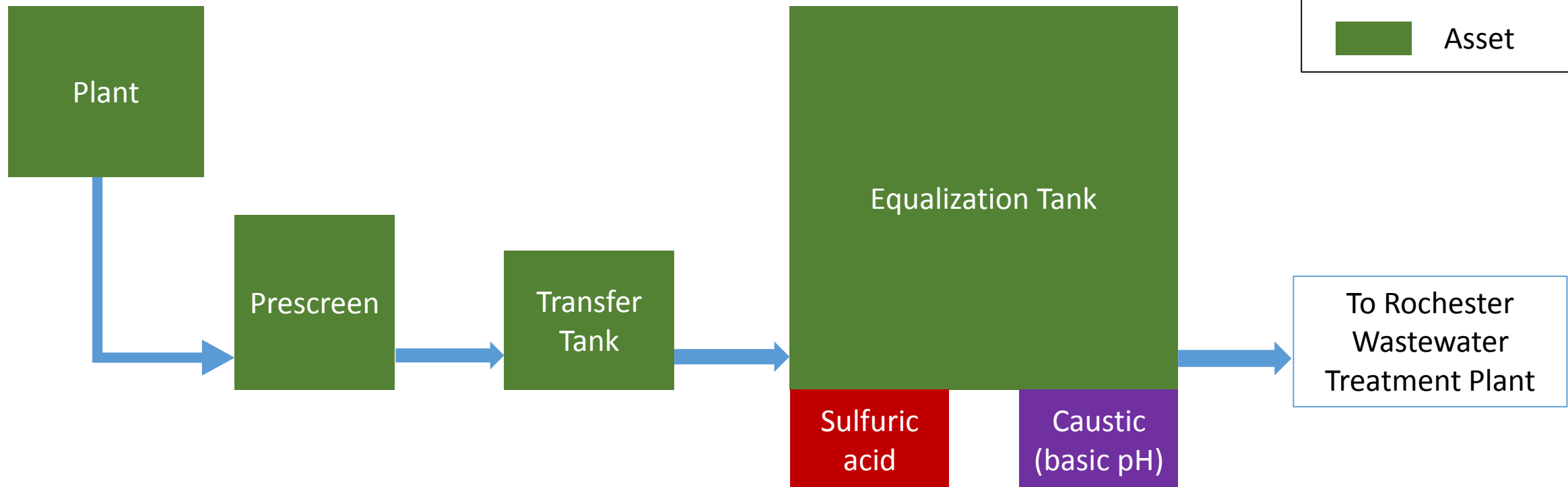
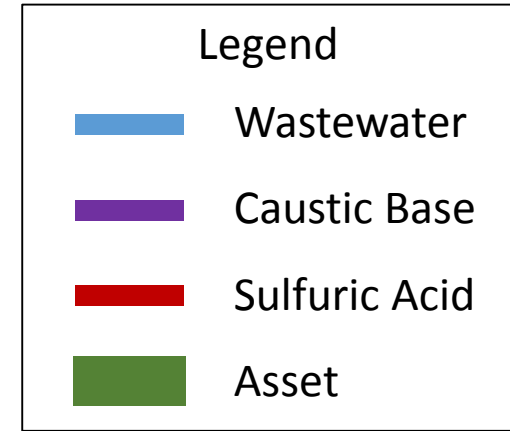


Water Softening for Boiler Water

Current Sewer

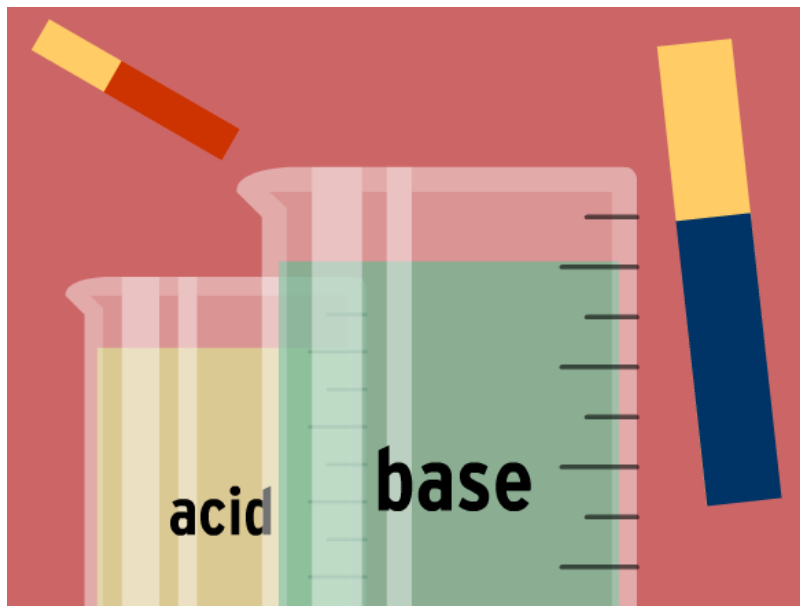


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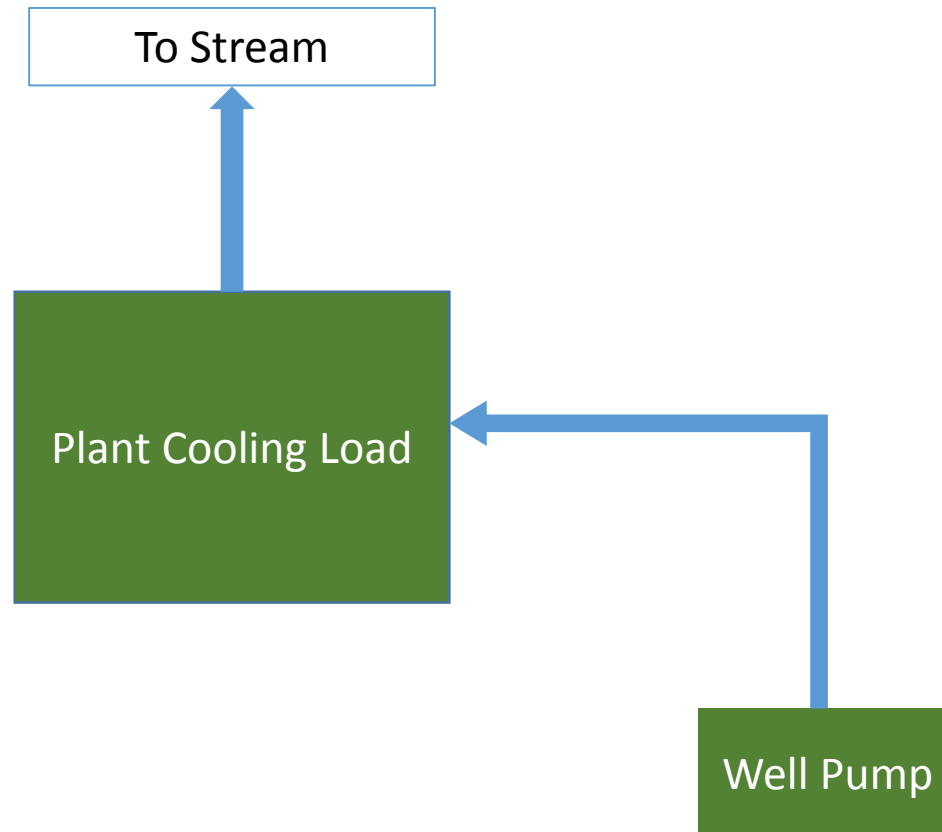
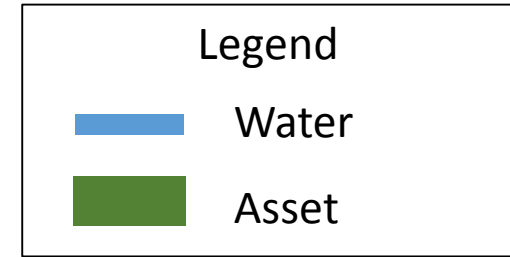
- **Chemical optimization**

- Agitation and dosing within tank
- Improve acid/base effectiveness
- 50% caustic reduction & sulfuric acid reduction

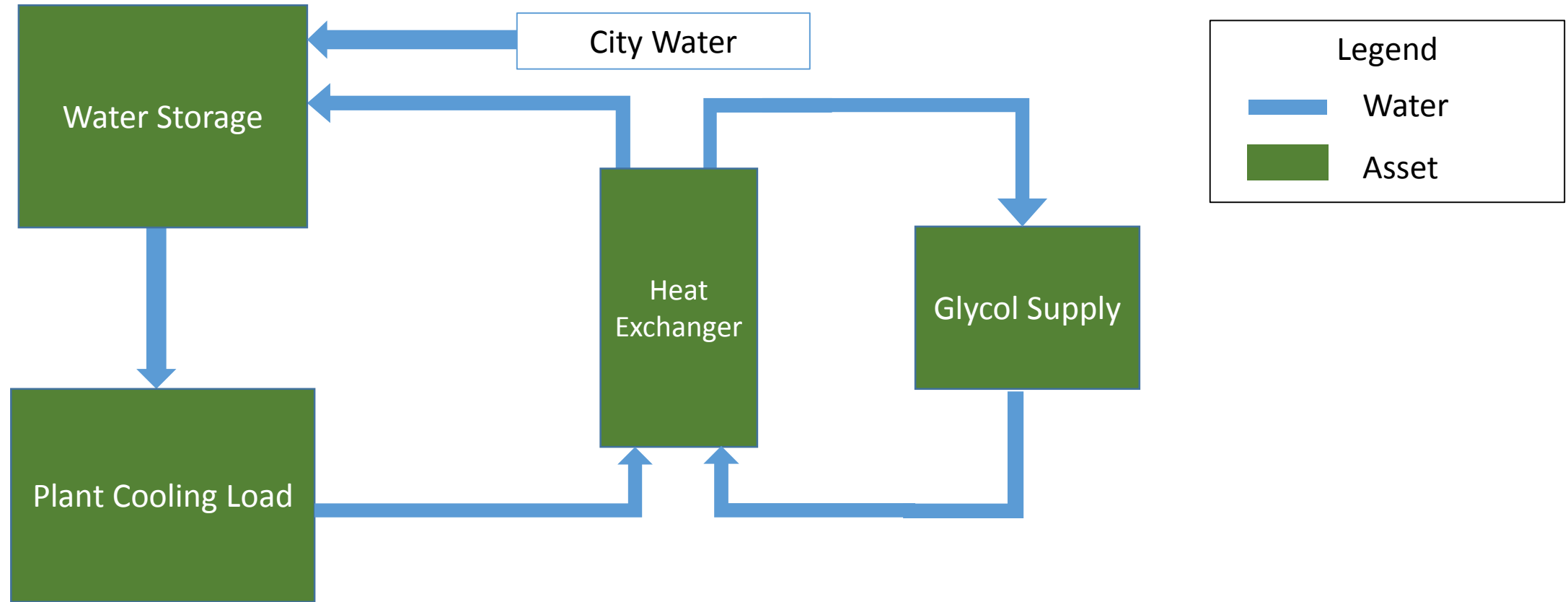
- **Prescreen equipment**

- Large debris

Current Single-Pass Cooling



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Closed Loop Cooling	200 million gal water	\$27,000	Needs further review	Recommended

- **Significantly reduce well water consumption**
- **Reduce electricity consumption**
- **No need to constantly run well pump**



Glycol Chiller

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- **Begin improvement with pasteurizer**
- **Reduce new make-up water**
 - Natural gas and water savings
- **Improve equipment operation and maintenance**
 - Steam line longevity



Orifice Steam Trap

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Additional Ideas

- **LED lighting throughout plant**
 - 32W florescent to 18W LED
 - Save 89 kWh/yr-bulb, \$8.48/yr-bulb
 - 138 pounds CO₂/yr-bulb
- **Dry cleaning process**
 - Reduce biological oxygen demand
- **Install additional condensate pumps and steam traps**



600 BHP Boiler

Personal Takeaways

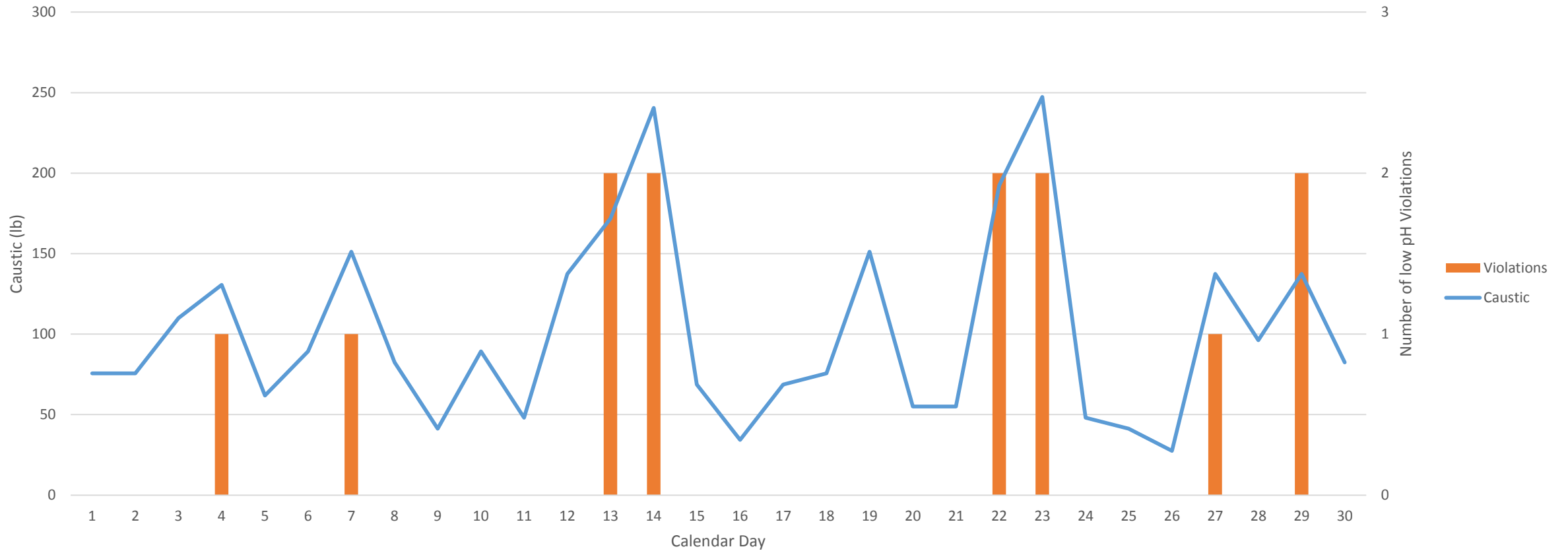
- First engineering internship
- Industry experience and engagement
- Problem solving
- Technical knowledge



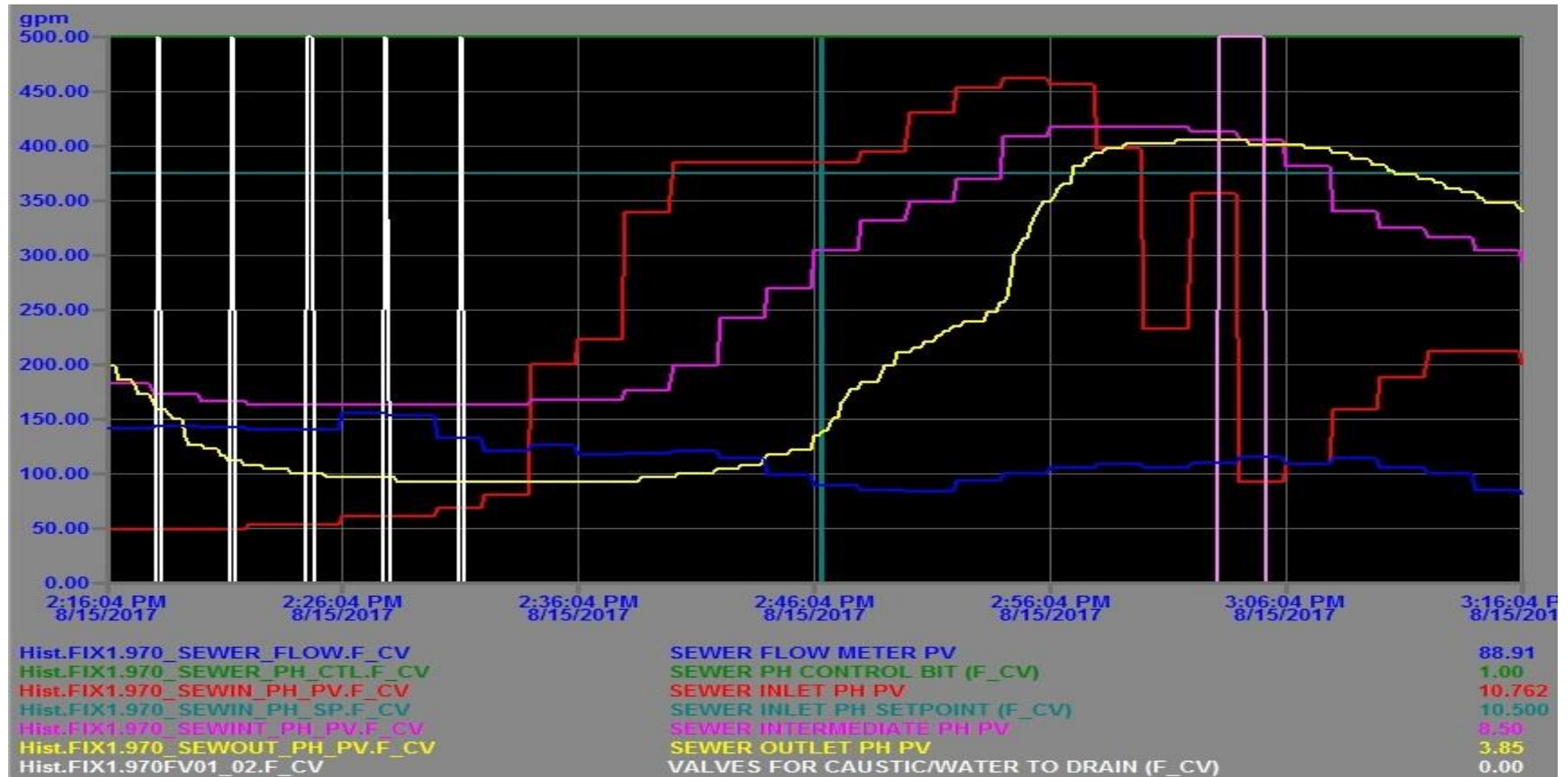
Questions?

Caustic Dosing

Caustic Dosing June 2017

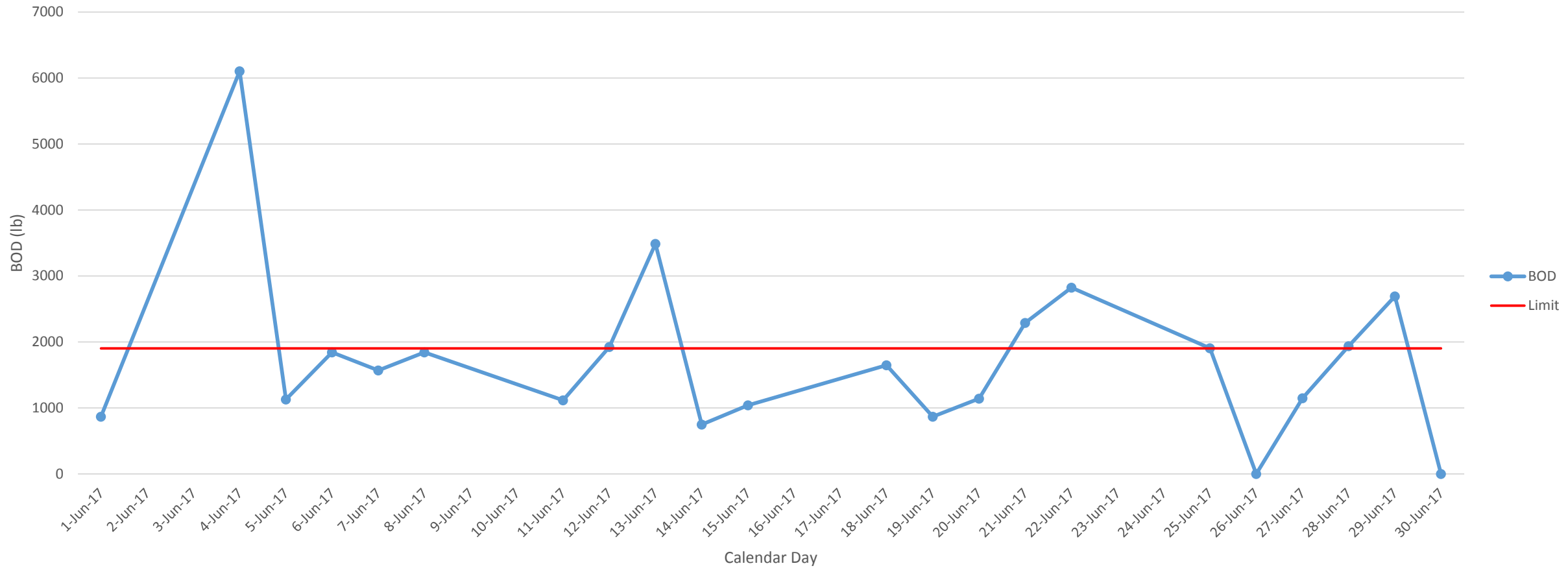


Current pH Neutralization



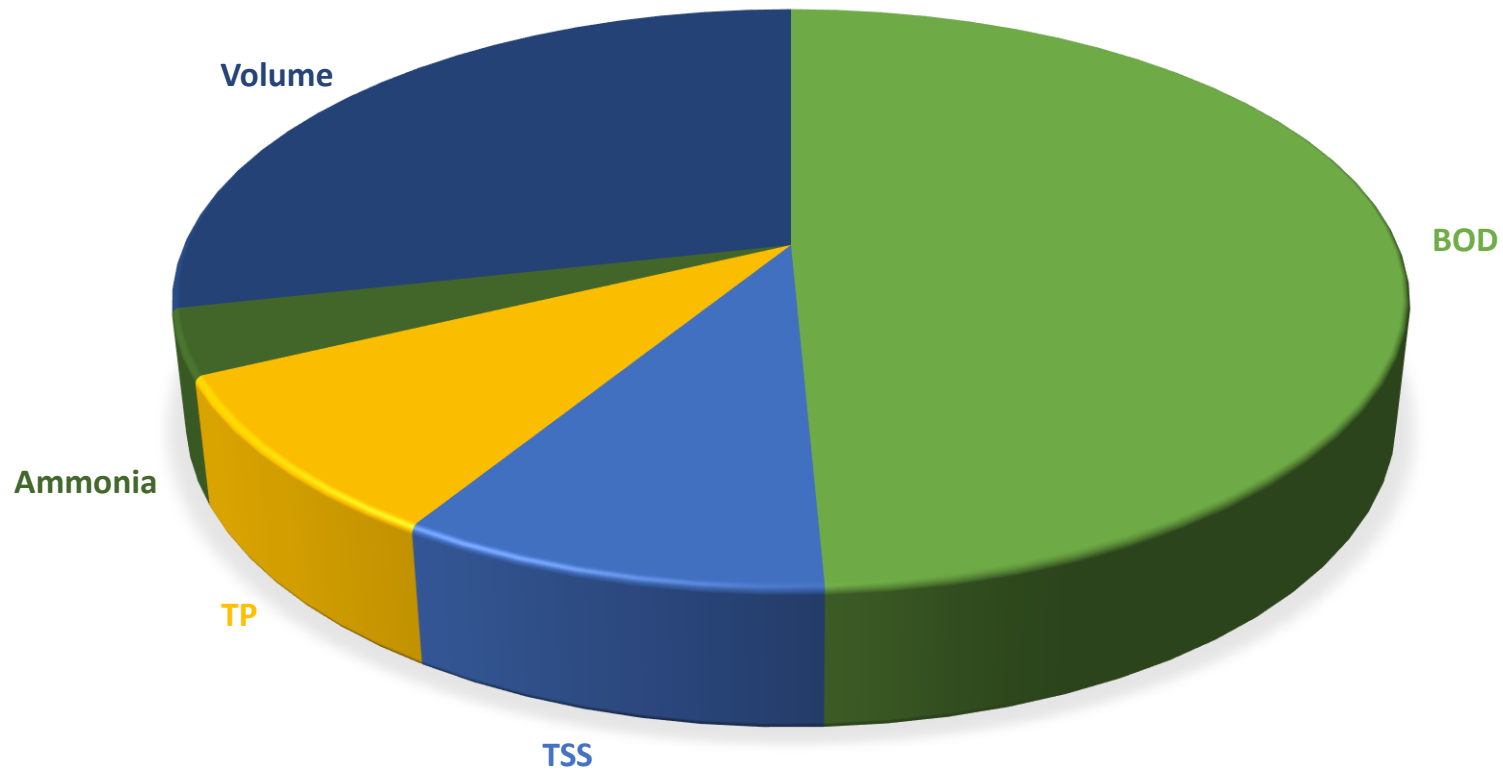
Additional Ideas: BOD Loading

June '17 BOD



Additional Ideas: Sewer Charges

SEWER CHARGES



Additional Ideas

- **BOD/TSS removal**
 - Dissolved air flotation (Primary)
 - TSS, insoluble BOD
 - 15 year payback period
 - Biological treatment (Secondary)
 - Soluble BOD

Treatment Type	BOD reduction (%)	TSS reduction (%)	BOD cost reduction (\$)	TSS Cost Reduction (\$)	Total Cost Savings (\$)
Primary	25	95	63,000	46,000	109,000
Primary + Secondary	85	95	214,000	46,000	260,000