

Regional Recycled Water Program

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Outline

- CA Recycled Water Regulatory Framework
- Demonstration Project Activities
 - Regulatory Collaboration
 - Testing Approach
 - Independent Scientific Advisory Panel
 - Construction Status
- Full-Scale Program Planning



California Recycled Water Regulations



Non-Potable Reuse

Irrigation
Industrial Uses

2000



Indirect
Potable Reuse

Groundwater Replenishment

2014



Indirect
Potable Reuse

Reservoir Water Augmentation

2018



Direct Potable Reuse

Raw Water
Augmentation

2023/TBD

Increasing requirements for public health protection

Potential Full Program (up to 150 MGD)



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Regulatory Oversight of Program

State Water Resources Control Board

Division of Drinking Water Regional Water Quality Control Boards

Los Angeles Region Santa Ana Region

Regulatory Collaboration

2016

- Program Introduction
- AWT Demo Process Design

2017

- Prelim. Groundwater Assessments
- MBR Technology Acceptance

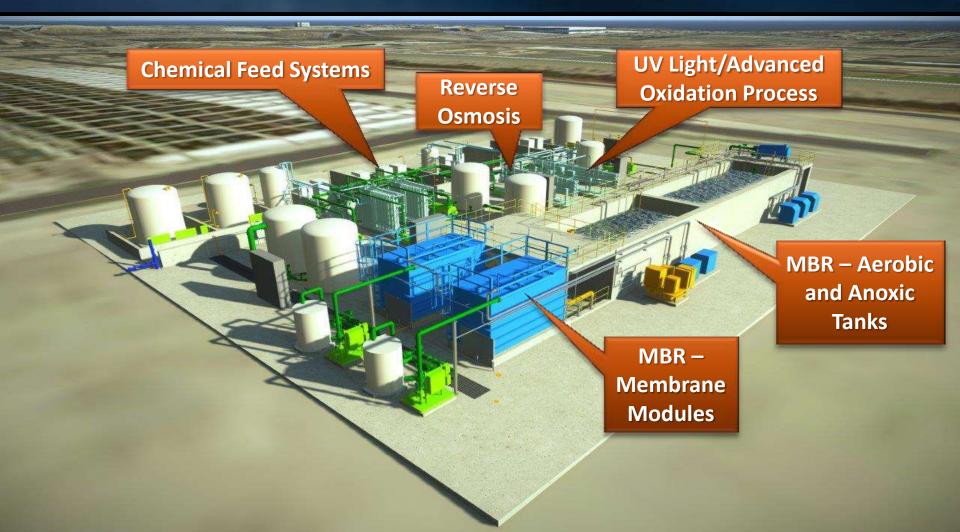
2018

 Demonstration Testing and Monitoring Plan – Workshop (Aug 9)

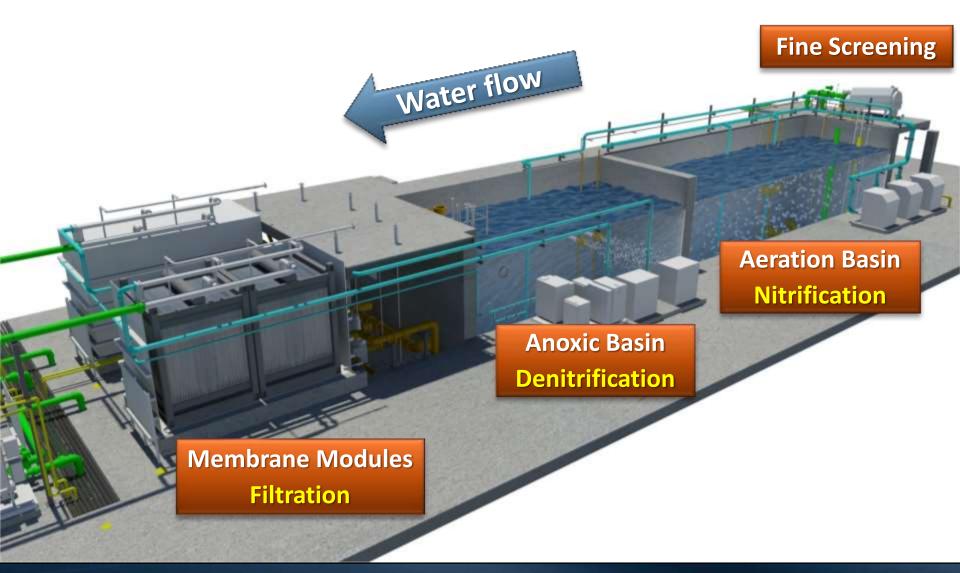
2019

- Field Tour of Demonstration Plant
- Baseline Testing Data Review





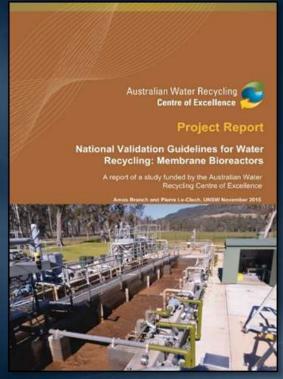
MBR Process at Demonstration Plant



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MBR Technology Acceptance Regulatory Approach

- Growing knowledge base from national and international research on pathogen removal in MBR systems
- Australia's MBR validation protocol outlines 3-tiered approach to achieve pathogen reduction credit
- California regulators concur with Metropolitan's proposed MBR testing approach utilizing this protocol



Testing and Monitoring Plan MBR Technology Acceptance

- Final test plan to be submitted to regulators in early October for approval by end of 2018
- Testing anticipated to begin early 2019

Pre-testing

 Equipment Testing and Process Acclimation (3 months)

Phase 1

 Baseline Performance Testing (4 months)

Phase 2

 Challenge Testing and Evaluation (8 months)

Additional testing for process optimization and full-scale design criteria to follow

Demonstration Testing and Monitoring Laboratory Analysis



Independent Scientific Advisory Panel

- Title 22 Regulations require independent panel of experts to review alternative approaches for meeting existing regulations (e.g., application of Membrane Bioreactor)
- National Water Research Institute commissioned to secure panel for demonstration project
- Panel will help guide demonstration project
 - Testing and Monitoring Plan
 - Water quality and operational data
 - MBR Technology Acceptance report
 - Stakeholder engagement



ISAP Workshop 1: August 8-9, 2018 Focus Areas/Panel Feedback



Process Technology

- Testing Approach
- Operational Criteria



Monitoring and Analysis

- Monitoring Frequency
- Analytical Methodology



Source Control and Brine Mgmt

- Source Assessments
- Discharge Requirements

Independent Scientific Advisory Panel Workshop Report



Final ISAP report available by end of Sept 2018

Demonstration Plant Construction

Current Status and Schedule

- Construction approximately 65% complete
- Complete construction December 2018
- Commence start-up and operation January 2019



Construction Site Overview



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Electrical Building



Operations Trailer



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Full-Scale Program Planning

- Conceptual planning and phasing evaluation
- Groundwater modeling
- Source control assessments and nitrogen management studies
- Institutional and financial arrangements
- Public outreach planning efforts

Schedule



Metropolitan Recycled Water Website



INTRODUCTION HOW IT WORKS PROCESS BENEFITS STRATEGY MILESTONES RESOURCES PARTNERSHIP



A NEW SOURCE OF WATER FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Water is too precious to use just once. So the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is making a major investment in a potential water recycling project that will reuse water currently sent to the ocean.

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MBR Equipment



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MBR Equipment (cont'd)





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Chemical Tank Farm

