

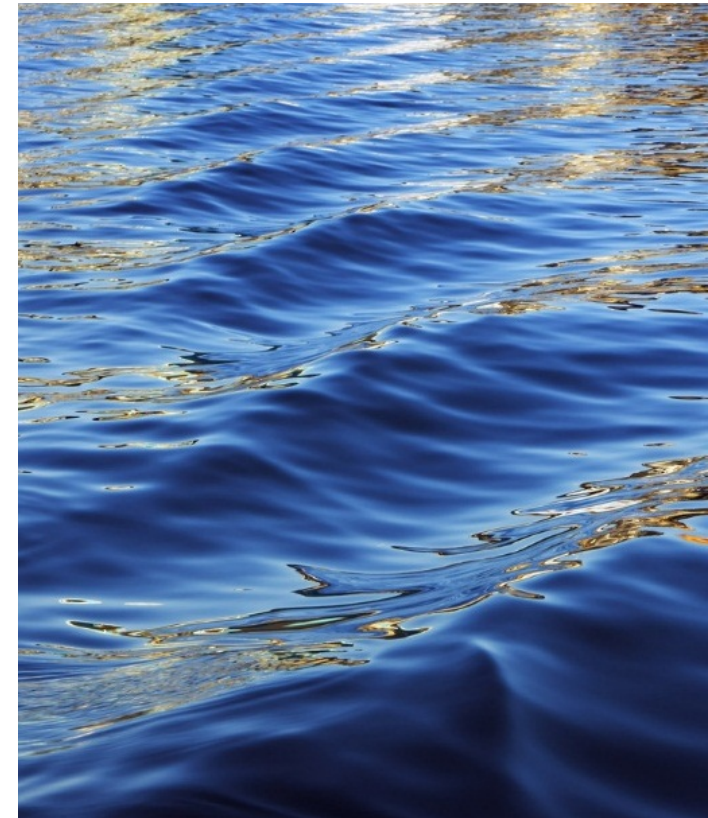


# Digital Water Applications for System Reliability in Water Systems

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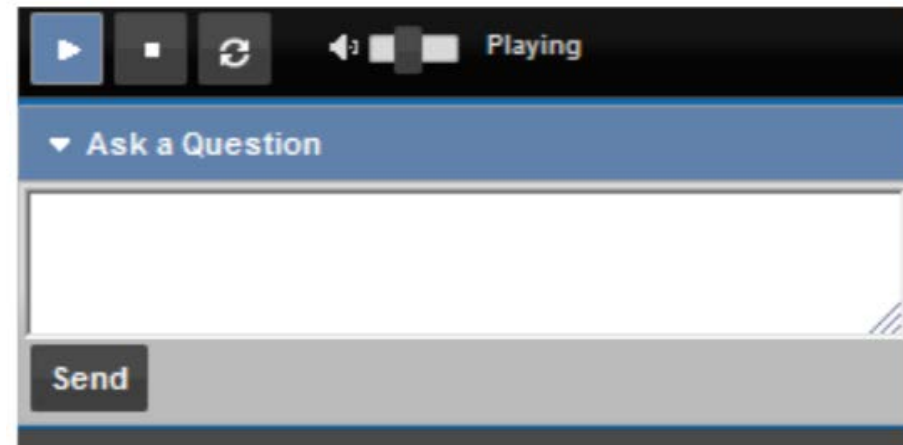


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# Today's Presenters



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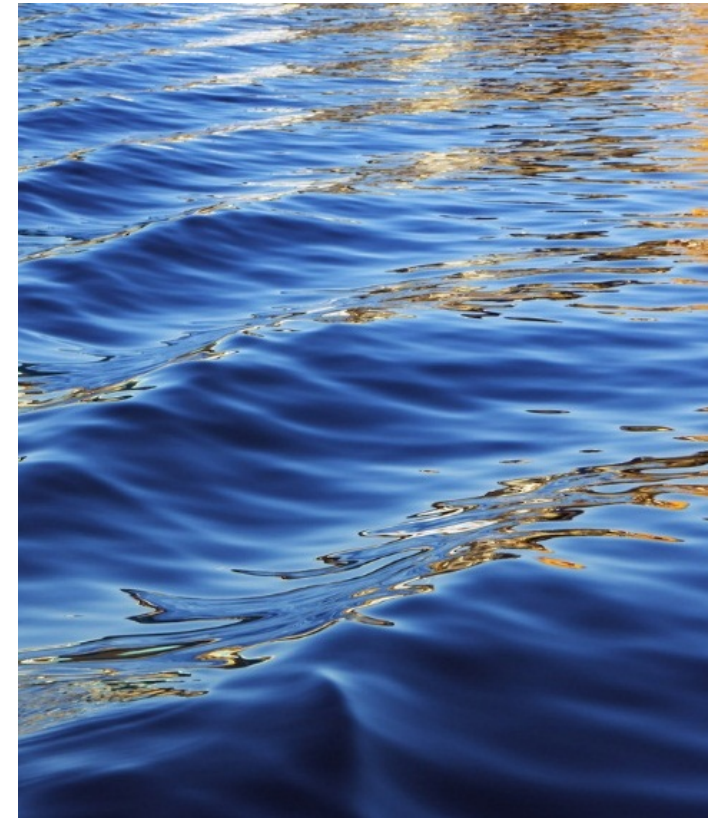
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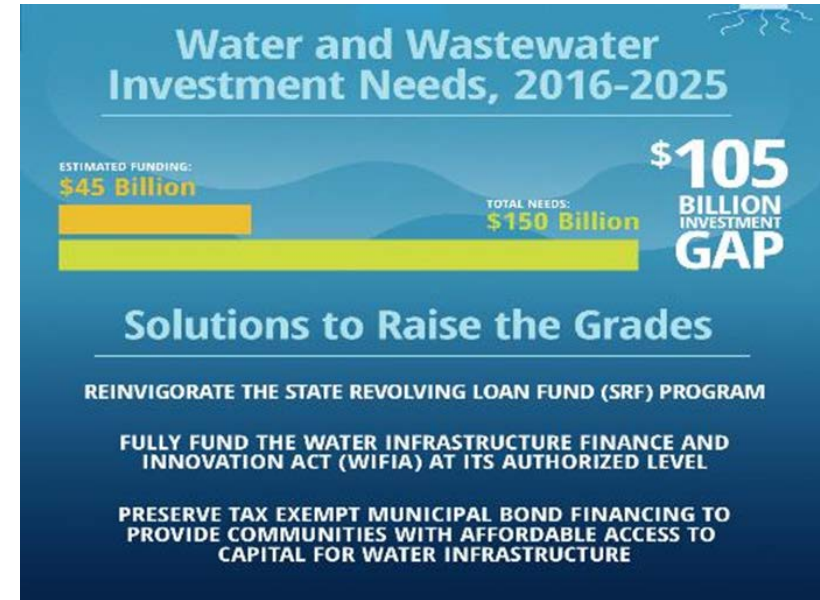


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Integrated Solutions Leader



# Water Supply Reliability

- ✓ Having a reliable water supply that can adapt and respond to change
- ✓ Address key factors:
  - Include treatment flexibility to manage variable feed quality and quantity with product water quality and quantity certainty
  - Be robust to produce high quality water as designed
  - Minimize environmental pollution
  - Safeguard public health
  - Be affordable



OCWD/OCSD – Groundwater Replenishment System

# Our Water Infrastructure is Planned and Built as a System

## Deep Tunnel Sewerage System



Singapore PUB, DTSS

Developed to meet Singapore's long term clean water needs through collection, treatment, reclamation and disposal of industrial and municipal used water.

Network of

- Tunnels
- Pump Stations
- Integrated Used Water Reclamation Plants
- Energy Recovery
- Support systems

# Our Water Infrastructure is Planned and Built as a System



City of San Diego, CA, Pure Water Program

## Pure Water San Diego, CA

Network of

- Pipelines
- Pump Stations
- Water Reclamation Plants
- Reservoirs
- Support systems

- **Reliability** represents the ability of the system to provide water that consistently meets the public health protection provided by existing drinking-water supplies.
- **Redundancy, robustness and resiliency** collection of measures instituted to ensure the expected level of service and reliability

*What are the  
Critical Control Points?*



## POTABLE REUSE

GUIDANCE FOR PRODUCING  
SAFE DRINKING-WATER

World Health Organization, 2017

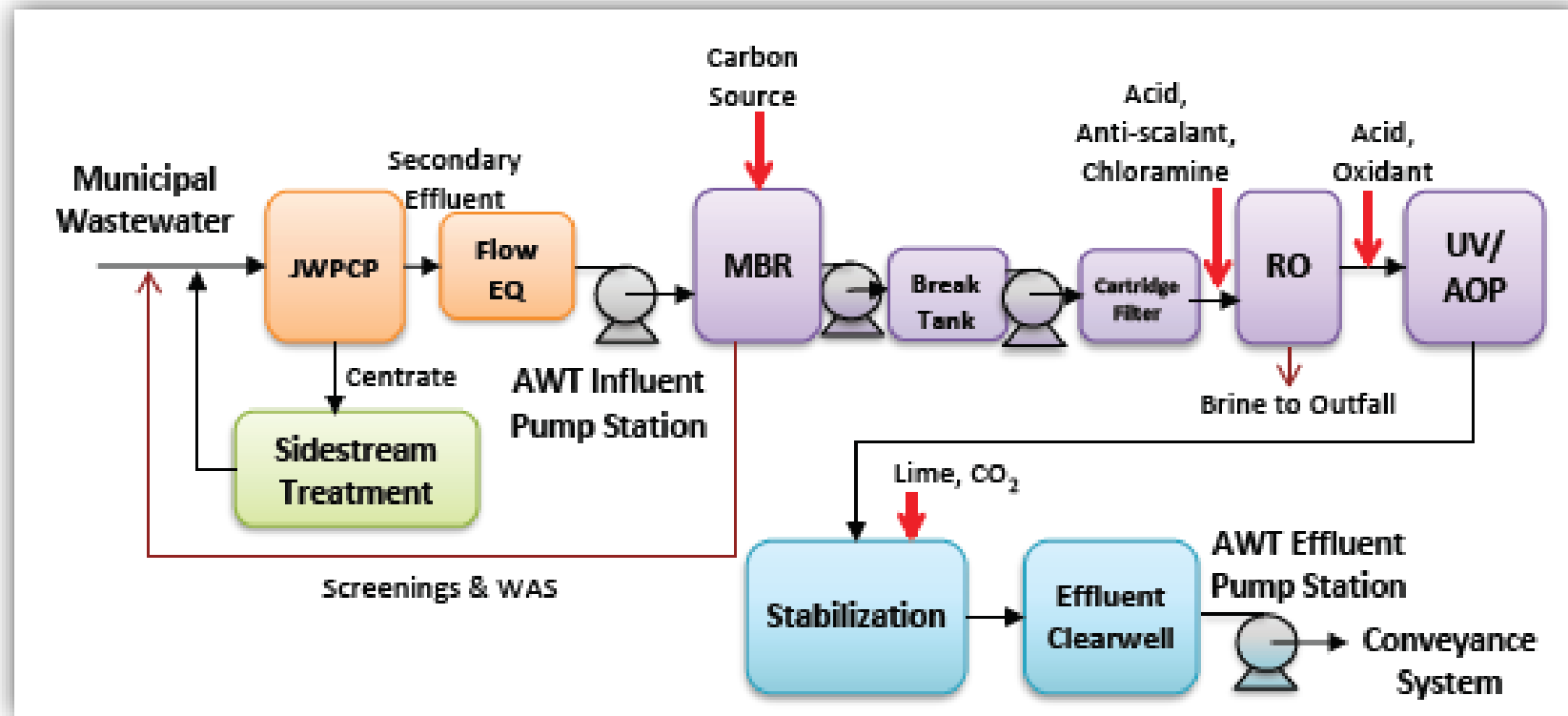




# Critical Control Points and Critical Operations Parameters

- Failure Response at a Treatment Facility

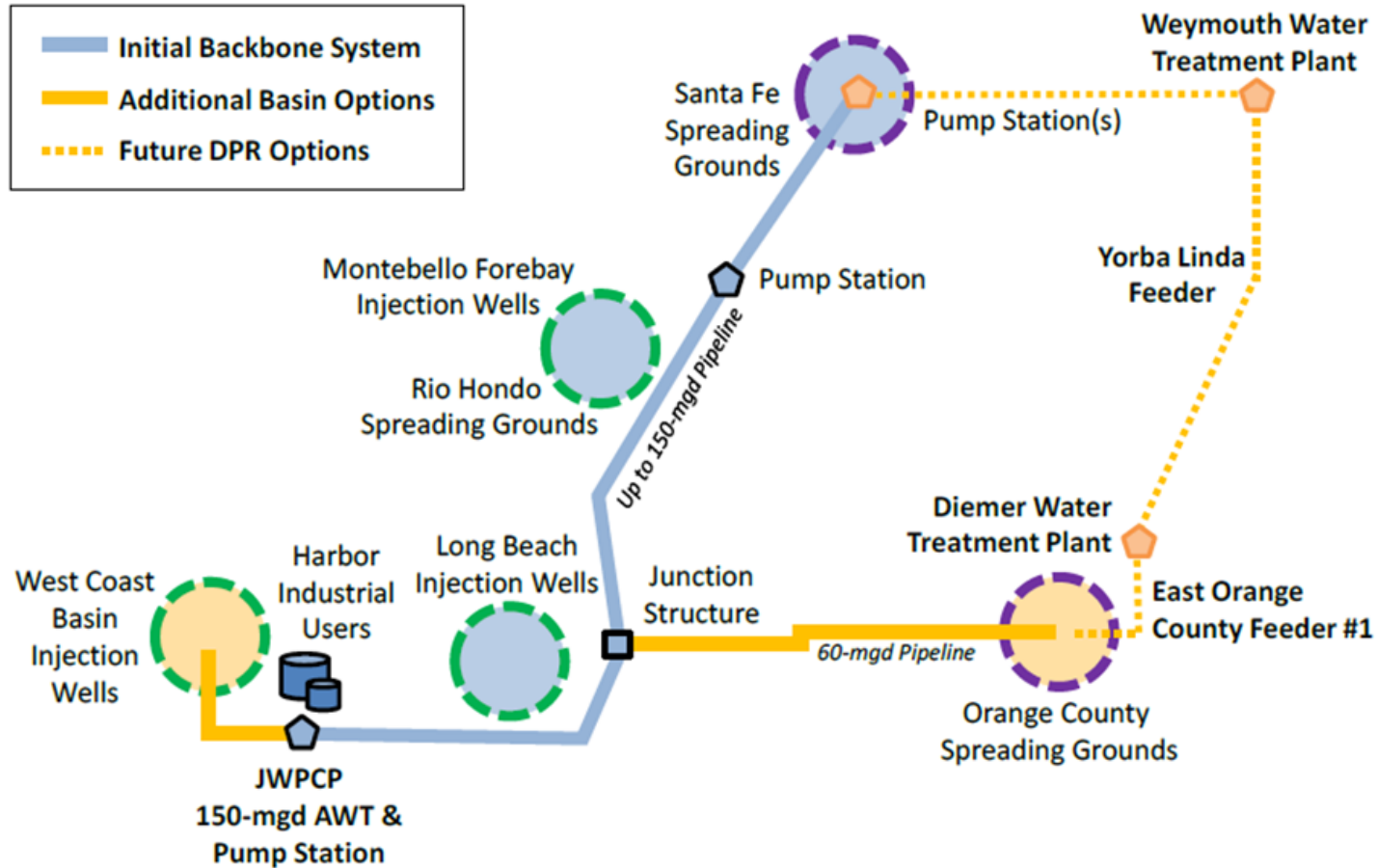
- Flows
- BOD
- TSS
- Nitrogen
- pH
- TDS
- Metals
- CECs
- Chemical Dosing
- Pathogens
- Turbidity
- TOC
- NDMA
- 1,4 dioxane
- ...



*Adapted from MWD of SoCal, CA – Regional Recycled Water Program*

# Critical Control Points and Critical Operations Points

- Failure Response in a System



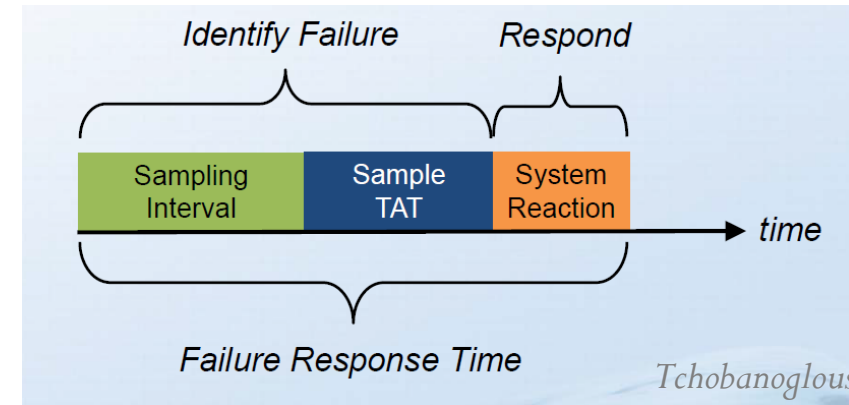
## Network of

- Pipelines
- Pump Stations
- Water Reclamation Plants
- Spreading Grounds
- Water Treatment Plants
- Support systems

*Metropolitan Water District of Southern California,  
Regional Recycled Water Program*

# System monitoring via manual and online tools – data streams frequency, accessibility, quality, security

System Factors	Data Type Examples
Flows, system operations parameters	Online, metered readings
WWTP influent quality, facility performance, daily and seasonal variability	Manual, grab & composite samples, online sensors, source control, biological performance monitoring
AWT performance monitoring	Online water quality, surrogates, water stability
Barrier integrity monitoring	Online, integrity tests, surrogates, water quality
Pipelines and system blending points	Stability, mixing, detention time, water quality
Reservoir, GW, WTP	Flow, water quality, surrogates



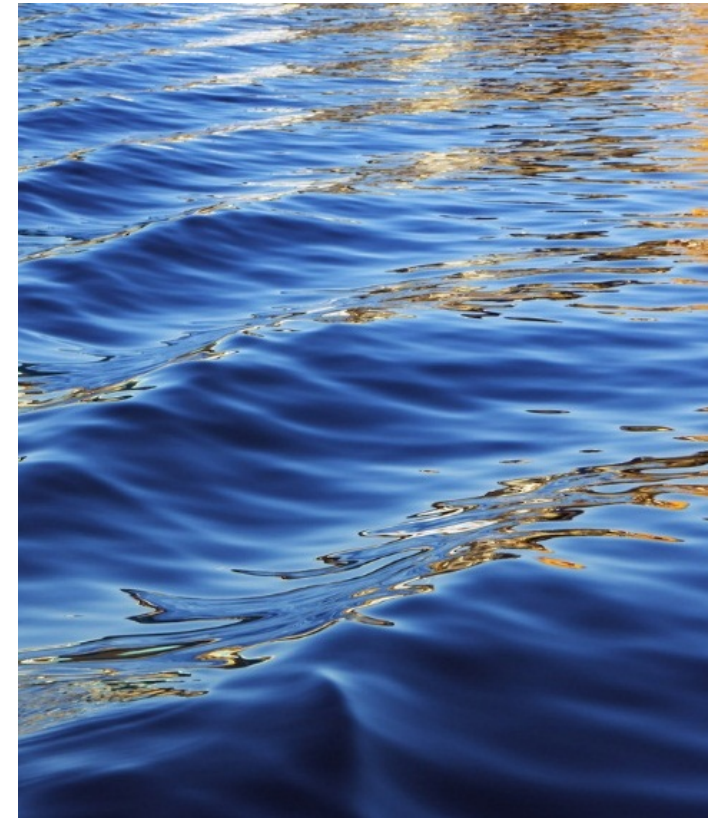
<sup>1</sup> Secondary treatment usually based on activated sludge and in most examples includes nutrient reduction.

<sup>2</sup> DWTP = drinking-water treatment plant.

<sup>3</sup> UOSA = Upper Occoquan Service Authority.



Mark Kaney  
Director of Asset Management, Europe



# Resilience

*“the ability of assets, networks and systems to anticipate, absorb, adapt to and/or rapidly recover from a disruptive event.”*

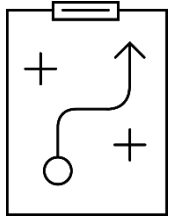
Resilience provision can be assessed against “the four Rs”:

- **Redundancy** (avoiding dependencies on single assets)
- **Resistance** (proofing the system so that it is resistant to known risks – for example, flood defences or access procedures)
- **Reliability** (a system that operates effectively, irrespective of whether or not risks materialise – for example, design standards)
- **Response/recovery** (the ability to recover quickly so that service is not unduly impacted – that is, tested procedures and appropriate resources)

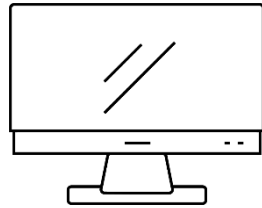
## Reliability

*“the ability of a system or component to function under stated conditions for a specified period of time”*

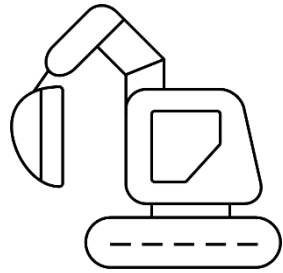
# Good systems resilience relies upon:



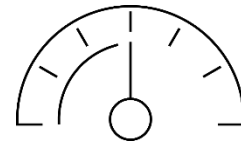
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PLANNING



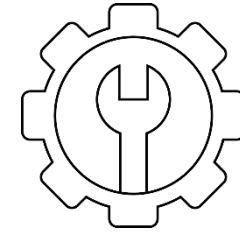
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DESIGN



GOOD  
CONSTRUCTION/  
ENHANCEMENT



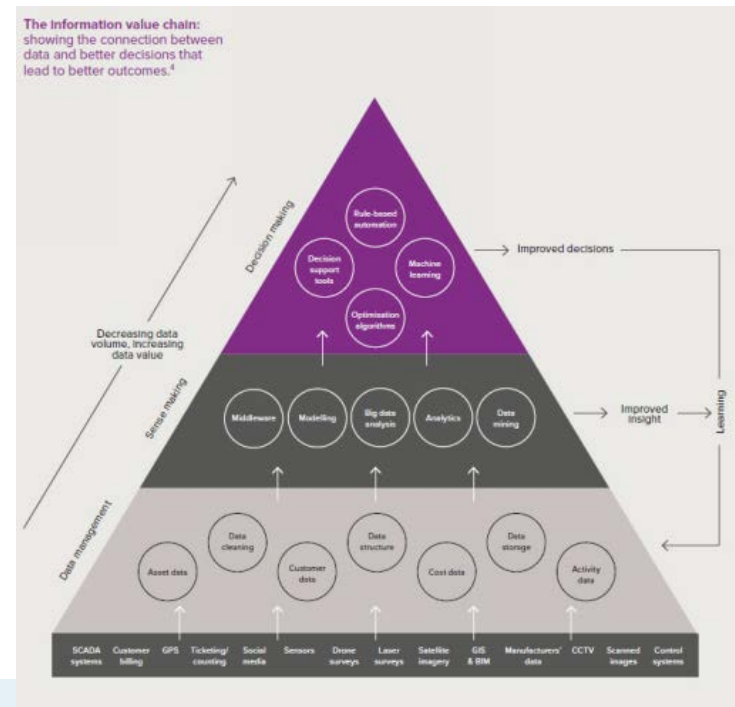
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OPERATION



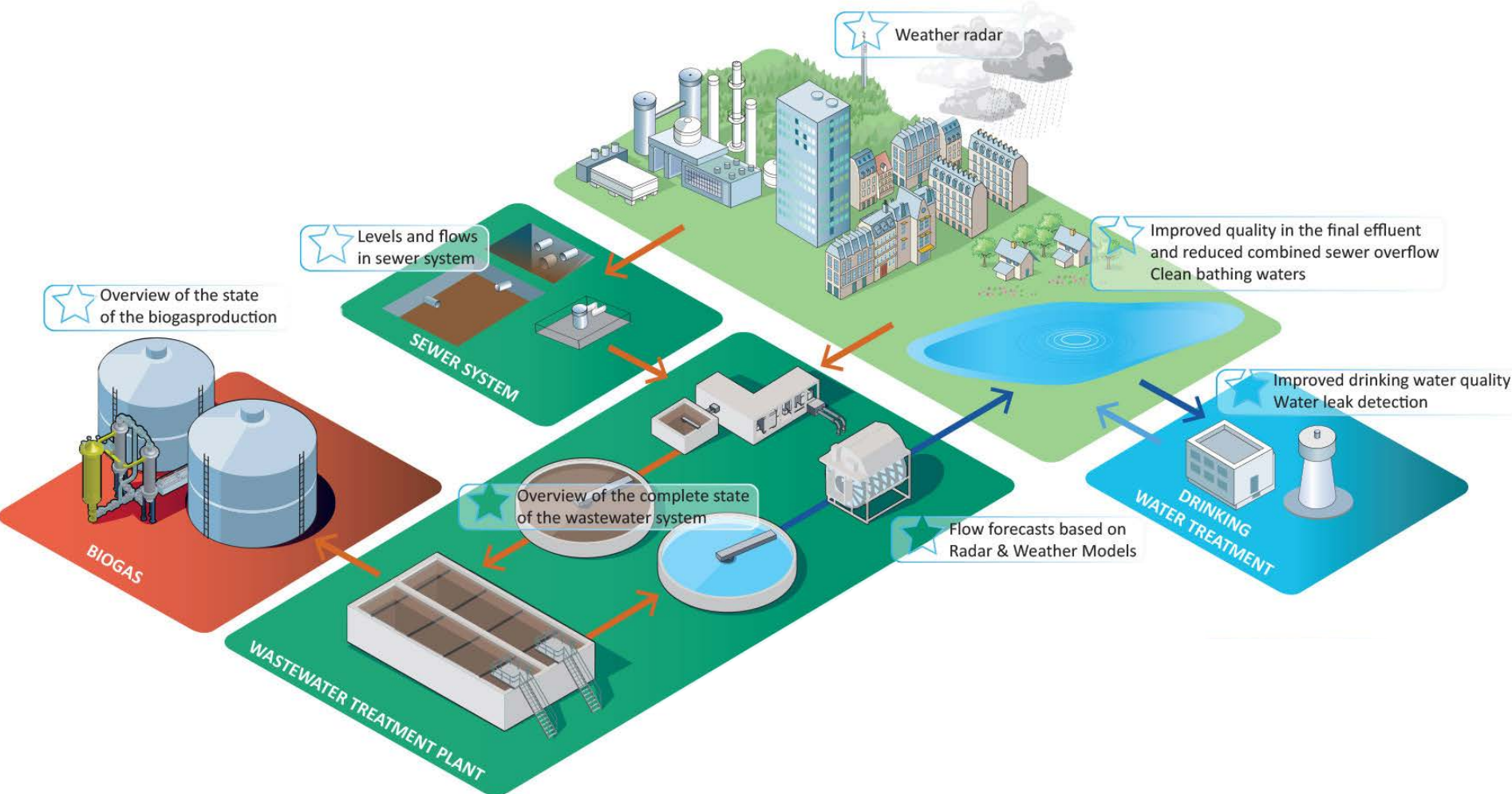
GOOD  
MAINTENANCE

How do we know what “Good” looks like?

- Effective benchmarking and validation
- Ability to measure actual/predicted performance against the targets



# From Data to Decision – How We Capture Performance



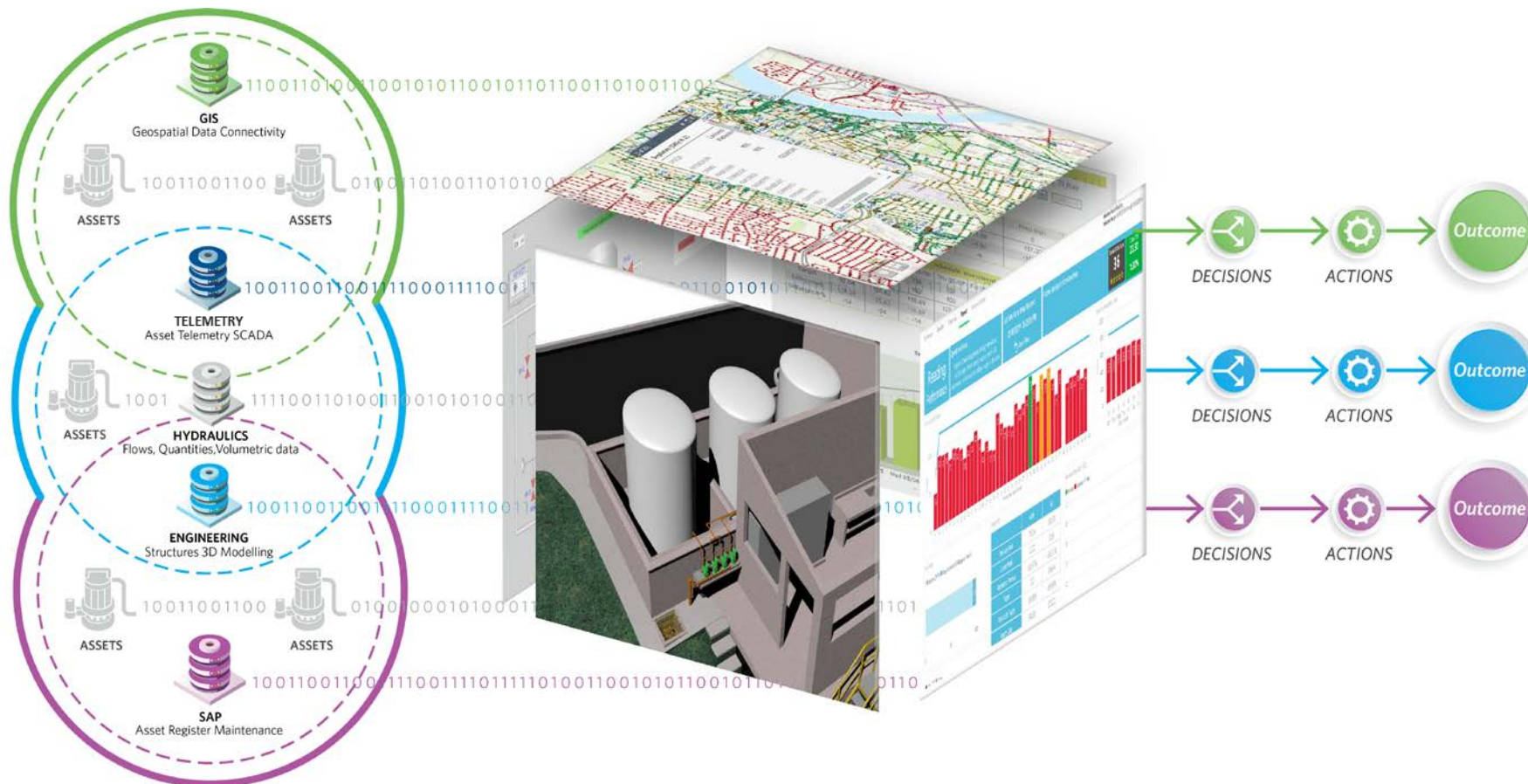
# DIGITAL TWINS



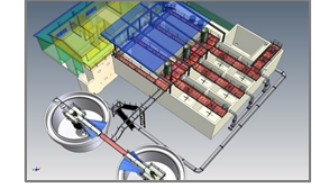
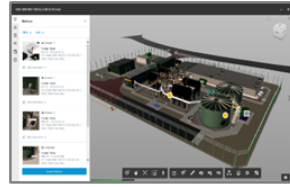


# Digital Twins in the Water Sector

*“A Digital Twin can be defined as an **integrated accurate digital representation of our physical assets, systems and treatment processes. It will unlock value by enabling improved insights that support better decisions, leading to better outcomes in the physical world**”.*



# User based decision support via a digital twin



## Site Manager

*"I need to run the site to cost"*

Forecast production, resourcing, energy, chemical, and resourcing needs to scenario plan operations

Social Media

Energy Consumption

Chemical Usage

## Operator

*"I need to conduct maintenance and be ready to respond"*

Predict operating setpoints and maintenance interventions

Water Pressure

Labour, Contractor and Materials Costs

## Optimiser

*"I need to monitor operations of the site"*

Provide specific operating guidance to operational teams at process and asset level

Noise Logging

Water Quality

## Modeller

*"I need to understand the repercussions of planned and unplanned work"*

Enable Real-time analysis of network operational demand and quality against design

Resource Availability

Weather

## Asset Planner

*"I need to get the most value from investments"*

Utilise asset condition and performance data to inform future investment needs

Asset Register

Asset Failure Modes

## Designer

*"I need analyse and design the optimal water assets"*

Virtually select and design systems and assets based on accurate historical performance data

Asset Downtime

Effects of Asset Failure

Action

Informed Decision Making

Visualisation

Analytics

Integration

Data

Sensors & Assets

# Example Use Cases Across the Asset Lifecycle

Different design approaches can be tested and the operating performance of the asset assessed against the success criteria



Virtual commissioning can be undertaken using the twin



Dynamic understanding of asset criticality, reliability and consequence of failure allows for agile proactive maintenance planning, lowering maintenance costs and avoiding asset failures.

Data can be repurposed for secondary use. Asset component reuse can be tested to ensure its fit for purpose

Project BIM models can be tested against existing assets for integration and modular construction phased to optimise uptime



Operational optimisation can be carried out at asset or system level. Predictive analytics can enable proactive changes to avoid incidents and lower costs



Activities can be tested on the twin to ensure end of life process is managed and risks are mitigated

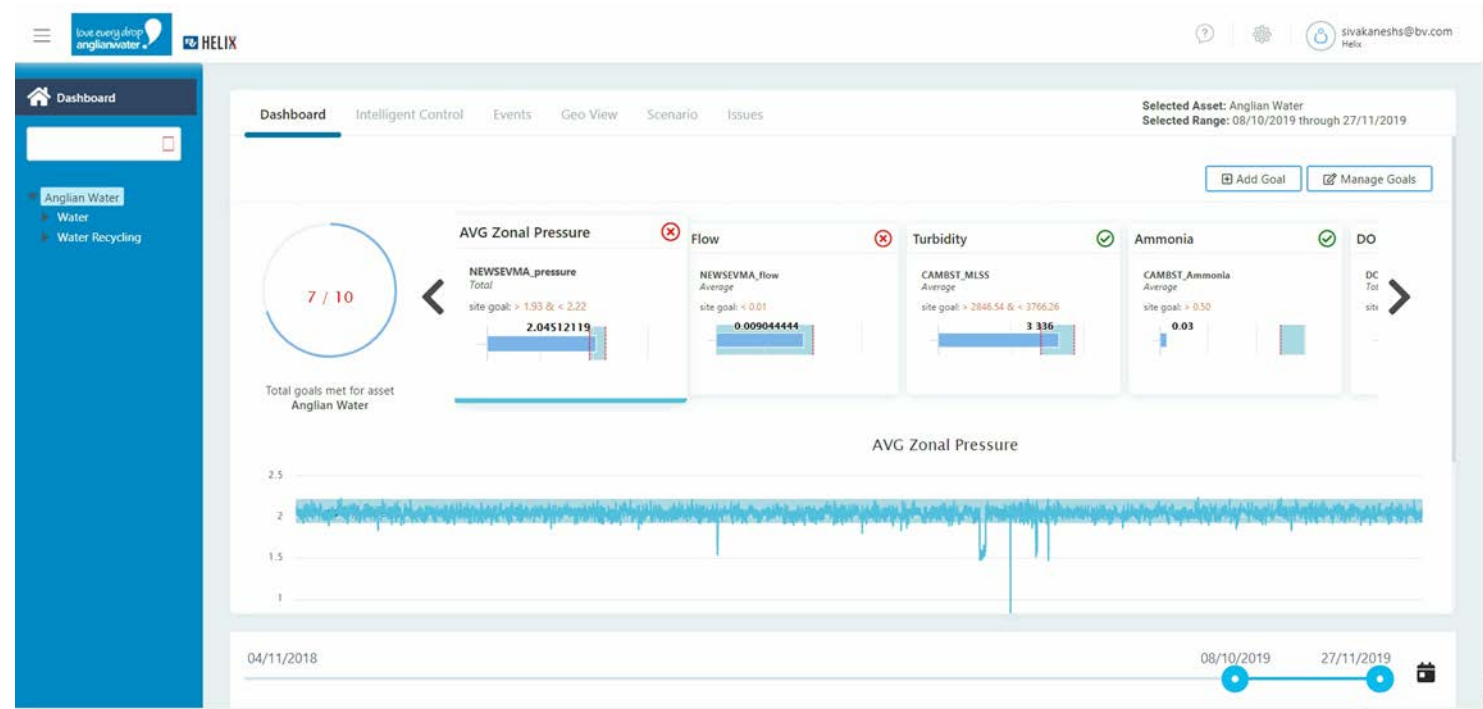


# CASE STUDY

**PROBLEM:** To build a digital twin of the £500m strategic pipeline enabling design scenarios to be tested and optimised operational regimes to be developed in line with performance requirements.

**SOLUTION:** Integration of network models, real time operation technology data, project design BIM data, service performance data and whole life cost data through HELIX, BVs DT platform. Development of user stories and user based UI/UX to allow better insights and support to data driven decision making.

**BENEFITS:** Ability to test a wide range of design and operational scenarios to set the outline design for the delivery partners to complete. Proof of Concept for the proposed approach to managing the asset base through the application of digital twin technologies



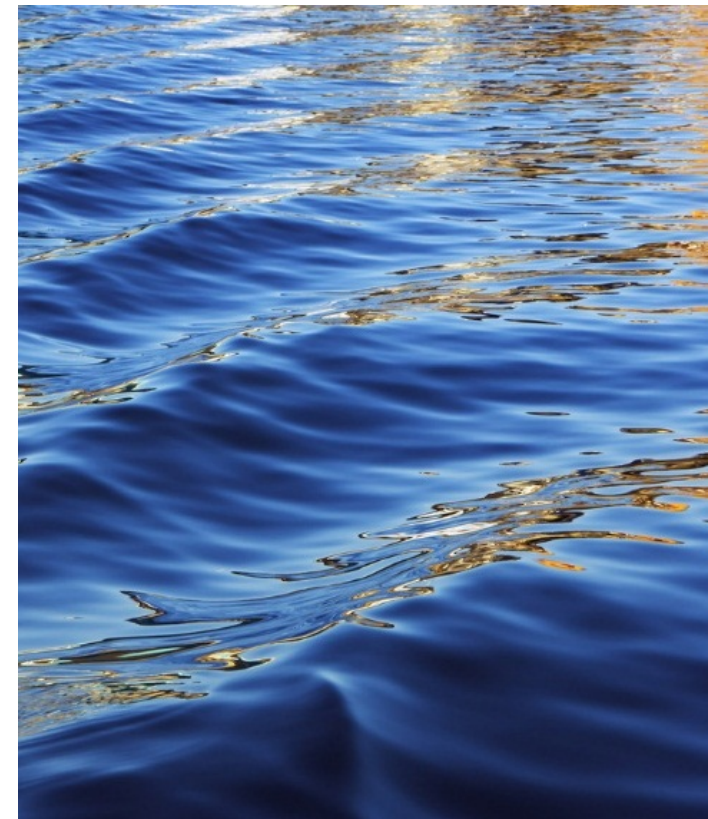


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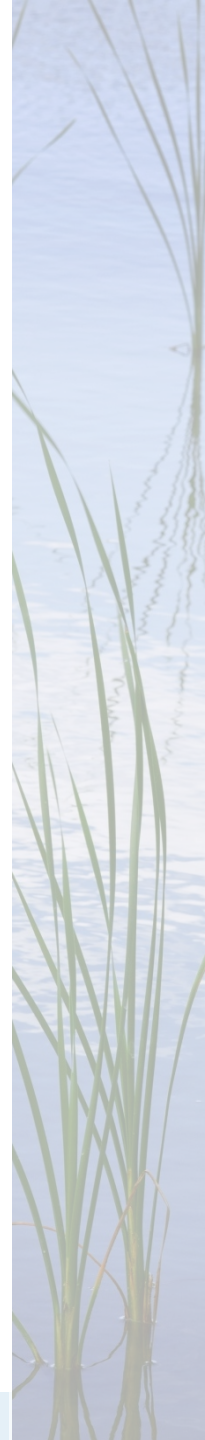
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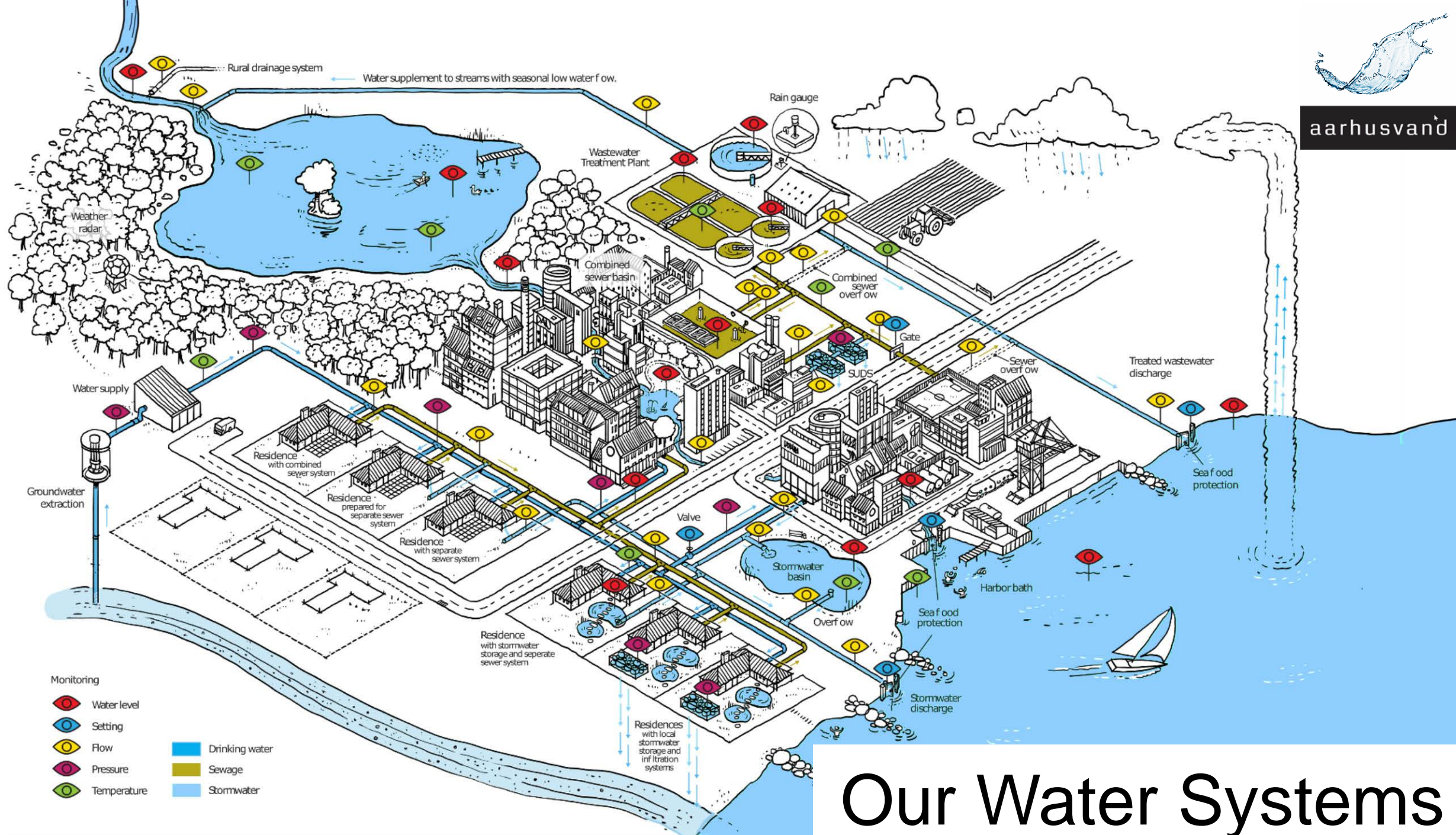
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TOWARDS THE  
**DIGITAL**  
WATER UTILITY





# Our Water Systems

# Our Strategy

## PURPOSE

Aarhus Vand creates health through the supply of clean water – to people and the planet

## VISION

Creation of a national platform  
as a driver for local and global solutions to a healthier water cycle

## CROSS-CUTTING STRATEGIC PRINCIPLES

Customised solutions – partnership formation – investment in new technology – sustainable action

## STRATEGIC FOCUS AREAS

### COMMERCIALISATION



Exploiting the commercial potential  
to establish an independent  
business arm

### INNOVATION



Accelerate development of  
knowledge and technology for  
future solutions

### GLOBALISATION



Spread national solutions to the  
wide world and bring home  
new knowledge

### AN EXCELLENT BASIC SERVICE

Treatment of wastewater and supply of clean  
and healthy drinking water – resource-efficiency  
and climatically optimised



### A PURPOSE-DRIVEN ORGANISATION

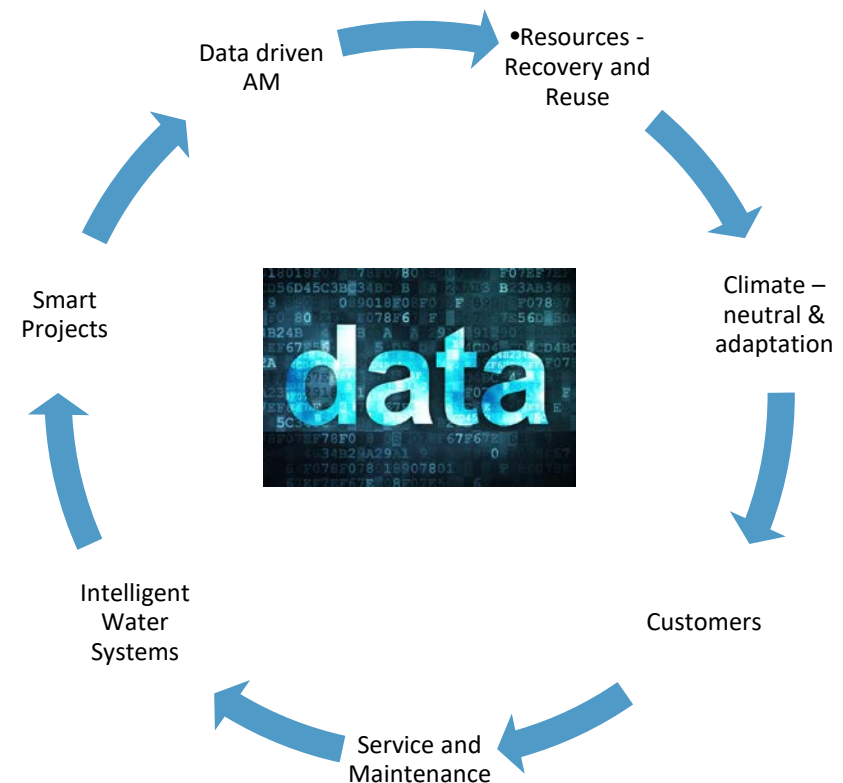
Strengthen the organisation through  
the development of a company culture  
and leadership



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# Our Focus....

- Data - Digital Technologies
- Competencies – Digital workforce
- Ingenuity – Curiosity and Innovation



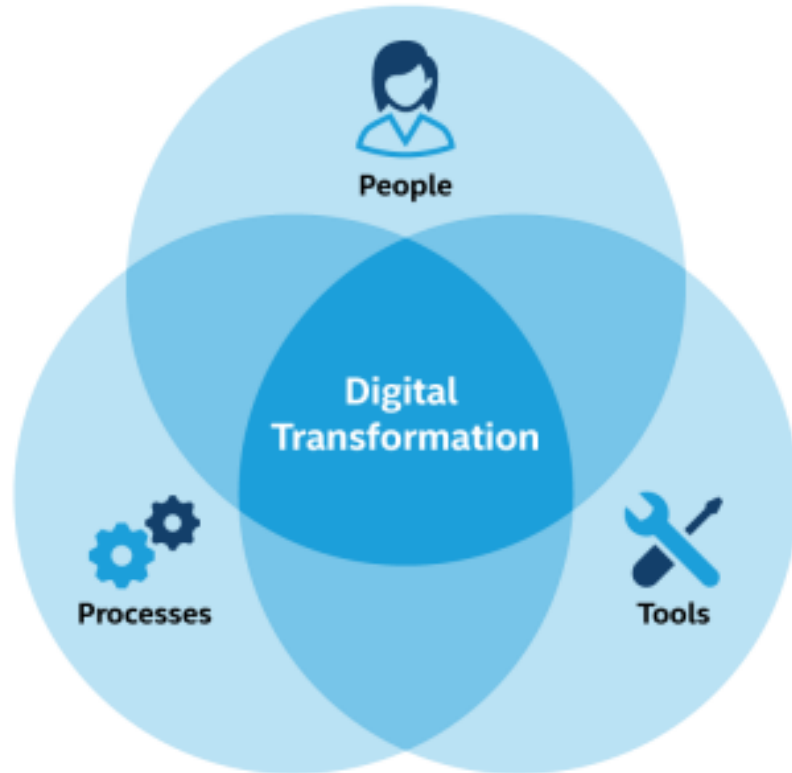


# Our Blended & Digital Workforce ....

- Need to train and upgrade digital skills
- Retain institutional knowledge
- Motivation to do things differently
- Innovative culture

## And the future.....

- High volume transactional activities
- Always on (24/7) – from anywhere
- Train once, repeat often
- High speed to value
- Help to de-risk skills shortage

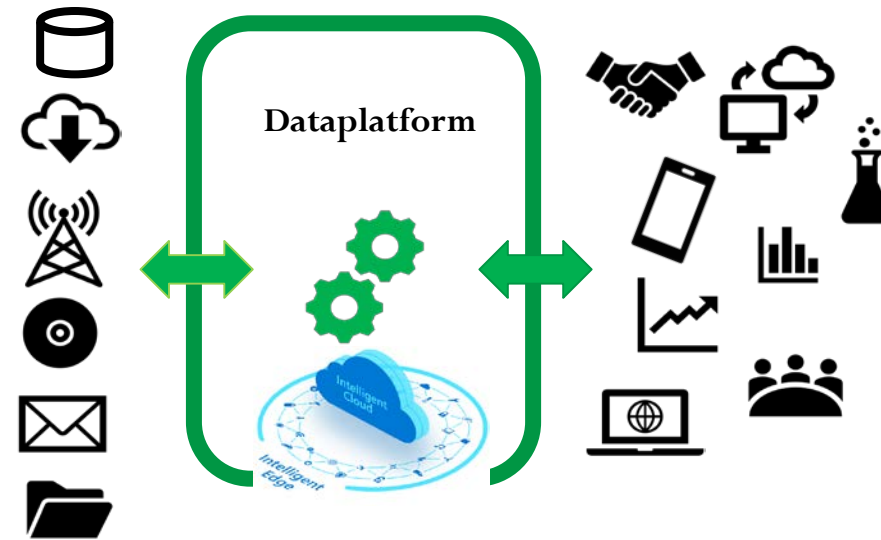


If digital transformation is the goal, **DATA** is the fuel to get us there



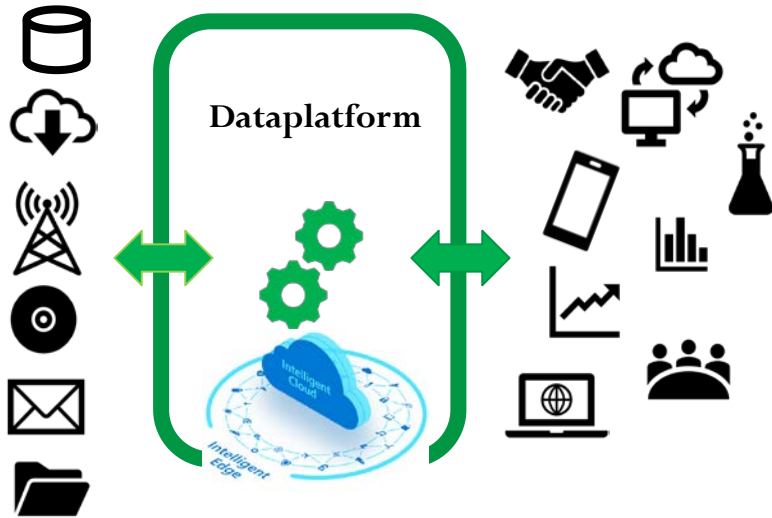
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## Instrumented, Interconnected, Intelligent



- Open And Accessible – data sharing
- Standard Data Exchange Interfaces / Data models
- Secure
- Interoperability
- Curation and Quality

# Instrumented, Interconnected, Intelligent



- Advanced IoT sensor platforms (standardization....)
- Augmented (Artificial) Intelligence and Machine Learning
- Digital Twins – adaptive modelling – real time – predictive
- Mixed Reality (virtual – augmented)
- “Build it before you build it”
- Data Science



**Aarhus ReWater – worlds most resource efficient wastewater treatment plant**

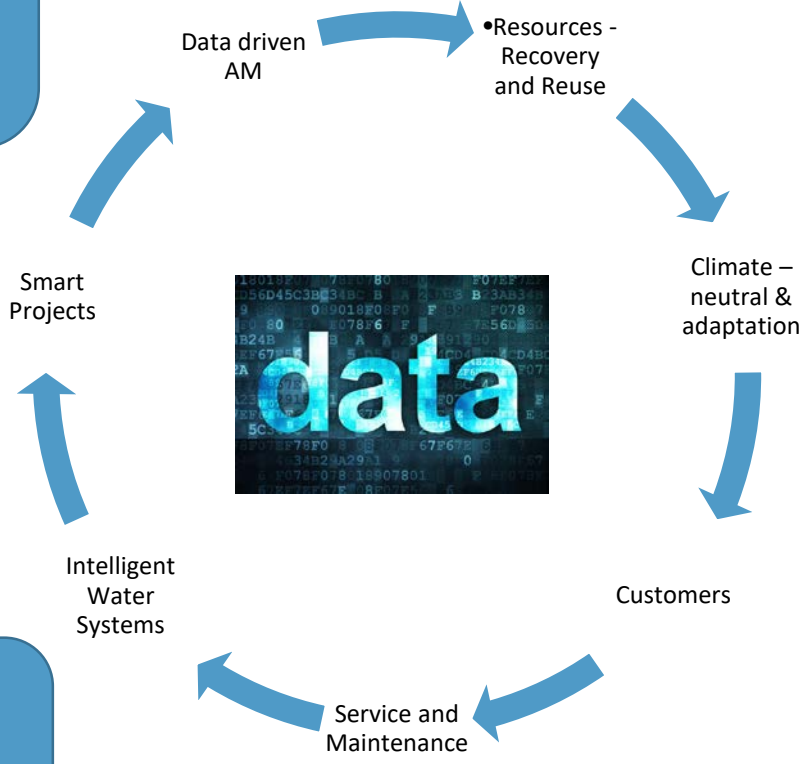
- Scada & IOT sensor platforms
- Digital Twins (ML) –plant and process optimization
- xR for design, build and service
- AI data analytics
- Robotics for service and maintenance

**Customer Service**

- Digital self service
- Leakage detection and alarm
- Cognitive Assistants

**Intelligent water networks**

- Scada & IOT sensor platforms
- Digital Twins (ML) – system control and optimization
- xR for design, build and service
- AI data analytics



**Service and Maintenance**

- Scada & IOT sensor platforms
- AI/ML predictive maintenance- leakage detection
- VR/AR for field crews
- Robotics (heavy lifting, inspections..)

**Smart Construction Projects**

- Data Driven AM – project prioritization
- Digital Twins - “build I before you build it”
- AI for decision support
- xR for design, build and service

**Water Symbiosis**

- IOT sensor platforms
- Digital Twins (ML) – system control and optimization
- Blockchain for smart contracts

**Digital Workplace**

- Digital Data Self Service
- RPA to automate manual work

# Digital Technologies are critical enablers and means to achieve (exceed) our business goals



1 NO POVERTY	2 ZERO HUNGER	3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING	4 QUALITY EDUCATION	5 GENDER EQUALITY
6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION	7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY	8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH	9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE	10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES
11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES	 <b>THE GLOBAL GOALS</b> For Sustainable Development			12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION
13 CLIMATE ACTION	14 LIFE BELOW WATER	15 LIFE ON LAND	16 PEACE AND JUSTICE, STRONG INSTITUTIONS	17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

# Q&A



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