

# **TREATMENT SHAFT TECHNOLOGY PRESENTATION**

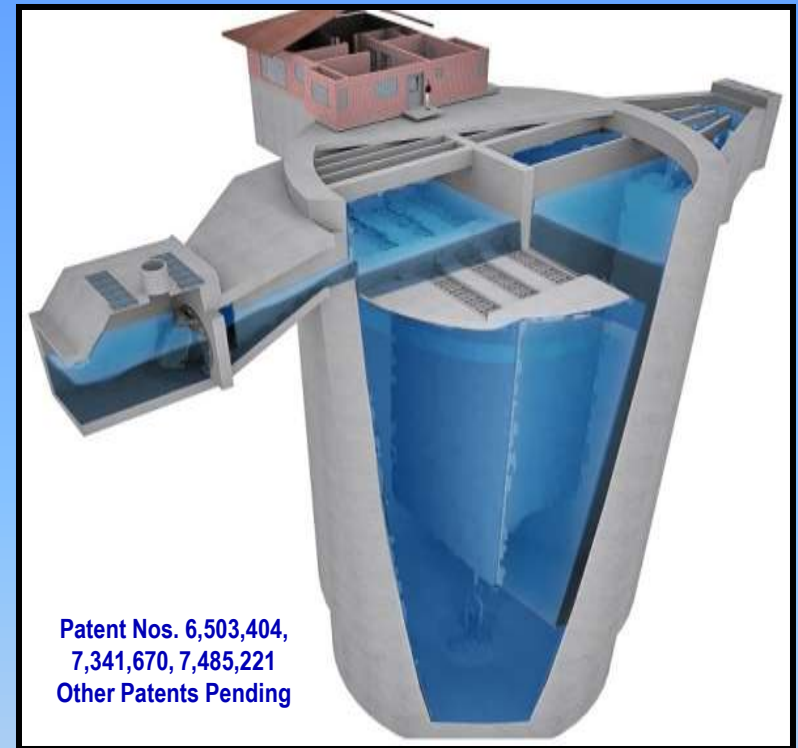


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# TREATMENT SHAFT TECHNOLOGY

**Innovative Alternative for  
Large CSO Control Projects**

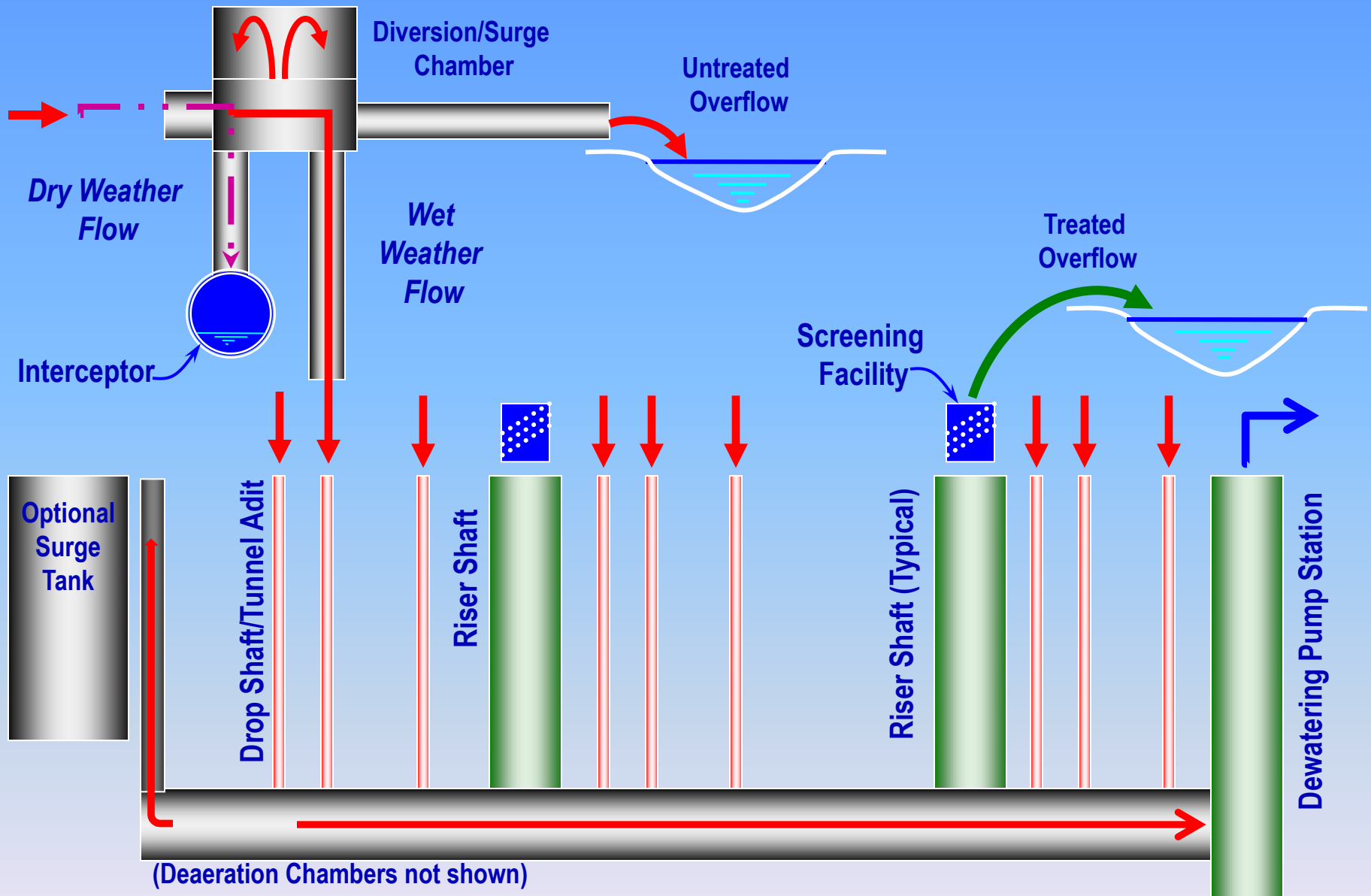


**Improved Performance and  
Lower Cost Compared to  
Tunnels or Basins**

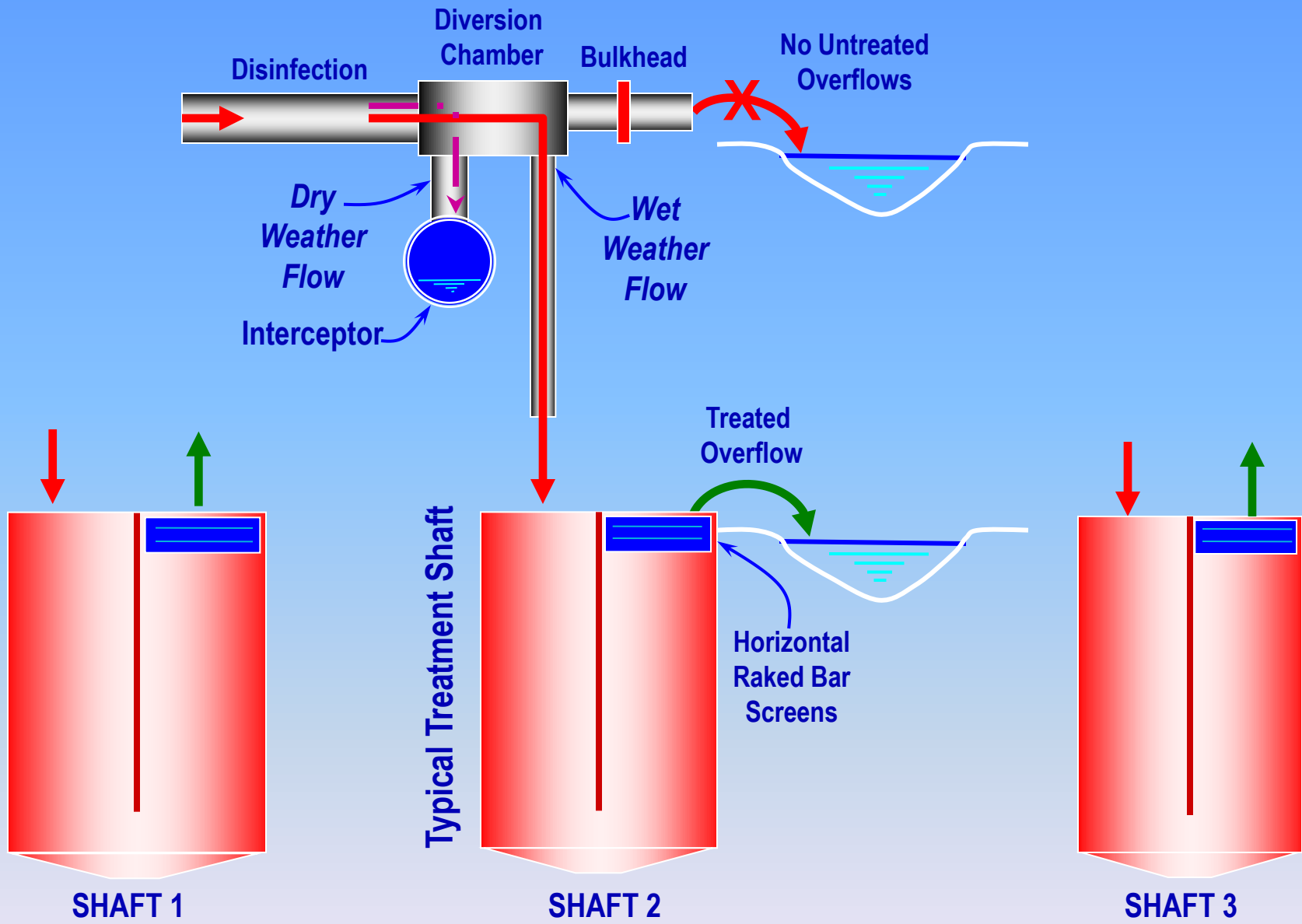
# **OVERVIEW: TREATMENT SHAFT TECHNOLOGY**

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- 1. System Components and Processes**
- 2. Cost Savings**
- 3. Construction Options**
- 4. Operational Advantages**
- 5. Regulatory Compliance**

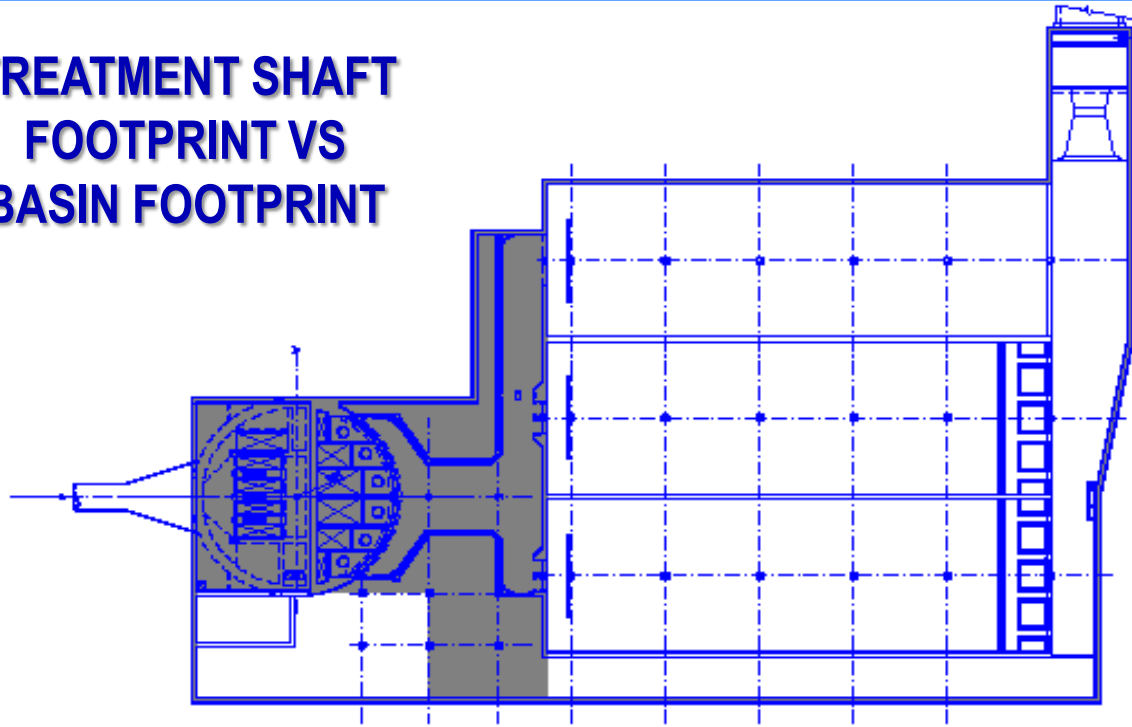


**Flow Through Tunnel Concept**



**Treatment Shaft Concept**

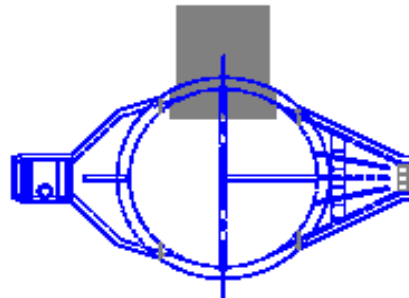
# TREATMENT SHAFT FOOTPRINT VS BASIN FOOTPRINT



**EXAMPLE BASIN**  
 Volume = 3.1 MG  
 Peak Flow: 500 cfs  
 Constructed: 1994  
 Cost in 2008\$: \$37.1M  
 Pump Station: YES

**INKSTER BASIN**  
 VOLUME = 3.1 MG

**EXAMPLE SHAFT**  
 Volume = 3.3 MG  
 Peak Flow: 575 cfs  
 Under Construction  
 Cost in 2008\$: \$23.5M  
 Pump Station: NO



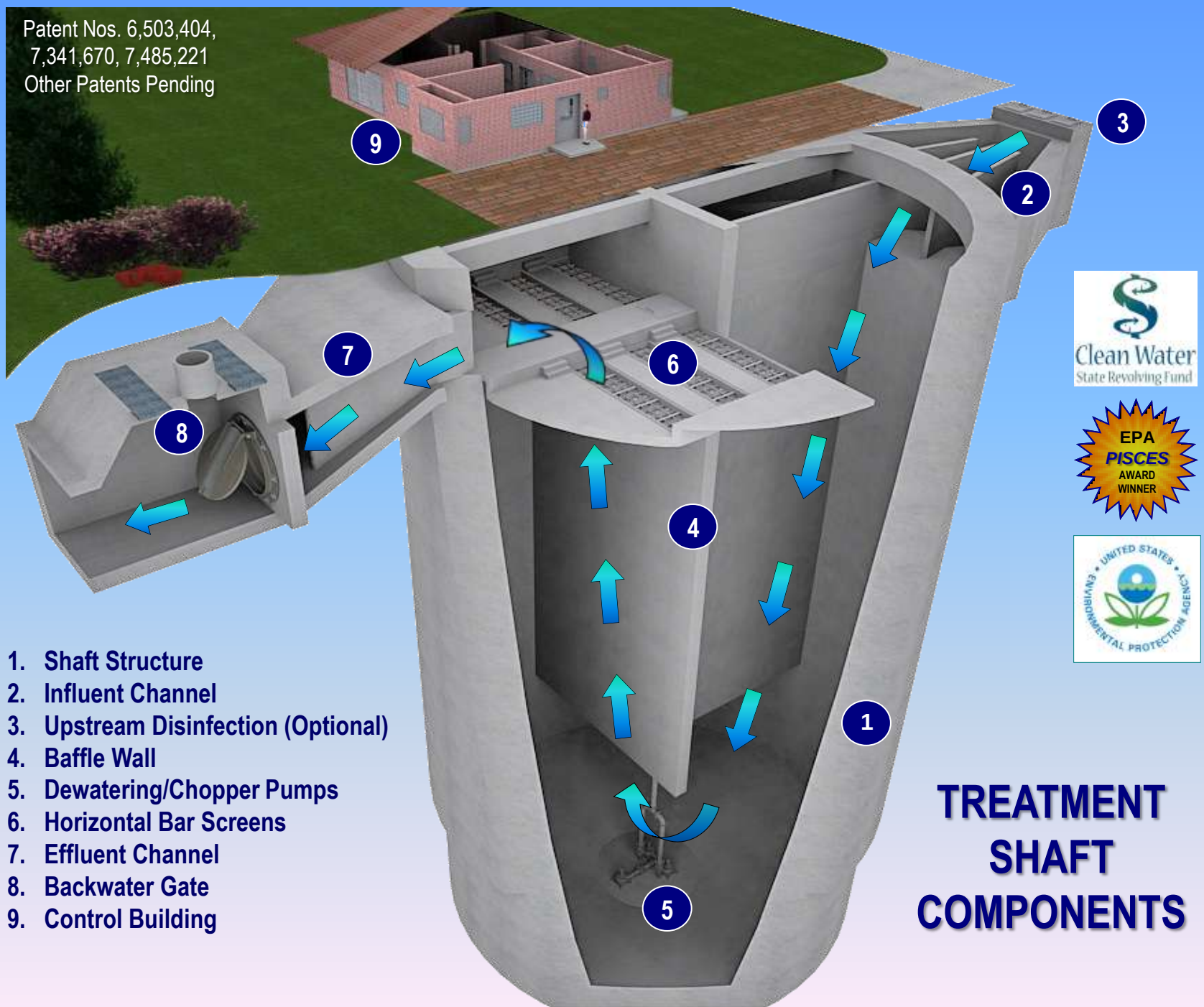
**TREATMENT SHAFT  
 IS 15% OF BASIN  
 FOOTPRINT**

**DEARBORN CS0 018**  
 VOLUME = 3.3 MG

## LEGEND

 **BUILDING**

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# **SUMMARY OF ADVANTAGES**

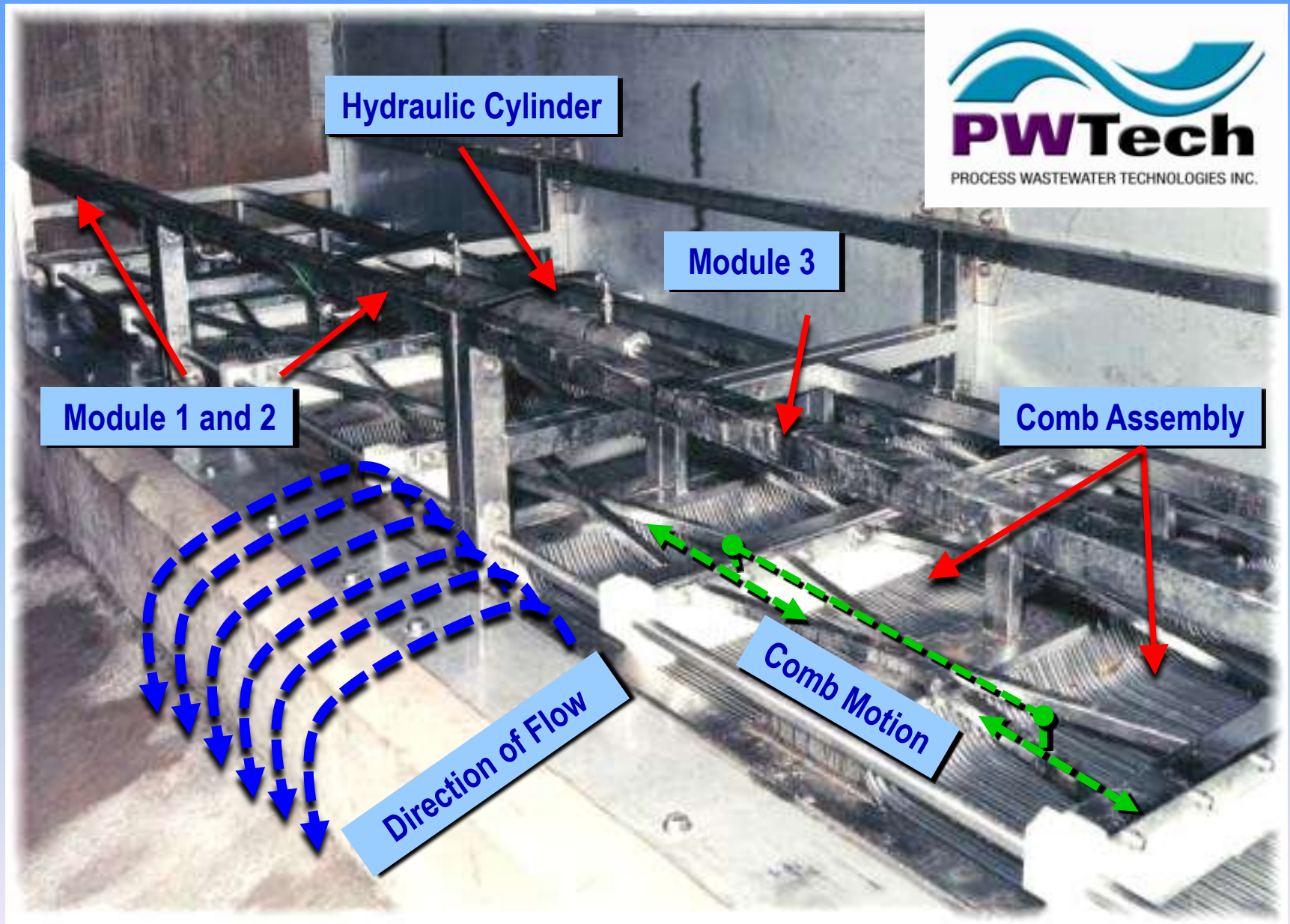
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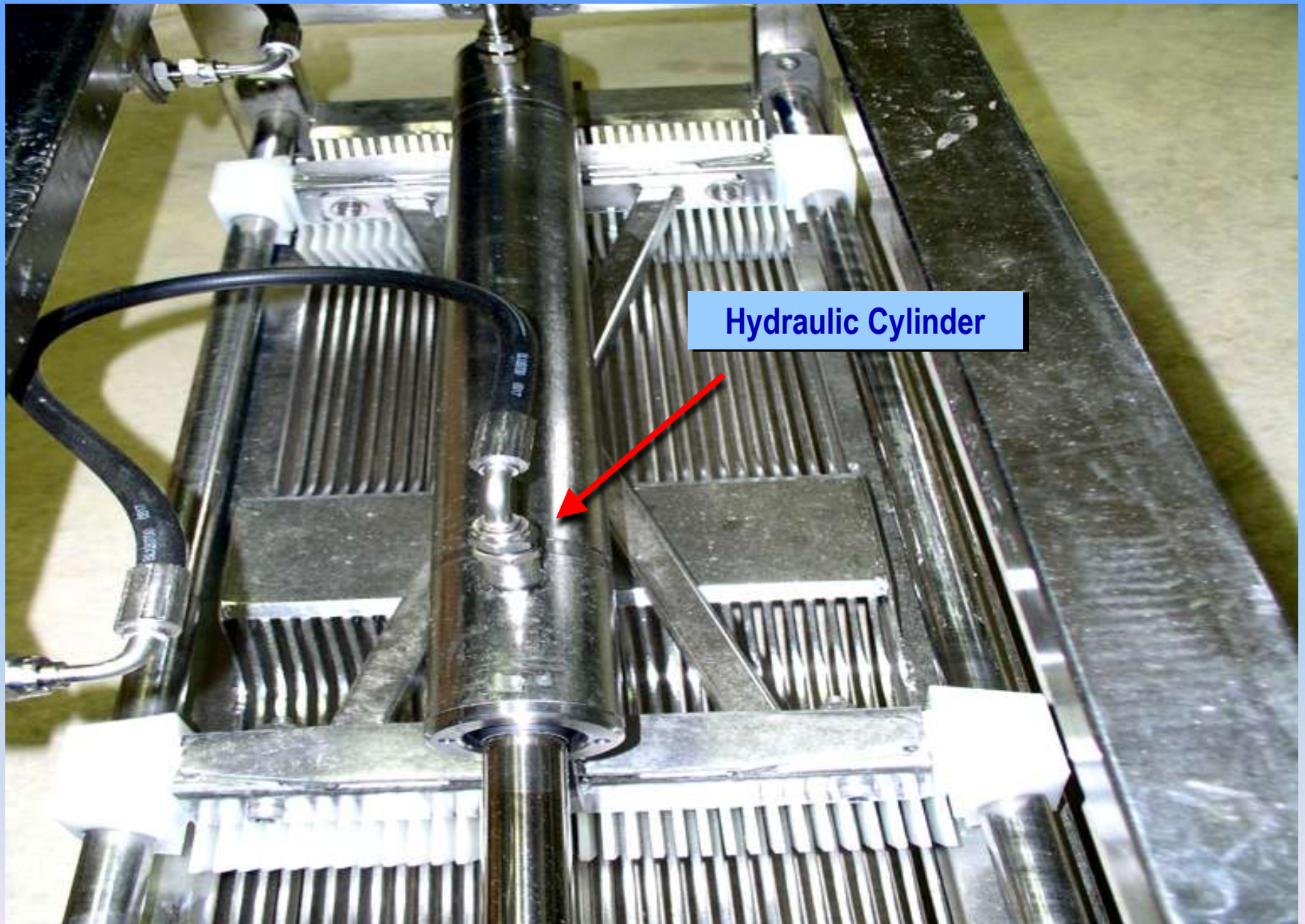
- **Full capture of CSO for 90-95% of storm events**
- **Skimming, settling, screening, disinfection of any overflows**
- **Gravity operation eliminates large pump stations**
- **Compact structure with smaller footprint compared to basins**
- **Simple hydraulics with very low flow velocities (<0.1 ft/sec.)**
- **Very low head losses throughout entire facility (<0.5 ft)**
- **No surge analysis or protection as required with tunnels**
- **Screenings automatically sent to WWTP – no hauling required**
- **Control facilities (+/- 1,500 sq. ft.) may be located underground**

# SCREENING AND HANDLING

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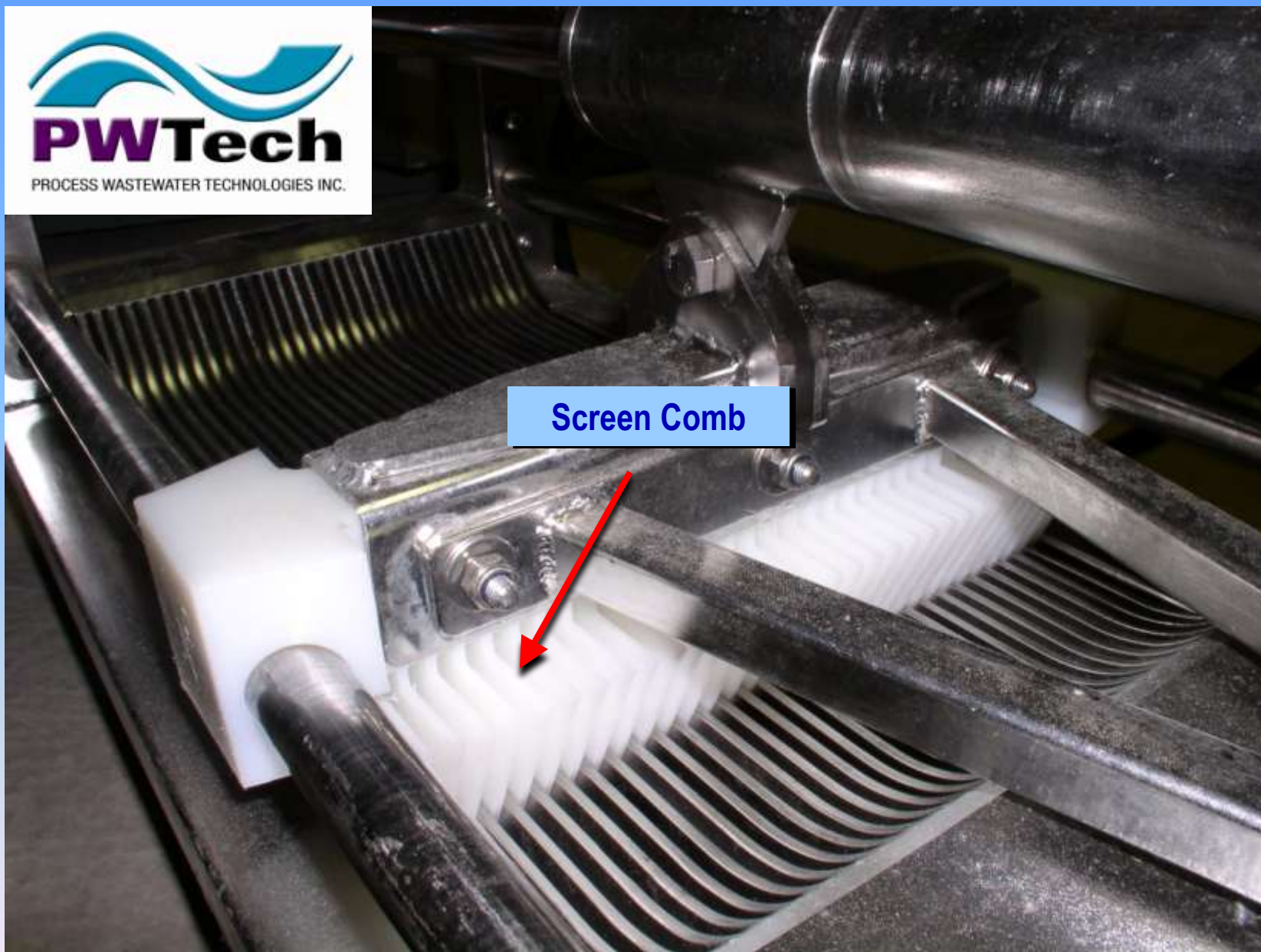
- Self-cleaning, fine horizontal raked bar screens
- Numerous installations: Detroit pilot study – Leib & St. Aubin
- Screens achieve average of 98.5 mass reduction of floatables  
(EPA Combined Sewer Overflow Technology Fact Sheet, 1999)
- Screen bars are continually cleaned with self lubricating combs
- Uniform upward velocity through screens = low head losses
- Screens operate automatically based on level sensors
- Low power electric motors operate screen hydraulic packs
- Screenings fall to shaft bottom and are sent directly to interceptor by pumps (NO MANUAL HANDLING)





Hydraulic Cylinder

Screen Comb

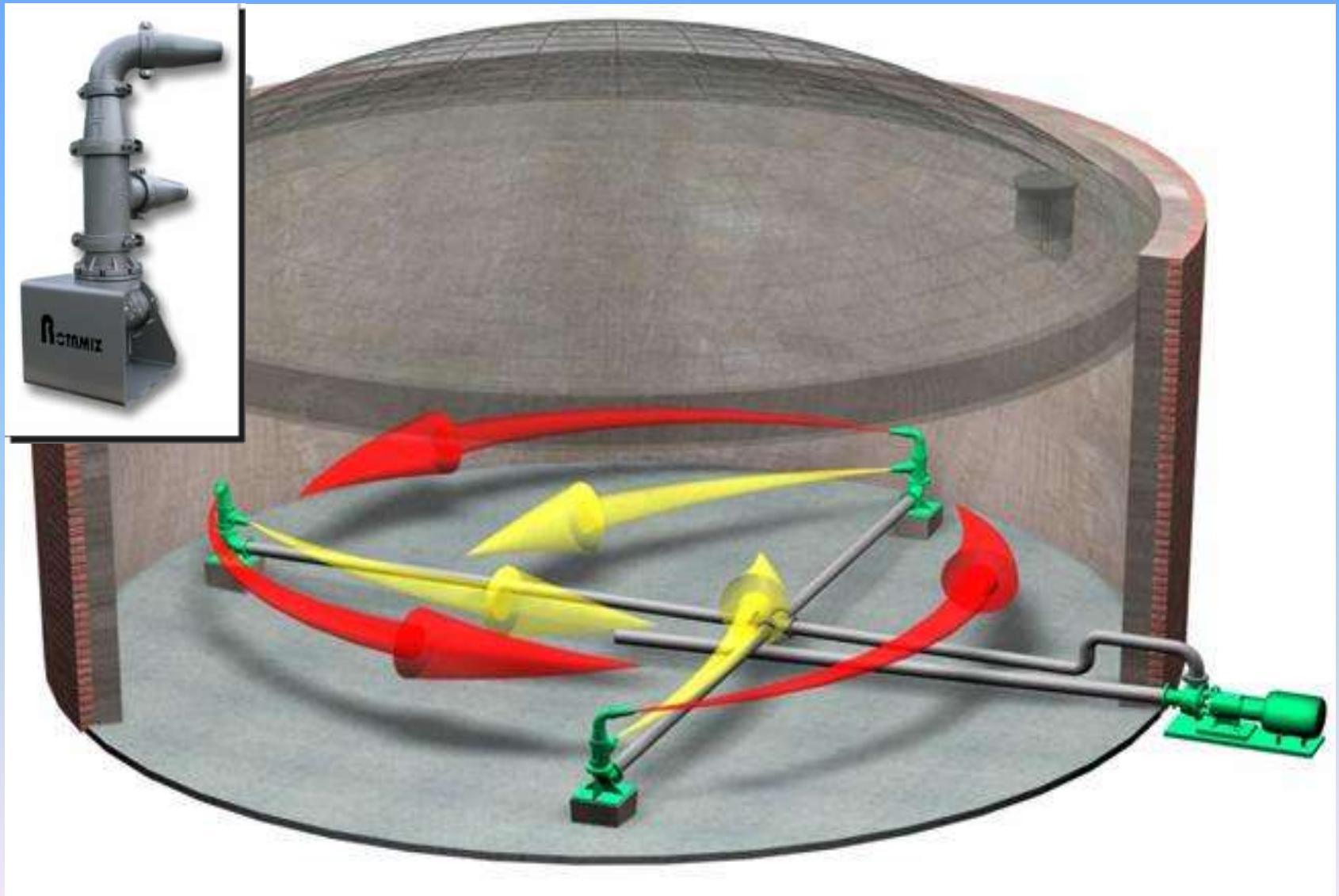


# FLUSHING SYSTEM

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- High velocity nozzles mix waste water at the shaft bottom
- Contents rotate as a unit in a vertical-axis vortex field of flow
- Re-suspended solids are dewatered to the WWTP interceptor using submersible dewatering/chopper pumps
- Flushing/Dewatering Chopper pumps activated at set level
- No extra handling of solids – no dumpsters – no hauling
- Odor problems minimized with effective flushing

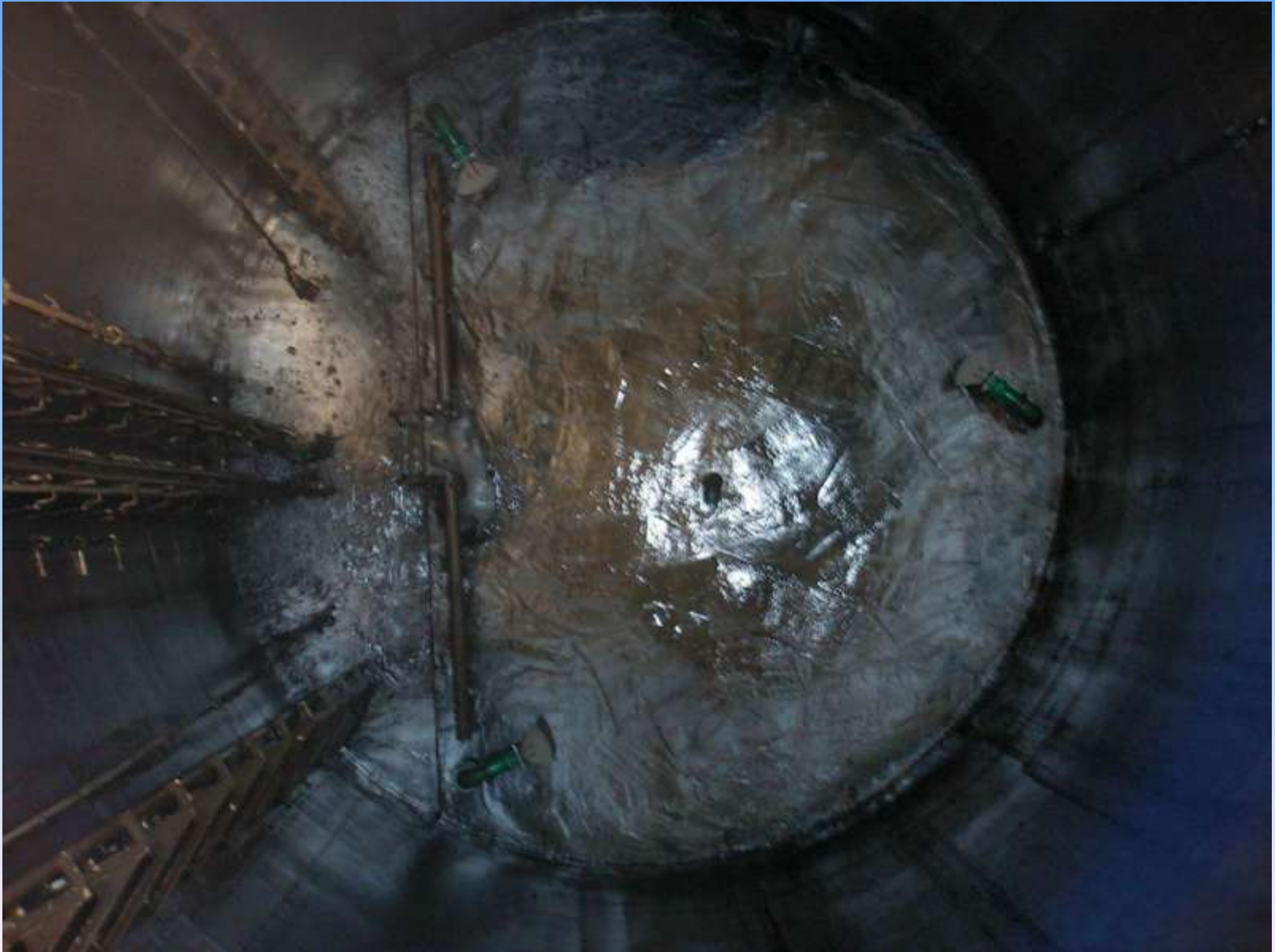
# Dual-Zone Mixing Pattern = Uniform Rotation and Vertical-axis Vortex



# FLUSHING SEQUENCE



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# **1/19 SCALE PHYSICAL HYDRAULIC MODEL**

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- **University of Michigan Hydraulic Laboratory, Dr. Steven Wright, 2005**
- **Scale model simulates diameter of 95 feet; volume of 6.8 MG**
- **Based on 5 year, 24 hour, 5 minute peak flow rate of 1,867 cfs**
- **Tested for 10 year, 1 hour peak hourly flow rate of 1,205 cfs**
- **Head losses approximately 0.4 feet at peak flow rate**
- **Disinfection contact time greater than 11 minutes**
- **No impact issues on bottom due to plunge pool effect**

# PHYSICAL HYDRAULIC MODEL

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Influent Channel

# PHYSICAL HYDRAULIC MODEL

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Model of the Shaft Inlet Brink

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Flow at 100 cfs

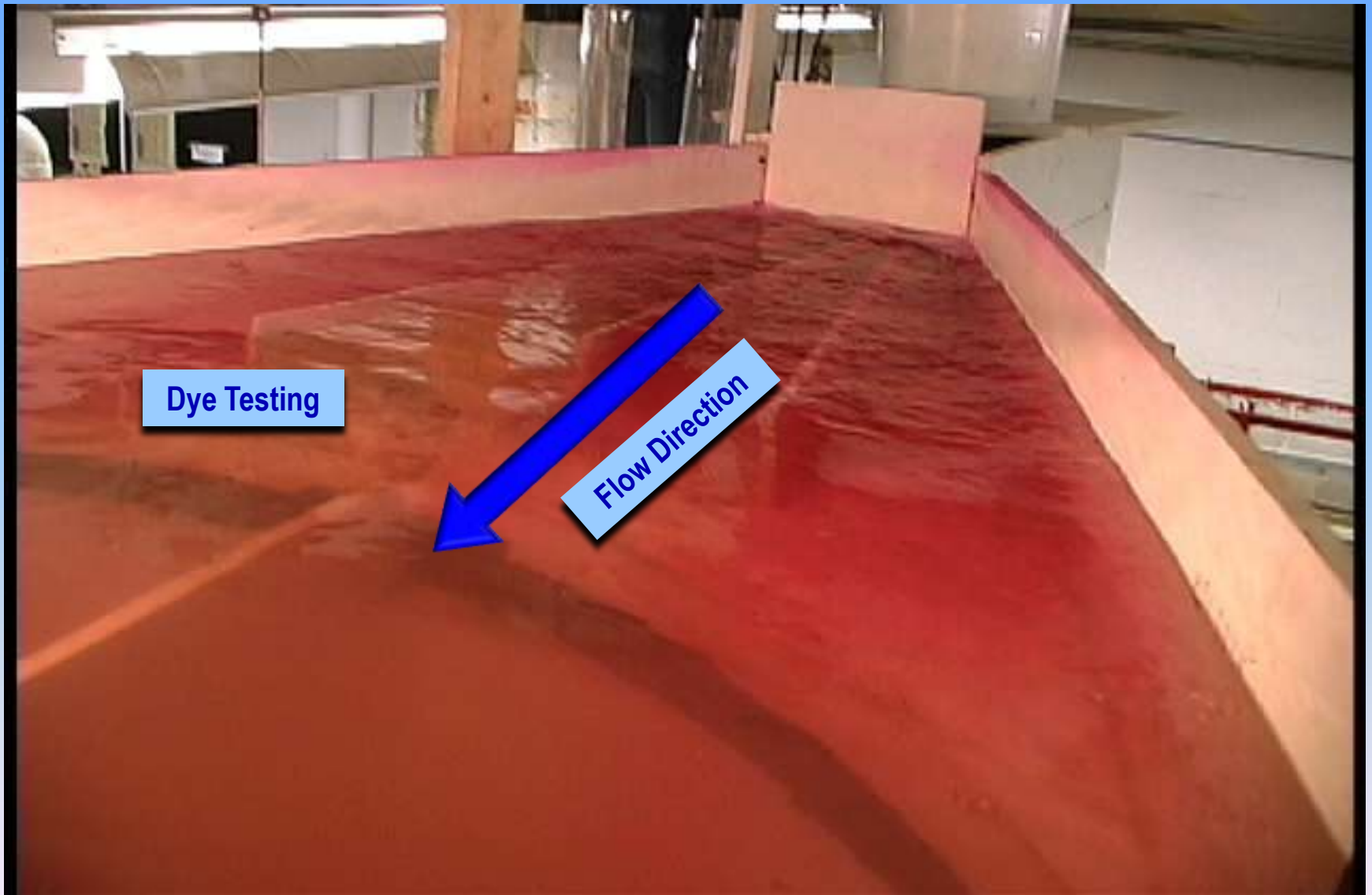
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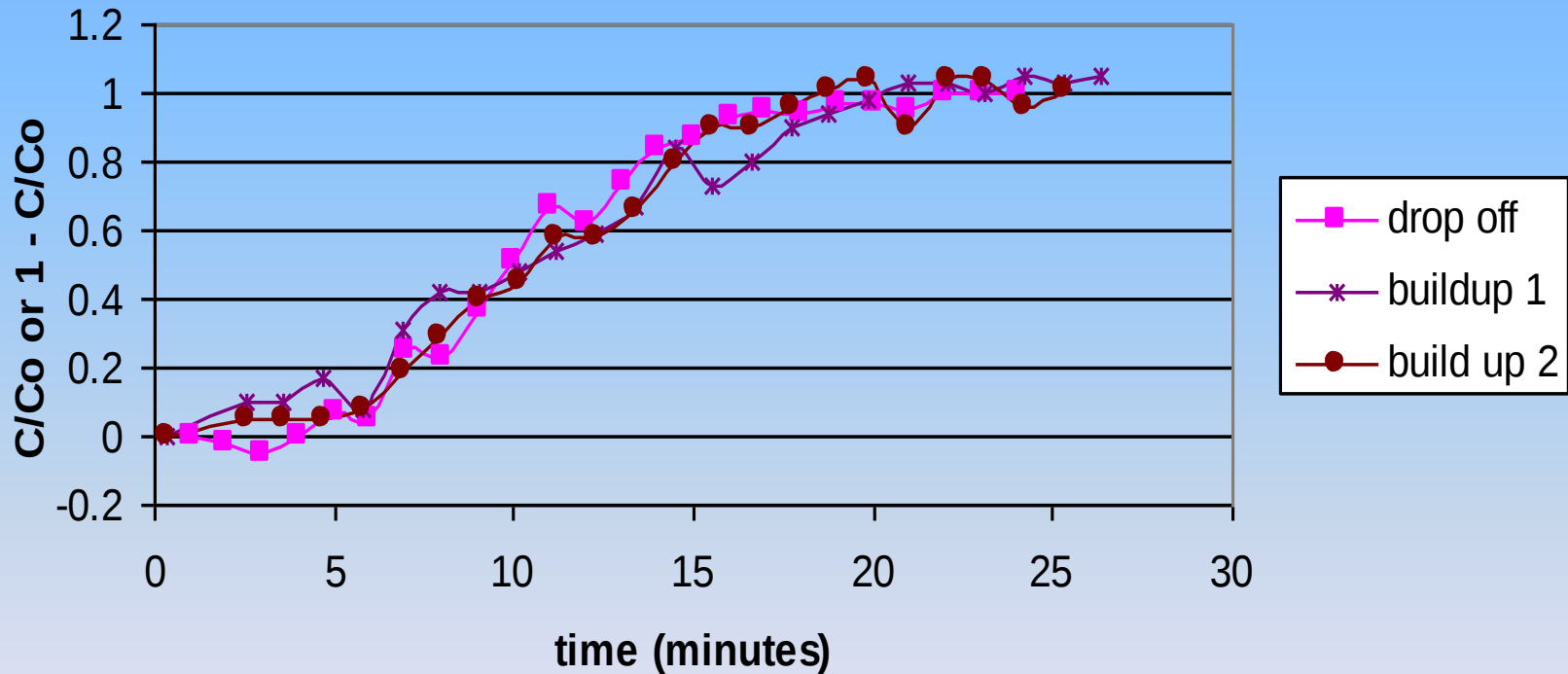
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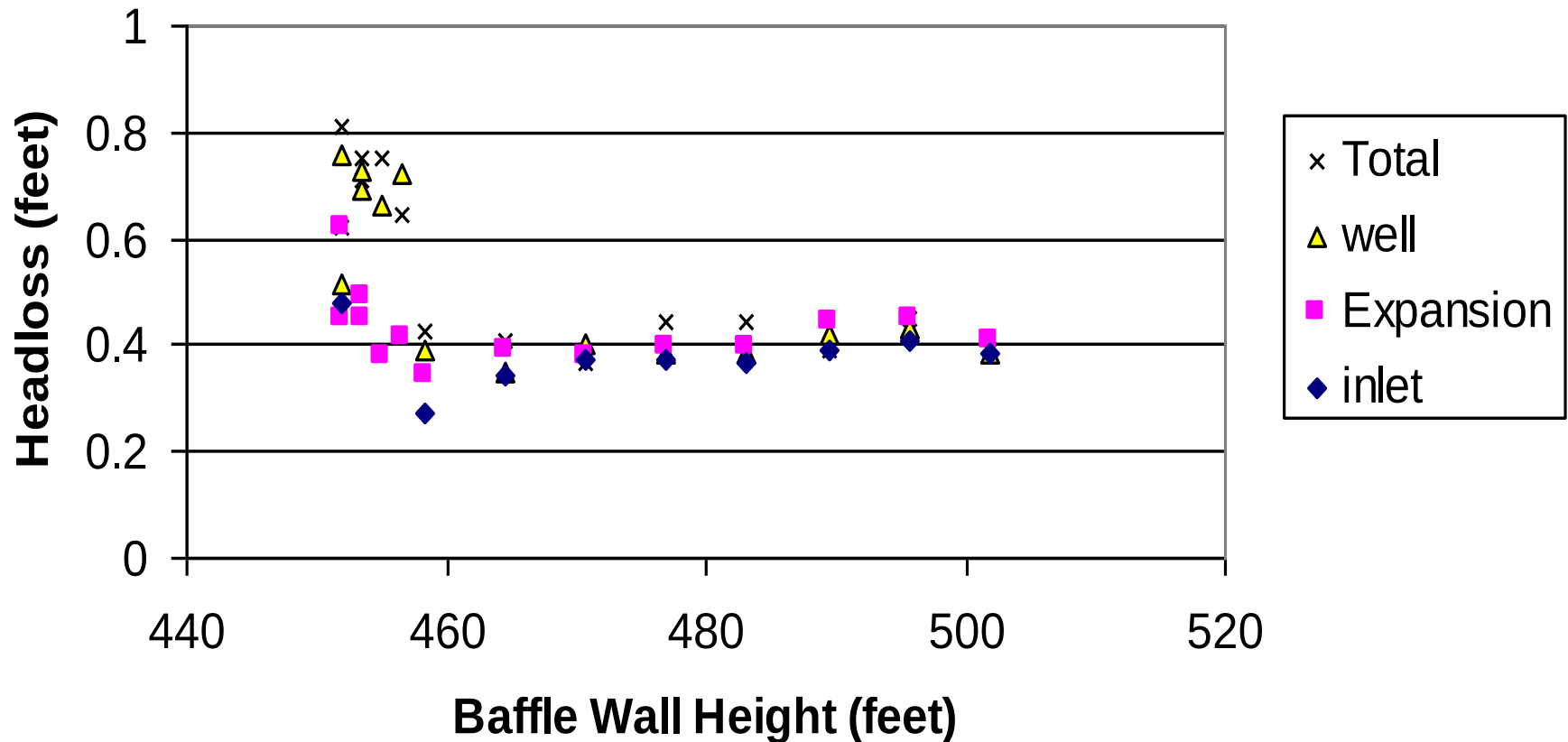
Bottom of baffle wall at 463 ft,  $Q = 1,457$  cfs



# PHYSICAL HYDRAULIC MODEL

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## Point Gage Measurements, $Q = 1,867$ cfs



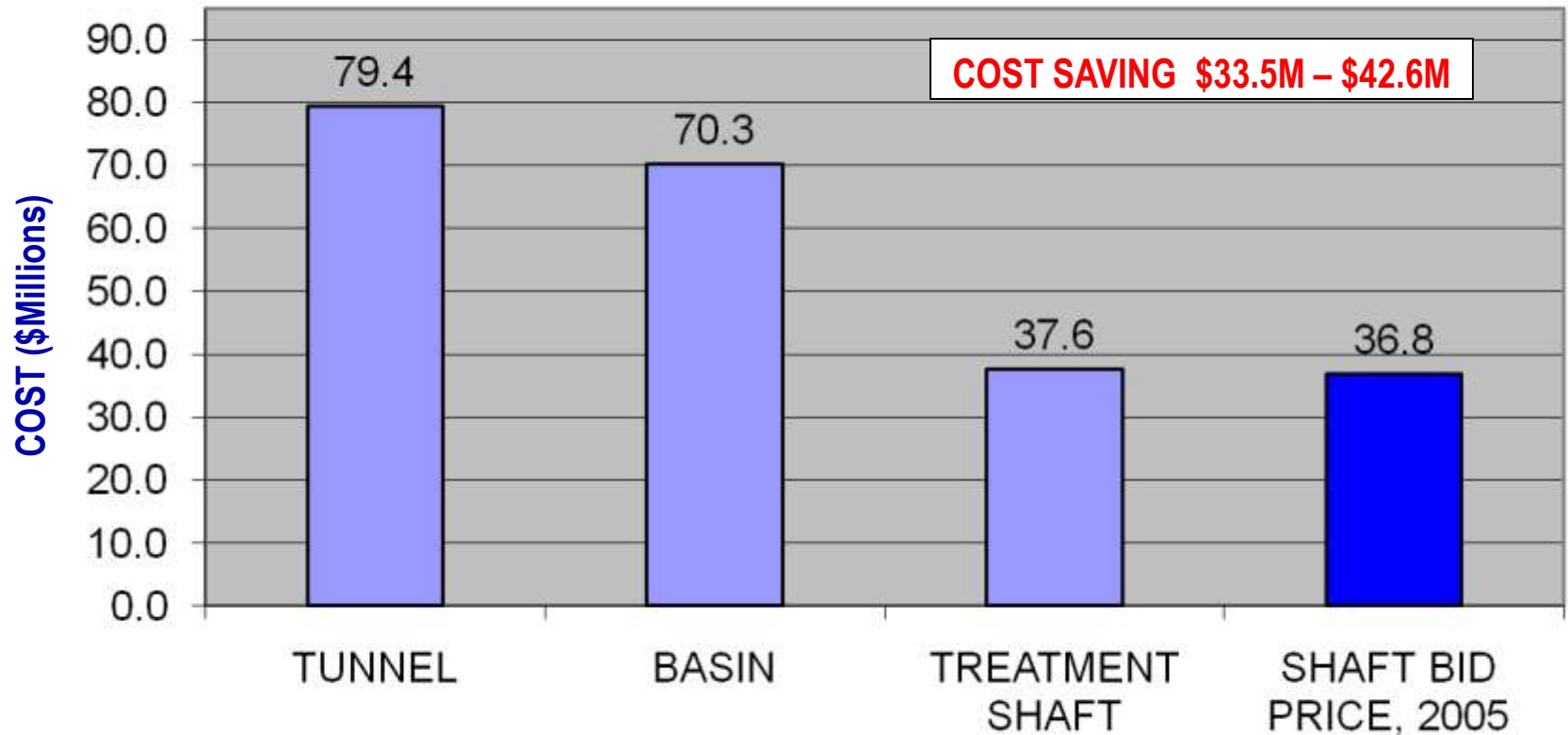
# **CURRENT PROJECTS**

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- **Four Treatment Shafts are currently under construction**
- **First project completed Fourth Quarter of 2010**
- **Shafts range in volume from 3.3 to 7.7 MG**
- **Depth of shafts ranges from 138 to 161 feet below grade**
- **Shaft diameters range from 70 to 104 feet**
- **Peak flow treatment capacity ranges from 575 to 1867 cfs**

# COST COMPARISON EXAMPLE

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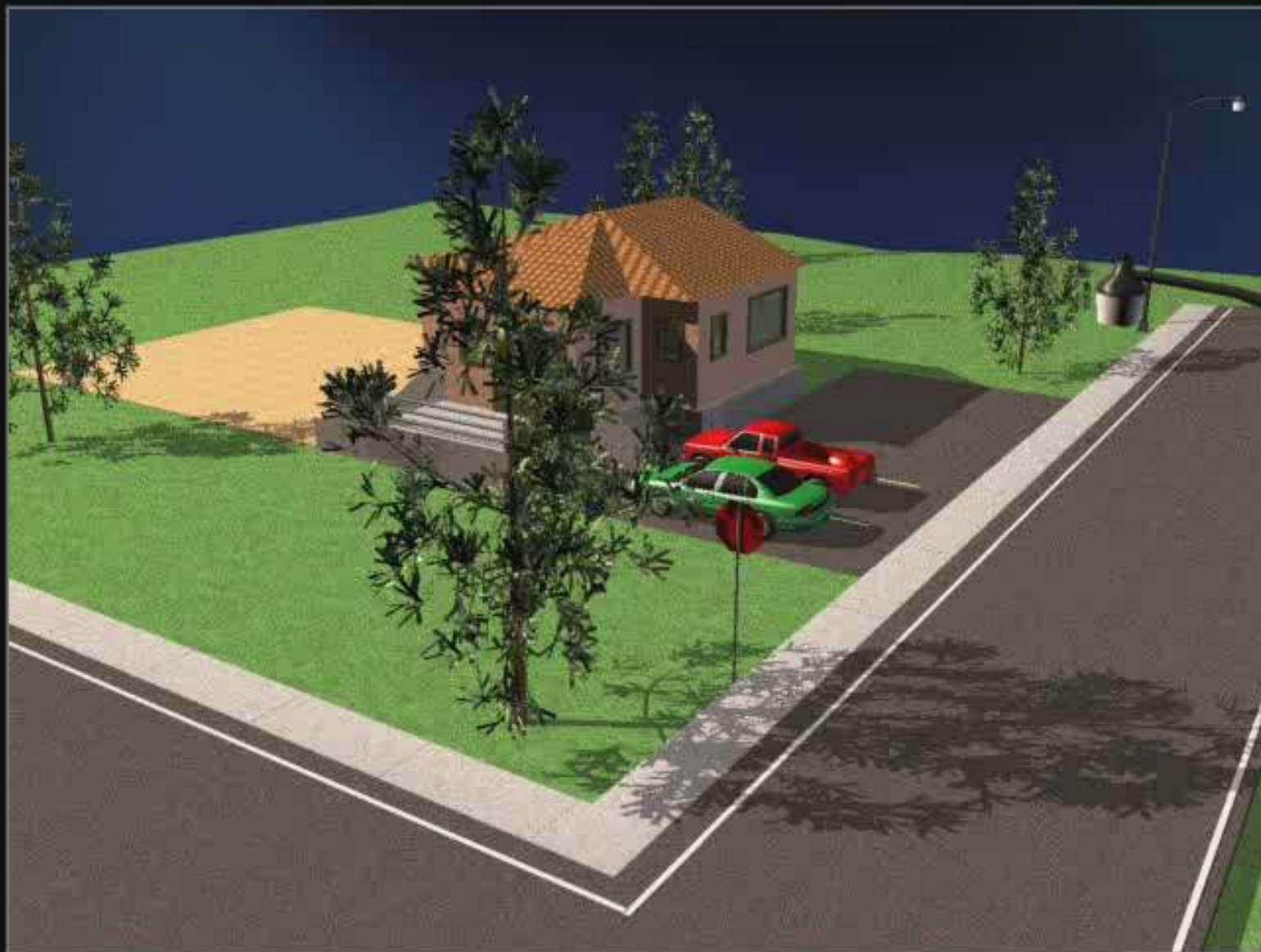


ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE VERSUS ACTUAL BID

# TREATMENT SHAFT PROCESS

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# CONSTRUCTION ADVANTAGES

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- **Flexible Construction: Slurry/Diaphragm Wall, Sinking Caisson, Tangent/Secant/Sheet Pile, Ground Freezing**
- **Lower risk than tunnel boring – less pre-grouting**
- **No tunnel adits or de-aeration chambers, shorter connector sewers, less surface disruption**
- **Ability to split/combine projects to enhance competition**
- **Small footprint reduces land acquisition costs**
- **Independent completion at each project site**

# TREATMENT SHAFT CONSTRUCTION: 95' X 161'

VOLUME: 6.8 MG



# VIEW FROM BASE SLAB



**VOLUME: 6.8 MG**

# BASE AND CONTROL BUILDING



# BAFFLE WALL CONSTRUCTION



**VOLUME: 6.8 MG**

# PREPARING FOR COVER AND SCREENS INSTALLATION



**VOLUME: 6.8 MG**

# COVER AND SCREENS INSTALLATION



**5 MM SPACING**

# COVER AND SCREENS INSTALLATION



PASSIVE EMERGENCY RELIEF BLOCKS

# COVER AND SCREENS INSTALLATION



# ALUMINUM COVER



# ALUMINUM COVER



## HORIZONTAL RAKED BAR SCREENS



## HORIZONTAL RAKED BAR SCREENS



# TREATMENT SHAFT CONSTRUCTION: 104' X 134'



**VOLUME: 6.6 MG**

# TREATMENT SHAFT CONSTRUCTION: 104' X 134'



# COMPLETED PROJECT: CONTROL BUILDING ON SHAFT



# TREATMENT SHAFT CONSTRUCTION: 104' X 154'



**VOLUME: 7.7 MG**

# TREATMENT SHAFT CONSTRUCTION: 104' X 154'



# CONTROL BUILDING AWAY FROM SHAFT



# OPERATIONAL ADVANTAGES

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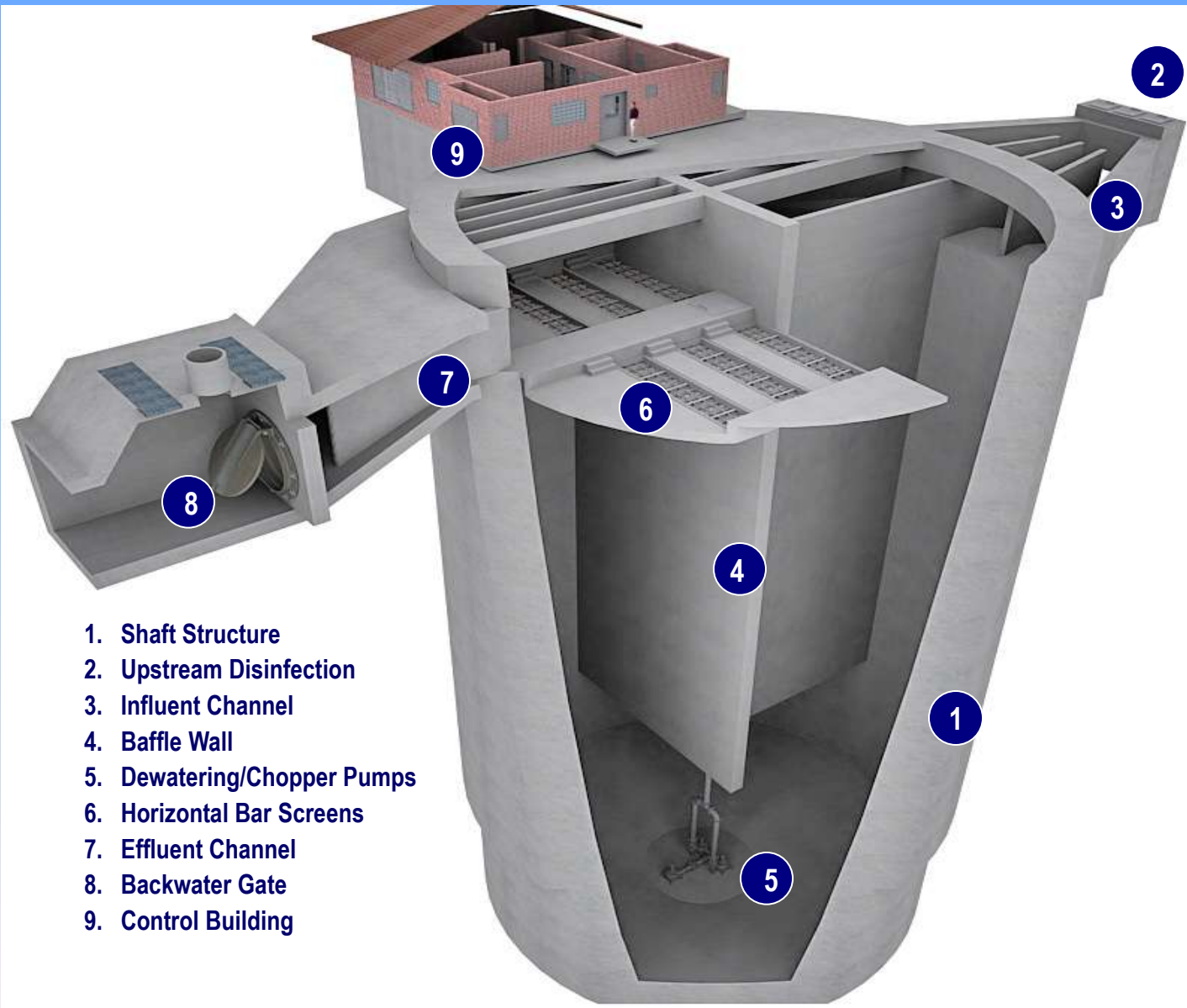
- **Low risk of complete system failure – power back-up at each site**
- **Automatic screening, skimming, settling and disinfection**
- **Gravity operation – no booster pump stations**
- **All facilities can be located underground**
- **No costly surge controls or complex surge analysis**
- **No hauling – screenings removed automatically**
- **No untreated overflows**

# **OPERATIONAL ADVANTAGES**

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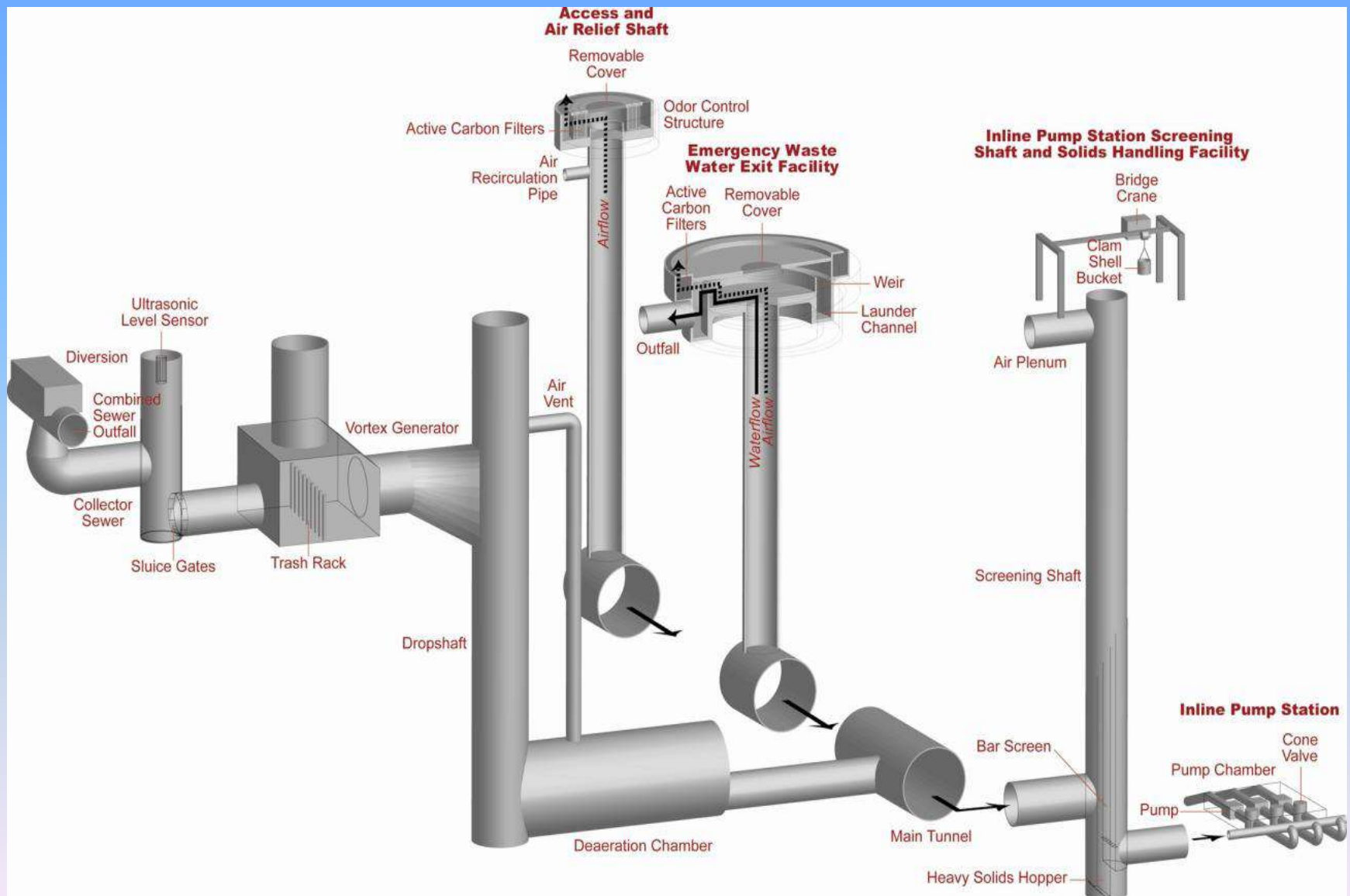
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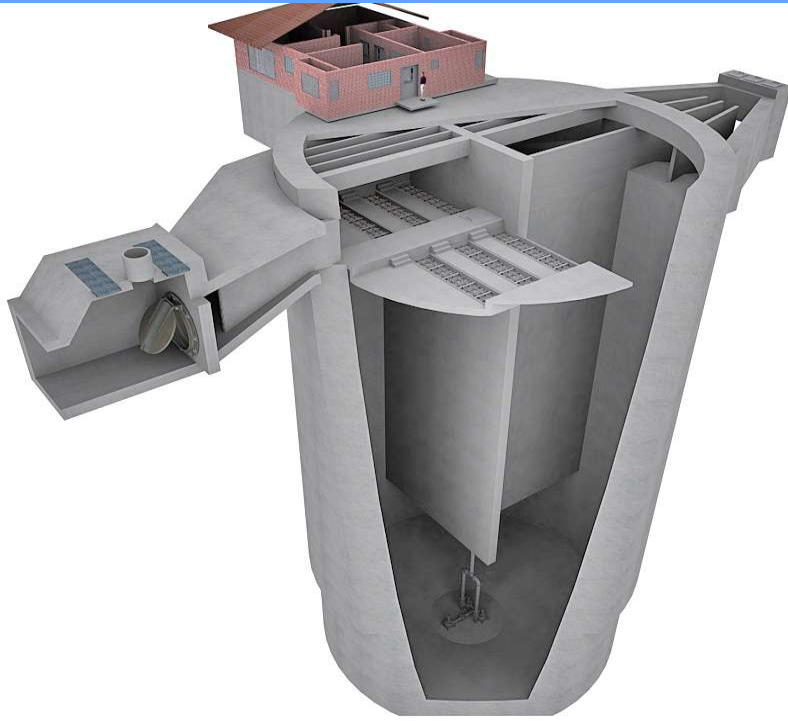
# TREATMENT SHAFT CONFIGURATION



# TUNNEL CONFIGURATION

## DROP SHAFTS WITH DEARATION AND SURGE CONTROLS





## TREATMENT SHAFT

- Simpler Design
- Simpler Operation
- Automatic Cleaning
- Lower Cost
- Lower Risk

## TUNNEL

- More Complex Design
- More Complex Operation
- Manual Cleaning
- Higher Cost
- Higher Risk



# TUNNEL AND SHAFT COMPONENT COMPARISON

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| MAJOR COMPONENTS                      | TREATMENT SHAFT MODIFICATIONS | NOTES                       |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Tunnel                                | Not Required                  | Shafts provide capture      |
| Surge Controls                        | Not Required                  | Shafts control surging      |
| Vent Shafts                           | Not Required                  | Shafts provide venting      |
| Starter / Turning Shaft               | Not Required                  | No boring machine used      |
| Pump Station/Shaft                    | Not Required                  | Low head loss in shafts     |
| Drop shafts                           | Enlarged                      | Convert to Treatment Shafts |
| Connector Sewers                      | Same or lower cost            | Depends on shaft locations  |
| Junction Chambers                     | Same                          | No change from tunnel       |
| Bond, Insurance, Mobilization, GC     | Lower cost                    | Tied to Construction Cost   |
| Engineering / Construction Management | Lower cost                    | Simpler Design/Lower Cost   |

# **REGULATORY COMPLIANCE**

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- **Flexible design can meet various regulatory criteria**
- **EPA PISCES award winner (Performance/Innovation)**
- **Full capture of most storms, plus flow-through treatment**
- **Approved by Michigan DEQ (now MDNRE)**
- **Presented to Ohio EPA and Indiana DEM**
- **Simple system expedites design, bidding and construction**
- **Facilities can be built sequentially or concurrently**
- **Facilities become operational as completed**

# CAPTURE / TREATMENT COMPARISON

| QUALITY PARAMETER                   | TREATMENT SHAFT                     | CAPTURE TUNNEL                     | ACTIFLO / DENSADeg        |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| ANNUAL CAPTURE / OVERFLOWS PER YEAR | 85%<br>3 - 4 treated overflows/year | 95%<br><1 untreated overflows/year | 98%<br>5 year storm treat |
| DISINFECTION                        | Chemical                            | None                               | Chemical or UV            |
| OVERFLOWS TO RECEIVING WATER        |                                     |                                    |                           |
| - TSS                               | 33% of 15% = 5%                     | 100% of 5% = 5%                    | 5% of 98%+2% = 7%         |
| - PHOSPHORUS                        | 100% of 15% = 15%                   | 100% of 5% = 5%                    | 2% of 98%+2% = 4%         |
| - NITROGEN                          | 67% of 15% = 10%                    | 100% of 5% = 5%                    | 50% of 98%+2% = 51%       |
| - TOXINS                            | 33% OF 15% = 5%                     | 100% of 5% = 5%                    | 10% of 98%+2% = 12%       |
| - OXYGEN DEMAND                     | 80% of 15% = 12%                    | 100% of 5% = 5%                    | 70% of 98%+2% = 71%       |
| COST RATIO (WITH LIFE CYCLE)        | \$1 (base figure)                   | \$1.5 to \$2                       | \$7 - \$10                |
| - DEARBORN PROJECT CASE             | \$35 million                        | \$60 million                       | \$150 million             |

# WHY NOT A TUNNEL ?

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- **COST**
  - CAPITAL = 1.5 - 2 X TREATMENT SHAFT
- **WATER QUALITY**
  - LACK OF DISINFECTION: MOST FREQUENT CAUSE OF FAILURE TO MEET INTENDED USE

# WHY NOT CEPHRT ?

(chemically enhanced primary high rate treatment)

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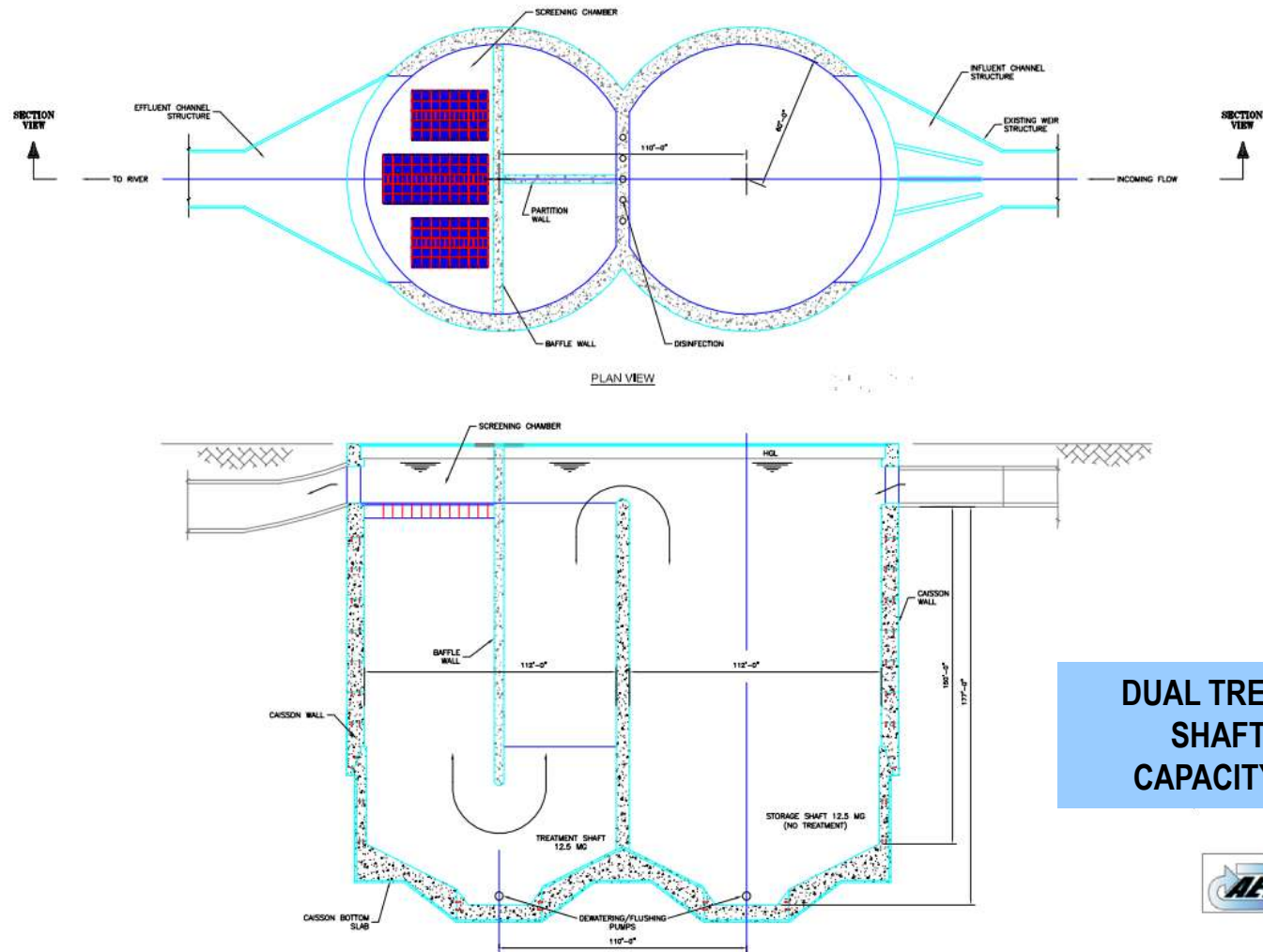
- **COST**
  - CAPITAL = 4 X TREATMENT SHAFT, 2 X TUNNEL
  - OPERATING
    - 5 X TUNNEL OR 7-10 X TREATMENT SHAFT
    - MORE THAN DOUBLES LIFE CYCLE COST
- **WATER QUALITY**
  - DISINFECTION: NO ADVANTAGE OVER TREATMENT SHAFT
  - NUTRIENT & O<sub>2</sub> DEMAND MUCH LESS EFFECTIVE

# **FUTURE DESIGN REFINEMENTS**

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- **Consider removing divider wall**
- **Consider a thinner baffle wall**
- **Construct control building under shaft cover**
- **Addition of coagulants and/or flocculants**
- **Dual shaft configuration for larger first flush capture volume compared to disinfection volume**

# DUAL SHAFT



**DUAL TREATMENT  
SHAFT FOR  
CAPACITY >15MG**



# CONCLUSION

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- **Thank you for your time and attention**
- **Questions and comments?**
- **Next steps?**

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