

Naval Support Activity Annapolis (NSAA)
Water Reduction and Conservation

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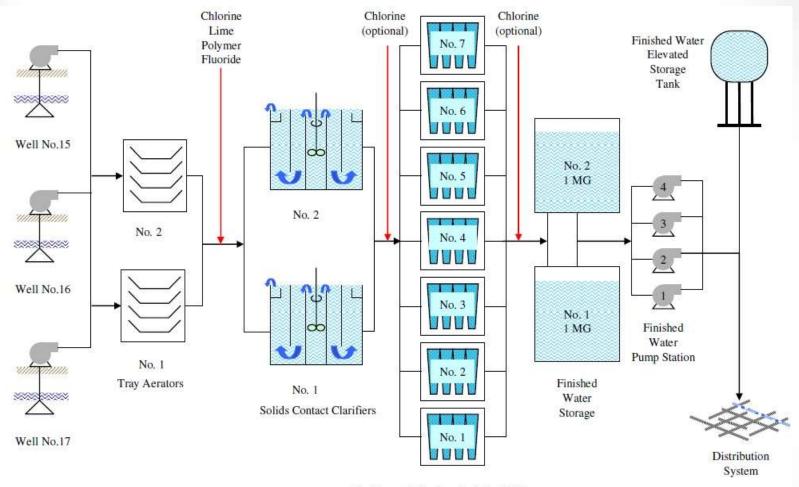
# Water Reduction & Conservation Opportunity

- Plant design capacity of 2.3 Million Gallons per Day (MGD)
- One MGD potable water being supplied
- Potable water to the US Naval Academy
- Iron-oxide sludge with continuous backwash sand filters
- Sand filters backwash 380,000 gallons per day at design flow (up to 38% of total flow)
- Potential \$380,000 savings in discharge to sanitary sewer
- Potential \$220,000 savings in sludge disposal costs (7-9% Solids)





## **Existing Plant Flow Diagram**



Continuously Backwashed Sand Filters



## Site Overview







#### Reject compartment (H) Influent pipe (A) Reject pipe (L) Top of airlift pipe (G) Filtrate weir (J) Reject weir (K) Effluent pipe (E) Sand washer (I) **Upward flowing** filtrate (M) Downward moving sand bed (D) Airlift housing (N) Influent annulars (B) Feed radials (C) Bottom of airlift pipe (F)

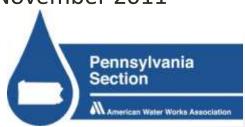
#### Sand Filters





#### Project Timeline

- Plant study completed by AH Environmental in July 2008
- Original Request for Proposals late 2008
- JCC/Keystone submitted Proposal March 2009:
  - Sludge Holding Tank
  - Centrifuge
  - Conveyor and Sludge Dumpsters
- April 2009 JCC/Keystone presented to NSAA why we choose a centrifuge
- AECOM Completed Study in May 2011 with revisions:
  - Gravity Thickener Addition
  - Lamella Plate Settlers
  - Two (2) Centrifuges
  - Sludge Truck for Disposal
- New Request for Proposals Issued October 2011
- JCC/Keystone submitted new Proposal November 2011
- Contracted Awarded March 2013
- Project to be Completed June 2016





#### Request for Proposals - 2011

- Energy Conservation Measure type project
- Design-Build Project bid by Constellation Energy
- Project entailed sediment removal in the backwash and recycling the water as raw water







#### RFP Type

- Original (2009) proposal provided minimal information (performance based)
- RFP was the prescriptive type with design document references, 25% conceptual drawings, equipment performance information, previous project geotechnical report and general equipment specifications
- No contingency allowances were included in the proposal
- Deviation and value-engineering was not part of proposal process







#### **Selection Process**

#### **Johnston Construction & Keystone Engineering**

- Working together on previous DB projects is very beneficial.
  - Know each others roles and expectations
  - Trust has already been developed
  - Better opportunity to improve DB delivery based on past experience through completed projects
  - Demonstrating this experience is usually required in RFP and is typically assigned a relatively high scoring value
  - Working together on previous <u>DBB</u> projects is helpful experience also







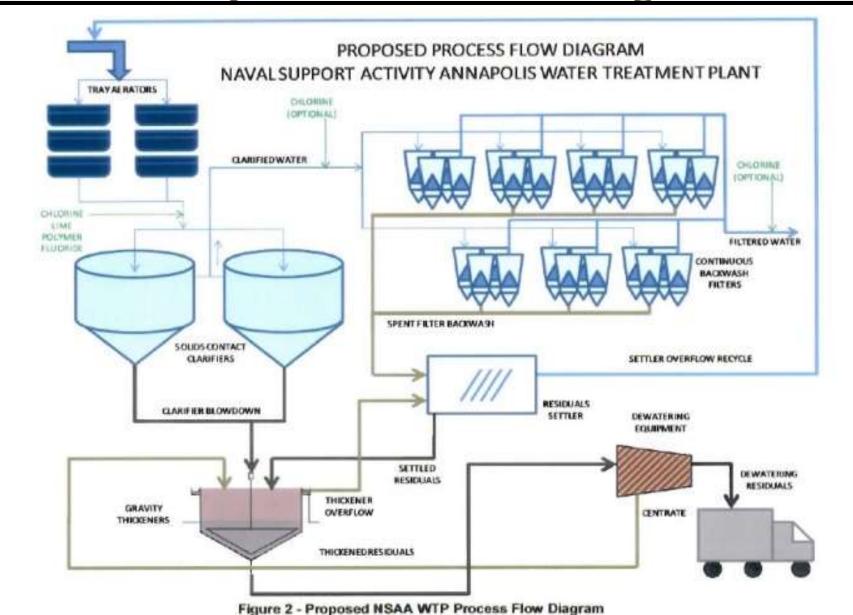
# Contractor/Engineer Team Development

- Due to our prior successful design build experience Johnston Construction Company and Keystone Engineering Group, were selected for the project
- Our past experience in design-build projects made team development a simple process
- JCC took the lead due to bonding requirements
- Communication procedures and assignments were identified at the project onset





#### Proposed Plant Flow Diagram



#### Timeline Photo







## Residuals Settling

Vertical Parallel Plate Clarifiers

# Sedimentation and flotation / Settling Zone (Optional) Flash and Flocculation Tank Modular Laminar Plates

Sludge Removal

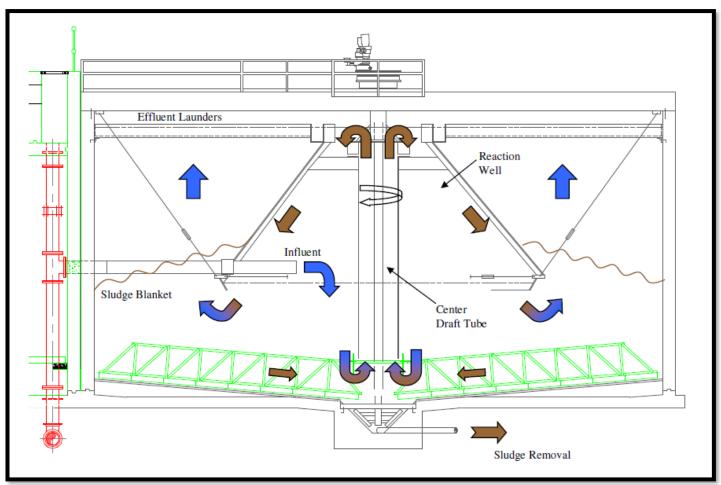
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Influent



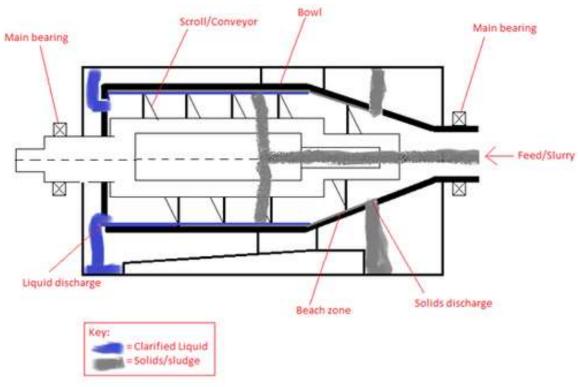
# **Gravity Thickener**







# Centrifuge







#### **Installed Lamella Clarifiers**







# **Gravity Thickeners**







# **GEA Centrifuges**







#### Additional Improvements

- SCADA system upgrades
- New second generator for new electrical loads
- New VFDs and premium rated motors for three remote well pumps













#### **Initial Project Results**

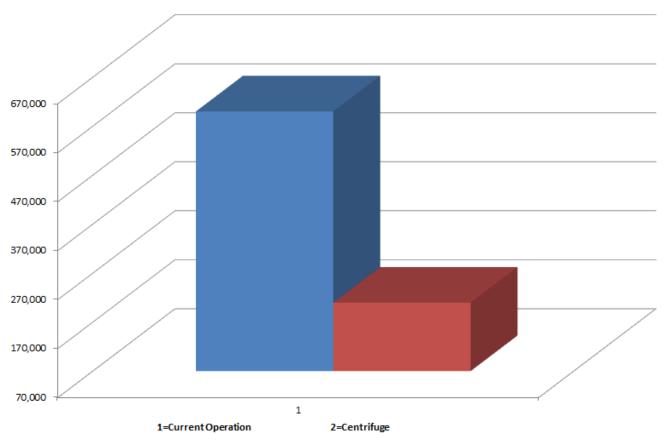
- Discharge to the sanitary sewer is 0 GPD now
- Percent solids has increased from 7-9% to 34-39% reducing disposal costs significantly





## Projected Cost Savings

#### **Estimated Annual Operating Costs**









#### Permitting Phase

#### **U.S. Naval Academy Water Treatment Plant**



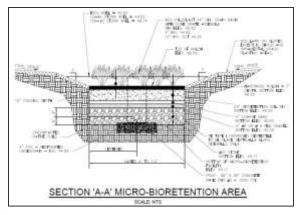
- New Federal guidelines required for full NSF compliance
- New MDE guidelines required all outdoor open top tanks to be covered
- Erosion and Sedimentation Control permitting delayed project

All communication to the regulatory agencies was required to go

through NAVFAC











#### Jar Testing

- Jar testing was completed to identify the best product for dewatering
- Anticipated percent solids much higher than anticipated







#### Lessons Learned

- Sludge Pump needs screening/grinding or macerator
- Agency regulations changes between bidding and contract award created challenges
- Direct contact between Design-Builder and Regulatory would have been beneficial
- Design engineer learned valuable lessons by managing the construction process
- Long lead projects can happen, 8-years from initial conception to project completion







# Questions?

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