

Maximizing Water Savings

In On-Site Water Reuse Systems

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WATER HARVESTING SOLUTIONS

An Introduction to Wahaso

- Our only business is commercial water harvesting systems
- We have more experience than any other company in the market – 500+ projects in 38 states & Canada
 - Many complex multi-source, multi-use systems including greywater
- Proprietary analytic tools for determining most efficient system configuration.
- We design and then build to ensure a fully operational system as proposed
 - Innovative, proprietary subsystems for greywater processing, chlorination, filtration, custom controls and interfaces
- Highly experienced engineering team
 - Designs supported by 30+ years field experience
 - Concept → Schematic → 3D Models → Detailed Fabrication Drawings

Wahaso is the Experienced Leader

Project experience across a wide range of customers and project types

Commercial Buildings

- Fields Volvo green showcase showroom – Rainwater to irrigate and flush toilets
- WMS Gaming World Headquarters – Rainwater to flush toilets
- Pioneer Hi-Bred Green House System
- Richmond VA Data Center – Rainwater to Flush Toilets
- Whole Foods, Brooklyn NY – Hybrid system to Irrigate & Flush Toilets
- North Park Commercial Development, Ontario, CN – Rainwater for Irrigation

Housing

- Hotel Bel Air, Los Angeles – Greywater to irrigate
- KTD Monastery, Woodstock, NY, greywater to flush toilets
- Pathway Assisted Living – Vernon Hills, IL – Rainwater for irrigation
- Forest House, Bronx, NY – Rainwater to Irrigate Green Roof

Military

- Marine Corps Air Station, Cherry Point, N.C. - Rainwater to flush toilets in two bachelor enlisted quarters (BEQ)
- Camp LeJeune , NC MV-22 Hangar - Rainwater for Vehicle Washing
- Marine Corp Recruiting Depot – Greywater to flush toilets in three buildings
- Marine Corps Base Quantico – Rainwater to flush toilets
- Mill Creek, Walla Walla WA – Greywater to flush toilets
- Fairfield ARC, Concord, CA – Greywater to Flush Toilets, Rainwater for Vehicle Wash

Government

- City of New York - sanitation building seeking LEED certification: Harvest rooftop rainwater and boiler condensate to flush toilets & wash equipment
- Social Security Building, Chicago, IL – Retrofit multi-source, multi-use
- Birch Bayh Federal Building, Indianapolis – Rooftop rainwater to flush toilets
- Kiran C. Patel Center for Global Solutions, University of South Florida – Rooftop rainwater to flush toilets
- Metcalf GS Building, Chicago, IL – cooling condensate for cooling tower make-up
- Sacramento Municipal Utility District – greywater system to flush toilets

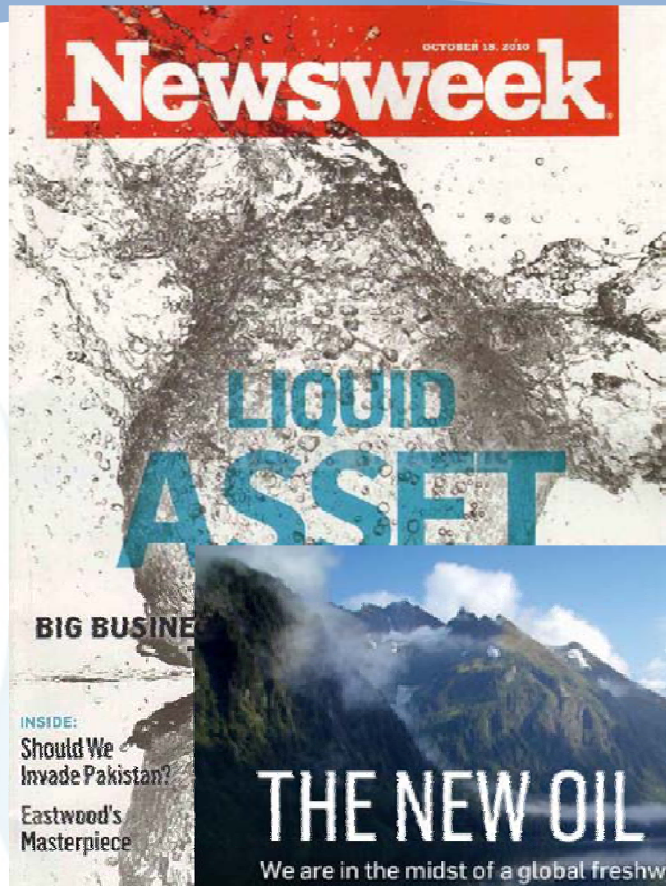
City of Chicago, IL

- Boone Clinton Elementary School seeking LEED certification: Harvest rainwater for garden irrigation and educational purposes
- Chicago Parks District comfort stations – Rainwater to flush toilets
- Chicago Valley Forge Field House – Rainwater to flush toilets
- Police Station #12 – Rainwater to flush toilets & irrigate
- Ping Tom Field House – Rainwater to Flush Toilets

Learning Objectives

- Be able to list at least three *sources* and three *uses* of water harvested on-site for reuse.
- Explain how a *Scoping Process* can result in a harvesting system that maximizes water savings
- Be able to explain a *processing strategy* for multiple water sources to minimize system costs.

A Water Crisis on the Horizon



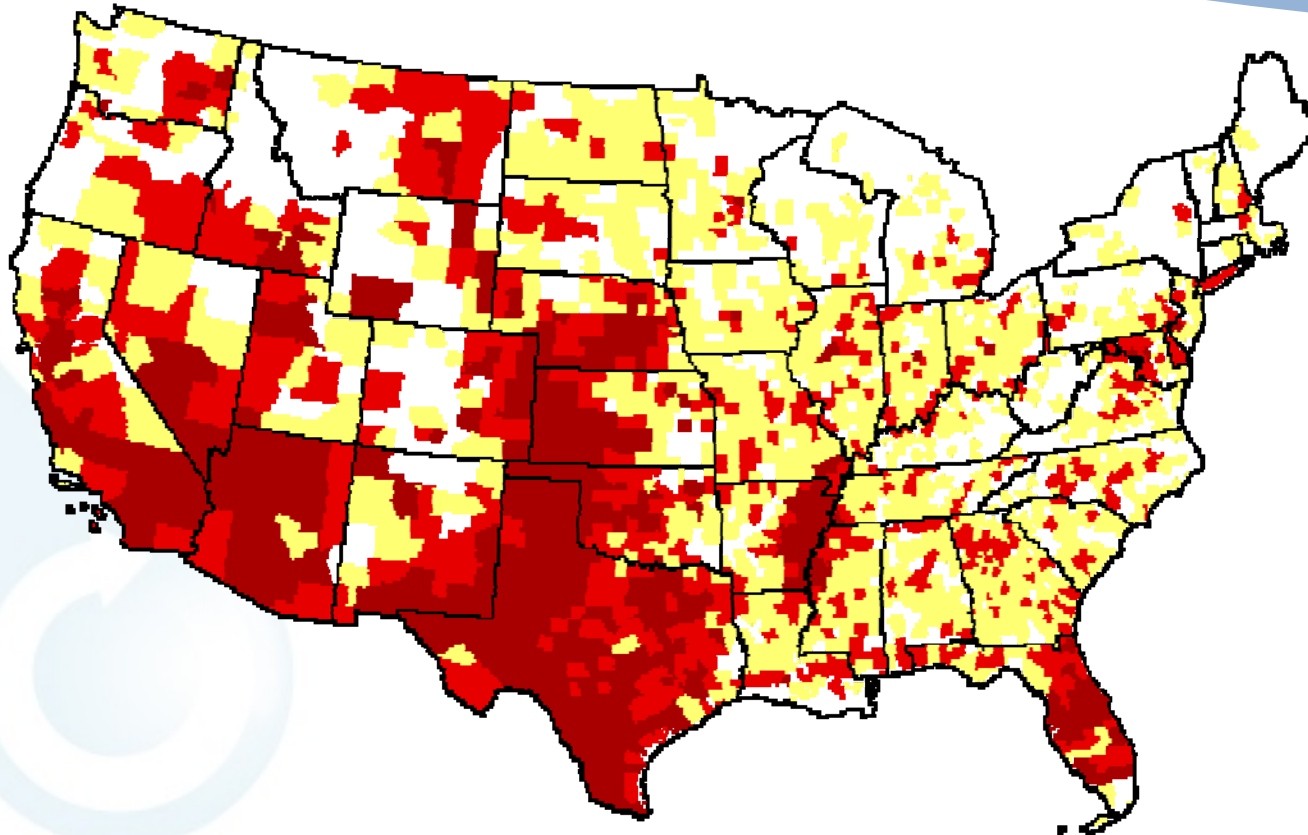
THE NEW OIL

We are in the midst of a global freshwater crisis, and unless we manage our water better now, we will run out.

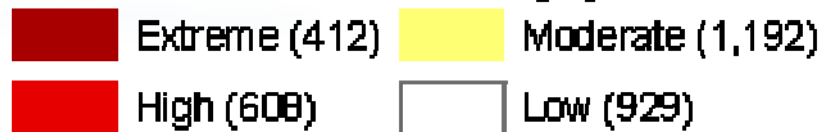
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Two Thirds of U.S. Counties Anticipate Moderate to Extreme Water Issues By 2050

Water Supply Sustainability Index (2050) With Climate Change Impacts



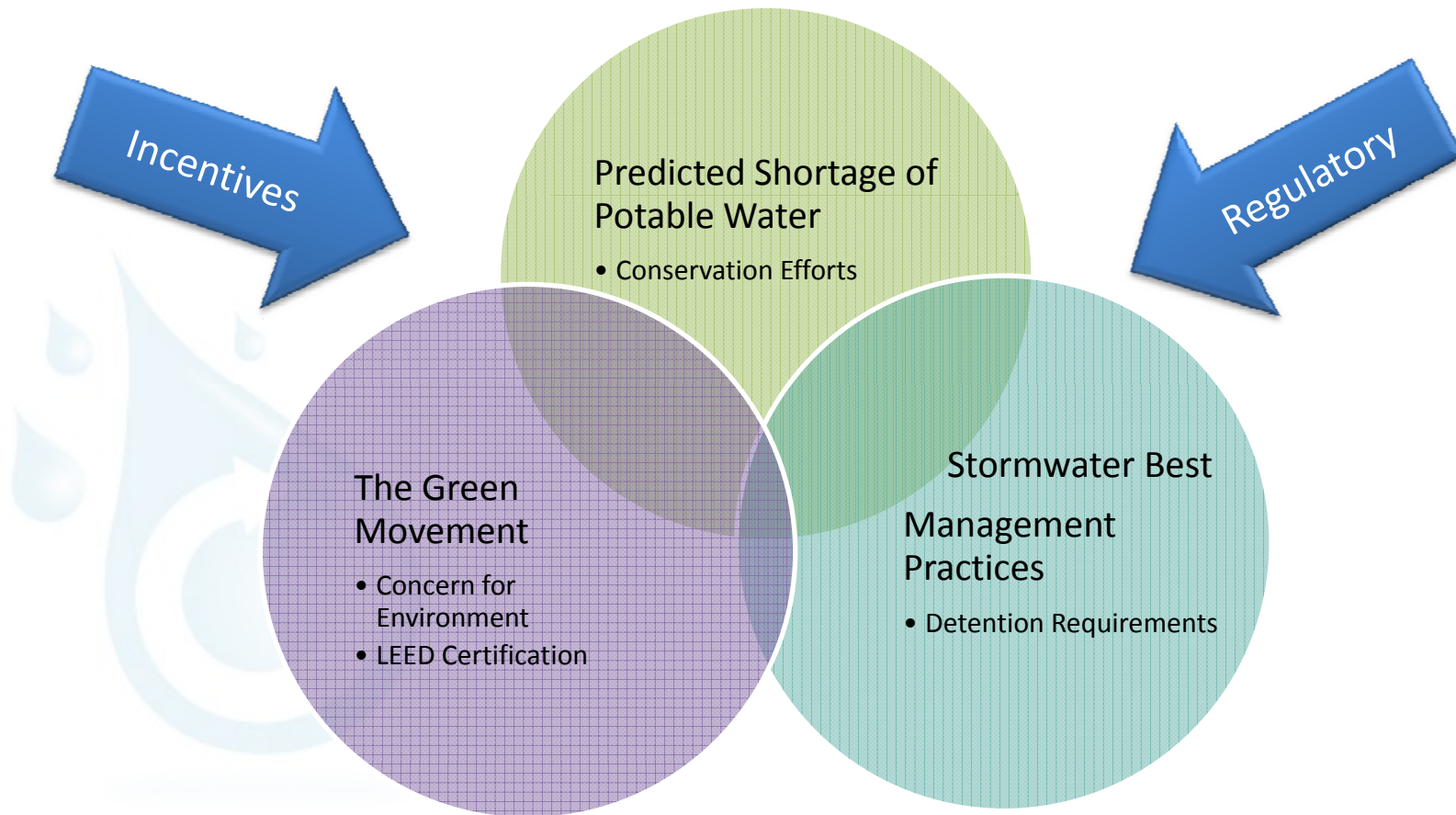
Number of Counties for each Category in Parentheses



What is "Water Harvesting"?

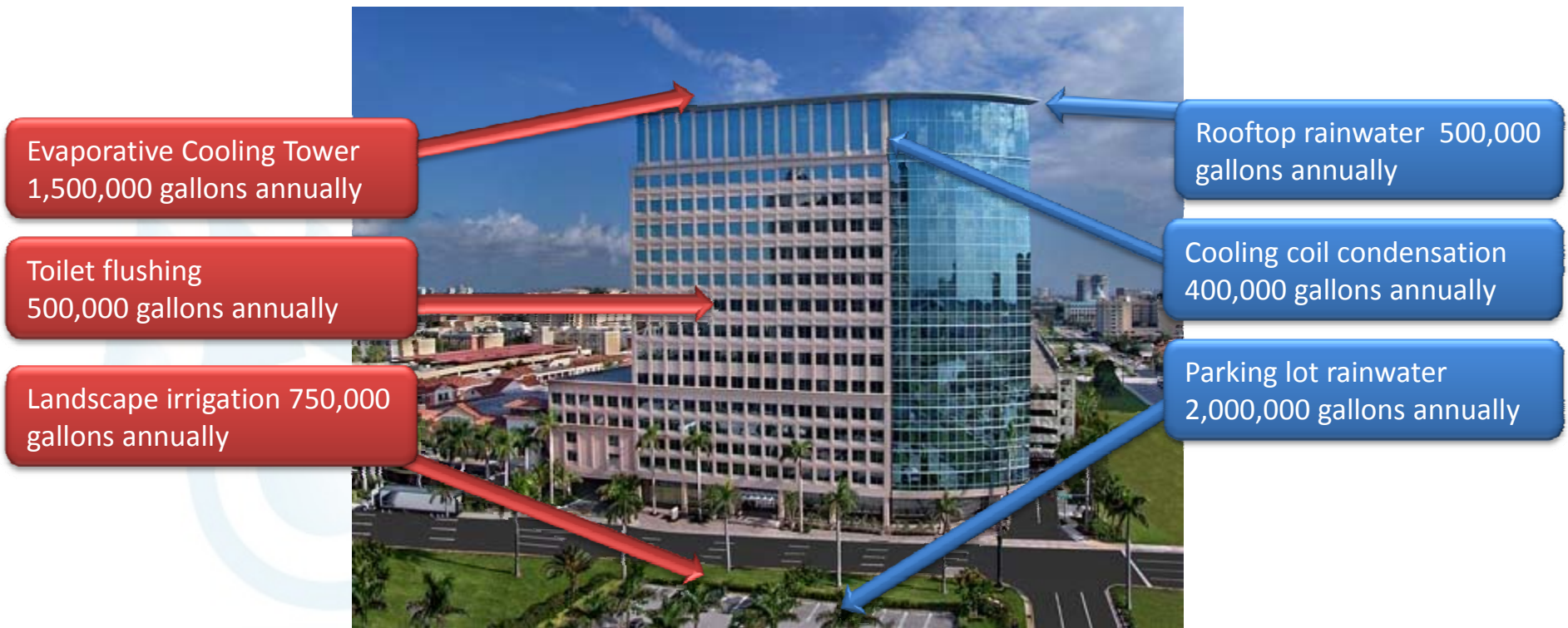
Water Harvesting is the collection, cleaning, storage and reuse of onsite water sources for non-potable uses to reduce the consumption of municipal potable water.

Megatrends Support Water Harvesting

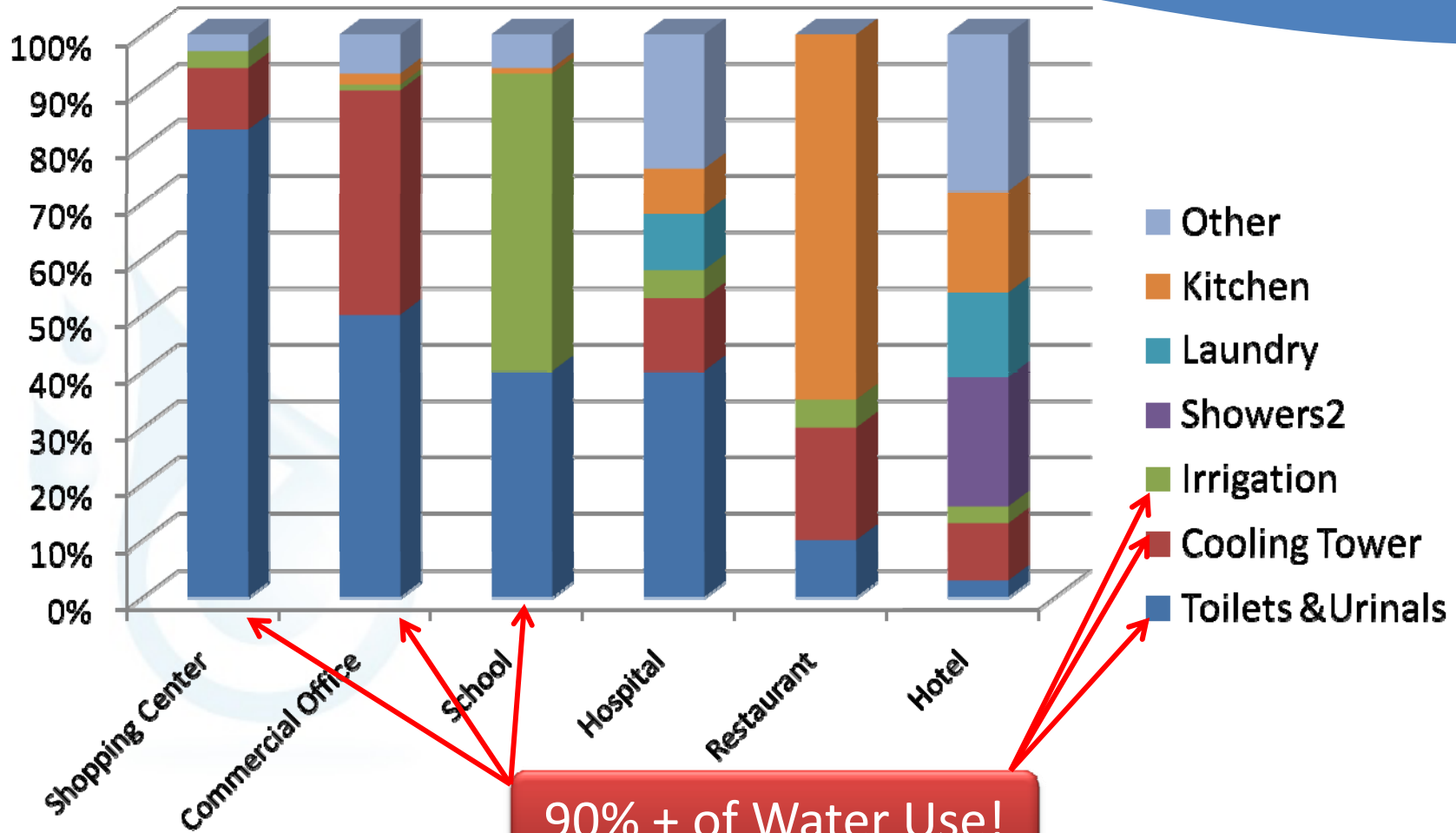


The Harvesting Opportunity in Commercial Properties

1-5 Million Gallon Opportunity Per Year



Most Water Use in Commercial Buildings can be Replaced with Harvested Rainwater and Stormwater



90% + of Water Use!

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What's In It For Owners?

Save Water &
Sewer \$\$

Sustainable
Practice

“Green”
Building Cert.

Stormwater
Detention ROI

Meet
Regulatory
Requirements

Higher
Property
Values

Good Public
Relations

What's In It For The Trades?

Engineering
Design

Component
Mnfg & Sales

System
Fabrication

Plumbing

Excavation

Electrical

Service

System Design Objectives

- Make a significant and meaningful impact on reducing the amount of municipal water use
- Match a system to meet the unique characteristics of the building
- Ensure that the water is safe for storage & application
- Keep the system as simple as possible
- Keep the system cost-per-gallon saved as low as possible

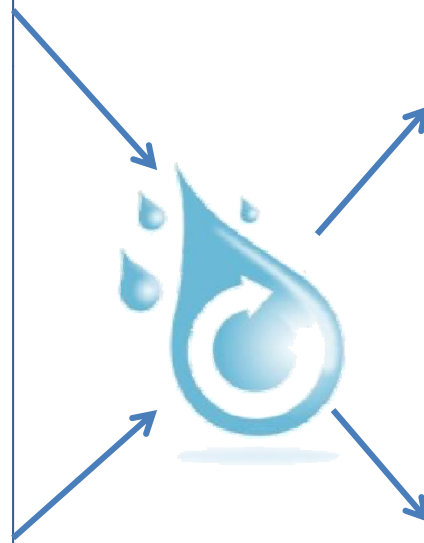
Strategies for an Efficient System

- *Identify and quantify* all potential sources and uses of on-site water for reuse.
- Look at total supply and demand – but also their seasonality to balance the two.
- Design a system for the most-contaminated water source
- Optimize the cistern size
- Identify options and their relative cost & benefit
- Create metrics and goals for the system

The Most Efficient Systems Often Capture Multiple Sources for Multiple Uses

Potential Sources

- Rooftop rainwater
- Cooling condensate
- Surface stormwater
- Greywater from showers, sinks, washers
- Steam condensate
- Groundwater ejectors
- Process wastewater



Potential Uses

- Landscape irrigation
- Toilet flushing
- Cooling tower “make-up”
- Vehicle washing
- Boiler “make-up”
- Washing machines

Each Source Has Different Variables & Process Considerations

Best Retrofit Opportunities

Increasing Contaminants and Processing

Sources	Definition	Quantifying Variables
Condensate	From cooling system blower units or steam systems	Total cooling capacity, average humidity, seasonality
Groundwater	From below-grade sumps (around basements)	Ground permeability, springs, seasonality
R/O Discharge	Effluent discharge from R/O system (20-35%)	Average % discharge X total R/O processed, source quality
Rainwater	From roofs and above-ground collectors	Roof square footage, historic rainfall for location
Reclaimed Water	Municipally-treated sewage for reuse	GPM available, color/odor
Stormwater	From ground surfaces – Parking lots, run-off	Square footage by hardscape/softscapes/parking, rain history
Greywater, Gray Water	Untreated waste water “gently used” in showers, sinks, processes	Number occupants, # showers, # hand washes

Each Use Has Different Variables

Best Retrofit Opportunities

Most Common to Least Common Application



Uses	Variables for Quantifying Demand
Irrigation	Square footage irrigated, plant types, soil types, seasonality, location
Toilet Flushing	Number of occupants, flushes per person per day, GPF, toilet/urinal flush ratio
Cooling Tower Make-Up	Total cooling load, seasonality, location, average humidity, cycles per blow-down
Boiler Make-Up	Total heating load, HVAC expert estimate or historical data.
Vehicle Wash	Number of vehicles per day, gallons per vehicle wash
Miscellaneous	Varies – Washing machine supply, R/O supply

Consider Seasonality of Sources & Uses in Balancing a System

	Warm Weather	Cool Weather	Non-Seasonal
Sources	Rainwater +	Rainwater -	Greywater
	Stormwater +	Stormwater-	Groundwater
	Cooling Condensate	Steam Condensate	Reclaimed Water
			R/O Discharge
Uses	Irrigation	Boiler Make-Up	Toilet Flushing
	Cooling Tower M/U	Humidifier Make-Up	Laundry
			Vehicle Wash

Evaluate Monthly Supply & Demand → Optimize Total Annual Savings

Projected Annual Averages Based On Past Six Years of Actual Daily Rainfall

Total Supply	Total Demand	Harvested Gallons Used	Municipal Gallons Used	Total Days Requiring Municipal Make-Up
1,311,799	1,213,949	854,438	359,511	69

Projected Monthly Supply & Demand

Based on Historical 6-Year Daily Rainfall Amounts



Revisit Supply Options to Balance Supply & Demand

% of Total Demand Met

Each Year	% of Total Demand Met
2007	76.0%
2008	70.4%
2009	73.8%
2010	62.1%
2011	73.0%
2012	68.5%

6 Year Average

70.6%

Maximize This Number

Supply refers to all of the potential non-potable water that can be harvested. Table-3 breaks down the total municipal gallons into monthly segments. This is helpful in discovering seasonal shortfalls in the system.

Cistern Modeling Identifies Optimal Rainwater Storage Capacity

Different cistern size options are modeled using six years of daily rainfall history for the location

**Storage Costs
\$1.50-3.50
Per Gallon
Installed!**

Cistern Size	% of Total Demand Met	Non-Potable Gallons Used	Gallons Change from Previous Increment	Rain Event Size Capable of Being Handled (inches):
5,000	52.45%	227,422	-	2/5
10,000	71.40%	309,612	82,190	4/5
15,000	81.21%	352,163	42,551	1 1/5
20,000	86.77%	376,252	24,089	1 3/5
25,000	89.88%	389,752	13,501	2
30,000	92.31%	400,280	10,527	2 3/8
35,000	94.01%	407,628	7,348	2 7/9
40,000	95.28%	413,164	5,536	3 1/6
45,000	96.18%	417,045	3,882	3 4/7
50,000	96.58%	418,808	1,763	4
55,000	96.97%	420,475	1,667	4 1/3
60,000	97.35%	422,142	1,667	4 3/4
65,000	97.74%	423,808	1,667	5 1/6
70,000	98.12%	425,475	1,667	5 5/9
75,000	98.51%	427,142	1,667	6
80,000	98.89%	428,808	1,667	6 1/3

Table - 1

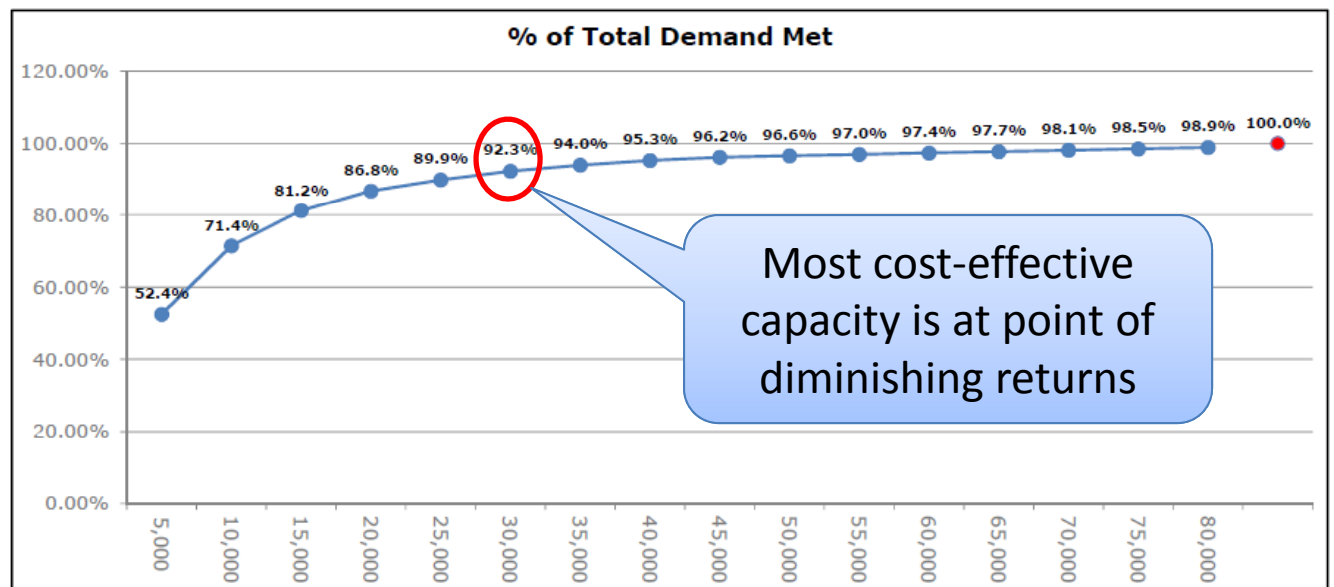
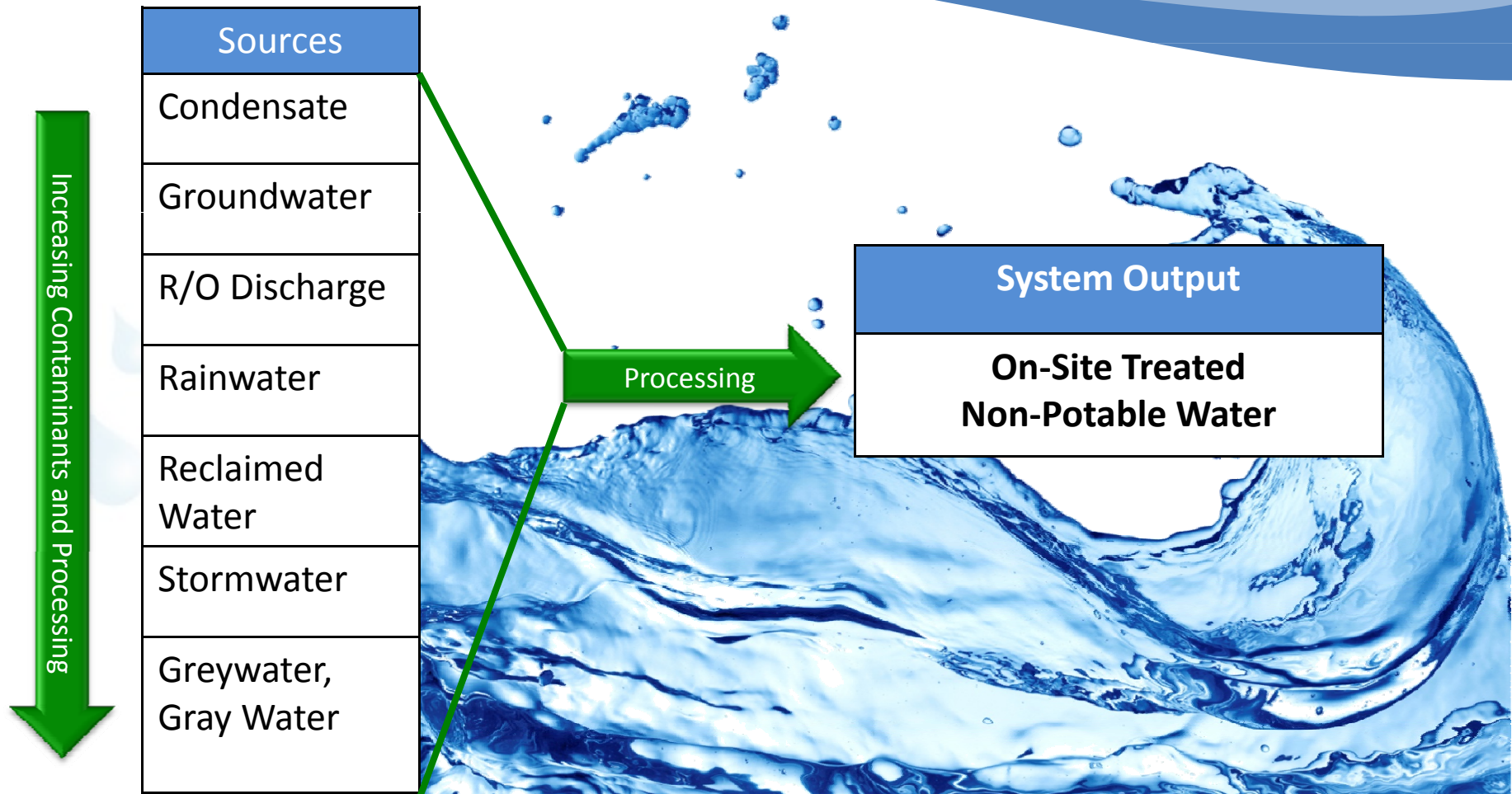


Table - 2

Regardless of the Source, We Want to Achieve One Standard Output

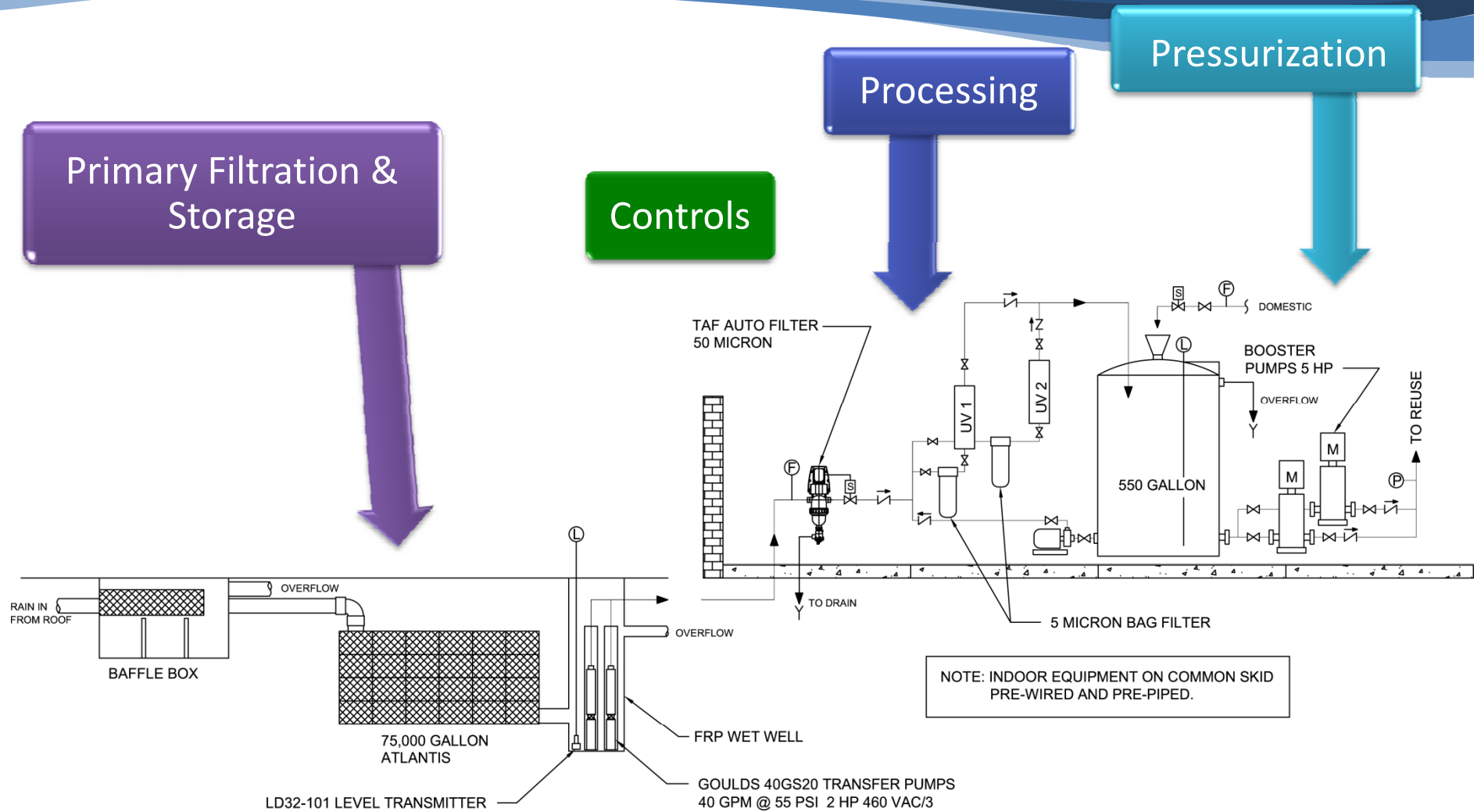


Processing Steps Added as Contaminants Increase

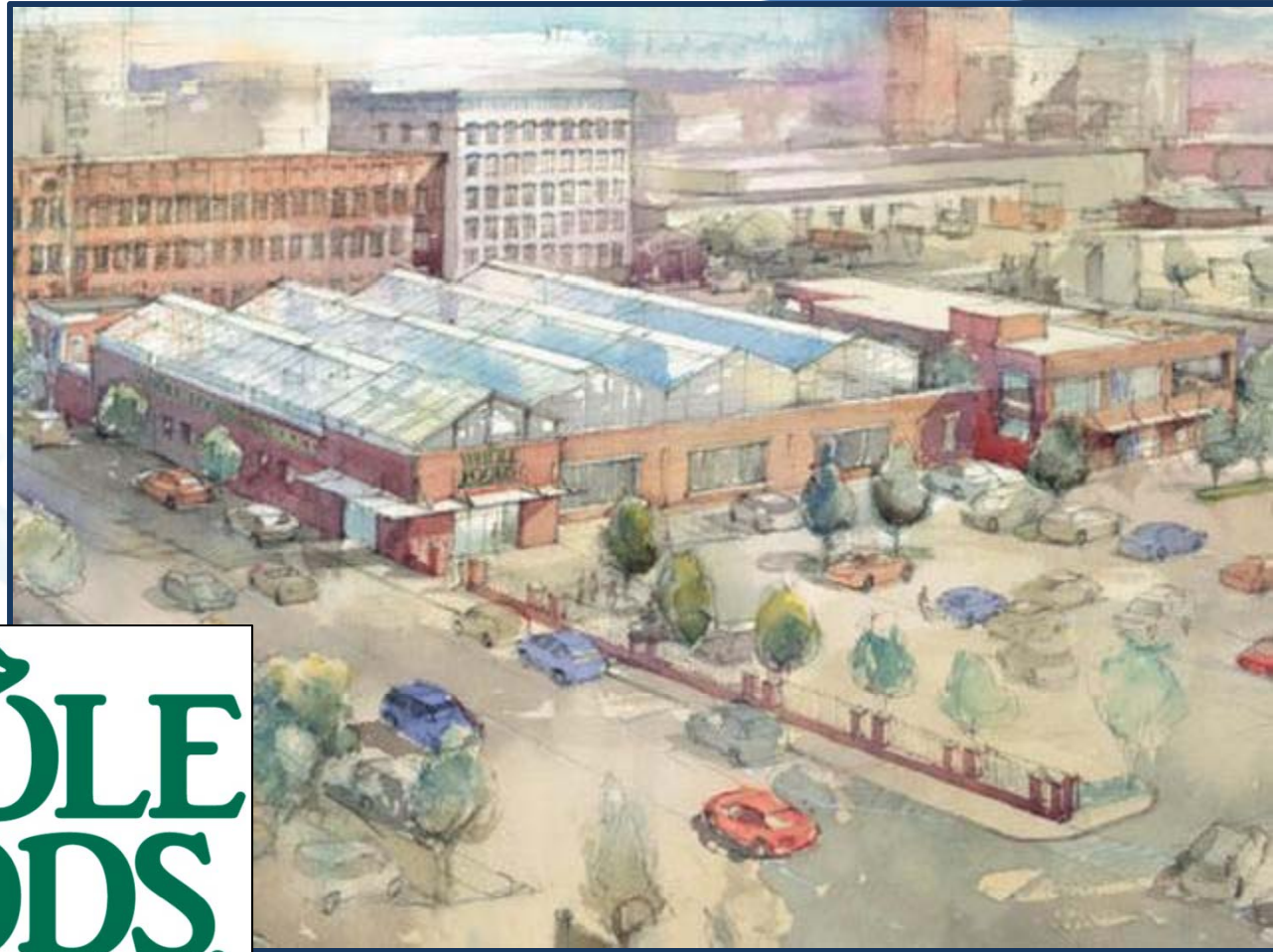


Sources	Processing Approach
Condensate	10u filter, U.V.
Groundwater	10u filter, U.V.
R/O Discharge	10u filter, U.V.
Rainwater	Pre-filter (150u), Primary Filter (50u), Final filter (5 u), U.V. or Chlorine
Reclaimed Water	Pre-filter (150u), Primary Filter (50u), Final filter (5 u), U.V. or Chlorine, Carbon Filter (odor/color)
Stormwater	Pre-filter (150u), Oil Separator/Absorption, Primary Filter (50u), Final filter (5 u), U.V. or Chlorine
Greywater, Gray Water	Settling Tank, Chlorine, Floating Filter (250 u) Primary Filter (70u), Final filter (10 u), U.V.

Typical System Design



Case Study: Gowanus Whole Foods, Brooklyn, NY



Toilet Use & Greywater Calculations

Greywater Supply/Toilet Flushing Demand Analysis - Whole Foods Brooklyn

	Toilet Flushing Demand Assumptions			Total
	Total	Head Count	Flushes/ Day	
Employees (FTE) ¹		286	3	
Customers		9,285	0.5	
Total Flushes Per Day	5,501			
Percentage Female	50%		2750.25	
Percentage Male	50%		2750.25	
Male Urinal Use	75%			
Male Urinal Flushes	2,063			
Male Water Closet Flushes	688			
	Female Water Closets	Male Water Closets	Urinals	Total
Uses Per Day By Fixture	2,750	688	2,063	5,501
GPF	1.15 (Avg Based on Dual Flush 1.6/1.0)	1.6	0.0	
Total Gallons Demand For Flushing Per Day of Use	3,162.8	1,100.1	-	4,263
Greywater Supply - Lavatory Use Assumptions				
Lavatory Sink Uses (Washroom Post Toilet)	5,501			
Employee Compliance Hand Washings ⁴	514.8			
Sink Flow Rate (GPM)	2.5			
Sink Use Duration for Washrooms (min)	0.12			
Employee Sink Duration for Compliance (min)	0.17			
Total Greywater Supply Per Day of Use	1,865			
Building Assumptions				
¹ Based on 400 Employees. (400 Employees x 40 Hours) / 8 Hour FTE Shifts = 2,000. 2000/ 7 Days = 286 FTE Per Day				
² It is Assumed That The Dual Flush Toilets Are 1.6/1.0, and that the 1.0 Flush Is Used 75% Of The Time.				
³ It is Assumed that Males Will Use The 1.6 GPF Of The Dual Flush Toilets When Not Using the Urinal (25% of The Time)				
⁴ 60% of Employees Will Wash Their Hands 3X Per Day Above and Beyond Toilet Uses at 10 Seconds Per Washing.				

Toilet Flushing Demand

Total Daily Employees
+ Guests

X Flushes per person

X Gallons Per Flush

Greywater Supply

Total Daily Employees
+ Guests

X Lav uses per person

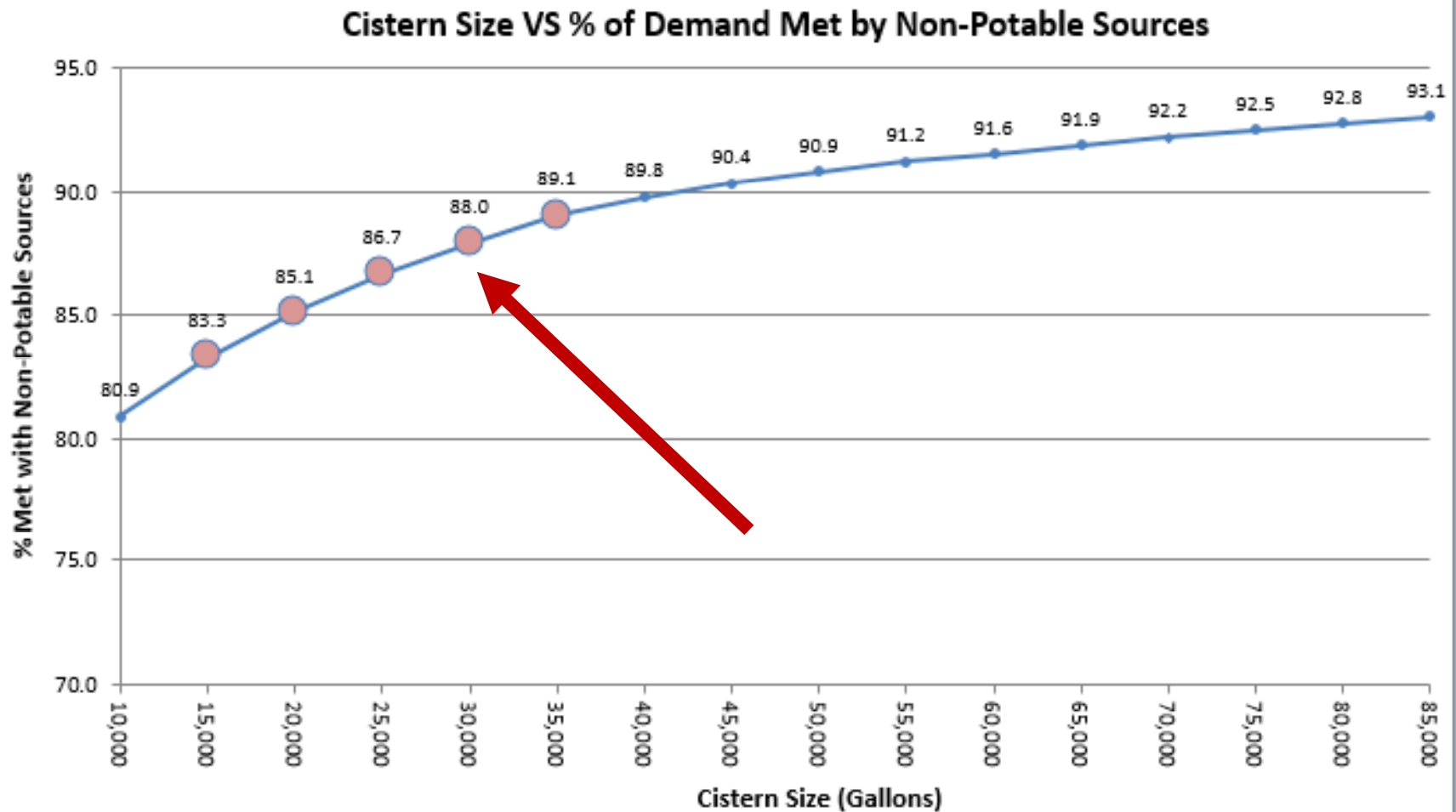
X Gallons per use

Irrigation Demand Based on Estimated E.T. Requirements Net of Rainfall

If we have estimated landscape irrigation requirements for you, then we have used an "ET" model that estimates the water required by plants based on their "evapo-transpiration" which takes into account the type of plant and the weather conditions. Ours is a rough estimate that gives us a daily water requirement by zone type. Then our model subtracts the average rainfall for your area to estimate the amount of irrigation the system will need to provide.

	Percentage	Square Footage	
A. Trees, Groundcover	20%	7,010	
B. Shrubs, Perennials	80%	28,040	
C. Cool Season Turfgrass, Annuals	0%	-	
D. Warm Season Turfgrass	0%	-	
Total Irrigated Square Footage	100%	35,050	
Percentage of rainfall reaching plants after evaporation	75%		
Reference Evapo-transpiration in inches per month - based on cool-season grasses in this area:	8.00		
Irrigation System Efficiency (% of water reaching plants)	Input by Zone		
	Monthly Gross Water Requirement (Inches)	Gross Monthly Water Requirement (Gallons)	Average Daily Requirement Before Rainfall (Gallons)
A. Trees, Groundcover	5.20	22,721.4	1,419.0
B. Shrubs, Perennials	5.20	90,885.7	5,675.9
C. Cool Season Turfgrass, Annuals	5.20	-	-
D. Warm Season Turfgrass	4.80	-	-
TOTALS		113,607	7,095
ANNUAL DEMAND (Gallons)			697,839

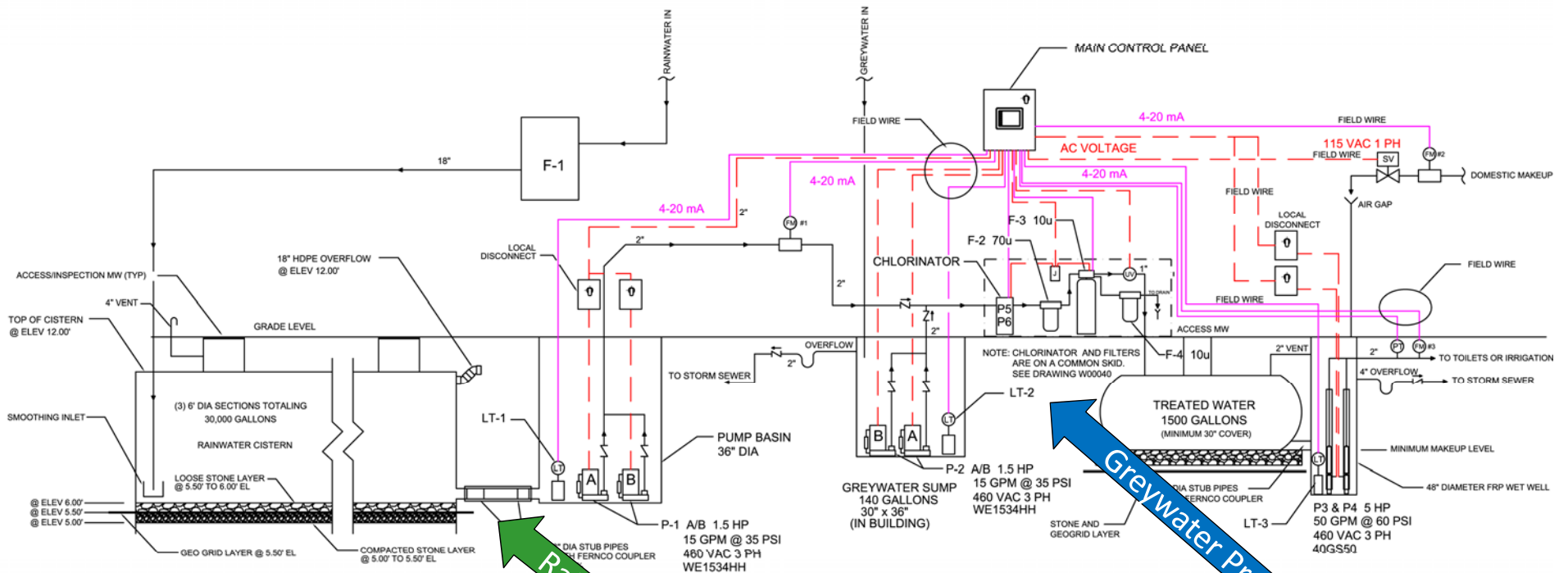
Cistern Modeling Helped Support Decision for 30,000 Gallons of Storage



System Approach

- Capture filtered rainwater into 30,000 gallon below-grade cistern in parking area
- Capture raw greywater into ejector pit
- Process greywater as collected through multi-stage filter; chlorinate
- Process rainwater through same system
- Hold common processed water in 1,500 gallon tank
- For toilets and irrigation:
 1. Processed greywater
 2. Processed rainwater
 3. Municipal make-up

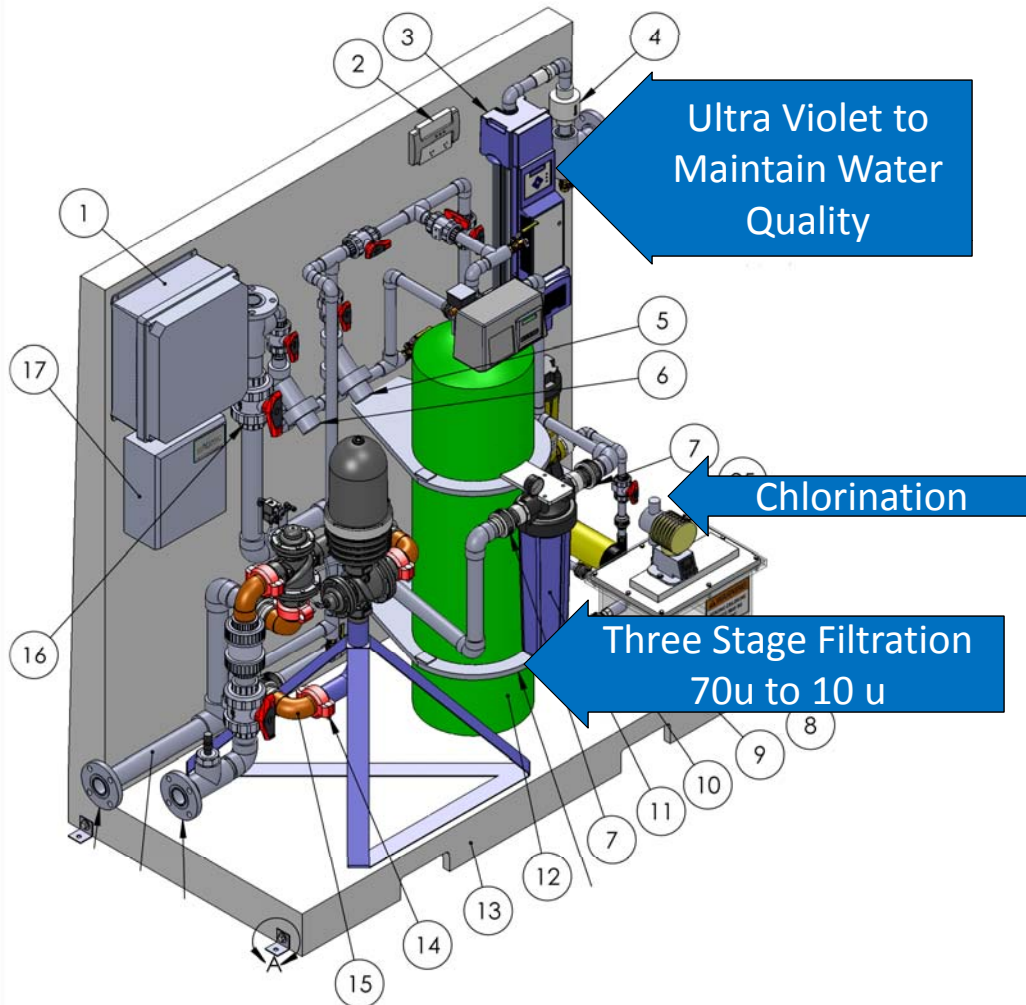
Whole Foods System Design



Rainwater Capture & Storage

Greywater Processing Skid

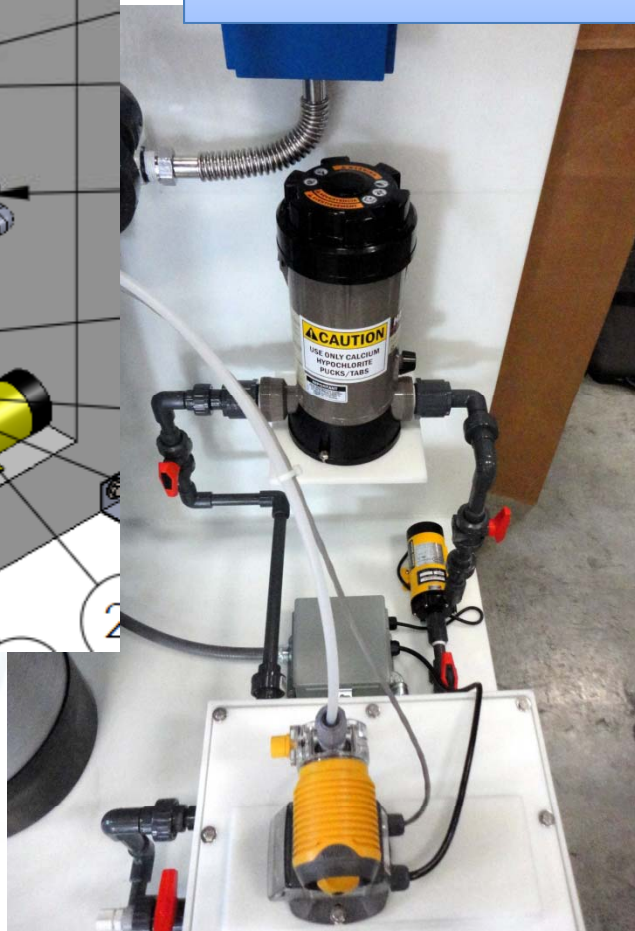
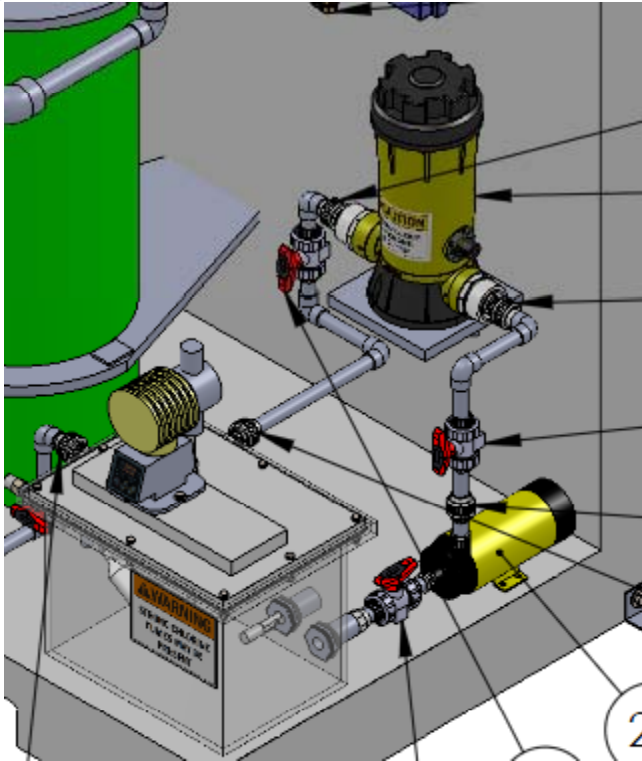
System Effectively Treats Greywater For Reuse



Fabricated skid at production facility

Custom Chlorination System

Liquid chlorine is produced from tablets and system automatically injects chlorine to achieve a target residual level



System Will Tie to BAS & Be Monitored Via Web Interface

Back Forward AddThis daqconnect.com https://www.daqconnect.com/daq/page.do?tid=A3A83B8F-412E-4CBA-9B46-568DFB65FD3D

DAQ Connect

Whole Foods Water Harvesting, Brooklyn, NY

Water Usage
 City Water: 16662 gal
 Grey Water: 506 gal

Electrical
 L1: 2.04 A 478.4 V
 L2: 2.04 A 5.200 kW
 L3: 0.88 A 1559.6 kWh

Alarms

Boost Pump A	Clean High Level	Gr Feed Valve A
Boost Pump B	Clean Low Level	Gr Drain Valve A
Pressure Sensor	Clean Lvl Sensor	Gr Feed Valve B
Chlorine Low	Grey High Level	Gr Drain Valve B
Chlorine Sensor	Grey Low Level	Change Filter
City Water Low	Grey Lvl Sensor	Filter In Sensor
Transfer Pump		Filter Out Sensor

Irrigation Pressure

Equipment Operation

Boost Pump A	Sump Pump A
Boost Pump B	Sump Pump B
Recirc Pump	Transfer Pump
Grey Valve A	Drain Valve
Grey Valve B	Flush Valve
Makeup Valve	

Clean Water: 374 gal Grey Water: 93 gal

Tank Level- %

Grey Tank Chlorine- ppm

Time: Status: Name:

Diagnostics

Comm Heartbeat: 26

Alm1: 0 Inputs1: 32768 Outputs: 8424

Alm2: 0 Inputs2: 39302

System is Projected to Save Over 70% of Water Needed for Toilets & Irrigation

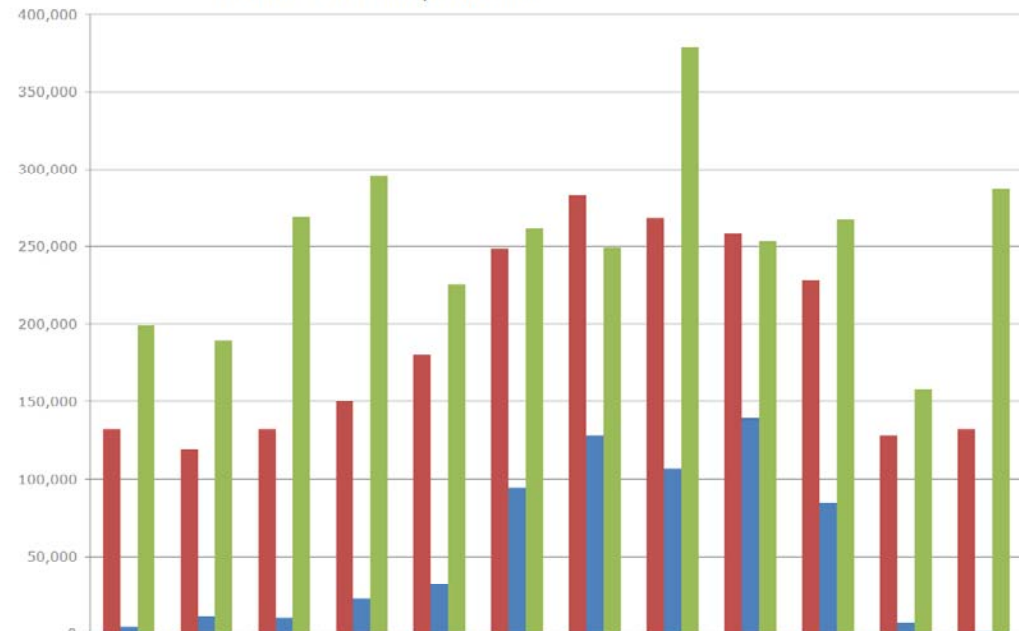
System Effectiveness Based on Recommended 30K Gallon Cistern

Projected Annual Averages Based On Past Six Years of Actual Daily Rainfall

Total Supply	Total Demand	Harvested Gallons Used	Municipal Gallons Used	Total Days Requiring Municipal Make-Up
3,031,617	2,258,827	1,616,861	641,966	112

Projected Monthly Supply & Demand

Based on Historical 6-Year Daily Rainfall Amounts



	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Estimated Average Demand	132,150	119,361	132,150	149,584	180,327	248,679	282,591	267,996	257,911	228,045	127,887	132,150
Estimated Municipal Make-up Required	4,171	11,498	10,233	22,311	32,114	94,664	128,200	106,746	139,139	84,772	7,050	1,069
Estimated Average Supply	198,976	189,501	268,718	295,152	225,337	261,334	248,964	379,049	253,394	266,878	157,585	286,727

Theoretical % of Total Demand Met		6 Year Average
Based on These Past Years		
2007	72.8%	71.7%
2008	71.6%	
2009	75.2%	
2010	62.9%	
2011	78.5%	
2012	69.4%	

Open!



Review: Strategies for an Efficient System

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