



Innovative Facility and Infrastructure Design™



WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY

The Most **Colorful** Experience in Wastewater

SHORT HISTORY



◉ 1964 ORIGINAL PLANT CONSTRUCTED

- > Headworks
 - Separate from rest of plant
- > Aeration Basins
 - Outdoor blowers
- > Rectangular Clarifiers
- > Chlorination

SHORT HISTORY



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◉ 1988 MAJOR UPGRADES

- > Headworks
 - New screen, aerated grit and Parshall Flume at WWTP
- > Administration Building
 - Indoor blowers
 - New electrical and controls
- > Circular Clarifiers
- > Upgraded Chlorination
- > Aerobic Sludge Digesters from Old Clarifiers

SHORT HISTORY



◉ LATER IMPROVEMENTS

- > Maintenance garage
- > Shed for screen and grit collection
- > Internal bypass
 - Around aeration and clarifiers
 - Final chlorination retained



SHORT HISTORY



- ◉ **JOE BATES STARTED 2006**
- ◉ **RECENT IMPROVEMENTS**
 - > Non-functional waste sludge pump replaced
 - > Effluent V-Notch flow meter added
 - > Improved dechlorination
 - > Automatic samplers
 - > Visual **Enhancements**



OPERATING CHALLENGES



◉ HEADWORKS

> Screen

- Old, high maintenance, poor capture

> Aerated Grit

- Low efficiency

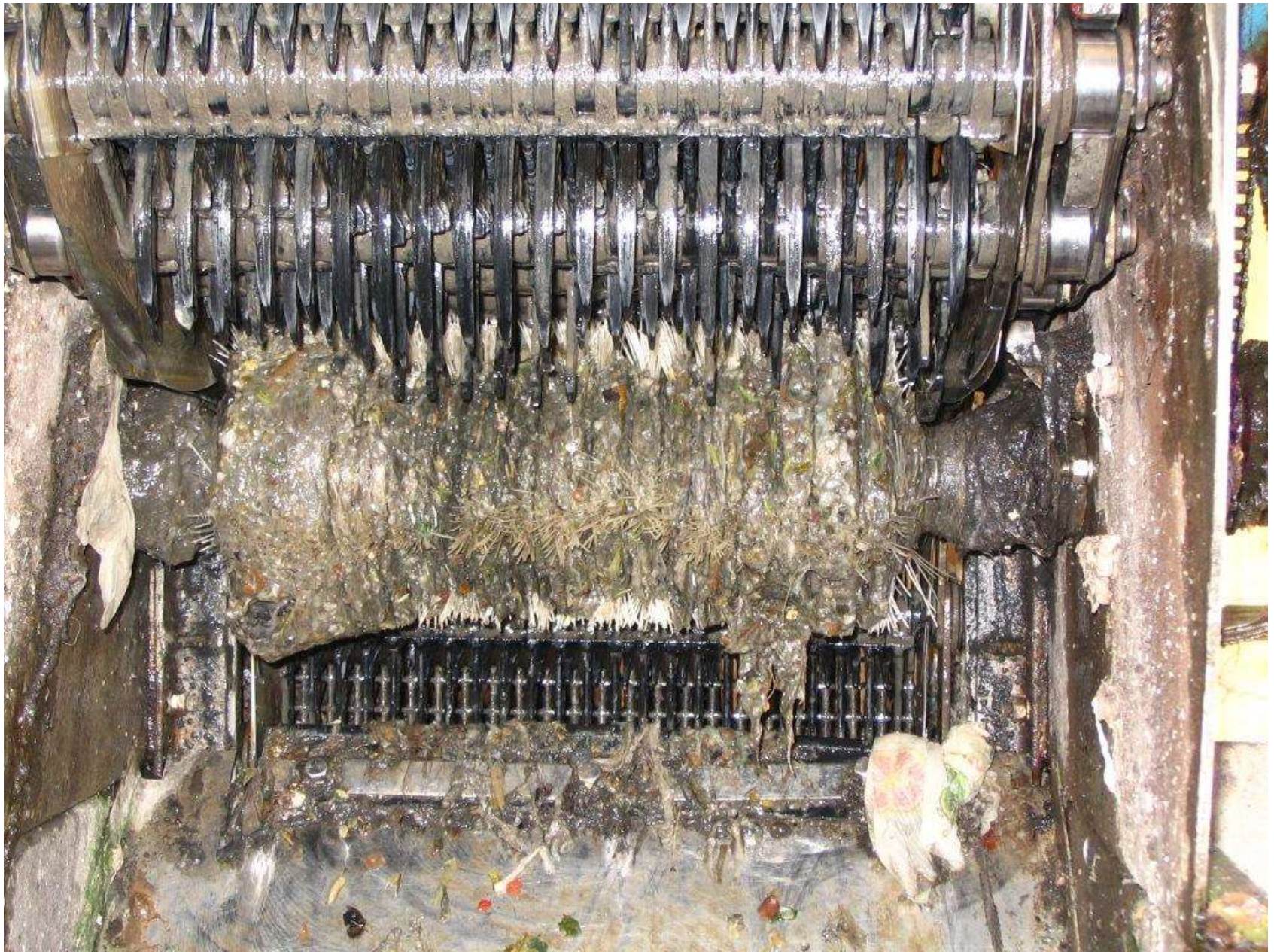
> Make-Shift Building

- Uninsulated

> Parshall flume

- Inaccurate due to poor hydraulic design









OPERATING CHALLENGES



◉ AERATION SYSTEM

> No Flexibility

- Four tanks
- Parallel operation only

> Only Tanks 1 & 4 On Line

- Tanks 2 & 3 used for sludge storage







OPERATING CHALLENGES



◉ CLARIFIERS

> Single Return Sludge Suction Line

- Unequal flows
- Difficult to have both on line

> Aging Equipment

- Rake frame bent
- Gear box needed rebuilding

> Debris Problems

- Center well blockages
- Cause: Poor screening





OPERATING CHALLENGES



- ◉ DISINFECTION
 - > Leaking Feed Line
 - > No Flow Proportioning
 - > Improvised Dechlorination





OPERATING CHALLENGES



◉ HIGH FLOW PROBLEMS

> Permit Violations

- MLSS Washout
- Lingering High Ammonia

> Strategies for Coping

- One Clarifier used for Storm Storage
- Aeration Tank for Holding Solids
- Internal Bypass Used





OPERATING CHALLENGES



◉ SLUDGE MANAGEMENT

- > Insufficient Liquid Storage
- > Disposal by Liquid Hauling Before 2006
- > 2006 Synagro Contract for Dewatering and Land Application
- > No On-Site Storage for Dewatered Sludge









OPERATING CHALLENGES



- ◉ BACK-UP POWER
 - > NONE!
 - > Hurricane Ike of September 14, 2008
- ◉ CONTROL SYSTEM
 - > Completely Manual
 - > No Remote Alarms







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◉ PROJECT DRIVERS

> Common Permit Violations

- Ammonia-nitrogen (most common)
- Also BOD₅ and TSS

> Phosphorus Limits in New Permit

> Operational Challenges

> Old Equipment

> **CONSENT ORDER**

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CRITICAL PROJECT CHALLENGES

- > High Infiltration/Inflow
- > Common Clarifier Return Sludge Suction Line
- > Phosphorus Limits
- > Low Operational Flexibility
- > Old Equipment
- > Sludge Management

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- ◉ HIGH INFILTRATION & INFLOW
 - > I/I Reduction Impractical in Project Time Line
 - > Objectives:
 - Keep biological solids in the system
 - Maintain treatment, especially nitrification
 - Increase response flexibility



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◉ HIGH INFILTRATION & INFLOW

> Solution Components:

- ***Provided separate return sludge lines for each clarifier***
 - Allows regular use of both clarifiers
 - Undertaken as early project











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 - Allowed regular use of both clarifiers
 - Undertaken as early project
- ***Increased clarifier efficiency***
 - Add current density baffles



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◉ HIGH INFILTRATION & INFLOW

> Solution Components:

- Provided separate return sludge lines for each clarifier
- Increased clarifier efficiency
- ***Added “storm flow mode” capability***
 - Electrically operated gates change where raw influent is added to the biological system
 - Allows for MLSS storage in first stage tanks
 - Is progressive as flows increase

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◉ HIGH INFILTRATION & INFLOW

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- Provided separate return sludge lines for each clarifier
- Increased clarifier efficiency
- Added “storm flow mode”
- ***Added diversion box and 2.4 MG overflow basin***

























WWTP Improvements Project



◉ MEETING PHOSPHORUS LIMITS

> Solution Components:

- Biological nutrient removal
 - Added anaerobic selector chambers
 - » Three chambers of increasing detention time
 - » Covered and Mixed
 - Enhanced denitrification
 - » Mixed anoxic tank
 - » Recirculation propeller pump













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◉ MEETING PHOSPHORUS LIMITS

> Solution Components:

- Biological nutrient removal
- ***Sidestream phosphorus treatment system***
 - Chemical treatment of high-P waste streams
 - » Digester decant
 - » Dewatering filtrate
 - » Sludge pad runoff





WWTP Improvements Project



◉ INCREASING OPERATIONAL FLEXIBILITY

> Solution Components:

- Multiple Aeration Compartments
 - Allows combined series and parallel flow
 - Allows tanks to be taken off line
- Multiple Points of Wastewater Entry
 - Allows for “Storm Mode” to hold mixed liquor
 - Reduces solids loading to clarifiers at high flows







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◉ INCREASING OPERATIONAL FLEXIBILITY

> Solution Components:

- Multiple Aeration Compartments
- Multiple Points of Wastewater Entry
- ***Added VFDs to Blowers***
 - Controlled by DO meter in Tank 4
 - Energy consumption reduced

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◉ IMPROVED SLUDGE MANAGEMENT

> Solution Components:

- ***Covered Storage for Dewatered Sludge***
 - Allows dewatering when needed, not when fields can take sludge
 - Additional stabilization time







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◉ IMPROVING SLUDGE MANAGEMENT

> Solution Components:

- Covered Storage for Dewatered Sludge
- ***Improved Decanting Ability***
 - Removed divider wall
 - Improved thickening
 - Decant to phosphorus treatment system



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◉ IMPROVING SLUDGE MANAGEMENT

> Solution Components:

- Covered Storage for Dewatered Sludge
- Improved Decanting Ability
- ***Capacity for Sequencing Facultative Digestion***
 - ORP and pH probes added to each tank
 - Sequencing by controlling aeration



WWTP Improvements Project



NEW & REPLACED EQUIPMENT

> *Replaced Influent Screen*

- Old screen “died” in June 2010
- Used manual bar screen as interim measure
- New screen on line in August 2010
- ¼” bar spacing
- Front cleaning rakes – no carry through
- Tilts for maintenance





WWTP Improvements Project



- ◉ NEW & REPLACED EQUIPMENT
 - > Replaced Influent Screen
 - > ***Replaced Aerated Grit System***
 - Vortex grit system
 - Grit pump
 - Grit washing





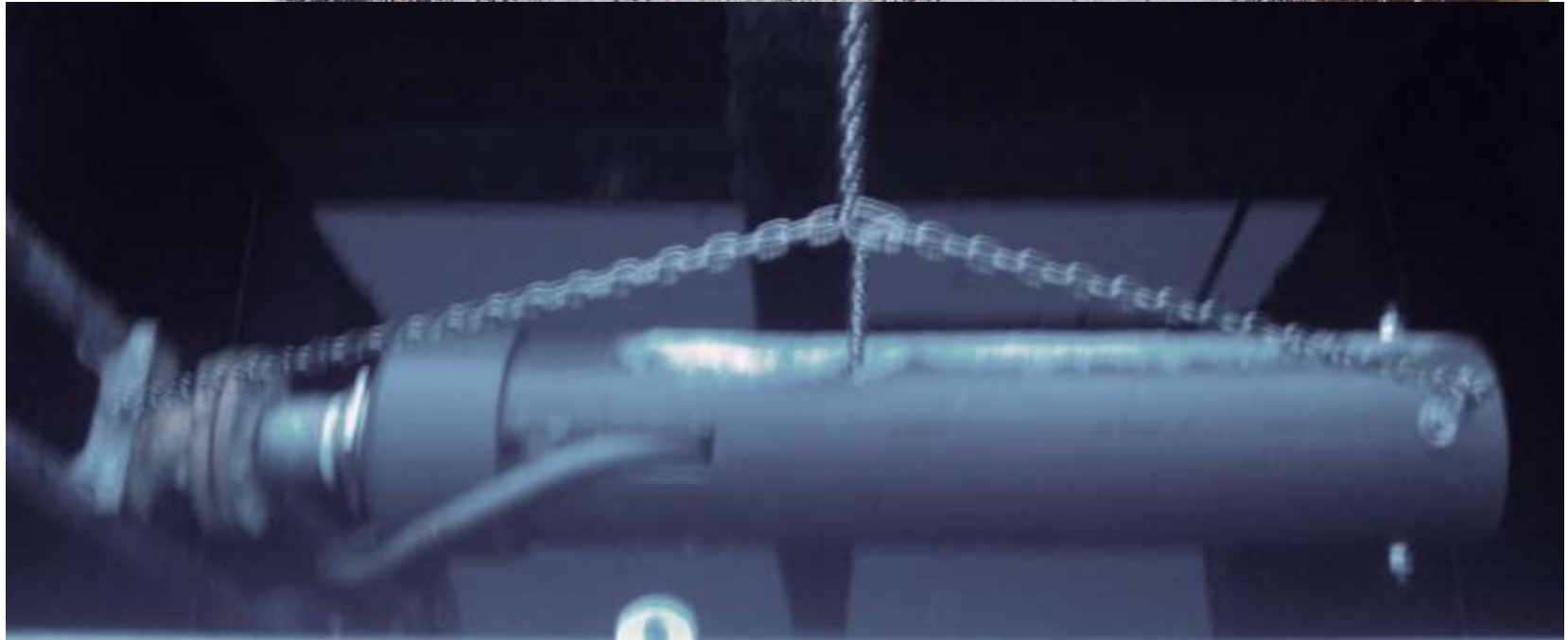


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NEW & REPLACED EQUIPMENT

- > Replaced Aerated Grit System
- > Replaced Influent Screen
- > **Replaced Parshall Flume**
- > **Non-Potable Water System**
 - For grit system, sludge pressing, bisulfite feed, general wash down, etc.
 - Well pump with flow shield in chlorine contact tank
 - Hydropneumatic tank and pressure switch in screen building
 - VFD Controlled
 - High capacity yard hydrants







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 - > Non-Potable Water System
 - > ***Emergency Generator and Automatic Transfer Switch***





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 - > ***Electrical Systems and Switch Gear***





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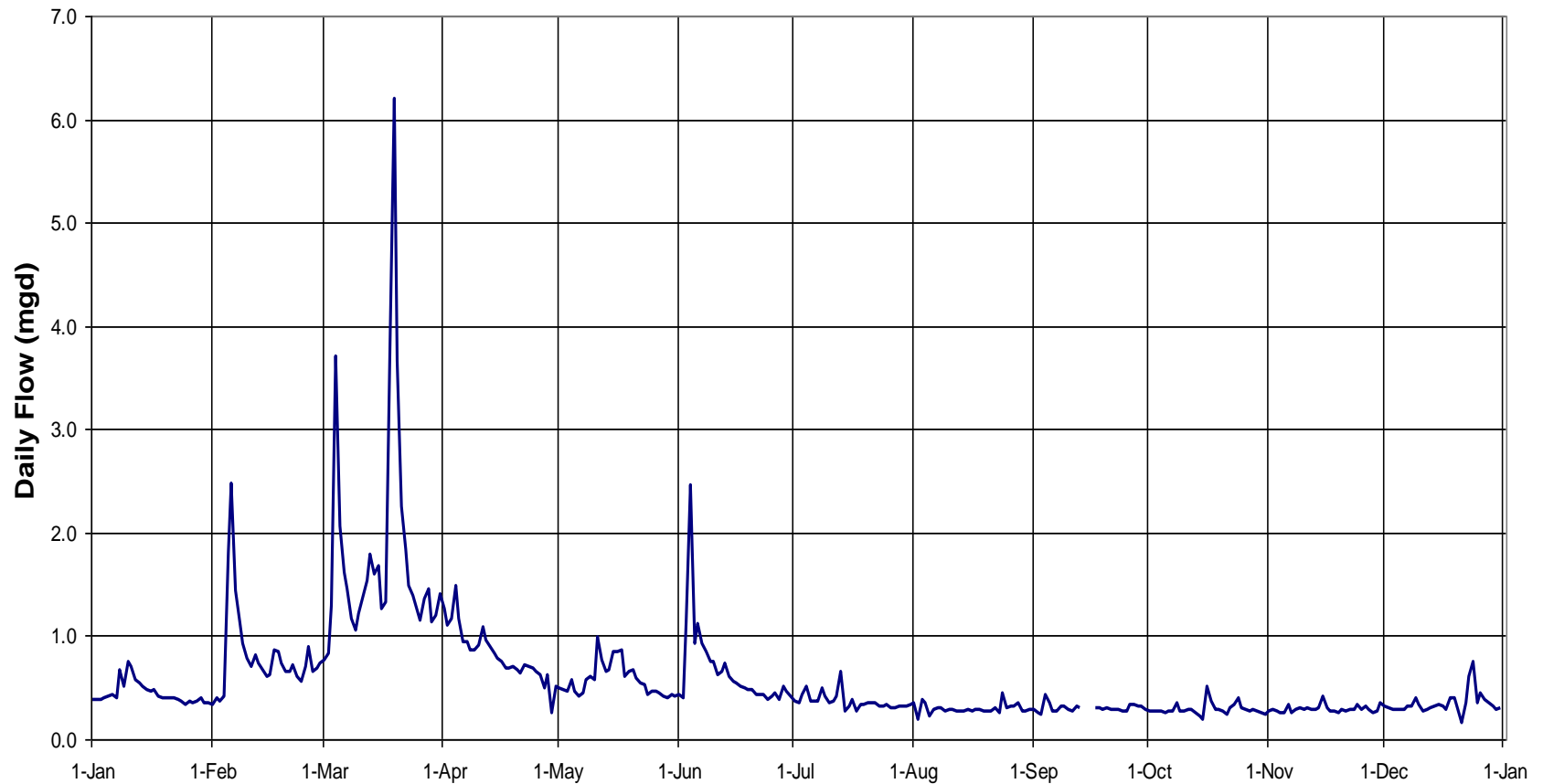
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 - > ***Operational Controls and SCADA***



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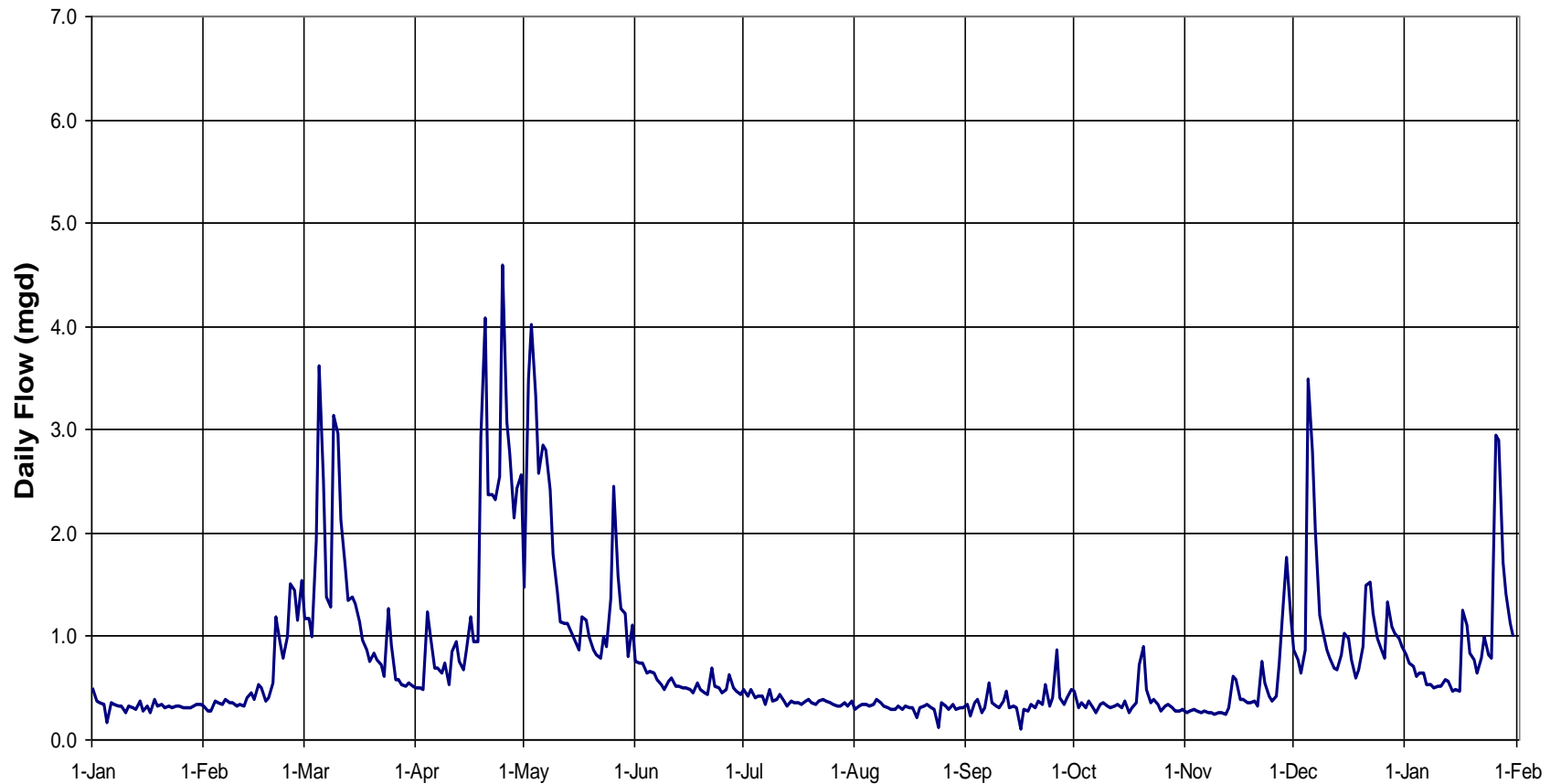
Yellow Springs WWTP Flows - 2008



EFFLUENT QUALITY



Yellow Springs WWTP Flows - 2011 & Jan 2012



EFFLUENT QUALITY



Parameter	Weekly Limit	Monthly Limit	2008 Annual Average	2011 Annual Average
BOD5 (mg/l)	15	10	4.7	3.4
BOD5 (kg/d)	34.1	22.8	16.8	11.7
TSS (mg/l)	18	12	6.0	3.5
TSS (kg/d)	40.9	27.3	19.3	16.7

EFFLUENT QUALITY



Parameter	Weekly Limit (Winter / Summer)	Monthly Limit (Winter / Summer)	2008 Annual Average	2011 Annual Average
NH4-N (mg/l)	2.9 / 1.1	1.9 / 0.7	0.4	0.09
NH4-N (kg/d)	6.59 / 2.5	4.32 / 1.5	2.0	0.34
Total P (mg/)	na / 1.5	na / 1.0	1.86	1.59
Total P (mg/)	na / 3.41	na / 2.28	2.7	2.45

PERFORMANCE EVALUATION



OVERALL ASSESSMENT

> *High Flow Management Was Very Good*

- 2011 high flows were comparable to 2008
- Overflow basin used several times
- Diversion box set to allow 3.4 mgd through plant
- No loss of solids in 2011

PERFORMANCE EVALUATION



OVERALL ASSESSMENT

- > High Flow Management Was Very Good
- > ***Effluent Quality Results Were Mixed***
 - BOD5, TSS and NH4-N stayed within limits for both concentration and loading
 - Effluent was extremely clear consistently
 - Phosphorus removal did not meet expectations

PHOSPHORUS REMOVAL



◉ TROUBLE SHOOTING

> ***Discovered malfunctioning mixer in anaerobic selector tank***

- One mixer malfunctioned
- Wiring for two mixer were reversed
- Mixer improperly wired which delayed discovery of mixer malfunction
- Easily fixed once discovered
- Therefore selector tank couldn't work properly

PHOSPHORUS REMOVAL



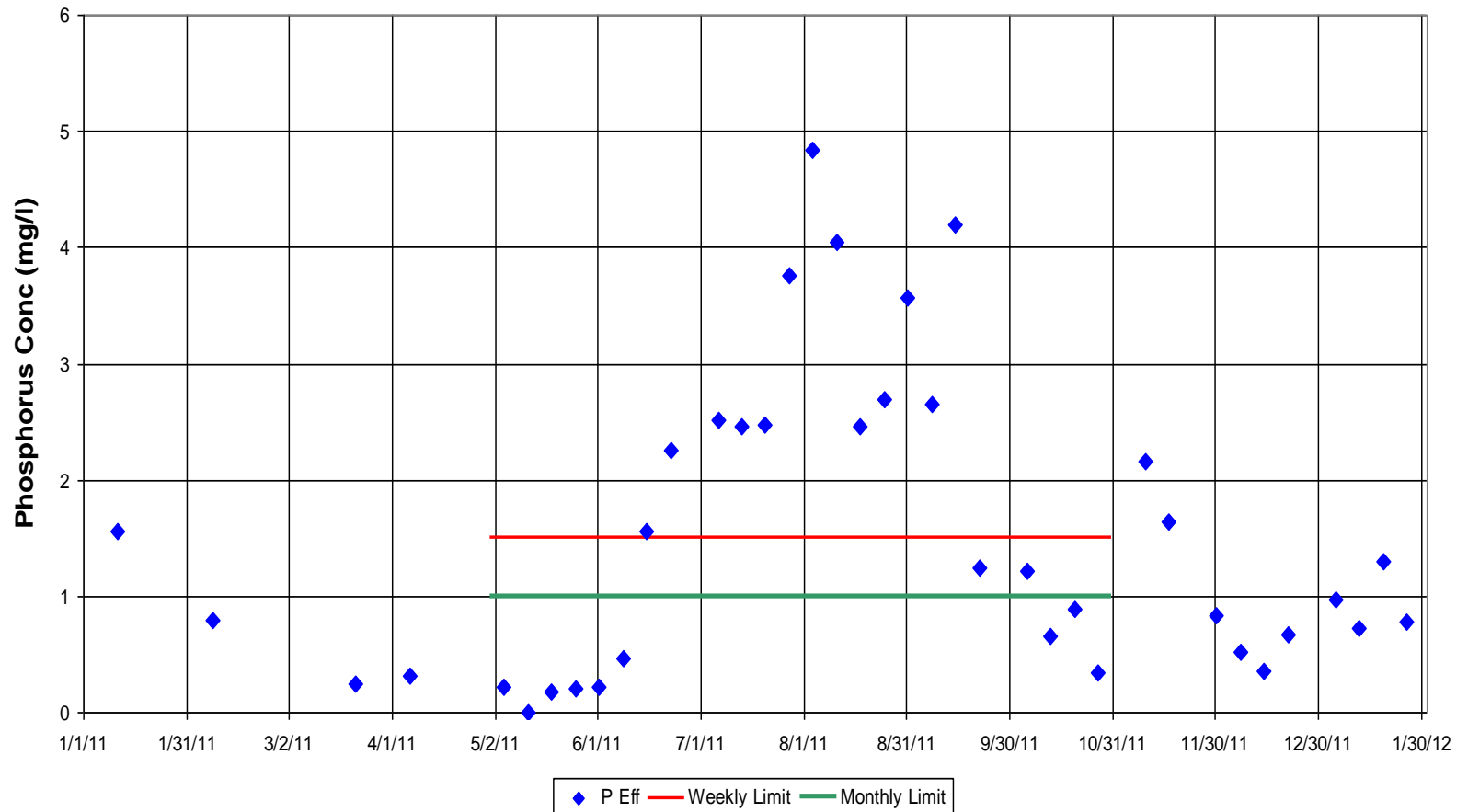
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- > Discovered malfunctioning mixer in anaerobic selector tank
- > ***MLSS was too high***
 - Land application of sludge had been limited by very wet spring
 - MLSS levels still high from previous operating practices
 - Increase wastage now possible with new sludge storage
 - Therefore MLSS levels were reduced

EFFLUENT QUALITY



Yellow Springs WWTP - 2011 & Jan 2012



PHOSPHORUS REMOVAL



◉ TROUBLE SHOOTING

- > Discovered malfunctioning mixer in anaerobic selector tank
- > MLSS was too high
- > ***Measures appear successful***
 - Biological phosphorus removal improved markedly
 - Good removal October 2011 – January 2012
 - Looking forward to good year in 2012



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YELLOW SPRINGS
**WASTEWATER
TREATMENT PLANT**
3935 GRINNELL RD



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WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT
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