



Smart Management for
Small Water Systems

Energy Management and Cost Reduction for Small Water Systems

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The Smart Management for Small Water Systems Program

This program is offered free of charge to all who are interested. The Program Team will conduct activities in every state, territory, and the Navajo Nation. All small drinking water systems are eligible to receive free training and technical assistance.

What We Offer

Individualized technical assistance, workshops, small group support, webinars, eLearning, online tools & resources, blogs

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Asset Management



Rate Setting and Fiscal Planning



Leadership Through Decision-making and Communication



Water Loss Reduction



Energy Management Planning



Accessing Infrastructure Financing Programs



Workforce Development



Water Conservation Finance and Management



Collaborating with Other Water Systems



Resiliency Planning



Managing Drought

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[Magdalena, New Mexico: A Success Story from the Smart Management for Small Water Systems Project](#)

Written by: Allison Perch Allison Perch is a Program Coordinator with the Environmental Finance Center at the University of North Carolina. What can a small town do when the financial health of its water system is at risk? This is the question that Stephanie Finch, the town clerk and treasurer for the ...



[The Virtuous Cycle: Internal Energy Revolving Funds for Small Water Systems](#)

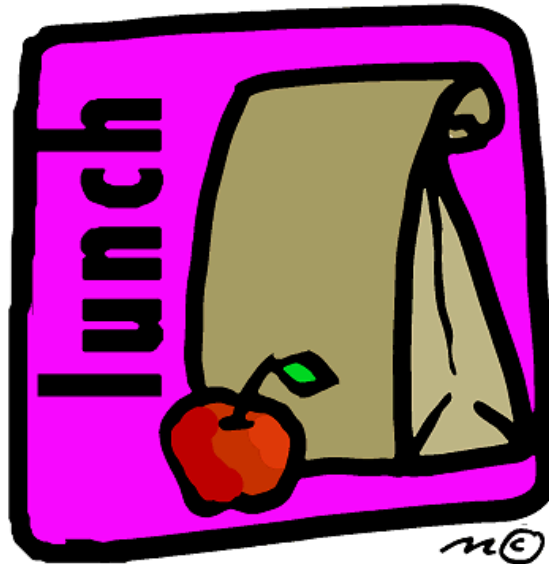
Written by: David Tucker David Tucker is a Project Director with the Environmental Finance Center at the University of North Carolina. How can small (and large) water systems pay for energy efficiency and renewable energy, helping cut utility costs? As energy is often the largest variable expense in a water system's operating ...



[Smart Management for Small Water Systems Program Newsletter | Fall 2015](#)

View Full Issue The Environmental Finance Center Network has published the third issue in a series of quarterly newsletters. The Fall 2015 Program Newsletter announces

Safety Message and Housekeeping Items





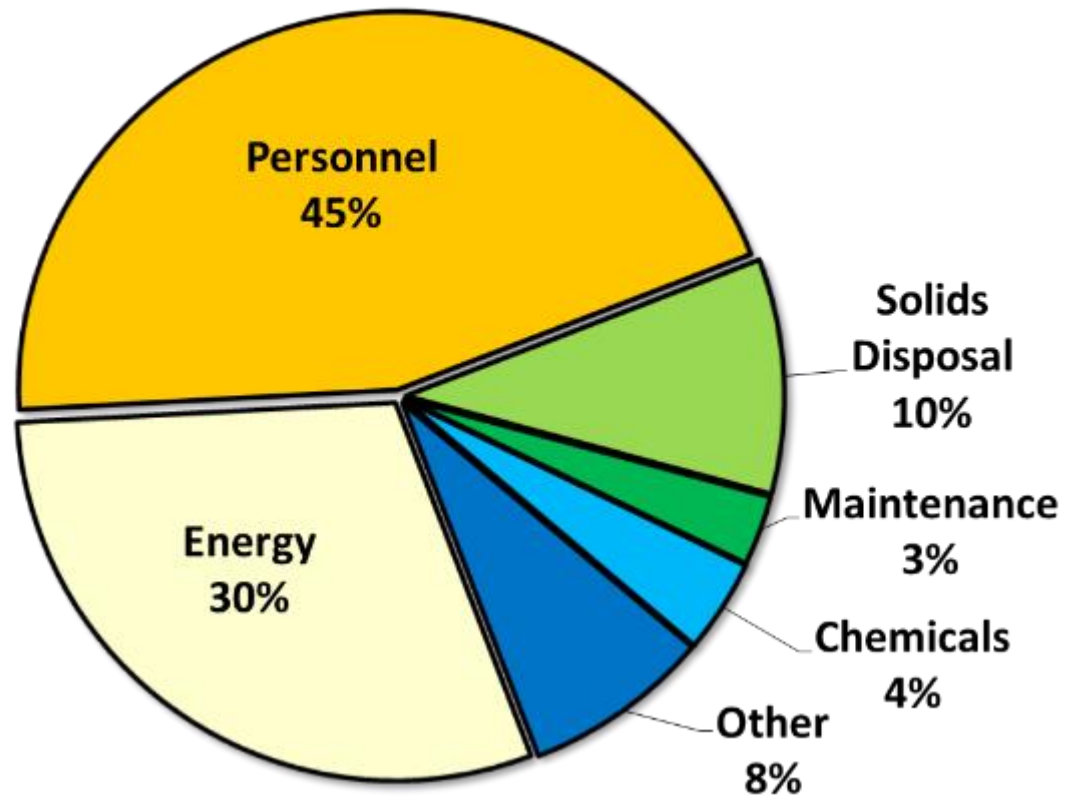
Workshop Goals

Learn to:

- Understand your energy usage and bills
- Develop a baseline of energy use
- Evaluate your system for energy efficiency and water loss reduction opportunities
- Prioritize and implement projects
- Identify ways to finance energy projects

And, have a forum for sharing energy management perspectives, ideas, and experiences.

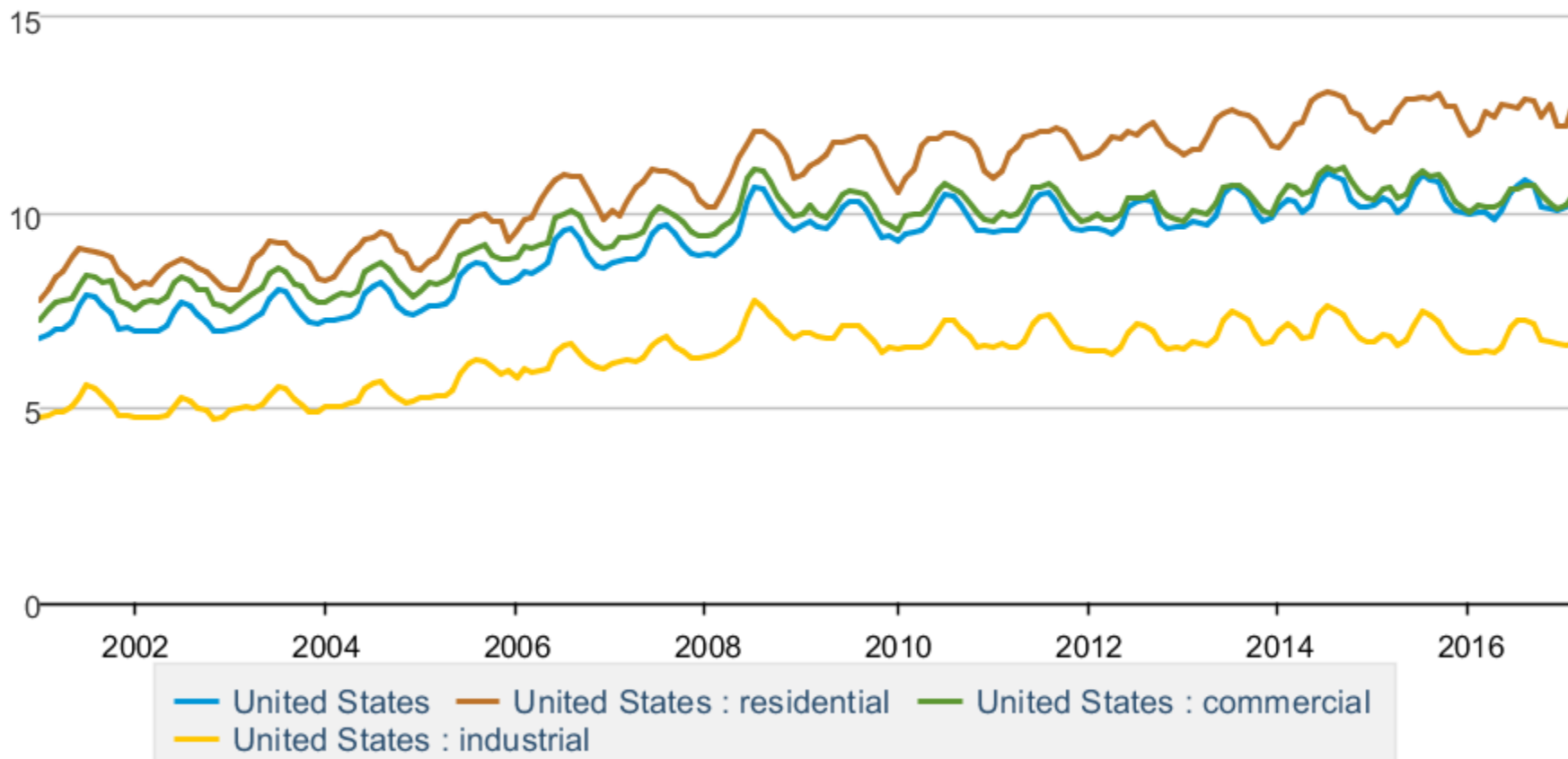
Why are we here today?





Average retail price of electricity, monthly

cents per kilowatthour



Why should a small water utility care about energy?



2 trillion gallons of H₂O:
estimated amount pumped each year by small systems.

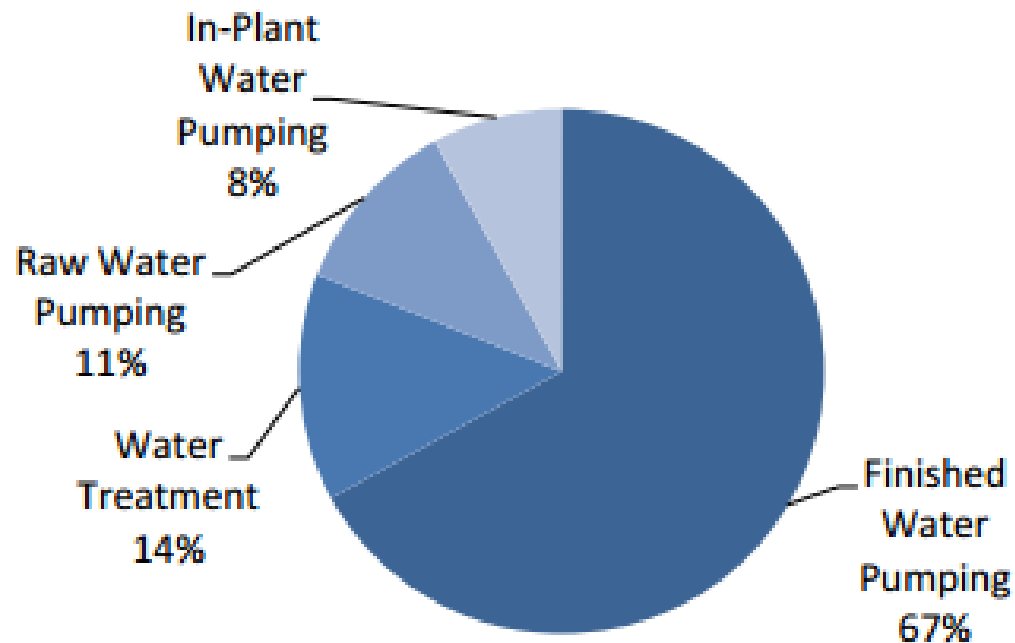
\$1 billion:
estimated electric power costs per year for these small systems.

\$10 million:
annual electric bill savings from a 1% reduction in electric costs.

\$100 million:
annual electric bill savings from a 10% reduction in electric costs.

Source: Regnier and Winters, "Reducing electric power costs in small water systems," Journal AWWA, April 2013, 67-72.

Typical Energy End-Uses in Public Surface Water Systems



Source: Keith Carns, EPRI Solutions, "Bringing Energy Efficiency to the Water & Wastewater Industry: How Do We Get There?," presented at *WEFTEC 2005*, Washington DC, November 2, 2005.



Letting a faucet run for
five minutes
uses as much energy as
leaving a
60-watt light bulb
on for
22 HOURS



epa.gov/watersense



Energy Management Post-Workshop Opportunities

- Contact the EFC Network (<http://efcnetwork.org>) to request free technical assistance under the Small Systems grant in developing your utility's new energy management plan.
- Attend our energy management webinars.
- Read our very active blog.
- Get an energy audit.



Introductions



- Your Name
- Organization and role at organization
- Water system size (# of people served)
- Who provides your water utility's power



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Let's take a look at the agenda...



Safety Message



Energy Management Goals

- Improve energy efficiency and manage total energy consumption
- Control peak demand for energy
- Manage energy cost volatility
- Improve energy reliability

These goals often overlap with other management practices (i.e. preventive maintenance program improves motor efficiency and improves reliability)



Energy Management Program Basic Steps

Step 1. Establish Organizational Commitment

Step 2. Develop a Baseline of Energy Use

Step 3. Evaluate the System and Collect Data

Step 4. Identify Energy Efficiency Opportunities

Step 5. Prioritize Opportunities for Implementation

Step 6. Develop an Implementation Plan

Step 7. Provide for Progress Tracking and Reporting

Source: NYSERDA

<http://efcnetwork.org/publication/nyserda-water-wastewater-energy-management-practices-handbook/>



Step 1: Establish Organizational Commitment

Energy Management for Small Water Systems



Step 1 – Establish Organizational Commitment



- Team responsibilities include:
 - develop the plan
 - establish goals
 - define the resources needed
 - provide information to others (i.e. CIP team)




Is your team
defined?

Is your team
diverse?

Does it represent
various interests
and responsibilities
within the utility?



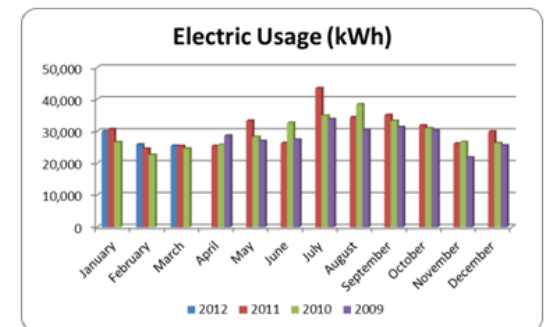
A wooden A-frame chalkboard stands on a light-colored surface against a light-colored wall. The chalkboard is black and has the question "Who would you include on your energy team?" written in white, cursive-style chalk. The wooden frame is made of light-colored wood with a visible grain. The chalkboard is slightly tilted to the right.

Who would you
include on your
energy team?



Step 2: Develop a Baseline of Energy Use

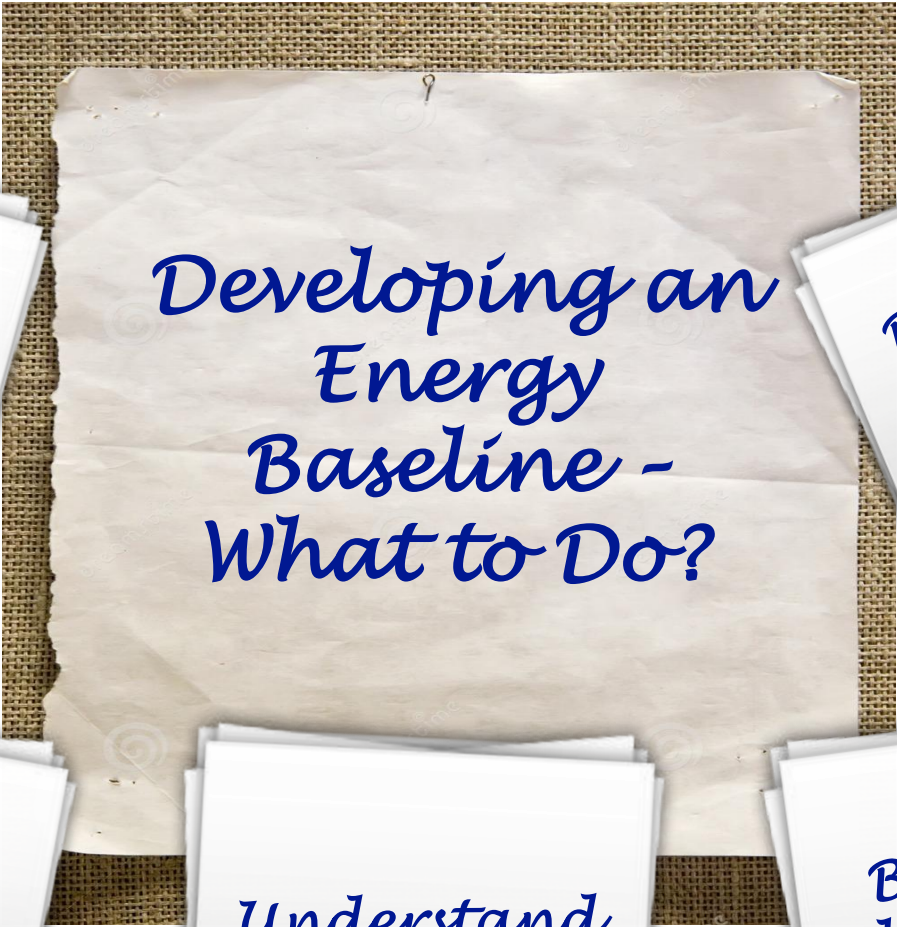
Energy Management for Small Water Systems





Why should we benchmark?

- To know where you're starting from with your water system's electricity usage.
- To be able to find usage variations across time and understand them.
- To track effectiveness of energy management projects implemented.
- To support stakeholder communication.
- To be a “detective” and look for ideas or problems!



*Developing an
Energy
Baseline -
What to Do?*

*Gather basic
information*

*Review
hydraulic
data*

*Evaluate
energy bills*

*Understand
energy rate
structure*

*Build a
basic
model*



How are you
charged for
energy use?



Energy Terminology

Kilowatt-hours
(kWh)
Electricity
measurement
1,000 watts
used for 1 hour

Consumption
Charge
\$/kWh

Demand or
Power Charge
\$/kW

5 kW motor
x 10 hours
use = 50
kWh

50 kW motor
x 2 hours use
= 100 kWh

300 kW x 8
hours =
2,400 kWh

100 kW x 24
hours =
2,400 kWh

Sample Electricity Bill for a Small Water System

Account No.	Service Location				Cycle	Service From	To	Days	Rate / Reference / Bill Type
92747600	WTPA OXBOW 460				2	11/01/2014	12/01/2014	30	45 / MUNICIPAL WAT / REGULAR
Meter Nbr	Pres Rdg	Prev Rdg	Mult	kWh Used	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>ACTIVITY PRIOR TO BILLING</u></p> PREVIOUS BALANCE 4790.71 PAYMENTS -4790.71 BALANCE FORWARD 0.00 <p style="text-align: center;"><u>CURRENT BILL INFORMATION</u></p> ENERGY 1997.75 DEMAND CHARGE 260.00 KVA 871.00 GRID ACCESS 58.95 FRANCHISE FEE 87.83				
50078	4867	4742	200.0000	25000					
<p>CONVENIENT WAYS TO PAY YOUR BILL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SmartHub online Bill Pay - make a payment, access your account, or contact _____ via online or mobile device. ■ Pay Now - quick online payment with real-time billing information. ■ Electronic Funds Transfer - Pre-Authorized transfer of payment from your bank to _____ 					Date: <u>12-17-14</u> Acct: <u>500-462-413-00</u> Authorized By: _____				
					Current Charges Due By 12/29/2014				3015.53
					Previous Balance Was Due 12/01/2014				0.00
					Total Amount Due				3015.53

Retain this copy for your records.



Typical Electric Bill Components

- Customer / base / service availability charge
- Consumption charge (kWh)
- Demand charge (kW or kVa)
 - May not apply in some rate structures, e.g. residential electric rate structures
- Other charges
- You may be able to switch rate structures



Types of Electric Rate Structures

- Your electric rate structure may go by any of many different names

- A **Does the application match the rate structure?** all
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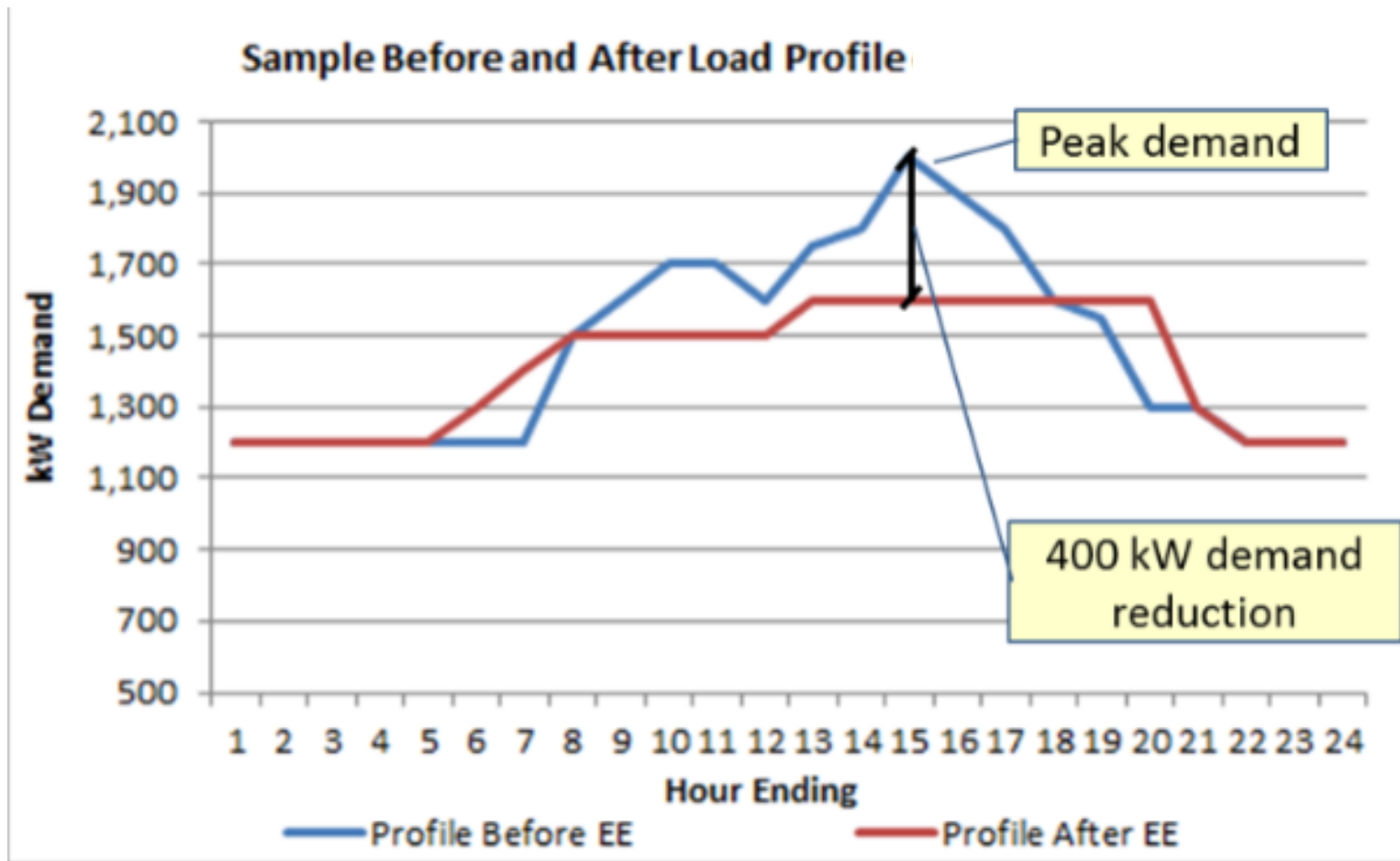
- Consumption charge (per kWh) portion:
 - Uniform rate
 - Increasing / inclining block rate
 - Decreasing / declining block rate



Demand Charges

- Charged on a per kW basis (or kVa)
 - Real power versus apparent power
- May be charged against the customer's peak demand or the utility's peak demand (coincident peak)
 - E.g. the top one hour per month, or top 15 min., etc.
- Typically covers capital costs, particularly for peaking capacity
- Does it carry over? (ratchet charge)

Control Peak Demand



kWh — like **odometer** (a measure of total energy you use over a specific period of time, NOT at a given moment)

kW — like **speedometer** (a measure of energy use at a given moment, NOT over time)





Other Charges

- Fuel surcharges
- Line loss charges
- Maintenance charges
- Renewable energy and energy efficiency portfolio standard cost compliance charges
- Taxes



What elements do your water system's electric bills include?



Benchmarking Tools

- EFCN's Electricity Baseline Builder for Water Utilities
 - <http://efcnetwork.org/tool/electricity-baseline-builder-water-utilities/>
- Energy Star's Portfolio Manager
 - <https://www.energystar.gov/buildings/facility-owners-and-managers/existing-buildings/use-portfolio-manager>
- State Energy Office Tools
- AWWA "Energy Management for Water Utilities" 2016
- WEF Energy Roadmap (2013)



Data Needs - Examples

Inputs

- Bill Date
- Customer Charge
- Electric Use
- Electric Charge
- Demand
- Demand Charge
- Meter Usage Metric and Measurement

Calculations

- Average cost per kWh
- Average cost per day
- Average use per day
- Demand charges as a percent of total bill
- Energy use intensity

EFCN's Electricity Baseline Builder for Water Utilities

Electricity Baseline Builder for Water Utilities

Water System Name			
Facility Name			
Electric Meter Number			
Rate Structure			
?			



Tips
 Enter your data in the green cells.
 Not sure what these columns mean? Click on the header to learn more!
 Seeing red? Make sure you have entered in all the necessary information!

Meter Usage Metric
 Have something else you want to compare to electricity usage? Use this column!
 This could be gallons per month, residents, square feet, or any measure against which you want to measure energy efficiency.
 Be sure to put what you are measuring in the "Units" box.

Bill Date (Month/Year)	Fixed Costs			Variable Costs				Taxes & Miscellaneous Charges(\$)	Total Electricity Bill (\$)	Average kWh Cost (\$/kWh)	Average Cost Per Day (\$/day)	Average Electricity Use Per Day	Demand Charge as Percent of Total Bill	Meter Usage Metric	Electricity Intensity (kWh/Unit)
	Customer Charge (\$)	Other Fixed Costs (\$)	Days in the Billing Cycle	Total Electricity Use (kWh)	Total Cost of Electricity (\$)	Peak Monthly Demand (kW or kVA)	Peak Monthly Demand Charge (\$)							Units (gallons, residents, etc)	

Tool Demo: Putting Your Electricity Bill into the Electricity Baseline Tool

Electricity Baseline Building for Water Utilities

Want to know where to find the information you need? Check out this sample electricity bill!

Days in Billing Cycle

Back to Your Electricity Bill Data

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Total Electricity Use

Total Cost of Electricity Use

Peak Monthly Demand Charge

Peak Monthly Demand

Customer Charge(s)

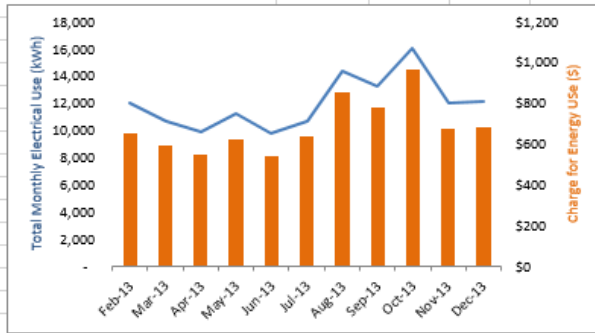
Your bill may (will) look completely different! That's OK, this is here just to give you an idea of what you are looking for. You may not have demand charges, or customer charges, or may have something that is not shown here. Every utility has different ways of charging for electricity.

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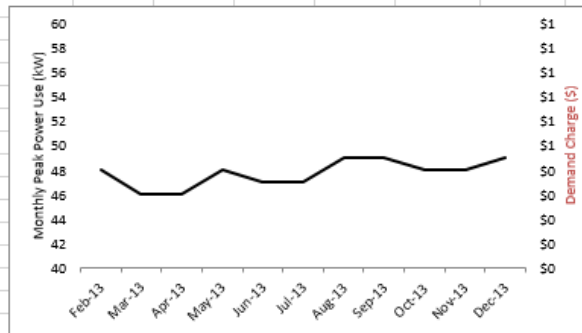
EFCN's Electricity Baseline Builder for Water Utilities

Dashboard

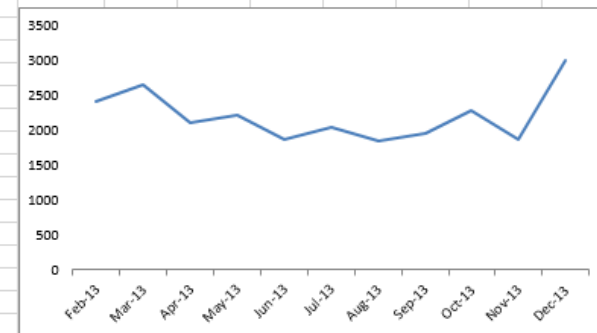
Monthly Electric Use



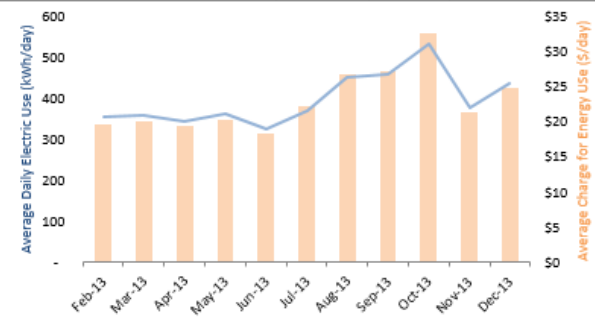
Electric Demand



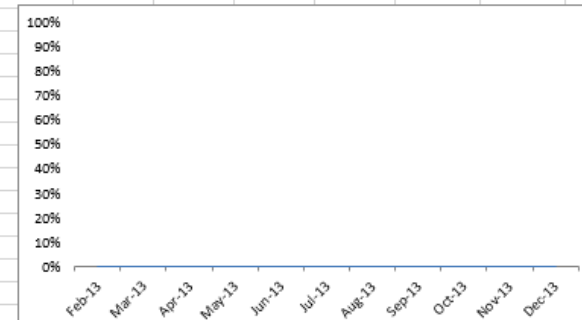
Energy Use Intensity (kWh/MG)



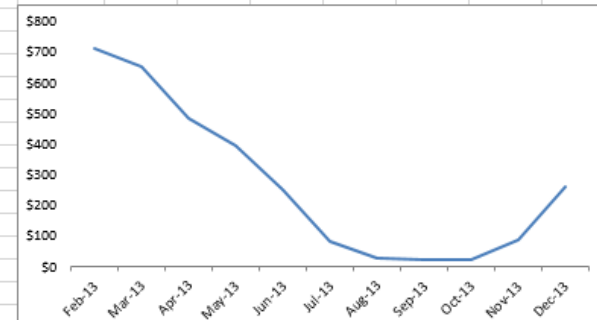
Average Daily Electric Use



Demand Charge as Percent of Total Bill



Gas Charges



Webinar: Where am I Starting From? Understanding Your Water System's Electric Bill + The Energy Usage Baseline Tool

The screenshot shows the website for the Environmental Finance Center (EFC) at UNC. The page is titled "RESOURCES" and features a "Presentation" section. The main resource is a webinar titled "Where Am I Starting From? Understanding Your Water System's Electric Bill + the New Electricity Baseline Builder for Water Utilities Tool". The page includes a search bar, a mission statement, and a search filter for the resources library. The webinar details include the author (David Tucker), program (Drinking Water and Wastewater), presentation type (Powerpoint), date (06/08/2016), and host organization (Environmental Finance Center Network). A file link is provided for the webinar presentation, and a project page link is also visible.

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Asset management is tied to energy management

Asset Management: Identifying how existing assets will be managed, maintained, repaired, and replaced. Inventorying assets is a key first step.

All water and
wastewater
facilities are made
up of many, many
individual assets



It costs money to construct, operate, maintain, repair, rehabilitate and replace the assets

You most likely don't have all the money you need to do everything that needs to be done within the facility.....

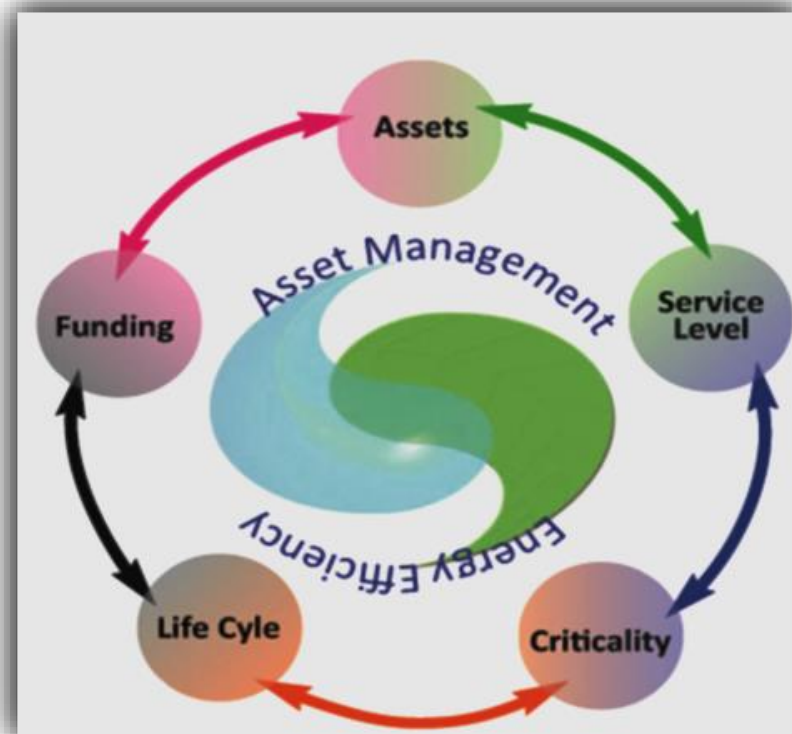


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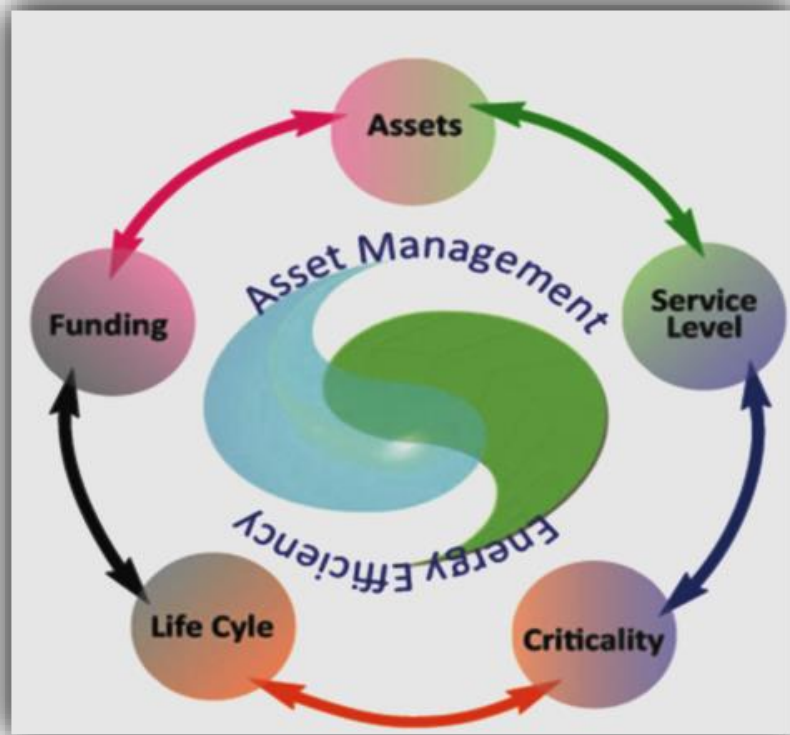
Therefore, you have to make choices about where to spend the money



Asset management helps you determine how, where, and when to spend your money

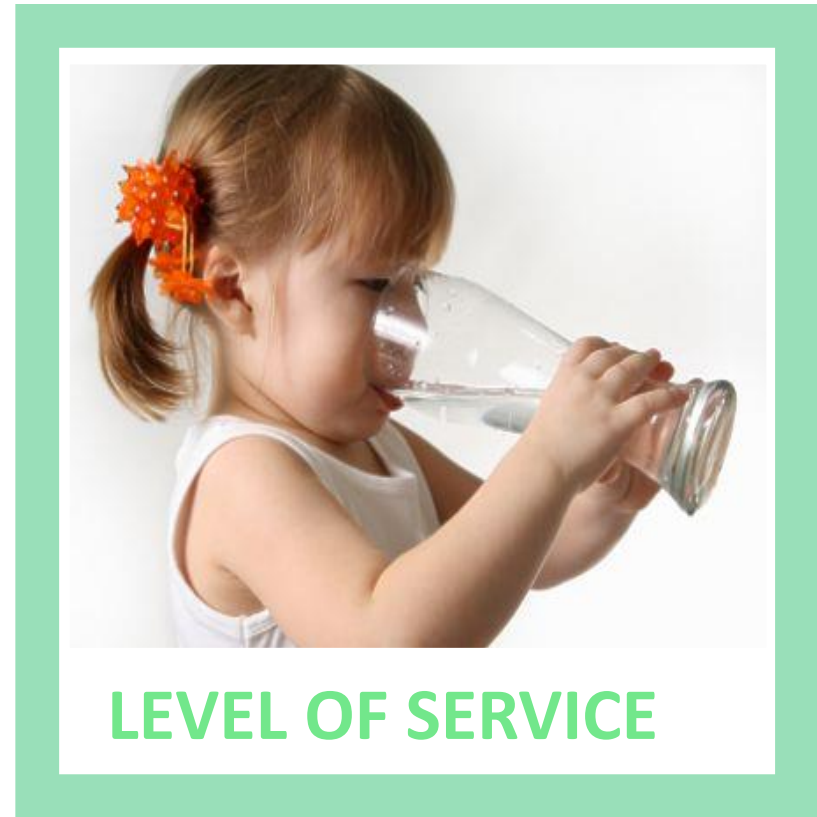


AM thought process - Five core components

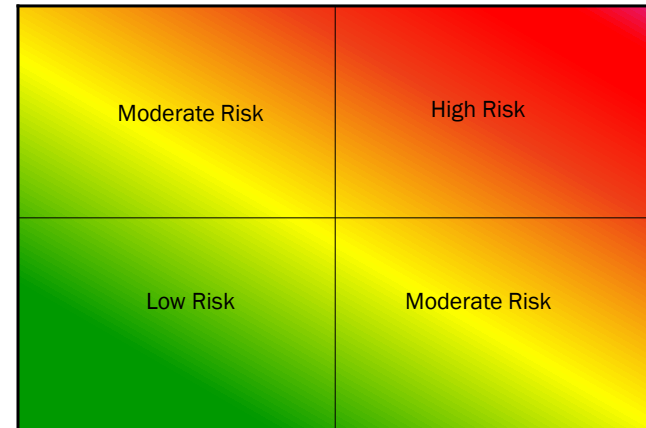


CURRENT STATE OF THE ASSETS

AM thought process - Five core components



AM thought process - Five core components



CRITICALITY

AM thought process - Five core components



AM thought process - Five core components



FUNDING

The benefits of using asset management

- ✓ Better operational decisions
- ✓ Improved emergency response
- ✓ Greater ability to plan and pay for future repairs and replacements
- ✓ Increased knowledge of asset location and condition
- ✓ Increased understanding of which assets are critical to the utility
- ✓ More efficient operation
- ✓ Improved customer communication & service
- ✓ Easier rate-setting
- ✓ Rates based on sound information
- ✓ Increased acceptance of rates
- ✓ Better prioritization of capital improvement projects





Water Loss tied to Energy Management

- Case Study – Wisconsin
 - 1997-2000: Average use was 1.6 kWh per 1,000 gallons of water produced = \$0.086 per 1,000 gallons of water produced
 - 23.5 billion gallons lost per year
 - $23,500,000 \times \$0.086 = \sim \2 million on 38 million kWh to produce lost water



Does this look familiar?



**Water
Produced**



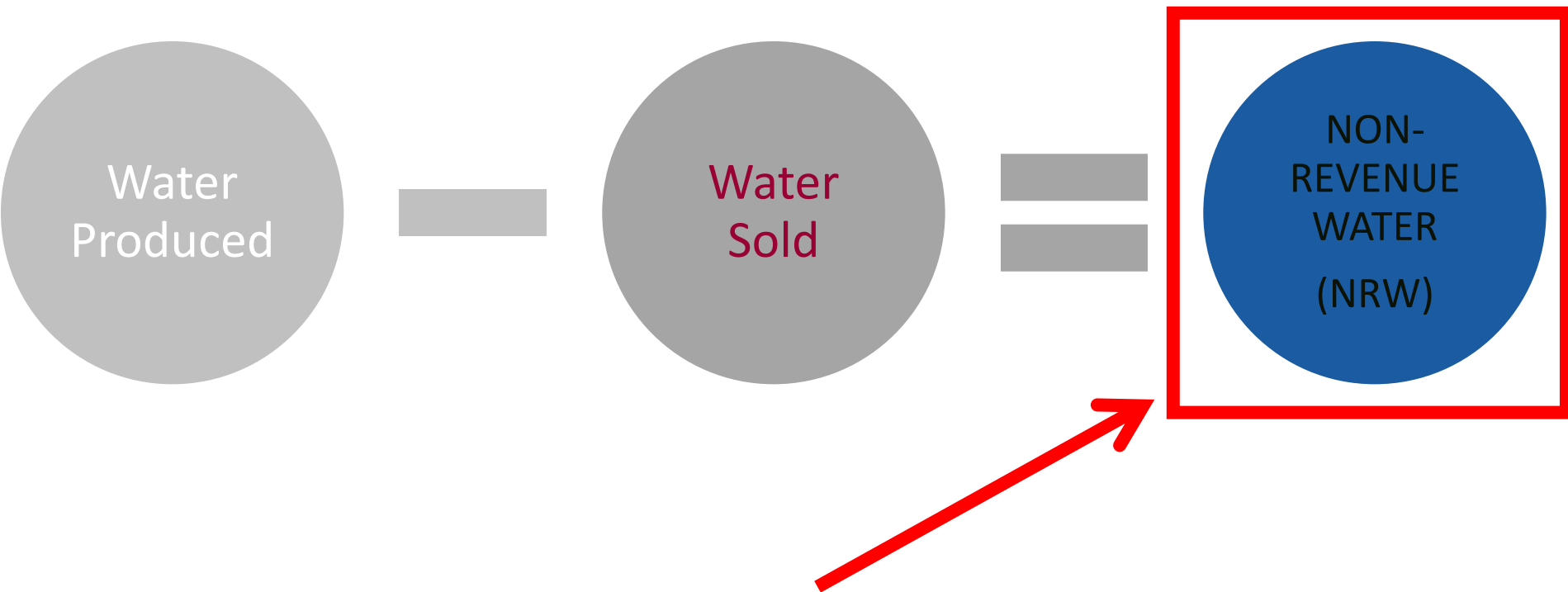
**Water
Sold**



**Water
Loss**



This value is not water loss





NON-REVENUE WATER:



Water Use for
City, Town, Muni
Purposes

Illegal Water
Use

Water Use by
Water Utility for
flushing or other
purposes

Lost Water

Inaccurate
Meters

Poor Data
Handling



WHY CARE ABOUT NRW?



**WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT:
REDUCE USE, DELAY NEED FOR NEW
SOURCE**



**FINANCIAL: GAIN REVENUE & CUT
COSTS**



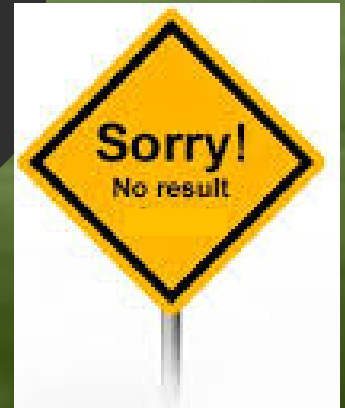
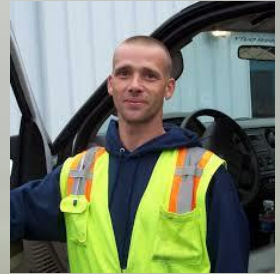
**OPERATIONAL: BETTER
UNDERSTANDING OF YOUR SYSTEM**



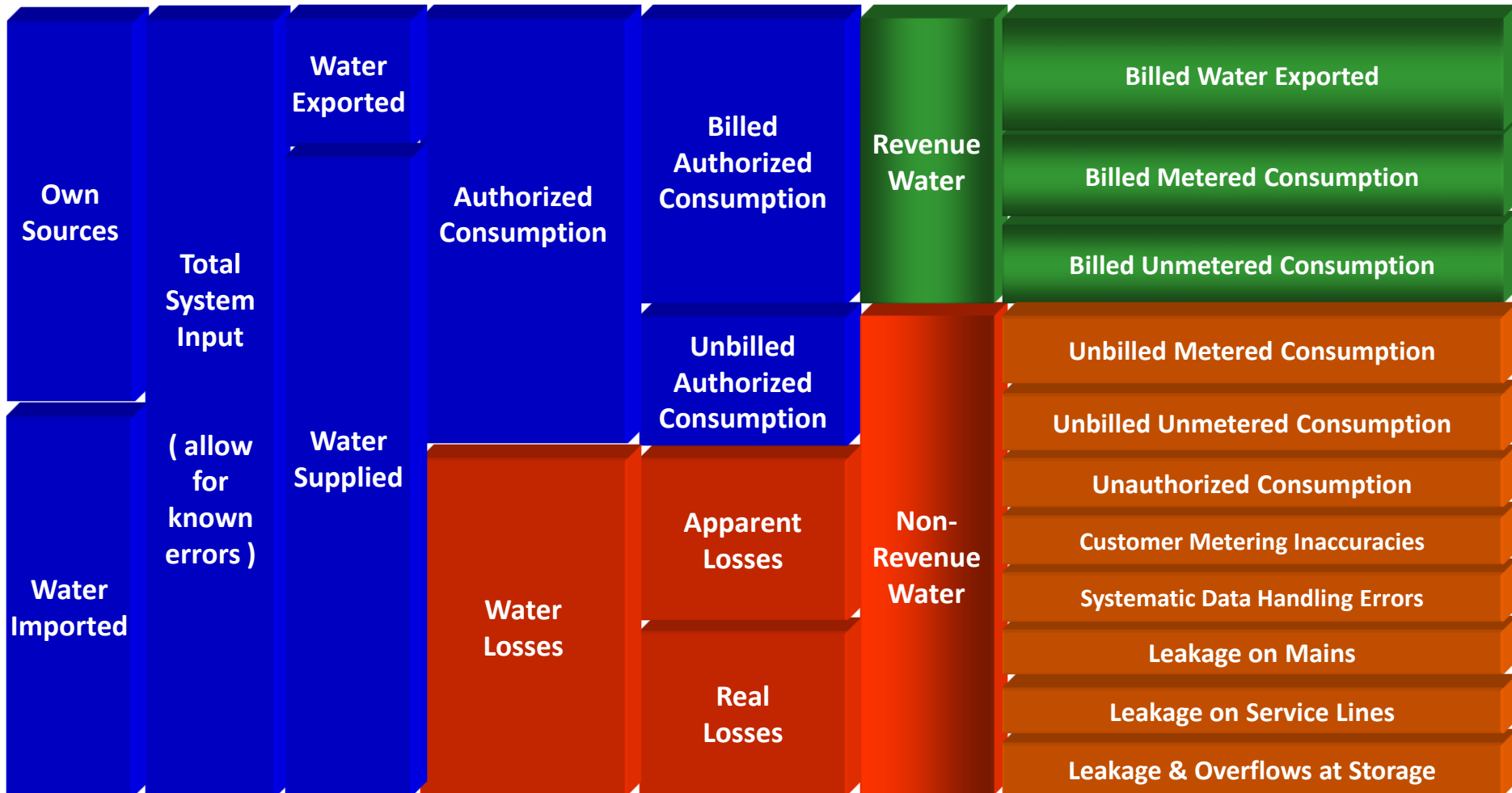
**SYSTEM INTEGRITY: BOTH DATA
HANDLING AND PIPE INFRASTRUCTURE**



If we don't understand the nature of the problem, we may apply the wrong solution.



IWA/AWWA Standard Water Balance



Goal: No "unaccounted for"
water

All water placed in it's
applicable category



AWWA Free Water Audit Software



AWWA Free Water Audit Software: Reporting Worksheet WAS v5.0
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Water Audit Report for: **Northern San Leandro Combined Water Sewer Storm Utility District (0007900)**
Reporting Year: **2013** / 1/2013 - 12/2013

Please enter data in the white cells below. Where available, metered values should be used; if metered values are unavailable please estimate a value. Indicate your confidence in the accuracy of the input data by grading each component (n/a or 1-10) using the drop-down list to the left of the input cell. Hover the mouse over the cell to obtain a description of the grades

All volumes to be entered as: MILLION GALLONS (US) PER YEAR

To select the correct data grading for each input, determine the highest grade where the utility meets or exceeds all criteria for that grade and all grades below it.

WATER SUPPLIED

----- Enter grading in column 'E' and 'J' -----

Volume from own sources:	<input type="text" value="5"/>	<input type="text" value="1,000.000"/>	MG/Yr
Water imported:	<input type="text" value=""/>	<input type="text" value=""/>	MG/Yr
Water exported:	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="100.000"/>	MG/Yr

WATER SUPPLIED: MG/Yr

Master Meter Error Adjustments

Pcnt:	<input type="text" value="1"/>	<input type="text" value="100.000"/>	MG/Yr
Pcnt:	<input type="text" value="9"/>	<input type="text" value="25.000"/>	MG/Yr

Enter negative % or value for under-registration
Enter positive % or value for over-registration

AUTHORIZED CONSUMPTION

Billed metered:	<input type="text" value="8"/>	<input type="text" value="700.000"/>	MG/Yr
Billed unmetered:	<input type="text" value="9"/>	<input type="text" value="50.000"/>	MG/Yr
Unbilled metered:	<input type="text" value=""/>	<input type="text" value=""/>	MG/Yr
Unbilled unmetered:	<input type="text" value=""/>	<input type="text" value="10.313"/>	MG/Yr

Default option selected for Unbilled unmetered - a grading of 5 is applied but not displayed

AUTHORIZED CONSUMPTION: MG/Yr

WATER LOSSES (Water Supplied - Authorized Consumption) MG/Yr

Apparent Losses

Unauthorized consumption: MG/Yr

Customer metering inaccuracies: MG/Yr

Systematic data handling errors: MG/Yr

Apparent Losses: MG/Yr

Real Losses (Current Annual Real Losses or CARL)

Real Losses = Water Losses - Apparent Losses: MG/Yr

WATER LOSSES: MG/Yr

NON-REVENUE WATER

NON-REVENUE WATER: MG/Yr
= Water Losses + Unbilled Metered + Unbilled Unmetered

SYSTEM DATA

Length of mains: miles

Number of active AND inactive service connections:

Service connection density: conn./mile main

Are customer meters typically located at the curbstop or property line? (length of service line, beyond the property boundary, that is the responsibility of the utility)

Average length of customer service line:

Average length of customer service line has been set to zero and a data grading score of 10 has been applied

Average operating pressure: psi

COST DATA

Total annual cost of operating water system: \$/Year

Customer retail unit cost (applied to Apparent Losses): \$/1000 gallons (US)

Variable production cost (applied to Real Losses): \$/Million gallons Use Customer Retail Unit Cost to value real losses



Industry Standard (M36)

Free

Defaults provided

~10 Volume Inputs

~7 System Data Inputs

IT'S NOT AS BAD AS IT LOOKS

Inputs

- 13 Volume inputs
- 5 System attribute inputs
- 3 Cost inputs
- 21 total

After defaults & n/a's:
only about 10-15
inputs to deal with

AWWA Free Water Audit Software: Reporting Worksheet

Water Audit Report for: **County Water Company**
Reporting Year: **2013** | **1/2013 - 12/2013**

Please enter data in the white cells below. Where available, metered values should be used; if metered values are unavailable please estimate a value. Indicate your confidence in the accuracy of the input data by grading each component (n/a or 1-10) using the drop-down list to the left of the input cell. Hover the mouse over the cell to obtain a description of the grades.

All volumes to be entered as: MILLION GALLONS (US) PER YEAR

To select the correct data grading for each input, determine the highest grade where the utility meets or exceeds all criteria for that grade and all grades below it.

Master Meter and Supply Error Adjustments

Category	Value	Unit
WATER SUPPLIED	4,402.160	MG/Yr
Volume from own sources	3,481.590	MG/Yr
Water imported	779.762	MG/Yr
Water exported	0.000	MG/Yr
Port	-0.50%	MG/Yr
Value	-136.890	MG/Yr

WATER SUPPLIED: 4,402.160 MG/Yr

Category	Value	Unit
AUTHORIZED CONSUMPTION	3,457.440	MG/Yr
Billed metered	3,258.200	MG/Yr
Billed unmetered	0.000	MG/Yr
Unbilled metered	15.420	MG/Yr
Unbilled unmetered	183.820	MG/Yr
Unbilled Unmetered volume entered is greater than the recommended default value		

AUTHORIZED CONSUMPTION: 3,457.440 MG/Yr

Category	Value	Unit
WATER LOSSES (Water Supplied - Authorized Consumption)	944.720	MG/Yr
Apparent Losses	208.225	MG/Yr
Unauthorized consumption	11.005	MG/Yr
Customer metering inaccuracies	164.300	MG/Yr
Systematic data handling errors	32.920	MG/Yr
Real Losses (Current Annual Real Losses or CARL)	736.495	MG/Yr
Real Losses = Water Losses - Apparent Losses	736.495	MG/Yr

WATER LOSSES: 944.720 MG/Yr

Category	Value	Unit
NON-REVENUE WATER	1,143.960	MG/Yr
Water Losses + Unbilled Metered + Unbilled Unmetered		

NON-REVENUE WATER: 1,143.960 MG/Yr

Category	Value	Unit
SYSTEM DATA	256.3	miles
Length of mains	12,196	
Number of active AND inactive service connections	48	conn./mile main
Service connection density		
Average length of customer service line	18.0	ft
Average operating pressure	65.0	psi

Category	Value	Unit
COST DATA	\$9,600,000	\$/Year
Total annual cost of operating water system	\$3.95	\$/1000 gallons (US)
Customer retail unit cost (applied to Apparent Losses)	\$190.00	\$/Million gallons
Variable production cost (applied to Real Losses)		Use Customer Retail Unit Cost to value real losses

WATER AUDIT DATA VALIDITY SCORE:

*** YOUR SCORE IS: 66 out of 100 ***

A weighted scale for the components of consumption and water loss is included in the calculation of the Water Audit Data Validity Score



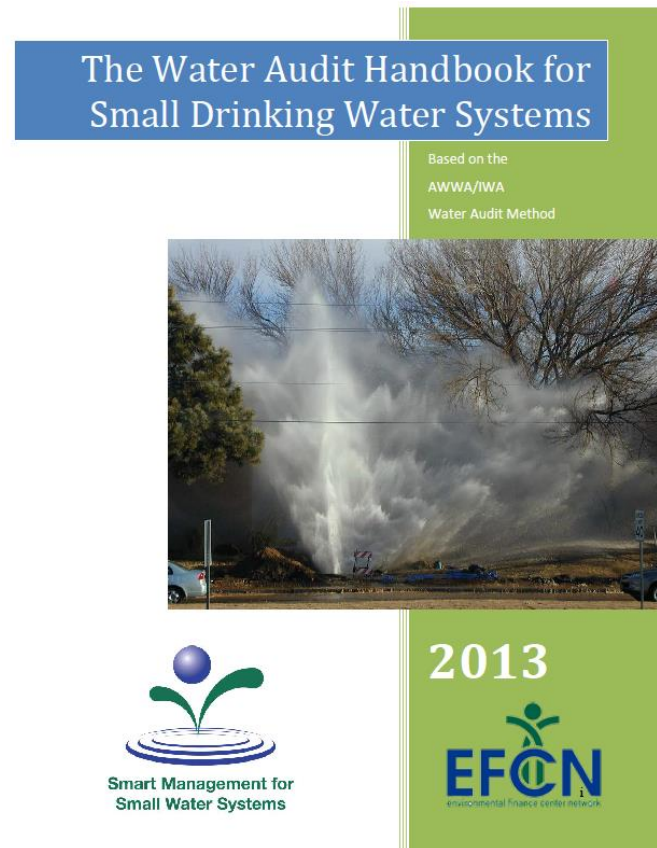
Resource: AWWA Water Audit Software© (version 5.0)

- Free Excel Workbook at <http://www.awwa.org/resources-tools/water-knowledge/water-loss-control.aspx>
- Must log in or register to access the tool – the tool is free



Resource: EFCN's "The Water Audit Handbook for Small Drinking Water Systems"

- <http://efcnetwork.org/documents/2014/01/water-audit-handbook.pdf>





Water loss reduction case study: Asheville

Brandon Buckner, Meter Services Division
Manager, Asheville Water Resources





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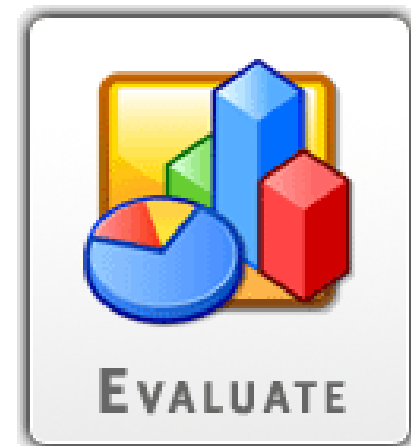
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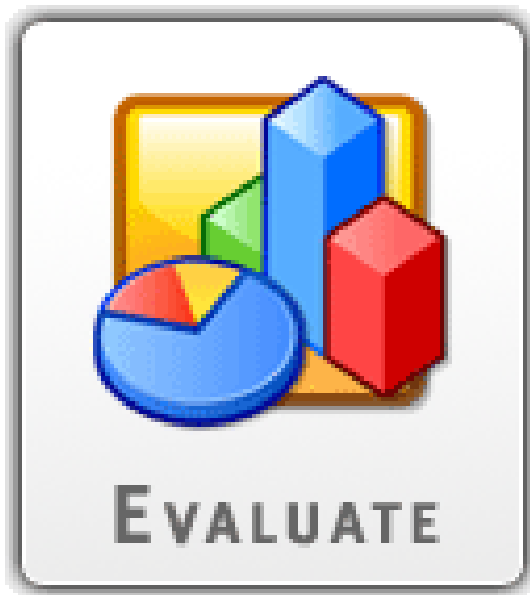


Step 3: Evaluate the System and Collect Data

Energy Management for Small Water Systems



Beyond Baseline Development



- System walk-through
- Staff interviews
- Gather energy performance data
- Update energy use model

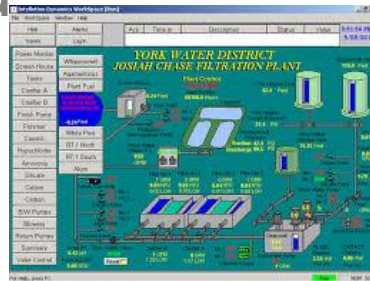


Have you ever had an energy audit or assessment completed at your utility?

- Yes
- No
- Not a Water Utility

Possible Areas of Evaluation

- Raw and Finished Water Pumping
- Chemical Mixing
- Backwashing
- Well Systems
- Ozonation



- Load Shifting
- Distribution
- Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA)
- Energy Efficient Motors



And... System Water Loss





Who can help?

Power
companies

State energy or
environmental
agencies

Engineering
firms

Energy Service
Companies-
ESCOs

EFCN

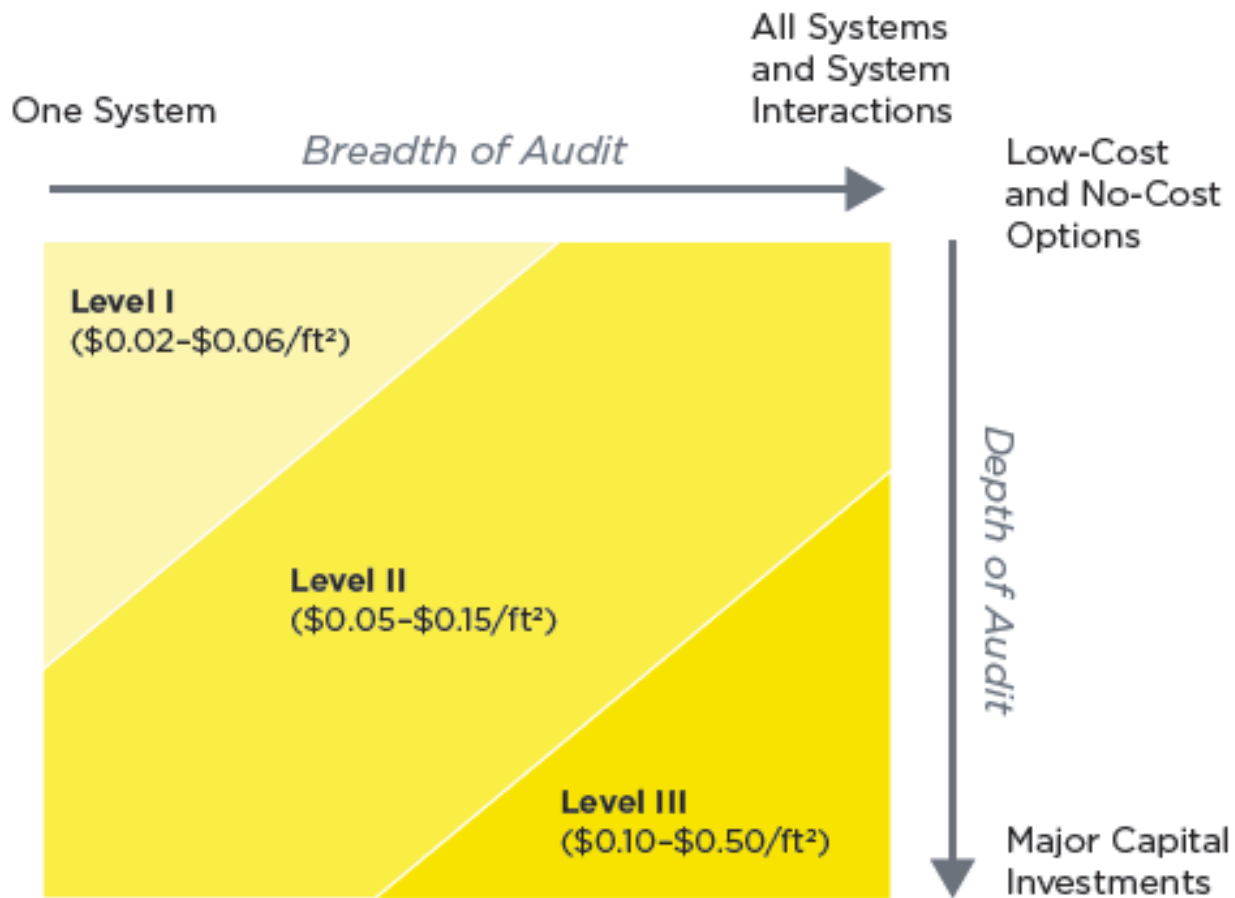


Figure 2-3 Cost and quality of the three levels of energy audits beyond preliminary analysis

Source: NRAL Advanced Energy Retrofit Guide – K-12 Schools



Energy Assessment

1. Visit each water system to complete a “walk through” inventory of facilities.
2. Interview personnel to understand how each facility is used.
3. Gather data on energy use, facility capacity, and energy cost.
4. Prepare energy use inventory report to serve as documentation of baseline energy use of facilities and to identify potential opportunities to reduce energy use.



Walk Through Process Assessment



Before the Walk Through

- Define the energy team
- Discuss goals and deliverables
 - reduce energy use/costs
 - reduce demand during peak hours
 - minimize disruption of service
- Develop a schedule
- Gather available data / plant information (baseline)
- Identify rate schedules
- Other preparations
 - Energy using equipment accessibility – ladder, broom
 - Flashlight
 - Camera



The Process Walk Through

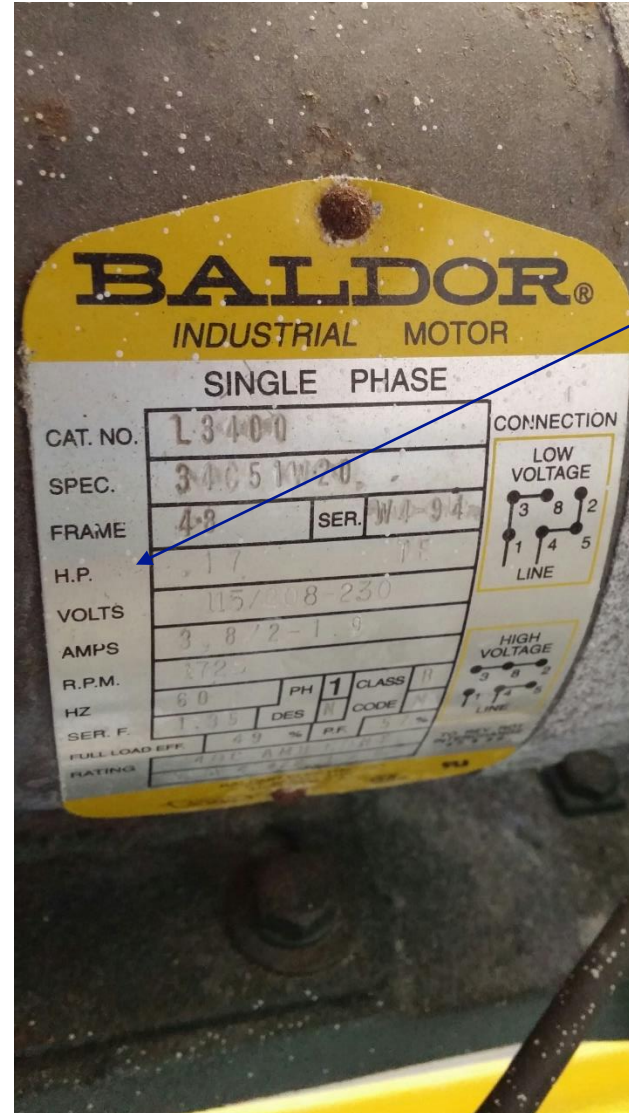
- Gather Important Field Data
 - Nameplate Horsepower
 - Take a picture of the equipment and then zoom in on the nameplate
 - Operational Information
 - Seasonal
 - Variable Speed
 - Pumping against throttled valve
 - Runtime Information
 - Hours per day, month or year



Note this pump has a VFD

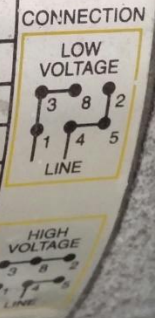


Find the



Find the HP rating

CAT. NO.		L3400		
SPEC.		34051W-20		
FRAME	4-9	SER.	W4-94	
H.P.	17			
VOLTS	115/18-230			
AMPS	3872-1.9			
R.P.M.	1725			
HZ	60	PH	1	
SER. F.	1.35	DES	W	
FULL LOAD EFF.	89	%	PF	93
RATING				



	Date	Oper.	Gal. Used	Pump #1	Pump#2	Pump#3	Pump#4	Gen Hours	Oil	Coolant	Fuel	
#2	8/24/15	GH	23707.000	1766.5	2746.4	3233.5	8.32	279.61	✓	✓	72%	
#2	8/31/15	JC GH	23962.000	1767.4	2764.7	3393.5	9.02	279.61	✓	✓	72%	
	9/8/15	GH	24021.000	1905.5	2818.6	3393.5	9.17	279.61	✓	✓	72%	
#3	9/14/15	GH JC	24057.000	1905.5	2908.8	3452.7	9.33	279.61	✓	✓	71%	etc. G on Load
	9/21/15	JC GH	24096.000	1993.1	2986.7	3456.1	10.03	282.83	✓	✓	70%	
	9/28/15	JC GH	24146.000	1993.2	3052.9	3557.5	10.18	282.83	✓	✓	69%	
	10/5/15	JC GH	24181.000	2011.7	3159.9	3600.4	10.48	282.83	✓	✓	69%	
	10/12/15	JC GH	24219.000	2041.6	3178.2	3744.5	11.19	282.83	✓	✓	69%	
	10/19/15	JC GH	24245.000	2155.8	3208.3	3744.5	11.34	282.83	✓	✓	68%	sm
	10/26/15	JC GH	24277.000	2209.9	3211.7	3855.3	12.04	285.29	✓	✓	67%	
#3	11/2/15	JC GH	24310.000	2300.1	3274.5	3855.3	12.19	285.29	✓	✓	80%	
	11/9/15	RIM	24340.000	2300.1	3355.8	3958.0	12.35	285.29	L	L	80%	
	11/16/15	JC GH	24369.000	2306.7	3475.9	3999.4	12.56	288.86	✓	✓	80%	
	11/23/15	JC	24399.000	2313.4	3493.3	4143.5	13.26	288.86	✓	✓	80%	
	11/30/15	JC GH	24426.000	2450.7	3524.1	4143.5	13.41	288.86	✓	✓	78%	
	12/7/15	JC	24457.000	2451.9	3633.3	4200.5	14.27	290.07	✓	✓	78%	
essid #7	12/14/15	JC GH	24523.000	2578.9	3633.6	4289.8	14.43	290.07	✓	✓	78%	
	12/21/15	GH	24547.000	2578.2	3708.3	4319.8	15.13	292.84	✓	✓	75%	
	12/28/15	JC	24577.000	2728.4	3708.4	4359.2	15.28	292.84	✓	✓	75%	
	1/4/16	JC GH	24600.000	2742.3	3852.4	4369.0	15.58	292.84	✓	✓	80%	
	1/11/16	JC GH	24624.000	2773.2	3852.4	4503.3	16.14	292.84	✓	✓	80%	
	1/18/16	JC GH	24651.000	2886.4	3908.9	4503.3	16.29	292.84	✓	✓	80%	
	1/25/16	JC GH	24675.000	2886.5	3996.5	4582.4	16.44	292.84	✓	✓	80%	
	2/1/16	JC GH	24705.000	2989.1	3996.5	4647.5	16.59	292.84	✓	✓	80%	
	2/8/16	JC GH	24733.000	3030.5	4123.2	4647.5	17.14	292.84	✓	✓	79%	gm
essid #2	2/16/16	JC GH	24770.000	3100.9	4219.6	4679.1	18.17	298.12	✓	✓	78%	
	2/22/16	GH	24790.000	3100.9	4328.0	4710.2	18.32	298.12	✓	✓	78%	
	2/29/16	JC GH	24814.000	3157.1	4328.0	4823.1	18.47	298.12	✓	✓	78%	
	3/7/16	JC GH	24838.000	3181.8	4391.2	4902.1	19.17	301.88	✓	✓	82%	
	3/14/16	JC GH	24865.000	3284.1	4391.2	4967.2	19.32	301.88	✓	✓	78%	

Copy or Photograph
Operational Information
found in the field



After the Assessment
Interpreting the data – going from
HP to \$



What to do with your data?

- Collect it in one place – at least one year's worth
 - Handwritten
 - Electronic
 - Table
 - Spreadsheet
- The benefit of a spreadsheet – it helps you do the math



Calculations

- Calculated Power Consumption (kW) = Horsepower x 0.746 (conversion factor)
- Hours of Operation per Year –calculated from the avg. run time (convert hrs/day to hrs/year, etc.)
- Total kWh per Year – Calculated power consumption (kW) x Hours of operation per year

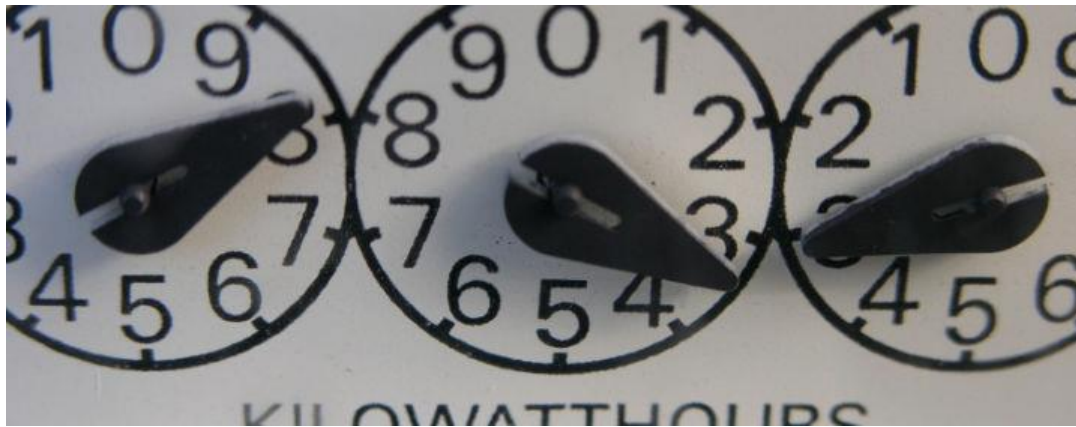


Calculations

- Average Energy Costs (cents/kWh) – Based on energy bills, energy rate schedule
- Total Cost = Total kWh per year x Average Energy Cost
- Cost per MG = Total cost/Total flow – this is often the only way to compare “apples to apples”

Water System - Energy Use Assessment												
City of Wellman, IA - 05/13/2015												
Asset Name	Type of Energy Used	Nameplate HP	Variable Speed Y/N	Calculated Power Consumption (kW)	Hours of Operation per Year	Total kWh	Average Run Time	Design Specs	Operating Status	Avg. Cost cents/kWh	Total Cost	Cost per MG
						per Year						
Well 2	Electric	40	Y	29.84	3,889	116,054	324			\$ 0.09	\$10,495	\$ 186.65
Well 3	Electric	20	Y	14.92	2,383	35,557	199	235gpm		\$ 0.12	\$4,313	\$ 116.20
Aerator	Electric			0		0				\$ 0.09	\$0	
High Service Pump 1	Electric	30	Y	22.38	2,740	61,324	228		alternate	\$ 0.09	\$5,546	\$ 124.94
High Service Pump 2	Electric	30	Y	22.38	2,702	60,465	225			\$ 0.09	\$5,468	
CIP Pumps 1 and 2	Electric	10	N	7.46	192	1,432			based on pressure drop	\$ 0.09	\$130	
CIP Heaters 1 and 2	Electric			24	80	1,920				\$ 0.09	\$174	
RO Booster 1	Electric	20	Y	14.92	2,740	40,883		33 gpm		\$ 0.09	\$3,697	\$ 89.44
RO Booster 2	Electric	20	Y	14.92	2,702	40,310		33 gpm		\$ 0.09	\$3,645	
Finish Water Booster 1	Electric	10	Y	7.46	2,740	20,441				\$ 0.09	\$1,849	\$ 54.07
Finish Water Booster 2	Electric	10	Y	7.46	2702	20,155				\$ 0.09	\$1,823	
TOTAL ENERGY COST PER YEAR											\$ 37,138	77%

Step 4: Identify Energy Efficiency Opportunities



Work with the energy management team to identify a broad array of energy efficiency opportunities



Using the Data to Make Decisions about Energy Use and Operations



Use Lowest Cost Water First

- Determine the total unit cost of using each source
- Know the limitations of each source (water rights, capacity, water quality)
- Understand the additional cost of using more than one source or pump station at once
- Have prioritized source operation plans that maximize the use of lower cost water

Source: Steve Jones/Hasen, Allen, and Luce



Use Lowest Cost Water First

- Automate the prioritized operation plan as much as possible
- Use proper PRV settings and controls settings that don't allow high cost water to be used over low cost water
- Keep higher cost water where it is needed
- Maximize the use of lower cost water in the areas of the system where it can be used

Source: Steve Jones/Hasen, Allen, and Luce

One example

The cost savings could prove to be higher since we are only looking at the average energy costs for the entire plant. Why? Demand charges may decrease with using the lower HP pump.

	Well 1	Well 2
HP	30	15
kW	22.38	11.19
gpm	445	230
Tank Setpoints	well on: 23' well off: 30'	well on: 23' well off: 30'
Tank diameter (ft)	30	30
Fill volume (cubic ft.)	4,948	4,948
Fill volume (gallons)	37,014	37,014
Pump Run Time (min)	83.18	160.93
Pump Run Time (hrs)	1.39	2.68
kWh	31.02	30.01
Avg. Energy Costs (\$/kWh)	0.13	0.13
Cost to fill tank	\$ 4.03	\$ 3.90
Tank fills per year	400	400
Cost per year	\$ 1,613.30	\$ 1,560.69
		\$ 52.61



Categories for Energy Efficiency Opportunities

- Capital program or equipment replacement
- Process change
- Operational change
- Automation or controls
- Maintenance improvements
- Business measures



High Impact Projects



Potential High Impact Projects

- Water system optimization
- Pumping system efficiencies
- Motor management
- Promote customer water efficiency / conservation (through rates or non-rate measures)
- Utility conservation – reduce water loss
- Reduce heating and cooling load for buildings and well-houses
- Efficient lighting
- Use of renewable energy



NYSERDA's Best Practices

Facility Energy Assessment*

Real Time Energy Monitoring*

Energy Education for Facility Personnel*

Comprehensive Planning Before Design*

Design Flexibility for Today and Tomorrow*

Electric Peak Reduction*

Manage Electric Rate Structure*

Idle or Turn off Equipment*

Electric Motors: Install High Efficiency Motors*

Electric Motors: Automate to Monitor and Control*

Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA)

Electric Motors: Variable Frequency Drives Applications*

Electric Motors: Correctly Size Motors

Electric Motors: Properly Maintain Motors

Electric Motors: Improve Power Factor

Pumps: Optimize Pump System Efficiency*
Pumps: Reduce Pumping Flow

Pumps: Reduce Pumping Head

Pumps: Avoid Pump Discharge Throttling*

Filtration: Sequence Backwash Cycles

Ultraviolet (UV) Disinfection Options*

Renewable Energy Options*

Integrate System Demand and Power Demand*

Computer-Assisted Design and Operation*

System Leak Detection and Repair*

Manage Well Production and Draw-down*

Sequence Well Operation*

Optimize Storage Capacity

Promote Water Conservation*

Sprinkling Reduction Program*

Manage High Volume Users*



Utah's Savings Handbook

- Water Conservation
- Water Accountability
- System Inefficiencies
 - Looping
 - Leaping
 - Losing Head
 - Loading
- Supply Side
- Demand Side
- Pumping
- Storage
- Distribution
- Plant
- Technology
- Operational
- Behavioral
- Energy Supplier



EFC's Project List

- Raw and Finished Water Pumping
- Valve Throttling
- Rapid Mixing of Coagulant Chemicals
- Backwashing
- Load Shifting
- Wells
- Distribution Systems
- Other Considerations



Tools and Resources

- NYSERDA's Water and Wastewater Energy Management Best Practices Handbook
- Utah's Drinking Water Energy (Cost) Savings Handbook
- EFC's Energy Efficiency Opportunities List
- Case Studies and Checklists



A few words about...

- Soft Starts
- Variable Frequency Drives
- Pump Replacement



When, where, and why to use a soft start

- Likely won't see much energy savings directly, but indirectly is possible (demand charges)
- Excellent in some applications to protect equipment and prevent spills & clogs
- Cheaper than Variable Frequency Drives, but less flexibility



When, where, and why to use VFDs

- VFDs can save a lot of energy in the right application
- VFDs are sometimes utilized as a band-aid
 - Ensure equipment is right before VFD install
- VFDs have been heavily marketed, but big savings only exist in specific applications
 - Use a soft start where appropriate
- Utilizing VFDs in water pumping by replacing a throttling valve is almost always cost effective



When, where, and why to replace a pump

- If your pump is not sized for the flow it pumps most often, you are most likely wasting energy
- If your pump is several years old there is likely a more energy efficient version available today
- Know how to read a pump curve – see handout
- If you pump against a throttled valve, make sure you understand why and what you can do about it
- Optimize storage fill and drain times to run pumps as efficiently as possible



Identifying energy efficiency opportunities

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South Carolina Rural Water Association





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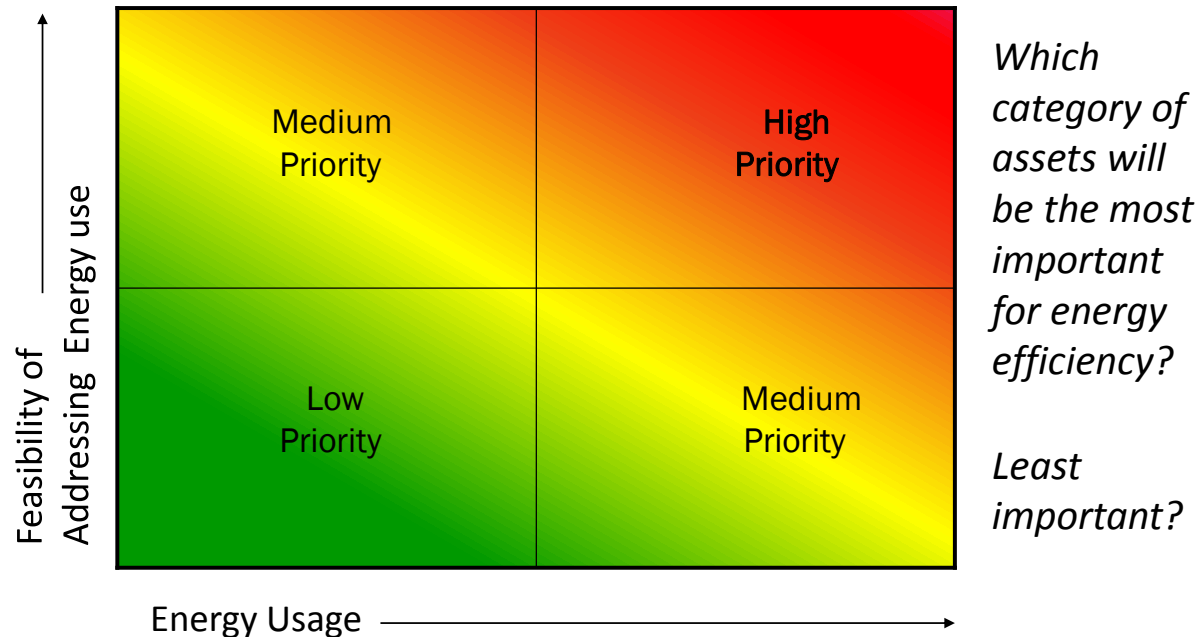
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Step 5: Prioritize Opportunities for Implementation

Prioritization of Energy Use

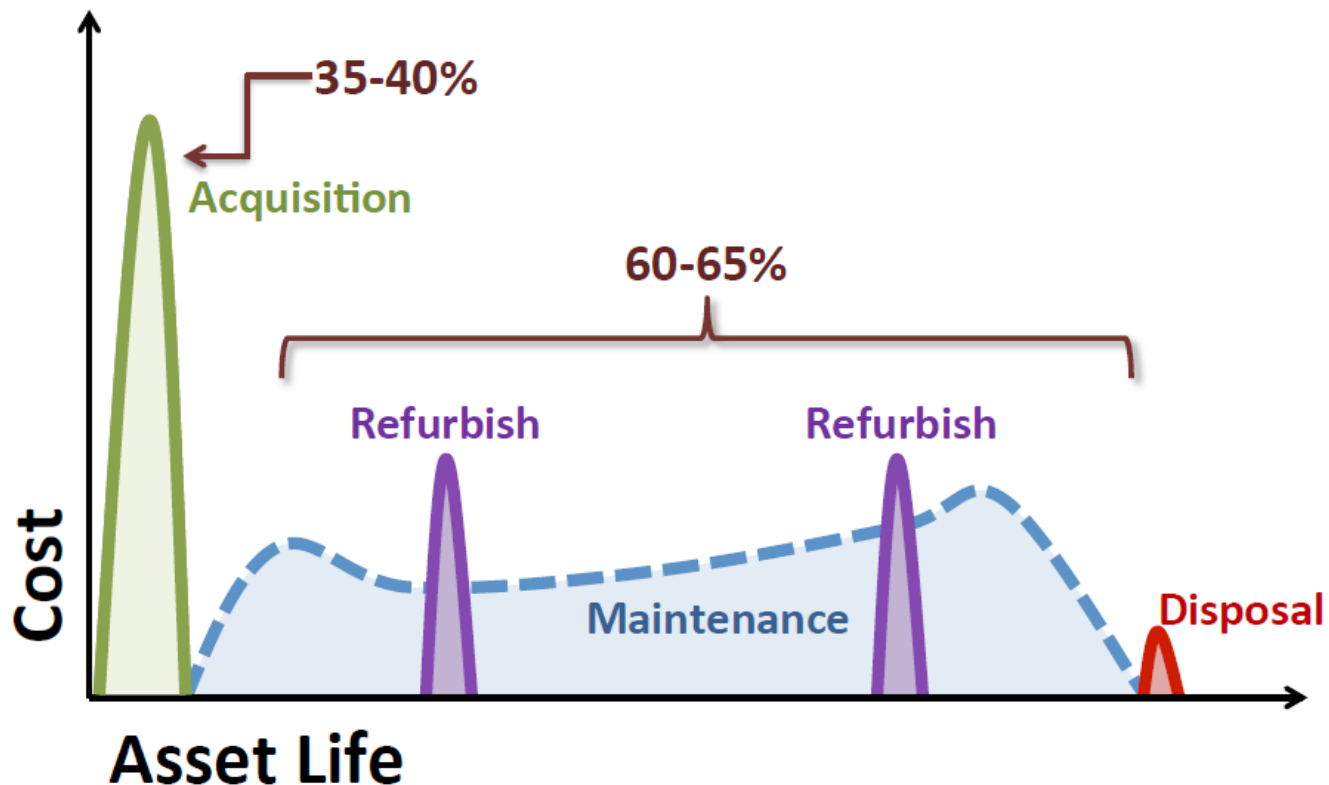




How do you rank EE opportunities?

- Compare costs and benefits
- Benefits can include non-monetary benefits (operability, risk factors)
 - Define evaluation criteria for non-monetary benefits – may be a simple 1-5 scoring system
- Evaluate monetary costs / benefits
- Rank the opportunities against one another

Evaluating monetary costs / benefits – Capital investment is just the beginning





Simple Payback Period: Definition

$$\text{Simple payback} = \frac{\text{Total cost of project (\$)}}{\text{Annual savings (\$/year)}} \\ \text{(years)}$$



Simple Payback Period: Example

- Project A: Replace inefficient pump motors
- Cost: \$200,000
- Savings: \$100,000 per year in energy costs
- Life span: 5 years
- What is the simple payback?

$$\text{Simple payback (years)} = \frac{\text{Total cost of project (\$)}}{\text{Annual savings (\$/year)}} = 2 \text{ years}$$

Source: NYSERDA, "Water & Wastewater Energy Management: Best Practices Handbook," 2010.



Life-Cycle Cost Analysis: Definition

A type of cost benefit analysis

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LCC (\$)} = & \quad \text{Initial cost of project} \\ & + \text{Cost to operate} \\ & + \text{Cost to maintain} \\ & - \text{Savings over the life of} \\ & \quad \text{the project} \end{aligned}$$

Life-Cycle Cost Analysis: Example

- Assume 15 year lifespan of VFDs and DO meters

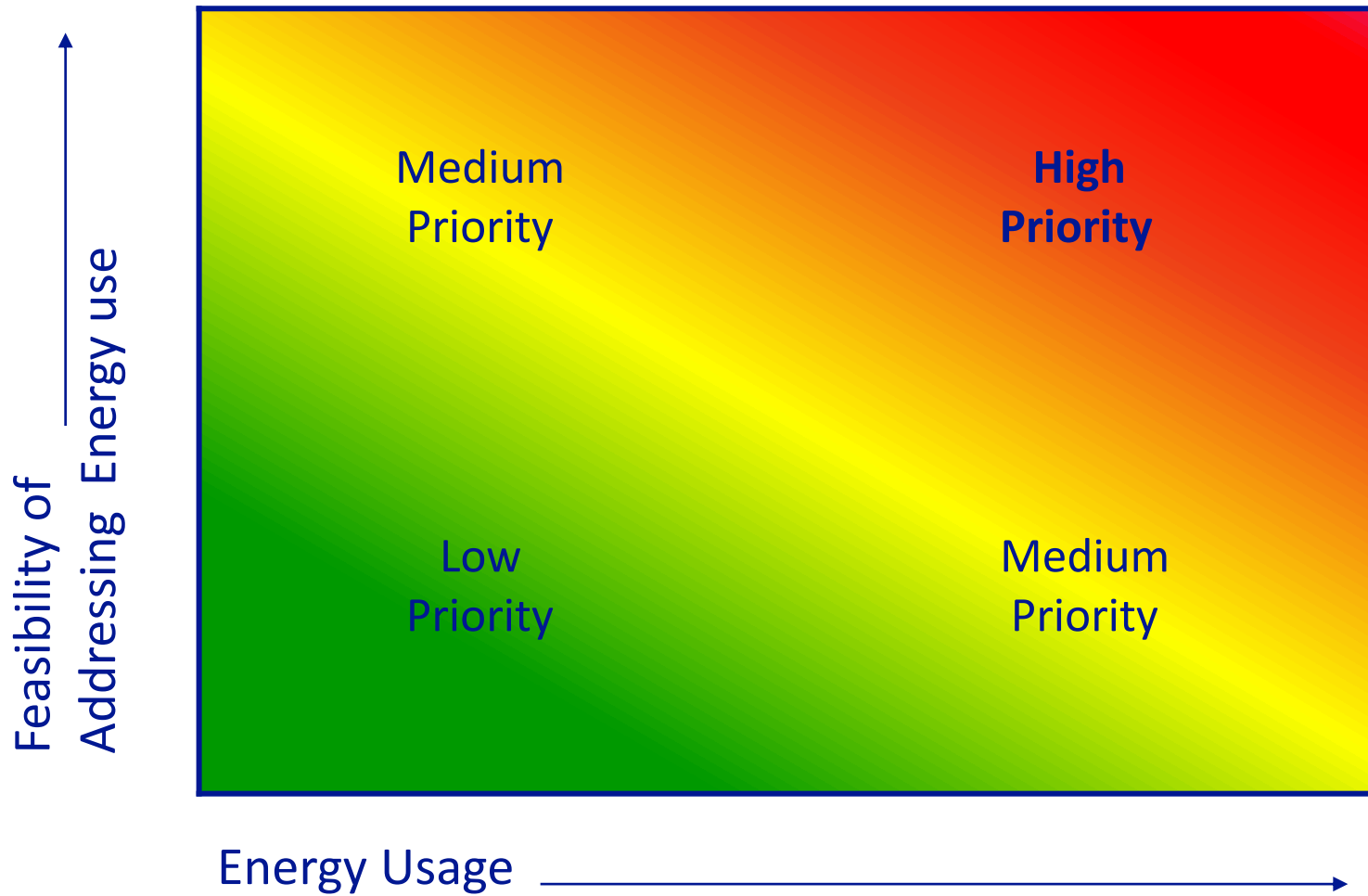
Cost				
	Item	Quantity	Cost Per Unit	Total Cost
	VFD's	2	\$15,000	\$30,000
	DO Meters	2	\$5,000	\$10,000
	Start Up/ Installation Cost		\$25,000	\$25,000
	Total Project Cost			\$65,000
Benefit				
	Task	Quantity	Savings Per Unit (per year)	Total Savings (per year)
	Mixer Power Reduced to 80%	2	\$8,935	\$17,870
	Total Project Savings			\$17,870

$$\text{LCC (\$)} = \text{Cost of project} - \text{Savings over life of project} = -\$203,050$$

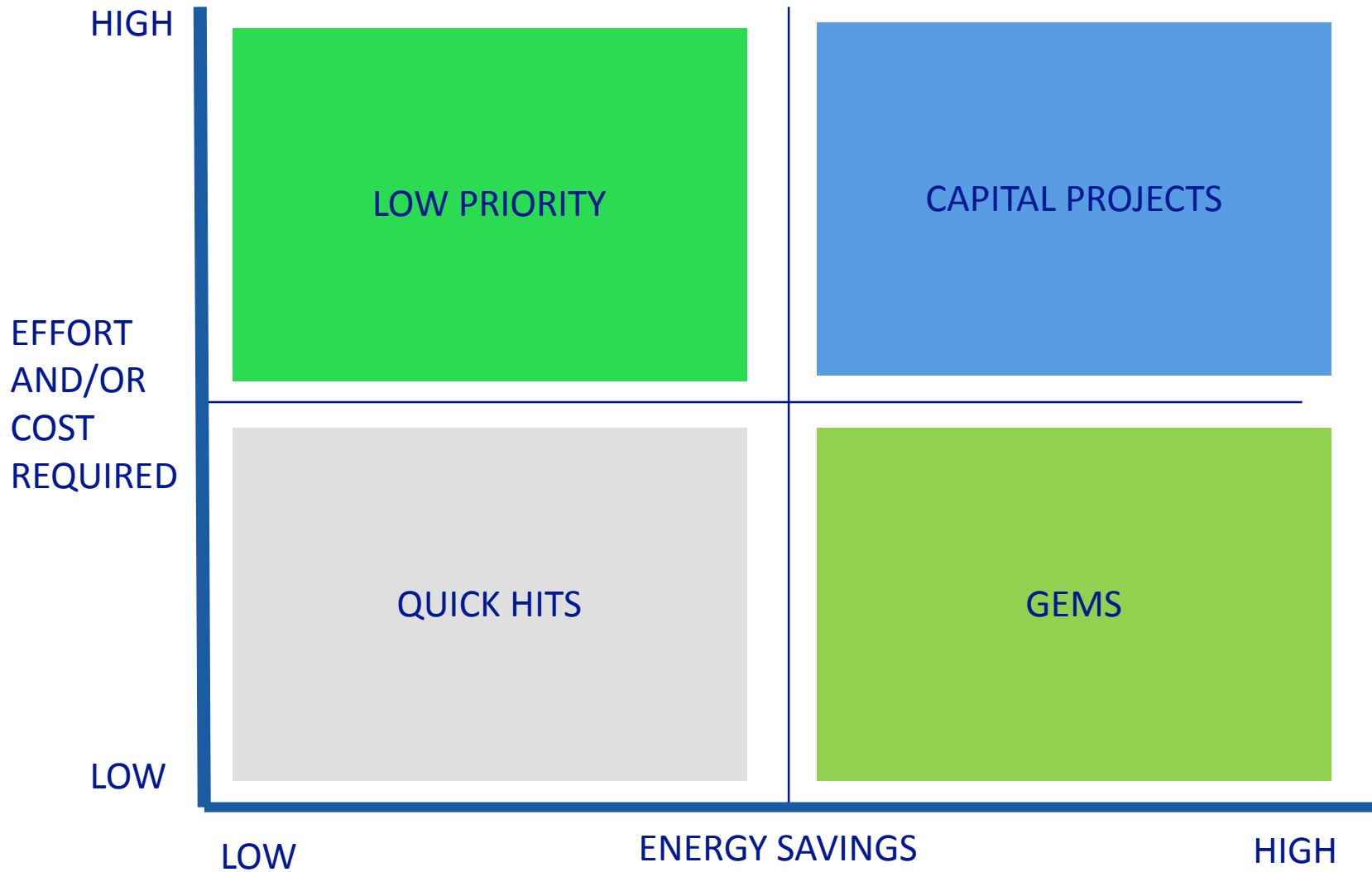
Source: "The Quest for Energy Savings! City of Derby, KS. By Eddie Sheppard, Assistant Director of Public Works, Dec. 2012.



Prioritization tools



Source: SW EFC's AM KAN Work!



Source: Doug Evans, Mountain Regional Water District, Park City, UT

Energy Project Decision Matrix

Proposed Energy Efficiency Project	Energy Cost Savings (1 to 5)	Cost of Implementation (1 to 5)	Payback Period (1 to 5)	Necessary to Meet Regulatory Requirements (1 to 5)	Necessary to Meet Level of Service Goals (1 to 5)	Availability of Advantageous Funding (1 to 5)	Operational Feasibility (1 to 5)	Part of a Larger Project (1 to 5)	Total Score

Source: EPA's Energy Management Guidebook for Wastewater and Water Utilities

Scoring in the Decision Matrix

- Score each category from 1 to 5. Bigger numbers are better!
😊
- In other words, higher scores are more attractive projects for energy savings, ease of implementation, and so on.





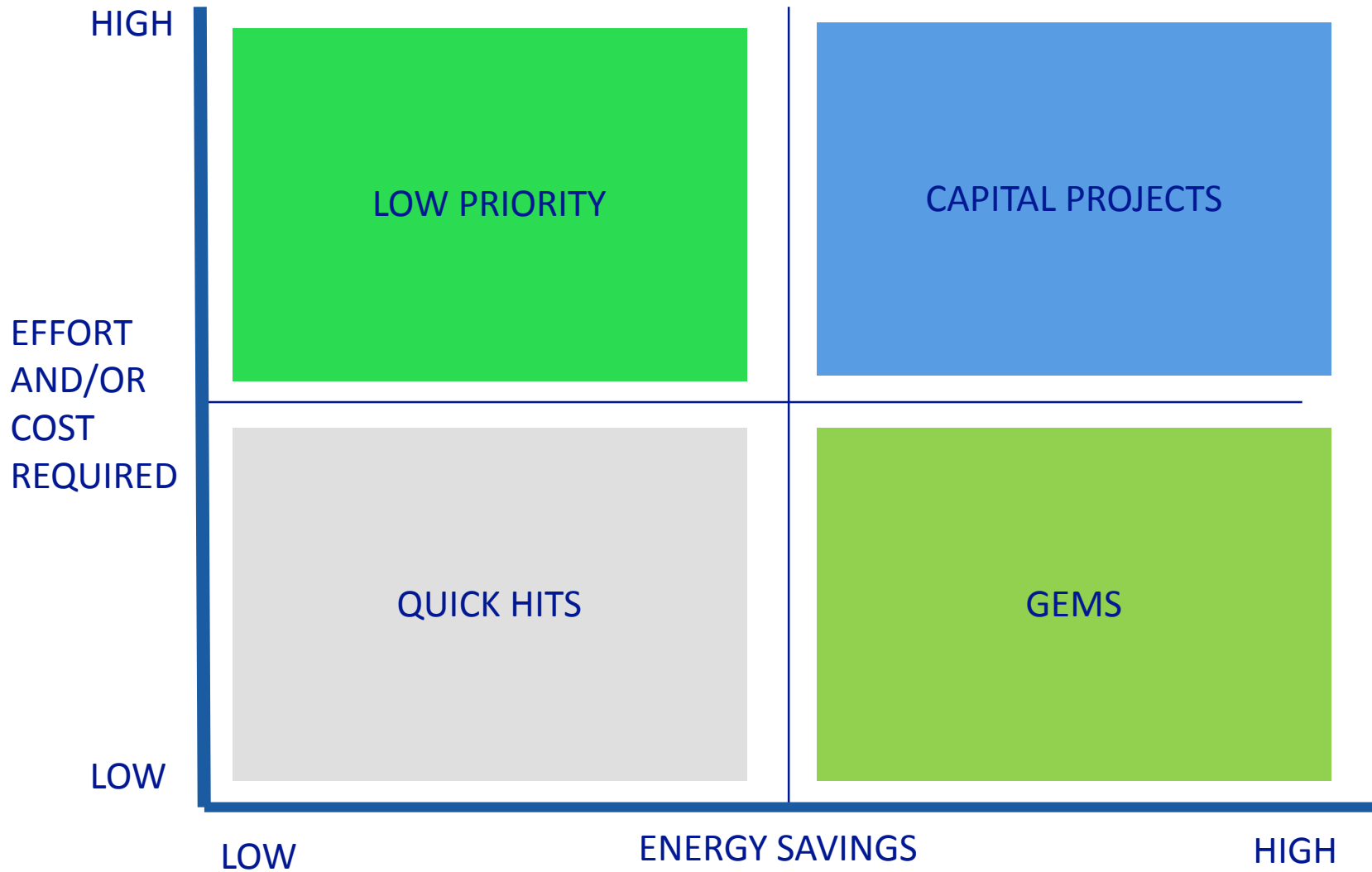
Keep your goals in mind

- Energy cost savings
- Cost of implementation
- Simple payback period
- Regulatory compliance or service level goals
- Advantageous funding availability
- Operational feasibility
- Other



Now it's your turn

Project Prioritization Exercise



Source: Doug Evans, Mountain Regional Water District, Park City, UT

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Your small water system could reduce electrical energy use by implementing numerous strategies, including:					
Process Targeted / Goal	Improvement and Estimated Savings	Implementation Cost (\$)	Estimated Annual Energy Savings (kWh)	Estimated Annual Cost Savings (\$)	Simple Pay-Back (Years)
Lighting (A)	Reduce number of lighting hours by 40%	No cost. Turn lights off.	7,488	\$4,118	0
Lighting (B)	Replace T12 fluorescent light bulbs and fixtures with T8 equivalents	\$12,470	22,976	\$10,800	1.15
High Service Pumps	Replace high service pumps with premium efficiency ones at two pumping locations	\$52,400	34,640	\$19,052	2.75
HVAC and Window Films	Replace air conditioning with high efficiency system and install window films to reduce solar heat gain	\$218,382	138,104	\$64,909	3.36



Observations about the Matrix

- Total Score: allows you to compare / rank potential energy management projects.
- Higher Scores: indicate E.M. projects that may be most advantageous to the utility.
- Caution: As all columns are weighted equally in this matrix, you may want to consider some columns as more important than others.



Tips for Using the Decision Matrix in Your Utility

- Involve your energy team and discuss evaluation criteria (You can use the matrix provided as a starting point.)
- Set weights based on the level of importance to your system.
- What's missing? In addition to the matrix, other commonly used criteria may include:



Tips for Using the Decision Matrix in Your Utility

- Ease of implementation
- Time until solution is fully implemented
- Cost to maintain
- Support or opposition to the solution
- Enthusiasm by team members
- Potential effects on customers
- Potential problems during implementation



Tips for Using the Decision Matrix in Your Utility

- If individuals on the team assign different ratings to the same criterion, discuss this so people can learn from each other's views and arrive at a consensus. Do not average the ratings or vote for the most popular one.



Some Keys to Success

- Convert all energy efficiency opportunities characteristics to monetary terms whenever possible.
- Evaluate all energy management, including ancillary benefits when possible.
- Test the sensitivity of results to determine the impact of important assumptions (e.g. time horizons)
- Make sure that the final results make sense in terms of the utility's capabilities.



Step 6: Develop an Implementation Plan

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“A goal without a plan is just a wish.”

- Antoine de Saint-Exupéry





Developing an Implementation Plan

- Step 1: Define objective(s) & target(s)
- Step 2: Identify tasks
- Step 3: Identify changes to SOPs, process control
- Step 4: Determine timeframe, resource allocation



Step 1: Define Objectives and Targets

- Objective: WHY do you want to complete these projects?
- Target: Measureable result you are aiming for
 - Figure out what steps needed to get there
 - Determine the success of project





Potential Energy Objectives

- Reduce energy cost
- Reduce petroleum consumption
- Reduce peak energy demand
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Improve reliability
- Increase use of renewable fuels



Factors to Consider in Setting Objectives and Targets

- Controllability
- Trackability / measureability
- Cost to track / measure
- Communicating progress
- Linkages to your energy policy



Step 2: Identify Tasks

- Individual steps to implement your project
- Mini-goals or achievements toward overall objective



Step 3a: Identify Changes to SOPs

- Any change to your facility will require changes to your day-to-day operations
- Changes may affect:
 - Operator duties
 - Equipment maintenance
 - Treatment process
 - Emergency response



Step 3b: Identify Changes to Process Control

- Any change to your facility will require changes to how you respond to unexpected problems
- Things to consider:
 - If your facility uses automation, will it require reprogramming?
 - What training do your operators need to address problems with any new equipment?



Step 4: Determine Timeframe, Resource Allocation

For each task:

- **Staff** – Who is responsible for completing that task?
- **Timeline** – How long until the task is completed?
- **Estimated Time** – How many hours / days will the responsible staff member spend on the task?
- **Estimated Costs** – If the task requires equipment purchase, how much will it cost?

Case Study: City of Hutchinson, KS Water and Wastewater Utilities

Target: Replace existing large capacity vertical turbine pump and motor at Well #21 with lower capacity submersible pump

Task	Deliverable	Staff	Timeline	Est. time	Est. cost
Develop project scope	Document	WTC	By June 1, 2012	1 hr	
Obtain approval from Public Works Director for project concept	Document / Email	WTC Public Works	By June 8, 2012	2 hrs	
Issue RFP for equipment and installation	RFP	WTC	By June 18, 2012	3 hrs	
Review RFP response	Document	WTC Public Works	By July 10, 2012	3 hrs	
Obtain approval from Public Works Director for project to proceed	Document	WTC Public Works	By July 12, 2012	2 hrs	
Obtain PO number	Document	WTC Purchasing	By July 19 2012	2 hrs	
Enlist contractor	Signed contract	WTC Contractor	By July 29, 2012	2 hrs	
Install equipment	Pump / motor removal and replacement, pump test, SCADA modifications	WTC Contractor	By October 2, 2012		\$15,000



Project economics and financing for energy management projects

How Do We Pay For Our Great Ideas?

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“This part of the plan will be funded with all the unused money we must have laying around someplace.”



Are energy projects funded the same as other water projects?

- Yes
 - Larger energy projects can be treated like a capital project
 - Review financial indicators and rates
- No
 - Some are no/low cost
 - There are funds available for energy projects that aren't available otherwise



Energy Improvements and Capital Planning

- An energy upgrade to water or wastewater facility is really just a **capital improvement**
- You can treat energy upgrades just like any other capital improvement
- How you pay for energy improvements ties into your utility's philosophy of how to set rates and pay for capital



Where Capital Funding Comes From

- Cash
- Grants (including State Revolving Funds)
- Debt market (including State Revolving Funds)
- Private partnerships
- Rates / Monthly bills
- System development charges (new customers)
- Special assessments (current customers)
- Transfers from the general fund (tax revenue)



Ways to Pay

- Save in advance and pay (fund balance)
- Pay as you go (current receipts)
- Pay later (someone loans you money)
- Let someone else pay (grants)



What is Performance Contracting?

- An ESCO proposes and designs a package of energy cost reduction measures, installs or implements those cost reduction measures, and guarantees the savings of the cost reductions.
- Typically, the ESCO puts up all of the capital for the energy projects.
- The ESCO pays itself back for the package over time using the stream of revenue provided by the energy reduction measures.
- Third party verifies ESCO reconciliation report.



Step 7: Provide for Progress Tracking and Reporting

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Progress Tracking and Reporting

- This last step is often overlooked, but critical to creating a sustainable energy management program for three main reasons:
 - Progress tracking promotes adjustments to an existing program to improve its chances for success.
 - Project reporting provides guidance for future decision making, and can help to refine planning assumptions.
 - Communicating project results provides valuable feedback for planning and implementation staff, keeping them interested in the improvement process.



NYSERDA's Specific Actions

- Assign the responsibility for tracking the progress of a project **and reporting on that progress**. The staff responsible for progress reporting should also be allocated the resources necessary to fulfill their responsibilities.
- **Set the performance metrics that will be used.**
- **Create a communication plan.** The plan should identify who needs to be included in progress reports (examples: elected officials, public, etc.), when reports should be made, and any actions that need to occur in response to reports.



Why Track Your Progress?

- Know what success looks like:
 - Completing all tasks
 - In the timeframe in your implementation plan
 - Little / no negative impact on daily operations, treatment performance, or staff activity
- Make sure projects are delivering the savings you targeted – monitor and course correct



What to Track

- Task completion
- Actual versus projected costs
- Actual savings versus projects savings
- Consider your project prioritization process and track progress toward what you prioritized:
 - Cost savings / Energy savings
 - Progress towards regulatory compliance goals
 - Progress towards level of service goals
 - Implementation cost
 - Time elapsed
 - Progress towards a larger project



What's Important to Your Funder?

- This is a key question as to what you might track in your progress tracking.
- Does your funder care about GHG's? Energy savings? Labor used (e.g. Davis-Bacon reporting under ARRA)? Other?
- Also, what is important to your Board?



What's next for you?

..and what type of help do you need to do it?

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	03/22/2017 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	WEBINAR Water Audits and Water Loss Control: Entering Your Data into the Spreadsheet
	03/30/2017 9:00 am - 4:30 pm	Maryland Rates and Finance Workshop for Small Water Systems <i>Easton Utilities, Easton MD</i>
	04/04/2017 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	WEBINAR: Workforce Development: An Overview of Key Components
	05/11/2017 9:00 am - 4:30 pm	Virginia Rates and Finance Workshop for Small Systems <i>The Institute for Advanced Learning and Research, Danville Virginia</i>
	05/25/2017 9:00 am - 4:30 pm	Arkansas Rates and Finance Workshop for Small Water Systems <i>Beaver Water District, Lowell AR</i>
	09/13/2017 9:00 am - 4:30 pm	Pennsylvania Rates and Finance Workshop for Small Water Systems <i>Pennsylvania American Water Co, New Castle PA</i>



Upcoming Workshops and Webinars

Webinar: Water System Management and Finance for Board Members
November 29, 3:00-4:00pm

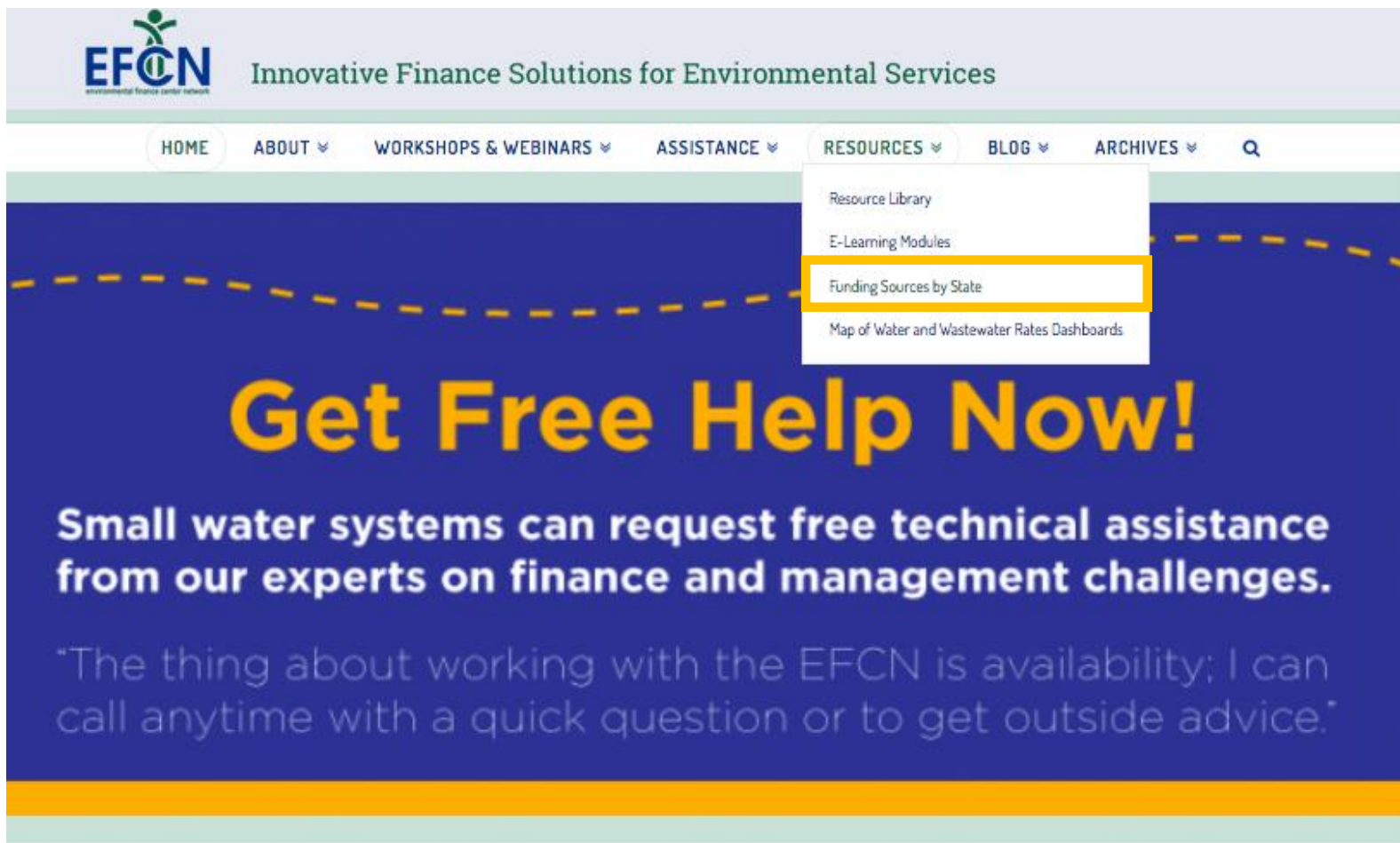
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Workshop: Setting the Right Rates for your System
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Funding Tables By State

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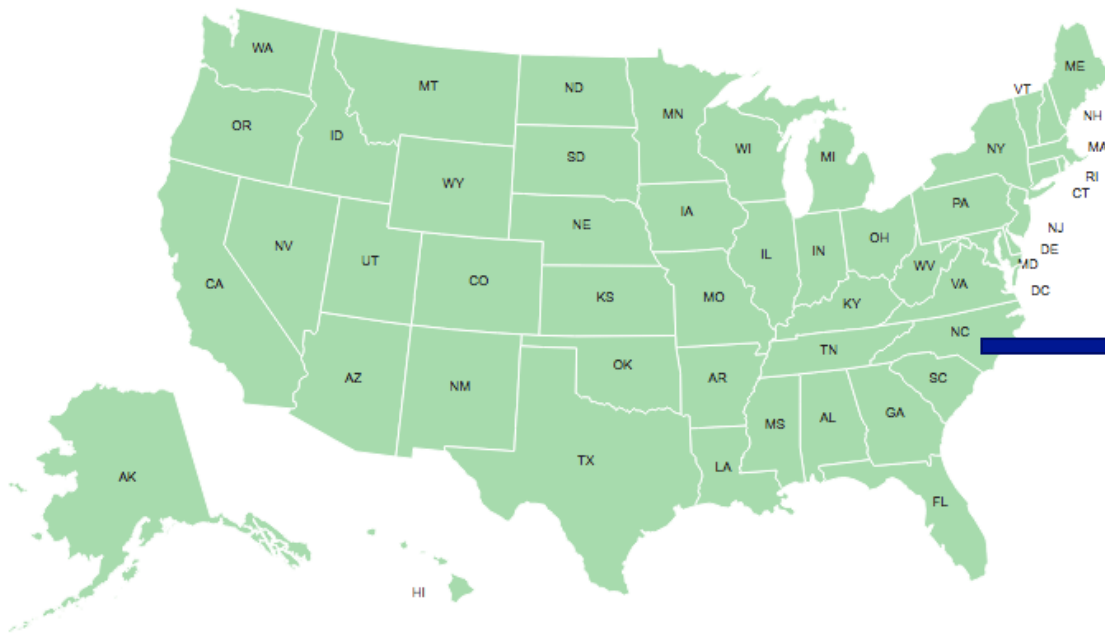
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Funding Sources by State

Note: Some states may have additional resources listed below the map.

Click on the map below to view funding sources for each state:



Click on an individual state to view funding table.

Oregon Water and Wastewater Funding Sources
Compiled by the OWA, March 2014

Organization	Program / Project	Purpose or Use of Funds	Application Dates	Website	Contact
Oregon Water Solutions	Water Drinking Water Funding and Grant	Provide a grant to fund drinking water projects, such as water treatment plant upgrades, distribution system improvements, and water conservation programs. Funds are also available for water conservation programs in homes and businesses.	Open to applications on a rolling basis. Funds are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.	www.oregonwatersolutions.org/grants	Christina Smith christina.smith@oregonwatersolutions.org
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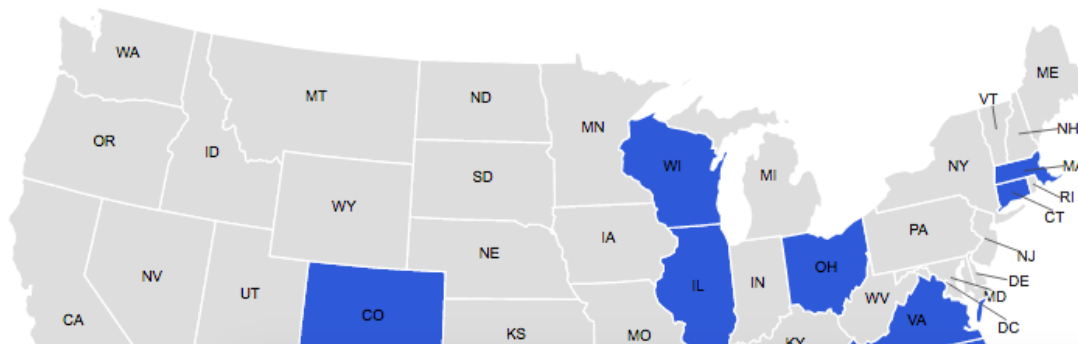
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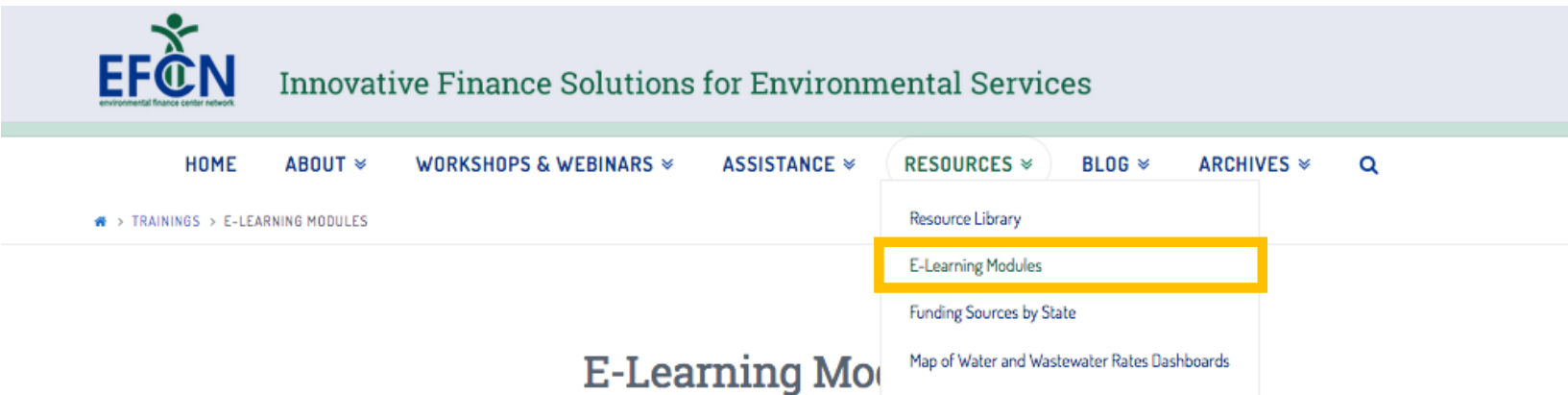
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Financial Sustainability for Small Systems

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What does your system need help with?

+ We treat more water than we sell.



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✖ We have insufficient revenue to cover our costs.

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[Online Water Rate Checkup Tool](#)

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[Water Utility Customer Assistance Program Cost Estimation Tool](#)

September 3, 2014

[Water & Wastewater Residential Rates Affordability Assessment Tool](#)

December 16, 2012

[Plan to Pay: Scenarios to Fund your C.I.P.](#)

November 15, 2012

[Dashboard for Using Capital Reserve Fund to Avoid Rate Shock](#)

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[Modelo de Análisis para las Tarifas de Agua y Aguas Residuale](#)

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[Financial Health Checkup for Water Utilities](#)

August 15, 2013

[Rates and Financial Benchmarking Dashboards](#)

November 20, 2012

[Water & Wastewater Rates Analysis Model](#)

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[Rural and Small Systems Guidebook to Sustainable Utility Management](#)

August 29, 2013

[Asset Management: A Handbook for Small Water Systems](#)

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[Setting Small Drinking Water System Rates for a Sustainable Future](#)

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