

# **The Multiple Benefits of Ozone in Municipal Wastewater Treatment and Recycling**

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## **Abstract**

Global climate change has created regional drought conditions, making water scarcity a grim reality that threatens the economic vitality of both local and regional communities. California's \$ 45 billion agricultural sector, for example, may leave over a half-million acres fallow this year due to severe cuts in the water supply. This has caused high unemployment in the California farm communities and potentially higher produce prices at supermarkets across North America.

A growing number of utilities located in drought regions have installed advanced treatment processes at their wastewater treatment facilities for indirect reuse as an alternate water source for agricultural and domestic use or for seawater intrusion protection of ground water.

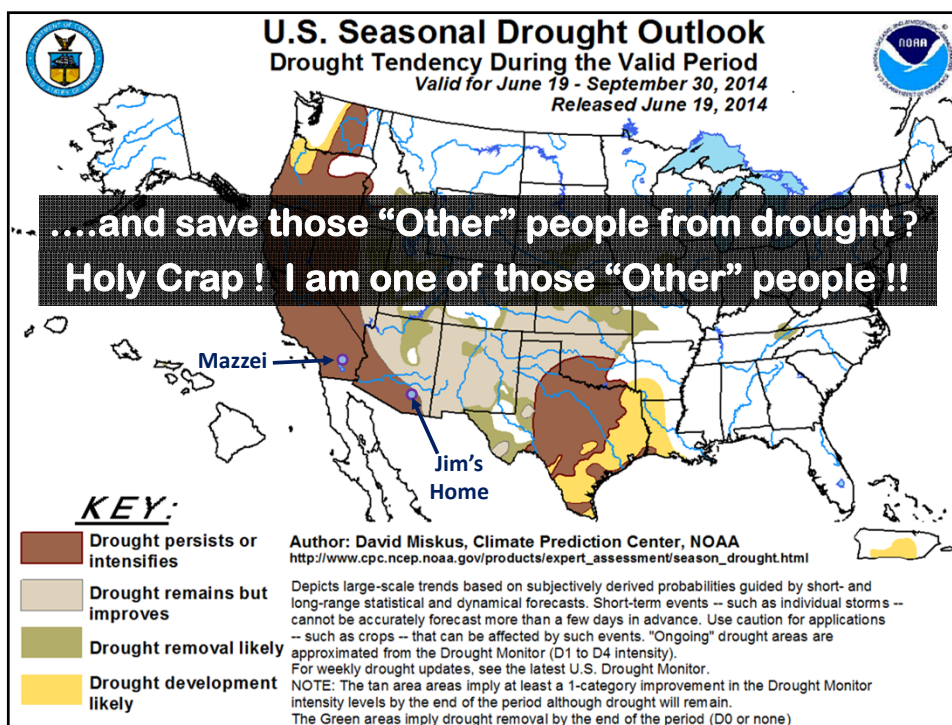
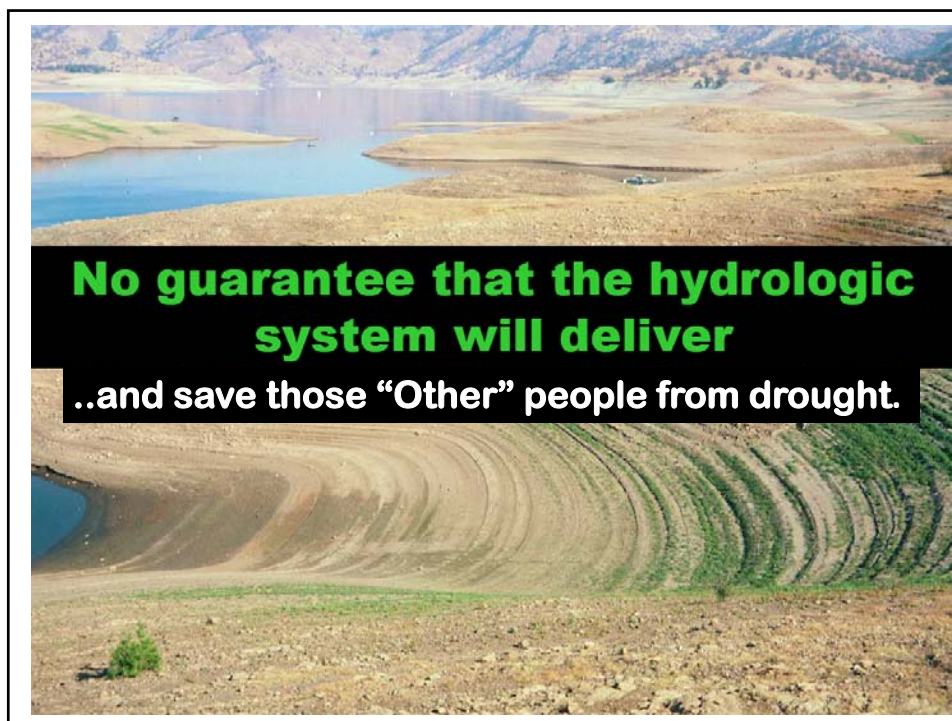
This presentation reviews three case histories where ozone is used in conjunction with other treatment processes to bring wastewater effluent into compliance with water quality standards for agricultural application or the replenishment of a regional drinking water source. Description of the advance treatment processes featuring ozone application method by high efficiency side stream venturi injection (SVI) and pipeline flash reactor (PFR) bulk flow mixing and lesson's learned when utilizing ozone on secondary wastewater will be review.

## **THE MULTIPLE BENEFITS OF OZONE IN MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER REUSE PROJECTS**

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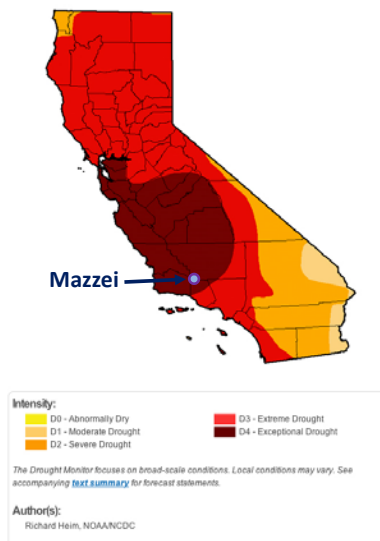
## **DEMOGRAPHIC PRESSURES On World Water Supply**

- ❖ **0001 AD World Population 3% Of Now**
- ❖ **1900 World Population 1 Billion**
- ❖ **2000 World Population 6 Billion**
- ❖ **Population Increasing By 150 People Per Minute**
- ❖ **2025 Water Scarcity For 3.3 Billion**





### Drought Milestone: 100 Percent of California Now in Drought



## A Fourth Drought Year For California; What Are the Odds ?



Low water levels at San Luis Reservoir in February, 2014 (Josh Cassidy/KQED)

Courtesy KQED Science

## Some Profit From California Drought



Fights break out over controversial water sales. Some farmers say they need the water to keep trees alive..

Courtesy KQED Science

### ...And Some Do Not



An almond tree that has been uprooted due to drought near Los Banos, California (Lindsey Horshaw/KQED)

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## WATER REUSE PROJECTS



Clark County  
Water Reclamation District



Melbourne Water  
Eastern Treatment Plant  
Tertiary Upgrade



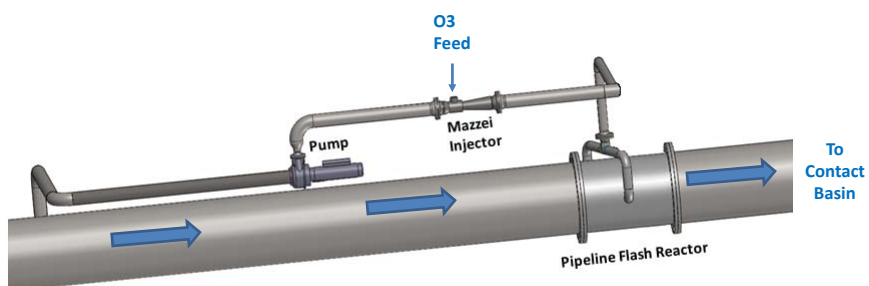


## Wastewater Aeration Method

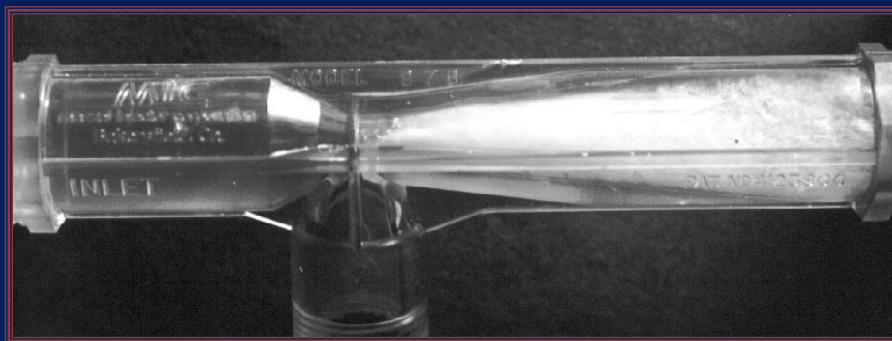


Waste Water Effluent Aeration  
Hancock County, MS, USA

## Selected Ozone Contacting Method

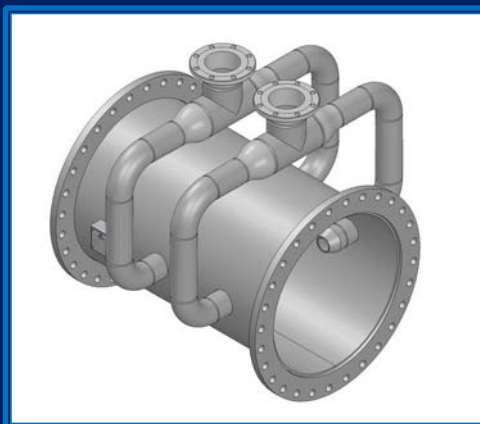


## Primary Gas Mixing Side Stream Venturi Injection





## Secondary Gas Mixing Pipeline Flash Reactor

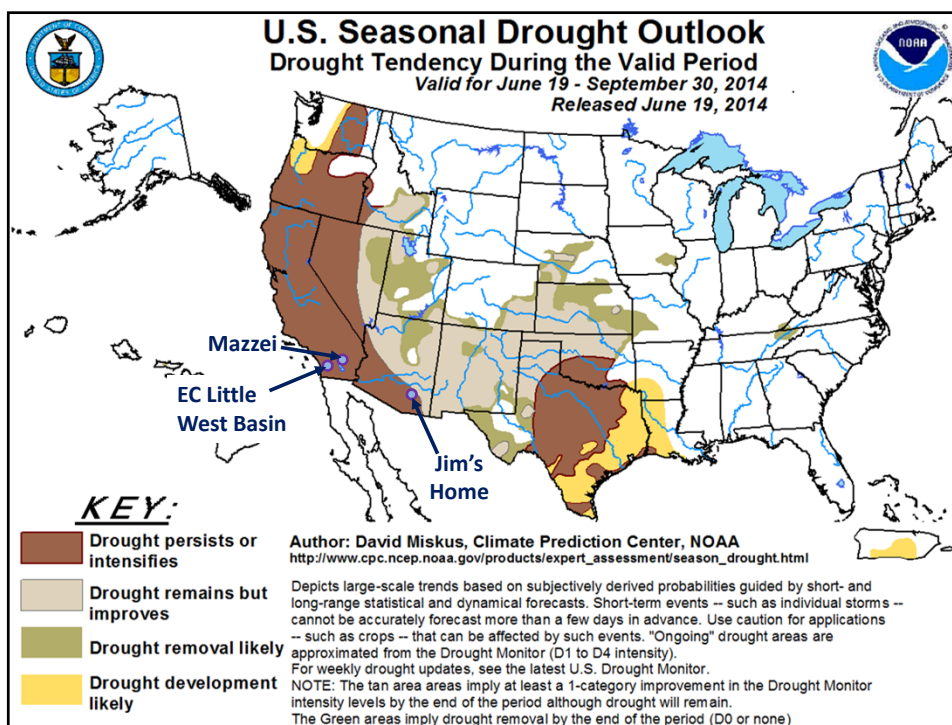


## Secondary Gas Mixing Pipeline Flash Reactor



# WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

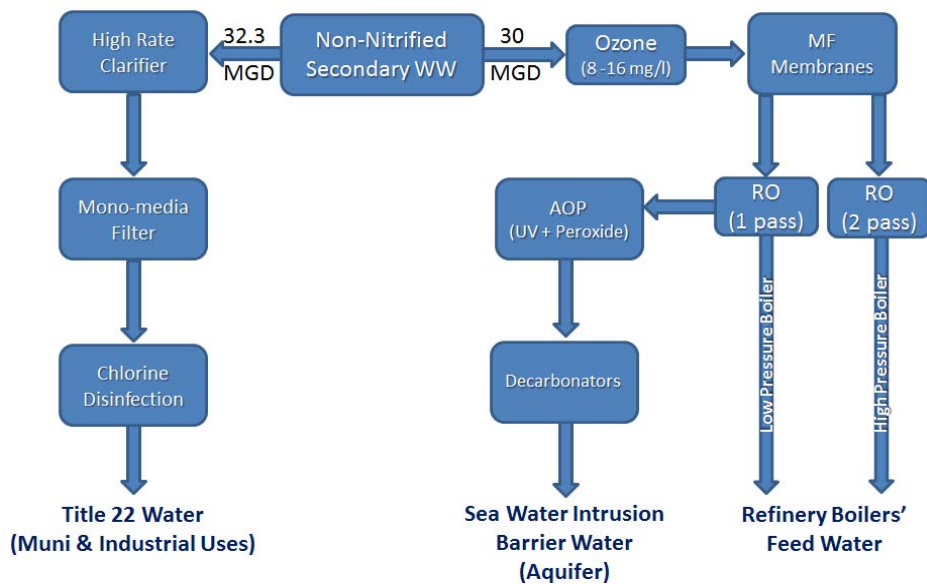
## EDWARD C. LITTLE WATER RECYCLING FACILITY



## EDWARD C. LITTLE WATER RECYCLING FACILITY

- Largest recycling facility of its kind in the US.
- Produces multiple grades of recycled water for municipal, commercial and industrial users.

### E.C. Little Water Recycling Treatment Processes



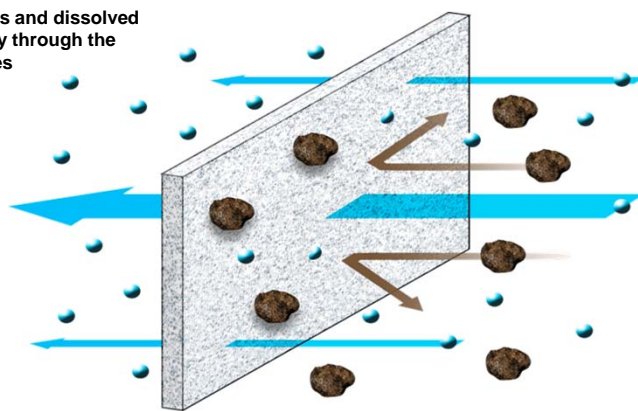
## Ozone Treatment Objectives

1. Reduce MF membrane fouling from natural organic matter (NOM) and effluent organic matter (EfoM) to extend membrane service life.
2. Reduce pump energy costs by improving membrane flux.

## How do Membranes Work?

Water molecules and dissolved salts pass freely through the membrane pores

Semi permeable membrane wall with microscopic pores



Contaminants such as bacteria and viruses can not pass through the membrane's pores

## Barriers to Water Reuse and Utilization of RO Membranes

- (Public Perception)
- Cost
  - Energy, materials, construction
- Fouling
  - Colloidal
  - Inorganic
  - Biological
  - Organic
  1. Natural Organic Matter (NOM)
  2. Effluent Organic Matter (EfOM)

From, "Pre-ozonation Effects on the Reduction of Reverse Osmosis Membrane Fouling"  
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### City of Las Vegas Water Pollution Control Facility Pilot-Scale Water Reuse Treatment Pilot



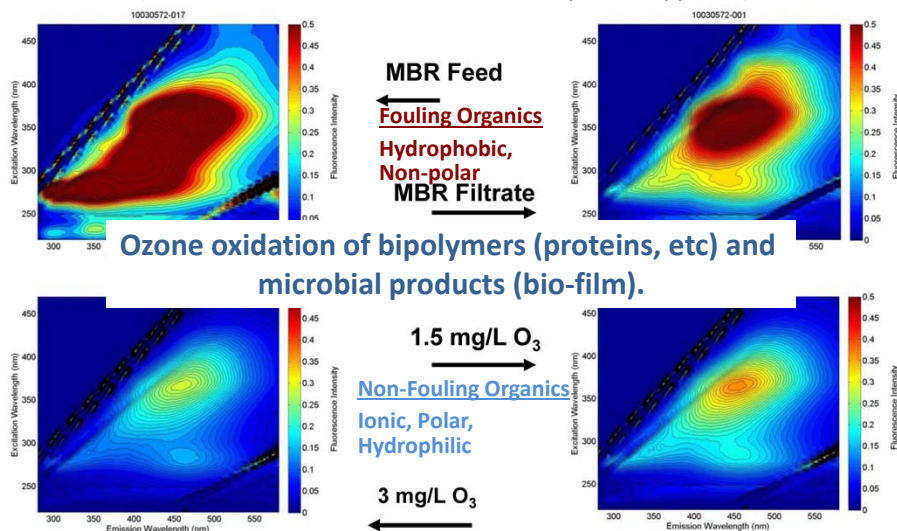
- MBR: Hollow fiber vacuum MF membrane.
- Ozone System: HiPox pipeline module.
- RO: Cross flow polyamide membrane sheets.

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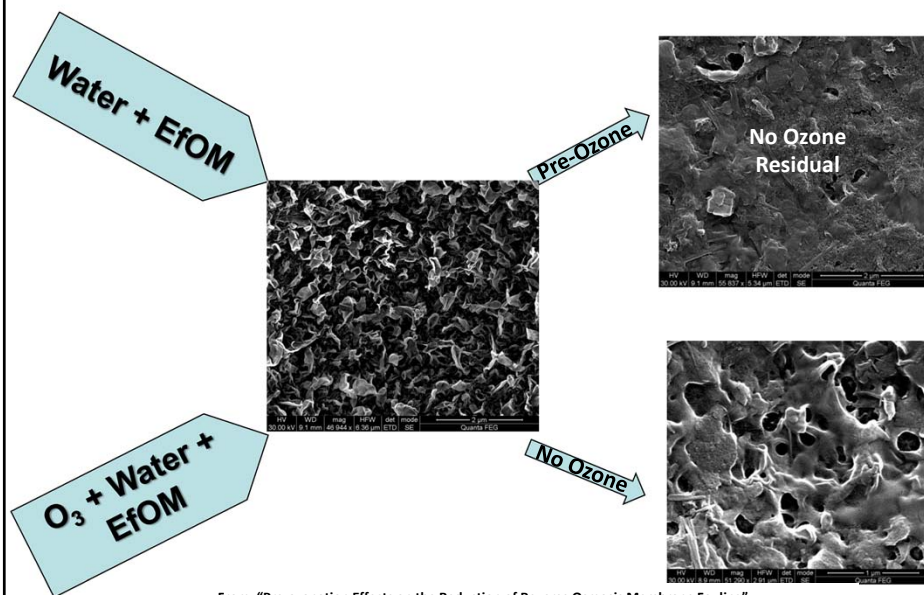
## NOM/EfROM Changes Through Pilot

(Fluorescence Excitation – Emission Matrix Spectroscopy: EEM)



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## Effectiveness of Pre-Ozone Oxidation



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# Pilot Operation Data: Specific Flux

Temperature Corrected Specific Flux (gfd/psi)

## Edward C. Little Water Recycling Facility

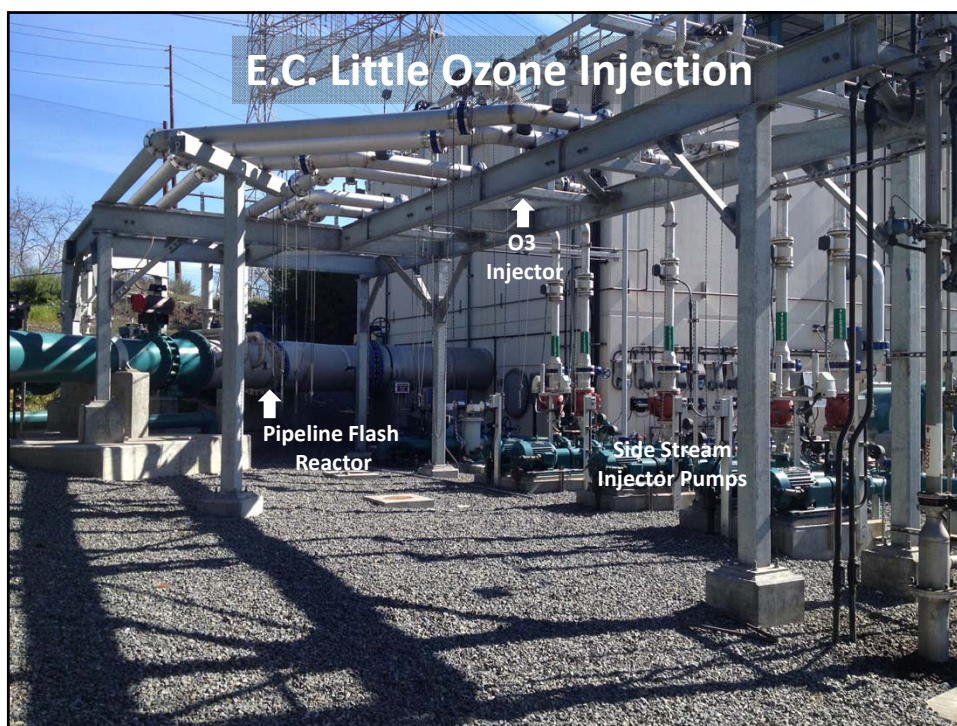
**Will Pre-Ozone Increase MF Flux and Extend Service Runs ?**

0.050  
03-Mar-10 13-Mar-10 23-Mar-10 02-Apr-10 12-Apr-10 22-Apr-10 02-May-10  
Date

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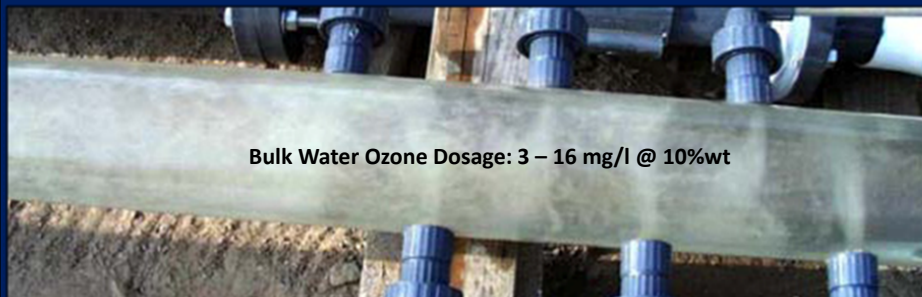


**E.C. Little Ozone Generators  
2 X 37.8 kg/h @10% wt.**





## Secondary Gas Mixing Pipeline Flash Reactor

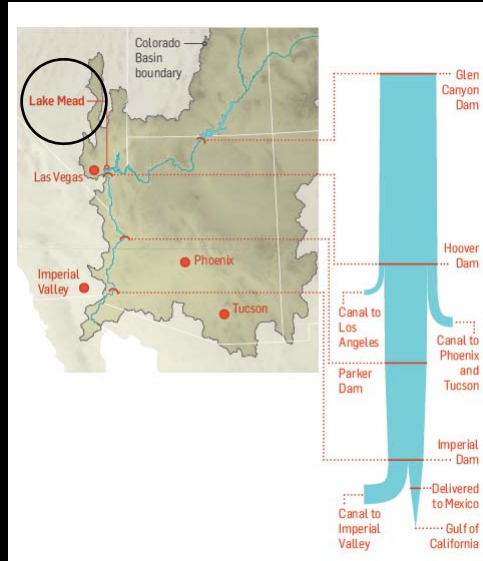


Bulk Water Ozone Dosage: 3 – 16 mg/l @ 10%wt

## EDWARD C. LITTLE WATER RECYCLING FACILITY

- Commissioned February 2013
- Decreased MF Cleaning:
  - ✓ From 1 – 2 days now every 21 days

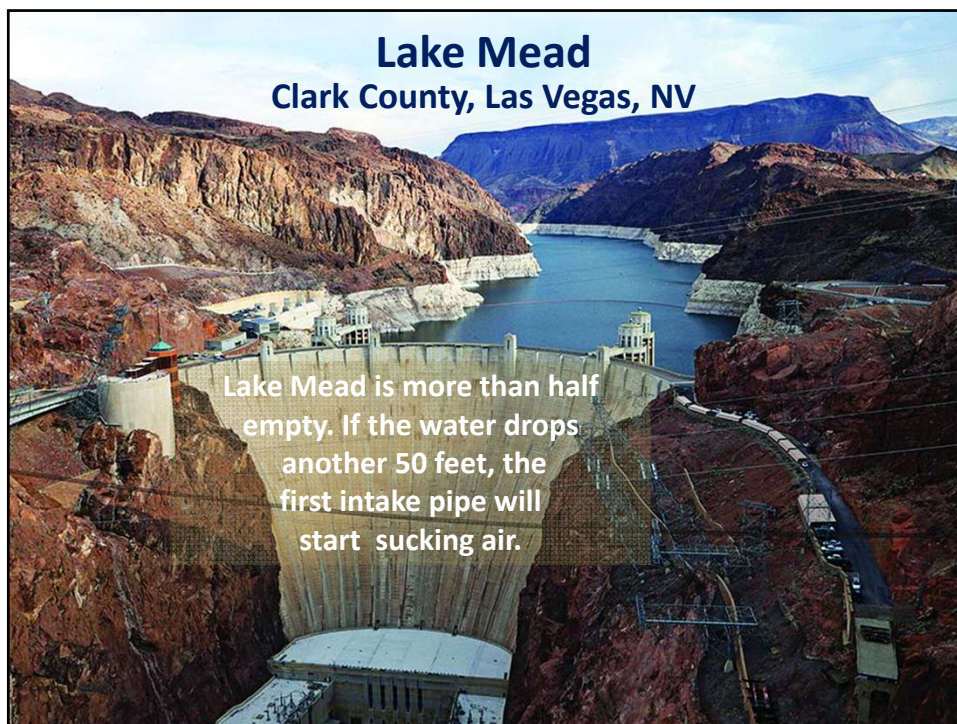
## Colorado River Basin Drought 14 Years and No Relief in Sight



## Lake Mead Clark County, Las Vegas, NV

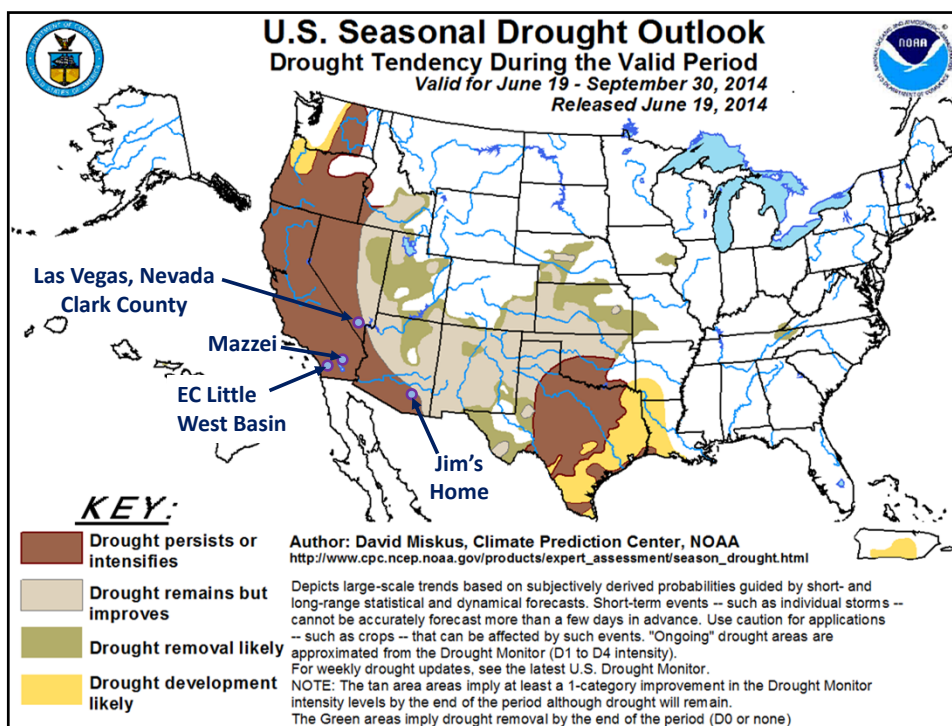
WATER LEVELS DOWN BY ALMOST 30 METERS !



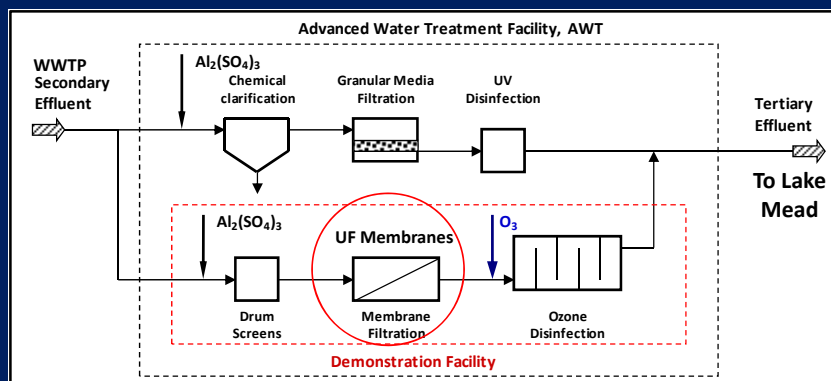


## **CLARK COUNTY WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT**

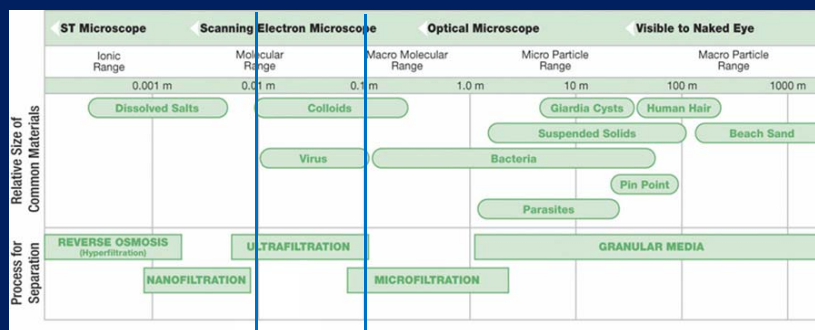
**AWT PHASE I  
MEMBRANE AND OZONE FACILITY**



## AWT 113 MLD Demonstration Facility Simplified Process Flow Diagram



## AWT 113 MLD Demonstration Facility Ultrafiltration



What's left for ozone ?

## O3 EFFECTIVE STAND ALONE TREATMENT

### <30% Removal

Musk Ketone  
TCEP

### 30% to 70% Removal

Meprobamate  
Atrazine  
Iopromide

### >70% Removal

Testosterone  
Progesterone  
Androstenedione  
Estril  
Ethinylestradiol  
Estrone  
Estradiol  
Erythromycin-H2O  
Sulfamethoxazole  
Triclosan  
Trimethoprim  
Naproxen  
Diclofenac  
Ibuprofen  
Hydrocodone  
Acetaminophen  
Carbamazepine  
Dilantin  
Diazepam  
Caffeine



**SOUTHERN NEVADA  
WATER AUTHORITY**  
Las Vegas

\* From Dr. Shane Snyder, Principal Investigator concerning AwwaRF Project #2758

## Ozone System Design Parameters

<i>Parameter</i>	<i>Value</i>
Design applied ozone dose	8 mg/L ( <b>Virus + CEC Reduction</b> )
Design ozone concentration	10%
Design ozone production	38 kg/h (2,000 lb/d)
Total ozone production capacity	114 kg/h (6,000 lb/d)
Design cooling water temperature	30°C (86°F)

## **AWT 113 MLD Demonstration Facility Ozone Contactor**

No. Basins: 2

Fine Bubble Diffusion (FBD) Basins Designed For a 10 Minute HRT ( $t_{10} / t = 0.6$ )

Total Basin Volume: 3,000 m<sup>3</sup> (both)

Basin Footprint: 753.6 m<sup>2</sup>

Side Water Depth: 6.7 m

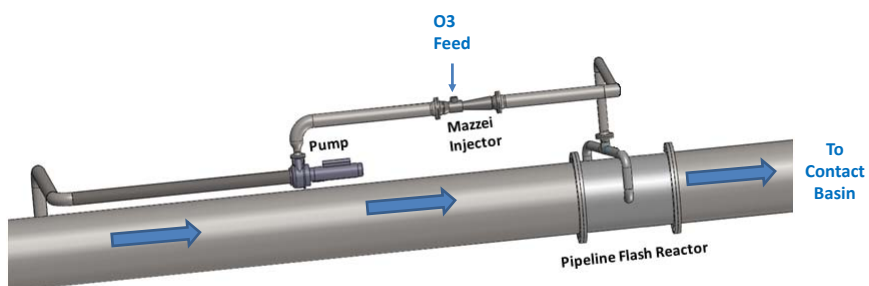
Diffusers: 240 per contactor accounting for 40% of the basin floor area

## **Soil Conditions Impact Basin Design**

- ✓ Foundation cracking in existing structures from differential setting.
- ✓ Soil borings identified soil as "critically expansive and highly compressible".
- ✓ FBD basins size and weight required extensive & costly subsurface concrete piers.



## Selected Ozone Contacting Method



## Basin Design Modification

Reduced 10 minute HRT to 4 minute HRT.

### ORIGINAL DESIGN: FBD

- 2- Basins
- Total No. Diffusers: 480
- Diffuser Footprint: 107.6 m<sup>2</sup>
- Total Footprint: 753.6 m<sup>2</sup>
- Side Water Depth: 6.7 m
- Total Volume: 3,000 m<sup>3</sup>

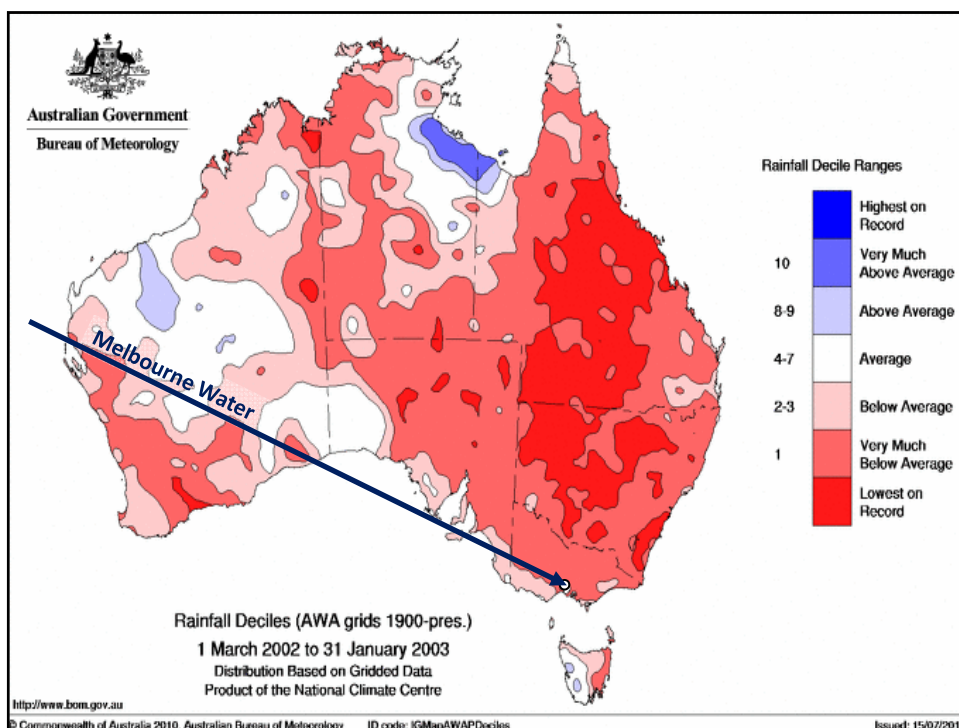
### REVISED : Pipeline Flash Reactor

- 1- Low Profile Serpentine Basin
- No. Diffusers: 0
- Diffuser Footprint: 0 m<sup>2</sup>
- Footprint: 156.4 m<sup>2</sup>
- Side Water Depth: 3.7 m
- Total Volume: 610 m<sup>3</sup>

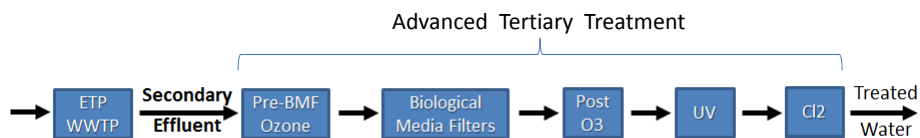




# MELBOURNE WATER ADVANCED TERTIARY TREATMENT PLANT



## ADVANCED TREATMENT PROCESSES



Design of Oxygen and Ozone Systems for a Large Scale Advanced Tertiary Treatment Plant  
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## Plant Treatment Objectives

1. Compliance with requirements for discharge to the marine environment for 100% of the time.
2. Compliance with requirements for Class A recycled water production for at least 98% of the time.
  - a) Requires a 4.5 – 5.5 log removal of virus, bacteria and protozoa.
  - b) Can be used on crops.

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## Ozone Dosage & Transfer

### PRE-BMF OZONE

- Ozone dosage: 8.3 – 10 mg/l
- Transfer: Sidestream gas injection with pipeline gas contactor.

### POST BMF OZONE

- Ozone dosage: 2.5 – 5.2 mg/l
- Transfer: Sidestream gas injection with basin nozzle manifold.

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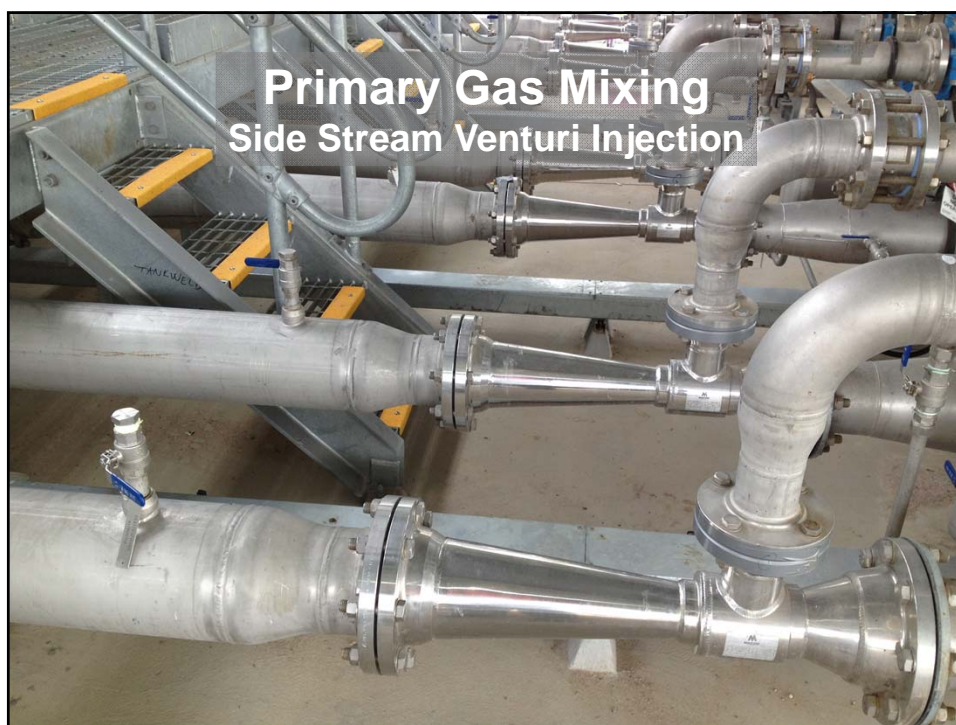
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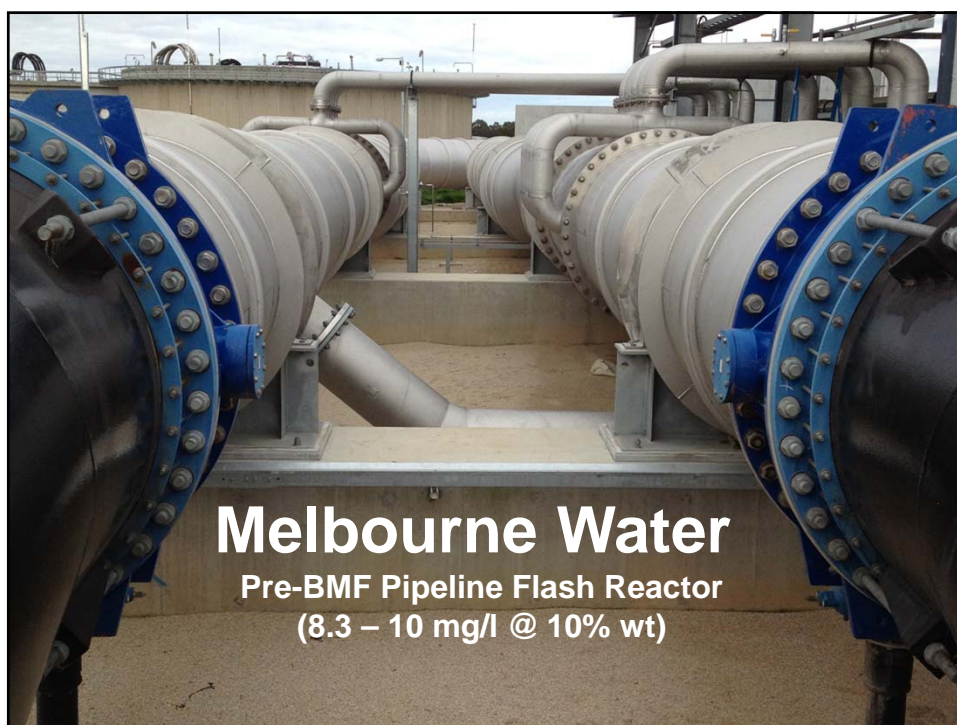
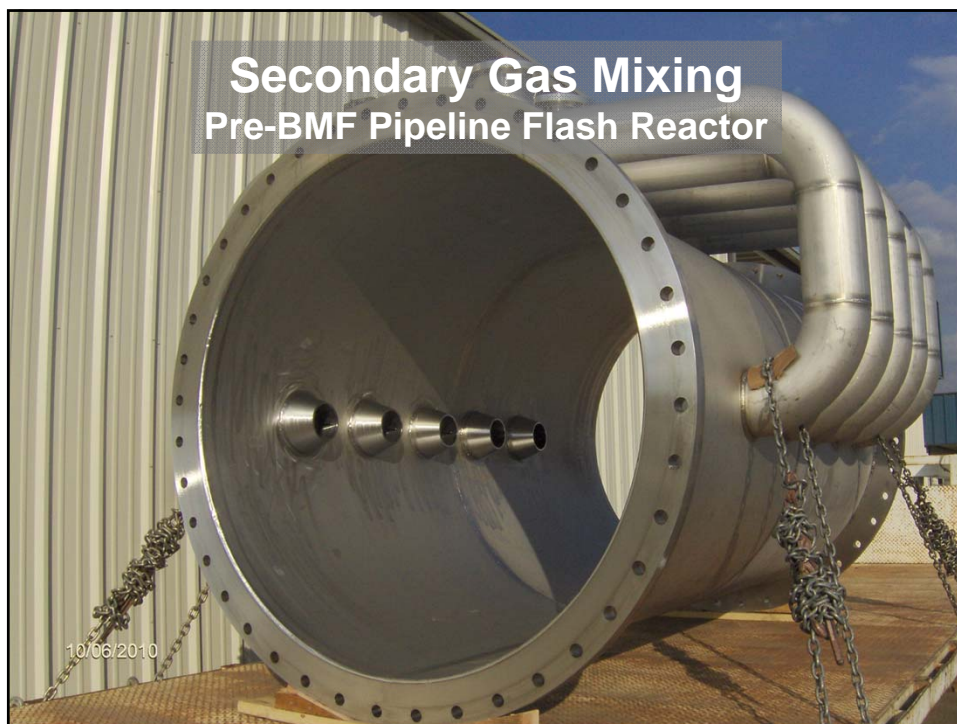
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- UV transmittance improvement from 40 – 60 %
- Foam reduction (in conjunction with BMF)
- Oxygenation to support ammonia reduction by BMF treatment

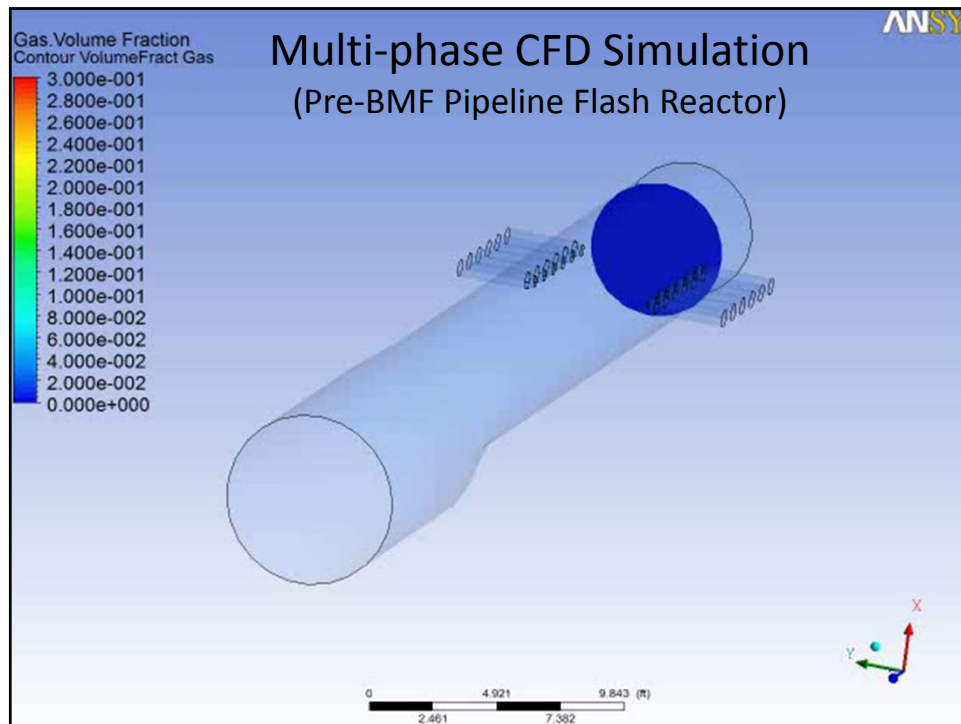
### POST BMF OZONE

- Significant disinfection (Crypto, Virus, Bacteria)
- Further residual color reduction
- UV transmittance improvement from 60 – 75 %
- Re-oxygenation following BMF treatment

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# POST BMF SECONDARY GAS MIXING



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**MELBOURNE WATER**

**ADVANCED TERTIARY TREATMENT PLANT**

**IS IN OPERATION AND MEETING ALL**

**TREATMENT OBJECTIVES**



## WATER REUSE PROJECTS

Pre-filter Ozone To Increase  
MF Flux and Service Runs



Post Filter Ozone Disinfection  
And CEC Reduction



Clark County  
Water Reclamation District

Melbourne Water  
Eastern Treatment Plant  
Pre & Post Filter O3 Oxidation &  
Disinfection



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Barcelona, Spain



## Retrofit of O3 Contact Basins With SVI and Basin Nozzle Manifolds

