



# WATER VIRTUAL IN-PLANT (VINPLT) TRAINING

Session 4



# Session 4: The 5 L's and Treasure Hunts



Thank You!

Sponsor:



# Today's Agenda

	Homework Recap
	Leaking
	Losing
	Break
	Loading
	Treasure Hunts
	Kahoot!
	Q&A

# HOMework RECAP

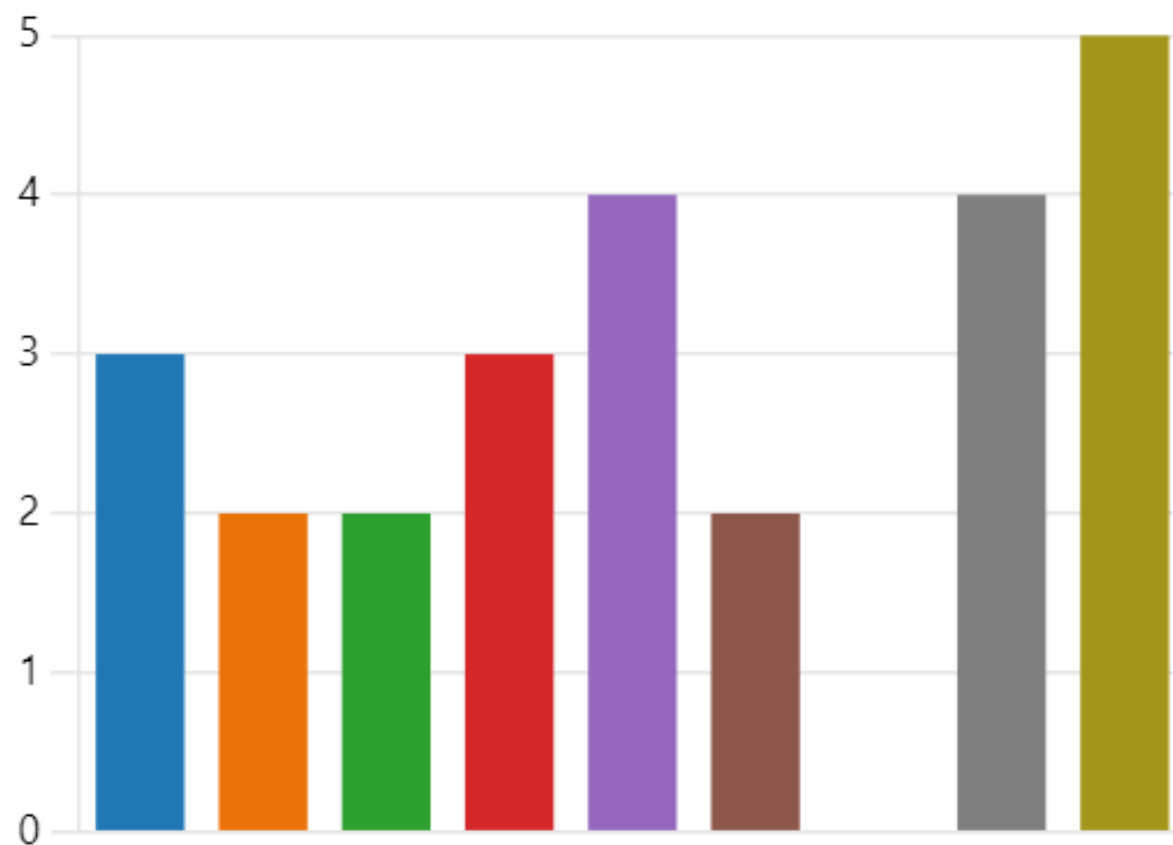
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## 5. Where might you have opportunities to save energy at the WTP (choose all that apply):

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 Influent (raw water) pumps	3
 Chemicals	2
 Mixers	2
 Filter backwash	3
 Finished water pumps	4
 Air compressors	2
 Solids handling	0
 Lighting	4
 HVAC	5



## The 5 L's: Common Water System Inefficiencies

- Leaping
- Looping
- Leaking
- Losing
- Loading

# LEAKING





# Leaking – Problem

High-Pressure Leak



Low-Pressure Leak



**WATER LOSS IS ENERGY LOSS!**

Tim Waldron, "Success Techniques in Applying Water Loss Strategies for Financial Benefits,"  
Workshop on Water and Energy/Water Loss (International Water Association, 2014)

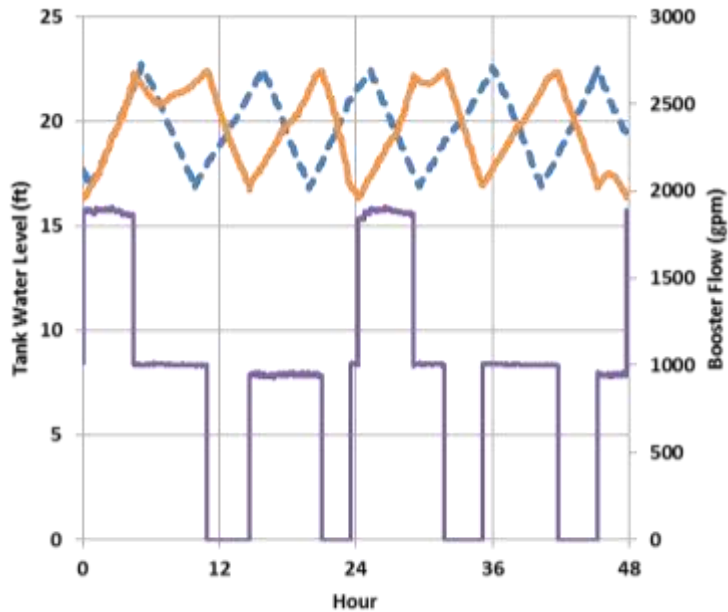
# Water Loss Audit

Volume from Own Sources <i>(corrected for known errors)</i>	System Input Volume	Water Exported <i>(corrected for known errors)</i>	Billed Water Exported				Revenue Water
			Water Supplied	Authorized Consumption	Billed Authorized Consumption	Billed Metered Consumption	
Water Losses	Unbilled Authorized Consumption	Unbilled Unmetered Consumption			Billed Unmetered Consumption		Non-revenue Water
			Real Losses	Apparent Losses	Unbilled Metered Consumption		
Leakage on Transmission and Distribution Mains	Leakage and Overflows at Utility's Storage Tanks	Customer Metering Inaccuracies					
		Unauthorized Consumption					
		Systematic Data Handling Errors					
Leakage on Service Connections up to the point of Customer Metering							
Water Imported <i>(corrected for known errors)</i>							

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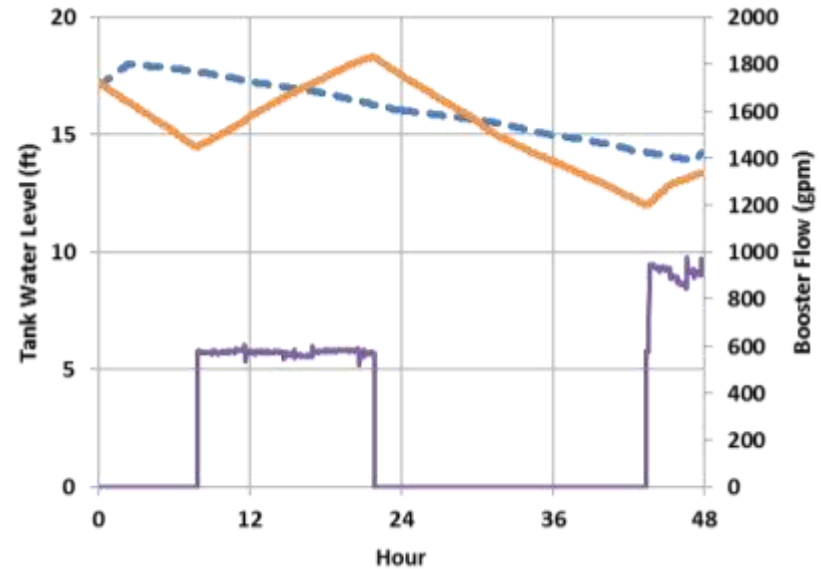
# Leaking – Example

## Probable Leak



- Spring Tank Level
- Summer Tank Level
- Summer Booster Flow

## Normal



Pumping a lot, using a little.  
Where is all the water going?

# Leaking – Example

**Before**



**After**

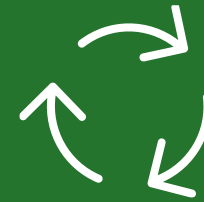


# Leaking – Diagnosis



## How to detect:

- Water production exceeds water use
- Pumping, but no demand
- Leak detection equipment
- You see it!



## How to resolve:

- Replace leaky pipes
- Fix leaky storage tanks
- Lower the pressure

# Leaking – Where to Focus

- Old pipes
- High pressures
- Hot spots



Leak on 12" main. Photo courtesy of Harold Hargaves, City of Pocatello, ID.

# Leaking – Activity

In Zone 4, there is a serious leak that consumes approximately 100 MG per year. The pressure in the pipe is currently 100 psi. Your energy team has identified this leak as well as recognized that the pressure can be reduced to 60 psi. The pump that serves this zone uses 1,200 kWh/MG.

1a. How much energy (kWh) is currently lost by the leak each year?

$$\frac{100 \text{ MG}}{\text{year}} * \frac{1,200 \text{ kWh}}{\text{MG}} = 120,000 \text{ kWh/year}$$

1b. At \$0.05 per kWh, how much does this leak cost in terms of energy?

$$\frac{120,000 \text{ kWh}}{\text{year}} * \frac{\$0.05}{\text{kWh}} = \$6,000/\text{year}$$

# Leaking – Activity

2. How much water (MG) can be saved by reducing the pressure to 60 psi? Assume the % water savings = half of the % pressure reduction.

$$\text{Pressure reduction} = 100 \text{ psi} - 60 \text{ psi} = 40 \text{ psi}$$

$$40 \text{ psi}/100 \text{ psi} = 40\%$$

$$\text{Percent water savings} = 0.5 * 40\% = 20\%$$

$$\text{Water saved} = 20\% * 100 \text{ MG} = 20 \text{ MG}$$



# Leaking – Activity

3a. How much energy (kWh) can be saved by reducing the pressure?

$$\frac{20 \text{ MG}}{\text{year}} * \frac{1,200 \text{ kWh}}{\text{MG}} = 24,000 \text{ kWh/year}$$

3b. At \$0.05 per kWh, how much money would this save?

$$\frac{24,000 \text{ kWh}}{\text{year}} * \frac{\$0.05}{\text{kWh}} = \$1,200$$

4a. If the leak can be repaired (new pipe), how much energy can be saved?

$$\frac{100 \text{ MG}}{\text{year}} * \frac{1,200 \text{ kWh}}{\text{MG}} = 120,000 \text{ kWh/year}$$

4b. At \$0.05 per kWh, how much would this repair save?

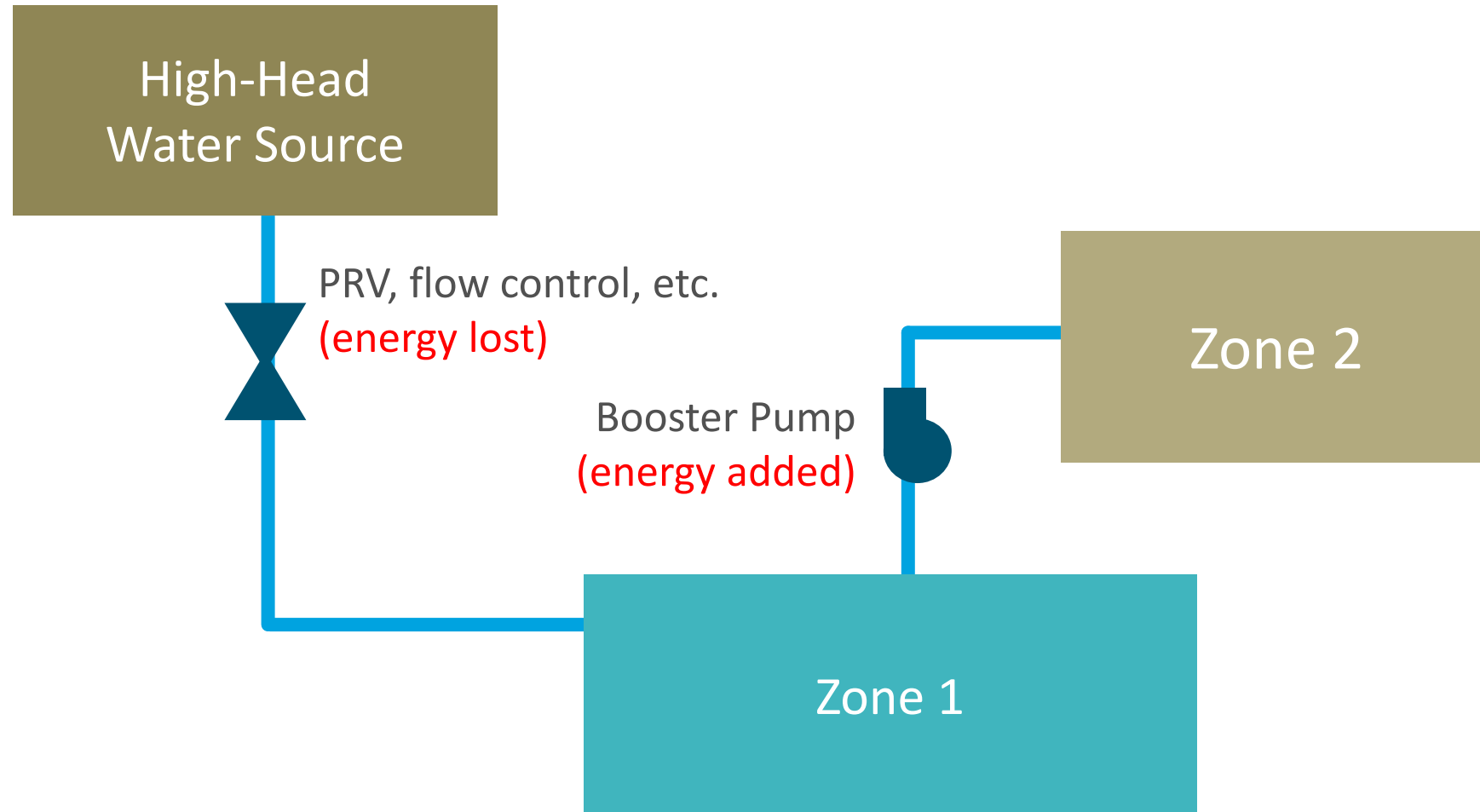
$$\frac{120,000 \text{ kWh}}{\text{year}} * \frac{\$0.05}{\text{kWh}} = \$6,000/\text{year}$$

# LOSING

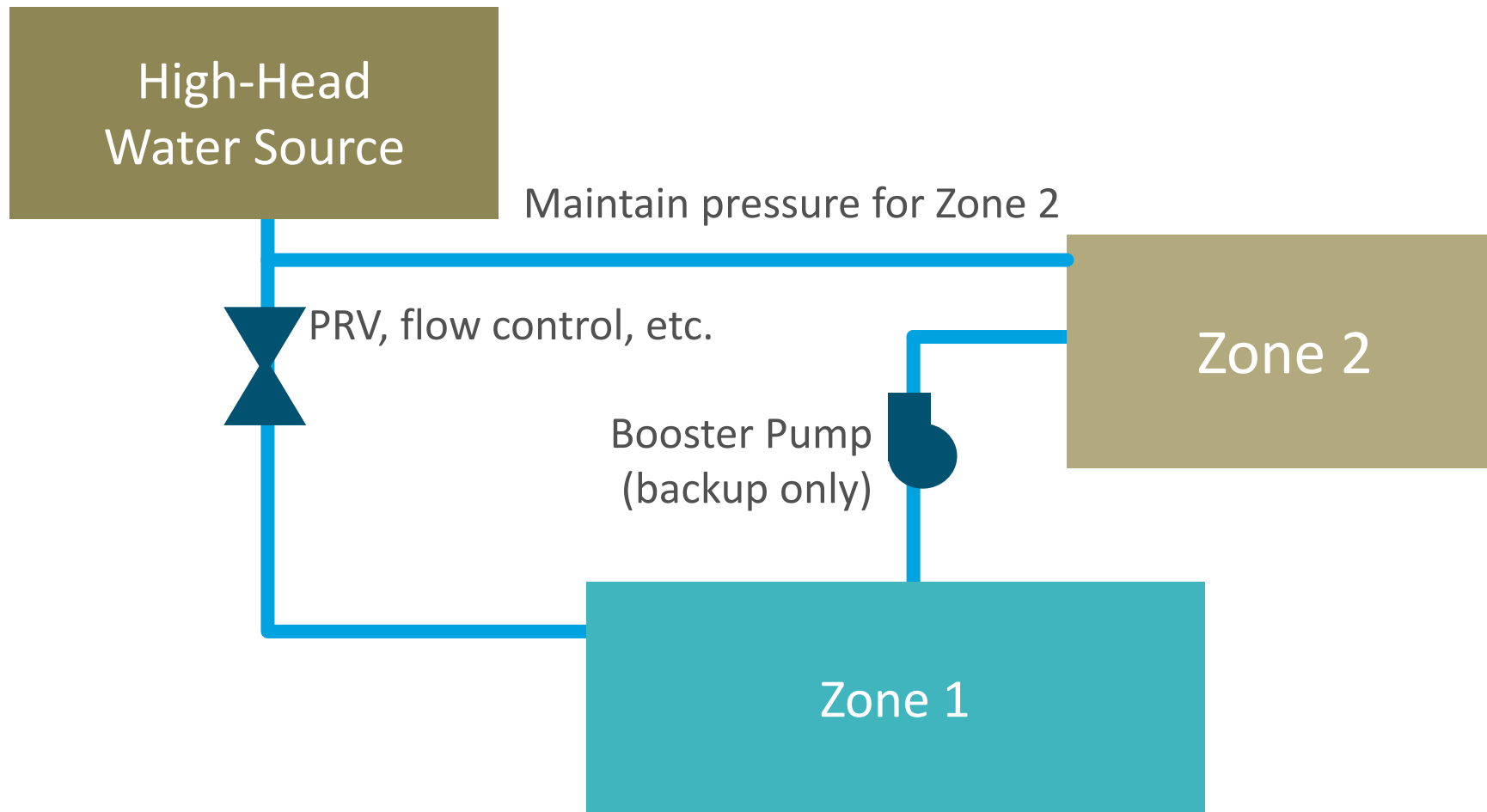


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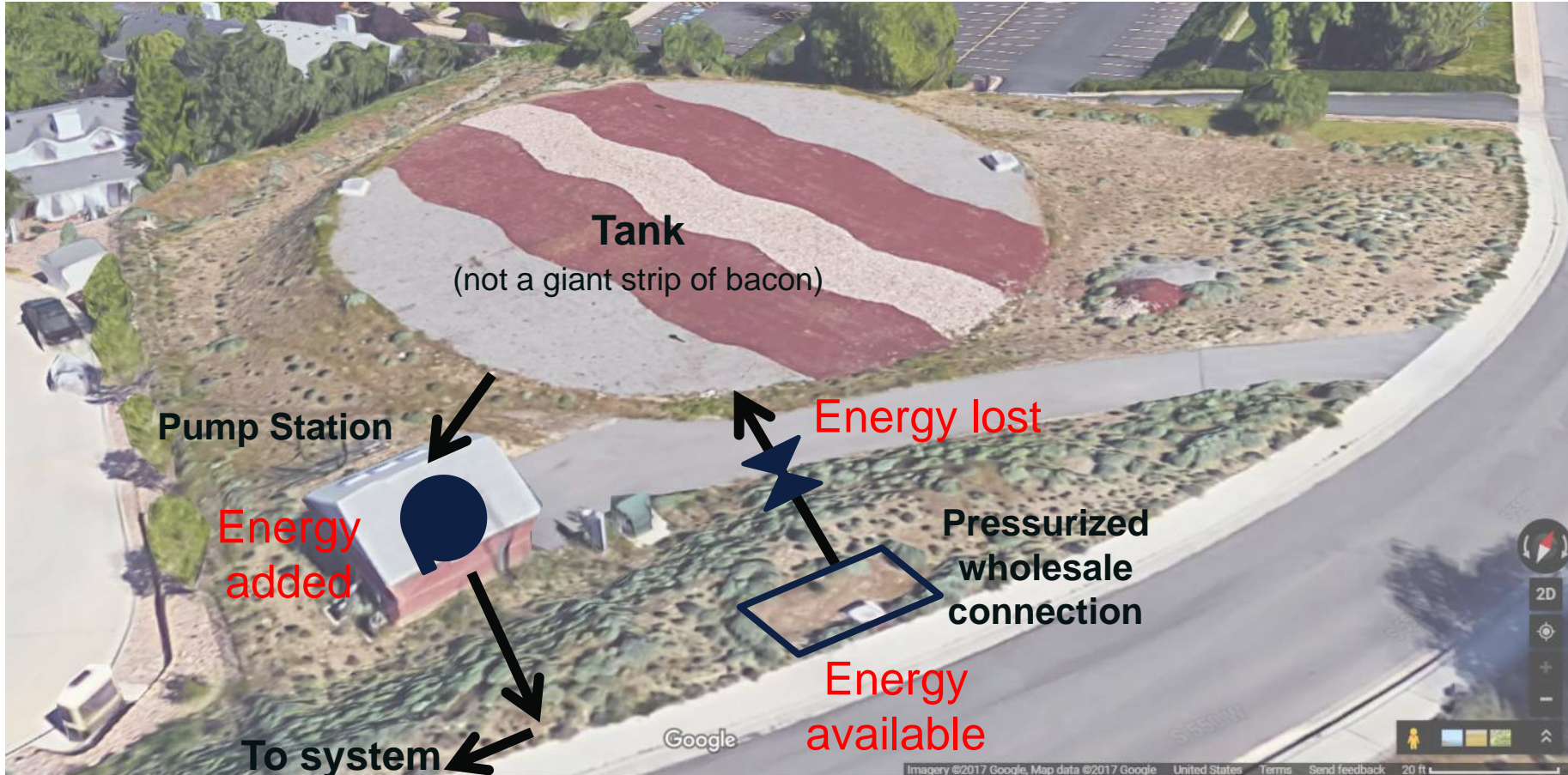
“Breaking pressure prematurely”



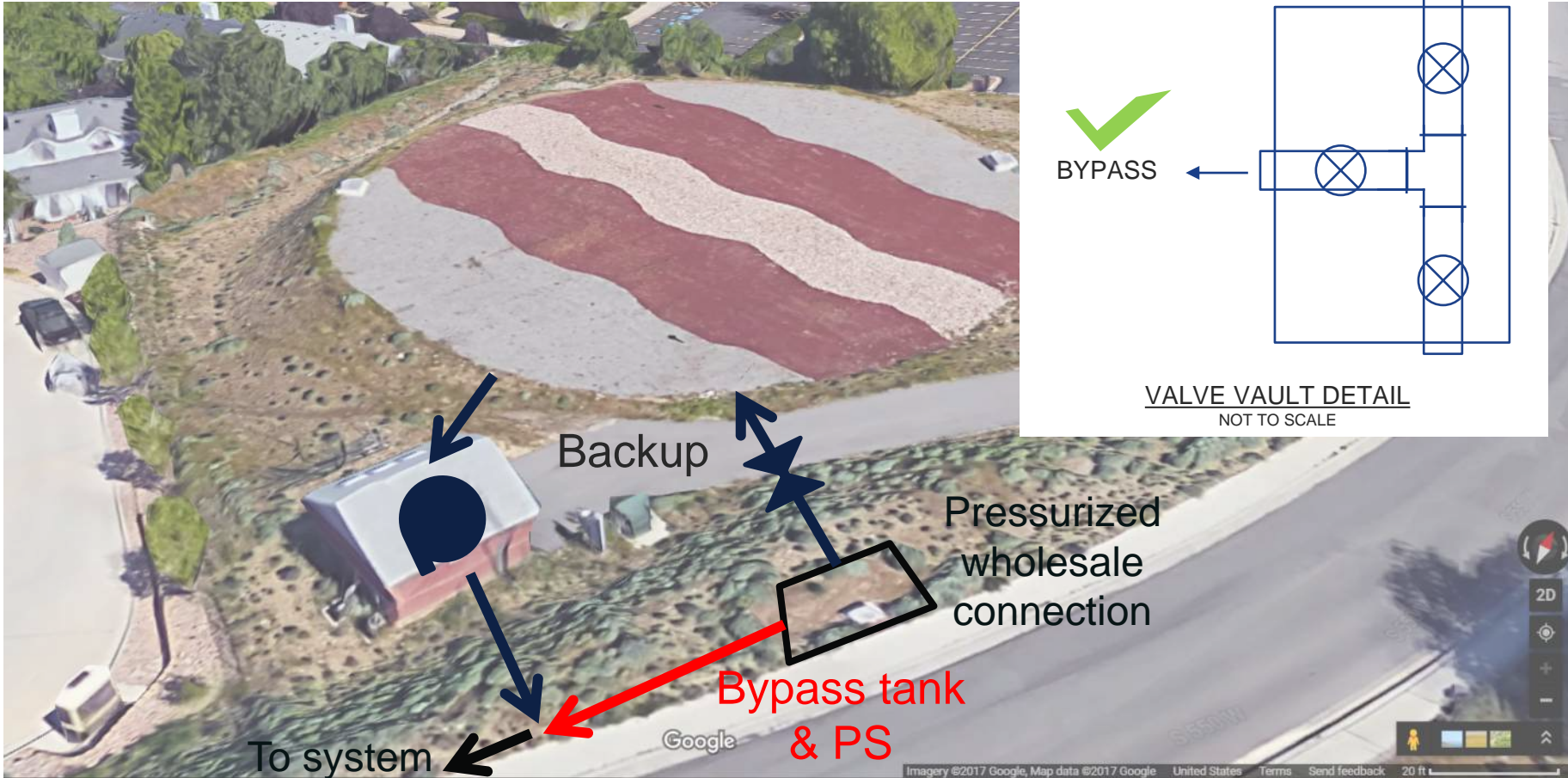
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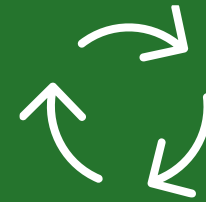


# Losing – Diagnosis



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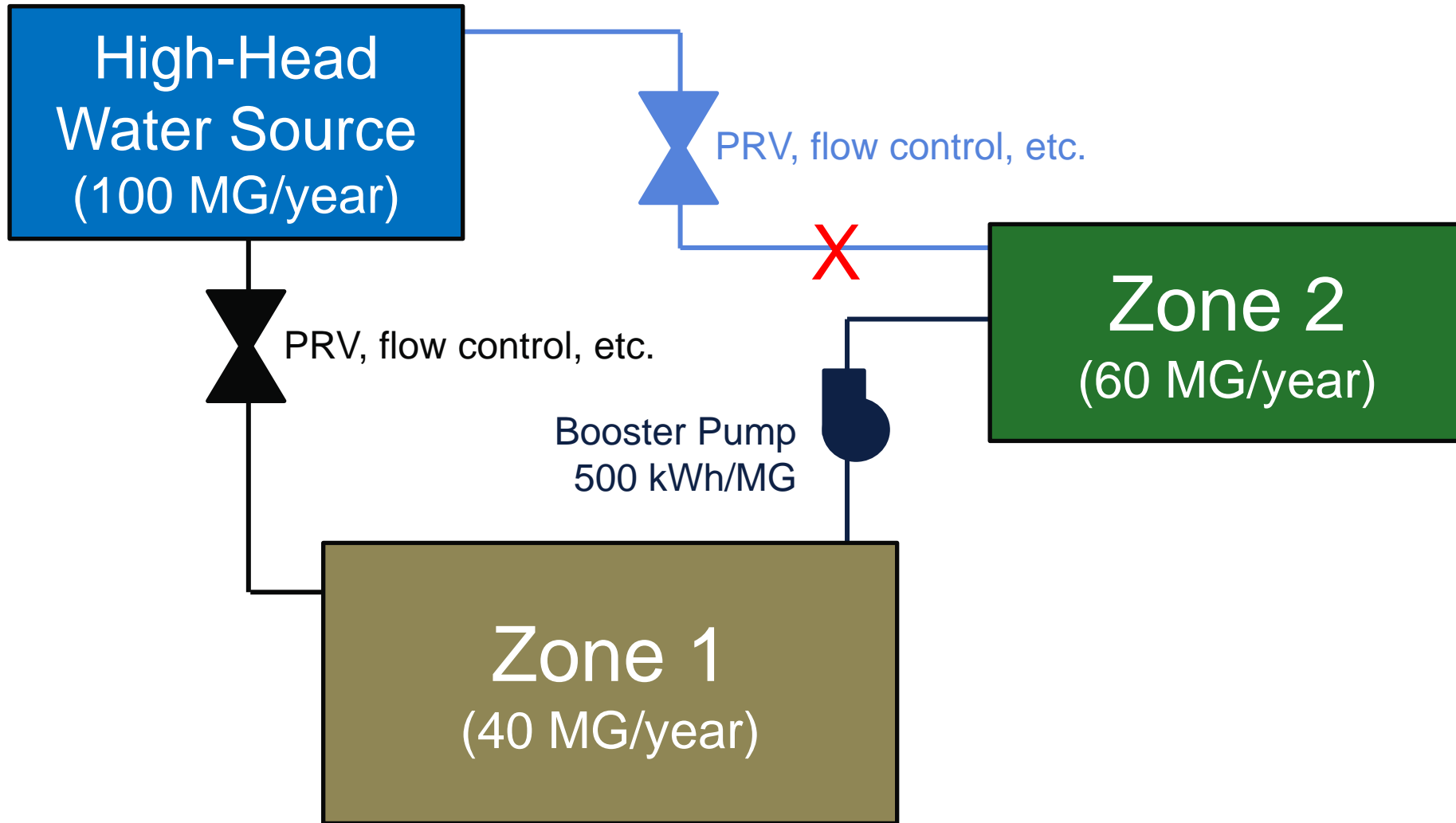
- A water source's head is higher than a pumped zone
- Hydraulic modeling



## How to resolve:

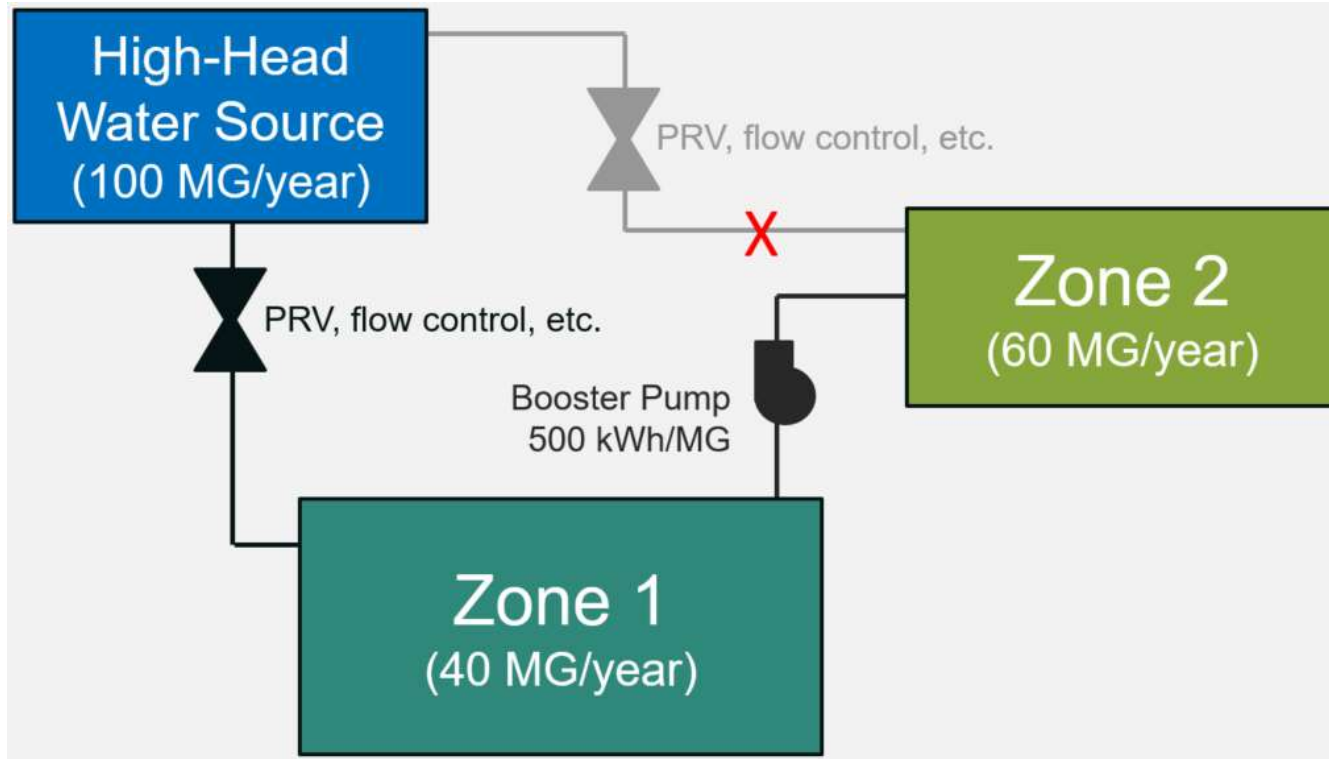
- Bypass pressure break and serve zone directly
- Maintain booster backup if needed

# Losing – Activity





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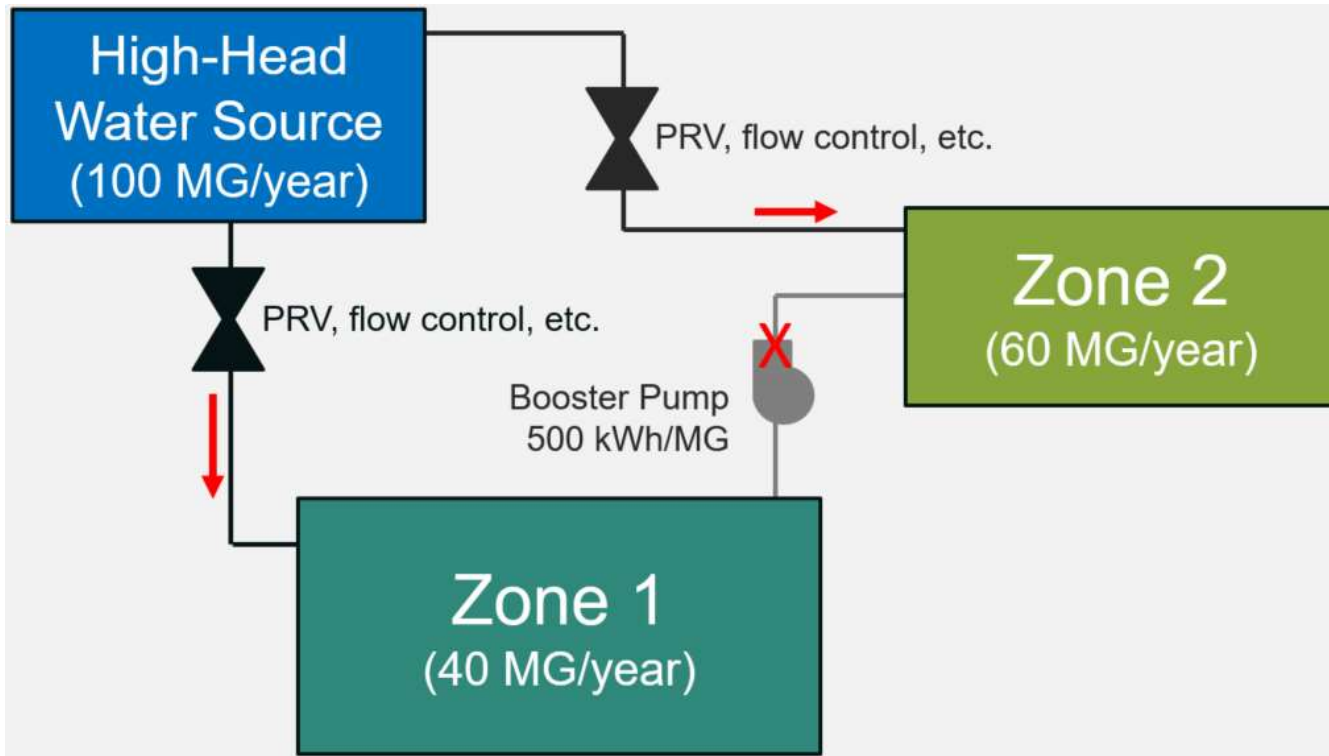


$$\frac{60 \text{ MG}}{\text{year}} * \frac{500 \text{ kWh}}{\text{MG}} = 30,000 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{year}}$$

$$30,000 \frac{\text{kWh}}{\text{year}} * \frac{\$0.05}{\text{kWh}} = \frac{\$1,500}{\text{year}}$$

1. How much energy (kWh) is currently consumed by flowing to Zone 1 and boosting to Zone 2 to meet demands?
2. At \$0.05 per kWh, what is the energy cost to flow to Zone 1 and boost to Zone 2?

# Losing – Activity



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3b. At \$0.05 per kWh, how much money would this adjustment save?

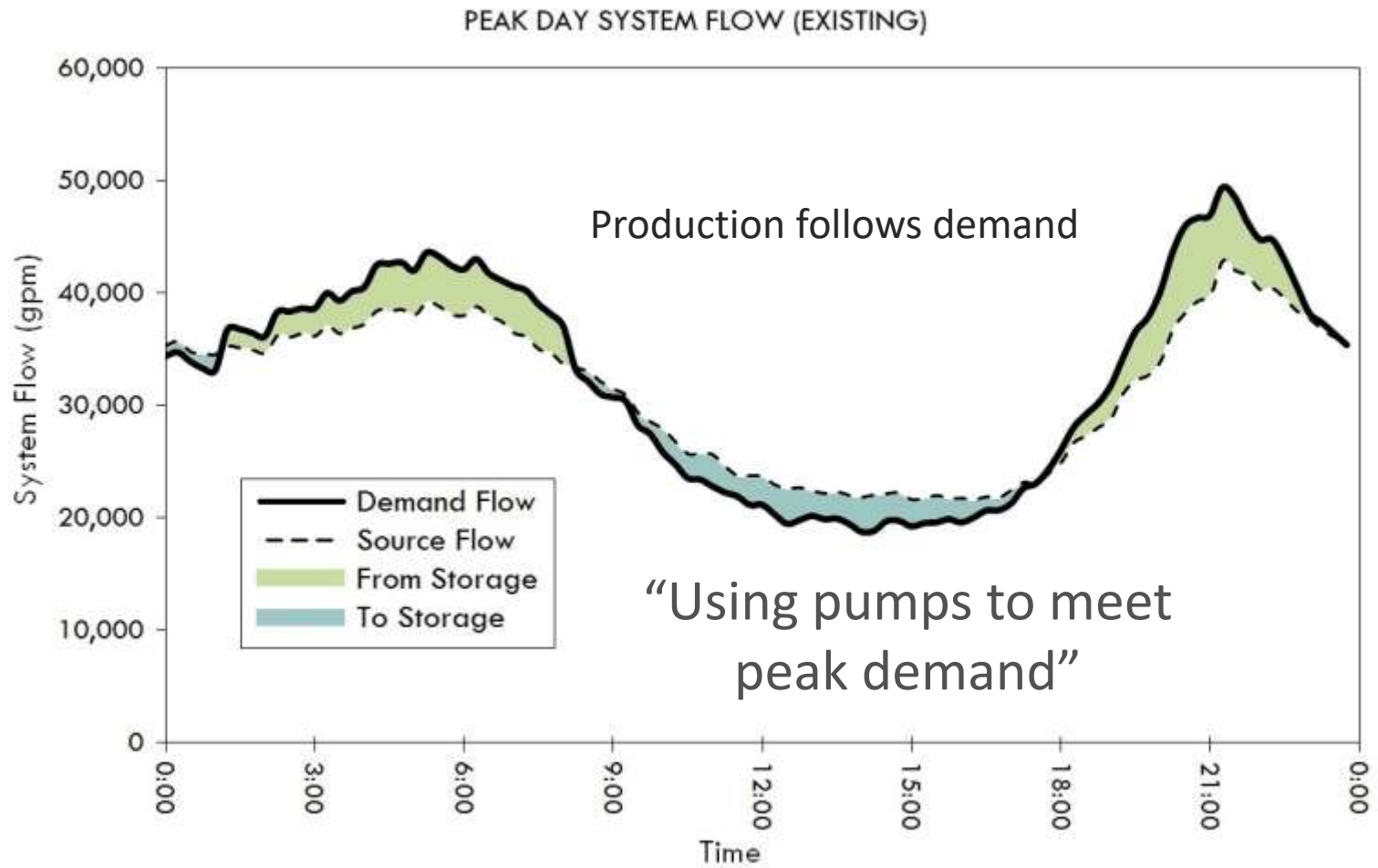
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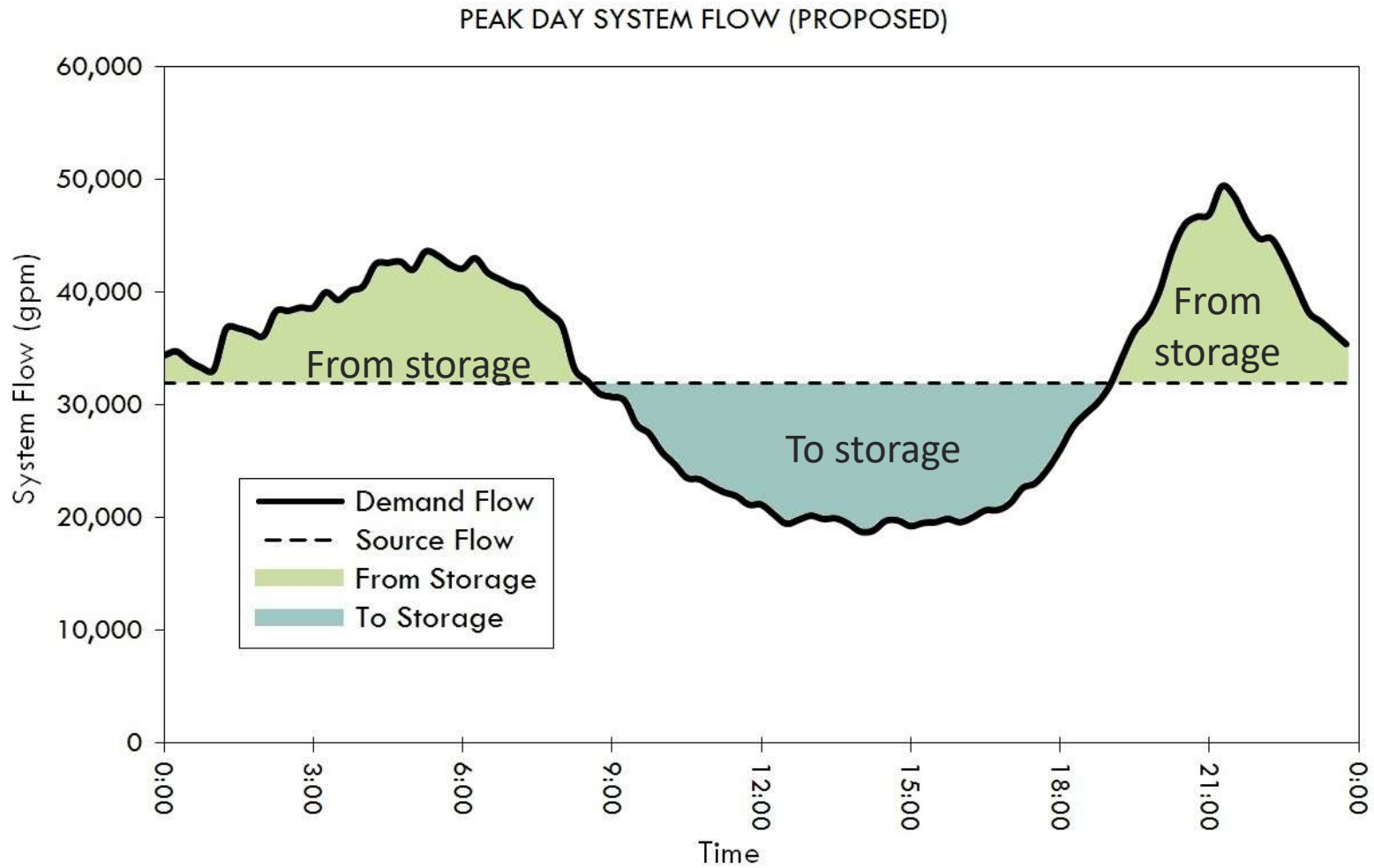
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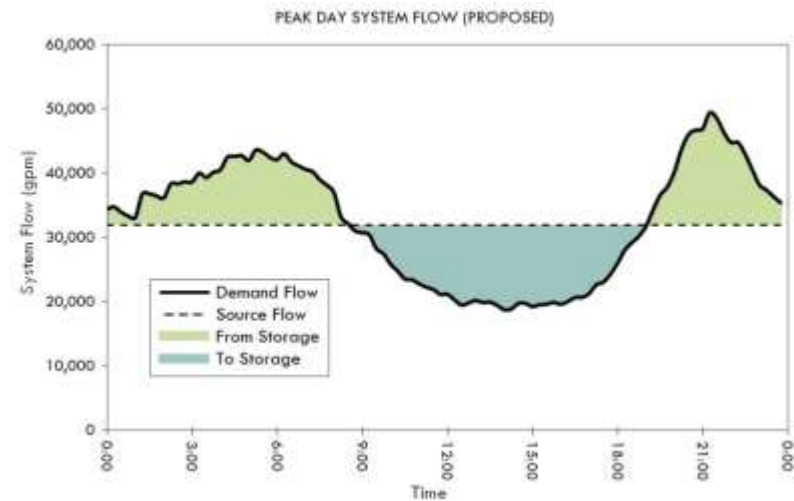
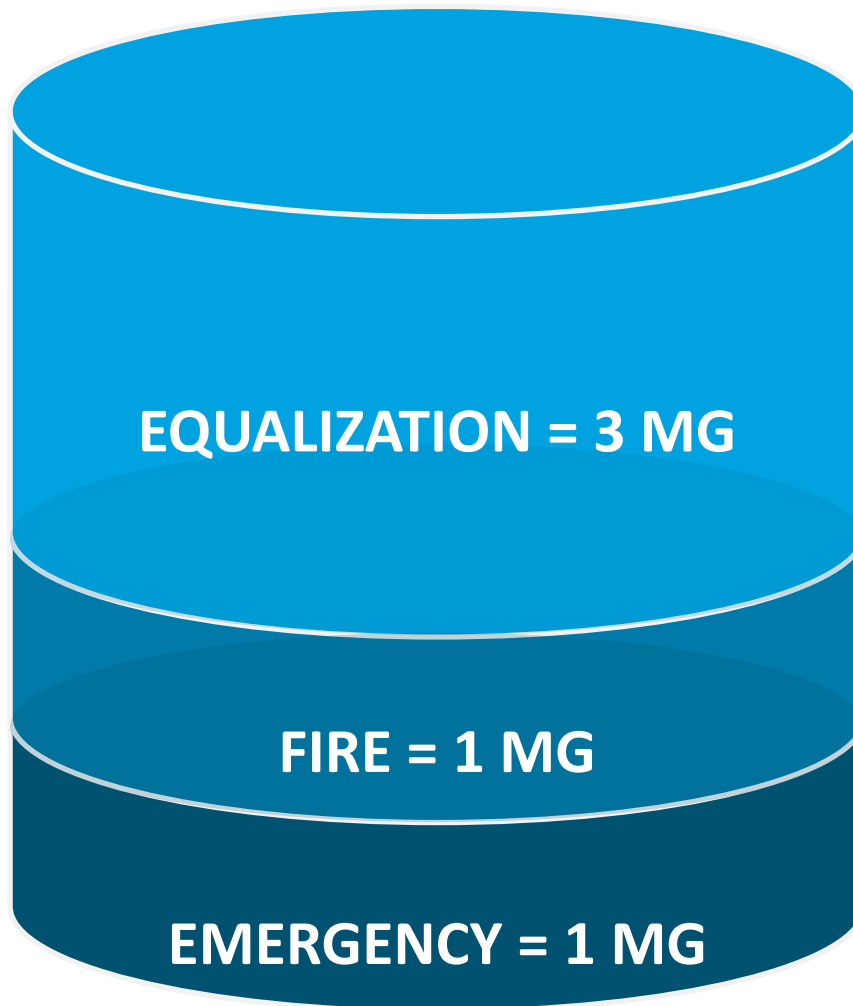
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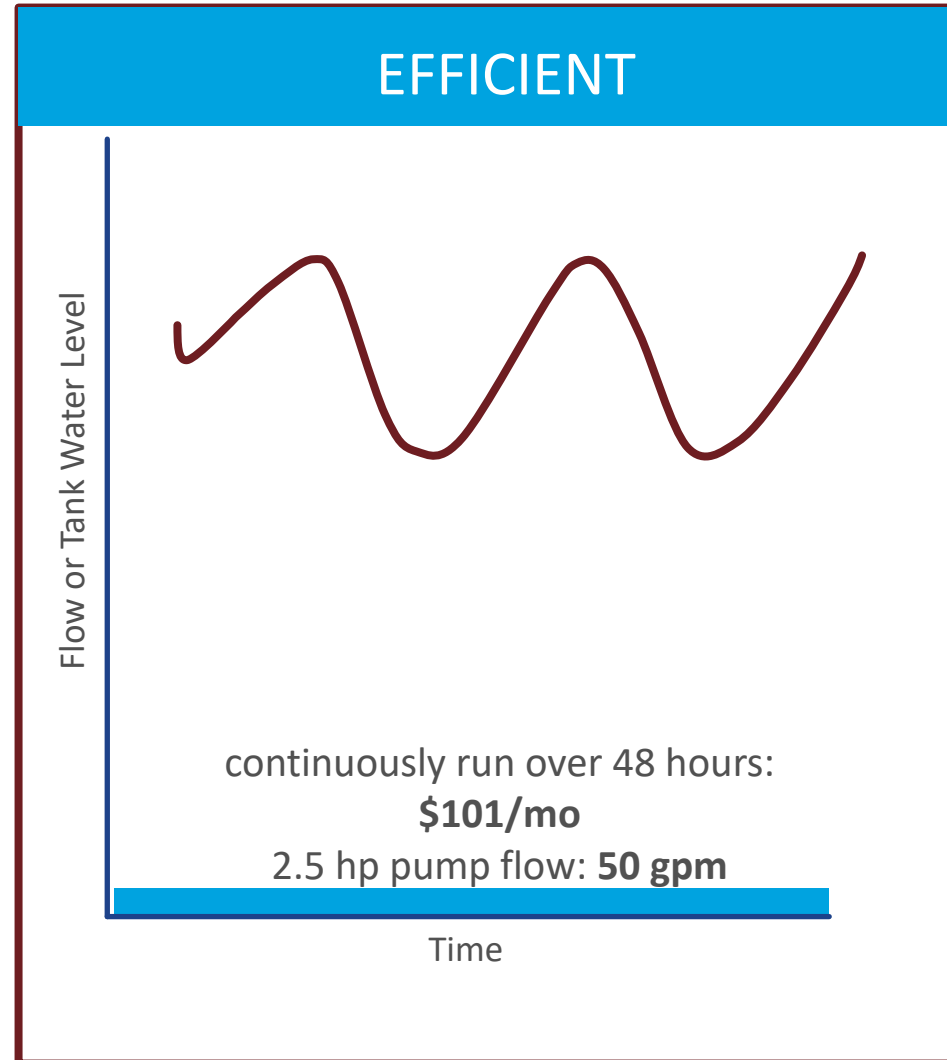
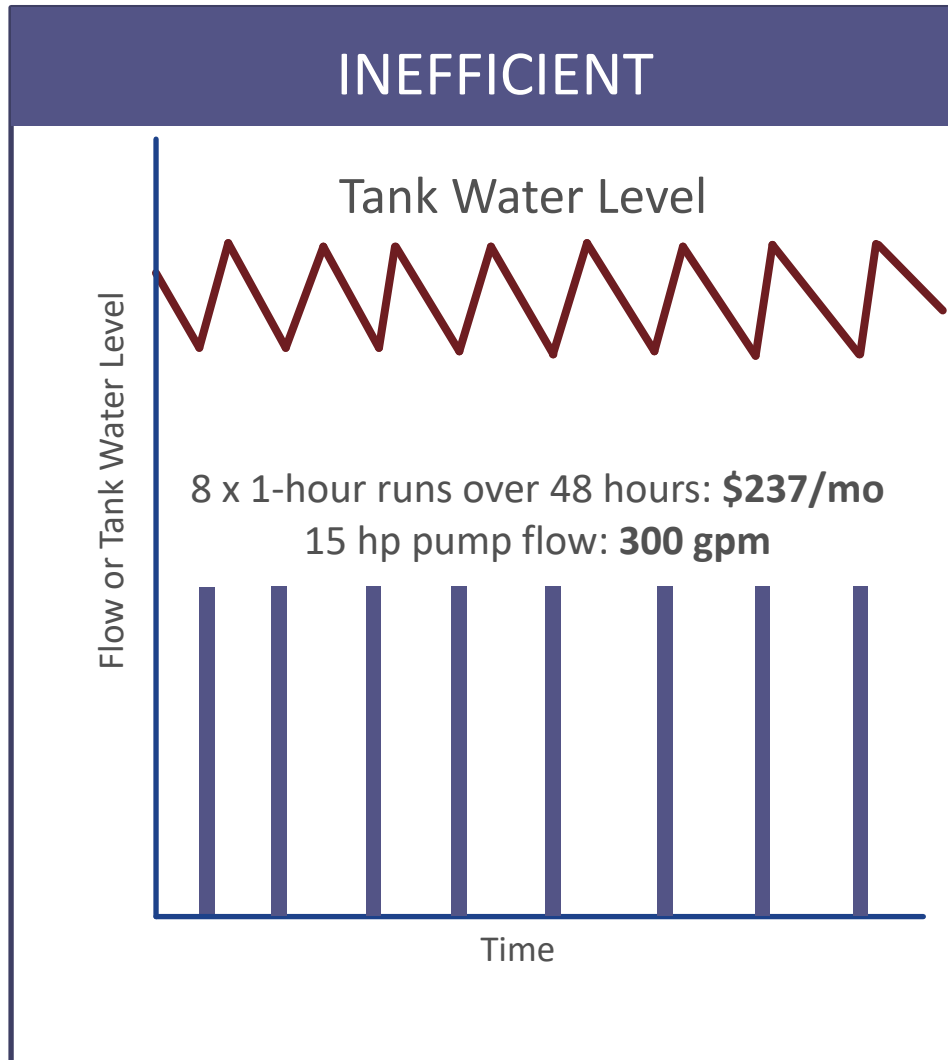


# Tank Utilization



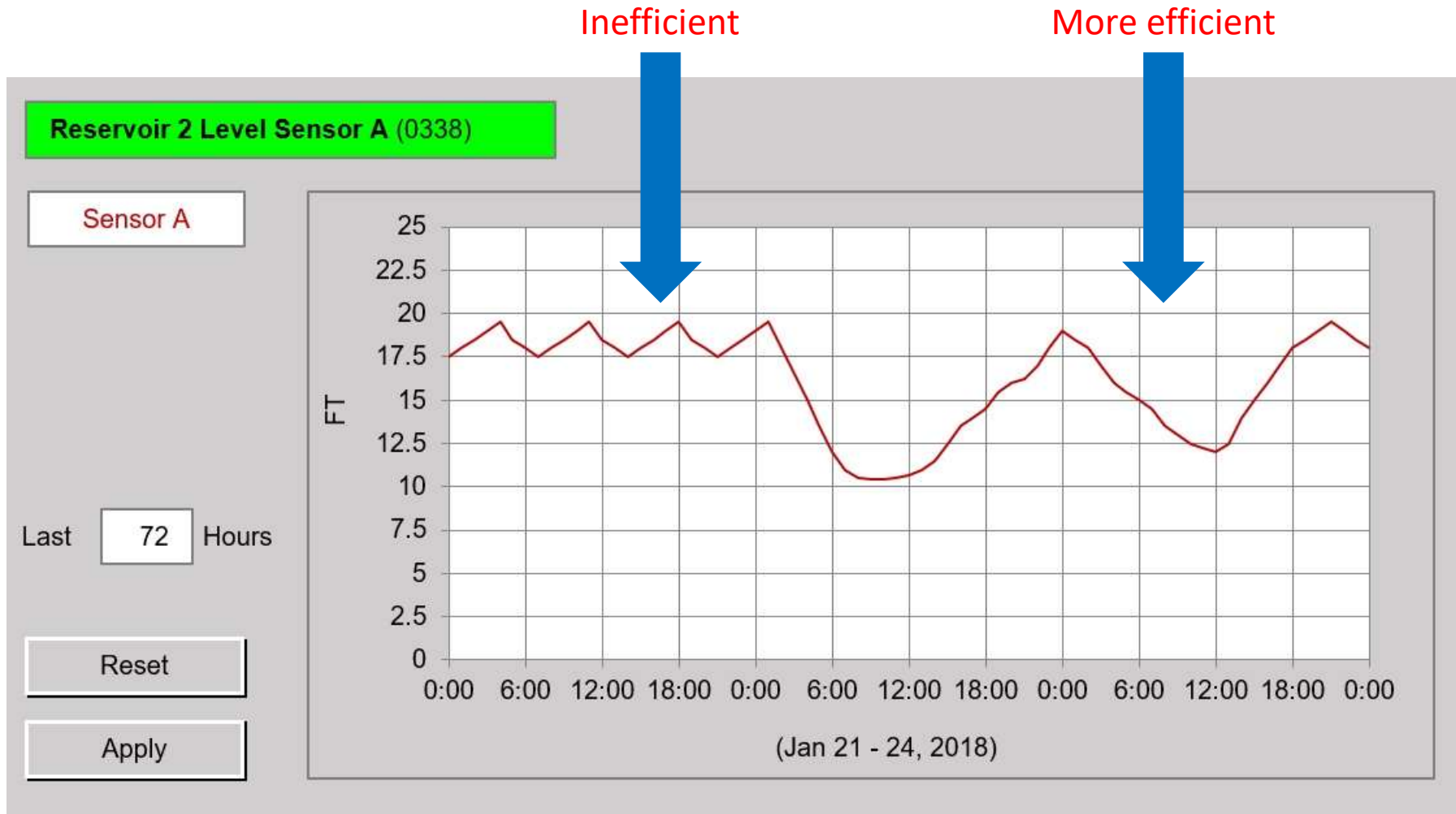
Tanks are batteries! Use storage to meet peak demand

# Loading – Example





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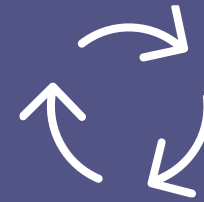


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## How to detect:

- Intermittent pump operation (short run, high flow)
- Oversized pumping facilities
- Little storage fluctuation
- Hydraulic modeling



## How to resolve:

- Use equalization storage
- Modify tank setpoints
- Keep source and pump flow as constant as possible
- Modify pump station

# TREASURE HUNTS

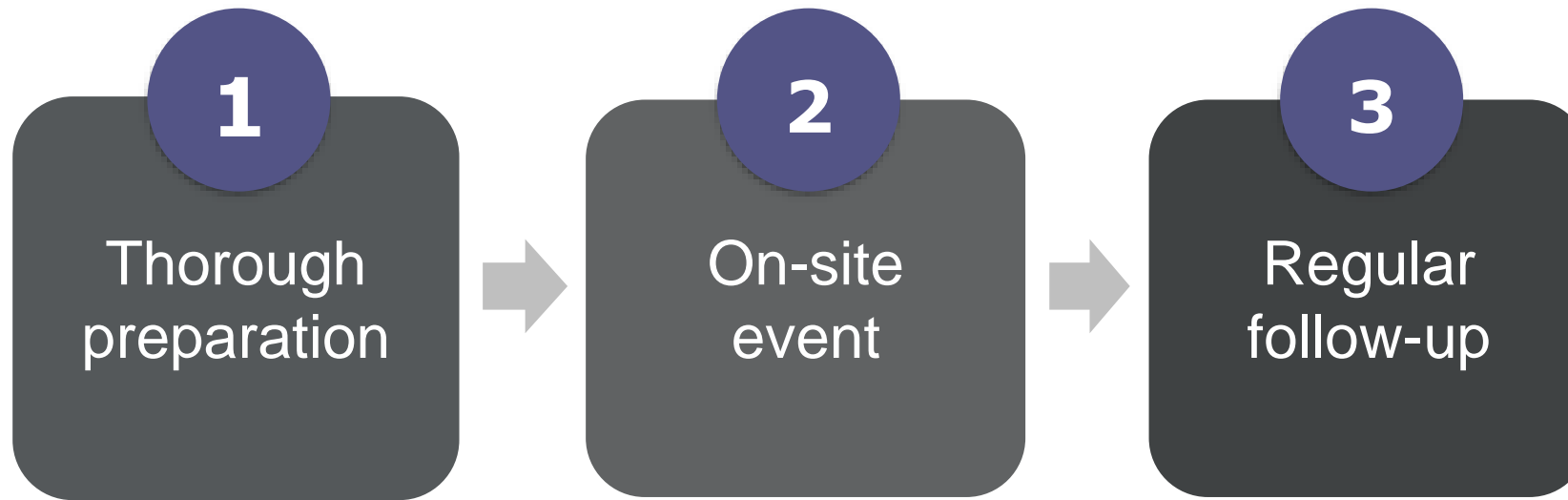


What do you see? What questions do you have?





# Conducting a Treasure Hunt



# Preparation

- Identify focus areas based on energy map and facility knowledge.

- Who?
- When?
- Where?

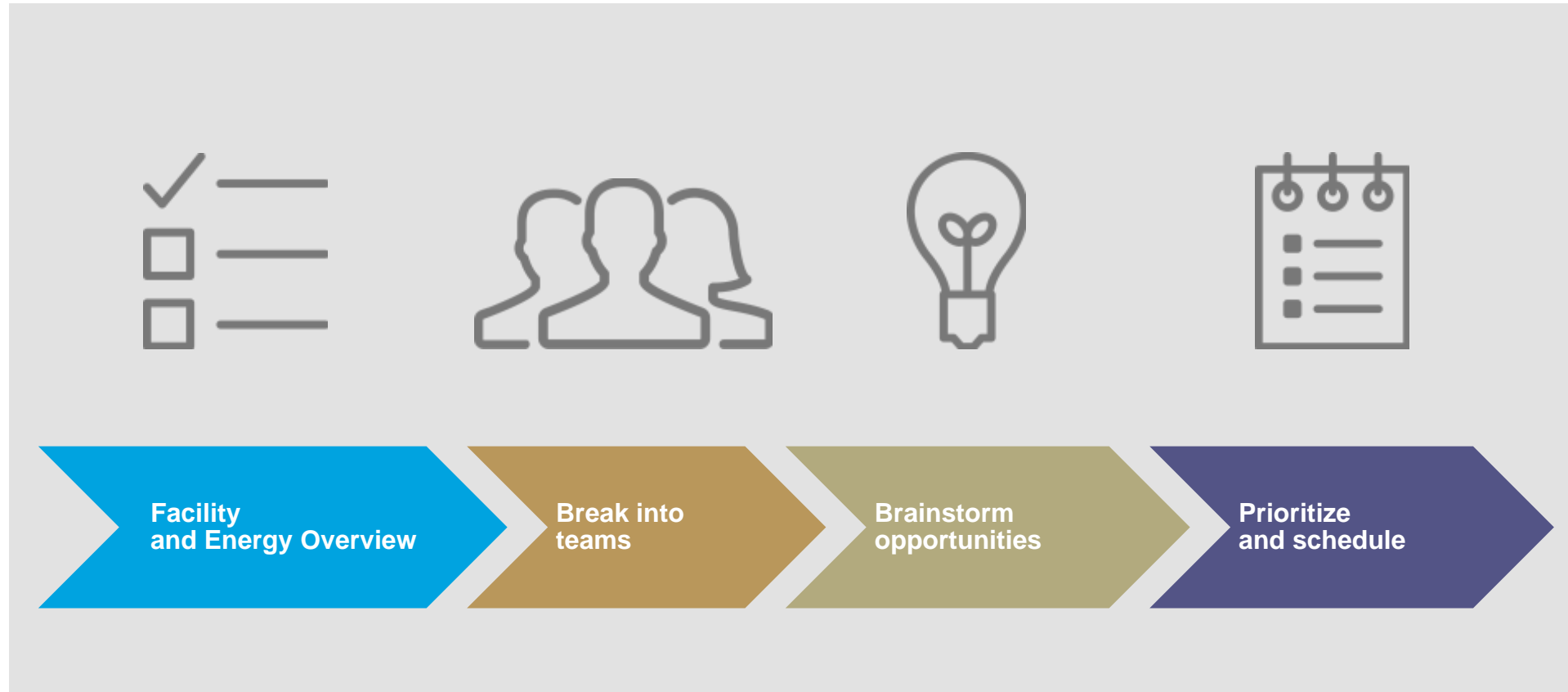
- Identify relevant facility staff
- Facilitator and technical support

- Prepare energy map
- Collect and analyze facility information, as needed

- Select date
- Reserve conference room
- Order food

- Communicate agenda, goals and expectations
- Ensure staff availability

# Treasure Hunt Overview



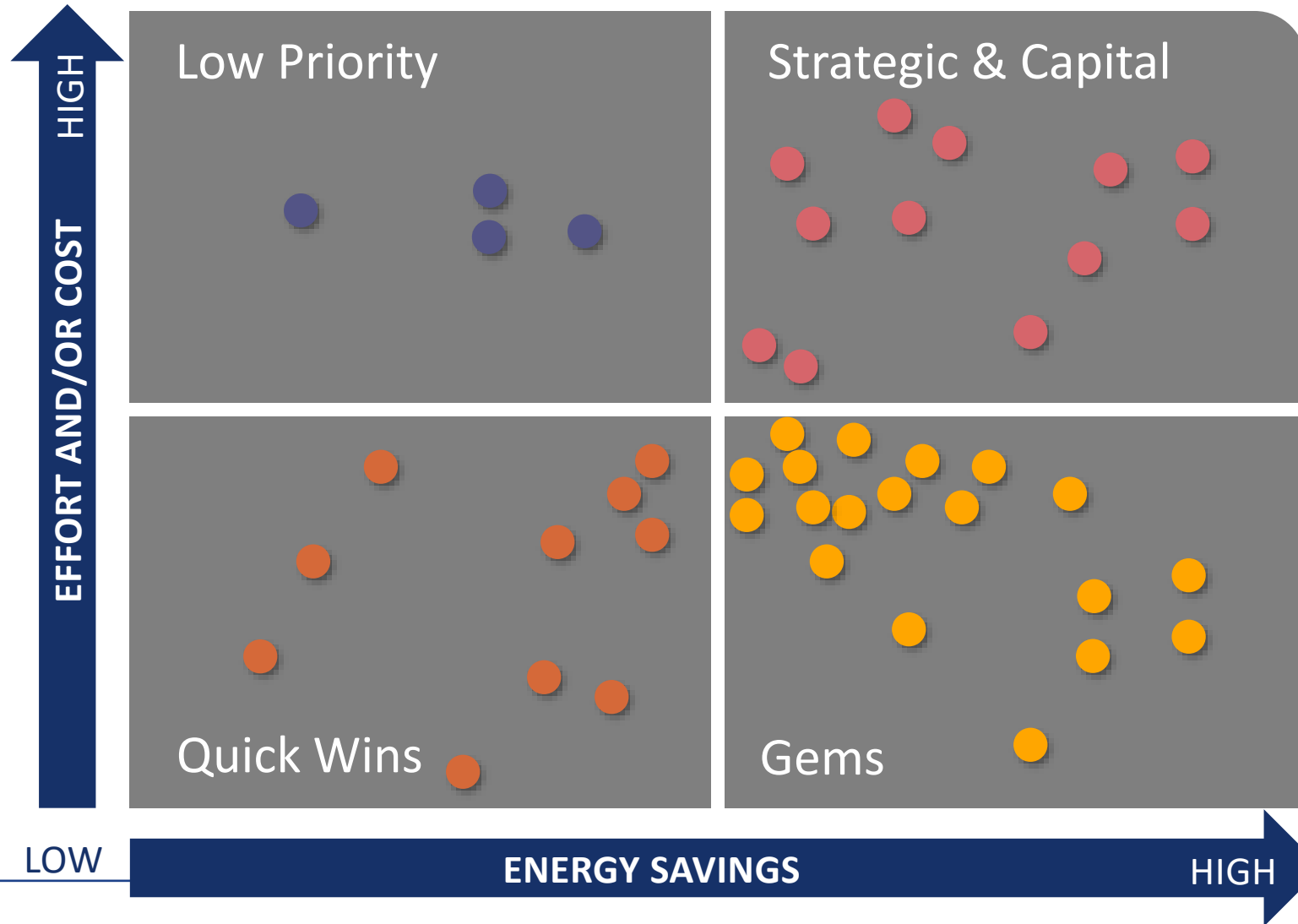
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# Ensuring a Successful Treasure Hunt



# Energy value graph



# After the Treasure Hunt



# Good Project Management

## Identify

- Project name
- Description
- Location
- System

## Prioritize

- Energy savings
- Cost/effort required
- Decision to implement

## Implement


- Assigned to
- Required action
- Status
- Important dates

## Ensure Persistence

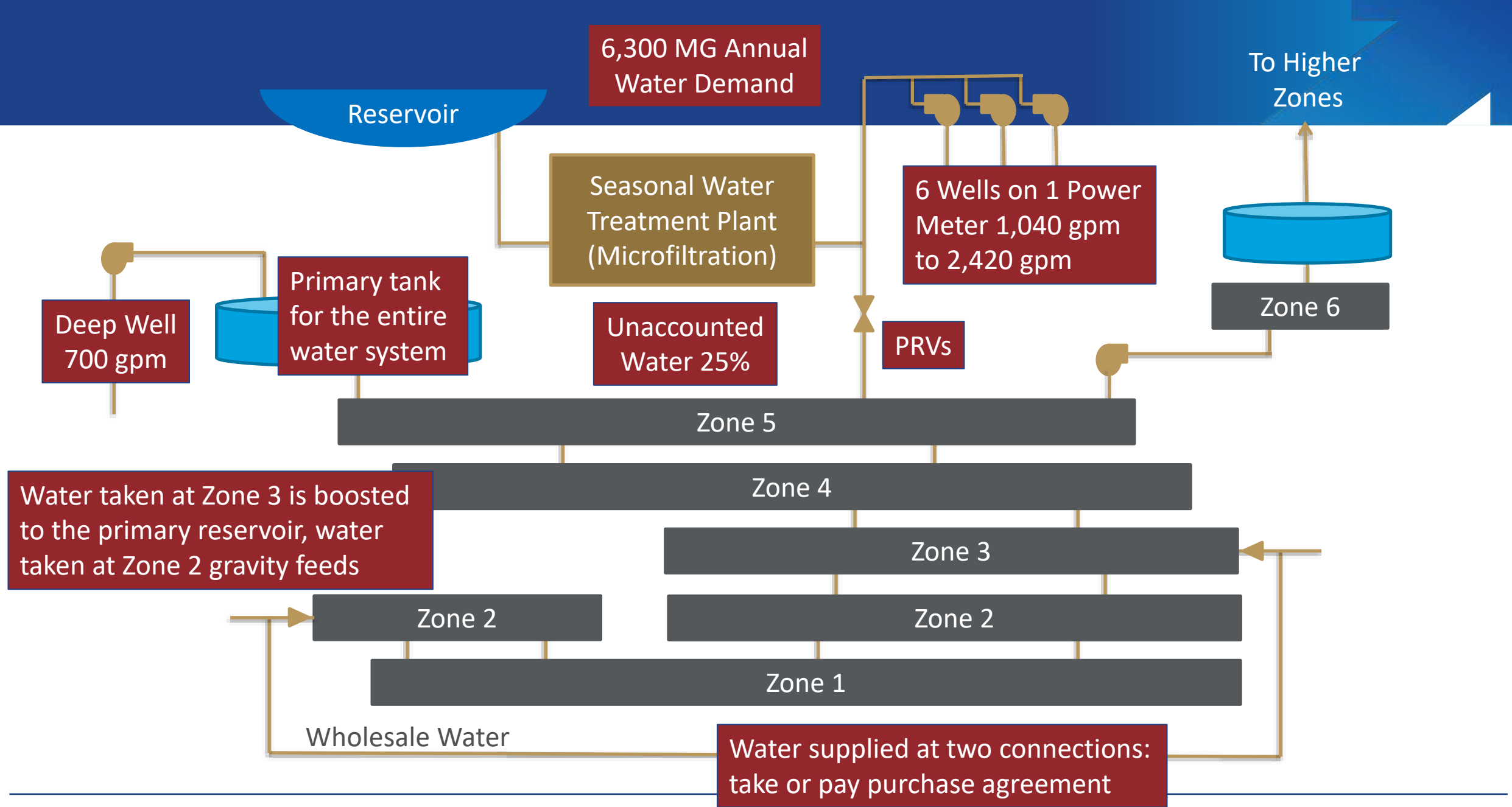
- Risk of backsliding
- Persistence strategy

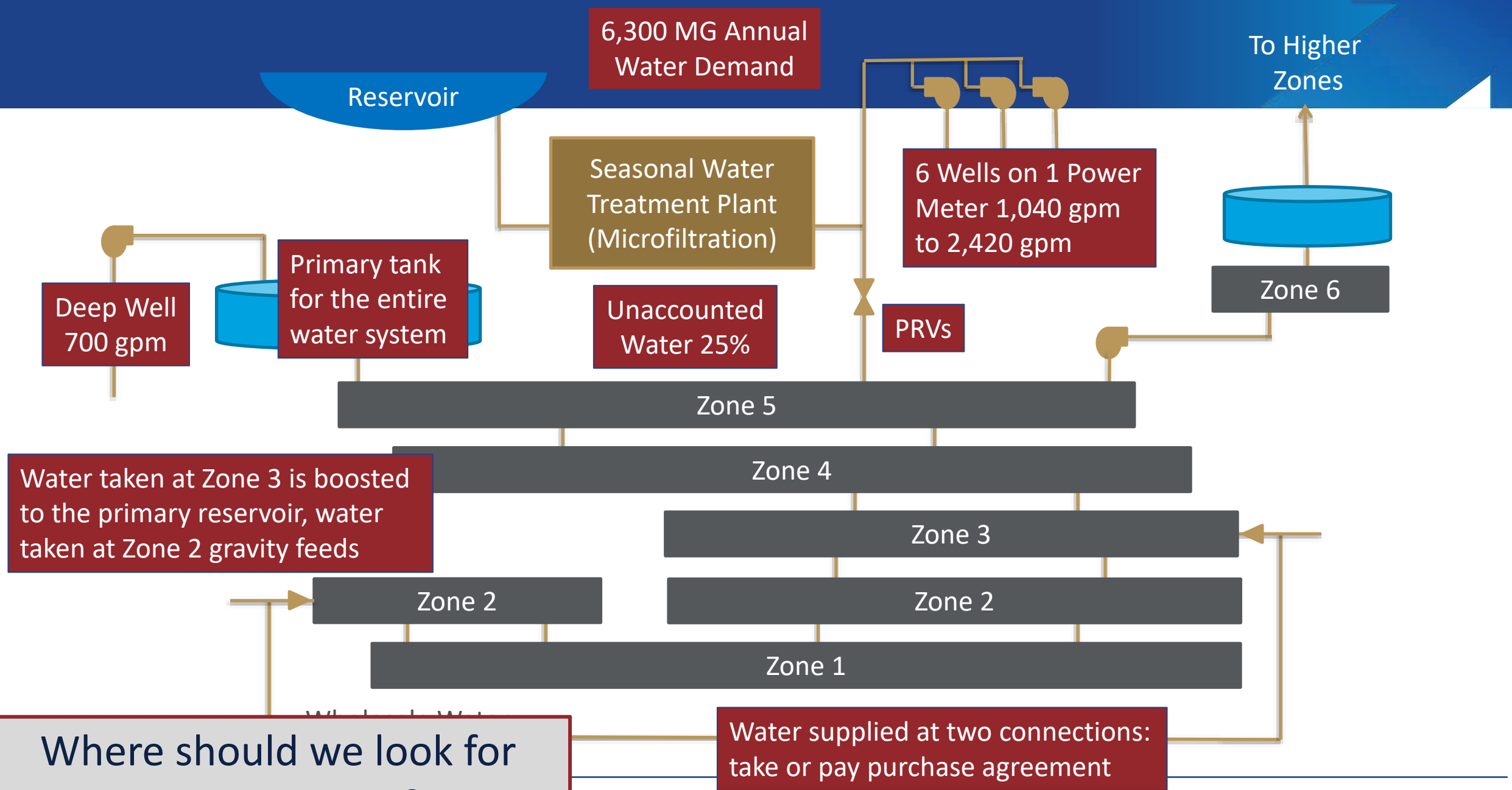
# TREASURE HUNT ACTIVITY





# Buenaventura Water System

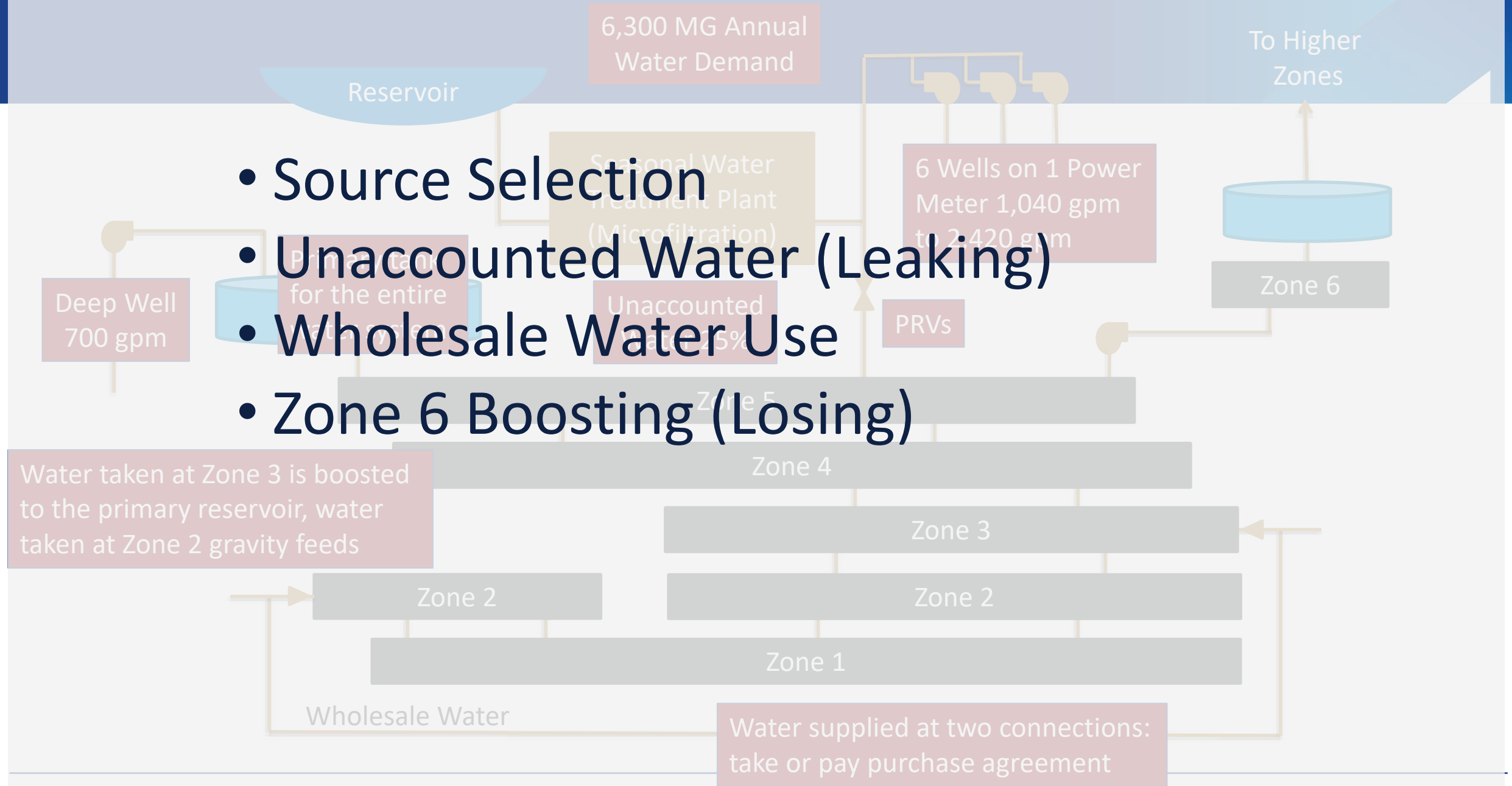




Where should we look for energy savings?



- Source Selection
- Unaccounted Water (Leaking)
- Wholesale Water Use
- Zone 6 Boosting (Losing)



# Unaccounted Water Reduction

- Total Water Production: 6,300 MG
  - Unaccounted Water: 1,575 MG
  - Delivered Water: 4,725 MG
- It is not reasonable to eliminate all unaccounted water losses:
  - Target an unaccounted water percentage of 15% through leak reduction
  - New production target: 5,670 MG
  - Monthly production reduction: 52.5 MG

# Source Selection - Water Supply by Source

- Total Produced: 6,300 MG
  - Wellfield: 3,798 MG
  - Wholesale Purchase: 1,227 MG
  - Treatment Plant: 1,081 MG
  - Deep Well: 194 MG

# Wellfield Energy Intensity

## Wellfield Energy Intensity Comparison

<b>Well</b>	<b>Power kW</b>	<b>Power Factor %</b>	<b>Flow gpm</b>	<b>Flow MGD</b>	<b>Energy Intensity kWh/MG</b>
<b>1</b>	64.7	89.6%	1477	2.1	730
<b>2</b>	37.7	87.4%	1040	1.5	604
<b>3</b>	47.1	83.0%	1310	1.9	599
<b>4</b>	64.0	90.3%	1197	1.7	891
<b>5</b>	74.4	92.2%	1960	2.8	633
<b>6</b>	70.8	90.6%	2420	3.5	488

Energy Used: 2,621,279 kWh

Energy Intensity: 690 kWh/MG

Water Produced: 3,798 MG

# Energy Intensity of Wholesale Water

- Total Purchased Water Taken: 1,227 MG
- Zone 3:
  - Water taken and boosted to primary reservoir: 905 MG
  - Energy to boost water: 760,001 kWh
  - Energy Intensity: 840 kWh/MG
- Zone 2:
  - Water gravity fed: 322 MG
  - Energy to gravity feed: 0 kWh
  - Energy Intensity: 0 kWh/MG

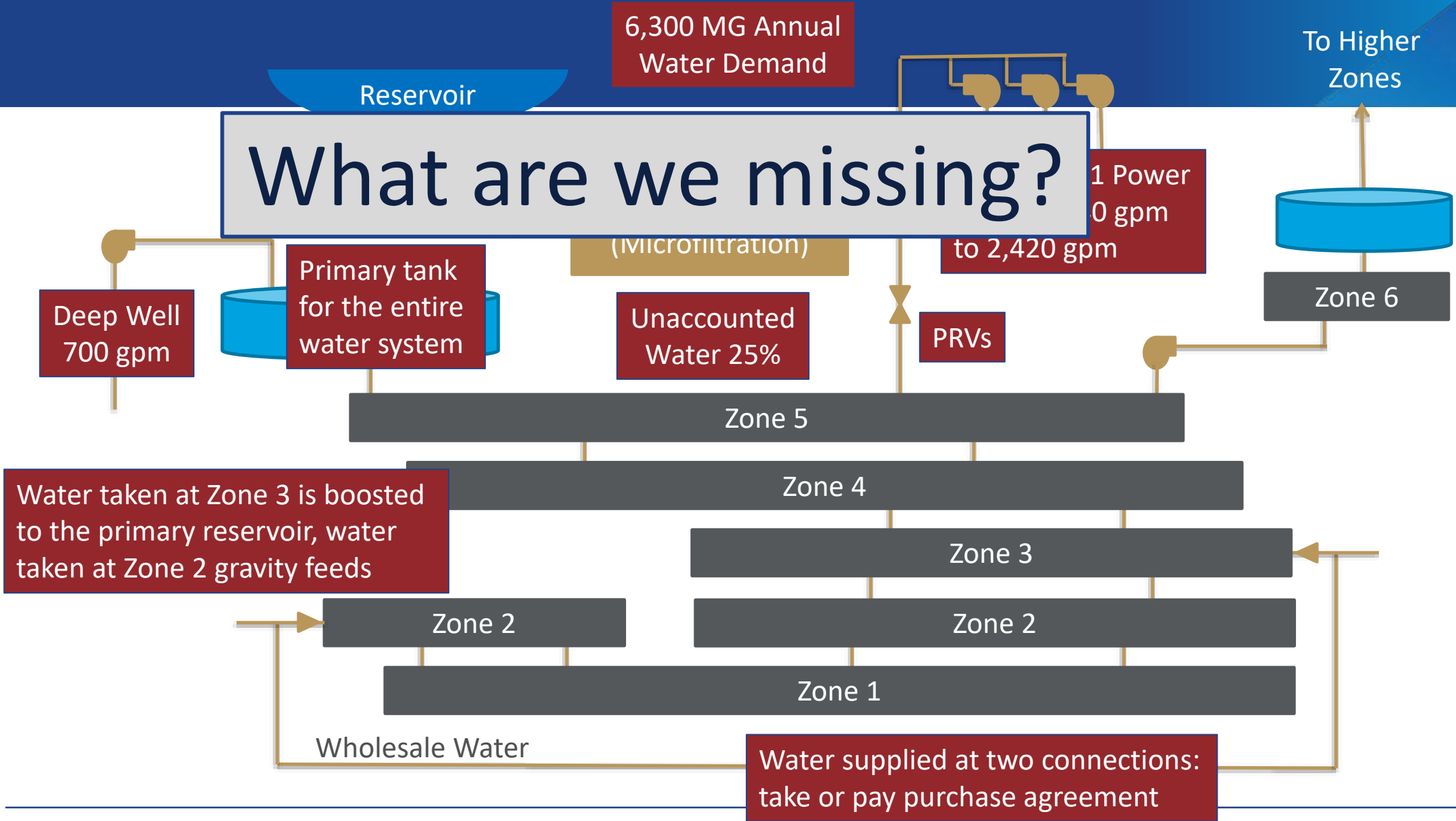
# Wholesale Water Purchase

- Total Purchased Water: 2,200 MG/year
- Water Taken by City: 1,227 MG
  - 55.8% of purchased water
- What are some reasons for using less than purchased?
- Target: 90% of purchased water
  - 1,980 MG

But are we missing something?

6,300 MG Annual Water Demand

# What are we missing?



# Water Demand by Zone

Total Annual Water Use (Including Unaccounted Water)	6,300	MG
Zone 1	630	MG
Zone 2	1890	MG
Zone 3	1575	MG
Zone 4	945	MG
Zone 5	630	MG
Zone 6 and Higher	315	MG

- Can all the wholesale water be used in Zone 3 or lower?
- Target: 90% of purchased water
  - 1,980 MG
  - Energy intensity: 0 kWh/MG



# Energy Intensity of the Water Treatment Plant

- Energy Used: 1,101,599 kWh
- Water Produced: 1,081 MG
- Energy Intensity: 1,019 kWh/MG
  
- Oct – Mar Energy Use: 57,700 kWh
- Assumed Baseload: 692,400 kWh
  
- Production Energy Used: 409,199 kWh
- Production Energy Intensity:  
379 kWh/MG

	Treatment Plant	
	kWh	MG
January	59,100	0.0
February	59,400	0.0
March	47,400	0.0
April	43,800	7.7
May	60,600	108.2
June	132,300	224.8
July	170,100	288.8
August	173,100	304.7
September	175,500	146.5
October	64,499	0.0
November	50,400	0.0
December	65,400	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,101,599</b>	<b>1,081</b>

# Energy Intensity of the Deep Well

- Energy Used: 512,840 kWh
- Water Produced: 195 MG
- Energy Intensity: 2,624 kWh/MG

# Non-Production Energy Use

- **Total Energy Use: 5,475,778 kWh**
  - Wellfield Energy: 2,621,279 kWh
  - Deep Well Energy: 512,840 kWh
  - Treatment Plant Energy: 1,101,599 kWh
  - Wholesale Water Energy: 760,001
- **Production Energy Use: 4,995,719 kWh**
- **Non-Production Energy Use: 480,059 kWh**
  - What is the energy?
  - Can it be reduced?

# Energy Intensity Summary

- Non-Production Energy Use: 480,059 kWh
- Treatment Plant Fixed Energy Use: 692,400 kWh
- Water Sources:
  - Wellfield:
    - Well 1: 730 kWh/MG
    - Well 2: 604 kWh/MG
    - Well 3: 599 kWh/MG
    - Well 4: 891 kWh/MG
    - Well 5: 633 kWh/MG
    - Well 6: 488 kWh/MG
  - Treatment Plant (variable): 379 kWh/MG
  - Deep Well: 2,624 kWh/MG
  - Wholesale: 0 kWh/MG

# Buenaventura Water System

- Annual Energy Use: 5,475,778 kWh
- Annual Production: 6,300 MG
- Annual Energy Intensity: 793 kWh/MG
- Production Capacity
  - WTP: 216 MGM (May – Sep)
  - Wholesale: 1,980 MGY
  - Deep Well: 25 MGM
  - Wellfield:
    - Well 1: 64 MGM
    - Well 2: 45 MGM
    - Well 3: 57 MGM
    - Well 4: 52 MGM
    - Well 5: 85 MGM
    - Well 6: 104 MGM

# New Buenaventura Strategy

Only  
May – Sep

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Capacity (MGM)		216	25	64	45	57	52	85	104	1980/yr
Intensity (kWh/MG)		379	2,624	730	604	599	891	633	488	0
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# Water System Energy Use

Non-Production Energy: 408,059 kWh

WTP Fixed Energy: 692,400 kWh

WTP Variable Energy: 409,320 kWh

Well #2: 326,160 kWh

Well #3: 409,716 kWh

Well #5: 88,620 kWh

Well #6: 609,024 kWh

Wholesale Water: 0 kWh

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**Total: 2,943,299 kWh**

# Energy Savings

Original Strategy: 5,475,778 kWh

Revised Strategy: 2,943,299 kWh

Energy Savings: 2,532,479 kWh

Percent Savings: 46.2%

Original Intensity: 793 kWh/MG

Revised Intensity: 519 kWh/MG

On your smart phone  
Go to: <https://kahoot.it/>  
Game PIN:

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# Takeaways

- Identify leaking, losing, and loading opportunities in your water system
- Keep track of energy saving opportunities
- Start working on energy saving opportunities



Questions  
Comments  
Discussion

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Saving energy, one gallon at a time