Concepts of Drinking Water Treatment

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7 contact hours 9 CC10 hours

Totally new to the drinking water treatment field or just looking for a refresher? Recently hired apprentices and trainees will be introduced to the Safe Drinking Water Act and how it applies to the operator. The concepts of water sources, water storage and distribution systems will be introduced during this course. Other topics covered will include basic concepts of pumping and pressure maintenance, disinfection, storage tanks, fluoridation, corrosion control, and plant safety. Participants will further discuss the key elements of an effective safety program. **Class size is limited to 15 participants**.

1. Recognize and discuss current Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) regulations;

- 2. Identify raw water sources;
- 3. Discuss the basic principles of plant operations;
- 4. Explain the purpose of and the operational procedures for storage tanks.
- 5. Estimate flows through a distribution system;
- 6. Discuss the key principles of water treatment.

Agenda

8:00 AM to 9:00 AM	Introduction Safe Water Drinking Act of 1972 Maryland Department of the Environment Compliance with State, Federal, and Local Regulations
9:00 AM to 9:30 AM	Types of Public Water Systems and the Water Cycle
9:30 AM to 10:15 AM	Water Sources Common and Uncommon Treatment Techniques for Ground and Surface Water
10:15 AM to 11:00 AM	Chemical Contaminants Storage and Safe Handling of Chemicals
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM	LUNCH
12:00 PM to 1:00 PM	Physical Treatment Techniques: Sedimentation; Flotation; Flocculation; Filtration; Aeration
1:00 PM to 2:00 PM	Microbiological Contaminants of Concern
2:00 PM to 2:30 PM	Filters and Factors Affecting Filter Performance

2:30 PM to 3:00 PM

3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Types of Safety Training Needed in the Water Treatment Field

Review Final Exam

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CONCEPTS OF DRINKING WATER TREATMENT

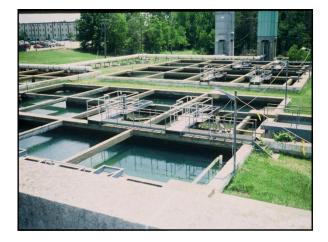
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COURSE DESCRIPTION

· Relevant for:

- Recently hired or
- Grandfathered operator
- Concepts of water sources, treatment, water storage and distribution systems.
- Topics include: pumping/pressure maintenance, coagulation, clarification, filtration, disinfection, fluoridation, corrosion control and safety.







PURPOSES OF DRINKING WATER PRODUCTION

- Produce a safe, aesthetically pleasing product.
- To meet laboratory testing requirements.
- To meet regulations.

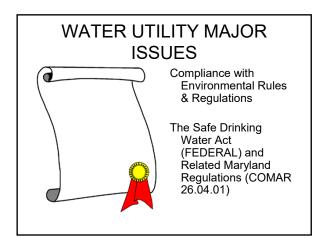


TREATMENT CONCEPT-MULTIPLE BARRIER APPROACH

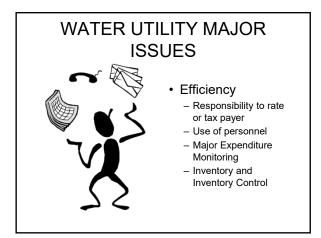
- Source Assessment/Protection
- Treatment
- Distribution
- -----to protect against------to
- Microorganisms
- Inorganic Chemicals (metals)
- Organic Chemicals (SOC's and VOC's)
- Disinfection By-Products
- Radionuclides

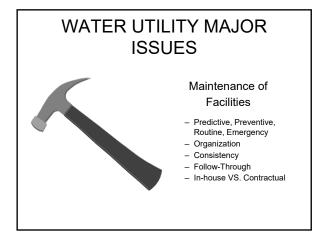
WATER UTILITY PRIORITY ISSUES

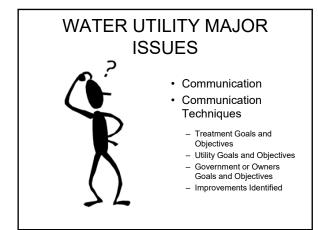
- Compliance with Environmental Rules & Regs.
- Compliance with Safety Rules & Regs. Efficiency
- Maintenance of Facilities
- Communication
- Public Relations
- Personnel Issues

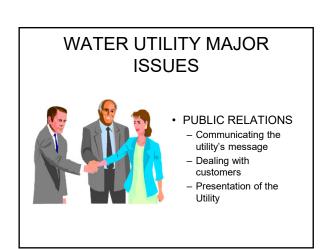


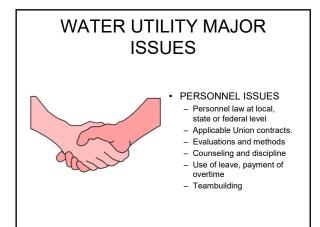
WATER UTILITY MAJOR ISSUES Compliance With Safety Rules and Regulations: Federal (OSHA, EPA) State (MOSH, MDE) Local or Utility













PUBLIC SUPPLIES-from epa.gov

- The public drinking water systems regulated by EPA, and delegated states and tribes, provide drinking water to 90% of Americans.
- These public drinking water systems, which may be publicly or privately-owned, serve at least 25 people or 15 service connections for at least 60 days per year.

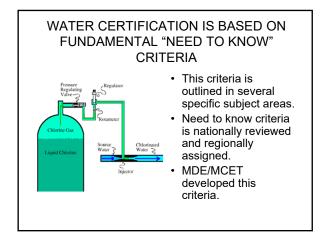
TYPES OF PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS

- Community Water System (CWS)
- Nontransient, Noncommunity Water System (NTNCWS)
- Transient Noncommunity Water System (TNCWS)
- Public Water Systems are identified with unique ID number. (PWSID)

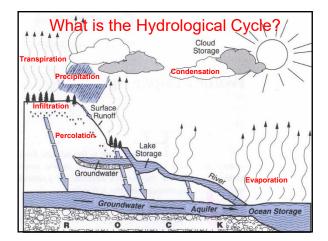
PERSONNEL OPERATING PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS

 Required by law to hold either a temporary or permanent license if they operate, maintain or interact with the treatment and delivery of drinking water in specified ways.

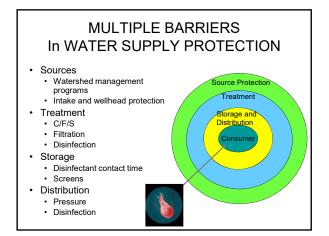














TREATMENT VS. MICROBIOLOGICAL CONTAMINANTS

- Source Control
- Disinfection
- pH
- C/F/S
- Filtration
- Membrane Filtration

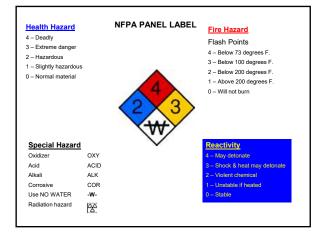
SOURCE WATER QUALITY

- Proximity to contamination
- · Substances that alter quality
 - Organic
 - Inorganic
 - Biological
 - Radiological
- · Sources of impurities

CHEMICAL CONTAMIANTS



- ORGANIC-of "animal" or "vegetable" originincludes man-made chemicals and always contains CARBON.
- INORGANIC-of "mineral" origin such as ions, metals, asbestos, color, radionuclides.





EXAMPLE CONTAMINANTS

- Turbidity
- Lead and Copper
- Trichloroethylene (TCE)
- Methyl Tert-Butyl Ether (MTBE)
- Nitrates
- Haloacetic Acids (HAA's)
- Trihalomethanes (THM's)

MCL's

Microorganisms

Turbidity Crypto. Giardia. 0.30 ntu (95% of the time) 2 log (99% removal) 3 log (99.9% removal)

MCL's

Inorganic Chemicals

Copper Lead Fluoride Nitrate 1.30 mg/l 0.015 mg/l 4.00 mg/l 10.0 mg/l

MCL's

Radionuclides

Radium 226 & 228 5 pCi/l

SMCL's

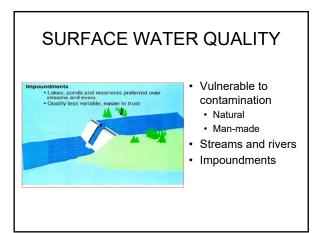
Aluminum Chloride Fluoride Iron Manganese 0.2 mg/l 250 mg/l 2.00 mg/l 0.30 mg/l 0.05 mg/l

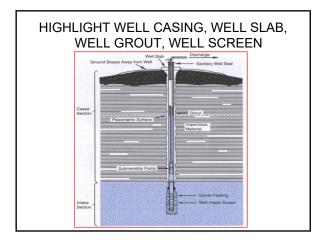
SOURCE WATER PROTECTION

- Define the watershed area
- Identify actual or potential sources of contamination in the defined area



- Determine the water supply's susceptibility to contamination from identified sources
- Implement measures to control sources of contamination
- Plan for the future and develop a contingency plan





COMMON TREATMENT TECHNIQUES • GROUNDWATER • pH adjustment • Disinfection • Fluoridation • Corrosion Control • SURFACE WATER • Screening • Coagulation • Flocculation • Sedimentation • Filtration

- Disinfection
- Corrosion control

'UNCOMMON" TREATMENT TECHNIQUES

- GROUNDWATER
 - Nitrate removalVOC removal
 - Adsorption

Adsorption
VOC removal
Man-made organics removal (SOC's)

SURFACE WATER



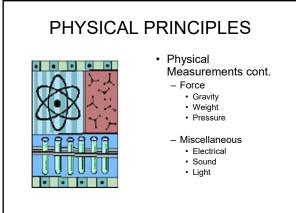
SCIENCE OF WATER TREATMENT

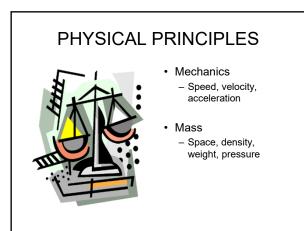
 Utilizing Physics and Chemistry to control Biological, Microbiological, Chemical and Physical pollutants in Ground or Surface Water.

PHYSICAL PRINCIPLES

- Physical
 - Measurements
 - Distance-area-volume
 - Time
 - Temperature
 - Mass







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PHYSICAL PRINCIPLES

Heat

- TemperatureHeating
- Cooling
 Miscellaneous
 - Sound
 Electricity
 - Electricity
 Magnetism
 - Magn
 Light
 - Atomic structure/nuclear



UNDERSTANDING MEASUREMENTS

- Length, area, volume, time, temperature
- Basic English vs. Metric comparisons
- Scientific notation concepts
- Concentration, dosage
- · Density-liquid, vapor
- Specific gravity
- Boiling point/volatilization

APPLIED CHEMISTRY

- The science of actually using chemical principles in the workplace is practiced everyday at many industrial and commercial facilities.
 Chemical reactions, dosares
- Chemical reactions, dosages are found in such things as:
 disinfection
- fluoridation
- precipitation
- coagulation
- water processes
- maintenance and housekeeping.



CHEMICAL MEASUREMENTS



Accuracy and precision are essential.

- Think of them the next time you prepare food, cookbook style, or take medicine.
- What could happen if you gave a child one TBS instead of one TSP of Tylenol?

CHEMICAL ACCURACY



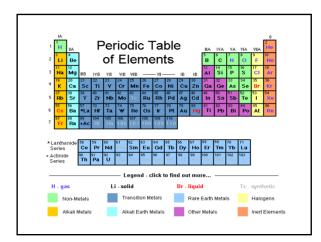
Analytical instruments are required to measure out precise volumes or masses. They should be treated with respect.

- What kinds of things happen if you add just one mg/L or ppm more of the following: salt, sugar, hot sauce?
- How about chlorine in a pool, insecticide or herbicide on grounds?
- Water treatment examples

KEYS TO INTERPRETING ANALYTICAL DATA



- What is being measured?
- What reflects the representative sample?
- Sampling technique
- Sample preparation
- Analysis
- QA/QC of data
- Chain of Custody





pH AND ACIDS AND BASES One of the most important principles in understanding life chemistry and the reactions, efficiency of most water processes. It's as easy as H And will make you say OH

pH MEASUREMENT

 Accomplished by a pH meter which measures the hydrogen ion ("acidity") concentration of the solution through an electrical potential device in the pH probe.



ALKALINITY RELATIONSHIPS

- Alkalinity is a measurement of the buffering capacity of a solution to resist changes in pH due to an acid.
- Alkalinity is measured in terms of "calcium carbonate equivalents" and is calculated based on a titration procedure.



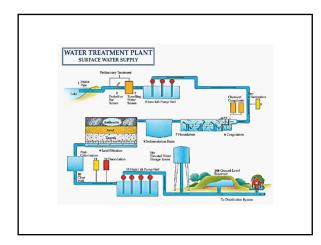
MICROBIOLOGICAL CONTAMINANTS OF CONCERN

- "Heterotrophs"-heterotrophic plate count
- Total Coliforms
- Fecal Coliforms including E. coli
 Diseases related to or possibly present with E. coli
- Giardia Lamblia
- Cryptosporidium
- Legionella
- · Viruses

LINKS TO TURBIDITY MEASUREMENTS

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HOW WE KNOW THE DISINFECTION PROCESS IS WORKING.

Coliform testing

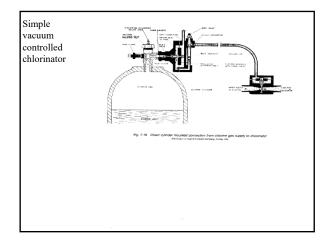
- State and Federal law requires testing.

- Number of tests is based of population served.
- Federal Surface Water Treatment Rule

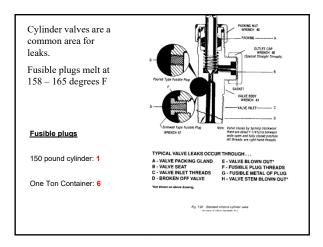
 Requires all surface water to use a "treatment technique" to remove or inactivate disease causing organisms.

CHLORINE CHEMICALS

- Chlorine, Cl₂ 100% Gas compressed to liquid
- Calcium Hypochlorite, Ca(OCl)₂ 65% HTH used in swimming pools
- Sodium Hypochlorite, NaOCI 12% -15% Household bleach, 1% – 5 %





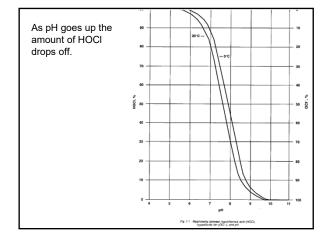




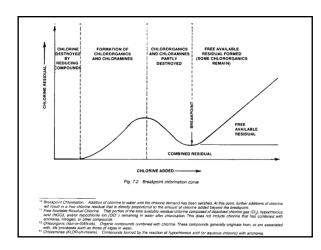
- Cl₂ + H₂O -> HOCl + HCl • Which one is the bacteria killer ?
- Which one is the bacteria killer ? hypochlorous acid = HOCL "Killer"
- HOCI -> H+ + OCI-0......14

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How does pH affect the disinfection process ?







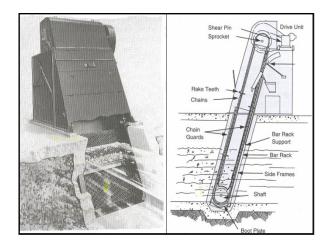


COARSE AND FINE SCREENING

- Coarse-racks/bar screens
- Fine-fixed or moving
- Location considerations
- Hydraulic considerations
 - Velocity
 - Head loss
- Quantity and Quality of ScreeningsScreenings disposal







PHYSICAL TREATMENT TECHNIQUES

- Aeration
- Coagulation
- Sedimentation
- Flocculation
- Filtration

AERATION

- Process used to remove dissolved gases.
- Process to change solids from a dissolved form to a suspended form so they can be removed.

Example: Fe_2 (Ferrous) to Fe_3 (Ferric)

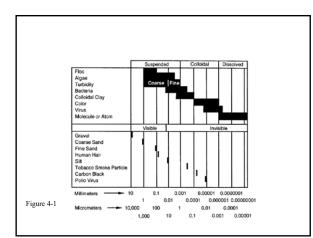




COAGULATION – PROCESS DESCRIPTION

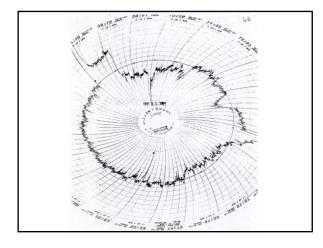
Adding and rapid mixing of chemical coagulants into the raw water.

The process of adding a chemical or combination of chemicals to neutralize the electrostatic charges on suspended particles in raw water so that they will attract to form larger particles.

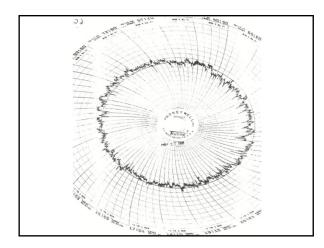


SETTLING RATE FOR SMALL PARTICLES ABLE 4-1 Natural settling rates for small particles		
Particle Diameter, mm	Representative Particle	Time Required to Settle in 1-ft (0.3-m) Depth
		Settleable
10	Gravel	0.3 seconds
1	Coarse sand	3 seconds
0.1	Fine sand	38 seconds
0.01	Silt	33 minutes
		Considered Nonsettleabl
0.001	Bacteria	55 hours
0.0001	Color	230 days
0.00001	Colloidal particles	6.3 years
0.000001	Colloidal particles	63-year minimum

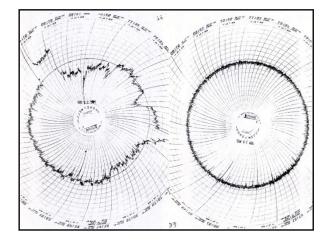














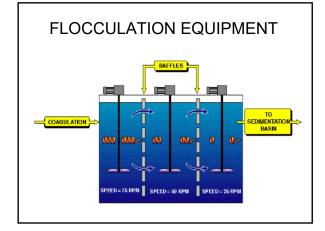
COAGULATION CHEMICALS

- Alum (aluminum sulfate)
- Ferric Chloride
- Ferric Sulfate
- Polymers (may be used as a coagulant aid)
- PACL (polyaluminum chloride)
- PAS (polyaluminum sulfate)

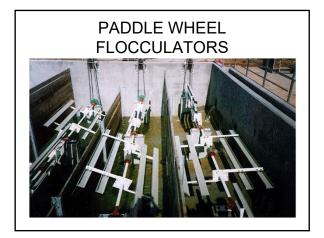
POLYMERS

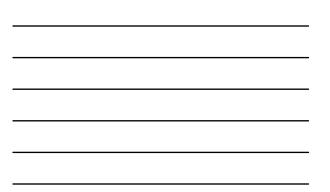
- Otherwise known as polyelectrolytes, are usually very long strands of molecules that have a repeating compound bonded over and over again.
 - Polyelectrolytes (polymers)
 - cationic polymers (+)
 - anionic polymers (-)
 - nonionic polymers (+/-)







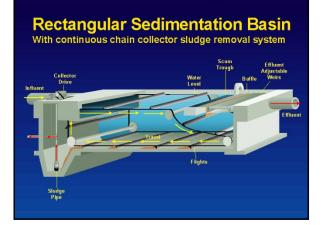


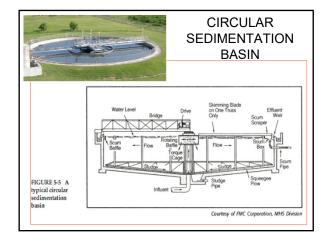


BASIC SEDIMENTATION/CLARIFICATION

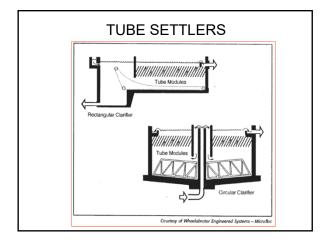
- Introduction
 - Theoretical concepts
 Design calculations
 Clarifier types
- Operation

 - InspectionRecordkeeping
- Maintenance
 - Concepts
 Frequency
- Troubleshooting Common problems

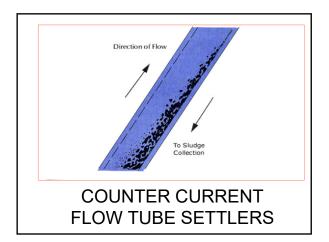




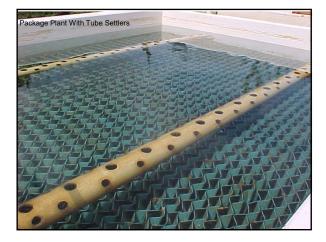






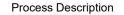






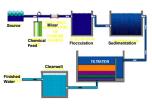


FILTRATION



 Removal of suspended matter by passing the water through a granular porous medium such as sand, garnet sand, and anthracite coal.

Overall Goal Turbidity Removal

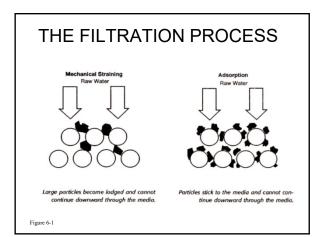


PROCESS VARIABLES

- Sedimentation
 - 75-90% Solids removal
- Head loss Buildup vs. Solids Capture - Breakthrough (force-through)
- Filter characteristics
 - Promote depth filtration
- Media characteristics
 - Most important consideration is size and density

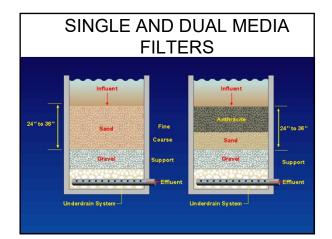
FILTRATION THEORY

- · Surface straining and depth filtration
- Entrapment
- Adhesion
- Adsorption

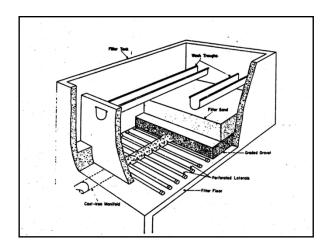


FILTER PARAMETERS

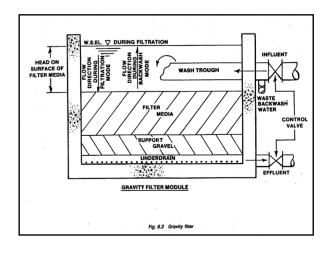
- Filter Configuration
 - Gravity, pressure or vacuum
 - Open or closed
 - Single, dual, multi-media
- Media material, size and depth
- Filtration rate (gpm/sq. ft.) – Slow, rapid
- Terminal head loss (ft. of water)
- Flow Control
- Backwashing



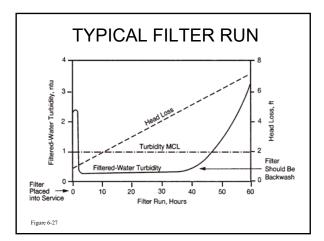














BACKWASHING FILTERS

Even though it takes the least amount of time, backwashing is the most important part of the filtration process!

CLEANING OF FILTERS

- Manual, semi-automatic or automatic backwashing
- Factors affecting backwash system:
 - Size, distribution, depth and specific gravity of media
 - Nature of solids removed-principally their adhesion characteristics
 - Type of supplementary cleaning provided







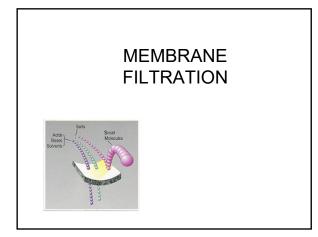






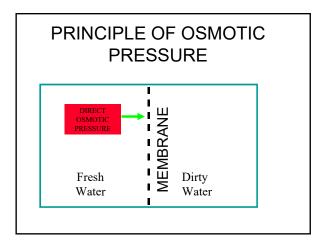




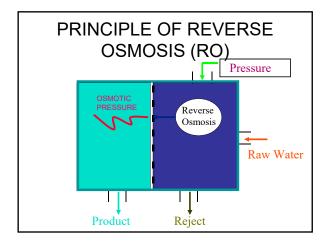


WHAT IS A MEMBRANE?

- Semi-permeable thin layer of material capable of separating contaminants as a function of their physical/chemical properties.
- Despite variations in configurations and types, they are all pressure or vacuum driven except EDR which is electrical potential driven.





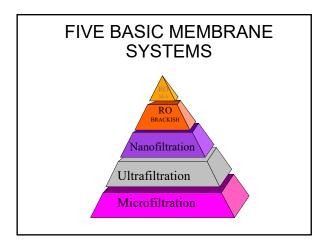




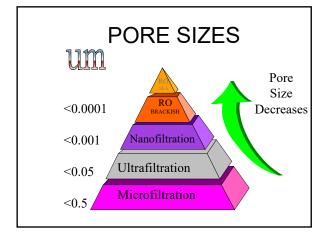
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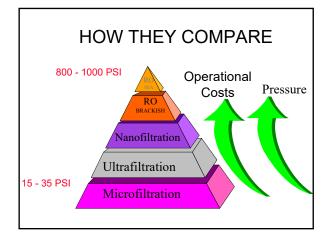
osm pres = 1 psi /100 mg/L OF TDS (divalent rich waters) osm pres = 1.2 psi /100 mg/L OF TDS (salt NaCl waters)



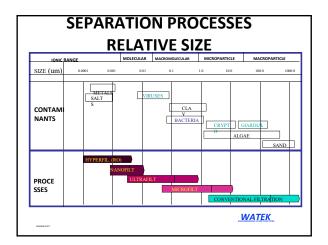




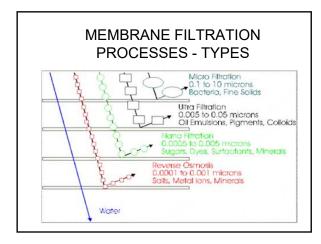








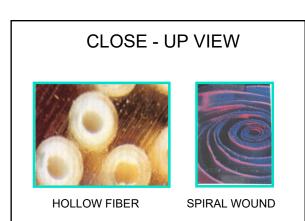


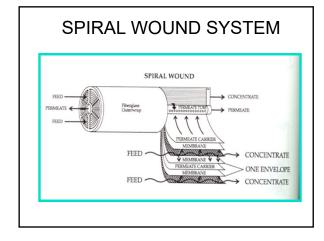




PACKAGED IN DIFFERENT CONFIGURATIONS

- SPIRAL WOUND
- HOLLOW FIBER
- TUBULAR
- PLATE & FRAME
- CERAMIC & DISCS
- IMMERSED / SUCTION



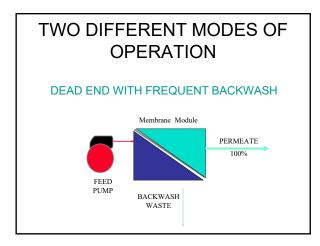




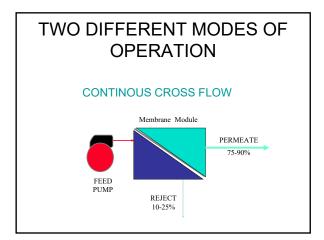
SUBMERGED MEMBRANES ARE THE ANSWER FOR TOUGHER RAW WATERS



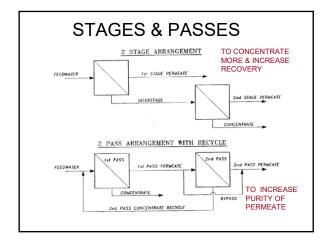




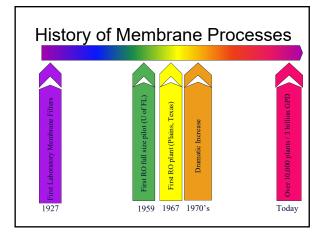












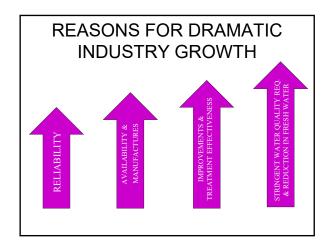


DRAMATIC GROWTH IN 50 YEARS

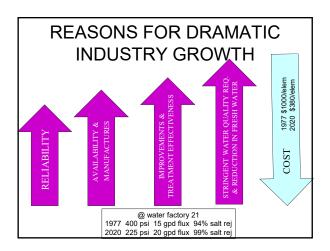
NUMBER OF MEMBRANE PLANTS WORLD-WIDE

• 1970	<10
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- 1980 100
- 1990 1,000
- 2020 > 13,000









OTHER REASONS FOR GROWTH

• Fresh water sources long distance away.

National Security/Conflicts/Independence

• (22 countries depend on others for water)

• Non-Smart Growth. (50% population increase in FL/TX/CA IN next 20 years.)

• Sometimes chosen for small footprint & aesthetics.





EXPAND TO 0.5 NF SOFTENING W/ CONV TO BW RO

KILL DEVIL HILL PLANT, NC 3.0 MGD III EXPANDABLE TO 8 FEED TDS: 3,800 **3 TRAINS**

FORT MYERS, FLORIDA

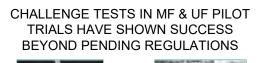


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EXPAND TO 20 3-4 MGD SKIDS NF SOFTENING 90% RECOVERY 155 PSI, W/BWRO CONVERSION PLANNED

UNIQUE FEATURES OF MEMBRANES

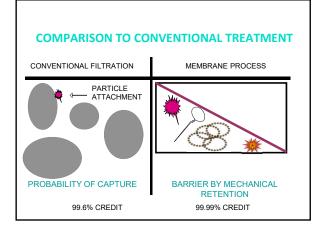
- 1. IT IS A BARRIER
- 2. IT IS MODULAR
- 3. EASY TO OPERATE
- 4. CAN BE MADE ATTRACTIVE







Giardia Cysts REG: 3 Logs CAPABILITIES: 6-8 Logs Cryptosporidium Oocysts REG: 2 LOGS CAPABILITIES: 6-8 LOGS





Type of Household Use	Daily Use					
	Per Family					
	Amount of Water Used, gpd (L/d)		%	Per Capita Use, gpcd (L/d per capita		
Drinking and water used in kitchen Dishwasher (3 loads	8	(30)	2	2.00	(7.6)	
per day)	15	(57)	4	3.75	(14.2)	
Toilet (16 flushes per day)	96	(363)	28	24.00	(90.8)	
Bathing (4 baths or showers per day) Laundering (6 loads	80	(300)	23	20.00	(75.7)	
per week) Automobile washing	34	(130)	10	8.50	(32.2)	
(2 car washes per month)	10	(38)	3	2.50	(9.5)	
Lawn watering and swimming pools (180 hours per year) Garbage disposal	100	(380)	29	25.00	(94.6)	
unit (1 percent of all other uses)	3	(11)	1	0.75	(2.8)	
Total	346	(1,310)	100	86.50	(327.4)	



TYPES OF SAFETY TRAINING NEEDS

 Introduction/Overview of Workplace Safety

- ideally per group or type of positions.

- Accident Prevention/Awareness
- General Environmental Controls
- Personal/Workplace Hygiene
- "Lifting/bending/twisting"
- Hazard Communication
 » more

TYPES OF NEEDS (CONTINUED)

- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- PPE-Respiratory Protection
- Fall Protection
- Fire Protection/awareness
- Means of entry/egress; ladder safety
- · General electrical

TYPES OF NEEDS (CONTINUED)

- · Vehicular safety
- Tools and Equipment-General tips
- Confined Spaces
- knowledge, use of program, practice
- First Aid/CPR
- Process Safety Management Plan
- Risk Management Plan
- · Incident investigation and reporting

EXISTING STRATEGIES

- Some site specific programs.
- Some utility-wide programs.
- In-house.
- · Contractual.



REGULATOR (MDE) HOT TOPICS LT2ESWTR STAGE 2 DBPR. GROUNDWATER RULE COLIFORM RULE

MORE INFORMATION

- epa.gov
- mde.gov
- awwa.org

SUGGESTED AWWA VIDEOS TO SEE TODAY

- WE TREAT WATER RIGHT
- SOURCE WATER PROTECTION
- COAGULATION/FLOCCULATION/
- SEDIMENTATION/FILTRATION
- PROTECTING AGAINST WATERBORNE DISEASE
- FILTER SURVEILLANCE TECHNIQUES
- WATER SYSTEM SECURITY
- CHEMICAL SAFETY