



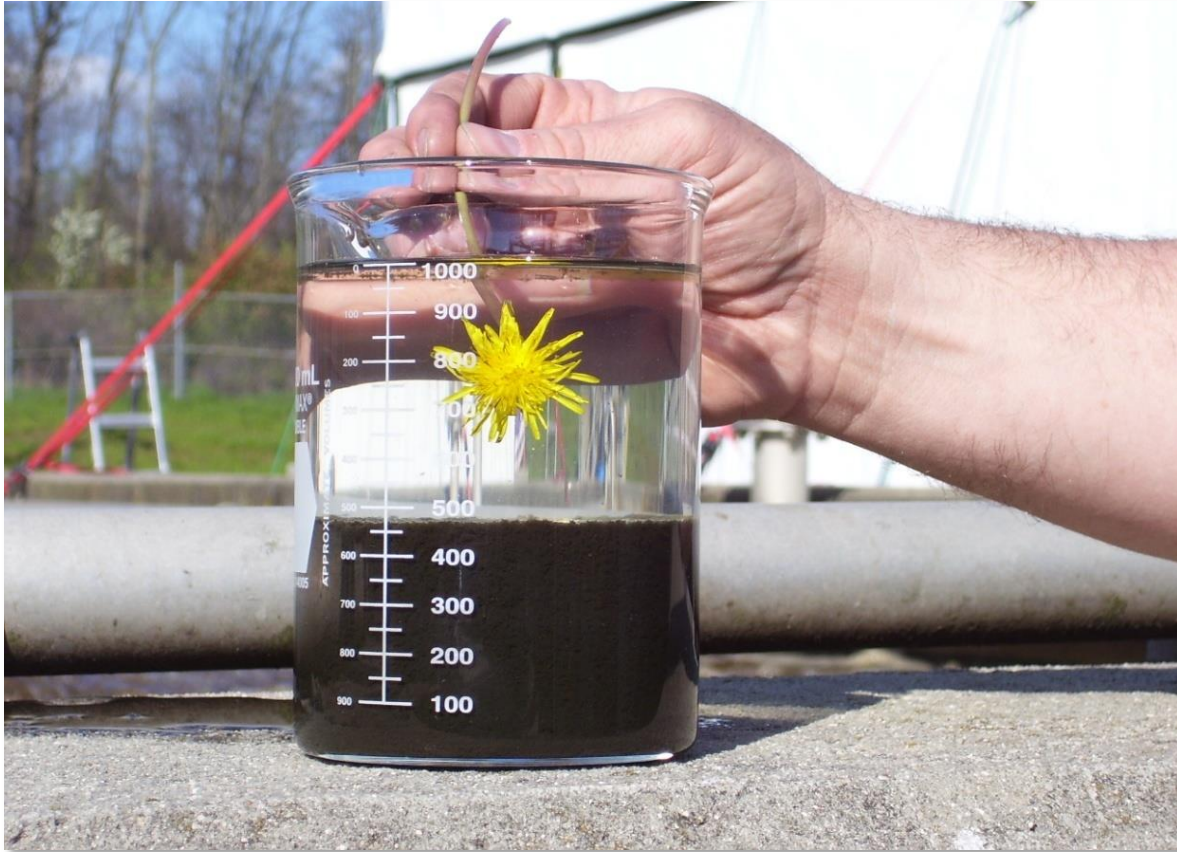
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WATER TECHNOLOGIES

BIOMAG® SYSTEM
ADVANCED SEPARATION

Agenda

Advanced Separation Overview



- Ballasted Systems & Magnetite
- BioMag® System & Equipment
- Installations and Benefits
- Questions and Answers

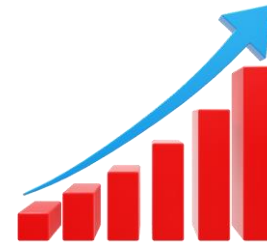
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BioMag® System Drivers

Reduce Footprint



Increase Capacity



Enhance Stability & Balance

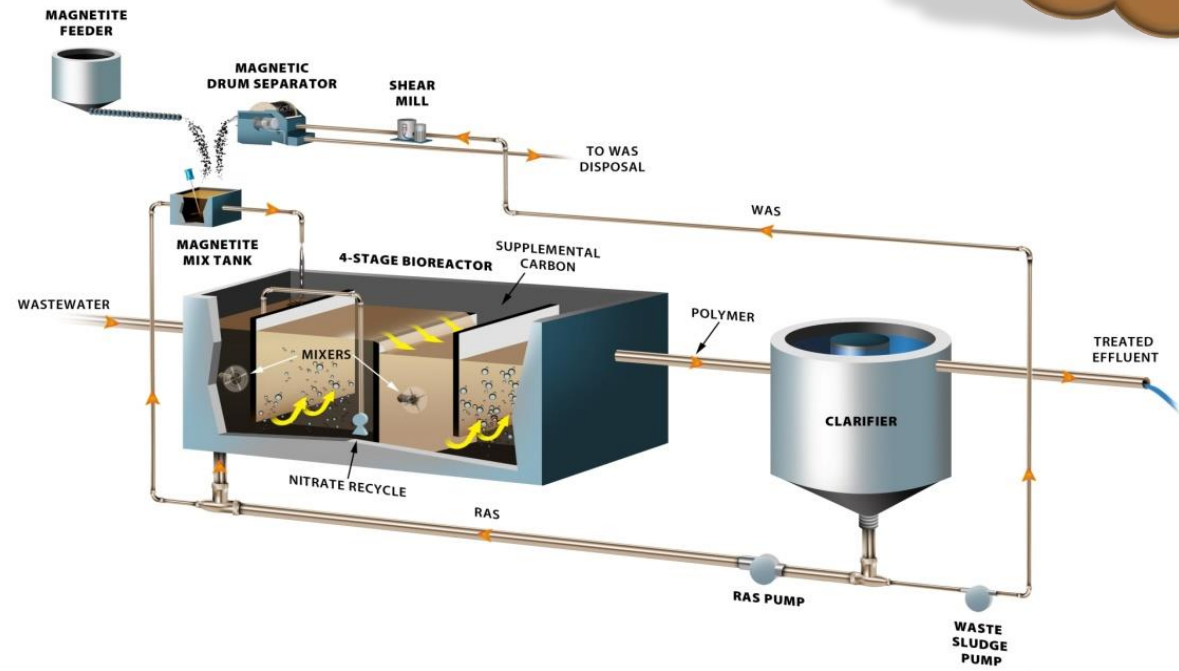
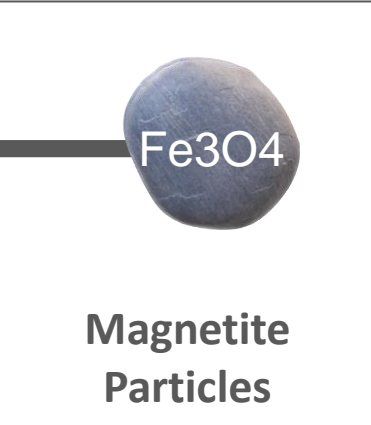


Improve Performance



BioMag[®] System

Advanced Biological Treatment

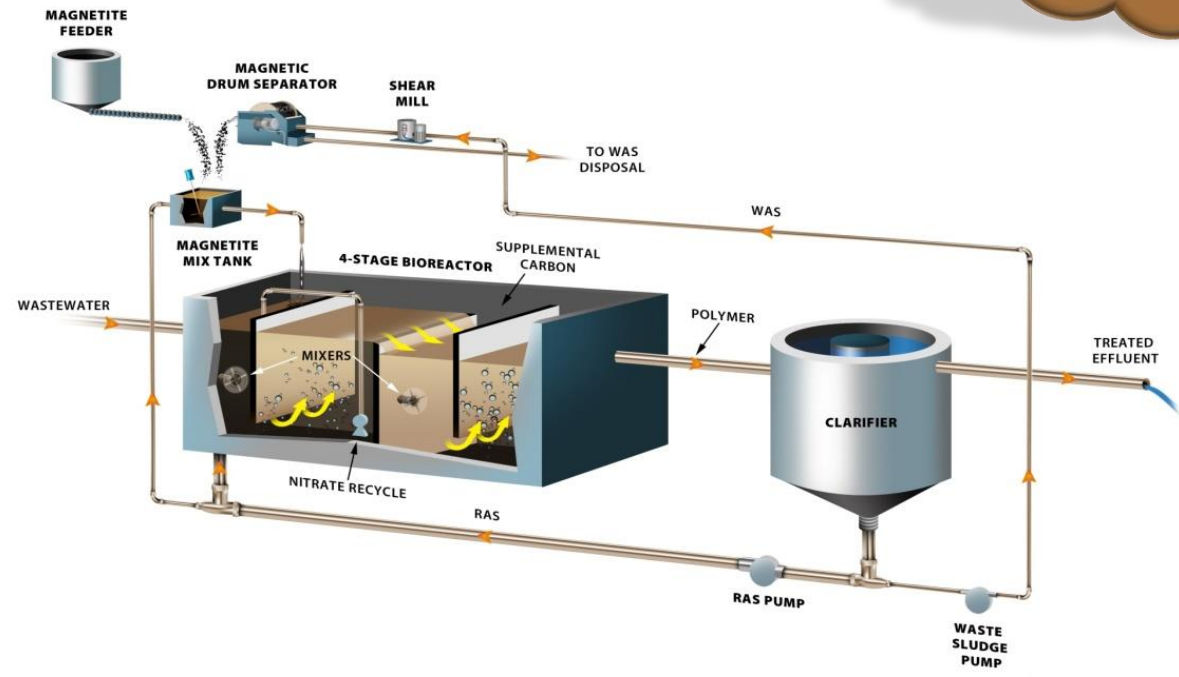


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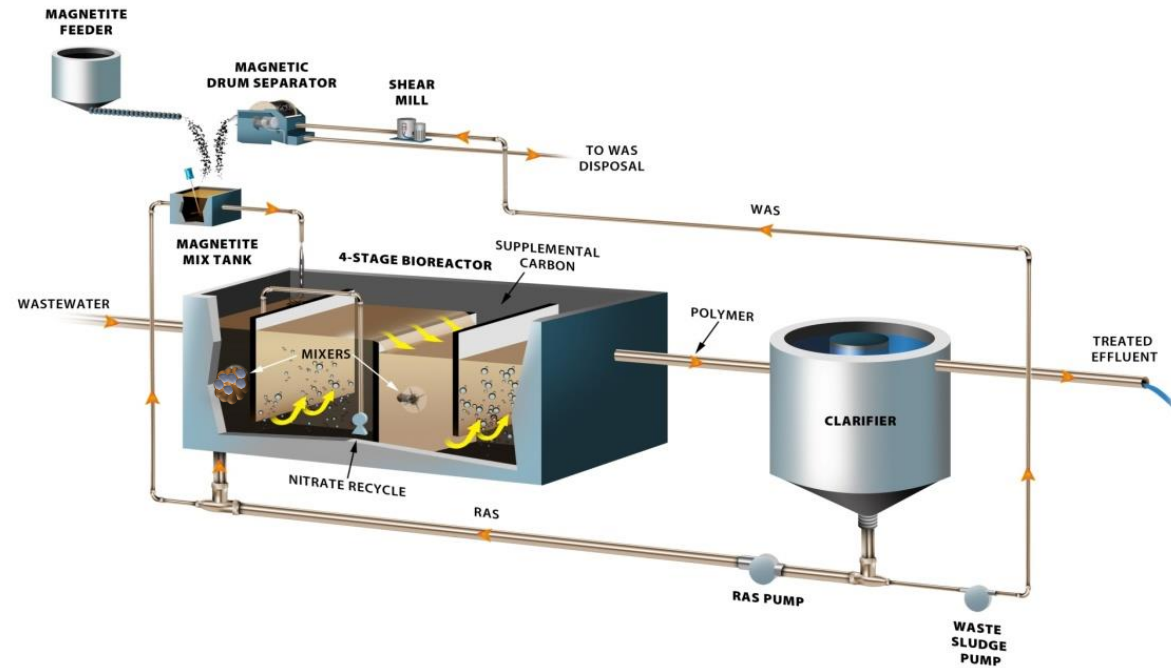


Magnetite
Particles



BioMag[®] System

Advanced Biological Treatment



Intensification Process

Benefits

- More flow & load
- Better treatment
- Better use of tankage

Implementation

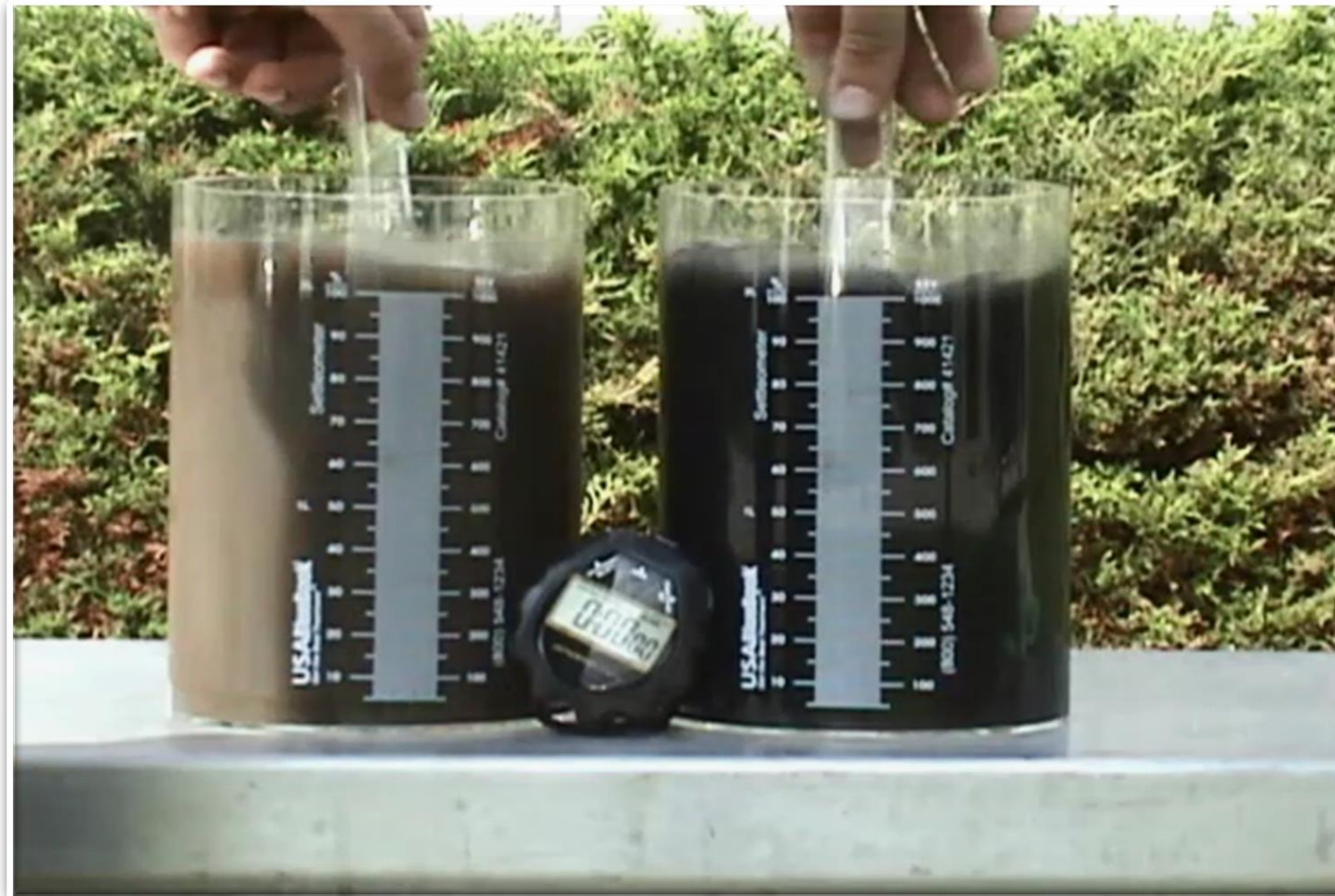
- Retrofit
- Green field plants

Advanced Separation - BioMag[®] Settling

Embrace Gravity

Conventional

Ballasted



Advanced Separation Timeline

How did we get here?

CoMag® System Concept

Based on a concept used for decades in coal cleaning processes, the ballasted settling idea is generated, and pilot plant discussions begin

BioMag® System Concept

With a well running pilot for chemical floc, why not apply this concept to biological floc in an activated sludge system? Ballasting expands into activated sludge.

1st BioMag System Install

Allenstown NH BioMag plant comes online as the first BioMag plant to help overcome the shallow 7'SWD secondary clarifiers

1st US DW CoMag System

White Tanks AZ CoMag System drinking water plant comes online as a 33 MGD facility pretreating drinking water

1999

2002

2005

2008

2010

2016

2019

2020

Concept Demo Plant

The concept pilot is started at Concord MA WWTP with oversight and guidance from top engineering firms

BioMag System Full-Scale Pilot

Sturbridge MA pilots BioMag System to help them meet TSS, nitrogen and TP limits.

1st UK Project

Initially with CoMag System but quickly followed with BioMag System the ballasted technologies have become a proven choice for UK utilities

100B+ gal treated & 75+ installations

With a variety of plants across municipalities and industrial customers, the technologies growth and acceptance continues to evolve

CoMag System

BioMag System

Advanced Separation - Two products, One Ballast

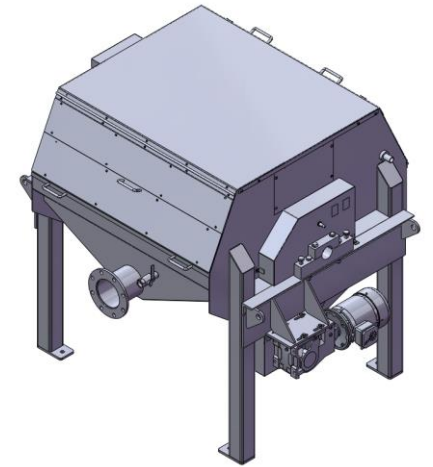
Ballast is added to improve the specific gravity of floc, to more efficiently use gravitational separation

Commonalities

- Magnetite is added as a ballast
- Magnetite ratio is monitored
- Magnetite is recovered for reuse
- Resultant floc is much heavier and settles more reliably

Differences

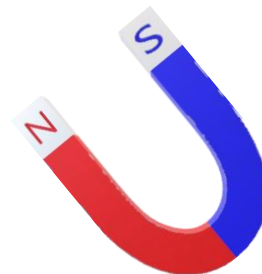
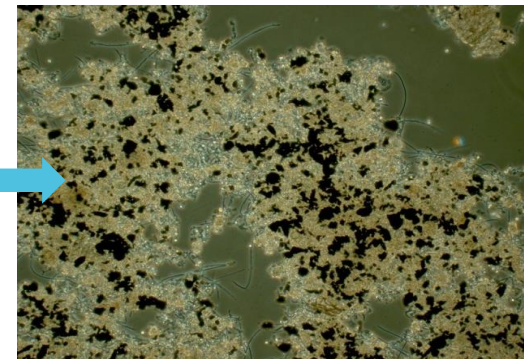
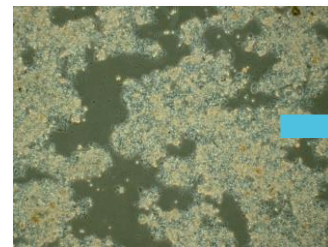
- **BioMag®** System targets activated sludge systems
- **CoMag®** System targets chemical floc systems



Ballast

Magnetite

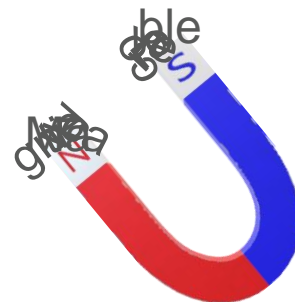
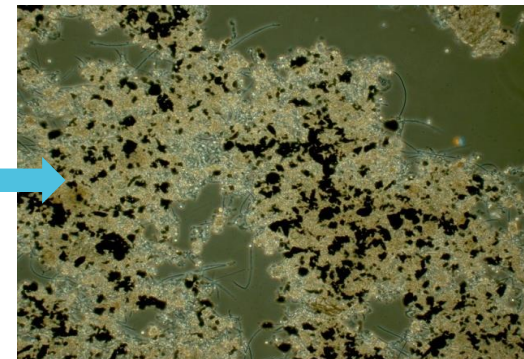
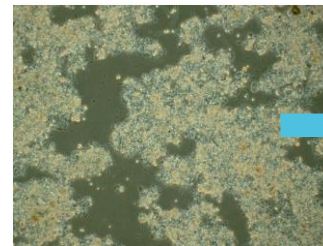
- Chemical formula: Fe_3O_4
Inverse spinel compound – highest state of oxidation
- High specific gravity: 5.2
Water: 1.0, Sand: 2.6, Lead: 11.34, Gold: 19.32
- Small particles: 10-40 μm
Talcum powder: $\sim 26.5 \mu\text{m}$, human hair: $\sim 50 \mu\text{m}$
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- Inert & NSF certified for drinking water use
- Magnetically recoverable



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Ballasted Systems

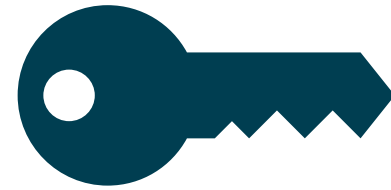
The Keys to implementing and running a successful ballasted system



Add it!



Measure it!



Recover & Reuse it!

Ballast Feed

KEY 1 – Add it! 

Conveying

- Manually
- Auger system
- Pneumatically



Magnetite Measuring & Ratios

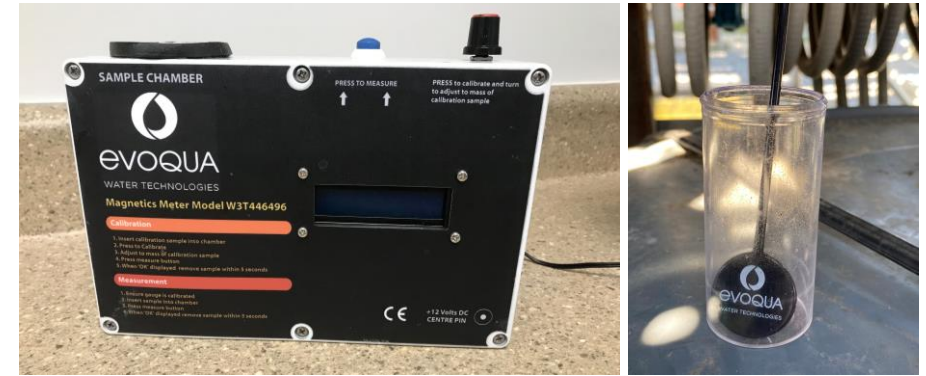
KEY 2 – Measure it! 

Meter

- Instantaneous readout on local LCD
- Can be setup for remote monitoring
- Benchtop or inline measuring
- ~30 seconds to complete test

BioMag® System

- Magnetite:CAS = 1:1 Ratio
- Secondary measuring = %VSS (TSS:VSS ratio)

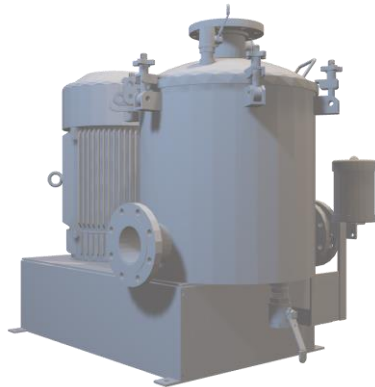


Recover & Reuse

KEY 3 – Recover & Reuse

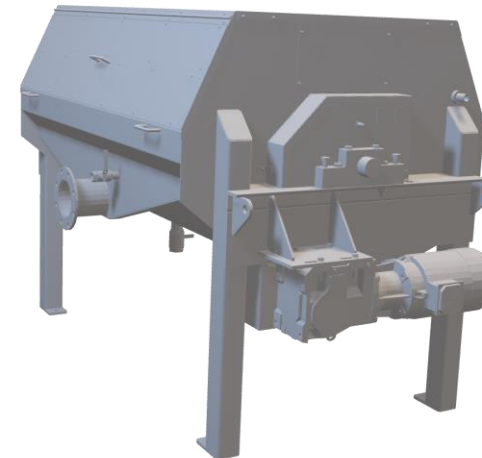
Step 1

- A shear device is used to liberate the magnetite from the floc before separation



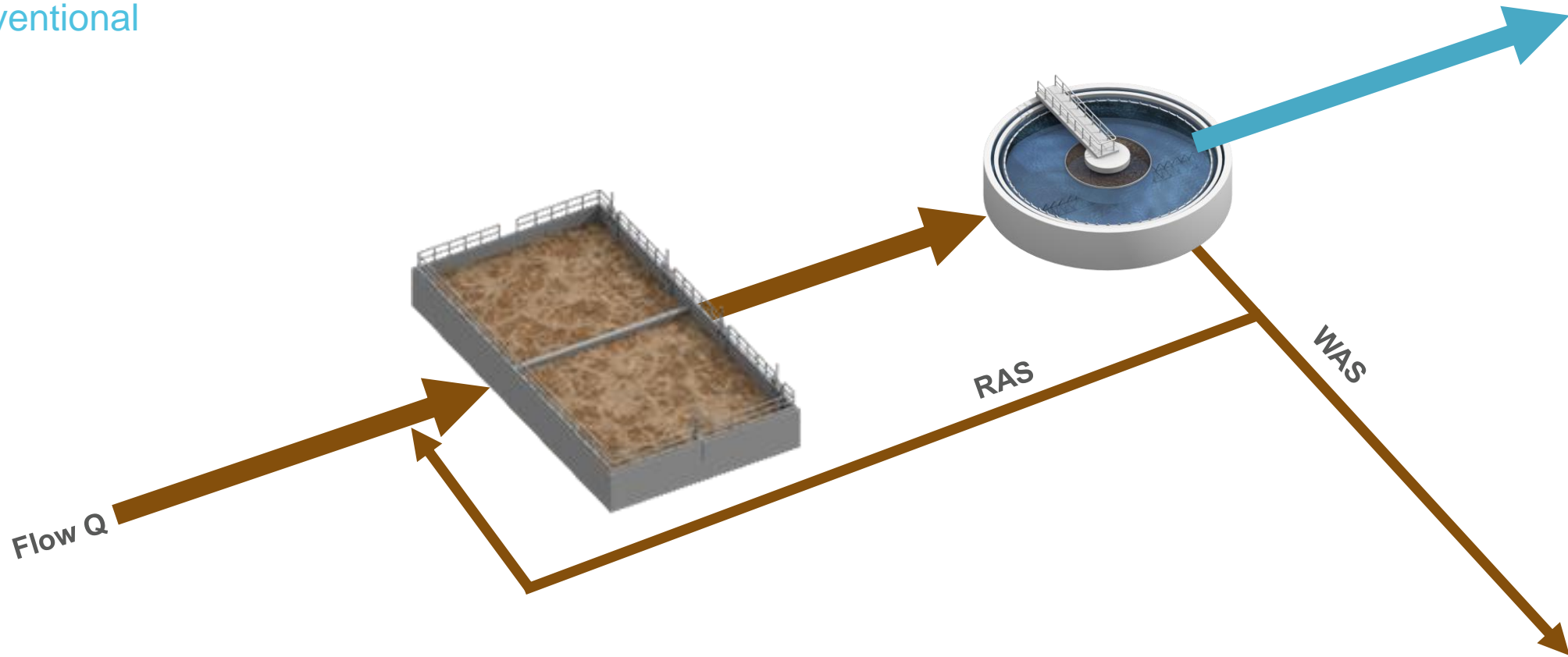
Step 2

- Magnetic Recovery Drum is utilized to recover the magnetite from the waste liquid for reuse



Process Flow Diagram

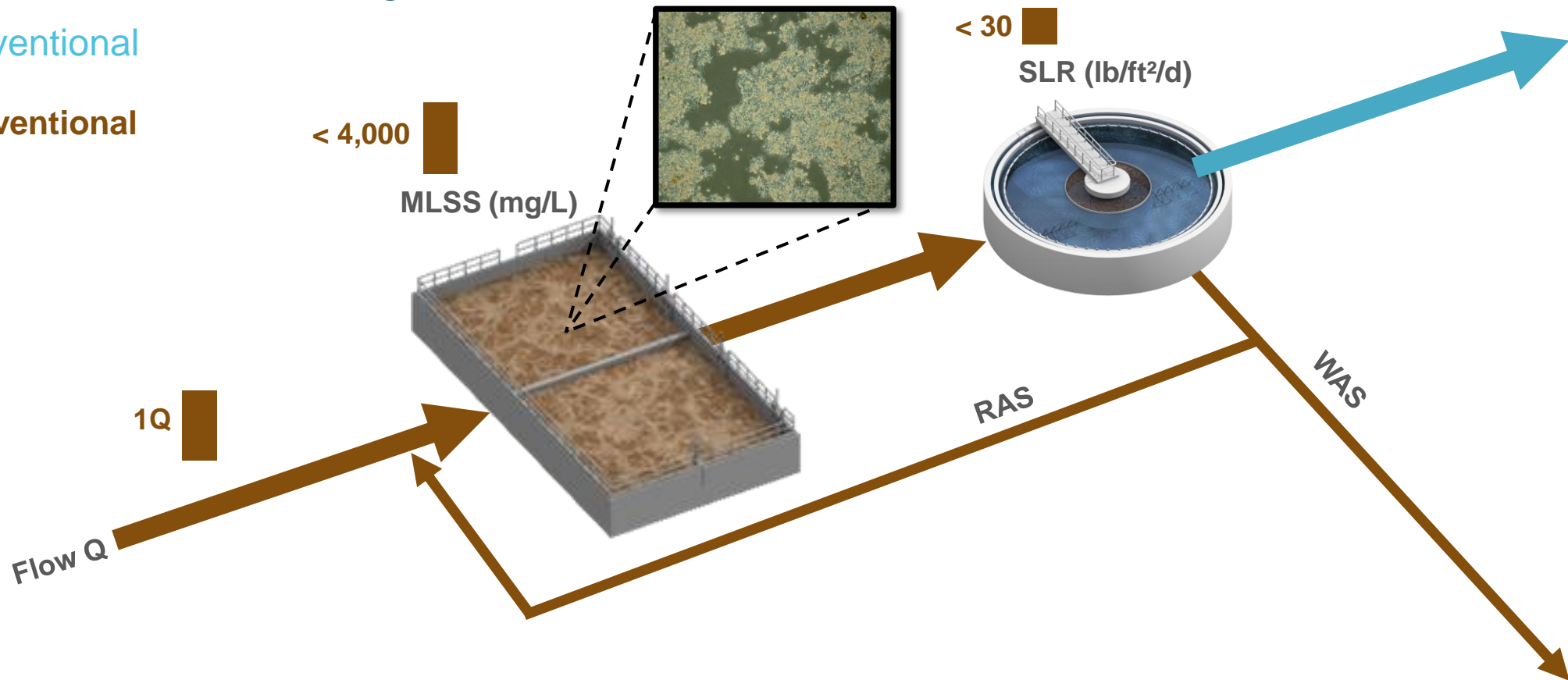
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Process Flow Diagram

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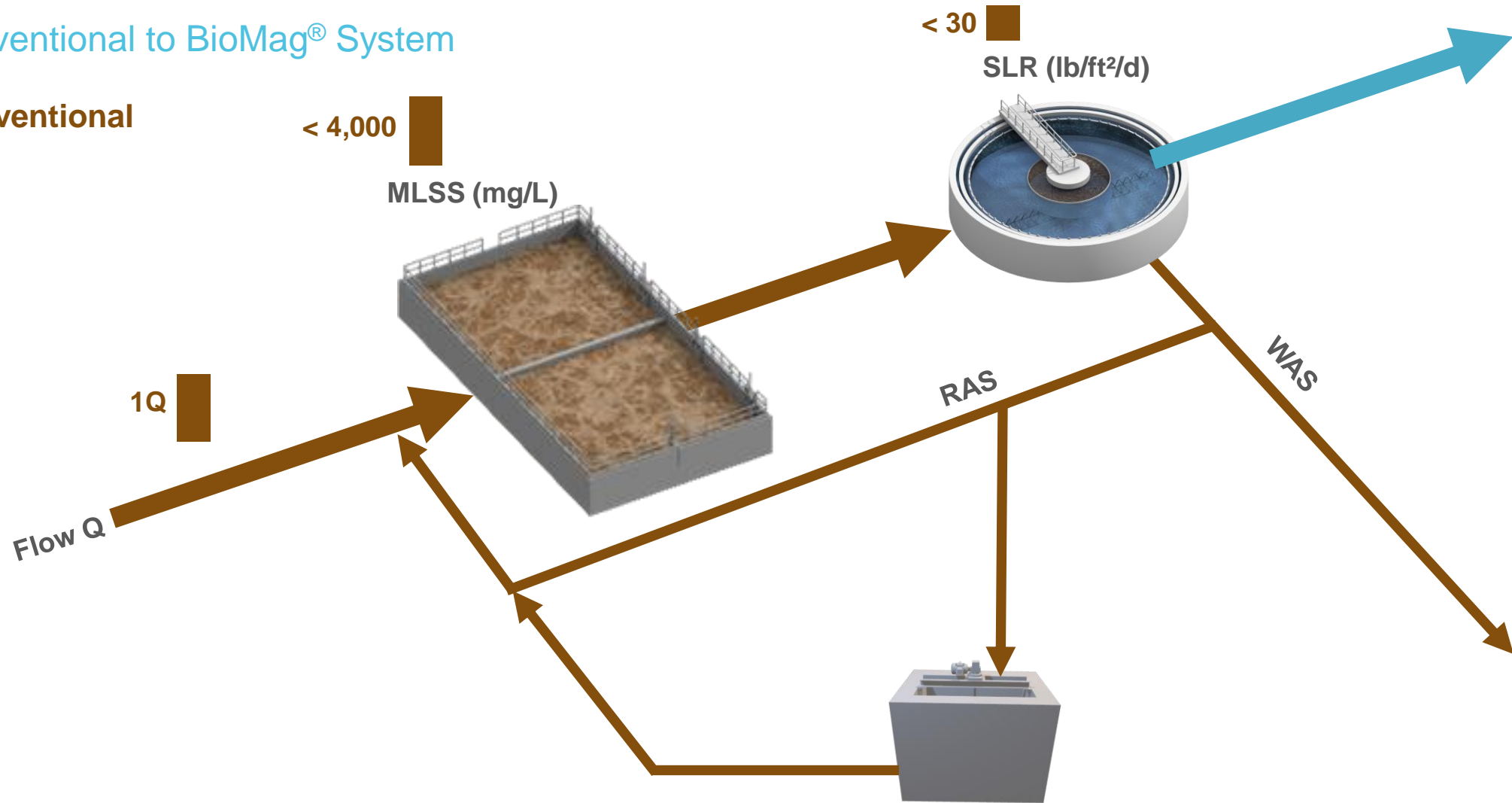
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Process Flow Diagram

Conventional to BioMag[®] System

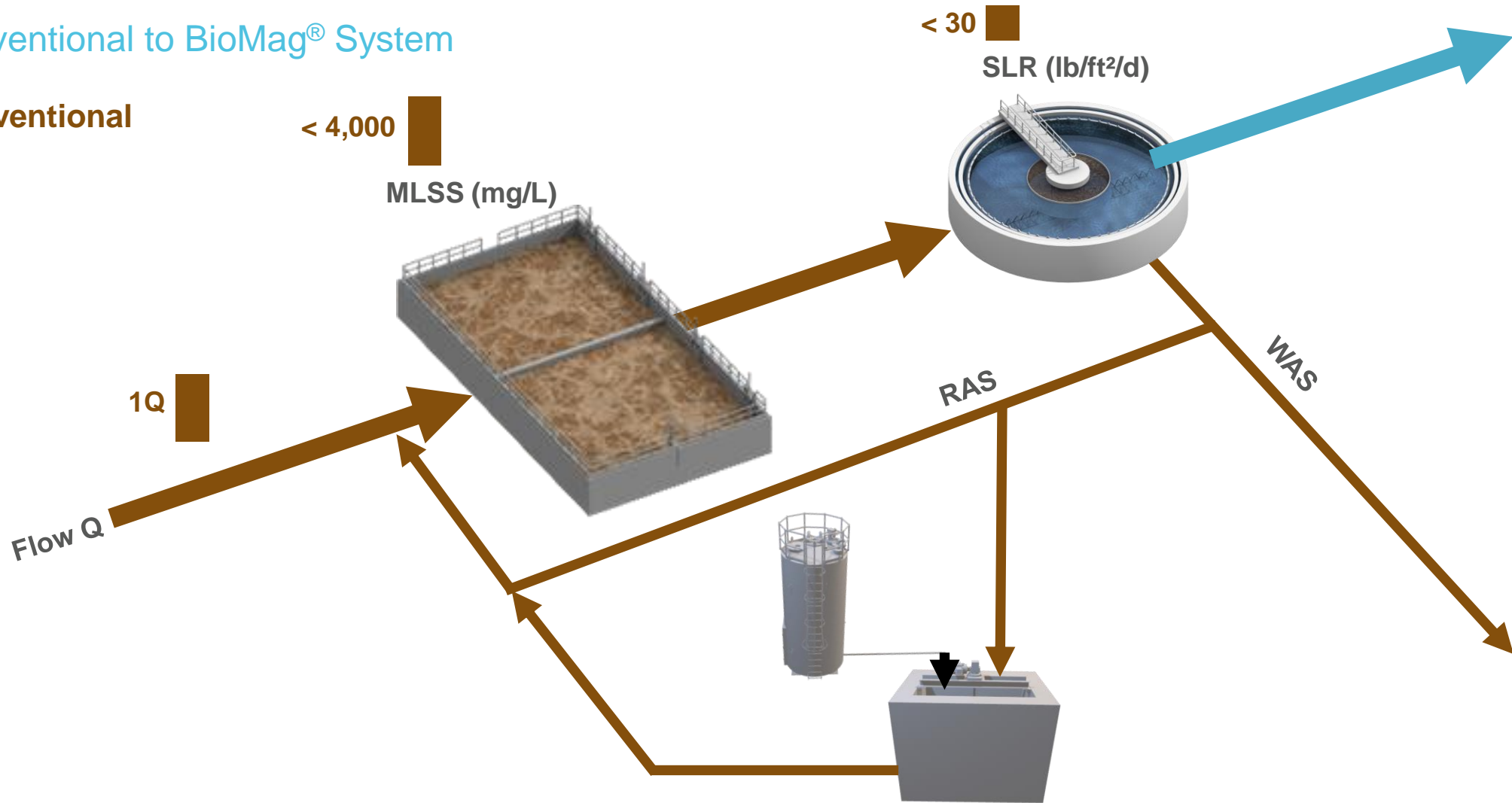
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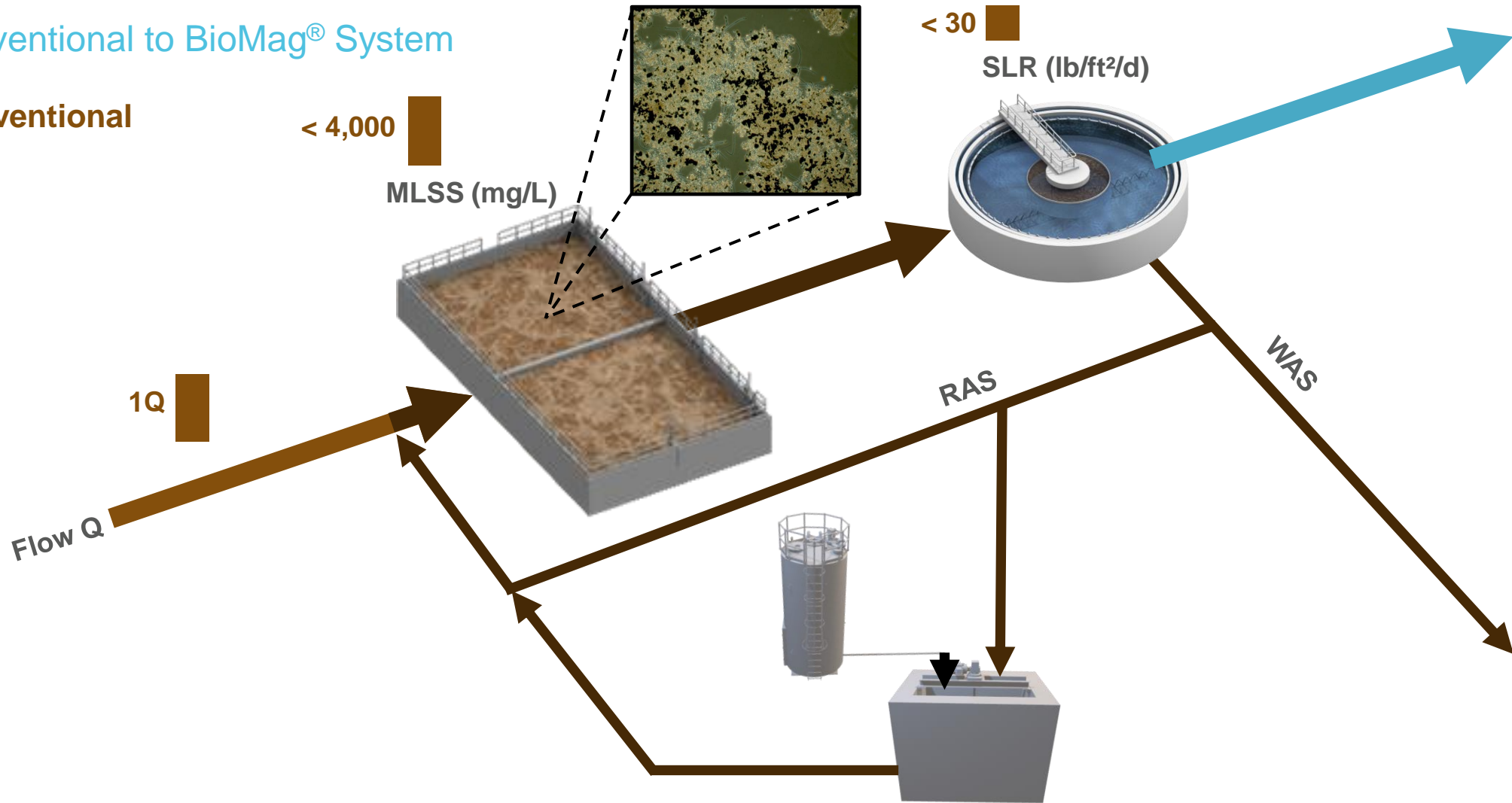
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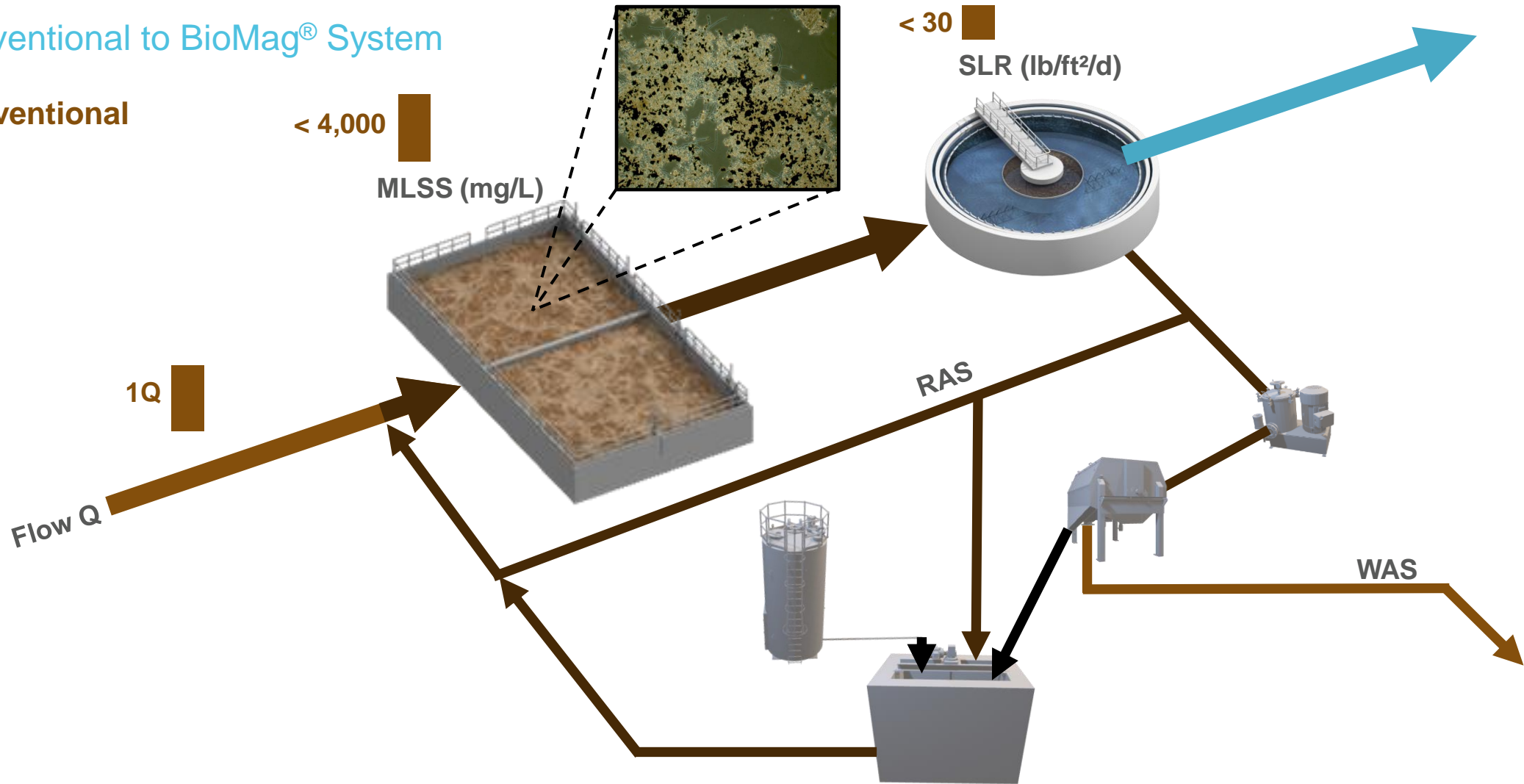
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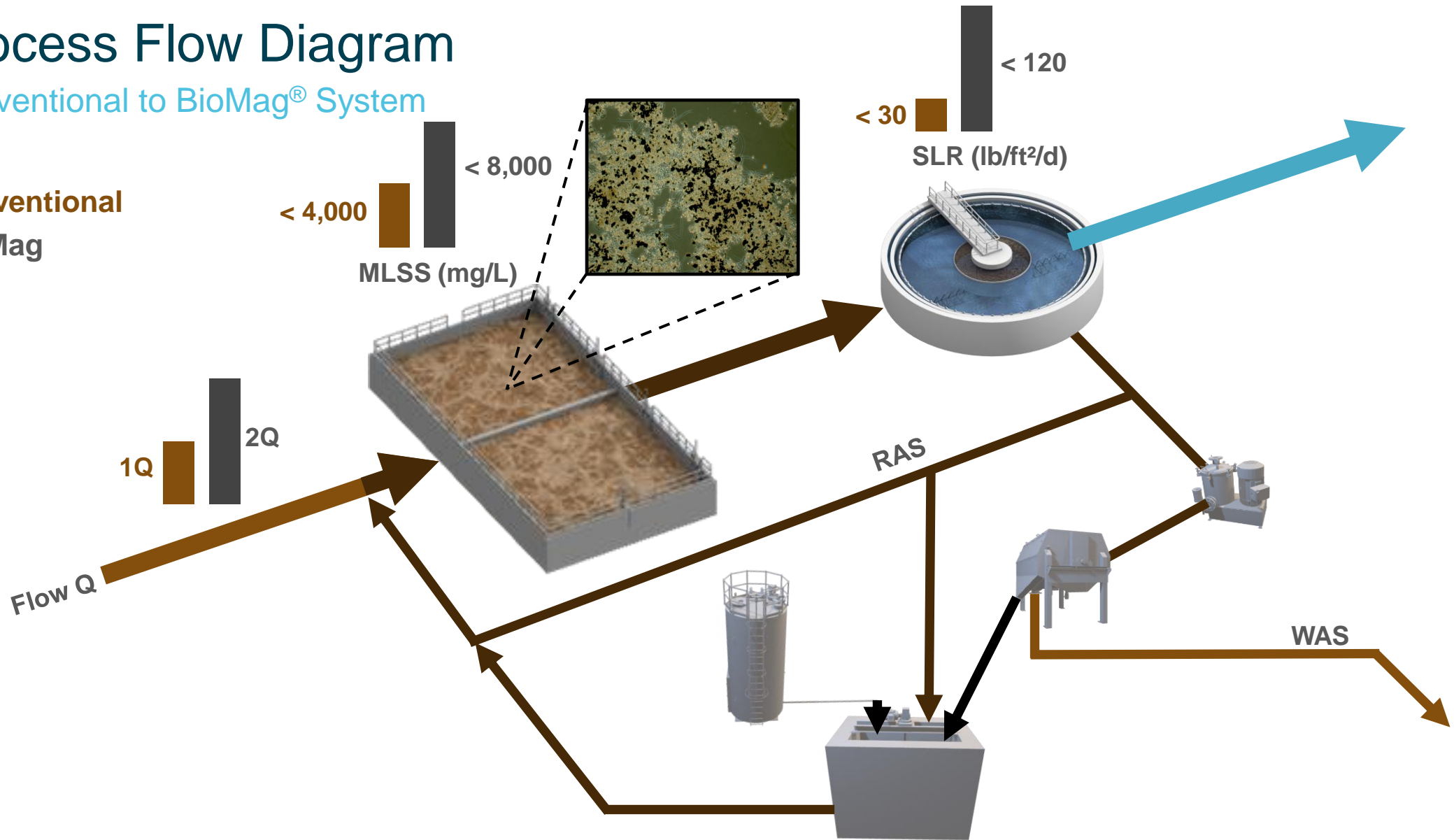
Conventional



Process Flow Diagram

Conventional to BioMag® System

Conventional
BioMag



BioMag[®] System - Compatibility

Activated Sludge

| Process | Clarifier | Aeration | Pumps |
|-----------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Complete Mix | Plow Scraper | Fine Bubble | Centrifugal |
| Plug Flow | Spiral Scraper | Coarse Bubble | Submersible |
| Oxidation Ditch | Tow Bro Suction Header | Surface Aerators | Rotary Lobe |
| Multistage BNR | Chain & Scraper | Jet Aeration | Progressive Cavity |
| SBR | | Hyperbolic | Diaphragm |

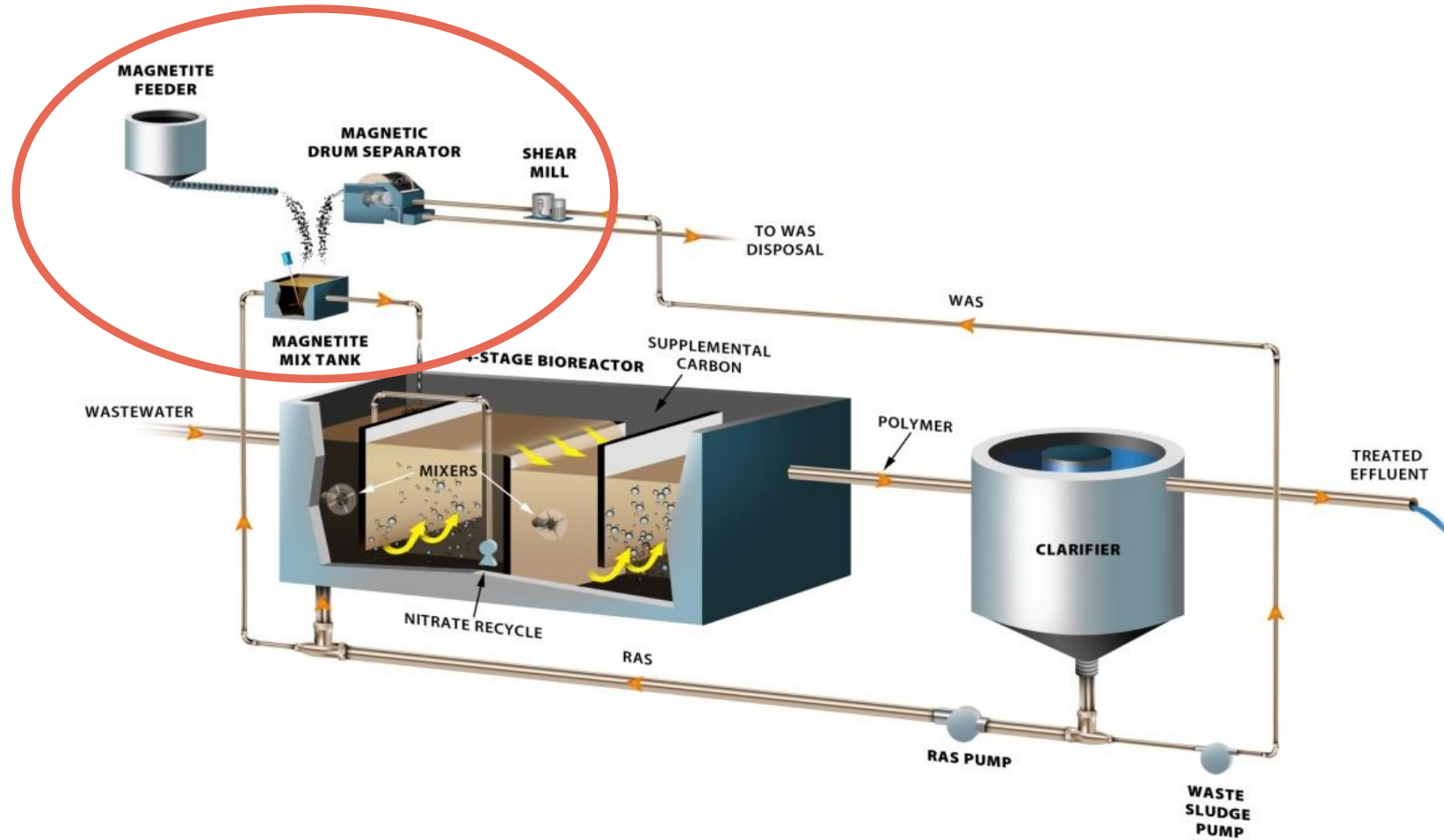
 Attached Growth

 Draft Tube



BioMag[®] System Equipment

Major Components



Ballast Feed

Add it!

Manually



50
lbs



Automated Bag Feeder



1 Ton

Automated Silo Feeder



25 Ton

Ballast Embedment

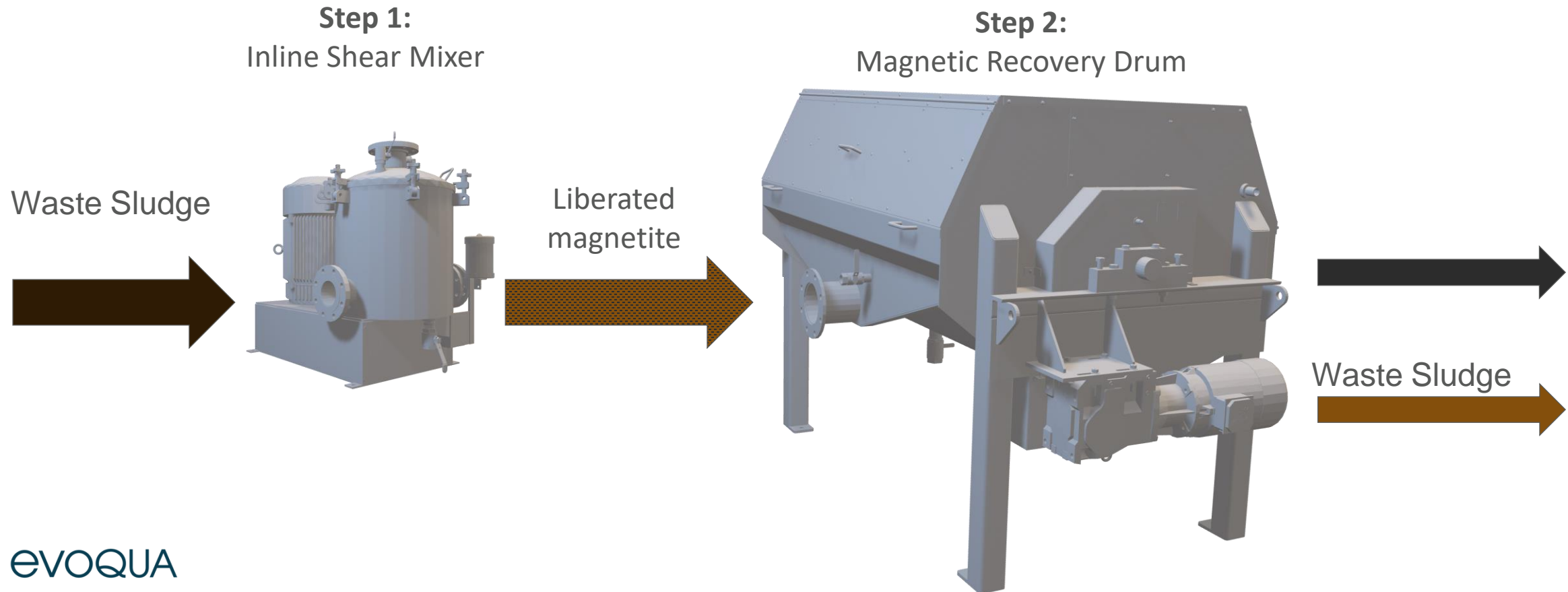
Ballast mix tank ensures contact of magnetite and floc

- Recovered and virgin magnetite
- RAS slip stream
- Ensure contact
- High specific gravity floc returned



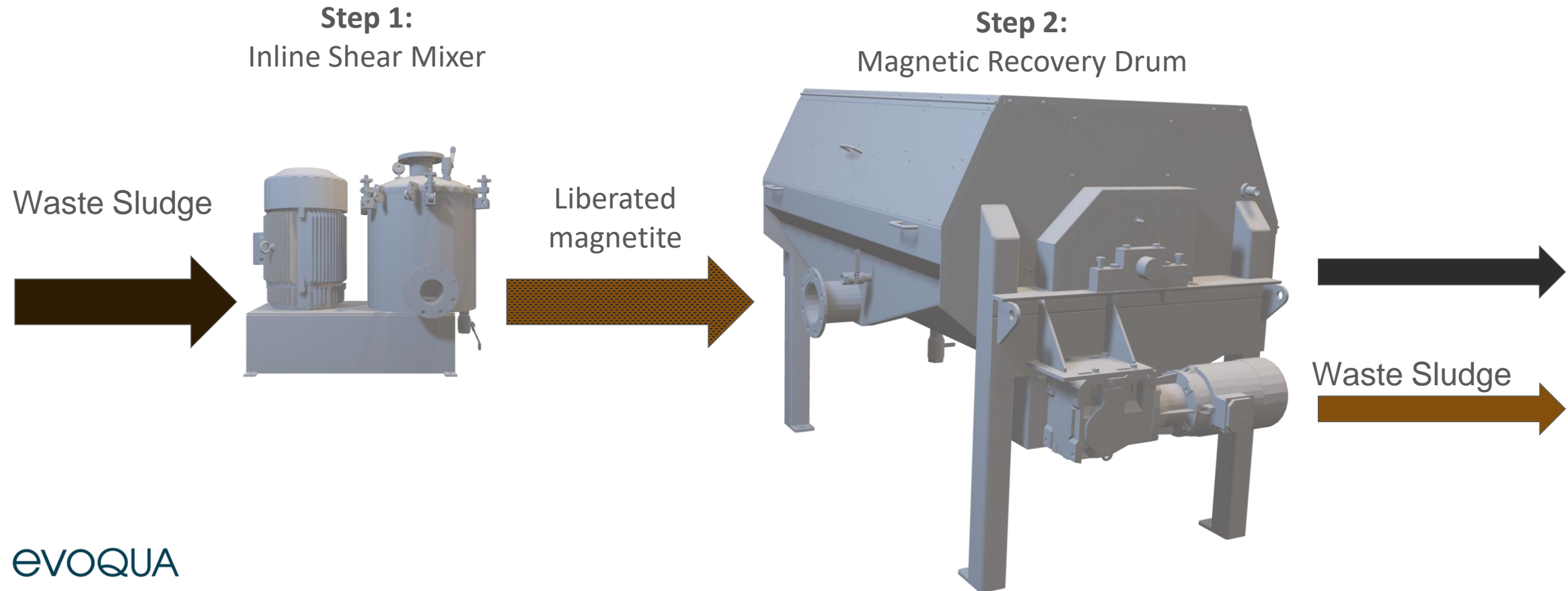
Ballast Recovery Equipment

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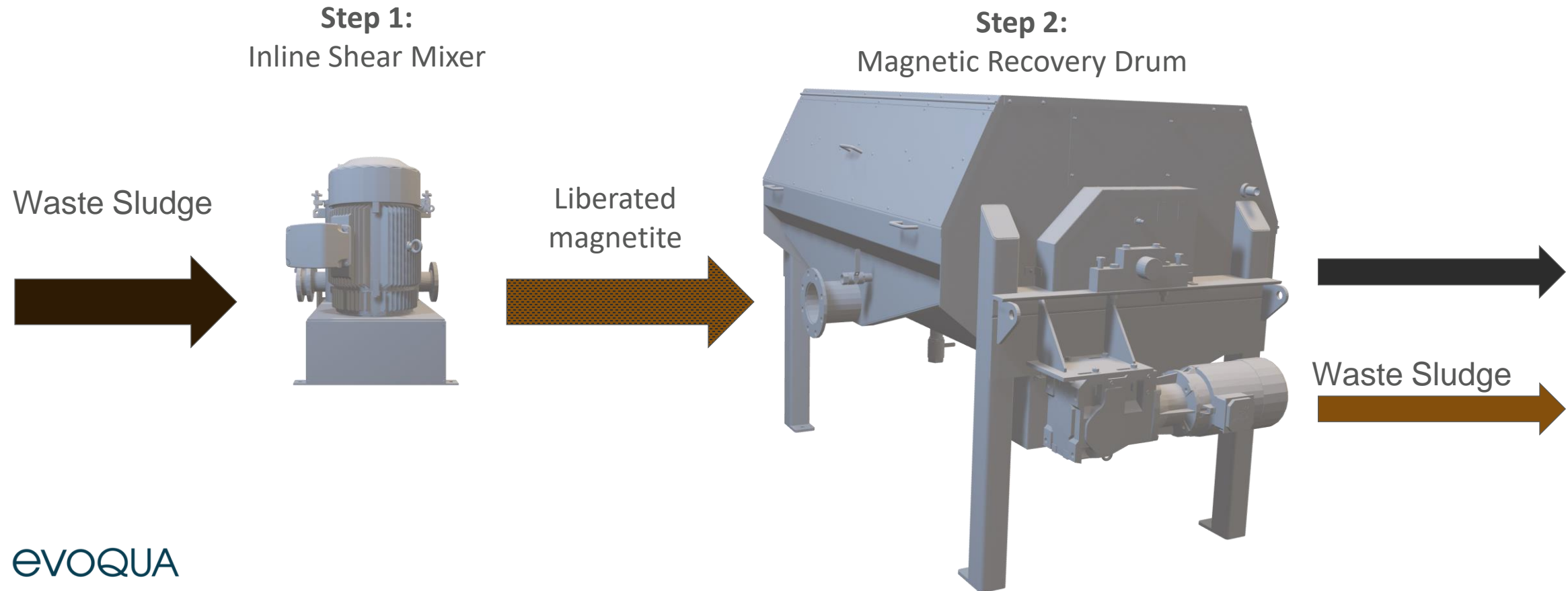
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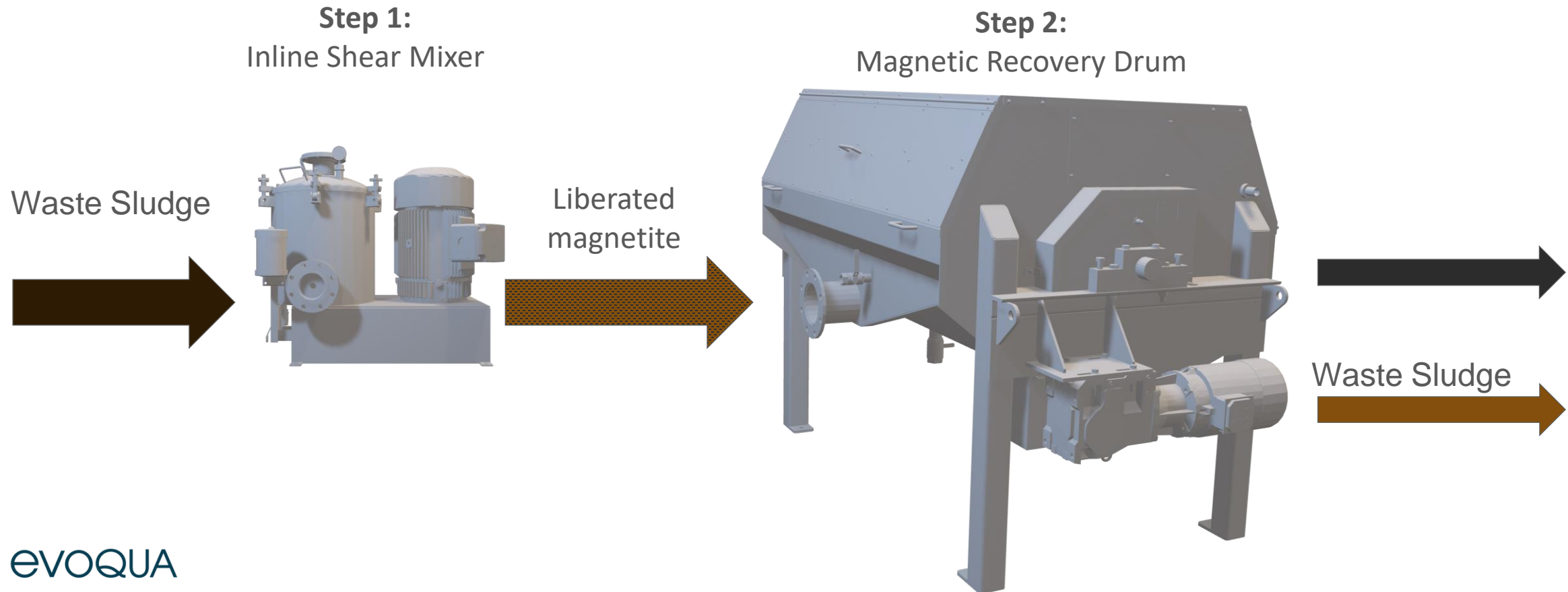
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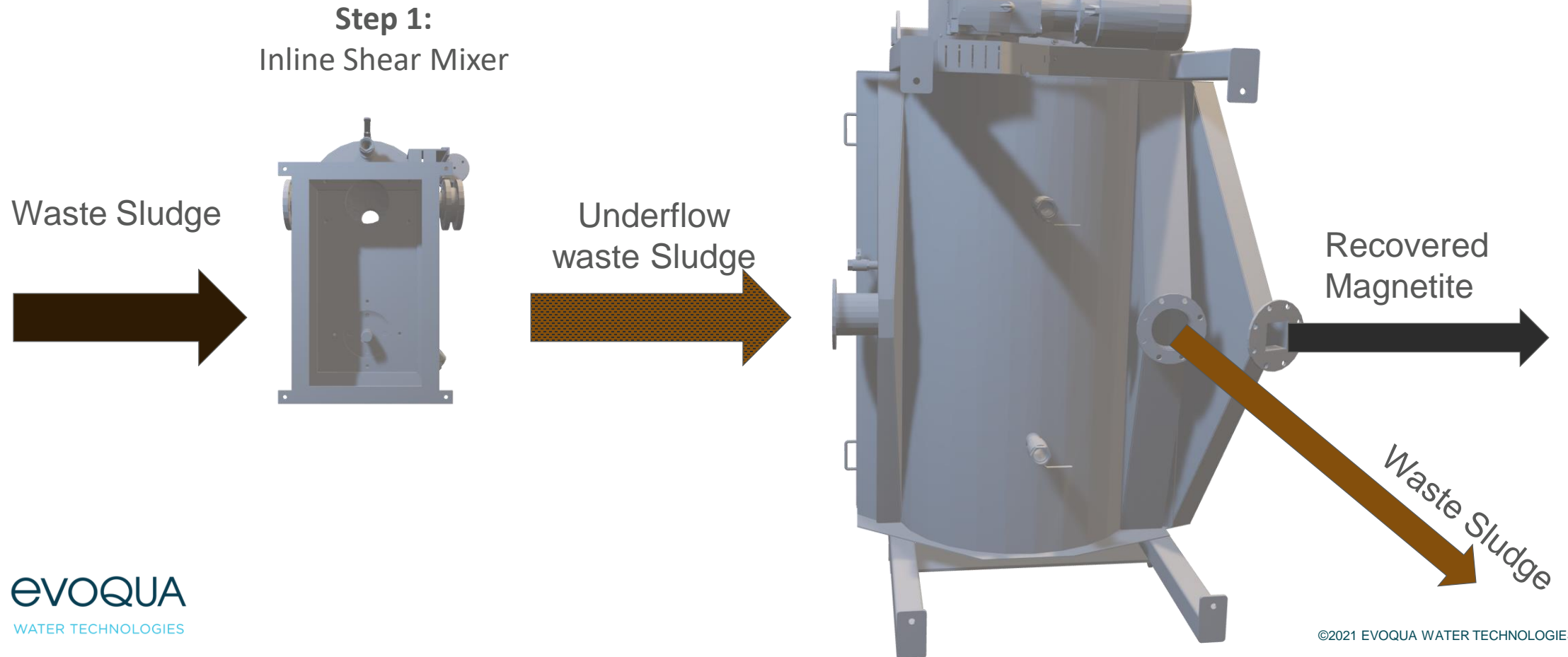


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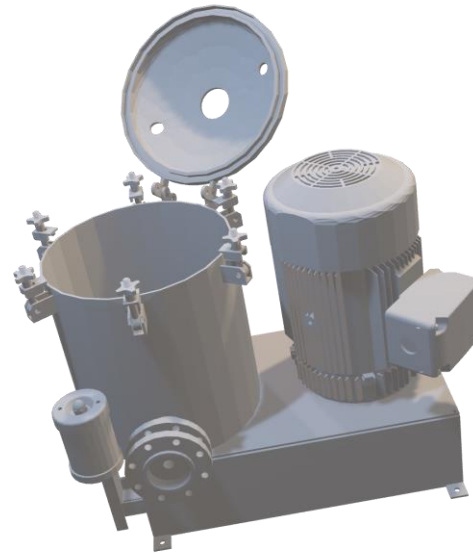
Ballast Recovery Equipment



BioMag[®] System - Shear Mill

High speed rotor & stator designed to liberate the magnetite from the biological floc

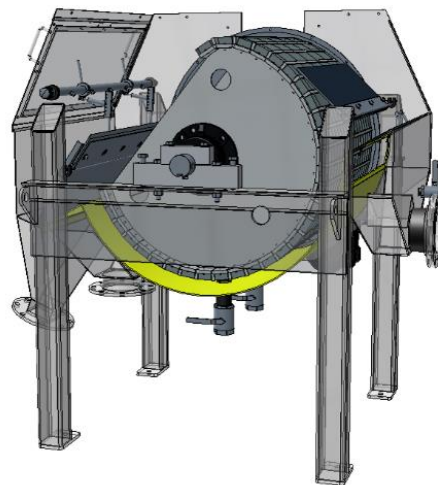
- Simple Rotor-Stator design
 - Rotor rotates
 - Stator stays
- Automatically adjusts speed to optimize power input
- Hinged top lid for cleaning & inspection
- Stainless steel construction of wetted parts for corrosion resistance and long life
- Common belt drive system



BioMag[®] System – Magnetic Recovery Drums

Highlights

- Proven technology
- Permanent magnets – no service
- Fixed shaft, rotating outer cylinder
- Primarily stainless steel construction
- Simple chain drive

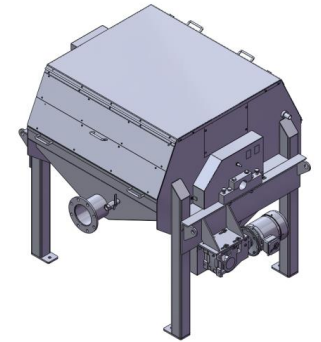


Magnetic Recovery Drum

Deeper Dive



Waste Sludge
Recovered Magnetite



**Underflow
waste
Sludge**



BioMag[®] System Recovery

Efficiency leads to process stability

- Recovered from waste sludge
- Sustainable process
- Doesn't degrade

BioMag Recovery
90-95%



BioMag[®] System Equipment

Housings and Locations

New Construction



Temp Buildings

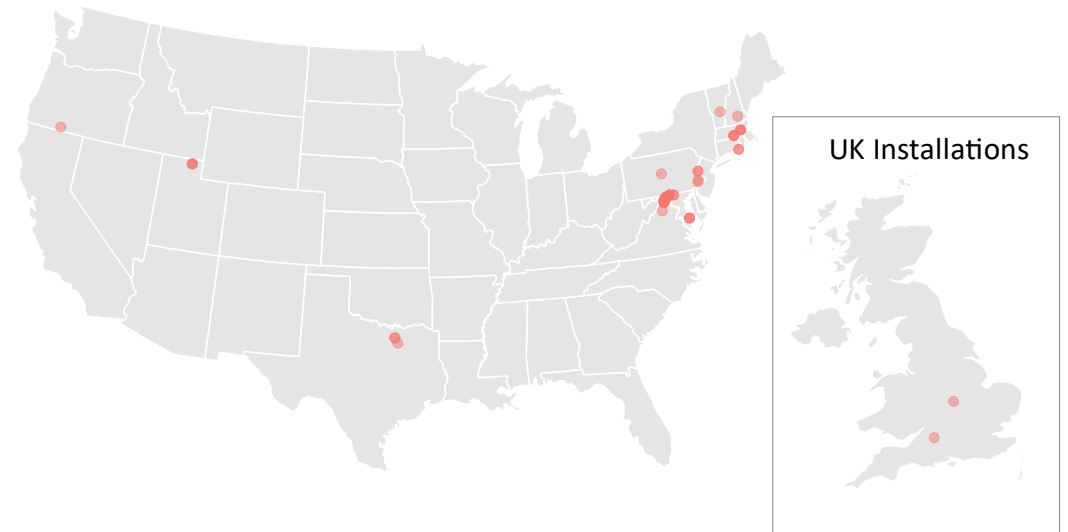


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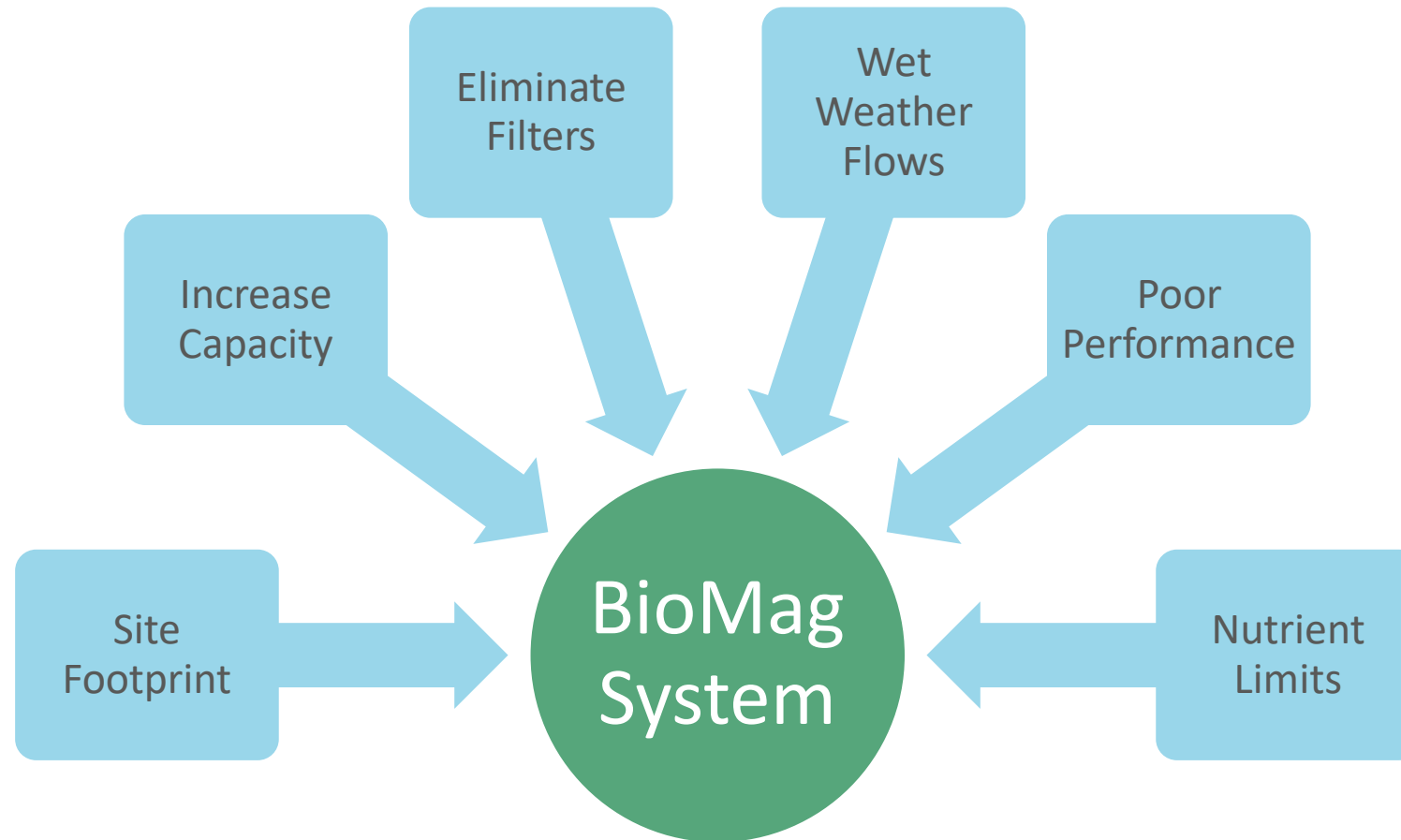
BioMag[®] System Installations

| | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Installations | 25+ |
| Settling flux curves | >1,200 tests at over 30 sites |
| Full scale pilot demos | 13 |
| Projects in Design/Construction | 2 in the US 1 in the UK |



BioMag[®] System

When is a BioMag System Applicable



BioMag[®] System Design

How is the system sized?

BioMag[®] System Design

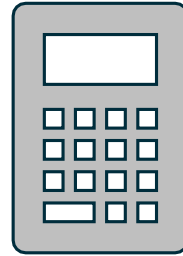
Clarifier Sizing

Reactor

- Design Influent Flows
- Design MLSS

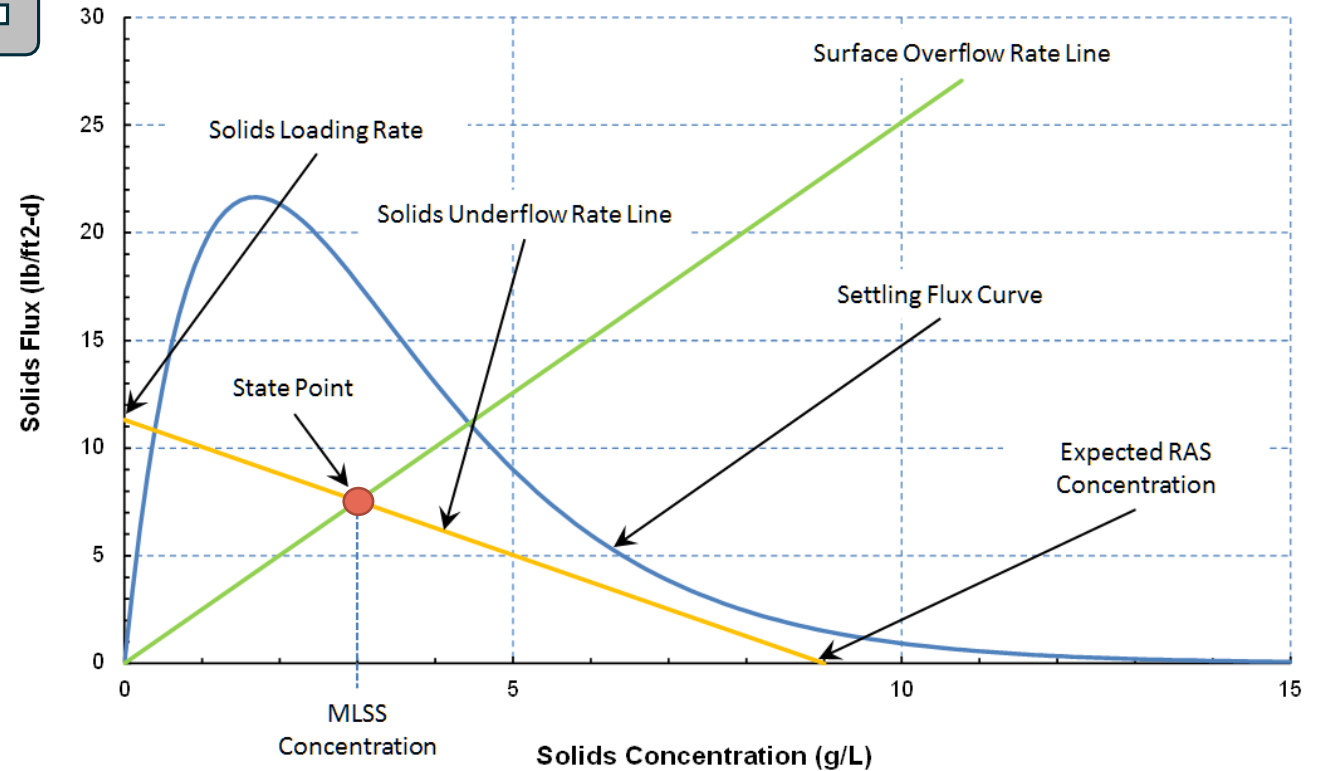
Clarifier

- SVI Data
- RAS Capabilities



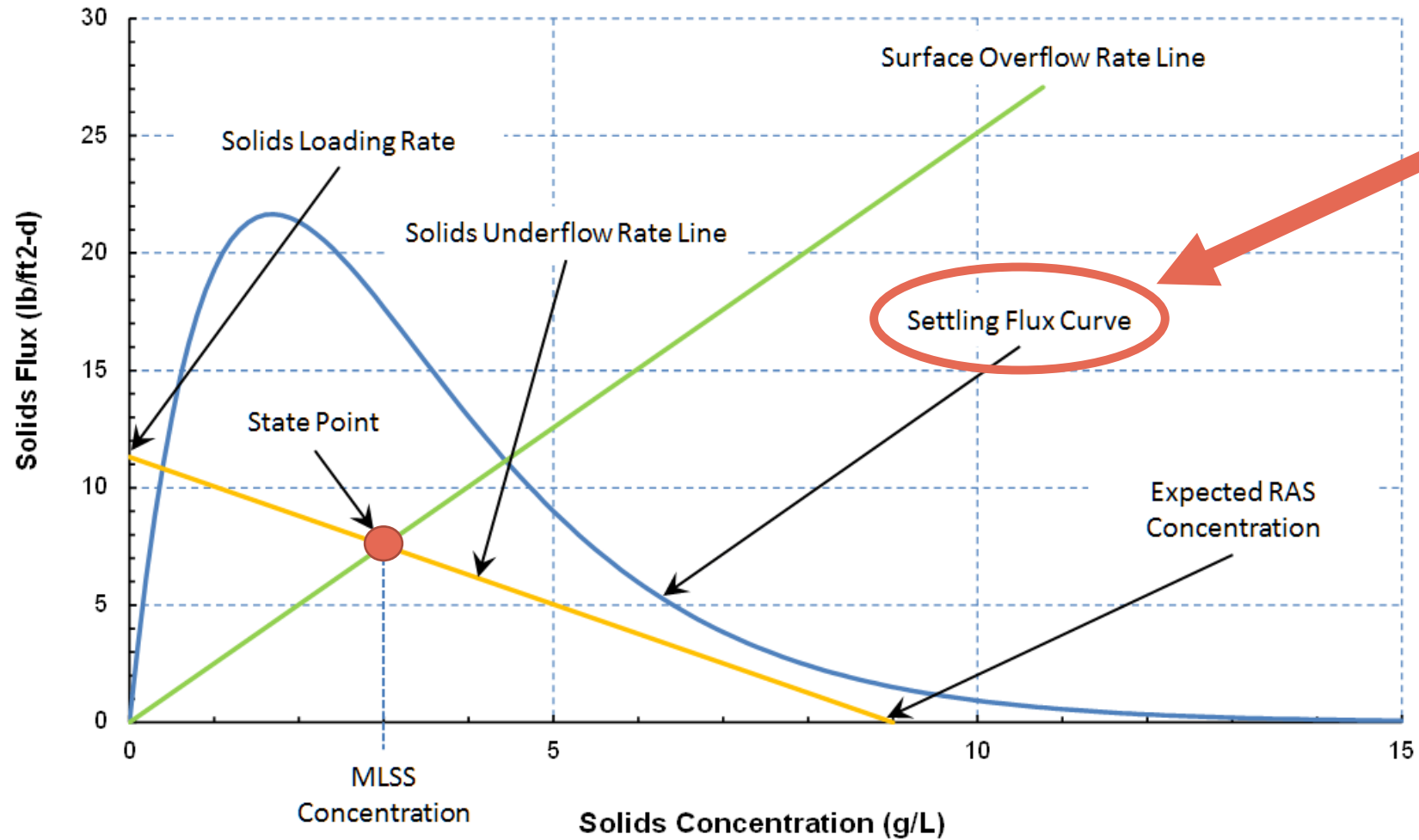
State Point Analysis

Required Clarifier Surface Area



BioMag[®] System Design

State Point Analysis



BioMag[®] System Design

Solids Flux Analysis

Important Features

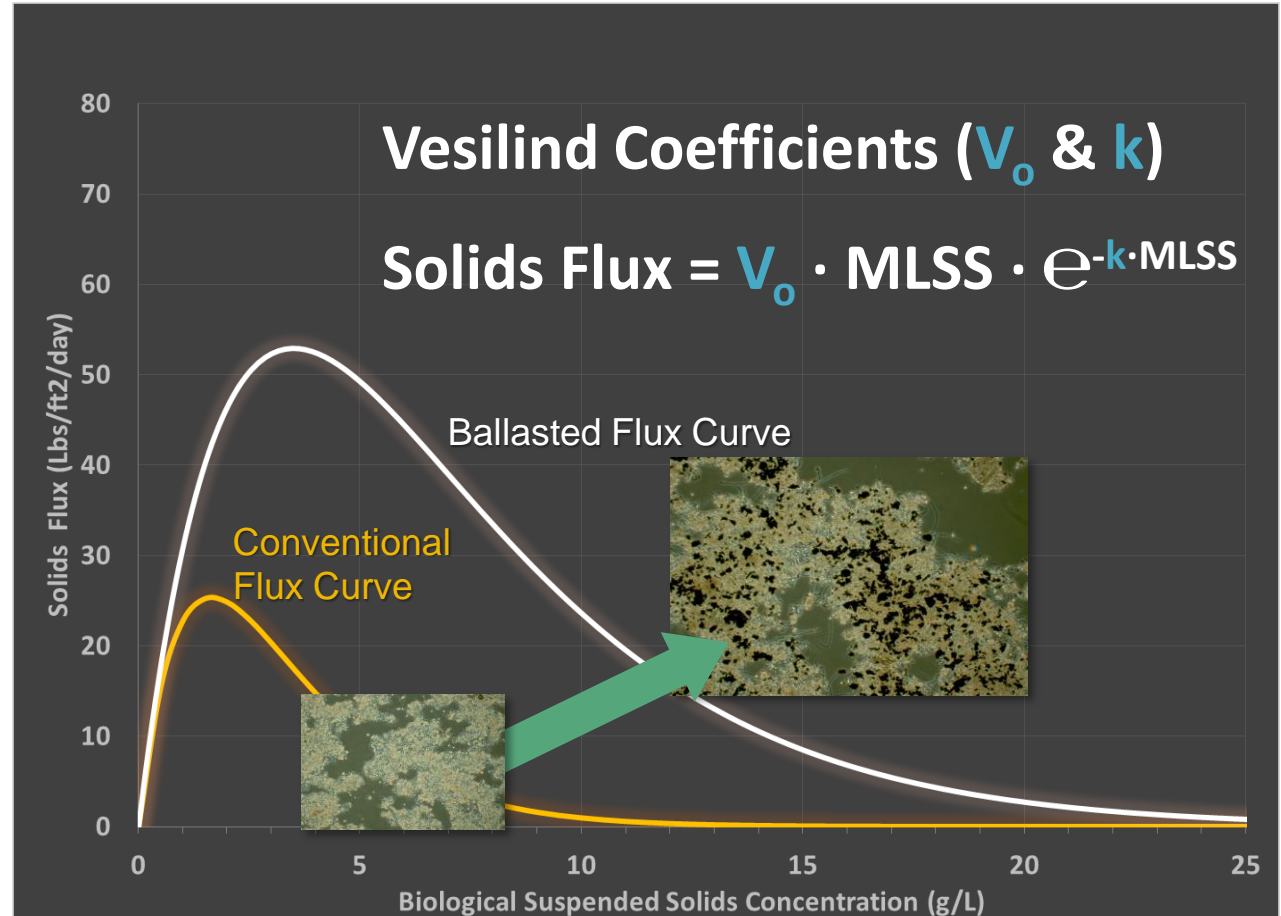
Taller Curve

Elevates the allowable solids & hydraulic loading rates



Wider Curve

allows for higher MLSS & underflow concentrations



BioMag[®] System Design

Solids Flux Curve

- **Over 1,200 settling tests**
- Develop ballasted settling Vesilind coefficients
- Coefficients generate the flux curve used in state point analysis

Vesilind Coefficients:

BioMag System: $V_0 = 1,000$ ft/d $k = 0.15$ L/g

Conventional: $V_0 = 511$ ft/d $k = 0.40$ L/g

Key learning: Coefficients will vary from site to site and can depend on SVI, but all improve drastically



BioMag[®] System Design

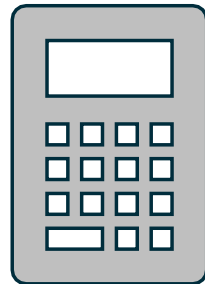
Recovery System

Biological Design

- Influent loading
- Design MLSS/SRT
- Biological Yield
- Wasting source
- WAS concentration

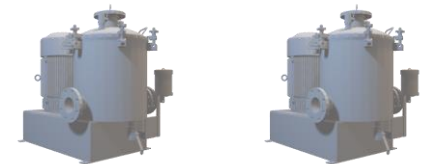
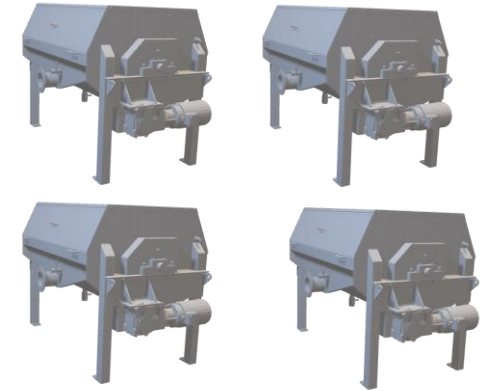
Wasting Strategy

- Intermittent or Continuous



WAS
Flowrate

Number/Size of Mag Drums
Number/Size of Shear Mills



BioMag[®] System Performance

Pushing the limits

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| New Hampshire | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SOR Peak: 2,520 gpd/ft²• SLR Peak: 106 lb/ft²/d |
| Texas | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SOR Peak: 2,200 gpd/ft²• SLR Peak: 140 lb/ft²/d |
| Ontario Canada | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SOR Peak: 1,389 gpd/ft²• SLR Peak: 97 lb/ft²/d |
| Tennessee | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SOR Peak: 596 gpd/ft²• SLR Peak: 68 lb/ft²/d |
| Texas | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SOR Peak: 1,428 gpd/ft²• SLR Peak: 56 lb/ft²/d |

**Conventional Loading Rates,
lesser of:**

SOR Peak: 800-1,200 gpd/ft²

SLR Peak: 35 lb/ft²/d

BioMag[®] System Piloting

Setting up a full scale BioMag System demo

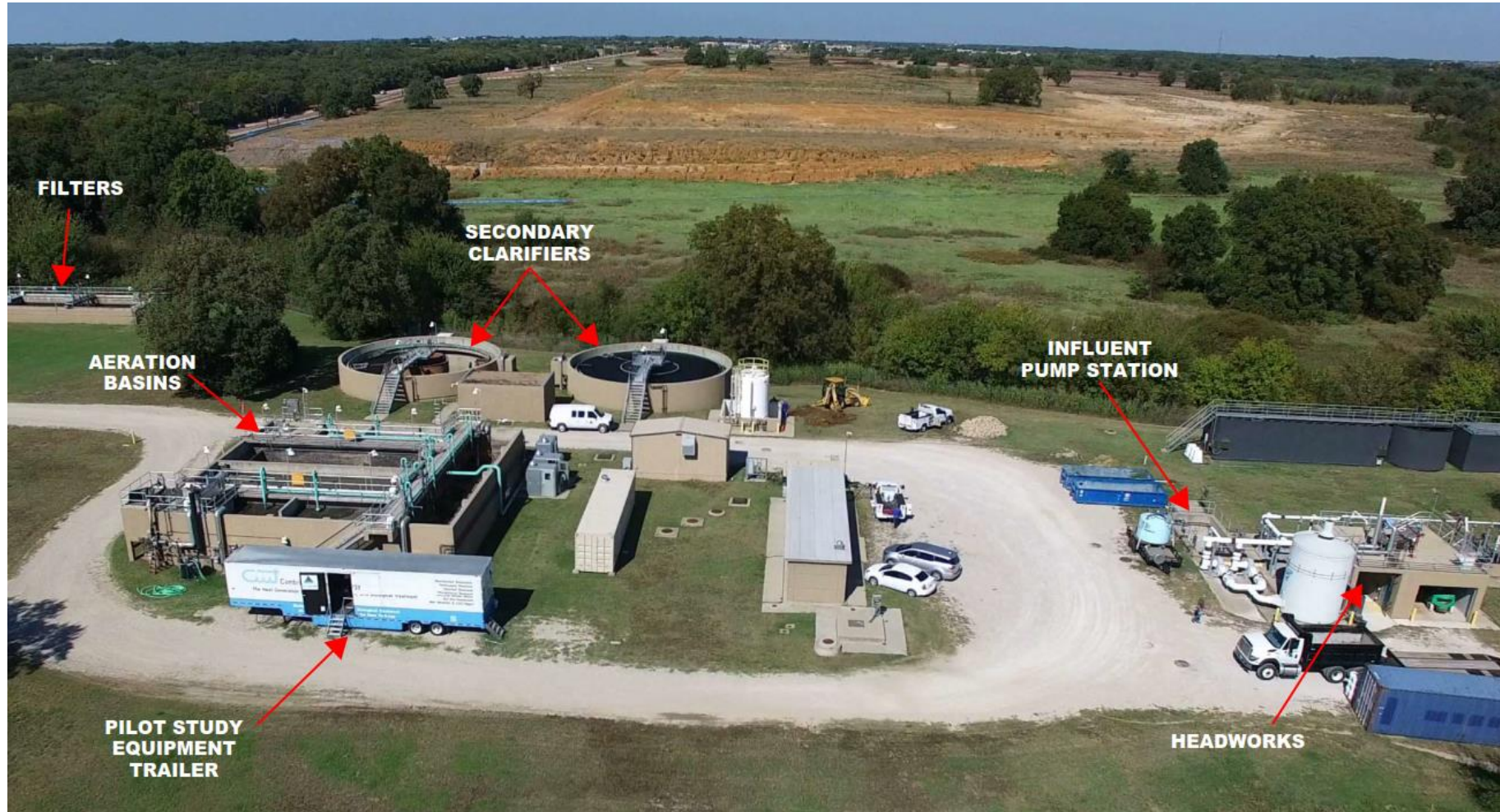
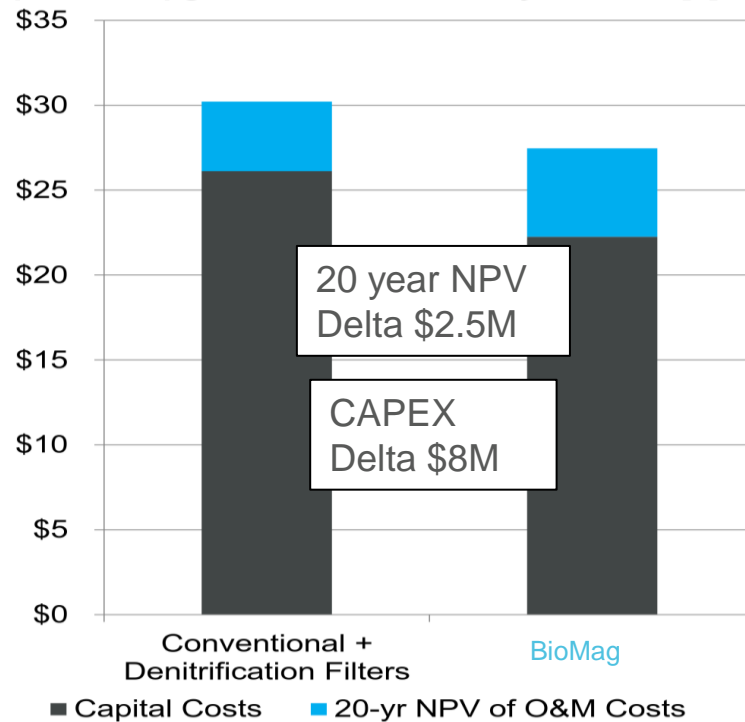


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BioMag[®] System Cost & Footprint Savings

Front Royal, VA

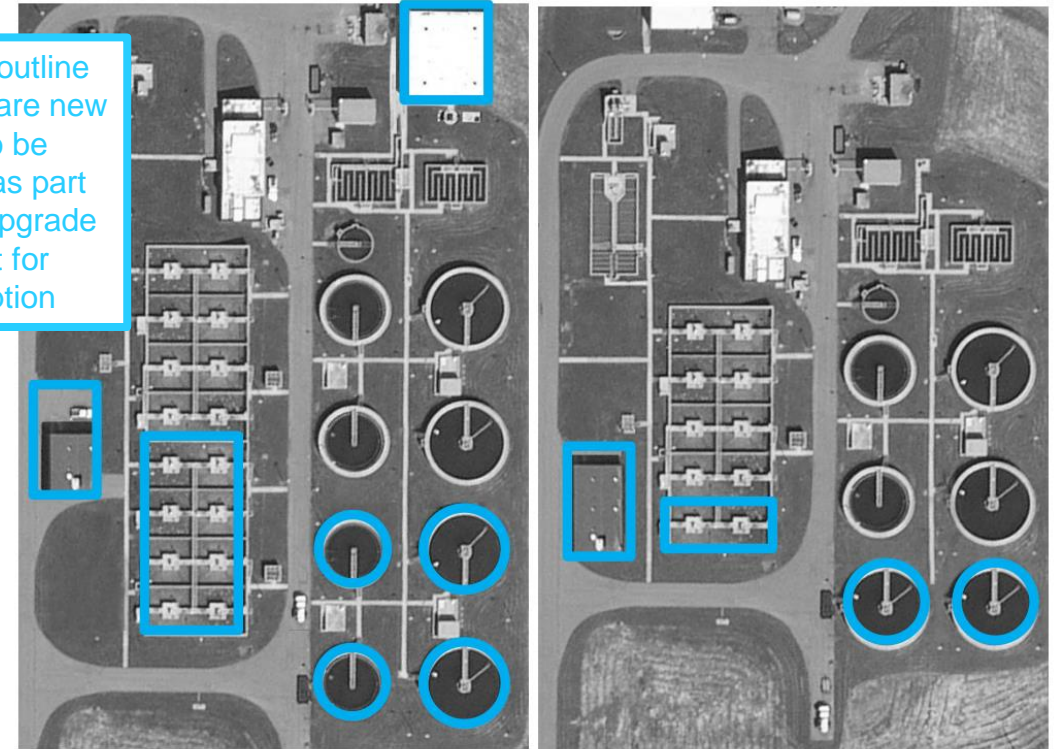
- 75% reduction on new bioreactor
- 50% reduction on new clarifier
- No need for tertiary step (denite filters)



Conventional Design

BioMag System Design

*Tanks outline in blue are new tanks to be added as part of the upgrade concept for each option



- Expanded from 5 MGD to 8.5 MGD
- Nutrient removal: total nitrogen < 3 mg/L and total phosphorous < 0.22 mg/L

Analysis courtesy of GHD Engineers

BioMag for Nutrient Limits

Marley Taylor, MD

Schreiber Continuously Sequencing Reactor

- 6 MGD capacity

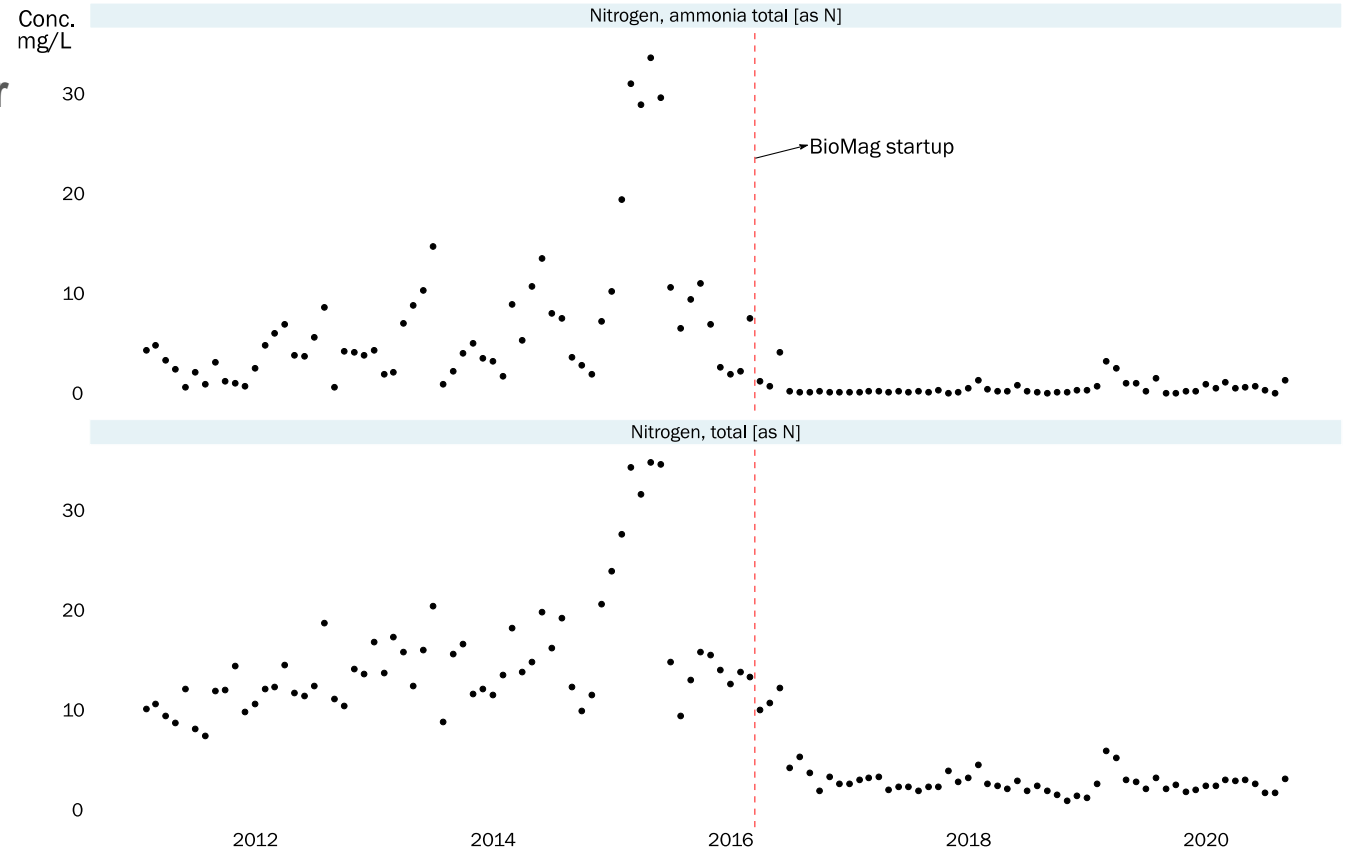
Challenge

- Lower mass based permit
- TN <4 mg/L, TP <0.3 mg/L

Solution

- Converted to 4-stage Bardenpho
- Added retrievable racks and supplemental mixing
- BioMag for intensification
- No tertiary filters required

Effluent Nitrogen Performance

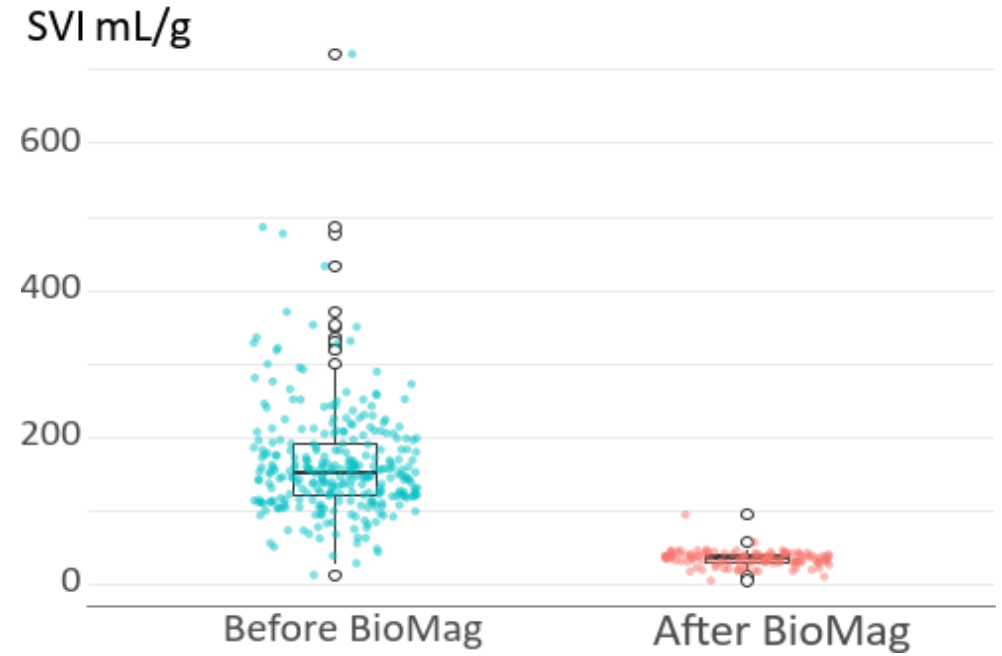


Data source: US EPA (echo.epa.gov)

BioMag[®] System for SVI Reductions

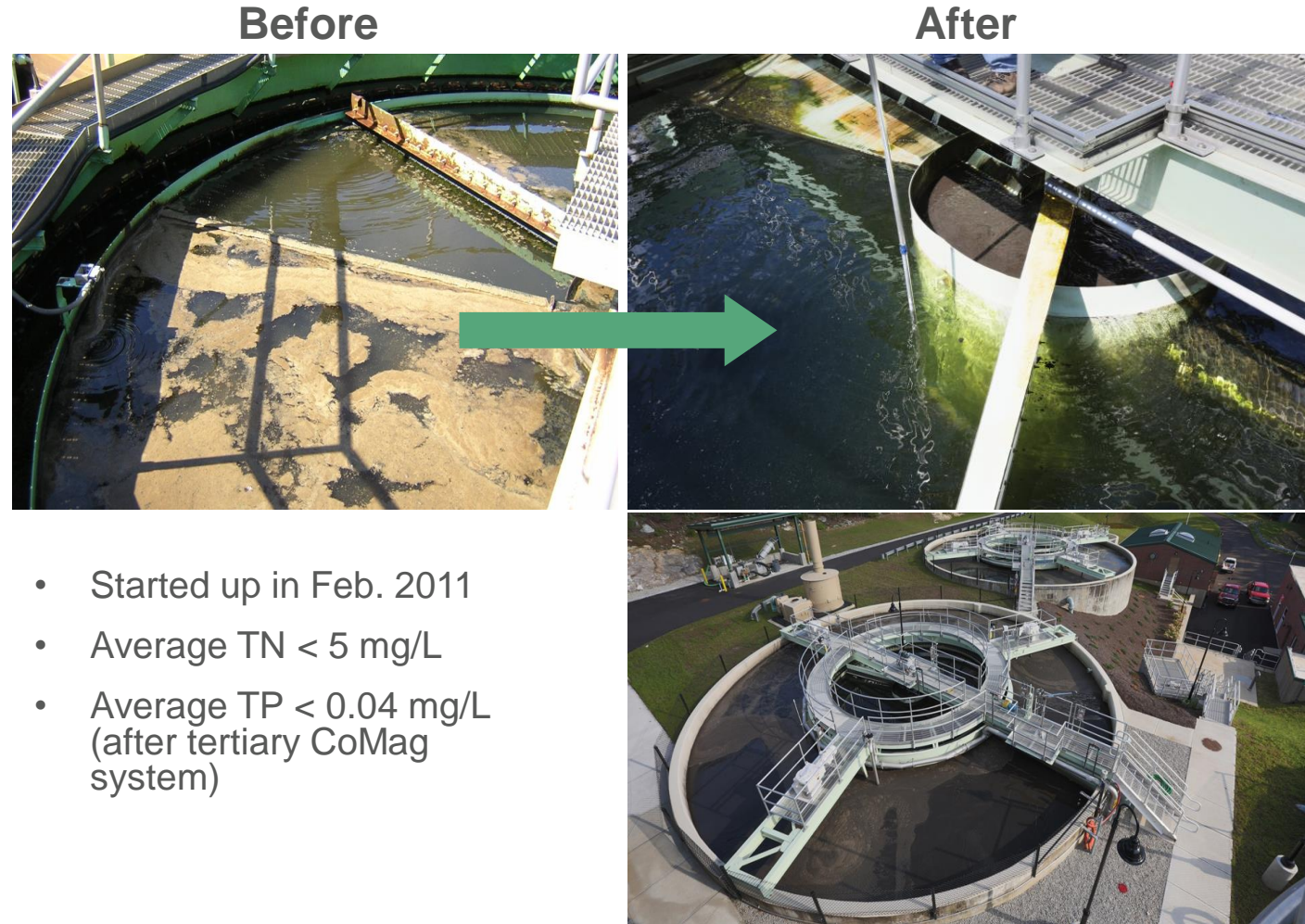
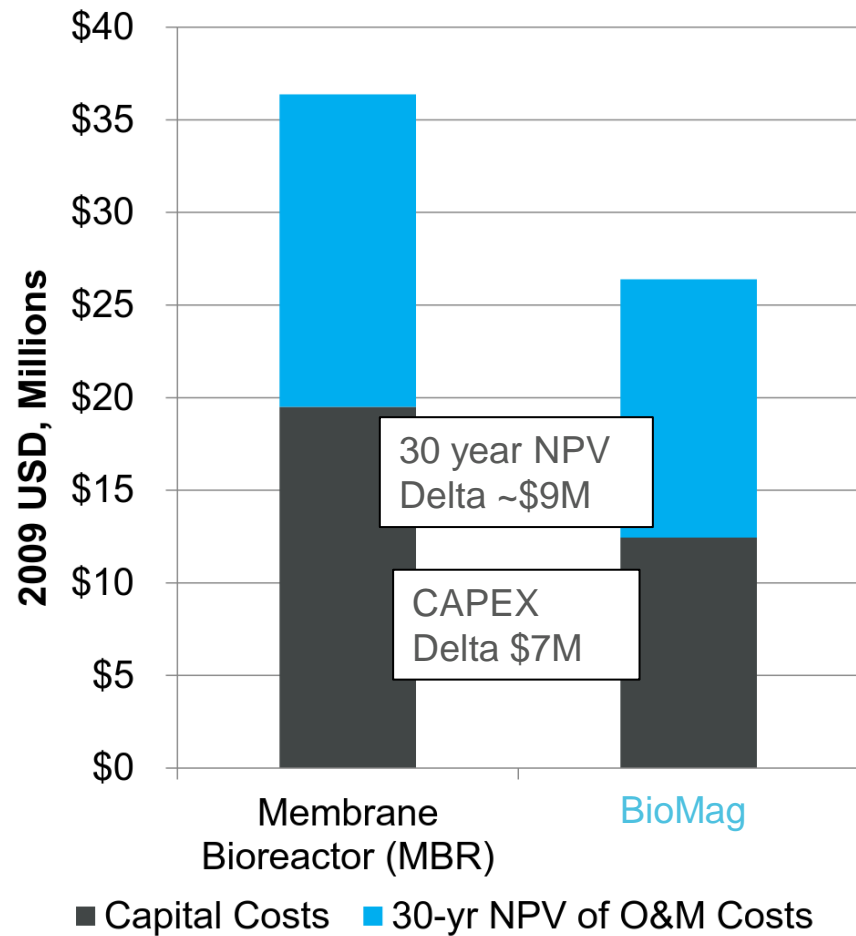
Allenstown, NH – 7' SWD Secondary Clarifiers

- Low cost alternative
- Process stability
- Increased capacity
- Increased septage receiving - revenue



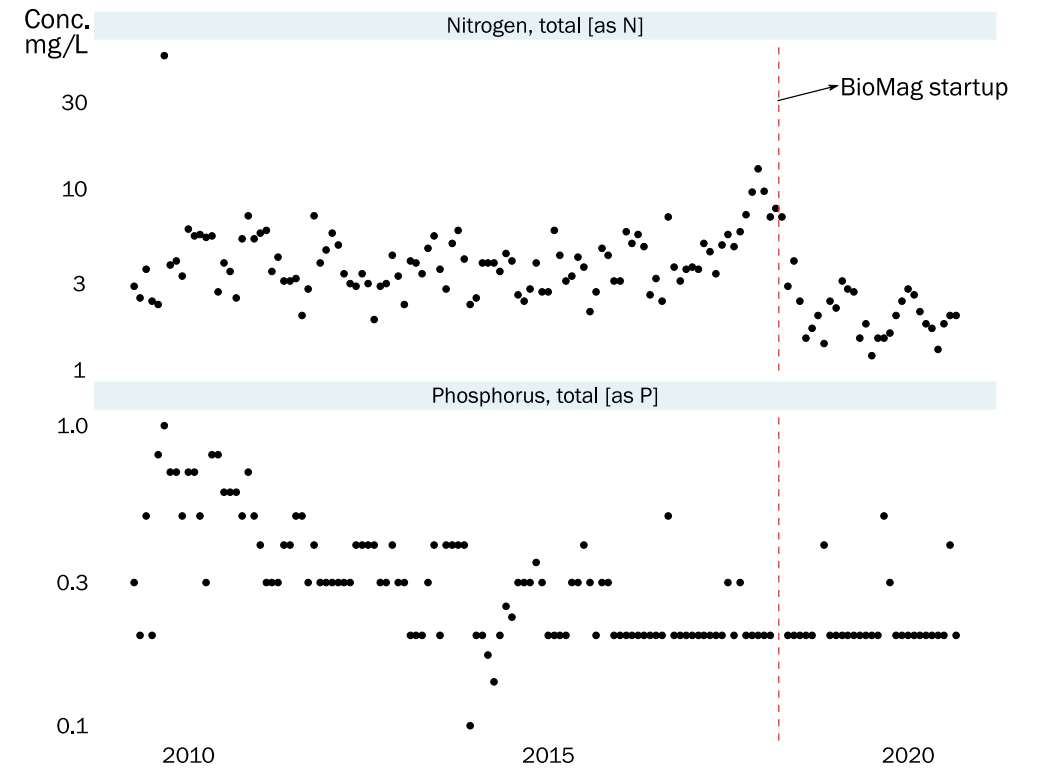
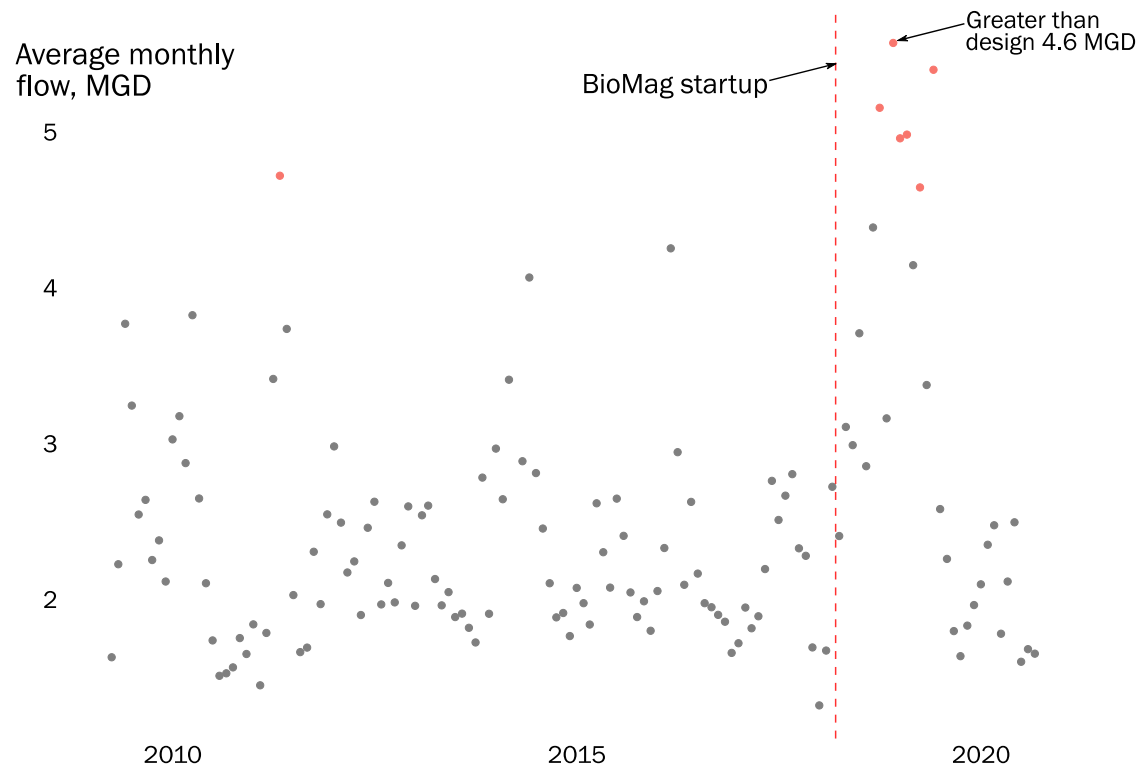
BioMag[®] System for Stability & Consistency

Sturbridge, MA



BioMag[®] System Eliminates Tertiary Filters

Conococheague, MD



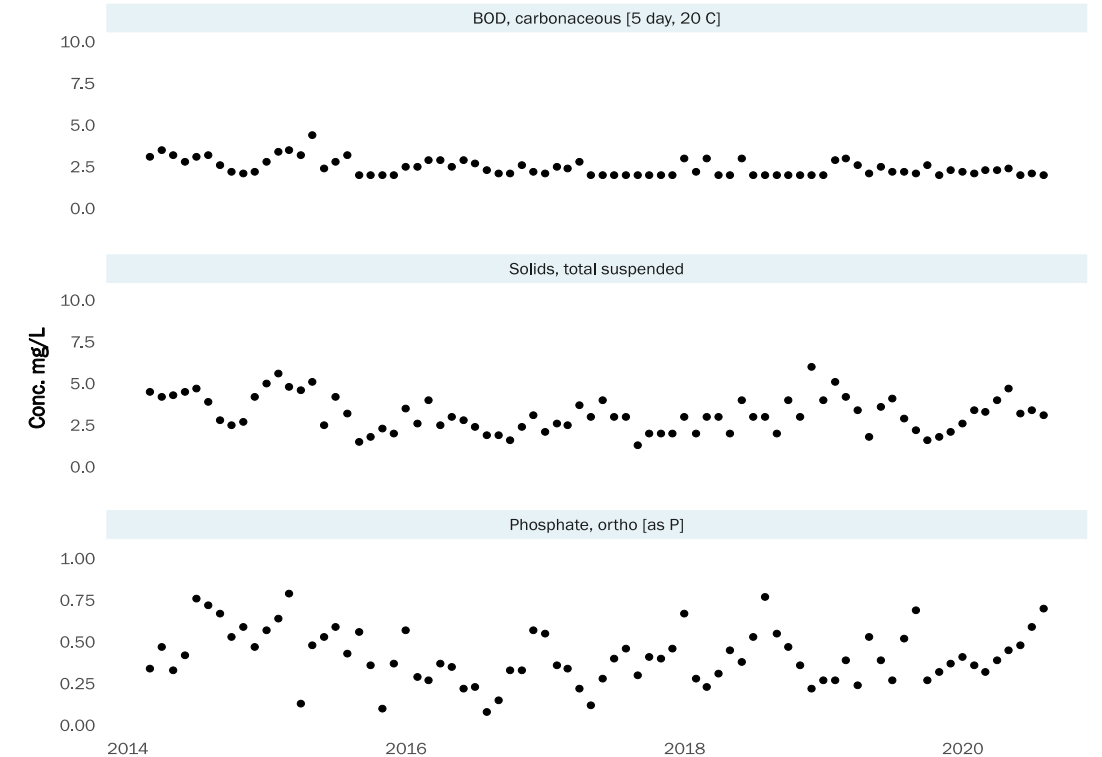
BioMag[®] System High Flows

Upper Gwynedd Township, PA



Peaking Factor 5-6X ADF!!!

BioMag system effluent performance since start up



BioMag® System Conclusions

Takeaway Points

- ✓ Increase treatment capacity within existing tankage 2X-3X
- ✓ Achieve ENR standards **without** tertiary filtration
- ✓ Reduce costs for upgrades
- ✓ Improve clarifier performance
- ✓ Manage wet weather flows
- ✓ Provide process stability





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