



# CITY OF ANTIGO

## PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

CITY HALL, 700 EDISON STREET

5:30 PM

### Call to Order

### Minutes Approval

1. Approve the Minutes from the August 13 and August 27, 2025 Meetings

### Discussion and Action May Occur on Any of the Following Agenda Items:

1. Sanitary Landfill 1357 Methane Detection
2. Wastewater Treatment Plant Solar Project Report
3. Wastewater Treatment Plant Future Industrial Flow and Loading Evaluation and Request for Proposal
4. Discuss Condition of Wastewater Treatment Plant and Status of Request for Proposal for Full Scope Study of Wastewater Treatment Plant

### Any Other Matters Authorized by Law to be Considered

### Adjournment

*Upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information, contact clerk treasurer's office, 700 Edison Street, Antigo, Wisconsin 54409. (715) 623-3633 extension 100. Members of and possibly a quorum of members of other governmental bodies may be in attendance to gather information. Any governmental body other than that specifically referred to above will take no action.*

DATE MAILED: September 18, 2025

SCOTT HENRICKS



**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Charley Brinkmeier, Land Surveyor/Project Manager  
**Date:** September 24, 2025  
**Re:** Sanitary Landfill 1357 Methane Detection

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Sand Creek Environmental has been doing our landfill monitoring and reporting to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WI DNR).

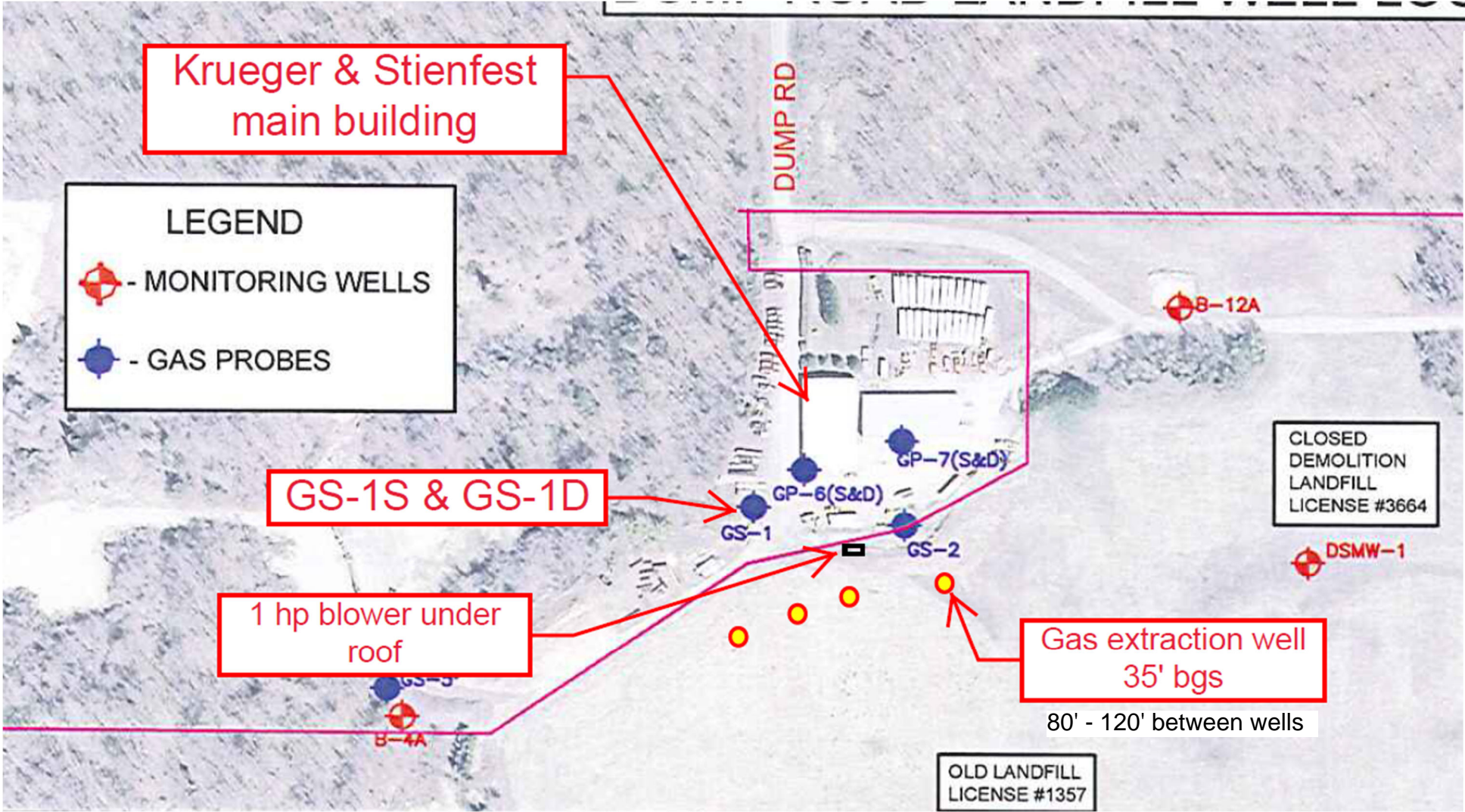
A few years ago we were having methane limit exceeded in wells GS-1S&D and GP-6S&D. We installed a three passive venting system that helps pull the methane from the landfill. Levels began to decline. Now the last rounds of sampling, the methane level are rising again in GS-1&D. We had a meeting with WI DNR last week and we informed them we would like to install four additional venting wells beginning with a passive venting but with the ability to convert them to an extraction system in the future. Sand Creek has estimated the cost \$31,800. We are asking the committee to approve the funds and install the venting system. Funds will be derived from the long term monitoring account for the landfills.

The following budget is for Sand County Environmental to:

1. Finalize passive/active system design
2. Submit a remediation plan to WDNR (this will include installation of an active blower system if soil methane concentration trends are not decreasing by May 2026)
3. Install 4, passive vents in the location and method as shown on attached
4. Submit documentation report to WDNR

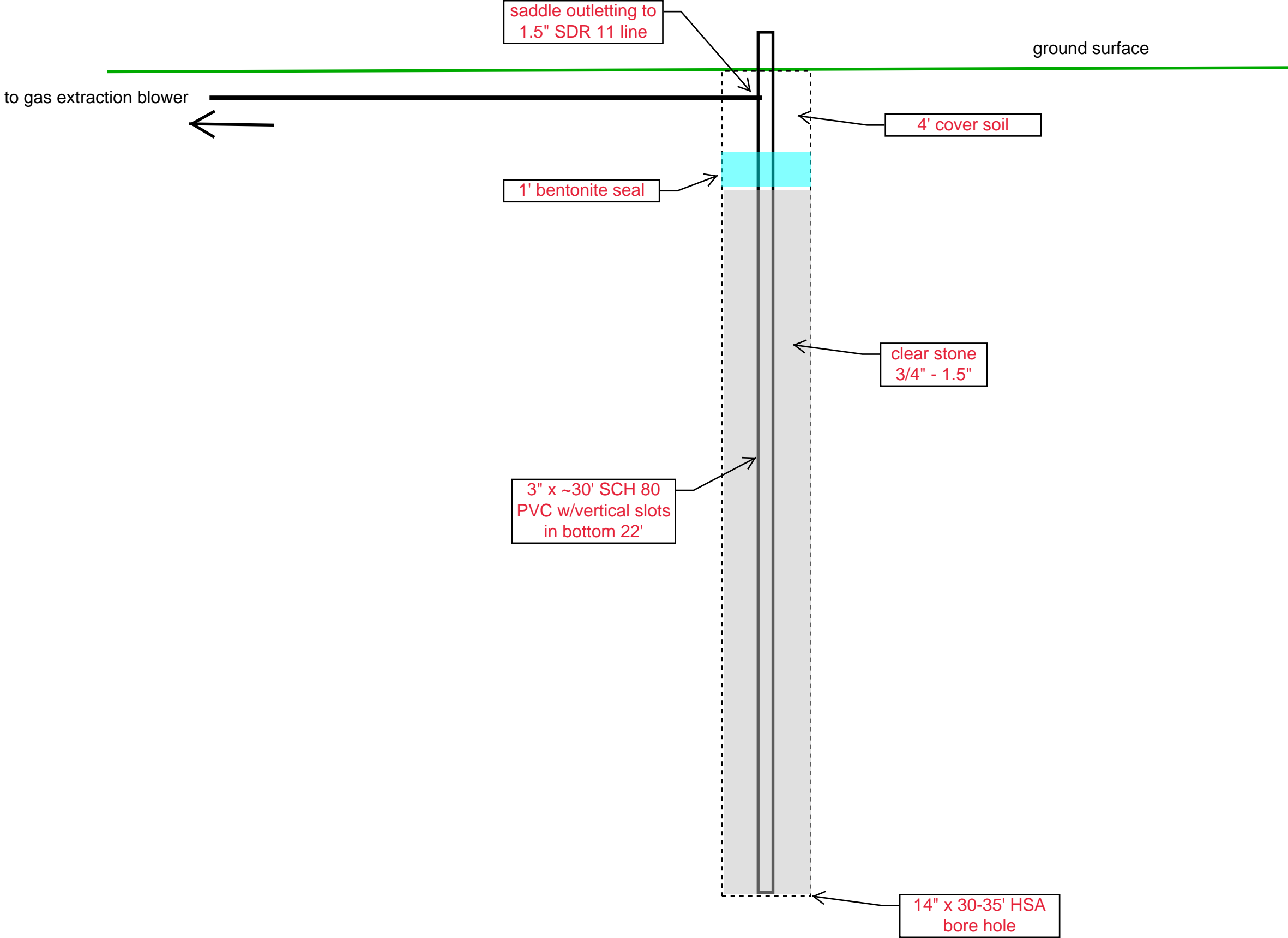
Facility 1357 Passive Gas Vent install

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| SCE Design/PM | \$7,000  |
| Install       | \$7,400  |
| Driller       | \$14,000 |
| Materials     | \$3,400  |
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|               | \$31,800 |



Attachment: 1357 Gas Extraction (7696 : Sanitary Landfill 1357 Methane Detection)

# Antigo Facility 1357 gas extraction well



Attachment: 1357 Gas Extraction (7696 : Sanitary Landfill 1357 Methane Detection)



**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Charley Brinkmeier, Land Surveyor/Project Manager  
**Date:** September 24, 2025  
**Re:** Wastewater Treatment Plant Solar Project Report

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The Solar Panels are completed and online out at the Waste Water Treatment plant as of July of this year. We contacted Wisconsin Public Service (WPS) to have them look back and see what the impacts were on the bills. We are happy to say that it seems to be performing better than accepted. For the month of August we had a \$3,200 dollar saving on the electrical bill. We are planning on keeping track and will report back in a couple of months and inform the committee on the progress.

**Business Solutions Center** 877-444-0888  
**Electric Emergencies** 800-450-7240  
**Contact your Account Executive** 877-444-0888

| Bill Date  | Account Number   | Next Meter Read Date | Amount Due | Payment Due Date |
|------------|------------------|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| 08/01/2025 | 0402052155-00179 | 09/01/2025           | \$6,992.42 | 08/25/2025       |

**Customer Name** CITY OF ANTIGO  
**Service Address** SPRBK TRMT  
 N2420 KOSZAREK RD  
 ANTIGO WI 54409-8849

| Account Summary                       |          |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Bill Period: 07/01/2025 to 07/31/2025 |          |          |
|                                       | Jul 2025 | Jun 2025 |
| Billing Days                          | 31       | 41       |
| Avg Temp                              | 69°F     | 46°F     |
| Heating Deg Days                      | 21       | 131      |
| Cooling Deg Days                      | 137      | 69       |
| KWH Used                              | 77316    | 133014   |
| Avg KWH / Day                         | 2494.1   | 3244.2   |

**Activity Since Last Bill**

|            |                       |              |
|------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| 07/10/2025 | Previous Balance      | \$13,228.88  |
| 07/21/2025 | Payment               | -\$13,228.88 |
|            | Balance               | \$0.00       |
|            | Total Current Charges | \$6,992.42   |
|            | Total Current Balance | \$6,992.42   |

**Electric Service**

Elec Lrg Coml & Ind Sec Interruptible Cp

Meter 7000185

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Interval Reading 08/01/2025 | 562         |
| Interval Reading 07/01/2025 | -347        |
|                             | 215         |
| Meter Constant              | x 400       |
| Total Electric Use          | 86000 KWH   |
| On Peak                     | 24354.6 KWH |
| Off Peak                    | 52961.4 KWH |

**Energy Charges/Credits**

|                         |   |          |
|-------------------------|---|----------|
| Daily Fixed Charge      | 31 Days at \$21.86300   | \$677.75 |
| Power Factor Adjustment | 410 KW x (1/0.90 - 1/0.80) at 0.40 31 days<br>Customer Demand: 410 KW<br>Pwr Fctr: 77,316 KWH/sqrt(77,316 KWH^2)+(38,398 KVARH^2)) = 0.90 | -\$22.78 |

**Demand Charges/Credits**

|                            |                                      |            |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Customer Demand            | 410 KW @ 02/03/2025 09:45 * \$2.264  | \$928.24   |
| Peak                       | 244 KW @ 07/16/2025 12:00 * \$0      | \$0.00     |
| Peak Firm                  | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$20.496   | \$0.00     |
| Peak Interruptible         | 244 KW @ 07/16/2025 12:00 * \$12.457 | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate               | 256 KW @ 07/24/2025 22:15 * \$0      | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate Firm          | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$15.372   | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate Interruptible | 256 KW @ 07/24/2025 22:15 * \$12.457 | \$3,188.99 |
| Base                       | 217 KW @ 07/14/2025 23:45 * \$0      | \$0.00     |
| Base Firm                  | 217 KW @ 07/14/2025 23:45 * \$0      | \$0.00     |
| Base Interruptible         | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$12.457   | \$0.00     |

**Energy Charges/Credits**

|                         |                           |            |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|------------|
| On-Peak                 | 24,355 KWH at \$0.06843   | \$1,666.61 |
| Off-Peak                | 52,961 KWH at \$0.04025   | \$2,131.68 |
| Buyout Energy           | 9,088 KWH at \$0.1710607  | \$1,554.53 |
| MISO 105 Day Settlement | 1,873 KWH at -\$0.0542721 | -\$101.63  |

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ACCOUNT NUMBER: 0402052155-00179

|  |                   |                   |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Amount Due By</b>                                     | <b>08/25/2025</b> | <b>\$6,992.42</b> |
| A 1% late fee will be charged on any unpaid balance      |                   |                   |
| Please write your account number on your check           |                   |                   |
| Amount Enclosed  |                   |                   |
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CITY OF ANTIGO  
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 ANTIGO WI 54409-8849

Wisconsin Public Service  
 PO Box 1109  
 Glenview IL 60025-8109

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Attachment: Antigo WWTP Electric Bills (7695 : WWTP Solar Project Report)

Business Solutions Center 877-444-0888  
 Electric Emergencies 800-450-7240  
 Contact your Account Executive 877-444-0888

| Bill Date  | Account Number   | Next Meter Read Date | Amount Due | Payment Due Date |
|------------|------------------|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| 08/01/2025 | 0402052155-00179 | 09/01/2025           | \$6,992.42 | 08/25/2025       |

**Other Service Charges/Credits**  
 WI Low Income Assistance Fee

Subtotal: \$167.72  
**\$10,191.11**

**Elec Parallel Generation 3Ph PG-2B**

Meter 999986

Interval Reading 08/01/2025 0  
 Interval Reading 07/01/2025 -0  
 Total Electric Use 0 KWH  
 On Peak 29853.8 KWH  
 Off Peak 40668.4 KWH

**Energy Charges/Credits**

Customer Charge 31 Days at \$0.65750 \$20.38  
**Parallel Generation**  
 On-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate 29,854 KWH at -\$0.03746 -\$1,118.33  
 Off-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate 40,668 KWH at -\$0.02724 -\$1,107.80  
 Avoided Capacity Cost Rate 29,854 KWH at -\$0.03326 -\$992.94  
 Subtotal: **-\$3,198.69**

**Electric Service Total: \$6,992.42**

**Messages**

View your bill online anytime in My Account. Visit our website to sign up.  
 KWH consumption is billed using 15 Minutes interval electronic pulse data, which may not match your meter readings.

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|------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 07/10/2025 | 0402052155-00179 | 08/01/2025           | \$13,228.88 | 08/01/2025       |

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| Account Summary                       |          |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Bill Period: 05/21/2025 to 06/30/2025 |          |          |
|                                       | Jun 2025 | May 2025 |
| Billing Days                          | 41       | 69       |
| Avg Temp                              | 46°F     | 16°F     |
| Heating Deg Days                      | 131      | 208      |
| Cooling Deg Days                      | 69       | 12       |
| KWH Used                              | 133014   | 259947   |
| Avg KWH / Day                         | 3244.2   | 3767.3   |

**Activity Since Last Bill**

|            |                       |              |
|------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| 06/02/2025 | Previous Balance      | \$6,283.49   |
| 06/30/2025 | Late Fee              | \$62.83      |
| 07/03/2025 | Cancel Service Bill   | -\$54.18     |
| 07/03/2025 | Cancel Service Bill   | -\$0.68      |
| 07/03/2025 | Cancel Service Bill   | -\$6,228.63  |
| 07/03/2025 | Cancel Service Bill   | -\$5,969.17  |
| 07/03/2025 | Cancel Service Bill   | -\$11,085.28 |
| 07/09/2025 | Payment               | -\$6,283.49  |
| 07/10/2025 | Misc Adjustment       | -\$413.09    |
| 07/10/2025 | Misc Adjustment       | -\$30.75     |
|            | Balance               | -\$23,718.95 |
|            | Total Current Charges | \$36,947.83  |
|            | Total Current Balance | \$13,228.88  |

**Electric Service**

**Elec Lrg Coml & Ind Sec Interruptible Cp**

**Meter 7000185**

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Interval Reading 07/01/2025 | 347         |
| Interval Reading 06/01/2025 | -97         |
|                             | 250         |
| Meter Constant              | x 400       |
| Total Electric Use          | 100000 KWH  |
| On Peak                     | 36484.4 KWH |
| Off Peak                    | 57735.4 KWH |

**Energy Charges/Credits**

|                         |   |          |
|-------------------------|---|----------|
| Daily Fixed Charge      | 30 Days at \$21.86300   | \$655.89 |
| Power Factor Adjustment | 410 KW x (1/0.96 - 1/0.80) at 0.40 30 days<br>Customer Demand: 410 KW<br>Pwr Fctr: 94,220 KWH/sqrt(94,220 KWH^2)+(27,589 KVARH^2)) = 0.96 | -\$34.17 |

**Demand Charges/Credits**

|                            |                                      |            |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Customer Demand            | 410 KW @ 02/03/2025 09:45 * \$2.264  | \$928.24   |
| Peak                       | 272 KW @ 06/13/2025 11:15 * \$0      | \$0.00     |
| Peak Firm                  | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$20.496   | \$0.00     |
| Peak Interruptible         | 272 KW @ 06/13/2025 11:15 * \$12.457 | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate               | 300 KW @ 06/13/2025 10:00 * \$0      | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate Firm          | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$15.372   | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate Interruptible | 300 KW @ 06/13/2025 10:00 * \$12.457 | \$3,737.10 |
| Base                       | 278 KW @ 06/09/2025 07:00 * \$0      | \$0.00     |
| Base Firm                  | 278 KW @ 06/09/2025 07:00 * \$0      | \$0.00     |

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|---|--------------------|
| <b>Amount Due By</b> 08/01/2025                     | <b>\$13,228.88</b> |
| A 1% late fee will be charged on any unpaid balance |                    |
| Please write your account number on your check      |                    |
| Amount Enclosed                                     |                    |
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|------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 07/10/2025 | 0402052155-00179 | 08/01/2025           | \$13,228.88 | 08/01/2025       |

|                                      |                                    |                    |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Base Interruptible                   | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$12.457 | \$0.00             |
| <b>Energy Charges/Credits</b>        |                                    |                    |
| On-Peak                              | 36,484 KWH at \$0.06843            | \$2,496.60         |
| Off-Peak                             | 57,735 KWH at \$0.04025            | \$2,323.83         |
| Buyout Energy                        | 5,595 KWH at \$0.210291            | \$1,176.58         |
| MISO 105 Day Settlement              | 17,343 KWH at -\$0.0089121         | -\$154.56          |
| <b>Other Service Charges/Credits</b> |                                    |                    |
| WI Low Income Assistance Fee         |                                    | \$165.72           |
|                                      | <b>Subtotal:</b>                   | <b>\$11,295.23</b> |

**Elec Parallel Generation 3Ph PG-2B**

|                     |                             |            |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| <b>Meter 999986</b> | Interval Reading 07/01/2025 | 0          |
|                     | Interval Reading 06/01/2025 | -0         |
|                     | Total Electric Use          | 0 KWH      |
|                     | On Peak                     | 2600.4 KWH |
|                     | Off Peak                    | 2175 KWH   |

|                                   |                         |                  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Energy Charges/Credits</b>     |                         |                  |
| Customer Charge                   | 30 Days at \$0.65750    | \$19.73          |
| <b>Parallel Generation</b>        |                         |                  |
| On-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate  | 2,600 KWH at -\$0.03746 | -\$97.40         |
| Off-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate | 2,175 KWH at -\$0.02724 | -\$59.25         |
| Avoided Capacity Cost Rate        | 2,600 KWH at -\$0.03326 | -\$86.48         |
|                                   | <b>Subtotal:</b>        | <b>-\$223.40</b> |

**Elec Lrg Coml & Ind Sec Interruptible Cp**

|                      |                             |             |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Meter 7000185</b> | Interval Reading 06/01/2025 | 97          |
|                      | Remove Reading 05/20/2025   | -8495       |
|                      |                             | 97          |
|                      | Meter Constant              | x 400       |
|                      | Total Electric Use          | 38800 KWH   |
|                      | On Peak                     | 15961.4 KWH |
|                      | Off Peak                    | 22833 KWH   |

|                               |  |                   |
|-------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| <b>Energy Charges/Credits</b> |  |                   |
| Daily Fixed Charge            | 11 Days at \$21.86300  | \$240.49          |
| Power Factor Adjustment       | 410 KW x (1/1.00 - 1/0.80) at 0.40 11 days<br>Customer Demand: 410 KW<br>Pwr Fctr: 38,794 KWH/sqrt(38,794 KWH^2)+(3,255 KVARH^2)) = 1.00 | -\$15.03          |
| <b>Demand Charges/Credits</b> |  |                   |
| Customer Demand               | 410 KW @ 02/03/2025 09:45 * \$2.264  | \$309.41          |
| Peak                          | 251 KW @ 05/20/2025 18:45 * \$0  | \$0.00            |
| Peak Firm                     | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$11.387   | \$0.00            |
| Peak Interruptible            | 251 KW @ 05/20/2025 18:45 * \$7.367  | \$616.37          |
| Intermediate                  | 251 KW @ 05/21/2025 07:45 * \$0  | \$0.00            |
| Intermediate Firm             | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$8.54   | \$0.00            |
| Intermediate Interruptible    | 251 KW @ 05/21/2025 07:45 * \$7.367  | \$0.00            |
| Base                          | 249 KW @ 05/21/2025 00:00 * \$0  | \$0.00            |
| Base Firm                     | 249 KW @ 05/21/2025 00:00 * \$0  | \$0.00            |
| Base Interruptible            | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$7.367  | \$0.00            |
| <b>Energy Charges/Credits</b> |  |                   |
| On-Peak                       | 15,961 KWH at \$0.06843  | \$1,092.21        |
| Off-Peak                      | 22,833 KWH at \$0.04025  | \$919.03          |
|                               | <b>Subtotal:</b>   | <b>\$3,162.48</b> |

**Elec Parallel Generation 3Ph PG-2B**

|                     |                             |            |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| <b>Meter 999986</b> | Interval Reading 06/01/2025 | 0          |
|                     | Interval Reading 05/20/2025 | -0         |
|                     | Total Electric Use          | 0 KWH      |
|                     | On Peak                     | 309.8 KWH  |
|                     | Off Peak                    | 1775.8 KWH |

|                               |                      |        |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------|
| <b>Energy Charges/Credits</b> |                      |        |
| Customer Charge               | 11 Days at \$0.65750 | \$7.23 |

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|------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 07/10/2025 | 0402052155-00179 | 08/01/2025           | \$13,228.88 | 08/01/2025       |

**Parallel Generation**

|                                   |                         |                 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| On-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate  | 310 KWH at -\$0.03374   | -\$10.46        |
| Off-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate | 1,776 KWH at -\$0.02786 | -\$49.48        |
| Avoided Capacity Cost Rate        | 310 KWH at -\$0.03228   | -\$10.01        |
|                                   | <b>Subtotal:</b>        | <b>-\$62.72</b> |

**Elec Lrg Coml & Ind Sec Interruptible Cp**

**Meter 7000023**

|                           |                  |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| Remove Reading 05/20/2025 | 8495             |
| Set Reading 05/20/2025    | -0               |
|                           | 178              |
| Meter Constant            | x 400            |
| <b>Total Electric Use</b> | <b>71200 KWH</b> |

**Energy Charges/Credits**

|                         |   |          |
|-------------------------|---|----------|
| Daily Fixed Charge      | 20 Days at \$21.86300   | \$437.26 |
| Power Factor Adjustment | 410 KW x (1/0.98 - 1/0.80) at 0.40 20 days<br>Customer Demand: 410 KW<br>Pwr Fctr: 70,909 KWH/sqrt(70,909 KWH^2)+(15,351 KVARH^2)) = 0.98 | -\$25.10 |

**Demand Charges/Credits**

|                            |                                     |            |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Customer Demand            | 410 KW @ 02/03/2025 09:45 * \$2.264 | \$618.83   |
| Peak                       | 352 KW @ 05/02/2025 11:00 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Peak Firm                  | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$11.387  | \$0.00     |
| Peak Interruptible         | 352 KW @ 05/02/2025 11:00 * \$7.367 | \$1,605.30 |
| Intermediate               | 308 KW @ 05/02/2025 08:15 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate Firm          | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$8.54    | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate Interruptible | 308 KW @ 05/02/2025 08:15 * \$7.367 | \$0.00     |
| Base                       | 290 KW @ 05/01/2025 23:00 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Base Firm                  | 290 KW @ 05/01/2025 23:00 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Base Interruptible         | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$7.367   | \$0.00     |

**Energy Charges/Credits**

|               |                         |            |
|---------------|-------------------------|------------|
| On-Peak       | 23,806 KWH at \$0.06843 | \$1,629.04 |
| Off-Peak      | 47,103 KWH at \$0.04025 | \$1,895.90 |
| Buyout Energy | 361 KWH at \$0.1676363  | \$60.55    |

**Other Service Charges/Credits**

|                              |                  |                   |
|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| WI Low Income Assistance Fee |                  | \$165.72          |
|                              | <b>Subtotal:</b> | <b>\$6,387.50</b> |

**Elec Parallel Generation 3Ph PG-2B**

**Meter 999986**

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Interval Reading 05/20/2025 | 0            |
| Interval Reading 05/01/2025 | -0           |
| <b>Total Electric Use</b>   | <b>0 KWH</b> |
| On Peak                     | 2431 KWH     |
| Off Peak                    | 1526.2 KWH   |

**Energy Charges/Credits**

|                 |                      |         |
|-----------------|----------------------|---------|
| Customer Charge | 20 Days at \$0.65750 | \$13.15 |
|-----------------|----------------------|---------|

**Parallel Generation**

|                                   |                         |                  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| On-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate  | 2,431 KWH at -\$0.03374 | -\$82.02         |
| Off-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate | 1,526 KWH at -\$0.02786 | -\$42.51         |
| Avoided Capacity Cost Rate        | 2,431 KWH at -\$0.03228 | -\$78.47         |
|                                   | <b>Subtotal:</b>        | <b>-\$189.85</b> |

**Elec Lrg Coml & Ind Sec Interruptible Cp**

**Meter 7000023**

|                             |                   |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Interval Reading 05/01/2025 | 8317              |
| Interval Reading 04/01/2025 | -8007             |
|                             | 310               |
| Meter Constant              | x 400             |
| <b>Total Electric Use</b>   | <b>124000 KWH</b> |
| On Peak                     | 50195.8 KWH       |
| Off Peak                    | 72879 KWH         |

**Energy Charges/Credits**

|                    |                       |          |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| Daily Fixed Charge | 30 Days at \$21.86300 | \$655.89 |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------|

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|------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------------|
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Power Factor Adjustment 410 KW x (1/0.95 - 1/0.80) at 0.40 30 days - \$32.37  
 Customer Demand: 410 KW  
 Pwr Fctr:  $123,075 \text{ KWH} / \sqrt{(123,075 \text{ KWH}^2) + (41,170 \text{ KVARH}^2)} = 0.95$

| Demand Charges/Credits     |                                     |            |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Customer Demand            | 410 KW @ 02/03/2025 09:45 * \$2.264 | \$928.24   |
| Peak                       | 395 KW @ 04/28/2025 10:45 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Peak Firm                  | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$11.387  | \$0.00     |
| Peak Interruptible         | 395 KW @ 04/28/2025 10:45 * \$7.367 | \$2,909.96 |
| Intermediate               | 364 KW @ 04/28/2025 08:15 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate Firm          | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$8.54    | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate Interruptible | 364 KW @ 04/28/2025 08:15 * \$7.367 | \$0.00     |
| Base                       | 288 KW @ 04/30/2025 23:30 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Base Firm                  | 288 KW @ 04/30/2025 23:30 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Base Interruptible         | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$7.367   | \$0.00     |

| Energy Charges/Credits |                         |            |
|------------------------|-------------------------|------------|
| On-Peak                | 50,196 KWH at \$0.06843 | \$3,434.91 |
| Off-Peak               | 72,879 KWH at \$0.04025 | \$2,933.38 |
| Buyout Energy          | 765 KWH at \$0.0573952  | \$43.90    |

| Other Service Charges/Credits |  |                    |
|-------------------------------|--|--------------------|
| WI Low Income Assistance Fee  |  | \$165.72           |
| <b>Subtotal:</b>              |  | <b>\$11,039.63</b> |

**Elec Parallel Generation 3Ph PG-2B**

| Meter 999986       |            |            |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Interval Reading   | 05/01/2025 | 0          |
| Interval Reading   | 04/01/2025 | -0         |
| Total Electric Use |            | 0 KWH      |
| On Peak            |            | 1435.6 KWH |
| Off Peak           |            | 2187.6 KWH |

| Energy Charges/Credits            |                         |                  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Customer Charge                   | 30 Days at \$0.65750    | \$19.73          |
| <b>Parallel Generation</b>        |                         |                  |
| On-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate  | 1,436 KWH at -\$0.03374 | -\$48.45         |
| Off-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate | 2,188 KWH at -\$0.02786 | -\$60.96         |
| Avoided Capacity Cost Rate        | 1,436 KWH at -\$0.03228 | -\$46.35         |
| <b>Subtotal:</b>                  |                         | <b>-\$136.03</b> |

**Elec Lrg Coml & Ind Sec Interruptible Cp**

| Meter 700023       |            |             |
|--------------------|------------|-------------|
| Interval Reading   | 04/01/2025 | 8007        |
| Interval Reading   | 03/12/2025 | -7837       |
|                    |            | 170         |
| Meter Constant     |            | x 400       |
| Total Electric Use |            | 68000 KWH   |
| On Peak            |            | 21710.8 KWH |
| Off Peak           |            | 44252.6 KWH |

| Energy Charges/Credits  |  |          |
|-------------------------|--|----------|
| Daily Fixed Charge      | 20 Days at \$21.86300  | \$437.26 |
| Power Factor Adjustment | 410 KW x (1/0.99 - 1/0.80) at 0.40 20 days - \$26.23<br>Customer Demand: 410 KW<br>Pwr Fctr: $65,963 \text{ KWH} / \sqrt{(65,963 \text{ KWH}^2) + (9,843 \text{ KVARH}^2)} = 0.99$ |          |

| Demand Charges/Credits     |                                     |            |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Customer Demand            | 410 KW @ 02/03/2025 09:45 * \$2.264 | \$587.89   |
| Peak                       | 284 KW @ 03/24/2025 10:45 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Peak Firm                  | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$11.387  | \$0.00     |
| Peak Interruptible         | 284 KW @ 03/24/2025 10:45 * \$7.367 | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate               | 298 KW @ 03/19/2025 12:15 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate Firm          | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$8.54    | \$0.00     |
| Intermediate Interruptible | 298 KW @ 03/19/2025 12:15 * \$7.367 | \$1,463.58 |
| Base                       | 302 KW @ 03/30/2025 20:15 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Base Firm                  | 302 KW @ 03/30/2025 20:15 * \$0     | \$0.00     |
| Base Interruptible         | 0 KW @ 06/06/2079 00:00 * \$7.367   | \$0.00     |

Attachment: Antigo WWTP Electric Bills (7695 : WWTP Solar Project Report)

Business Solutions Center 877-444-0888  
 Electric Emergencies 800-450-7240  
 Contact your Account Executive 877-444-0888

| Bill Date  | Account Number   | Next Meter Read Date | Amount Due  | Payment Due Date |
|------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------|------------------|
| 07/10/2025 | 0402052155-00179 | 08/01/2025           | \$13,228.88 | 08/01/2025       |

**Energy Charges/Credits**

|               |                          |            |
|---------------|--------------------------|------------|
| On-Peak       | 21,711 KWH at \$0.06843  | \$1,485.68 |
| Off-Peak      | 44,253 KWH at \$0.04025  | \$1,781.18 |
| Buyout Energy | 1,873 KWH at \$0.0648941 | \$121.52   |

**Other Service Charges/Credits**

|                              |  |                   |
|------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| WI Low Income Assistance Fee |  | \$49.45           |
| <b>Subtotal:</b>             |  | <b>\$5,900.33</b> |

**Elec Parallel Generation 3Ph PG-2B**

**Meter 999986**

|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Actual Reading 04/01/2025 | 0            |
| Start Reading 03/12/2025  | -0           |
| <b>Total Electric Use</b> | <b>0 KWH</b> |

**Energy Charges/Credits**

|                 |                      |         |
|-----------------|----------------------|---------|
| Customer Charge | 19 Days at \$0.65750 | \$12.49 |
|-----------------|----------------------|---------|

**Parallel Generation**

|                                   |                         |           |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| On-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate  | 3,079 KWH at -\$0.03374 | -\$103.89 |
| Off-Peak Avoided Energy Cost Rate | 1,240 KWH at -\$0.02786 | -\$34.55  |
| Avoided Capacity Cost Rate        | 3,079 KWH at -\$0.03228 | -\$99.39  |

**Subtotal: -\$225.34**

**Electric Service Total: \$36,947.83**

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KWH consumption is billed using 15 Minutes interval electronic pulse data, which may not match your meter readings.

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**To:** Mayor and City Council  
**From:** Charley Brinkmeier, Land Surveyor/Project Manager  
**Date:** September 24, 2025  
**Re:** Wastewater Treatment Plant Future Industrial Flow and Loading Evaluation and Request for Proposal

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Strand & Associates, Inc have completed the Flow and Loading Evaluation and they have returned with some draft evaluations. We have also received an additional example of a full facility review from another community. We are in the process of comparing that with what was already completed and combining them and getting them to our interested firms.

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September 2, 2025

Mr. Charley Brinkmeier, Project Manager  
City of Antigo  
700 Edison Street  
Antigo, WI 54409

Re: Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Future Industrial Flow and Loading Evaluation

Dear Mr. Brinkmeier:

Enclosed is the draft WWTP Future Industrial Flow and Loading Evaluation. Strand Associates, Inc.® would be happy to discuss any questions or comments you have.

Please call 608-251-4843 with questions.

Sincerely,

STRAND ASSOCIATES, INC.®

**DRAFT**

Randy Langer, P.E.

Enclosure: Report

**DRAFT**

Nick Bartolerio, P.E.

Attachment: Wastewater Treatment Plant Future Flow (7701 : WWTP Study and RFP)

# Report for City of Antigo, Wisconsin

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## Wastewater Treatment Plant Future Industrial Flow and Loading Evaluation

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September 2025



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## INTRODUCTION

The City of Antigo (City) owns a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) that serves residential, commercial, and industrial customers within the City. The City has received inquiries regarding the potential to treat additional industrial loads at the WWTP. The purpose of this report is to evaluate the capacity of the existing WWTP processes to determine whether the existing WWTP has adequate capacity for increased industrial flows and loadings. Potential modifications to any processes that are identified as inadequate to treat the proposed flows and loadings are also presented.

## EXISTING WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES

The City's WWTP consists of influent screening, grit removal, influent pumping, primary clarification, conventional activated sludge secondary treatment for carbonaceous 5-day biochemical oxygen demand (BOD<sub>5</sub>) and ammonia removal, secondary clarification, tertiary sand filtration, ultraviolet (UV) disinfection, and aerobic sludge digestion. Based on the WWTP's current Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) permit, the WWTP is designed for an average flow of 1.68 MGD. Record drawings indicate that the existing peak hour design flow (PHF) for the WWTP is 6.226 MGD.

Preliminary treatment is provided by mechanically cleaned influent screens followed by grit removal.

Grit tank effluent is pumped to two "squiracle" primary clarifiers, each with a surface area of approximately 2,000 sf. Based on a maximum surface overflow rate (SOR) of 1,500 gallons per day per square foot (gpd/sf) as indicated in Wisconsin Administrative Code (WAC) NR 110, the existing primary clarifiers have a peak flow capacity of approximately 6 MGD. The WWTP adds alum upstream of the primary clarifiers for chemical phosphorus removal (CPR). Primary effluent is not regularly sampled to evaluate primary clarifier total suspended solids (TSS) or BOD<sub>5</sub> removal.

Primary effluent is conveyed to a conventional activated sludge system design for carbonaceous BOD<sub>5</sub> and ammonia removal. The activated sludge system consists of three trains with fine bubble diffusers, each with a volume of approximately 296,000 gallons and side water depth (SWD) of approximately 20 feet. The WWTP typically operates two of the three trains under current flow and loading conditions. The third train has been out of service for an extended period and would require rehabilitation to be brought into service.

Mixed liquor (ML) from the activated sludge process is conveyed to three "squiracle" final clarifiers, each with a surface area of approximately 3,025 sf and a SWD of 12 feet. Secondary effluent flows from the secondary clarifiers to sand filters for tertiary treatment. Filter effluent is disinfected using a UV disinfection system and discharged through the plant outfall to Spring Brook.

Waste activated sludge (WAS) is thickened using a gravity thickener and mixed with primary sludge (PRS) for stabilization in aerobic digesters. The aerobic digesters consist of eight cells with a total volume of approximately 510,000 gallons and a SWD of approximately 11 feet at the maximum sludge level. Aeration for the aerobic digesters is provided with coarse bubble diffusers. Telescoping valves are provided to allow decanting for thickening of sludge in the digesters.

Digested sludge is thickened with a gravity belt thickener (GBT) and pumped to sludge storage tanks. These storage tanks were originally first-stage aeration tanks that were covered and converted to biosolids storage tanks. The storage tanks are mixed with a pumped mixing system. At a depth of 22 feet, these tanks provide a total storage capacity of approximately 930,000 gallons. Stabilized biosolids are land applied to agricultural fields.

Aeration for the activated sludge system and aerobic digesters is provided by five positive displacement blowers: four 125-horsepower (hp) blowers that are rated for approximately 1,900 standard cubic feet per minute (scfm) each and one 50-hp blower rated for XXX scfm. The blower discharge piping connects into one aeration header that allows various blowers to be dedicated to the aeration tanks or aerobic digesters. Based on the current piping arrangement, the small blower and one large blower can only be used for the aeration tanks and two large blowers can only be used for the aerobic digesters, while one of the large blowers can be used for either.

## EXISTING INFLUENT FLOWS AND LOADS

Influent data from January 2020 through October 2024 was provided by the City to evaluate current flow and loading conditions.

### A. Influent Flow Summary

A summary of the measured influent flow from January through October 2024 are presented in Tables 1 and 2. As shown, the average flow over this period was approximately 1.50 MGD and the maximum monthly flow (calculated as a 30-day rolling average) was approximately 2.44 MGD. Using the average influent flow of 1.50 MGD and the current design average flow (ADF) of 1.68 MGD, the WWTP is currently at approximately 89 percent of its design flow.

|           | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|------|
| January   | 1.57 | 1.44 | 1.13 | 1.06 | 1.32 |
| February  | 1.57 | 1.46 | 1.10 | 1.09 | 1.30 |
| March     | 1.82 | 1.56 | 1.20 | 1.13 | 1.25 |
| April     | 2.11 | 1.66 | 1.39 | 1.47 | 1.28 |
| May       | 1.98 | 1.66 | 1.57 | 1.53 | 1.45 |
| June      | 2.12 | 1.64 | 1.39 | 1.41 | 1.76 |
| July      | 2.31 | 1.61 | 1.29 | 1.32 | 2.04 |
| August    | 2.11 | 1.74 | 1.31 | 1.42 | 1.72 |
| September | 1.49 | 1.82 | 1.28 | 1.45 | 1.55 |
| October   | 1.62 | 1.54 | 1.19 | 1.49 | 1.42 |
| November  | 1.62 | 1.40 | 1.17 | 1.42 |      |
| December  | 1.40 | 1.18 | 1.13 | 1.32 |      |
| Average   | 1.81 | 1.56 | 1.26 | 1.34 | 1.51 |

**Table 1 Influent Flow Summary: January 2020 to October 2024**

|               | Influent Flow (MGD) |      |      |      |      |              |
|---------------|---------------------|------|------|------|------|--------------|
|               | 2020                | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2020 to 2024 |
| Average       | 1.81                | 1.56 | 1.26 | 1.34 | 1.51 | 1.50         |
| Maximum Month | 2.44                | 1.89 | 1.61 | 1.57 | 2.09 | 2.44         |
| Maximum Day   | 3.95                | 2.65 | 1.98 | 1.98 | 2.54 | 3.95         |

**Table 2 Average and Maximum Influent Flow Summary: January 2020 to October 2024**

B. Influent Load Summary

A summary of the measured influent BOD<sub>5</sub> and TSS loads from January through October 2024 are presented in Tables 3 and 4. As shown, the average and maximum month BOD<sub>5</sub> load during this period was 2,220 and 2,930 pounds per day (lb/day) while the average and maximum month TSS loads were 1,710 and 2,909 lb/day, respectively.

|               | BOD Load (lb/day) |       |       |       |       |              |
|---------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
|               | 2020              | 2021  | 2022  | 2023  | 2024  | 2020 to 2024 |
| Average       | 2,210             | 2,240 | 2,090 | 2,250 | 2,300 | 2,220        |
| Maximum Month | 2,650             | 2,930 | 2,670 | 2,860 | 2,690 | 2,930        |
| Maximum Day   | 8,180             | 3,940 | 6,020 | 6,510 | 4,720 | 8,180        |

**Table 3 Influent BOD<sub>5</sub> Load Summary**

|               | TSS Load (lb/day) |       |       |       |       |              |
|---------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|
|               | 2020              | 2021  | 2022  | 2023  | 2024  | 2020 to 2024 |
| Average       | 2,100             | 1,670 | 1,560 | 1,620 | 1,620 | 1,710        |
| Maximum Month | 2,909             | 2,034 | 1,891 | 1,934 | 2,182 | 2,909        |
| Maximum Day   | 4,917             | 5,429 | 3,978 | 6,183 | 3,894 | 6,183        |

**Table 4 Influent TSS Load Summary**

C. Industrial Load Summary

Current influent loads from the City's largest industrial user were provided by the City for use in this evaluation. These influent flows and loads are presented in Table 5. Based on the annual average flow of 0.10 MGD and average BOD<sub>5</sub> load of 530 lb/day, this industry contributes approximately 7 percent of the total influent flow and 24 percent of the total influent BOD<sub>5</sub> load.

| Parameter                 | 2024 Average | 2024 Maximum Month<br>(Maximum 30-Day<br>Rolling Average) |
|---------------------------|--------------|---|
| Flow (MGD)                | 0.10         | 0.13  |
| BOD <sub>5</sub> (lb/day) | 530          | 853   |
| TSS (lb/day)              | 165          | 361   |
| TP(lb/day)                | 12           | 18  |

**Table 5 Major Industrial Wastewater Flow and Load Summary**

## POPULATION PROJECTIONS

Population projections for the City were gathered from the Wisconsin Department of Administration (WDOA) for us in this report. These projections are presented in Table 6. As shown, the WDOA projects a decrease in population in the City between 2020 and 2050. Therefore, no additional flows or loads from population growth are assumed in the evaluation.

| Municipality | 2020<br>Population | 2030<br>Projection | 2040<br>Projection | 2050<br>Projection |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| City         | 8,100              | 7,467              | 6,689              | 5,920              |

**Table 6 WDOA Population Projections**

## FUTURE REGULATORY CONSIDERATIONS

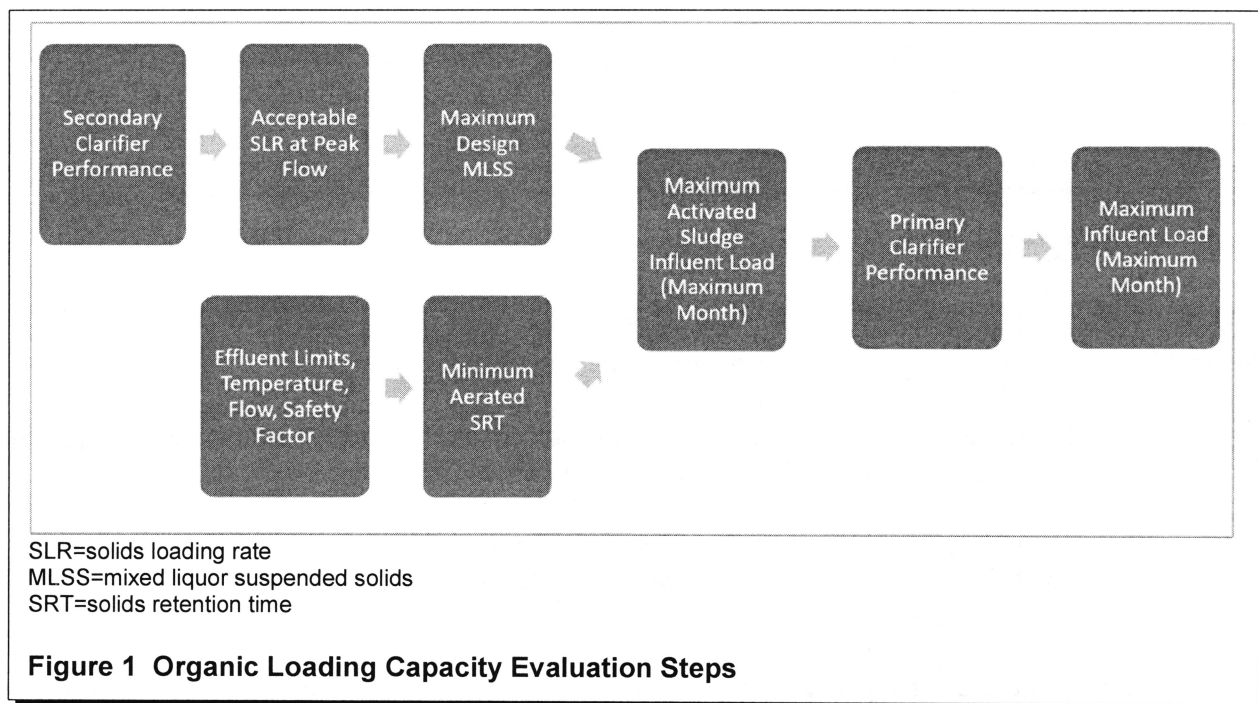
A cursory review of potential regulatory issues that may affect wastewater management in the foreseeable future for the City was conducted as is summarized in the following:

- Future water quality standards for ammonia-nitrogen (related to mussel and snail toxicity) could result in more stringent effluent ammonia limits in future WPDES permits.
- Total nitrogen (TN) limits appear likely within the 20-year planning period. TN can be removed using a modification to the existing activated sludge system to incorporate unaerated anoxic zones for denitrification.
- Influent flows are currently nearing the ADF capacity of the WWTP. If an increase in influent flow necessitates an increase in the WWTP ADF, an anti-degradation analysis will likely be required and more stringent ammonia or phosphorus limits could be imposed on the WWTP.
- Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and other compounds of emerging concern may affect the City's pretreatment program scope in the short-term and may require additional processes and/or changes to biosolids disposal in the long-term if land application of biosolids becomes inviable.

## TREATMENT CAPACITY EVALUATION

The capacity of a WWTP is most commonly defined by the hydraulic capacity (the amount of flow that the WWTP can treat regardless of wastewater strength) and organic loading capacity (the amount of influent organic loading that the biological treatment process can treat while meeting effluent limits). While high loads of other parameters (nitrogen, phosphorus, and suspended solids) can impact treatment performance and effluent concentrations, biological treatment reactor size is generally not dictated by these parameters unless unusually high loadings of these parameters relative to the organic loading are present (which is not the case for the City). Therefore, the organic loading capacity is used as the basis for evaluation of treatment capacity in this report.

The determination of the organic loading capacity of an activated sludge WWTP requires the evaluation of several process components, including secondary clarifiers, activated sludge reactors, and primary clarifiers (if applicable). The organic loading capacity is also dependent on environmental conditions (temperature), flow rates, and effluent limits. Figure 1 presents a simplified flowchart of the steps used to determine the organic loading capacity of a WWTP. This section describes these steps in detail and how they are applied to evaluate the capacity of the WWTP.



The primary design criterion for the activated sludge process is the SRT. The operating SRT of an activated sludge system impacts the treatment performance, oxygen demand, solids production, and robustness of system operation. When ammonia removal is required (as is the case for the City), the design SRT is established based on the growth rate of nitrifying microorganisms (nitrifiers), as these microorganisms are slower growing than microorganisms responsible for oxidation of carbonaceous matter (ordinary heterotrophic organisms). Because nitrifiers only grow in aerobic conditions, the SRT of the biomass in aerobic conditions (called the aerobic solids retention time [aSRT]) is the critical criterion

for nitrifying activated sludge system design. Based on a minimum wastewater temperature of approximately 10 degrees Celsius ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), the minimum design aSRT used in this analysis is 12 days.

When establishing a design aSRT, the maximum month organic loading is typically used as the design condition because it generally takes the duration of multiple SRTs for a significant change in the microbial population to occur and nitrifying activated sludge systems typically operate at aSRT values in approximately 6 to 15 days. Therefore, the maximum month loading and cold weather conditions are typically used to determine the capacity of activated sludge systems, and these conditions will be used in the capacity evaluation presented in this report.

To determine the capacity of an activated sludge system based on a design aSRT value, the maximum allowable ML concentration is determined based on the design of the subsequent solids removal process (typically secondary clarifiers). If solids loading to the secondary clarification system exceeds its solids loading capacity, clarification performance will suffer, and solids will be discharged in the clarifier effluent. WAC NR 110 indicates a maximum SLR of 1.4 pounds per square foot per hour (lb/sf/hr) at the ADF and 2.0 lb/sf/hr at the PHF rate for secondary clarifiers following activated sludge systems.

Based on a maximum returned activated sludge (RAS) rate of 2.52 MGD (150 percent of ADF), this results in a maximum design MLSS concentration of 5,000 milligrams per liter (mg/L) to maintain a SLR of less than 2.0 lb/sf/hr at peak flow assuming two clarifiers are in service. With three clarifiers in service, a maximum design MLSS of 6,000 mg/L would maintain a SLR of less than 2.0 lb/sf/hr at peak flow. For the purposes of this evaluation, a maximum MLSS of 5,000 mg/L was used as a maximum practical concentration based on mixing and aeration limitations. Table 7 presents a summary of the maximum MLSS concentration determination for the WWTP, which was then used for the evaluation of treatment capacity in this report.

| Number of Clarifiers In Service | Total Clarifier Area (sf) | PHF (MGD) | Maximum RAS Flow (MGD) | MLSS (mg/L) | SLR (lb/sf/hr) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| 2                               | 6,050                     | 6.23      | 2.52                   | 4,000       | 2.0            |
| 3                               | 9,075                     | 6.23      | 2.52                   | 5,000       | 1.7            |

<sup>1</sup>Maximum RAS flowrate of 150 percent of ADF.

**Table 7 Secondary Clarifier SLR Calculation Summary**

Data on the organic loading to the activated sludge system and secondary solids production was not available for this evaluation. Therefore, a typical WAS yield of approximately 0.7 pounds of total suspended solids per pound of 5-day biochemical oxygen demand (lb TSS/lb BOD<sub>5</sub>) removed was used in this evaluation. Additional sampling and data collection is recommended to determine a site-specific yield to refine this capacity evaluation.

As described earlier, the existing activated sludge system consists of three trains, each with a volume of approximately 296,000 gallons. Two of these trains are typically used while the third has been out of service for an extended period and would require rehabilitation to be brought into service. Using design MLSS concentrations of 4,000 (two clarifiers in service) and 5,000 mg/L (three clarifiers in service), WAS yield of 0.7, and aSRT of 12 days, the existing activated sludge system has a maximum month

organic load capacity of approximately 3,500 lb/day (two clarifiers in service) to 4,400 lb/day (three clarifiers in service), assuming all three trains are in service.

With a maximum organic loading capacity of the activated sludge system defined, the maximum influent organic loading capacity of the WWTP can be calculated based on primary clarifier performance. The WWTP does not currently sample primary effluent to determine primary clarifier performance. The existing primary clarifiers have a SOR of approximately 550 gpd/sf at the maximum month condition, which typically results in a BOD<sub>5</sub> removal in the range of 35 to 40 percent for a typical domestic wastewater. However, the WWTP currently adds metal salt to the primary clarifiers for phosphorus removal, which is anticipated to result in higher-than-typical BOD<sub>5</sub> removal. Tables 8 and 9 present the resulting influent BOD<sub>5</sub> treatment capacity values calculated at a range in primary clarifier BOD<sub>5</sub> removal values. It is recommended that the WWTP further evaluate primary clarifier performance to more accurately determine the maximum organic loading capacity of the WWTP.

| Activated Sludge Maximum Month BOD <sub>5</sub> Loading Capacity (lb/day) | Primary Clarifier BOD <sub>5</sub> Removal (%) | WWTP Maximum Month Influent Loading Capacity (lb/day) |
|---|--|---|
| 3,500   | 30   | 5,000   |
| 3,500   | 35   | 5,380   |
| 3,500   | 40   | 5,830   |
| 3,500   | 45   | 6,360   |
| 3,500   | 50   | 7,000   |
| 3,500   | 55   | 7,780   |

**Table 8 Maximum Organic Loading Capacity at Various Primary Clarifier BOD<sub>5</sub> Removal Values (Two Secondary Clarifiers in Service)**

| Activated Sludge Maximum Month BOD <sub>5</sub> Loading Capacity (lb/day) | Primary Clarifier BOD <sub>5</sub> Removal (%) | WWTP Maximum Month Influent Loading Capacity (lb/day) |
|---|--|---|
| 4,400   | 30   | 6,290   |
| 4,400   | 35   | 6,770   |
| 4,400   | 40   | 7,330   |
| 4,400   | 45   | 8,000   |
| 4,400   | 50   | 8,800   |
| 4,400   | 55   | 9,780   |

**Table 9 Maximum Organic Loading Capacity at Various Primary Clarifier BOD<sub>5</sub> Removal Values (Three Secondary Clarifiers in Service)**

The treatment capacity values presented in Tables 8 and 9 are based on the three existing aeration trains being in operation; based on current operation with two trains, the maximum organic loading capacity would be approximately 66 percent of the values presented in Tables 8 and 9.

WWTP staff indicate that under typical conditions, the small aeration blower runs at full speed and one of the larger blowers is occasionally needed to supplement the air demand for the activated sludge system while one blower is used for the aerobic digestion system. As noted earlier, two large blowers and the small blower could be used for the activated sludge system, but one of the large blowers is not currently included in the aeration control system and does not have a variable frequency drive (VFD). If a VFD is added for this large blower and this blower is incorporated into the activated sludge system aeration control, it is anticipated that the aeration system has adequate capacity for the maximum organic loading values presented earlier (3,500 to 4,400 lb/day). The City could also consider modifying the discharge piping to allow an additional large blower to be used for the aerobic digestion system or aeration system to additional redundancy.

In addition to the secondary treatment process, the biosolids stabilization and sludge storage must also be considered, as an increase in organic loading will also result in an increase in sludge production.

Based on information provided by WWTP staff, the maximum month digester feed rate (primary sludge plus thickened waste activated sludge [TWAS]) was approximately 14,200 gallons per day in 2024. Using an overall aerobic digester volume of approximately 510,000 gallons, the digesters currently provide a SRT of approximately 36 days assuming no thickening or decanting occurs within the digesters. WAC NR 110 does not prescribe a minimum SRT in aerobic digesters. However, a value of 28 days is often used for covered aerobic digesters. This suggests that the existing aerobic digesters have approximately 28 percent excess capacity for increased solids production, assuming no decanting occurs in the digesters.

Sludge storage has become an increasingly important consideration for WWTPs, as land availability and land spreading timeframes have become challenging for some facilities. The existing sludge storage tanks have a volume of approximately 930,000 gallons. Limited data was available on aerobic digester performance, digested sludge solids content, or sludge storage feed flow for use in this evaluation. Based on measured PRS and TWAS flow, assumed PRS percent solids of 3.0 percent with 85 percent volatile solids (VS), assumed TWAS percent solids of 2.0 percent with 80 percent VS, aerobic digester VS destruction values of 50 percent for PRS and 30 percent for TWAS, and a sludge storage solids content of 4.0 percent, the existing sludge storage tanks provide approximately 193 days of storage. This is reduced to approximately 170 days if the sludge storage tanks are maintained at approximately 3.5 percent solids. WAC NR 204 requires that WWTPs have at least 180 days of sludge storage, although some facilities prefer to have more storage available based on the timing and ability of agricultural fields for land application. Based on this, the existing sludge storage tanks are at or near their capacity. If the WWTP cannot further thicken the sludge in the sludge storage tanks (either through GBT operation or decanting), additional sludge storage should be provided to accommodate an increase in influent loads and associated solids production.

## SUMMARY

The City has received inquiries from an industry regarding the potential for the WWTP to treat higher loads from increased industrial discharges. The discharges that have been inquired about include two waste streams: one waste stream is an increase in an existing waste stream with similar characteristics and the second waste stream is a high strength whey product that is currently land applied.

Whey products often have BOD<sub>5</sub> values in excess of 10,000 mg/L and would require pretreatment if any significant volume were to be treated at the WWTP.

Based on information provided by this industry, the increase in the existing waste stream could range from approximately 25 to 100 percent greater than the current discharge. Using the current maximum month industrial discharge of 853 lb/day (as summarized in Table 5), this equates to an increase in influent BOD<sub>5</sub> load of approximately 213 to 853 lb/day.

| Scenario                         | Influent BOD <sub>5</sub> Load |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Current Maximum Month            | 2,930                          |
| 25% Increase in Industrial Load  | 3,143                          |
| 50% Increase in Industrial Load  | 3,463                          |
| 100% Increase in Industrial Load | 3,783                          |

**Table 10 Projected Load Scenarios**

The capacity evaluation presented earlier suggests that the existing activated sludge system can treat significantly more load than is currently being treated. Based on approximately 35 percent BOD<sub>5</sub> removal in the primary clarifiers, the two aeration tanks that are currently in service provide a maximum organic loading capacity of approximately 5,380 lb/day at the maximum month condition with two secondary clarifiers in service. Therefore, there should be adequate capacity in these two trains to accommodate any of the growth scenarios presented in Table 10. However, this provides little redundancy should one of the two aeration trains or secondary clarifiers need to be removed from service for maintenance. To realize the full capacity of the activated sludge system, the aeration train that is currently out of service and the third secondary clarifier would require rehabilitation to be brought online. This would include new aeration diffusers and piping, new influent gates, new piping and valves inside the tanks, and a new secondary clarifier mechanism.

As discussed earlier, the existing sludge storage tanks likely require expansion to accommodate the additional sludge production from any significant increase in influent organic loading. In addition, it would be advantageous to expand the existing aeration control system to include one of the existing large blowers that is currently used as a stand-by blower for aerobic digestion.

Table 11 presents a preliminary opinion of probable construction cost (OPCC) for the improvements that have been identified to provide capacity to treat the '100 Percent Increase in Industrial Load' scenario presented in Table 10. These costs are based on an additional 350,000 gallons of sludge storage to provide during 180 days at the '100 Percent Increase in Industrial Load' scenario assuming 3.5 percent solids in the sludge storage tanks.

| Component                             | OPCC               |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Aeration Blower Control Modifications | \$130,000          |
| Sludge Storage Expansion              | \$1,800,000        |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>\$1,930,000</b> |

Notes: All costs are in 1st Quarter 2025 Dollars.

**Table 11 OPCC Summary–Industrial Capacity Improvements**

A preliminary OPCC for other improvements that could be considered (but are not necessarily required to treat the increased industrial load) are presented in Table 12. These include rehabilitation of the secondary treatment process to improve redundancy while increasing capacity along with expansion of the aerobic digesters. An additional 125,000 gallons (25 percent additional volume) to the aerobic digestion system is also included, because it appears that the existing aerobic digestion system may near its treatment capacity at the '100 Percent Increase in Industrial Load' scenario.

| Component                      | OPCC               |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Aeration Tank Rehabilitation   | \$700,000          |
| Final Clarifier Rehabilitation | \$800,000          |
| Aerobic Digester Expansion     | \$1,100,000        |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>\$2,600,000</b> |

Notes: All costs are in 1st Quarter 2025 Dollars.

**Table 12 OPCC Summary–Other Improvements**

There are several options that could be available to the City to fund potential modifications, including bonding, private loans, and State Revolving Fund (SRF) loans. While SRF loans have a subsidized interest rate, the WDNR may not provide a subsidized rate if it is determined that the project is being funded is for the purpose of industrial growth. Some WWTPs have worked directly with industrial customers to negotiate project funding when expansion is required specifically for a new or expanded industrial discharge. It is recommended that the City consult legal and financial advisers when evaluating funding options.