

# Succession Planning with High School Graduates



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# Succession Planning

*About Me*

*OTCO and NEORSD*

*Teaching Water & Wastewater Treatment to “Newbie's”*

*Success Stories*

# Aging Workforce



**73%** of operators with **wastewater** certificates received their certificates in the last 30 years

**81%** of operators with **water** certificates received their certificates in the last 30 years

**47%** of **wastewater** operators received their certificates in the last 20 years

**55%** of **water** operators received their certificates in the last 20 years

# Nationwide need to Replace the Baby Boomers

## Education is the Key

### Unleashing The Power Of The Hidden Workforce



## Find the Diamonds In The Rough

Someone (or something) that has hidden exceptional characteristics and/or future potential, but currently lacks the final touches that would make them (or it) truly stand out from the crowd.



# US Department of Labor

## *SOC 51-8031*

*“Water and Liquid Waste  
Treatment Plant  
and Systems Operators”*

*20% National  
10% Ohio*

*\$18.46 Medium*



# *New Industry-Recognized Credentials for 2019-2020*

Ohio Department of Education, with the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation

Prompted by passage of Ohio House Bill 49

Graduation Requirements: Students need 18 points

Earn a total score of Proficient or better based on all career-technical exams or test modules;

Earn an industry-recognized credential or credentials that equal 12 points;

Complete a workplace experience totaling 250 hours with evidence of positive evaluations.



# Lieutenant Governor (Task Force) in Marietta



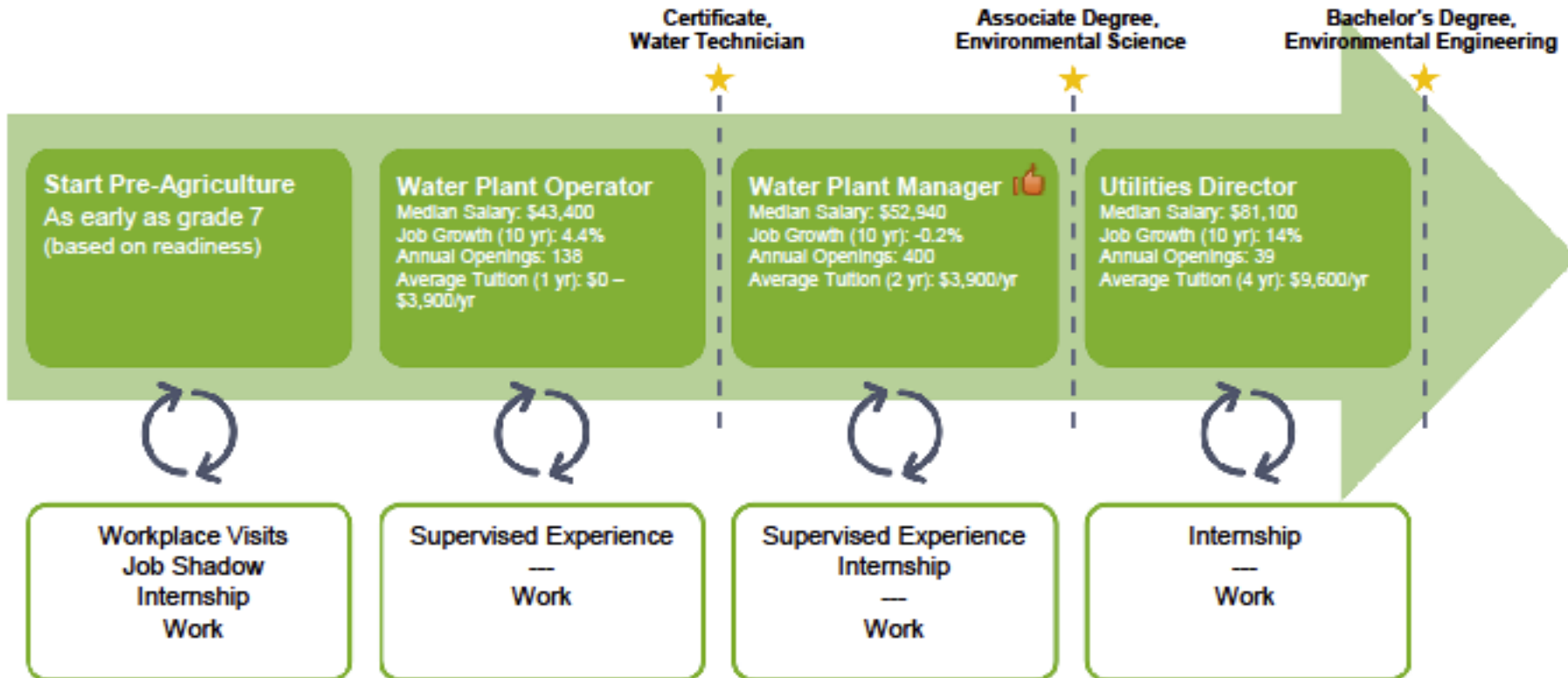
LG Jon Husted  
with Jarrod of  
Building Bridges

Career Field	Credential Name	Credential Vendor	Point Value
Agriculture	<a href="#"><u>Ohio EPA Professional Class A Wastewater Operator OIT (Operator In Training)</u></a>	Operator Training Committee of Ohio (OTCO)	12
Agriculture	<a href="#"><u>Ohio EPA Professional Class A Water Operator OIT (Operator In Training)</u></a>	Operator Training Committee of Ohio (OTCO)	12
Agriculture	<a href="#"><u>Ohio EPA Professional Class I Wastewater Operator OIT (Operator In Training)</u></a>	Operator Training Committee of Ohio (OTCO)	12
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# Agriculture and Environmental Systems Career Pathway



Provided by middle schools, high schools, employers, Ohio Tech Centers, and colleges.

**Preparing students for multiple options after high school:**  
gainful employment and/or postsecondary study.

OTCO

STUDENTS

Coach Ginn  
Ms Belle

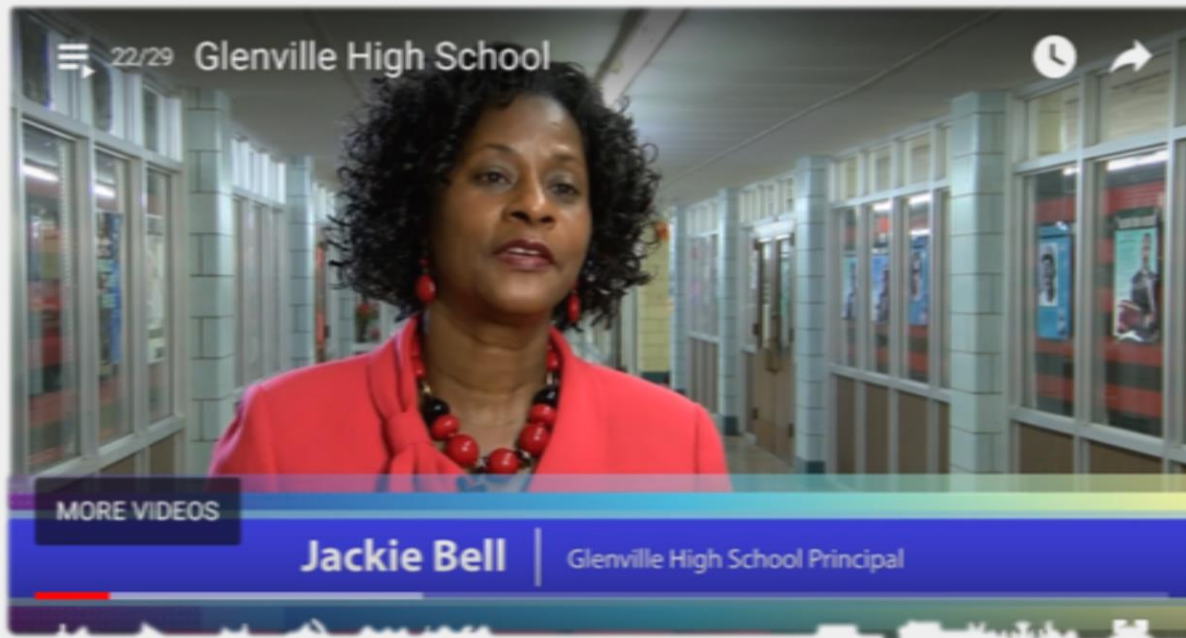
NEORS



# Ms. Hazel Parker and Mr. Ted Ginn of Ginn Academy



# Ms. Jacqueline Bell, Principal Glenville HS



# Kindle Fire vs. Textbooks



# OTCO Class A Water/Wastewater Training

## Objectives:

- 1) To educate and train students on the basics of water/wastewater treatment.
- 2) To educate and train students on Ohio EPA regulations regarding Class A to Class IV Water/Wastewater Treatment Systems.
- 3) To educate and prepare students for interviews with potential employers



# OTCO Class A Wastewater Training

Class #	Date	Class and Book	Assignment	Points	Due by 4:00 PM
1	3/14/18	OEPA Class A WW Training	Introduction & Basic Treatment Units: page 1-10 & On-Line Quiz TAG 1	25	19-Mar
		OEPA Class A WW Training			
2	3/21/18	OEPA Class A WW Training	Basic Treatment Units page 11-20 On-line Quiz TAG 2	25	26-Mar
3	Spring Break	OEPA Class A WW Training	Basic Treatment Units page 21- 29 On-Line Quiz TAG 3	25	2-Apr
4	4/5/18	OEPA Class A WW Training	Controlling the Units page 30-57 On-Line Quiz TAG 4	25	9-Apr
5	4/11/18	OEPA Class A WW Training	Maintenance page 110-136 On-Line Quiz TAG 5	25	16-Apr
6	4/18/18	Powerpoint	GIS GPS Asset Management	25	23-Apr
7	<u>4/25/18</u>	<u>Catch up, summary, lab</u>	<u>FINAL CLASSROOM</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>30-Apr</u>
<b>Homework Maximum Points</b> (80% minimum= 140 points)				<b>175</b>	
<b>Attendance Maximum Points</b> (80% minimum = 72 points)				<b>0</b>	

# Online Exam for Students

You have 120 minutes to take this exam with two attempts. If you are familiar with the reading assignments, you should be able to complete the exam within 60 minutes with time to review your selections.

## Ann\'s Wastewater Ohio EPA: Intro & Basic Units Quiz (Y.O.U.)

79 Questions

120 Minutes



## Class A Training Manual

For the Ohio Wastewater Treatment Certification Exam





# OTCO Class A Water/Wastewater Training



How much time should I spent as a minimum

1.5 classroom hours = 4.5 homework hours

9.0 hours classroom = 27.0 hours homework

Equals 4.5 hours per week

9.0 classroom + 27.0 homework = 36 Total Hours

# OTCO Class A Water/Wastewater Training



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# Introduction

- Water Water Everywhere: Water is Life
- Regulations
- Water from homes to the Wastewater Plant
- The Treatment Process
  - What goes in and what goes out
- The Mechanics of a Plant
  - Line Tracing
  - Electrical
  - Pumps and Equipment



# Water on Earth

## Largest Sphere: Earth's Water

- Diameter 860 miles, Cleveland to Savannah GA.
- Includes all water: 96.5% is oceans, 68.7% ice caps & glaciers, rivers, lakes, ground water, plants, water vapor, and you!

## Middle Sphere: Fresh Water- 2.5%

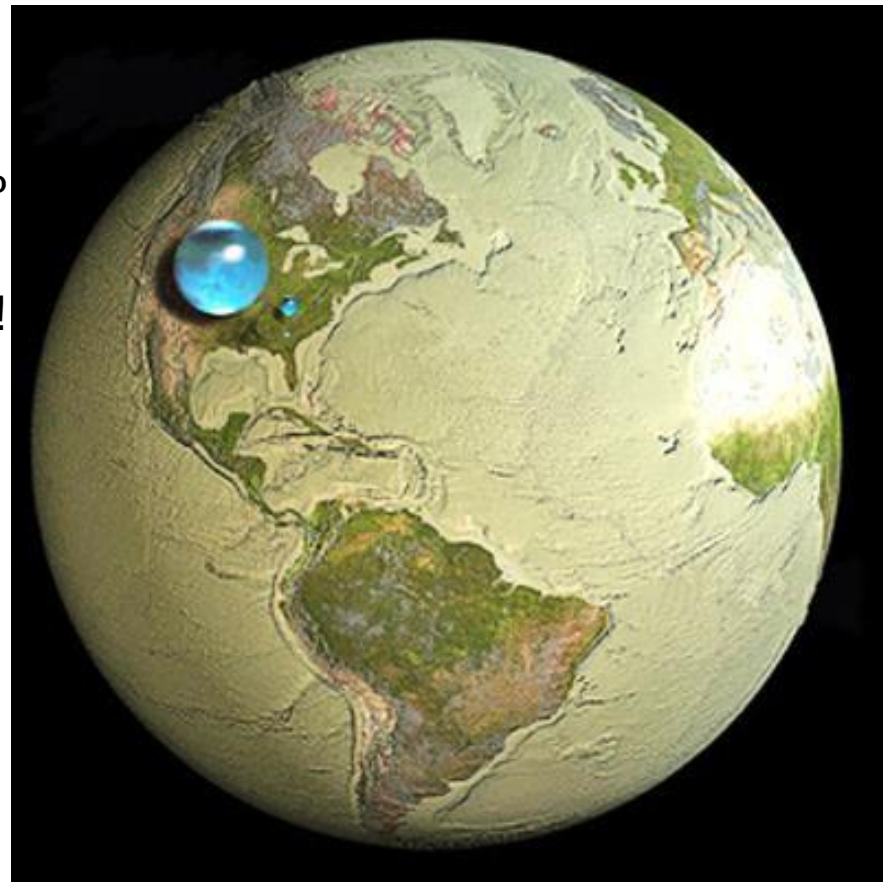
- Diameter 186 miles, Cleveland to Columbus
- Includes 30.1% ground water, 20.9% lakes, swamp waters, streams and 0.49% rivers  
99% Groundwater not accessible to us

## Smallest Sphere: Usable Fresh

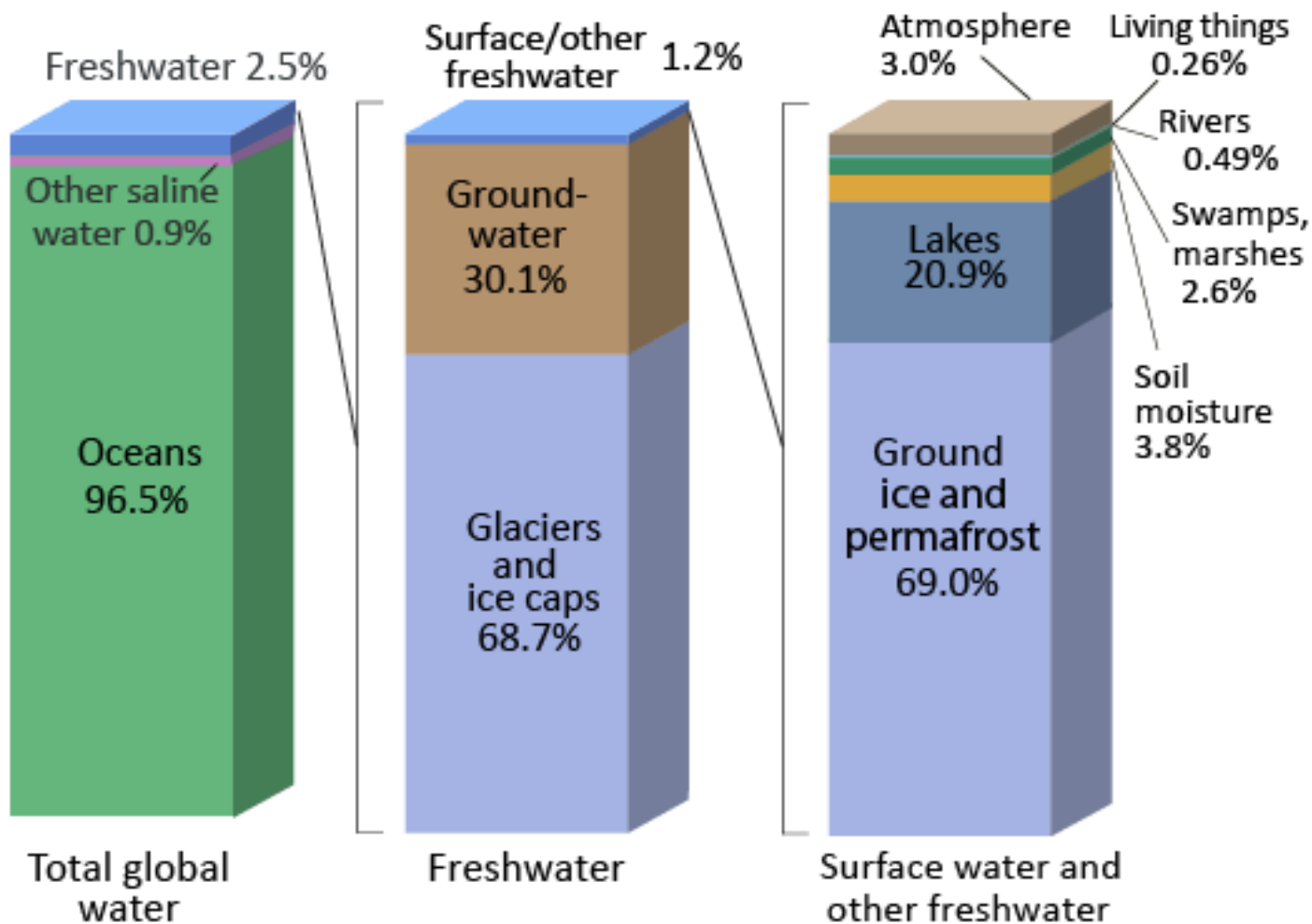
Water 1.2% of fresh water is surface water!

- Diameter 34.9 miles lakes, rivers for human consumption

Source: <http://water.usgs.gov/edu/earthwherewater.html>



# Where is Earth's Water?



Source: Igor Shiklomanov's chapter "World fresh water resources" in Peter H. Gleick (editor), 1993, *Water in Crisis: A Guide to the World's Fresh Water Resources*.

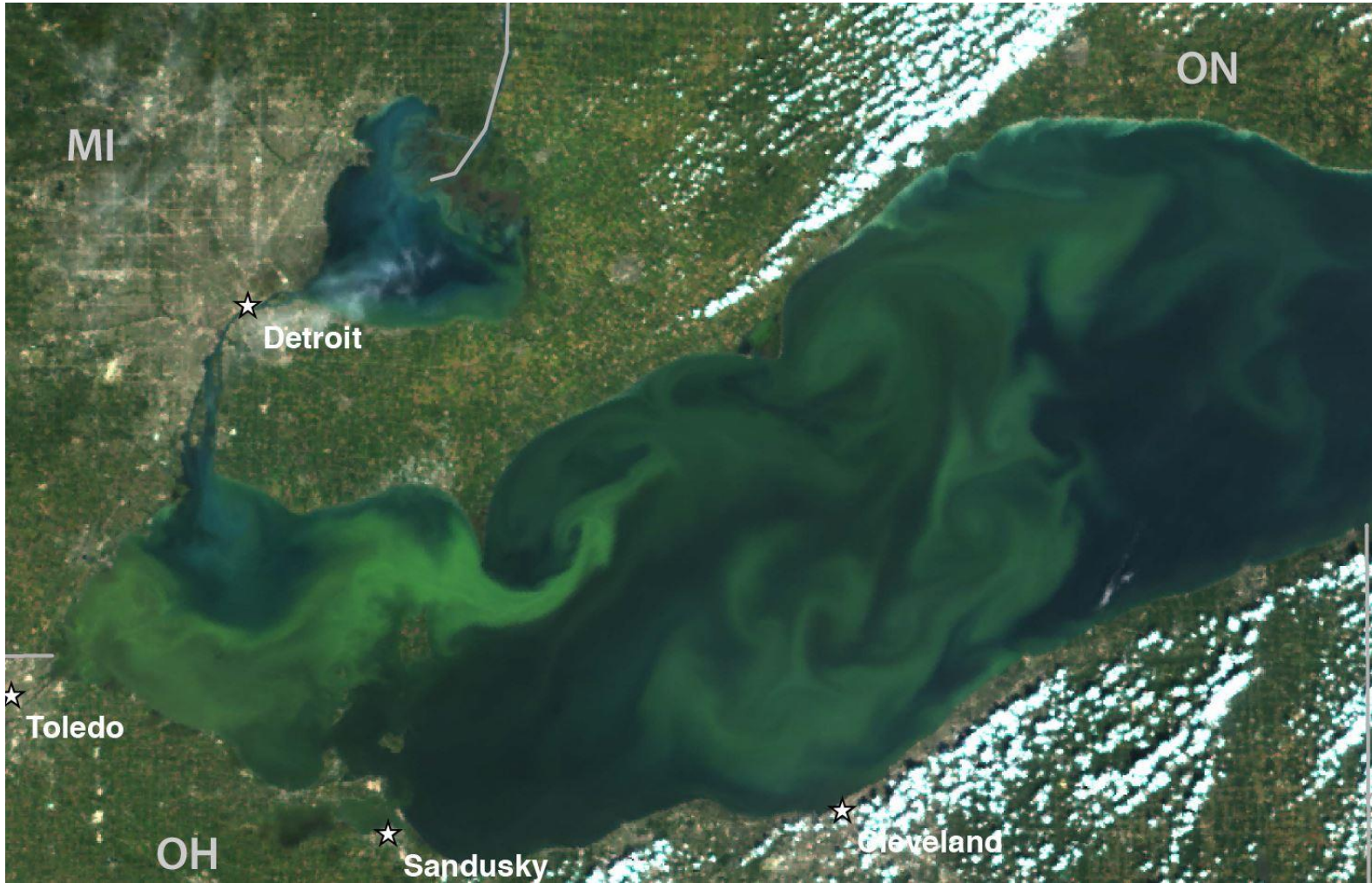
NOTE: Numbers are rounded, so percent summations may not add to 100.

# Great Lakes holds 21% of Fresh Water





# Lake Erie



Source: Toledo Blade Sept. 2018 NOAA



# Regulations were Instated

- “Federal Water Pollution Control Act” originated in 1948 (grandparents age)
- Amended in 1972 to establish the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program
- “FWPC Act” renamed in 1977 “The Clean Water Act”, regulated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)



# Regulations for NPDES Permits

- 1992 stormwater permits implemented
- 1998, updated in 2000 to include businesses, cities, construction water “runs off site”
- Cleveland has combined sewers with carry sanitary and storm water. The flow goes to the treatment plants. If there is excessive flow it overflows through a regulated chamber to Lake Erie.
- The US EPA has mandated that the regulated chambers be eliminated and the quantity of overflows be reduced.

**NO MORE SSO's in Lake Erie!**

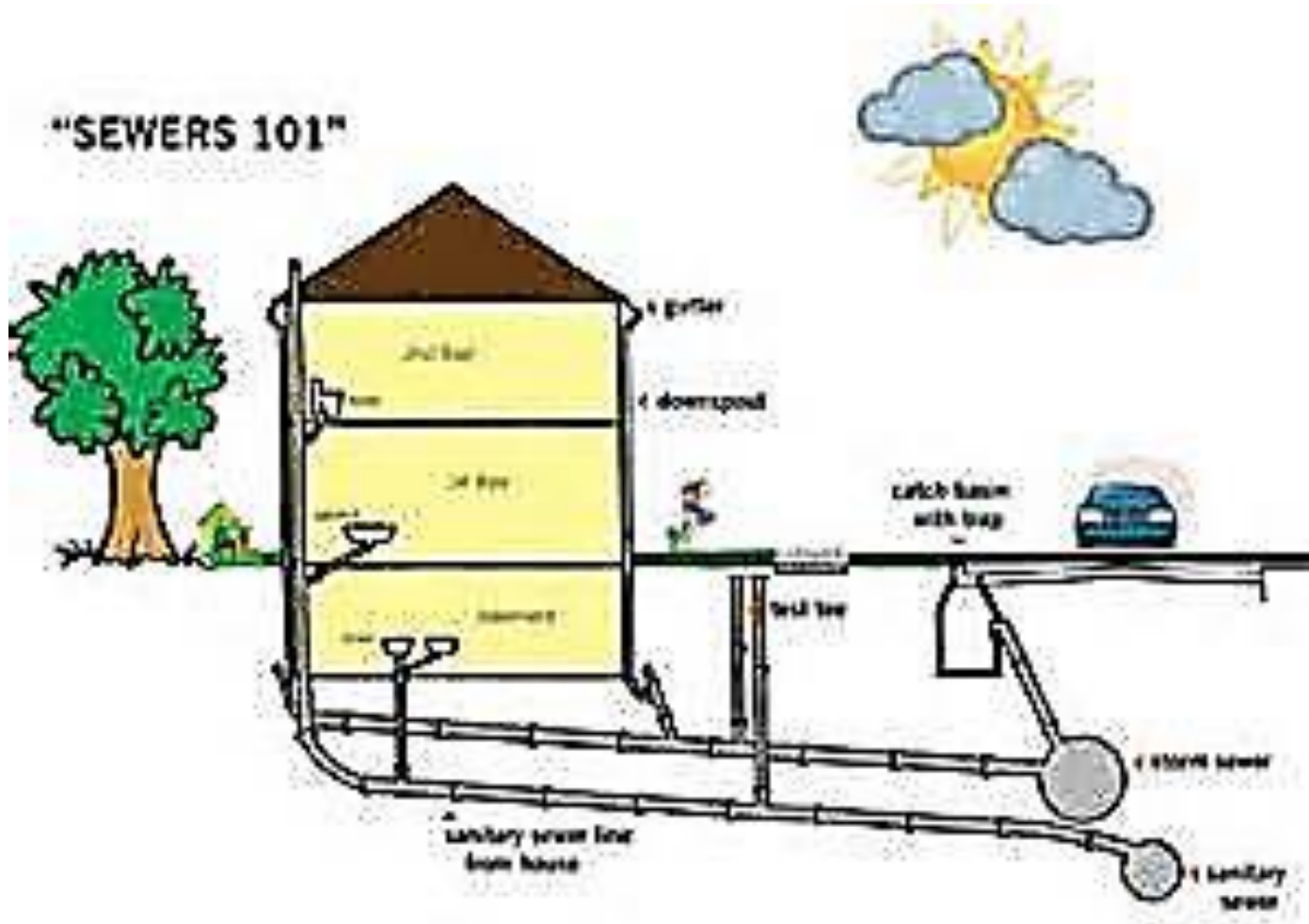


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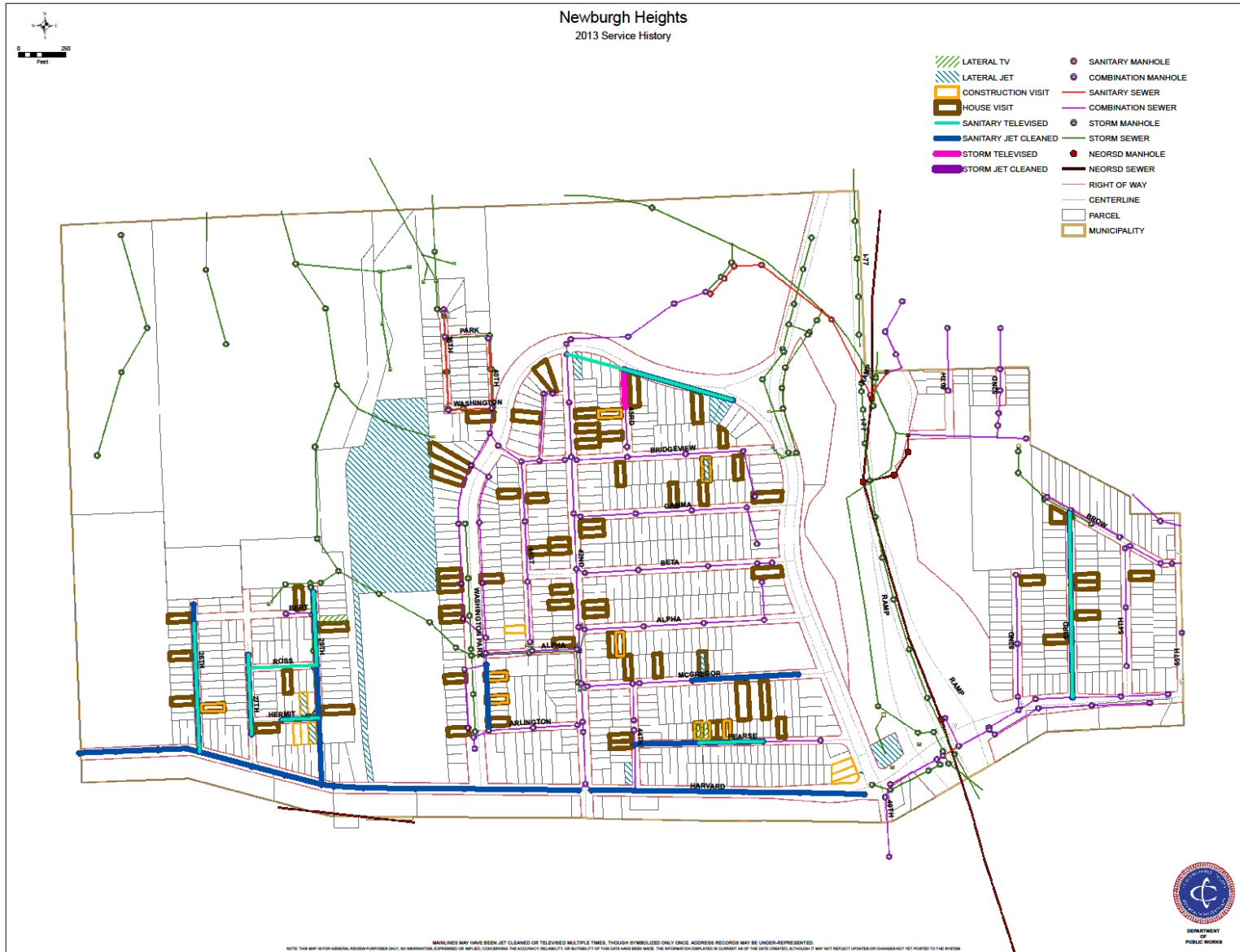
- How does wastewater get to the treatment plant?
  1. Collection or sewer system.
    - A. Underground pipes or lines.
    - B. Factors to consider.
      - a. Time waste spends in the sewer lines.
      - b. Rate of flow in sewer lines.
      - c. Blockages in sewer lines.



# Water Flows Downhill....



# Sewer Lines

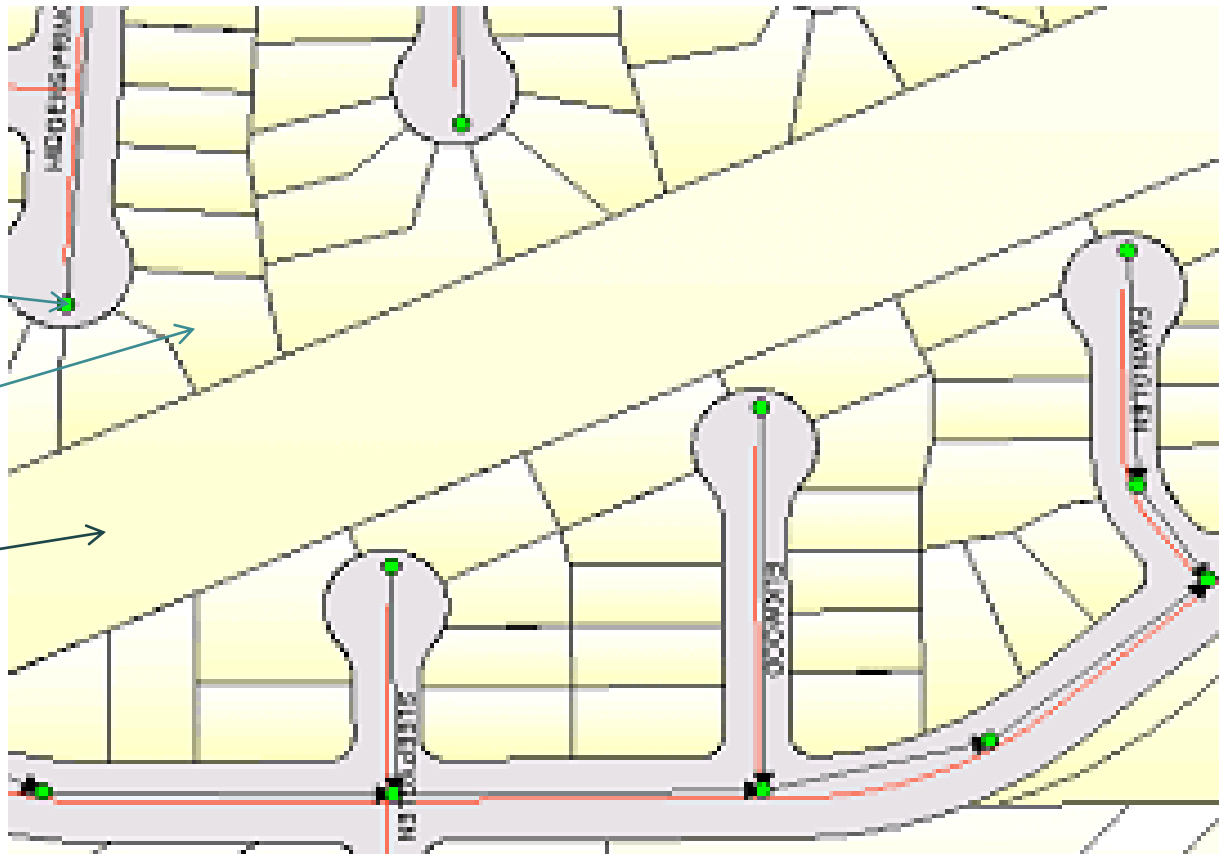


Source: Cuyahoga County Public Works



# Sewer Lines

Manhole  
Properties  
also called  
"parcels"  
Easement



Sewer lines in Red are Sanitary  
Green lines are Storm

# Basic Wastewater

What is wastewater and where does it come from?

1. A number of places.
  - A. Domestic
  - B. Commercial
  - C. Industrial
2. Domestic wastewater
  - A. 99.9% water



# Domestic Example



# Domestic Example



# BASIC WASTEWATER

- What is wastewater and where does it come from (cont.)?
  3. Commercial wastewater.
    - A. Restaurants, schools, hospitals, etc.



# Commercial Examples



Restaurants



Hotels



Hospitals



Schools



# BASIC WASTEWATER

- What is wastewater and where does it come from (cont.)?
  4. Industrial wastewater
    - A. Manufacturing and processing plants.
    - B. Small percentage of flow, but largest impact.
    - C. Difficult to understand and treat.
    - D. This is the challenge for the operator.



# Industrial Examples



Manufacturing



Food Processing



What manufacturing process would you put in this slot.



# BASIC WASTEWATER

- How does wastewater get to the treatment plant (cont.)?
  2. Pump stations.
    - A. Types of pump stations.
      - a. Above or below ground.
      - b. Backup systems.



# Pump Station with Control Panel





# Pump Station



Source: Xylem

# Pumps in Pump Station

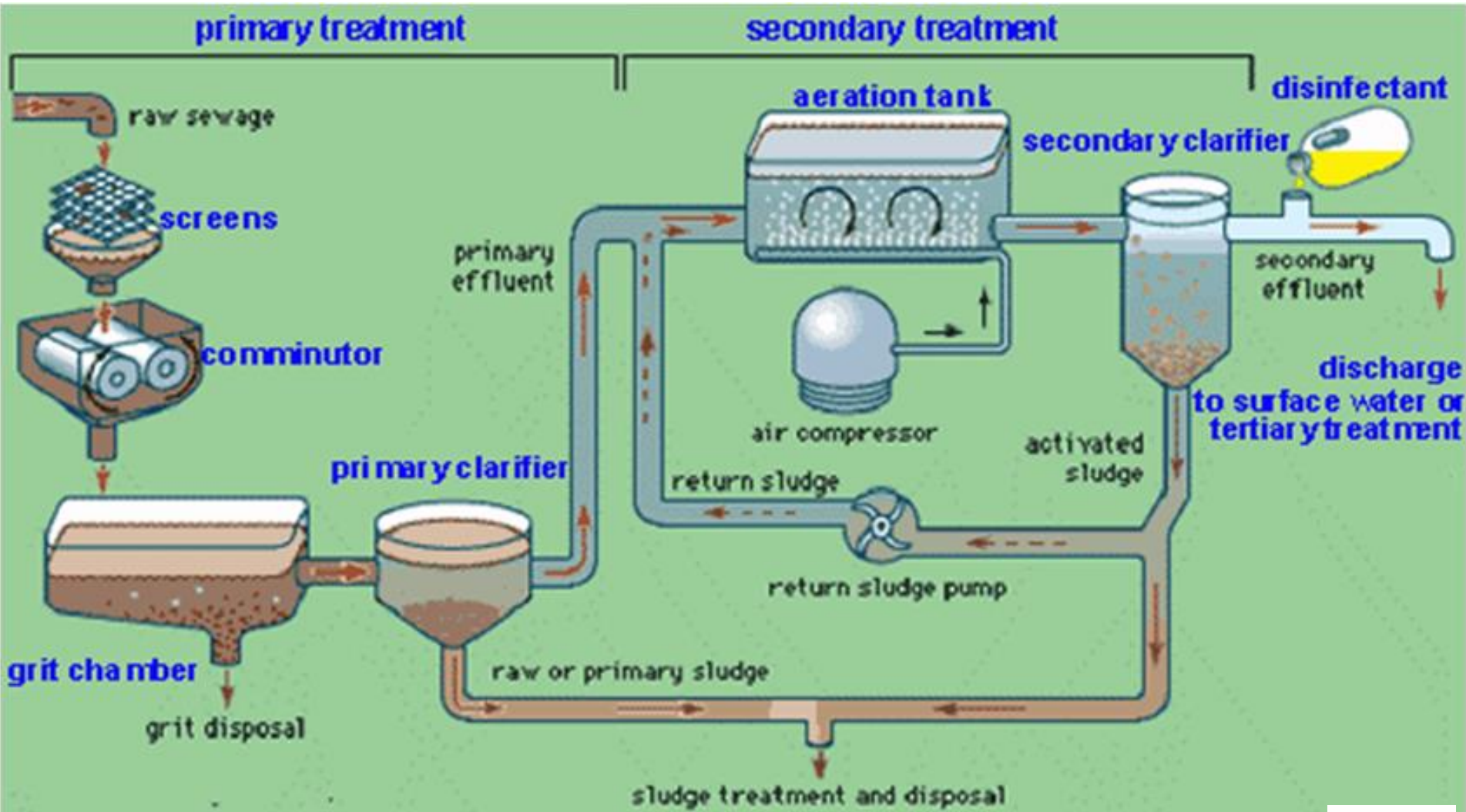


Source: terra\_engineering\_oak\_park\_central\_pump\_station

# Back-Up Systems



# The Process of Wastewater Treatment



# Package Plant in Egypt



Source: Egypt by Environtech

# The Treatment Plant



Malibu Restaurant-Onsite installer

# The Treatment Plant



# The Treatment Plant



Extended Aeration Plant



# The Treatment Plant



Waste Stabilization Pond

[thewatertreatments.com](http://thewatertreatments.com)



# The Treatment Plant



Residential Lagoon Univ. Nebraska, Lincoln

# BASIC WASTEWATER

- Why is Wastewater Treated Anyway?
  - Protect the environment.
  - Remove oxygen demanding material.
  - Nutrient removal is important.
  - Remove disease causing organisms.



# BASIC WASTEWATER - LESSON 1

## Classification of Wastewater

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Type of Treatment</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
• Preliminary	Physical	Remove large objects and protect equipment.
• Primary	Physical	Remove settleable and floatable solids.
• Secondary	Biological	Remove finely divided and soluble solids and organics.
• Tertiary	Physical	Polish or further clean effluent.
• Disinfection	Chemical	Remove pathogens.
• Solids Handling	Physical/Chemical	Disposal and reuse of by-products

# Activated Sludge Process

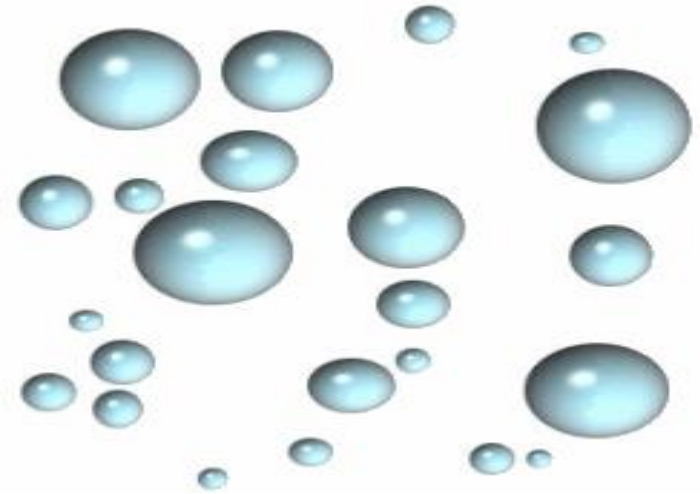




PROTECT ME  
!!!



## Aerated Grit Chambers



Grit settles out  
for removal



# The Treatment Plant





# The Treatment Plant



Source: [angdawa.wordpress.com](http://angdawa.wordpress.com)

# The Treatment Plant



Rotating Biological Contactor



DC/DN RBC Modules

Source: [napier-reid.com](http://napier-reid.com) & [rotatingbiologicalcontactor.com](http://rotatingbiologicalcontactor.com)



# Empty Aeration Tanks Showing Diffusers that air is Pumped through.



# Activated Sludge

Process involves mixing and aeration



# Aeration Tank & Returned Sludge



It is important to the system to return the sludge from the Clarifiers to keep a healthy balance of bacteria and solids.

# Start to Finish.....

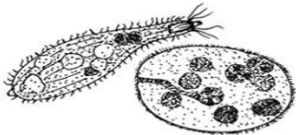


# Microorganisms That Clean Our Wastewater



Bacteria is in all the video in the background FLOC. It doesn't move. You can click here to see a photo.

Bacteria



Swimming Ciliates



Crawling Ciliates

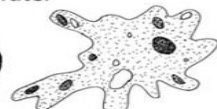


Stacked Ciliates

Clean Our Wastewater



Shelled Amoeba



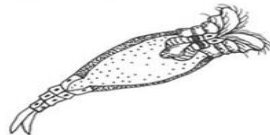
Amoeba (naked)  
(It's the splat, not the moving cell)

Amoebas

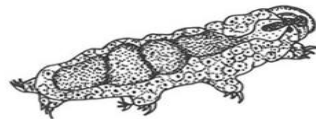


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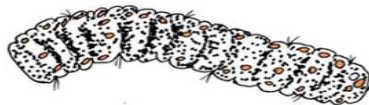
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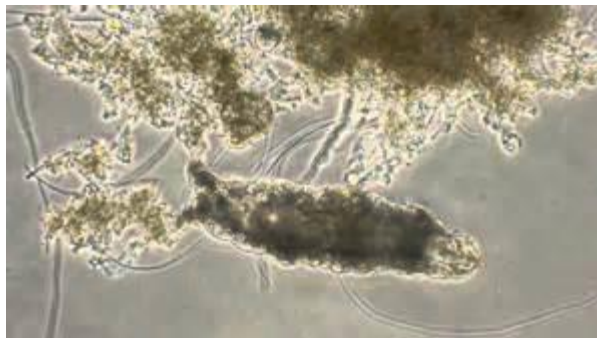
Rotifers



Water Bears



Bristle Worms



# The Treatment Plant





# Importance of Settling



# Disinfection

Addition of Chlorine to system or use of Ultra-violet Light to kill the bacteria in the water before going to the stream



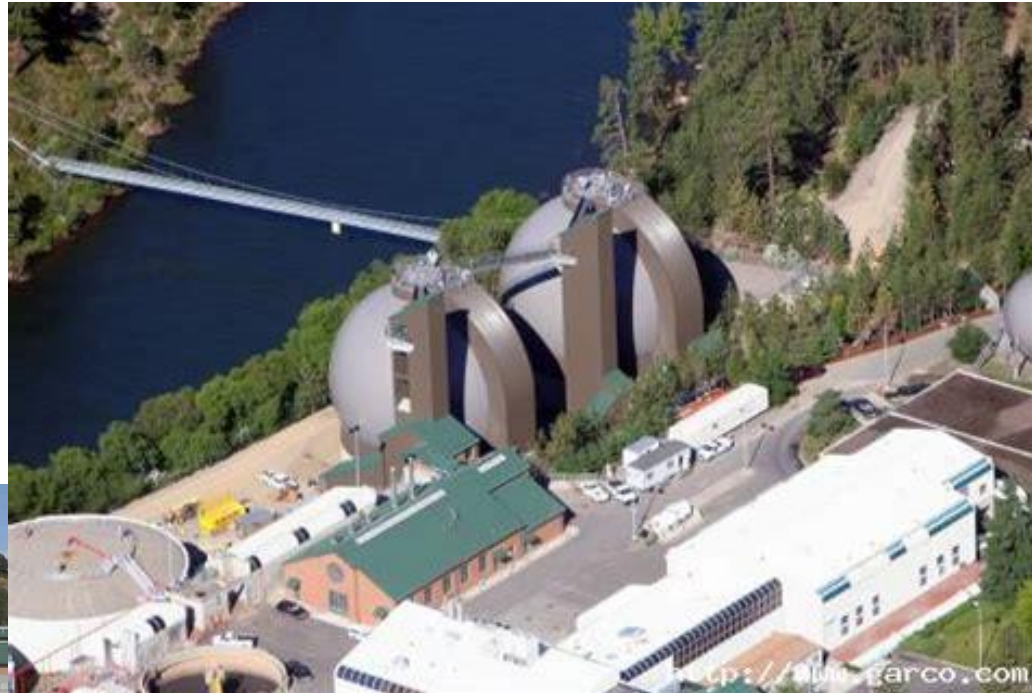
# Solids Handling

- Some of the Solids that have settled out during the process are removed by either aerobic digestion (with air), which can be used for land application to help farmers grow crops above ground. These solids may also be used for compost.



# Solids Handling

- The other process is anaerobic digestion (without air), where methane gas is produced as a by-product and can be used as fuel throughout the plant. These solids are generally sent to a belt press to remove the excess water and the “sludge cake” can be taken to a land fill.

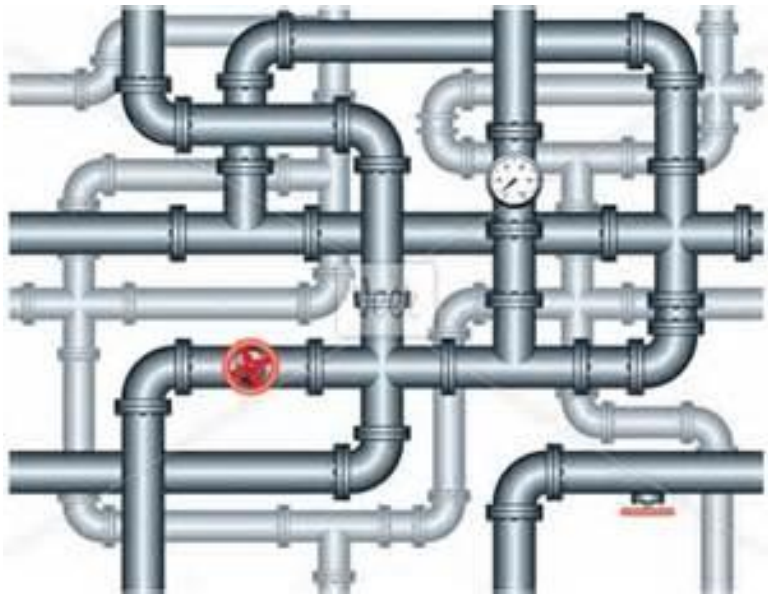


# Lesson

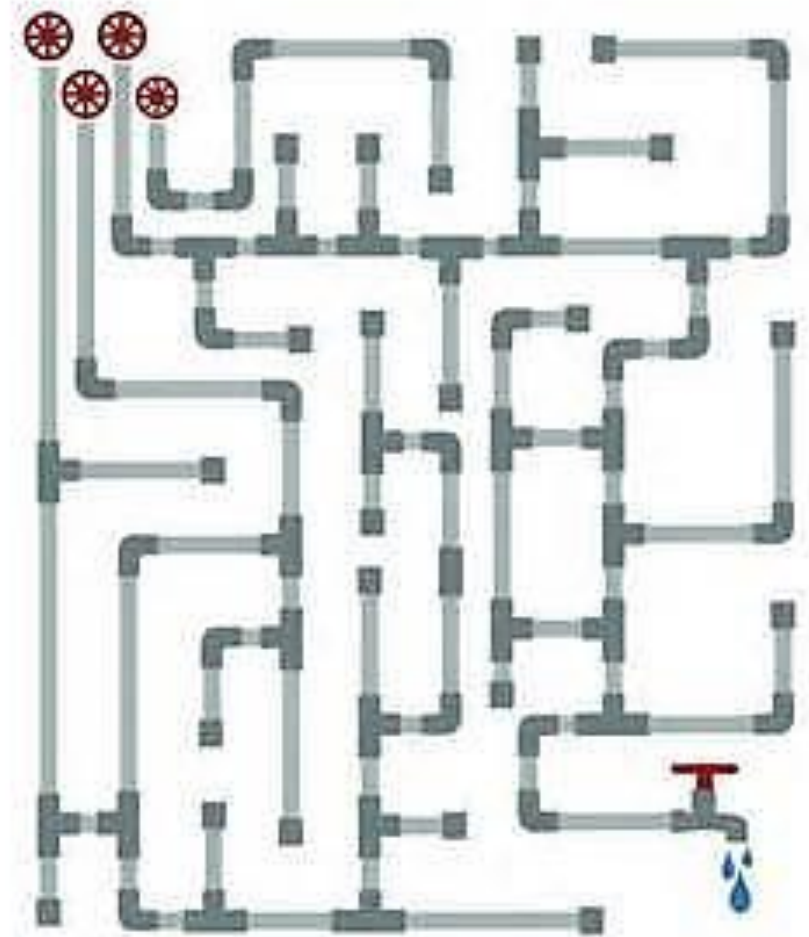
# The Mechanics of Plant



# Line tracing: Pipes



In a plant follow the pipes to determine where everything goes. Look and follow the lines in your home and school



# Line Tracing: Electrical

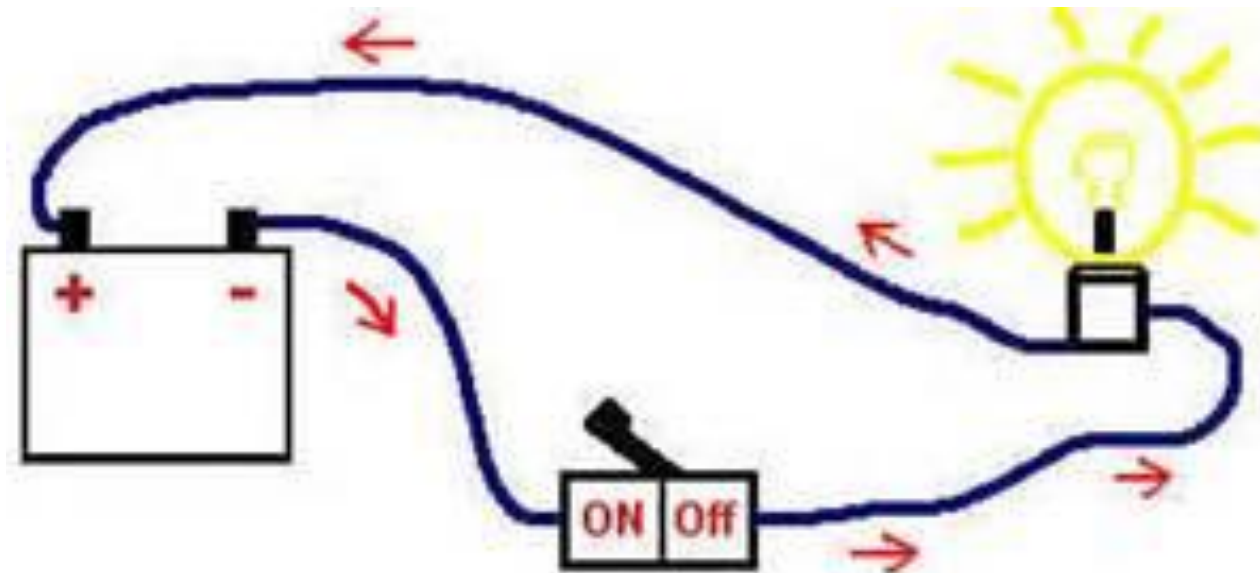
**Electrical lines at a treatment plant also need to be followed.**



# Electrical Circuits also Follow Lines

There are 4 parts to a Circuit

- Power Source
- Load
- Path
- Switch

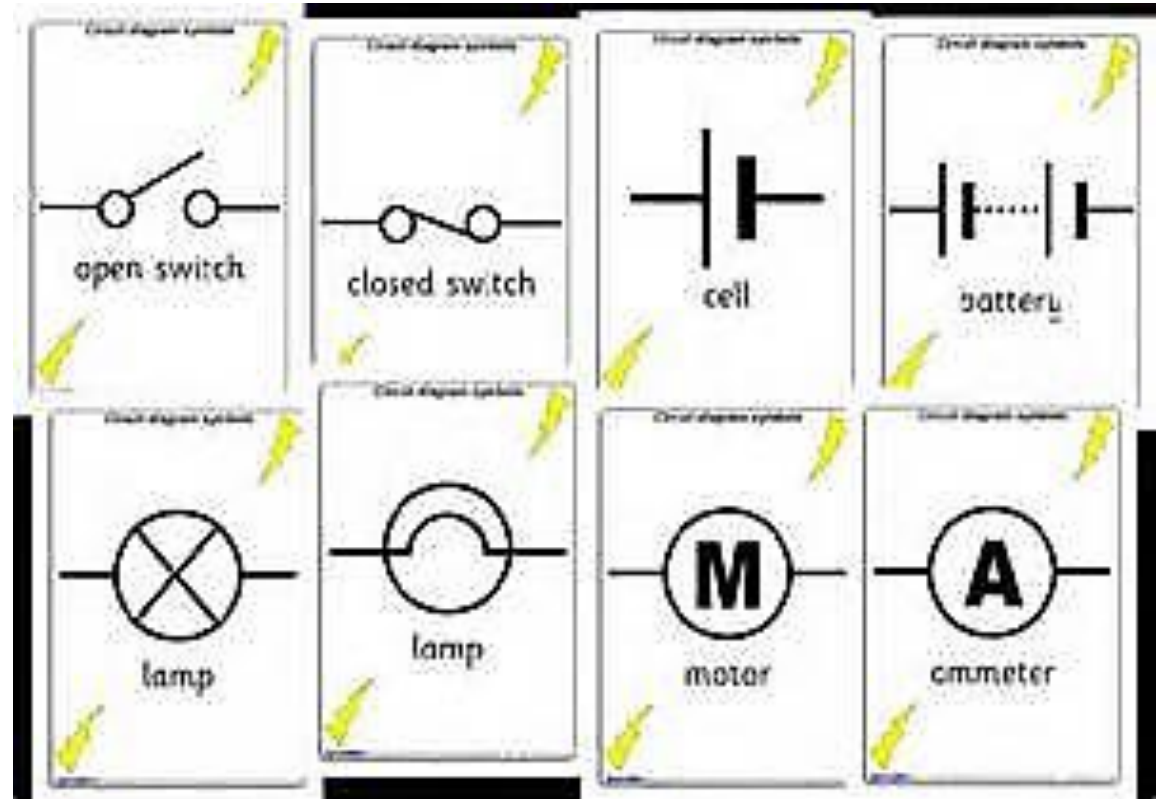




# Electrical Symbols

## Symbols

- Power Source
  - Cell
  - Battery
- Load
  - Lamp
- Switch
  - Open
  - Closed
- Motor
- Ohmmeter



# Mechanical Aptitude

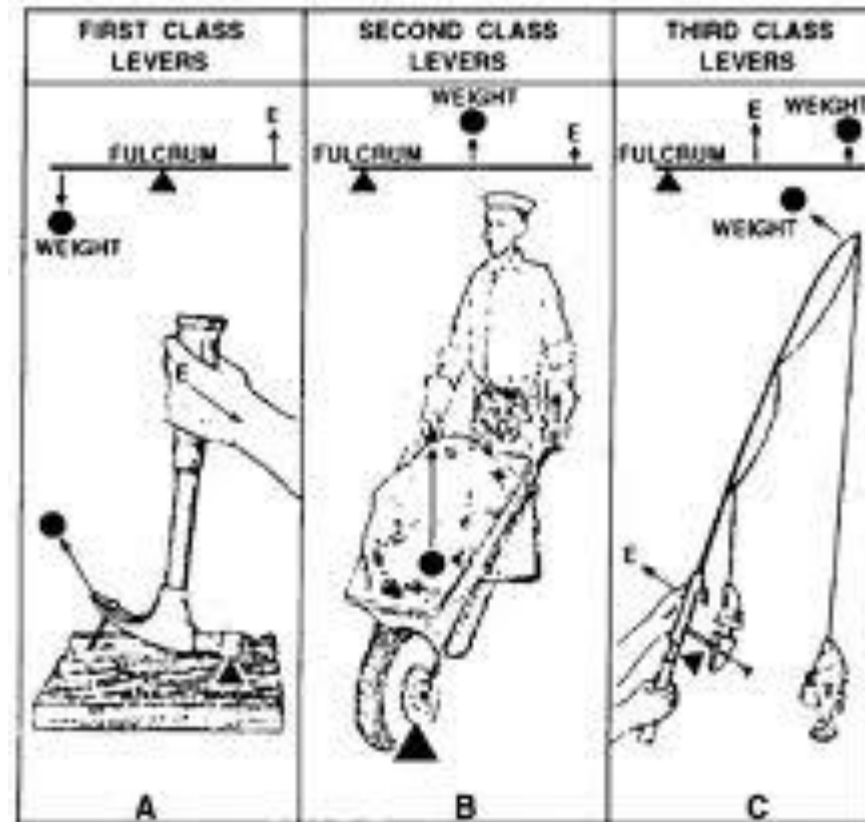
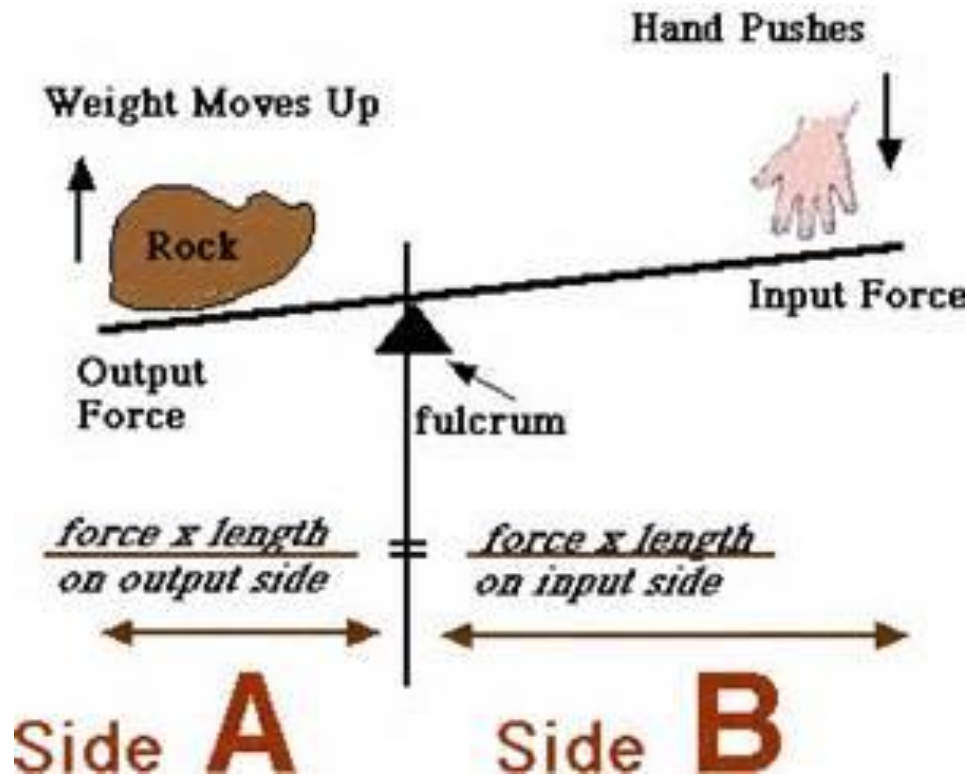
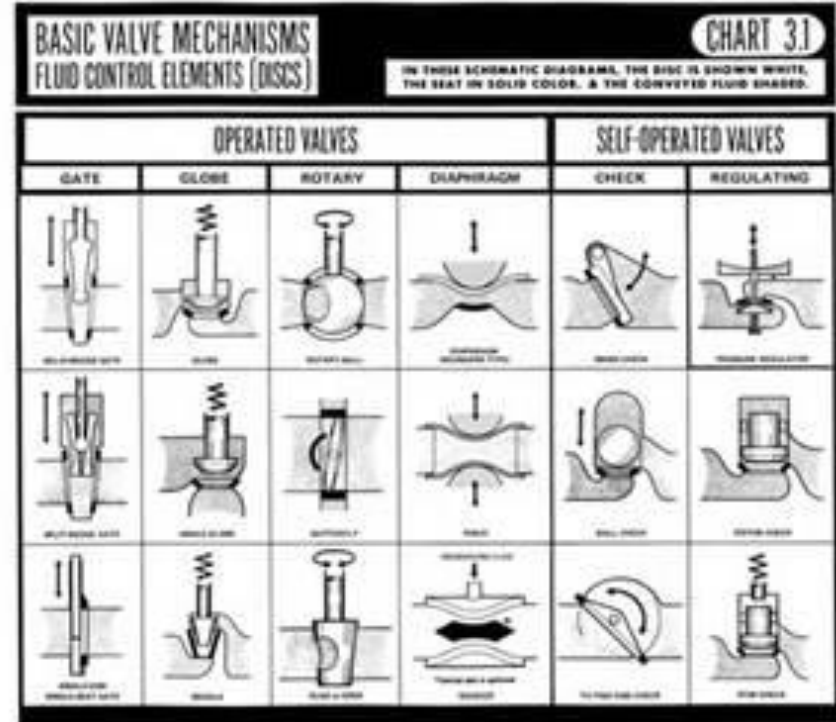


Figure 1-2. Three classes of levers.

# Mechanical Aptitude

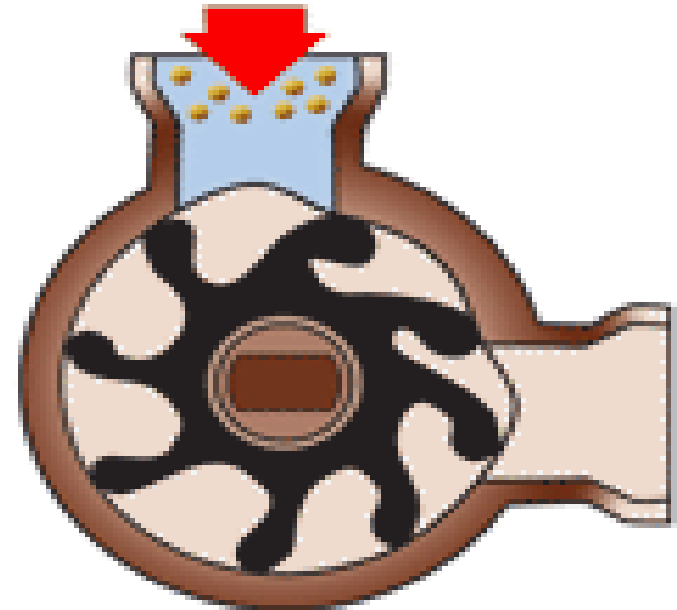
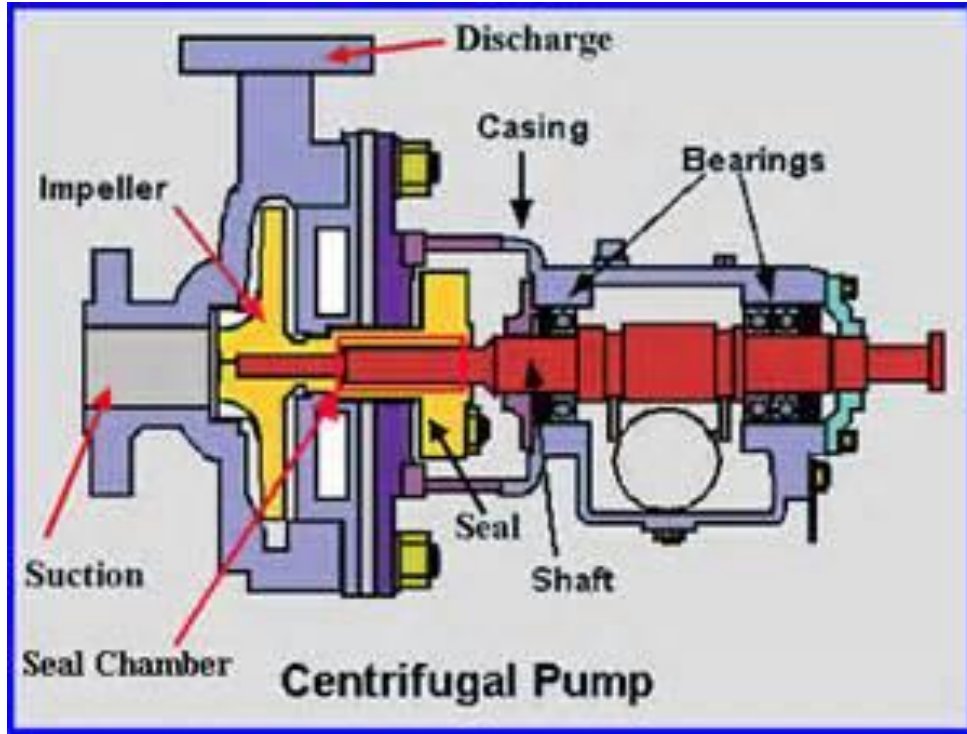


# Pumps and Motors

The most commonly used pump is a Centrifugal Pump used to transfer water and light solids

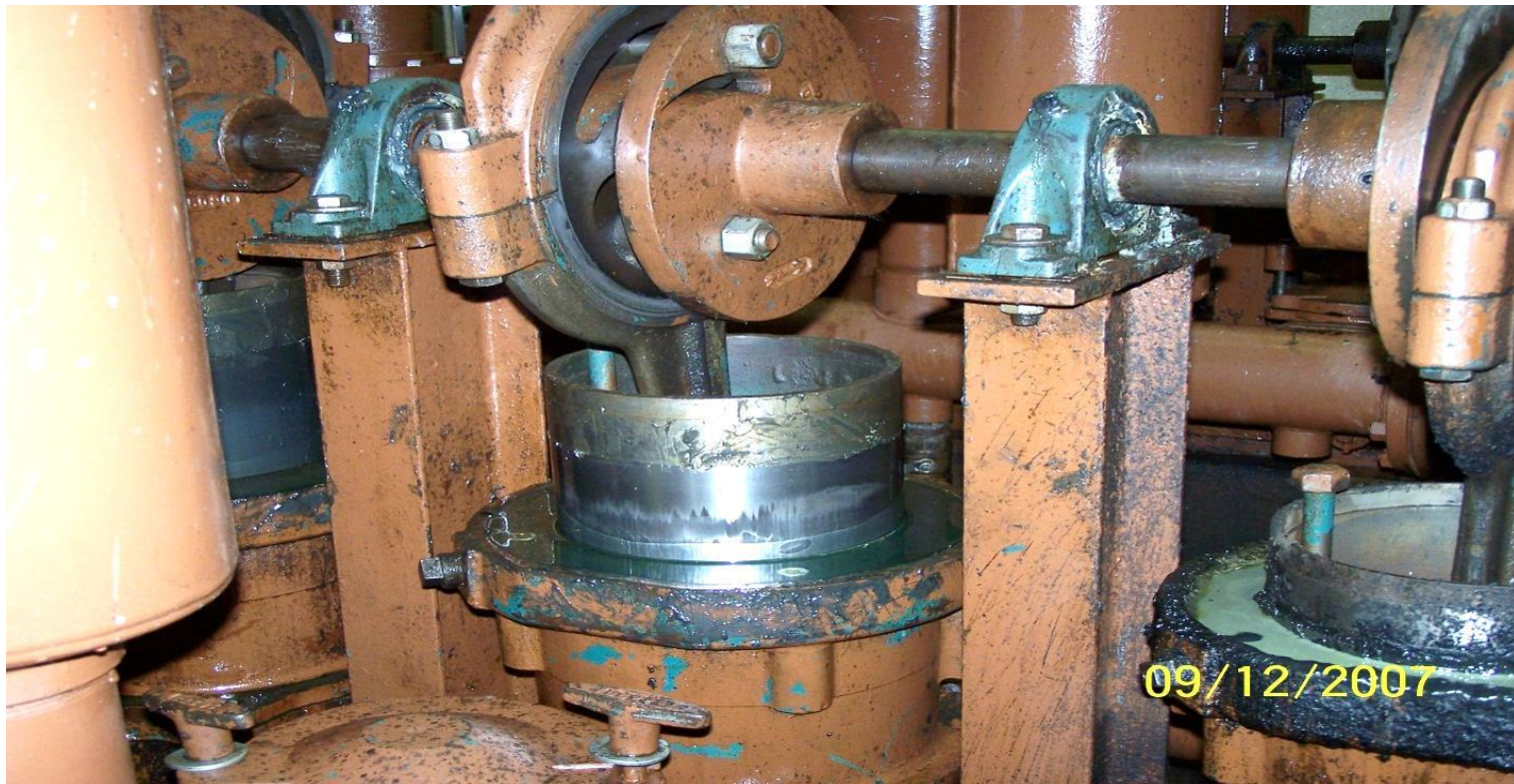


# Pumps



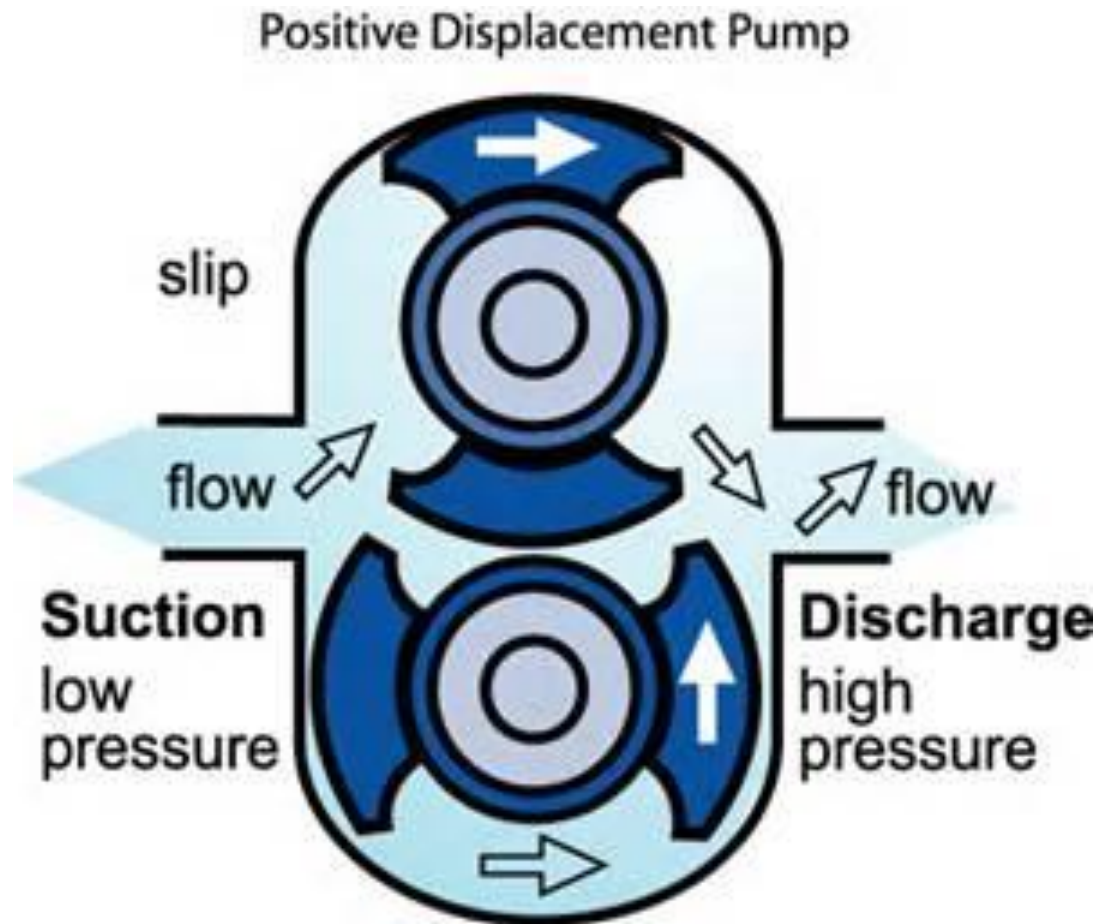
# Pumps

Plunger or diaphragm pump is used for heavier solids or abrasive material.



# Pumps

## Plunger or Diaphragm Pump



# Pumps

Clogged pump in Blacksburg Virginia, reasons why you want screens to work!





# Gears and Levers in Plant Maintenance

Gears are found in motors as well as simple machines like a crescent wrench. Also found on Closed Circuit Television trucks with levers for raising and lowering the cameras in the sewers. A hammer is also a simple lever used in maintenance.



# Success in Rittman Ohio



# NEORSD, Ms. Bell, Past Students



# Graduates to Apprenticeships: Cleveland Public Power



CONGRATULATIONS TO CWD'S GRADUATING APPRENTICE  
"CLASS OF 2019"



# Cleveland Water Distribution Apprentice Graduates



# Apprentice Graduates



# Graduates to Apprenticeship & Good Neighbor Ambassador







# This is



2,019 likes  
reorad I thank this to my favorite #CleanWaterFest selfie by far.

#RiverReborn

# Chinonso Oguekemma



# Overview of the Wastewater Treatment Process

A Special Thanks to

Curtis Truss Jr.

Pat Antonelli

Sam Jacobs

Mike Maringer

Jack Doheny Group

Muffin Monster Pumps

For pictures and references

Bacteria treatment <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=epAh6hHOq3c>

Plant Tour: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ALkiZTz7yGg>



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