

# *Zero Liquid Discharge for Water Remediation*

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**FOSSIL WATER**  
*Clear Solutions for Water*

# *Zero Liquid Discharge*

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- *Strategy*
- *Technology Selection*
- *Case Studies*
- *Recommendations*

## Project Portfolio: Design-Build-Operate-Transfer Contracts in Water, Wastewater and Waste

- **Montney A:** water strategy for 10,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day water supply licensing, permitting, intake, pipeline, infield water management, storage ponds, pumping systems
- **Montney B:** 10,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day intake design-build-commission, pump station d-b-o, pipeline hydraulic design and specifications
- **Montney C:** 5,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day water loading station for flowback and produced water storage and reuse
- **Cordova A:** 10,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day intake, license and approvals
- **Montney D:** 3,500 m<sup>3</sup>/day d-b-o intake, pipeline, pumping station, Section 8 approvals
- **Bakken A:** 2,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day full service terminal design
- **Permian A:** 350 usgpm drilling mud dewatering and recycling trailers design-build
- **Montney E:** 19 m<sup>3</sup>/minute flowback filtration and recycling system design-build-operate at frac site
- **Deep Basin A:** 750 m<sup>3</sup>/day: water injection modules design-build-commission
- **Montney F:** 750 m<sup>3</sup>/day produced water treatment and injection facility design-build-commission
- **SAGD A:** 500 m<sup>3</sup>/day drinking water plant design-build-commission
- **SAGD B:** 750 m<sup>3</sup>/day water and wastewater plant
- **Montney G:** water management strategy for 1 million m<sup>3</sup>/year including sour flowback reuse
- **Deep Basin B:** water licensing and intake approvals for 2 million m<sup>3</sup>/year frac water supply (current)
- **Deep Basin C:** design-build-install-commission 10,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day intake structure for frac water supply (current)
- **Montney H:** conceptual design water reuse systems for Tupper West Development
- **Montney I:** conceptual design water reuse hub for Sunrise West Development
- **Montney J:** conceptual design water reuse hub for Dawson Development
- **Montney K:** conceptual design water reuse hub for Bernadet Development
- **Montney L:** design-build-commission 10,000 m<sup>3</sup>/day pump stations and 400kW natural gas-fired generator sets
- **Deadwood A:** design-build-operate 875 m<sup>3</sup>/day water conditioning and deep-well injection system

# ZLD Strategy

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- *Design*
  - *Flows and loadings: peak, buffer, upset*
  - *Technology selection*
  - *Measurement and controls: field surrogate vs laboratory*
- *Execution*
  - *Mobile*
  - *Modular*
  - *Fixed*

# Technology Selection

- Segregation
- Gravity separation (physical): tank, pond, c-Ring, API, heater treater, clarifier
- Enhanced Gravity (mechanical): hydrocyclone, centrifuge, flotation, weighted (ballasted) flocculation
- Size exclusion: screening, cake filtration, media filter, cross-flow membrane, absorptive filtration
- Evaporation/Distillation: desorption (air stripping), evaporation/condensation, stream stripping (distillation)
- Crystallization: evaporator, eutectic freezing
- Deionization: ion exchange, electrodialysis, electro-deionization, reverse osmosis, nano-filtration
- Chemical Treatment: lime, acidification, oxidation, coagulation/flocculation
- Biological treatment: aerobic digestion, anaerobic digestion
- Residuals: solidification, stabilization, encapsulation

# Technology Selection Special Cases

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- *Flotation: sparged, dissolved air, induced gas, micro-bubble, venturi*
- *Membranes: low-pressure, high-pressure, ceramic*
- *Evaporators: mechanical vapour recompression, thermal, drum dryer, falling film evaporator*

# *Hierarchy of Process Selection*

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- *Chemical Consumption*
- *Energy Consumption*
- *Physical Footprint*
- *Process Robustness*
- *Process Reliability*

# Challenges

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- *Process Design Criteria: Max-min-median vs upsets*
- *Treat vs divert*
- *Process control measurements*
- *Automation vs operator intervention*
- *Process acceptance*

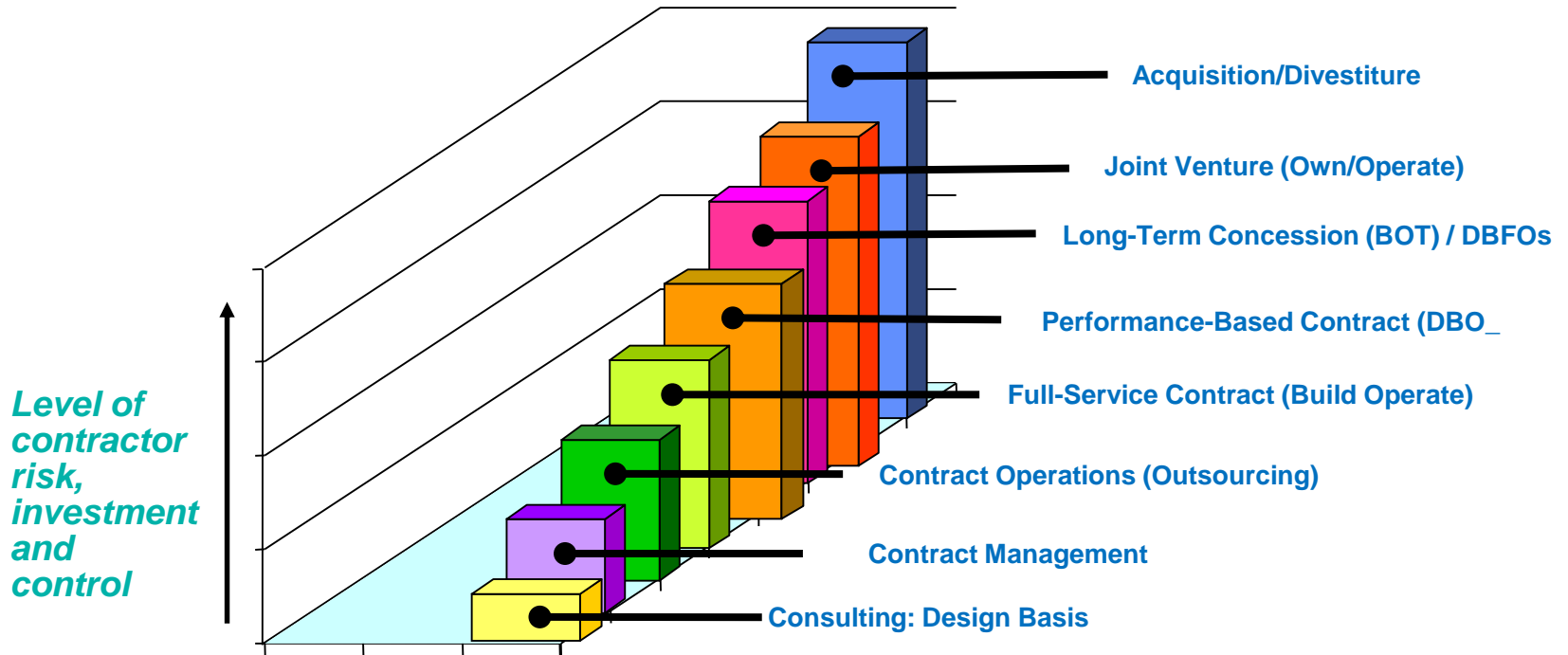


# Execution Strategy

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- *Mobile*
- *Modular*
- *Fixed*

# Project Delivery Continuum



## Case Studies

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- *Canbriam Water ReUse Hub*
- *Stormwater Effluent Pond: Treat, Blend, Release, Inject*

# Mobile Case Study

- *Problem: disposal of excess flowback and produced water combined with shortage of fresh water*
- *Solution: high-rate filtration and blending (19 m<sup>3</sup>/minute)*



# Modular Case Study

- *Problem: treat and release 100,000 m<sup>3</sup> of high-TDS stormwater and treated effluent*
- *Solution: mobile media filter, bag filter and RO system*
- *Post-script: brine-making RO reject and injection*





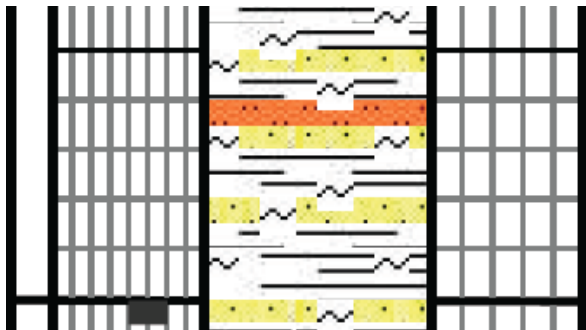
# Challenge #1 and #2: Algae and Shelf



# Challenge #3: Fluid Compatibility

Table 1 - Sample Parameters

| Item            | pH              | ECe                | Na <sup>+</sup> | Ca <sup>++</sup> | Mg <sup>+</sup> | K <sup>+</sup> | Cl <sup>-</sup> |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Red River Water | 6.42            | 469                | 100,440         | 11,800           | 3038            | 3460           | 160,000         |
|                 | SO <sub>4</sub> | NO <sub>3</sub> -N | NO <sub>3</sub> | S.G.             |                 |                |                 |
|                 | 4000            | 238                | 1034            | 1.19             |                 |                |                 |



## Cambro-Ordovician Deadwood

**SANDSTONE:** abrp SS aggregates peppered with dk grn glauc, non calc, mL-fU, sb rnd, ply srtd, plus **SILTSTONE/SHALE:** minty grn-brick rd-purp, glauc, sli dolc, vfg, waxy; plus loose sand, clr frstd cU-cL, rnd, well srtd.

## Challenge #4: Fluid Compatibility



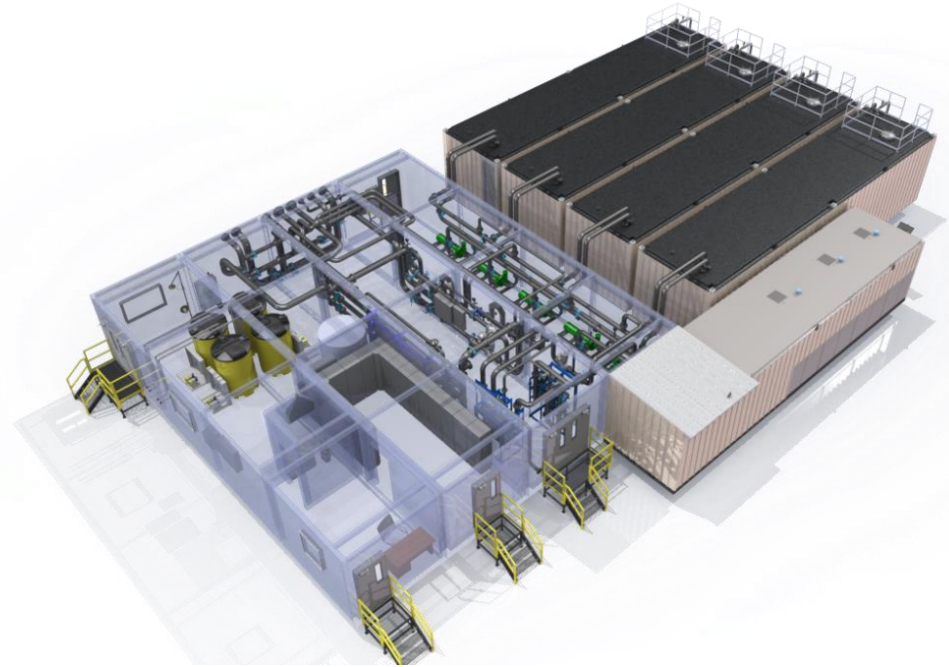


## Challenge #5 Temperature

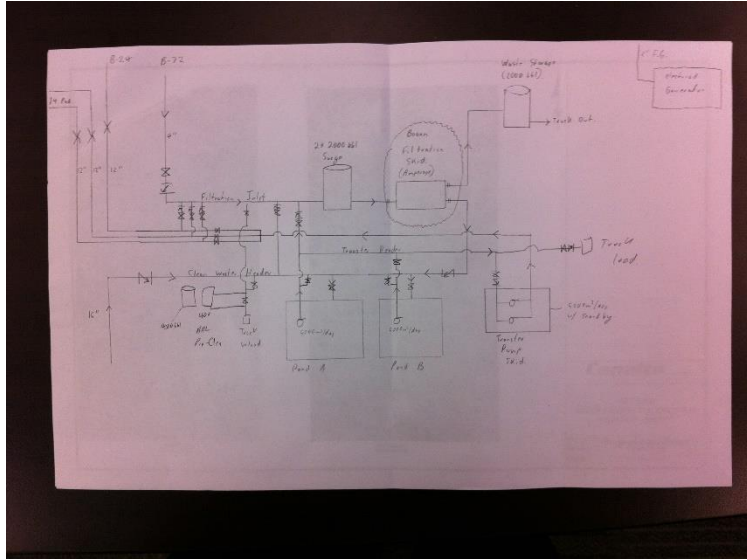


# Fixed Facility Case Study

- *Problem: treat 1,250 m<sup>3</sup>/day of >50,000 mg/L produced water for reuse*
- *Solution: plug-and-play modular plant with aeration, clarification, filtration and blending*



# Case Study: Canbriam Water ReUse Facility



Week 1



Week 40

# Current Case Study: Under Development

- *Problem: design a system to concentrate methylated compounds from mine runoff, encapsulate contaminants and discharge clean water to environment*
- *Solution: ultrafiltration, product-staged reverse osmosis, mechanical vapour recompression (evaporation), drum crystallizer*





# Case Study: Sour Water ReUse

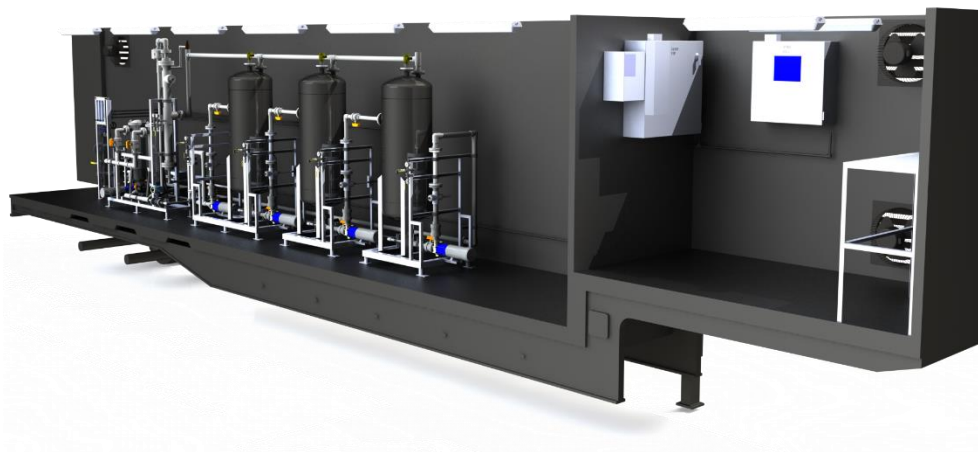


Beverly Hills



Horn River

# Case Study: Sour Water ReUse



# Sour Water ReUse Technology Options

| Technology  | Description  | CAPEX | OPEX |
|---|--|-------|------|
| <b>Modular Stripper<br/>(Fossil Water)</b>          | 5-stage process (1) inlet separator (2) natural gas mixer (3) flash vessel (4) polisher (5) off-gas to recovery or flare     |       |      |
| <b>Conventional Stripper: ie. Debolt</b>            | 5-stage process: (1) inlet separator (2) degassing tower (3) stripping tower (4) polisher (5) off-gas to incinerator         |       |      |
| <b>Oxidation (hydrogen-peroxide) Permian</b>        | 5-stage process. (1) oxidant addition (2) reactor (3) filtration (5 µm) (4) residual scavenger (5) elemental sulfur disposal |       |      |
| <b>Oxidation (chlorine-dioxide)<br/>ie. Permian</b> | 5-stage process. (1) oxidant addition (2) reactor (3) filtration (5 µm) (4) residual scavenger (5) elemental sulfur disposal |       |      |
| <b>Oxidation (ozone) Permian</b>                    | 4-stage process (1) hydrodynamic cavitation (2) ozonation (3) acoustic cavitation (4) electrochemical oxidation              |       |      |
| <b>Scavenger-based Permian</b>                      | 4-stage process (1) gas scrubber (2) scavenger (3) tank scrubber (4) sweet water disposal/recycle                            |       |      |

# Recommendations for ZLD

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- *Develop Process Flow Diagram at outset of project with SME's: this drives more focused development of criteria*
- *Pay attention to physical conditions that create upset conditions*
- *Utilize process selection hierarchy to select technology*
- *Select technology integration model best-suited to application (mobile, modular, fixed)*
- *Select project execution model that achieves program objectives (traditional agreement, performance-based contract)*



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