

A Brief History of Wastewater

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Overview

Wastewater Characteristics

Wastewater Past

Outhouses and Toilets

Wastewater Treatment

Wastewater in India and Japan

Wastewater Future



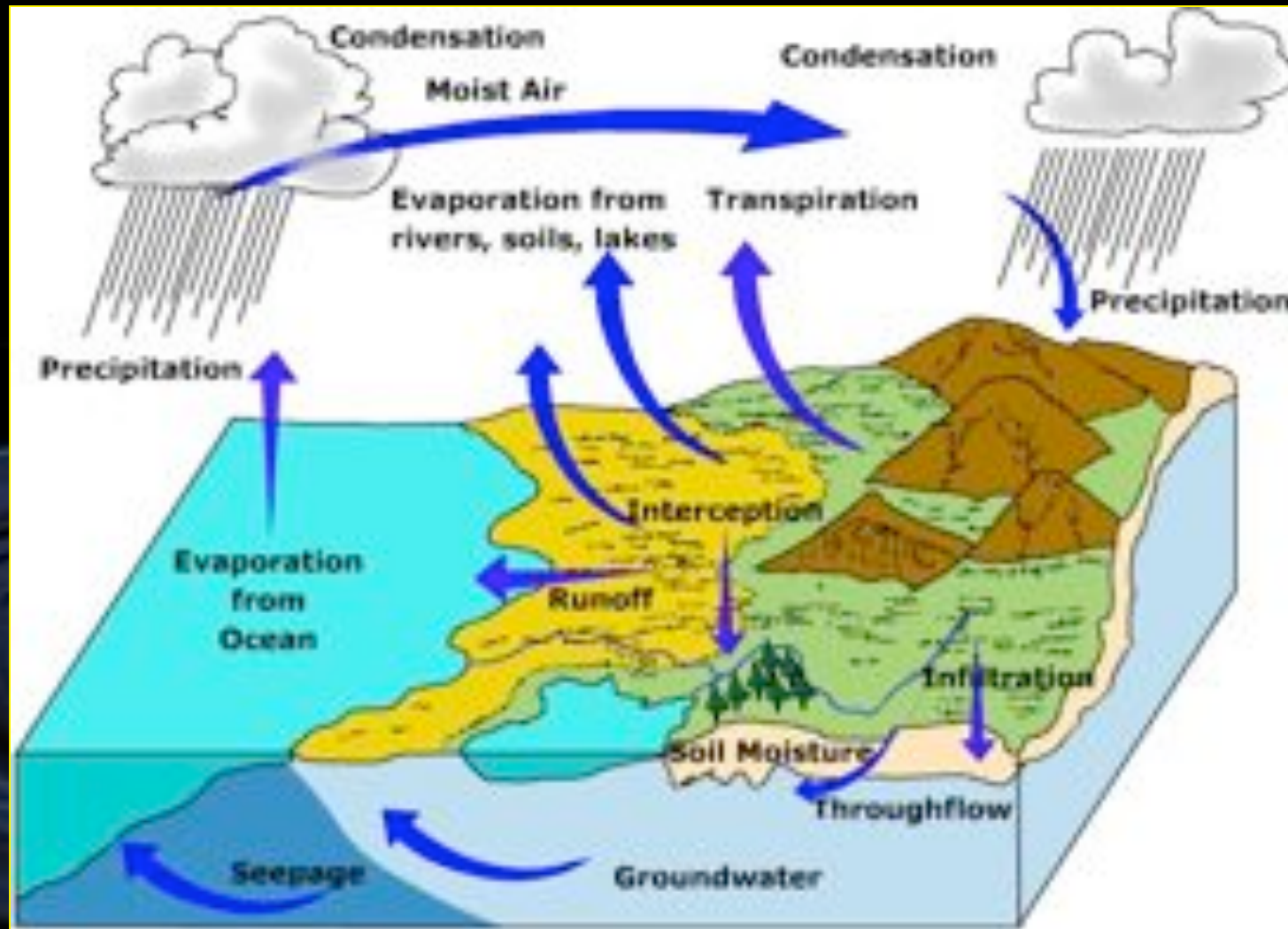
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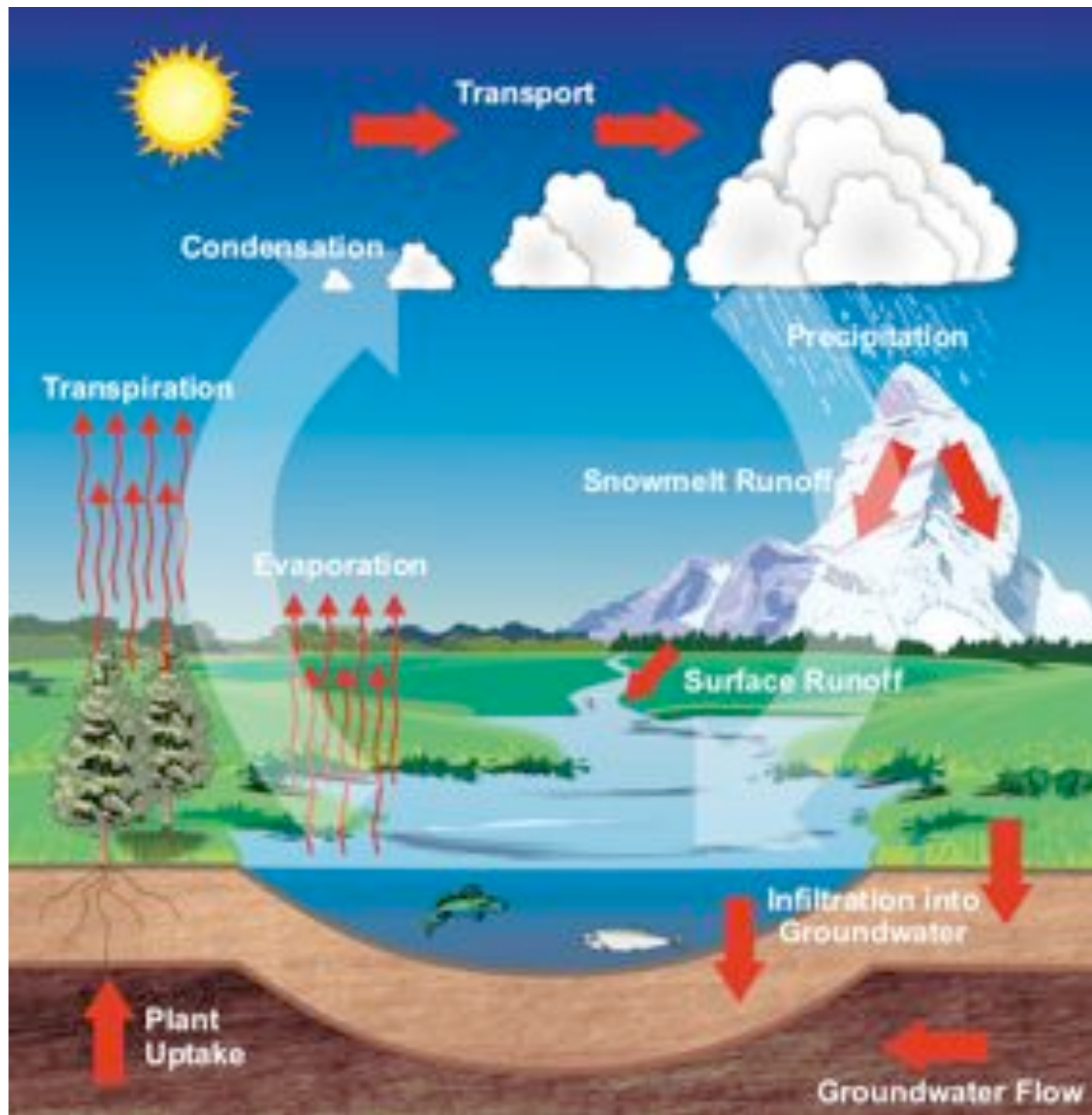
What is Wastewater?

Wastewater *n.* Water that has been used, as for washing, flushing, or in a manufacturing process, and so contains waste products; sewage.

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Hydrologic Cycle





Safe Drinking Water Act - Protecting America's Public Health



Water and Stuff

Molecular formula H_2O

Structural formula $\text{H}-\text{O}-\text{H}$

H_2O

Molecular models

Natural Waters

Drinking Water

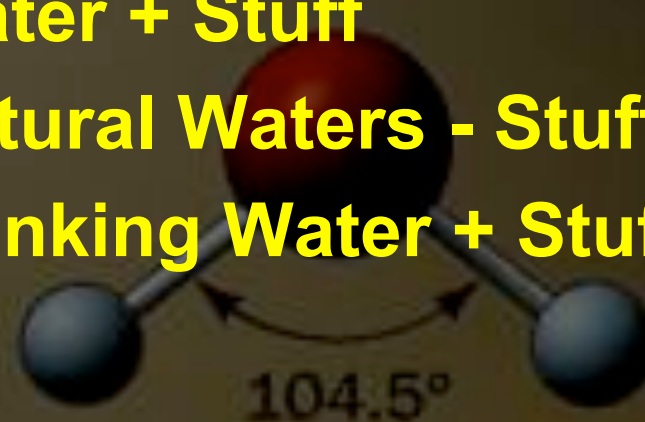
Wastewater

Pure Water

Water + Stuff

Natural Waters - Stuff

Drinking Water + Stuff



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What is the Stuff in Municipal Wastewater?

Stuff we put down the toilet or drain...

- Water
- Poop, urine, toilet paper, condoms, tampons...
- Food scraps, toothpaste, soap, hair, paint, chemicals...



...and stuff that just finds its way in.

- storm water
- wee beasties

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What is the Stuff in Municipal Wastewater?

- Water (> 95%)
- Pathogens (bacteria, viruses, prions and parasitic worms)
- Non-pathogenic bacteria
- Organic particles (feces, hairs, food, vomit, paper fibers, plant material)
- Soluble organic material (urea, fruit sugars, soluble proteins, drugs)
- Inorganic particles (sand, grit, metal particles, ceramics)
- Soluble inorganic material (ammonia, salt)
- Animals (protozoa, insects, arthropods, small fish)
- Macro-solids (sanitary towels, diapers, condoms, needles, children's toys, dead pets, body parts)
- Gases (hydrogen sulfide, carbon dioxide, methane)
- Emulsions (paints, adhesives, mayonnaise, hair colorants, emulsified oils)
- Toxins (pesticides, poisons, herbicides)

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How Do We Measure Stuff in Wastewater?

Biochemical Oxygen Demand

Total Suspended Solids

Nitrogen

Phosphorous

Chloride

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How Much of this Stuff is in Wastewater?

(mg/l)

Biochemical Oxygen Demand	200
Total Suspended Solids	200
Nitrogen (total)	40
Phosphorous	10
Chloride	50

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Evolution of Waste Management



Evolution of Waste Management: Driving Issues

#1. Smell

#2. Infectious Disease

#3. Chronic Health Risks

#4. Environmental Concerns



Waste Management: **10,000 BC**



Nomadic Tribes:
MOVE

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3500 BC

**City of Ur (Mesopotamian Capital in Iraq):
Swept waste into the streets**

**When street
level rises,
raise the doors**



2500 BC

Indus Valley (Pakistan): Ahead of Their Time

- Drainage systems
- Some houses had water-flushing toilets
- Houses had rubbish chutes, and there were rubbish bins placed around the city for refuse disposal
- Great leap in waste management



2100 BC

City of Hierakopolis (Egypt)

**Waste generally
swept into streets,
but rich & religious
people put waste
into rivers**



1700 - 1500 BC

**King Minos of Crete, also ahead of his time--
Running water in palace bathrooms,
Baths filled & emptied w/ clay pipes**

320 BC

Athens (Greece):

First known edict banning disposal of refuse in the streets

300 BC: City collects waste, charges landowners



The early Greeks understood the relationship between water quality and general public health. This concern was passed onto the Romans.

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600 BC - 400 AD

Ancient Rome

Aqueducts

Cloaca Maxima (the Great Sewers)

Waste to Rivers (Tiber, Rome)

Public Baths

Flush Toilets (not seen again until ~1600)



Romans Raise the Bar

- 11 public baths
- 1300 public fountains
- 856 private baths
- 144 public water-flushed toilets



The Fall of the Roman Empire

- End of running water in Europe for the next thousand years
- Depopulation, deurbanization
- Return to throwing waste into the streets

500 - 1500 AD: Bad Times

Drinking Water and Wastewater: Together Again

Raging epidemics, rampant disease and death

- **dysentery, typhus, typhoid fever**
- **rats, ticks, fleas**

Linkage between waste and disease forgotten

Rivers became sewers

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14th Century: Time to Do Something, But What?

Following the major plagues of the 12th century, waste management became a priority.

1388: Act of English Parliament “forbade the throwing of filth and garbage into ditches, rivers, and water”

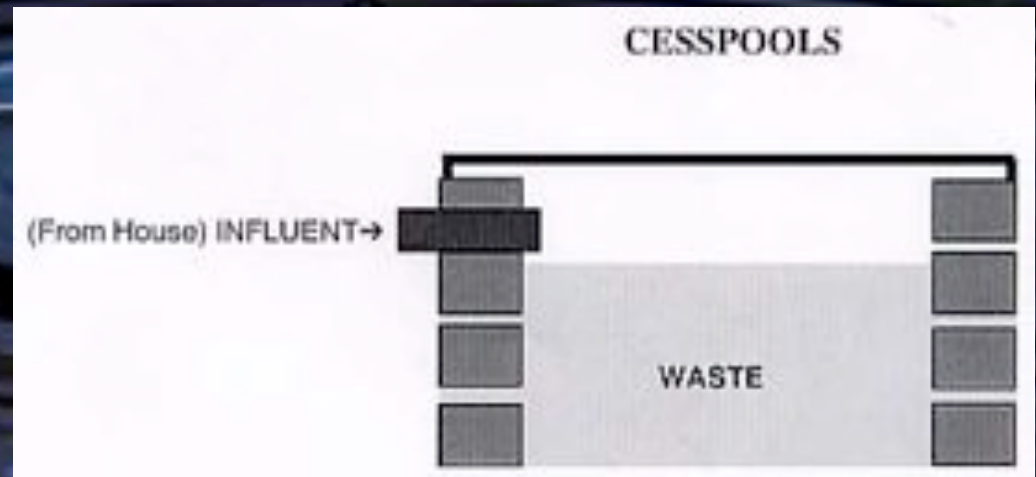
Legislation was ineffective, as offenders and offended alike were unable to devise adequate alternatives to the available methods of collection and disposal

Except for those in heavily polluted areas, popular opinion was very much against such measures

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Renaissance: 1500-1700

- Renewed awareness of the link between sanitation and human health
 - More laws about polluting streams
 - Development of the Cesspool
(pit that allows solids to settle and liquid to seep into the ground)
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- Asphyxiation common due to hydrogen sulfide, oxygen deficiency
 - Methane explosions
 - Used “night soil” for fertilizer
 - Small children harvested cesspit wastes



1700 - 1860

Increases in Awareness, Stagnation of Options

Chamber Pots into Street Gutters

Outhouses

Cesspools

Get it to the River

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Chamber Pot

Chamber Pots



The Outhouse



Latrine

Privy

Earth-closet

Dunny

Loo

Jake

Comfort Station

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Earth-Pit Privy

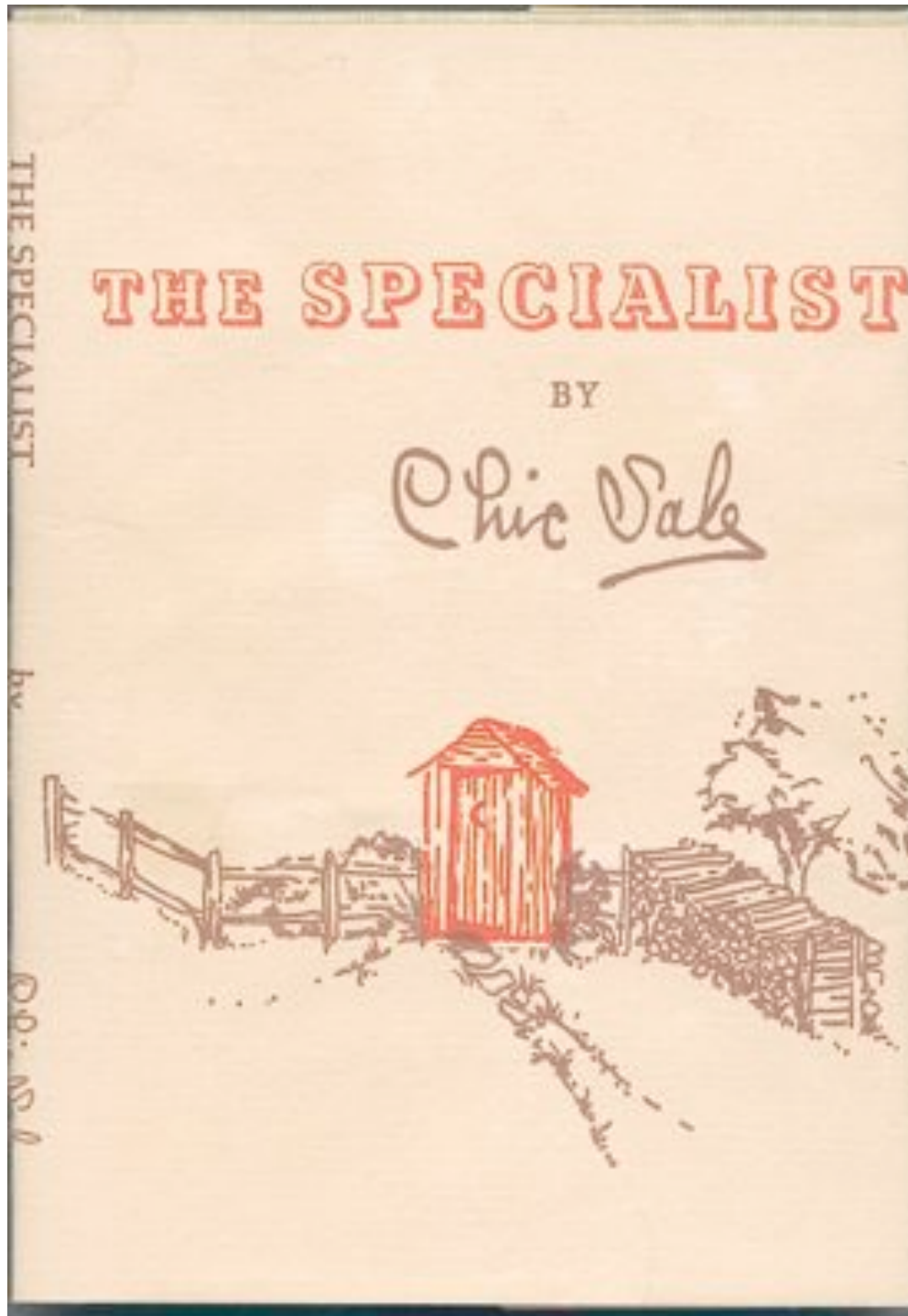
Design Criteria

**6 feet deep
50 cu. ft.**

**“... lean-to roof has
two less corners for
the wasps to build
their nests in...”**

Privy with a View

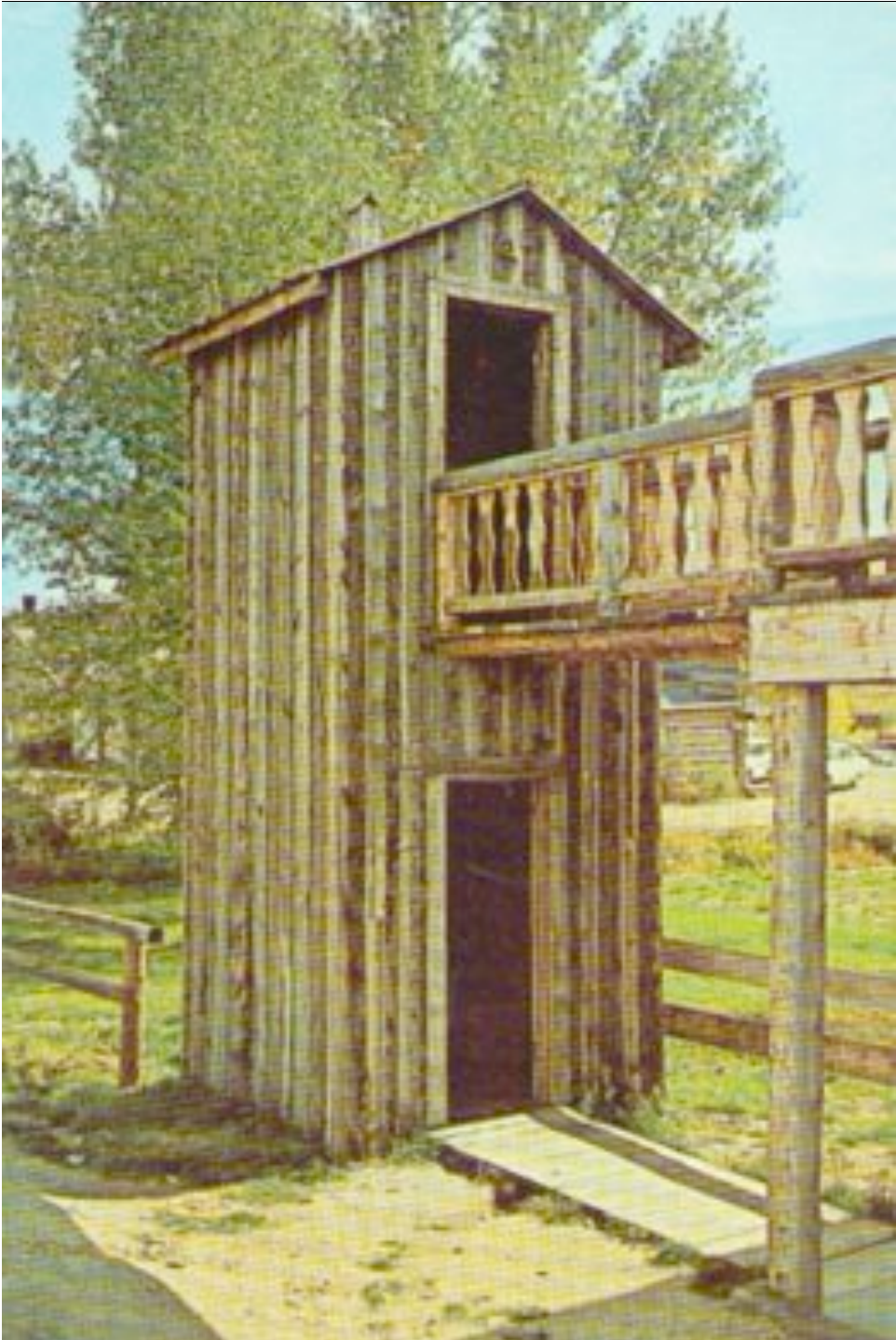




Charles (Chic) Sales

The Specialist (1927)

“..dig her deep and
dig her wide..”



Two-Story Outhouse

**for two-storied houses
with two families**



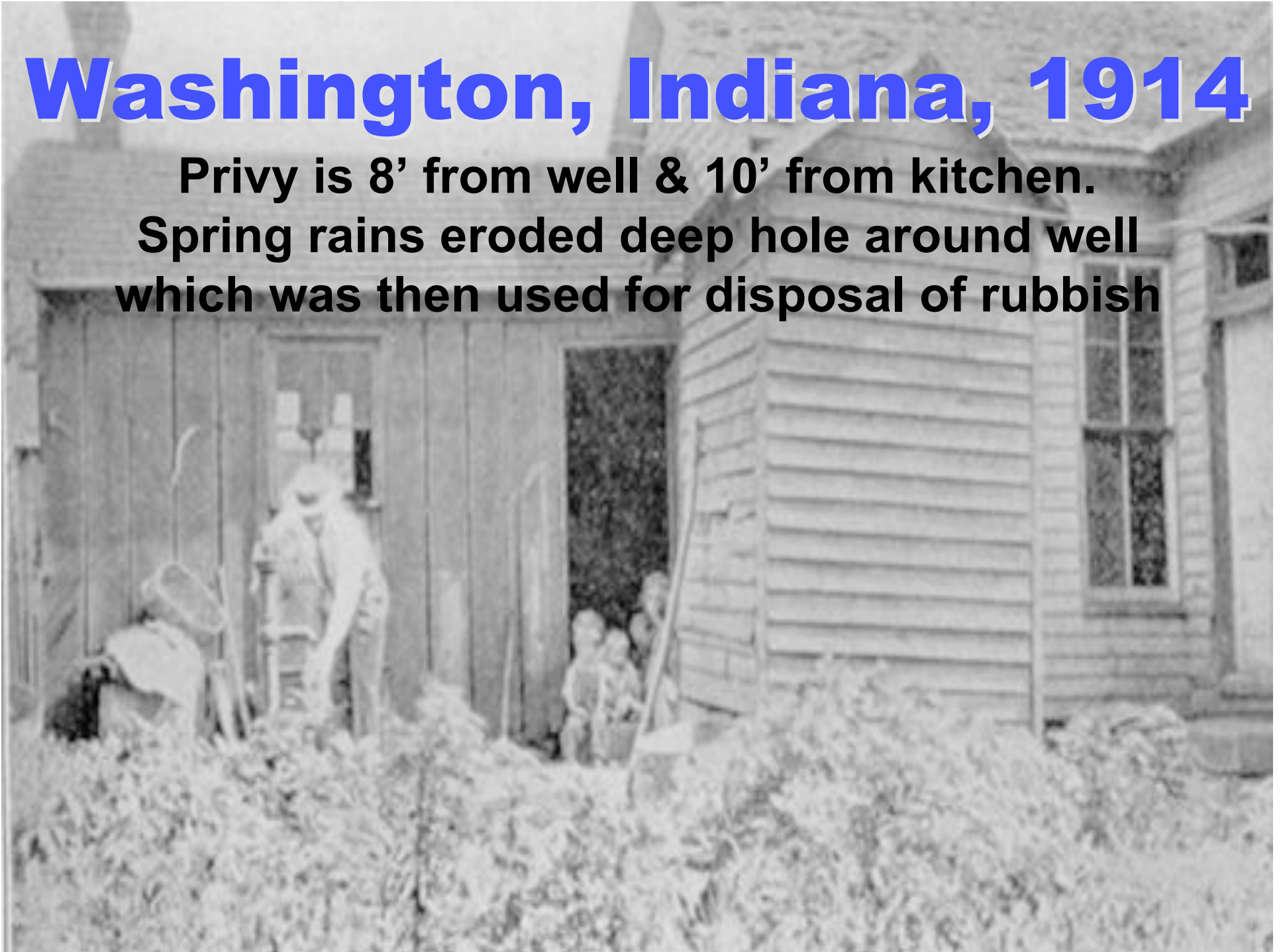
**Sears Roebuck
Catalogs,
Newspapers,
and Corn Cobs**

**packaged toilet paper,
introduced in 1857,
sold poorly**

Washington, Indiana, 1914

Privy is 8' from well & 10' from kitchen.

**Spring rains eroded deep hole around well
which was then used for disposal of rubbish**



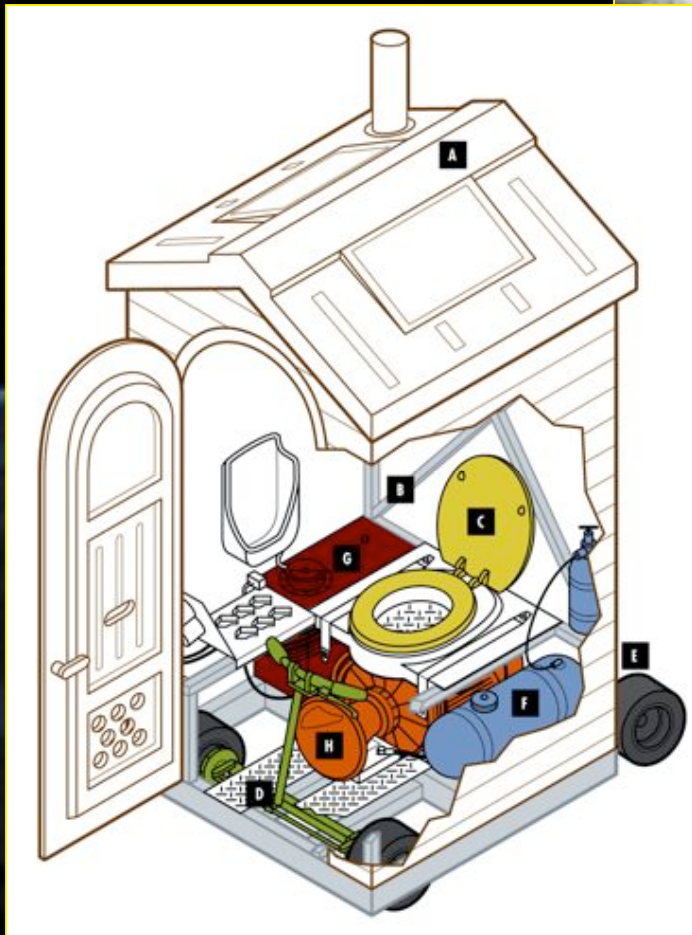
Outhouses in Australia 1950



New Zealand 2004 - Loo with a View



The Jet-Propelled Outhouse



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The Space Shuttle



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The Space Shuttle



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The Out-in-the-Open Outhouse





The Sanisette







Islam and the Outhouse

Qadaahul Haaja: Islamic Toilet Rules



- Say before entering the toilet: In the name of Allah, O Allah! I seek refuge with You from all offensive and wicked things
- One should enter the toilet with the left foot and leave with the right foot.
- It is not permissible to enter the toilet whilst carrying or wearing anything bearing the name of Allah, such as the Quran, or any book with the name of Allah in it, or jewelry such as bracelets or necklaces engraved with the name of Allah.
- One should remain silent whilst on the toilet. Talking, answering greetings or greeting others is forbidden.
- One should not face nor turn your back on Mecca whilst relieving yourself. One should sit at 90 degrees.
- One should be out of sight of people when going to the toilet.
- It is forbidden to relieve oneself whilst standing up, lying down or if you are completely nude.
- One should avoid going to the toilet anywhere where people may take rest or gather for any purpose.
- Do not raise clothes until you get close to the ground and do not uncover the body any more than is needed.
- One should sit on the feet (e.g. squat) keeping thighs wide apart with the stress on the left foot.
- Do not look to the private parts of the body nor the waste matter passed from the body.
- Do not sit more than needed.
- Do not spit, blow nose, look hither and thither, touch the body unnecessarily nor look towards the sky but relieve oneself with the eyes downcast in modesty.
- After relieving oneself it is essential to perform Istinja (washing with water) of the anus and/or genitals with the left hand and water. The precise mode of performing Istinja has also been defined by religious leaders.
- Other than toilet paper, water and the left hand Istinja can be performed with earth, grit, stones and worn-out cloths provided they are all clean. It is forbidden to perform Istinja with bone, any edible item, dry dung, baked brick, potsherd, coal, fodder, writing paper and anything which has even a small value.
- After this process the hands should also be washed.
- When leaving the toilet one should say the following prayer: Praise be to Allah who relieved me of the filth and gave me relief.

**Meanwhile,
Back in the 19th Century...**



Cholera

Worldwide epidemic
in 19th Century

1832 in New York
1854 in London



"King Cholera dispenses contagion: the London Cholera Epidemic of 1854" by George John Pinwell (1842-1875). This illustration depicts the historical event whereby during a cholera epidemic in the Soho district of London in 1854, Dr. John Snow determined that the epidemic was centered around one particular well on Broadstreet.

Wastewater Treatment

- **Screen**
- **Settle**
- **Skim**
- **Accelerate Natural Biological Processes**
- **Destroy Pathogens**

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19th Century

1860 Louis Moureas invents the septic tank

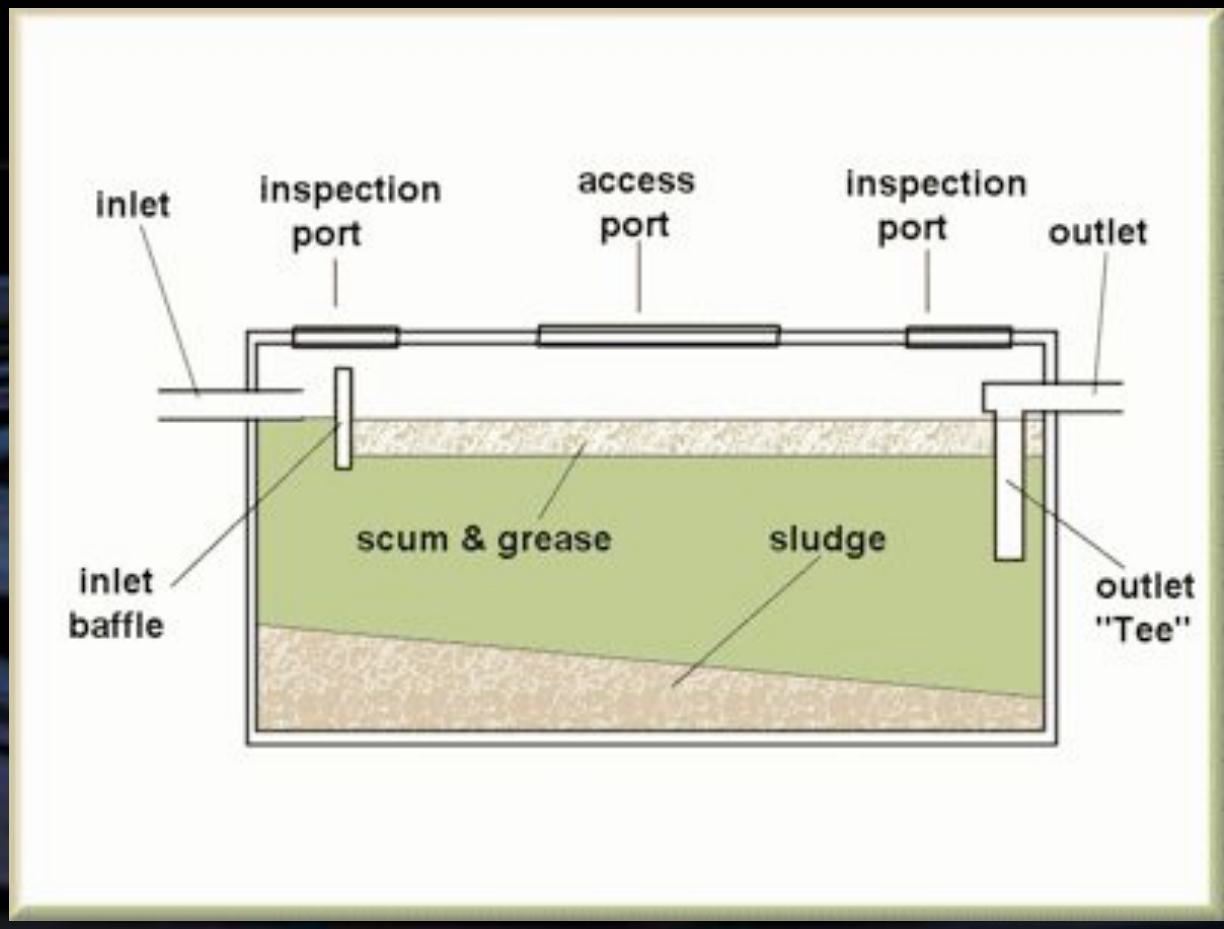
- Allows solids to settle out before liquid is discharged to the nearest stream or river
- Used for communities
- People also experimented with sand filters

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Septic Tank

Invented by Louis Moureas in 1860

- Large scale: used to treat sewage from communities
- Purpose: "To remove gross solids before discharge into the nearest stream or river."



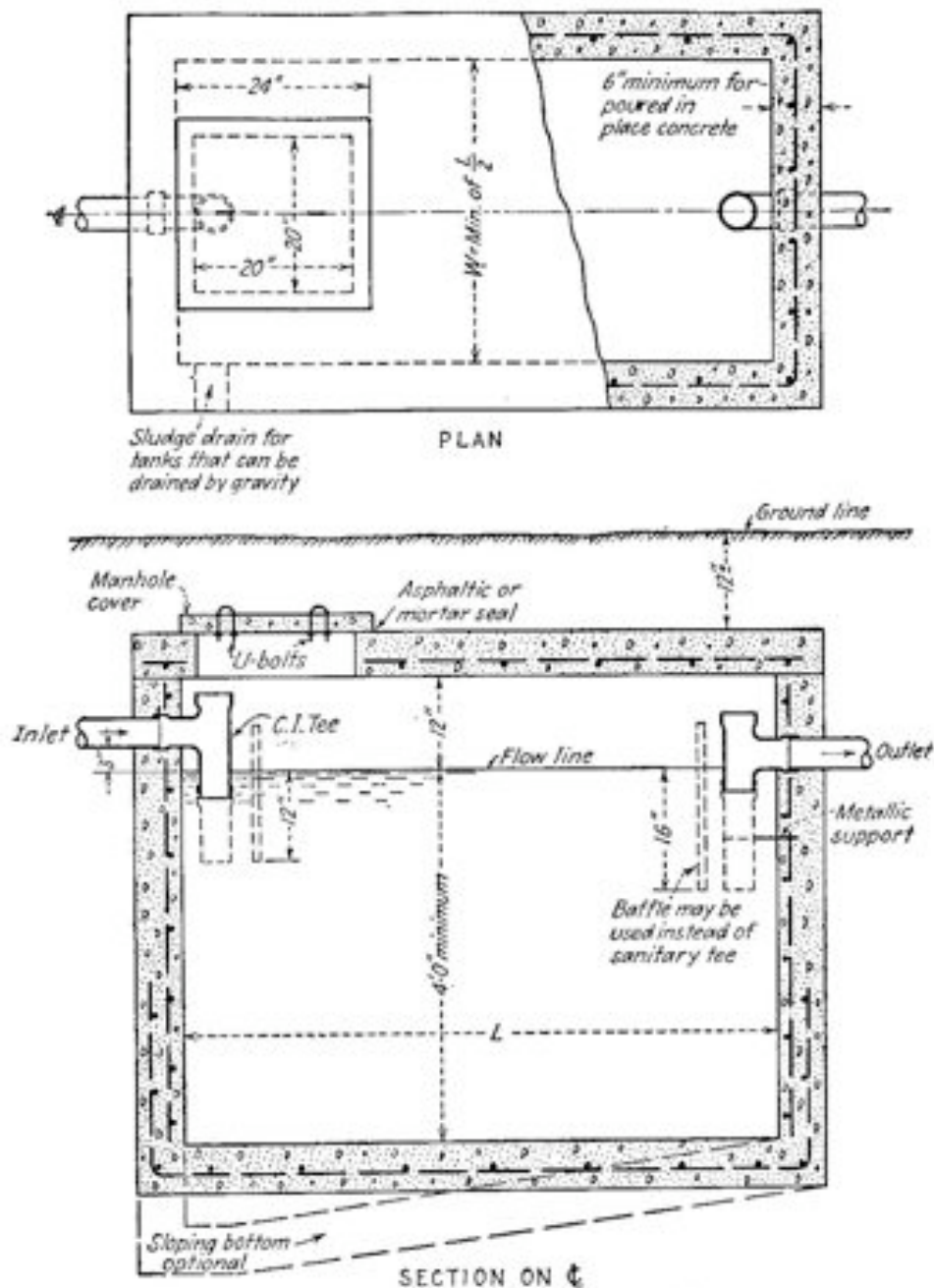


FIG. 51. A single-compartment septic tank.

Septic Tank

Unit Capacity:

4 to 16 people

500 - 2000 gallons

90 – 300 cubic feet

1–3 compartments

L/W: 3/1; D: 4-6 ft.

Scum, gas baffles

PVC Filter Vault

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Sub-Surface Disposal

Gravel-filled Trenches

Open-Joint Tiles

Infiltration to Ground

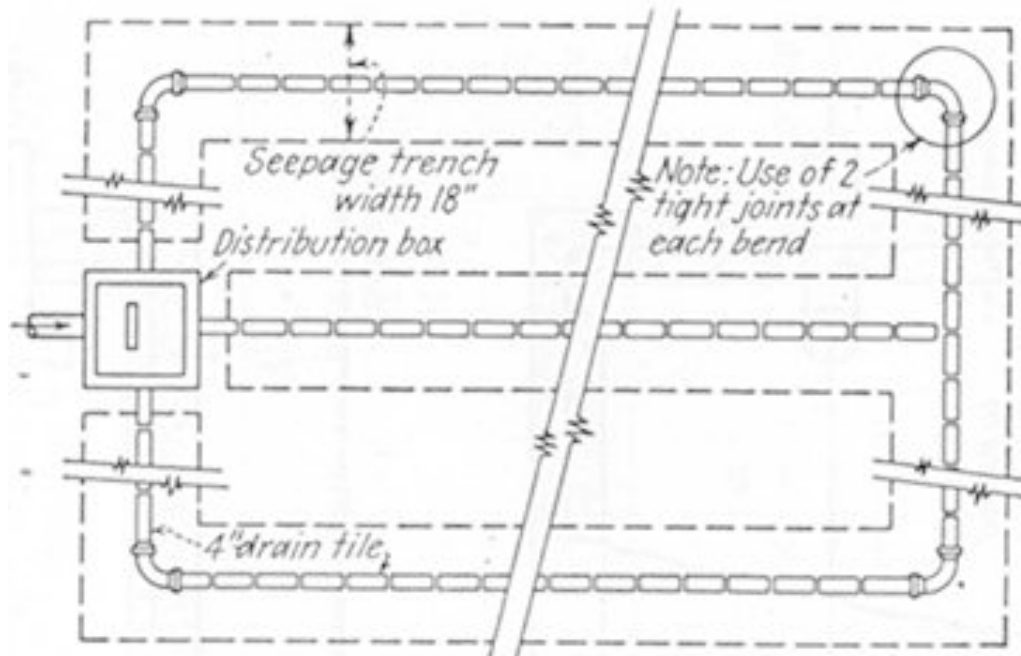
Biological Slime Formation

Mineral Precipitates, FeS

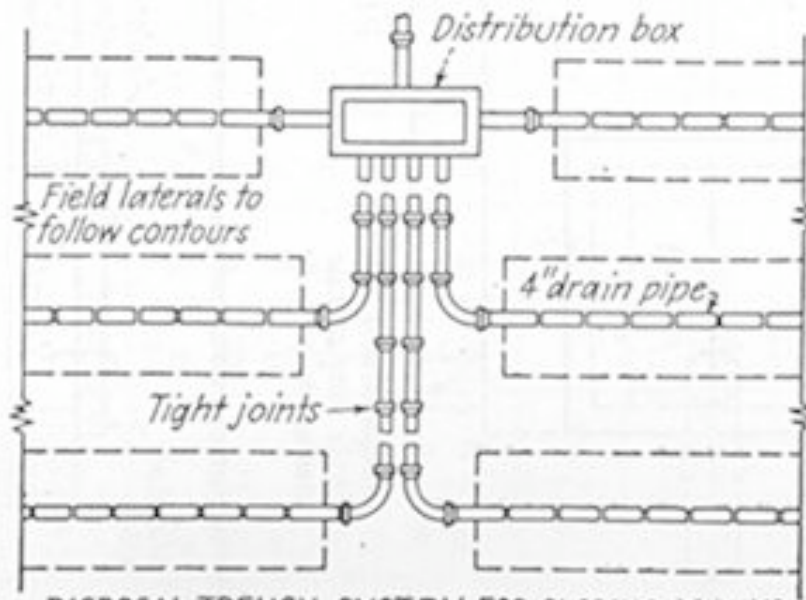
Release of Gases, H₂S, CH₄

Soil Acceptance Rate

0.3 to 0.5 gpd/sf



DISPOSAL TRENCH SYSTEM FOR LEVEL GROUND



DISPOSAL TRENCH SYSTEM FOR SLOPING GROUND

New York City: Early 1800's

Drinking water from wells and cisterns

Private waste disposal (privies for temporary storage) “vault and haul”

Belief: *running water purifies effluent*

Potential for water pollution not recognized

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New York City: Late 19th Century

Sewers initially developed for storm water

Limited water supply made water-based disposal unworkable

Water brought in by aqueduct

Sewers improved to handle new influx created by more water use

Connecting all houses to sewers took awhile

Connections achieved by public funding pushed by public health concerns



The background of the slide is a dark blue image showing concentric ripples on a water surface. A small, bright reflection of light is visible in the center of the ripples. In the bottom right corner, there is a logo that reads "H2O'C ENGINEERING" in a stylized font.

1900

Toilets and Water Carriage: The Birth of Sewage

Valveless Water Waste Preventer (aka toilet)

Indoor Plumbing

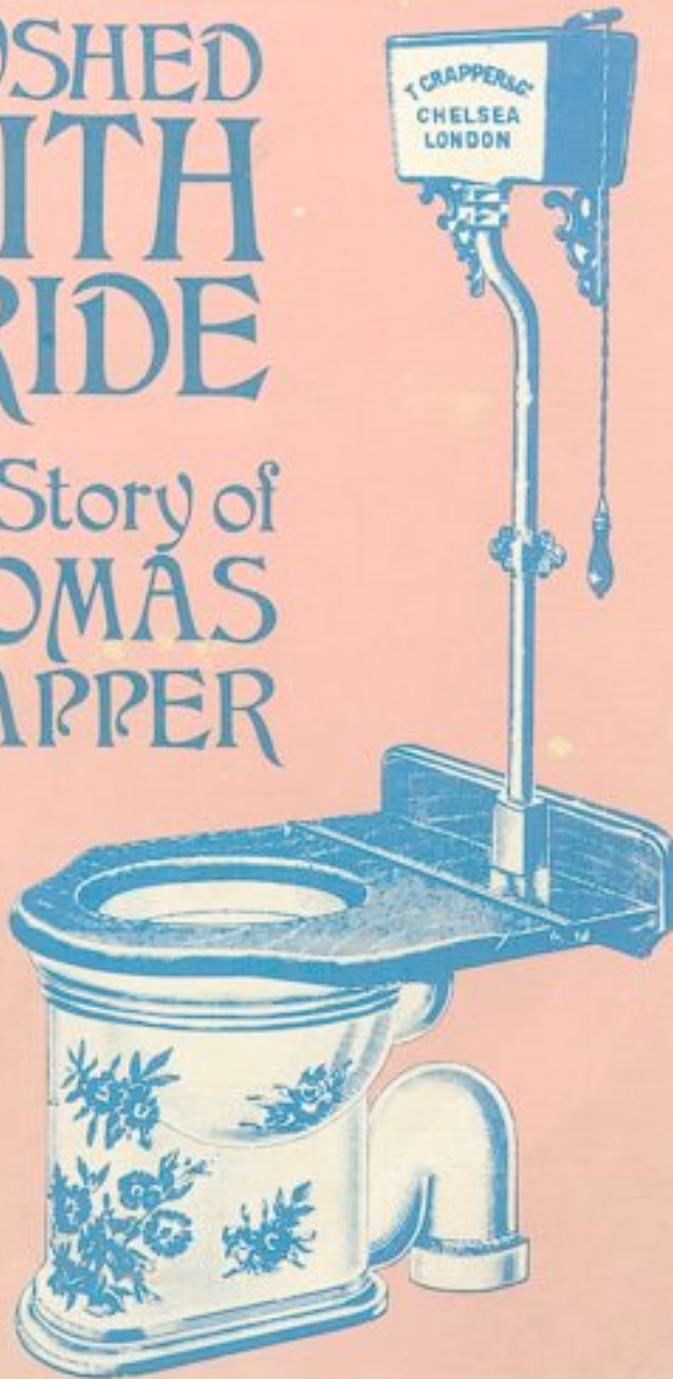
Demise of the Outhouse

Early Disposal of 'Flushings'

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FLUSHED WITH PRIDE

The Story of
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Indoor Plumbing

circa 1900

to eliminate disease,
fumes, explosions

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**Ventilation of House
Drains**

**Air Pump and Smoke
Generating Machines**

**Disconnecting Traps
for Safety Purposes**

**Self-Rising Closet
Seats**

Cantilever Toilet

Flusherette Valve

Stair Treads

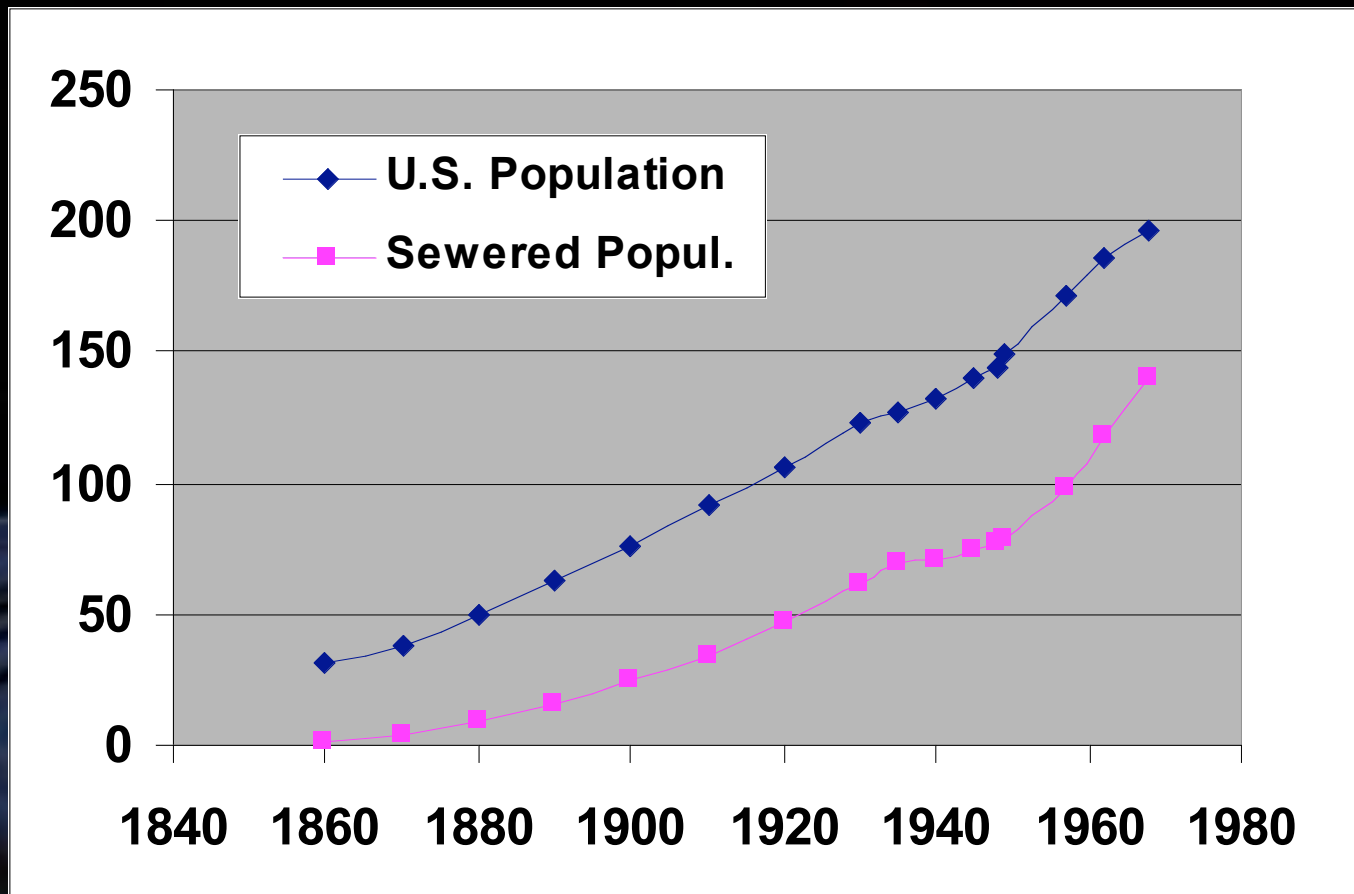


United States Population

1910: 92 million
38% sewered
**89% of waste
discharged
untreated**

1968: 197 million
70% sewered
11% untreated

Sewered Population



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Disposal Systems – 1910

Unsewered Households

Residential Waste Disposal
Waste Quantities and Strength

Evolution of the Septic Tank

Soil Absorption Systems

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Residential Flow Rates

Residences*	gallons/person/day
Low Income	50
Median	60
Luxury	80

Peak Flow Factors

Month	2
Day	4
Hour	6

* Average: 3 residents per household

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Residential Water Use

Household Use	<u>gallons / day</u>
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Laundry	25
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Dishwashing	10
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Miscellaneous	5
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Personal (per capita) Use	
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Bathing	20
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Toilet Flushing	17
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Cooking and Drinking	3
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Unsewered Systems

On-Site Treatment and Disposal

Flow Range: 0.2 to 2 m³/ day

Septic Tanks (Settling; Fermentation)

1 to 2 day retention; 2 meters deep

scum, sludge removal every 6 to 12 months

sludge to lagoons, earth-covered trenches

or plowed into land after partial drying on surface

Soil absorption systems for tank overflow

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Waste Disposal

1920-1950

Sewage Collection (Sewerage)

Sewage Treatment:

Imhoff Tanks

Primary Treatment

Chemical Precipitation

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Karl Imhoff



KARL IMHOFF'S

Handbook of Urban Drainage and Wastewater Disposal



Edited by
Vladimir Novotny
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**Sewers: Open ditches with concrete slabs
Two-Storyed Settling and Digestion Tanks
The Arithmetic of Sewage Treatment Works**

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An aerial photograph showing a complex highway interchange with multiple lanes and ramps. The surrounding area includes some buildings, trees, and open land. The image is in black and white, with a blue border at the top and bottom.

US Public Health Service Training Slides from 1950

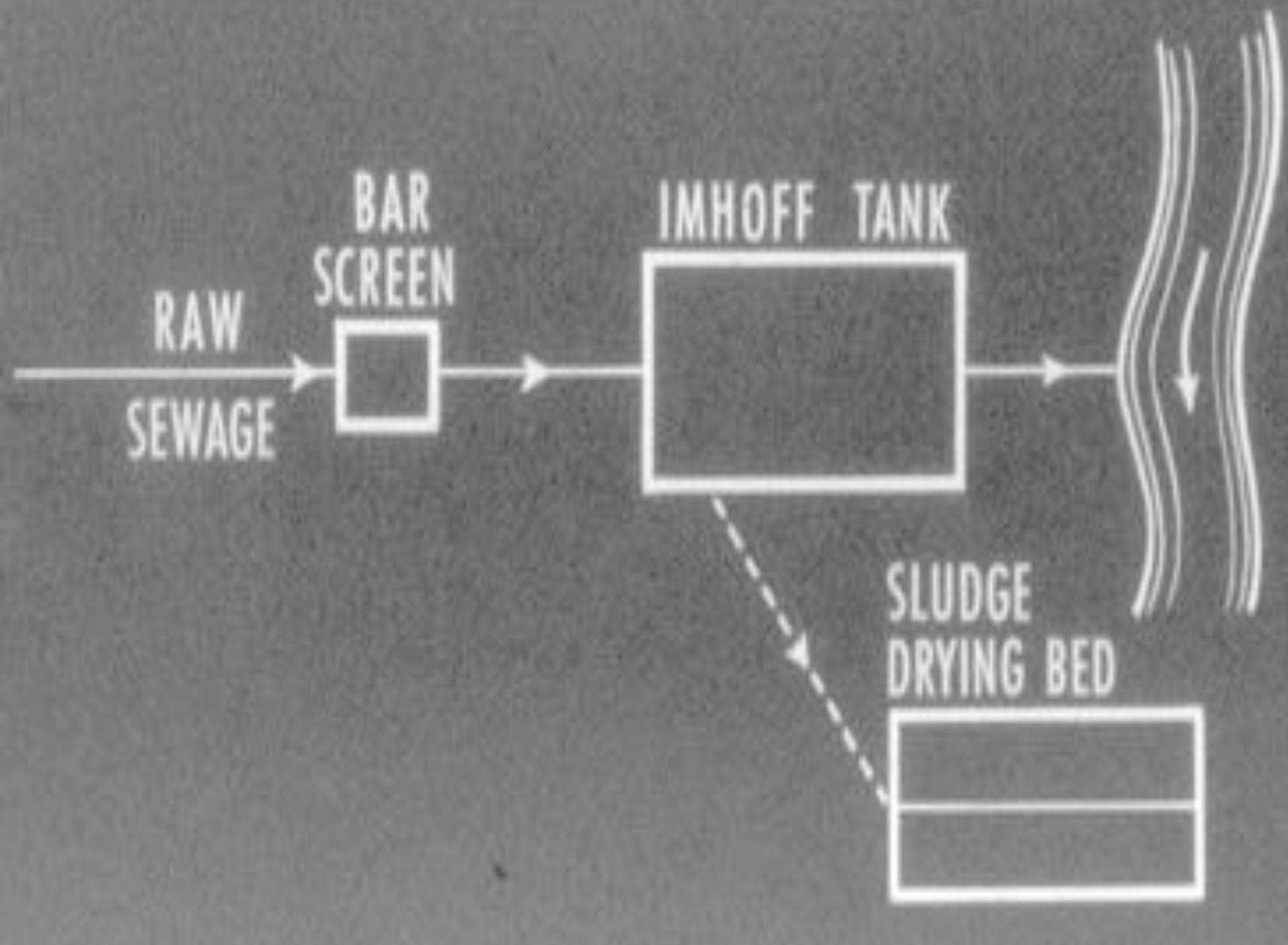
Imhoff Tank Treatment Plant



Population: 1000

40,000 gpd

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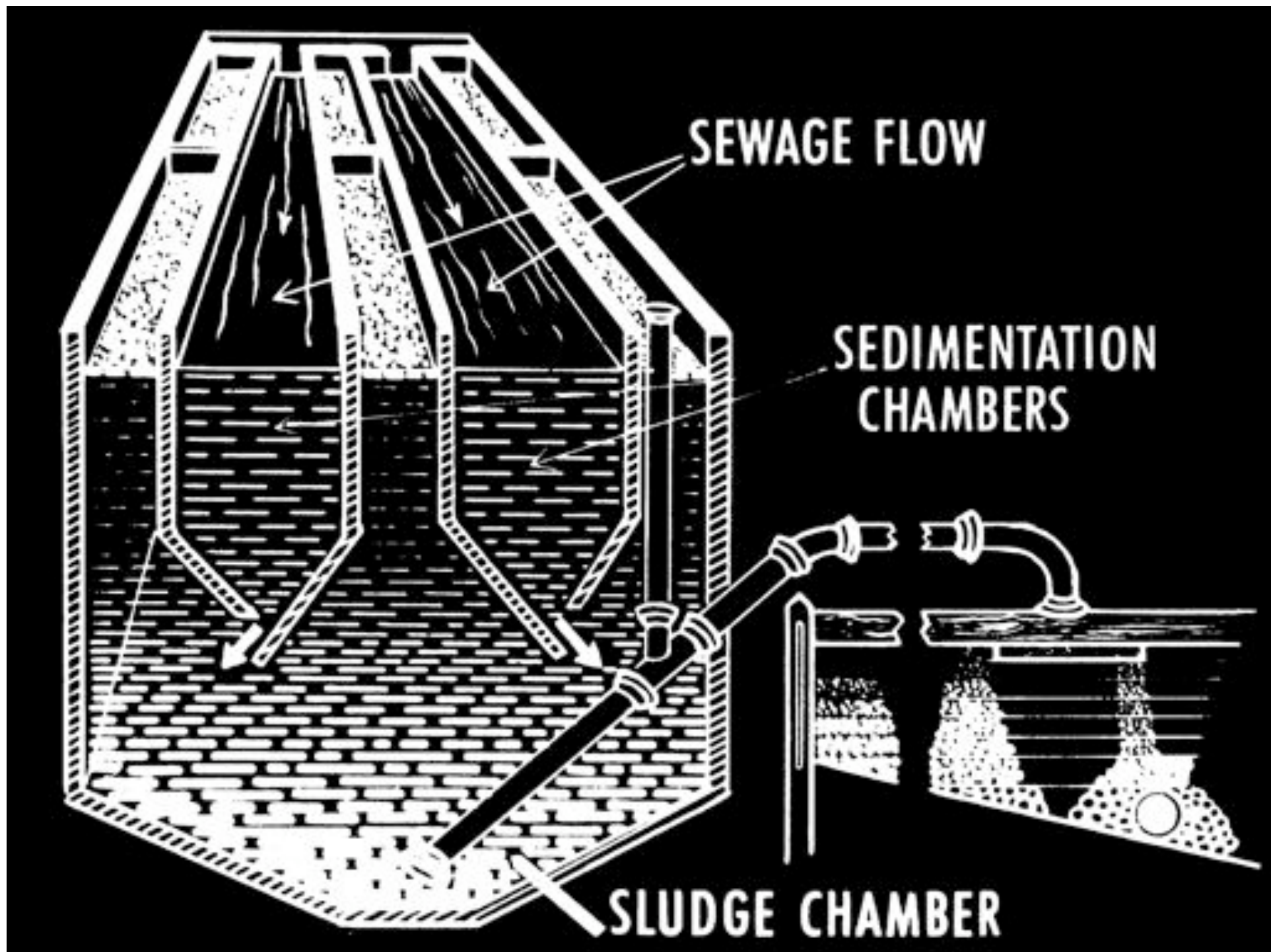
Manually-Cleaned Bar Rack



Imhoff Tank

Settling Compartments and Gas Vents





Gas Rising from Gas Vent



Raw Sludge Drying Beds



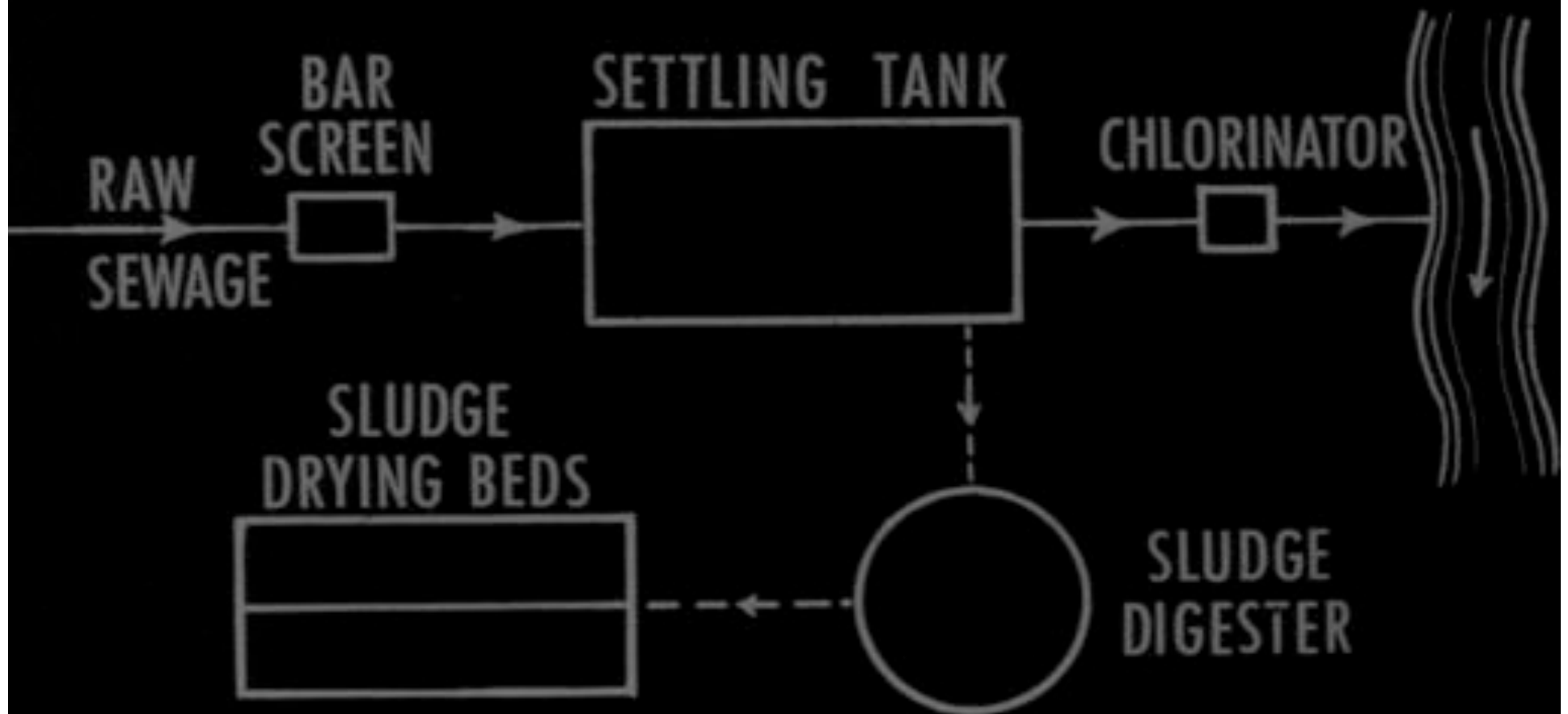
Sewage Effluent entering Stream



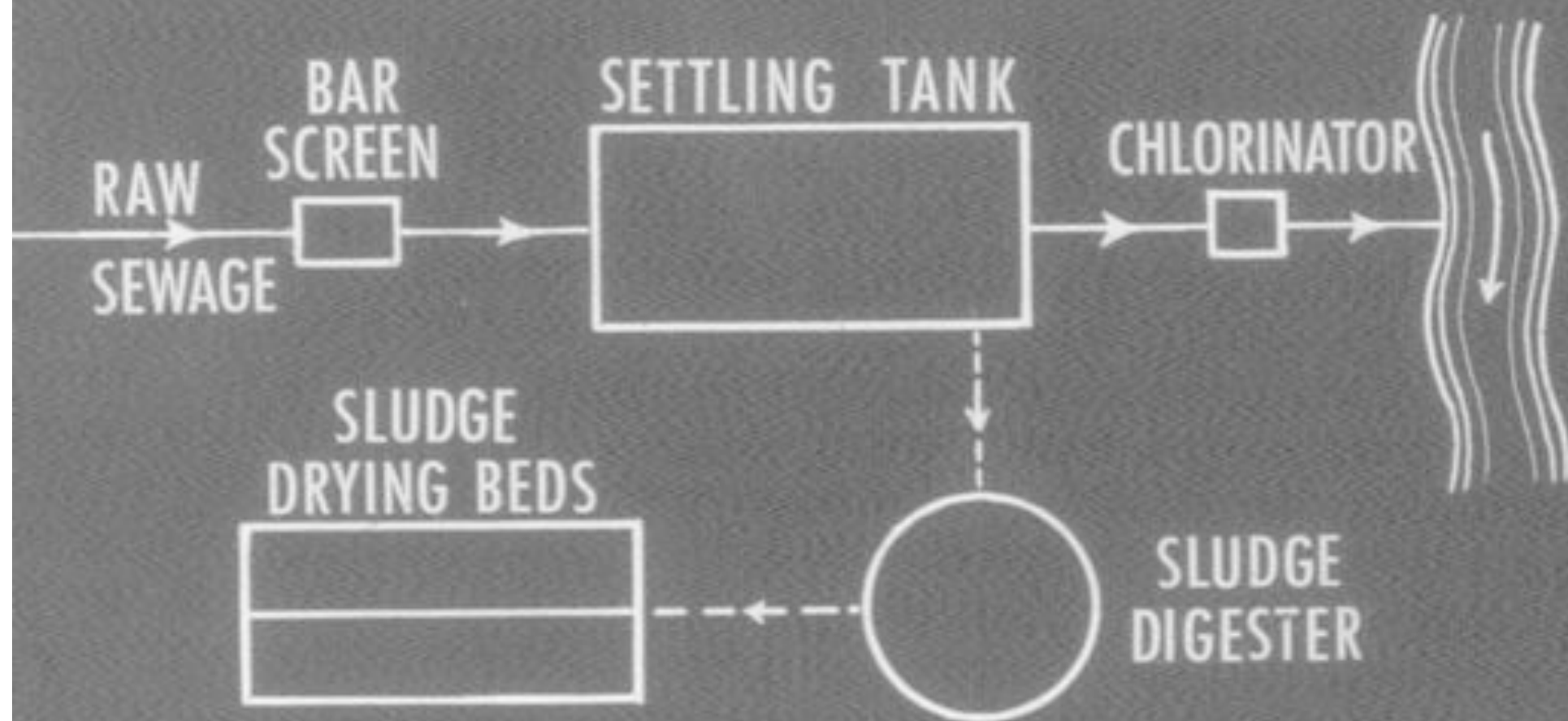
50% Suspended Solids Removal
50% Reduction in Oxygen Demand

PRIMARY SETTLING WITH SEPARATE SLUDGE DISPOSITION

Primary Settling and Disinfection



PRIMARY SETTLING WITH SEPARATE SLUDGE DIGESTION



Primary Treatment 4,500 / 0.5 mgd

Prechlorination (odor control)

Primary Clarifiers

Chlorine Contact Chamber

Heated Sludge Digester

Sand Drying Beds



Prechlorination and Sampling



Dual, Manually-Cleaned Bar Screens



Rectangular, Mechanically-Cleaned Clarifiers



Scum Removal



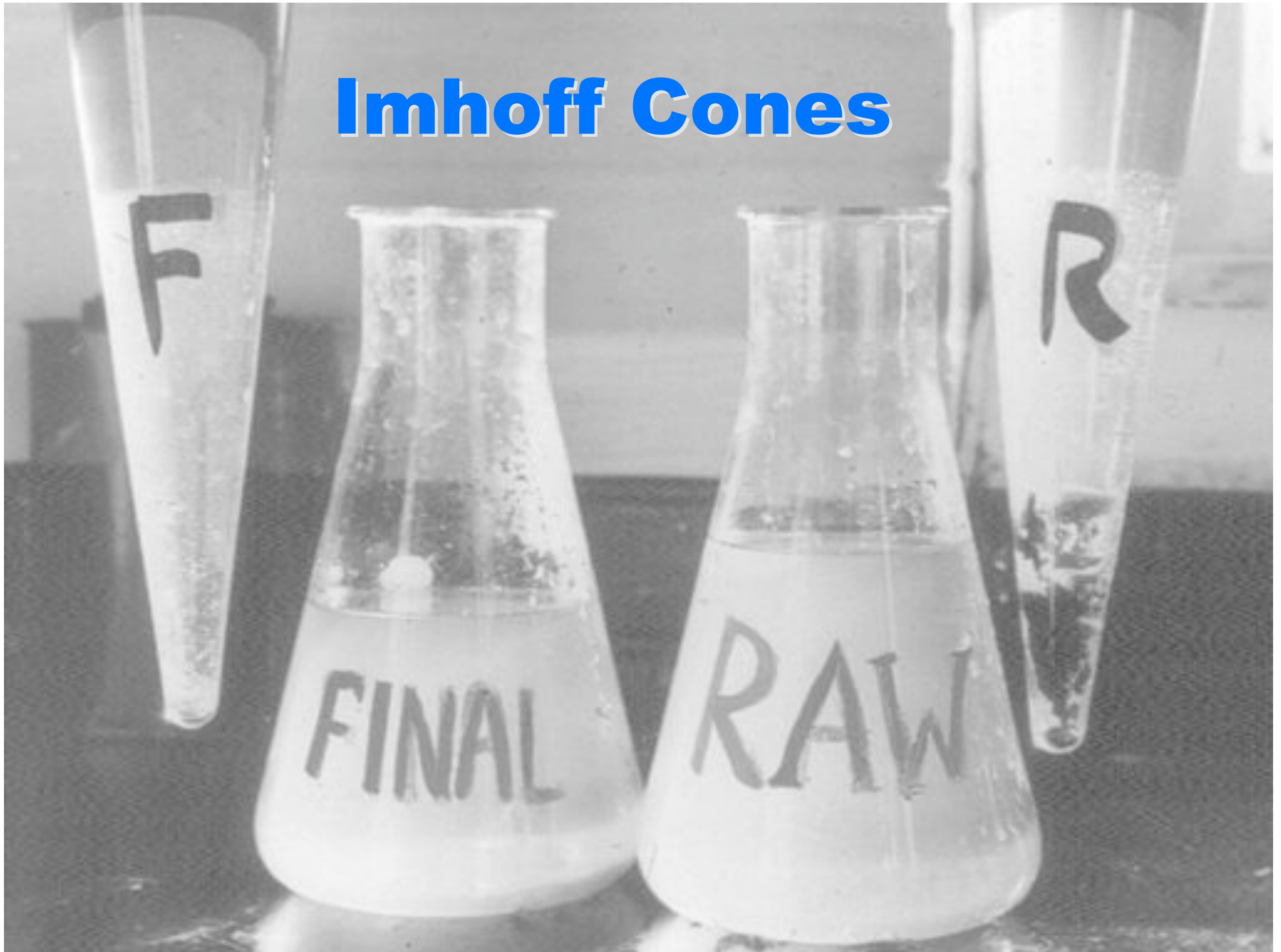
Chlorine Contact Chamber





Effluent Sampling

Imhoff Cones



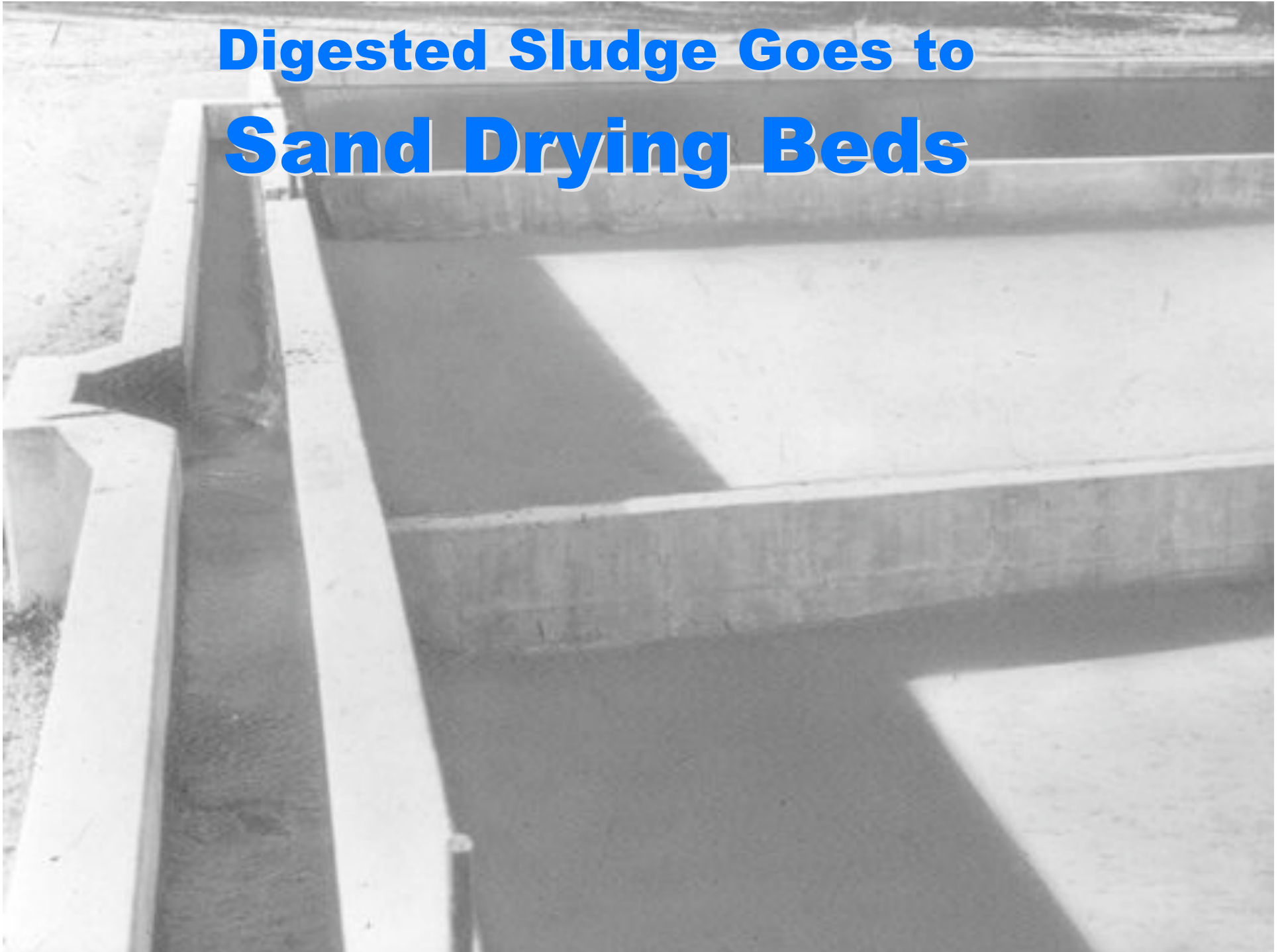
Heated Sludge Digester



Floating Cover

- Anaerobic conditions
- Volatile solids converted to CO_2 and methane

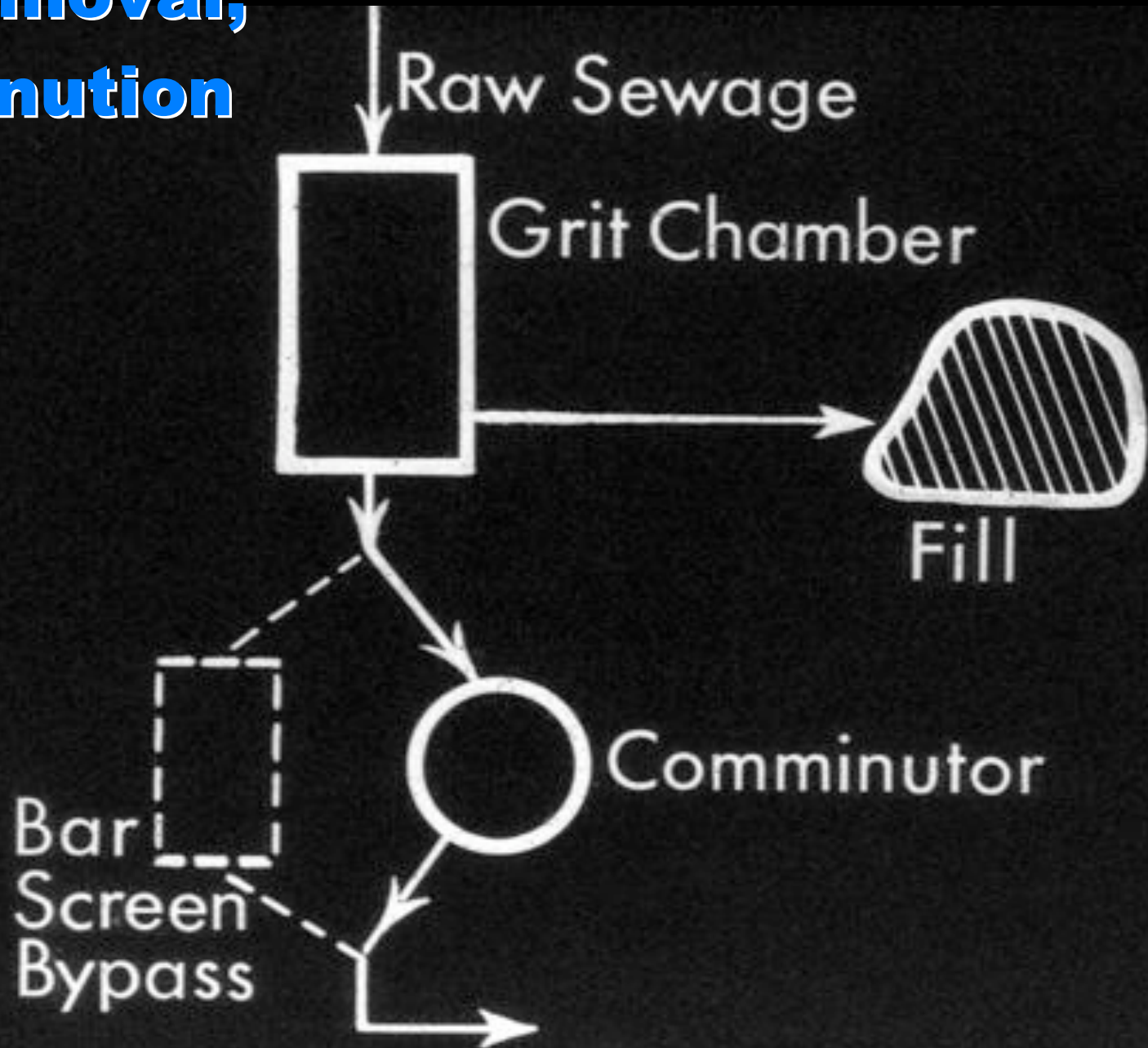
Digested Sludge Goes to Sand Drying Beds



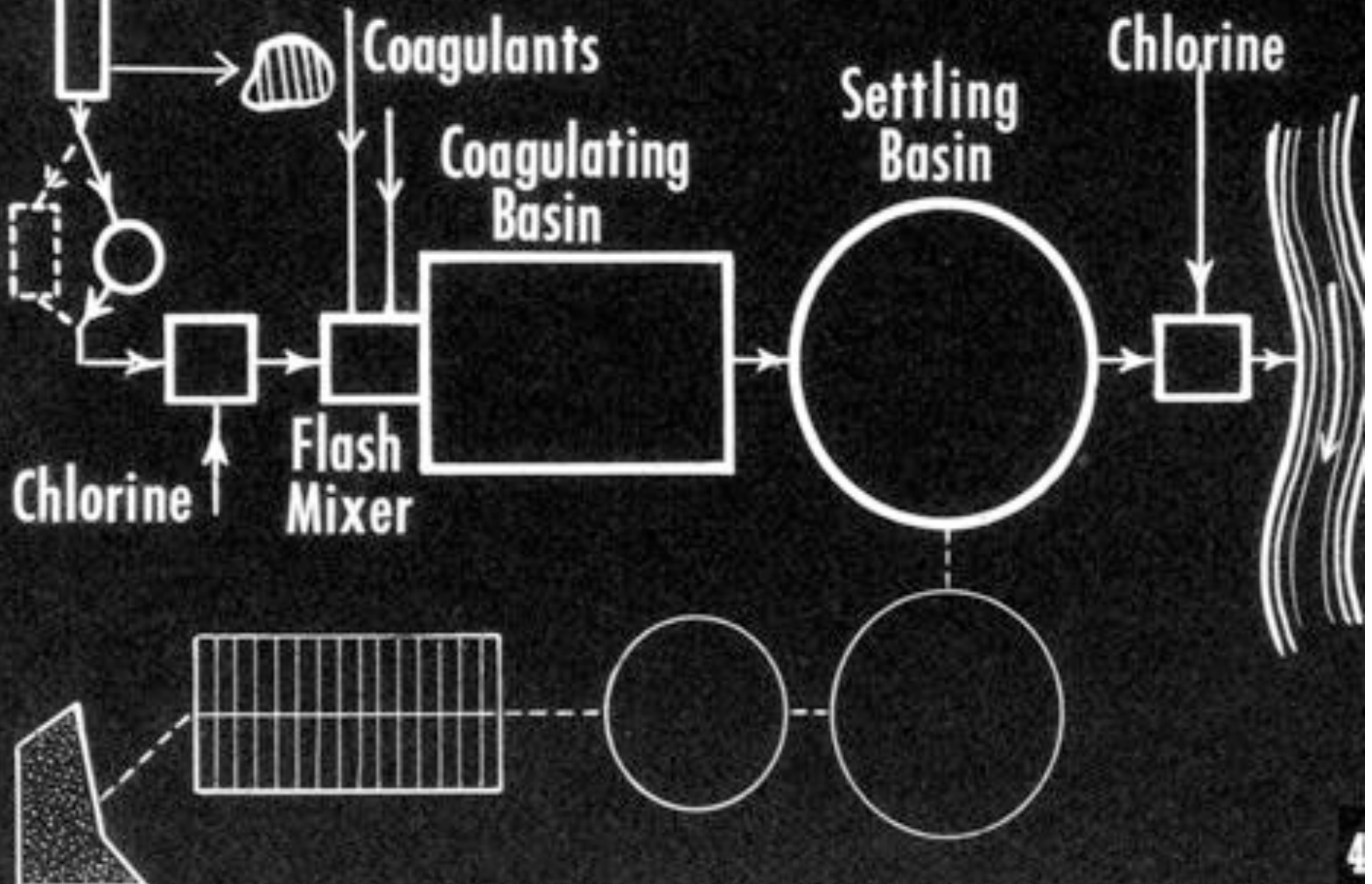
Chemical Treatment



Grit Removal, Comminution

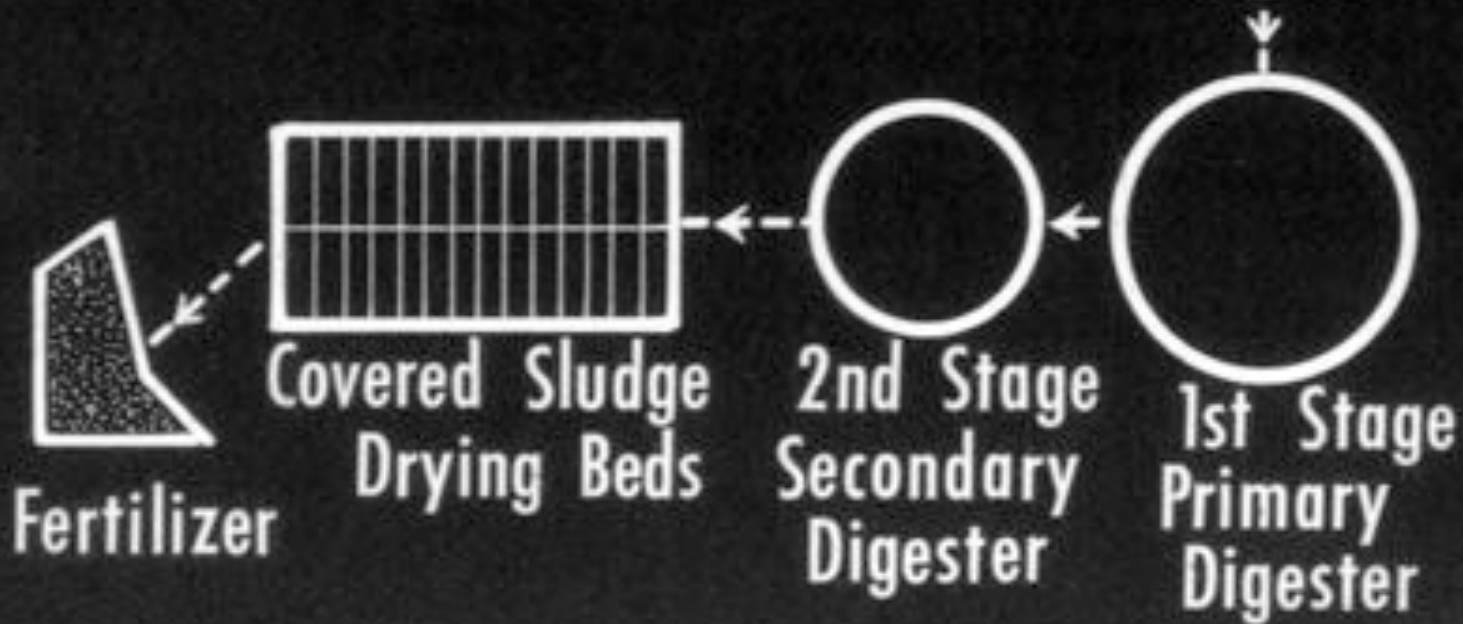


Lime + Ferric Chloride **CHEMICAL TREATMENT**



Sludge Treatment

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graph LR; A[Rectangular Tank] --> B[Rectangular Tank]; B --> C[Rectangular Tank]; C --> D((1st Stage Primary Digester)); D --> E((2nd Stage Secondary Digester)); E --> F[Covered Sludge Drying Beds]; F --> G[Fertilizer];
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Lime Feeder



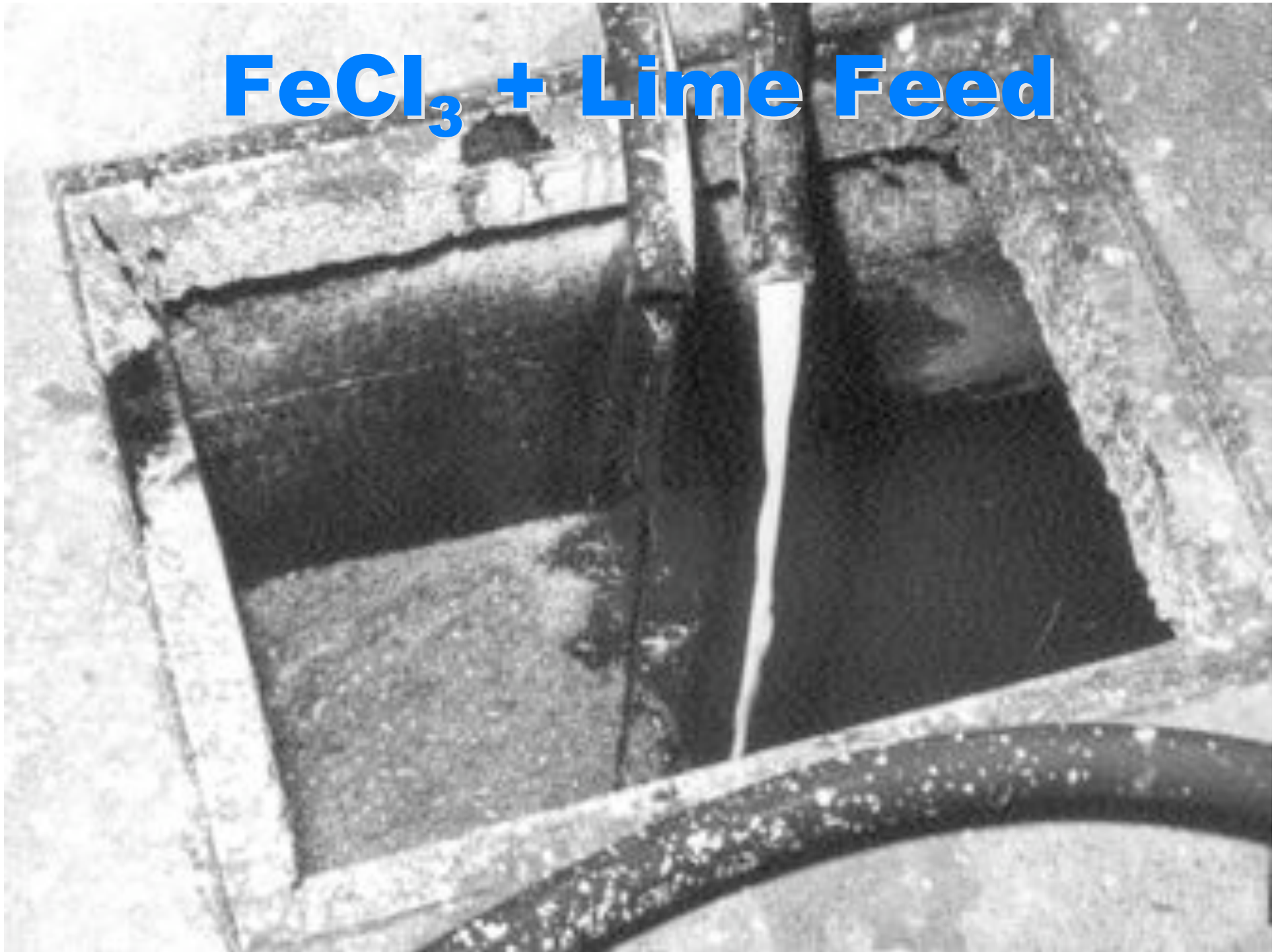
Lime Feed



Ferric Chloride



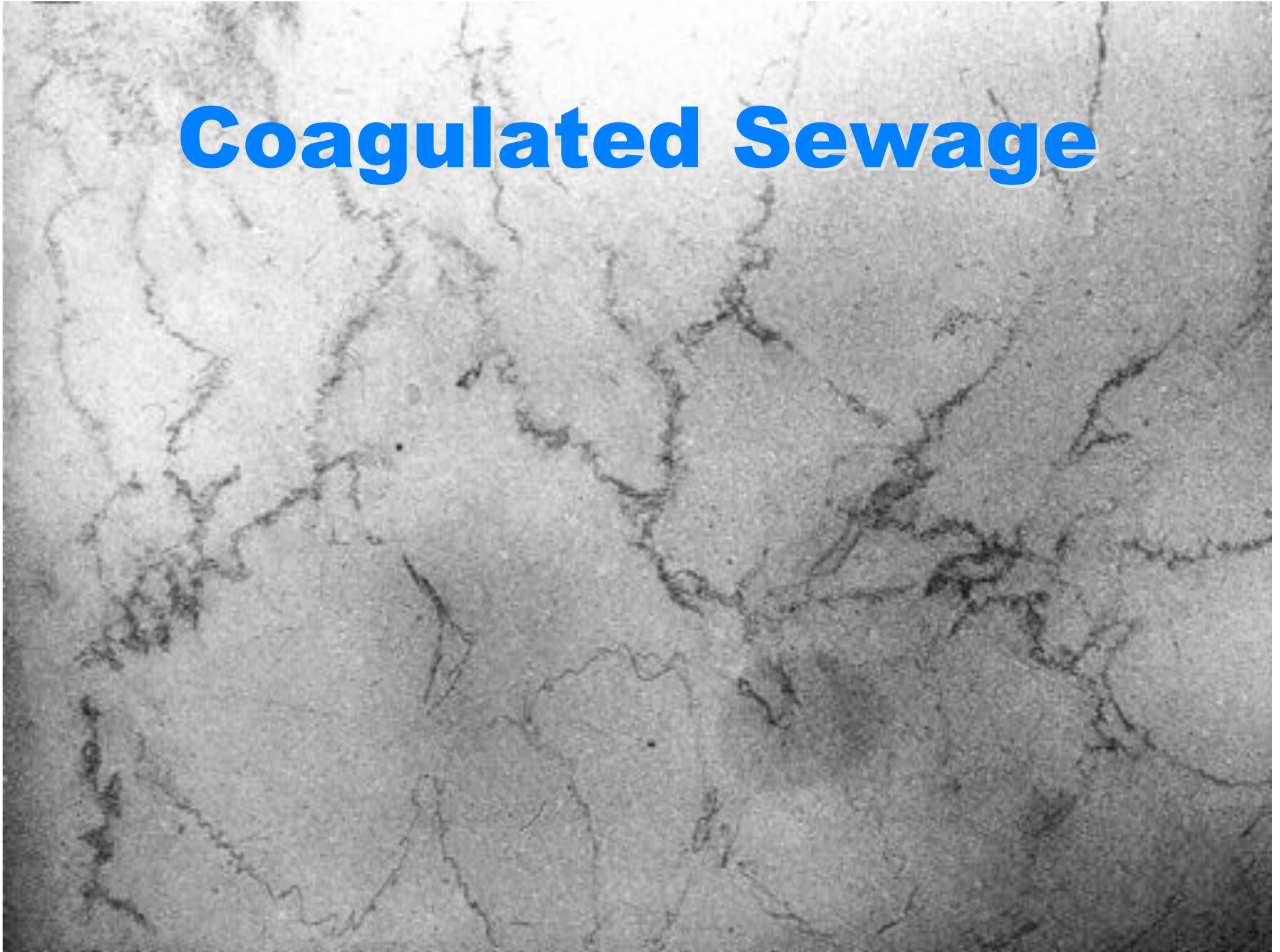
FeCl_3 + Lime Feed



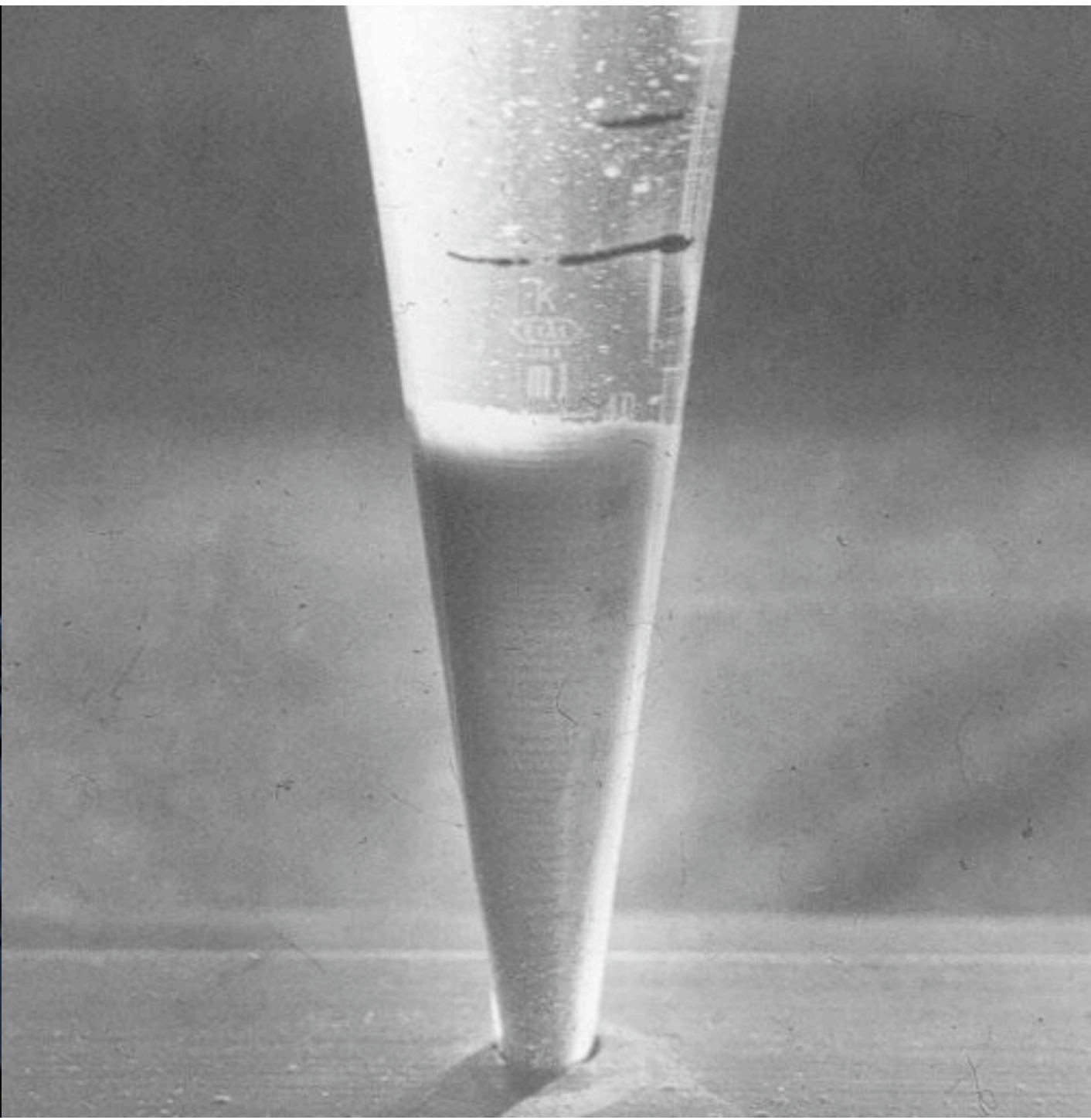
Chemical Treatment Basin



Coagulated Sewage



Physical Treatment Solids Removal



Activated Sludge Plant



ACTIVATED SLUDGE



Aeration Tanks



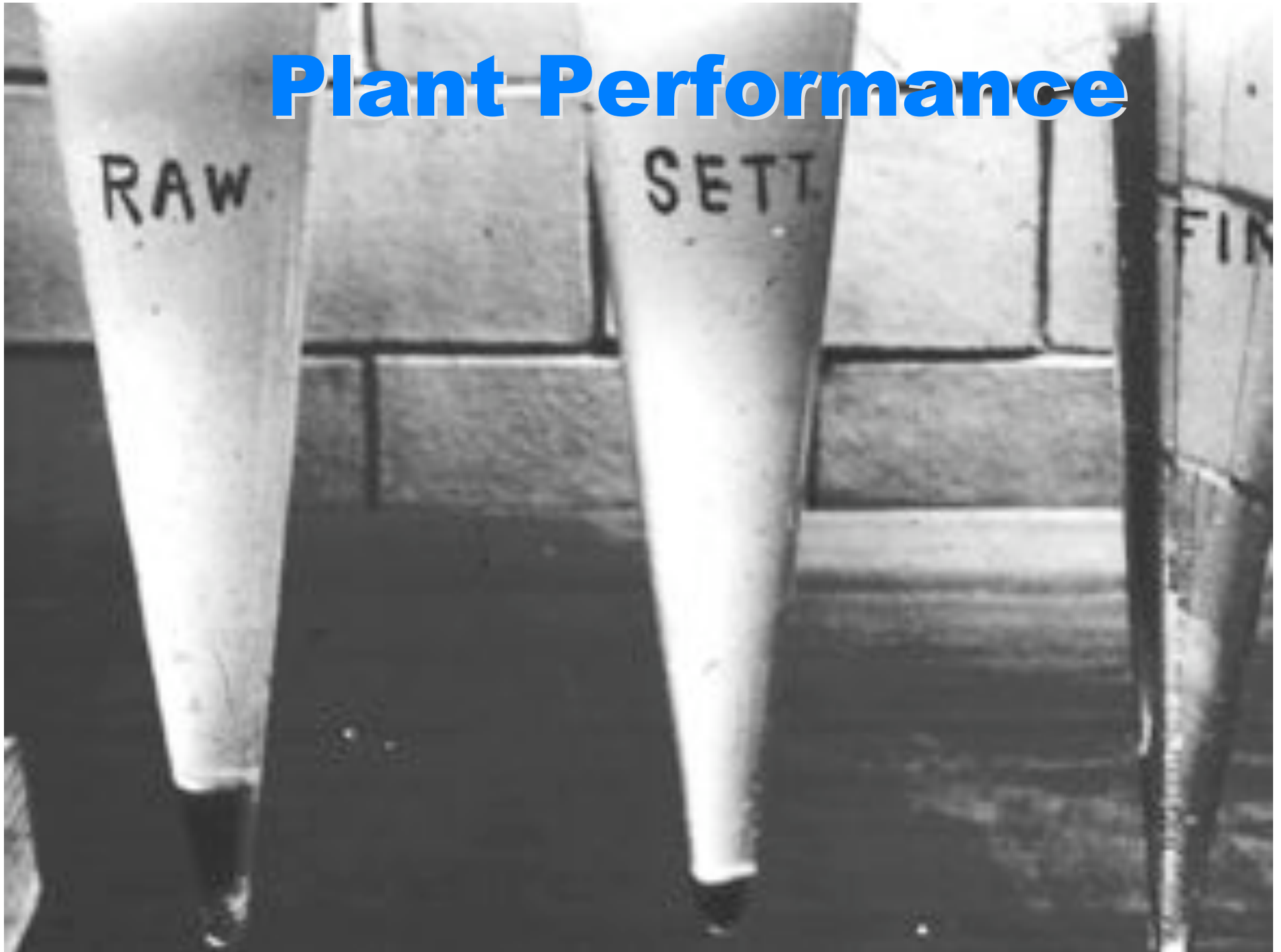
Covered Drying Beds



Return Sludge, Mixed Liquor



Plant Performance



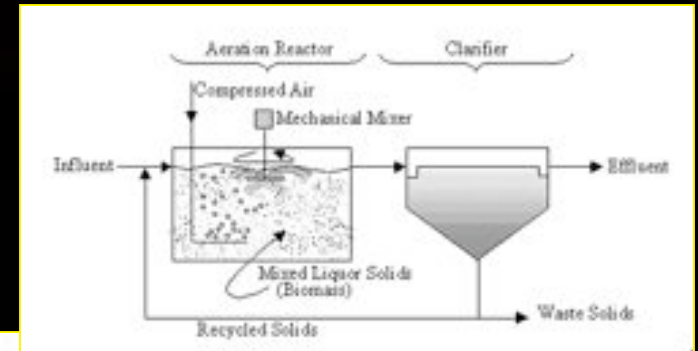


Pollution Control Legislation

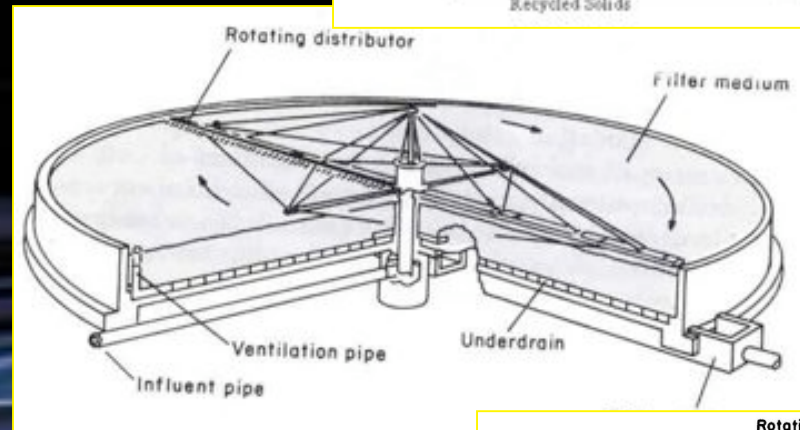
1948	Water Pollution Control Act
1956	Fed. Water Pollution Control Act
1961	Amendments to FWPCA
1965	Water Quality Act
1966	Clean Water Restoration Act
1970	USEPA Established
1972	FWPCA Approved
1981	Construction Grants Amendments
1987	Water Quality Act

Secondary Treatment

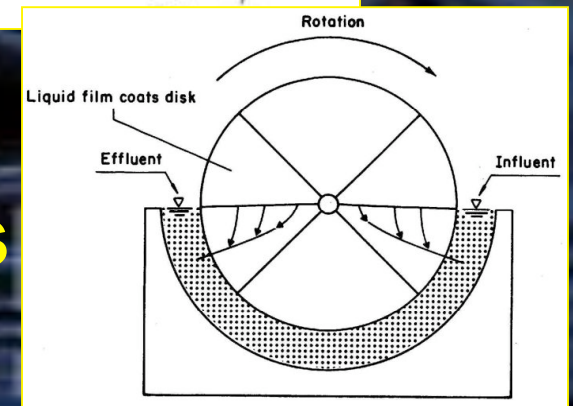
Activated Sludge



Trickling Filters



Rotating Biological Contactors



Trickling Filters



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Trickling Filters



- Bed of rocks, fist size (lots of air spaces)
- Water from primary treatment trickles over rocks
- Rocks coated with slime of aerobic organisms
- Bacteria aerobically digest organic solution

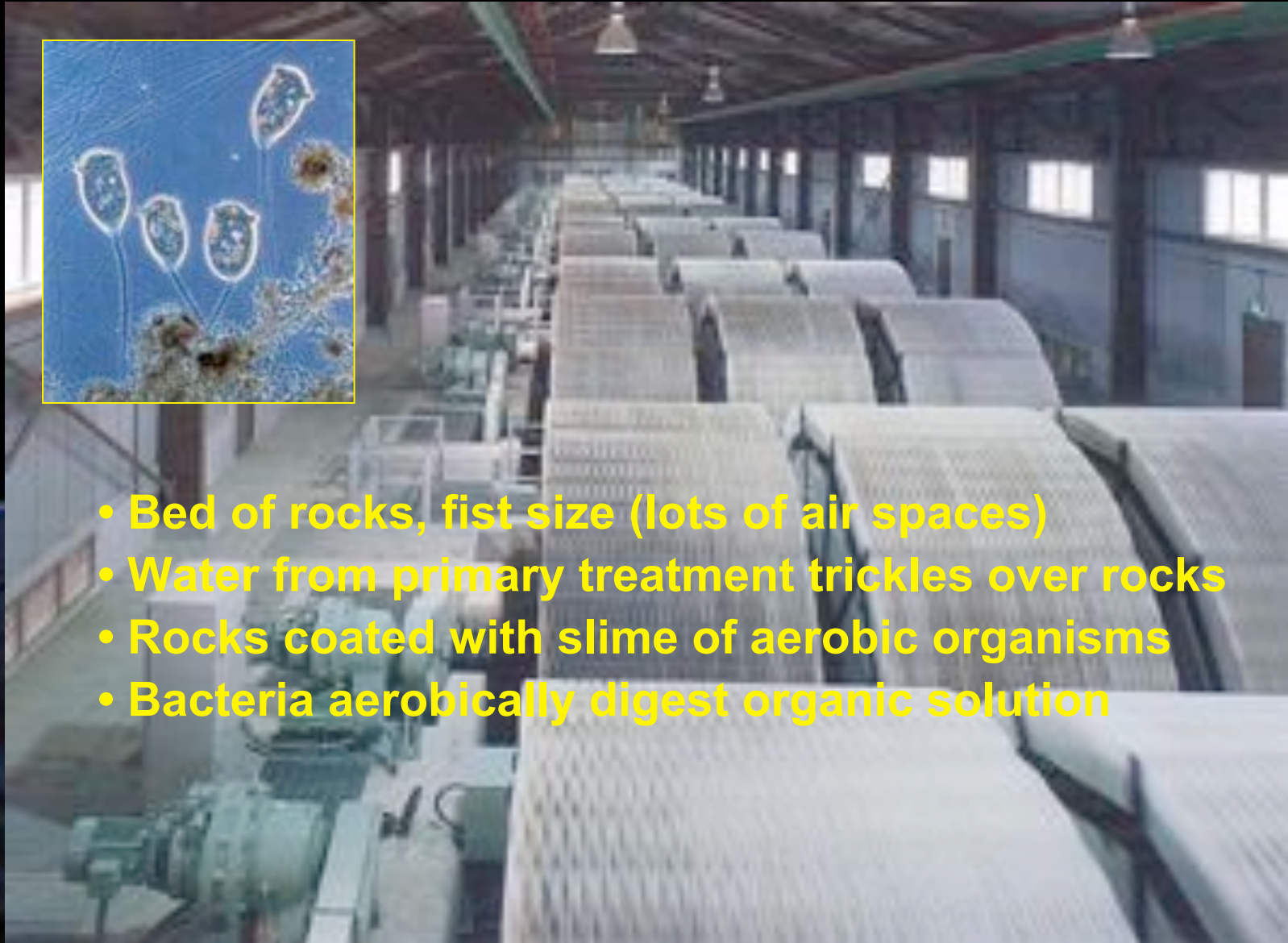
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After 1972:

Process Optimization

Complete Mix Activated Sludge

Step Aeration

Contact Stabilization

Extended Aeration

Oxidation Ditch

Kraus Process

Pure-Oxygen Activated Sludge



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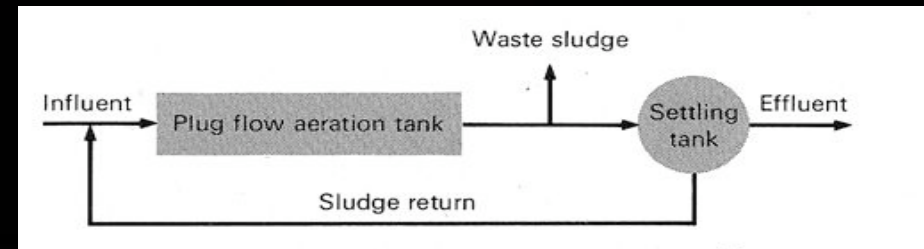
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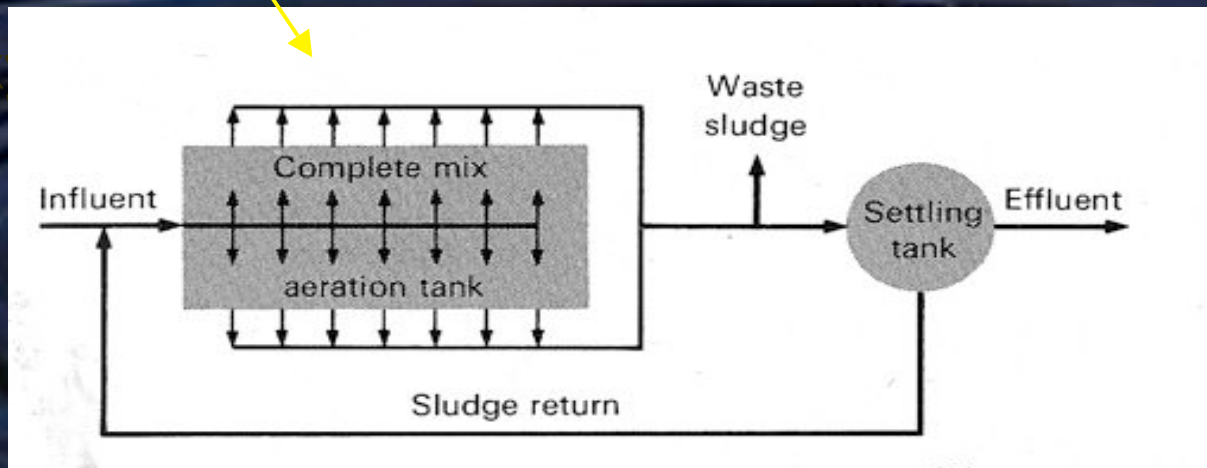
Oxidation Ditch

Kraus Process

Pure-Ox



Standard plug flow activated sludge



Organic load and oxygen demand are uniform throughout the tank

Process Optimization

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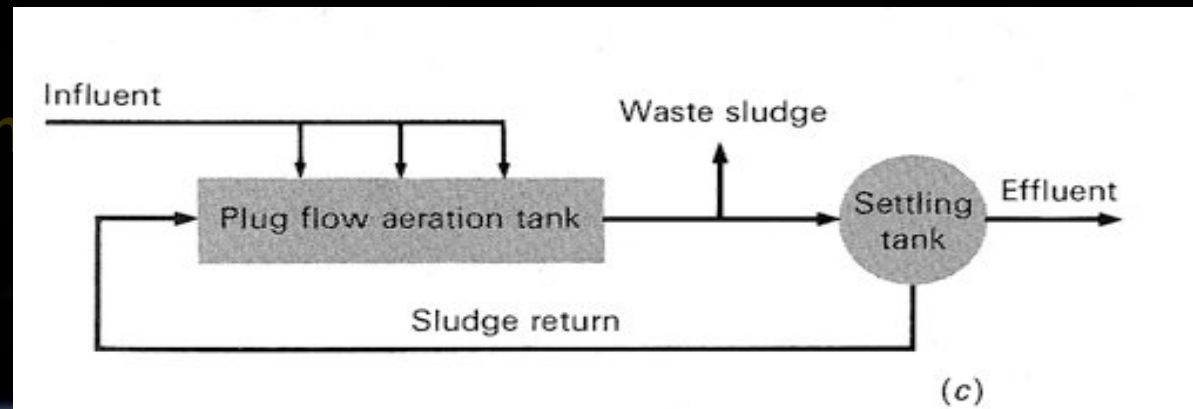
Extended Aeration

Oxidation Ditch

Kraus Process

Pure-Oxygen Activated Sludge

- Influent introduced at multiple points
- Equalizes the food to microorganism ratio (F/M)
- Lowers peak oxygen demand



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Complete Mix Activated Sludge

Step Aeration

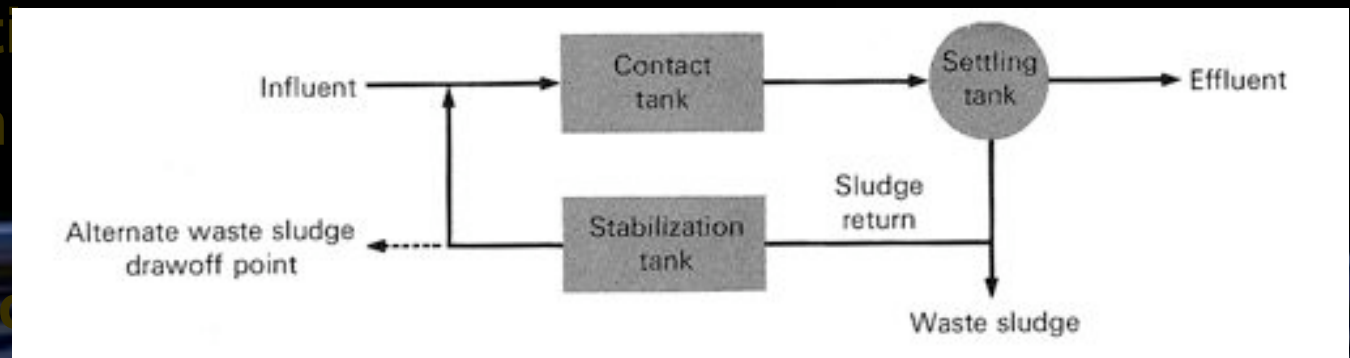
Contact Stabilization

Extended Aeration

Oxidation Ditch

Kraus Process

Pure-Oxygen Activated Sludge



- Separate aeration of activated sludge
- Aeration requirements reduced by 50%

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Process Optimization

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Pure-Oxygen Activated Sludge



- low organic loading
- long aeration time
- small, prefabricated package plants

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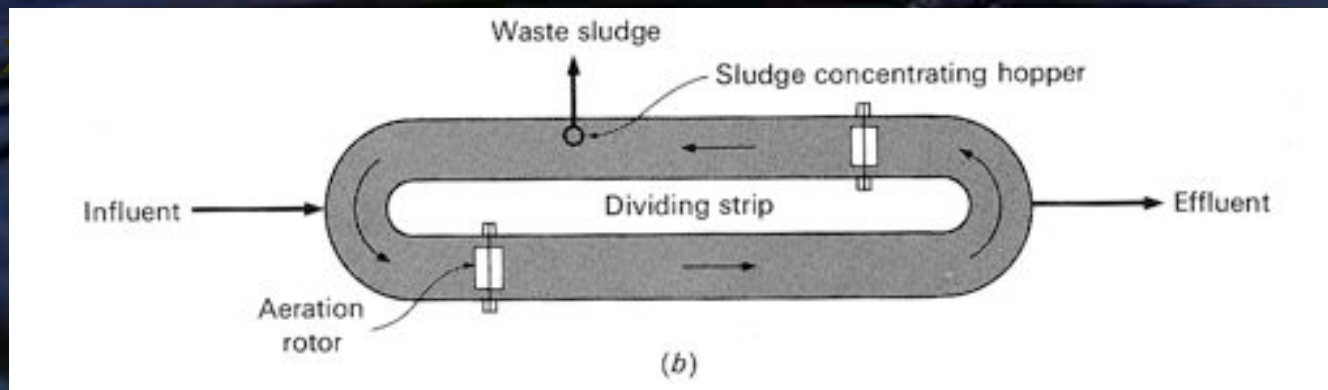
Pure-O₂

- Ring or oval-shaped channel

- Mechanical aeration and circulation devices

- Extended aeration

- Long detention times



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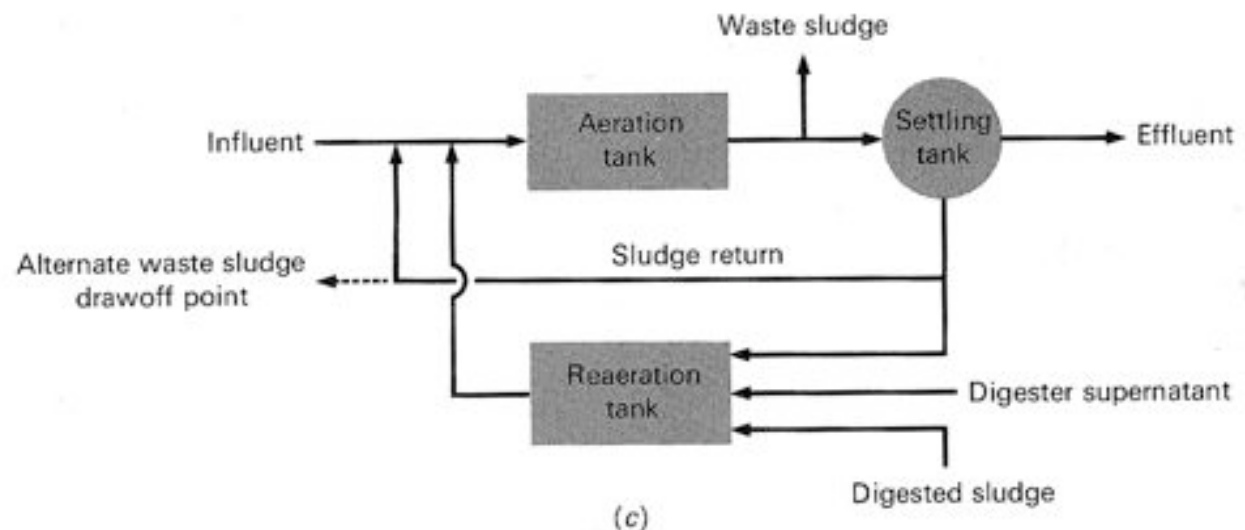
Extended Aeration

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Kraus Process

Pure-Oxygen Ac

- Variation of Step Aeration process
- Used for WW with low nitrogen levels
- Sludge digester supernatant added to RAS as nutrient source



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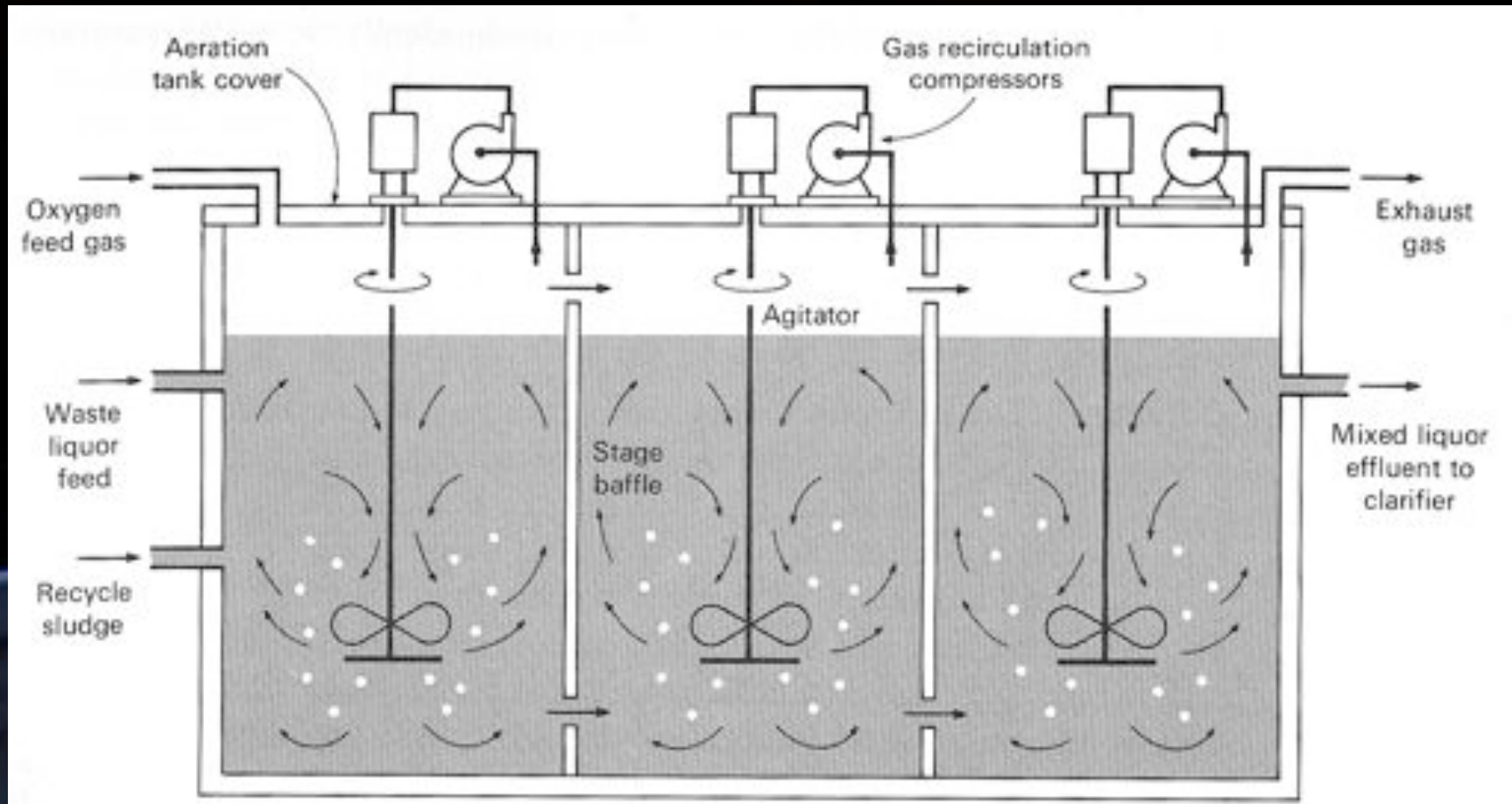
Kraus Process

Pure-Oxygen Activated Sludge



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Pure Oxygen Activated Sludge



- High-purity oxygen is used instead of air in the activated sludge process
- Series of complete mix reactors with gas recirculation compressors
- Used with high-strength waste and limited available space

New Treatment Goals and Advanced Waste Treatment

Disinfection

Dechlorination

Trickling Filters

Rotating Biological Contactors

Phosphorous Removal

Ammonia Removal

A high-speed photograph of a water droplet hitting a dark surface, creating concentric ripples. The droplet is captured mid-fall, just above the point of impact.

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Advanced Waste Treatment

Phosphorus Removal

Ammonia Removal

Wetlands

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Phosphorus Removal

Biological Removal

Lime Precipitation

Aluminum Sulfate Flocculation and Precipitation

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Phosphorus Removal

Phosphorus is Food for Algae

Biological Removal: Manipulation of conditions to maximize biological uptake of phosphorus (“luxury uptake”)

Lime Precipitation

Aluminum Sulfate Flocculation and Precipitation

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Phosphorus Removal

Biological Removal

Lime Precipitation: High pH precipitates CaCO_3 , P

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Phosphorus Removal

Biological Removal

Lime Precipitation

Aluminum Sulfate Flocculation and Precipitation:
Precipitates aluminum phosphate

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Ammonia (Nitrogen) Removal

It's Algae Food, Too

Physical Removal

- sedimentation
- gas stripping

Chemical Removal

- breakpoint chlorination
- ion exchange

Biological Removal

- activated sludge process
- trickling filter
- rotating biological contactor
- oxidation pond
- land treatment processes (overland flow)
- wetland treatment systems (Hyacinth cultures)

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Wetlands

- Water flows through ponds (wetland cells)
- Nutrients are taken up by cattails



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Effluent Disinfection

**To inactivate waterborne pathogens
(typhoid, dysentery, cholera, etc.)**

1900: 25,000 typhoid deaths

1960: 20 typhoid deaths

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Disinfection of Wastewaters

Chlorine

Ultraviolet Light

Chlorine Dioxide

Ozone

Bromine



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Chlorine Dosages

MDNR Design Guide

<u>Type of Treatment</u>	<u>chlorine, mg/l</u>
Trickling Filter Plant	10
Activated Sludge Plant Effluent	8
Tertiary filtration effluent	6
Nitrified Effluent	6

(15 minutes minimum contact time)

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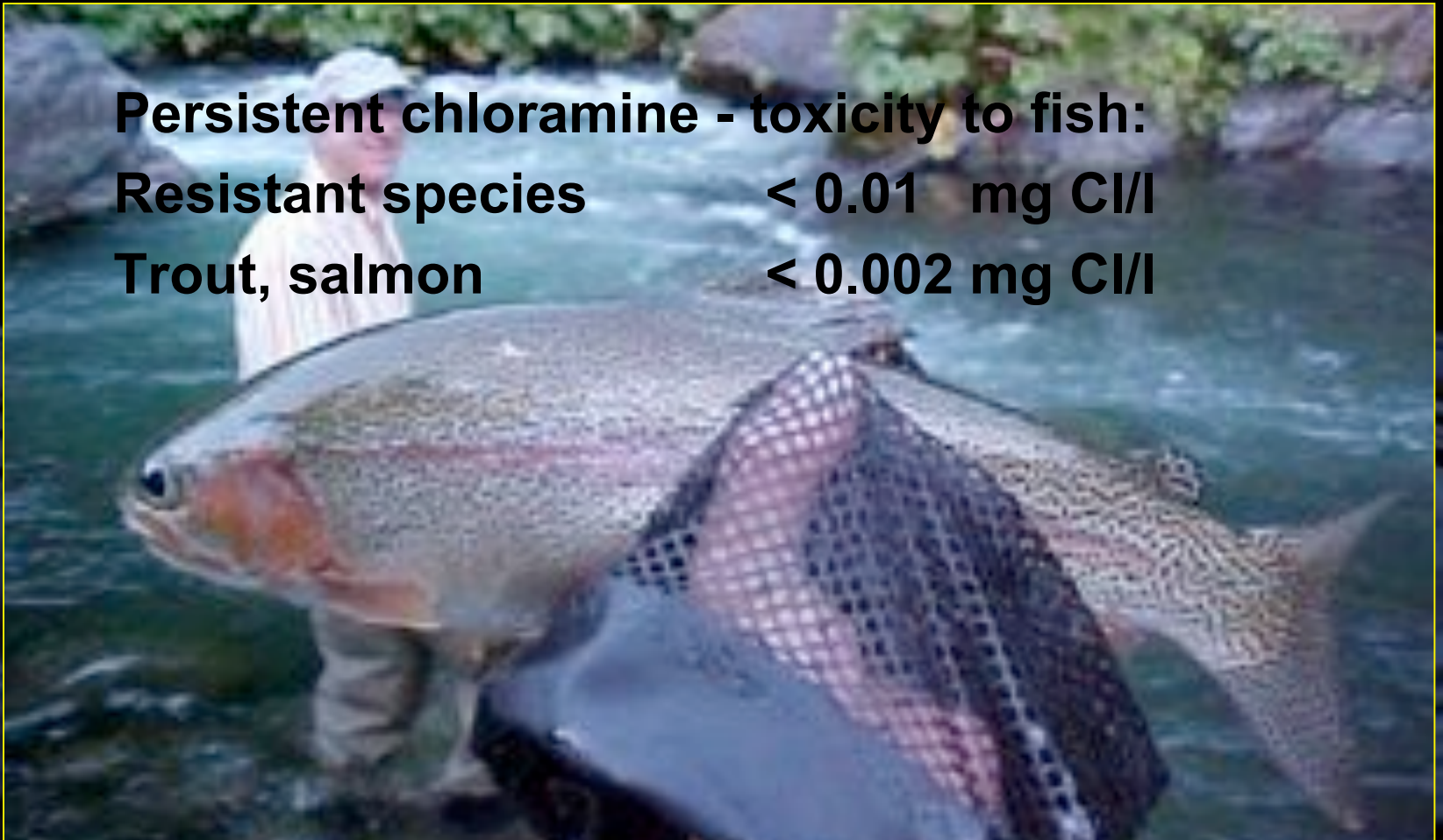
Why Dechlorinate?

To protect aquatic life

Persistent chloramine - toxicity to fish:

Resistant species < 0.01 mg Cl/I

Trout, salmon < 0.002 mg Cl/I



Dechlorination

Reducing agents:

sulfur dioxide



sodium bisulfite



sodium sulfite



sodium thiosulfate



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UV Disinfection

I already talked about it this morning.
It's pretty cool.



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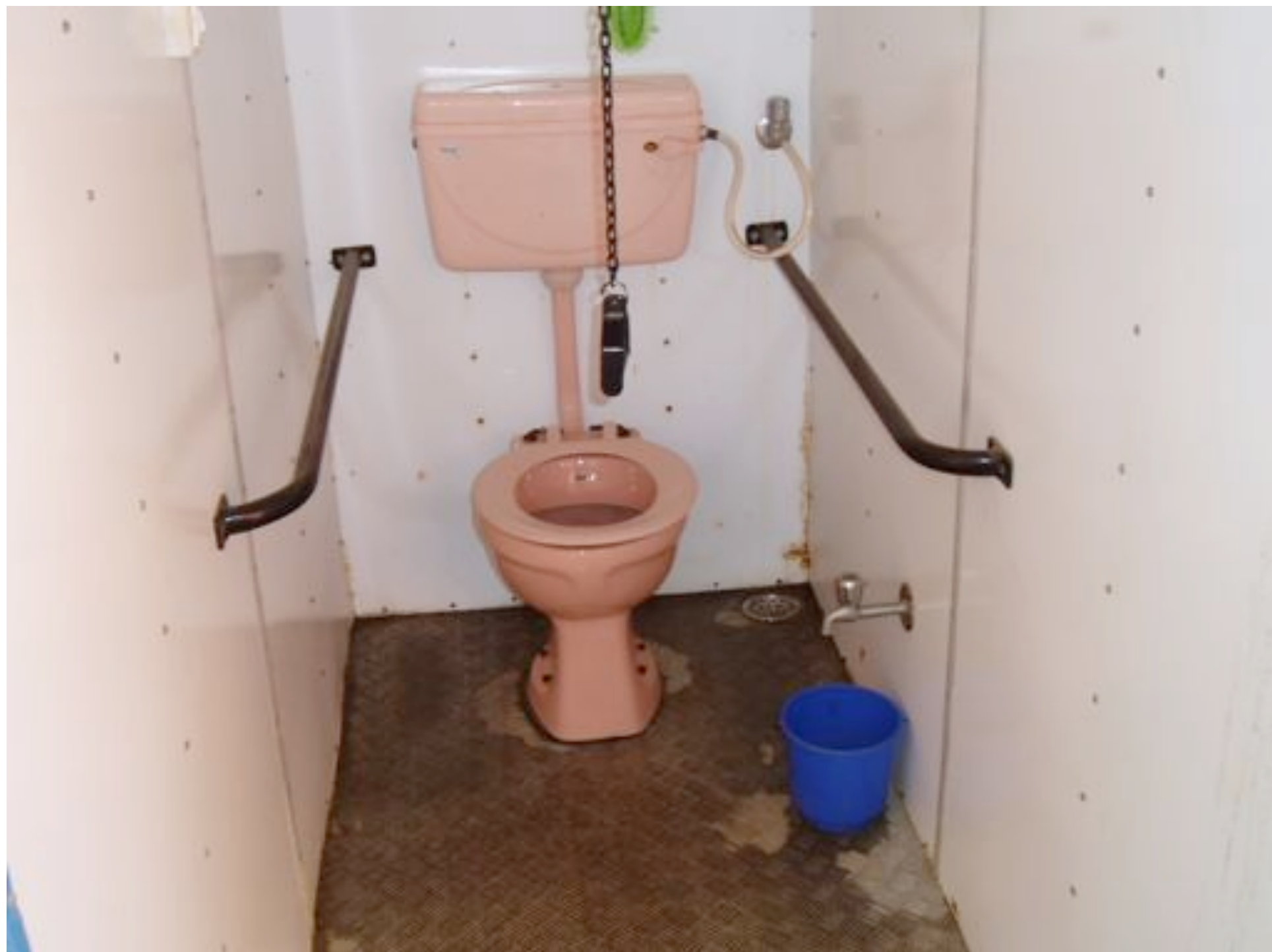
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EFFLUENT TREATMENT PLANT.

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Japan





Lake Biwa



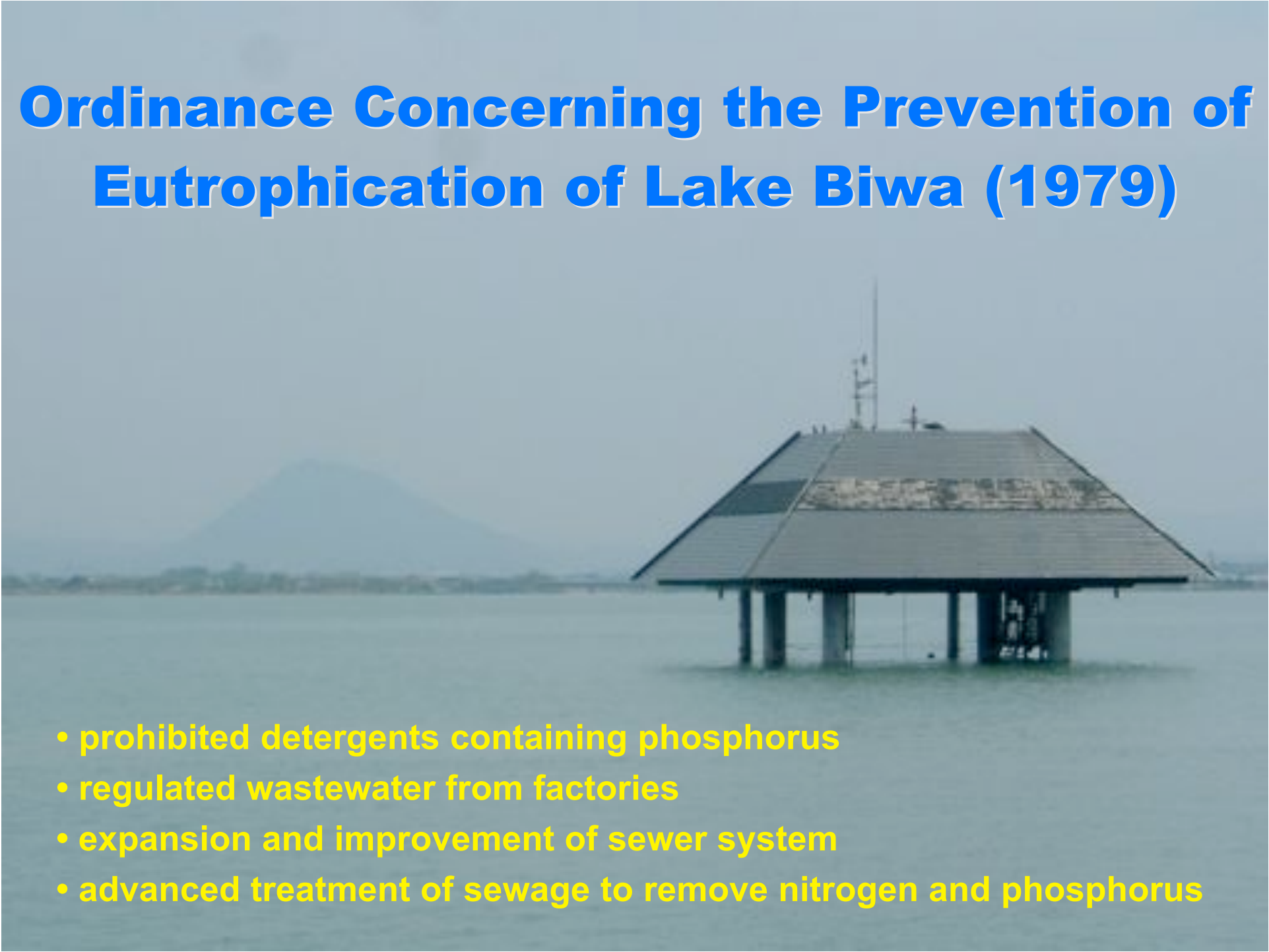
Lake Biwa Environmental Monitoring Station

Lake Biwa

- Japan's largest lake
- Water source for 14 million people
- Ordinance Concerning the Prevention of Eutrophication of Lake Biwa (1979)



Ordinance Concerning the Prevention of Eutrophication of Lake Biwa (1979)

- 
- prohibited detergents containing phosphorus
 - regulated wastewater from factories
 - expansion and improvement of sewer system
 - advanced treatment of sewage to remove nitrogen and phosphorus

Hello, Toto







Konan-Chubu Water Reclamation Plant



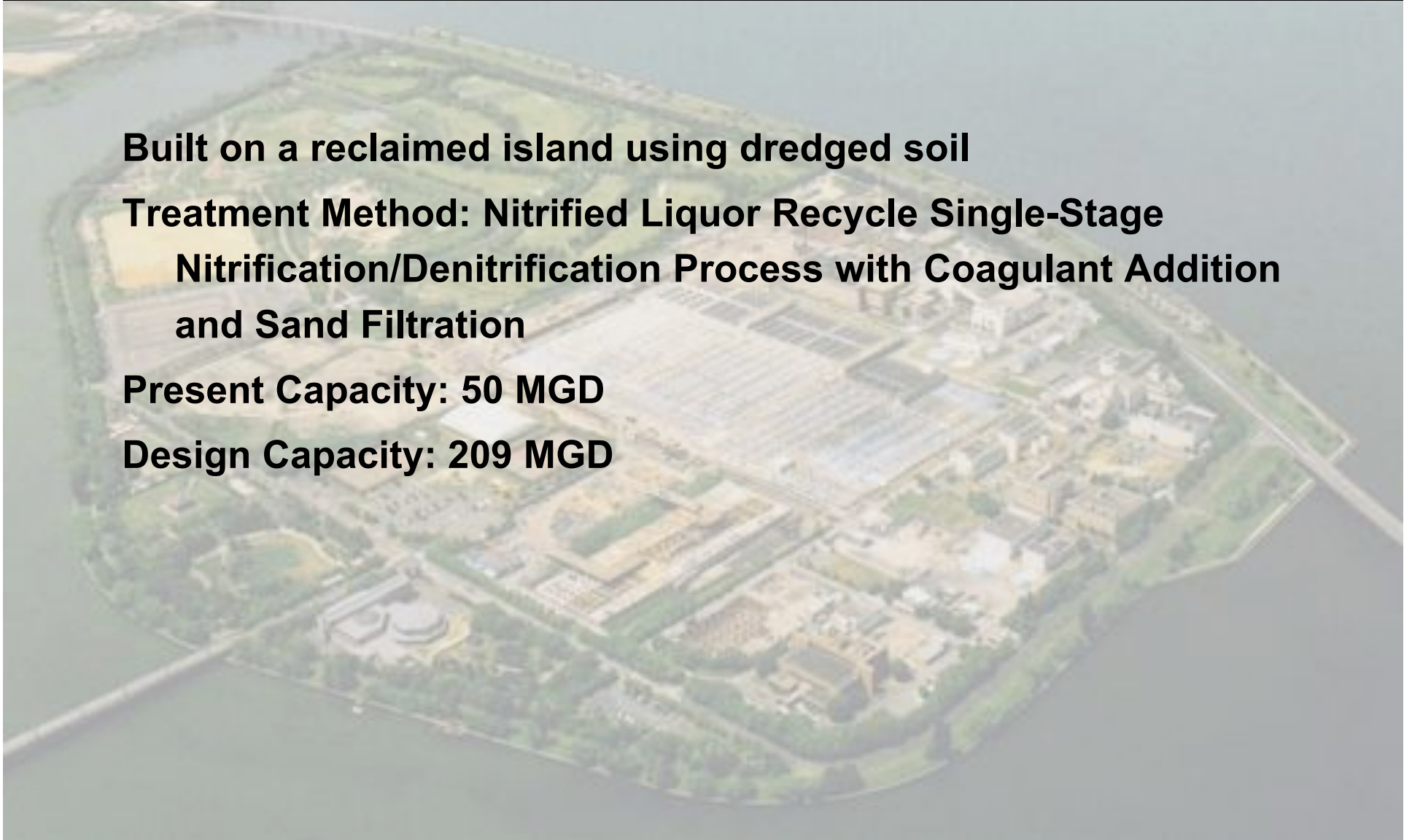
Konan-Chubu Water Reclamation Plant

Built on a reclaimed island using dredged soil

**Treatment Method: Nitrified Liquor Recycle Single-Stage
Nitrification/Denitrification Process with Coagulant Addition
and Sand Filtration**

Present Capacity: 50 MGD

Design Capacity: 209 MGD

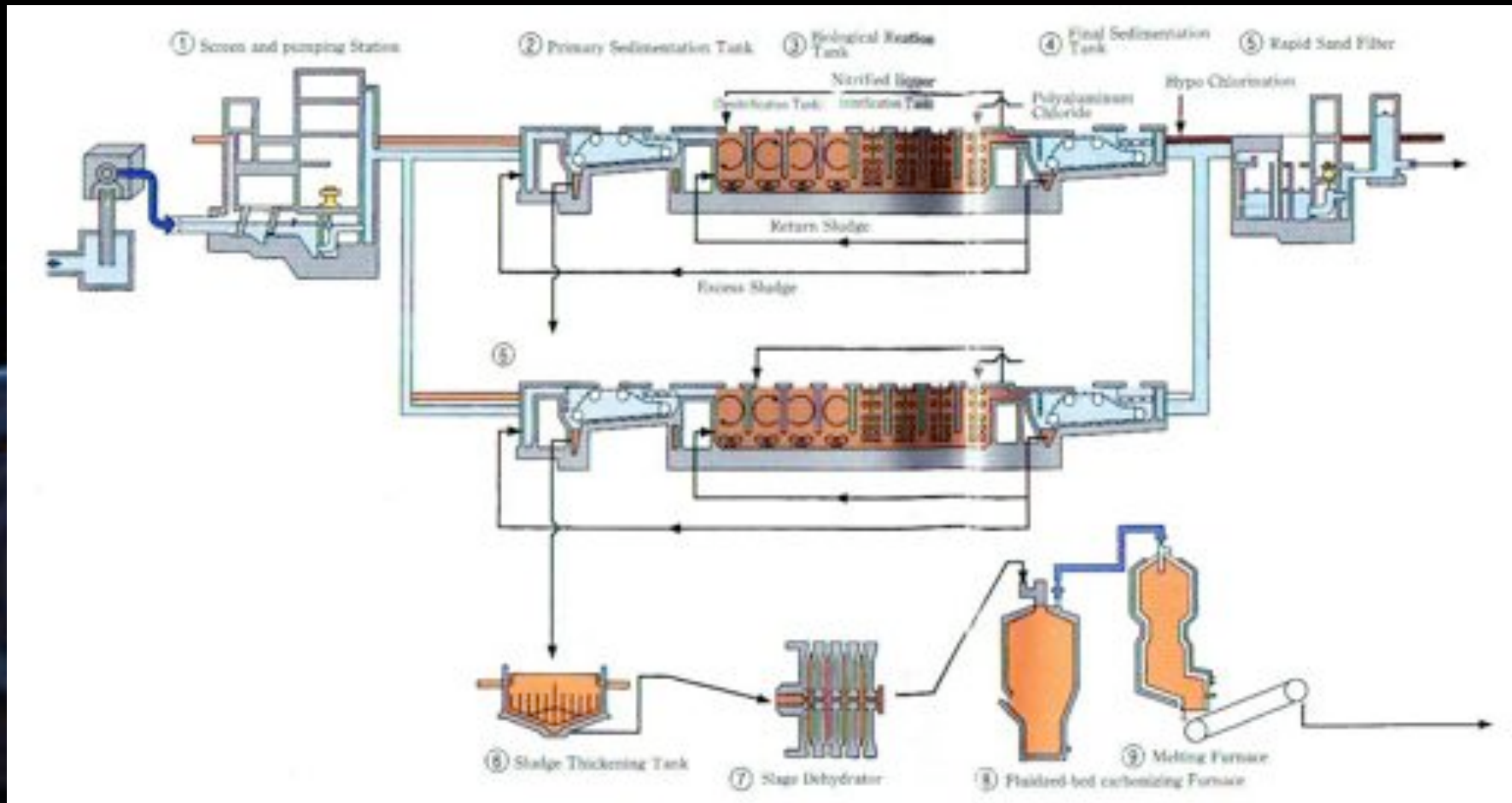


Plant Performance

mg/l	INFLUENT	EFFLUENT	REMOVAL
BOD	180	0.7	99.6%
TSS	184	0.6	99.7%
COD	94.5	5.6	94.0%
Total N	31.1	5.4	82.6%
Total P	3.38	0.04	98.8%



Konan-Chubu Plant Flow Diagram



Control Room







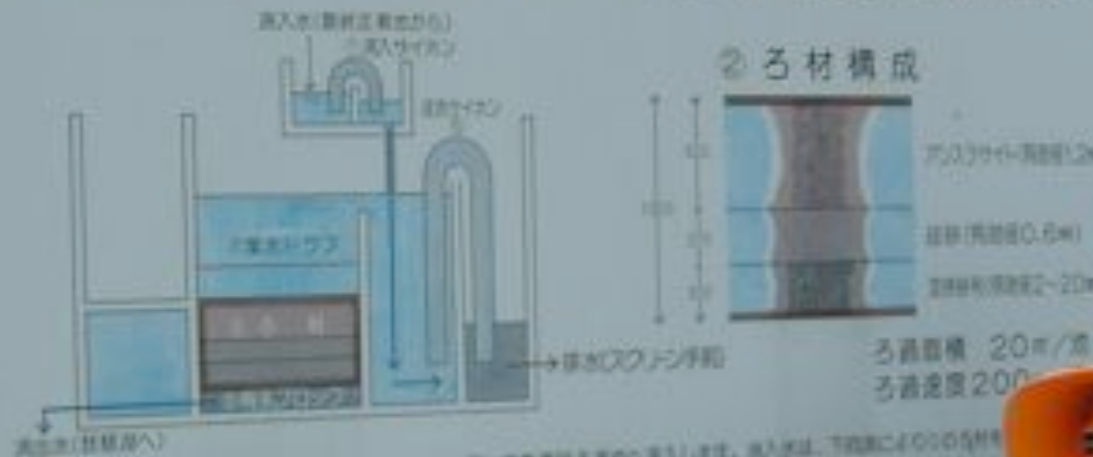


称呼差指



急速砂ろ過池 (Rapid Sand Filter)

砂の層を通ることによって最終沈降池で除去されなかった浮遊物(一番小さな汚れ)が取り除かれます。



最終沈降池の上澄水は、①の流入サイホンを通して急速砂ろ過池へ流入します。流入後は、下向きにろ過材を通過させ、ろ過材の隙間に残った水がろ過材の表面に集まり、ポンプにより最終沈降池へ送られます。また、ろ過材がろ過成分で目詰まりしやすいよう気泡で覆われ、ろ過効率が低下するため、定期的な洗浄が必要です。②の逆流サイホン等を通してスポンジフロアに送られます。







Covered Gravity Thickener



Sludge Dehydrator



Kerosene Furnaces



Slag



- Strength equivalent to natural stone
- TCLP (Leaching test) < detection levels



Slag

Concrete pipes

Blocks

Bricks

Pavers

Aggregate

Backfill

Advanced Waste Treatment Techniques

“Advanced waste treatment techniques in use or under development range from biological treatment capable of removing nitrogen and phosphorus to physical-chemical separation techniques such filtration, carbon adsorption, distillation, and reverse osmosis.”

-EPA, May 1998

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The Future of Wastewater Management

Don't make so much?



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How to Not Make So Much

Graywater Recycle Systems

Composting Toilets

Solar Toilets

Sawdust Toilets (bucket and chuck it)

Incinerating Toilets

Urine Diversion Toilets

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Graywater

Graywater Recycle Systems: Water from bath, shower, washing machines, bathroom sinks is used for irrigation



The Humanure Handbook

Composting Toilets



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Bucket and Chuck It

Sawdust Toilets



Solar Toilet



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Don't make so much?

When we're forced to.



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A Brief History of Wastewater

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