

# Waste Water Treatment Plant Capacity Study Report to the Committee of the Whole

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# WWTP Improvement Feasibility Study



Feasibility Study Completed by TRUE Consulting:

- Considerations:
  - Population projections
  - Current Treatment Capacity
  - Future Capacity Requirements
  - Existing Treatment and Alternate Treatment Technologies
  - Recommendations for plant improvements
  - Costing of Improvements

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## Key Plant Deficiencies that need addressing:

- Lack of stand-by power
- Confined entry space (e.g. UV chamber)
- Additional UV reactor (duplex setup)
- Lack of influent fine screening
- Electrical panel lock out
- SCADA remote access for monitoring
- Blower room ventilation
- Capacity for growth

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## Recommendations For Plant Improvements: Treatment Comparison Options

	Capital Cost	Operating Cost	Functionality
Existing SBR Expansion	\$\$	\$\$	Good
Lagoon Bypass	\$\$	\$	Poor
New Membrane Bioreactor Process	\$\$\$	\$\$\$	Excellent
New Moving Bed Bioreactor Process	\$\$\$	\$\$	Good

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## Key Findings of Study:

- Existing SBR technology is appropriate
- Capacity may be increased by adding similar reactors (basins) to the existing 2 basins
- 3<sup>rd</sup> basin needed now (regulatory)
- Current flows are low so existing basins treating adequately
- 4<sup>th</sup> basin may be needed in 20 years
- Some urgent requirements (back-up power/SCADA) can be completed immediately
- Grant allocation for work is sufficient for design of urgent requirements and addition of 3<sup>rd</sup> basin (staff currently reviewing)

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- Initial Upgrading:
  - Electrical panel lock out
  - SCADA remote access for monitoring
  - Back-up power
- Future Upgrading
  - Addition of 1 or 2 basins for capacity improvements
  - UV reactor upgrading to duplex arrangement
  - Blower room ventilation
  - Pre-screening

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## Forecast Population and Wastewater Projections:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Population</i>	<i>Per Capita (l/p/d)</i>	<i>Total Residential (m<sup>3</sup>/d)</i>	<i>Commerical and Institutional (m<sup>3</sup>/d)</i>	<i>Forestry Camp (m<sup>3</sup>/d)</i>	<i>Total Daily Flow Required (m<sup>3</sup>/d)</i>	<i>Basins</i>
2026	160	350	56	3	45	104	3
2021	305	350	107	10.7	45	163	3
2031	305	350	107	10.7	45	163	3
2046	428	350	150	14.3	45	209	3 or 4
2066	567	350	198	21.3	45	264	4

- Notes:
1. Functional Capacity 95m<sup>3</sup>/day to 130 m<sup>3</sup>/day per basin estimated by TRUE Consulting.
  2. Province requires 75% of design capacity with one basin out of service.
  3. Population and flow estimates TRUE Consulting.
  4. Existing permitted capacity 350 m<sup>3</sup>/day.
  5. Required Provincial capacity with one basin out of service is 263m<sup>3</sup>/day.
  6. No infiltration factored into flows.



Discussion/Questions?