

Clearwater's Groundwater Replenishment Project

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Project Statement

To construct a water purification plant at the existing Northeast Water Reclamation Facility, to supply 3 MGD of purified water to recharge lower Zone A of the Floridan Aquifer, to allow the city to reliably supply all the high-quality water demanded by our citizens, at a reasonable cost.

City Water Facilities

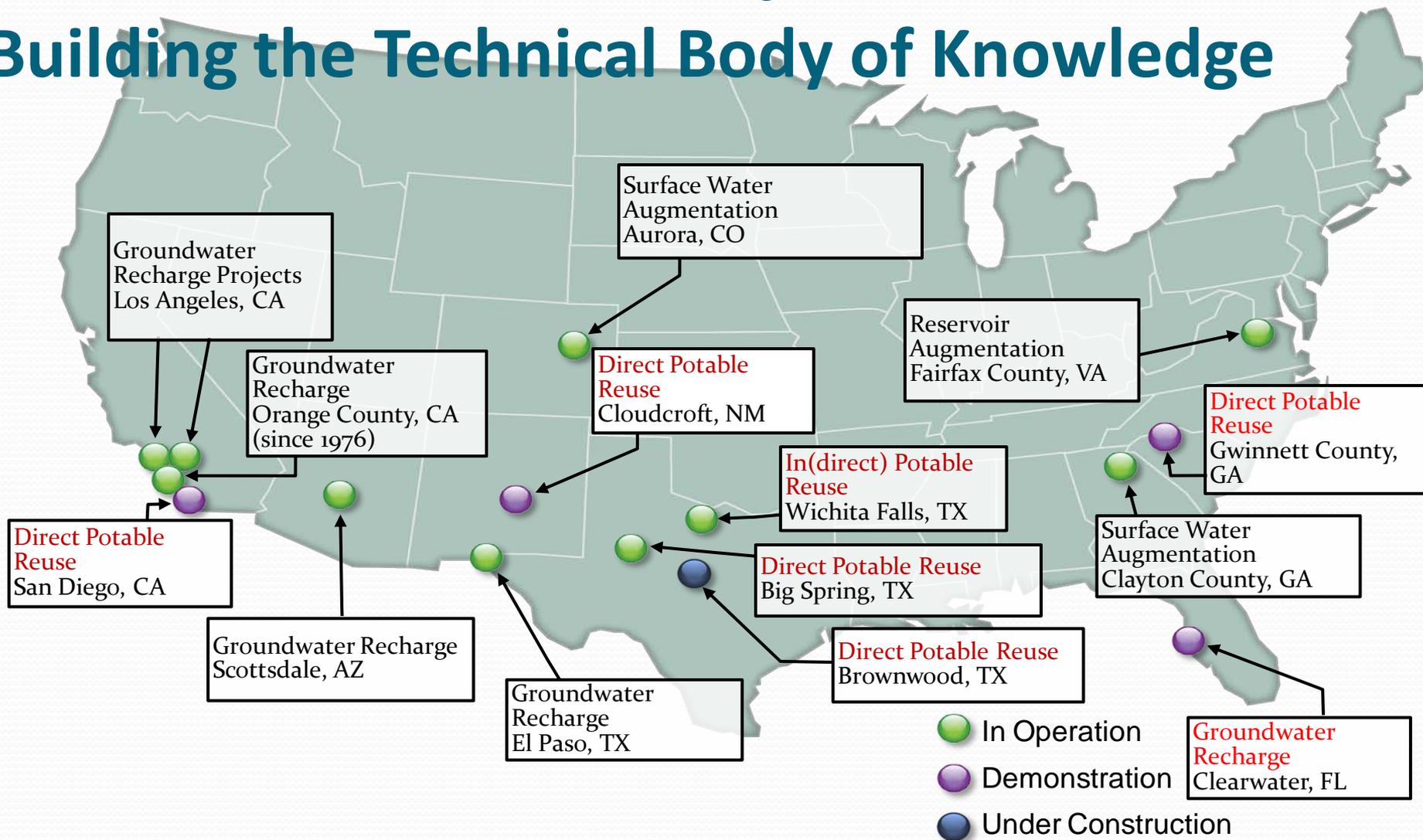
 GWR Facility



Project Background

- **Project History**
 - **Preliminary Feasibility Study - 2009**
 - **Feasibility Study - 2011**
 - **Pilot Sampling Protocol Approval – FDEP 2012**
 - **One Year Pilot (June 2013 – June 2014)**
- **Current Work**
 - **Preliminary Design – Advanced Water Purification Plant and Recharge Wells**
 - **Preliminary Design Report (**June 2016**)**

U.S. Potable Reuse Projects are Building the Technical Body of Knowledge

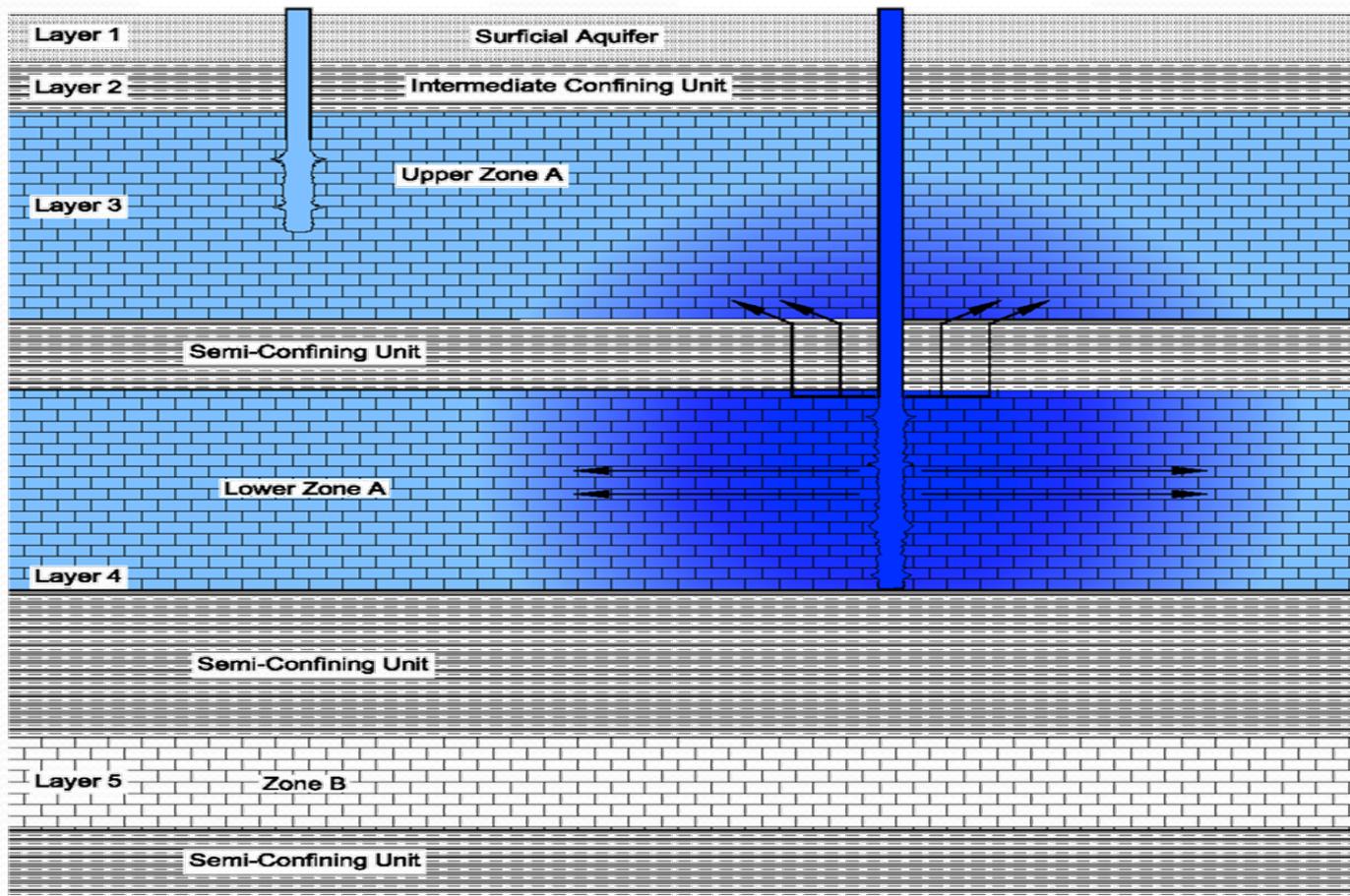


Recharge Wells

Inject into Lower Zone A of the Floridan Aquifer

Supply Well

Recharge Well



Upper Zone A

Lower Zone A

Zone B

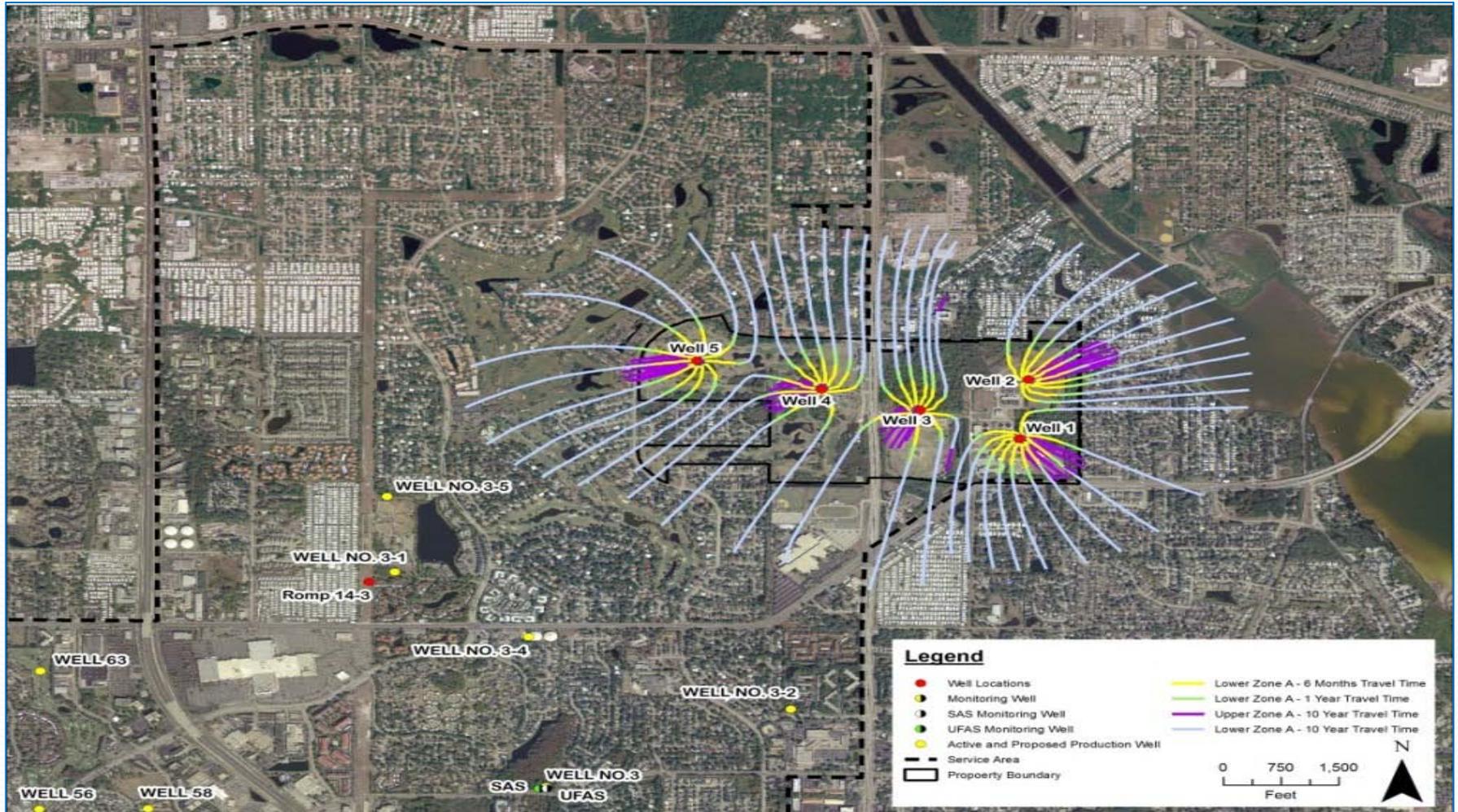
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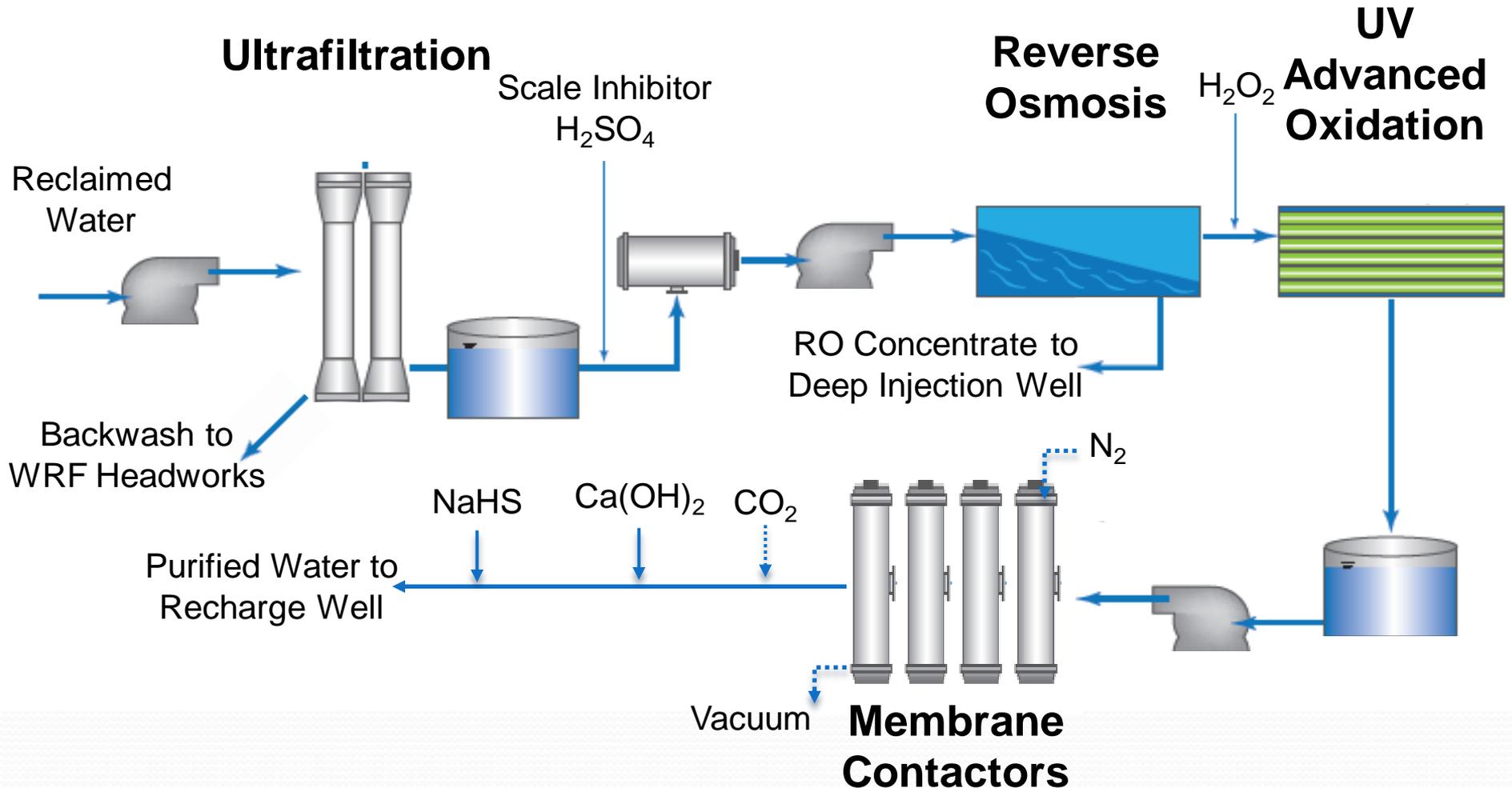
←→ Approximate Modeled Particle Tracks

Expected Migration of Water

10 Years from Injection

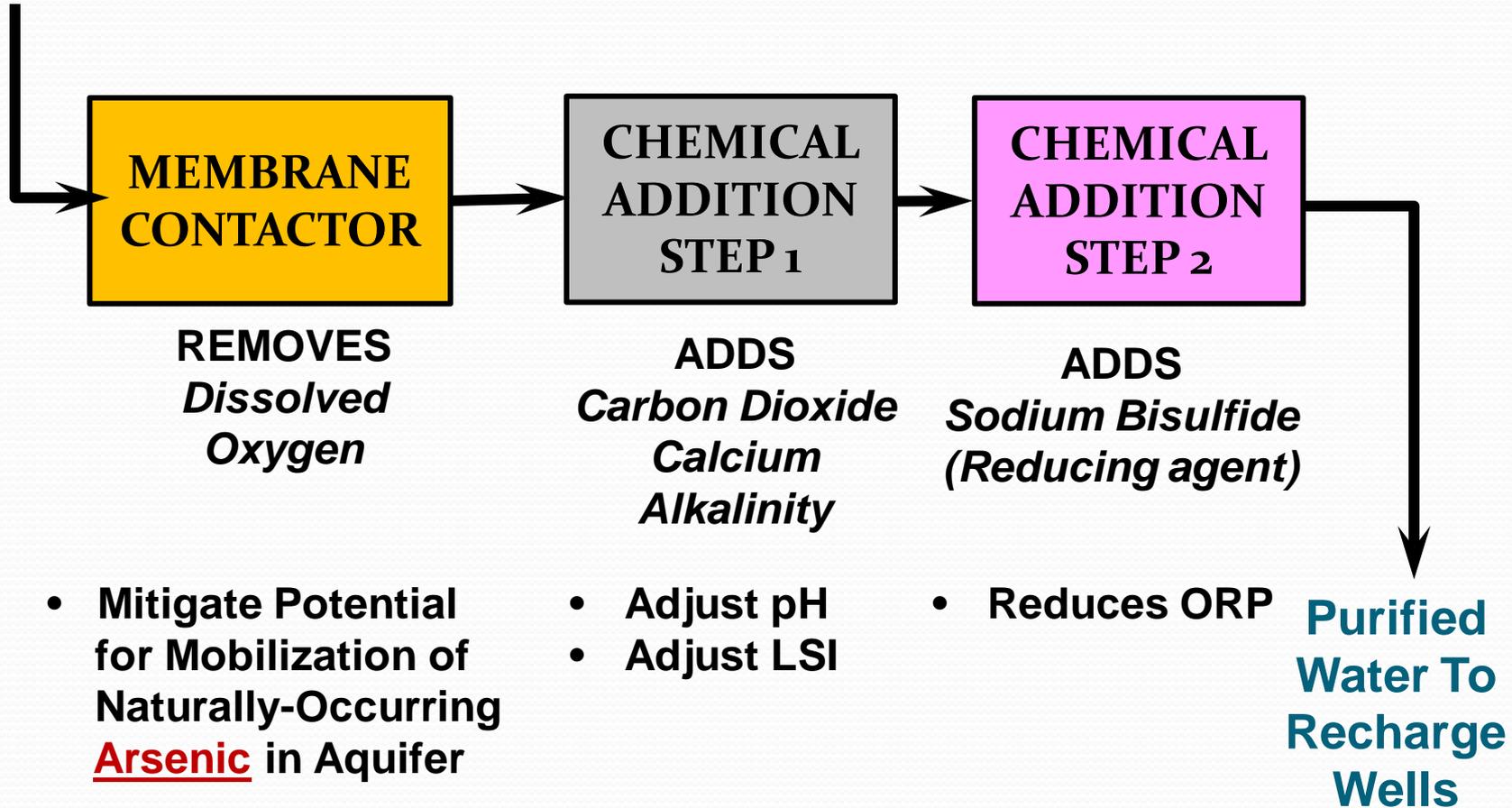


Full Advanced Treatment with Post-Treatment for Groundwater Recharge



Post-Treatment Steps

Water Purification Process



Clearwater Pilot Testing Process

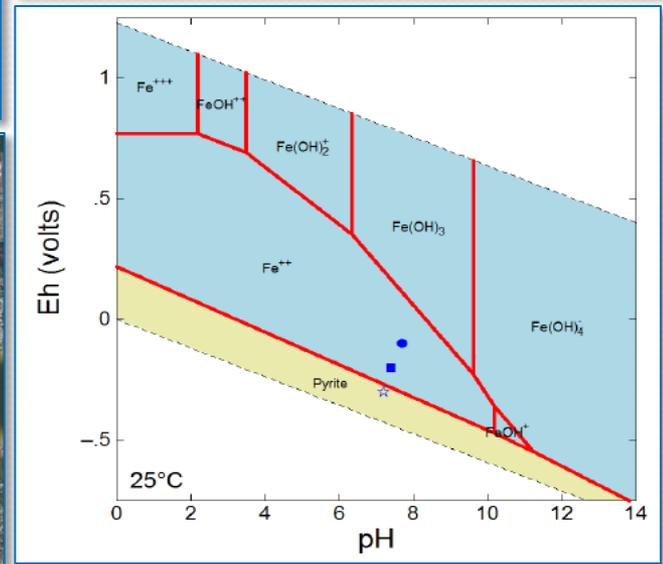
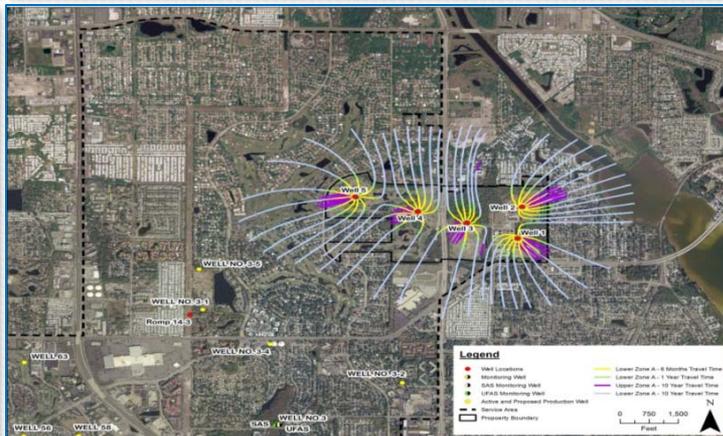
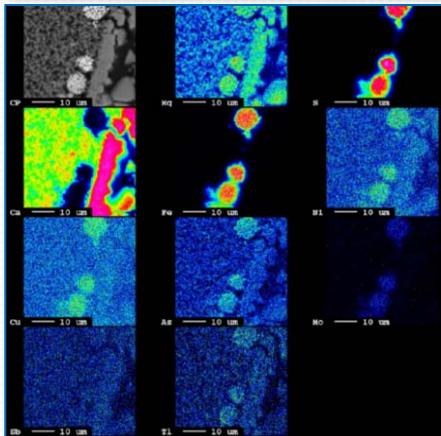
- Full purification and post-treatment process demonstrated at pilot scale
- Duration - 12 months (FDEP, Chapter 62-610)
- 25,000+ tests
200+ constituents
- Consistently produced purified water that met or surpassed all drinking water quality standards



Testing and Modeling

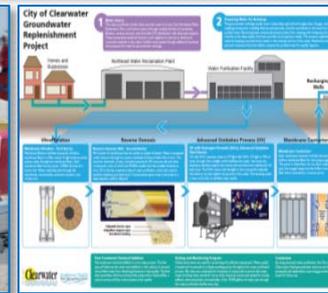
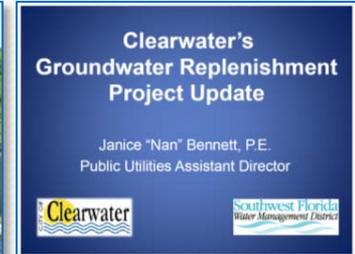
To Understand Injected Water Movement

Rock Core Testing | Aquifer Recharge Testing | Hydrogeochemical Modeling



Public Outreach Program

- Council & Elected Officials
- Environmental Advisory Board
- Printed Communications for Utility Customers
- Homeowners Association Meetings
- Community Groups & Service Clubs
- Professional Society Meetings & Conferences
- USF Graduate Seminar
- Pilot Plant Tours



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