

# Retrofitting a 1960s Water Treatment Plant

Glasgow, Montana



# Learning Objectives

- Modern treatment technology replaced outdated equipment
- Proprietary clarifier equipment + non-proprietary filter basins = competitive bidding
- Construction sequencing plan developed in design
- Montana DEQ re-classification was required

# Original Plant

- 1966 Construction, Groundwater Supply
- Lime Softening Process
  - ✓ Aeration for pH Control / Iron & Manganese
  - ✓ Solids Contact Clarifier & Recarbonation
  - ✓ Single Media (Sand) Filters





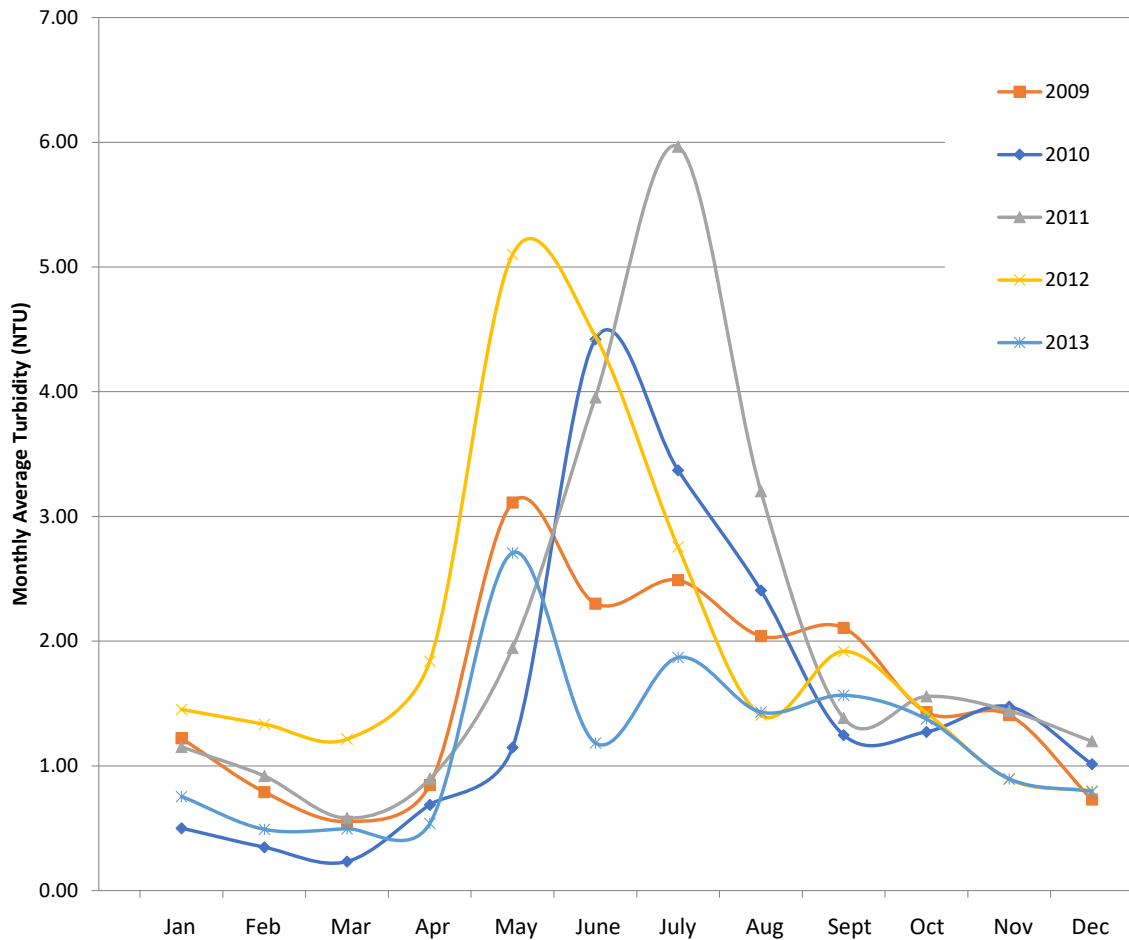




1987  
Converted to  
Surface Water

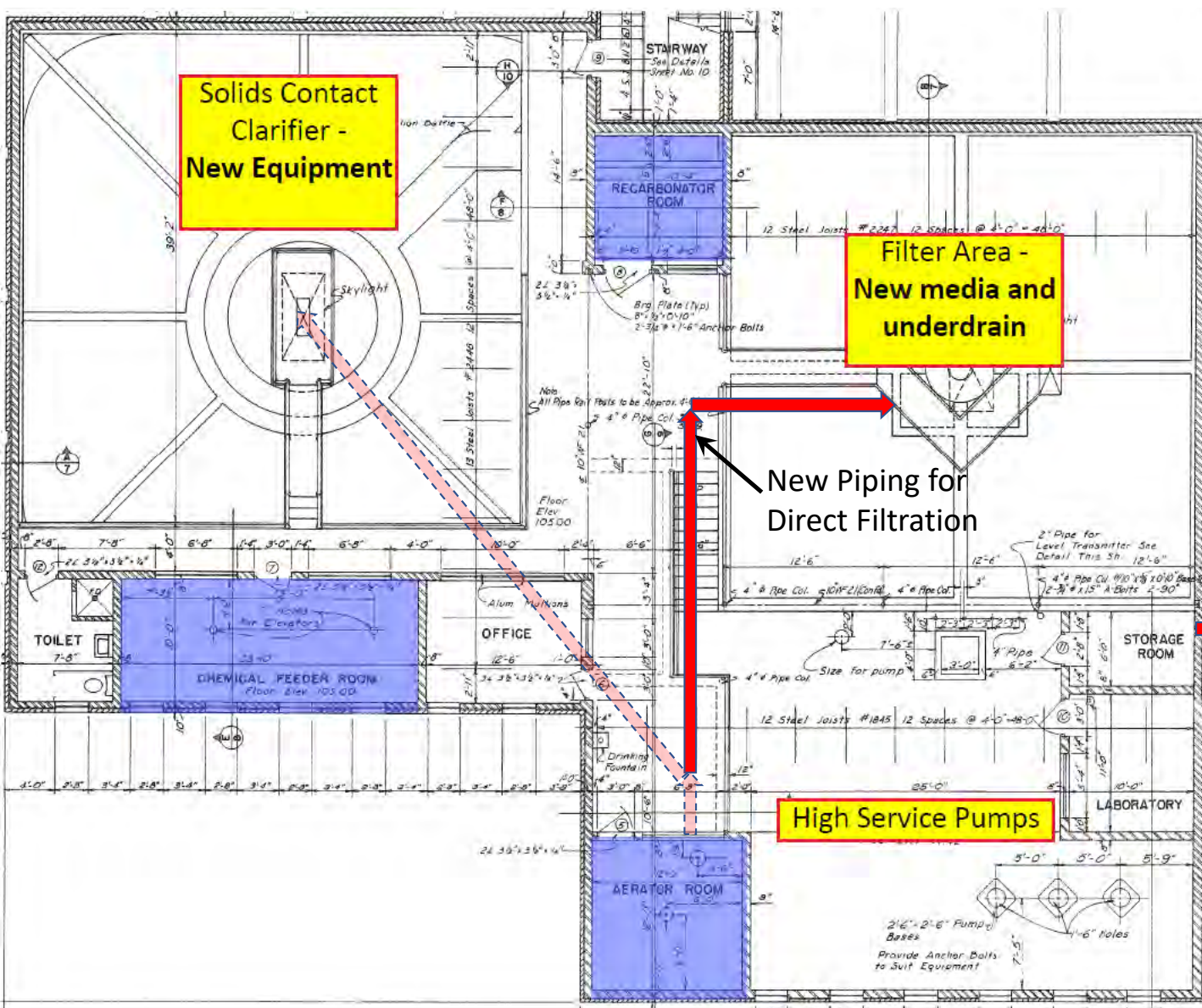


# Water Quality



Missouri River Intake  
Max Turbidity = 20 NTU

# 1987 Upgrades



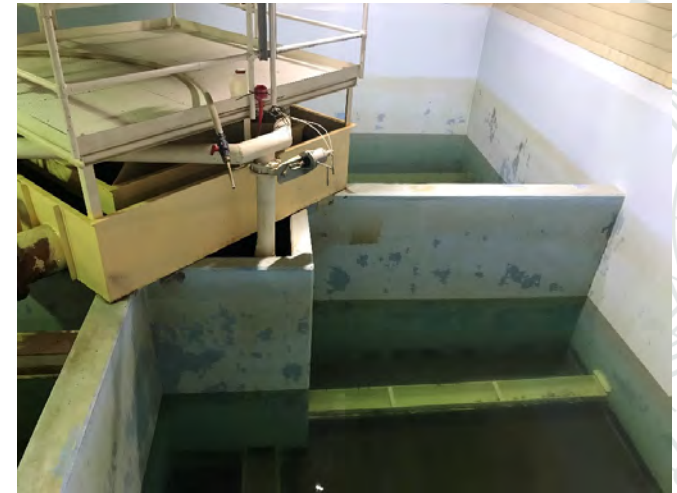
# Existing Plant - 2018



Aeration - Abandoned



Recarbonation - Abandoned



Media Filters – No Change



Clarifier - Repurposed



# Outdated Processes



## Clarifier (Detention Basin)

- 280,000 gal
- 1.0 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> max loading
- No solids
- 1987 equipment
- Maintenance issues

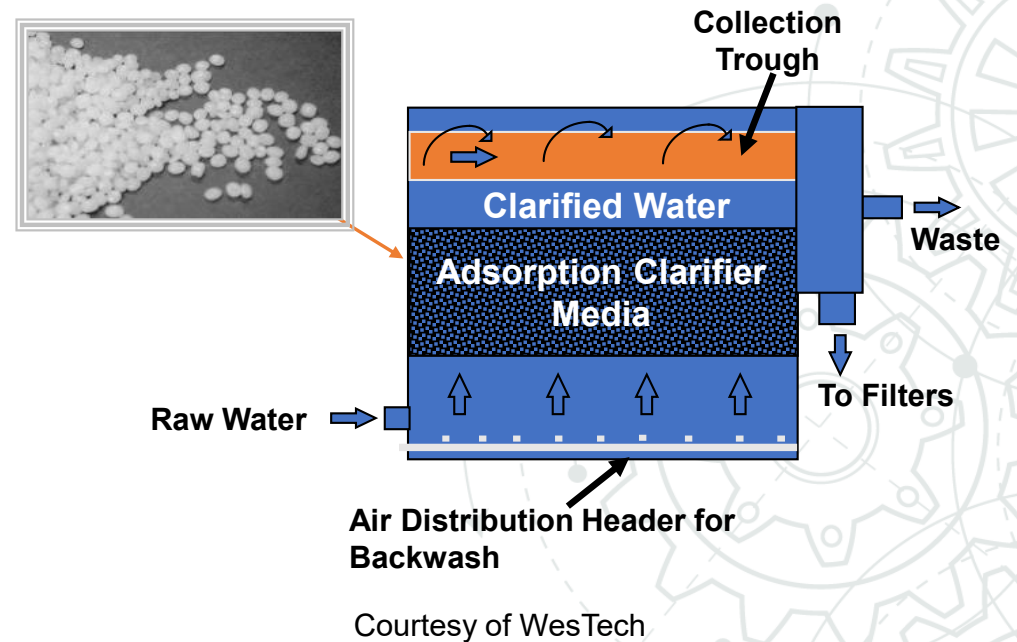
## Single Media Filters

- 1987 media & underdrains
- Significant corrosion
- No filter-to-waste
- Gravity backwash (low rate)
- 1.5 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> max loading

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## Clarifier

- Contact Adsorption Clarifiers (CACs)
- Proprietary “Package” system
- Low turbidity solution



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## Media Filters

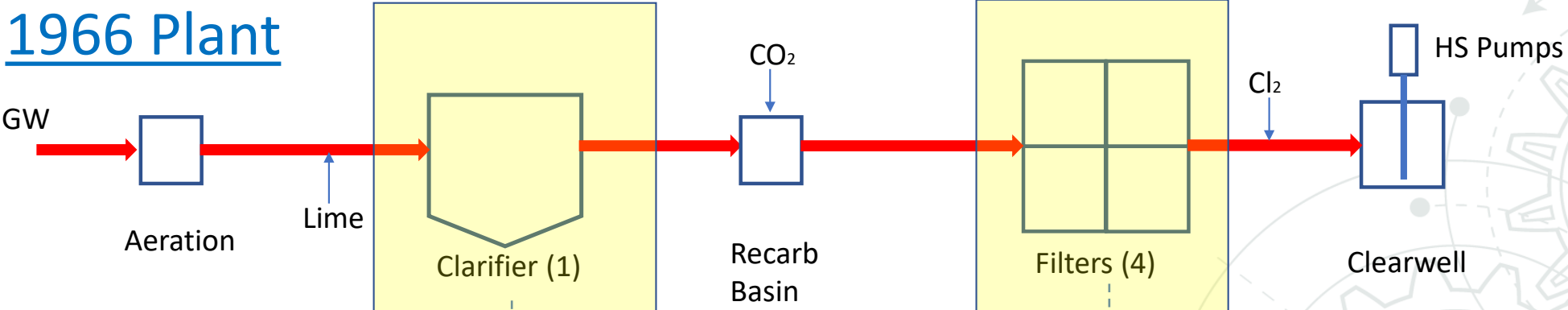
- 4 new concrete filter basins
- Dual media / plastic block underdrains
- Filter-to-waste
- Air scour & pumped backwash
- 4.0 gpm/ft<sup>2</sup> max loading



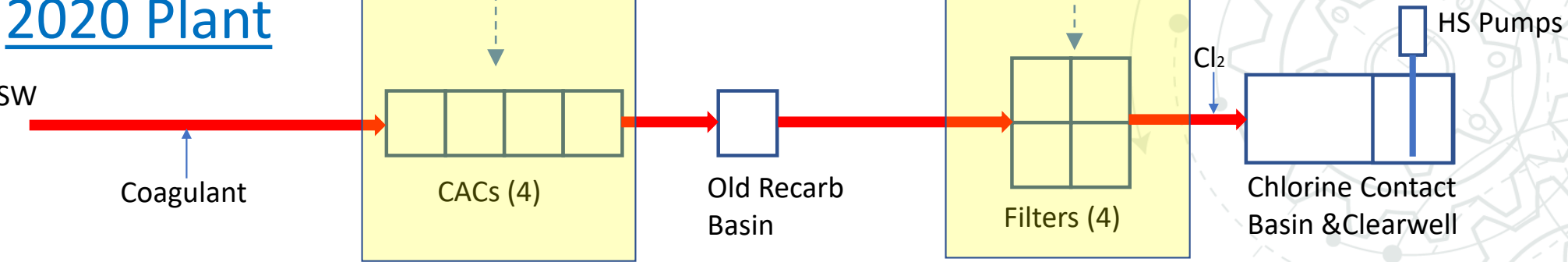


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## 1966 Plant



## 2020 Plant



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## Bidding Process


- Design-bid-build approach
- CACs → negotiated price
  - Contractor supplied
- Balance of competitive bidding

**PROJECT MANUAL – Volume 1 of 4**  
Bidding Requirements, Contract Forms, and Contract Conditions  
Technical Specifications Divisions 1 through 10

**Water System Improvements  
Project  
for  
City of Glasgow, MT**

USDA RD Loan  
Treasure State Endowment Program Grant: MT-TSEP-CG-17-856

July, 2018


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**BIDDER INFORMATION**  
See Section 00100 for Bid Proposal Packet Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Project No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Set No.: \_\_\_\_\_



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## “Or Equal” Bid Items

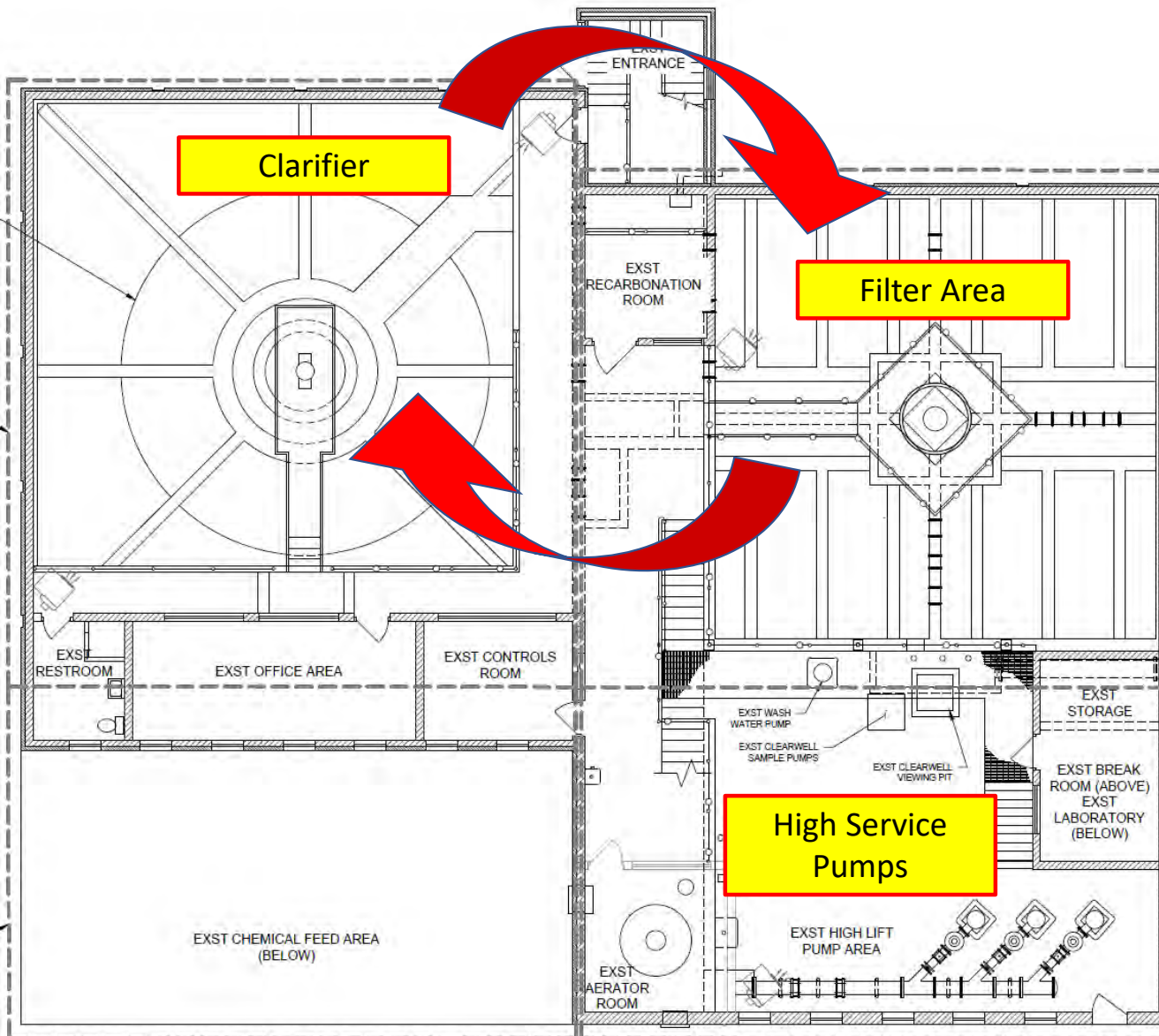
- Filter equipment
- Backwash pumps & blower
- Gas chlorine equipment
- High service pumps
- Electrical & Control

## “Sole Sourced”

### CAC equipment

- Steel tanks & internals
- Control panel & instrumentation
- Blowers

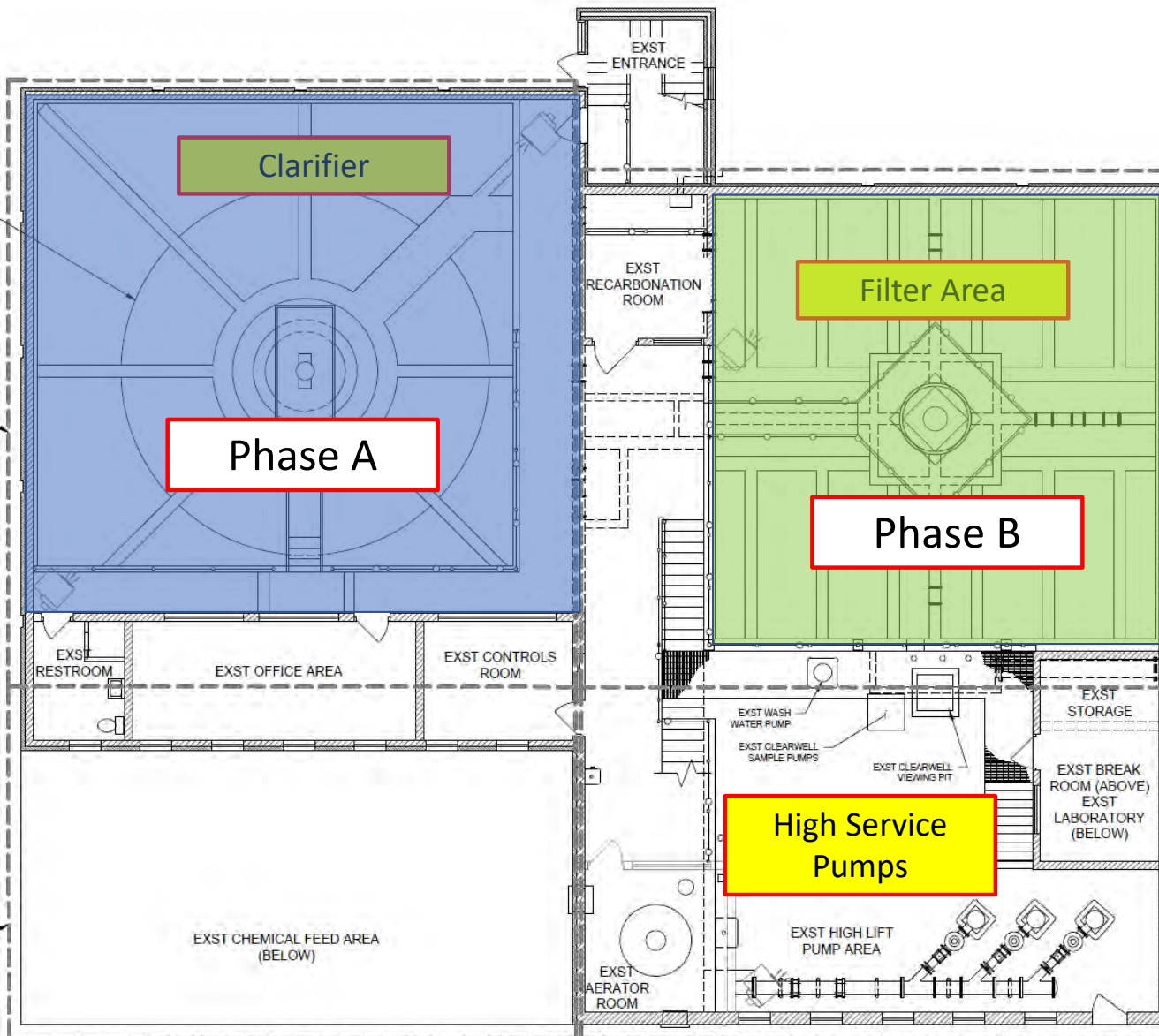




# How can this be constructed?

- No building expansions
- Maintain operation
- Cost effective project
- Details in bid documents

# Construction Sequencing



# Phase A Construction

- Demo clarifier
- Operate plant using direct filtration
- Rehab concrete
- Construct filters
- Commissioning

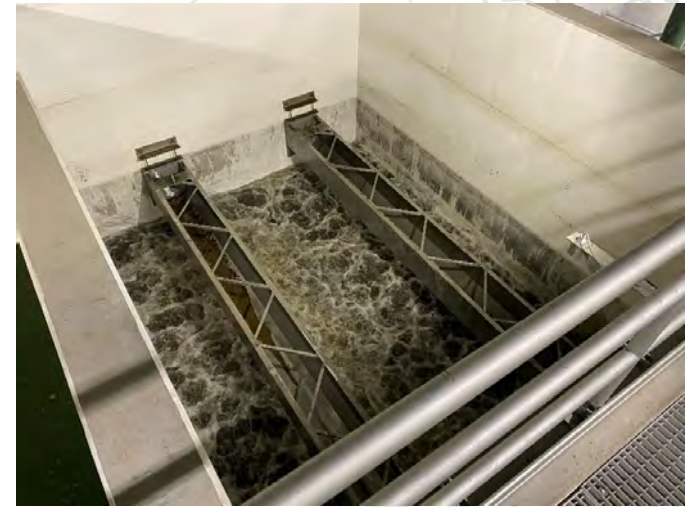
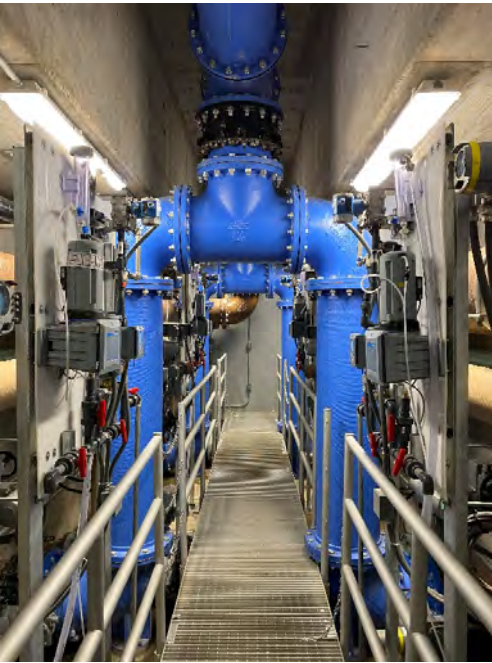




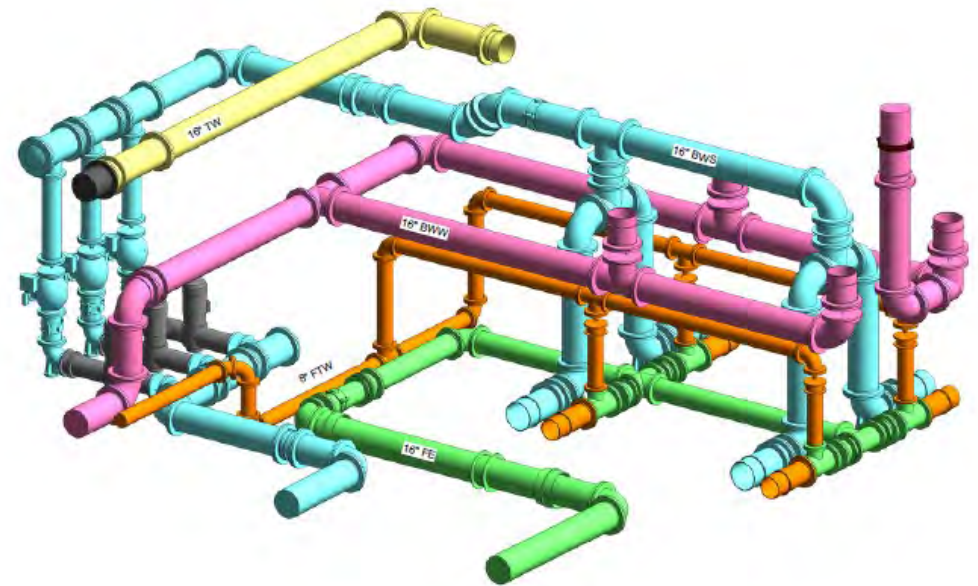
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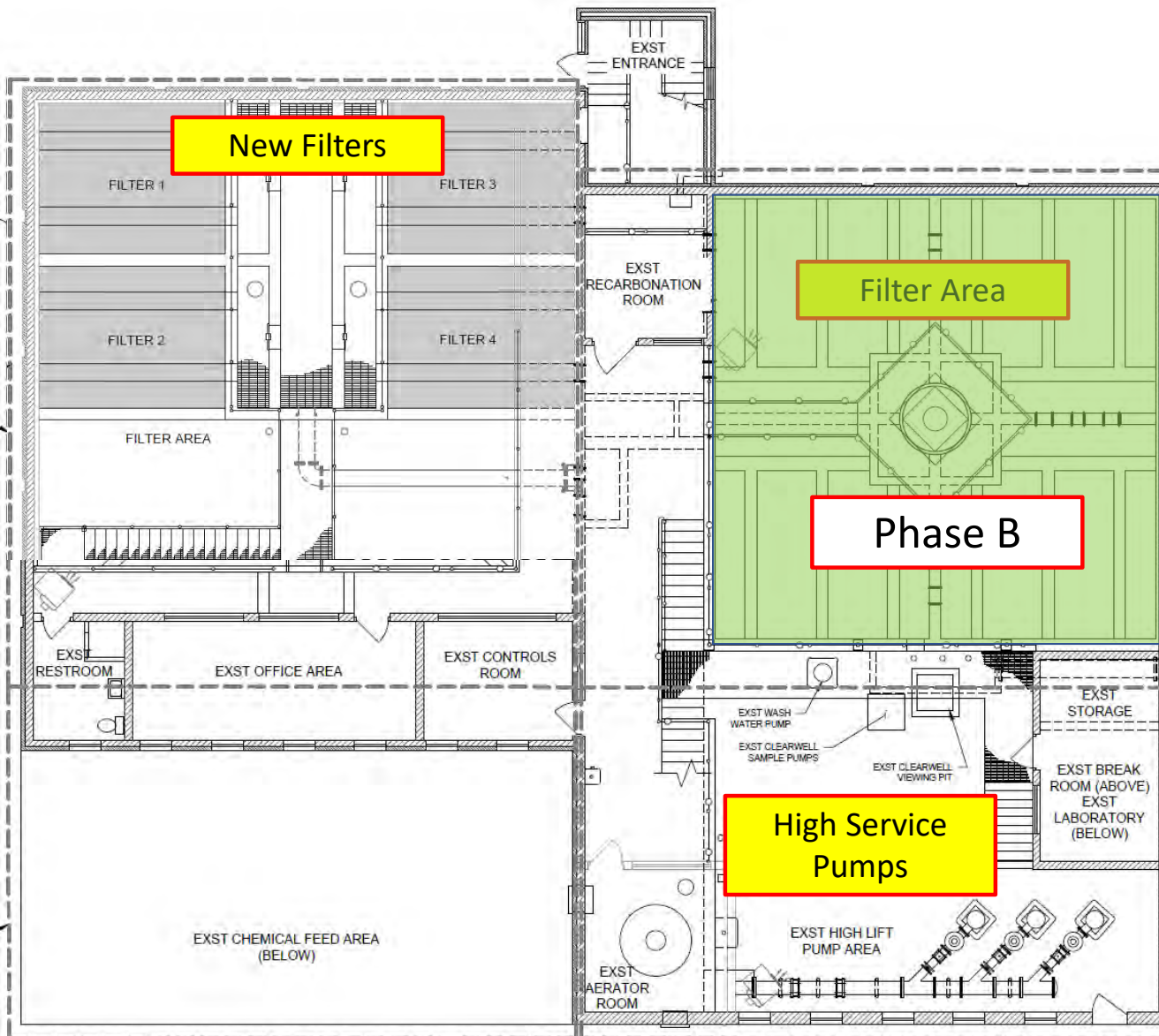
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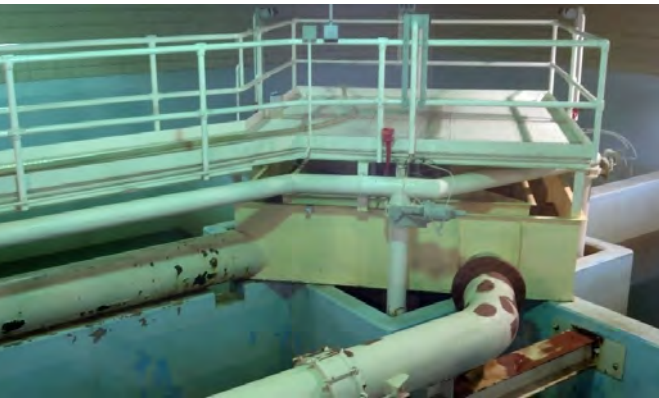






# Construction Sequencing

# Phase B Construction



- Demo filters
- Continue direct filtration
- Retain divider walls
- Rehab concrete
- Pour concrete slab
- Install CACs, piping & valves
- Commissioning

# Phase B Construction

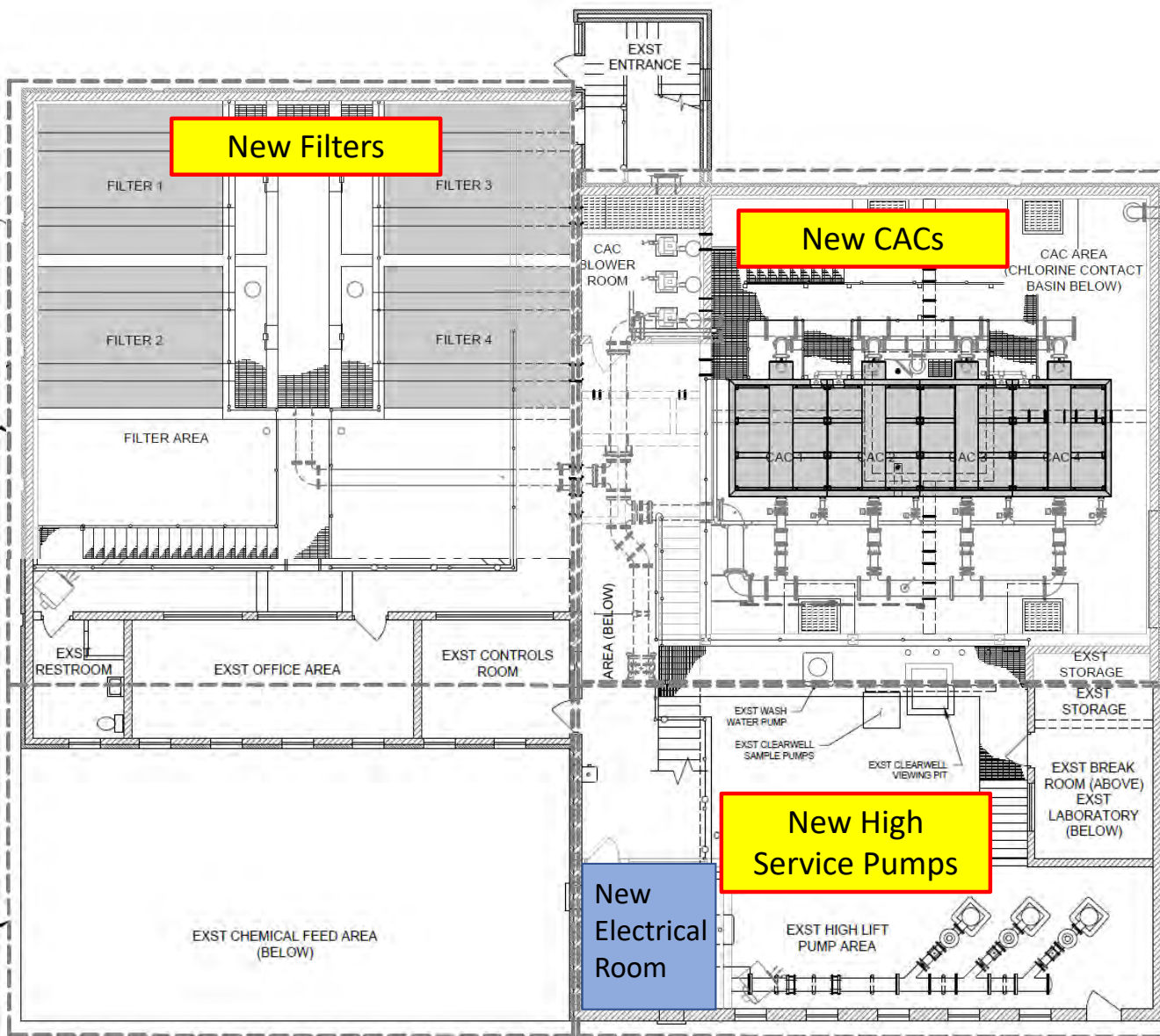




# Phase B Construction







# Construction Sequencing

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# Construction Sequencing Important Tips

- Planning and details
- Establish boundary conditions
- Operator access
- Order of commissioning
- Communication



# Montana DEQ Re-classification

## Conventional Filtration

“a series of processes including coagulation, flocculation, sedimentation and filtration...”

## Direct Filtration

“a series of processes including coagulation and filtration but excluding sedimentation...”





# Montana DEQ Re-classification

Table 1.1 Log Removal Credits for Each Type of Treatment Process						
Treatment Process	Typical Log Removal Credits through Filtration			Resulting Log Inactivation Requirements through Disinfection <i>(excludes LT2 Requirements)</i>		
	<i>Crypto-sporidium</i>	<i>Giardia lamblia</i>	Viruses	<i>Crypto-sporidium</i>	<i>Giardia lamblia</i>	Viruses
Conventional Treatment (including Lime Softening)	2	2.5	2	0	0.5	2
Direct Filtration	2	2	1	0	1	3

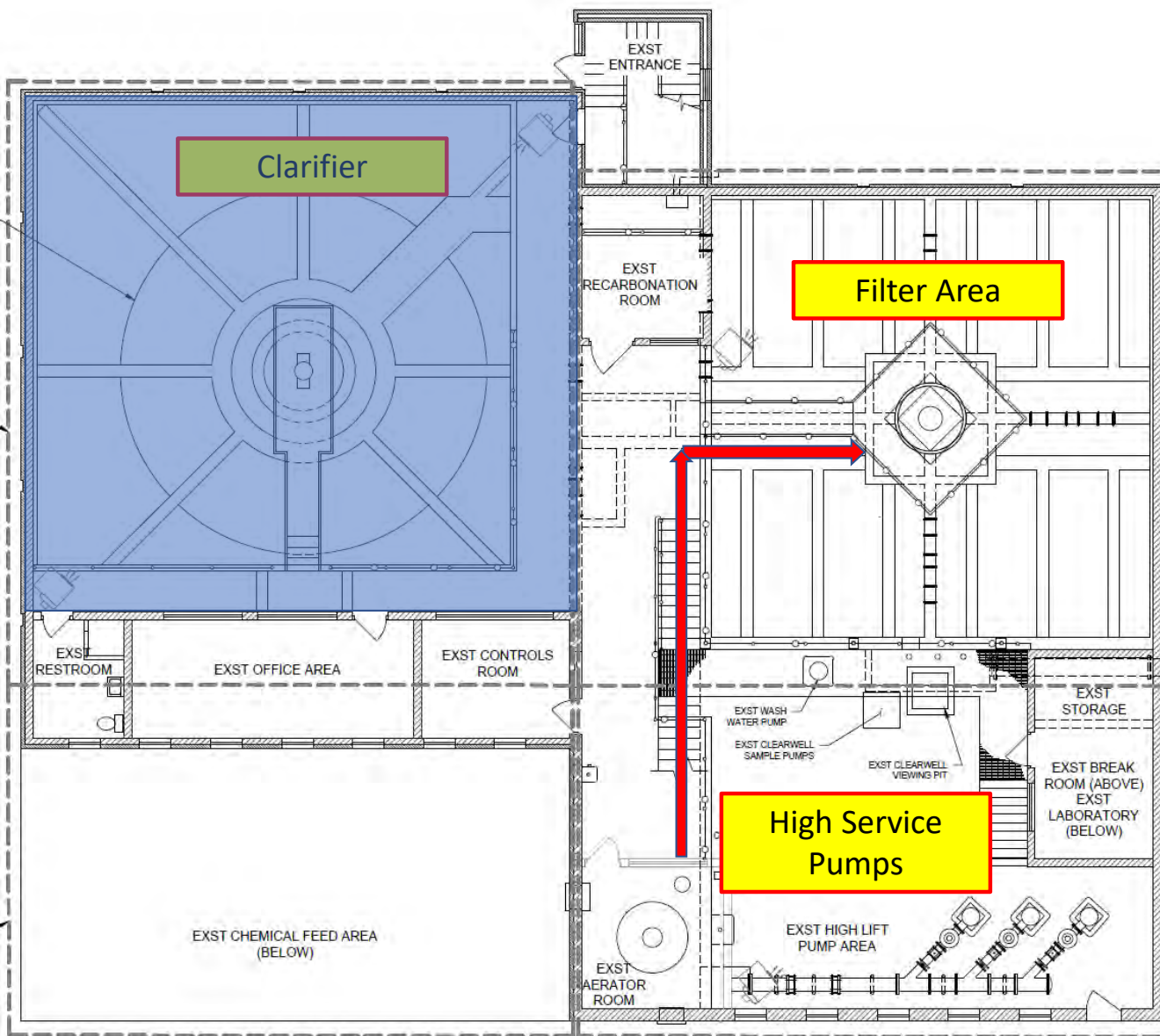


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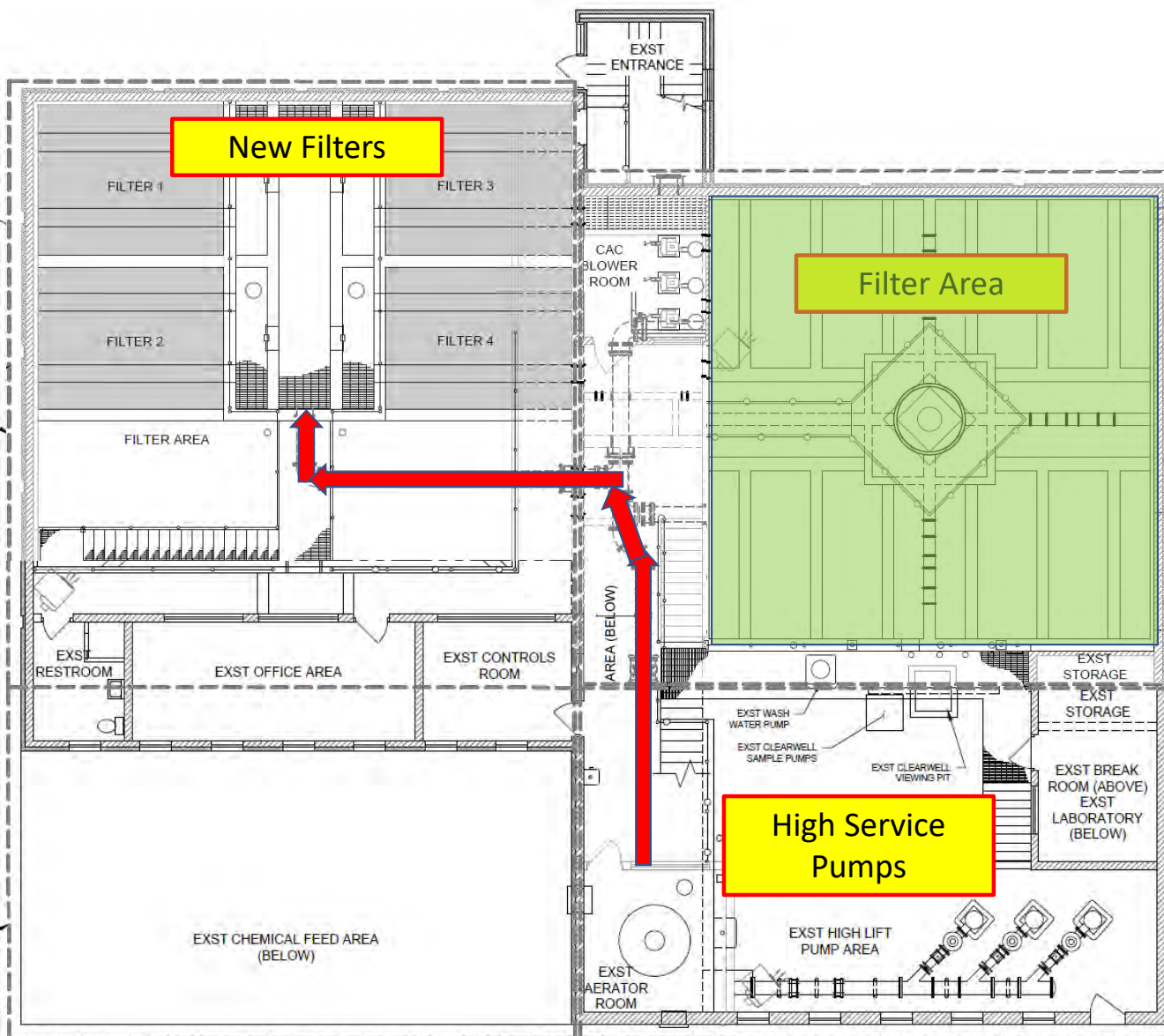
## Giardia Inactivation

- CT Factor ( $C \times T$ )
    - $C$  = concentration
    - $T$  = contact time
  - Direct Filtration = 2 x CT
- 1 mg/L → 2 mg/L  $\text{Cl}_2$



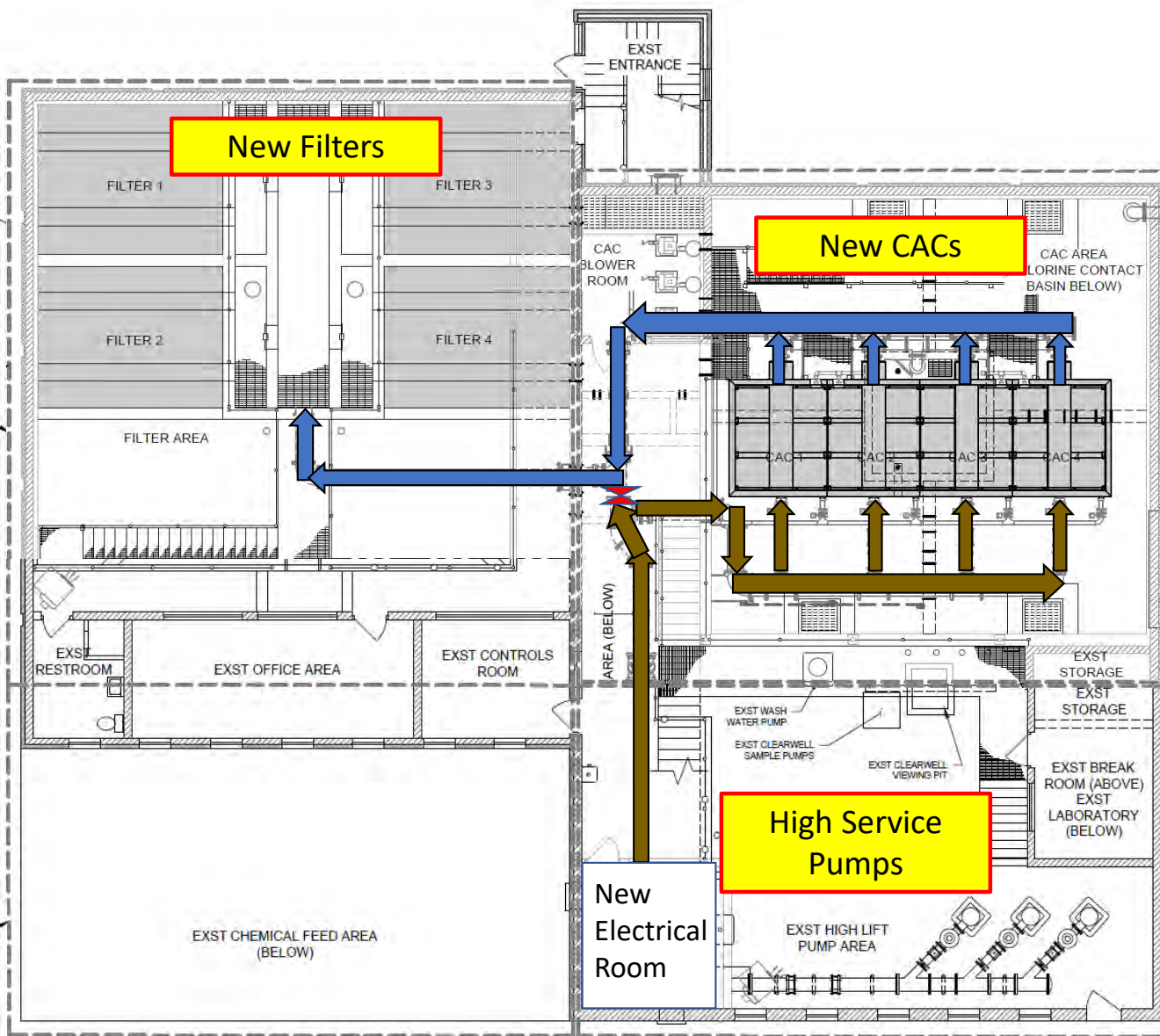


# Phase A Direct Filtration



## Phase B Direct Filtration





## 2020 Retrofit & Upgrades Conventional Filtration





What a  
waste of  
space



Chlorine  
Contact  
Volume





### Old Filter Box

Existing  
Clearwell

# Webinar Take-Aways

- Find the right treatment approach
- Sole-source vs. competitive bid
- Complicated retrofit → include construction sequencing in design
- DEQ involvement early and often





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Questions



