



Energy Bandwidth Study of Desalination

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AMO Strategic Goals

- Improve the productivity and energy efficiency of U.S. manufacturing.
- Reduce lifecycle energy and resource impacts of manufactured goods.
- Leverage diverse domestic energy resources in U.S. manufacturing, while strengthening environmental stewardship.
- Transition DOE supported innovative technologies and practices into U.S. manufacturing capabilities.
- Strengthen and advance the U.S. manufacturing workforce.



Multi-Year Program Plan

- Describes the Office mission, vision, and goals
- Identifies the technology, outreach, and crosscutting activities the Office plans to focus on over the next five years.

<https://energy.gov/eere/amo/advanced-manufacturing-office>

AMO Multi-Year Program Plan (MYPP) Framework and Clean Water

<https://energy.gov/eere/amo/downloads/advanced-manufacturing-office-amo-multi-year-program-plan-fiscal-years-2017>



Manufacturing Technology Assessments can be found here:

<https://energy.gov/under-secretary-science-and-energy/quadrennial-technology-review-2015-omnibus#chap6ta>

Issues with Water at Current State-of-the-Art

- **Water Processing Impacts:** The cost and energy associated with processing non-fresh water sources (brackish or seawater) is relatively high compared with fresh ground and surface waters.
- **Water Transport Impacts:** Cost and energy associated with water transport from a centralized facility is high (~\$0.05/m³ for 100 meter vertical lift or 100 kilometer of flat horizontal transport).
- **Underutilized Water Sources:** Regional non-fresh water sources are readily available and if utilized would reduce or eliminate the cost and energy demands of transporting clean water from one region to another
- **Suboptimal Energy Efficiency:** Current treatment centers and associated systems (whether centralized or distributed) are not as energy efficient with current technologies
- **Lack of Applications for Water Reuse:** Approx. 290 billion gallons of water a day is discharged back into the ocean or other surface water locations instead of being recycled back. Non-"reuse" volume represents near 95% of total.
- **Broader Systems Impacts:** All above impact energy demand, resiliency and robustness from watershed to water use.



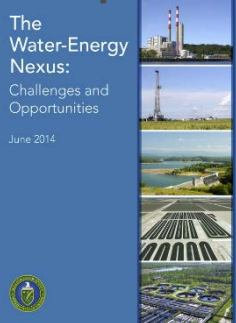
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“... untapped water resources could be utilized if key technical challenges are addressed, including processing and purifying water in a low cost and energy-efficient manner.”

Advanced Manufacturing Office Multi-Year Program Plan

Examples of DOE/AMO Energy-Water Activities

DOE Water-Energy Nexus report



Better Plants Water and Wastewater Treatment Working Group



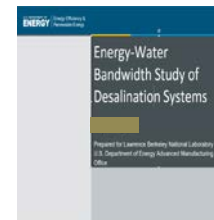
SEP Water and Wastewater Treatment Pilot



Desalination Data Study (Vol. 1)



Desalination Bandwidth Study (Vol. 2)



Clean Water RFI

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2015

2016

2017

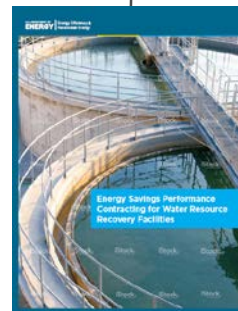
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Water Savings Initiative



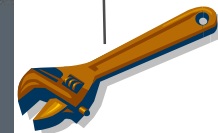
Energy Optimized Desalination Technology Development Workshop



Wastewater Infrastructure Resiliency Accelerator

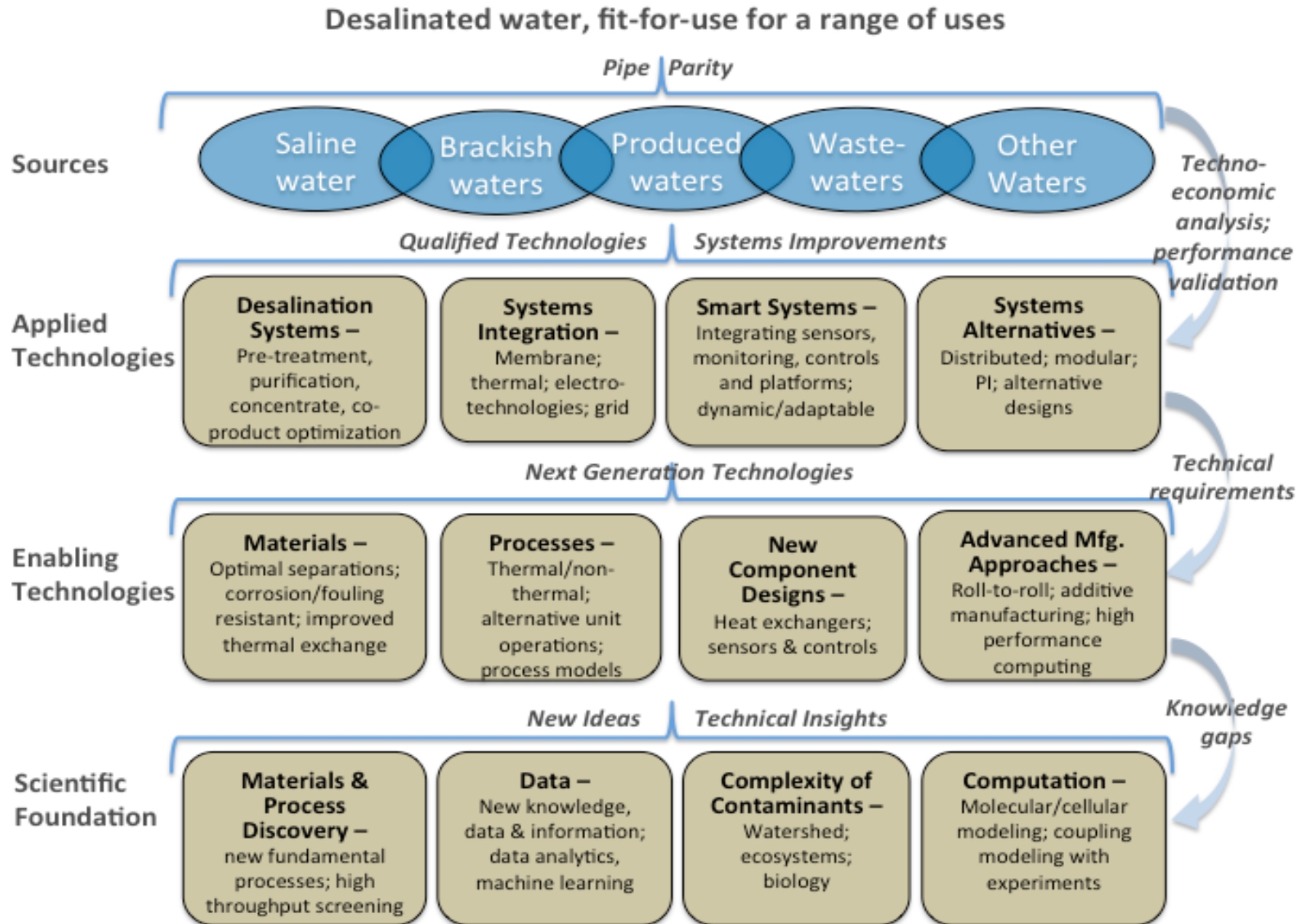


AMO Clean Water Workshops (Dallas, Cleveland)

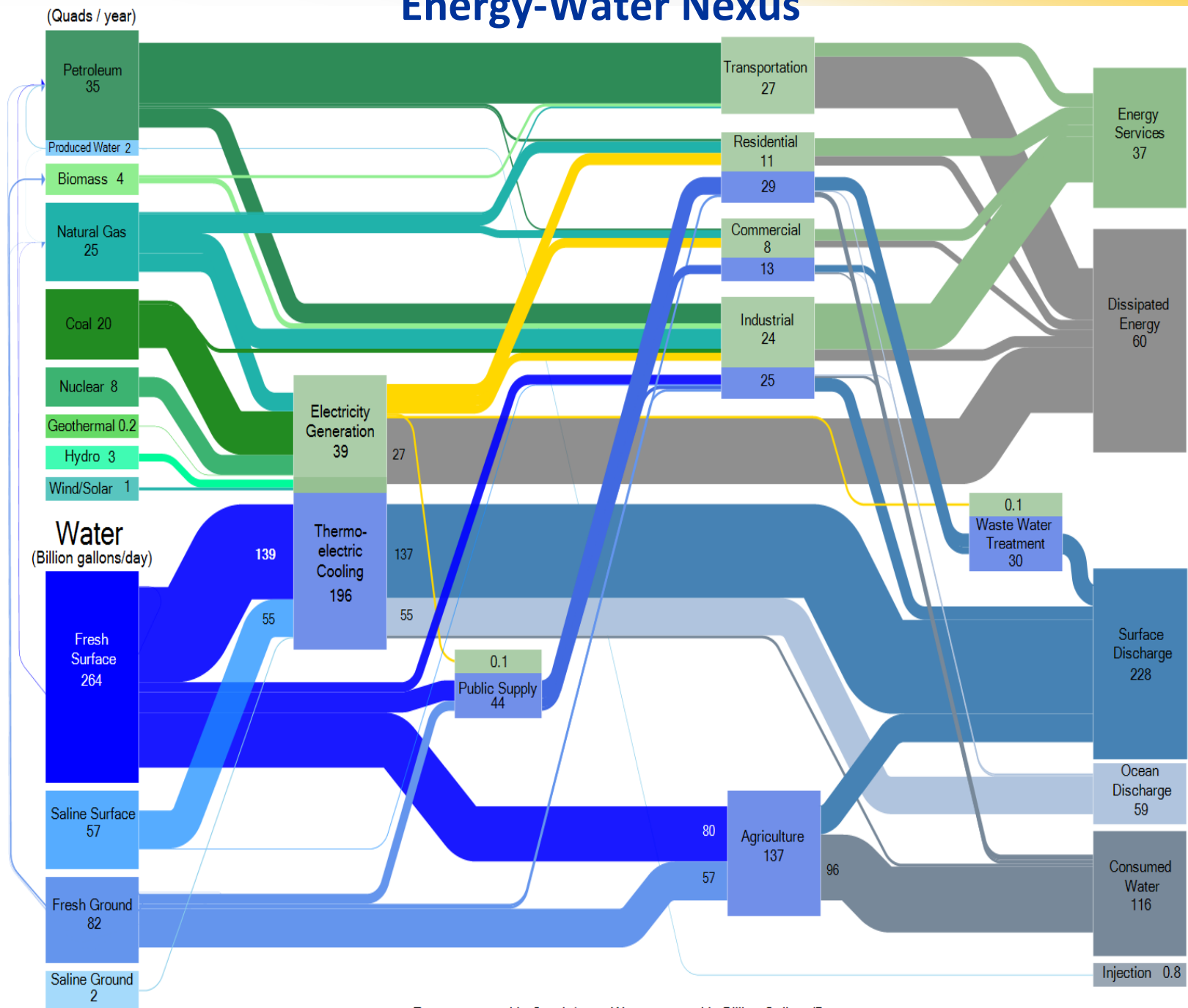


Plant Water Profiler Tool

Technology maturity and manufacturing scale for clean water



Energy-Water Nexus

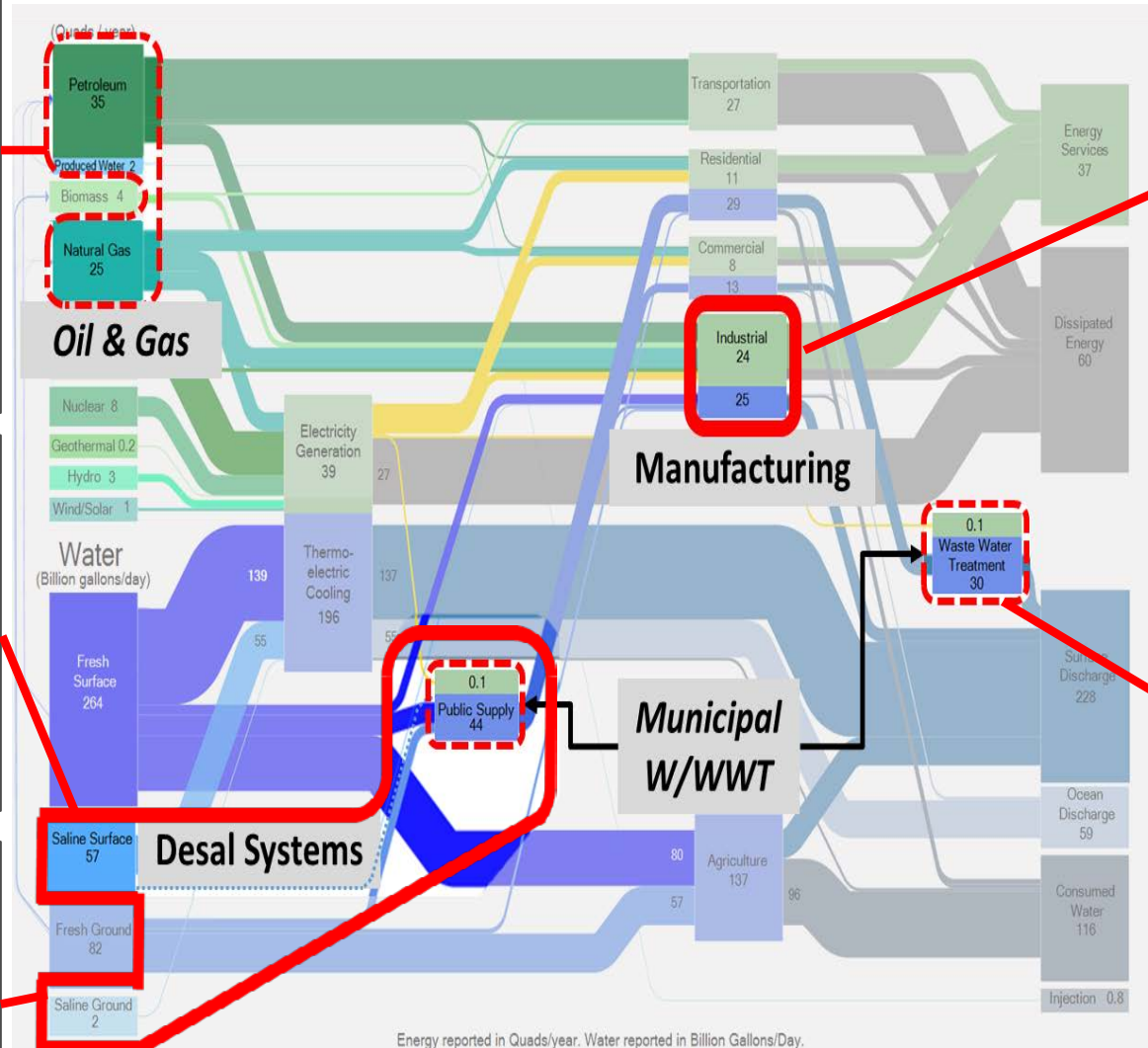


What core technology improvements have targeted impacts, ...

High Salinity feed water with variable contaminant mix to produce industrial/ag grade water w/ FO, RO viable candidates

Seawater for municipal potable water w/ RO, MSF, and MED candidates in focus

Brackish water for potable water w/ CDI, EDR, MF/NF, RO as candidates



Reduce energy & water in specific sectors w/ sectors chosen in context with watershed impact

Reduce energy consumption of the water and wastewater sectors, including advanced resource recovery and reuse possibilities

...and what cross-cutting technologies have pervasive impact?

Separations /treatment:

- Membranes
- Thermal

Fluids Pumping:

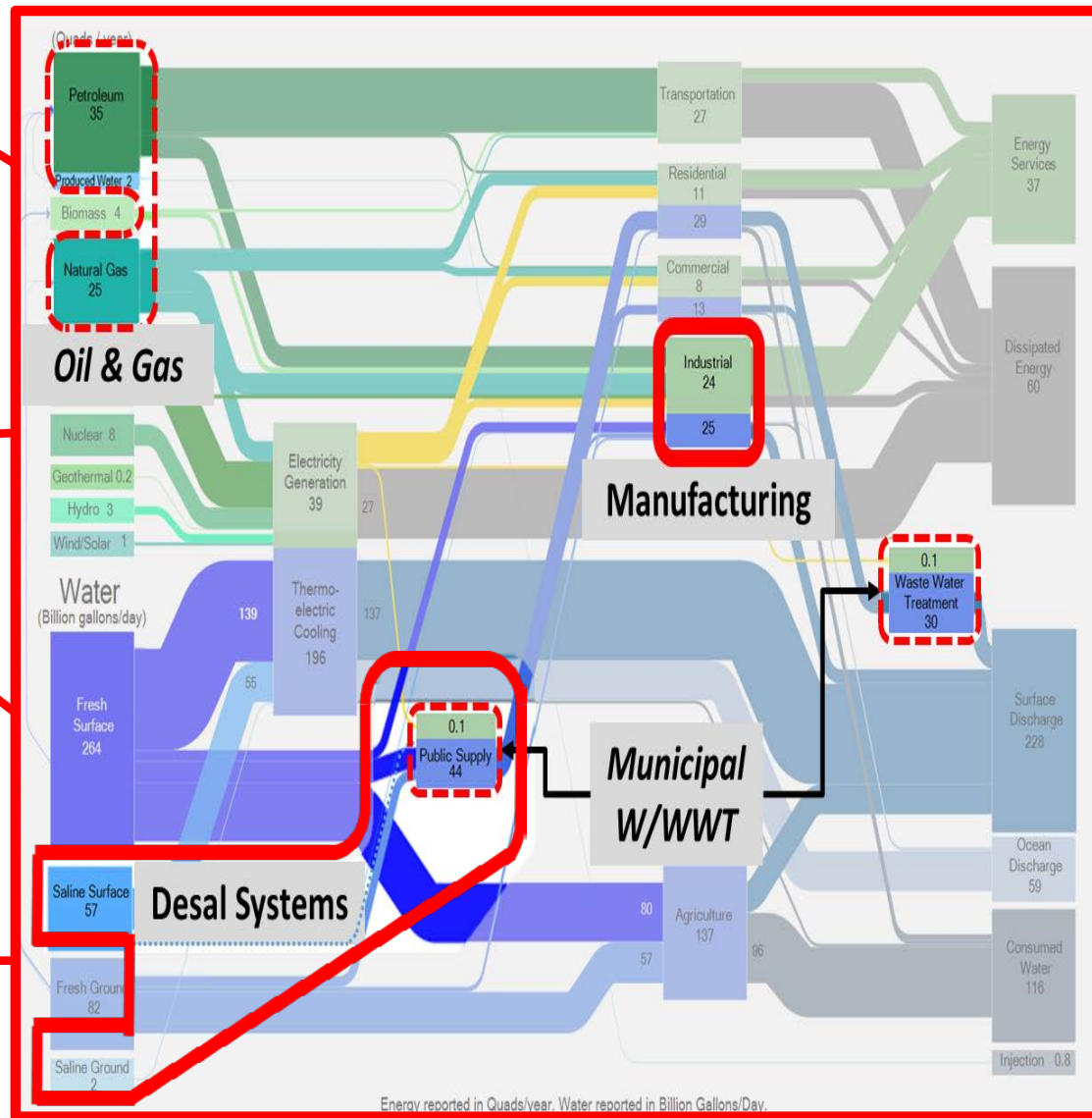
- Motor driven systems
- Materials

Heat transfer:

- Corrosion resistant materials
- Waste heat integration

Infrastructure:

- Piping
- Structural materials



System integration:

- Smart technologies
- Modular designs
- Processes
- Joint energy grid/water system management

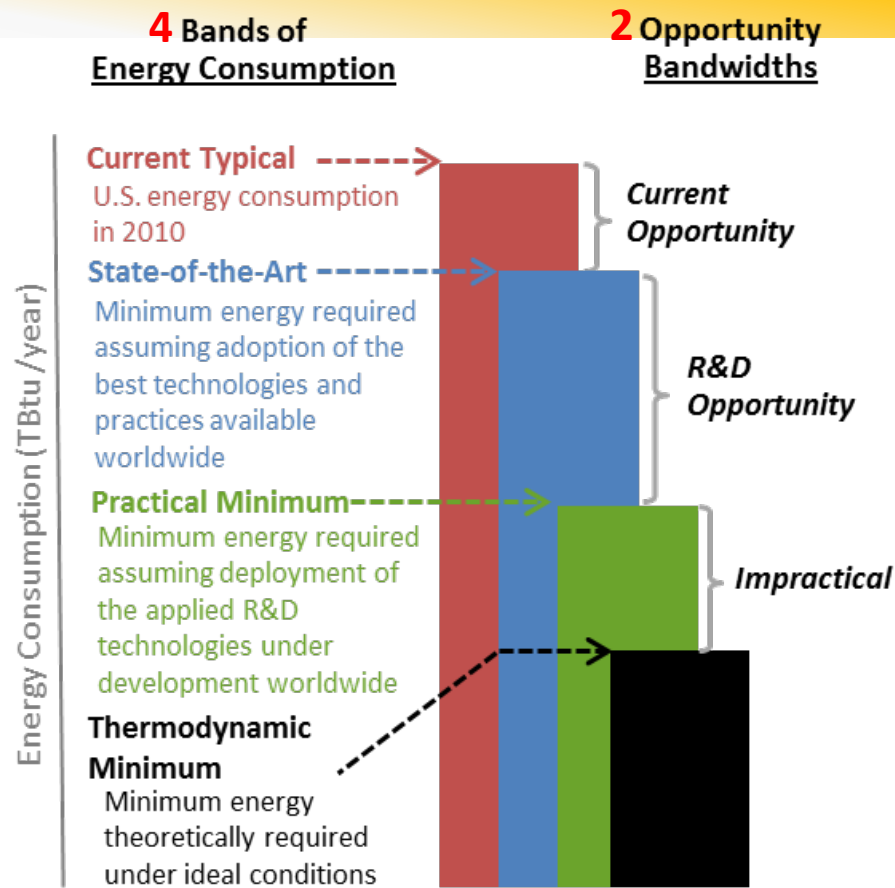
Sustainability:

- RE integration
- Consumptive water use
- Chemicals (alternatives)
- Life cycle water use
- Fit-for-use, reuse
- ZLD

Energy Bandwidth Studies

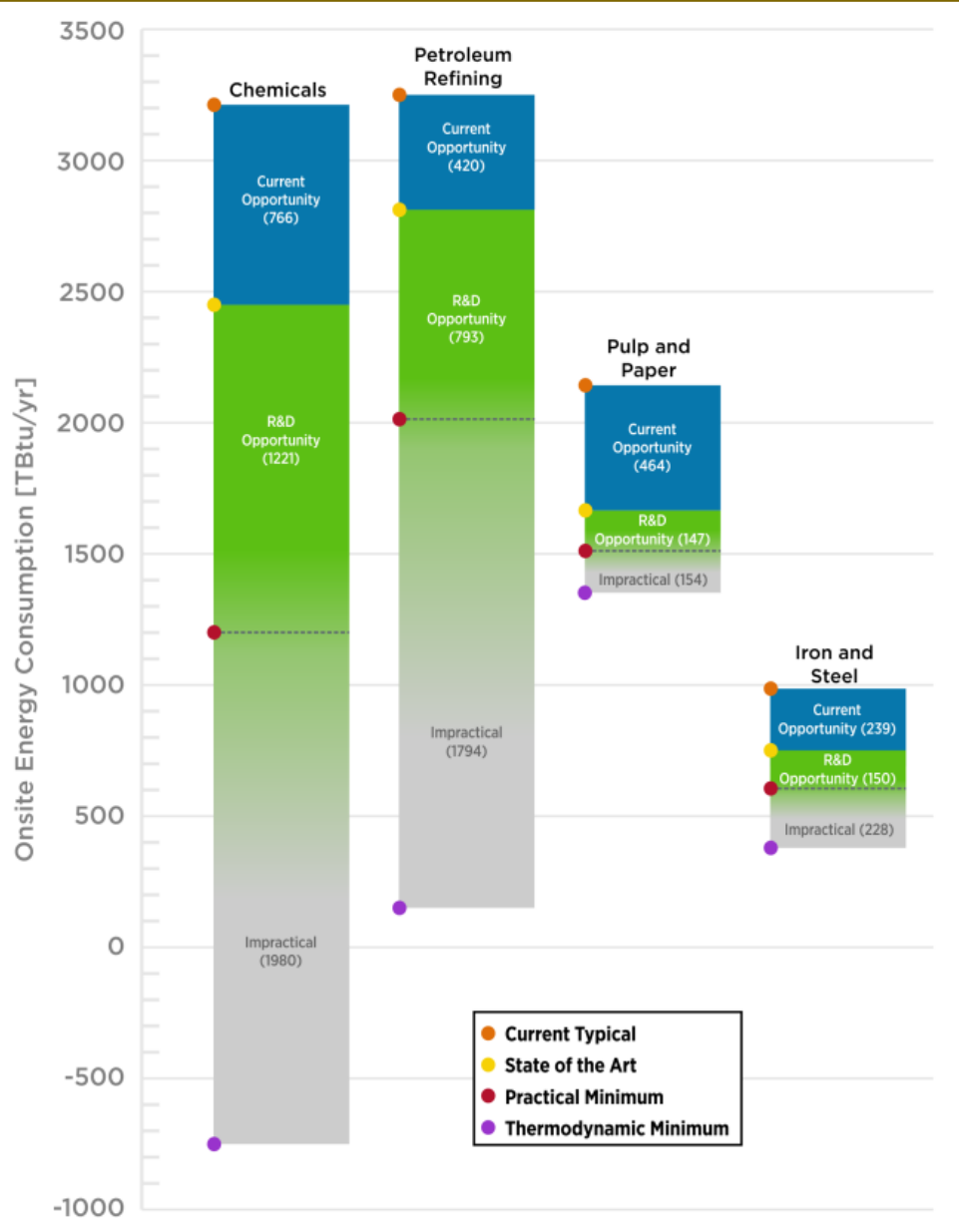
Comparison of energy consumption for defined industrial process areas to determine bandwidths of energy savings opportunity

These bands of energy consumption and bandwidths of opportunity are useful for identifying areas of R&D technology focus.



| Current Typical (CT) | State of the Art (SOA) | Practical Minimum (PM) | Thermodynamic Minimum (TM) |
|--|---|---|---|
| Literature review and stakeholder outreach, based on current typical processes in the U.S. | Literature review and stakeholder outreach, based on the most energy-efficient technologies and practices available worldwide | Calculated based on plausible energy savings from identified R&D technologies under development worldwide | Calculated analytically using Gibbs free energy assuming ideal conditions |

Recent Bandwidth Studies



<https://energy.gov/eere/amo/energy-analysis-sector>

Published 2015:

- Chemicals
- Petroleum Refining
- Pulp and Paper
- Iron and Steel

Published 2016:

Draft lightweight structural materials series:

- Advanced High Strength Steel
- Aluminum
- Titanium
- Magnesium
- Carbon Fiber
- Glass Fiber

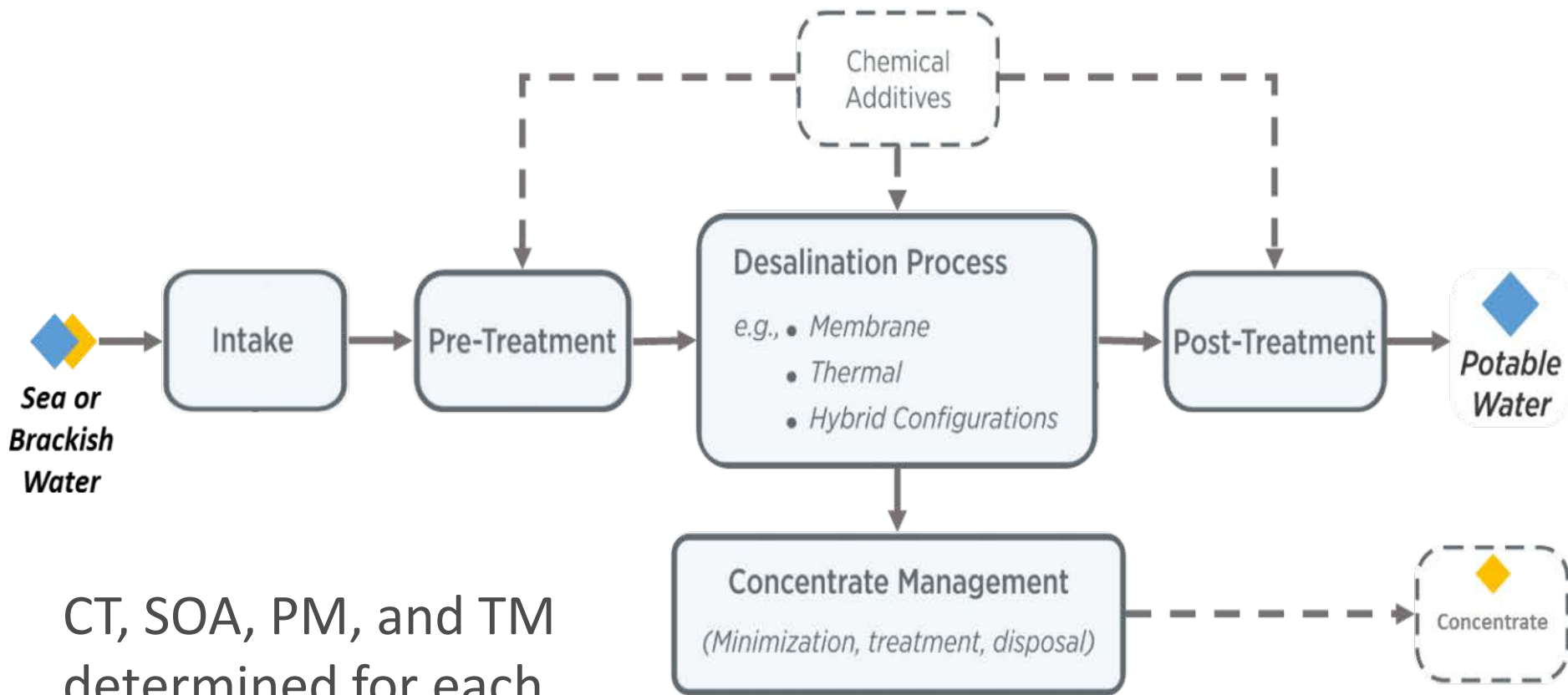
Published 2017:

- Cement
- Glass
- Plastics and Rubber Product
- Food and Beverage

• **Seawater Desalination**

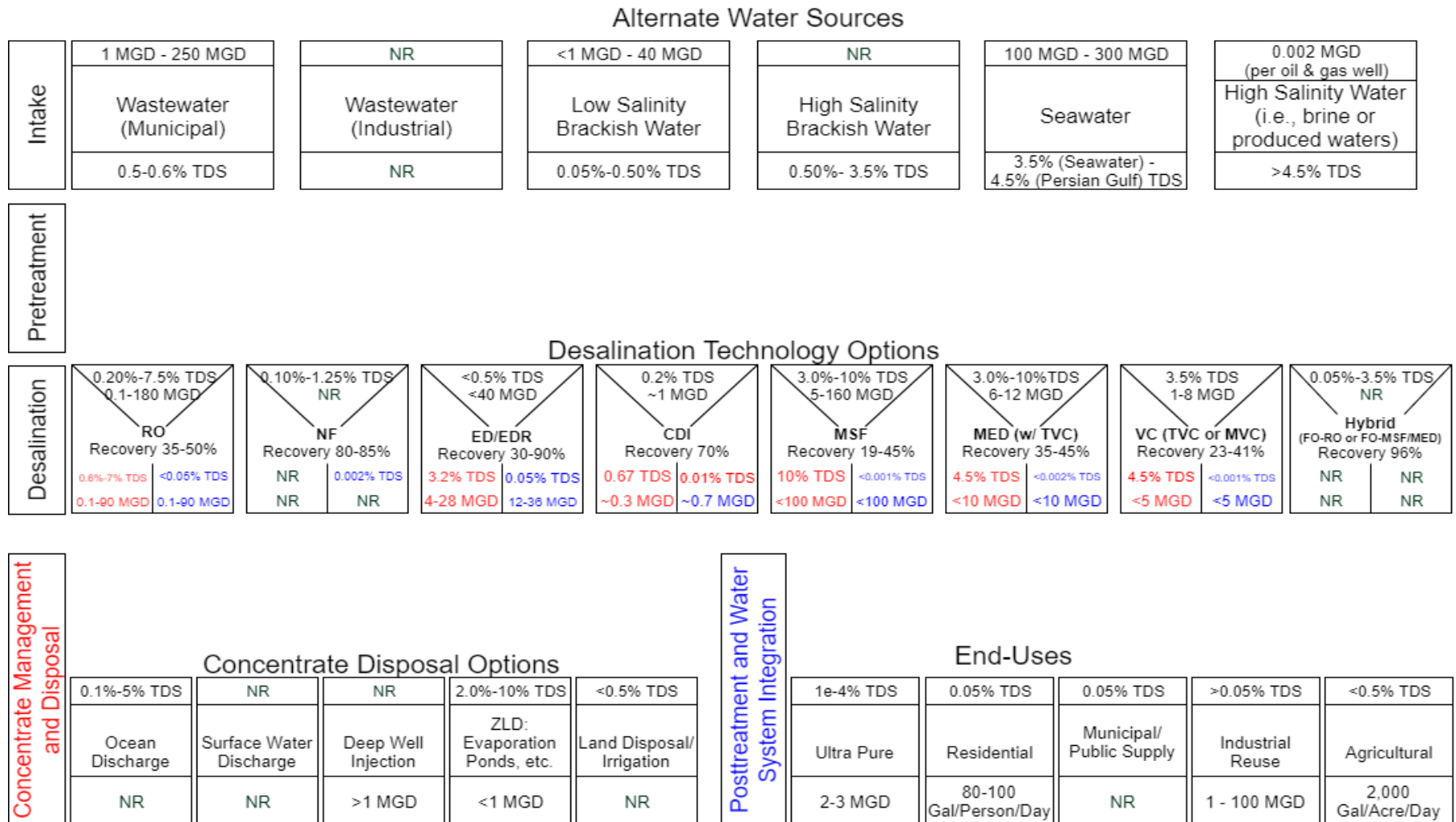
Seawater Desalination Analysis

Desalination System Boundary



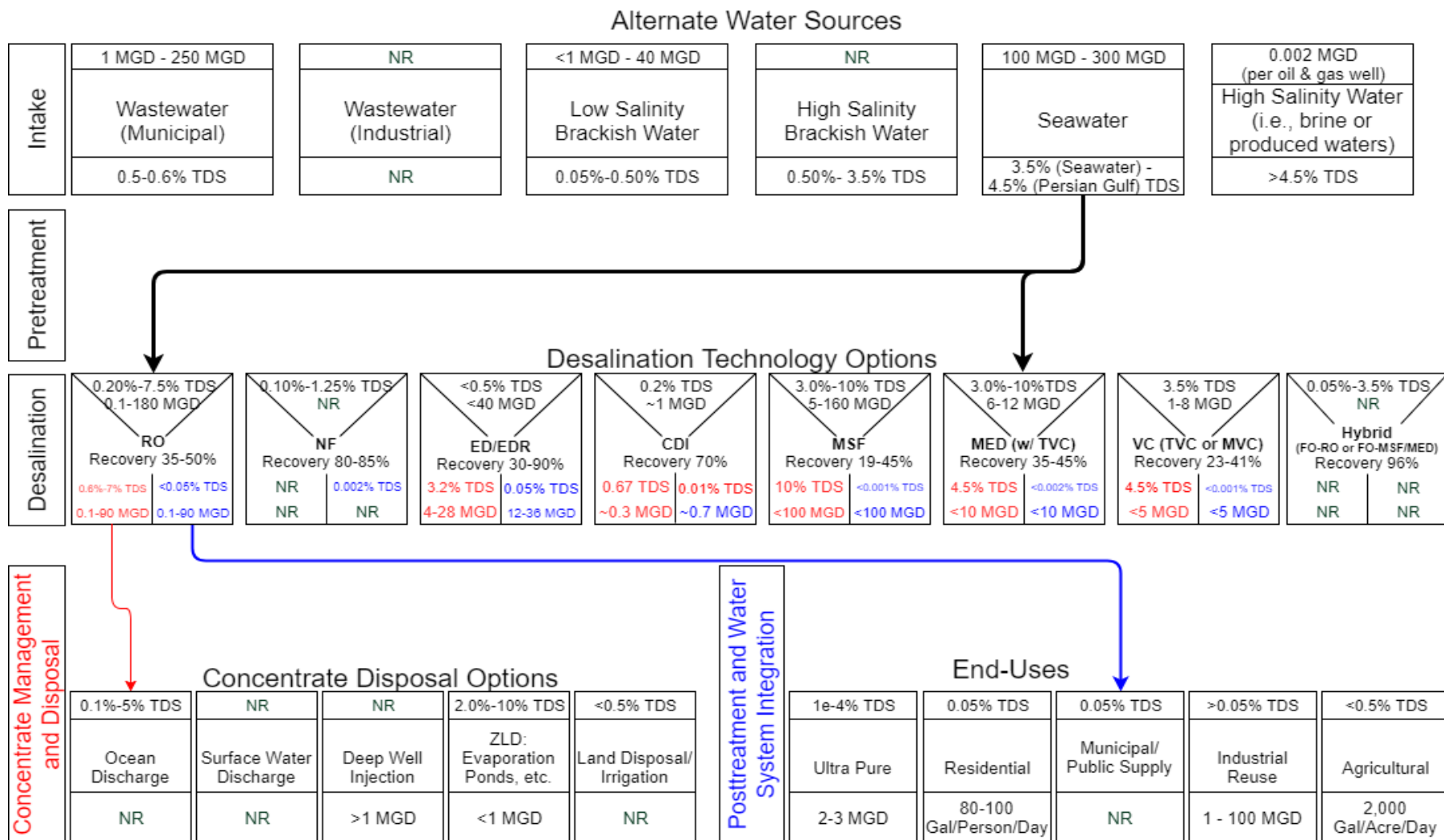
CT, SOA, PM, and TM
determined for each
unit operation

Many applications for water treatment through desalination



Seawater for Municipal Potable Water Pathways

Analysis for seawater looks at two pathways for desalinating seawater into municipal potable water

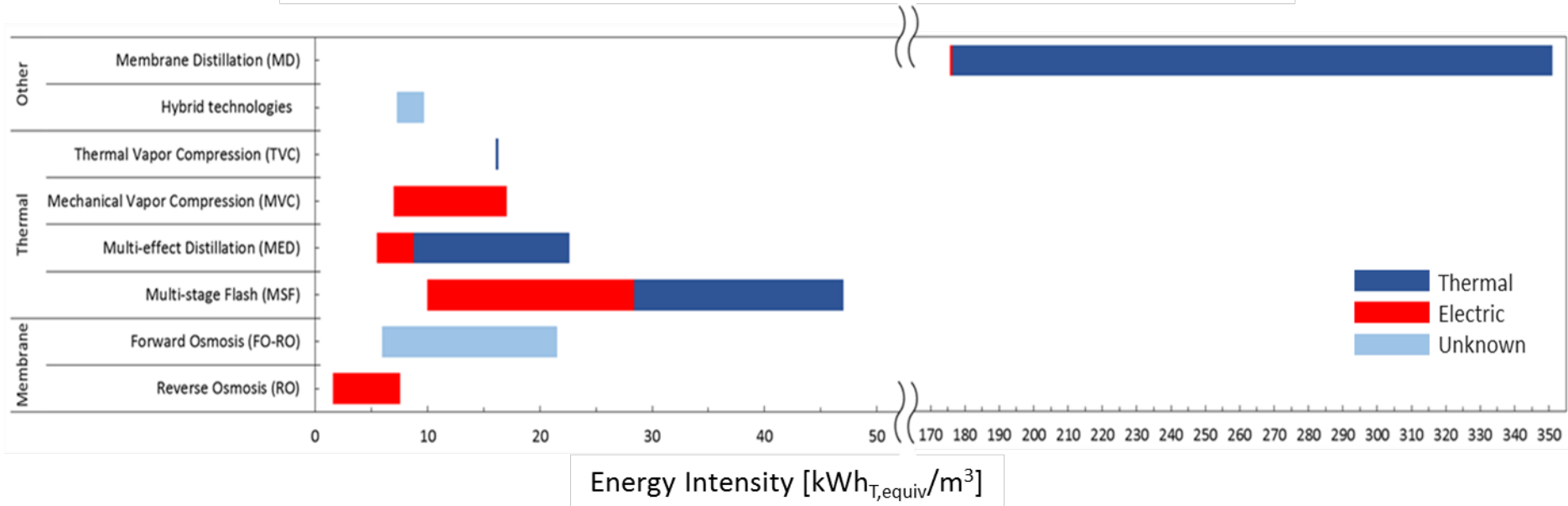


Desalination Technologies Reviewed For Seawater Application

| Intake | Pre-treatment | Desalination | Post-treatment | Concentrate |
|--|---|--|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open-ocean intake <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Screened • Subsurface intake <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Beach wells - Offshore radial collector wells | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membrane filtration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Microfiltration - Ultrafiltration • Media filtration • Sand filtration • Cartridge filtration • Disc filtration • Flocculation • Sedimentation • Chlorination • Dissolved air flotation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thermal vapor compression • Mechanical vapor compression • Multi-effect distillation • Multi-stage flash distillation • Reverse osmosis (RO) • Forward osmosis in combination with RO or a thermal technology | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remineralization • Disinfection • Boron removal | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surface water discharge • Zero liquid discharge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brine concentration - Crystallization |

Preliminary Energy Data (Seawater)

Reported Desalination Energy Intensity Values (Total Electrical Equivalent)



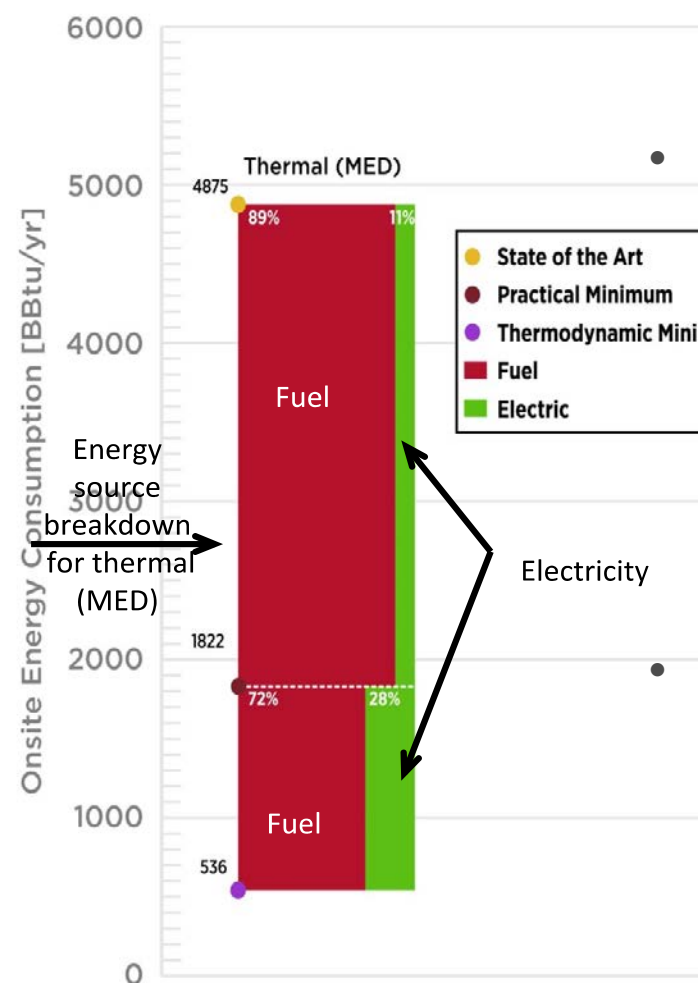
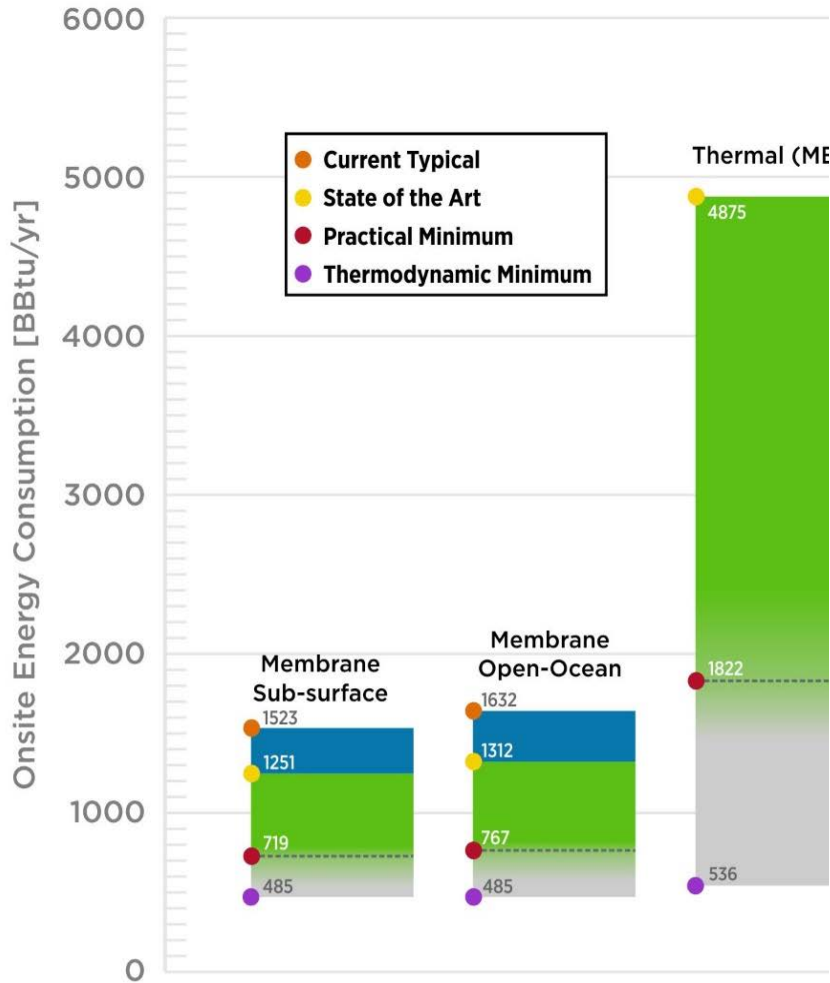
Reported energy data needed further refinement before being used:

- Values need to be reported with operational characteristics, *e.g. intake and product water flow rate, recovery and plant size, salinity, and temps (for thermal processes), desalination unit operation, use of energy recovery or waste heat.*
- Addition of electrical and thermal must account for generation losses associated with converting thermal energy to work.

Opportunities to reduce energy consumption for each unit operation

| Unit Operation | Membrane Systems | Thermal Systems |
|------------------------|---|--|
| Intake | Opportunities largely driven by improving pump and motor operating efficiency; site specific opportunities related to reducing total dynamic head may exist | |
| Pretreatment | Significantly impacted by intake design with subsurface lower than open ocean | On par with subsurface intake membrane systems |
| Desalination | Newer plants implementing SOA for membrane, and semi-batch RO identified as PM | MED-TVC identified as SOA, with designs that can reduce steam pressure requirements identified as PM |
| Post-treatment | Not a significant factor | Not a significant factor, though higher than membrane system |
| Concentrate Management | Opportunities largely driven by improving pump and motor operating efficiency | |

Desalination looked at membrane and thermal systems

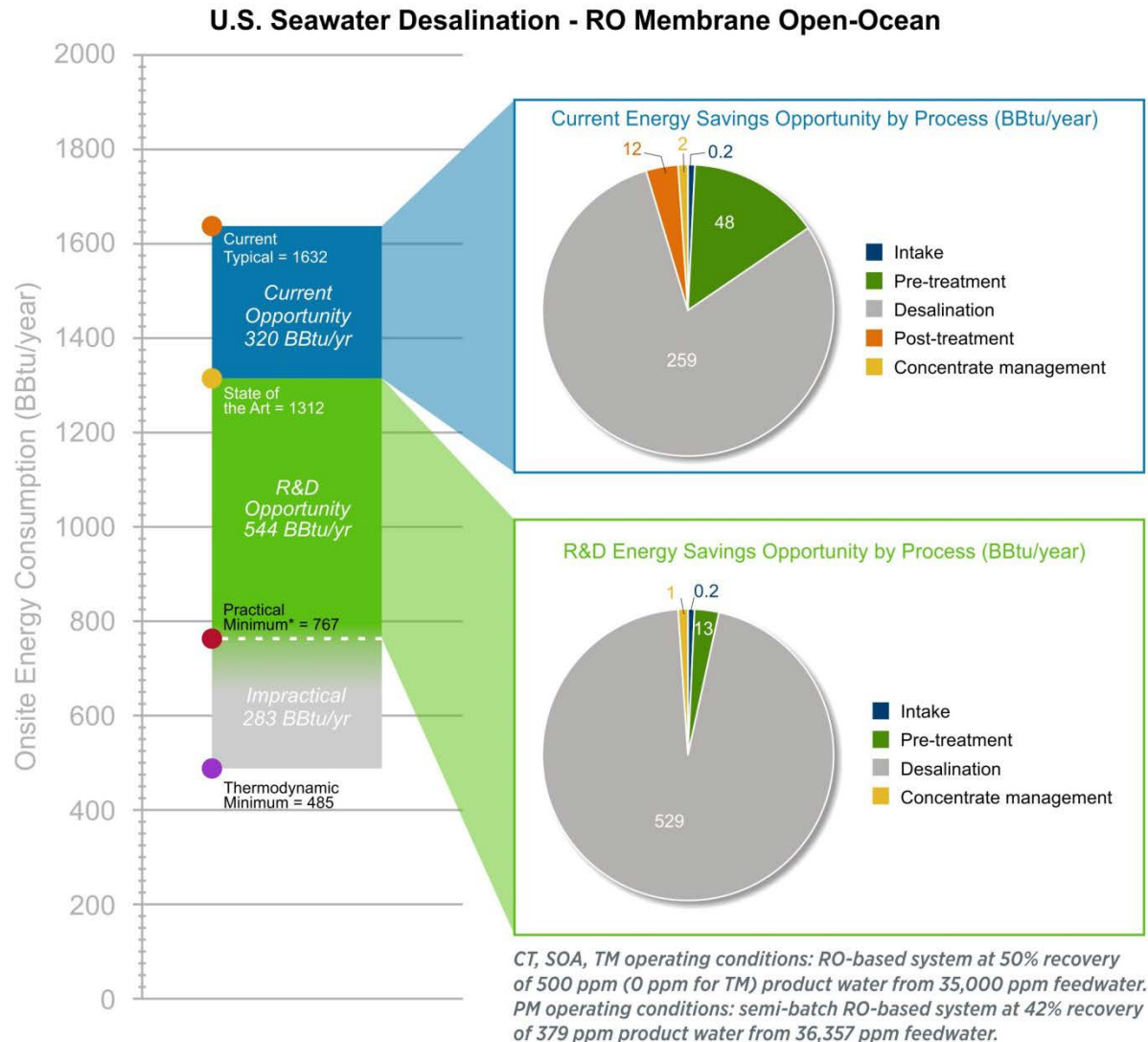


Fuel sources in thermal desalination accounted for nearly all of the total energy savings for the R&D opportunity

Opportunity for Waste Heat or Renewable Thermal Energy to Offset Direct Fuel Use in Thermal MED

Membrane Sub-surface & Open-Ocean both implement RO desalination with post-treatment and concentrate management, but utilize different intake and pre-treatment. Sub-surface system involves sub-surface intake and Open-Ocean system uses open-ocean intake. Thermal: MED based system at 35% recovery of <25 ppm (0 ppm for TM) product water from 45,000 ppm feedwater. Thermal MED SOA, PM, TM operating conditions: MED-based system at 33.0-35.0% average recovery of <25 ppm (0 ppm for TM) product water from 45,000 ppm feedwater. Membrane Sub-surface & Open-Ocean CT, SOA, TM operating conditions: RO-based 50% recovery of 500 ppm (0 ppm for TM) product water from 35,000 ppm feedwater.

Energy Savings Opportunity for RO system w/Open Ocean Intake

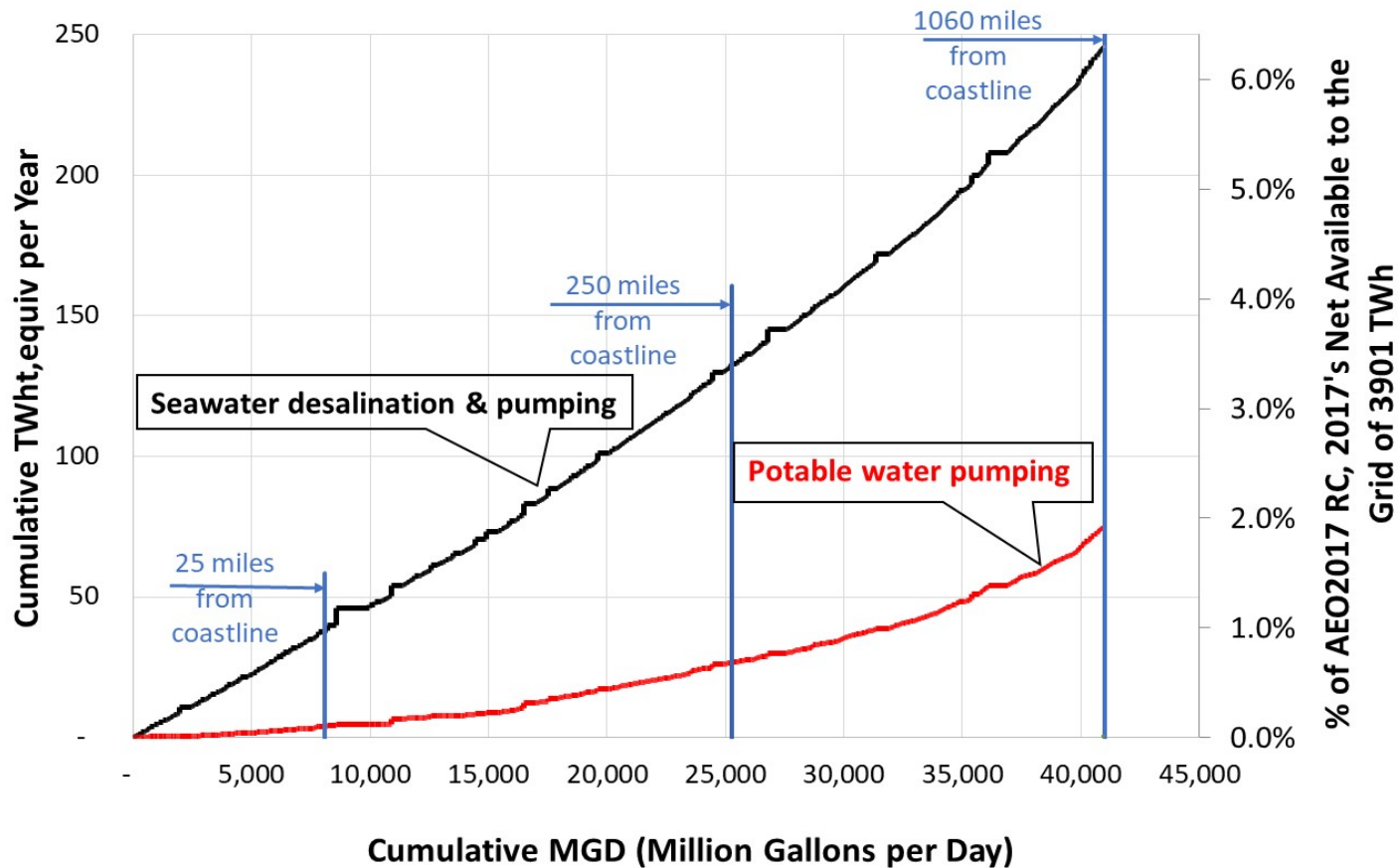


- 91% of the energy saving opportunity is in the desalination operation
- Pretreatment offers the next largest opportunity (7%)
- Much of U.S. production already operating at SOA conditions

Scenarios: Potential Impact Under Greater Adoption

- Saline water (sea and brackish water) is a very small source of municipal water in the U.S. on the order of 0.1% → Hence, the impact on U.S. energy consumption is small at current uptake levels
- Potential impact of greater uptake:
 - 1) Scenario 1: supply all continental U.S. county's public water demand with desalinated water from U.S. coastal areas, and
 - 2) Scenario 2: supply all water stressed regions of the continental US with desalinated water from U.S. coastal areas
- Evaluated using open ocean intake RO system operating at SOA conditions with water demand equivalent to 2010 public water demand (from USGS)

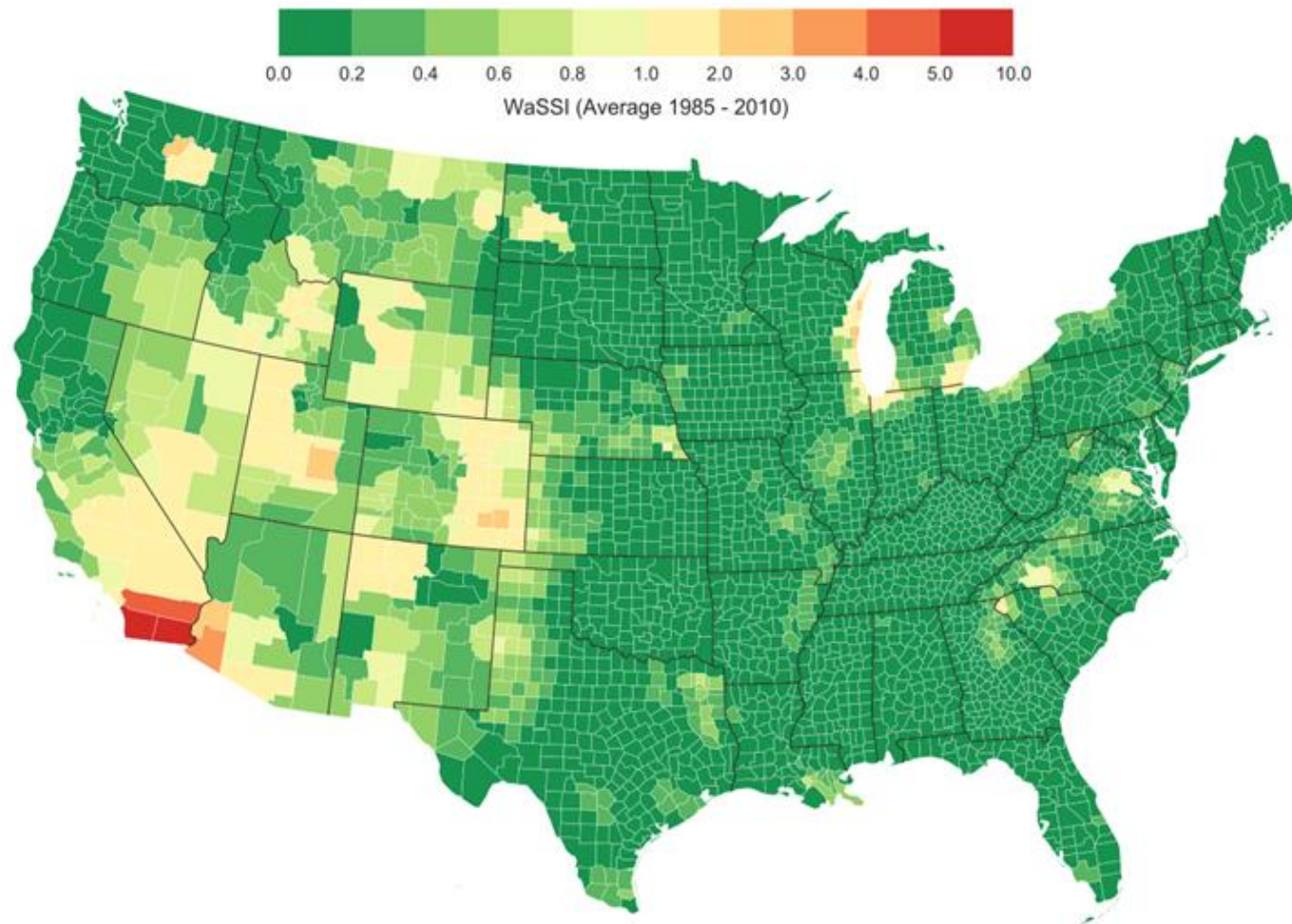
Scenario 1: Supplying All Municipal Water



Though impractical, sourcing all U.S. municipal water from seawater would represent **~6% of projected 2017 electricity production**.

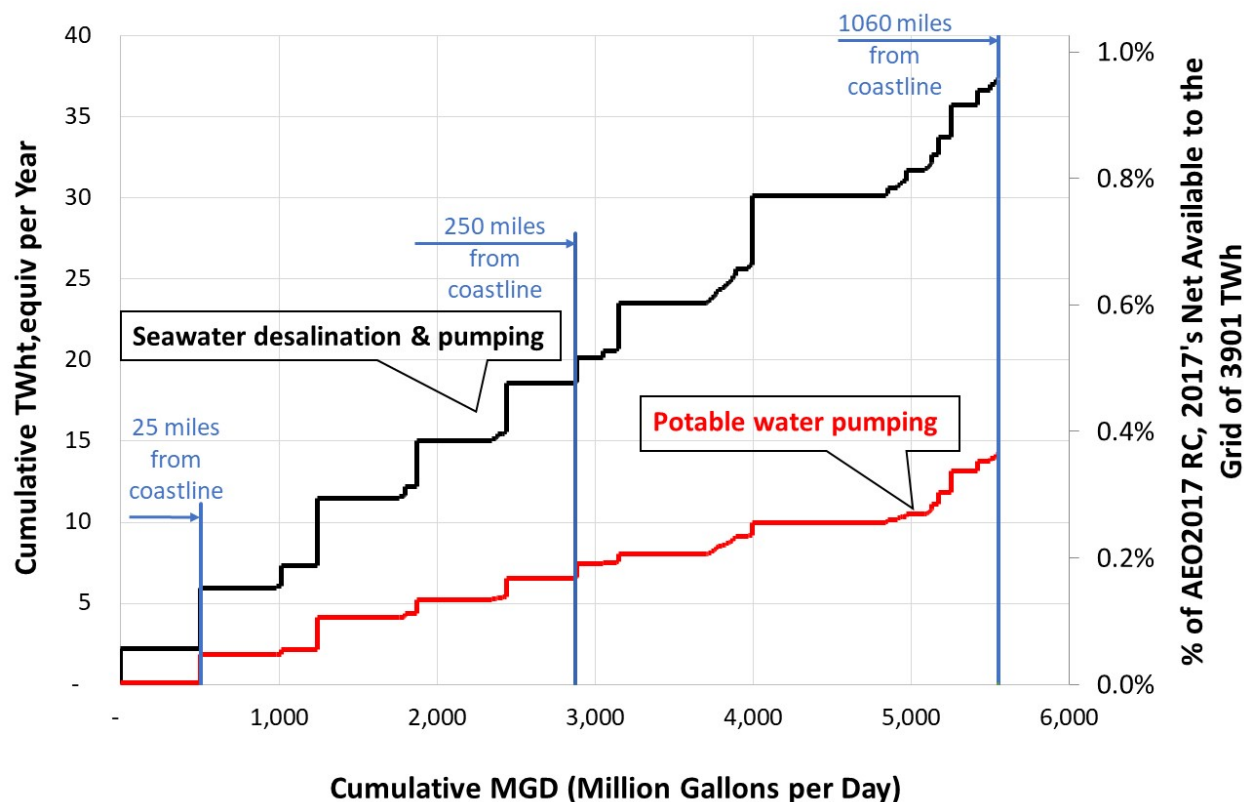
Provides an upper bound for seawater desalination impact on electric grid

Water Supply Stress Index



WaSSI estimated using *WaSSI Ecosystems Services Model* by NC State, USDA, and US Forest Service

Scenario 2: Supplying Water Stressed Counties



Supplying public water for counties with WaSSI > 1 and 250 miles from a coastline would require **0.5% of projected 2017 electricity production**

More likely that these counties would diversify water sources and some could meet a portion of their public water demand from seawater.

Distributed Water Systems: Desalination

Small distributed systems:

- Eg. Pure Aqua (American) or BWT (Denmark)
- 1000 – 660,000 gallons per day
- Local production
- Low maintenance/operation costs



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Seawater RO Plant



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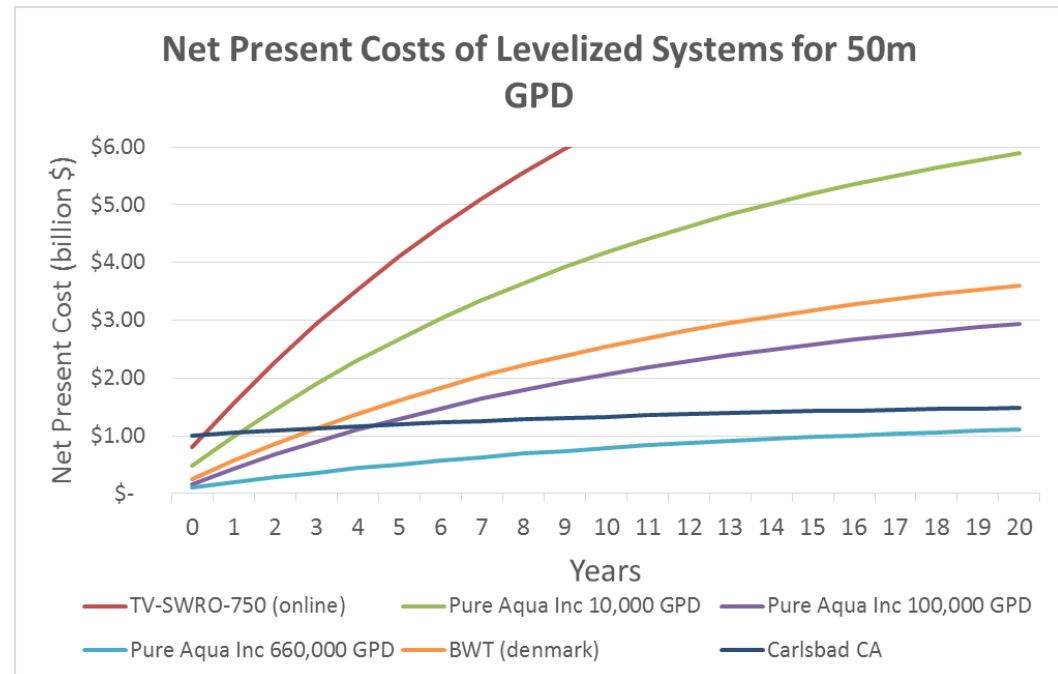


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Manufacturing Water Use Analysis

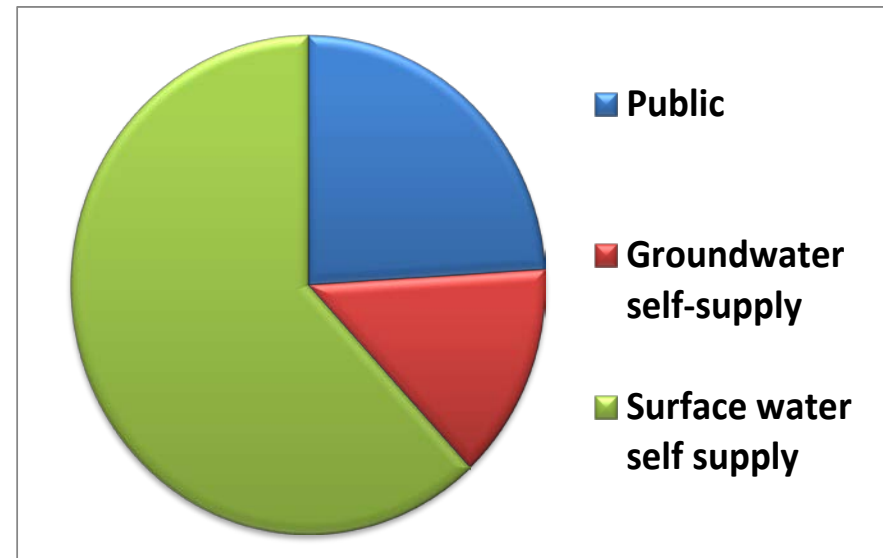
Industrial water use in 2010

75% (~16,000 MGD) is estimated to be self supplied (e.g. onsite surface or ground)

- Mostly freshwater; only 6% saline
- Down 12% from 2005
- Down 38% from 1985

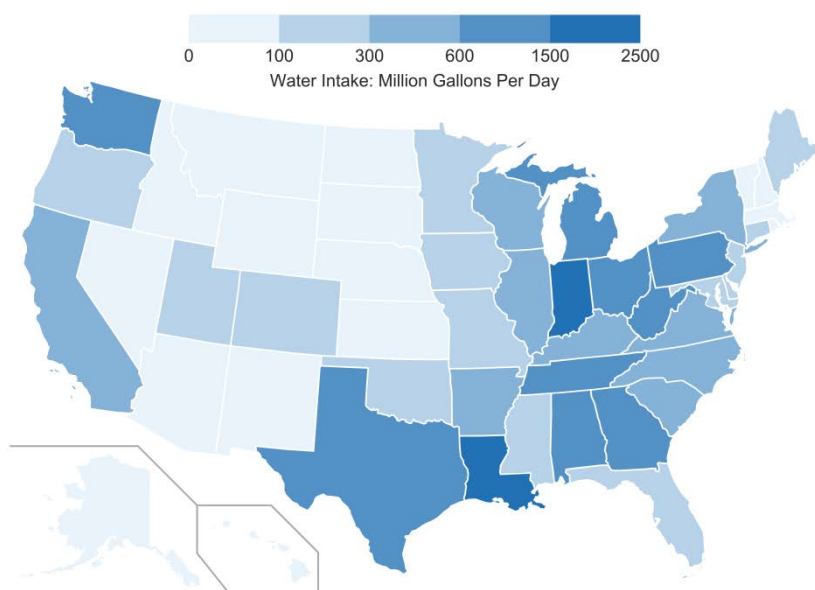
25% (~5,000 MGD) is estimated to be supplied from public supply

- USGS stopped estimating public supply by end use sector after 1995
- Assumed, based on 1995 estimates, that 12% of public supply is for industry

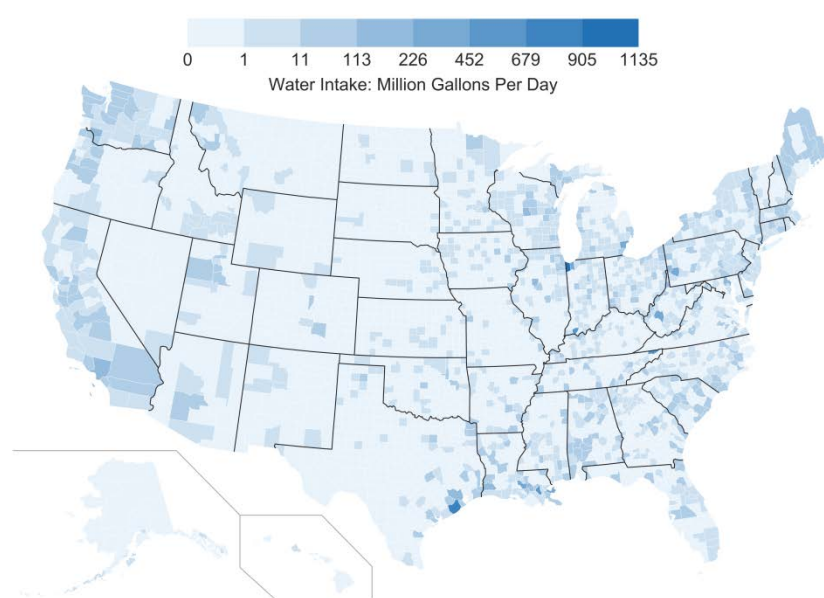


Geographic Spread of U.S. Manufacturing Water Withdrawal (Estimated)

State



County



Estimates based on USGS data

Issues with U.S. Manufacturing Water Data Availability

- Water use conservation driven by risk mitigation within the manufacturing sector
- Little to no data on U.S. manufacturing water use and related characteristics
 - Limited to USGS 5-year estimates
 - Some data at individual state level or by sector
- Water use issues and risk are a local phenomena requiring data at the watershed level
 - Research based on broad national data may not target at-risk industries

Need for better data

How to handle gaps in the U.S. data ...

Leverage existing data sets to:

Quantify manufacturing water withdrawals and consumption at the national, state, and county-levels broken down by sector using Canadian water and economic data, USGS data, and U.S. Economic Census data



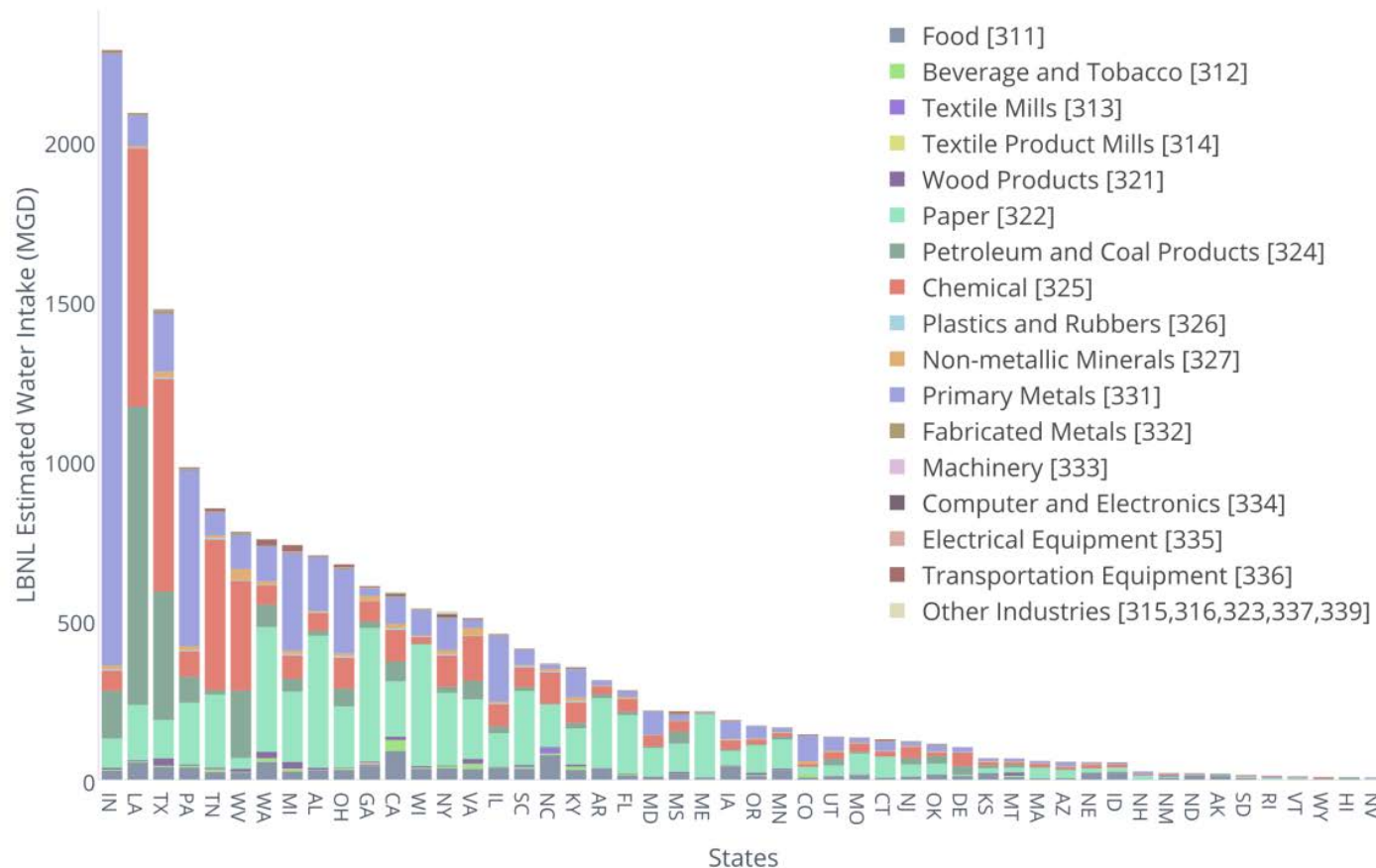
Identify sectors at-risk, defined as those sectors with large footprints in areas with long-term over-usage of locally available water supplies



Use the results from to identify sectors for subsequent studies and other manufacturing water use-related research

U.S. Manufacturing Water Withdrawals by Sector and State

US Water Intake by State and Sector (MGD, Largest to Smallest)

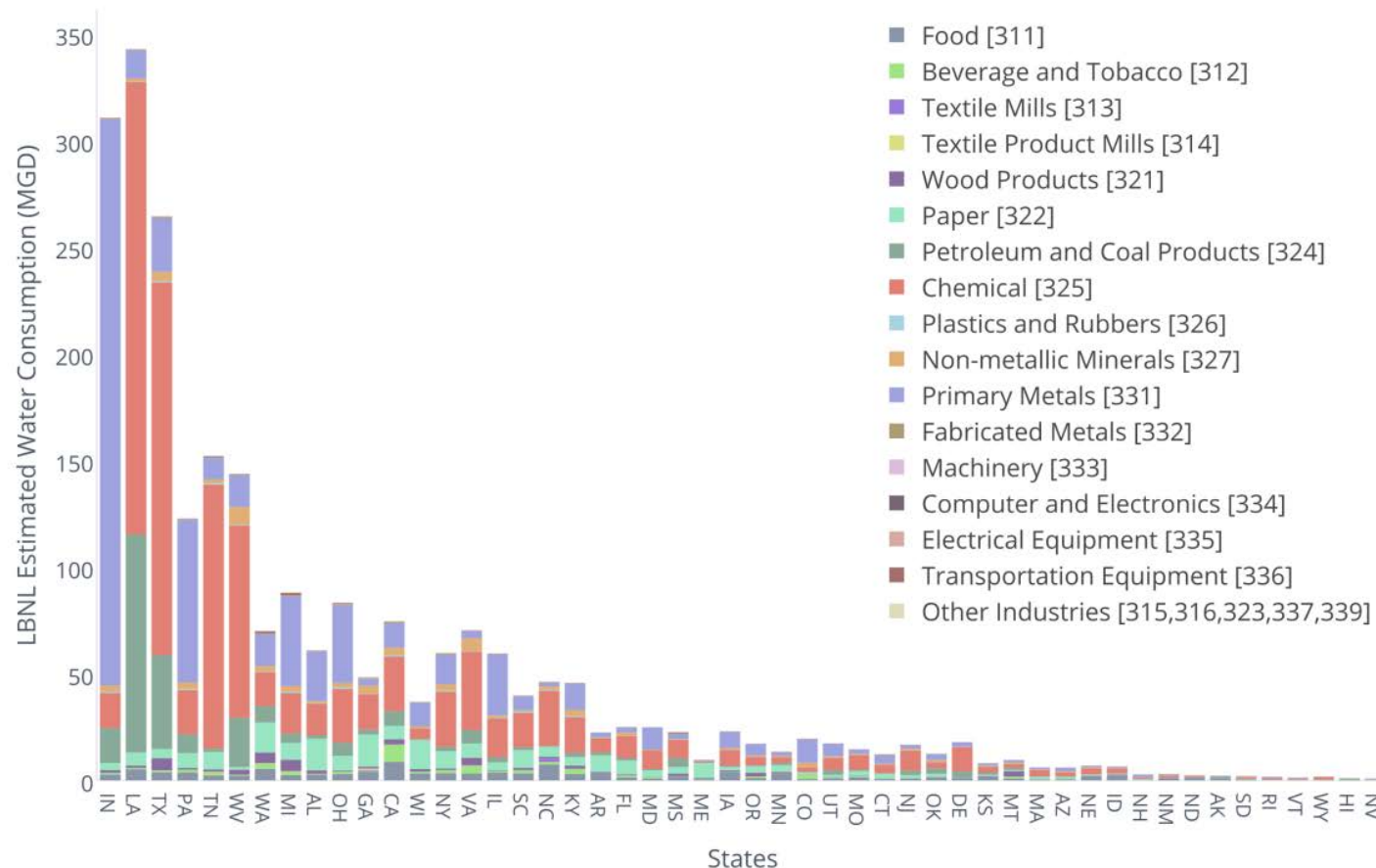


Allows for better understanding of water use distribution:

- IN and LA estimated to have the largest annual withdrawals
- Withdrawals in some states dominated by single industry (i.e., primary metals in IN, paper & pulp in ME)
- Other states have more diversity in their water withdrawals (e.g., MI, TX, NC)

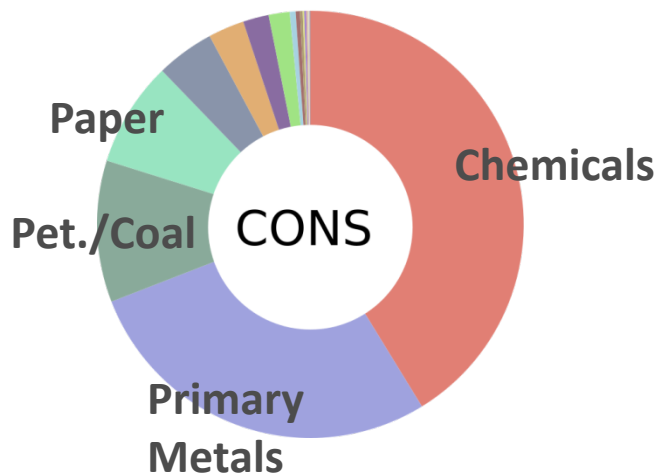
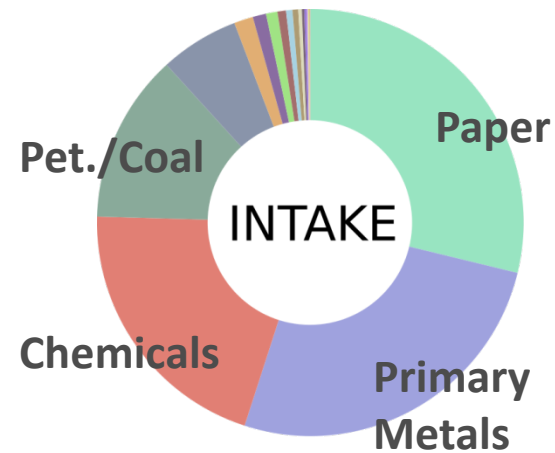
U.S. Manufacturing Water Consumption by Sector and State

US Water Consumption by State and Sector (MGD, Largest to Smallest)



- Consumptive use will have greater impact on operational risk than withdrawals
- LA has highest amount of consumptive use
- Two of the top ten states in terms of consumption are drought prone (CA and TX)

U.S. Manufacturing Water Withdrawals and Consumption

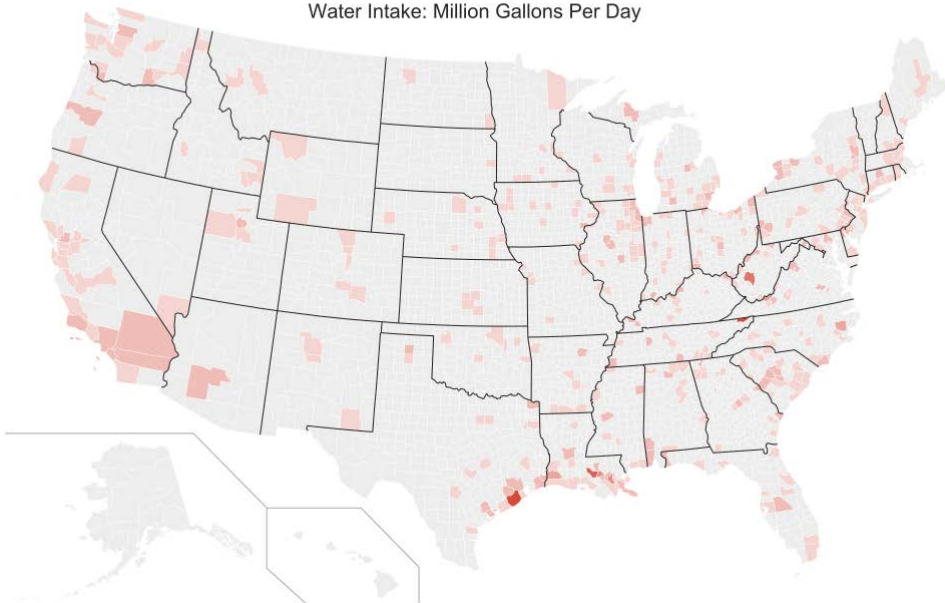
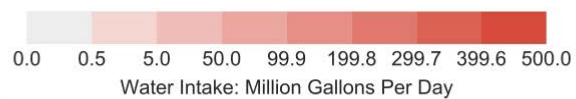


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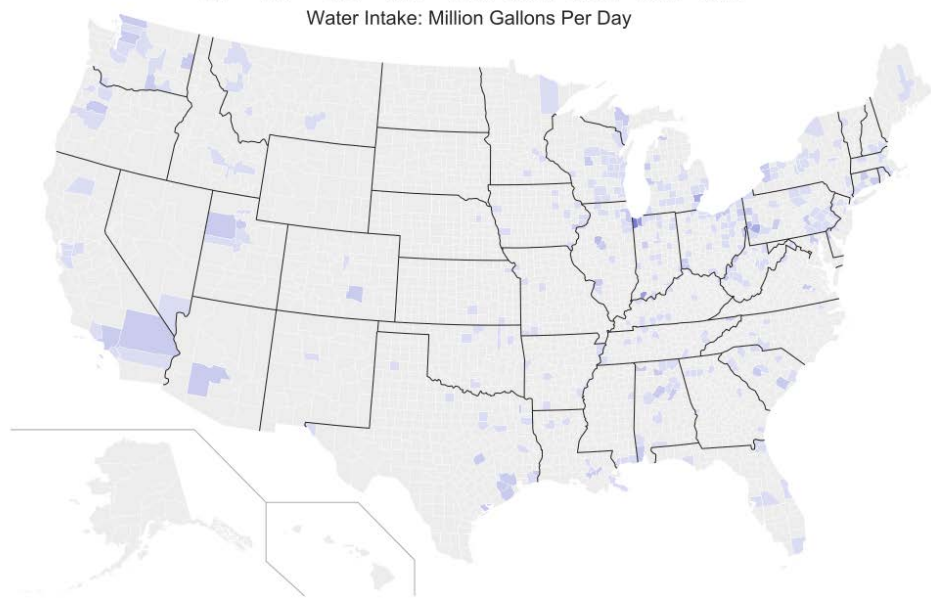
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| 324 | Petroleum and coal product manufacturing |
| 325 | Chemical manufacturing |
| 326 | Plastics and rubber products manufacturing |
| 327 | Non-metallic mineral product manufacturing |
| 331 | Primary metal manufacturing |
| 332 | Fabricated metal product manufacturing |
| 333 | Machinery manufacturing |
| 334 | Computer and electronic product manufacturing |
| 335 | Electrical equipment, appliance and component manufacturing |
| 336 | Transportation equipment manufacturing |
| Other | Other Industries |

Water Withdrawals by Sector and County

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331 – Primary Metals



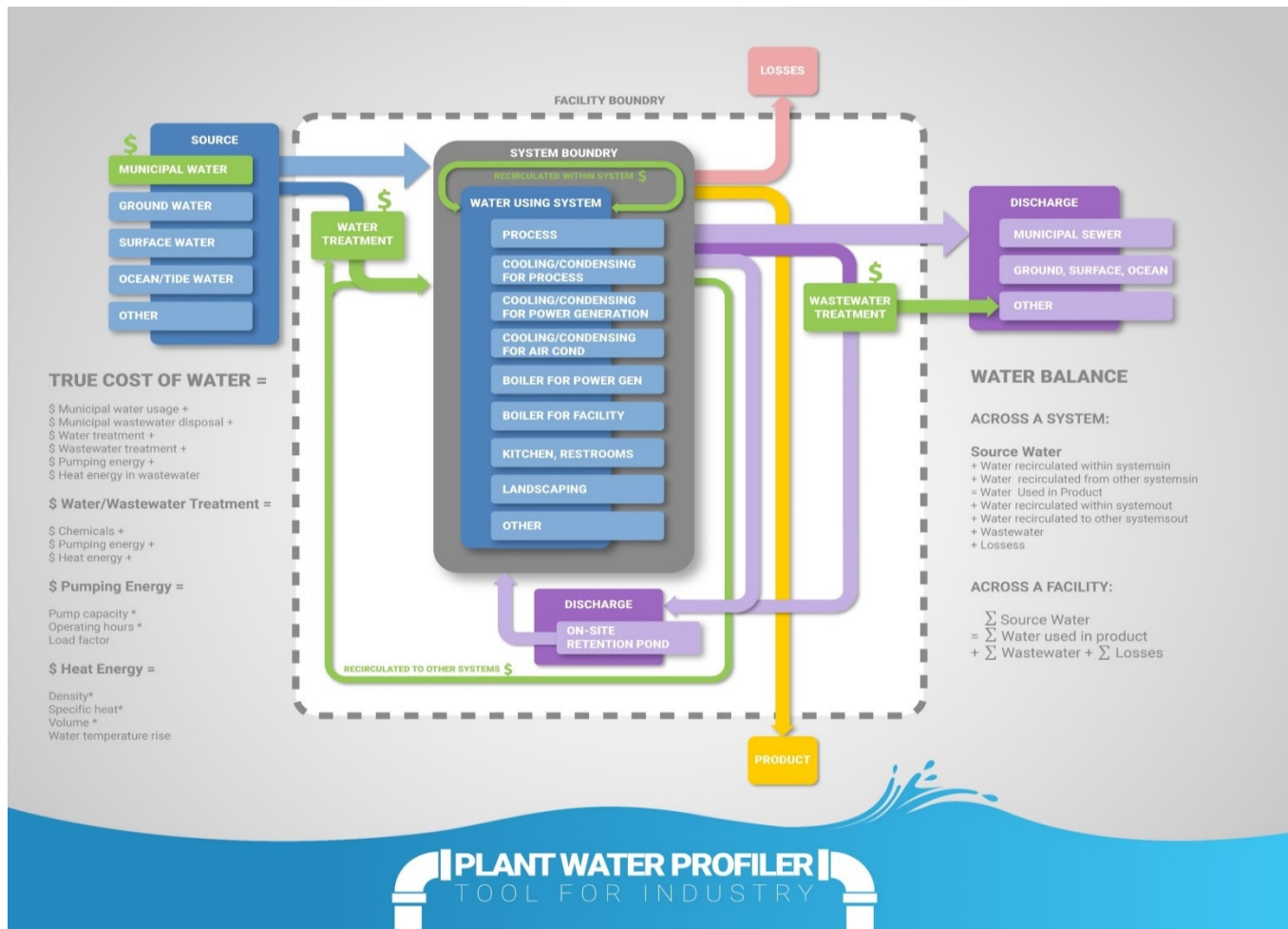
Evaluation of Sector Water Use “At-Risk”

Sectors in red are those that have the highest share of their water use in locations with $WaSSI > 1$ (i.e., locations where total water use exceeds local supplies)

| Manufacturing Sector | Estimated % Water Intake within each WaSSI Bin | | | | |
|--|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
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| Beverage and Tobacco Product | 71 | 9 | 11 | 2 | 6 |
| Textile Mills | 80 | 9 | 4 | 6 | 2 |
| Textile Product Mills | 88 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Wood Product | 84 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 2 |
| Paper | 79 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| Petroleum and Coal Product | 52 | 29 | 9 | 1 | 9 |
| Chemical | 66 | 25 | 5 | 1 | 3 |
| Plastics and Rubber Products | 71 | 13 | 5 | 3 | 9 |
| Non-metallic Mineral Product | 68 | 11 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Primary Metal | 52 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 35 |
| Fabricated Metal Product | 68 | 14 | 6 | 3 | 10 |
| Machinery | 70 | 15 | 6 | 2 | 8 |
| Computer and Electronic Product | 68 | 13 | 8 | 5 | 7 |
| Electrical Equipment | 76 | 12 | 5 | 3 | 5 |
| Transportation Equipment | 72 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 10 |
| Other Industries [315,316,323,337,339] | 74 | 10 | 3 | 4. | 8 |

Plant Water Profiler (PWP) Tool for Industry

- Identify how water is being procured and consumed at facilities,
- Quantify true cost of water used in different systems,
- Quantify potential water savings and cost savings,
- Feed information back to inform R&D



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Back-up Slides

Energy Water Bandwidth Study of Seawater Desalination: 2 Volumes

| Volume | Contents |
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| Volume 1: Survey of Available Information in Support of the Energy-Water Bandwidth Study of Desalination Systems | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boundary Analysis Framework• Energy Intensities for Five Unit Operations of Desalination• Framework for Desalination Uptake Scenarios |
| Volume 2: Bandwidth Study of Energy Use and Potential Energy Savings Opportunities in Seawater Desalination Systems | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Energy Consumption and CO₂ Emissions for Several Sea-to-Potable Water Uptake Scenarios Evaluated at:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Current Typical (CT)</i>• <i>State-of-the-Art (SOA)</i>• <i>Practical Minimum (PM) Intensity</i>• <i>Thermodynamic Minimum (TM)</i>• Energy Consumption and CO₂ Emissions for Brackish Water to Potable Water at CT Energy and CO₂ Intensity• Current and R&D Energy Savings Opportunity |

2016 Uptake for Seawater Desalination in the U.S.

$$\text{Energy Consumption (Billion Btu/yr)} = \text{Energy Intensity (kWh}_{\text{total electrical equivalent}}/\text{m}^3) \times \text{Current Uptake (m}^3/\text{yr)} \times C \text{ (Billion Btu/kWh)}$$

- In the U.S., annual municipal potable water production capacity from seawater desalination was 128,000,000 m³ for 2016
- Since largely dominated by Carlsbad facility and other RO systems, broad assumption that this is at 50% recovery
 - *255,000,000 m³ for intake annually*
- Assuming 16.5:1 concentrate dilution ratio for discharge, based on calculation
 - *2,231,000,000 m³ pumped annually for discharge*
- For reference: energy consumption to source all currently desalinated seawater in the U.S. from fresh and ground water sources (excludes distribution): *127 Billion Btu*
 - *Assumes national average energy intensity for providing municipal water from freshwater of 0.29 kWh/m³*
 - *Higher in some regions: Southern California: 1,136 Billion Btu*

What is 'Pipe Parity' for Water?

Potable Water Target => 200 – 600 mg/L (500 mg/L is realistic limit)

Agriculture Water Target => 200 – 2,000 mg/L (varies on crop)

Industrial Water Target => 50 – 20,000 (targets need further defining)

Proposed Energy Intensity Targets for 500 mg/L TDS:

- Fresh Water => less than 0.5 kWh/m³
- Brackish Water => less than 1.5 kWh/m³
- Seawater => less than 2.5 kWh/m³

Range of Inputs for “desalination”:

| Source | Quality (TDS) | Application | Quality (TDS) |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Fresh Water | ≤1000 mg/L | Drinking Water | ≤500 mg/L |
| | | Agriculture | ≤750 -2000 mg/L |
| | | Industrial | ≤500 mg/L |
| Brackish Water | ~10,000 – 30,000 mg/L | Drinking Water | ≤500 mg/L |
| | | Agriculture | ≤750-2000 mg/L |
| | | Industrial | Application specific |
| Seawater | 35,000 – 47,000 mg/L | Drinking Water | ≤500 mg/L |
| | | Agriculture | N/A |
| | | Industrial | Cooling (primarily) |
| Produced Water (from oil/gas) | Up to ~100,000-200,000 m/L | Drinking Water | ≤500 mg/L |
| | | Agriculture | ≤750-2000 mg/L |
| | | Industrial | Application specific |

Cost Target?:

Approximate \$0.50/m³

