

UDWQ POTW Nutrient Removal Cost Impact Study: Analysis of South Davis Sewer District - South

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In partial fulfillment of the Utah Division of Water Quality *Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) Nutrient Removal Cost Impacts Study*, this Technical Memorandum (TM) summarizes the process, financial and environmental evaluation of South Davis Sewer District - South (SDSD-South) to meet the four tiers of nutrient standards presented in Table 1.

The thirty mechanical POTWs in the State of Utah were categorized into five groups to simplify process alternatives development, evaluation, and cost estimation for a large number of facilities. Similar approaches to upgrading these facilities for nutrient removal were thus incorporated into the models developed for POTWs with related treatment processes. The five categories considered were as follows:

- Oxidation Ditch (OD)
- Activated Sludge (AS)
- Membrane Bioreactor (MBR)
- Trickling Filters (TF)
- Hybrid Process (Trickling Filter/Solids Contact (TF/SC) or Trickling Filter/Activated Sludge (TF/AS))

The SDSD-South fits in the TF Category.

TABLE 1
Nutrient Discharge Standards for Treated Effluent

Tier	Total Phosphorus, mg/L	Total Nitrogen, mg/L
1N	0.1	10
1	0.1	No limit
2N	1.0	20
2	1.0	No limit
3	Base condition ⁽¹⁾	Base condition ⁽¹⁾

Note: ⁽¹⁾ Includes ammonia limits as per the current UPDES Permit

1. Facility Overview

This facility is designed for an average flow of 4.0 million gallons per day (mgd) and currently receives an average annual influent flow of approximately 3.3 mgd. The facility operates a two-stage TF process with primary treatment. Tricking filter waste solids are co-settled with primary solids in the primary clarifier. Wastewater residuals are transferred from the primary clarifier to the gravity thickener, stabilized using conventional mesophilic anaerobic digestion, air dried in sludge drying beds, and the biosolids are beneficially used. Ferric chloride and polymers are added to the primary clarifiers for improved BOD removal and primary clarification. The two-stage TF process is operated to achieve nitrification in order to meet effluent ammonia limits. The POTW also has sand filters downstream of the secondary clarifiers, which are currently not in operation. A process flow diagram is presented in Figure 1 and an aerial photo of the POTW is shown in Figure 2. The major unit processes are listed in Table 2.

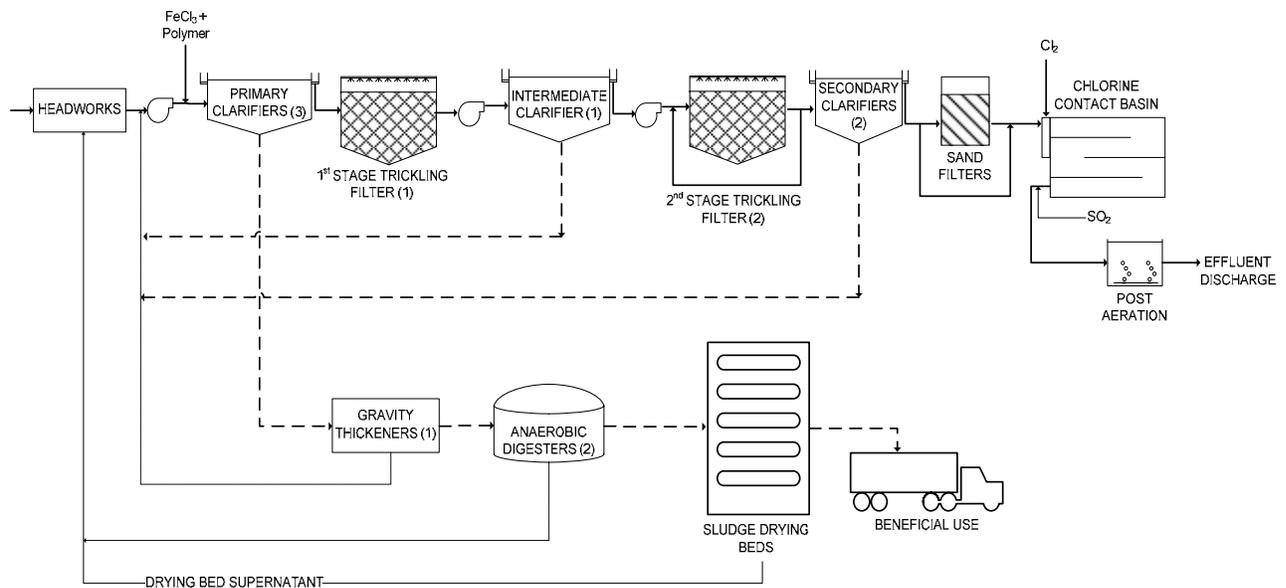


FIGURE 1
Process Flow Diagram

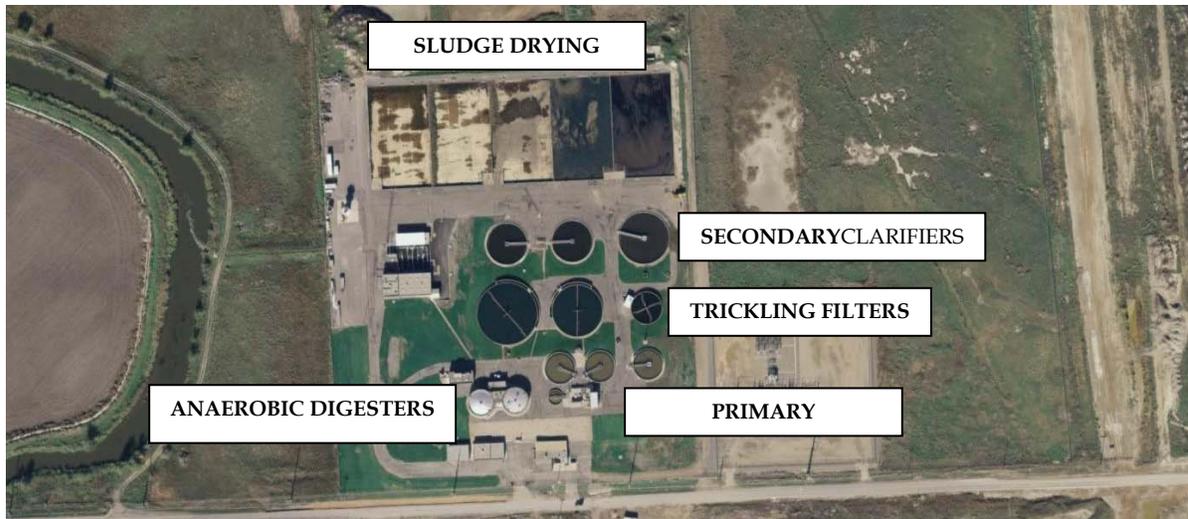


FIGURE 2
Aerial View of the Facility

TABLE 2
Summary of Major Unit Processes

Unit Process	Number of Units	Size, Each	Details
Primary clarifiers	3	55-ft diameter, 7-ft SWD	Ferric chloride and polymer added
1 st Stage TF	1	62-ft diameter, 12-ft media depth	Plastic media
Intermediate clarifier	1	100-ft diameter	----
2 nd Stage TF	2	100-ft diameter, 7-ft media depth (1) 120-ft diameter, 7-ft media depth (1)	Rock media
Secondary clarifiers	2	80-ft diameter, 8-ft SWD	----
Sand filters	2	738-ft ²	Low head/traveling bridge
Primary sludge thickening	1	24-ft diameter, 10-ft SWD	Gravity thickener
Anaerobic digestion	2	49,000-ft ³	Conventional anaerobic mesophilic
Sludge drying	3	Total area of 120,000-ft ²	Sludge drying beds

2. Nutrient Removal Alternatives Development, Screening and Selection

A nutrient removal alternatives matrix was prepared in order to capture an array of viable approaches for TF facilities (See Attachment A). This matrix considers biological and chemical phosphorus removal approaches as well as different activated sludge configurations for nitrogen control. The alternatives matrix illustrates that there are several strategies for controlling nutrient limits. The processes that were modeled and described in subsequent sections are considered proven methods for meeting the nutrient limits. There

may be other ways to further optimize to reduce capital and operation and maintenance (O&M) costs that are beyond the scope of this project. This TM can form the basis for an optimization study in the future should that be desired by the POTW.

SDSD-South has one (1) plastic media and two (2) rock media trickling filters that are well maintained and achieve significant nitrification along with BOD removal. This being the case, it is proposed to make use of the existing infrastructure to the extent possible with additional upgrades to meet the different Tiers of nitrogen and phosphorus control. The decision flow diagram presented in Figure 3 shows the selected upgrade approach that was used to go from each tier of nutrient control to the next more stringent scenario, with the bullet points A-D (below) describing each upgrade step:

- A. From Tier 3 (existing process) to Tier 2 phosphorus control, the existing metal-salt addition system at the primary clarifiers was used in addition to a metal-salt feed point upstream of the secondary clarifiers and on the recycled stream from the sludge drying beds.
- B. To add nitrogen removal to Tier 2, a denitrification moving bed biofilm reactor (MBBR) was installed after the second stage trickling filters for denitrification. Carbon required for the denitrification process was supplied by bringing the carbon-rich supernatant from the primary gravity thickeners to the bioreactor.
- C. To go from Tier 2 to Tier 1 phosphorus control, deep bed granular media filters and an intermediate pump station was added to the facility with an additional metal-salt feed point before the filters.
- D. To add nitrogen removal to Tier 1, the MBBR process described in Tier 2 was expanded with additional facilities for external carbon addition to the system.

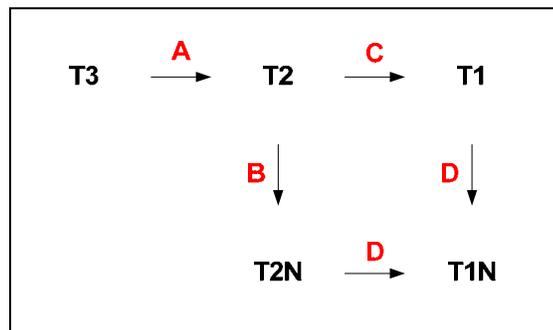


FIGURE 3
Upgrades Scheme for Meeting Increasingly More Stringent Nutrient Control

Data Evaluation and Modeling of Upgrades

The selected progression of upgrades conceived for meeting the different tiers of nutrient control for SDSD-South was analyzed using the following four steps;

- Step 1. Review, compile, and summarize the process performance data submitted by the POTW;

- Step 2. Develop and calibrate a base model of the existing POTW using the summarized performance data;
- Step 3. Build upon the base model by sequentially modifying it to incorporate unit process additions or upgrades for the different tiers of nutrient control and use model outputs to establish unit process sizing and operating requirements;
- Step 4. Develop capital and O&M costs for each upgrade developed in Step 3.

The facility information and data received from SDSO-South per the initial data request was evaluated to (a) develop and validate the base process model, and (b) size facilities to conserve the POTW's current rated capacity. Table 3 provides a summary of the reported information used as the model input conditions. See Process Modeling Protocol (Attachment B) for additional information.

TABLE 3
Summary of Input Conditions

Input Parameter	2009 ⁽¹⁾	2029 ⁽²⁾	Design ⁽³⁾
Flow, mgd	3.30	4.21	4.80
BOD, lb/day	6,277 (228 mg/L)	8,005 (228 mg/L)	10,008 (250 mg/L)
TSS, lb/day	6,444 (236 mg/L)	8,286 (236 mg/L)	10,008 (250 mg/L)
TKN, lb/day	737 (33 mg/L)	948 (33 mg/L)	1,081 (33 mg/L)
TP, lb/day	115 (4 mg/L)	147 (4 mg/L)	168 (4 mg/L)

⁽¹⁾ Historic conditions 2007-2008

⁽²⁾ Projected by the POTW

⁽³⁾ Design maximum month capacity of POTW. Assumed 1.2 times (peaking factor) the design average flow.

The main sizing and operating design criteria that are associated with the system upgrade for SDSO-South are summarized in Table 4.

TABLE 4
Main Unit Process Sizing and Operating Design Parameters

Design Parameter (Nutrient Tier)	Value
Influent design temperature	14 deg C
Target metal:PO ₄ -P molar Ratio (All Tiers)	1:1, 2:1, 7:1 ⁽¹⁾
Metal salt storage (All Tiers)	14 days
Target methanol dose for post denitrification (T1N)	3.5 MeOH:NO ₃ -N _{eq}
Denitrification MBBR loading rate (T2N and T1N)	1.5 g-N _{eq} /m ² /d
Granular filter loading rate (T1 and T1N)	5 gpm/ft ² ⁽²⁾

⁽¹⁾Target dosing ratio at the primary clarifiers, secondary clarifiers and upstream of polishing filters, respectively. Filter doses were for Tier 1 and 1N only

⁽²⁾Hydraulic loading rate at peak hourly flow

3. Nutrient Upgrade Approaches

The following paragraphs provide details of the upgrade approaches as presented previously in Figure 3.

Tier 2 Phosphorus (A)

The effluent limit for Tier 2 alternative is 1.0 mg/L total phosphorus. SDDSD-South can achieve this goal by introducing metal-salt addition system to the existing facility. The process modeling effort simulated a dual-feed strategy with metal-salt addition upstream of both the primary and secondary clarifiers. The expanded chemical addition concept included metal-salt addition to the recycle stream from the sludge drying beds. This would provide the utility an option to add metal-salt either upstream of the secondary clarifiers on at the recycle stream. A process flow diagram for this alternative is presented in Figure 4 with the upgrades indicated in red.

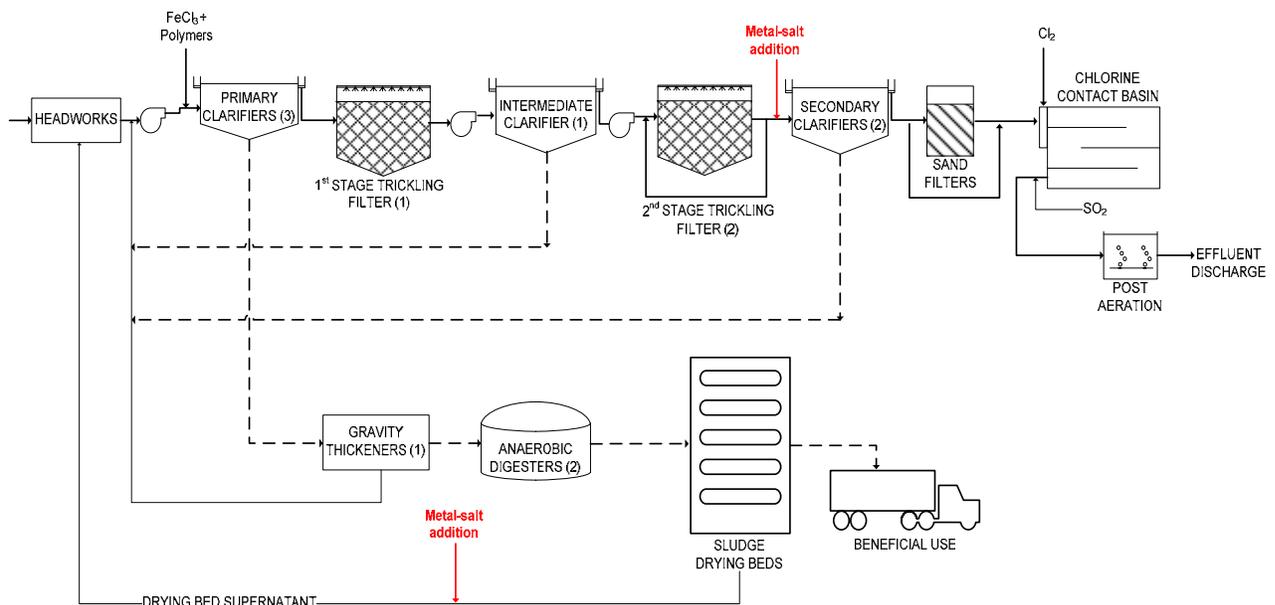


FIGURE 4
Modifications to POTW for Tier 2 Nutrient Control

Tier 2N – Phosphorus & Nitrogen (B)

The multiple metal-salt feed point approach for phosphorus control in Tier 2 was adjusted for this Tier to include moderate levels of nitrogen control. To accomplish this, a denitrification MBBR was installed after the second stage trickling filters for denitrification. The carbon source needed for the denitrification process was provided by feeding the carbon-rich supernatant of the existing primary gravity thickener to the bioreactor. A process flow diagram for this alternative is presented in Figure 5.

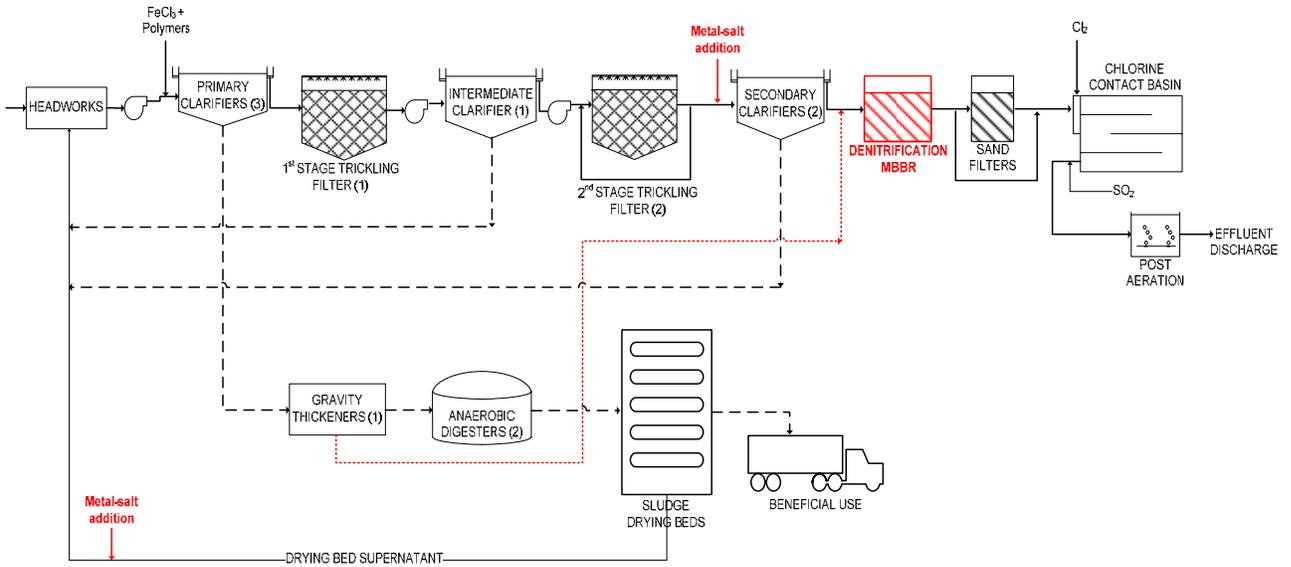


Figure 5
Modifications to POTW for Tier 2N Nutrient Control

Tier 1 Phosphorus (C)

This alternative builds upon the Tier 2 approach for phosphorus control. The existing low head/traveling bridge filters was replaced with new deep bed granular media filters with a feed point for metal-salt addition upstream. Effluent from the trickling filters was sent to a secondary rapid mix tank after receiving a dose of metal-salts and polymers before entering the secondary clarifiers. Settled effluent from the clarifiers was pumped to the deep bed granular media filters for chemical phosphorus polishing. A process flow diagram for this alternative is presented in Figure 6.

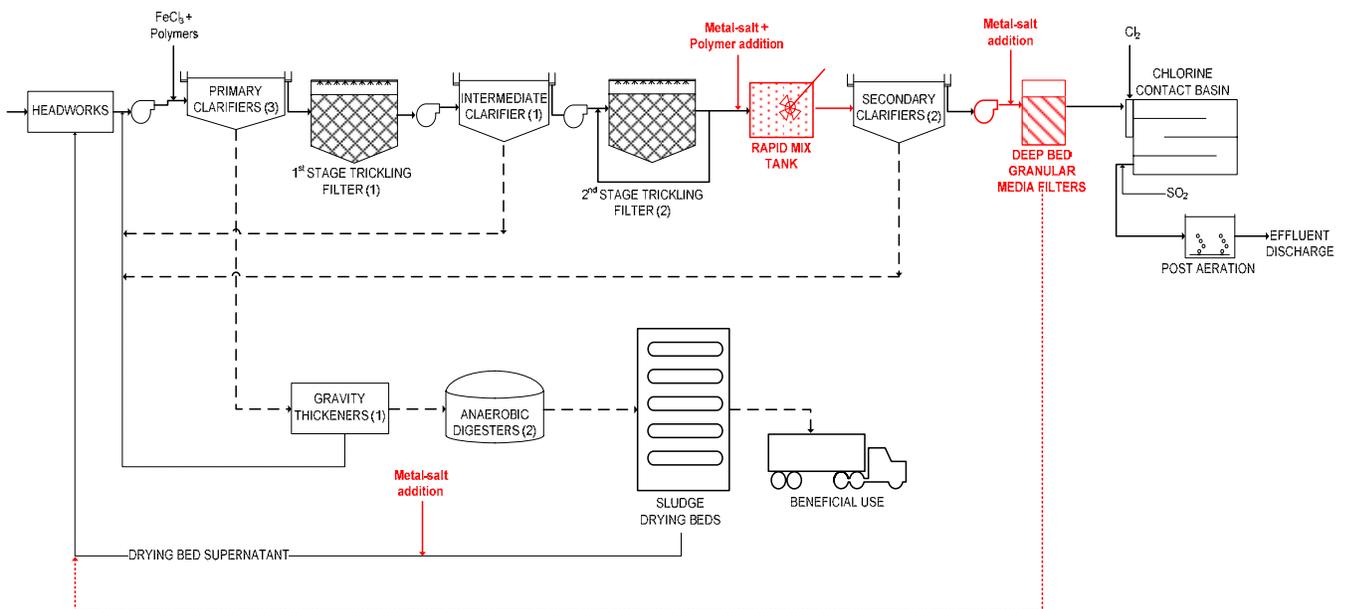


FIGURE 6
Modifications to POTW for Tier 1 Nutrient Control

Tier 1N Phosphorus & Nitrogen (D)

This approach builds on Tier 2N and Tier 1 levels of nutrient control by implementing a MBBR system after the second stage trickling filters for denitrification, and metal-salt addition and granular media filtration for chemical phosphorus removal. However, for this Tier, a supplemental carbon source was required to meet the 10 mg/L total nitrogen limit in addition to the carbon from the supernatant of the existing primary gravity thickener. A process flow diagram for this alternative is presented in Figure 7.

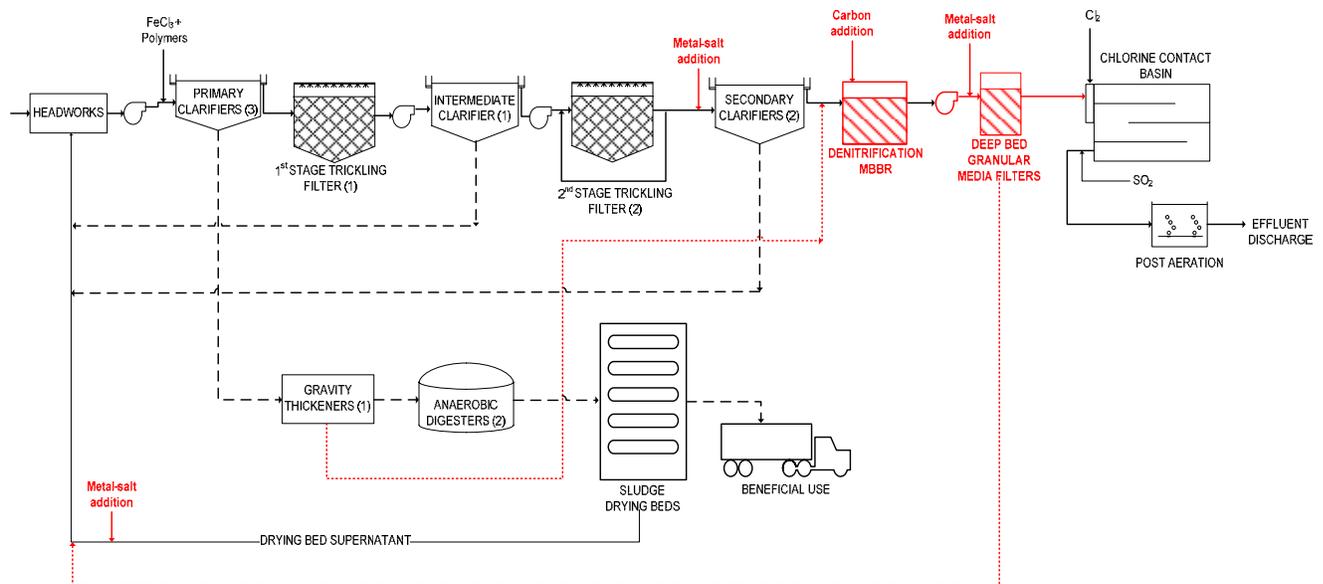


FIGURE 7
Modifications to POTW for Tier 1N Nutrient Control

4. Capital and O&M Cost Estimates for Nutrient Control

This section summarizes the cost-impact results from this nutrient control analysis. These outputs were used in the financial cost model and subsequent additional financial analyses.

Table 5 presents a summary of the major facility upgrade components identified for meeting each tier of nutrient control. For Tier 2, the existing metal-salt storage facility was augmented with additional storage and new feed pumps. To go to Tier 2N, a MBBR was installed after the second stage trickling filters and the primary gravity thickener

supernatant flow line was restructured to bring it to the MBBR. For Tier 1, a rapid mix tank with new chemical feed pumps and a secondary effluent pump station was required, along with new deep bed granular media filters. For Tier 1N the MBBR system was expanded by the addition of a supplemental carbon feed system.

TABLE 5
Major Facility Upgrade Summary

Processes	Tier 2	Tier 2N	Tier 1	Tier 1N
Metal-salt feed and storage facility	X	X	X	X
Rapid mix tank			X	
Denitrification MBBRs		X		X
Supplemental carbon feed facility				X
Secondary effluent pump station			X	X
Granular media filters			X	X

The capital cost estimates shown in Table 6 were generated for the facility upgrades summarized in Table 5. These estimates were prepared in accordance with the guidelines of the Association for the Advancement of Cost Engineering (AACE) International and defined as a Class 4 estimate. The expected accuracy range for the estimates shown in Table 6 is -30%/+50%.

TABLE 6
Capital Cost Estimates (\$ Million)

Unit Process Facility	Tier 2	Tier 2N	Tier 1	Tier 1N
Metal-salt feed and storage facility	\$0.65	\$0.65	\$0.85	\$0.85
Rapid mix tank	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.77	\$0.00
Denitrification MBBRs	\$0.00	\$4.64	\$0.00	\$4.64
Piping modifications	\$0.00	\$0.36	\$0.00	\$0.36
Supplemental carbon feed facility	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.87
Secondary effluent pump station	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2.52	\$2.52
Granular media filters	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11.22	\$11.22
TOTAL TIER COST	\$0.65	\$5.66	\$15.36	\$20.46

December 2009 US Dollar

Incremental O&M costs associated with meeting each tier of nutrient standard were generated for the years 2009 and 2029. The unit costs were either provided by the POTW or assumed based on the average costs in the State of Utah, and are presented in Table 7. A straight line interpolation was used to estimate the differential cost for the two years. O&M costs for each upgrade included the following components:

- Biosolids management: hauling, use, and disposal
- Chemical consumption costs: metal-salt, and, polymer

- Power costs for the major mechanized process equipment: aeration, secondary effluent pumps and backwash pumps

TABLE 7
Operating and Maintenance Unit Costs

Parameter	Value
Biosolids handling cost	\$14/wet ton
Roundtrip hauling distance ⁽¹⁾	10 miles
Ferric chloride	\$1000/ton
Polymer	\$2.73/lb
Power	\$0.048/kwh

⁽¹⁾ Provided by the POTW

The estimated net impact of nutrient control on O&M relative to the current O&M cost (Tier 3) are presented in Table 8 and shown graphically in Figure 8.

TABLE 8
Estimated Impact of Nutrient Control on O&M Costs

	Tier 2		Tier 2N		Tier 1		Tier 1N	
	2009	2029	2009	2029	2009	2029	2009	2029
Biosolids	\$0.000	\$0.001	\$0.000	\$0.001	\$0.001	\$0.001	\$0.001	\$0.003
Metal-salt	\$0.001	\$0.006	\$0.002	\$0.008	\$0.033	\$0.063	\$0.041	\$0.075
Carbon	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.096	\$0.128
Polymer	\$0.003	\$0.004	\$0.002	\$0.006	\$0.005	\$0.009	\$0.007	\$0.009
Power	\$0.000	\$0.000	\$0.017	\$0.020	\$0.032	\$0.040	\$0.087	\$0.116
Total O&M	\$0.004	\$0.011	\$0.022	\$0.034	\$0.071	\$0.113	\$0.232	\$0.331

Note: \$ Million (US) in December 2009

Costs shown are the annual differential costs relative to the base line O&M cost of the POTW

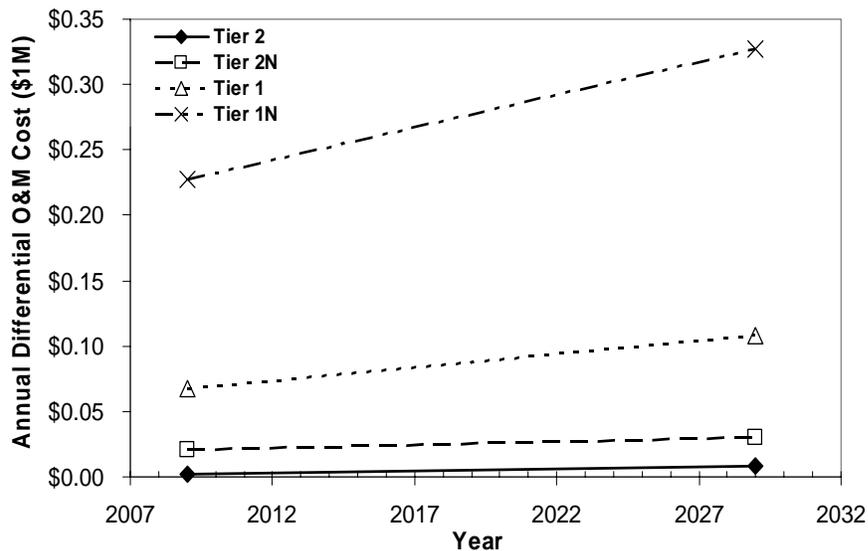


FIGURE 8
Impact of Nutrient Control on O&M Costs over 20 year evaluation period

5. Financial Impacts

This section presents the estimated financial impacts that will result from the implementation of nutrient discharge standards for the SDSD-South. Financial impacts were summarized for each POTW on the basis of three primary economic parameters: 20-year life cycle costs, user charge impacts, and community financial impacts. The basis for the financial impact analysis is the estimated capital and incremental O&M costs established in the previous sections.

Life Cycle Costs

Life cycle cost analysis refers to an assessment of the costs over the life of a project or asset, emphasizing the identification of cost requirements beyond the initial investment or capital expenditure.

For each treatment upgrade established to meet the studied nutrient limits (Tier 2, Tier 2N, Tier 1, and Tier 1N), a multi-year life cycle cost forecast was developed that is comprised of both capital and O&M costs. Cost forecasts are organized with initial capital expenditures in year 0 (2009), and incremental O&M forecasts from year 1 (2010) through year 20 (2029). The cost forecast for each treatment alternative was developed in current (2009) dollars, and discounted to yield the net present value (NPV).

The NPV was divided by the estimated 20-year nutrient discharge mass reduction for each tier, resulting in a cost per pound estimate for nutrient removal. This calculation represents an appropriate matching of costs with receiving stream load reduction over the same time period. Table 9 presents the results of the life cycle cost analysis for SDSD-South.

TABLE 9

<i>Nutrient Removal: 20-Year Life Cycle Cost per Pound¹</i>				
	Tier 2	Tier 2N	Tier 1	Tier 1N
Phosphorus Removal (pounds) ²	334,692	334,692	541,788	541,788
Nitrogen Removal (pounds) ²	-	763,498	-	3,064,571
Net Present Value of Removal Costs³	\$ 765,696	\$ 6,091,216	\$ 16,748,243	\$ 24,722,951
NPV: Phosphorus Allocation	765,696	765,696	16,748,243	16,748,243
NPV: Nitrogen Allocation ⁴		5,325,520		7,974,708
TP Cost per Pound⁵	\$ 2.29	\$ 2.29	\$ 30.91	\$ 30.91
TN Cost per Pound⁵		\$ 6.98		\$ 2.60
1 - For facilities that are already meeting one or more nutrient limits, "meets limit" is displayed for nutrient removal mass and "NA" is displayed for cost per pound metrics				
2 - Total nutrient removal over a 20-year period, from 2010 through 2029				
3 - Net present value of removal costs, including capital expenditures and incremental O&M over a 20-year period				
4 - For simplicity, it was assumed that the nitrogen cost allocation was the incremental difference between net present value costs across Tiers for the same phosphorus limit (i.e. Tier 2 to Tier 2N); differences in technology recommendations may result in different cost allocations for some facilities				
5 - Cost per pound metrics measured over a 20-year period are used to compare relative nutrient removal efficiencies among treatment alternatives and different facilities				

Customer Financial Impacts

The second financial parameter measures the potential impact to user rates for those customers served by the POTW. The financial impact was measured both in terms of potential rate increases for the POTW's associated service provider, and the resulting monthly bill impacts for the typical residential customer of the system.

Customer impacts were estimated by calculating annual increased revenue requirements for the POTW. Implementation of each treatment upgrade will increase the annual revenue requirements for debt service payments (related to initial capital cost) and incremental O&M costs.

The annual cost increase was then divided by the number of customers served by the POTW, as measured by equivalent residential units (ERUs), to establish a monthly rate increase per ERU. The monthly rate increase associated with each treatment alternative was estimated by adding the projected monthly rate increase to the customer's current average monthly bill. Estimated financial impacts for customers of the SDSD-South are presented in Table 10.

TABLE 10

<i>Projected Monthly Bill Impact per Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) for Treatment Alternatives</i>				
	Tier 2	Tier 2N	Tier 1	Tier 1N
Initial Capital Expenditure	\$ 653,000	\$ 5,659,000	\$ 15,357,000	\$ 20,460,000
Estimated Annual Debt Service ¹	\$ 52,400	\$ 454,100	\$ 1,232,300	\$ 1,641,800
Incremental Operating Cost ²	4,400	22,700	72,700	236,900
Total Annual Cost Increase	\$ 56,800	\$ 476,800	\$ 1,305,000	\$ 1,878,700
Number of ERUs	12,170	12,170	12,170	12,170
Annual Cost Increase per ERU	\$4.67	\$39.18	\$107.23	\$154.37
Monthly Cost Increase per ERU³	\$0.39	\$3.26	\$8.94	\$12.86
Current Average Monthly Bill ⁴	\$7.42	\$7.42	\$7.42	\$7.42
Projected Average Monthly Bill⁵	\$7.81	\$10.68	\$16.36	\$20.28
Percent Increase	5.2%	44.0%	120.4%	173.4%
1 - Assumes a financing term of 20 years and an interest rate of 5.0 percent				
2 - Incremental annual increase in O&M for each upgrade, based on chosen treatment technology, estimated for first operational year				
3 - Projected monthly bill impact per ERU for each upgrade, based on estimated increase in annual operating costs				
4 - Estimated 2009 average monthly bill for a typical residential customer (ERU) within the service area of the facility				
5 - Projected average monthly bill for a typical residential customer (ERU) if treatment upgrade is implemented				

Community Financial Impacts

The third and final parameter measures the financial impact of nutrient limits from a community perspective, and accounts for the varied purchasing power of customers throughout the state. The metric is the ratio of the projected monthly bill that would result from each treatment alternative to an affordable monthly bill, based on a parameter established by the State Water Quality Board to determine project affordability.

The Division employs an affordability criterion that is widely used to assess the affordability of projects. The affordability threshold is equal to 1.4 percent of the median annual gross household income (MAGI) for customers served by a POTW. The MAGI estimate for customers of each POTW is multiplied by the affordability threshold parameter, then divided by 12 (months) to determine the monthly 'affordable' wastewater bill for the typical customer.

The projected monthly bill for each nutrient limit was then expressed as a percentage of the monthly affordable bill. The resulting affordability ratio for each nutrient limit for the SDSD-South is shown in Table 11.

TABLE 11

<i>Community Financial Impacts: Affordability of Treatment Alternatives</i>				
	Tier 2	Tier 2N	Tier 1	Tier 1N
Median Annual Gross Income (MAGI) ^{1,2}	\$ 49,200	\$ 49,200	\$ 49,200	\$ 49,200
Affordability Threshold (% of MAGI) ³	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%
Monthly Affordability Criterion	\$57.40	\$57.40	\$57.40	\$57.40
Projected Average Monthly Bill	\$7.81	\$10.68	\$16.36	\$20.28
Meets State's Affordability Criterion?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Estimated Bill as % of State Criterion	14%	19%	28%	35%
1 - Based on the average MAGI of customers within the service area of the facility				
2 - MAGI statistics compiled from 2008 census data				
3 - Parameter established by the State Water Quality Board to determine project affordability for POTWs				

6. Environmental Impacts of Nutrient Control Analysis

This section summarizes the potential environmental benefits and impacts that would result from implementing the process upgrades established for the various tiers of nutrient control detailed in Section 3. The following aspects were considered for this evaluation:

- Reduction of nutrient loads from POTW to receiving water bodies
- Changes in chemical consumption
- Changes in biosolids production
- Changes in energy consumption
- Changes in emissions from biosolids hauling, disposal and energy consumption

As per the data received from SDSO-South and per process modeling of the base condition (Tier 3), SDSO-South is able to achieve some nutrient removal with its existing infrastructure, but not enough to meet the effluent limits of the specified Tiers of nutrient standards. Table 12 summarizes the annual reduction in nutrient loads in SDSO-South effluent discharge if the process upgrades were implemented. The values shown are for the current (2009) flow and load conditions. It should be noted that any increase in flow or load to the POTW will result in higher reductions.

TABLE 12
Estimated Environmental Benefits of Nutrient Control

	Tier 2	Tier 2N	Tier 1	Tier 1N
Total phosphorus removed, lb/year	14,065	14,065	23,110	23,110
Total nitrogen removed, lb/year	----	30,730	----	131,180

Note: Nutrient loads shown are the annual differential loads relative to the baseline (Tier 3) condition of the POTW for the year 2009.

The nutrient content of POTWs' discharges and their receiving waters were also summarized to examine the potential of various treatment alternatives for reducing nutrient loads to those water bodies. The POTW loads were paired with estimated loads in the upstream receiving waters to create estimated downstream combined loads. Those combined stream and POTW loads could then be examined for the potential effects of future

POTW nutrient removal alternatives. The average total nitrogen and phosphorus concentrations discharged by each POTW were either provided by the POTW during the data collection process or obtained from process modeling efforts. Upstream receiving historical water quality data was obtained from STORET. Data from STORET was summarized in order to yield average total nitrogen and total phosphorus concentrations that could then be paired with the appropriate POTW records. It should be noted that the data obtained from STORET were not verified by sampling and possible anomalies and outliers could exist in historical data sets due to certain events or errors in measurement.

Table 13 shows the total phosphorus and total nitrogen concentration discharged by SDS- South to its receiving waters for baseline condition (Tier 3) and for each Tier of nutrient standard. The STORET ID from where historical water quality data were obtained is also presented in the Table.

TABLE 13
Estimates of Average TN and TP Concentrations for Baseline and Cumulative Treatments to Receiving Waters (mg/L)

STORET LOCATION	STORET ID	FLOW (cfs)	Tier 3		Tier 2		Tier 2N		Tier 1		Tier 1N	
			TP	TN	TP	TN	TP	TN	TP	TN	TP	TN
SDSD-South	----	5.11	2.40	23.10	1.0	N/A	1.0	20	0.1	N/A	0.1	10
Jordan River at Cudahy Lane	4991820	181.71	0.88	4.38	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Combined Concentrations			0.93	4.89	0.89	N/A	0.89	4.81	0.86	N/A	0.86	4.53

The process upgrades established to meet the four tiers of nutrient standards require increased energy consumptions, chemical usage and biosolids production. Regular metal-salt addition would be required to meet the more stringent phosphorus limits. This would result in increased chemical sludge generation and consequently increased biosolids production. Process modifications to meet the total nitrogen limits would also result in increased energy consumption and biosolids productions. Table 14 summarizes these environmental impacts of implementing the process upgrades to achieve the various tiers of nutrient control. The values shown are on an annual basis, for the current (2009) flow and load conditions and indicate a differential value relative to the base line condition.

TABLE 14
Estimated Environmental Impacts of Nutrient Control

Tier 2 Tier 2N Tier 1 Tier 1N

Chemical Use:					
Metal-salt use, lb/year		3,436	4,900	66,000	72,810
Polymers, lb/year		1,060	850	1,950	2,700
Biosolids Management:					
Biosolids produced, ton/year		26	22	50	70
Average yearly hauling distance ⁽¹⁾		12	10	22	30
Particulate emissions from hauling trucks, lb/year ⁽²⁾		1	1	1	2
Tailpipe emissions from hauling trucks, lb/year ⁽³⁾		2	1	3	4
CO ₂ emissions from hauling trucks lb/year ⁽⁴⁾		155	130	280	400
Energy Consumption:					
Annual energy consumption, kwh		5,600	243,750	452,150	1,237,270
Air pollutant emissions, lb/year ⁽⁵⁾					
	CO ₂	5,059	219,866	407,838	1,116,017
	NO _x	8	341	633	1,732
	SO _x	7	293	543	1,485
	CO	0	16	30	81
	VOC	0	2	4	10
	PM ₁₀	0	5	9	24
	PM _{2.5}	0	2	4	12

Note: Values shown are the annual differential values relative to the base line condition (Tier 3) of the POTW for the year 2009

⁽¹⁾ Based on the assumption of a 10 miles round trip hauling distance and, on the assumption that the facility uses 22 ton trucks for hauling biosolids to land application.

⁽²⁾ Includes PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} emissions in pounds per year. The emission factors to estimate particulate emissions were derived using the equations from *AP-42, Fifth Edition, Vol. I, Section 13.2.1.: Paved Roads (11/2006)*.

⁽³⁾ Tailpipe emissions in pounds per year resulting from diesel combustion of hauling trucks were based on *Emission standards Reference guide for Heavy-Duty and Nonroad Engines, EPA420-F-97-014 September 1997*. It was assumed that the trucks would meet the emission standards for 1998+.

⁽⁴⁾ CO₂ emission factor in pounds per year for hauling trucks were derived from *Rosso and Chau, 2009, WEF Residuals and Biosolids Conference Proceedings*.

⁽⁵⁾ Emission factors for electricity are based on EPA Clean Energy Power Profiler (<http://www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/energy-and-you/how-clean.html>) assuming PacifiCorp UT region commercial customer and *AP-42, Fifth Edition, Vol. I, Chapter 1, Section 1.1.: Bituminous and Sub bituminous coal Combustion (09/1998)*.