

# URBANGREEN™ Stormwater Solutions

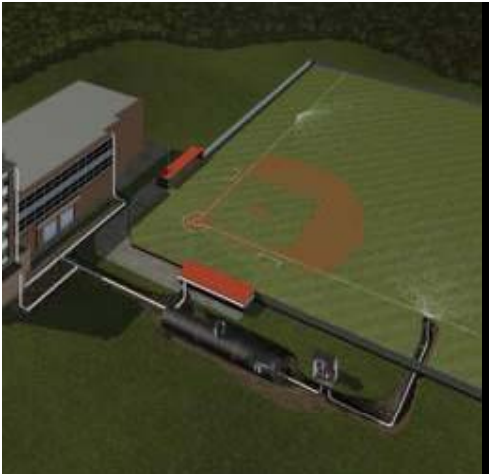


## Rainwater Harvesting

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# UrbanGreen Rain Water Harvesting

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## Agenda

- Regulatory Context
  - LID Hierarchy
  - Feasibility Criteria
- System Design
  - Components
  - Design Considerations
  - Predicting Runoff reduction





# NPDES Permit Requirements

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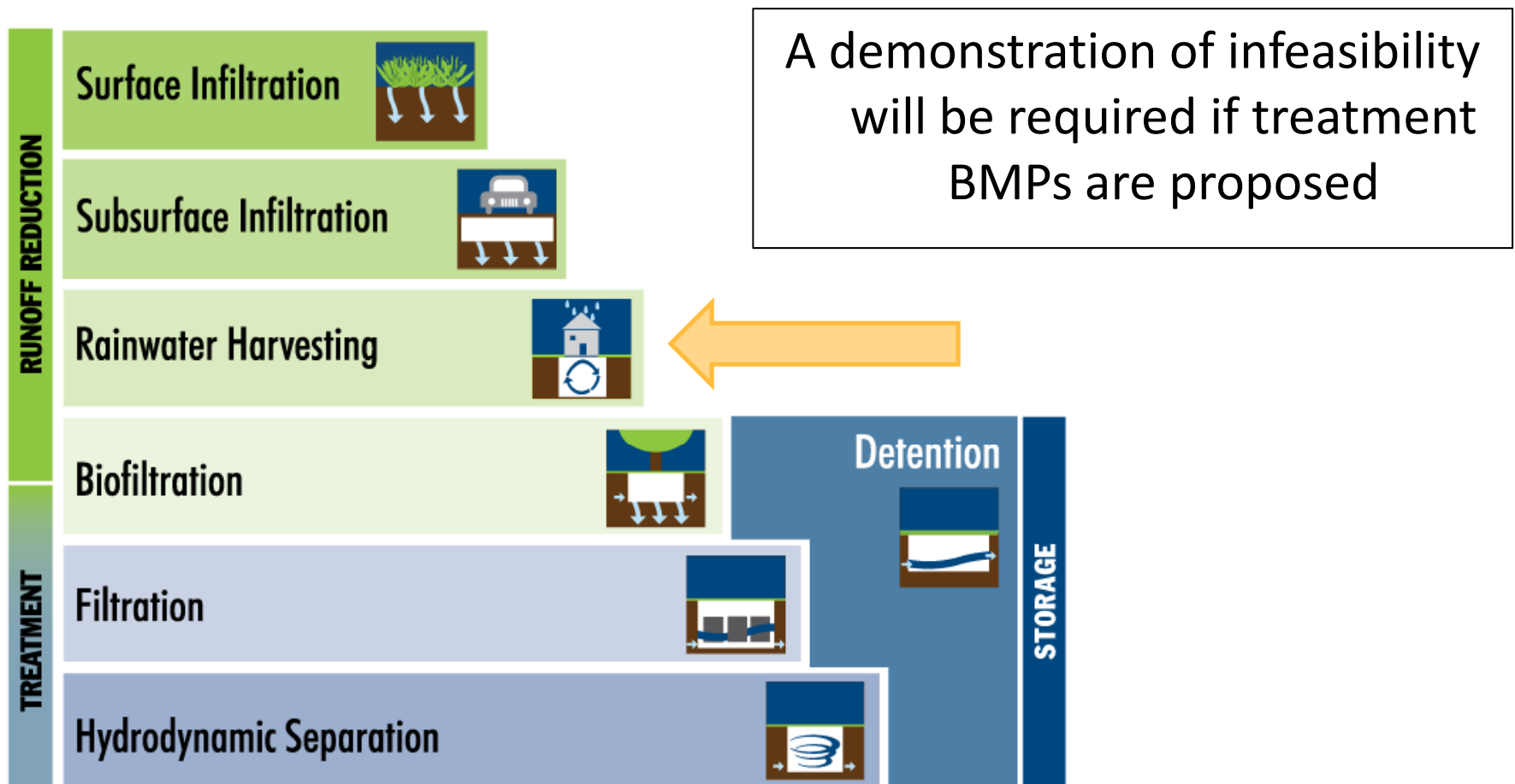
- Recent Santa Ana Region NPDES Permits Include Rainwater Harvest Guidance
  - Prevent then Mitigate
    - Retain to the maximum extent technically feasible, then biotreat the rest of the design storm
- Key Questions:
  - Is this appropriate in the Inland Empire?
  - Are regional or local systems most feasible?
  - How big should my cistern be?
  - What water uses are allowed?
  - Is disinfection required?
  - What regulatory reviews are required?

“The **mitigative or structural site design BMPs shall also be prioritized** (from highest to lowest priority): **(1) Infiltration BMPs** (examples include permeable pavement with infiltration beds, dry wells, infiltration trenches, surface and sub-surface infiltration basins. The Permittees should work with local groundwater management agencies to ensure that infiltration Treatment Control BMPs are designed appropriately; **(2) BMPs that harvest and use** (e.g., cisterns and rain barrels); **and (3) Vegetated BMPs** that promote evapotranspiration including bioretention, biofiltration and bio-treatment.

-2010 San Bernardino NPDES Permit



# Stormwater Selection Staircase





# What is "Harvesting" as LID practice?

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***Traditional Water Harvesting*** is the collection and reuse of stormwater, grey water, and other sources to reduce or eliminate the consumption of municipal potable water.

***Rainwater Harvesting for LID*** is the collection and reuse of stormwater for beneficial purposes to reduce or eliminate post-construction runoff.



# Rainwater Harvesting – Two Perspectives

	Conservation Focus	Stormwater Focus
<b>Primary Goal</b>	Reduced municipal demand	Eliminate runoff (pollution prevention)
<b>Secondary Benefits</b>	Reduce SW Runoff, Energy, CO <sub>2</sub>	Conservation, Energy, CO <sub>2</sub>
<b>Catchment Area</b>	Maximize, to Increase Supply	Minimize, to Reduce Supply
<b>Water Usage</b>	Minimize and Conserve	Find Reuse Applications
<b>Seasonal Challenge</b>	Dry Season – not enough rain	Wet Season – too much rain
<b>Cistern Goal</b>	Keep it full	Empty it quickly
<b>Economic ROI</b>	Negative – “external costs” not included in market price of water	Positive – best LID solution in many cases



# Runoff Reduction: Beyond Irrigation

- **For Runoff Reduction**

- Find reuse applications during wet season

- **Applications**

- Irrigation
- Toilet flushing
- Clothes washing
- Vehicle washing
- Process water (cooling makeup)
- Fire suppression

Irrigation May Not Be Enough to Offset Stormwater Runoff





# Rainwater Harvest Feasibility

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- Demand must exist
  - AB 1881 requires low water use landscaping
  - Seasonal , episodic rainfall patterns
- Water rights must be respected
- End use(s) must not be prohibited
  - Indoor use may trigger Title 22 compliance
  - Plumbing code must be followed although RWH is not explicitly described
  - Spray irrigation may trigger public health concern
- Regional harvest or groundwater replenishment facilities may obviate need for local facilities
- Not needed if site demand is met with reclaimed water

# Typical System Components



# Passive System Design and Components

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- Typically intercept roof runoff only
- Influent screened to remove coarse organics
- Typically drain within 48 hours
- Typically discharge to landscaping that does not need the water at that time
- Discharge must be retained within landscaping
- 100 ft<sup>2</sup> of roof are produces 46 gallons of runoff in a 0.75" storm





# Active System Components

Catchment

Pre-treatment

Storage

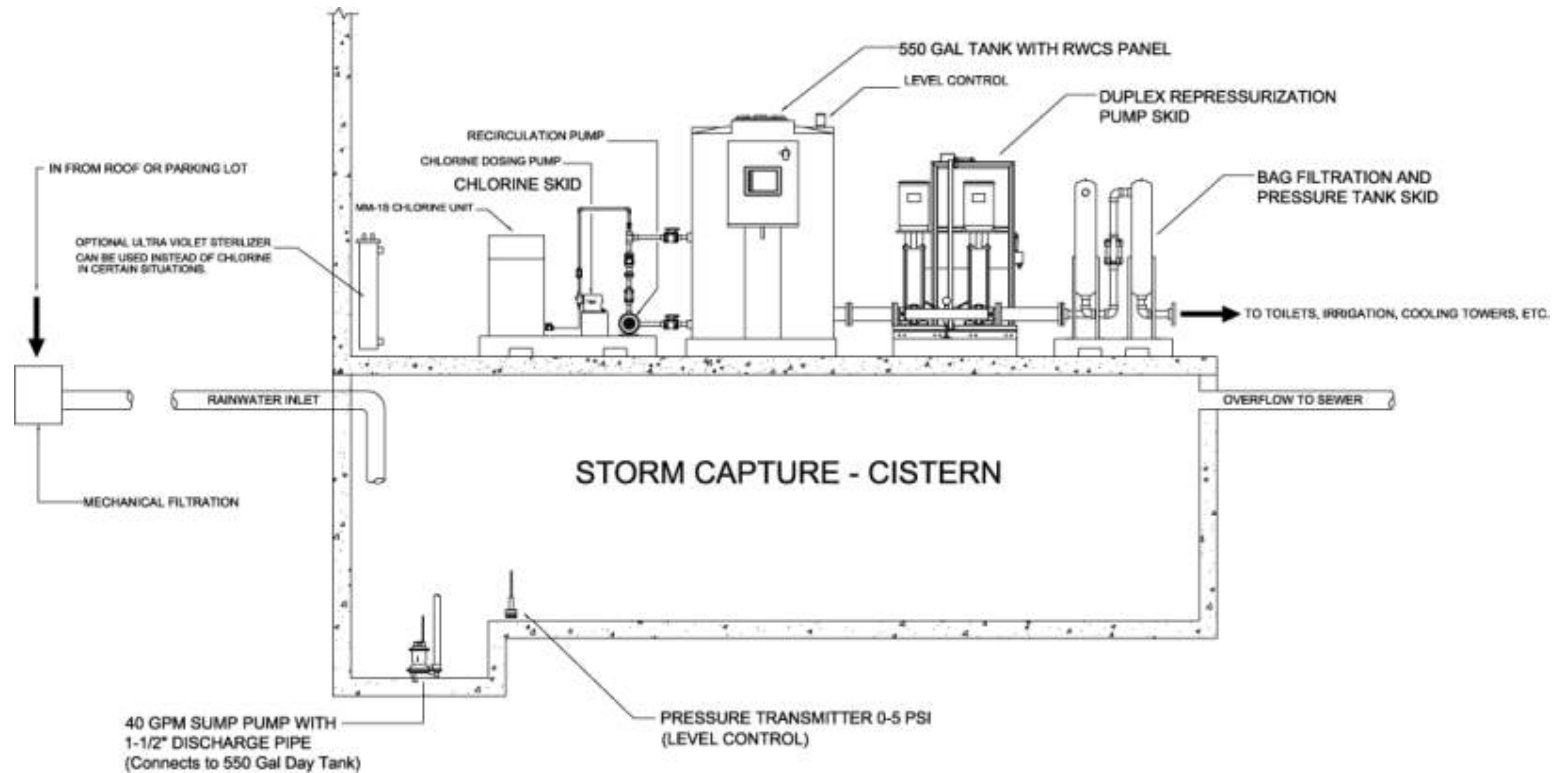
Makeup H<sub>2</sub>O

Pumps

Treatment

Disinfection

Controls





# System Components: Catchment

## Catchment

## Pretreatment

## Storage

## Makeup H<sub>2</sub>O

## Pumps

## Treatment

## Disinfection

## Controls

- Catchment Size
  - Minimize for SW LID
- Rooftop
  - Cleaner, elevation/head, smaller area
  - All applications (potential for potable)
  - Finer solids, roof material, leaves, bacteria
  - Simple pretreatment
- Surface (parking, courtyards, etc)
  - More pollutants
  - Gross solids, trash/debris, oil, soluble metals, bacteria
  - Unlikely for potable
  - Advanced pretreatment
  - Avoid: industrial, spill potential, chemicals, etc

**Note:** Pretreatment and disinfection requirements may be less stringent for rooftop



# System Components: Pretreatment

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Pretreatment

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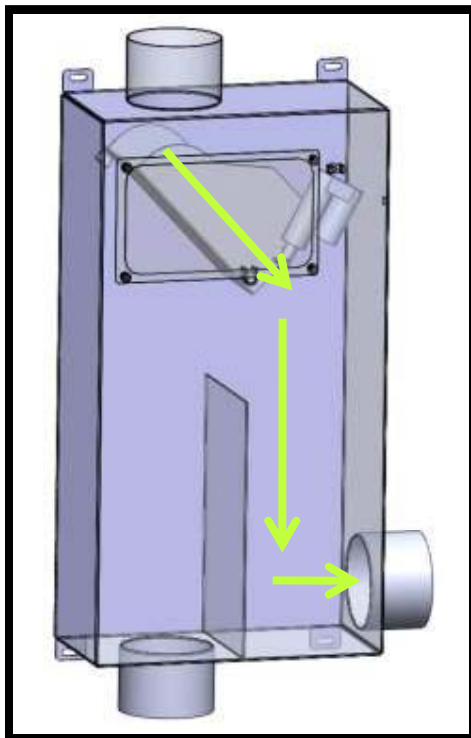
- First Flush Diverters and Pretreatment
  - Keep storage clean, reduce maintenance
  - Protect downstream filters and pumps
  - Reduce BOD, organic decomposition uses O<sub>2</sub>
  - Anaerobic conditions produce SO<sub>2</sub> (odor)
  - Screening: 200um to 2000 um (rooftop)
  - Filtration/Separation: 20um to 200um (surface)

**Code Note:** First flush diverter and pretreatment may be required



# CONTECH Products – 1st Flush Diverter

## Programmable 1<sup>st</sup> Flush Diversion



- User defined “First Flush” – time based
  - Depth of rainfall, time since last storm
- Maximizes collection & run-off reduction
  - Divert ONLY the first flush
  - Does not reset during lulls in rainfall
- Automatic Reset
  - Based on time since recent rainfall
- Meet building codes requirements
  - Diverts first flush to Keep cistern cleaner
- Complete System
  - Rain gage
  - Bypass module
  - Connects to system controller

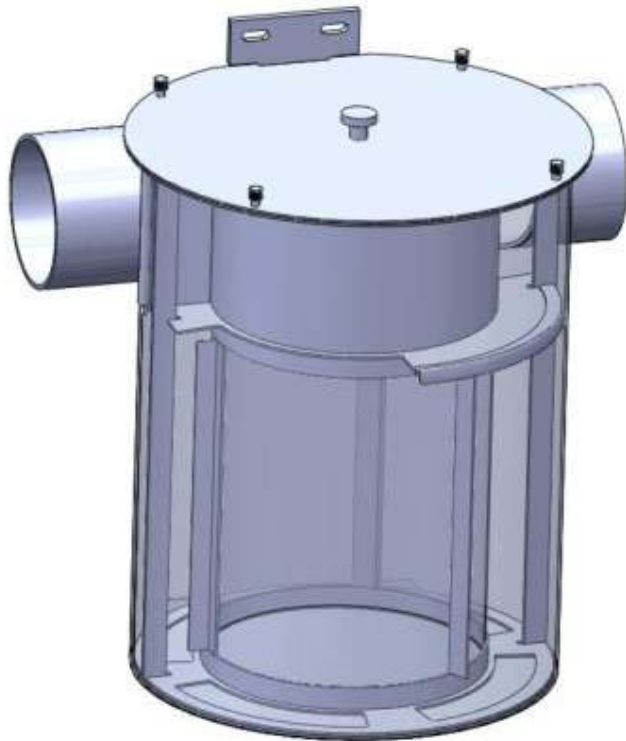
Example: Divert 0.05” if no rain in last 3 days



# CONTECH Products - Pretreatment

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## Downspout CDS

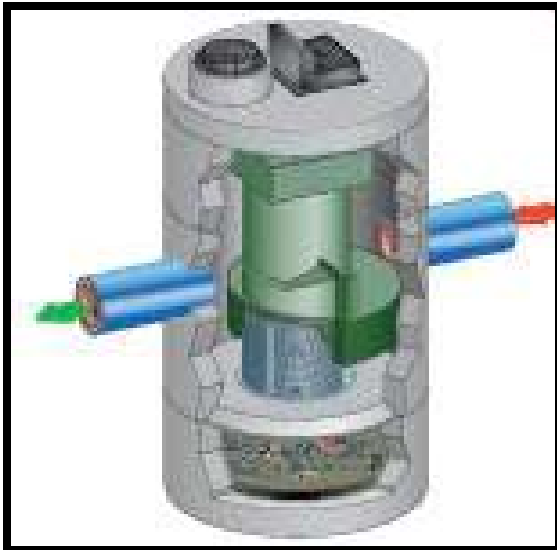


- In-line, down-spout screen
  - Easy access, above ground, building mounted
- Non Clogging
  - Continuous Deflection Separation
- High performance
  - 1200um aperture
  - 200 gpm capacity
  - Standard 6" inlet and outlet connections
- Easy Maintenance
  - Removable, stainless steel screen
  - No replacement parts



# CONTECH Products - Pretreatment

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- Underground Pretreatment
- Large treatment capacity
- Full capture
- 100% capture of harvested water
- Non-clogging
- On-line and off-line options
- Economical
- Easy maintenance



# System Components: Storage

Code Note: Calming inlet and floating outlet may be required

Catchment

Pretreatment

**Storage**

Makeup H<sub>2</sub>O

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Controls

- Storage

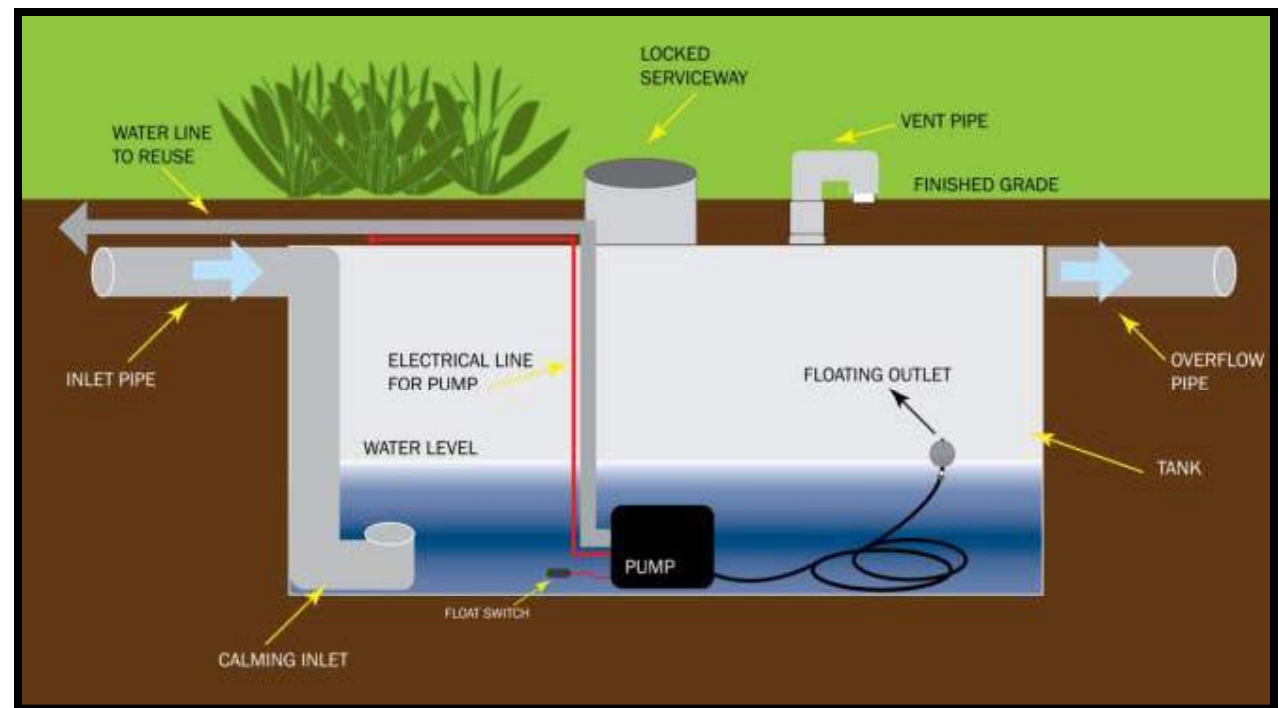
- Above ground (smaller)
- Below ground under parking to save space (larger)
- Metal, plastic, concrete
- 1,000 gallons to 100,000+ cubic feet
- Sized to minimize annual runoff = larger storage
- Sized to reduce domestic use = smaller storage
- Typical target: 80% of annual rainfall capture
- Calming inlets, floating outlets promotes settling



# UrbanGreen Cisterns

## Standard Components

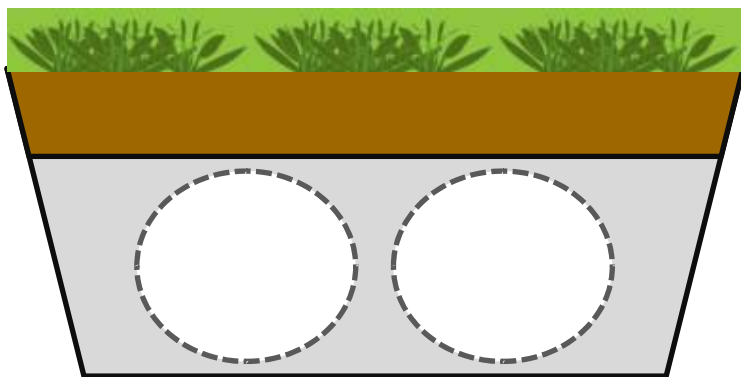
- Inlet
- Overflow
- Transfer Pipe (not shown)
- Calming Inlet
- Floating Outlet
- Access and Vent





# UrbanGreen Cistern – Wrapped Cisterns

- Massive Storage – flexible/scalable
- Cost Effective – as low as \$0.50/gal
- Combine with Biofiltration
- Seal excavation with Pond Liner
- Perforated CMP
- ChamberMaxx
- Life based on liner integrity



Price Example: 200,000 gallons

- 96" perf CMP w/ liner
- \$100,000, \$0.50/gallon



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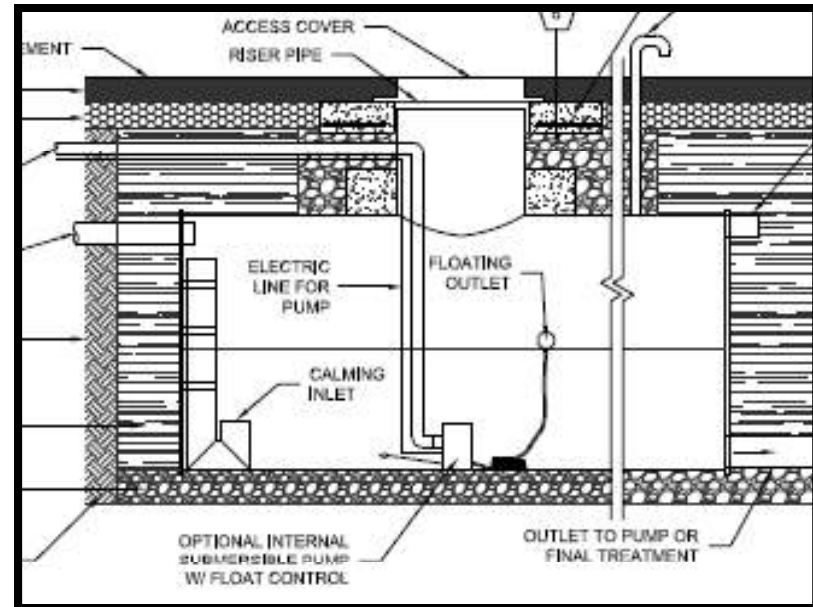




# UrbanGreen Cistern – BGM

## Below Ground Metal

- Contiguous Tanks – NO JOINTS
  - Up to 48' Long
  - 48" and larger
- Connect Multiple Tanks – NO JOINTS
- Fully sealed
  - Fabrication and seams
  - 25-50 year life
  - Sealing reports in process
  - Factory tested upon request
- Rated to 8 psi (tested to 13psi)
- Best Use: General purpose to 100k gal
- 96" x 48' = 18,000 gallons



### Price Examples:

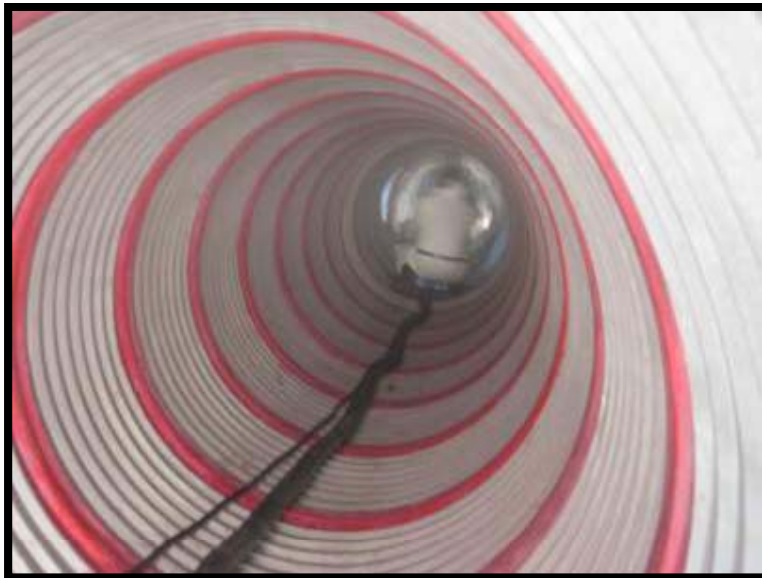
- 5,000 gallons
  - 72" x 24', \$6,500, \$1.20/gallon
- 25,000 gallons
  - Two 96' x 33' Tanks
  - \$19,500, \$0.78/gallon



# UrbanGreen Cistern – BGM

## Sealing

- Adapted from industrial tank lining
- Rated to 8psi, tested to 13psi



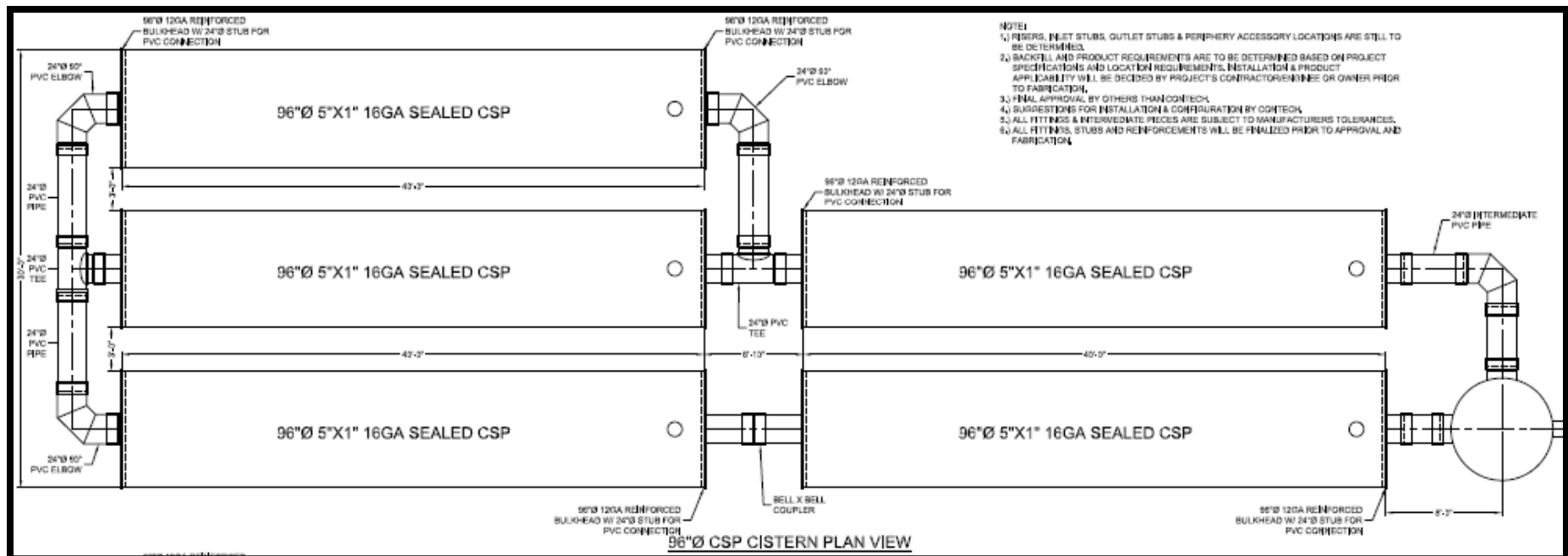
**Tested to 13psi**



# UrbanGreen Cistern – BGM

## Below Ground Metal

- Up to 48' long
- Connect multiple tanks together
- Small diameter, water tight connections
- 120" x 48' = 28,000 gallons



No Joints



# UrbanGreen Cistern – SRPE

## Steel Reinforced Polyethylene

- 14' and 22' Tanks
- Long Barrels
  - 48" and larger
  - Small diameter headers
- Up to 15 Psi
  - Bell and Spigot or Electrofusion
- Longest Life
  - Up to 100 yrs for lower pressure ratings
- Best Use – Critical Storage
  - Long Life
  - Near foundations
  - On slopes
  - Potable



### Price Examples:

- 2,950 gallons
  - 72" x 14', \$7,600, \$2.57/gallon
- 100,000 gallons
  - Four 96" x 66' barrels
  - \$73,000, \$0.73/gallon



# UrbanGreen SRPE Cistern – Tucson, AZ

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# UrbanGreen SRPE Cistern – Redondo Beach, CA





# Gilardi Ranch, Bodega CA





# UrbanGreen Cistern – AGM

## Above Ground Metal

- Vertical steel tanks
  - 72” to 120” diameter
  - Heights to 20 ft
- Rated to 8 psi (20ft head)
- Up to 100 Year Life
  - Replaceable liner option
- Best Use – Above Ground
  - Close to building
  - RWH Showcase
  - Easy access and maintenance

**Coming soon!**



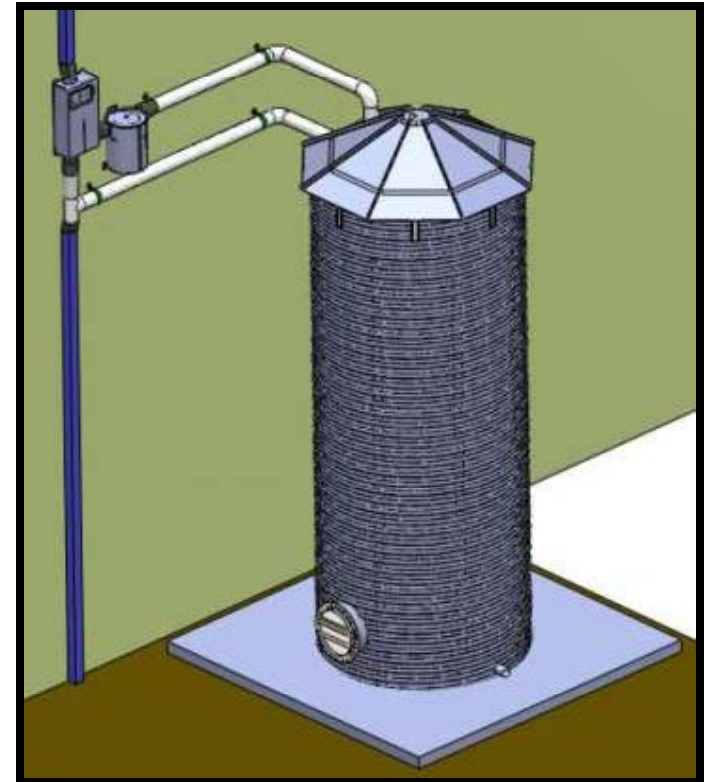
**Similar type cistern**



# UrbanGreen Cistern – AGM

## Portland Manufacturing Facility

- Two 96" x 20' tall cisterns
- 7,500 gallons total
- Complete mechanical system
- Cartridge wash station
- CSF media production
- Install December 2010



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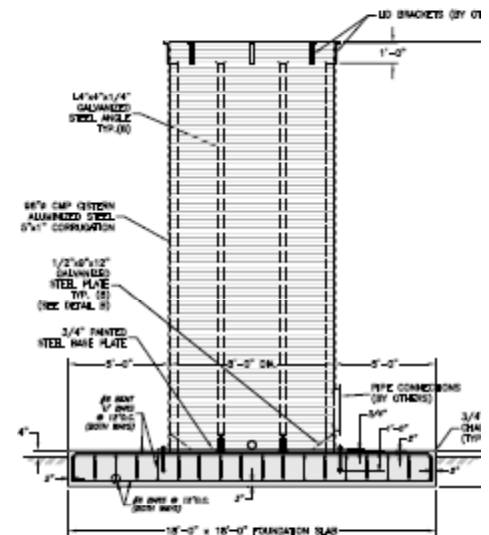
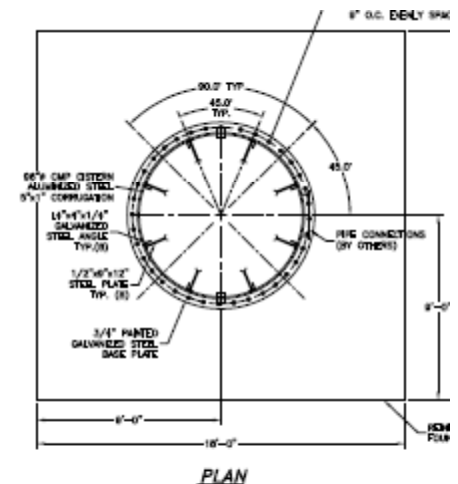




# UrbanGreen Cistern – AGM

## Above Ground Metal

- Generic Foundation
  - Available upon request
  - Provided as example
  - Customer responsible for site specific foundation
- Stamped Foundation
  - Modest fee
  - Full evaluation: soil, wind, seismic
  - Must have soils report





# CONTECH Products - Cisterns

Type	Product	Options	Water Tight Rating		Pricing (per gallon)	Best Use
Below Ground	<b>Wrapped</b> (pond liner)	Perforated CMP ChamberMaxx	Non Pressurized	10-25 yrs (longer life liner options possible)	\$0.50 - \$1.0	Infiltration Inlet Large Storage (100k gal and up) Non-critical storage
	<b>BGM</b> Below Ground Metal	Single Tanks (up to 48' Long)  Multiple Tanks (no joints, daisy chain)	Up to 8 psi	25-75 yrs (depends on soil)	\$0.65 to \$2.0	Small/Medium Size (3k to 100k gal) General Use
	<b>SRPE</b> Steel Reinforced Polyethylene	Tanks (14' or 22' )  Barrels (No Headers)	15 psi	50-100 yrs (depends diameter and pressure)	\$1.70 to \$4.0  \$0.60 to \$1.40 <i>(+ shipping)</i>	Medium/Large Systems  Water Critical (near building, slope, potable)
Above Ground	<b>AGM</b> Above Ground Metal	72" to 15' tall 96" to 20' tall 120" TBD	Up to 8 psi (20ft head)	25-100 yrs (Metal life 100 yrs, replaceable liner)	\$0.75 to \$3.0 <i>(+ foundation)</i>	Above Ground Up to 10k gal



# System Components: Makeup H<sub>2</sub>O

Catchment

Pretreatment

Storage

**Makeup H<sub>2</sub>O**

Pumps

Treatment

Disinfection

Controls

- Municipal Makeup
  - Air-gap options
    - Direct cistern fill
    - Downstream wet-well fill
    - Day tank fill
  - Direct backup connection
    - Backflow preventers
    - Check valves

**Code Note:** air gap may be required, separate reuse lines required



# System Components: Pumps & Treatment

Catchment

Pretreatment

Storage

Makeup H<sub>2</sub>O

**Pumps**

**Treatment**

Disinfection

Controls

- Pumps
  - Pressure pump(s) sized for volume required
  - Can be multiplex for backup and maintenance
- Final Treatment
  - 0.5um to 5um
  - Water clarity (aesthetics)
  - Improves disinfection (uv)
  - Protects downstream fixtures
  - Manual or automatic back flush



# System Components: Disinfection

Catchment

Pretreatment

Storage

Makeup H<sub>2</sub>O

Pumps

Treatment

**Disinfection**

Controls

- Disinfection

- Prevent water born illness, kills bacteria and viruses
- UV for immediate use (irrigation)
- Chlorination for residual treatment (toilets, washing)
- Required for building code, sometimes even irrigation

**Code Note:** disinfection may be required – even for irrigation



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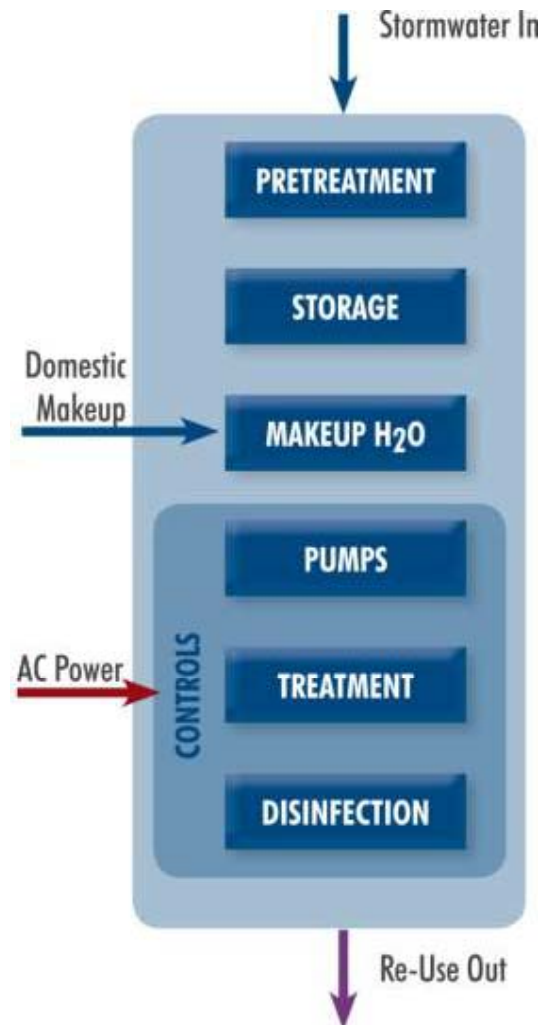
- Controls
  - 1st flush diverter
  - Domestic makeup
  - Pumps and backwashing
  - Disinfection
  - System monitoring
  - System measurement and reporting



# Integrated Mechanical Systems

Configurable systems to meet site specific requirements

- Catchment
- Pretreatment
- Storage
- Makeup H<sub>2</sub>O
- Pumps
- Treatment
- Disinfection
- Controls





# Mechanical System Components

## Typical Components Options

- Treatment
  - Screens; filters; ultra filtration
  - manual or auto back flush
- Make-up Water
  - Day-tank with air-gap; back-flow preventer
- Disinfection
  - UV; chlorination
  - Instant; recirculation
- Pressurization
  - Suction pumps; submersible pumps
- Controls
  - Operation; monitoring ; tie to building mgmt
- Power Supply
  - 120/240/480v; 1-phase, 3-phase
- Enclosure
  - Indoor; Outdoor; Underground

**Building block components**

**Designed to match project needs**

**Infinite combinations**



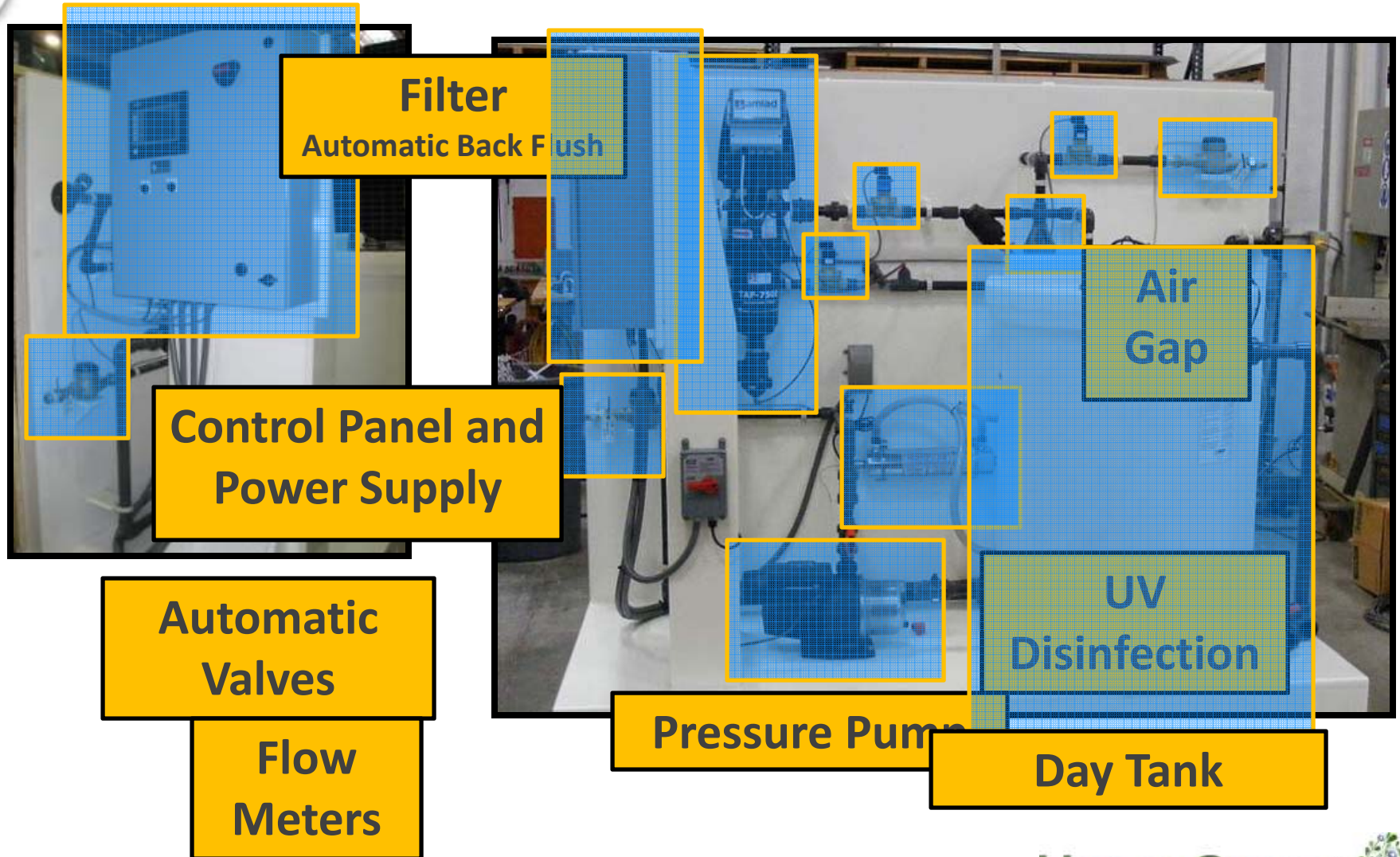


# Example: Mechanical System





# Example: Pump and Controls





# Example: Mechanical System

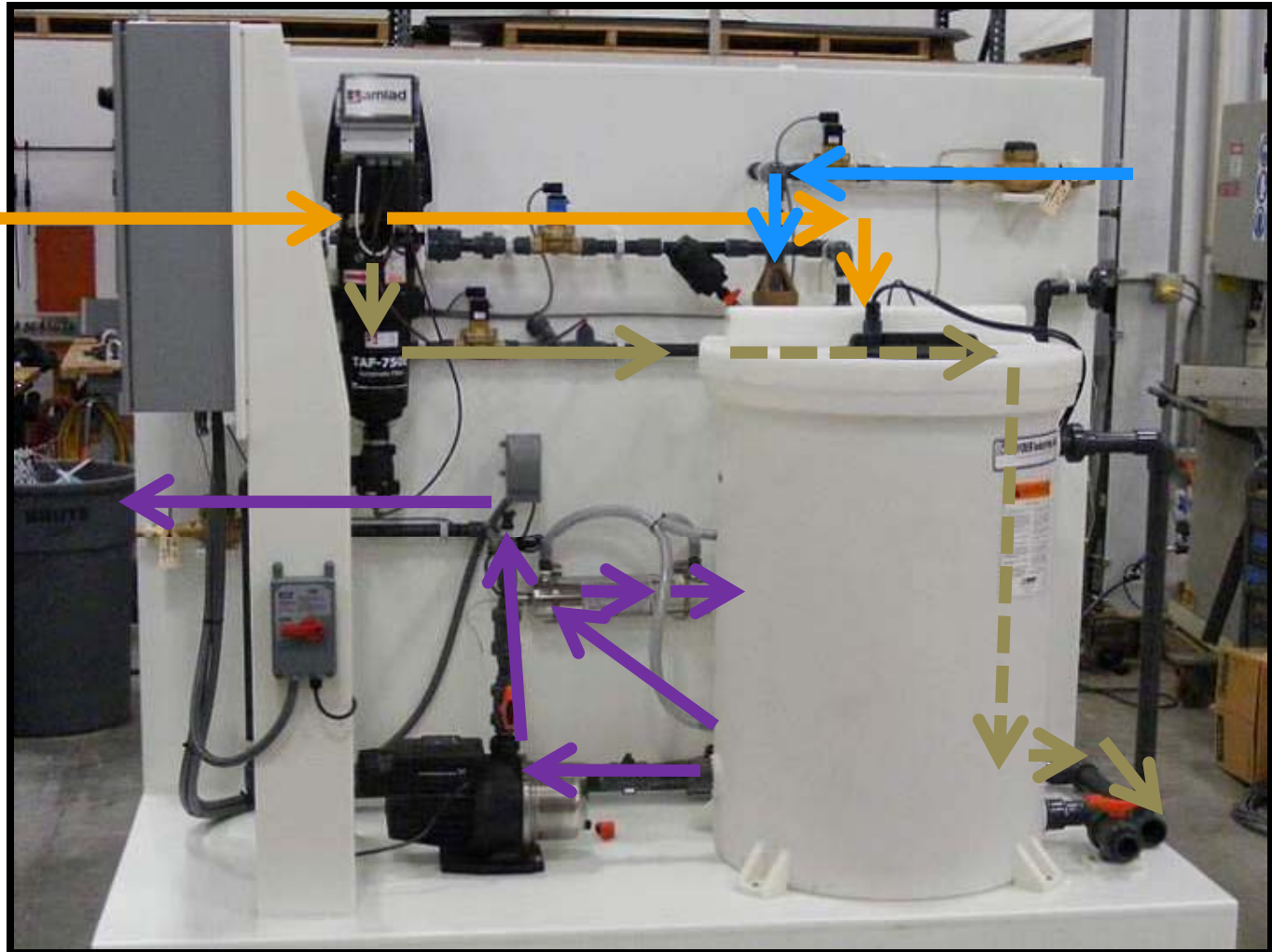
Water from cistern, through filter, to day tank

Back flush from filter to drain

Makeup water to day tank when required

UV disinfection loop

Pressure pump to re-use application





# Mechanical System – Install Location

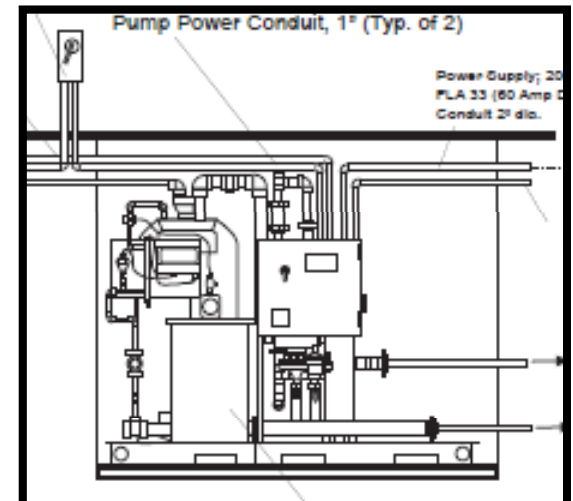
**Indoor  
Skid Mounted**



**Outdoor  
Enclosure**



**Underground  
Vault**





# Mechanical System – Price Estimates

## Simple Systems

- Irrigation only
- Low Demand: 10-25 gpm
- Basic treatment,
- \$5,000 - \$20,000

## Typical Systems

- Irrigation and toilet flushing
- Filtration and chlorination
- \$15,000 - \$50,000

## Advanced Systems

- Multiple cisterns/sources to control
- Redundant systems
- Advanced treatment and monitoring
- \$50k to \$100k+



# Design

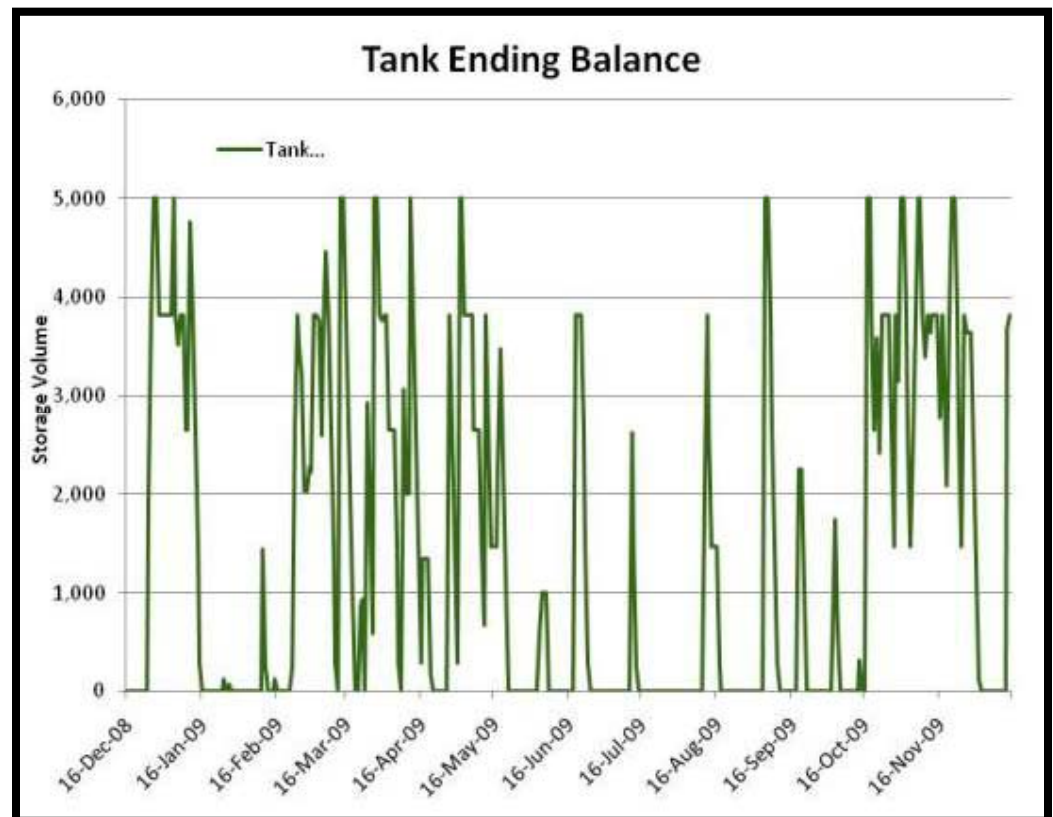




# Design Process

## Design Elements

- Client Input
  - Catchment areas
  - Water budget and demand pattern
- CONTECH Input
  - Local rainfall
  - SW regulations
  - runoff reduction requirements
- CONTECH Deliverables
  - Cistern sizing
  - Treatment sizing
  - Municipal supply reduction
  - Runoff reduction





# Design: Cistern and Runoff Reduction



## Rainwater Harvesting Solutions

Stormwater Supply		
Source	Include?	Area
Rooftop	yes	20,000
Surface	no	0
<b>Total Capture Area</b>		<b>20,000</b>

Secondary Supply		
Source	Include?	Gal/Yr
AC Condensation	no	0
Gray Water	no	0
<b>Total Secondary</b>		<b>0</b>

Demand	
Application	Include
Toilet	yes
Laundry	yes
Irrigation	yes

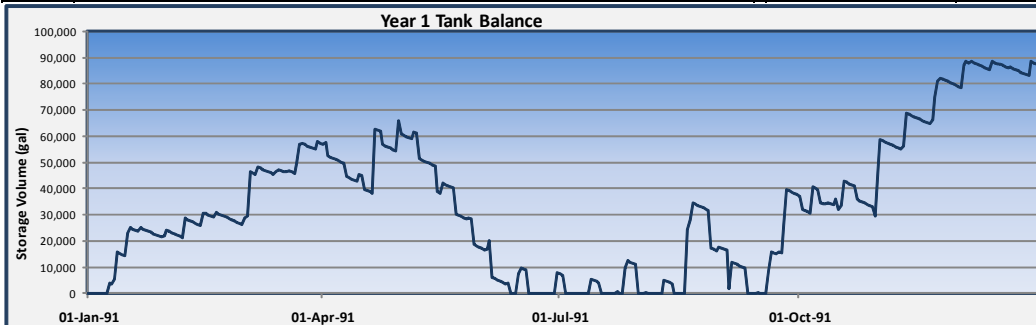
<b>Location</b>	<b>Boston</b>
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<b>Small Storm (No Runoff)</b>	<b>0.05</b>
<b>Design Storm Depth</b>	<b>2.00</b>

<b>Cistern Size</b>	<b>89,000</b>
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	Actual Rainfall	Rainfall Between 0.05 & 2	Targeted Runoff	Secondary Supply	Total Water Captured	Overflow	Total Demand	Tank Ending Balance	City Makeup	Water Savings	Runoff Reduction	Total Runoff & Sewer Reduction
J-91	42	35	440,447	0	437,393	3,055	490,439	87,620	140,666	71%	437,393	99%
J-92	43	35	431,222	0	373,788	57,434	490,439	88,171	117,201	76%	373,788	87%
J-93	43	37	462,139	0	315,689	146,450	490,439	87,809	174,387	64%	315,689	68%
J-94	47.6	41.2	513,502	0	376,316	137,186	490,439	85,781	112,094	77%	376,316	73%
J-95	35.1	29.3	365,149	0	289,963	75,186	490,439	83,941	198,636	59%	289,963	79%
J-96	52.5	40.8	509,014	0	361,372	147,642	490,439	86,950	132,075	73%	361,372	71%
J-97	29.7	24.7	308,301	0	256,905	51,395	489,979	62,796	208,919	57%	256,905	83%
<b>Total</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>3,029,774</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,411,426</b>	<b>618,348</b>	<b>3,432,610</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>1,083,979</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>2,411,426</b>	<b>80%</b>

Cistern Dimensions	
Diameter	Length
4	947
6	421
8	237
10	151
12	105
16	59



Water Savings				
Water Rate	\$0.0036	Sewer Rate		\$0.009
Year	Gallons	Water	Sewer	Total
J-91	437,393	\$1,596	\$3,801	\$5,397
J-92	373,788	\$1,364	\$3,248	\$4,612
J-93	315,689	\$1,152	\$2,743	\$3,895
J-94	376,316	\$1,373	\$3,270	\$4,644
J-95	289,963	\$1,058	\$2,520	\$3,578
J-96	361,372	\$1,319	\$3,140	\$4,459
J-97	256,905	\$938	\$2,232	\$3,170
<b>Total Savings</b>	<b>2,411,426</b>	<b>\$8,801</b>	<b>\$20,955</b>	<b>\$29,756</b>

Water Rate Samples - per CCF			
	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Portland, OR	\$2.73	\$2.73	\$2.73
San Diego, CA	\$3.51	\$3.80	\$4.27
Long Beach, CA	\$2.20	\$2.44	\$3.66
Sewer Rates - per CCF			
Portland, OR	\$6.50		



# QUESTIONS?

