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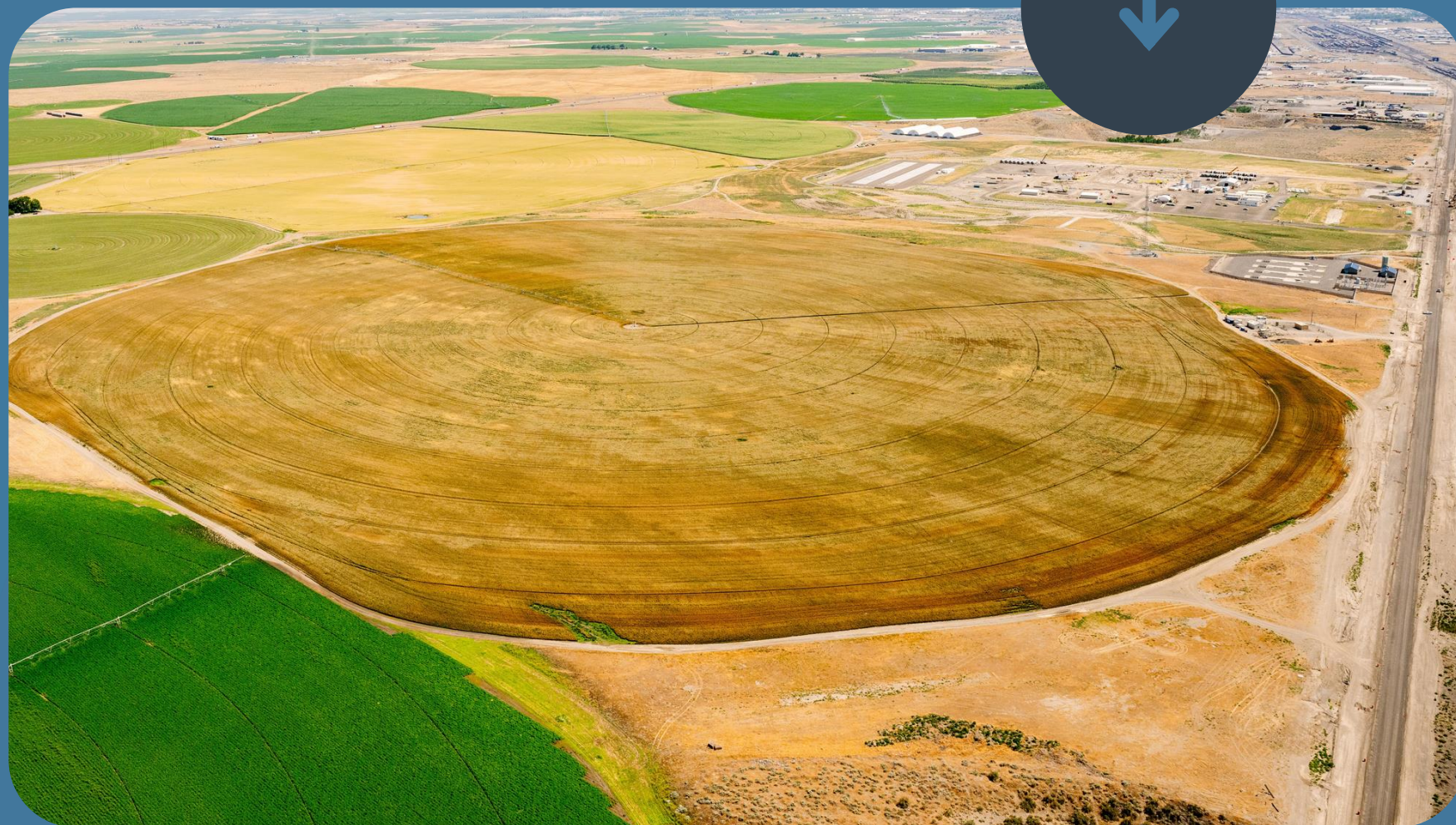


CITY OF PASCO

**Process Water Reuse Facility
(PWRF)**

PWRF History

1995-2007



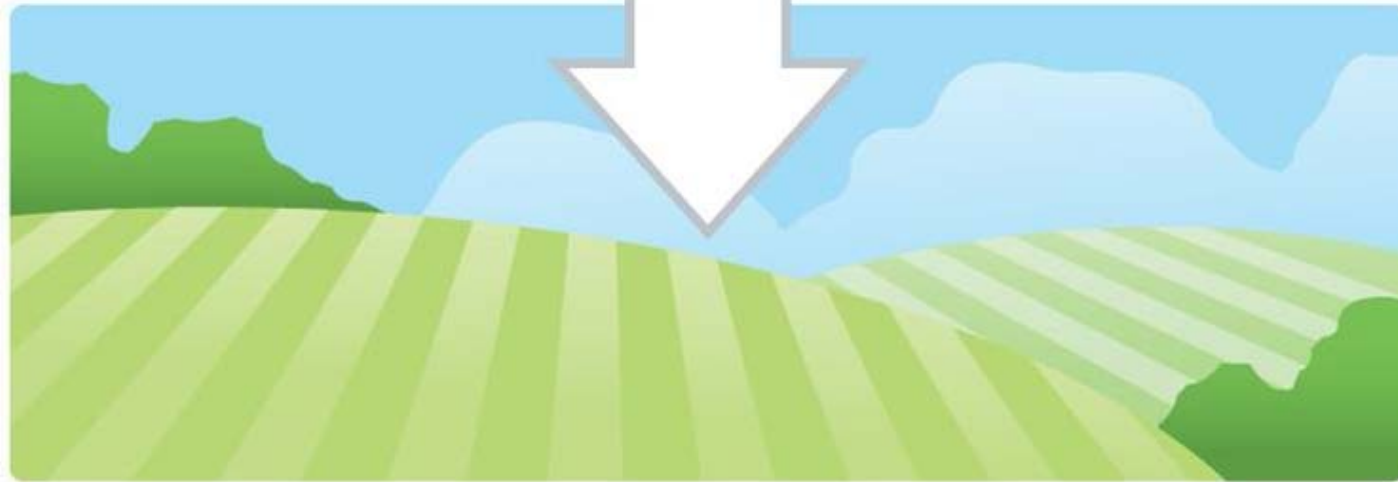
9 Irrigation Circles:
Economic Development
Opportunity

Using land application to
finish the industrial
effluent

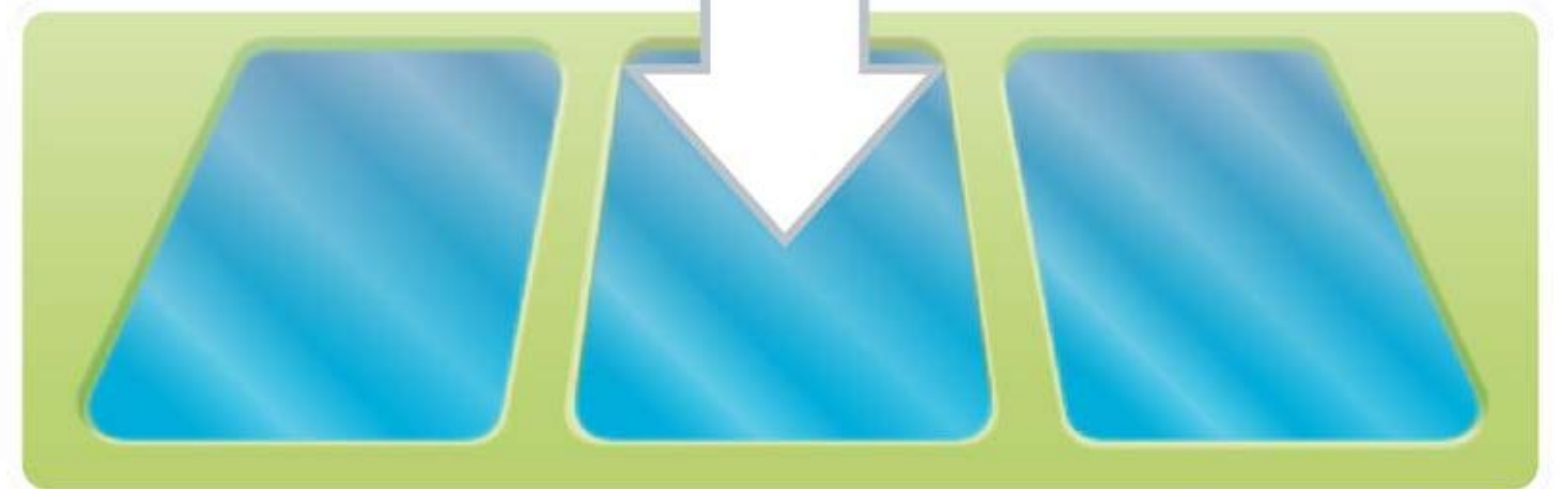
Additional Irrigation
Circles

14-Circles & 1,850 Acres

Who We Serve + Why



1 Billion Gallons



- **40-acre** facility
- Wastewater from **six food processors**
- **1,850-acres** of irrigated agriculture production fields

- **Bio solids** screened out
- **Sediment** filtered out
- **150m gallons** stored in lined ponds (winter)



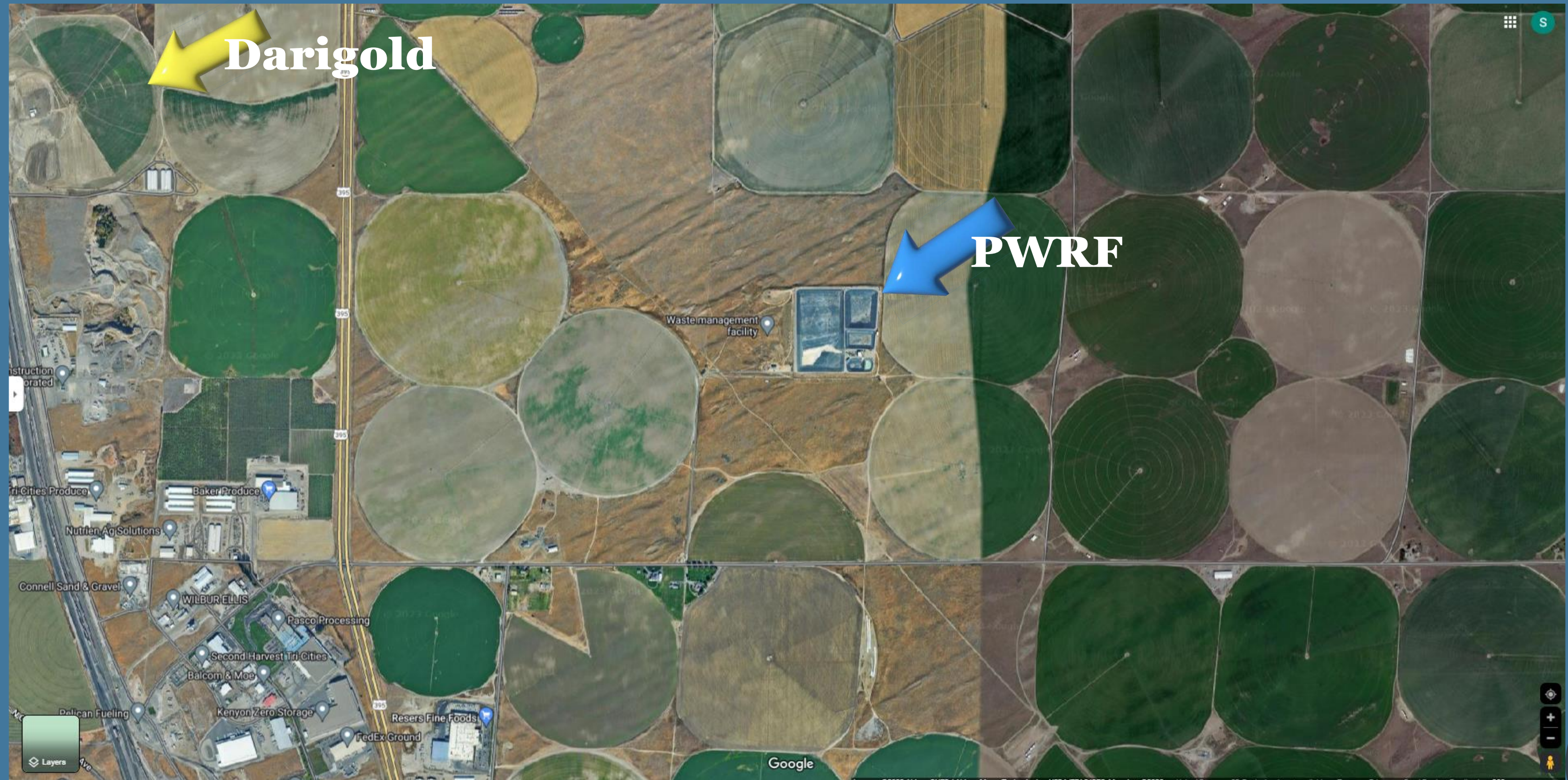
01

Foster Wells
West of Highway 395

02

Columbia East
South of the facility near Highway 12

Process Water Reuse Facility Site



Process Water Reuse Facility Site



Initial Evaluation

Engineering Study



2019 Study

Completed to evaluate future improvements of the PWRP



Data Evaluation

Flow and loading data seemed questionable



Report Conclusions

Only minor upgrades needed to keep up with current flow.

Need for Solutions

2020



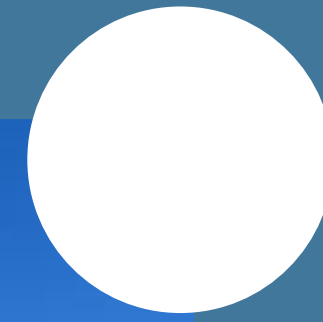
Too much nitrogen loading on fields



Concerning odor Issues



Processor growth expected



**Why isn't it
working?
Time to do a
Data Deep
Dive!**

Initial Data Review

**Data from processors:
BOD, TSS, and TKN
concentrations
were lower than
expected.**



**Data from PWRF
TKN and BOD
concentrations were
higher than expected.**



Let's Review the Science



How are the samples being collected and handled?



What labs are performing the testing?



Where is the QA/QC data from each lab report?

Final Findings



Samples were not properly handled when filled



Lab bottles did not contain preservative reagents




Inconsistent chain of custody documentation



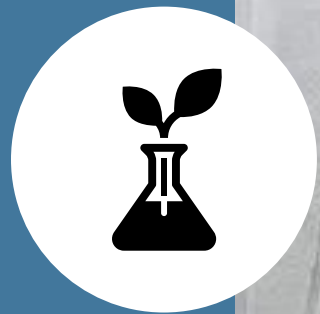
Labs didn't provide QA/QC Reports

Actions Taken

 **We conducted split-samples with three different labs, including a newly added lab that had a strong track record of QA/QC reporting.**

 **We collected four months of data and calculated the relative percentage difference (RPD) between each of the previously used labs and the newly found lab.**

 **The city incorporated the food processors into our sampling program.**

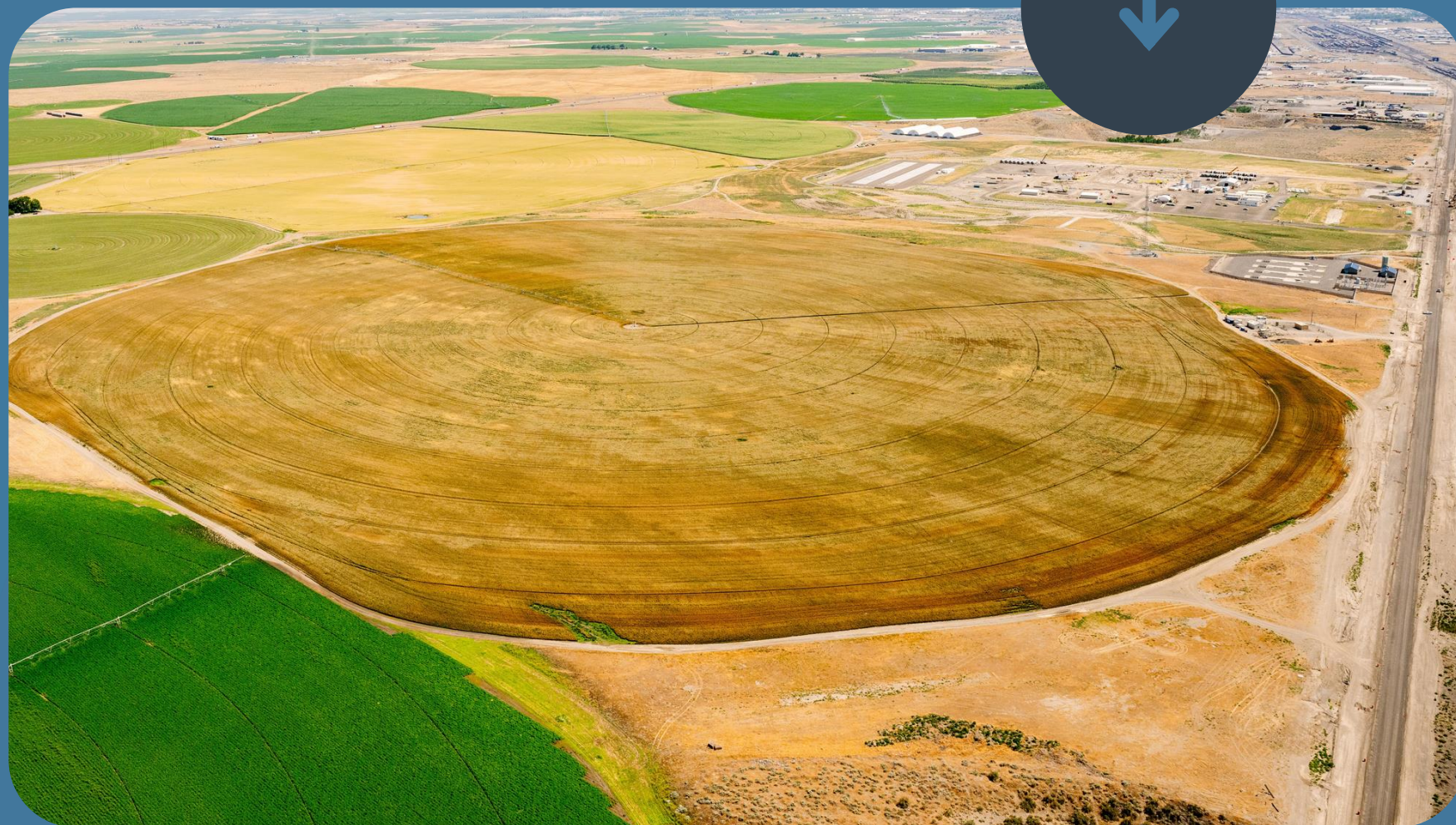


Now that the data has been vetted, what are we doing about it?



PWRF Challenges

Capacity Reached



Land treatment capacity limit reached



Facility expansion needed to accommodate Darigold



More Winter Storage Capacity Needed



Additional nitrogen treatment needed

PWRF Needs

Growth = Demand



Grimmway

Plant expansion means a need to direct their flow from Municipal WWTP to PWRF



Reser's

Recently built a larger processing plant



Simplot

Plant expansion



Darigold

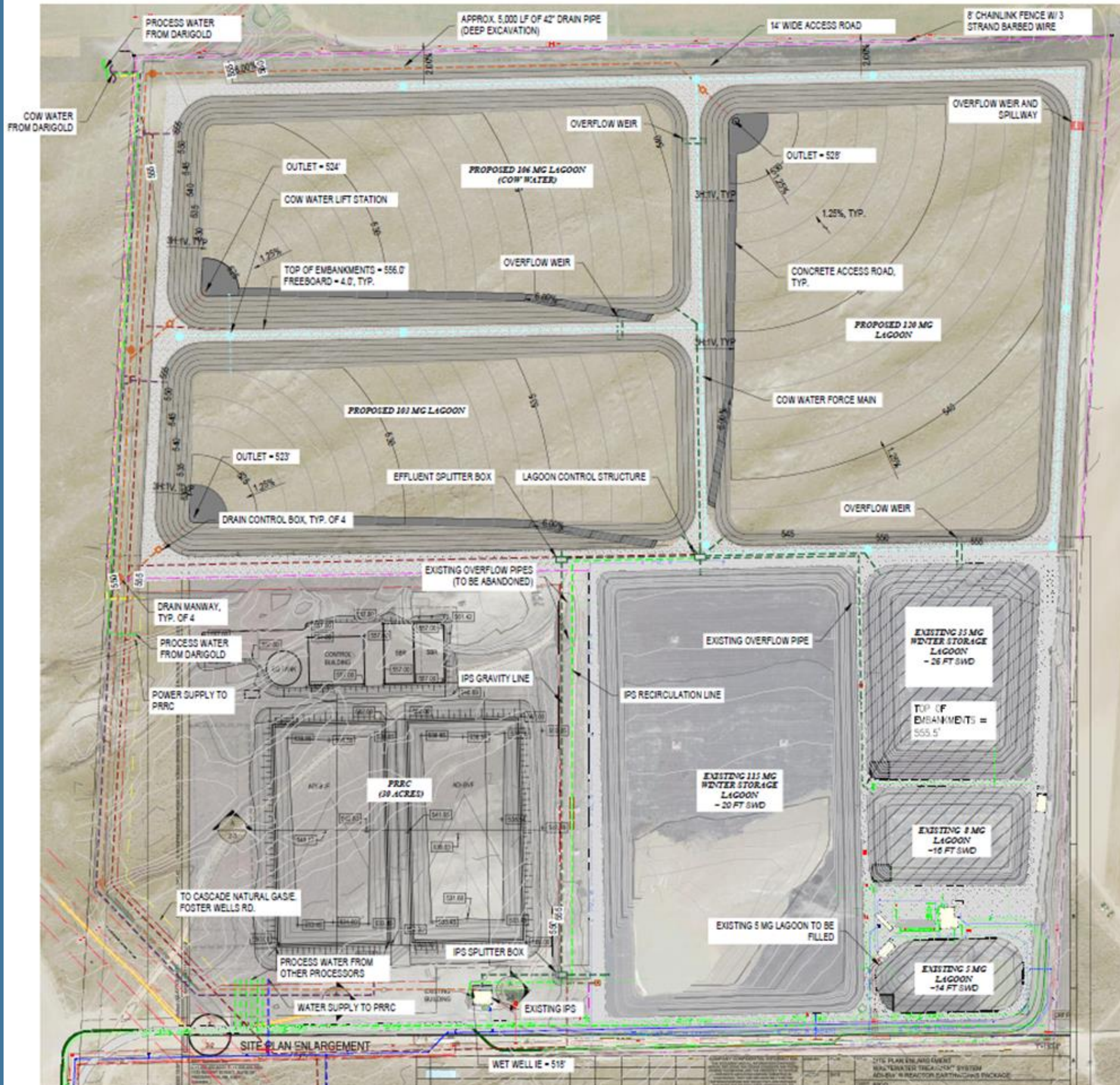
Building a new \$500M plant





How can we Create Opportunities from Agricultural Waste?





CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN - PHASE 2

Proposed Solution – Four Phases



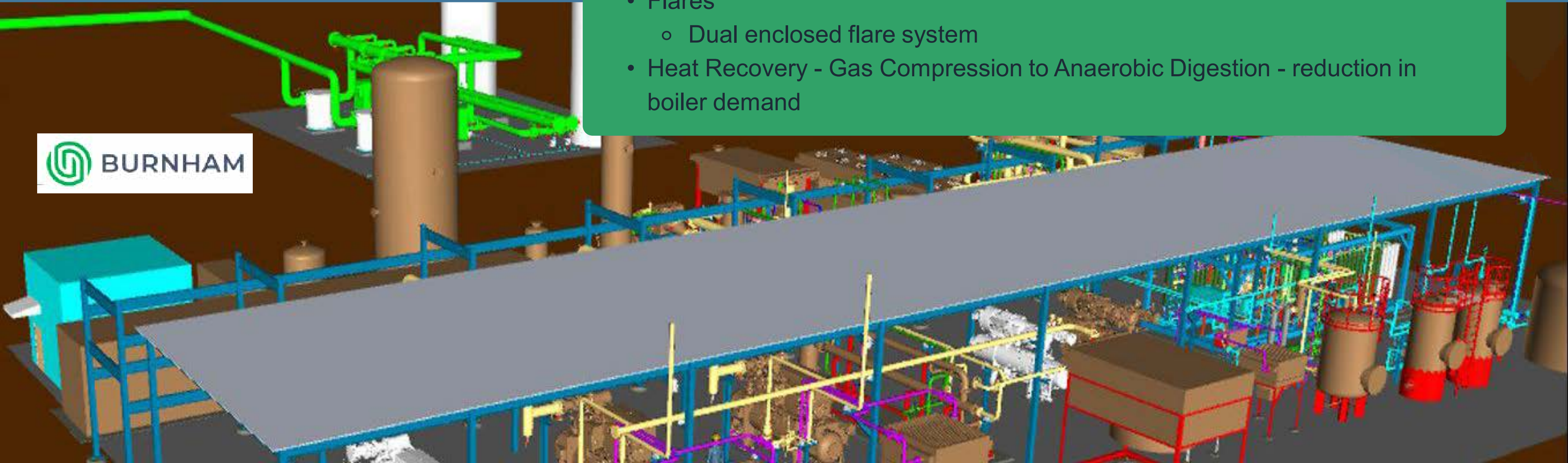
Gas Upgrading System



RNG Production

Methane from Anaerobic Digesters
Renewable Natural Gas Revenue
Produces enough RNG to heat
4,500 homes

- Total system capacity: 2,500 scfm biogas
- H₂S Removal
 - Bulk removal, 95%, with regenerative technology
 - Final reduction w/polishing vessels
- CO₂ Removal
 - 3 stage membrane separation, high methane recovery, >99%.
 - High purity CO₂, >98.5%; opportunity for additional uses
- Flares
 - Dual enclosed flare system
- Heat Recovery - Gas Compression to Anaerobic Digestion - reduction in boiler demand





Burnham
helping
Pasco Create
Bioenergy
from
Agricultural
Wastewater.





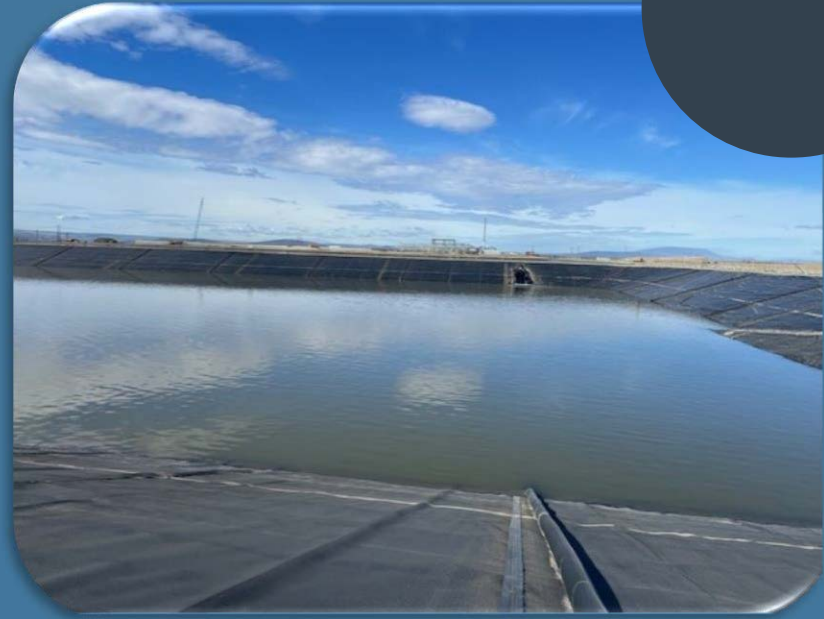
**But Wait,
There is
more!**



Nitrogen Removal Technology

A Closer Look:

Options Included:



Shallow Lagoons



PhotoBioReactor



Sequencing Batch Reactor

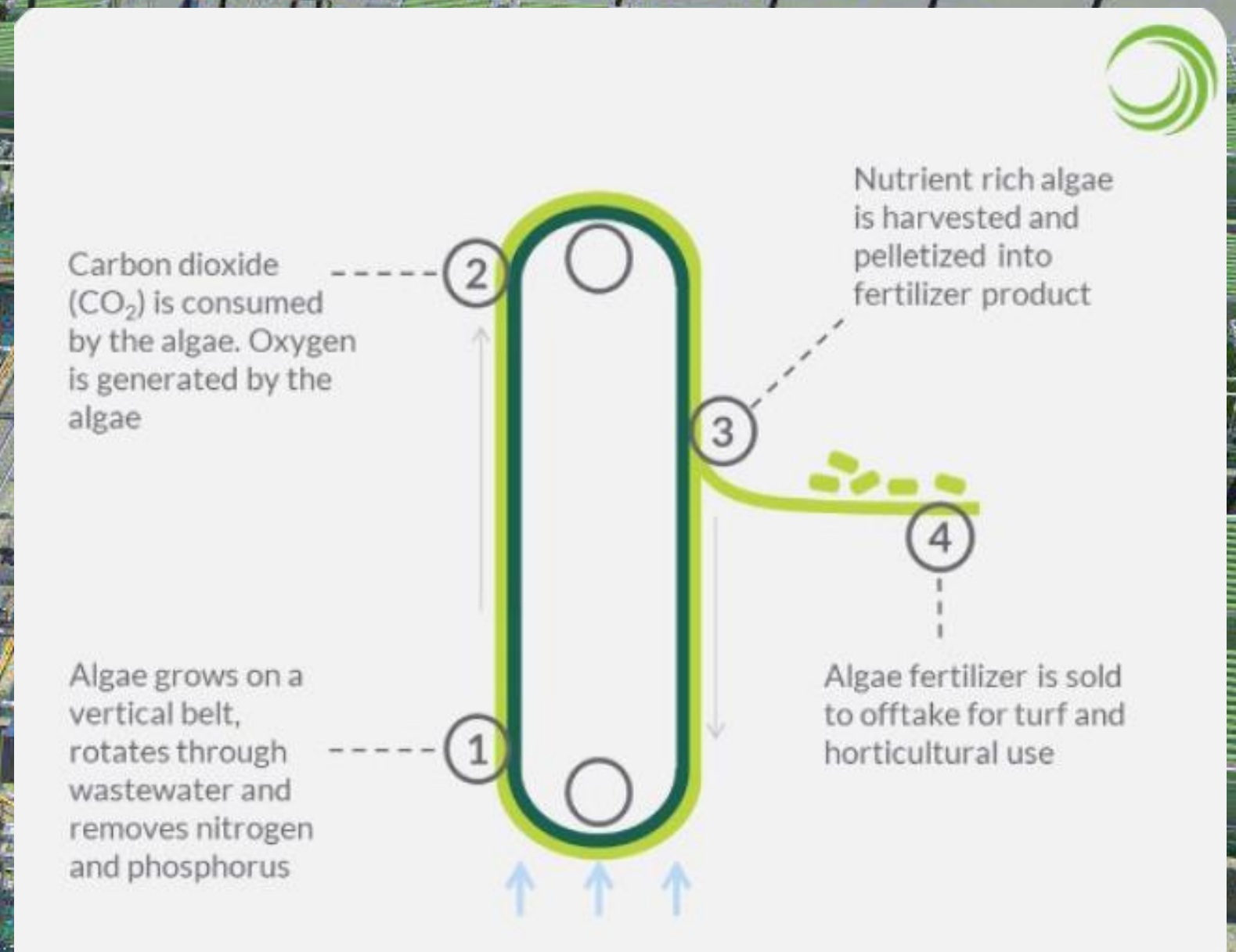


GWT Rab

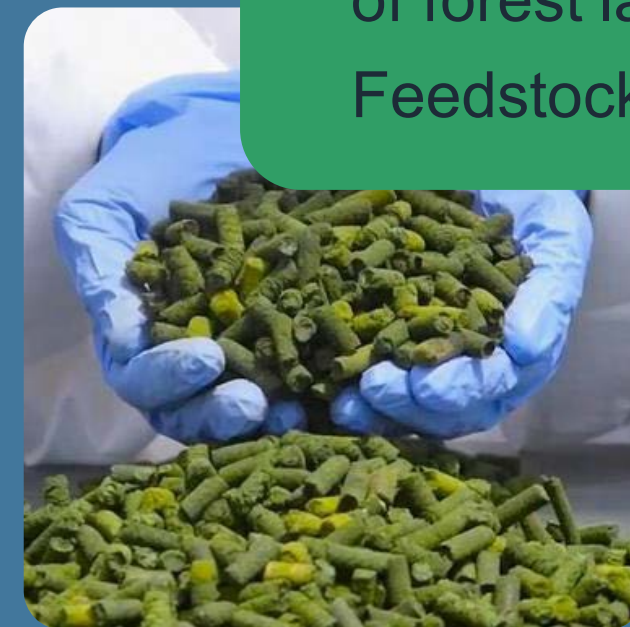
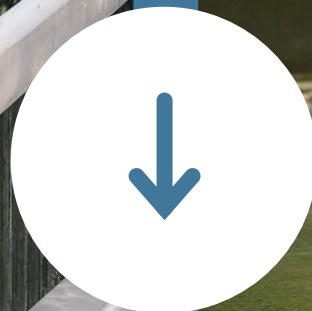
Algae Nitrogen Removal

- Gross Wen's RAB System is world's #1 algae treatment system with 30+ (commercial & pilot) installations globally
- Reduces operating costs, energy usage and carbon footprint vs traditional nitrogen removal
- PWRF will be GWT's largest installation to date

RAB Installation in Pasco, WA



Algae Nitrogen Removal



Algae System

Reduces Nitrogen

Cleans Wastewater

Carbon Capture = 8,000 acres
of forest land

Feedstock for future Biofuels



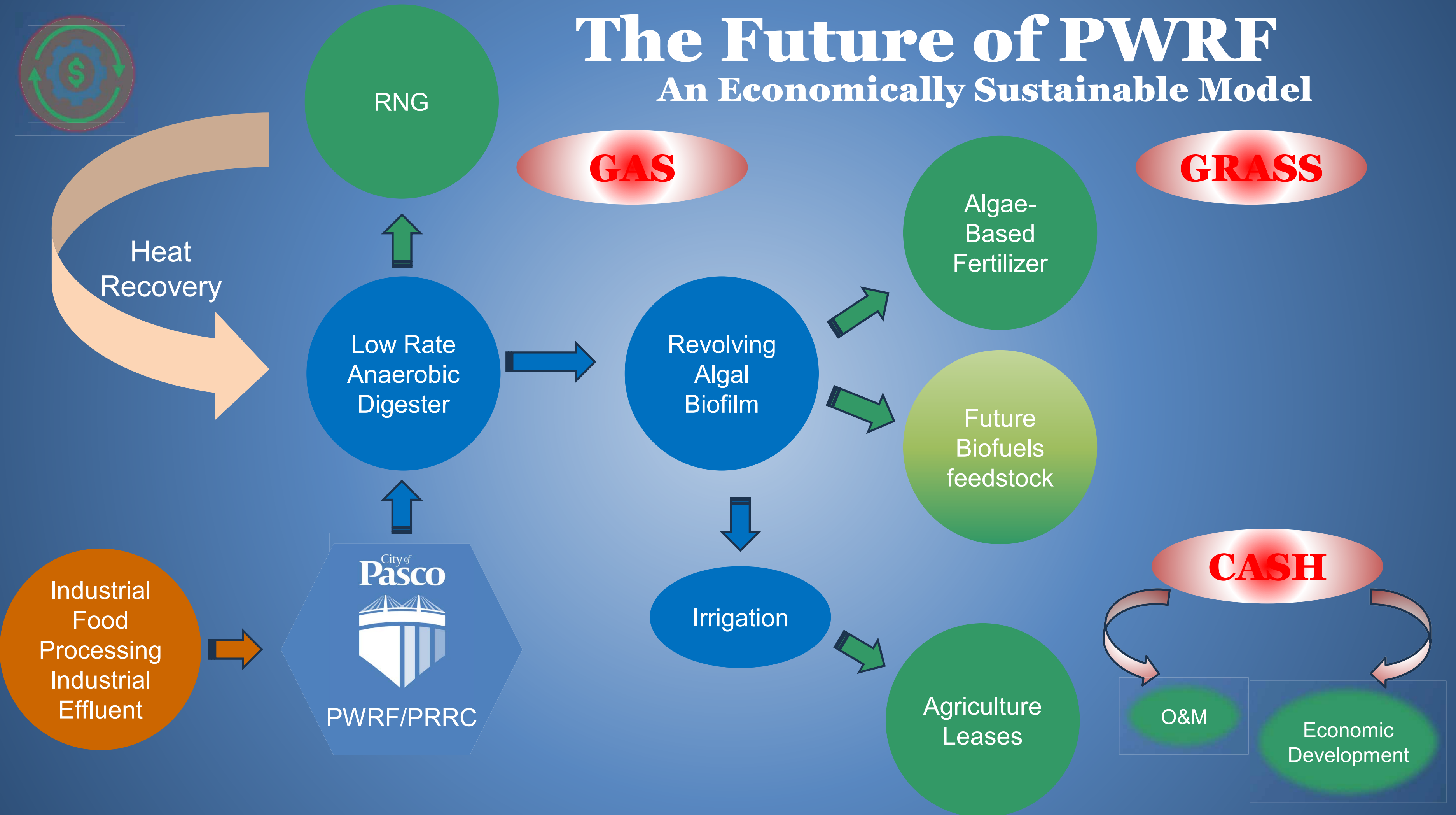
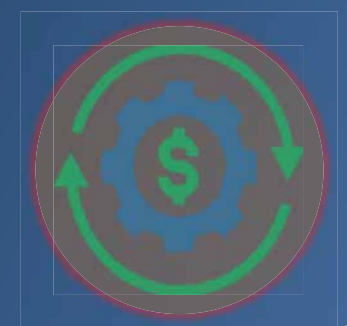
**Equivalent
acres of forest
to make same
carbon impact**





The Future of PWRF

An Economically Sustainable Model



Pasco's PWRF Improvements

- Recycles over 2 billion gallons of agricultural wastewater per year
- Produces enough clean energy (RNG) to heat 4,500 homes
- Supports over \$800 million of local investment and creation of 100s of jobs
- Allows current processors to grow
- Allows Darigold to build new facility
- Furthers City's long-term economic development
- Removes nitrogen from wastewater and provides balance of nutrients as organic soil amendment
- Reduce wastewater odor prior to land application, alleviating previous community concerns

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The Project is “taking something that was a problem and turning it into a solution... this treatment of agricultural industrial wastewater can lead the world in how we handle water, and turn water from a wasted product into a useful product. We know we need more clean energy and this is producing clean energy with clean methane.”

-Washington State Governor Jay Inslee

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Gov. Inslee visits the Project on May 19th

Estimated Costs + Funding

Burnham to Design, Build, Own, Operate, Maintain + Finance



\$137M
INVESTMENT

- Darigold
- State/Federal Grants
- Existing Processors
- Burnham SEV
- Gross-Wen Technologies



\$81M
LOW-RATE
ANAEROBIC
DIGESTER



\$26M
BIOGAS
CLEANING TO
RNG



\$30M
BIOLOGICAL
NITROGEN
REMOVAL

To help reduce the financial burden to all Processors, the City of Pasco and the Processors request state/federal investment

\$20 MILLION

in the project over the next 2 years.



Other funding partners for ongoing PWRP projects could include:



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You?

The Summary

This Expansion Benefits:



Environment



Farmers



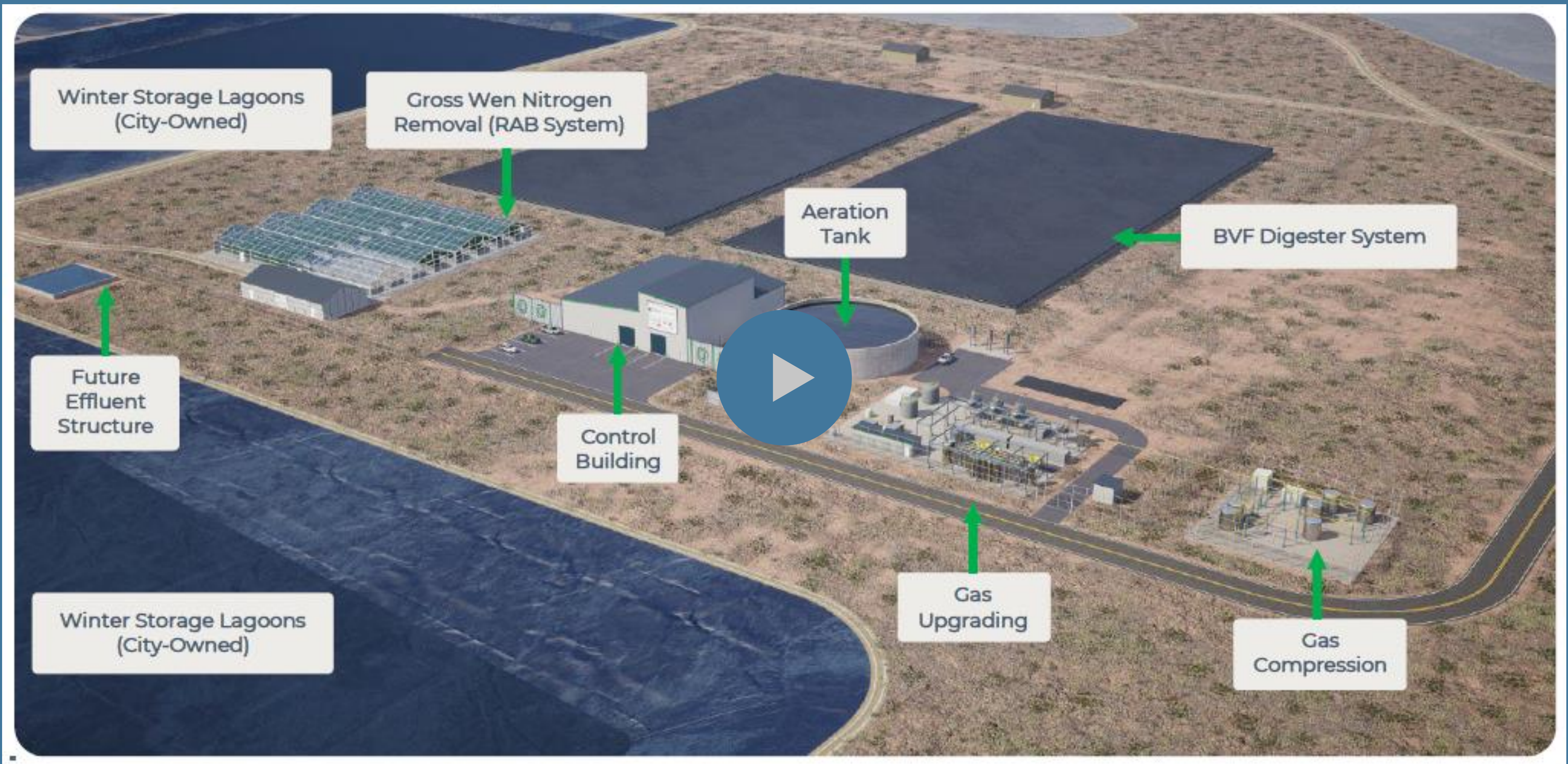
Food Processors



Pasco + Washington

Site Progress

Video



Winter Storage Lagoons
(City-Owned)

Gross Wen Nitrogen
Removal (RAB System)

Aeration
Tank

BVF Digester System

Future
Effluent
Structure

Control
Building

Winter Storage Lagoons
(City-Owned)

Gas
Upgrading

Gas
Compression

It takes a village



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RECLAMATION





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