



Centralized Renewable Energy System (C.R.E.S)

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- General Overview of Nebraska Innovation Campus (NIC)
- System Concepts
- Design
- Construction
- Operations
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Nebraska Innovation Campus (NIC)





- Research campus built and operated under a Public / Private Partnership (P3) arrangement.
- 2.2 million square foot campus at full build out.
- Meant to foster In-depth partnerships between the UNL and private sector businesses.
 - Stimulate Ideas
 - Collaboration
 - □ Interaction / Innovation

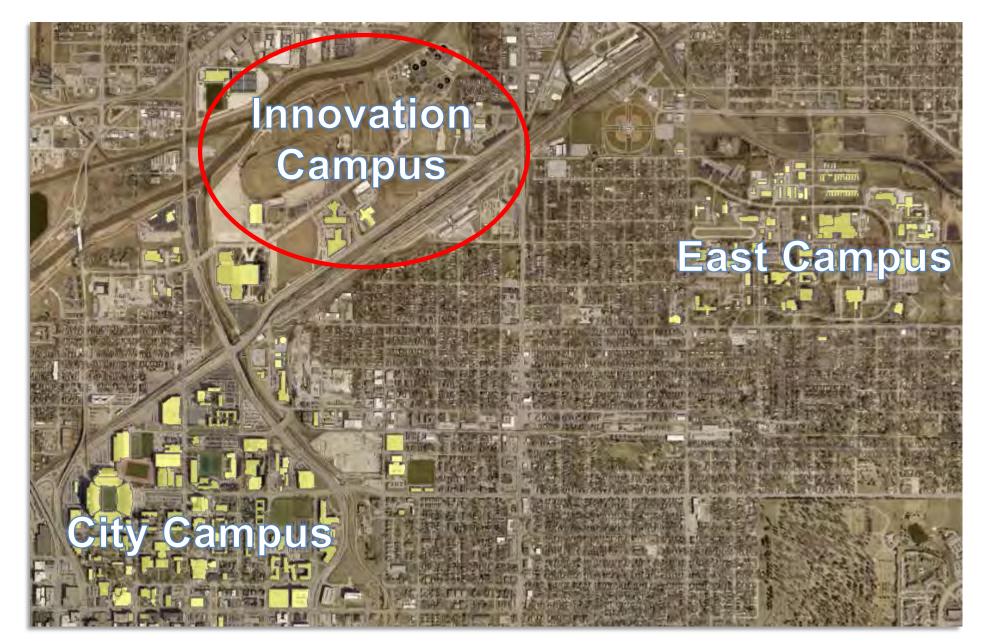
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System Concepts – Theresa Street Wastewater Treatment Facility





Theresa Street Wastewater Treatment Plant (TSWWTP)

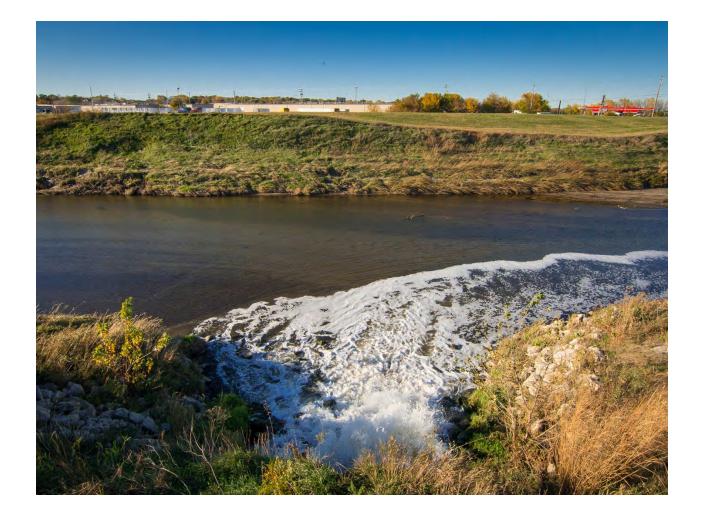
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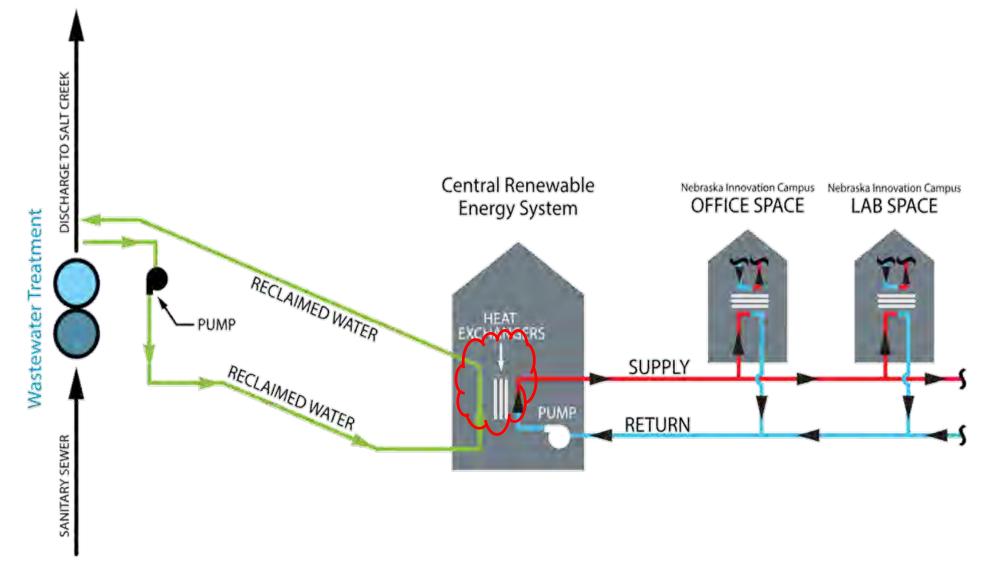


System Concepts – Theresa Street Wastewater Treatment Facility Discharge





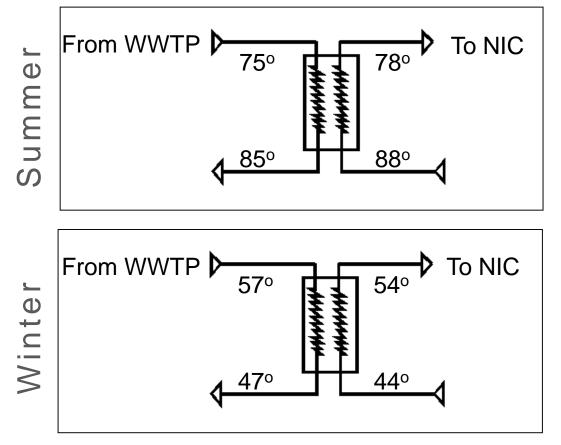
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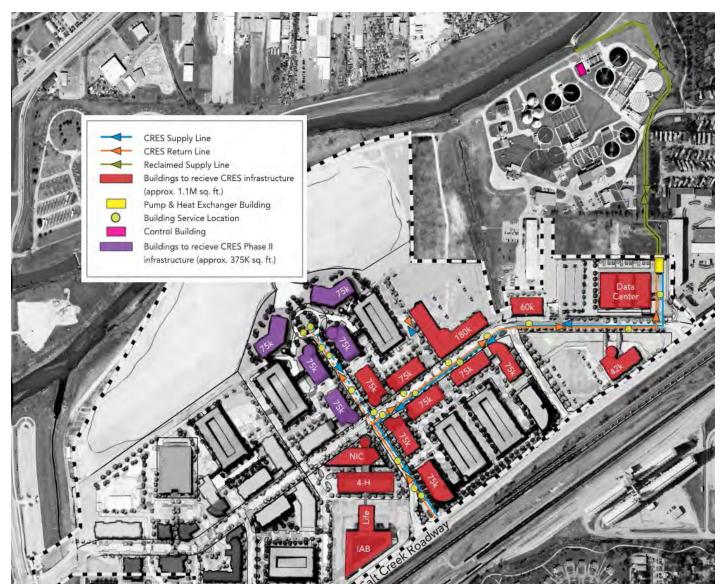


* WWTP = Waste Water Treatment Plant NIC = Nebraska Innovation Campus The system acts exactly like a geothermal heat source or heat sink.

Either centralized or distributed heat pump / chiller equipment is required at each building

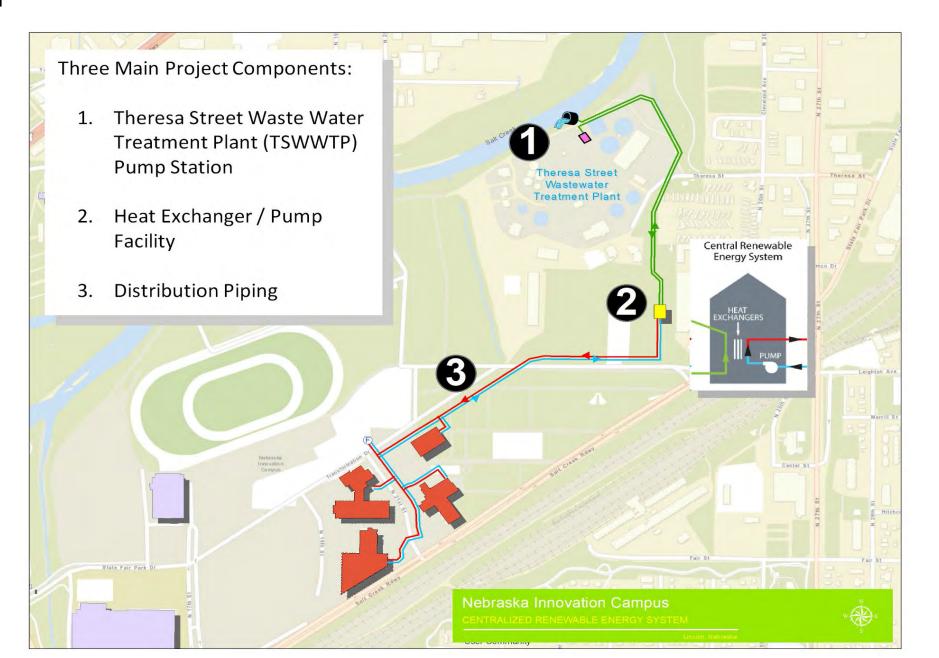
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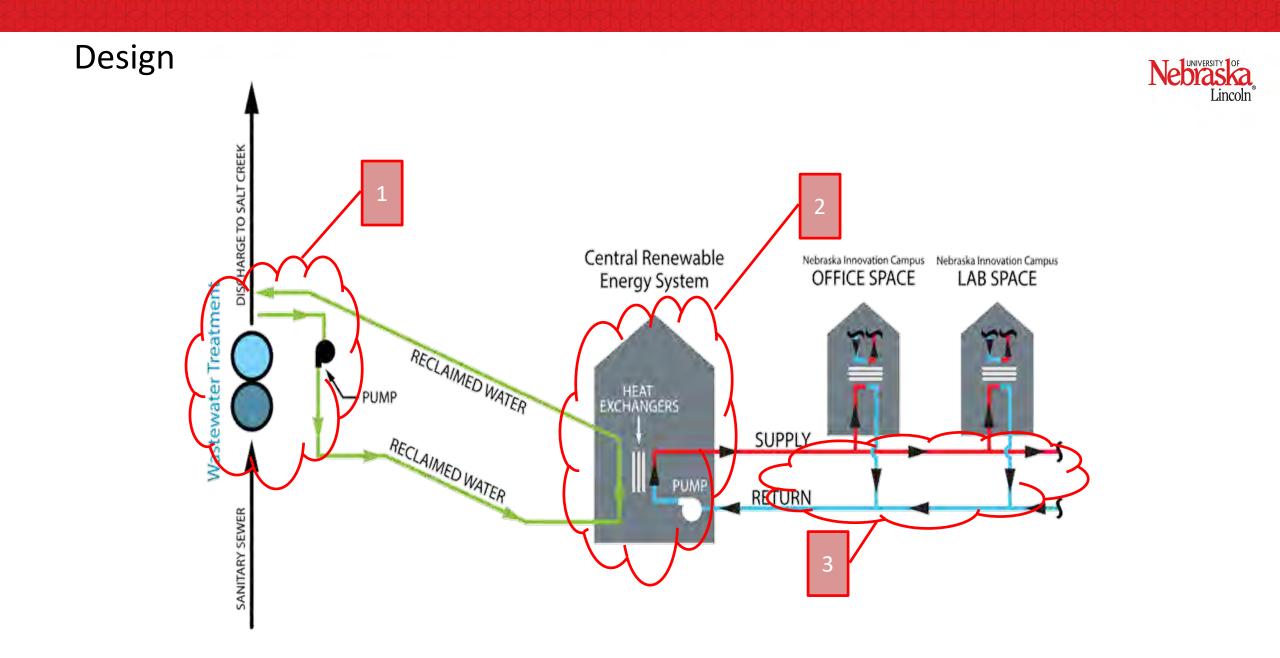


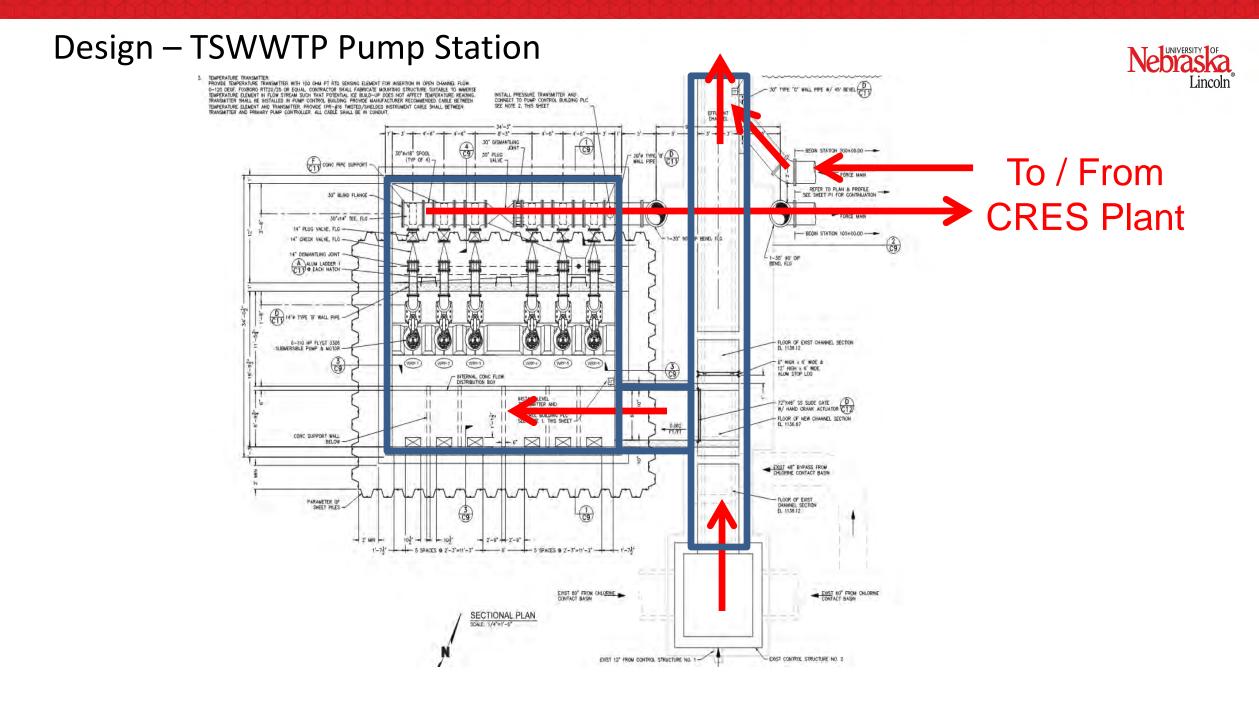


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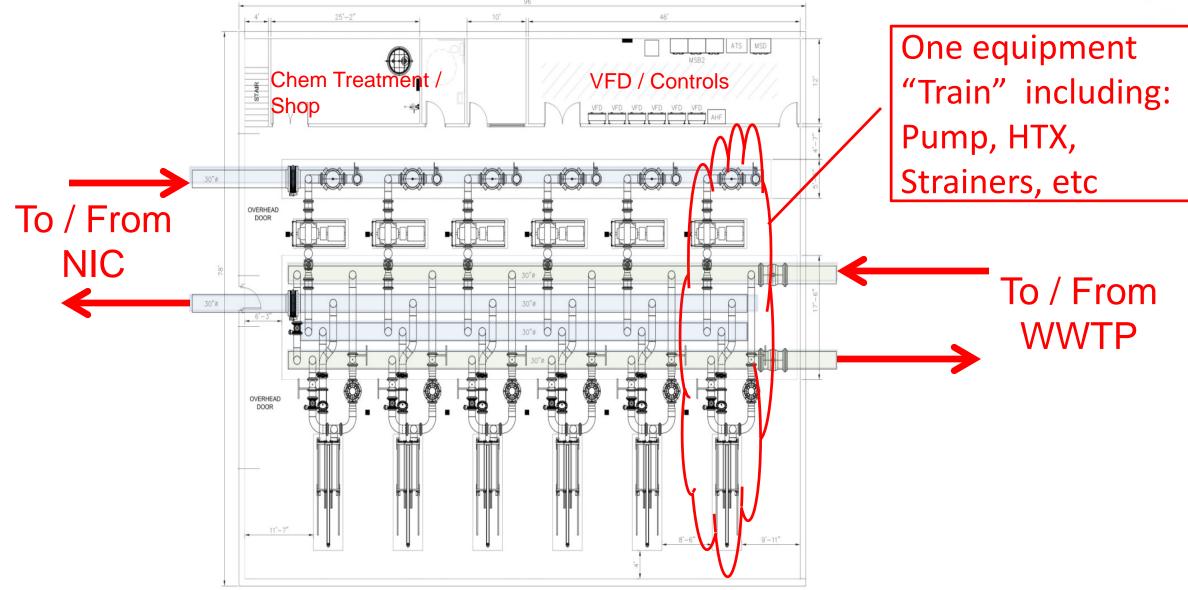










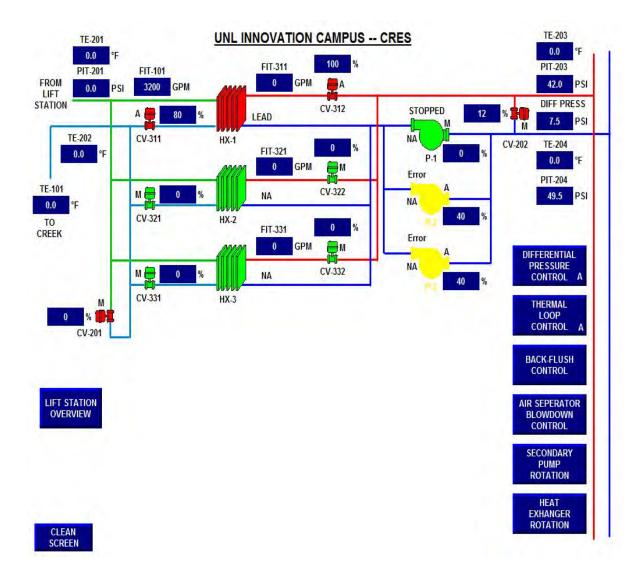




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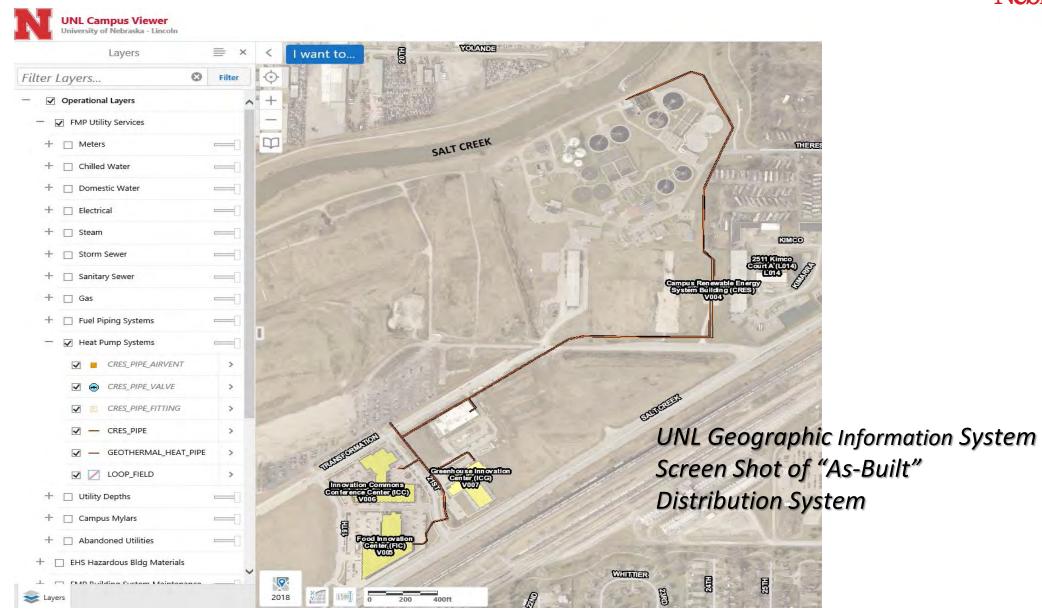
- Plant is fully automated and remotely monitored
- Pump Cycling
- Pump Speed Control
- Strainer Blowdown

CCTV

Flow / Pressure / Temperature

Design – Distribution Piping



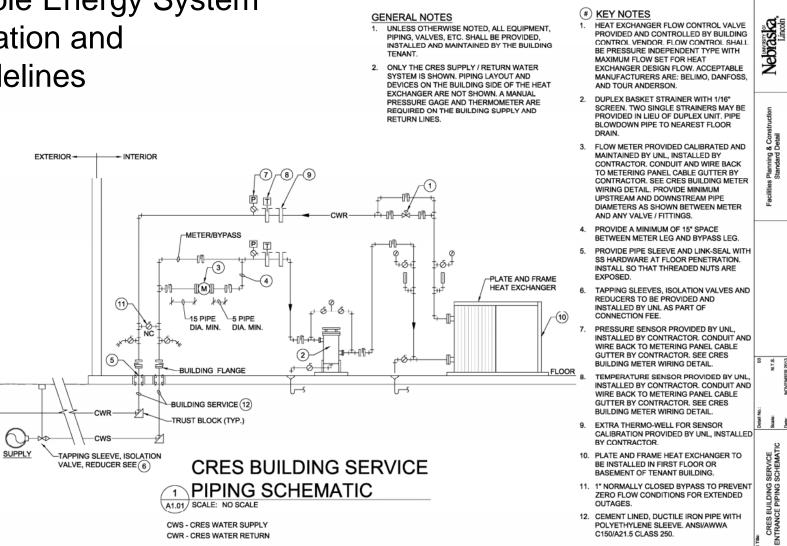


Design – Distribution Piping

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RETURN

Central Renewable Energy System Customer Installation and Operational Guidelines





Construction – WWTP Lift Station and Piping





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Construction – Distribution









Current Buildings and Actual Cooling Peak Loads

| | Building Area [GSF] | Peak Cooling Load [Tons](1) | Cooling Density [GSF/Ton] |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Commons Area (includes old 4H building) | 151,990 | 385 | 395 |
| RISE Building | 75,000 | 250 | 300 |
| Food Innovation Center (FIC) | 161,900 | 680 | 238 |
| Greenhouse Innovation Center (ICG) | 45,950 | 630 | 73 |
| Totals | 434,840 | 1945 | |

| Notes | |
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| | (1) Actual peak from summer 2019 |











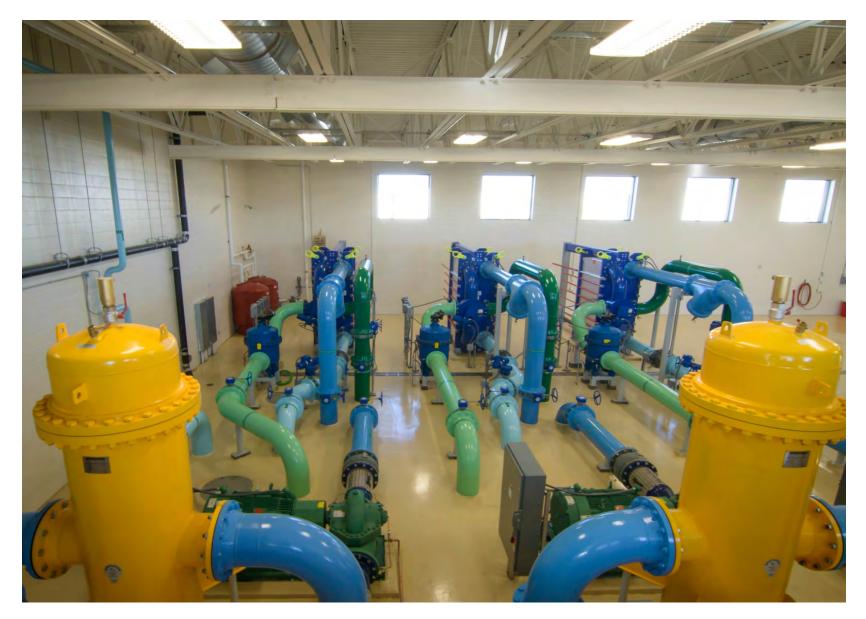












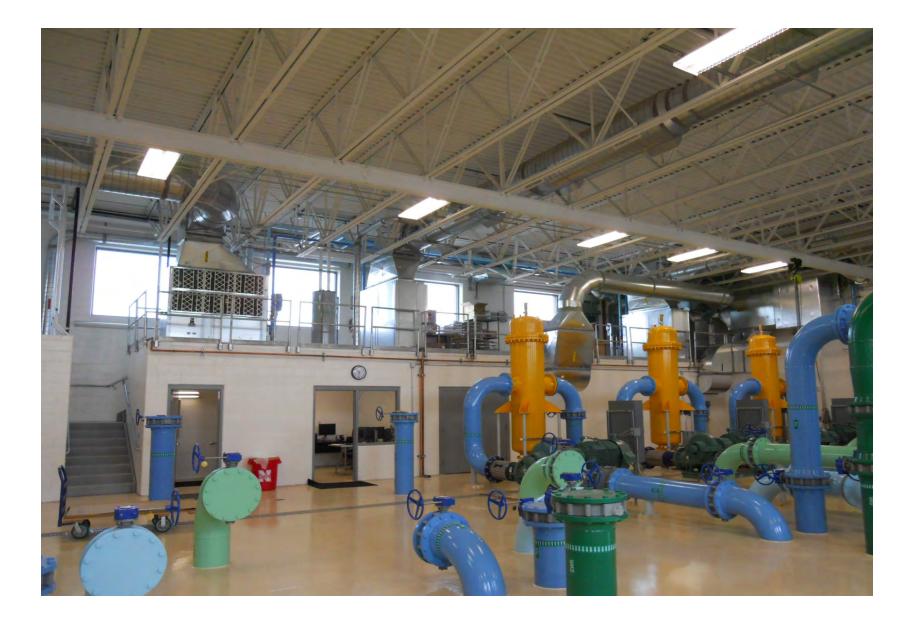






Operations











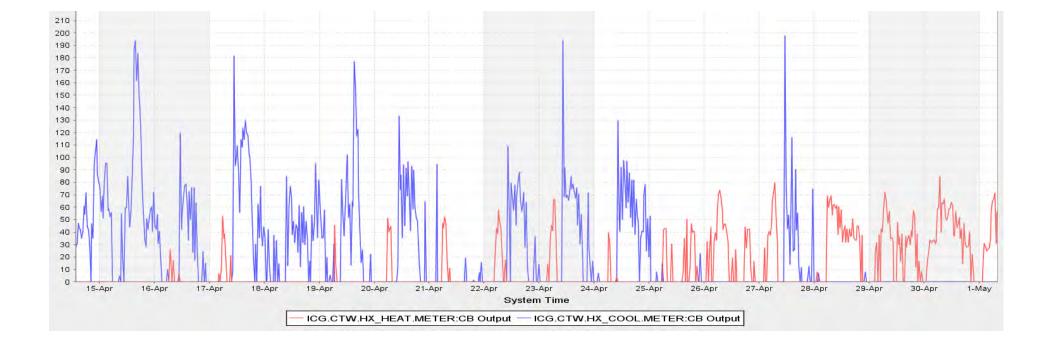
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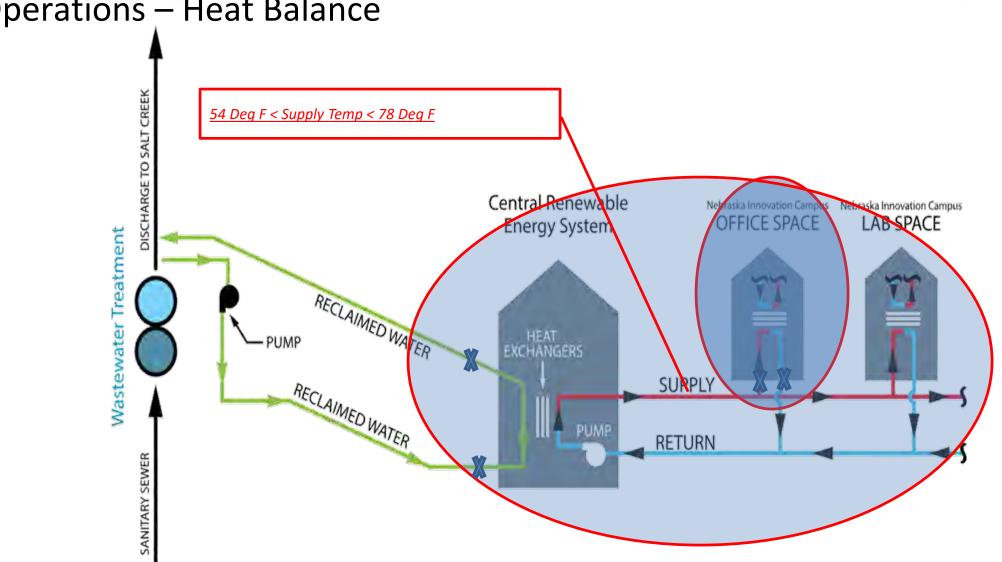




Building Heat Absorption / Rejection







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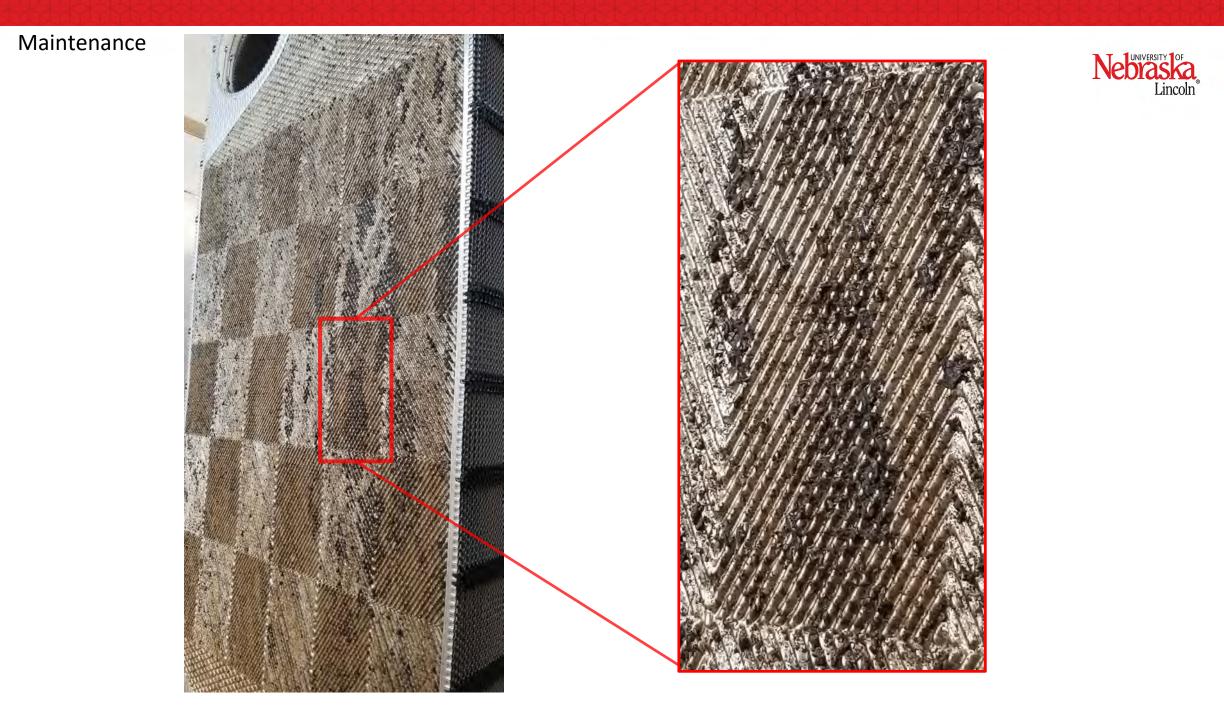
Operations – Heat Balance

Maintenance





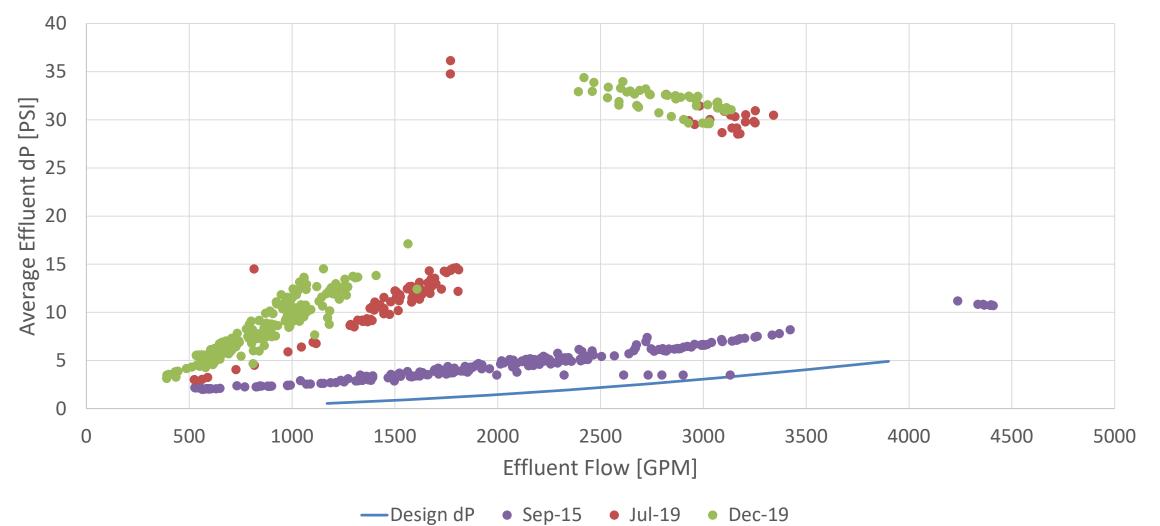




Maintenance







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Thank You!

Questions?





More Questions?

See the following slides for supplemental design and operational data



System Concepts



System Capacity Constraints

- □ Waste water treatment plant outfall rates average 24 Million Gallons per Day (MGD)
- 24MGD * 1 / 24Hr *Day * 1 / 60 Min/Hr = 19,000 Gallons Per Minute (GPM)
- **19,000 GPM is equivalent to 7,900 Tons of cooling at a 10 degree "delta T"**
- This system will have the capacity to heat and cool roughly 1,875,000 SF of lab/office space (250 Sq Ft / Ton)
- There is a time-of-day fluctuation but it happens to align with the load profile of a building.
- □ Water leaving CRES back to Salt Creek MUST stay below 90 Deg F

Design – TSWWTP Pump Station

Non Clog Submersible Pumps

110 Hp, 5,000 GPM @ 62.4 Ft Head

Variable Speed Drives to Control Flow Rate

Initial Buildout: Three Pumps Total (2 Pumps with 1 Spare) – 10,000 GPM

Final Buildout: Six Pumps Total (5 Pumps with 1 Spare) – 25,000 GPM





Design – Heat Exchanger Pump Facility

Pumps: Horiz. Split Case 3900 GPM, 140 Ft Head, 200 HP Motor

Heat Exchangers: Plate and Frame 3900 GPM, 10 Deg F DeltaT, 1630 Tons

Initial Buildout: Three Equipment "Trains" (2 with 1 Spare) – 3260 Tons

Final Build out: Six Equipment "Trains" (5 with 1 Spare) – 8150 Tons







Distribution System

30-inch Diameter Ductile Iron Pipe

Twin Piping (Supply and Return)

Total of 6,100 LF Ductile Iron



Customer Installation Operational Guidelines:

https://facilities.unl.edu/DesignNarratives/Utiliti es/UNL%20Innovation%20Campus%20CRES %20Customer%20Installation%20and%20Op erational%20Guidelines.pdf



- The CRES plant is funded and operated the same as any other University of Nebraska – Lincoln Utility plant
- The City of Lincoln bills the University for lift station pump energy and maintenance.
- Nebraska Innovation Campus (NIC) buildings are individually metered and billed for the amount of heat extracted or rejected.
 - □ Heat extraction rates (winter) are tied to market price of natural gas.
 - □ Heat rejection rates (summer) are tied to market price of electricity.
 - □ Rates do include a low "delta-T" penalty and incentive