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## **Thermal Energy System Expansion for the Dell Medical District University of Texas at Austin**

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# Agenda

- UT Austin Campus and Utility System
- Dell Medical School Program
- Challenges & Approach
- Background / Pre-Programming
- Site / Organization
- Planning / O&M
- Design / Context
- Capacity / Distribution
- Reliability / Resiliency
- Efficiency
- Closing Remarks
- Questions

# Background

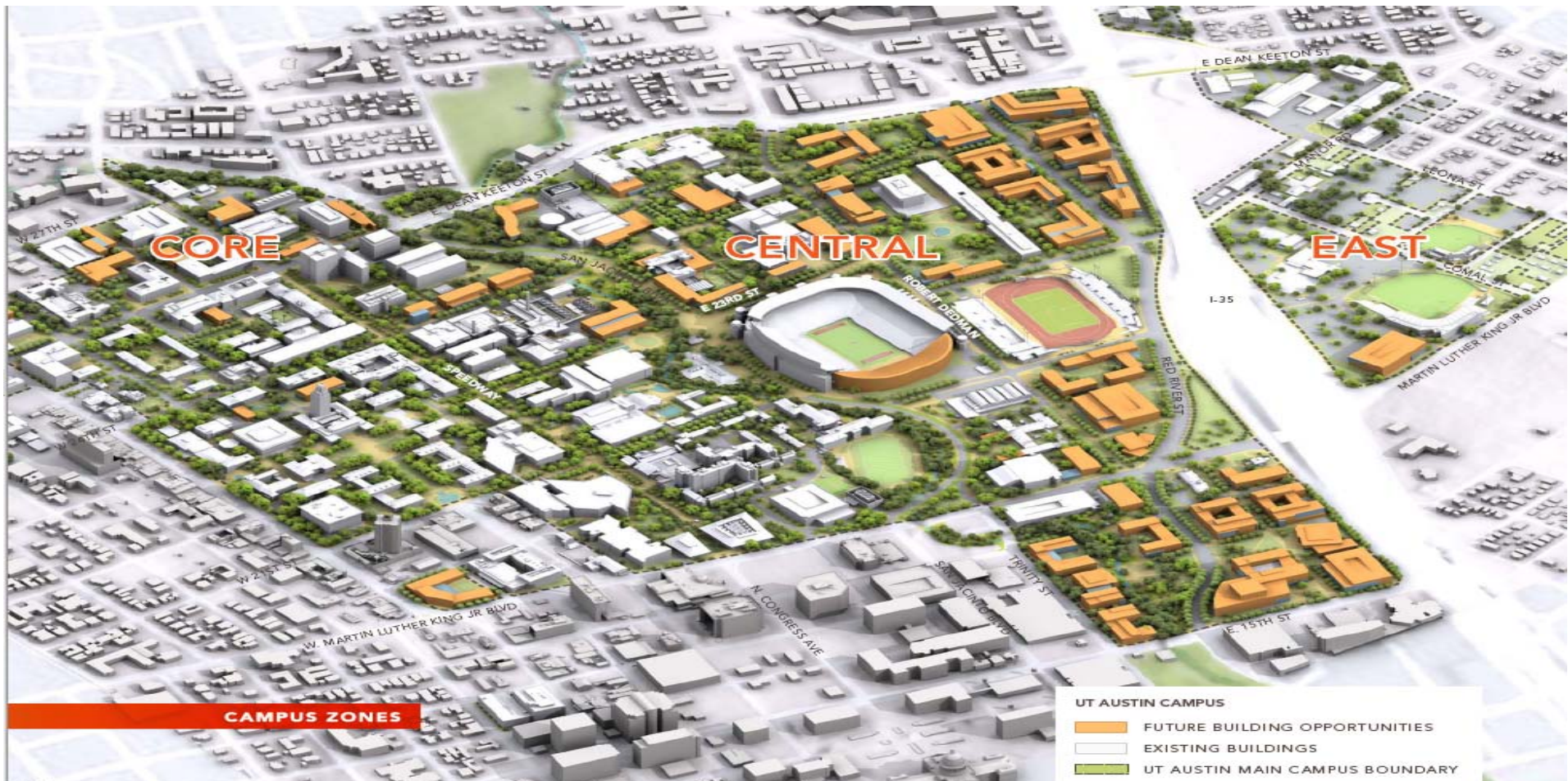
To Describe How UT:

- “Fast-Tracked” a Utility Master Plan
- Used “Real Time” modeling to plan



# New Campus Master Plan

- ▶ 5.5 million SF Completed Jun 2012





# New Medical School

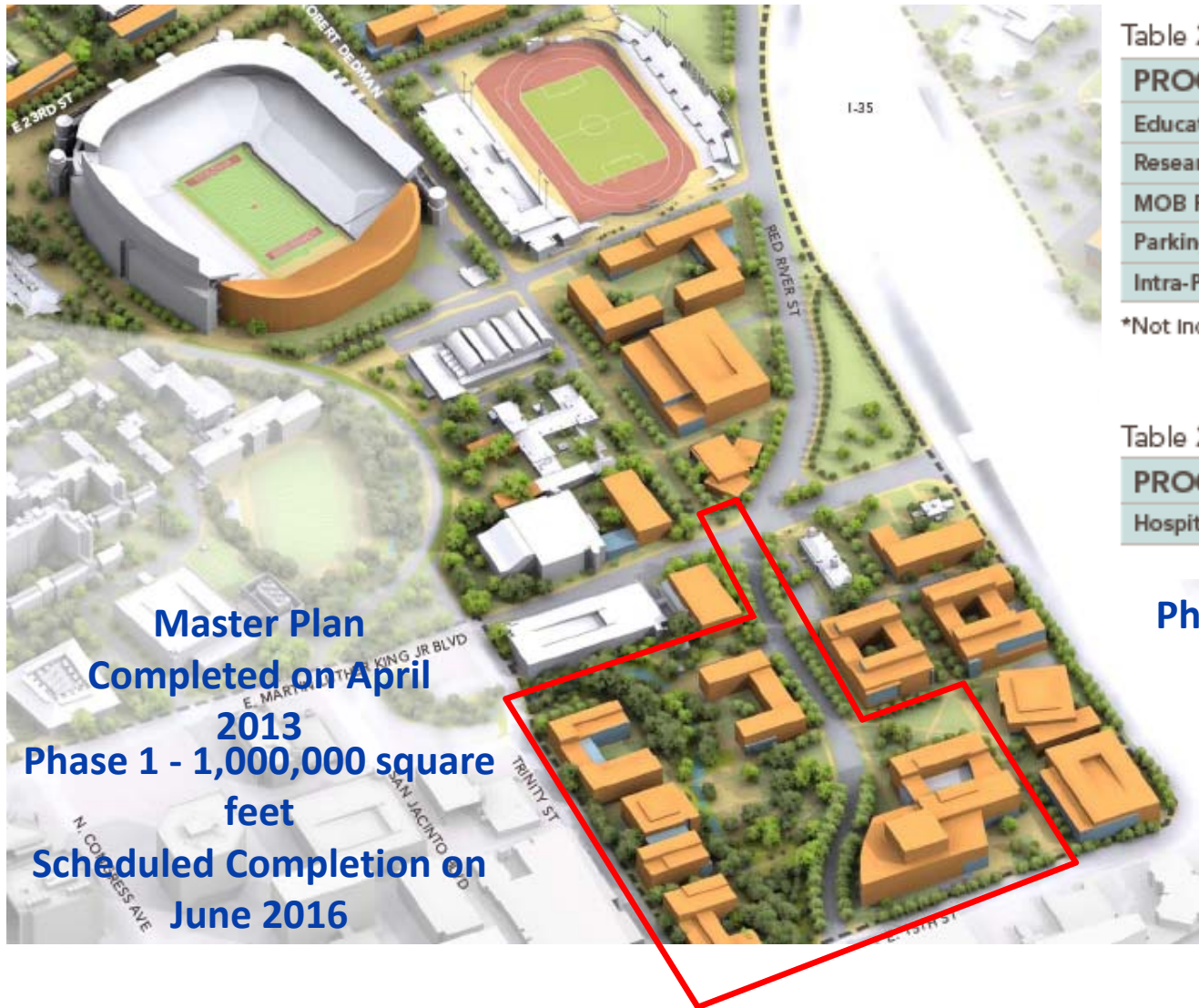


Table 2a. Dell Medical School Program

PROGRAM ELEMENT	GSF
Education and Administration Building	75,000
Research Building and Vivarium	240,000
MOB Phase 1	200,000
Parking Structure (1,000 spaces)	325,000
Intra-Professional Education (IPE)*	+/- 50,000

\*Not included in Phase 1 planning budget.

Table 2b. Teaching Hospital and MOB Program

PROGRAM ELEMENT	GSF
Hospital (220 beds)	480,000

**Phase 2 - 1,200,000 square feet  
in  
5 to 10 years**

# Methodology

- ▶ Develop Utility Master Plan in 3 months for new space
  - Using projected building type & actual energy use/GSF for existing campus buildings.
    - ▶ Estimate peak electrical, steam and chilled water needs
  - Factor in eventual build out of 2.2 million SF for Phase 2&3
  - Factor in additional 1 million new square feet in new Engineering Build and Graduate School of Business.

# Projected Loads

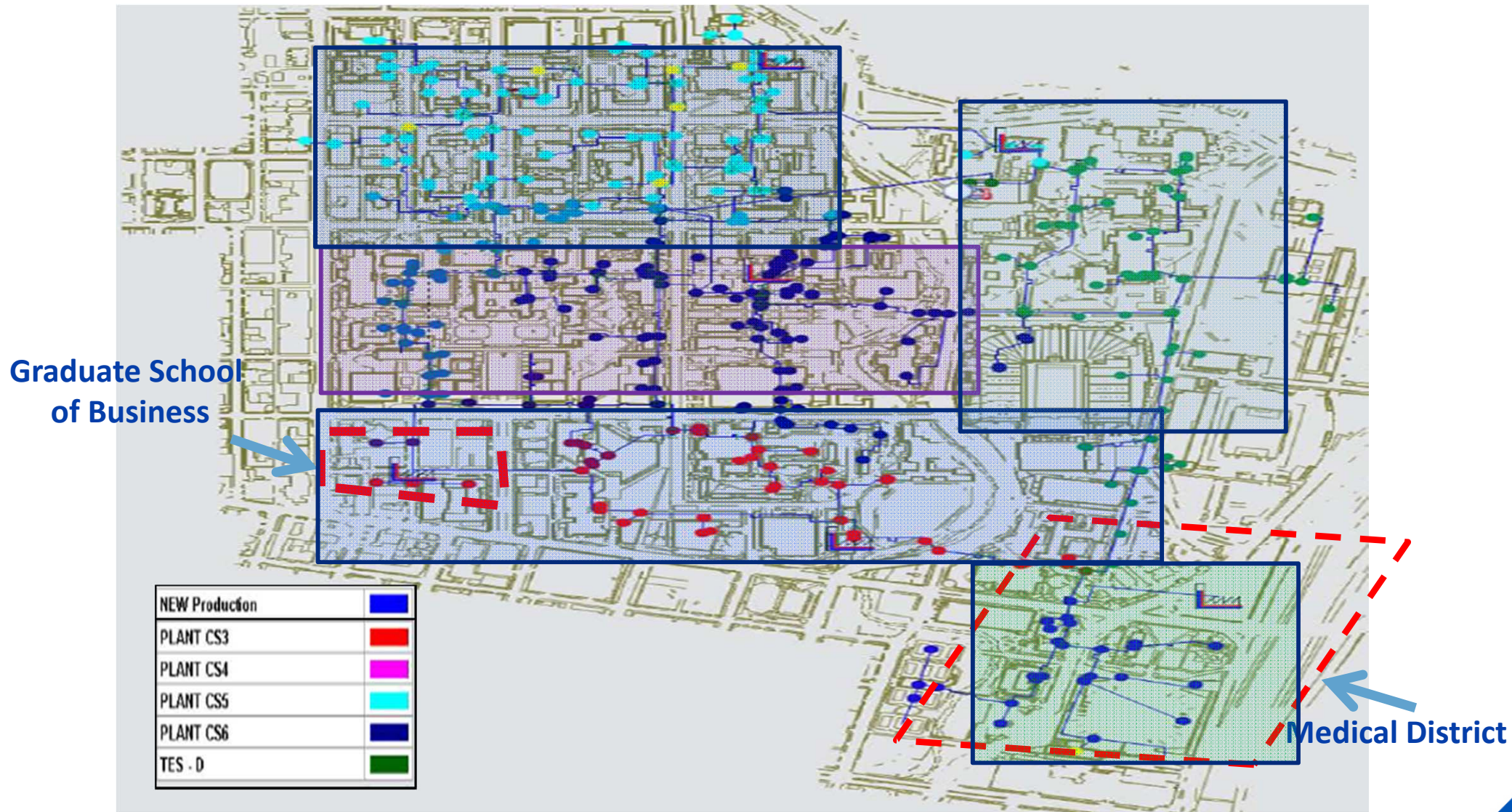
- ▶ Main Campus Load Growth
  - 6,000 Tons
- ▶ Phase I
  - Dell Medical School;
    - ▶ 7,000 Tons, 6 MW, 30,000 lbs/hr
- ▶ Hospital
  - 1,700 Tons, 30,000 lbs/hr
- ▶ Phase II- Medical School
  - 5,100 Tons, 4MW, 25,000 lbs/hr

# Over Arching Objectives

- ▶ New chilling station
  - Capacity & efficiency enough to prevent negative impact to campus
  - Expandable to address subsequent phases of distract
- ▶ What is impact of other new space?
- ▶ Prevent power plant expansion
- ▶ Prevent a conflict between Peak Steam and Peak Power



# Chilled Water Model at Peak Conditions



# Final Steps

- ▶ Develop estimates of cost for plants, TES and distribution piping
- ▶ Stand –Alone vs Centralized Analysis



# Stand-Alone vs Centralized

	New GSF	District Cooling	Decentralized Air-Cooled	Decentralized Water-Cooled
UT Research	280,000	\$4,986,942	\$4,980,756	\$5,397,709
MOB	235,500	\$4,194,374	\$4,189,172	\$4,539,859
Parking Garage	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Hospital	515,000	\$9,172,410	\$9,161,033	\$9,927,929
School of Medicine	191,700	\$3,414,274	\$3,410,039	\$3,695,503
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,222,200</b>	<b>\$21,768,000</b>	<b>\$21,741,000</b>	<b>\$23,561,000</b>
<b>NPV (30 Yrs)</b>		<b>\$40,259,000</b>	<b>\$55,770,000</b>	<b>\$51,764,000</b>

# Site / Context





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# Site Planning / Organization





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# Conceptual Design



# Capacity

- ▶ Chilled Water System
  - 15,000 tons chilled water
    - ▶ 2,500 ton chiller
    - ▶ 5 F approach cooling tower
    - ▶ Expandable to 20k tons
  - 5.5 million gallon TES
    - ▶ Stratified Water
    - ▶ Dedicated pumping
    - ▶ More than 5 MW load shifting capacity



# Capacity

- ▶ Heating Hot Water Systems

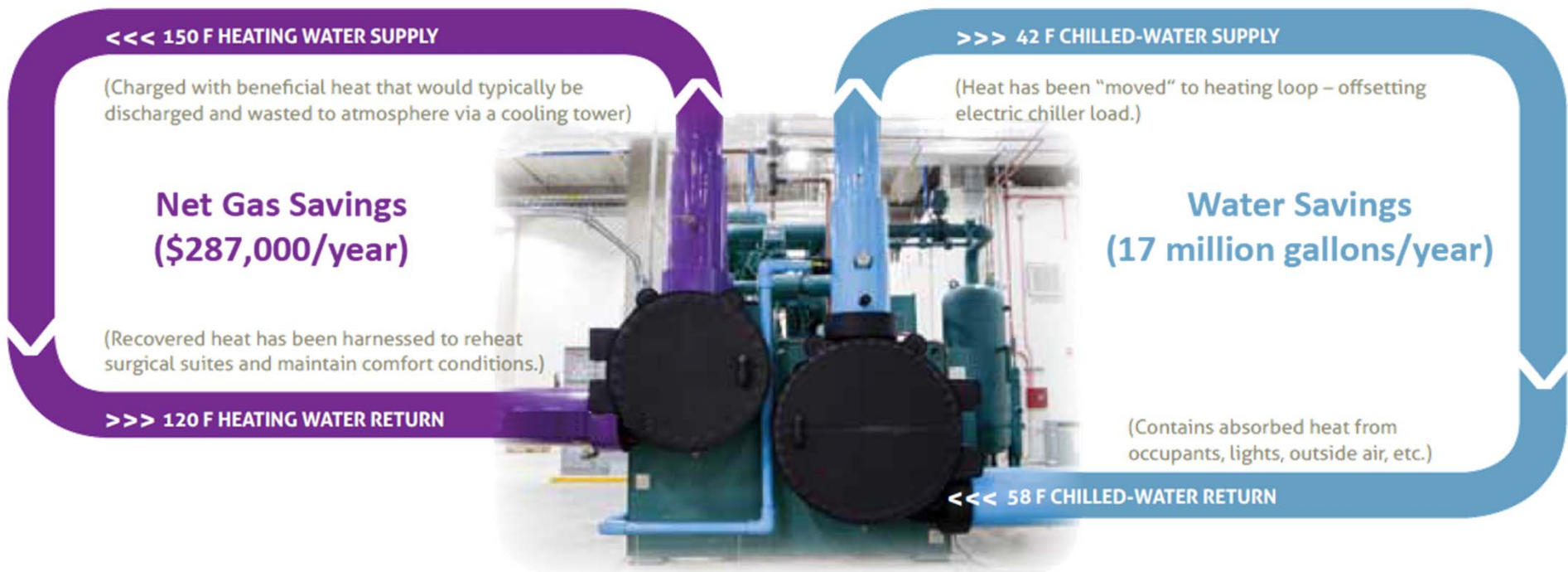
- CS-7: 53,000 MBH

- ▶ Heat pump chillers

- ▶ Watertube boilers

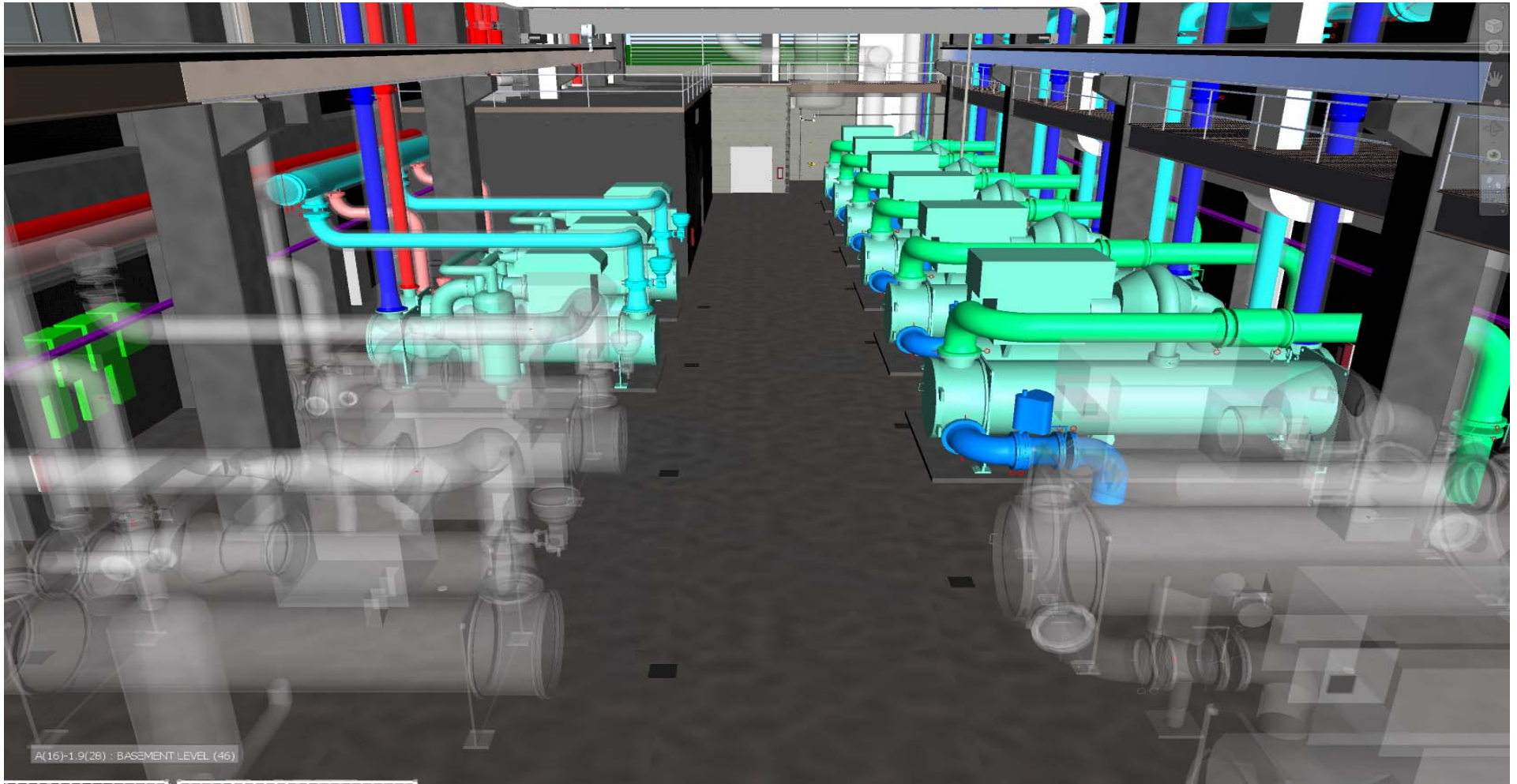
- HWP-1: 40,000 MBH

- ▶ Steam to hot water exchangers



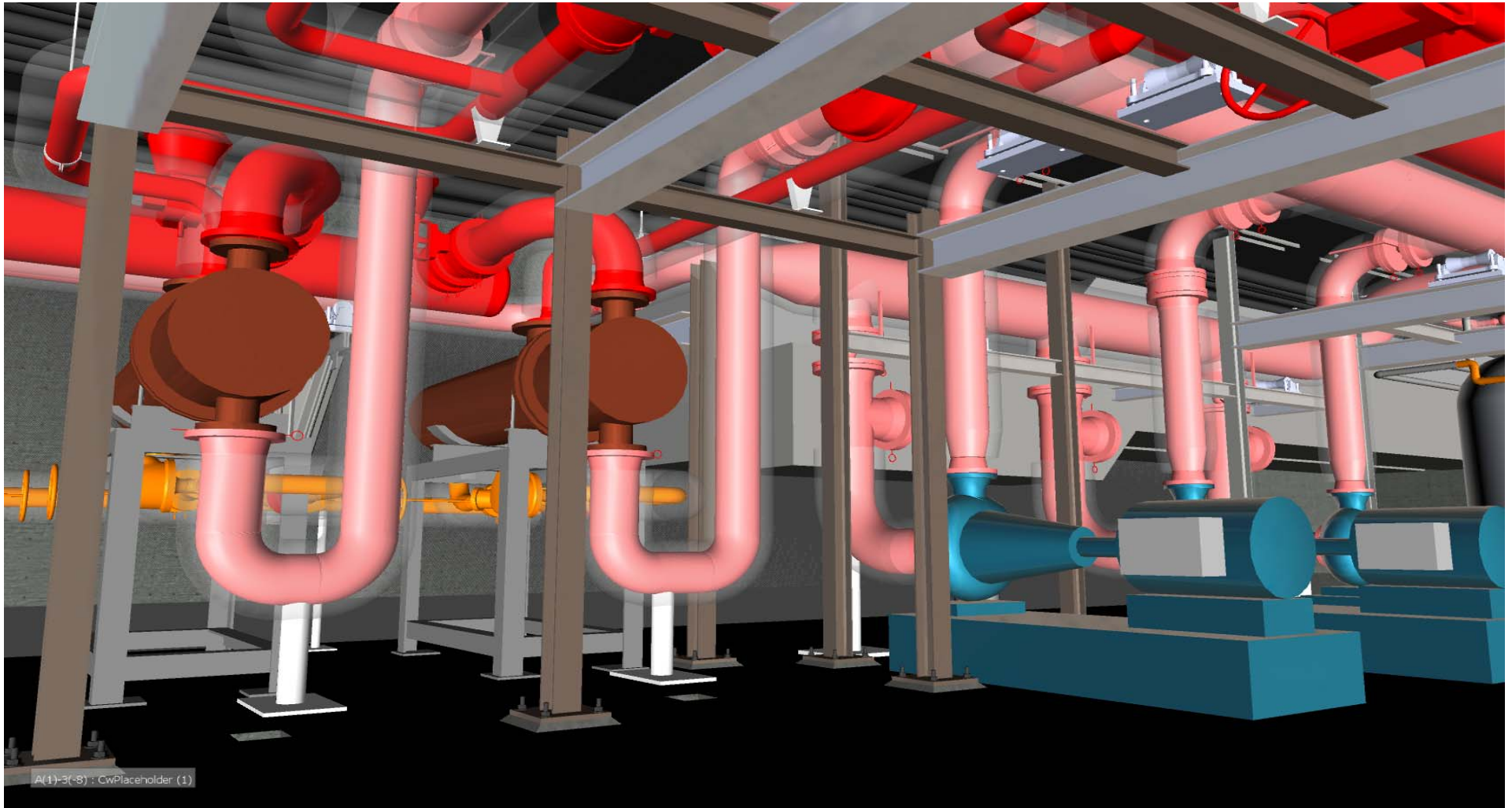


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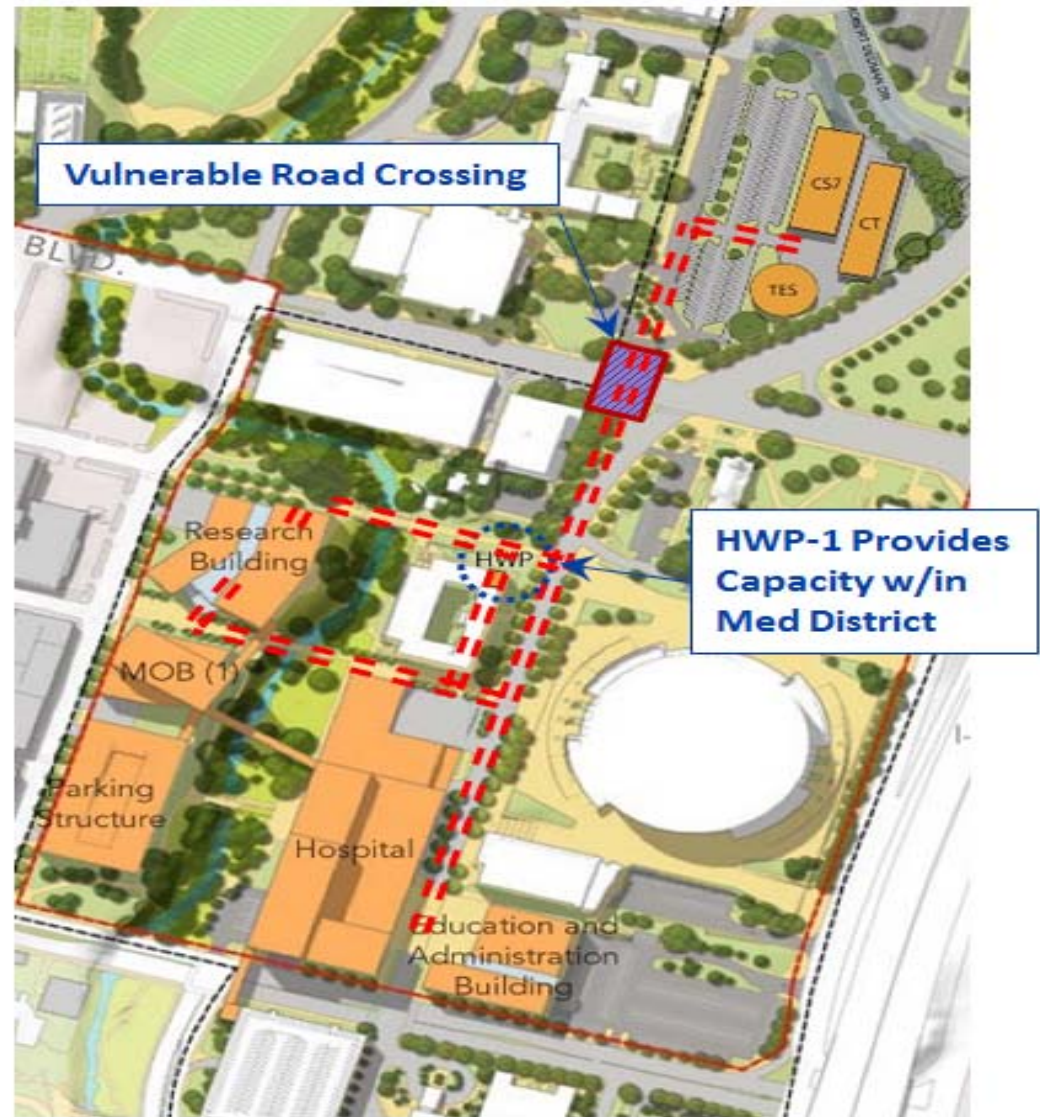


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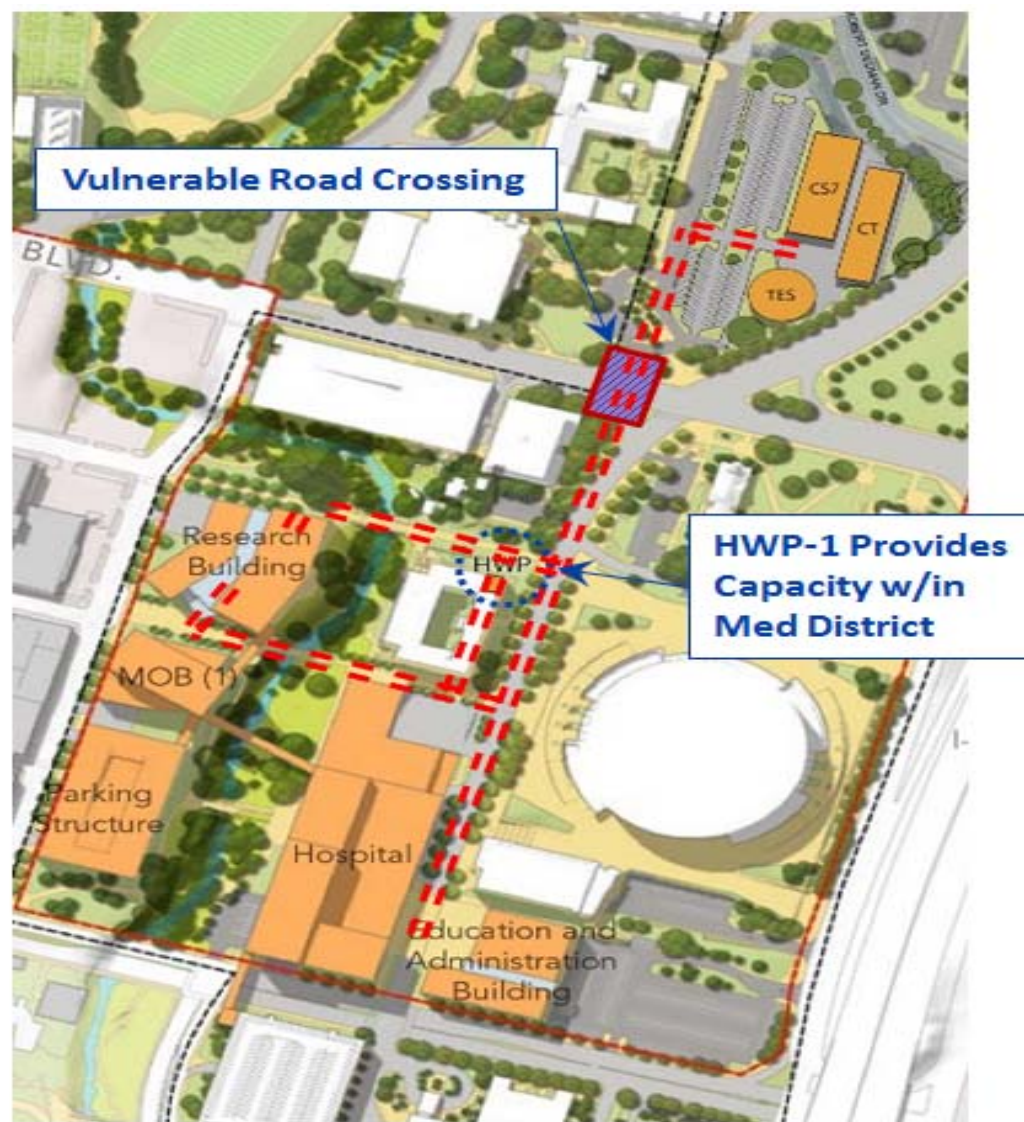
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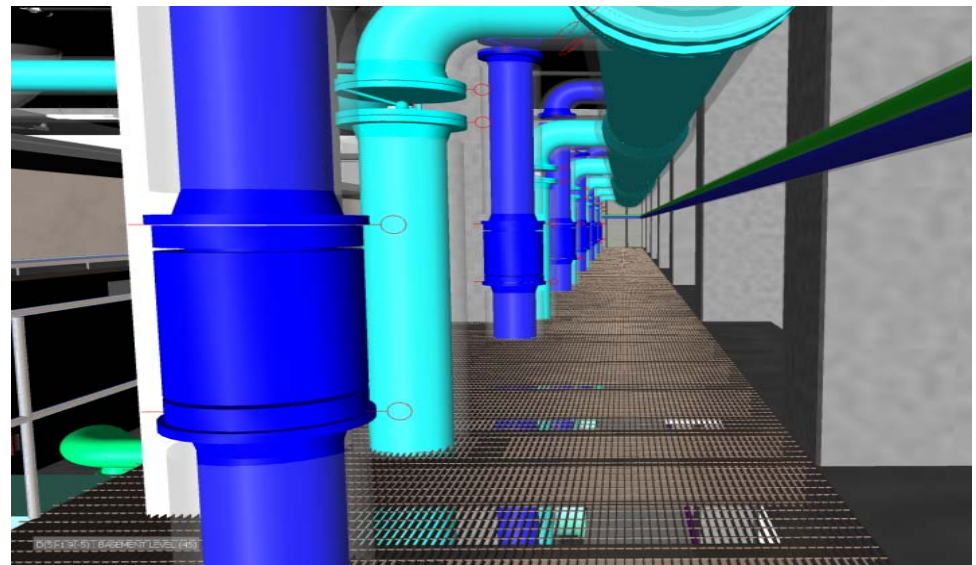
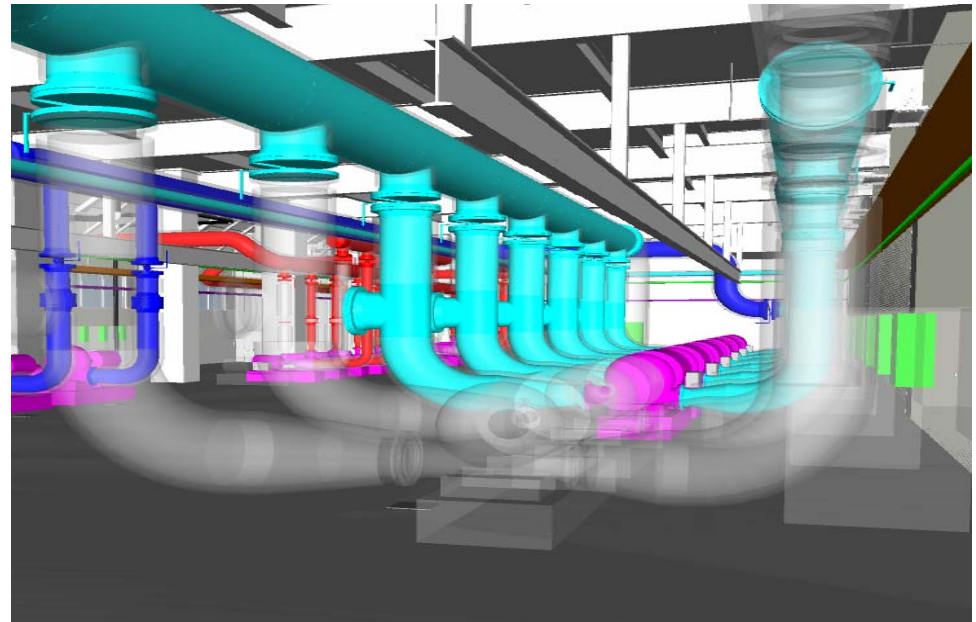
- Recovered
- Reclaimed
- Irrigation
- Domestic

## ► O&M Considerations

- Bridge crane and monorails
- Commonality of components
- Catwalks

## ► PLC Control Systems

- Programming for failure





# Efficiency

## ▶ Water

- Recovered Water System
- Heat Pump Chiller
  - ▶ 17,000,000 gal/year + Chemicals

## ▶ Gas

- Heat Pump Chillers
  - ▶ \$287,000/ year

## ▶ Electricity

- Optimization
  - ▶ Maintain the “Sweet Spot”
  - ▶ Pumping in harmony
- Up to 25,000,000 kWh/year savings vs. conventional plant

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# Current Status & Next Steps

- ▶ Construction started:

12/01/2014

- ▶ HW service for dry-in:

June 2015

- ▶ Anticipated Completion:

May 2016

# Questions?







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