

Energy Efficiency Modifications

Small Blowers

D.O. Control and VFD's

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Kiel Wastewater Utility Treatment Facility Aerated Systems

- **Aerated Grit Chamber**
- **Channel Aeration**
- **Aeration Basins**
- **Aerated Sludge Holding Tanks**
- **Post Aeration Basin**

Aerated Grit Chamber

12ft x 12 ft x14 ft SWD

Existing

-60 hp positive displacement (pd) blower shared with aerated sludge holding tanks and post aeration

Required

- 75 cfm @ 7.5 psi = 7.5 hp



Channel Aeration Blower

Channel Aeration

Existing

-30 hp PD blower

- Channel sizes are (2) D 5' x W 3' x L 98'
(1) D 4' x W 3' x L 54'

Required

-5cfm/ft for 250ft of channel length

-1250 cfm @ 3.5 psi = 30hp



Aeration Tank Blower

Aeration Basin

Existing

-(3) 100hp PD blowers run manually 24/7

- Blowers operating at capacity

-D.O. 10mg/l 80% of the time

-10 Aeration Tanks with ceramic fine bubble diffusers set in a full floor coverage arrangement

-15 year D.O. meters

-Operated as complete mix

-14ft SWD of basins

2006 WWTF Influent Average Monthly Loading lbs/day BOD



Additional Info on Aeration Basins

***Influent to Aeration Basins**

Daily BOD lbs/day

1,072 lbs/day to 10,087 lbs/day

Average 2,985 lbs/day

**(this reflects 25% reduction of influent BOD
based on facility data from primary
clarifier effluent)**

Flow

.67mgd to 1.33mgd

Required Aeration for Loading

-14ft SWD = 7.5 psi

-minimum mixing air flow 2460cfm for full floor coverage arrangement @ 0.125 cfm/sqft

- Code mixing 5510cfm

-D.O. 2mg/l

Average Loading

$(2,985\text{lbs/day BOD}) \times (1.2\text{lbs OXY/lbs BOD}) \times (\text{day}/1440) \times (\text{cf air}/0.0158\text{lbs of Oxy}) \times (1/0.18 \text{ efficiency}) = 875\text{cfm}$

Low Loading

$(1,075\text{lbs/day BOD}) / (2,985\text{lbs/day BOD}) \times (875\text{cfm}) = 315\text{cfm}$

High Loading

$(10,090\text{lbs/day BOD}) / (2,985\text{lbs/day BOD}) \times 875\text{cfm} = 2960\text{cfm}$

Secondary Notes on Aeration Basins

- 2.5 days (60hrs) detention time**
- Most design manuals 8-12hrs**
- reasonable time for industrial loading 12-18hrs**
- Facility can take off-line individual basins or one train of basin capacity (facility has 3 trains of basins).**

Reduction in Detention Time

- Reduce aeration basins on-line to achieve 18hrs detention**
- $(18\text{hrs}/60\text{hrs}) = 30$ percent**
- 30 percent would lower air requirements including minimum air required for mixing.**

Average Loading reflecting 30% reduction = 1640cfm

Organic requirement still 875cfm



Aerated Sludge Storage, Grit and Post Aeration Blower

Aerated Sludge Holding Tanks

- Waste Activated Sludge is aerated to lower VSS, then decanted and processed**

Existing

- 60hp PD blower per tank**

- Post Aeration and Aerated Grit share blowers**

Required

- 233cfm - 465cfm @ 9.5psi = 29hp**

Post Aeration Basin

Existing

**-60hp PD blower shared with
Aeration Sludge Storage Tank and Aerated Grit Chamber**

Required

-Maintain 6mg/l D.O. at discharge

127cfm @ 5psi

Estimated Energy Consumption

(2) 60hp Aerated Grit, Post Aeration, Aerated Sludge Holding Tank

$$\text{*89.5kW x 8760hrs/yr = 784,020kWh/yr}$$

30hp for Channel Aeration

$$\text{*22.4kW x 8760hrs/yr = 196,224kWh/yr}$$

(3) 100hp Aeration Basins

$$\text{*224.2kW x 8760hrs/yr = 1,963,992kWh/yr}$$

$$\text{Total Energy Savings = 2,944,236kWh/yr}$$

Actual Energy Cost

- **2006 3,343,604kWh**

88% Aeration =2,944,236kWh/yr

- **0.06 \$/kWh**

\$176,650 year for plant aeration

Modifications Suggested

- **Aerated Grit Chamber 75cfm @ 7.5psi = 4hp**
- **Channel Aeration 1250cfm @ 3.5psi = 23hp**
- **Aeration Basins 2460cfm @ 7.5psi =100hp**
- **Aerated Sludge Storage Tanks 233-465cfm @ 9.5psi = 23hp**
- **Post Aeration Basins 120cfm @ 5psi = 4hp**

154hp

Forecast Energy Savings

$$\cdot 154\text{hp} \times 0.746\text{kW/hp} \times 8760\text{hr/yr} = 115\text{kW} \times 8760\text{hrs/yr} \\ = 1,007,400\text{kWh/yr}$$

$$2,944,236\text{kWh/yr} - 1,007,400\text{kWh/yr} = 1,986,836\text{kWh/yr}$$

$$\cdot 1,986,836\text{kWh/yr} \times 0.06\$/\text{kWh} = 119,210 \text{ \$/yr}$$

Cost for Changes Estimated

$$\cdot \$314,000 \text{ blower modifications}$$

Simple Payback 2.6yrs

Kiel Wastewater Utility

- **Aeration System Energy Efficiency Study**
 - **based on Focus on Energy**
 - **estimated construction cost for the viable option**
 - **looked at non-monetary advantages and disadvantages**
 - **process changes could be made for greater savings**

Aeration Basins

- **change from complete mix to plug flow**
- **one large blower with a VFD**

Least cost on present worth basis

- **New D.O. meters and VFD's**

Channel Aeration

- **mixer vs. aeration**
- **fine bubble diffuser**

Least cost on present worth basis

- **30hp PD blower on VFD**

Post Aeration Tank

- **cascade vs. aeration**
- **fine bubble vs. coarse**

Least cost on present worth basis

- **7.5 hp PD blower with D.O. control**

Aerated Grit Chamber

- **vortex vs. aerated**

Least cost on present worth basis

- **leave on 60hp blowers**

Plant Staff Change

- **7.5hp post aeration, link aerated grit and ramp up drive when pumping.**

Aerated Sludge Storage Tanks

- **coarse vs. fine bubble**
- **mixers vs. aeration**
- **single batch tank**

Least cost on present worth basis

- **40hp PD blower per tank**
- **level driven VFD**

Kiel Wastewater Utility Chose to Implement

- **(2) 150hp PD blowers direct driven and D.O. controlled VFD's on Aeration Basins**
- **7.5hp PD blower on Aerated Grit and Post Aeration Tank D.O. controlled VFD with relay to set speed when grit is pumping**
- **(2) 40hp PD blowers Aerated Sludge Holding Tanks**
- **40hp Aerated Channel PD blower on VFD for future**

Construction

- **Plans and specs for DNR approval**
- **Plant personal install**
- **Direct purchase of equipment through competitive quotes**
 - **direct drive vs. box vs. high speed**
- **Purchase Orders out July 2008**
- **Blower Delivered December and January 2009**
- **Savings in construction purchased a new plc and touch panel for the operation of blowers and processes.**



















WWTF BOD lbs/day Average Loading vs. Power kWh/yr



Power kWh/yr vs. Actual Cost



Future Actions

- **May 2006 4187lbs/day BOD @ 282,240kWh**
- **June 2009 4246lbs/day BOD @ 203,520kWh**
- **Sept. 2009 5090lbs/day BOD @ 177,600kWh**
- **May 2010 5730lbs/day BOD @ 226,560kWh**
- **Operational**
 - **D.O. 1.5-2.0 mg/l**
 - **Filamentous**
- **Next step on the system will be testing to see if a correction can be made to control the filamentous and run in the 1.5mg/l D.O.**

Questions?

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