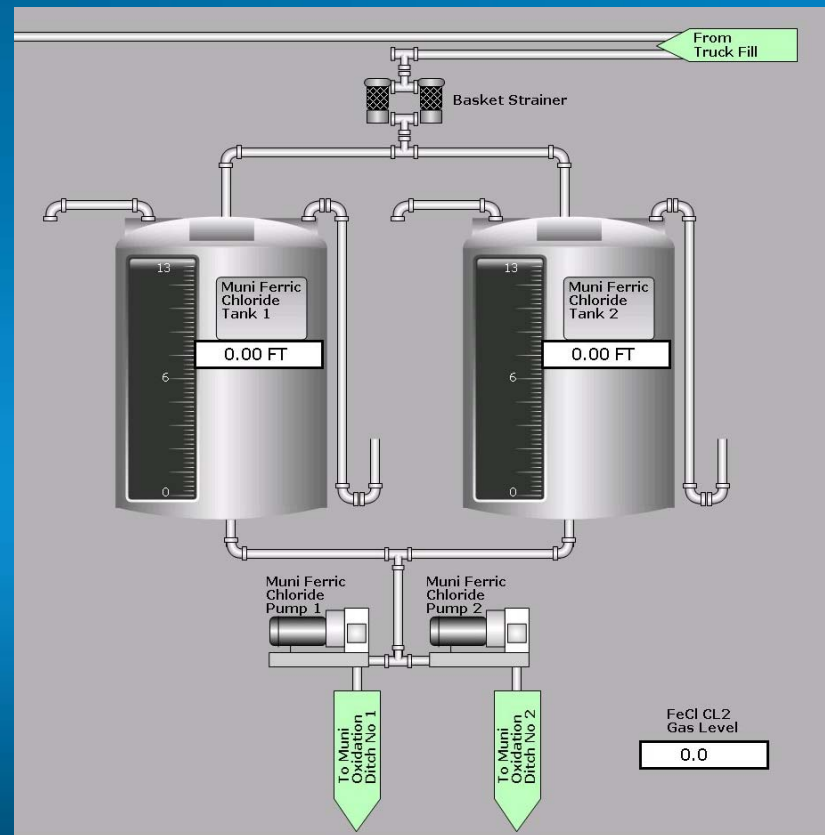


Phosphorus Removal – Operations and Spreadsheets

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Outline

- **Reason for Phosphorus Removal**
- **Sources of Phosphorus**
- **Chemical Removal**
- **Chemistry of Phosphorus Removal**
- **Metal Salt MSDS Review**

Reason for Phosphorus Removal

- **Clean Water Act**
- **NPDES Permit**
 - **Reduce environmental harm**
 - **Cause of Algal Blooms**
 - **Low Dissolved Oxygen Causes Fish Kills**
 - **Stream Degradation**
 - **Hypoxia in Gulf of Mexico**

Current Phosphorus Issues

- **NR 217 Promulgated ~1993**
 - Standardized 1 mg/L TP Limit Statewide
- **2010 Revision Establishes**
 - Water Quality Based Limits (WQBLs)
 - Total Maximum Daily Load Allocations
 - Adaptive Management
 - Trading?

2010 Revisions

- **WQBLs**

- 0.100 mg/L TP for Large Streams
- 0.075 mg/L TP for Small Streams

- **TMDLs – Possible Limits**

- 1.0 mg/L TP in When Already Meeting Criteria
- 0.4-0.6 mg/L TP Likely Range Through TMDL Process When Not Meeting Criteria

- **Up to 9 (+???) Years to Comply**

Effluent Phosphorus Comprised of Two Main Components

- **Phosphorus Tied Up in Solids – Particulate Phosphorus (PP)**
- **Phosphorus in Solution – Soluble (Reactive) Phosphorus (SP)**

$$\text{TP} = \text{PP} + \text{SP}$$

Phosphorus Removal As We Know It

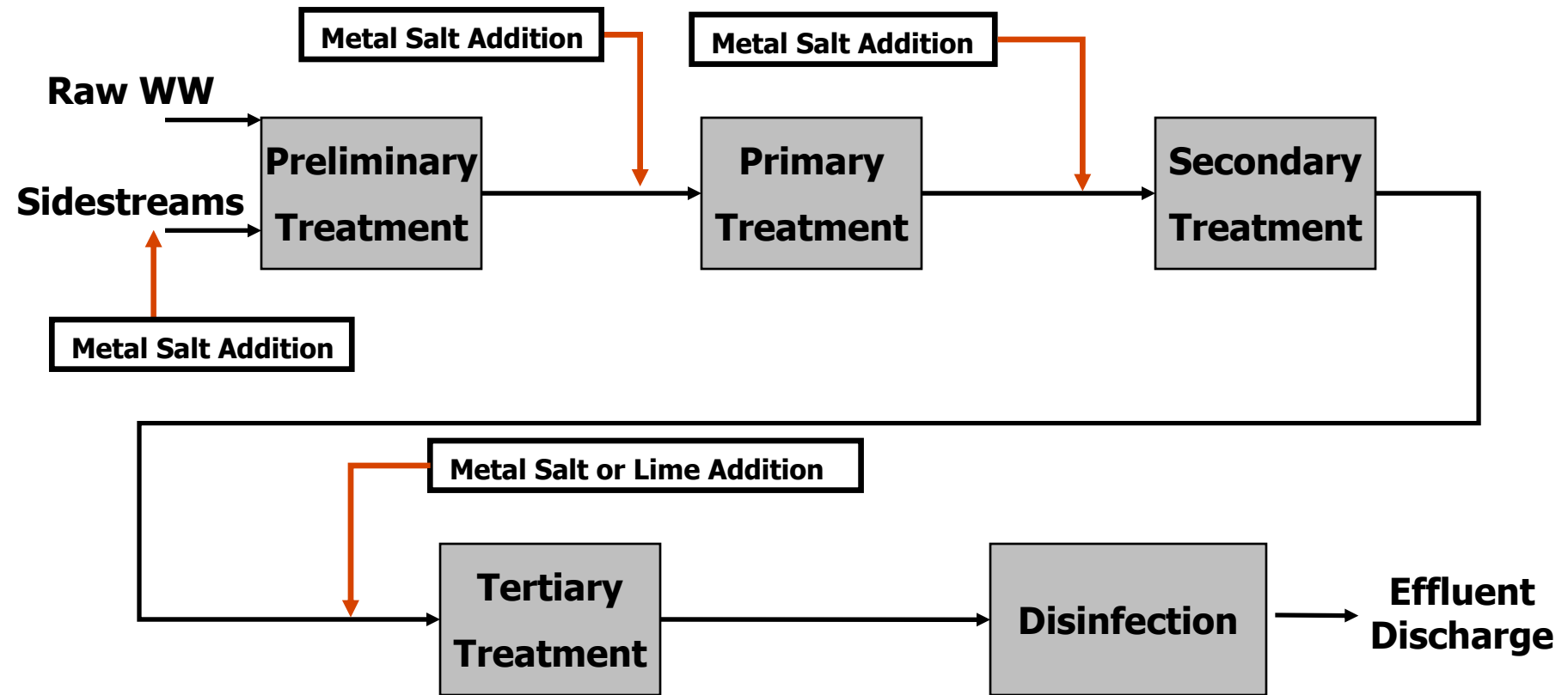
Standard Treatment

- **Chemical Phosphorus Removal (Chem P)**
- **Enhanced Biological Phosphorus Removal (Bio-P, EBPR) with Chem P Backup**

Both Approaches Involve Same Strategy

- **Convert SP to PP**
- **Remove PP with TSS (in Sludge or Effluent Filtration)**

Typical Chemical Phosphorus Removal Options



Common Metal Salts Added

■ Iron

- Ferric Chloride/Sulfate (Fe^{+3})
- Ferrous Chloride/Sulfate (Fe^{+2})
 - > Pickle Liquor
 - > Vivianite Issues

■ Aluminum

- Aluminum Sulfate/Alum (Al^{+3})

Commonly Assumed Phosphorus Removal Capabilities

▪ No Effluent Filtration

- Chemical P Removal: 0.5 mg/L TP
- Bio-P: 1.0 mg/L TP

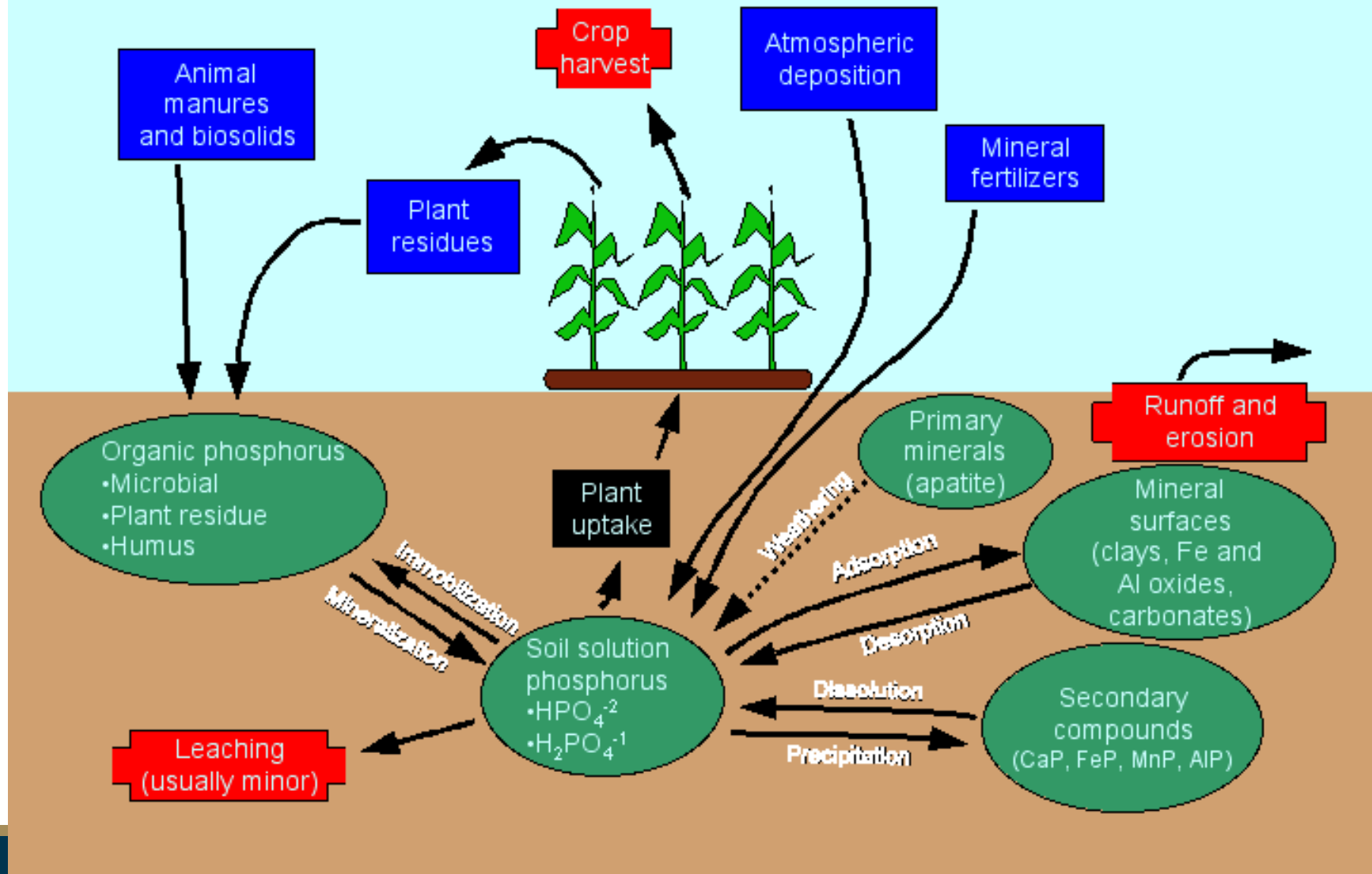
▪ With Effluent Filtration

- Chemical P Removal: 0.1 mg/L TP
- Bio-P: 0.3-0.5 mg/L TP

▪ Chem/Bio-P Plus Tertiary Treatment

- Water Treatment Systems: 0.05 mg/L TP
- Iron Filters or R/O: 0.01-0.02 mg/L TP

The Phosphorus Cycle





Effects of Excess Phosphorus in Wastewater Effluent







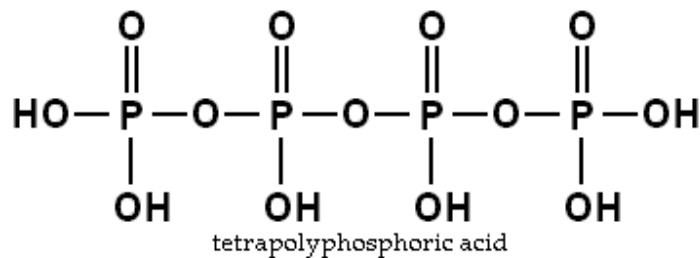
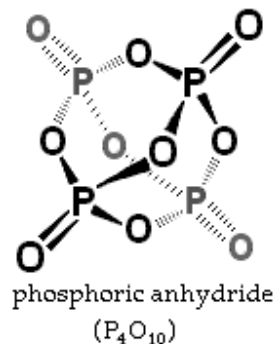
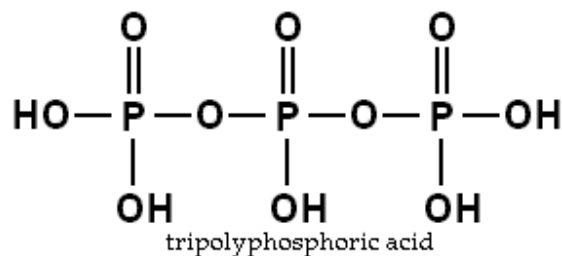
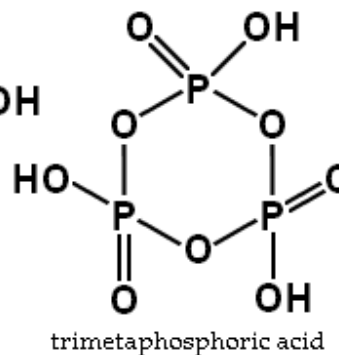
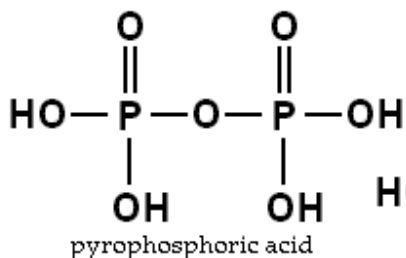
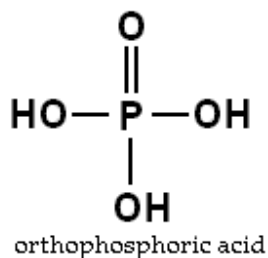


Chemistry of Phosphorus Removal

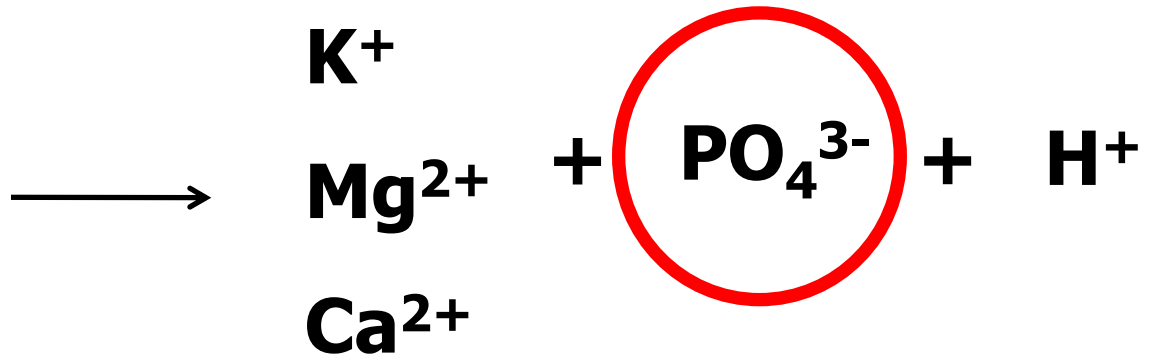
Phosphorus in wastewater occurs in three forms:

- **Organic Phosphate**
 - **Phosphate bound to plant or animal tissue.**
- **Inorganic Phosphate**
 - **Polyphosphate (particulate P)**
 - **Not associated with organic material.**
 - **Eventually convert to orthophosphate.**
 - **Orthophosphate (phosphoric acid)**
 - **Inorganic P, used by organisms.**

Chemistry of Phosphorus Removal



Chemistry of Phosphorus Removal

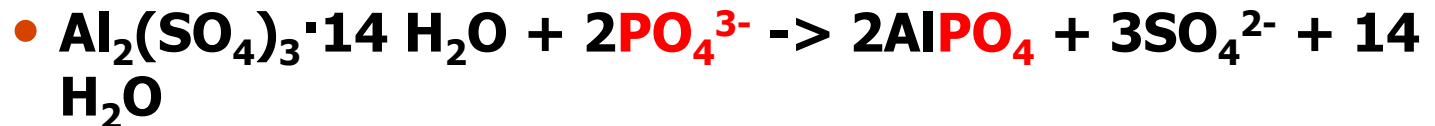


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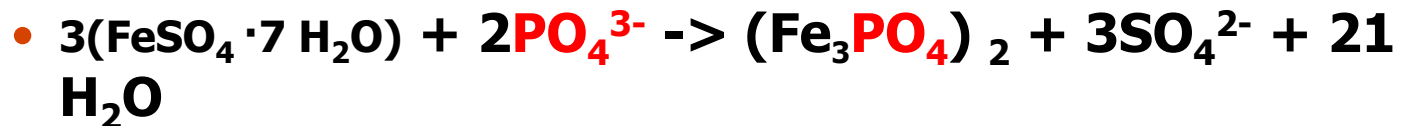
Chemistry of Phosphorus Removal

- **Three common chemicals used:**

- **Alum $\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 14 \text{H}_2\text{O}$**



- **Ferrous Sulfate $\text{FeSO}_4 \cdot 7 \text{H}_2\text{O}$**

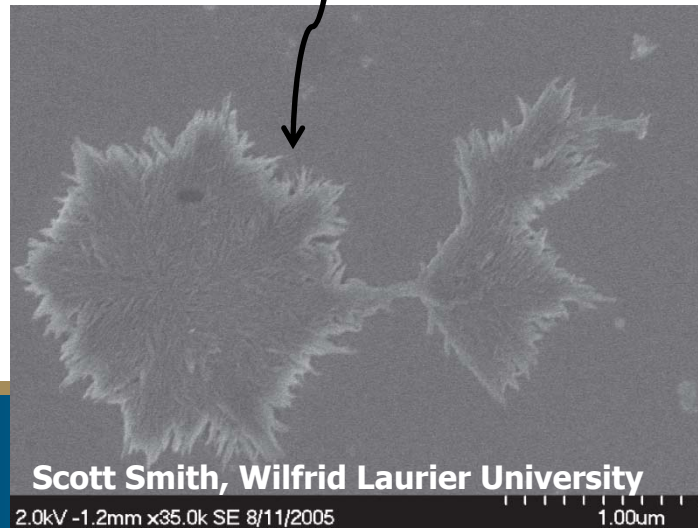
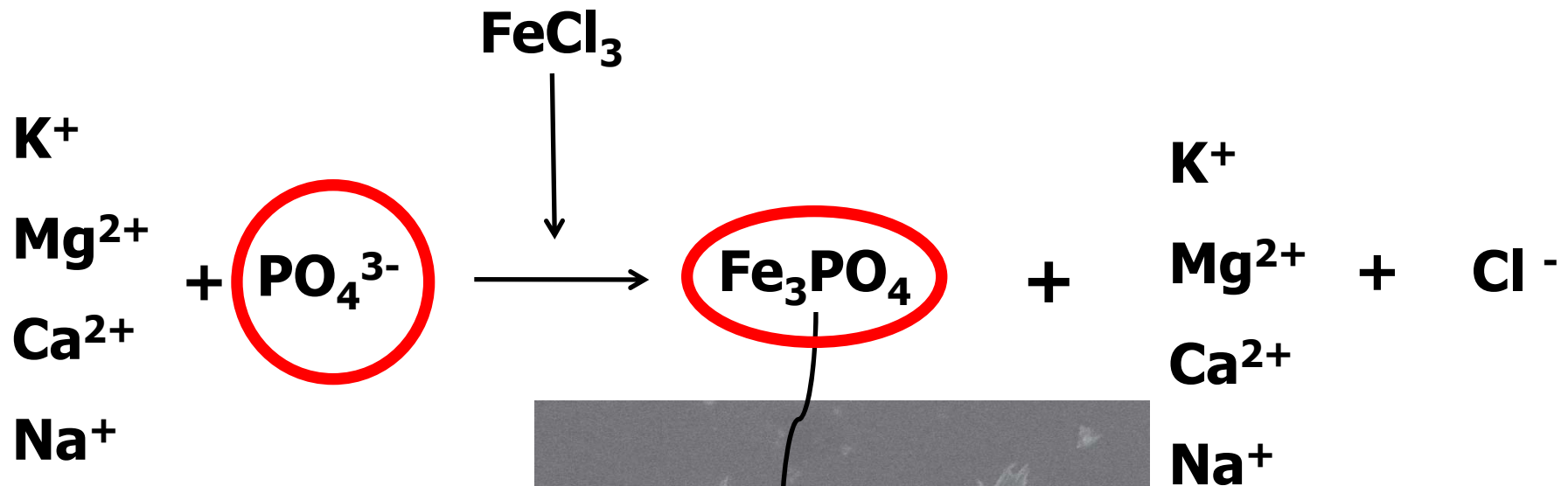


- **Ferric Chloride FeCl_3**



Chemistry of Phosphorus Removal

Ferric Chloride



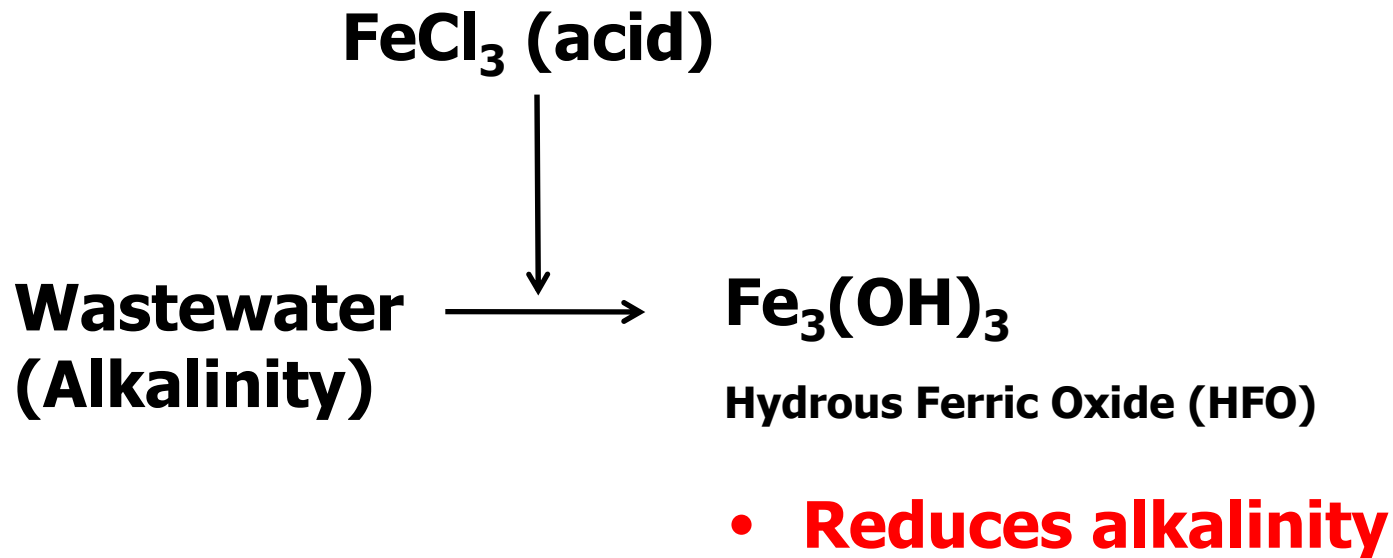
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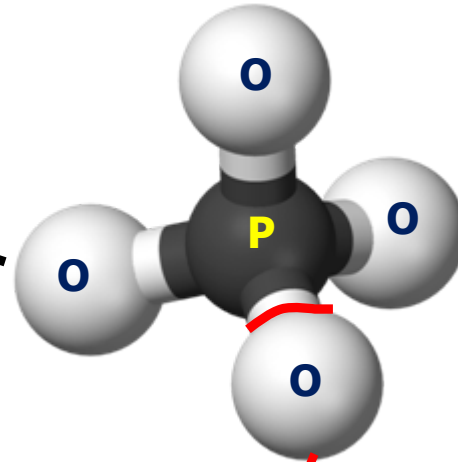
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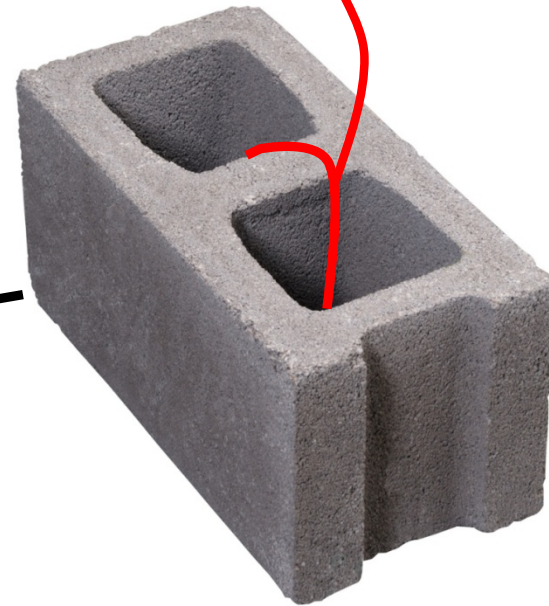
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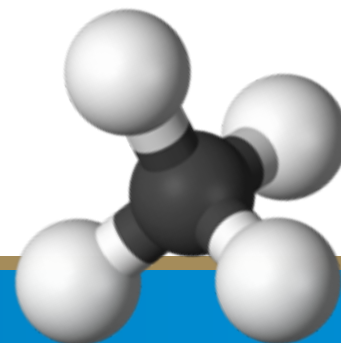
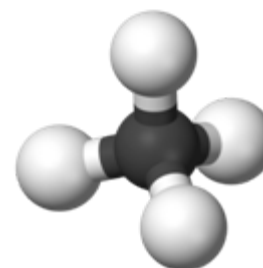
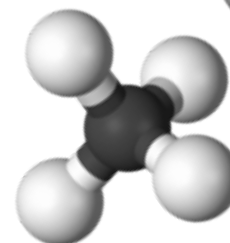
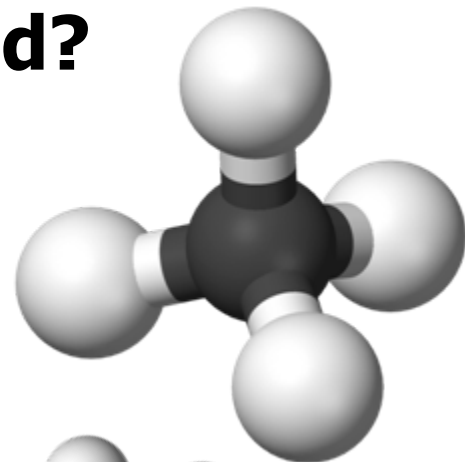
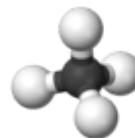
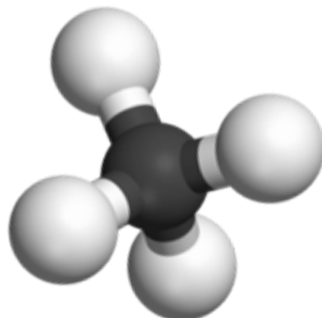
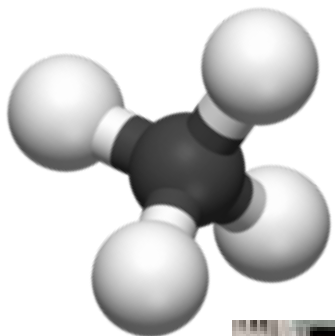
Orthophosphate



Metal Salt



How much metal salt do we need?



An easy way to count lots of things.



When counting a pile of coins, it would be time consuming to count them one by one.

A smarter strategy is to weigh them. If you know the mass of a penny, then you can count them without counting them.

For example, let's say a penny weighs 2.5 grams. If this stack weighed 2,500 grams, then that means this stack contains 1,000 pennies.

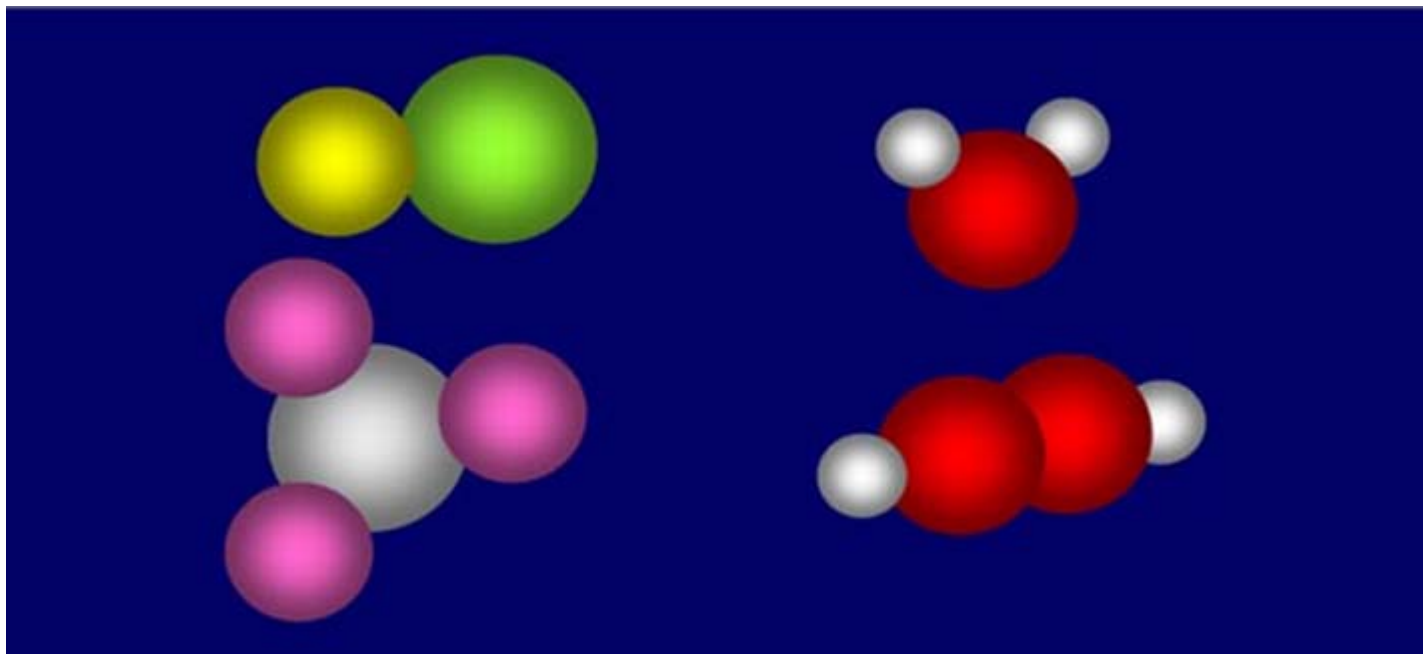
$$\frac{2,500 \text{ grams}}{2.5 \text{ grams}} \times \frac{1 \text{ penny}}{1} = 1,000 \text{ pennies}$$

At the molecular level, there are only whole numbers.

Atoms combine in simple ratios

1:1, 1:2, 2:2, 3:1, etc.

There are no fractions.



What is a mole (mol)?

The mol is the name for a really big number:

- 602,200,000,000,000,000,000,000
- 602 sextillion 200 quintillion
- 6.022×10^{23}



Why do we need to know what and how big a mol is?

- Molecules are really, really small.
- We can't measure just one or two molecules.
- We like to work with units such as pounds and gallons.

How many molecules of water are in a gallon?



Converting #'s of water to molecules of water.



■ We need to know a few things:

- Atomic weight of H
- Atomic weight of O
- $H = 1.01 \text{ #'s/mol}$
- $O = 16.00 \text{ #'s/mol}$

Periodic Table of the Elements

11.01HHydrogen

36.94LiLithium

9.01BeBeryllium

22.99NaSodium

24.31MgMagnesium

39.10KPotassium

40.08CaCalcium

44.96ScScandium

47.87TiTitanium

50.94VVanadium

51.996CrChromium

54.94MnManganese

55.85FeIron

58.93CoCobalt

58.70NiNickel

63.55CuCopper

65.37ZnZinc

69.72GaGallium

72.64GeGermanium

74.92AsArsenic

78.96SeSelenium

81.90BrBromine

83.90KrKrypton

85.47RbRubidium

87.62SrStrontium

88.91Yttrium

91.22ZrZirconium

92.91NbNiobium

95.94MoMolybdenum

(98)TcTechnetium

101.07RuRuthenium

102.91RhRhodium

106.42PdPalladium

107.87AgSilver

112.41CdCadmium

114.82InIndium

118.71SnTin

121.75SbAntimony

127.60TeTellurium

126.905Iodine

131.29XeXenon

132.91CsCesium

137.33BaBarium

LaLanthanum

175.07HfHafnium

180.95TaTantalum

183.85Wtungsten

186.21ReRhenium

188.907OsOsmium

192.22IrIridium

195.08PtPlatinum

196.967AuGold

200.59HgMercury

204.38TlThallium

207.19PbLead

208.98BiBismuth

(209)PoPolonium

(210)AtAstatine

(222)RnRadon

223FrFrancium

226.025RaRadium

AcActinium

261RfRutherfordium

261HaHassium

266SgSeaborgium

267BoBohrium

268HsHassium

269MtMeitnerium

atomic number

atomic weight

symbol:

blacksolid

blueliquid

redgas

white synthetically prepared most stable isotope

name

alkali metals

alkaline earth metals

transitional metals

other metals

nonmetals

noble gases

LABS

24.00HeHelium

10.20NeNeon

18.998FFluorine

35.45ClChlorine

39.96ArArgon

79.904KrKrypton

131.29XeXenon

222RnRadon

58 Ce Cerium	59 Pr Praseodymium	60 Nd Neodymium	61 Pm Promethium	62 Sm Samarium	63 Eu Europium	64 Gd Gadolinium	65 Tb Terbium	66 Dy Dysprosium	67 Ho Holmium	68 Er Erbium	69 Tm Thulium	70 Yb Ytterbium	71 Lu Lutetium
90 Th Thorium	91 Pa Protactinium	92 U Uranium	93 Np Neptunium	94 Pu Plutonium	95 Am Americium	96 Cm Curium	97 Bk Berkelium	98 Cf Californium	99 Es Einsteinium	100 Fm Fermium	101 Md Mendelevium	102 No Nobelium	103 Lr Lawrencium

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1 gallon water	= 8.34 #'s
Water	= H ₂ O
2 H @ 1.01 #'s/mol	= 2.02 #'s H/mol H ₂ O
1 O @ 16.00 #'s/mol	= 16.00 #'s O/mol H ₂ O
Water	= 18.02 #'s H ₂ O/mol

$$8.34 \text{ #'s H}_2\text{O} \times \frac{1 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}}{18.02 \text{ #'s H}_2\text{O}} = 0.46 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}$$

$$0.46 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O} \times \frac{454 \text{ mol}}{1 \text{ # mol}} = 208 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}$$

$$208 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O} \times \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ molecules H}_2\text{O}}{1 \text{ mol H}_2\text{O}} = 1.25 \times 10^{26} \text{ molecules H}_2\text{O}$$

Periodic Table of the Elements

Legend:

- alkali metals
- alkaline earth metals
- transitional metals
- other metals
- nonmetals
- noble gases

Atomic data for Silicon (Si):

- atomic number: 14
- symbol: Si
- name: Silicon
- atomic weight: 28.0855
- properties: black solid, brittle, semiconductor

454 mol/#mol

Biological Assimilation

- **Biological assimilation is the amount of phosphorous necessary for biological growth.**
 - BOD:P ratio is 100:1
 - Influent BOD 220 mg/l for a P of 2.2 mg/l
- **If influent phosphorous is 7.6 mg/L:**
 - $7.6 \text{ mg/l} - 2.2 \text{ mg/l} = 5.4 \text{ mg/l}$



**Typical municipal influent phos.
ranges from 5 – 10 mg/L**

Enough with the math!

How's this spreadsheet thing work?



- **Some information needs to be gathered:**
 - Influent Phosphorous
 - Influent Flow
 - Influent BOD
 - Bill of lading

Metal Salt Addition for Phosphorus Removal Based on % Metal

The following calculator gives a theoretical amount of chemical to add to remove a desired amount of phosphorus.

Molar Ratio		Bbl of Lading	Flow	2,396 MGD
Chemical	Metal : P			
Alum	0.87 : 1	Bbl of Lading	Influent P	8.5 mg/L
Ferric Chloride	1.8 : 1		Influent BOD	200 mg/L
Ferric Chloride	2.7 : 1		% metal in solution	12.5 %
Ferrous Sulfate	2.7 : 1		Metal : P ratio	1.8 Molar Ratio
			Specific gravity	1.35 SG
			# mol metal : # mol Compound	1 Ratio
			Atomic Weight	55.85 g/mol
Formula		# mol metal	# mol Compound	Element
Chemical				
Alum	$Al_2(SO_4)_3 \cdot 14H_2O$	2		Aluminum (Al)
Ferric Chloride	$FeCl_3$	1		Iron (Fe)
Ferric Chloride	$FeCl_3 \cdot 4H_2O$	1		
Ferrous Sulfate	$FeSO_4$	1		

Step 1. Determine the amount of influent phosphorus in pounds.

$$\frac{2.00 \text{ MG}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{8.0 \text{ mg P}}{\text{L}} \times \frac{8.34 \text{ L} \cdot \#s}{\text{gallon} \cdot \text{MG}} = \frac{133 \text{ \#s P}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 2. Determine the amount of influent BOD in pounds.

$$\frac{2.00 \text{ MG}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{200 \text{ mg BOD}}{\text{L}} \times \frac{8.34 \text{ L} \cdot \#s}{\text{gallon} \cdot \text{MG}} = \frac{3,336 \text{ \#s BOD}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 3. Determine the amount of P needed for biological assimilation in pounds. 100 #s BOD : 10 #s N : 1 #s P

$$\frac{3,336 \text{ \#s BOD}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1 \text{ \# P}}{100 \text{ \#s BOD}} = \frac{33 \text{ \#s P}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 4. Determine the amount of P to be chemically removed in pounds per day.

$$\frac{133 \text{ \#s P}}{\text{day}} - \frac{33 \text{ \#s P assim}}{\text{day}} = \frac{100 \text{ \#s P to chemically remove}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 5. Determine the amount of # mol P to be chemically removed per day.

$$\frac{100 \text{ \#s P to chemically remove}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1.00 \text{ \# mol P}}{30.97 \text{ \# P}} = \frac{3.23 \text{ \# mol P to remove}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 6. Determine # mol metal needed to remove P based on molar ratio of metal to P.

$$\frac{3.23 \text{ \# mol P to remove}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1.8 \text{ \# mol metal}}{1.0 \text{ \# mol P}} = \frac{5.82 \text{ \# mol metal}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 7. Determine pounds of metal needed per day.

$$\frac{5.82 \text{ \# mol metal}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{55.85 \text{ \#s metal}}{1 \text{ \# mol metal}} = \frac{324.86 \text{ \#s metal}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 8. Determine the #s of solution based on bill of lading % needed per day.

$$\frac{325 \text{ \#s metal @ 100\%}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{100 \text{ \#s sol'n}}{12.5 \text{ \#s metal}} = \frac{2,599 \text{ \#s sol'n}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 9. Determine gallons of metal salt solution needed per day.

$$\frac{2,599 \text{ \#s sol'n}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1 \text{ gallon}}{8.34 \text{ \#s}} \times \frac{1 \text{ SG sol'n}}{1.350} = \frac{231 \text{ gal sol'n}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 10. Determine gallons of sol'n needed / hour.

$$\frac{231 \text{ gal sol'n}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1 \text{ day}}{24 \text{ hours}} = \frac{9.62 \text{ gal sol'n}}{\text{hour}}$$

Step 11. Determine milliliters of metal salt sol'n needed per minute.

$$\frac{9.62 \text{ gal sol'n}}{\text{hour}} \times \frac{3,780 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ gallon}} \times \frac{1 \text{ hour}}{60 \text{ minutes}} = \frac{606 \text{ mL sol'n}}{\text{minute}}$$

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			Specific gravity	1.35 SG
			# mol metal : # mol Compound	1 Ratio
			Molecular Weight	162.20 g/mol
Formula		# mol metal	# mol Compound	Molecular Weight
Chemical				
Alum	$Al_2(SO_4)_3 \cdot 14H_2O$	2		594.42
Ferric Chloride	$FeCl_3$	1		162.20
Ferric Chloride	$FeCl_3 \cdot 4H_2O$	1		198.82
Ferrous Sulfate	$FeSO_4$	1		151.91

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Step 7. Determine the # mol of solution needed / day.

$$\frac{5.82 \text{ \# mol metal}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1 \text{ \# mol metal compound}}{1 \text{ \# mol metal}} = \frac{5.82 \text{ \# mol metal compound}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 8. Determine the #s of solution @ 100% needed / day.

$$\frac{5.82 \text{ \# mol metal compound}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{162.20 \text{ \# compound}}{1.0 \text{ \# mol metal compound}} = \frac{943 \text{ \#s compound @ 100\%}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 9. Determine the #s of solution @ bill of lading % needed / day.

$$\frac{943 \text{ \#s compound @ 100\%}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{100 \text{ \# sol'n}}{35.0 \text{ \# compound}} = \frac{2,696 \text{ \#s sol'n}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 10. Determine gallons of metal salt solution needed per day.

$$\frac{2,696 \text{ \#s sol'n}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1 \text{ gallon}}{8.34 \text{ \#s}} \times \frac{1 \text{ SG sol'n}}{1.350} = \frac{239 \text{ gal sol'n}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 11. Determine gallons of sol'n needed / hour.

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$$\frac{9.96 \text{ gal sol'n}}{\text{hour}} \times \frac{3,780 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ gallon}} \times \frac{1 \text{ hour}}{60 \text{ minutes}} = \frac{625 \text{ mL sol'n}}{\text{minute}}$$

Important!

•% Metal?

•% Solution?

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			PRODUCT: 896647 FERRIC CHLORIDE 35% SOLUTION Bulk DRINKING WATER GRADE						
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Metal Salt Addition for Phosphorus Removal Based on % Solution

The following calculator gives a theoretical amount of chemical to add to remove a desired amount of phosphorus.

Molar Ratio		Bill of Lading				
Chemical	Metal : P	Bill of Lading		Flow	2.000	MGD
Alum	0.87 : 1			Influent P	8.0	mg/L
Ferric Chloride	1.8 : 1			Influent BOD	200	mg/L
Ferrous Chloride	2.7 : 1			% solution	35.0	%
Ferrous Sulfate	2.7 : 1			Metal : P ratio	1.8	Molar Ratio
Chemical	Formula	# mol metal	Molecular	Specific gravity	1.350	SG
		# mol Coumpound	Weight	#mol metal : #mol Compound	1	Ratio
Alum	$\text{Al}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3 \cdot 14\text{H}_2\text{O}$	2	594.42	Molecular Weight	162.20	grams/mol
Ferric Chloride	FeCl_3	1	162.20			
Ferrous Chloride	$\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4 \text{H}_2\text{O}$	1	198.82			
Ferrous Sulfate	FeSO_4	1	151.91			

Yellow column with colored numbers indicates where data needs to be entered.

Step 1.

Remember the pounds formula?

Flow	2.000	MGD
Influent P	8.0	mg/L
Influent BOD	200	mg/L
% solution	35.0	%
Metal : P ratio	1.8	Molar Ratio
Specific gravity	1.350	SG
#mol metal : #mol Compound	1	Ratio
Molecular Weight	162.20	grams/mol

MGD X mg/L X 8.34 #'s/gallon

Step 1. Determine the amount of influent phosphorus in pounds.

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 2.00 & \text{MG} \\ \hline \text{day} & \end{array} \times \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 8.0 & \text{mg P} \\ \hline \text{Liter} & \end{array} \times \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 8.34 & \text{L} \cdot \text{'s} \\ \hline \text{gallon} \cdot \text{MG} & \end{array} = \begin{array}{|c|c|} \hline 133 & \text{'s P} \\ \hline \text{day} & \end{array}$$

Step 2.

Pounds formula again.

Flow	2.000	MGD
Influent P	8.0	mg/L
Influent BOD	200	mg/L
% solution	35.0	%
Metal : P ratio	1.8	Molar Ratio
Specific gravity	1.350	SG
#mol metal : #mol Compound	1	Ratio
Molecular Weight	162.20	grams/mol

MGD X mg/L X 8.34 #'s/gallon

Step 2. Determine the amount of influent **BOD** in pounds.

2.00	MG					
day		x	200	mg BOD		
			Liter		x	
				8.34	L • #'s	
				gallon • MG		
				=		
						3,336
						day
						#'s BOD

Step 3.

Nutrient Ratio #'s BOD:N:P

100:10:1

Flow	2.000	MGD
Influent P	8.0	mg/L
Influent BOD	200	mg/L
% solution	35.0	%
Metal : P ratio	1.8	Molar Ratio
Specific gravity	1.350	SG
#mol metal : #mol Compound	1	Ratio
Molecular Weight	162.20	grams/mol

#'s BOD ÷ 100

Step 3. Determine the amount of P needed for biological assimilation in pounds. 100 #'s BOD : 10 #'s N : 1 #'s P

3,336	#'s BOD
day	

x

1	# P
100	#'s BOD

=

33	#'s P
day	

Step 4.

Determine pounds of phosphorus to be chemically removed per day.

Flow	2.000	MGD
Influent P	8.0	mg/L
Influent BOD	200	mg/L
% solution	35.0	%
Metal : P ratio	1.8	Molar Ratio
Specific gravity	1.350	SG
#mol metal : #mol Compound	1	Ratio
Molecular Weight	162.20	grams/mol

#’s Influent P - #’s P needed for bugs

133 #’s P

day

-

33 #’s P assim

day

=

100 #’s P to chemically remove

day

Periodic Table of the Elements

Legend:

- alkali metals
- alkaline earth metals
- transitional metals
- other metals
- nonmetals
- noble gases

Symbol: black solid, blue liquid, red gas, white synthetically prepared, orange most stable isotope

Atomic number and atomic weight are indicated for Silicon (Si) as an example.

#'s P ÷ Atomic Weight of P

100	#'s P to chemically remove
	day

x

1.00	# mol P
30.97	# P

=

3.23	# mol P to remove
	day

Step 6.

Determine # mols metal needed to remove P based on ration of metal to P.

Flow	2.000	MGD
Influent P	8.0	mg/L
Influent BOD	200	mg/L
% solution	35.0	%
Metal : P ratio	1.8	Molar Ratio
Specific gravity	1.850	SG
#mol metal : #mol Compound	1	Ratio
Moleculart Weight	162.20	grams/mol

#mol P x (#mol metal/ #mol P)

3.23	# mol P to remove	x	1.8	# mol metal	=	5.82	# mol metal
	day		1.0	# mol P			day

Step 7.

Determine # mols solution needed per day.

Flow	2.000	MGD
Influent P	8.0	mg/L
Influent BOD	200	mg/L
% solution	35.0	%
Metal : P ratio	1.8	Molar Ratio
Specific gravity	1.350	SG
#mol metal : #mol Compound	1	Ratio
Molecular Weight	162.20	grams/mol

#mol metal x (#mol metal compound/ #mol metal)

5.82	# mol metal						
	day	x	1	# mol metal compound	=	5.82	# mol metal compound
			1	# mol metal			day

Determine needed per

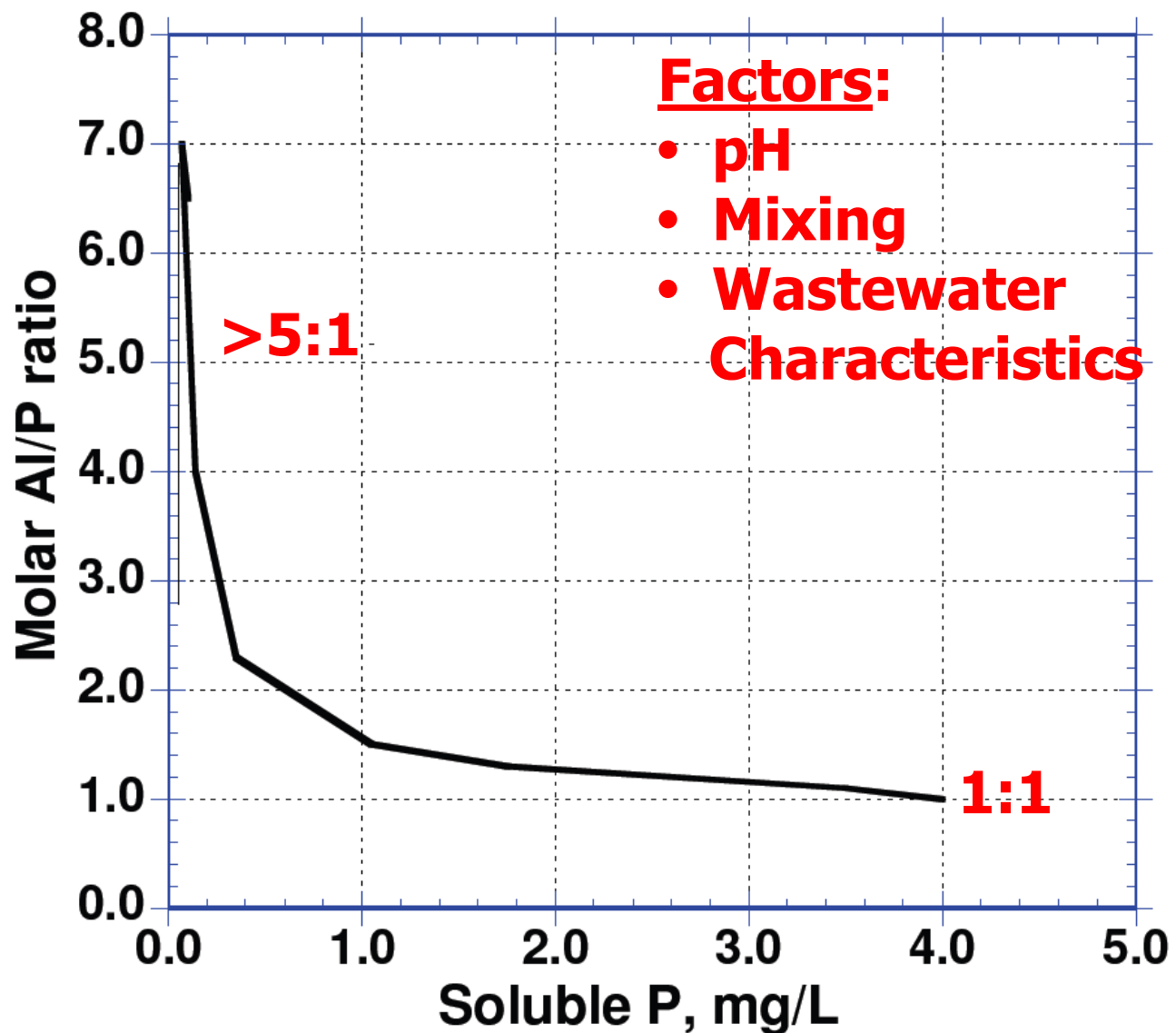
#mol m
metal)

5.82	# mol
	day

Flow	2,000	MGD
Influent D	8.0	mg/L
		/L
		lar Ratio
		io
		ms/mol

Factors:

- pH
- Mixing



Step 8.

Determine # solution at 100% needed per day.

Flow	2.000	MGD
Influent P	8.0	mg/L
Influent BOD	200	mg/L
% solution	35.0	%
Metal : P ratio	1.8	Molar Ratio
Specific gravity	1.350	SG
#mol metal : #mol Compound	1	Ratio
Molecular Weight	162.20	grams/mol

#mol metal compound x (#'s compound / #mol metal compound)

5.82	# mol metal compound						
	day	x	162.20	# compound	=	943	#'s compound @ 100 %
			1.0	# mol metal compound			day

Step 9.

Determine #'s solution at bill of lading % needed per day.

Flow	2.000	MGD
Influent P	8.0	mg/L
Influent BOD	200	mg/L
% solution	35.0	%
Metal : P ratio	1.0	Molar Ratio
Specific gravity	1.350	SG
#mol metal : #mol Compound	1	Ratio
Molecular Weight	162.20	grams/mol

#compound @ 100% ÷ # compound bill of lading %

943	#'s compound @ 100%
day	

x

100	# sol'n
35.0	# compound

=

2,696	#'s sol'n
day	

Step 10.

Determine gallons of metal salt solution needed per day.

Flow	2.000	MGD
Influent P	8.0	mg/L
Influent BOD	200	mg/L
% solution	35.0	%
Metal : P ratio	1.0	Molar Ratio
Specific gravity	1.350	SG
#mol metal : #mol Compound	1	Ratio
Molecular Weight	162.20	grams/mol

$$\# \text{sol'n} \div 8.34 \# \div 1.350 \text{ SG}$$

2,696	#'s sol'n						
	day						

 \times

1	gallon
8.34	#'s

 \times

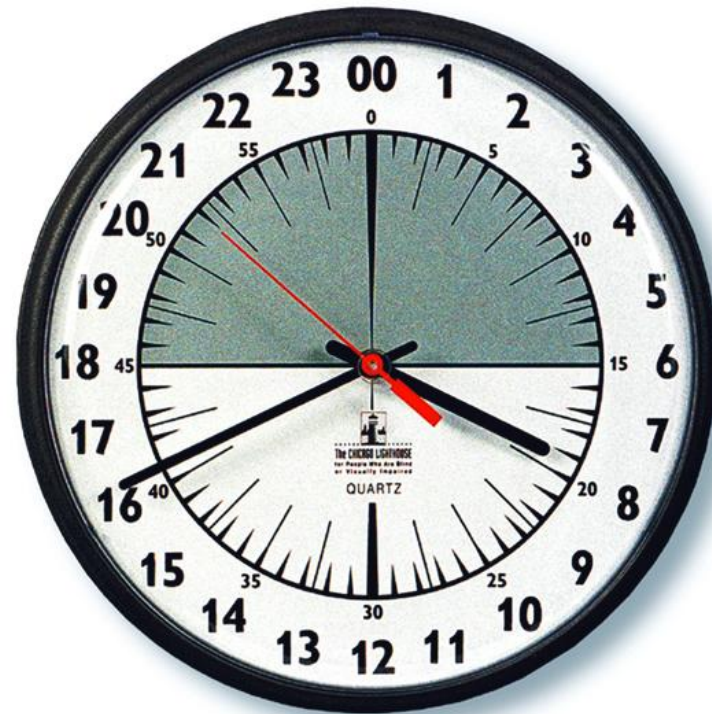
1	SG sol'n
1.350	

 $=$

239	gal. sol'n
	day

Step 11.

Determine gallons of solution needed per hour.



gal sol'n/day ÷ 24 hours/day

239	gal sol'n
day	

x

1	day
24	hours

=

9.98	gal sol'n
hour	

Step 12.

Determine milliliters of solution needed per minute.



gal sol'n/hour x 3,780 mL/gal ÷ 60 min/hour

9.98	gal sol'n
hour	

 \times

3,780	mL
1	gallon

 \times

1	hour
60	minutes

 $=$

628	mL sol'n
minute	

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Ferrous Chloride	2.7 : 1			% solution	35.0 %	
Ferrous Sulfide	2.7 : 1			Metal : P ratio	1.8 Molar Ratio	
				Specific gravity	1.350 SG	
				Mol wt. metal compound	162.20	
				Molecular Weight	162.20 g/mol	

Chemical	Formula	# mol metal	Molecular Weight
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Ferrous Sulfide	$FeSO_4$	1	151.91

Inputs

Step 1. Determine the amount of Influent phosphorus in pounds.

$$\frac{2.00 \text{ MG}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{8.5 \text{ mg P}}{\text{L}} \times \frac{8.34 \text{ L}}{\text{gallon} \cdot \text{MG}} = \frac{133 \text{ # P}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 2. Determine the amount of Influent BOD in pounds.

$$\frac{2.00 \text{ MG}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{200 \text{ mg BOD}}{\text{L}} \times \frac{8.34 \text{ L}}{\text{gallon} \cdot \text{MG}} = \frac{3,336 \text{ # BOD}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 3. Determine the amount of P needed for biological assimilation in pounds. 100 #s BOD : 10 #s N : 1 #s P

$$\frac{3,336 \text{ #s BOD}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1 \text{ # P}}{100 \text{ #s BOD}} = \frac{33 \text{ #s P}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 4. Determine the amount of P to be chemically removed in pounds per day.

$$\frac{133 \text{ #s P}}{\text{day}} - \frac{33 \text{ #s P assim}}{\text{day}} = \frac{100 \text{ #s P to chemically remove}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 5. Determine the amount of # mol P to be chemically removed per day.

$$\frac{100 \text{ #s P to chemically remove}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1.00 \text{ # mol P}}{30.97 \text{ # P}} = \frac{3.23 \text{ # mol P to remove}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 6. Determine # mol metal needed to remove P based on ratio of metal to P.

$$\frac{3.23 \text{ # mol P to remove}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1.8 \text{ # mol metal}}{1.0 \text{ # mol P}} = \frac{5.82 \text{ # mol metal}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 7. Determine the # mol of solution needed / day.

$$\frac{5.82 \text{ # mol metal}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1 \text{ # mol metal compound}}{1 \text{ # mol metal}} = \frac{5.82 \text{ # mol metal compound}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 8. Determine the #s of solution @ 100% needed / day.

$$\frac{5.82 \text{ # mol metal compound}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{162.20 \text{ # compound}}{1.0 \text{ # mol metal compound}} = \frac{943 \text{ #s compound @ 100%}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 9. Determine the #s of solution @ bill of lading % needed / day.

$$\frac{943 \text{ #s compound @ 100%}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{100 \text{ # sol'n}}{35.0 \text{ # compound}} = \frac{2,696 \text{ #s sol'n}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 10. Determine gallons of metal salt solution needed per day.

$$\frac{2,696 \text{ #s sol'n}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1 \text{ gallon}}{8.34 \text{ #s}} \times \frac{1 \text{ SG sol'n}}{1.350} = \frac{239 \text{ gal sol'n}}{\text{day}}$$

Step 11. Determine gallons of sol'n needed / hour.

$$\frac{239 \text{ gal sol'n}}{\text{day}} \times \frac{1 \text{ day}}{24 \text{ hours}} = \frac{9.96 \text{ gal sol'n}}{\text{hour}}$$

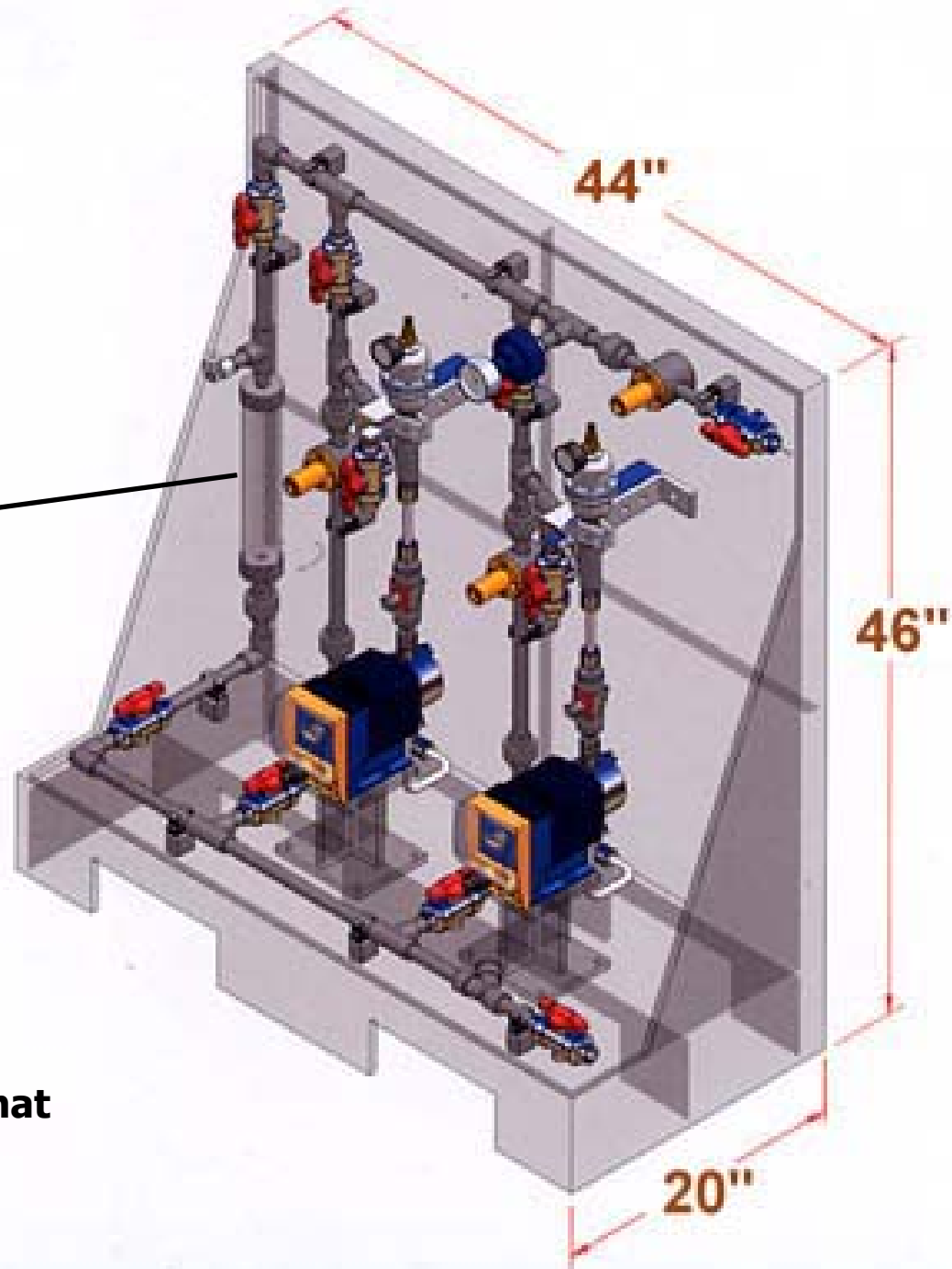
Step 12. Determine milliliters of metal salt sol'n needed per minute.

$$\frac{9.96 \text{ gal sol'n}}{\text{hour}} \times \frac{3,780 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ gallon}} \times \frac{1 \text{ hour}}{60 \text{ minutes}} = \frac{625 \text{ mL sol'n}}{\text{minute}}$$

Outputs

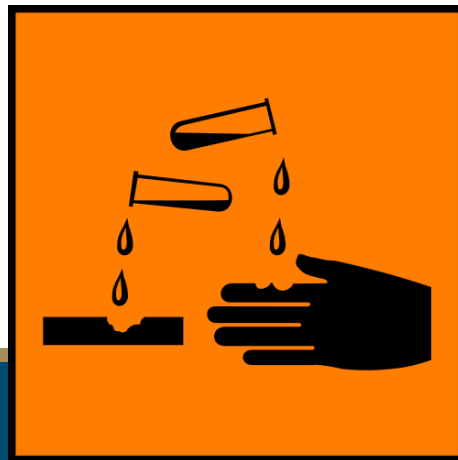
Typical chemical feed skid.

Calibration
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Example of equipment shown in is NOT intended to infer any endorsement of that equipment.

Metal Salt MSDS Review



• Exposure Controls

- Protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles.
- Appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin contact.
- Use a NIOSH approved respirator when necessary.

Any Questions?



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