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How Pragmatic Design Improves Water Sustainability







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Sustainability...

















Energy savings and pumping efficiency

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority



IDEAL TIME FOR ENERGY SAVINGS IS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE. TIME PRESSURES CAN MEAN YOU BUY OF THE SHELF AND MISS LONG TERM OPPORTUNITIES SOUND DESIGN ADVICE AT THIS EARLY STAGE IS CRUCIAL FOR MAXIMISING AND PROTECTING YOUR INVESTMENT.





Energy Conservation Measures



IDENTIFY AREAS WHERE ENERGY CAN BE REDUCED CHALLENGE THE BASELINE DON'T FORGET NEW(ER) TECHNOLOGIES









LOWER THEMORE EFFICIENTOPTIMISE PLANTSELECT THELEVEL (2%)MOTORS (1%)OPERATIONRIGHT PUMPS





Pumping Summary

Parameter	Pumping Combination			
	3 x 10,000 m³/day	1 x 10,000 m³/day, 2 x 15,000 m³/day	3 x 15,000 m³/day	2 x 20,000 m³/day
Average energy use (kWh/m³)	0.371	0.366	0.363	0.359
Average energy cost (\$ / annum)	\$393,000	\$387,000	\$384,000	\$380,000
Total Energy over 25 years (GWh)	46.0	45.3	45.0	44.5
25-year NPV (\$)	\$(4,350,000)	\$(4,310,000)	\$(4,235,000)	\$(4,160,000)





Membranes



LET THE SUPPLIERS LOOSE?

ENERGY COST VS CAPITAL

CHEMICAL USE





Heat Management







Compressed Air







Energy Recovery

Free energy!







Embedded Generation

- 12 year estimated payback period
- \$40,000 positive 25 year NPV
- 6.8% 25 year IRR



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Relative Energy Consumption of Energy Conservation Measures

Other Sustainable Features

Other Project Sustainable Features

- Business as Usual:
 - lighting, appliances and HVAC.
 - Sustainable materials, e.g. VOCs and formaldehyde
- Water re-use
- Natural light
- Insulation and double glazing
- Maximise thermal mass
- High level actuated windows
- Fly ash concrete
- Reduced mowing areas -low maintenance gardens instead

Energy Monitoring

Raw Water Pump Station

Water Treatment Plant

Key Lessons

