

FEFPA 2024 Summer Conference

NSU Chiller Plant “Sharks on Ice”

Design, Build, Operate and Maintain

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Case Study: NSU Central Energy Plant Expansion

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1. Case Study: NSU Central Energy Plant Expansion

Project Summary: Central Energy Chiller Plant Expansion

- The new chillers will supply HPD, the future Administrative Services Building, the Terry Building expansion, and the new Athletics building with chilled water cooling
- There are Three (3) existing York Ice Making Chillers with 2,300 Tons Each in Capacity
- Adding Two (2) Additional York Ice Making Chillers (received February 2024)
- Project Completion: December 2025

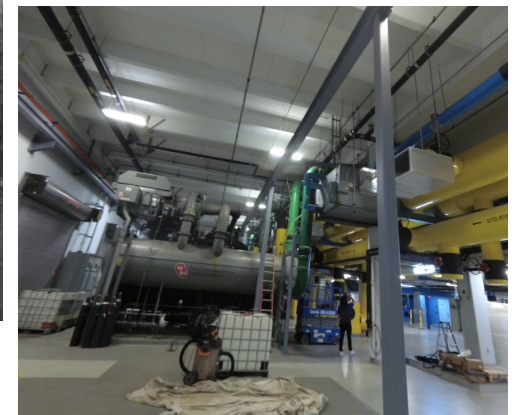


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1. Case Study: NSU Central Energy Plant Expansion

Project Summary: Central Energy Chiller Plant Expansion

- 68,000 Ton Hours Ice Storage
- Our chiller plant currently provides 70% of our cooling needs for the buildings on our main campus.
- Following completion of this project, we are looking to approach 90% of the campus supported by the NSU Central Energy Plant.



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1. Case Study: NSU Central Energy Plant Expansion

Project Summary: How much equipment are we looking at when the build out is complete?

- a. (5) York Ice Making Chillers @ 1800 tons each (2300 nominal) 4160v
- b. (74) Miles of Coils in Tank- (4) Tanks Total
- c. 17,000 Ton Hours Per Tank
- d. 365,000 Gallons Of Water Per Tank
- e. (5) Massive Cooling Towers
- f. (5) 200hp Glycol Pumps

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1. Case Study: NSU Central Energy Plant Expansion

Project Summary: How much equipment are we looking at when the build out is complete?

- g. (5) 150hp Condenser Water Pumps
- h. (5) 100hp Chilled Water Pumps
- i. (1) Massive Spirotherm Filter
- j. Actuators, Agitators, VFD's, Gearboxes, Motors....
- k. Chlorine Dioxide Generator and Feed System.

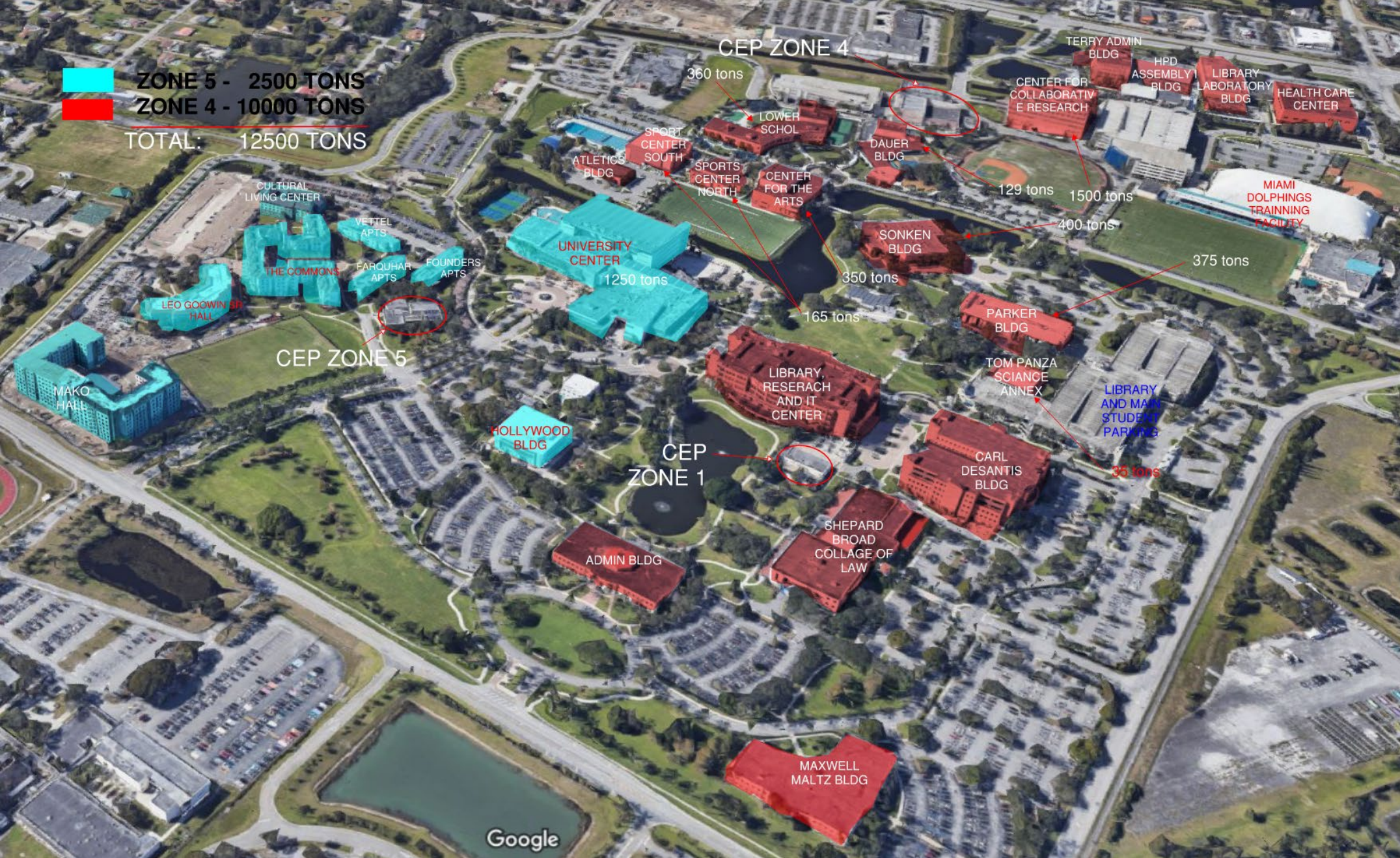
New Spirotherm Generator



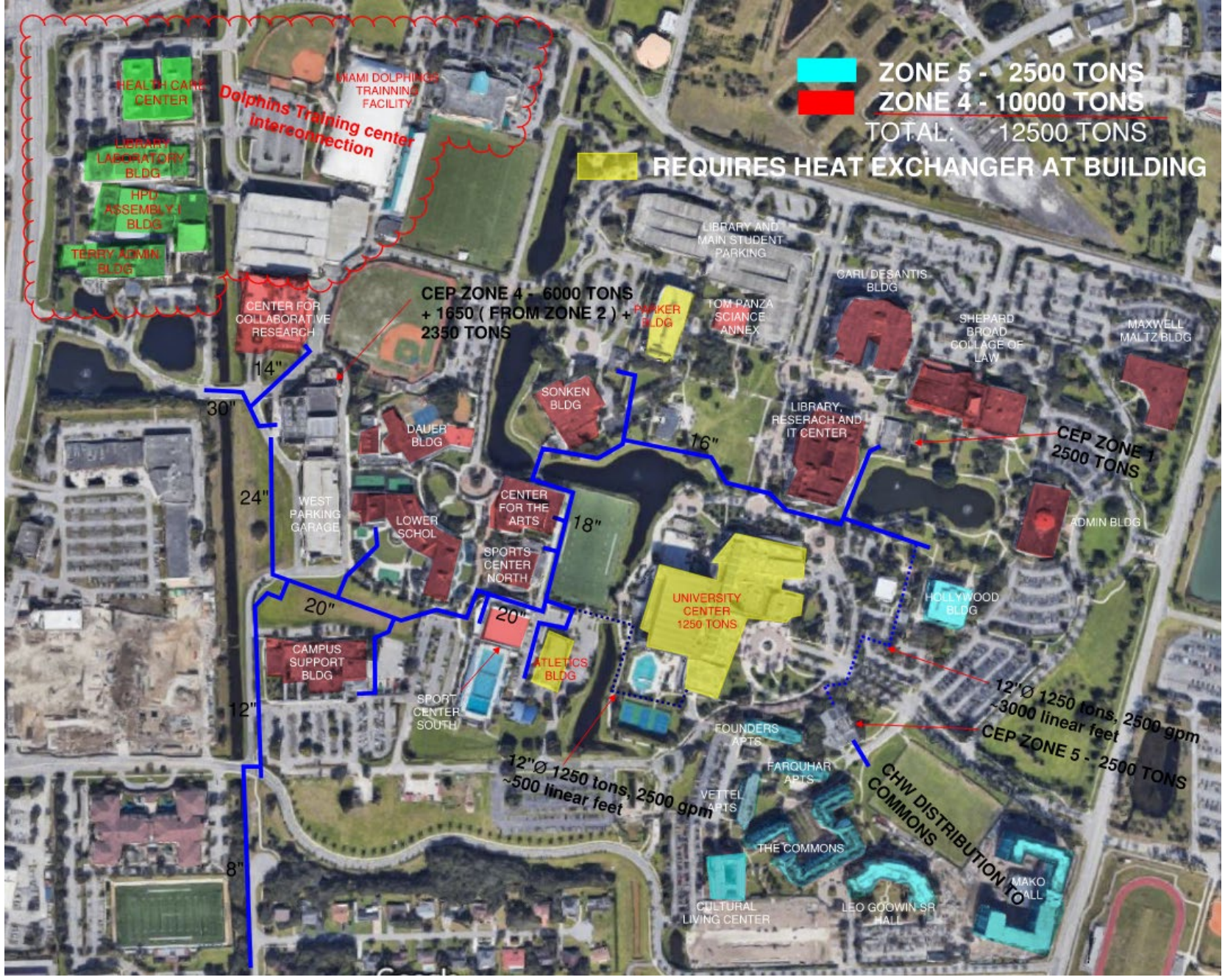




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GLYCOL RETURN

5 TON Cap.



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Project Goal: To transition the utilization of NSU's make-up water for NSU's Central Energy Plant from domestic to reclaimed water through the local plant.

How It Was Done: Once it was determined that NSU was going to utilize the reclaim water provided by the town of Davie, we had to prepare the system.

- Although the piping was there to bring it to the chillers, the chillers were not prepped to receive the reclaim water.
- So the first thing we did was during the chiller annuals we pulled both ends off and protected the tube sheets and ends with epoxy/Belzona
- We also performed baseline Eddy current test for both the evaporator and condenser.
- Additionally, we needed to measure the flow & pressure of the incoming reclaim water provided by the town of Davie for two reasons.
 - The first reason to validate the gallons that were going to be provided and billed for
 - The second was to have an indicator if flow/pressure was compromised so we could go back to city water without missing a beat.

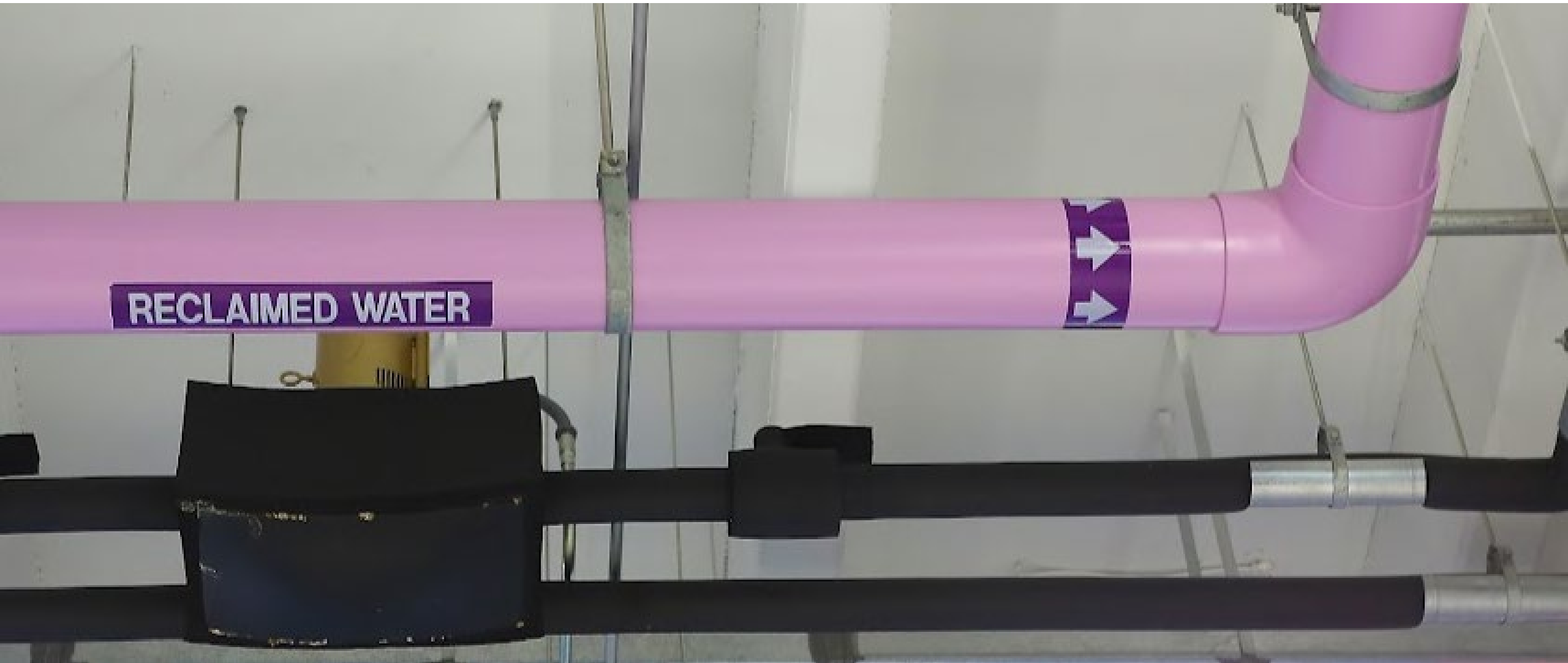
Chiller #2 Tube Sheets Following New Epoxy



Chiller #2 End Bell Following New Epoxy



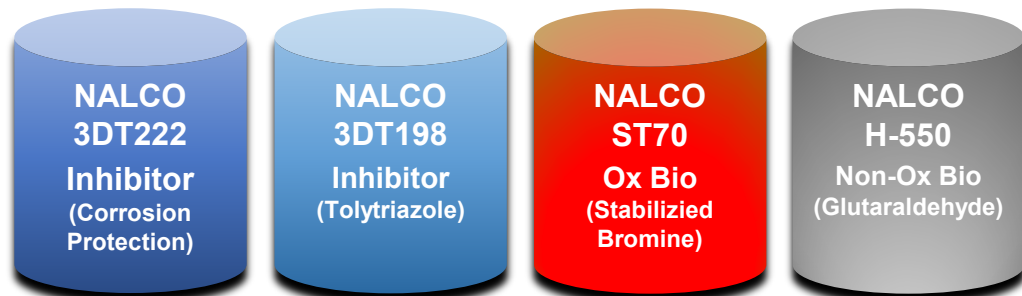
New Reclaim Water Piping in Zone 4 Plant



NSU Central Energy Plant Preventative Maintenance Water Treatment Program Updates

Previous Water Treatment Program of 3 Condenser Water Systems

- Cooling Tower Make-up Water: **CITY WATER**
- Make-up Water Tendency: **Corrosive**
- Water Usage: **22,876,125 gal / year**
- Associated Water Costs: **\$ 17.82 / 1,000 gal**
- Total Yearly Water Cost: **\$ 407,744.05**
- Water Treatment Program: **Corrosion Protection**
- Water Treatment Vendor: **NALCO Water**
- Program Cost: **\$ 18,720.00**
- Inhibitor Package: **NALCO 3DT222 (Corrosion Protection)**
- Additional Corrosion Inhibitor: **3DT198 (Tolytriazole)**
- Primary Biocide: **NALCO ST70 (Stabilized Bromine)**
- Secondary Biocide: **NALCO H-550 (Glutaraldehyde)**
- **Conductivity: 1,800 – 2,800** **pH Range: 8.0 – 9.4**
- **3DT Trasar Range: 100 – 200**
- **Organic-Phosphate: > 3.0** **Tolytriazole: > 3.0**
- **Chlorides: < 600** **Alkalinity: < 450** **Hardness: < 350**
- **Operating Cycles of Concentration: 5.0**

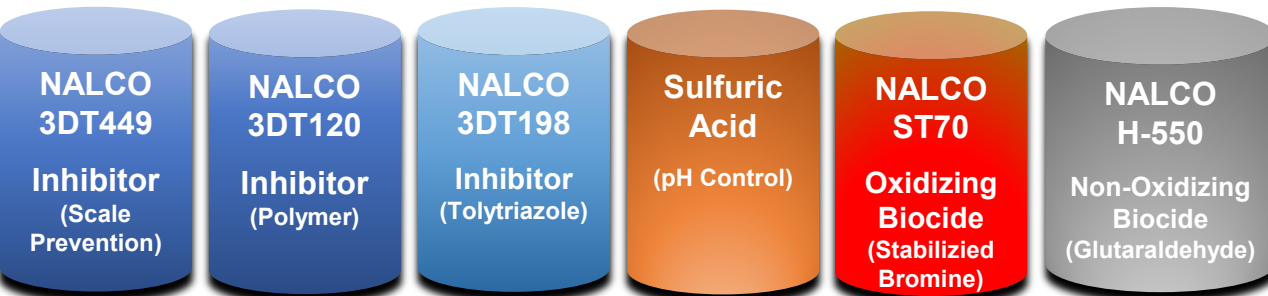


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Water Treatment

Current Water Treatment Program of 3 Condenser Water Systems

- Cooling Tower Make-up Water: RECLAIM WATER
- Make-up Water Tendency: Scale-Forming
- Water Usage: 36,601,800 gal / year
- Associated Water Costs: \$ 0.29 / 1,000 gal
- Total Yearly Water Cost: \$ 10,614.52
- Water Treatment Program: Scale Prevention
- Water Treatment Vendor: NALCO Water
- Program Cost: \$ 135,200.00
- Inhibitor Package 1: NALCO 3DT449 (Scale Prevention)
- Inhibitor Package 2: NALCO 3DT120 (Polymer)
- Corrosion Inhibitor: 3DT198 (Tolytriazole)
- pH Control: Sulfuric Acid (pH Control)
- Primary Biocide: NALCO ST70 (Stabilized Bromine)
- Secondary Biocide: NALCO H-550 (Glutaraldehyde)
- Conductivity: 1,200 – 1,600 pH Range: 6.8 – 7.4
- 3DT Trasar Range: 30 – 80
- Ortho-Phosphate: < 40 Tolytriazole: > 3.0
- Chlorides: < 300 Alkalinity: < 200 Hardness: < 200
- Operating Cycles of Concentration: 2.0



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Water Treatment

Cost Breakdown (FY2024)

- Previous Water Cost: \$ 407,744.05
- Current Water Cost: \$ 10,614.52
- Annual Water Savings: \$ 397,129.53
- Previous Water Treatment Costs: \$ 18,720.00
- Current Water Treatment Costs: \$ 135,200.00
- Annual Water Treatment Increase: \$ 116,480.00

\$ 397,129.53	(Annual Water Savings)
- \$ 116,480.00	(Additional Annual Water Treatment Costs)
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\$ 280,649.53	(Overall Annual Savings)

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1. Case Study: NSU Central Energy Plant Expansion

Return on Investment (ROI): The total overall Return on Investment (ROI) for the transition from domestic water make up to reclaim water is anticipated to materialize 19 months from project start.

		Total Gallons	Tgals	Cost average of Water	\$/Tgal 12month average	Annual Cost of Water w/ Water Treatment	\$ Savings Reclaim V. Domestic	% Savings Reclaim V. Domestic
Reclaim						\$135,200.00		
	May-22	1,917,480	1,917.480	\$533.06				
FY 23	July 22 - June 23	30,240,920	30,240.920	\$8,406.98	\$0.278	\$143,606.98	\$209,880.01	146.15%
FY 24	July 23- June 24	36,601,800	36,601.800	\$10,614.52	\$0.290	\$145,814.52	\$280,649.53	192.47%
	To date	2,515,744	2515.744	\$729.57				
		71,275,944	71,275.944	\$20,284.12				
Domestic Water						\$18,720.00		
Estimated 40% reduction in consumption compared to reclaim								
	May-22		1198.425	\$21,226.50				
FY 23	July 22 - June 23		18,900.575	\$334,766.98	\$17.712	\$353,486.98		
FY 24	July 23- June 24		22,876.125	\$407,744.05	\$17.824	\$426,464.05		
	To date		1572.34	\$28,025.39				
			44,547.465	\$791,762.93				



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**What are the goals of the NSU
CEP preventative maintenance program?**

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2. What are the goals of the NSU CEP preventative maintenance program?

- Minimize Unscheduled Downtime
- Keep Equipment Running Efficiently from an Energy Perspective
- Meet or Beat Manufacturers Estimated Life Cycle of The Equipment





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Predictive

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3. Predictive

- Forecast the future.
- Tools available today.
- Monitoring the chiller approach can help identify issues.
- Pressure transducers across the Spirotherm, wye strainer, and heat exchangers help predict the frequency of maintenance needed.
- The electricians also perform infrared analysis on the starters, bus bars, and breakers all to forecast the future and of course we also do the regular standard oil and refrigerant analysis compared to baseline.





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How do we get it done?

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4. How Do We Get it Done?

- Hill York has maintained this plant for the past 16 years with seasoned full time plant operators
- We bring in other resources to address a myriad of needs, preventative maintenance, and repairs.
- The plant takes more than 5,000 hours annually to service and maintain.
- We leverage the power of the Alerton building automation system to gather data and alert issues as they arise.
- The plant is a 24/7/365 responsibility that we are humbly entrusted with.



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Future Challenges

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5. Future Challenges

- Flexibility
- Reclaimed Water
- Additional load
- Plant age and maturity





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Sequencing

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6. Sequencing

Make sure the sequence of each task is scheduled correctly.

Phasing:

- Make sure all relationships are accurate.
- Participation from ALL contractors, suppliers and stakeholders is required to successfully schedule, phase and sequence a project.
- Procurement of materials is important.
- Weekly updates and managing milestones.
- Don't plan to finish on the last day.



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Conclusion

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7. Conclusion

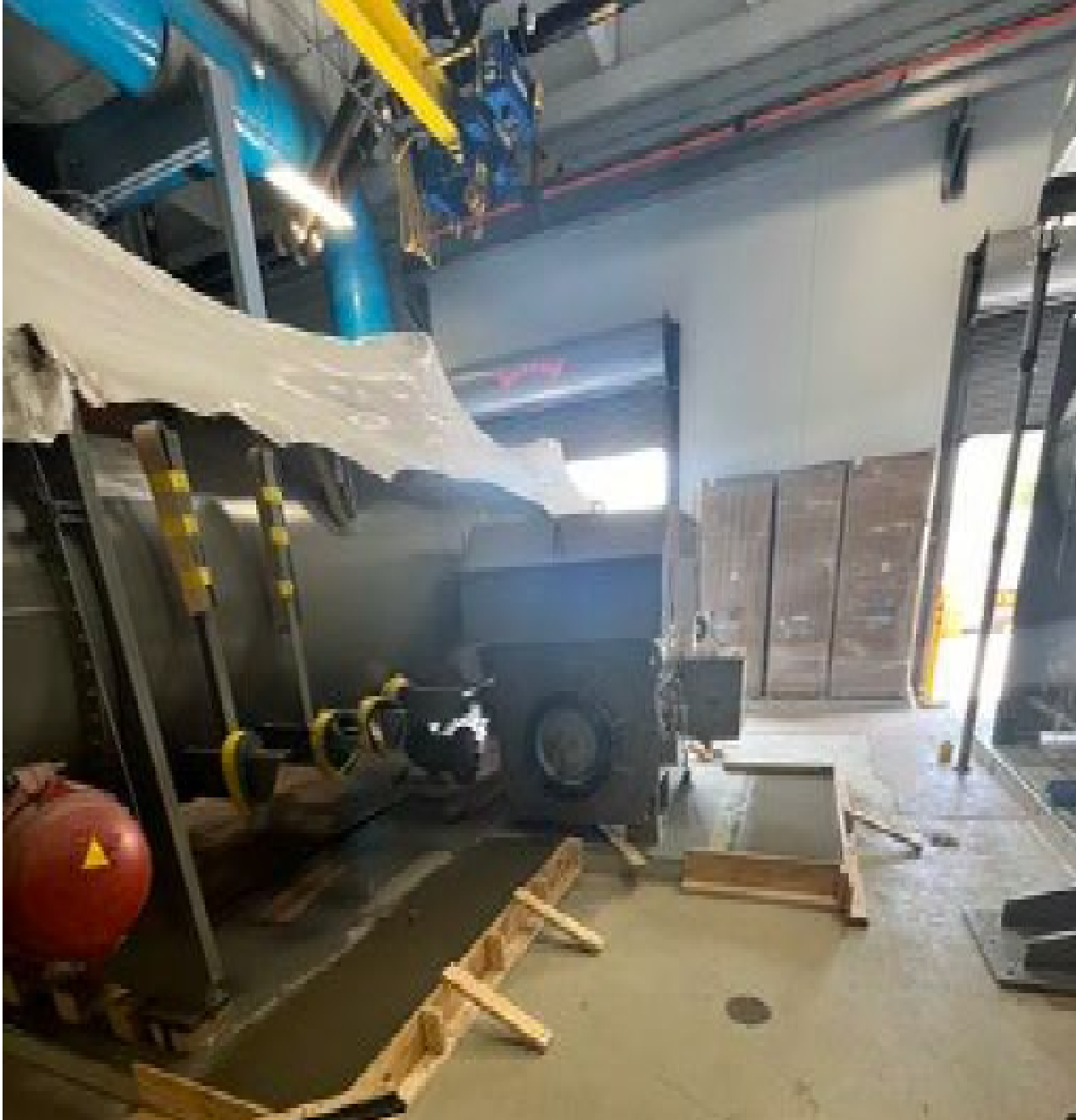
Critical Factors:

- Exceptional project team
- Define goals and objectives
- Communication
- Weekly updates and managing milestones
- Safe & sustainable



Building of Chiller # 5 Progress
May 13, 2024





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May 13, 2024

Building of Chiller # 5 Progress
May 11, 2024



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CT Material Delivery
June 17, 2024



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June 17, 2024



CT Material Delivery
June 17, 2024



Pump Delivery
May 6, 2024



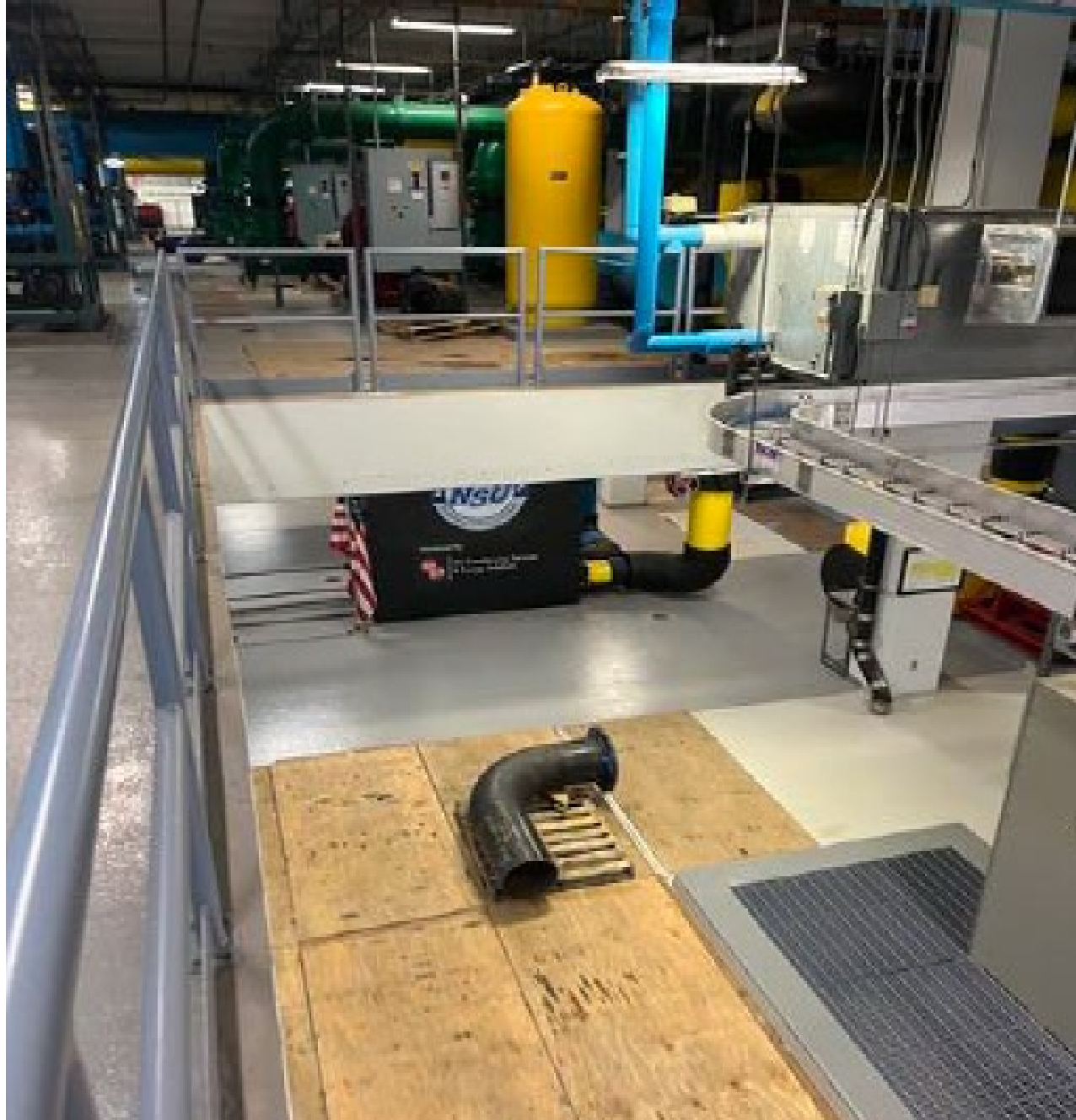
Pump Delivery
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Set CDW Pumps
May 6, 2024



Set CDW Pumps
May 16, 2024



Set CHW Pumps
June 4, 2024



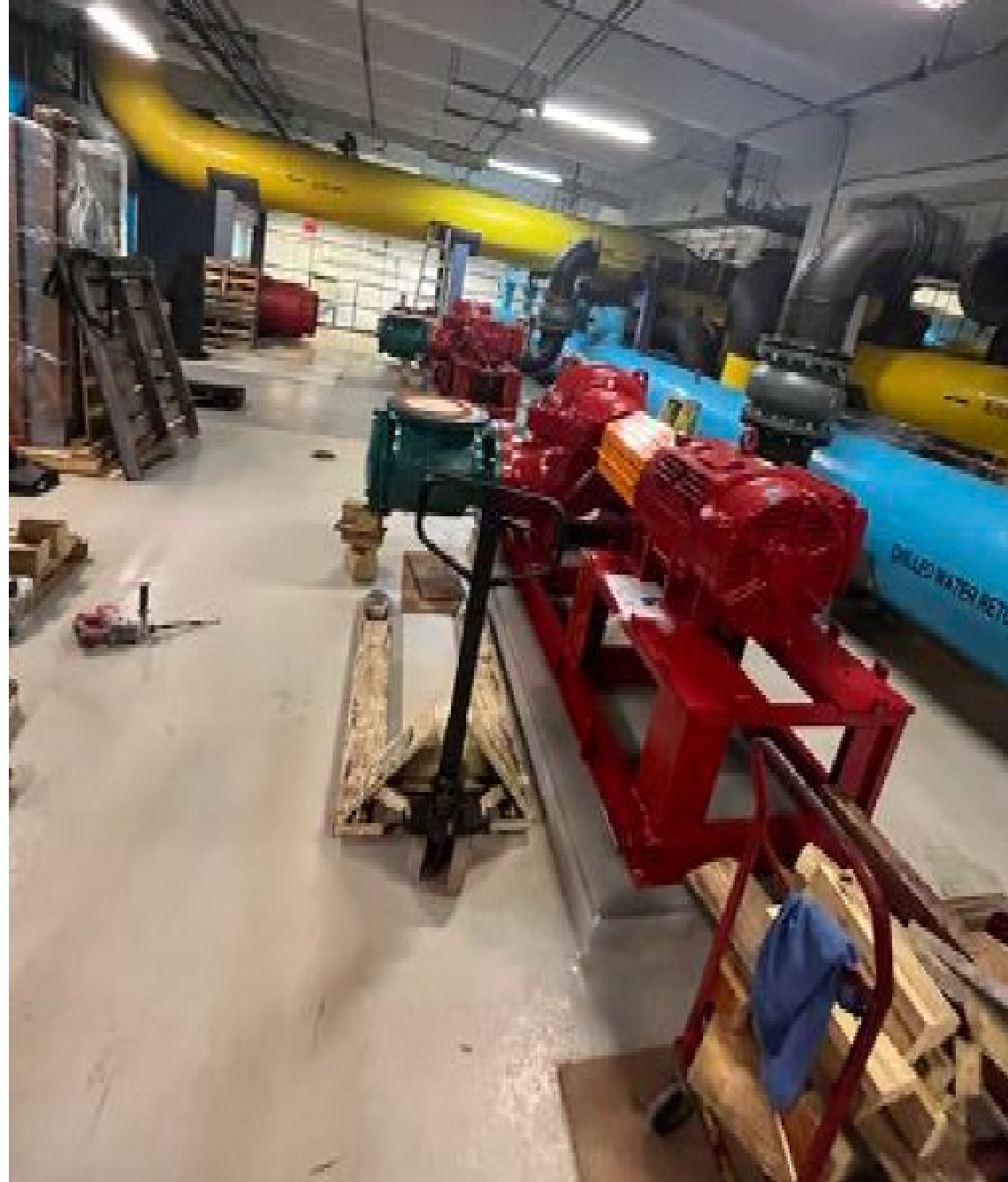
Set Glycol Pumps
June 4, 2024



Set Glycol Pumps
June 17, 2024



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THANK YOU!

Questions & Answers



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Transition: The effort to accomplish this transition started with chiller #2, which was completed in April 2022.

- During this first month, we utilized 50,705 gallons of reclaim water that would have otherwise been used as domestic.
- Out of an abundance of caution and as recommended by NSU's water treatment consultant, H2Omeyer, the team had decided to initiate reclaim water transition to only one system (chiller #2) on a trial basis for a duration of three (3) months.
- After the trial period, chiller #2 was opened and inspected for any damage from corrosion and/or deposition.
- Initiating the one chiller trial basis impacted the return on investment (ROI) but some of the expenses were "one-time costs" that would either be incurred anyway (annuals, Eddy current testing) or apply to all three (3) chillers in preparation for reclaim feed.