

# **40-Year Anniversary of District's Wastewater Treatment Plant**

Board of Directors Meeting May 11, 2022



#### **Overview**

#### Delta Diablo

## Celebrating 40 Years at WWTP

- Although District has existed for 67<sup>+</sup> years, the WWTP will mark 40 years of service on May 13, 2022
- Exemplary regulatory compliance record in protecting public health and the environment
  - Recent streak of 14 consecutive years w/o discharge permit violation

Effective and reliable facility operation is critical to serving

over 215,000 customers in Bay Point, Pittsburg, and Antioch

 Maintaining focus on continued infrastructure investment, and adapting to new technologies and regulatory requirements to meet the challenges of next 40 years



### Historical Context Regulatory Driver, Local Implementation



#### 1972

Federal Clean Water
Act requiring
secondary treatment of
wastewater and
pollution prevention
programs

1974

East/Central Contra Costa County Waste Management Agency formed 1976

Contra Costa County Sanitation District 7-A (formed in 1955) annexed Antioch and Pittsburg 1982

Construction of "Industrial Shores Facilities" completed at \$50M cost with \$42M in federal grant funding



State Water Resources
Control Board adopts
policy encouraging
"subregional"
treatment facilities

Planning studies
recommending new
wastewater conveyance
and treatment facilities
for Antioch, Pittsburg,
and West Pittsburg
(now Bay Point)

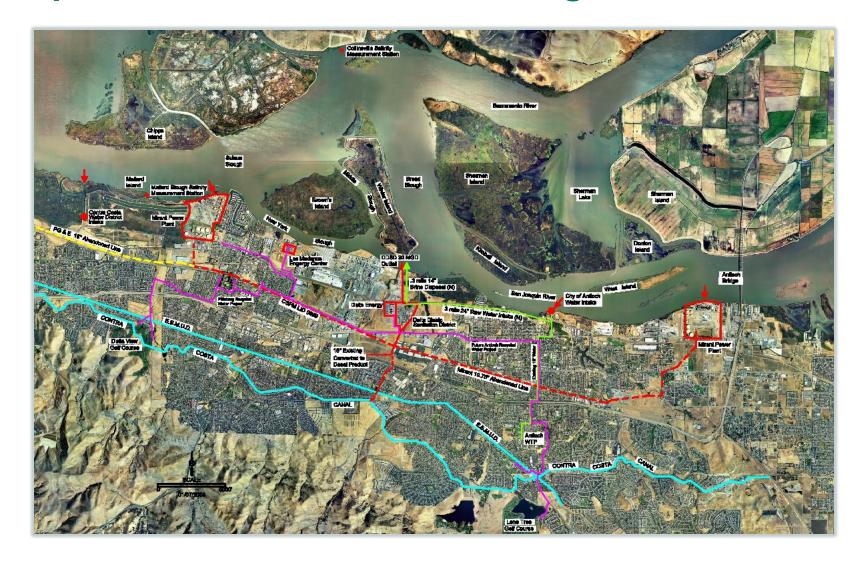
Established
authority to
proceed
with design,
construction, and
operations of new
facilities

#### **Facility Design/Construction**

- "Industrial Shore Water Pollution Control Plant"
- New York Slough Outfall
- Antioch, Pittsburg, and Shore Acres Pump Stations and conveyance systems
- Montezuma conveyance system

### Federal Clean Water Act – Key Goal Replace Small WWTPs w/Subregional Facilities Diable





# District WWTP Opening Ceremony – May 13, 1982



- Attended by congressional representatives and local elected officials, included flag-raising ceremony
- "Delta Diablo Sanitation District" was identified as unofficial name (officially in 1989, modified to "Delta Diablo" in 2013)
  - Announcement and prize awarded following facility naming event with local schoolchildren

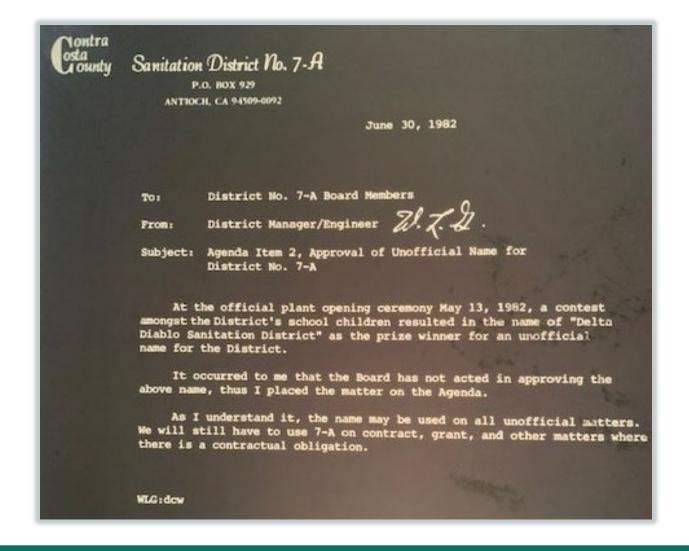


#### **Delta Diablo Sanitation District**

 Included equalization storage basin, bar screens, aerated grit chambers, primary clarifiers, dual-stage biological treatment process (TTFs, activated sludge), secondary clarifiers, disinfection, solids handling (DAFTs, digesters, centrifuges, on-site energy production (via cogen engines)

### Historical Record – June 30, 1982 Memo Noting DDSD as Unofficial Name





#### **Key Highlights**

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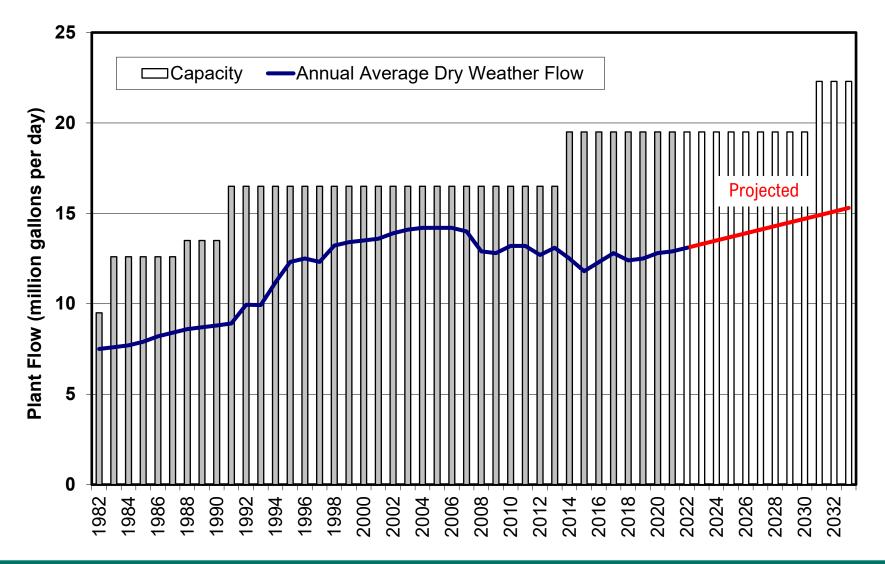
## **40 Years of WWTP Operation**

- Average WWTP flow increased from 7.0 million gallons per day (MGD) to 13.6 MGD
  - Nearly 100,000 customers in 1982, over 215,000 customers today
- District is recognized as award-winning, industry leader known for progressive "Utility of the Future" commitment
  - Dozens of prestigious awards at national, state, and local level recognizing exemplary regulatory compliance, environmental stewardship, operational excellence, financial reporting
- Significant WWTP capital improvements completed to maintain infrastructure and expand services
- Over 350 talented, dedicated employees have directly contributed to District's success



## Historical and Projected Flows and Treatment Capacity



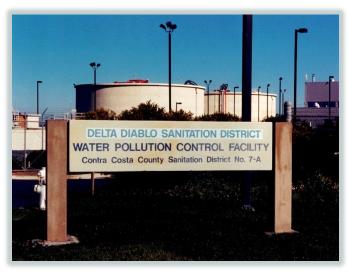


### **Historical WWTP Photos**





Plant Construction – early 1980s



**Original Plant Signage – 1980s** 



## Historical WWTP Photos (cont'd)

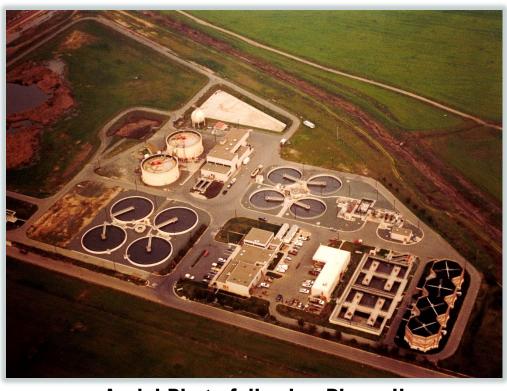




From Dewatering Building Room Prior to Phase II Expansion – 1982



Wastewater Field Sampling and Analysis – 1991



Aerial Photo following Phase II Expansion – 1985-86

## Ensuring Resiliency for the Next 40 Years



- Addressing aging infrastructure
- Meeting challenge of future nutrient management regulatory requirements (>\$150M WWTP upgrade cost)
- Ensuring workforce development to support District mission and meet customer needs
- Recovering valuable resources
- Implementing Strategic Plan, which identifies key goals, strategies, and objectives to guide activities over next few years

#### **MISSION**

Delta Diablo protects
public health and the environment
for our communities by
safely providing exceptional
wastewater conveyance, treatment,
and resource recovery services
in a sustainable and
fiscally-responsible manner

#### **VISION**

Delta Diablo will achieve sustained organizational excellence through dedicated commitment to public service, stewardship, innovation, industry leadership, and active engagement at all levels



## **Next Steps**

- Hold Employee Recognition lunch event to celebrate WWTP 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (late May)
  - District staff continue to effectively meet challenges in support of fulfilling core mission as essential service workers
- Share presentation with all District staff, and conduct brownbag virtual presentation with expanded content
- Post feature story on District's website

