



# Water Purification E Beam Opportunities

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# Wisconsin Based Cheese and Dairy Ingredient Company



# Water Purification vs Waste Treatment

- Our main ingredient is milk
- The solids that go to our water purification plant are from milk, and should be captured prior to treatment for animal feed
- WPDES permit requirements now require more investment to meet tighter limits
- The water from our cheese and whey plant are purified before being discharged to the environment. They should be reused

# Cheese Making 101

- 100 pounds of milk (3.5% fat, 3.2% protein, 5.4% carbohydrates, 0.8 minerals, 88% water)
  - 10 pounds of cheese (50% moisture or 5 pounds of water)
  - 90 pounds of whey (0.05% fat, 0.8% protein, 4.5% carbohydrates, 0.5% minerals, 95% water)
- Most of the whey solids are dried and 50% of the water can be captured as COW water (Condensate Of Whey)

# Cheese and Whey Plant

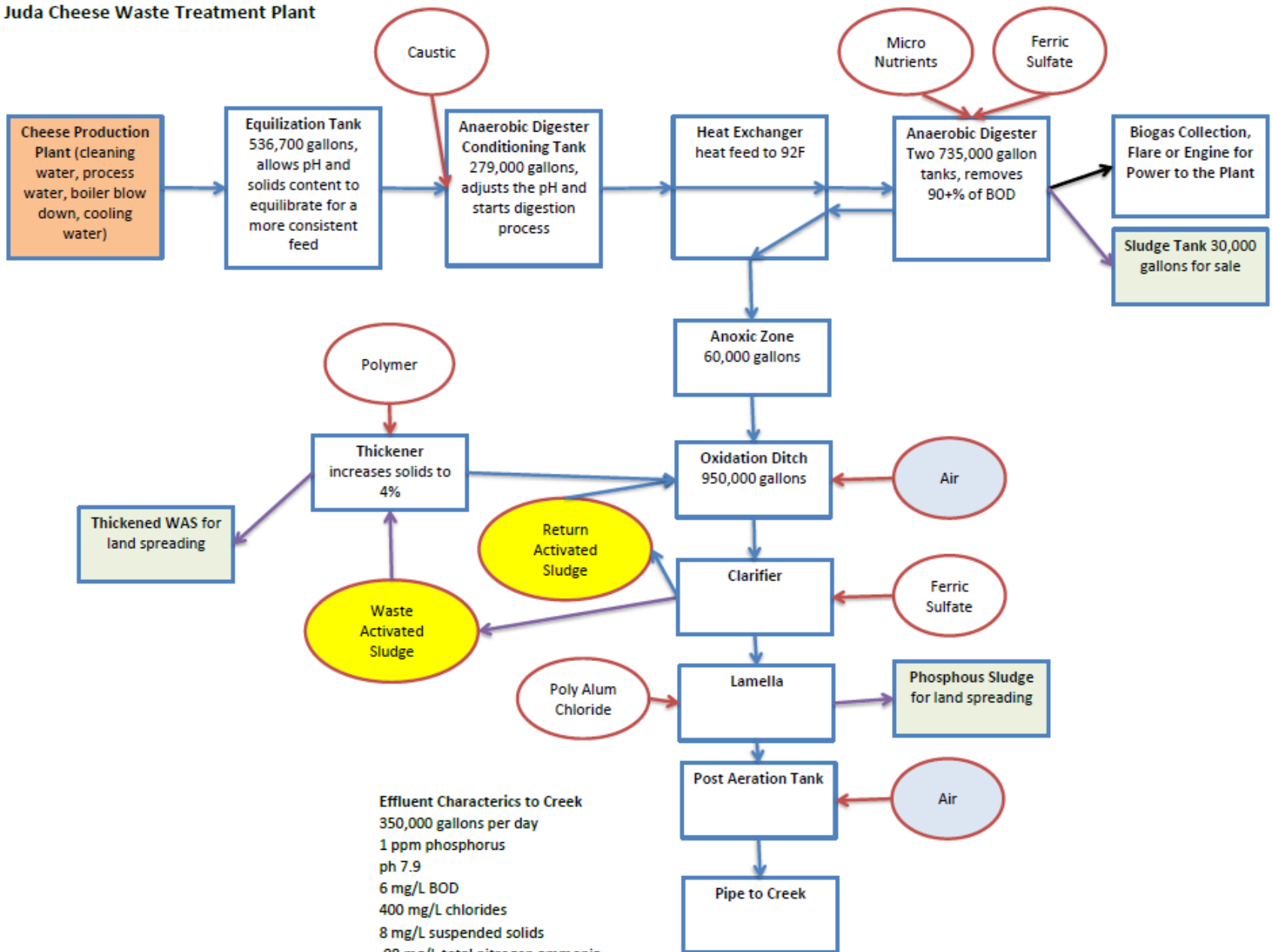
- A large cheese plant utilizes 3 million pounds of milk per day (360,000 gallons or 65 trucks)
- Produces 300,000 pounds of cheese per day
- Produces 75,000 pounds of dry whey products
- Uses 700,000 gallons of water per day (generally once through)
- Generates 800,000 gallons of waste water per day (most for cleaning equipment)



# Pasteurized Milk Ordinance Water Reuse

- Category 1-Potable Water Reuse
  - Needs to be pasteurized equivalent
  - Requires cleaning of tanks and distribution lines
- Category 2-Limited Use
  - Pre-rinses, cleaning water makeup, culinary steam
- Category 3-Not meeting requirements of ½
  - Non culinary boilers
  - Outside of truck washes

# Juda Cheese Waste Treatment Plant



**Effluent Characteristics to Creek**  
 350,000 gallons per day  
 1 ppm phosphorus  
 ph 7.9  
 6 mg/L BOD  
 400 mg/L chlorides  
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# Purified Water from Cheese

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# E Beam Opportunities

- Reuse of secondary streams
  - RO retentate with 3% CHO and 3% minerals
  - COW water with low levels of BOD
  - Polished cleaning water
- Reuse of purified water for towers, boilers, etc