## Commercial Systems Treating both High and Low Strength Perchlorate Applications Utilizing Ion Exchange

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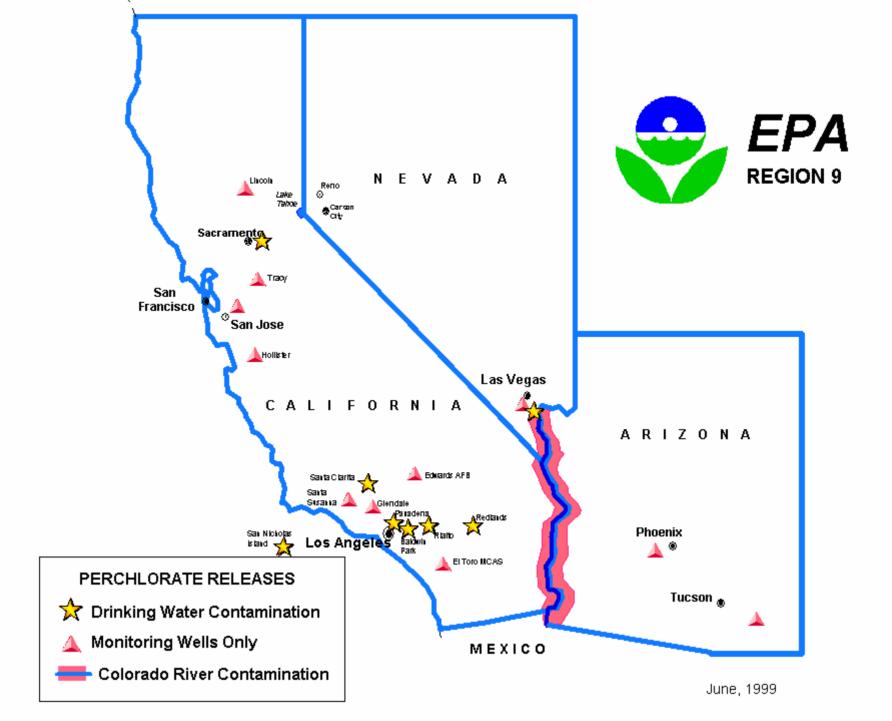
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### Agenda

- IX Development Chronology
- ISEP & ISEP+ Systems
- Pilot Tests
- Operating Systems
  - High Strength Application
  - Low Strength Application

### ISEP & ISEP+ Systems

- 1/98 CCC conducted first lab tests
- 8/98 Completed first successful field pilot tests
  - San Gabriel Valley, CA
- 1/99 Completed perchlorate removal and destruction pilot tests
  - NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab Pasadena, CA
- 11/99 First remediation system
  - Henderson, NV
- 2/00 First potable water system
  - LaPuente, CA



### Ion Exchange Process

• Removal/Regeneration – IX resin

$$ClO_4 + R-Cl = R-ClO_4 + Cl$$
  
 $R-ClO_4 + NaCl = R-Cl + NaClO_4$   
 $R-ClO_4 + NaClO_4$ 

Destruction – Catalytic Reduction

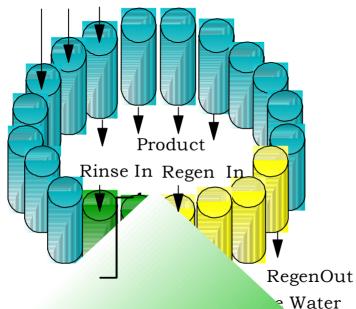
$$NaClO_4 + 8H^* = NaCl + 4 H_2O$$
(H\*) – hydrogen source

### ISEP & ISEP Systems

- ISEP System Continuous ion exchange process to remove perchlorate and nitrate from water
- ISEP+ System Continuous ion exchange process to remove and **destroy** perchlorate and nitrate from water

#### **ISEP Illustration**

Feed (all blue cylinders)

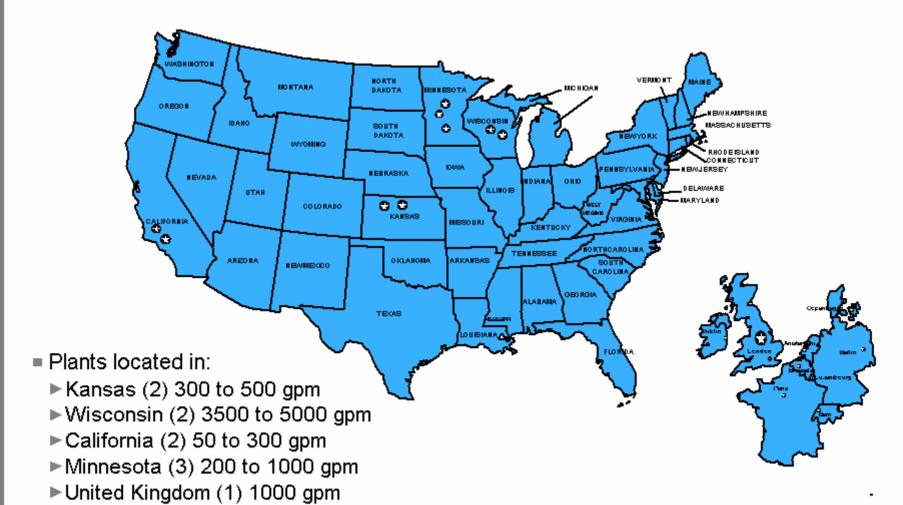


#### **ISEP Design Features**

- ► Configuration flexibility
- ► Reduced resin inventory
- ► Simplified control philosophy
- ► Reduced regeneration chemicals
- ► Steady state operation

ROTATION DIRECTION

# Calgon Carbon ISEP Experience Drinking Water Plants



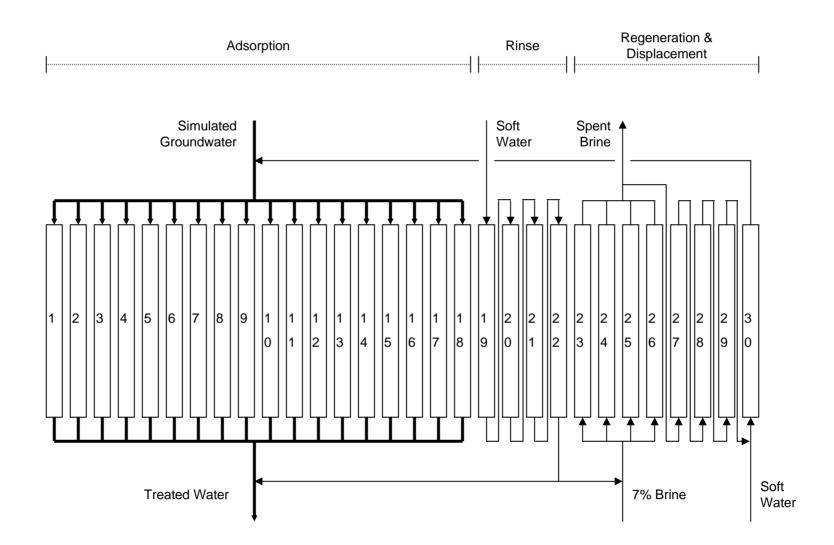


Figure 1. Schematic of the ISEP® Ion Exchange Process

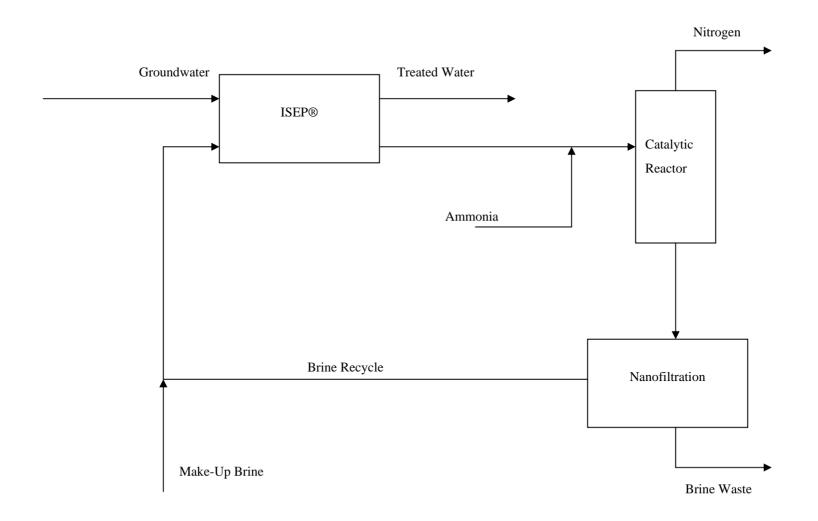
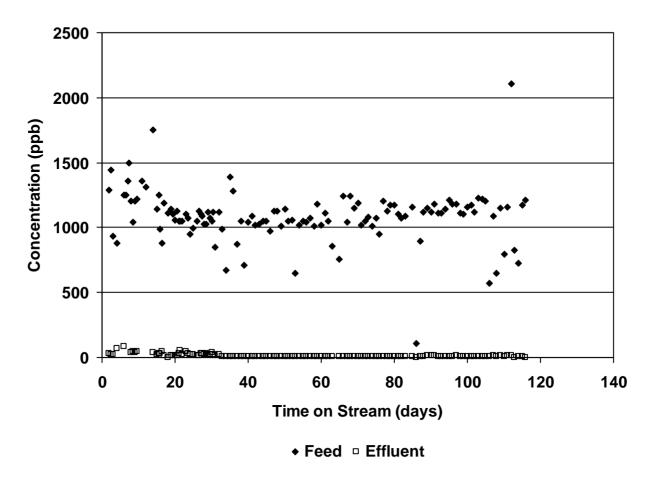
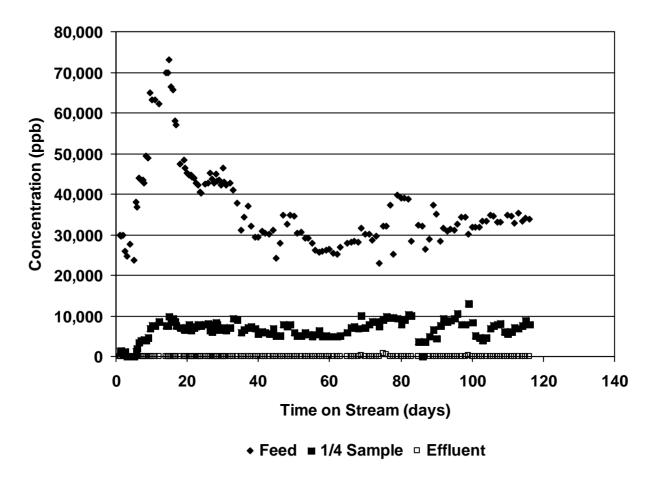


Figure 2. Block-Flow Diagram of the ISEP+ $^{\rm TM}$  Process



Non-Detectable ClO<sub>4</sub>- Levels Recorded as 4 ppb

Figure 3. Perchlorate Removal in the ISEP®



Non-Detectable CIO<sub>4</sub>- Levels Recorded as 100 ppb

Figure 4. Destruction of Perchlorate in the Reactor

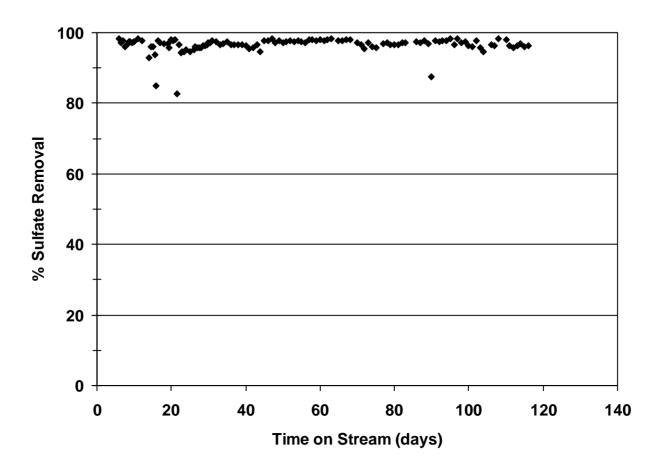


Figure 5. Sulfate Removal in the Nanofiltration Process

#### Henderson, NV Remediation

- Remediation application
- Instillation designed to treat perchlorate containing seep water draining into Lake Mead
- System was commissioned in November 1999 and has been in continuous operation since that time

#### Henderson, NV Remediation

- Ion exchange system is designed to remove 100 ppm of perchlorate
  - Actual levels have varied from 80 110 ppm
- System designed to treat 450 gpm of water
  - Flow rates have varied from 200 560 gpm
- System designed to achieve 97 % perchlorate removal
  - Typical effluent perchlorate effluent levels are non detectable on an ion selective electrode (<2 ppm)</li>

# La Puente Valley County Water District ISEP System

- 2500 gpm drinking water application
- Designed to treat perchlorate, volatile organics, NDMA, and 1,4-dioxane
- System was commissioned in February 2000

# La Puente Valley County Water District

- ISEP System accepted by CADHS for perchlorate and nitrate drinking water applications
- Operating permit currently under review by CADHS – Metropolitan District
- Emergency use permit approved
- Currently ISEP system is operating 19 hr/day to control perchlorate plume

#### **Capital Costs**

- Estimated Capital January 1999
- **\$4,600,000**

- Actual Capital 03/31/00
- **\$4,070,041**
- Engineering and permits for DOHS Testing
- \$882,608 (Budgeted \$314,399)
- Total \$4,952,649
- Overrun \$352,649

## La Puente Operational Costs

	Budget 1/99	Actual
Wells*	\$21/AF	\$21/AF
Air Strippers	\$7/AF	\$7/AF
Booster	\$7/AF	\$7/AF
ISEP	\$69.98/AF	\$52.34/AF
Brine Disp.	\$21/AF	\$4/AF
Rayox	\$89.72/AF	\$42.61/AF
Peroxide	\$16.32/AF	\$7/AF
Maint/Labor	\$59.18/AF	\$86.71/AF
Total	\$291.20/AF	\$227.66/AF
Savings		\$63.54/AF





### Summary

- ISEP Systems capable of treating both high and low strength perchlorate applications at very low waste brine levels
- ISEP+ Systems capable of treating and destroying perchlorate at very low or zero waste levels