



# COMBINED HEAT & POWER AND EFFICIENCY INITIATIVES \_\_\_\_

**South District Wastewater Treatment Plant** 



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Project Objectives



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#### **Barrier to Implementation**

- Integration
  - Electrical distribution systems parallel interconnection and configuration of switchgear connections
  - Utility agreements
- High maintenance systems
  - Blending sources with varying methane content and heating values while achieving engine efficiencies and meeting air emissions standards
- Air permitting
- Staff sufficient number and expertise (electricians, diesel mechanics, instrument technicians)
- Competing priorities

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#### **Lessons Learned**

- Engaging operations staff at the project planning phase to maximize effective design and operation
- Consider long-term plant power load to enable expansion of cogeneration to offset new demand
- Establish performance measurement data & tools
- A Champion to support troubleshooting, continued improvement, and reporting and messaging
- Partnership is key for continuous improvement
  - US DOE CHP Accelerator
  - Academic sector





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### **Project Impact**

- 2-3 MW / 30% of energy needs
- \$650,000 annual savings
- Reduce emissions from wastewater and landfill operations
- Operational continuity during and after storm events
- Allows for response resources across region

