# IPR to DPR: Balancing treatment, monitoring, and storage

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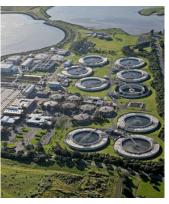
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# Indirect Potable Reuse (IPR) Components



Source Control



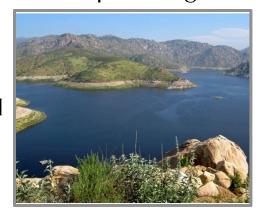
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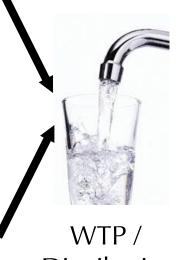
Advanced Water Treatment



Aquifer Injection / Spreading



Reservoir Augmentation



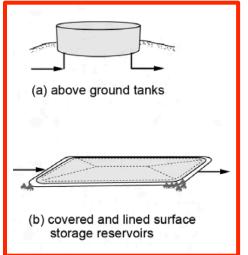
Distribution

#### DPR: no environmental buffer



Control

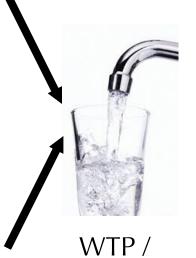




Engineered Storage Buffer (ESB)



Flange-to-flange



Distribution

## Role of environmental buffer in IPR







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How do maintain these protections without an environmental buffer?

What are the key issues?

# Moving from IPR to DPR

- A clear requirement for DPR: protect public health
- Main challenge identified by CDPH: loss of environmental buffer → reduced storage → less response time
- Reduced response retention time is the key issue in transition to DPR

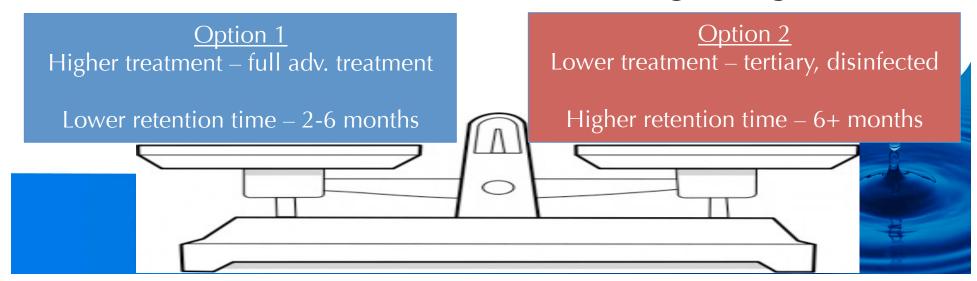
# Fundamental Question

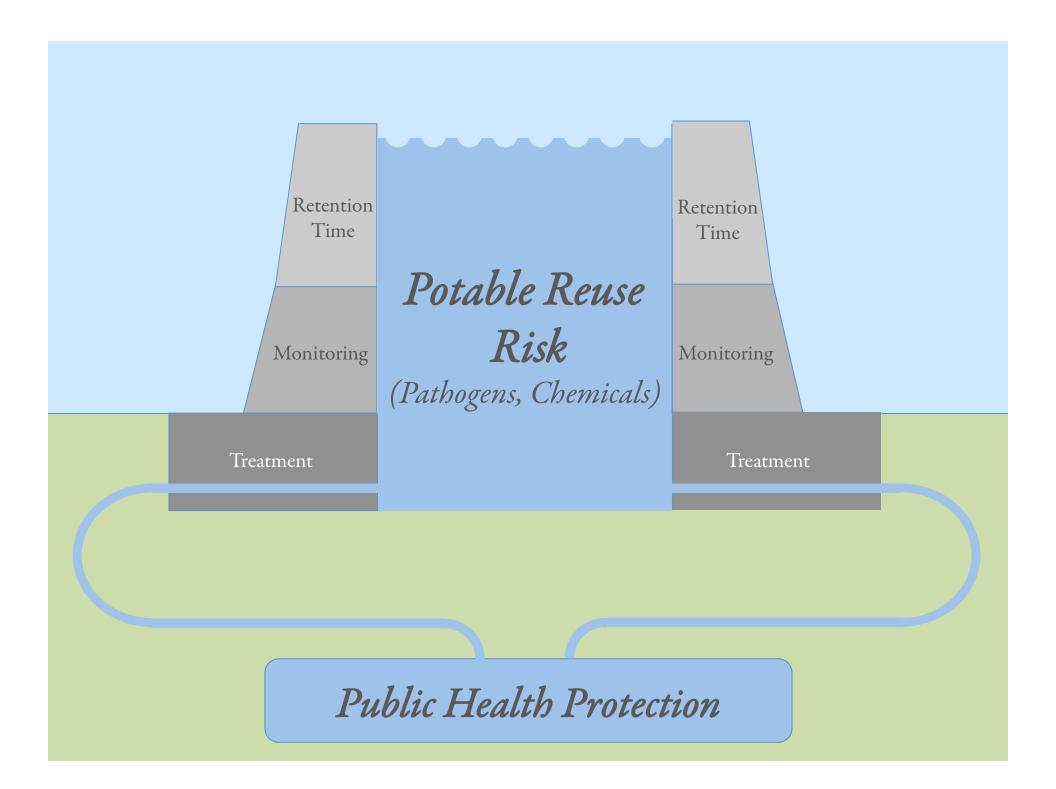
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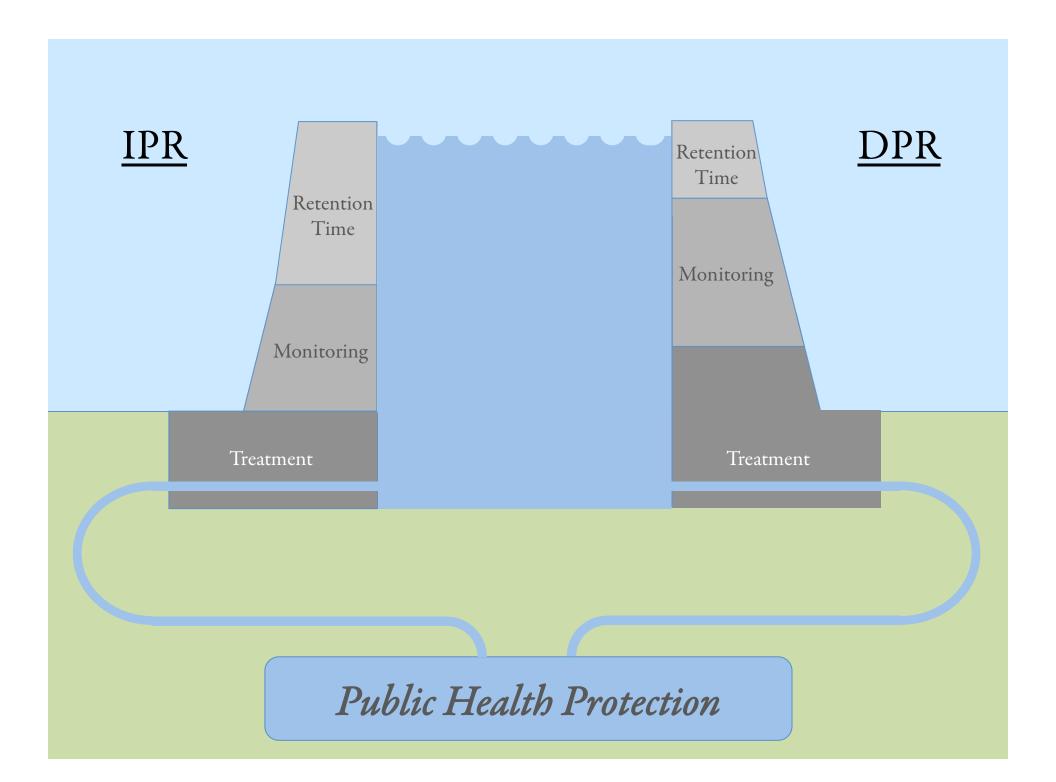


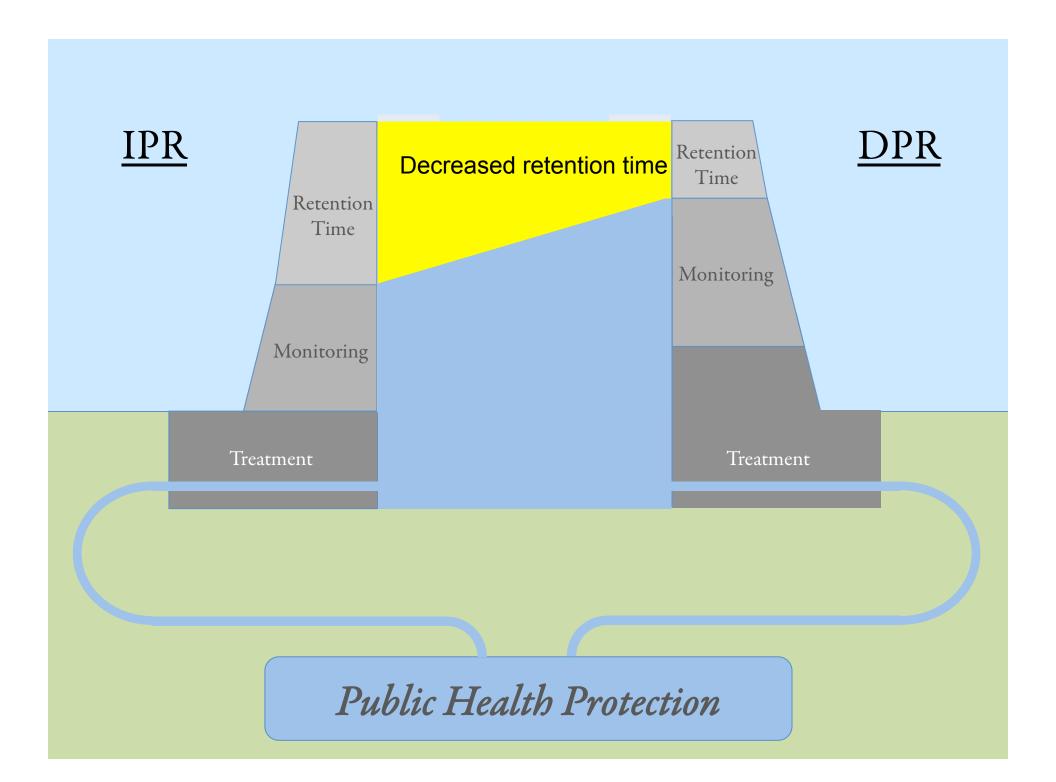
# Balancing Potable Reuse Elements

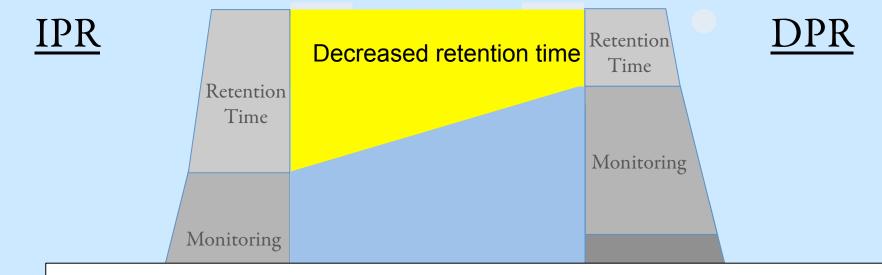
- All 3 elements—treatment, monitoring, and retention time—contribute to public health
- No "ideal" combination; involves trade-offs
- Precedents? Groundwater Recharge Regulations









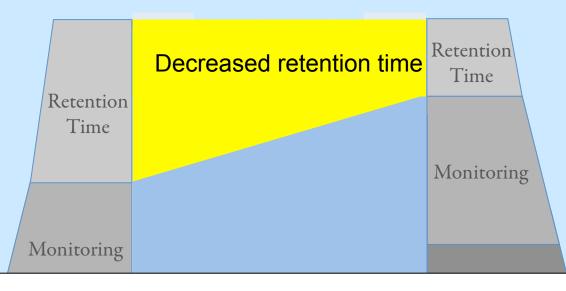


- Retention time for **treatment** 



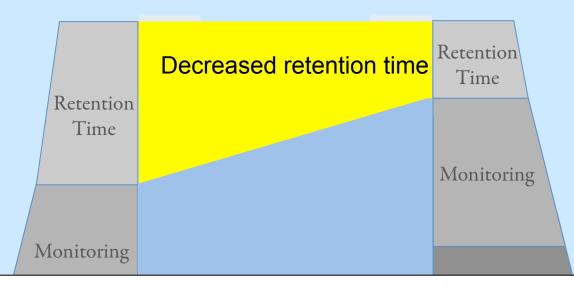
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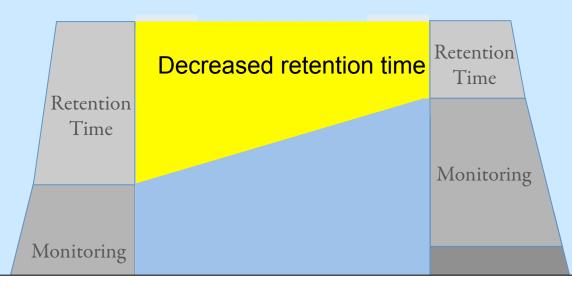


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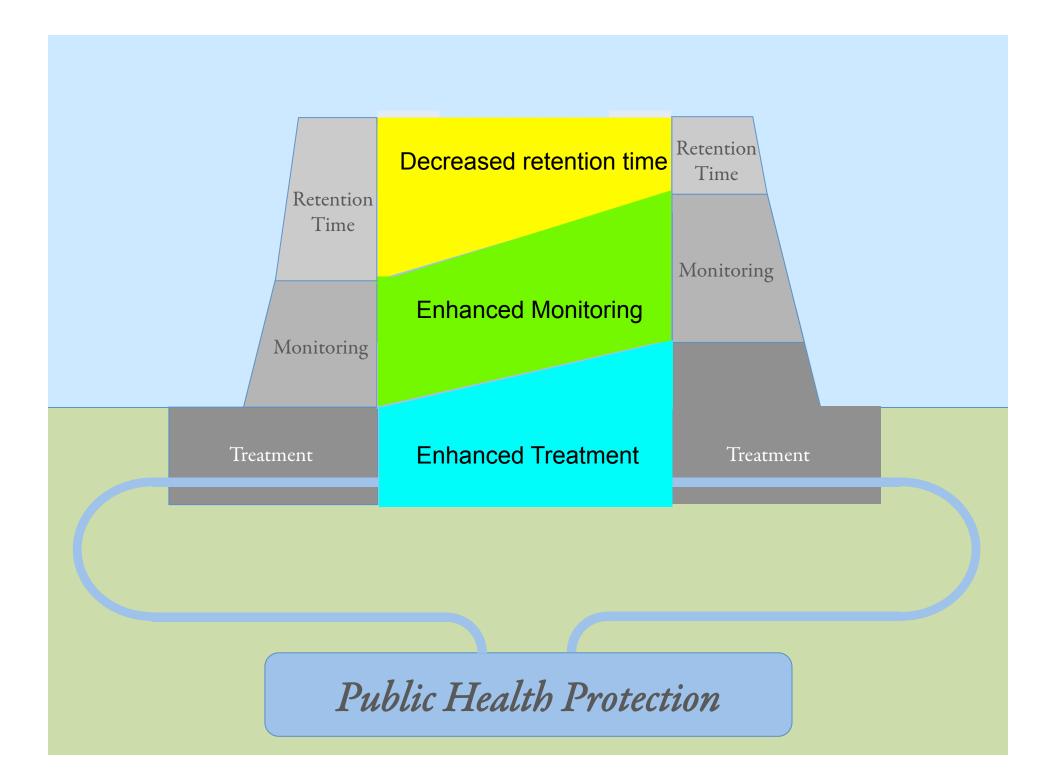
  Decrease time needed to detect
  compromise or failure



- Retention time for **treatment**Enhance treatment above ground
- Retention time for **failure response**Or, Make system FAILSAFE



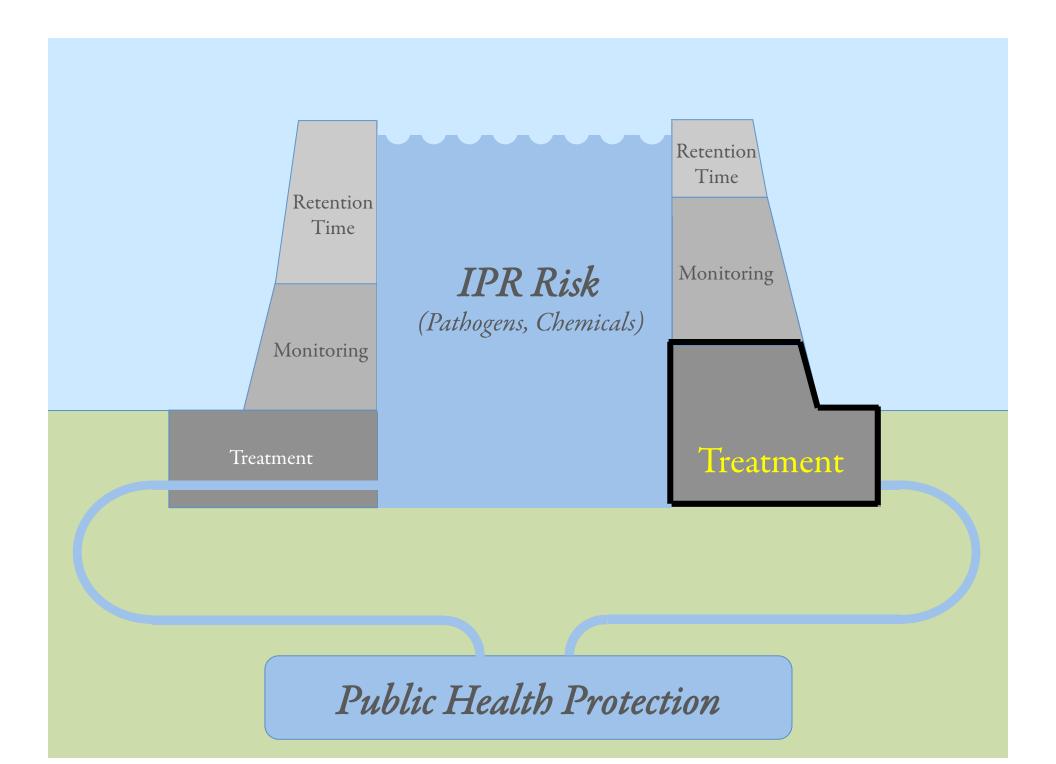
- Retention time for **treatment**Enhance treatment above ground
- Retention time for **failure response**Or, reduce response time <u>and</u> reduce risk of failure at the same time



# Goals for today's presentation

Discuss balance of 3 potable reuse elements

- How shorter response retention time (RRT) can be compensated with:
  - Enhanced treatment
  - Enhanced monitoring
- Discuss trade-offs of different options



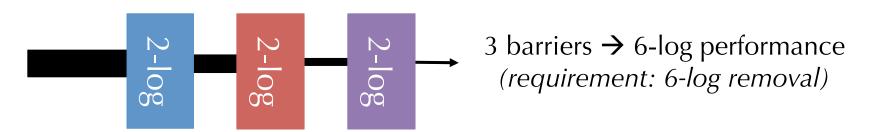
#### **Enhanced Treatment**

How does enhanced treatment work?

By reducing the risk of treatment failures

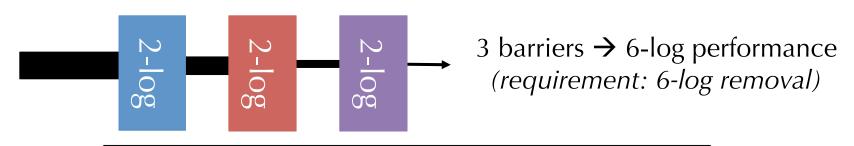
What is the key to treatment reliability? Redundancy with multiple barriers

1. Multiple barrier approach





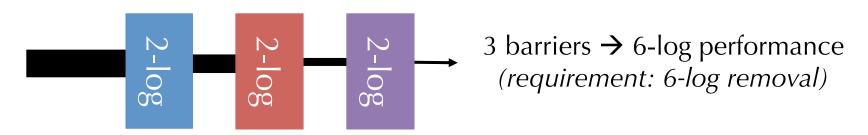
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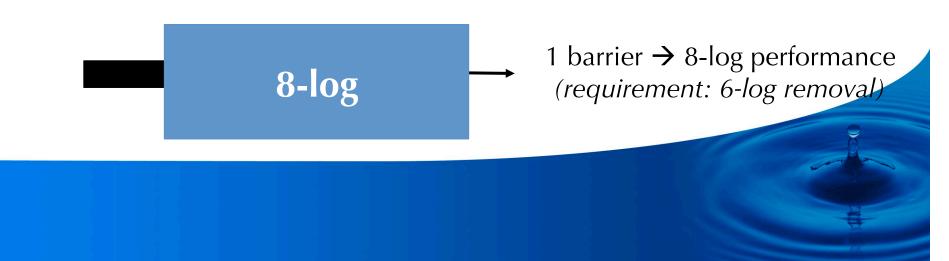
Benefit: minimizes risk of complete failure



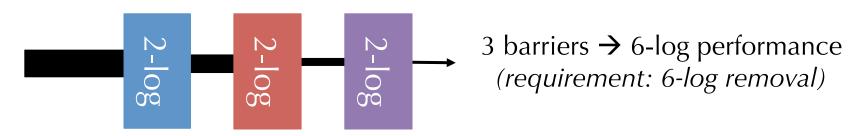
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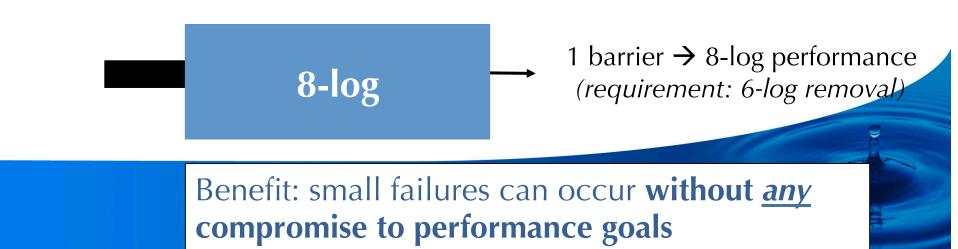
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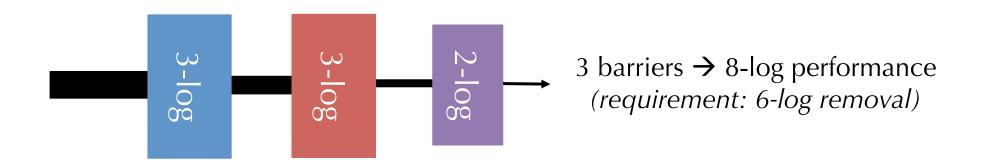


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#### Treatment Concept for DPR

Employ **both** forms to ensure treatment <u>reliability</u>



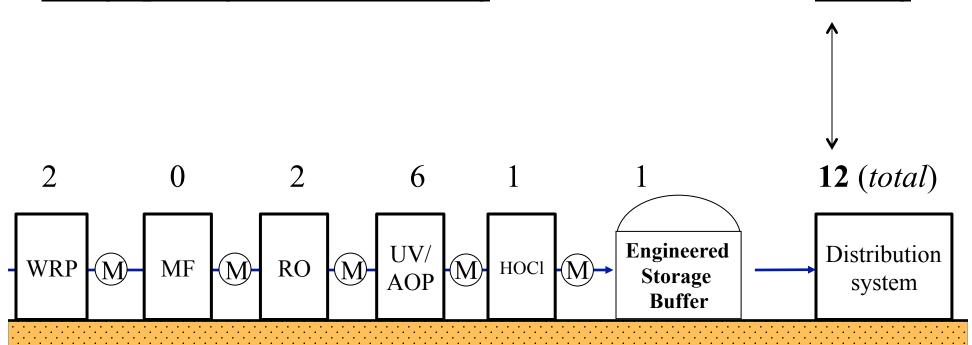
#### **Benefits**

- Meets performance goals, even during failure events
- Reduces need for rapid response to failure
- No new technology required

## Example: reliability thru multiple barriers

Design pathogen removal: 12-log

Goal: 12-Log



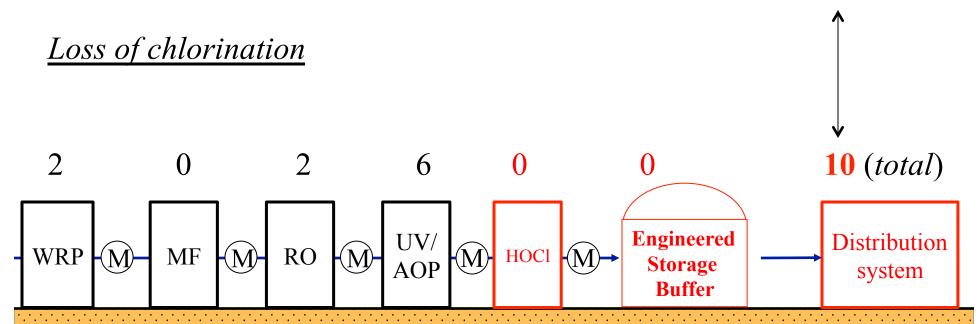
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#### Example: reliability thru multiple barriers

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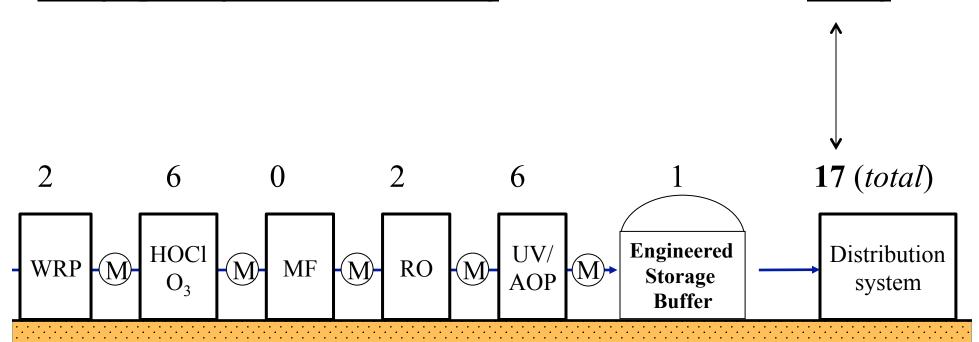


Even with loss of chlorination, 10-log removal is still provided



Design pathogen removal: 17-Log

**Goal:** <u>12-log</u>

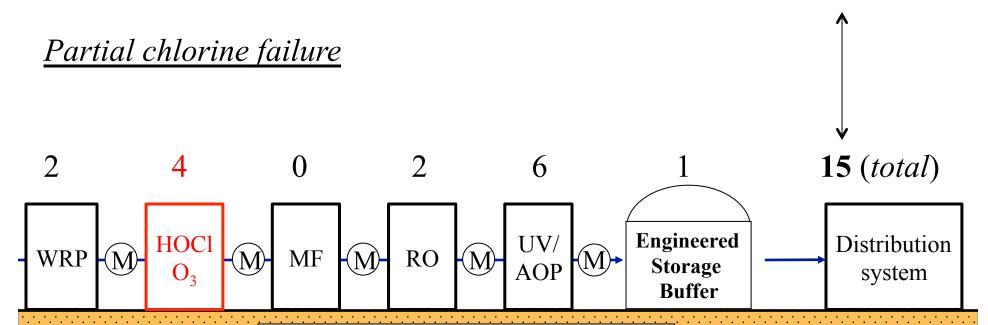


Treatment and monitoring

**Storage and monitoring** 



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Same treatment failure → 12-log goal is still exceeded



Design pathogen removal: 17-Log

Same treatment failure + monitoring failure **13** (*total*) 6 **Engineered** Distribution MF WRP RO AOP **Storage** system **Buffer** Treatment + monitoring failure →

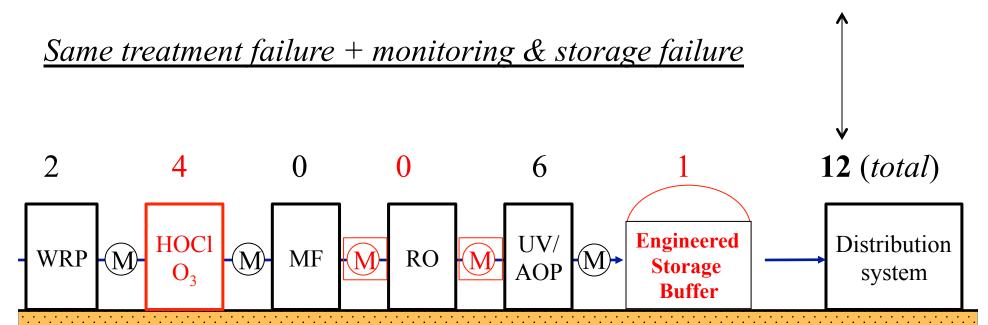
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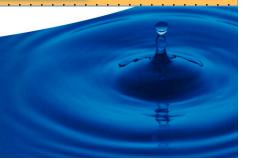
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Treatment + monitoring + storage failures → 12-log goal is still met



## Implementing improved treatment

To justify shorter retention times:

- Design treatment train to achieve above the minimum removal requirements
- Quantify performance of unit processes to demonstrate redundancy

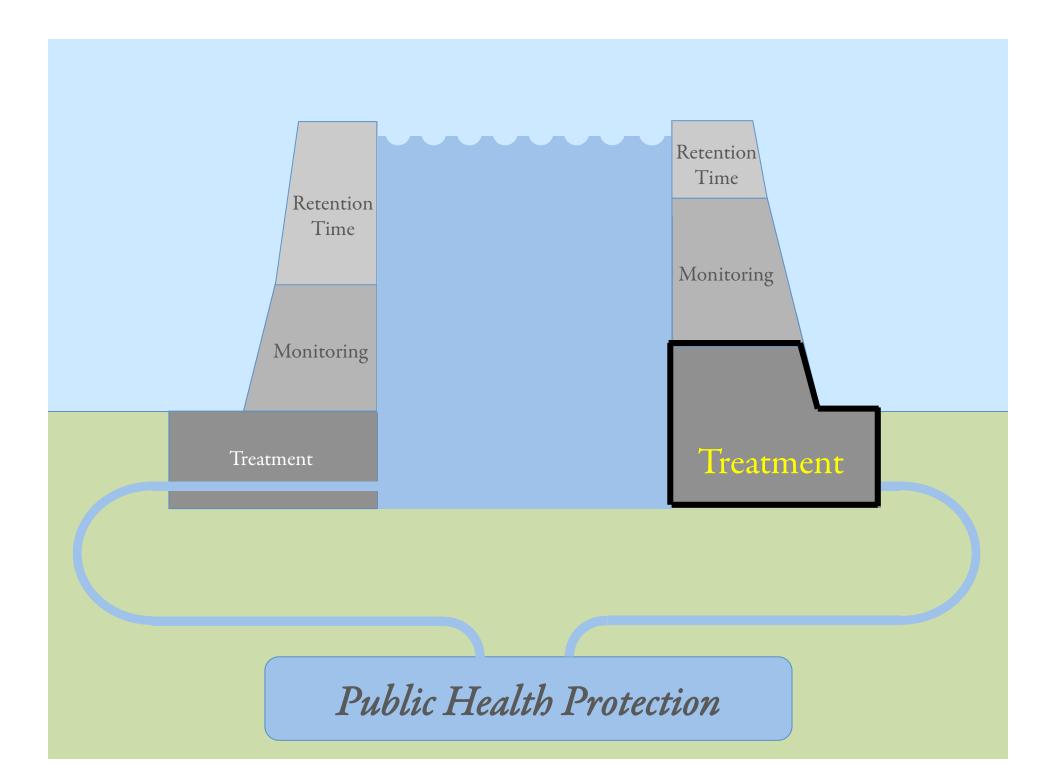
#### Trade-Offs with Enhanced Treatment

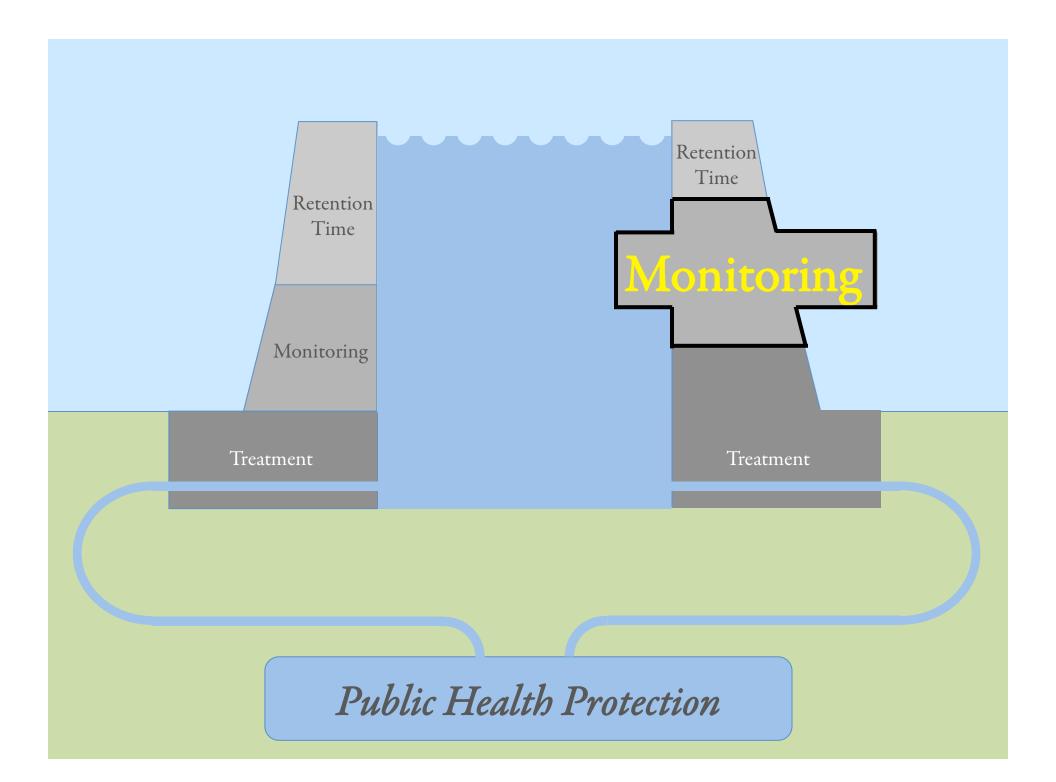
#### Benefits:

- Ensures reliability during failure of any other potable reuse element
- Achievable with existing technologies

#### Disadvantages:

- Cost of additional treatment
- What level of redundancy is *enough*?
  - Balance of reliability vs. response time





# Role of monitoring in potable reuse

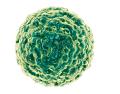
- Assess process performance and reliability
- Control processes
- Verify compliance with public health and regulatory requirements

#### Acute vs. chronic contaminants



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### Acute vs. chronic contaminants



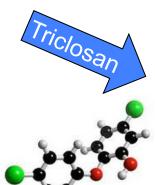


• Pathogen control: the most important aspect

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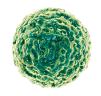








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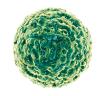


#### One time exposure





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#### One time exposure



Lifetime Exposure



## Even Acute is a matter of degree



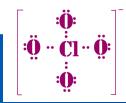


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#### One time exposure



Exposure, 30-d+



## Implementing Enhanced Monitoring

Compensate for shorter RRTs by ensuring proper treatment and rapid response to treatment deterioration or failure



# **Enhanced Monitoring**

	Pathogens (Acute)	Chemicals (Acute)	Chemicals (Chronic)
Example	Virus, bacteria, <i>Giardia</i> , <i>Cryptosporidium</i>	Nitrate, nitrite, perchlorate	MCLs, CECs, trace organic contaminants
Priority	Highest	High	Medium
Strategy	<ul> <li>Multiple barriers</li> <li>Focus on CCPs</li> <li>Provide on-line monitoring of CCPs</li> <li>Periodic testing (DIT)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Multiple, robust barriers (BNR, RO)</li> <li>Source control/ characterization</li> <li>Routine monitoring</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Multiple, robust barriers (biological, physical, chemical)</li> <li>Source control / characterization</li> <li>Routine monitoring</li> <li>Follow proposed CDPH regulations</li> </ul>

## Enhanced Monitoring – Overview

- Higher temporal sensitivity
  - Pathogens and acute chemicals on-line surrogate measurement of all CCPs
  - Sampling location: minimize time between treatment and monitoring
- Analytical sensitivity
  - Monitoring technologies with high range and resolution
  - More precise picture of contaminant removal

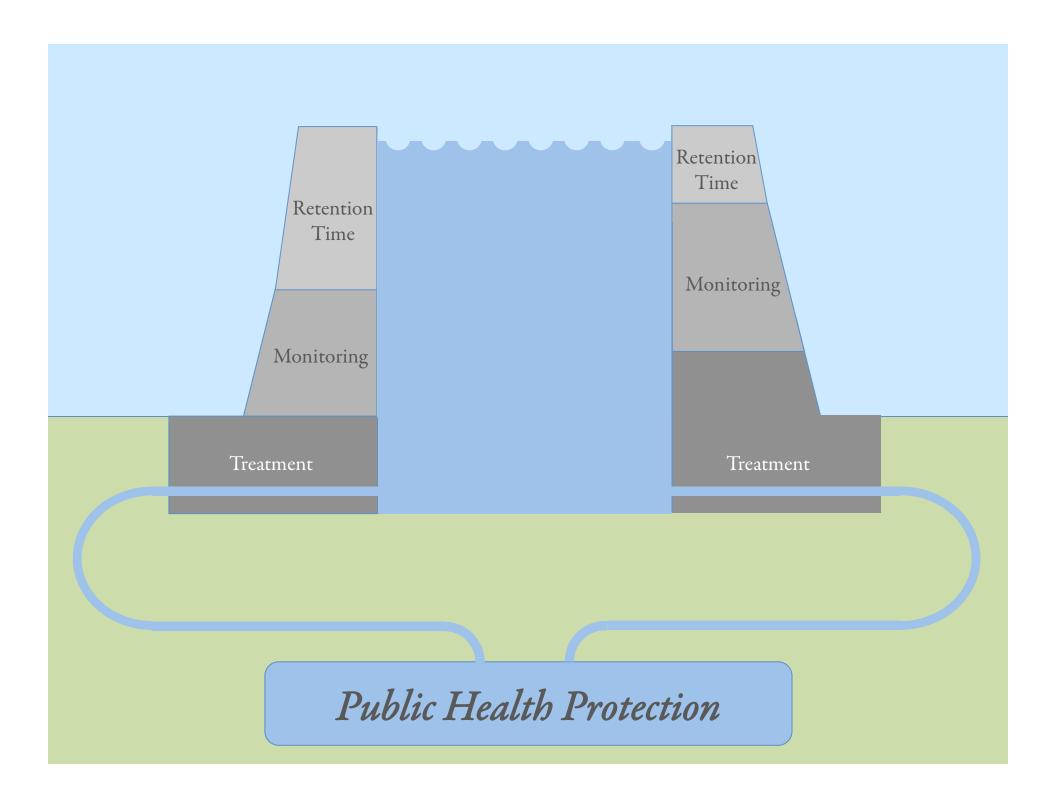
## Trade-Offs with Enhanced Monitoring

#### Benefits:

- Rapid notification of treatment lapses or failures
- Can demonstrate achievement of some WQ standards

#### Disadvantages:

- Cannot (yet) demonstrate finished water meets microbial water quality goals
- On-line, continuous instrumentation not available for all contaminants of concern



### Conclusions

### By providing:

- 1. High level of redundant pathogen treatment
- Robust train for control of acute and chronic chemicals
- Tight temporal monitoring and control of all critical control points

# DPR can ensure public health at shortened response retention time

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