## Leading NH's Wastewater Treatment Plants to Energy Efficiency

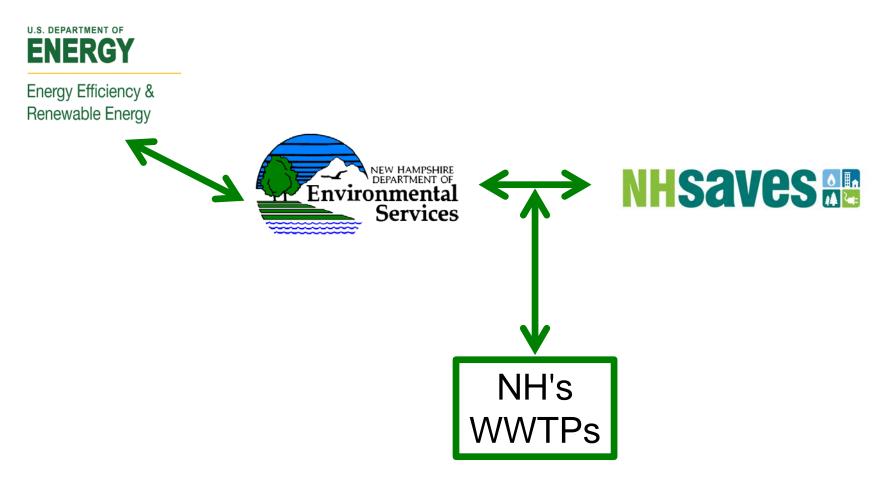
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#### **Wastewater Opportunities**

- Largest energy user in municipality
- Tight budgets do more with less
- Aging equipment
- Over-designed

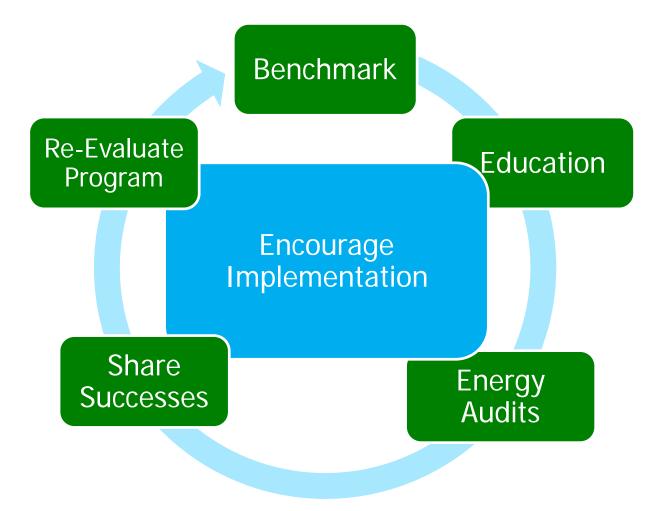
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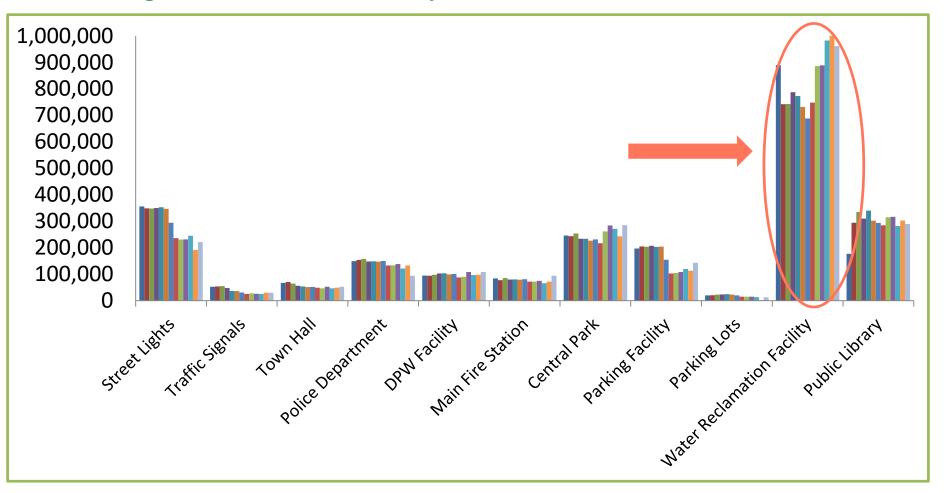
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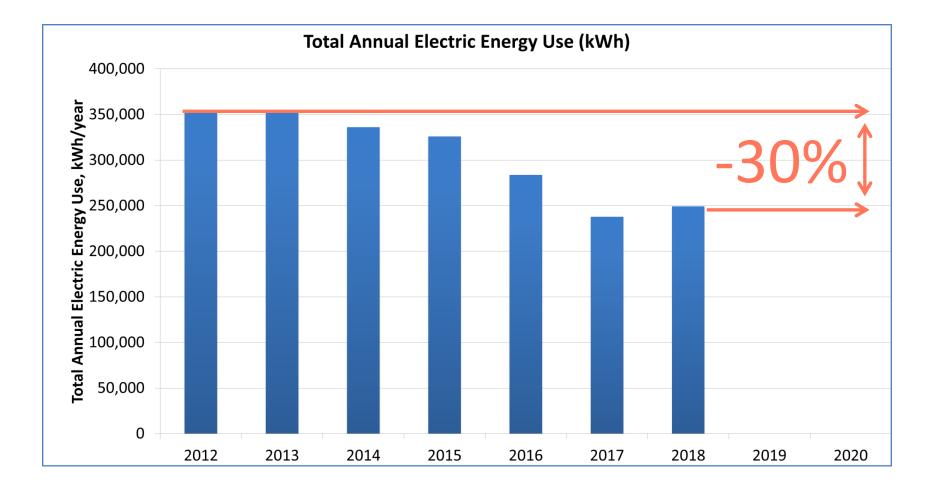
#### kWh Usage for FY2005-FY2017 Anytown, NH



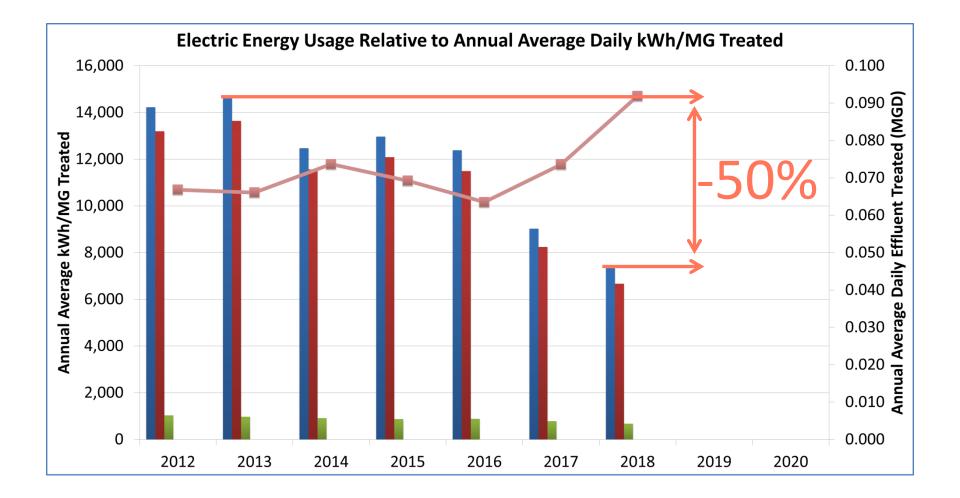
#### Benchmarking

- Compile total energy use for WWT
- Evaluate single WWTP
- Compare similar NH WWTPs
- Compare NH WWTPs to other states
- Track improvements or changes over time
- Increases awareness

#### Benchmarking Energy Efficiency Progress: NH Lagoon Facility

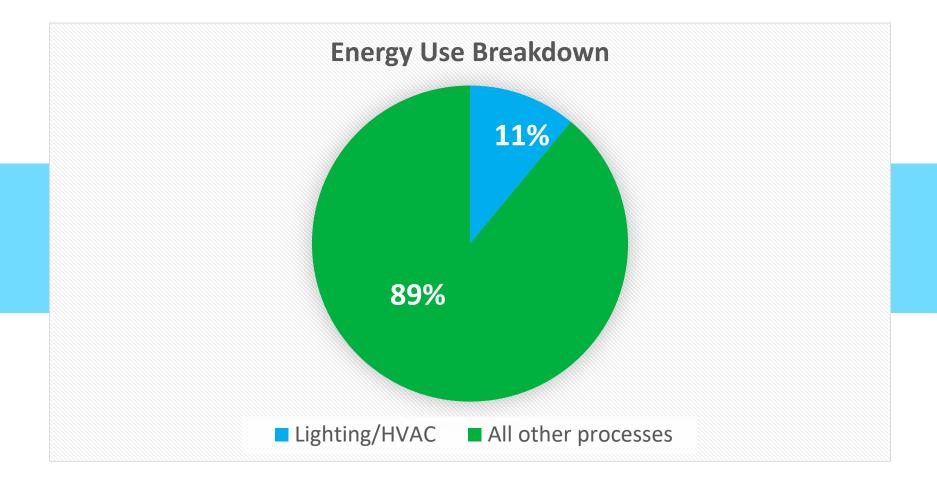


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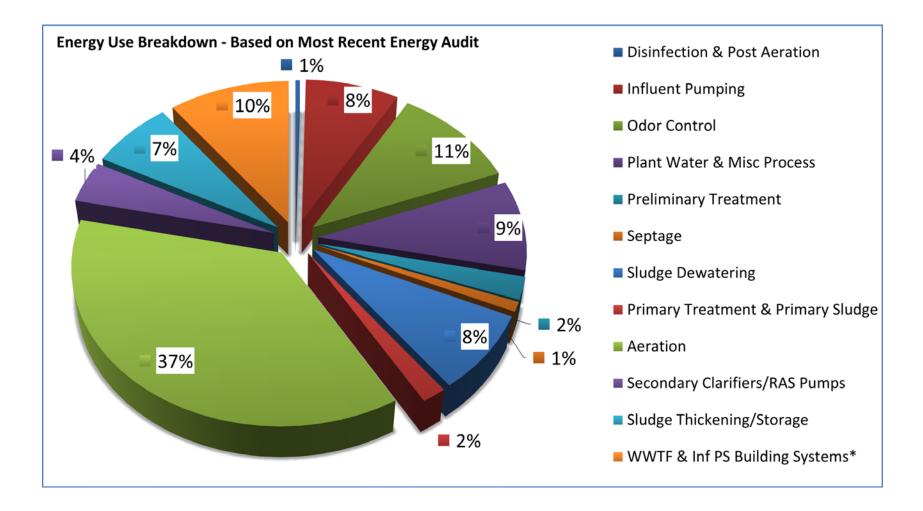


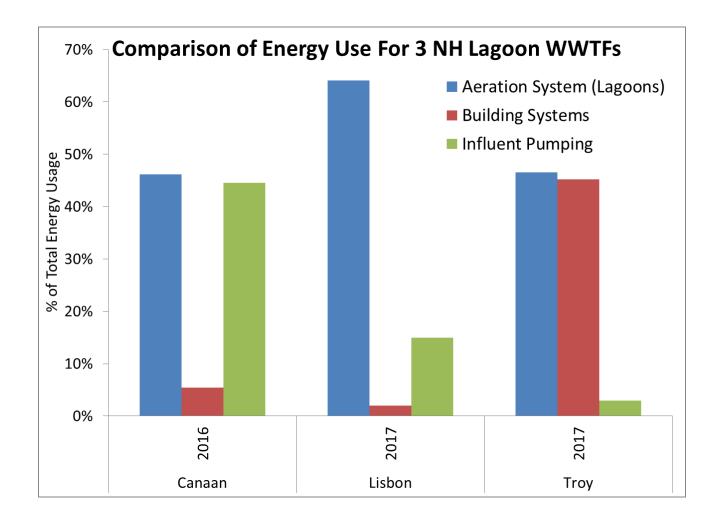
# Why should we do energy audits?

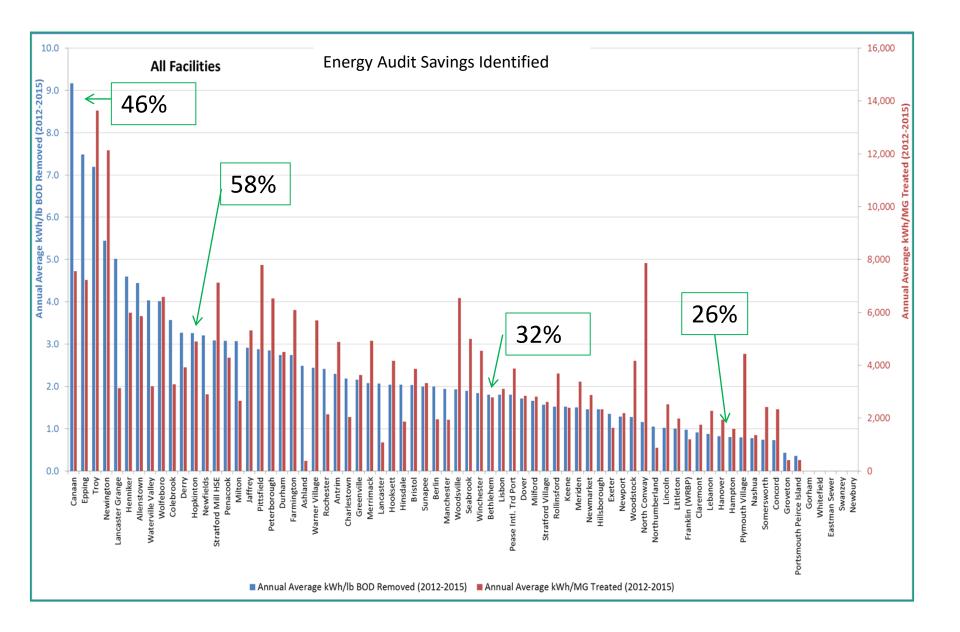
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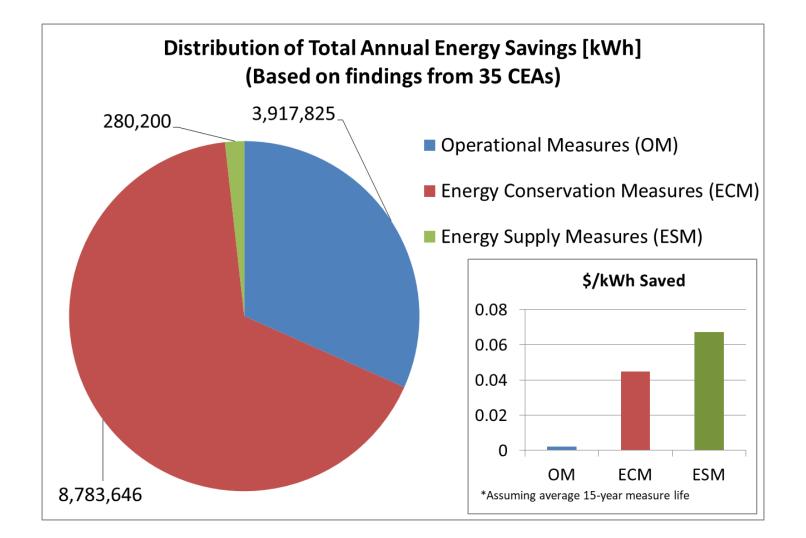






#### **Energy Audit Findings (35 WWTPs)**

- S Saving otential
- 29% Overall Energy Use
- 1300 MWh Electricity
- 72,000 therms NG
- 35,000 gallons propane and oil



#### Implementation

#### \$6.3M Estimated Implementation Costs

#### \$1.72M Estimated Annual Avoided Costs

#### **3.2** Year Payback (before incentives)

#### **Implementation Funding**

#### NH Saves

- -CORE Electric Funds
- RGGI Municipal Funding

# CWSRF Loan Forgiveness -50% up to \$400,000



#### **Implementation Challenges**

- Municipalities can't move quickly
- Perceived funding limitations
- Fear of WWTP upset
- Incentive paperwork burdens
- EE seen as a burden more than an opportunity
- Gets lost in the pile of "to do"

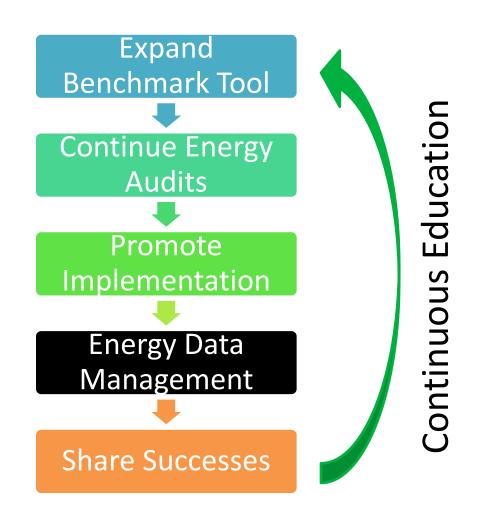


#### Implementation – Continuous Improvement

- Education repeated and varied
  - One on one
  - Workshop setting
  - Success stories peer to peer
- Technical assistance
- Funding opportunities
- Checking back in on a regular basis







### **Questions?**

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