

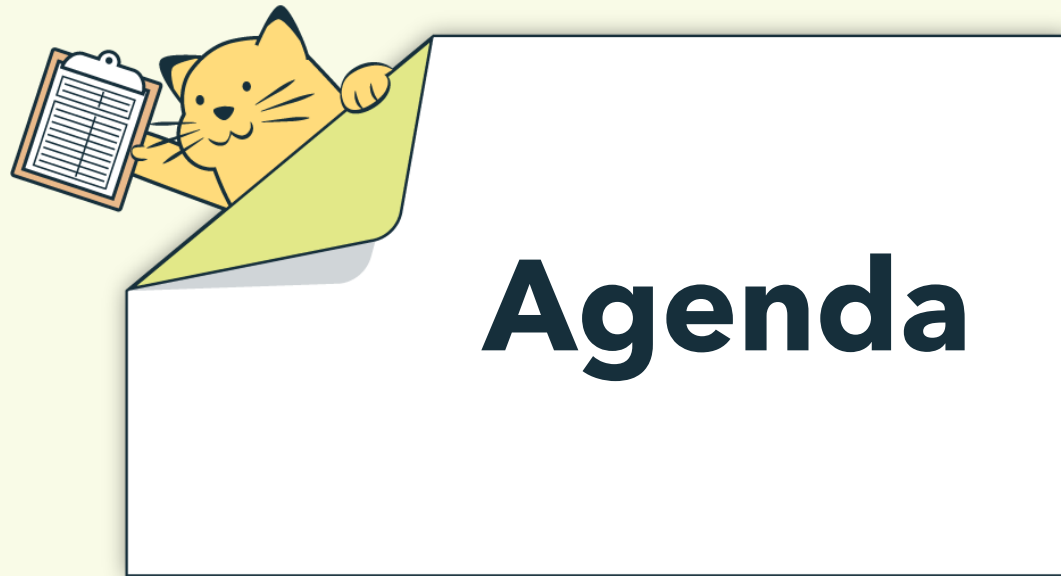
TRANSFORMING DENVER'S ENERGY LANDSCAPE

Nation's Largest Sewer Heat Recovery System
at National Western Center (NWC)

Brad Buchanan, CEO | National Western Center

Tim Kearns, VP & General Manager | CenTrio





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YOUR ESTEEMED PANEL



BRAD BUCHANAN

Chief Executive Officer
National Western Center Authority

Brad Buchanan is the CEO of the National Western Center Authority. Appointed in 2018, he is responsible for crafting the 250-acre National Western Center campus into a year-round, global destination for culture, entertainment, education and agribusiness innovation. Brad has extensive experience in planning, development, agriculture, community building, entrepreneurship and organizational leadership. An architect by trade, he served as Denver's planning director from 2014-2018 after working in design and construction in Denver for more than 25 years.

He and his family own and operate Flying B Bar Ranch in Strasburg, Colorado, where they raise grass-fed cattle.



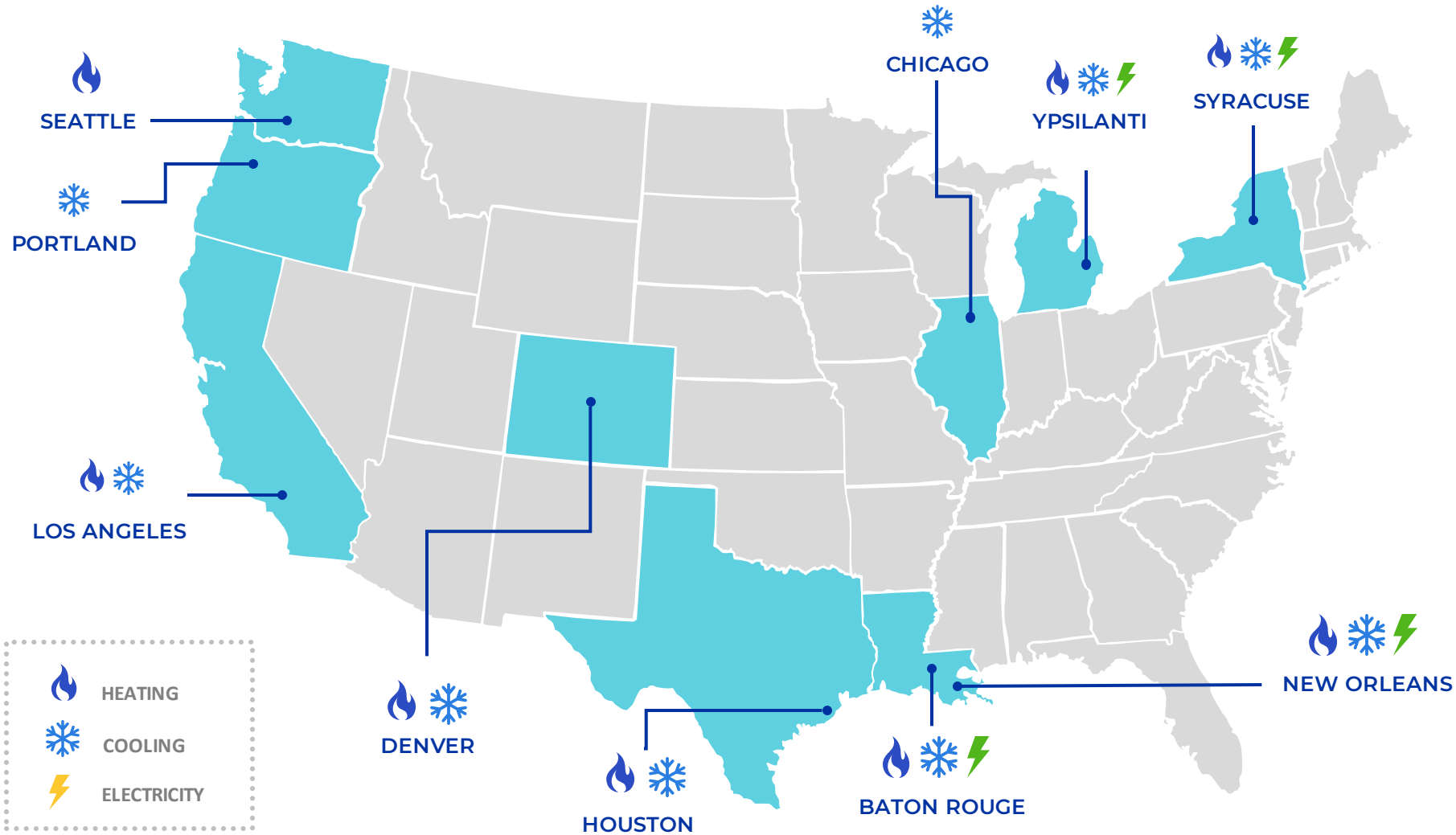
TIM KEARNS

VP & GM | Houston & Denver
Centrio

Timothy (Tim) Kearns serves as the Vice President and General Manager for Centrio Houston & Denver, overseeing all operational facets, while driving customer engagement and supporting business development initiatives. With a rich background spanning over 25 years in District Energy, Tim has been an integral part of the Houston operations and business development team, as well as third-party operations and maintenance. Before joining the Houston team in 2001, he spearheaded business development efforts for the district heating and cooling system in Kansas City, Missouri.

Tim is a proud graduate of St. Louis University, holding a Bachelor of Science degree.

CENTRIO FOOTPRINT



BY THE NUMBERS



**200+
Employees**



**370+
Customers**



**140+ msqft
Served**



**660 kton
Cooling**



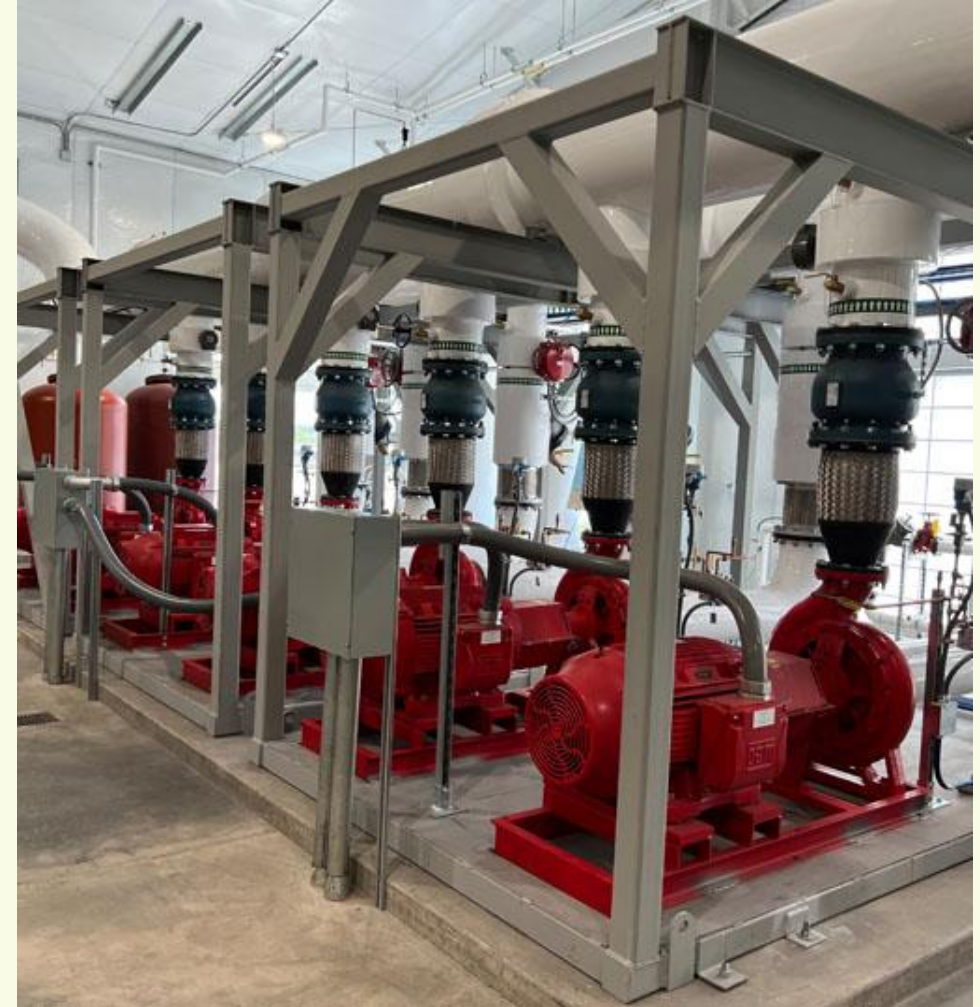
**1,300 kpph
heating**



NWC Project Rundown

NWC Project Overview

- CenTrio manages the design-build process, development of the O&M strategy, and provides 100% O&M services to the City of Denver under a **40-yr agreement for this \$1 Billion Project**
- Redevelopment envisioned to convert the campus—from 94 acres that hosts the annual National Western Stock Show—**into a 250-acre** development used year-round as an economic, tourism and entertainment hub
- In 2018, CenTrio partnered with AECOM to form EAS Energy Partners (EAS), a consortium comprised of CenTrio, AECOM, and Saunders Construction, Inc. to design, construct, and operate an integrated campus energy system
- The NWC district energy system will be **~4 MW**, making it the **largest sewer-heat recovery district energy system in North America**.



The National Western Campus Master Plan

The NWC project was formed from a 2015 agreement signed between major partners including the City and County of Denver, Colorado State University and the Western Stock Show Association.

Programming partners include History Colorado and the Denver Museum of Nature and Science.



NWC + CenTrio Partnership

NWC + CENTRIO PARTNERSHIP ALIGNMENT



VISION

To be the global destination for agricultural heritage and innovation.

MISSION

Convene the world at the NWC to lead, inspire, create, educate and entertain in pursuit of global food solutions.



URBAN HUB FOR FOOD & AG DISCOVERY

In the Heart of the American West



A LOW CARBON & RESILIENT CAMPUS



ENERGY EFFICIENT BUILDINGS

Prioritizing energy efficiency to achieve LEED Gold or above.



DISTRICT HEATING & COOLING USING SEWER HEAT RECOVERY

Utilizing wastewater thermal energy to heat and cool campus buildings efficiently.



RENEWABLE ENERGY

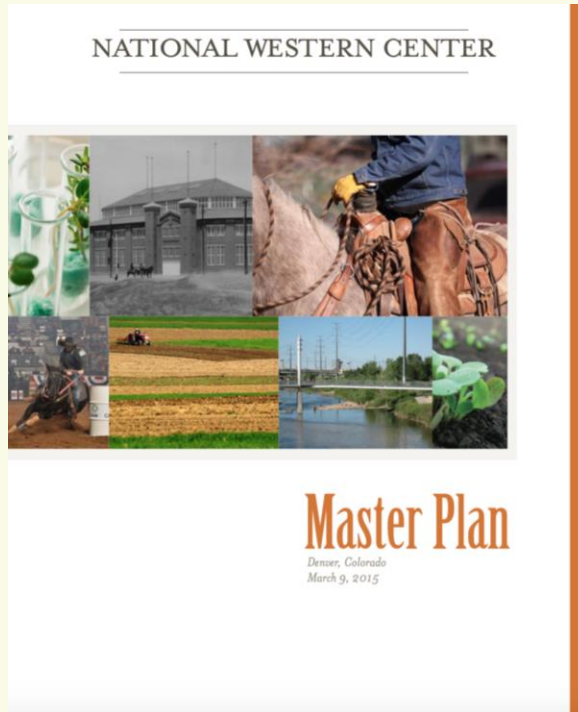
Goals for 100% renewable electric using a combination of on- and off-site sources. Includes 2 community solar gardens.



COMMUNITY RESILIENCY

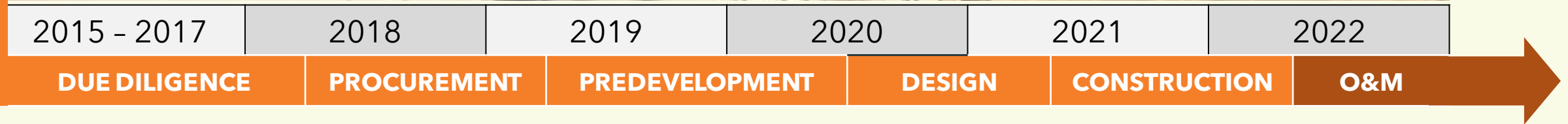
Ensuring critical facilities have power, heating and cooling, even during extreme events.

A 100 YEAR VISION TURNED TO REALITY



100-YEAR REGENERATION JOURNEY

OUR JOURNEY TO SUCCESS



NWC DISTRICT ENERGY COLLABORATORS

DESIGN AND CUP CONSTRUCTION

Start 04.01.21



CONTRACTED DISTRICT ENERGY PARTNER



CAMPUS ENERGY AGREEMENT

40+2 yr fixed price Design, Build, Finance, Operate, Maintain (DBFOM) contract

THERMAL ENERGY PARTNER



OPERATING AGREEMENT



Campus operator through 100-year master lease

OPERATING AGREEMENT



LAND AND BUILDING OWNER



CONTINGENT COMMITMENT AGREEMENT

Contingent credit support (loans) for revenue shortfalls to cover Authority energy costs.

CONSTRUCTION REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT

Fixed price contract to deliver pad and ambient pipe construction.



PHASES I & II CONSTRUCTION PAD & PIPE CONSTRUCTION

OPERATOR

Operations start 4/14/22



NWC CAMPUS PLAN

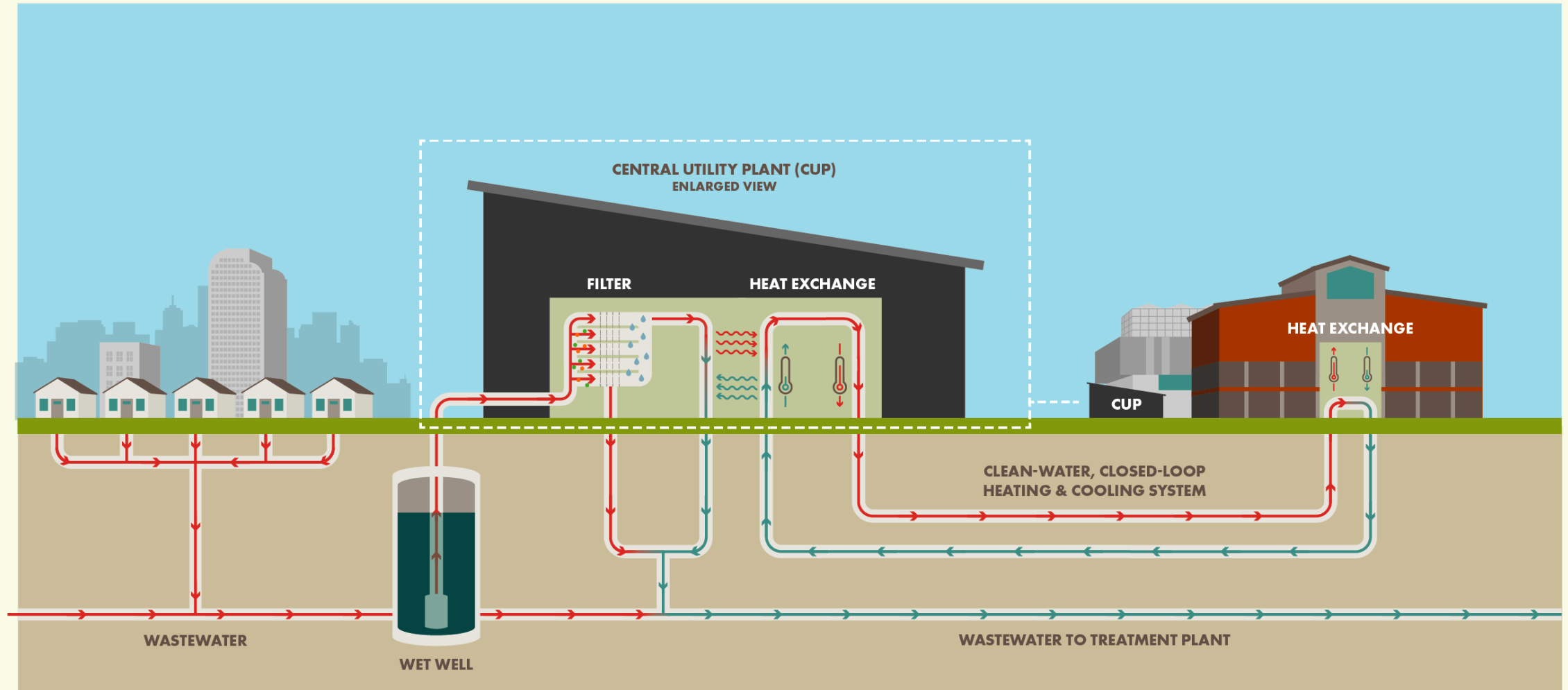


1. RTD Transit Station
2. Brighton Blvd. - 47th to Race Court
3. South Platte Riverfront
4. National Western Drive
5. Stockyards Event Center (multi-use space)
6. Campus-related transit-oriented development (TOD)
7. New Bridges near 48th & 51st Avenues
8. Livestock Center
9. Equestrian Center, Hotel & Parking
10. District energy system's Central Utility Plant (CUP)
11. CSU Spur: Vida (Health)
12. CSU Spur: Hydro (Water)
13. CSU Spur: Terra (Food)
14. Maintenance & Operations Facility
15. DRIR Rail Corridor
16. WSSA Legacy Building HQ
17. Pedestrian Bridge
18. The Triangle

System Overview

NWC - CENTRIO DENVER

Heating and Cooling Using a Recycled Source of Thermal Energy - Wastewater



SYSTEM OVERVIEW

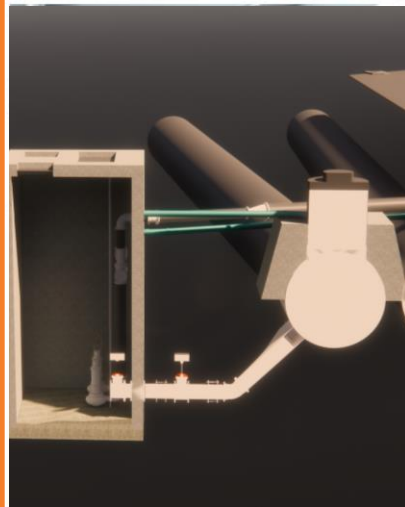
Closed Loop System Ensuring Increased Public Safety

SOURCE



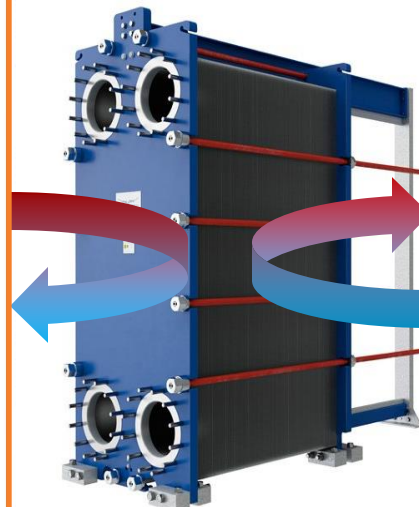
Wastewater pipeline runs at
60 – 75°F

SCREEN



Waste screening
keeps out solids from
closed loop system

EXCHANGE



Specialized heat exchanger
transfers thermal energy to
ambient piping loop

DISTRIBUTE



Underground
ambient loop supplies
temperate water
to buildings at
~ 55 – 78°F

CONDITION



Building heat recovery
chillers use ambient water
to more efficiently produce
hot and chilled water

The Ultimate Sustainable Energy Solution

SUSTAINABILITY DELIVERED



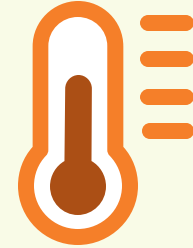
Avoids 2,600 metric tons of CO₂ emissions each year, a **reduction of 70%**

Equivalent to 6.6 million vehicle passenger miles driven in Denver annually.



Saves 3,168 kgal of water each year, **an estimated 80%**

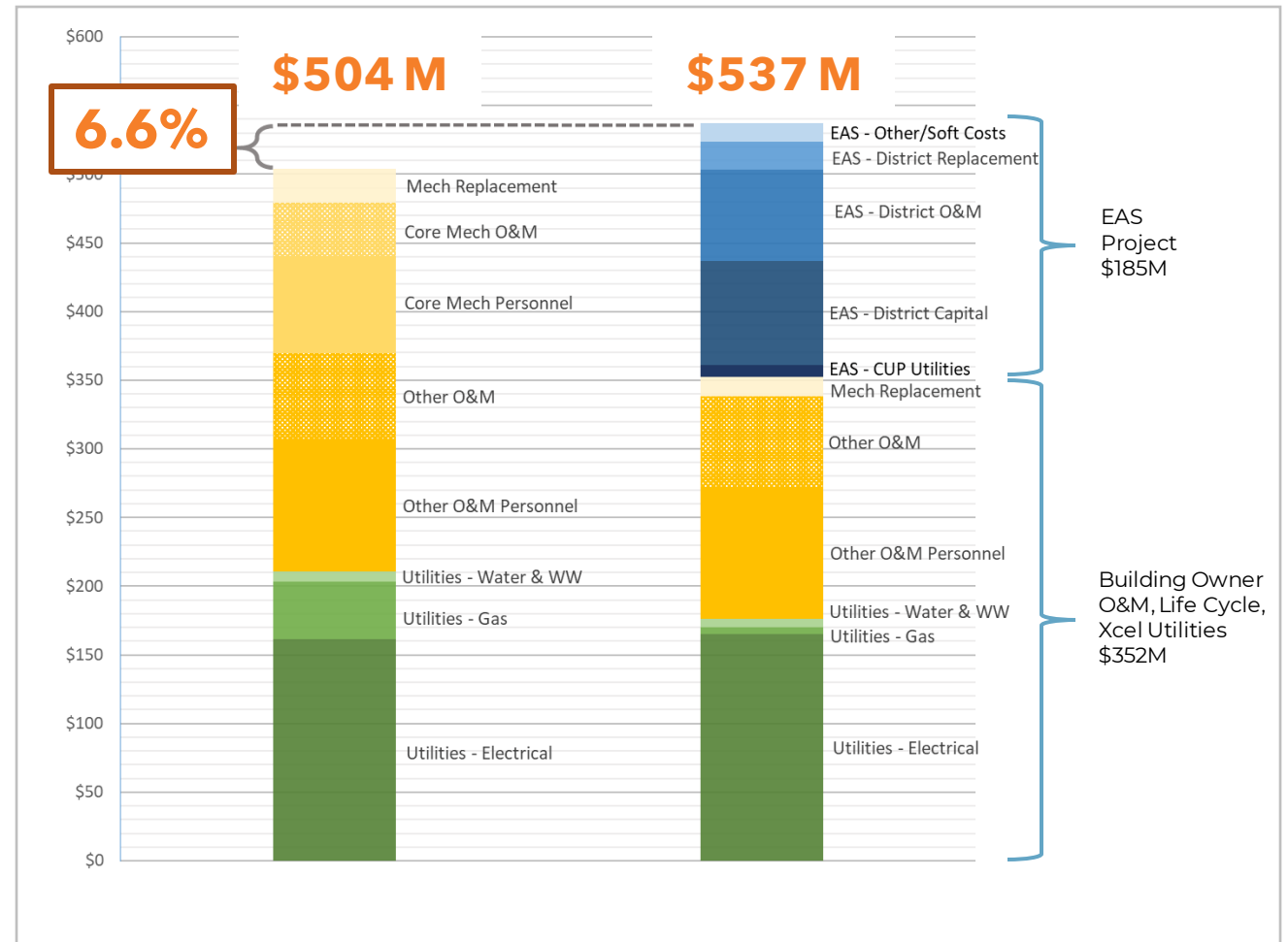
Equivalent to five Olympic-sized swimming pools each year.



Reduces wastewater effluent temperature by **1 degree F** to protect the Platte River.

COST OF OWNERSHIP COMPARISON

- Over the 40-year life of the agreement, the total cost of ownership for the NWC partners is roughly comparable to traditional systems
- Does not factor in regulatory or environmental changes which could make the system more cost effective over time



LONG-TERM OPERATIONS



- One of North America's largest district energy owners and operators
- Specialize in sustainable, low-carbon heating and cooling solutions
- On-site operators to ensure system reliability and efficiency
- 24x7 remote supervision
- Community engagement plan, commitment to community



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Thank you!



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