

CLEAN ENERGY WATER DISINFECTION SYSTEM

**Prepared for the Waste-Management, Education, &
Research Consortium Environmental Design
Competition**

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Project Understanding

- Problem Statement
 - Water-borne diseases
 - Result in 3.6 million deaths each year
 - Cause one child to die every 20 seconds
- Therefore we must
 - Design a universally applicable water disinfection system for use in rural, third-world areas and in emergency situations
- WERC held a competition to find a solution which would
 - Use existing technologies in a new, creative way
 - Disinfect water to World Health Organization (WHO) drinking water guidelines

Design Criteria

- The system must:
 - Use renewable energy
 - Be a mobile unit
 - Be cost effective
 - Be applicable to rural, third-world settings
 - Meet a flow of 3,000 gallons per day
 - Be easy for ordinary citizens in third-world environments to implement, operate, and maintain

Scope of Work

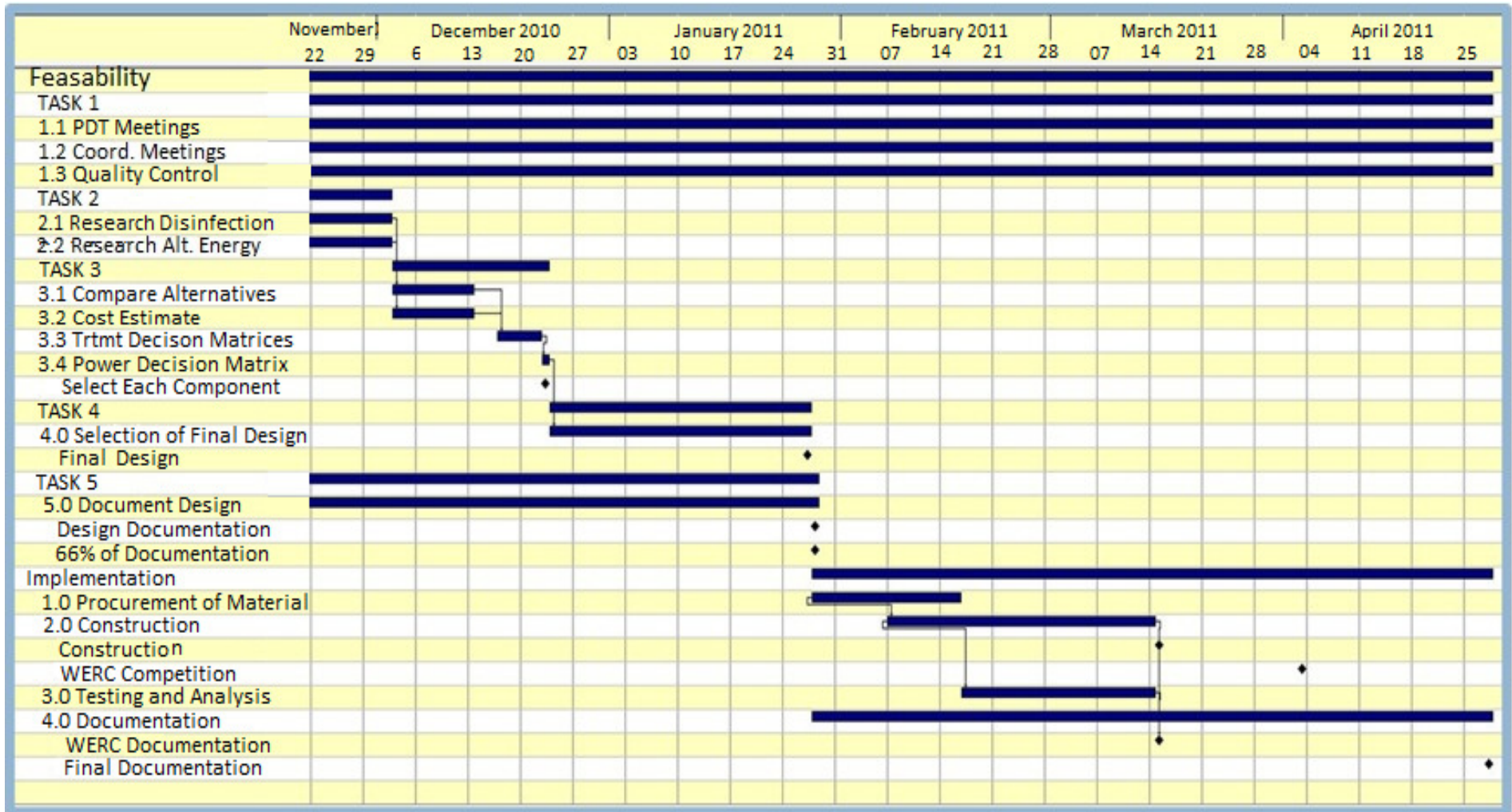
- Project Management
- Research
- Evaluation of Solutions
- Design
- Construction
- Testing & Analysis
- Documentation

Project Management

- Team Structure
 - Project Manager – Meshal Hussain
 - Delegating tasks, client communication, scheduling
 - Construction Manager – Marilla Lamb
 - Construction schedule, procuring materials
 - Research Manager – Ashley Ullstrom
 - Delegating research, gathering documents, lab management
 - Documents Editor – Jo-Anne Barcellano
 - Report management, meeting minutes, compiling and editing documents
- Coordination & Communication
 - Weekly meetings with PDT members
 - Ongoing correspondence with client via email

Scheduling

- Created a Gantt Chart



Quality Assurance & Quality Control

- QA/QC plan developed
 - Turbidity and bacteria tests
 - Calculations
 - Written documents
 - Schematics

Selection of Design

- Research
- Identification of potential solutions
 - Pretreatment
 - Rapid sand filters, roughing filters, sedimentation, washable sediment filters
 - Disinfection
 - Ozone generator, ceramic filter, ultraviolet disinfection, ultrafiltration
 - Renewable energy
 - Wind power, solar power, man power

Selection of Design

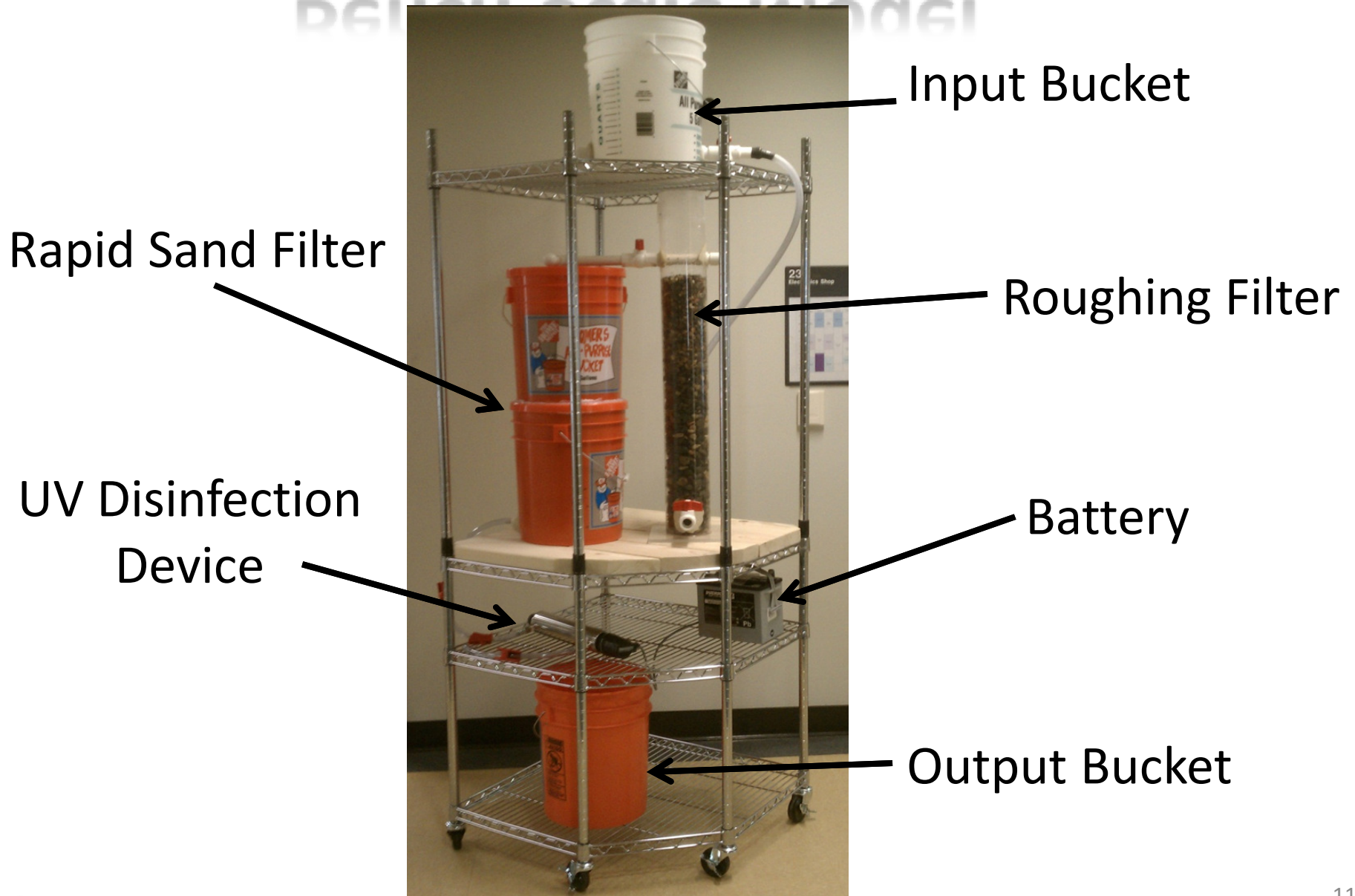
- Evaluation of potential solutions
- Results from decision matrices
- Final design
 - Pretreatment: rapid sand filter & roughing filter
 - Disinfection: ultraviolet (UV) disinfection
 - Renewable energy: solar power & human power

| Potential Solutions | Score |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Pretreatment | |
| Rapid Sand Filter | 4.38 |
| Roughing Filter | 3.83 |
| Sedimentation | 4.44 |
| Washable Sediment Filter | 4.33 |
| Disinfection | |
| Ozone Generator | 3.39 |
| Ceramic Filter | 2.61 |
| Ultraviolet Disinfection | 3.70 |
| Ultrafiltration | 3.12 |
| Renewable Energy | |
| Wind Power | 3.02 |
| Solar Power | 4.16 |
| Man Power | 4.00 |

Design Development

- Built and tested many configurations for roughing filters and rapid sand filters until finalizing each component
- Integrated all components into a final bench-scale model
 - Used for testing and analysis
 - Used sizes and flow rates to design the full scale system
 - Used for demonstration purposes at the competition

Bench-Scale Model

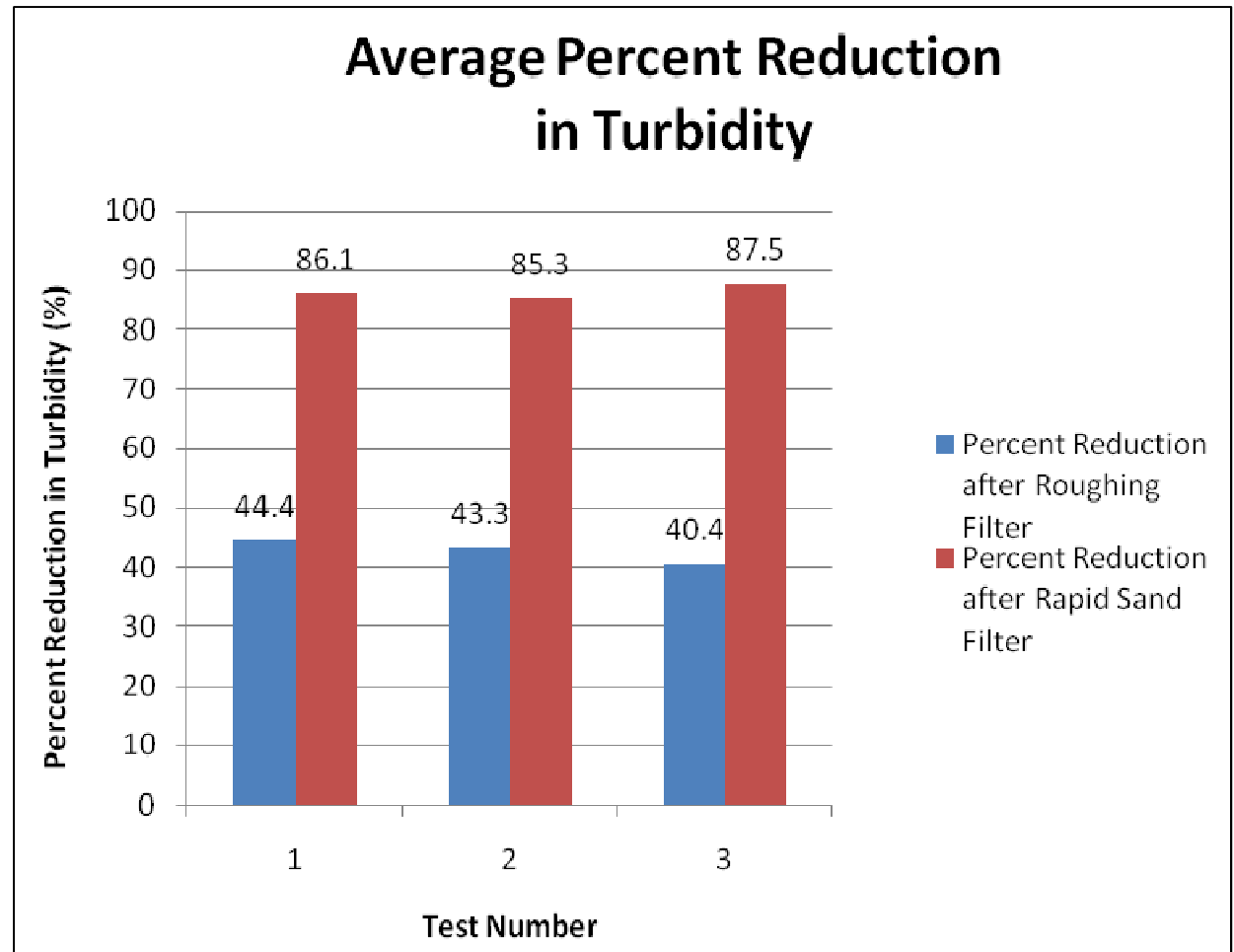


Quality Assurance & Quality Control

- Turbidity testing
 - Used blanks and a calibration curve to ensure validity of the data
 - Performed multiple tests
- Bacteria testing
 - Used the heterotrophic plate count method
 - Performed multiple tests and used blanks
 - Appropriate procedures were followed to ensure no contamination

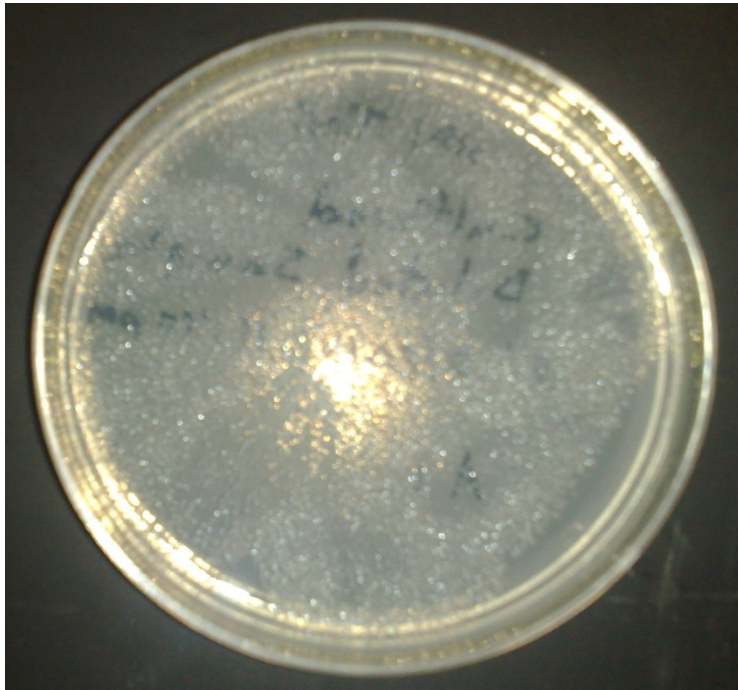
Technical Evaluation

- Turbidity results
 - Input water: 25 NTU
 - Total reduction in turbidity by more than 85%
 - Output water: 3.5 NTU

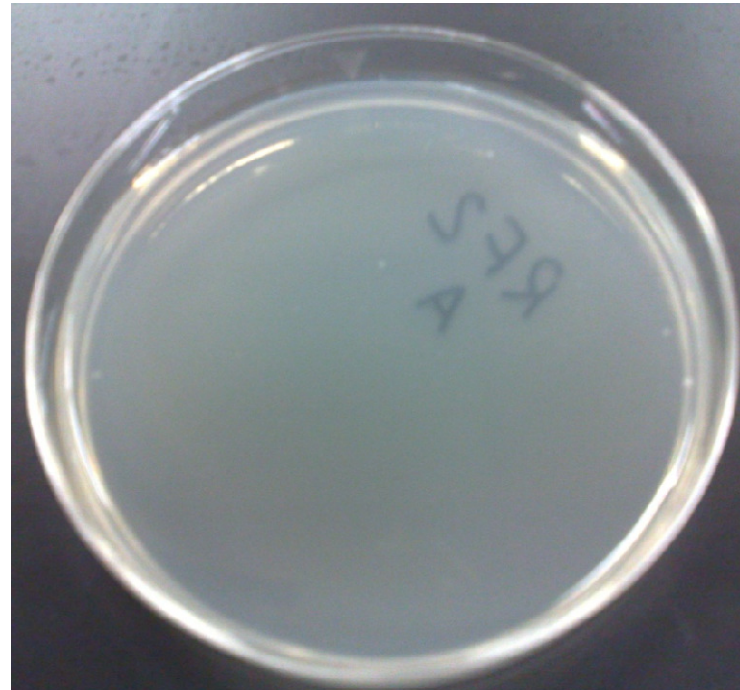


Technical Evaluation

- Bacteria results
 - Total removal of bacteria

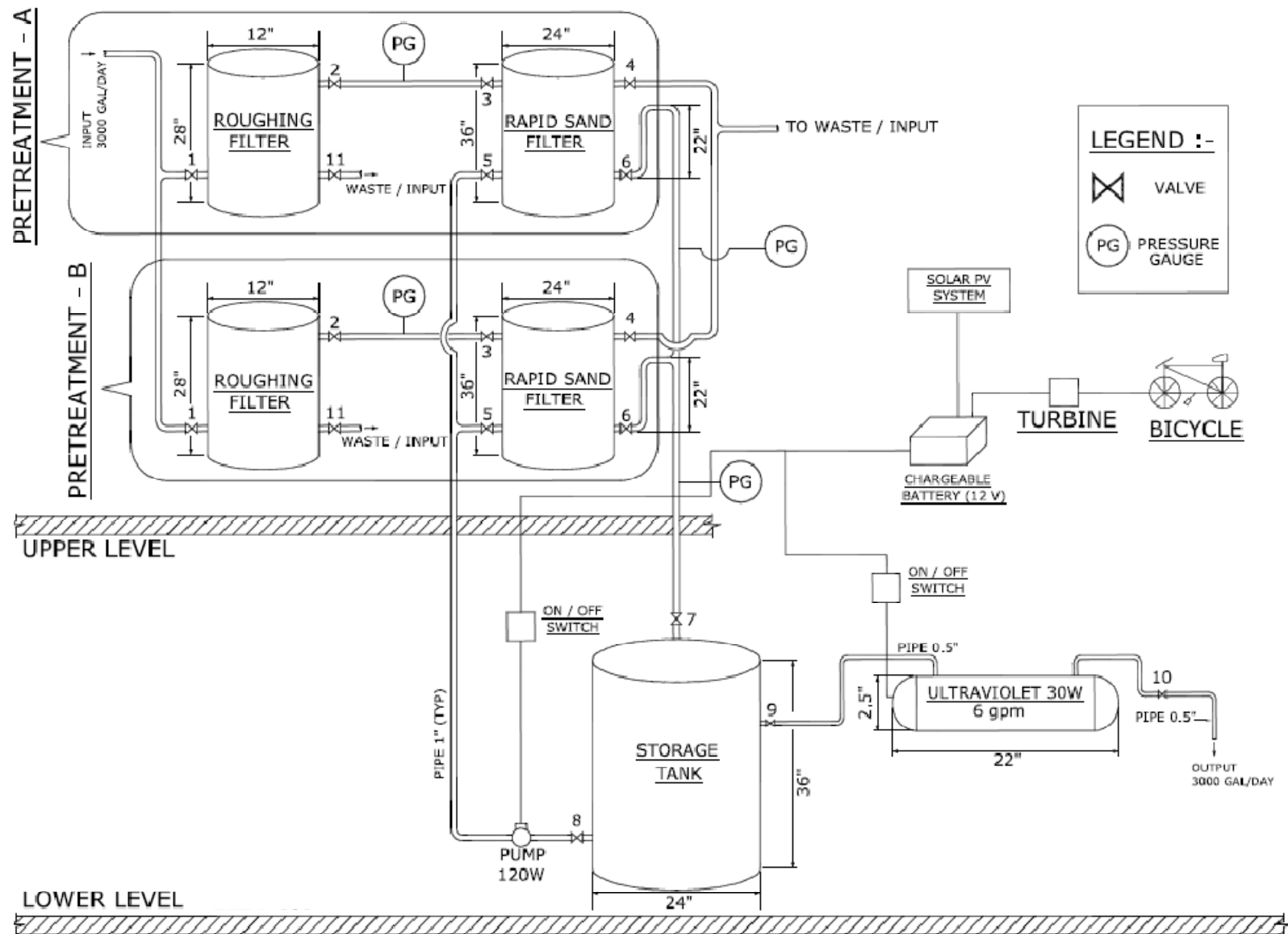


Input Water Bacteria Growth



Output Water Bacteria Growth

Description of Design



Operation & Maintenance

- Community members will operate the system
- Trained system operator for repairs and maintenance
 - Pretreatment
 - Clean roughing filter
 - Backwash rapid sand filter
 - Disinfection
 - Clean quartz sleeve
 - Replace UV bulb
 - Power
 - Periodic replacement of battery
- Lifetime of 6 years

Cost of Implementation

- Labor costs
 - Community education, field and system analysis, system implementation, construction
- Cost of materials: \$2,250

| Item | Quantity | Unit Price | Sub-Total |
|---------------------------------------|----------|------------|-------------------|
| 1" PVC Ball Valve | 18 | \$ 2.00 | \$ 36.00 |
| 1" Pipe (20 feet) | 1 | \$ 5.00 | \$ 5.00 |
| Tank, 25" Diameter, 36" Height | 3 | \$ 45.00 | \$ 135.00 |
| Tank, 12" Diameter, 28" Height | 2 | \$ 47.00 | \$ 94.00 |
| Backwash Pump 12V | 1 | \$ 150.00 | \$ 150.00 |
| UV Disinfection Device 5 GPM | 1 | \$ 274.00 | \$ 274.00 |
| Chargeable Battery 12v 150 Amp-H | 1 | \$ 200.00 | \$ 200.00 |
| ON/OFF 12v Switches | 2 | \$ 3.50 | \$ 7.00 |
| PV Panel & Battery Charger 230W | 1 | \$ 690.00 | \$ 690.00 |
| Man Powered Bicycle 200W DC Generator | 1 | \$ 660.00 | \$ 660.00 |
| Total | | | \$2,251.00 |

Cost of Operation

- Cost of operation after 6 years: \$1.41/day
 - Equivalent to disinfecting 20 gallons for \$0.01

| Maintenance Parts | Replacement Frequency | Unit Price | 1 Year Cost | 3 Year Cost | 6 Year Cost |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Initial Capital Cost | | \$ 2,251.00 | | | |
| UV Disinfection Lamp | Every 2 Years | \$ 61.00 | - | \$ 61.00 | \$ 183.00 |
| Chargeable Battery 12v | Every 3 Years | \$ 200.00 | - | \$ 200.00 | \$ 400.00 |
| Others | Every 1 Year | \$ 45.00 | \$ 45.00 | \$ 135.00 | \$ 270.00 |
| Cost of Operation per Day | | | \$ 6.29 | \$ 2.42 | \$ 1.41 |
| Cost of Operation per Gallon | | | \$ 0.00210 | \$ 0.00081 | \$ 0.00047 |

- System is cost effective
 - Low initial cost: ~ \$4.00/person
 - Low cost of operation: \$400 every 3 years
 - Payout period of 7 months
 - Rate of return of 196%

Recommendations for Implementation

- Implementation stages will take about 3 months
 - Education of community members
 - Site analysis
 - Development of construction plan
 - Construction
 - Testing of disinfected water
 - Training of system operator & community
 - Development of maintenance plan

Project Schedule

- Initial Estimate

| Task | | Ashley Ullstrom | Jo-Anne Barcellano | Marilla Lamb | Meshal Hussain | Total |
|--------------------|---|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------|
| PHASE 1 | 1.1 PDT Meetings | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 64 |
| | 1.2 Coordination Meetings | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 40 |
| | 1.3 Quality Control | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 28 |
| | 2.1 Research Disinfection Systems | 16 | - | 16 | 16 | 48 |
| | 2.2 Research Types of Alternative Energy | - | 16 | - | - | 16 |
| | 3.1 Comparison of Alternatives | 8 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 24 |
| | 3.2 Cost Estimates | - | - | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| | 3.3 Pretreatment Disinfection Decision Matrix | 8 | 4 | 8 | 4 | 24 |
| | 3.4 Power System Decision Matrix | - | 4 | - | 4 | 8 |
| | 4.0 Selection of Final Design | 10 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 58 |
| | 5.0 Documentation of Design | 6 | 6 | 6 | 20 | 38 |
| PHASE 2 | 1.0 Procurement of Materials | 10 | - | 6 | - | 16 |
| | 2.0 Construction | 16 | 16 | 14 | 16 | 62 |
| | 3.0 Testing and Analysis | 14 | 14 | 14 | 4 | 46 |
| | 4.0 Documentation | 12 | 16 | 12 | 12 | 52 |
| TOTAL HOURS | | 133 | 133 | 133 | 133 | 532 |

Project Schedule

- Final Hours = 728 hours

| Task | | Ashley | Jo-Anne | Marilla | Meshal | Total |
|--------------------|------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| PHASE 2 | 1.0 Procurement of Materials | 10 | - | 6 | 16 | 32 |
| | 2.0 Construction | 64 | 64 | 56 | 64 | 248 |
| | 3.0 Testing and Analysis | 28 | 28 | 28 | 8 | 92 |
| | 4.0 Documentation | 12 | 16 | 12 | 12 | 52 |
| TOTAL HOURS | | 182 | 182 | 182 | 182 | 728 |

- 12 hours per person per week for 16 weeks

Project Schedule

| | Milestone | Date |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|------------|
| PHASE 1 | Disinfection system and power source | 12/23/2010 |
| | Selection of Final Design | 1/27/2011 |
| | Documentation of Design | 1/28/2011 |
| | 66% of Project Documentation | 1/28/2011 |
| PHASE 2 | WERC Documentation | 3/15/2011 |
| | Construction Complete | 3/15/2011 |
| | WERC Competition | 4/3/2011 |
| | Final Documentation | 4/28/2011 |

Project Budget

- Our total cost increased by \$9,791 due to the additional time spent on the project

| | Total Estimated Cost | Total Final Cost |
|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Labor | \$ 47,953.68 | \$ 57,744.78 |
| Non-Labor | \$ 1,666.46 | \$ 1,666.46 |
| Total | \$ 49,620.14 | \$ 59,411.23 |

- Additional hours and costs were approved by the client

Conclusion

- Disinfection System:
 - Meets all of WERC's criteria
 - Disinfects 3,000 gallons of water in 12 hours to WHO's guidelines
 - Will be very useful in rural, third-world areas
- Competition Results:
 - No results were given at the competition
- Project Completion:
 - Completed scope of work
 - Stayed on schedule
 - Communicated and worked together effectively as a team

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Questions?