

# Update on CFPUA Response to Cape Fear River Water Quality Concerns

October 26, 2017

# House Bill 56 – Interim Report

1. Study identification and deployment of treatment alternatives (\$100,000)
2. Ongoing water monitoring (\$85,000)
3. Information sharing
  - ❑ Interim Report (no later than December 1, 2017)
  - ❑ Final Report (no later than April 1, 2018)

# Response Measures Underway

1. Water treatment alternative evaluation for removing PFASs, Gen-X and emerging compounds
  - ❑ Screening technologies
    - Desktop study
    - Bench-top study (ACT column)
    - Pilot Scale Study
2. Water supply monitoring
  - ❑ UNCW support contract
  - ❑ Routine testing
3. Information sharing through website
  - ❑ Water test results
  - ❑ Monthly report deliverables from Black & Veatch

# Advanced Treatment in Place



## Technology

- Ozonation



- Biological Filtration

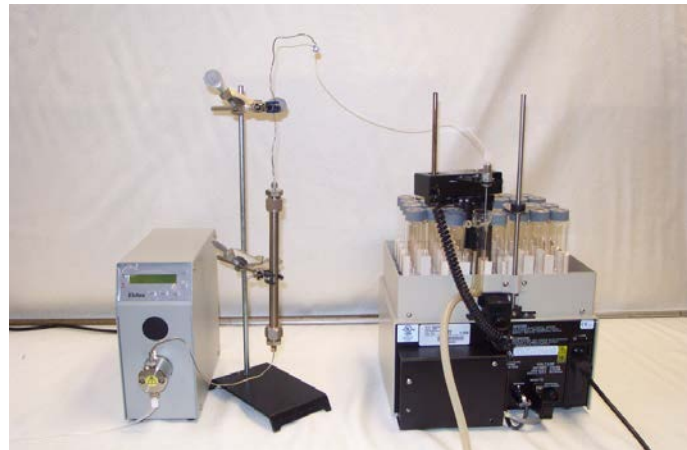
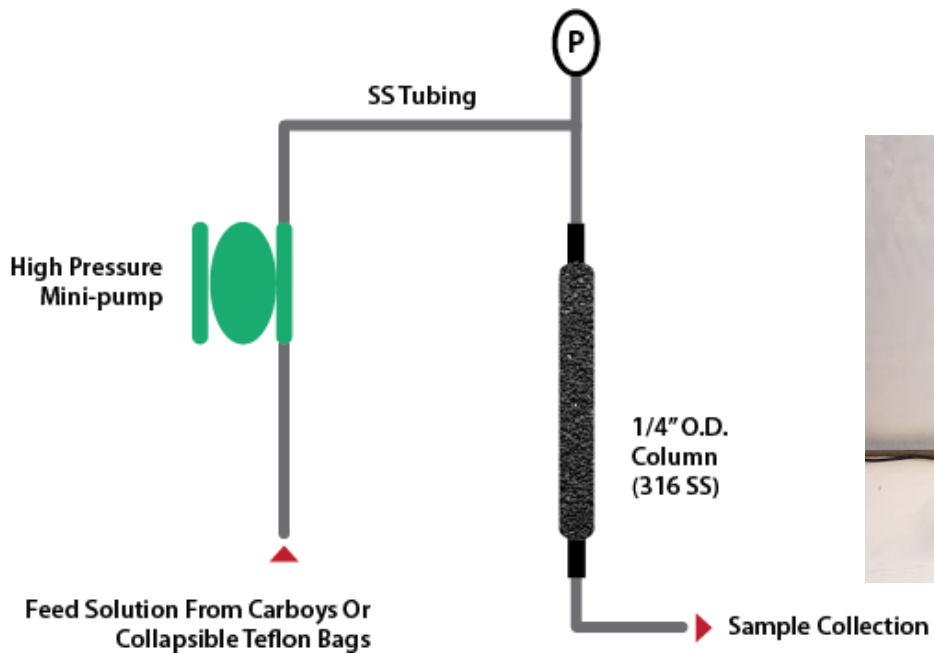


- Ultraviolet Disinfection

## Barrier to Contaminant

- Pathogens
- Pharmaceuticals
- Endocrine disruptors
- Taste & odor causing compounds
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- Disinfection byproduct precursors
- Cryptosporidium (disinfection)

# Accelerated Column Test (ACT)



# GAC Pilot Testing

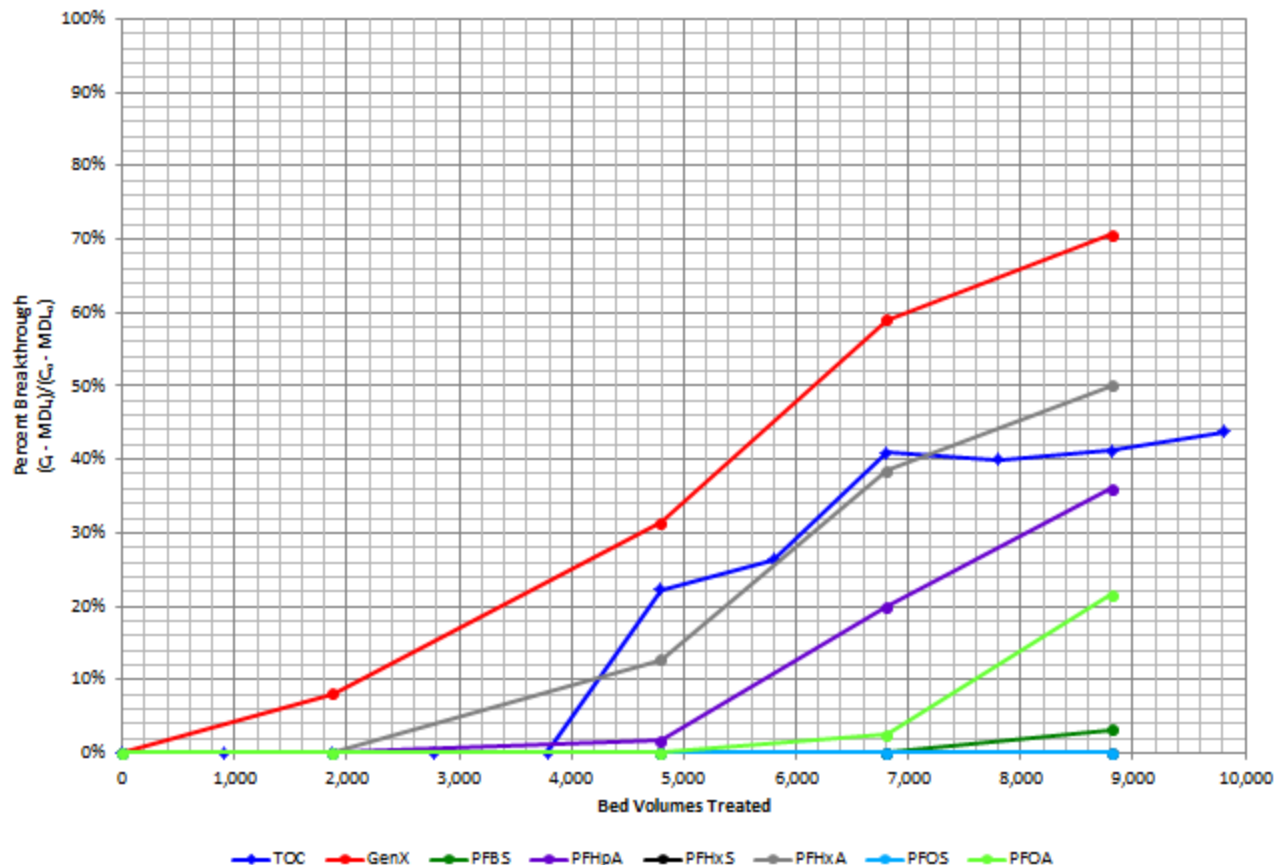




# Ion-Exchange Resin Testing



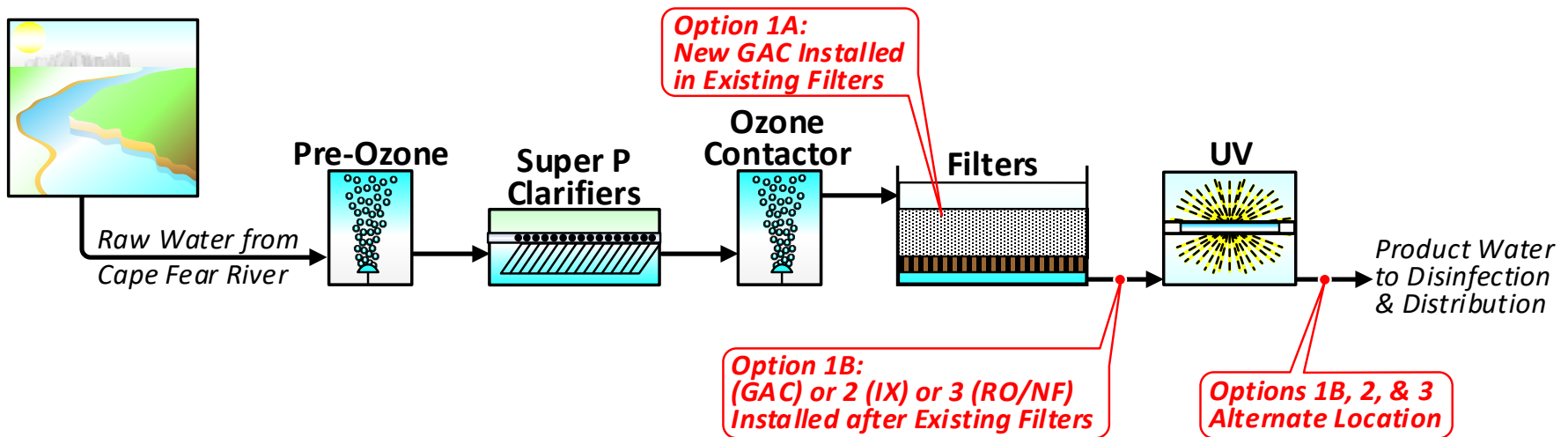
# Preliminary GAC Data



- Evaluate multiple fluorinated compounds and others of emerging concern
- Determine break-through over time
- Determine suitability and operating cost
- 6-12 months before treatment decisions are made



# Location of Options on Treatment Process Diagram



# Summary

DESCRIPTION	GAC in Existing Filters	OPT 1-B, GAC Contactors Post-Filtration	Deep Bed Version of 1B	RO/NF Post-Filtration
Initial Cost	\$1.7 million	\$28 million	\$32 million	\$113 million
Annual Operating Costs	\$2.0 million minimum/yr	\$3.3 million/yr to \$6.3 million/yr	\$3.4 million to \$6.4 million/yr	\$3.3 million/yr

- GAC operating costs are based on 6,000 to 12,000 Bed Volumes (BV) based on experience elsewhere with PFAS removal, but not Gen-X. Site specific GAC testing is being conducted to determine the correct BV to assume for treating Cape Fear River water.
- Option 1A's initial cost includes an initial load of GAC media and one-time replacement of sand and gravel. ( e) The options would have higher initial costs if standby filters/contactors were added to provide full capacity when units are off-line during GAC replacement events.
- A detailed cost opinion was not prepared for Ion Exchange (IX); however, it is the engineer's opinion that TPW for IX would be roughly in line with Post GAC. As a contingency CFPWA is conducting IX testing.

# Schedule

	FY 2018				FY 2019				FY 2020				FY 2021				FY 2022			
Testing and Treatment Selection																				
Pilot Testing - Phase 1 (GAC and IX Alternatives)																				
Pilot Testing - Phase 2 (Refinement)																				
UNCW Research																				
Pilot Testing Report																				
Final Treatment Recommendation																				
Design and Construction of New Facilities																				
Preliminary Engineering Report																				
Detailed Design, Permitting & Bidding																				
Construction of New Facilities																				
Replacement of Media in Existing Filters																				
Selection of Media/Permitting/Procurement																				
Filter Media Replacement - Construction																				

\* Subject to CFPUA Board approval.



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