



■ The City of Baltimore used to rely on a sea of rock trickling filters at its Back River Wastewater Treatment Plant before switching to activated sludge. The evolution of treatment procedures continues today as the abilities of the equipment and operational strategies advance. For example, in 2014 the Santa Clara Valley Water District in San Jose, Calif., opened the Silicon Valley Advanced Water Purification Center, which uses microfiltration, reverse osmosis, and ultraviolet light to produce up to 30.3 ML/d (8 mgd) of purified water for reuse. Read more about this reuse project on p. 30. WEF Archives

