### A BOLD CHOICE Geothermal Energy Plant at Wake Tech





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Nearly 70,000 students served annually

43 Buildings ● 3 Parking Decks ● 4 in Design/Construction ≈ 3 MSF

### Wake Tech Fun Facts

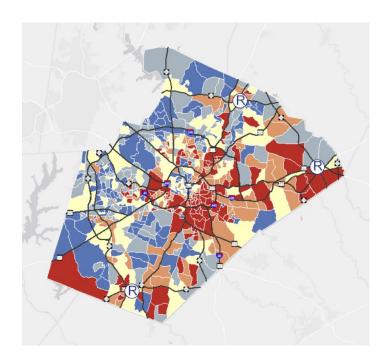


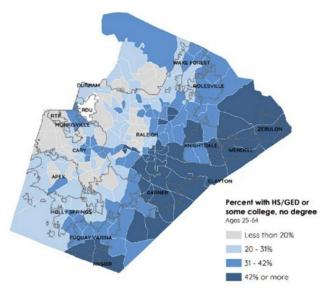
#### Economic Health Index of Residents (Red = less healthy)

Percent of Residents Ages 25-64 with HSD/GED, but **no College Degree** 

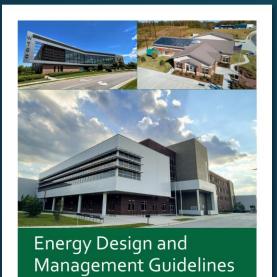
(Dark Blue ≥ 42%)

### Why Eastern Wake County?





Source: Carolina Demography (2018; internal report)



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#### External

- State Requirements
- Wake<sup>3</sup> Partnership

#### Internal

- D&C Guidelines + BAS
- Energy Star Appliances
- Green Cleaning
- Integrated Pest Management
- No Irrigation Standard
- Building Temperature Settings

## **Energy & Sustainability Guidelines**

State of Narth Carolina

### **Owner's Design & Construction Considerations**

#### Localized Systems

- RTUs/Heat pumps
- Air Cooled Chillers
- Natural Gas Boilers

#### Regional Plants

- Water Cooled Chillers/Cooling Towers
- Natural Gas Boilers (condensing)

#### Central Plant

- Cogeneration
- Thermal Energy Storage
- Geothermal System



## **Thermal Energy Systems**





Eastern Wake 4.0

## **Campus Master Plan**

#### / Executive Summary

#### A place where innovation partnerships happen

The addition of the Eastern Wake Campus creates a unique location hat helps serve the eastern Wake County region. Wake Tech Community College (WTCC) has a diverse enrollment of high school. everse transfer, military veterans, and baby boomer students. The new campus will provide more equitable access to post K-12 education for esidents in this area. The Wendell area continues to grow with a 71% population change in the last 20 years and construction of large mega sidential developments such as Wendell Falls. The new campus puts more weight on economic development, by being closer to future ndustry locations. The new campus will visually demonstrate Wake ech's commitment to the future and to Wake County residents.

#### work Plan Process and Goals Overview

WTCC commissioned EVP and its consultant team to develop a high level master plan / conceptual design plan for the Wake Tech East Wake Site. The design team conducted four Executive Steering Committee and nine Planning Committee workshops from February 2020 to July 2020, exploring various aspects of the framework plan:

#### Workshop 1 - Vision - Site Analysis and Goals Workshop 2 - Inspire - Preliminary framework concepts

Workshop 3 - Review - Scenario planning iterative development Workshop 4 - Align - WTCC Eastern Wake Site planning document early meetings, WTCC gave EYP a preliminary campus program, based

on their Capital Improvement Plan. The team further projected into the future for additional program to fill out the site at full capacity with limited structured parking. his plan was guided by the following concepts:

Create a campus of the future Establish a strong sense of place that celebrates the presence of

Provide for orderly growth of the campus to meet the future space needs of WTCC in support of it's mission

Carrying Capacity The result of the study is a framework plan with a full build out capacity of approximately 677,000 new building gross square feet plus 1,000 space parking garage and 607,800 square feet of outdoor training area for fire, rescue, and public safety. The current carrying capacity also assumes that the typical academic building footprints were based or a three story height. The Public Safety Building and the Central Utility

Plant are planned as one or two story buildings, depending of future program requirements

#### Parking and Traffic

A critical and limiting factor in determining the carrying capacity are parking requirements and resultant traffic impacts. The design team analyzed other WTCC campuses and parking utilization at peak times to estimate the student population of the Eastern Wake Site. The parking capacity is based on the projected student population with an average of 1.6 trips per student. Additional considerations for future mobility program requirements, and shared parking were taken into account to come up with the final parking count of 3,289 spaces of which 1,000 spaces are in future structured parking and incorporate 15% more spaces than max capacity. Anticipated traffic calculations based on that parking load are included in the Impacts section of this report.

#### Infrastructure, Sustainability and Resiliency

The proposed framework plan is consistent with WTCC sustainability goals, allowing for electric charging stations, options for renewable energy such as photovoltaics and geothermal, and service through a efficient Central Utility Plant.

Resiliency was considered from several perspectives ranging from climate to infrastructure. The need to provide access for incoming ervices and emergency vehicles was identified and accounted for with edestrian paths that double as emergency access

Landscape is considered an integral place making component of the framework plan, functioning both to enhance the quality of life for the occupants and as a "green infrastructure" which mitigates storm wate run-off into Buffalo Creek and the surrounding wetlands

#### The proposed framework plan is seen as a living document and a first

he surrounding community

stakeholders, the local municipality, and citizen interest groups from

step towards realizing the full potential for the Wake Tech Eastern

Wake Site. It will serve as a basis for future discussion with college

#### **Geothermal Field Reports & Data**



### Eastern Wake 4.0

**CEP** - Central Energy Plant

**GSHX** – Geothermal (Ground Source Heat Exchange)

**PSSC** - Public Safety Simulation Complex

**GEB1** - General Education Building 1

T4.0 - Technology 4.0 Building

FTC - Fire & Rescue Training Center

#### **Geothermal Experience**

#### Stanford White | Salas O'Brien

- Miami University
- Epic Corporation
- Ford Motor Company
- Ball State University
- Carleton College
- Cornell College
- Minot State University
- Chippewa Valley Technical College
- Iowa National Guard Readiness Complex

#### Your Project Team







"Geothermal project will have impacts with infrastructure & roadways."

## **Project Delivery Methods**

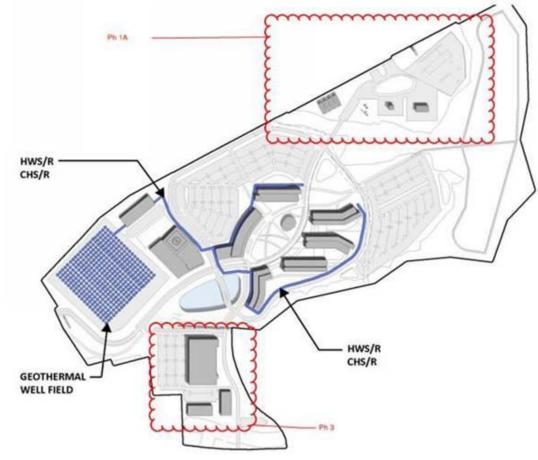


# Eastern Wake 4.0 Site - Central Energy Plant

### **Buildings Served by Central Energy Plant**

The clouded areas are assumed to not be connected to the central energy plant. Connected buildings and assumed SF shown with phasing:

Phase	Building	SF
	CEP	20,000
	Public safety	70,000
1	Technology 4.0	80,000
	General education w/ student services	110,000
2	General classroom	80,000
Z	General classroom	80,000
3	Academic building 4	80,000
3	Academic building 5	80,000
	Total	600,000



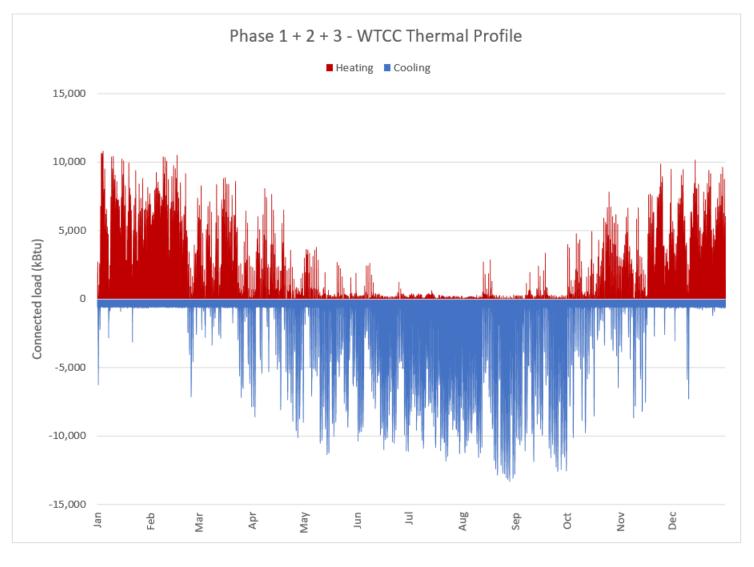
Section SC.1: Geothermal Utility Diagram

### **Thermal Profile**

Total build out thermal profile

	Annual load (kBtu)	Peak load (kBtu)	Peak load (tons)
Heating	11,088,387	10,825	902
Cooling	22,306,951	13,341	1,112

- Energy recovery in cooling mode
- No energy recovery in heating mode
  - Hours where you can use the enthalpy wheel in the winter are very few
    - In the winter, the supply air temperature > 55°F while using the enthalpy wheel, requiring the cooling coil to turn on to meet 55°F supply air into VAV boxes



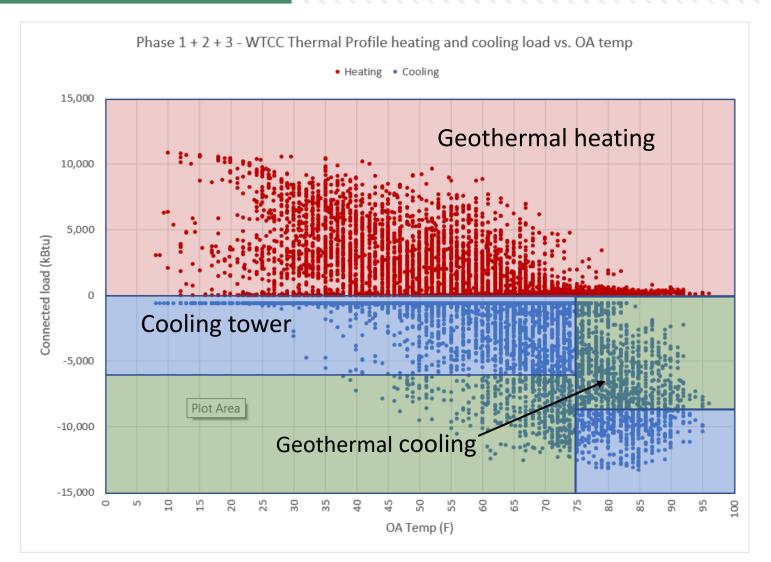
### Plant Design Options

	Option # 1	Option # 2	Option # 3	Option # 3A	Option # 4	Option # 4A	Option # 5
	Traditional chiller and gas fired boiler	Geothermal plant	Geothermal w/ ASHP (130)	Geothermal w/ ASHP (105)	Geothermal w/ cooling tower (130)	Geothermal w/ cooling tower (105)	CHW thermal storage (with option #4A parameters)
Description:		0	Geothermal with ASHP (sized for 100% of the heating, use ASHP for favorable conditions and maintain a balanced borefield) 130°F HHW supply temperature	Geothermal with ASHP (sized for 100% of the heating, use ASHP for favorable conditions and maintain a balanced borefield) 105°F HHW supply temperature	100% of the heating, balanced	Geothermal with cooling tower (sized for 100% of the heating, balanced borefield) 105°F HHW supply temperature	Chilled water thermal energy storage (with option #4A parameters)

### **Cooling Tower & Geothermal**

- Combination of cooling tower and geothermal cooling and heating
- Utilized cooling tower in cooler ambient conditions for all cooling load that is less than 75°F OA temperature up to 500 tons capacity
- Utilize cooling tower in high OA ambient temperatures over 650 tons to minimize GLHE size
  - Unbalanced heating peak ~650 tons (what GLHE is sized for)
- Balanced GLHE
  - Minimizes GLHE size
  - No temperature creep of GLHE
  - Maximizes GLHE performance

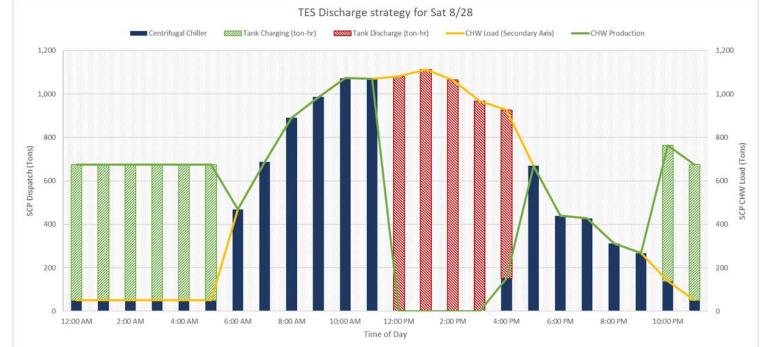
	Annual load	Heat rejected/extracted from borefield
Geothermal cooling	4,937,580	6,418,854
Geothermal heating	8,313,573	6,395,056



### **Technology Considerations**

#### **Thermal Energy Storage**

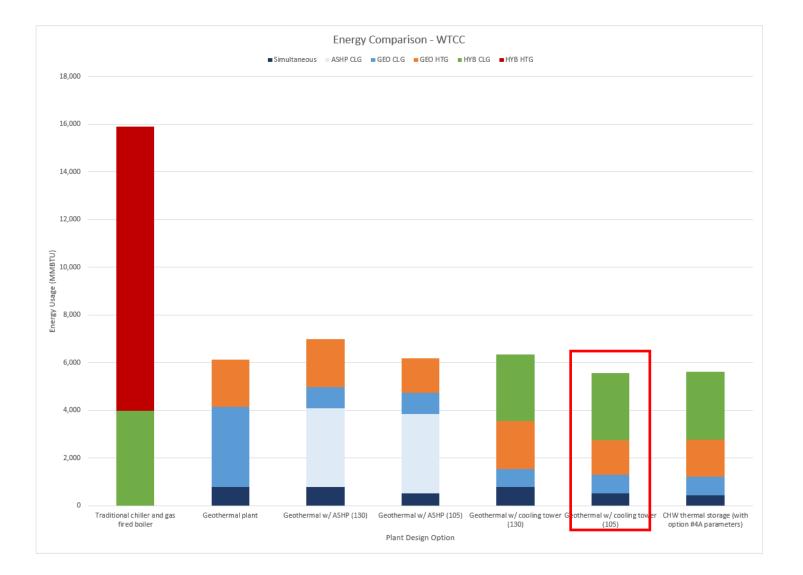




### **Equipment Capacity**

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Natural gas fired boilers	(4) 4,000 MBH	(2) 3,000 MBH	(2) 3,000 MBH	(2) 3,000 MBH	(2) 3,000 MBH	(2) 3,000 MBH	(2) 3,000 MBH
Chillers / heat pumps	(4) 500-ton	(4) 500-ton	(3) 500-ton	(3) 500-ton	(4) 500-ton	(4) 500-ton	(4) 500-ton
Closed circuit evaporative cooling tower	(4) 500-ton	-	-	-	(1) 500-ton	(1) 500-ton	(1) 500-ton
Simultaneous heat pump	-	(1) 80-ton	(1) 80-ton	(1) 80-ton	(1) 80-ton	(1) 80-ton	(1) 80-ton
Modular ASHP	-	-	(9) 60-ton	(9) 60-ton	-	-	-
Geothermal borefield (at depth of 400')	-	810	390	390	390	390	390
TES tank	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,000 ton-hr

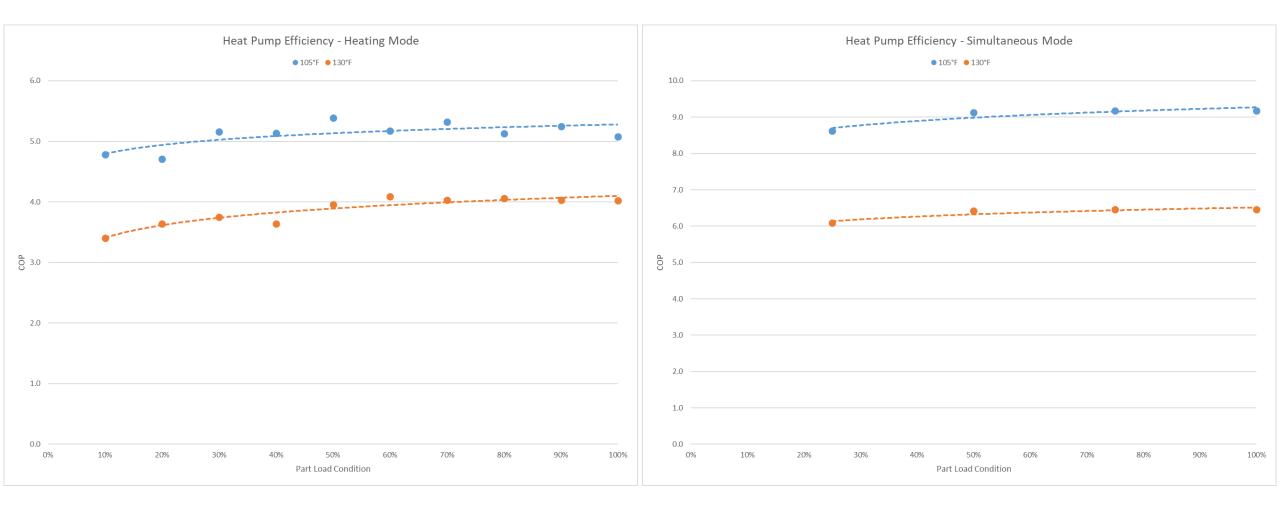
### Plant Energy Consumption



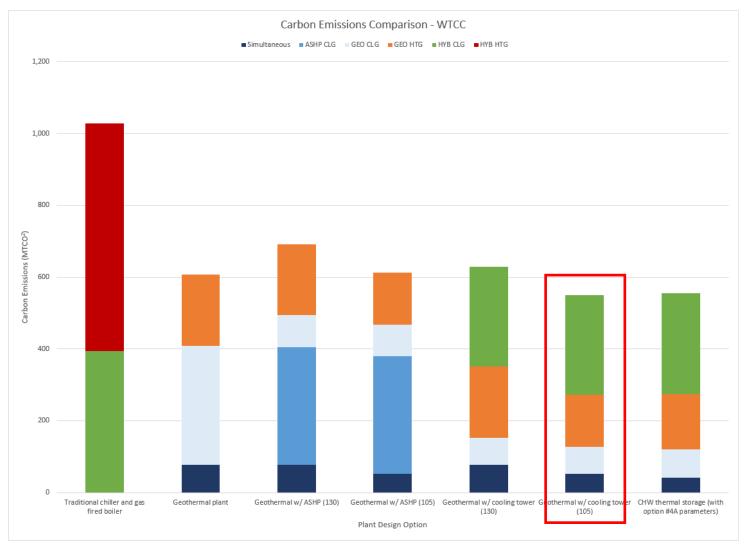
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Simultaneous	0	783	783	522	783	522	426
ASHP CLG	0	0	3,313	3,313	0	0	0
ASHP HTG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GEO CLG	0	3,351	890	890	765	765	792
GEO HTG	0	1,995	1,995	1,465	1,995	1,465	1,554
HYB CLG	3,977	0	0	0	2,803	2,803	2,836
HYB HTG	11,923	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	15,900	6,130	6,981	6,190	6,346	5,555	5,609
Savings over baseline		9,770	8,918	9,709	9,553	10,344	10,291
% savings		61%	56%	61%	60%	65%	65%

#### Heat Pump Chiller Performance



### Plant CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions



#### Plant OPEX (SGS Rate)



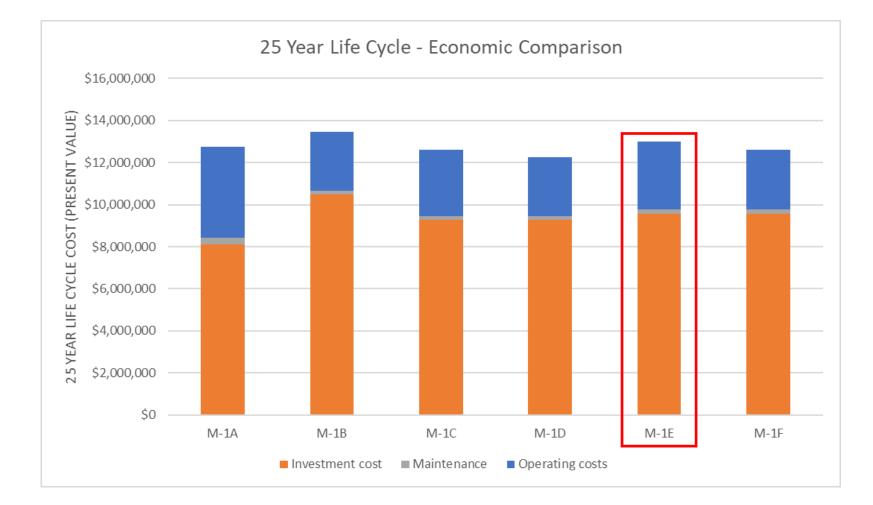
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Electricity consumption	\$104,195.47	\$172,986.33	\$195,392.76	\$171,015.93	\$178,440.66	\$154,063.82	\$146,500.64
Electricity demand	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Gas consumption	\$66,768.78	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Water consumption	\$58,582.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,337.69	\$17,337.69	\$17,518.02
Chemical treatment	\$7,773.82	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,300.68	\$2,300.68	\$2,324.61
Maintenance	\$20,163.35	\$10,686.51	\$10,686.51	\$10,686.51	\$13,936.51	\$13,936.51	\$13,936.51
Total	\$257,484.16	\$183,672.84	\$206,079.27	\$181,702.44	\$212,015.53	\$187,638.70	\$180,279.77
Savings over baseline	\$0.00	\$73,811.33	\$51,404.89	\$75,781.73	\$45,468.63	\$69,845.47	\$77,204.39
Savings over baseline including social cost of carbon	\$0.00	\$115,887.98	\$85,048.40	\$117,258.62	\$85,400.57	\$117,610.79	\$124,441.84
-	\$0.00	\$115,887.98	\$85,048.40	\$117,258.62	\$85,400.57	\$117,610.79	\$124,441.84

### **Capital Expenditures**

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Natural gas fired boilers	\$1,725,061	\$780,455	\$780,455	\$780,455	\$780,455	\$780 <i>,</i> 455	\$780,455
Chillers / heat pumps	\$2,891,138	\$6,875,559	\$4,874,026	\$4,874,026	\$6,875,559	\$6,875,559	\$6,875,559
Closed circuit evaporative cooling tower	\$3,025,107	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$748,684	\$748,684	\$748,684
Modular ASHP	\$0	\$0	\$2,349,870	\$2,349,870	\$0	\$0	\$0
Glycol & HX	\$0	\$0	\$197,378	\$197,378	\$0	\$0	\$0
Geothermal borefield (at depth of 400')	\$0	\$5,433,333	\$2,600,000	\$2,600,000	\$2,600,000	\$2,600,000	\$2,600,000
TES tank	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$963,515
Total	\$7,641,306	\$13,089,347	\$10,801,729	\$10,801,729	\$11,004,698	\$11,004,698	\$11,968,213
Incremental over baseline	\$0	\$5,448,041	\$3,160,423	\$3,160,423	\$3,363,392	\$3,363 <i>,</i> 392	\$4,326,907

### Life Cycle Cost Assessment



#### Life Cycle Cost Assessment

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	M – 1A	M – 1B	M – 1C	M – 1D	M – 1E	M – 1F
	Traditional chiller and gas fired boiler	Geothermal plant	Geothermal w/ ASHP (130)	Geothermal w/ ASHP (105)	Geothermal w/ cooling tower (130)	Geothermal w/ cooling tower (105)
Electric utility cost	\$1,899,713	\$2,787,878	\$3,142,349	\$2,777,254	\$2,874,207	\$2,498,636
Gas utility cost	\$1,289,871	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Water & chemical treatment	\$1,125,106	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$332,986	\$332,986
Total operating costs	\$4,314,690	\$2,787,878	\$3,142,349	\$2,777,254	\$3,207,193	\$2,831,622
Maintenance	\$341,888	\$181,202	\$181,202	\$181,202	\$236 <i>,</i> 307	\$236,307
Investment cost	\$7,159,637	\$12,233,029	\$10,120,843	\$10,120,843	\$10,311,018	\$10,311,018
Replacement costs	\$2,530,879	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$377,086	\$377,086
Residual value	-\$1,593,725	-\$1,745,439	-\$840,396	-\$840,396	-\$1,142,299	-\$1,142,299
Net Investment cost*	\$8,096,791	\$10,487,591	\$9,280,446	\$9,280,446	\$9,545,805	\$9,545,805
Total 25-year cost	\$12,753,369	\$13,456,671	\$12,603,998	\$12,238,902	\$12,989,305	\$12,613,734
25-year savings	\$0	-\$703,302	\$149,371	\$514,466	-\$235,936	\$139,634

### **Design Conclusions / Recommendations**

#### • 105°F HHW supply temperature

- Benefit in heating efficiency will lead to savings annually for the CEP
- More competitive bid offers on equipment manufacturers
- Allows for flexibility at building level to select standard or new coil technologies
- No difference in leaving air temperature on air handlers or VAV boxes (95F)

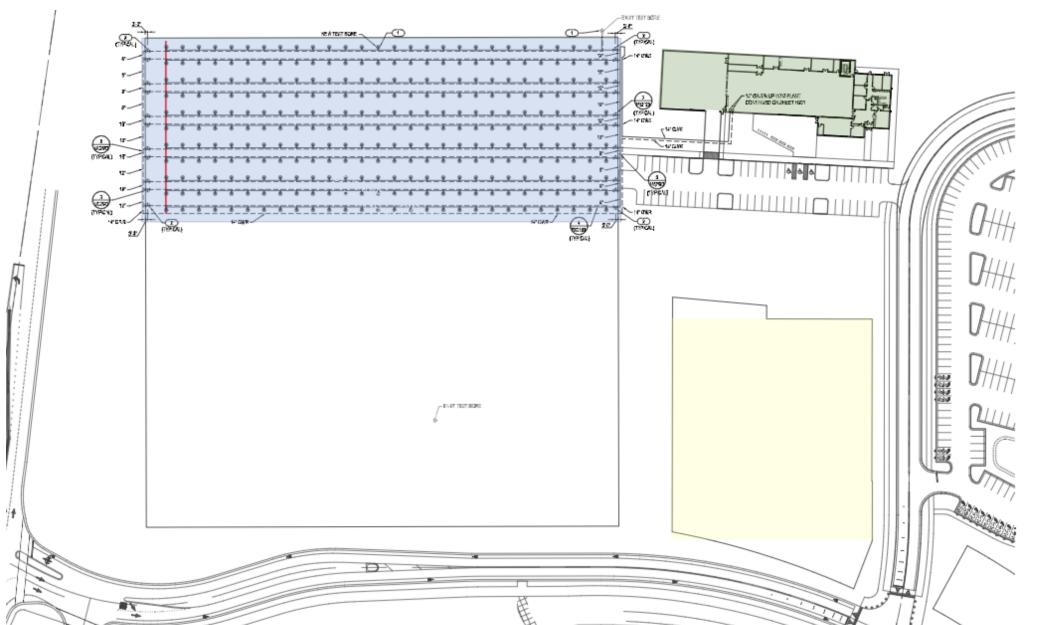
#### Cooling tower

- Smaller footprint than ASHP
- Greater flexibility in maintaining healthy geothermal borefield temperature
  - Can pre-cool geothermal borefield and lead to lower operating temps in the summer → (additional savings)

#### • No CHW TES tank

- Not viable financially, 25-years worth of operating costs savings won't pay for the tank
- Geothermal w/ cooling tower (105°F HHWS) is preferred solution
  - Lower 25-year cost to baseline
  - Lowest EUI & greatest carbon emissions savings compared to all plant options
  - Environmental stewardship
    - 11,950 MTCO<sub>2</sub> savings over 25-year period compared to traditional plant options

#### **Geothermal Well Field**



### Plant Dispatch Strategy

### Heat Pump Technology



**ClimaCool Modular Scroll** 



**Trane RTWD Screw** 



Waterfurnace Screw



**Multistack Modular Scroll** 



Water furnace Modular Scroll

### Heat Pump Technology



York YK



York CYK





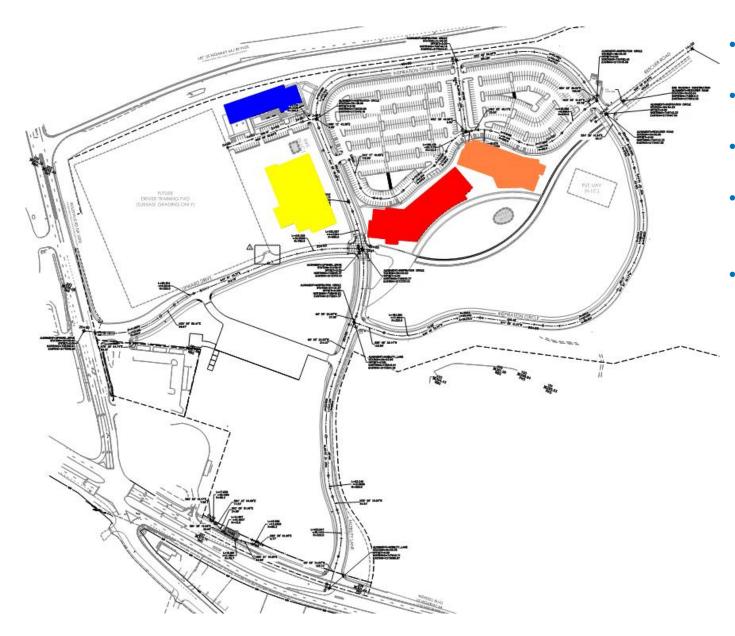
**Multistack Centrifugal** 



**Trane Centravac Centrifugal** 

Carrier 19DV

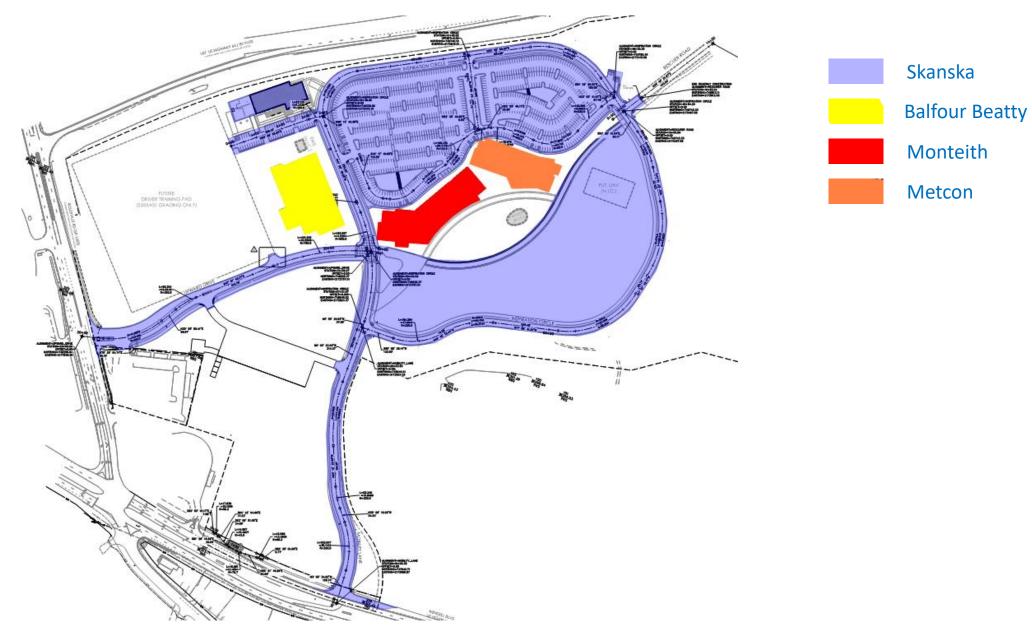
#### Construction on a New Campus with Multiple General Contractors



- 4 Separate General Contractors
- Logistical Considerations for Each Project
- Staggered Design and Construction Start Dates
- Interim Milestones to Support Each Project
  Required Throughout
- Key to Success...Continuous Communication and Collaboration with all Stakeholders!!!

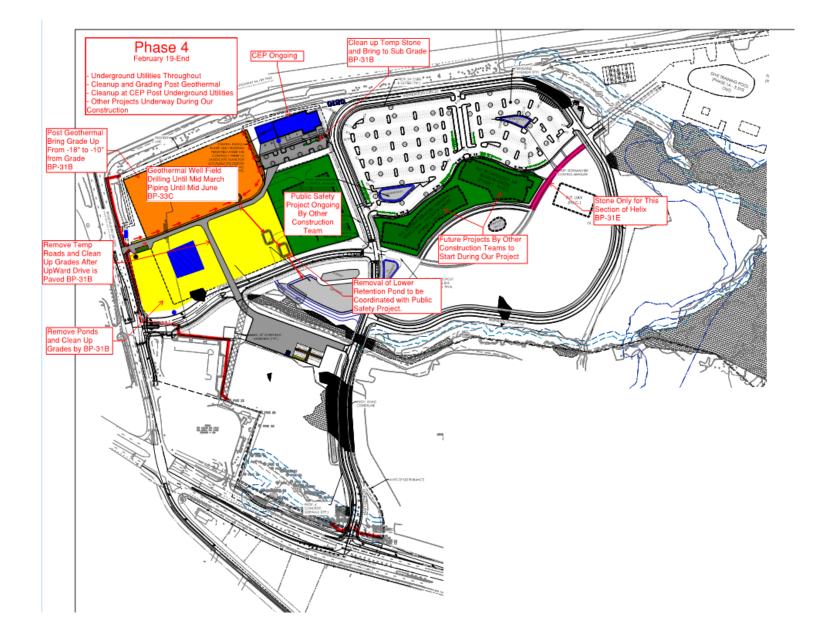
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#### Scope of Work Area by General Contractor



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#### Logistics Plan...One of Many





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#### **Geothermal Installation**



Key Components: Test Wells During Design

Subcontractor Bidding and Capacity

#### Installation Considerations

- Ground Water
- Soil Composition
- Logistics and Temporary Sediment Basins
- Significant QA/QC Items

#### Geothermal Well Field





### Geothermal Well Drilling Operation





### Geothermal Temporary Sediment Pond



### Alternate Method for Capturing Water – Frac Tanks





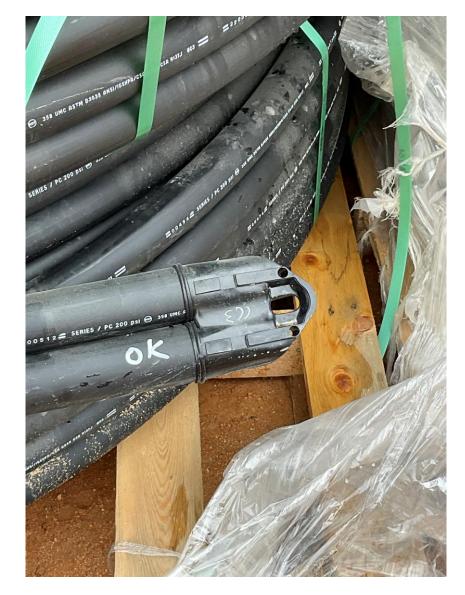
### Geothermal Well Field – 3 Drill Rigs





### **Geothermal Vertical Tubing**







### Geothermal Vertical Tubing Installation and Pressure Testing





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### Geothermal Grout Batching and Installation

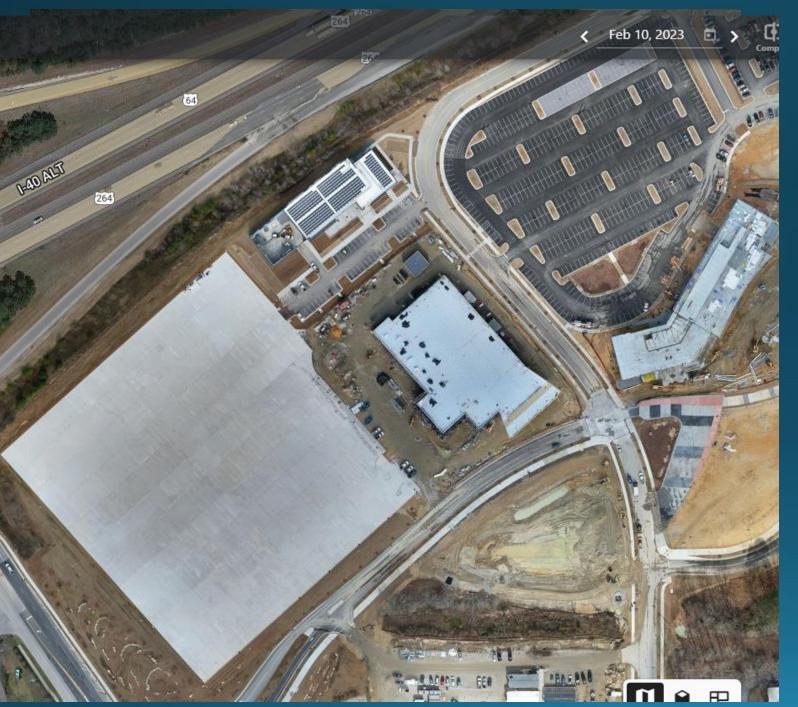




### Geothermal Horizontal Piping and Connection to Vertical Tubing







# Geothermal Wellfield

### Time-lapse progress

### Long Lead Items and Procurement Methods

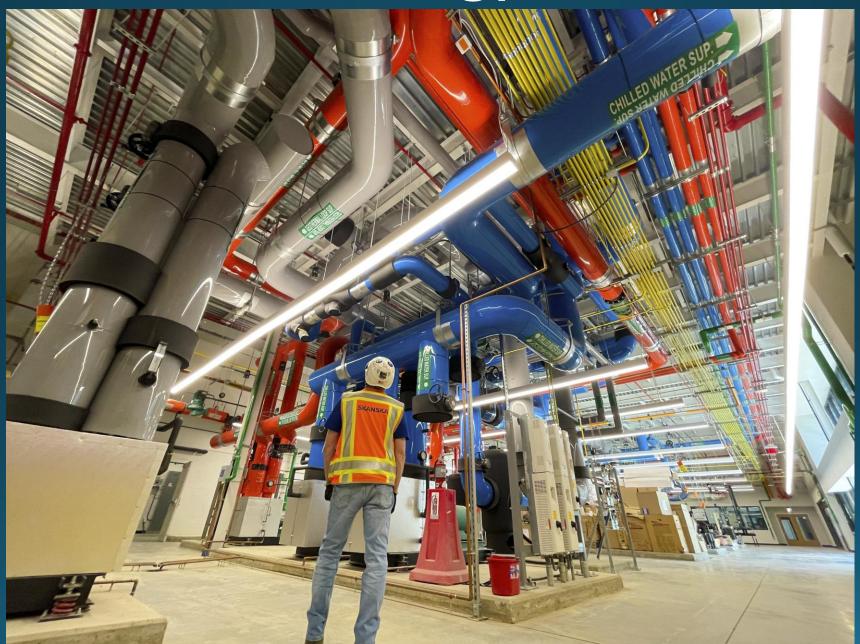




# **Central Energy Plant**



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## Campus Energy Loop









### Eastern Wake 4.0 - Sustainability Highlights

- Hybrid Geothermal Central Energy Plant
  - 105°F HHW supply temperature
  - 44°F CHW supply temperature
  - 1580 Tons (Phase 1, 2, 3)
  - 297 Wells at 500 ft, 650 Tons: Phase 1
- Rooftop Solar PV Systems [net meter]
  - CEP: **110kW**, 283 Modules/Panels
  - PSSC: **418kW**, 972 Modules/Panels
  - GEB & SS: **228kW**, 576 Modules/Panels
- Solar PV Parking Lot/Roadway Lighting
  - No wired fixtures
- EV Charging Stations
  - 20 Ports campus wide (Phase 1)
- Operational Transparency
  - Energy/Sustainability Dashboard in Buildings

- Connection with Nature
  - Daylight & Views (HP windows/glazing)
  - Drought Tolerant/Native Plant Species
  - Green Roof/Outdoor Spaces
- Stormwater Mitigation
  - Rainwater Harvesting
  - Pervious Hardscape
  - Bioswales
  - Bio-R Ponds/UG Storm Chamber System
- Solar Reflectance
  - Light Colored Hardscapes & Paving
  - Cool-rated Roofing Membranes
  - Canopies/Vertical shading
- Community Connectivity
  - Multimodal Pathways (bike lanes)
  - Public Bus Access/Bike Racks
  - Nature/Walking Trail

### **Green Globes Building Certifications**







# Thank You

