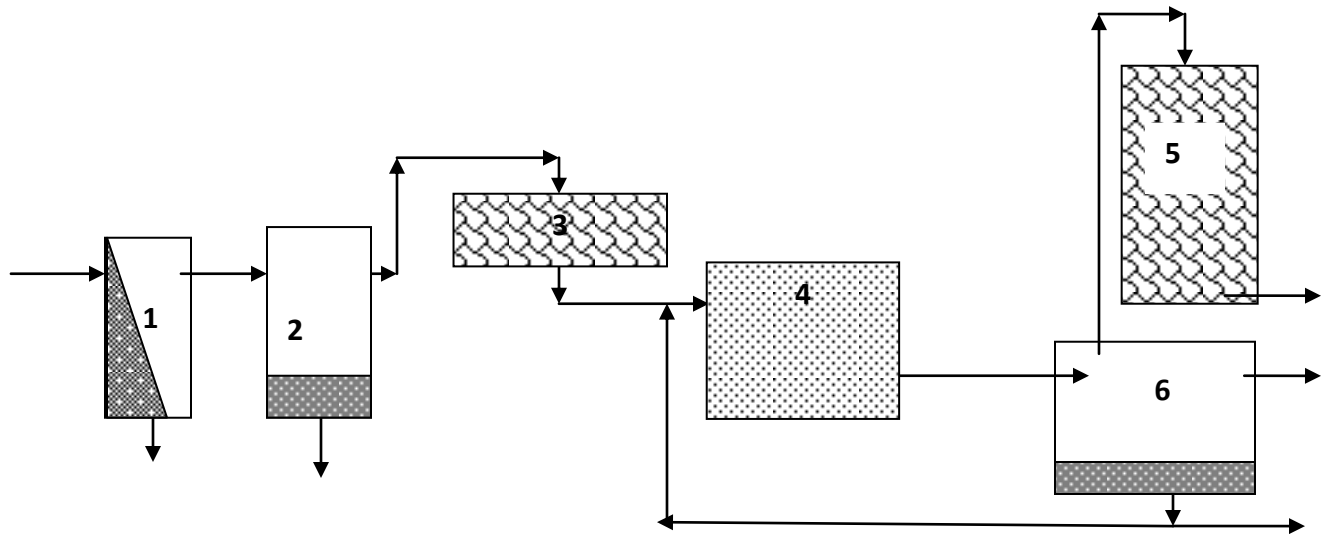


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**BOULDER WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT**

**CURRENT UNIT PROCESS FLOW DIAGRAM**



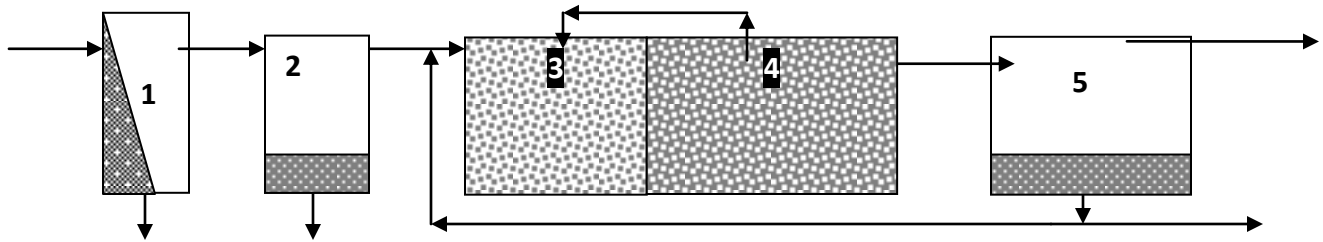
**KEY**

Number	Name	Removal/Conversion	Addition	Residuals
1	Headworks	Large solids screened	Mechanical power	Screening to Landfill
2	Primary Clarifier	50-60% suspended solids	None	Primary sludge
3	1 <sup>st</sup> stage trickling filter	80-85% BOD removed	Power to Dosing Pumps, Blowers for air supply and scrubbing	None
4	Solids Contact	10-15% BOD removed	Blower for air (O <sub>2</sub> )	None
5	Nitrifying trickling filter	25-75% ammonia oxidized to nitrate	Blower for air (O <sub>2</sub> )	None
6	Secondary Clarifier	99% suspended solids removed	Pumping for recycled biomass	Secondary Sludge

Current Effluent contains:

- Low soluble and particulate BOD/COD
- Low ammonia nitrogen (NH<sub>4</sub>-N)
- High nitrate-nitrogen (NO<sub>3</sub>-N)
- Low suspended solids (TSS)

## FUTURE PROCESS FLOW DIAGRAM



### KEY:

Number	Name	Removal/Conversion	Addition	Residuals
1	Headworks	Large solids screened	Mechanical power	Screenings to Landfill
2	Primary Clarifier	50-60% suspended solids	None	Primary sludge
3	Activated sludge mixed basin (anoxic)	50-75% BOD removed, Nitrate reduced to N <sub>2</sub>	Mixing, Power for recirculation pumps	None
4	Activated sludge aeration basin (aerobic)	25-50% BOD removed, ammonia oxidized to nitrate	Blower for air (O <sub>2</sub> )	None
5	Secondary Clarifier	99% suspended solids removed	Pumping for recycled biomass	Secondary Sludge

### Future Effluent contains:

- Low soluble and particulate BOD/COD
- Low ammonia nitrogen (NH<sub>4</sub>-N)
- Low nitrate-nitrogen (NO<sub>3</sub>-N)
- Low suspended solids (TSS)
- Potential to remove excess phosphorus