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**Balancing Sustainability and Safety**

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*Concentrated Leadership. Respected Energy.*


*Christoph Lohr has over a decade of experience in designing plumbing systems for healthcare, laboratory, hospitality, sports, and university projects. He has a reputation as a results-oriented expert. Christoph's current responsibilities as Vice President of Strategic Initiatives for IAPMO is to identify long term, high impact projects, developing a business case for them, bring resources to bear, and executing them for maximum results. He has a concentrated focus in honing his personal and organization's strategy on possible breakthrough points which has led to improved effectiveness and growth.*

*Christoph's professional activities in the industry extend into multiple volunteer associations, of which he has also assumed leadership roles setting strategy and direction for teams including ASPE Phoenix Chapter, ASPE Society, ASPE Legionella Working Group, ASHRAE Committees, PIPE Trust of Arizona, IAPMO's Safe Building Reopening Best Practices among others. Additionally, he has been involved in numerous strategic planning initiatives to help organizations he has belonged to in improving their overall effectiveness. It is with this mindset that Christoph consistently looks to find long-term, holistic solutions that positively impact public health and safety, particularly in the world of water and plumbing.*

**Plumbing Resiliency.**  
Drought Prevention  
& Minimizing the  
Impact of Seismic  
Events



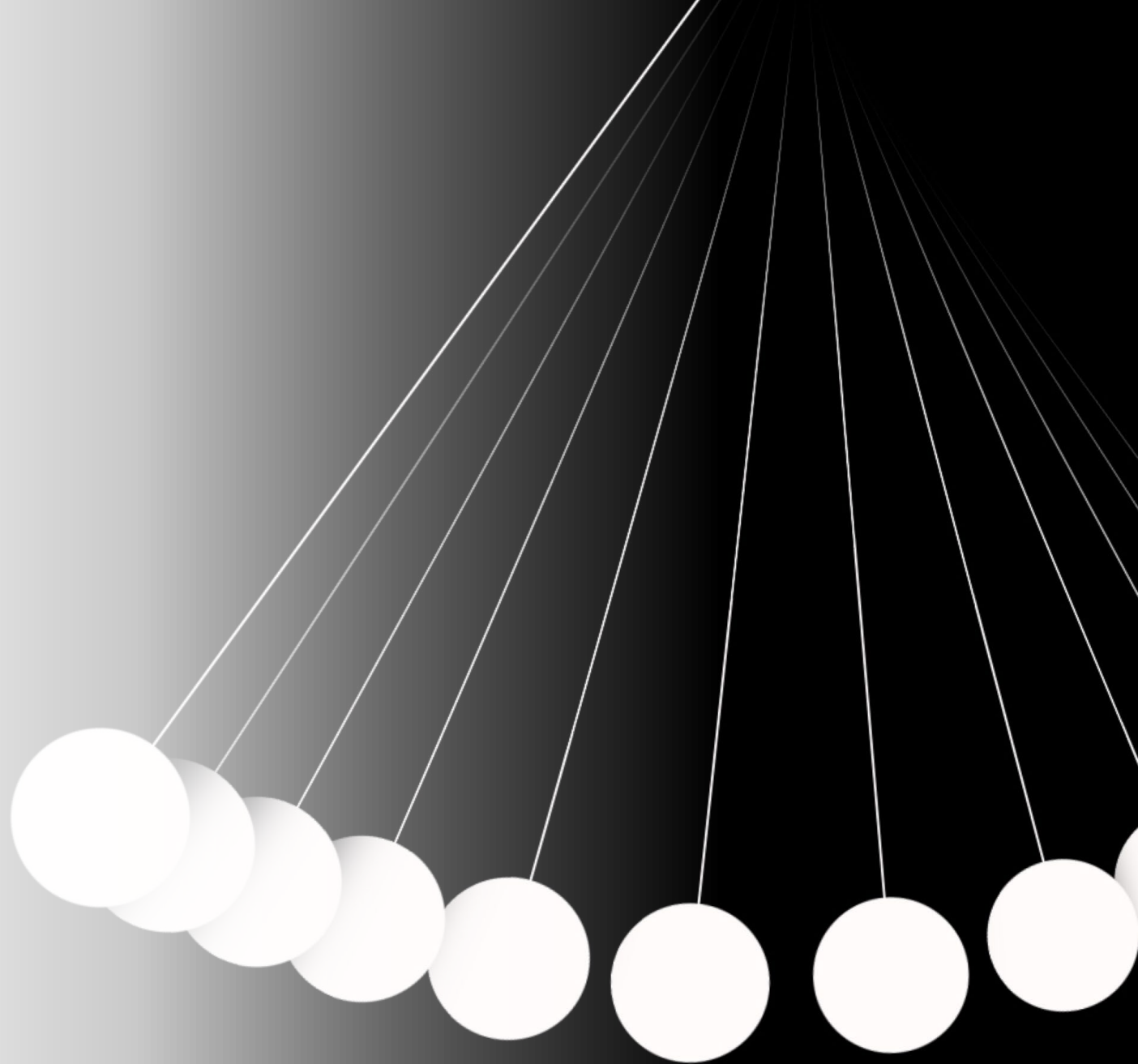




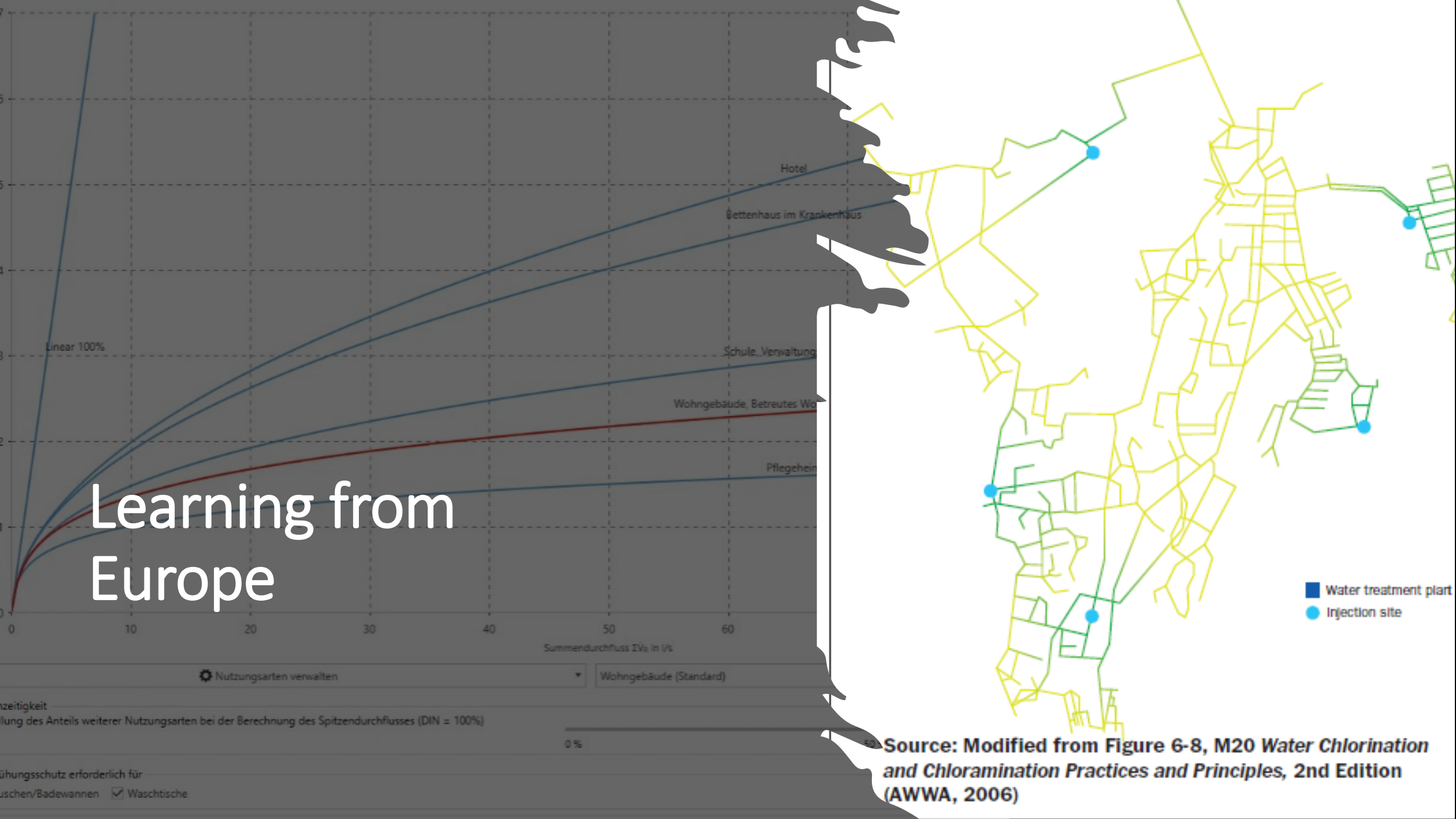
# Plumbing Resiliency.

Balancing  
Sustainability &  
Public Health/Safety

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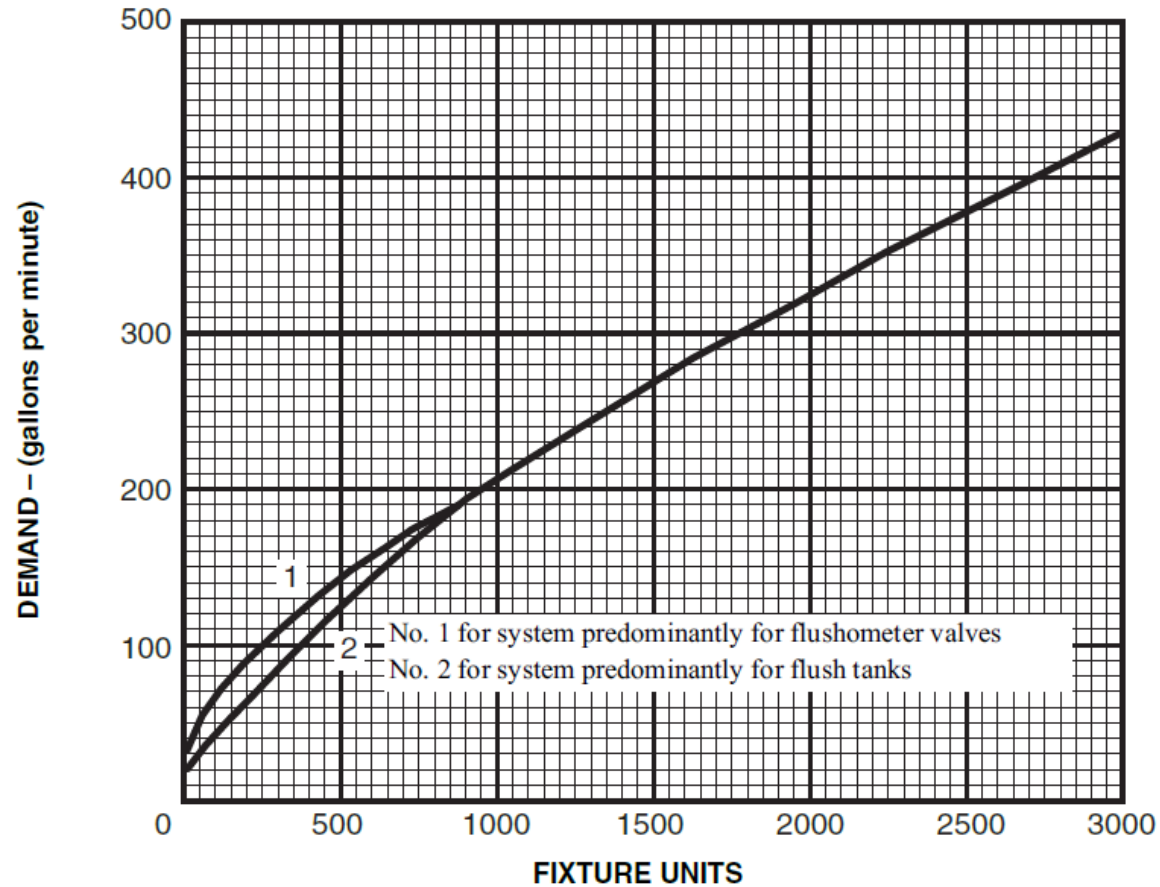
# Learning from Europe



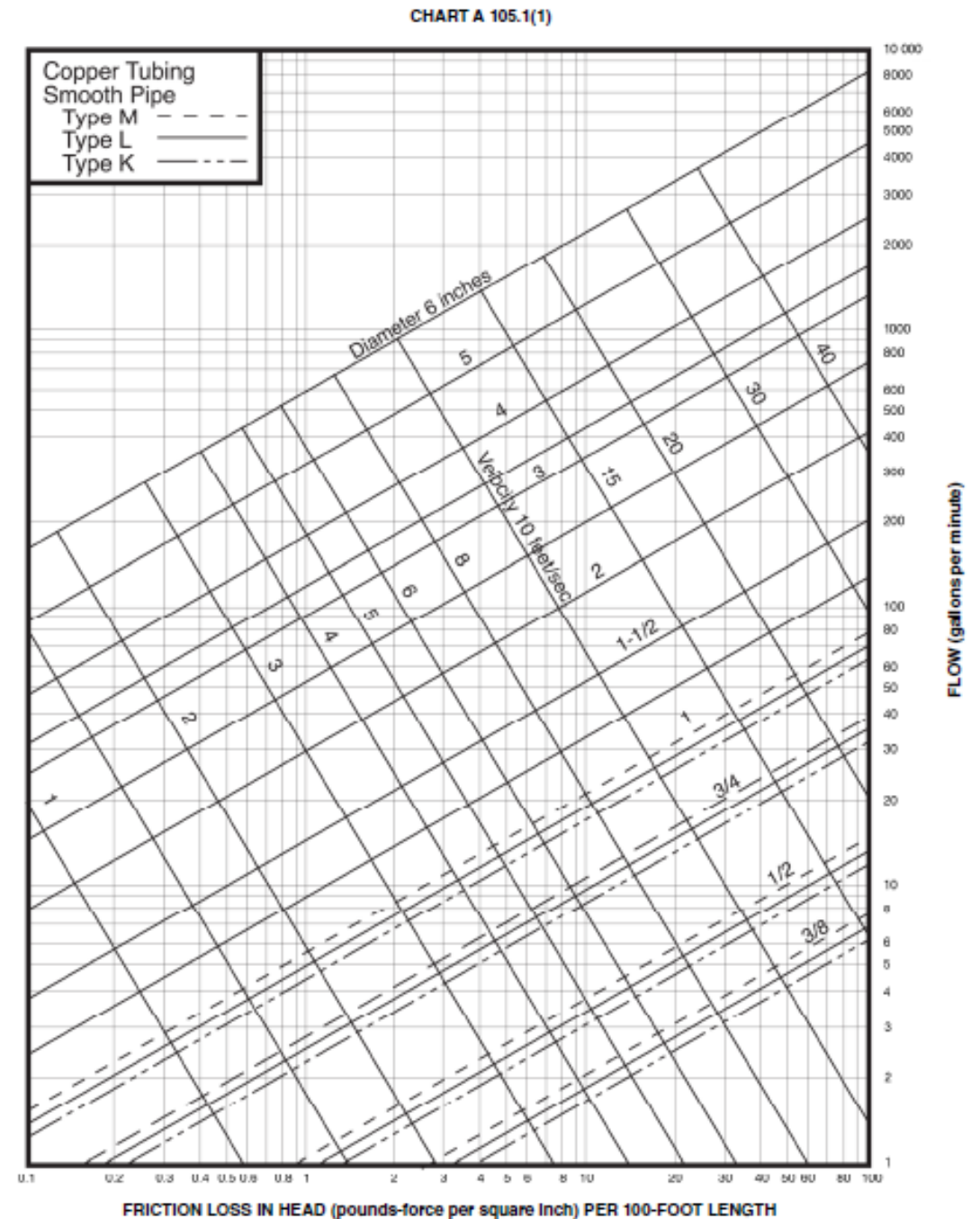
Source: Modified from Figure 6-8, M20 Water Chlorination and Chloramination Practices and Principles, 2nd Edition (AWWA, 2006)

# How do we Design?

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ESTIMATE CURVES FOR DEMAND LOAD



For SI units: 1 gallon per minute = 0.06 L/s



For SI units: 1 inch = 25 mm, 1 gallon per minute = 0.06 L/s, 1 pound-force per square inch = 6.8947 kPa, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 foot per second = 0.3048 m/s



# The Water Demand Calculator

Fixtures	4	Faucet, Lavatory	0	2.00	1.5	1.5
	5	Shower, per head (no Bathtub)	0	4.50	2.0	2.0
	6	Water Closet, 1.28 GPF Gravity Tank	0	1.00	3.0	3.0
Kitchen Fixtures	7	Dishwasher	0	0.50	1.3	1.3
	8	Faucet, Kitchen Sink	0	2.00	2.2	2.2
Laundry Room Fixtures	9	Clothes Washer	0	5.50	3.5	3.5
	10	Faucet, Laundry	0	2.00	2.0	2.0
Bar/Prep Fixtures	11	Faucet, Bar Sink	0	2.00	1.5	1.5
Other Fixtures	12	Fixture 1	0	0.00	0.0	6.0
	13	Fixture 2	0	0.00	0.0	6.0
	14	Fixture 3	0	0.00	0.0	6.0

99<sup>th</sup> Percentile Demand Flow

Hunter Number

Stagnation Probability

DOWNLOAD

RESET

Select Units for Water Demand

RUN

CLICK BUTTON



# Pipe Sizing's Methodology on Water Quality

Can drinking water be delivered without disinfectants like chlorine and still be safe? (theconversation.com)

(Article by Vanessa Speight)

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## THE WATER DEMAND CALCULATOR: UPDATING THE HUNTER'S CURVE SUMMIT

November 4, 2021 | Virtual | Let's Make History Together!

Water Demand Calculator (WDC v2.0)

Thursday, January 21, 2021  
4:13 PM

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Multi-Family Building

	FIXTURE	ENTER TOTAL NUMBER OF FIXTURES	PROBABILITY OF USE (%)	ENTER FIXTURE FLOW RATE (GPM)	MAXIMUM RECOMMENDED FIXTURE FLOW RATE (GPM)
1	Bathtub (no Shower)	0	1.00	5.5	5.5
2	Bidet	0	1.00	2.0	2.0
3	Combination Bath/Shower	0	5.50	5.5	5.5
4	Faucet, Lavatory	0	2.00	1.5	1.5
5	Shower, per head (no Bathtub)	0	4.50	2.0	2.0
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COMPUTED RESULTS  
FOR  
PEAK PERIOD CONDITIONS

Total No. of Fixtures in Calculation

99<sup>th</sup> Percentile Demand Flow

Hunter Number

Stagnation Probability

DOWNLOAD  
RESULT

RESET  
WDC

Select Units for Water Demand

GPM LPM LPS

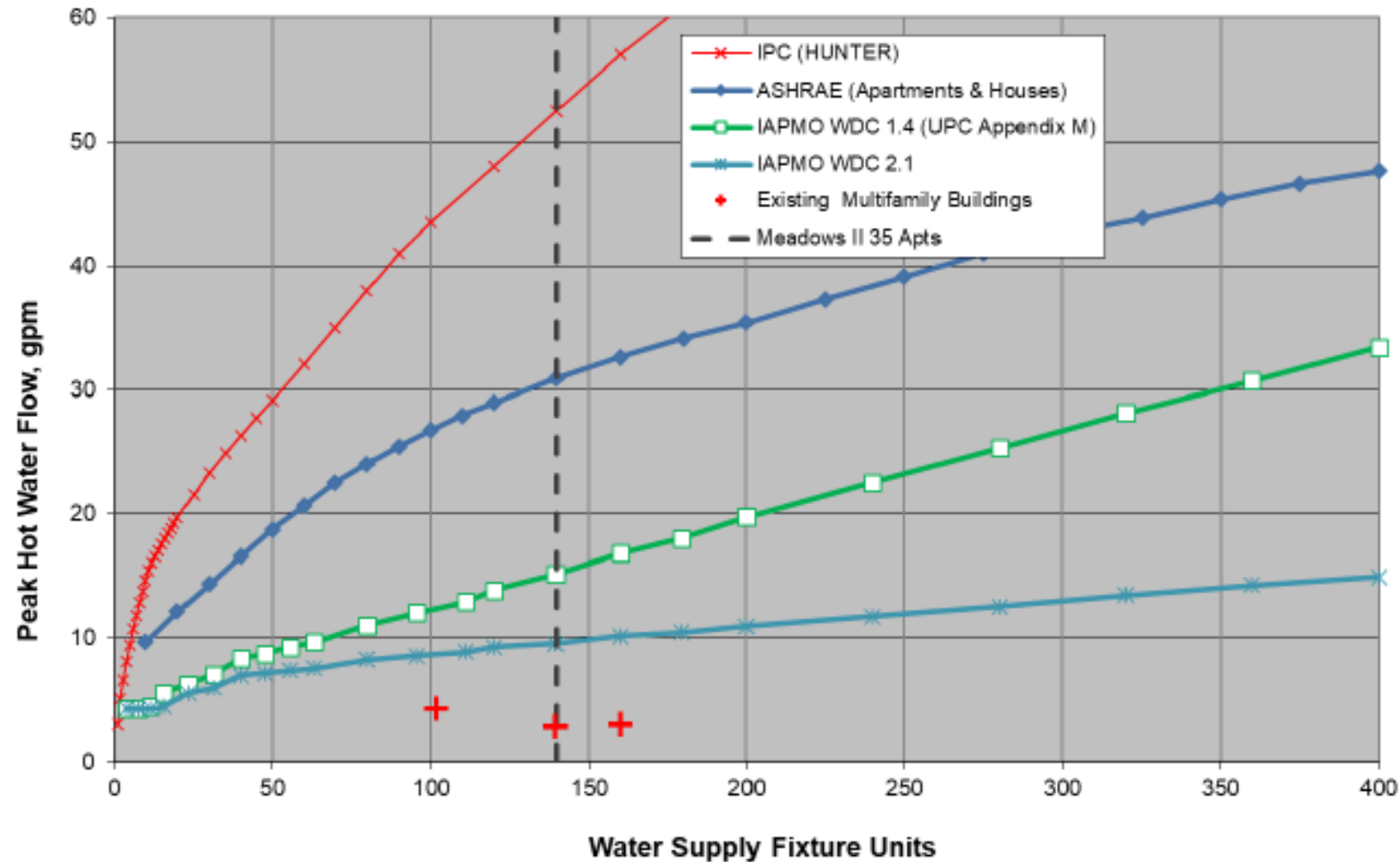
RUN  
WDC

CLICK BUTTON

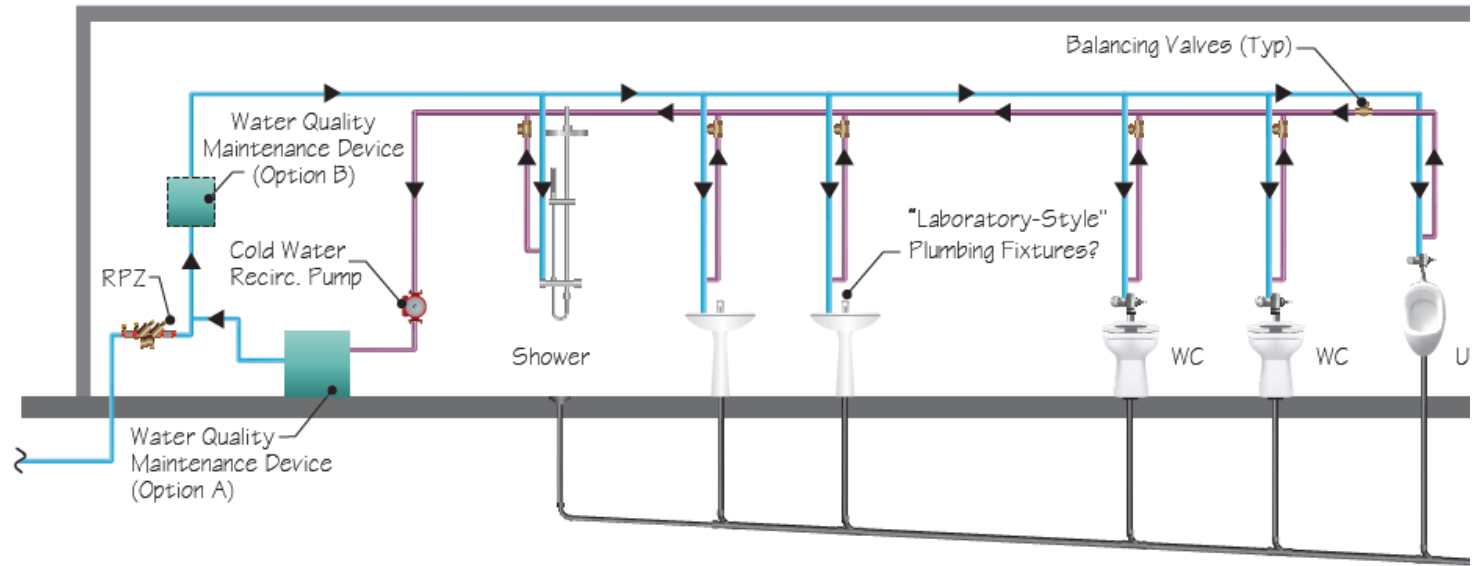
# Water Demand Calculator - Savings

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## Multi-family Domestic Hot Water Demand

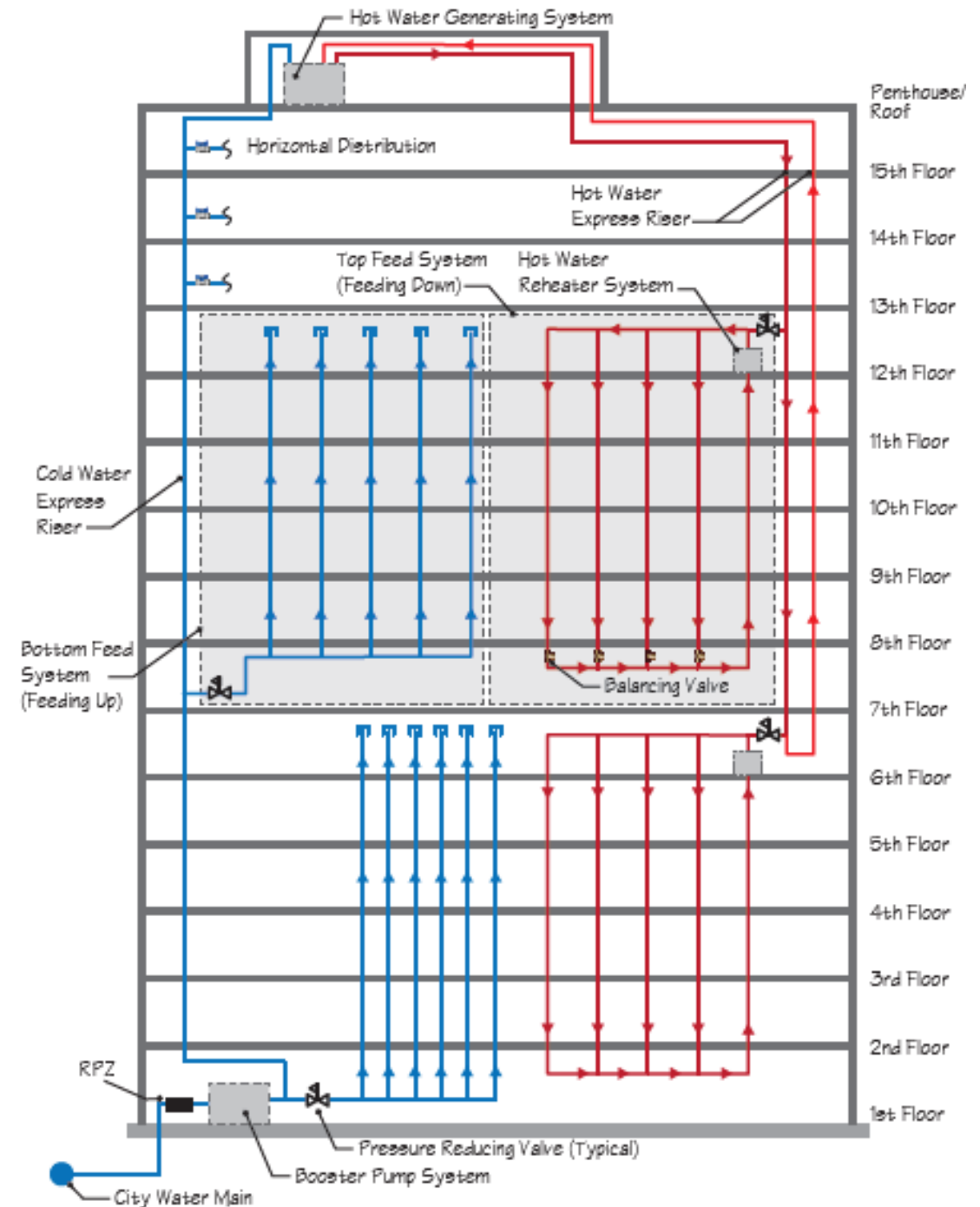


The red crosses represent individual days from three apartment buildings with different fixture counts. This shows that actual hot water use is 2-3 times less than predicted by even the IAPMO WDC v2, providing a good margin of safety for extremely high events.

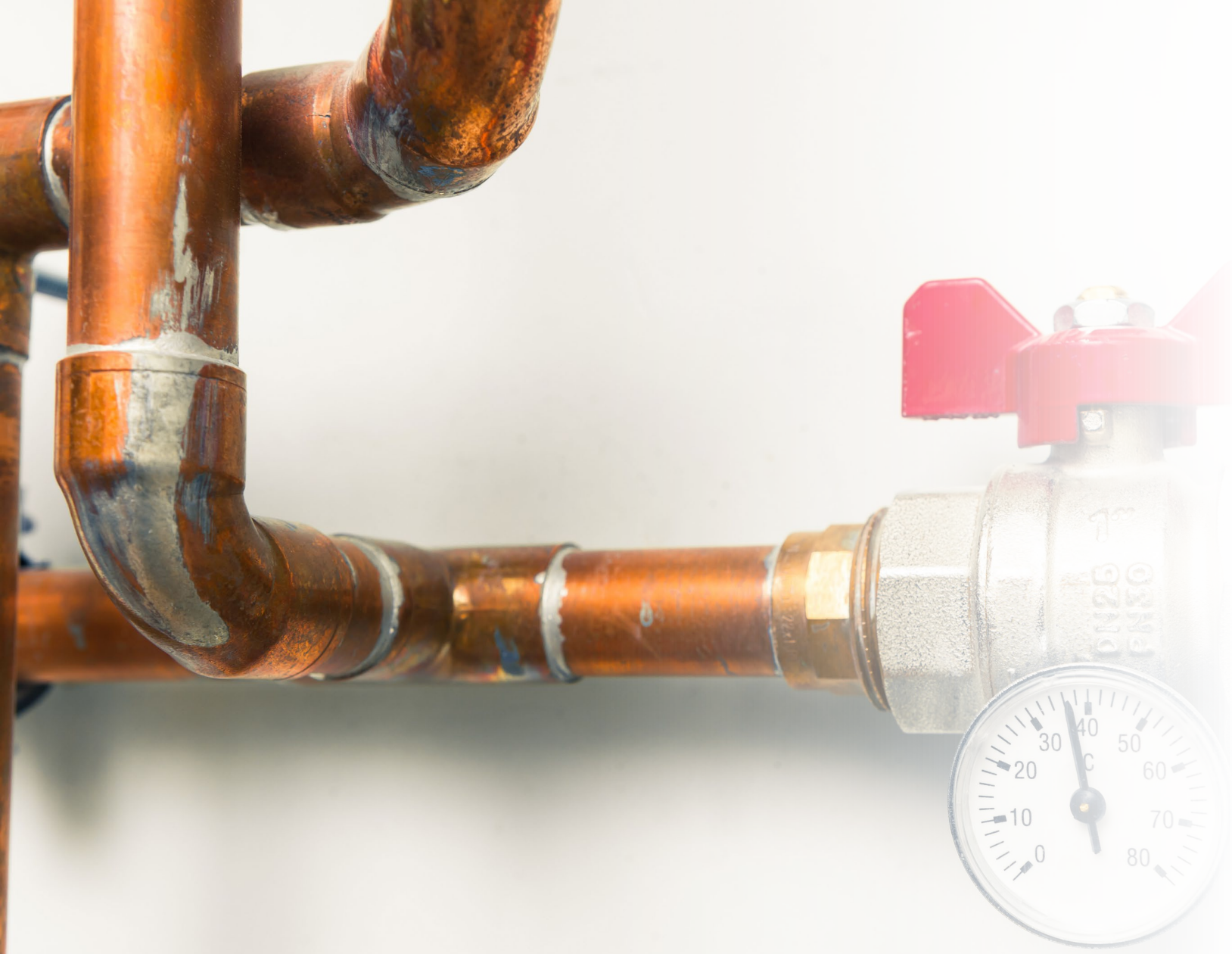


# Vacant Buildings

# “Rethink”: Construction







“People think that ~~water~~ plumbing is simple, but it is highly complicated.”

-David LaFrance, CEO, Strategic Initiatives  
American Water Works Association  
International Association of Plumbing and  
Mechanical Officials

# Summary and Questions?



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1. We need to apply systems thinking (i.e. strategy) to water.
2. Rethinking the importance of pipe sizing methodologies.
3. Incorporate “Plumbing Resiliency”-concepts into proposed solutions, always looking to balance (sometimes competing) variables of sustainability, public health/safety, disaster mitigation, and affordability/equity. This means elevating plumbing in our words and actions.