

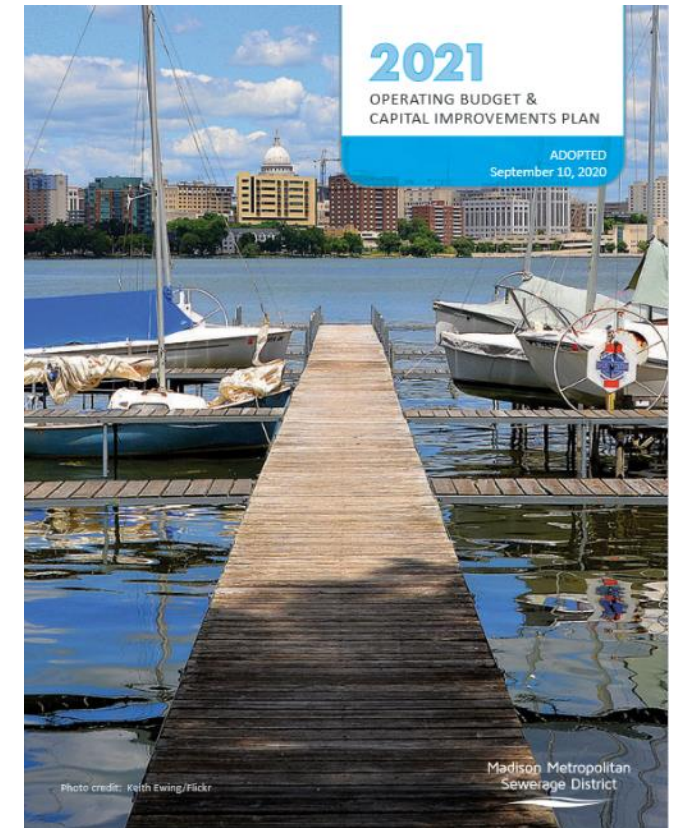
# Energy Management Master Plan Update

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# Context

- The 2020 Energy Management Master Plan is ongoing
- This presentation serves as background info for upcoming Capital Improvements Planning



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# Project Motivation

Aging Infrastructure



Outcomes Policies



Energy Management

- Aging infrastructure is the primary driver
- Not seeking projects just to make energy improvements



# Background Review

- **Outputs:**
  - Quantify status quo & future energy needs
  - Identify alternative strategies to advance District goals and policies
  - Prioritize alternatives based on impact, complexity, and cost
  - Provide business cases for alternatives with highest expected value



# Background Review

- In Scope:
  - NSWTP areas not in other projects
  - Considerations:
    - Reliability & resiliency
    - GHG
    - Cost
    - Efficiency & demand
    - Increase renewable energy use
    - Increase renewable energy generation

- Outside Scope:
  - NSWTP areas in other projects
  - Pumping stations/collection
  - Considerations
    - Energy independence
    - Energy neutrality
    - Backup generators

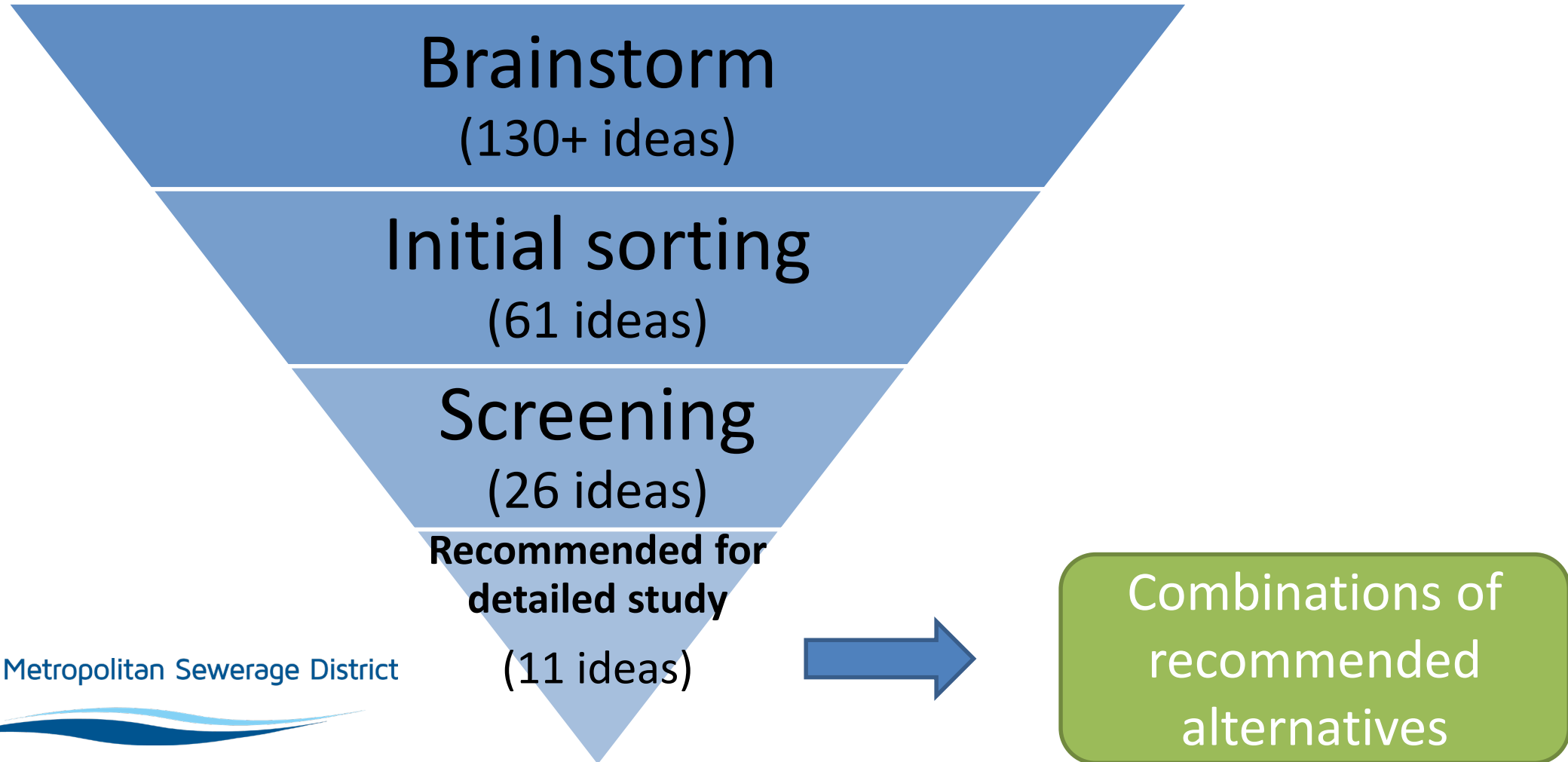


# Technology & Solution Evaluation

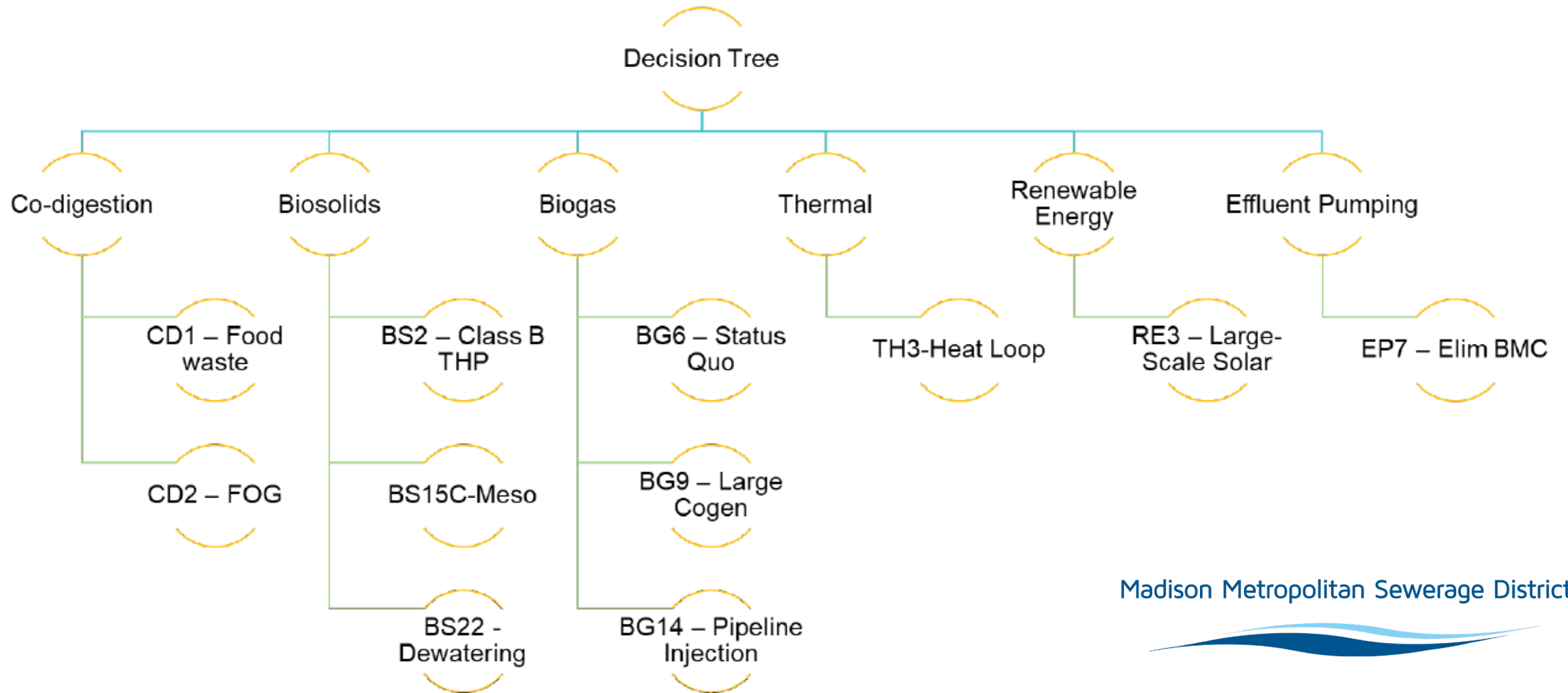
- Technology:
  - Equipment & Processes
    - Energy using
    - Energy generating
- Solutions:
  - Partnerships
  - Business models
  - Grants/funding



# Evaluation Process



# Evaluation Decision Tree





# Combinations

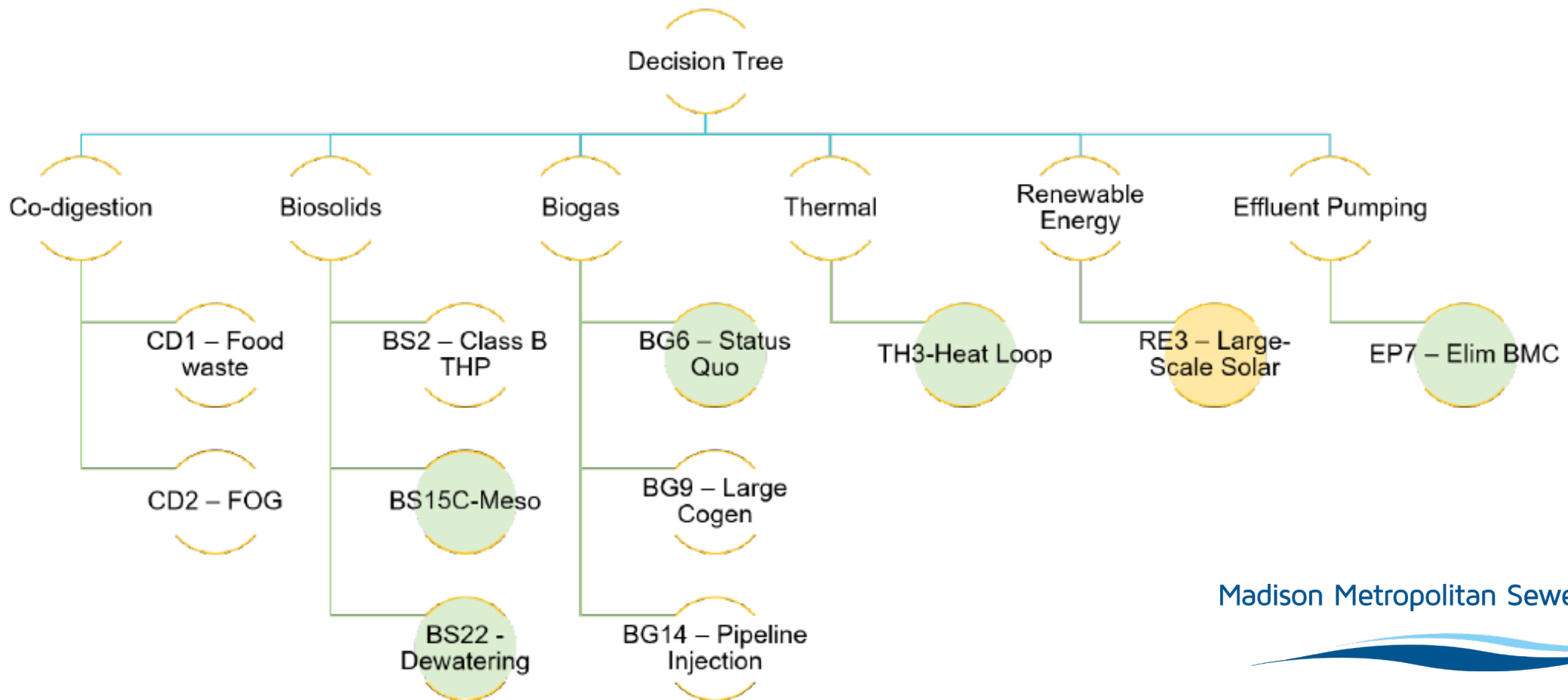
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3. Grid independence
4. Reduce infrastructure complexity\*

\* considered with and without large solar



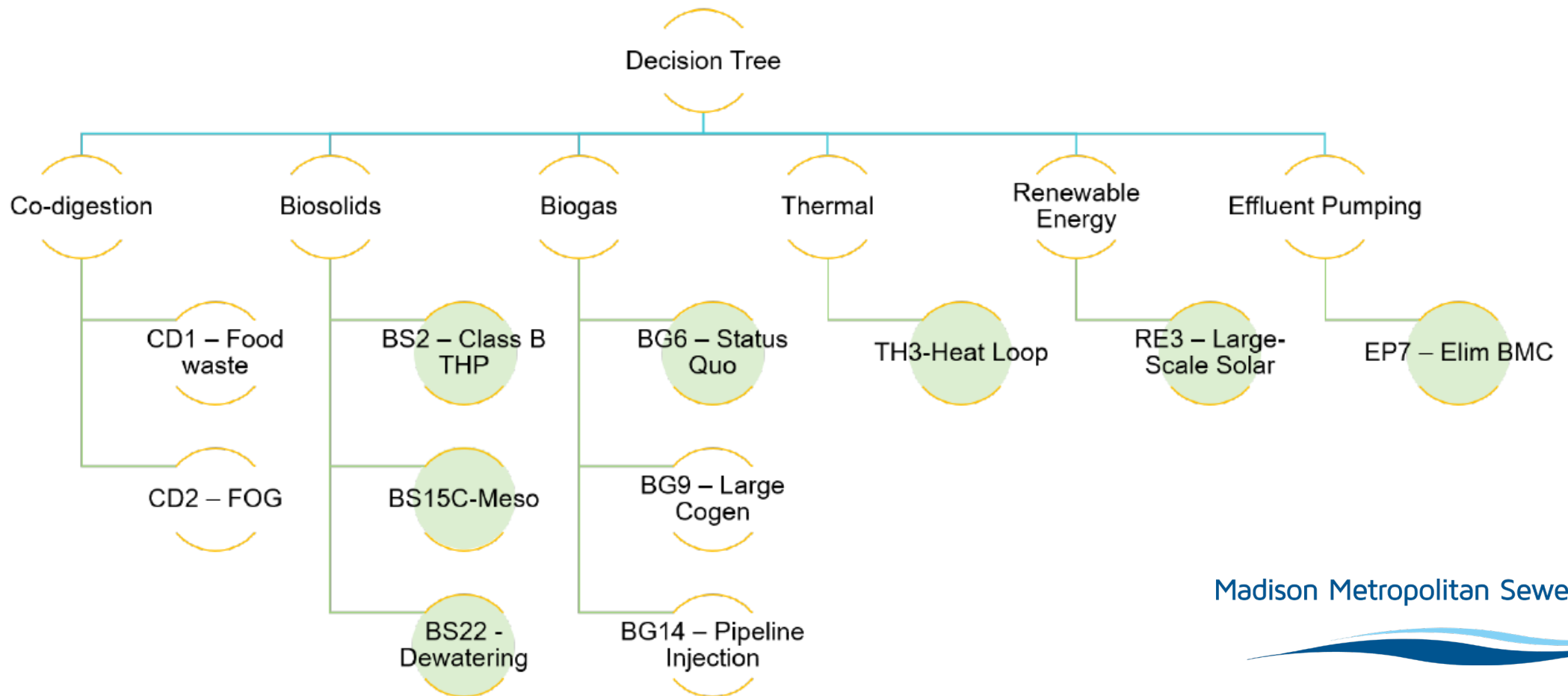
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- Enhanced Baseline



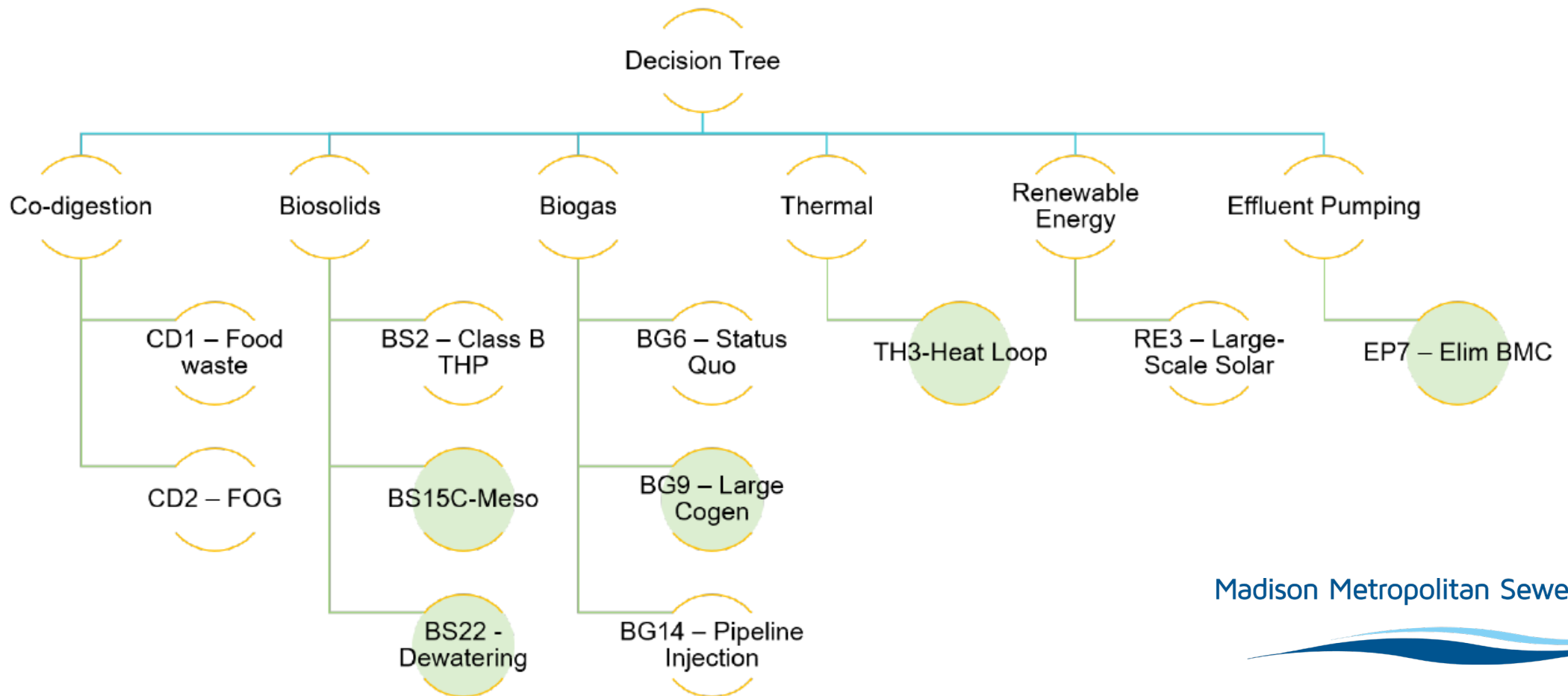
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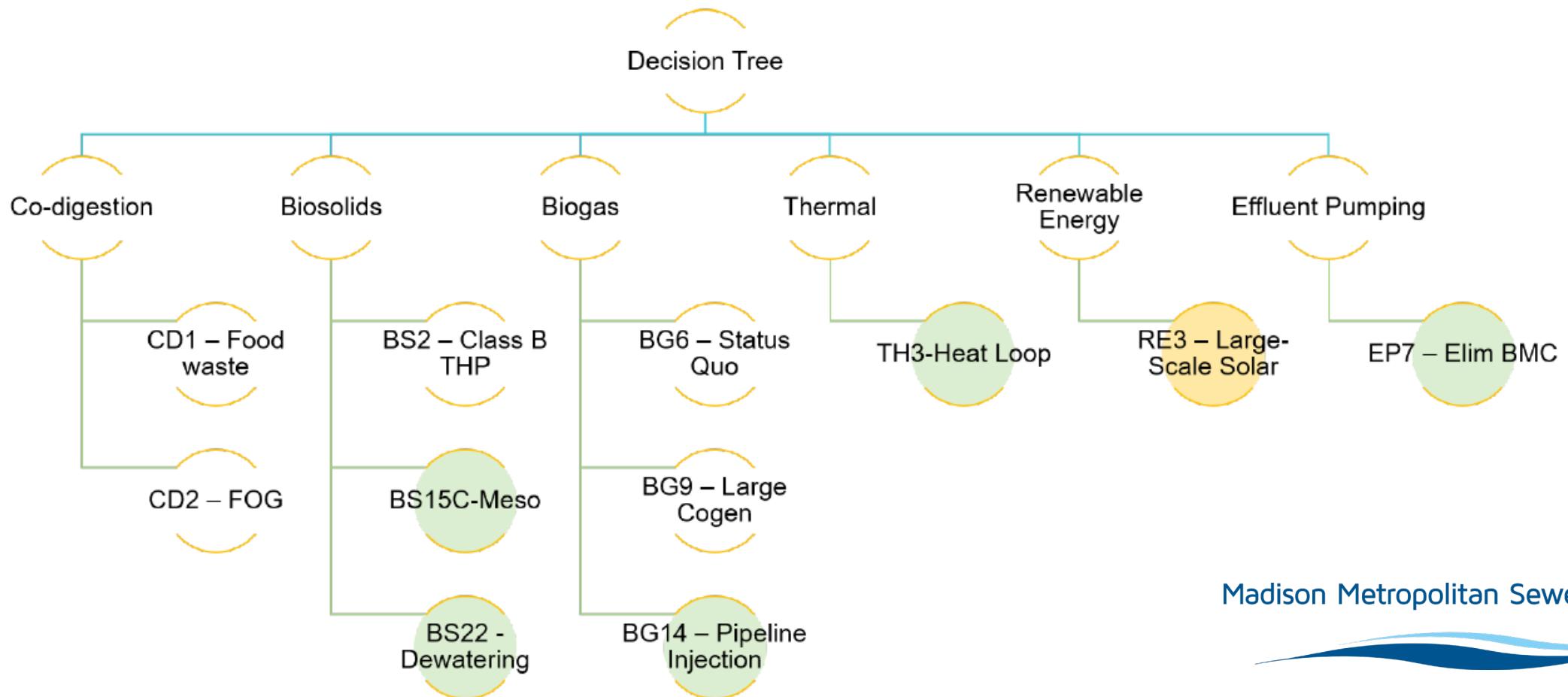
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# Preliminary Conclusions

- Heat & Power
  - Greatest infrastructure needs
- Exporting biogas
  - Lower lifecycle cost
  - Reduces infrastructure
  - Higher cost volatility
- Greatest GHG impact
  - Use biogas for co-generation
- Increasing renewable generation
  - Look at RER with MG&E
- Energy resiliency
  - Backup generation most effective
- Energy independence
  - Not cost acceptable
  - Increases infrastructure complexity
- Effluent pumping
  - Discontinue BMC forcemain
    - Less pumping
    - Less treatment



# Preliminary Conclusions

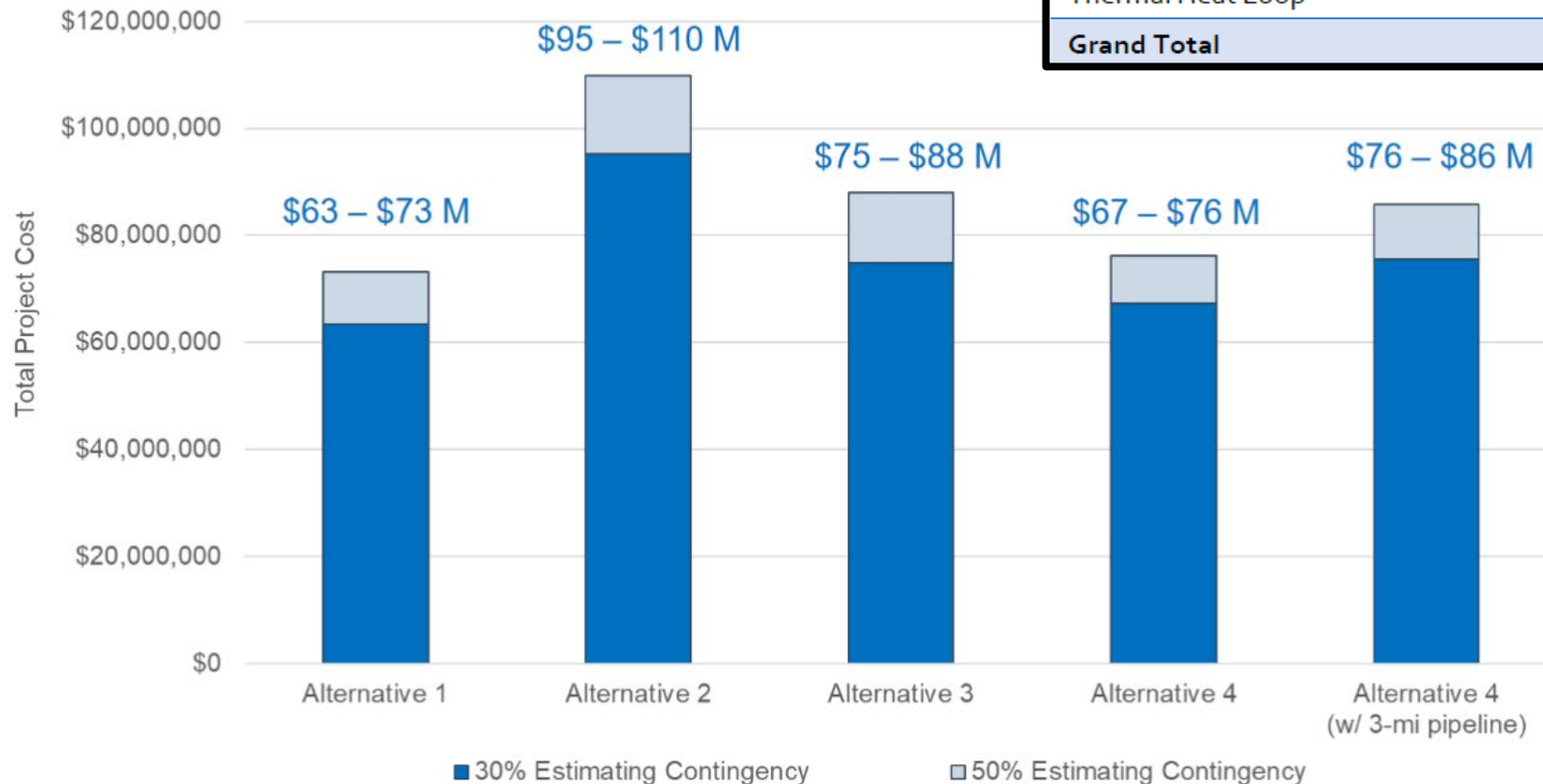
- Using vs Selling Biogas:
  - Overall economic result is similar for each
  - Energy implications are very different
  - Each pathway advances District outcomes, but in different ways
  - Need leadership/commission guidance





# Preliminary Conclusions

## Summary of Project Costs

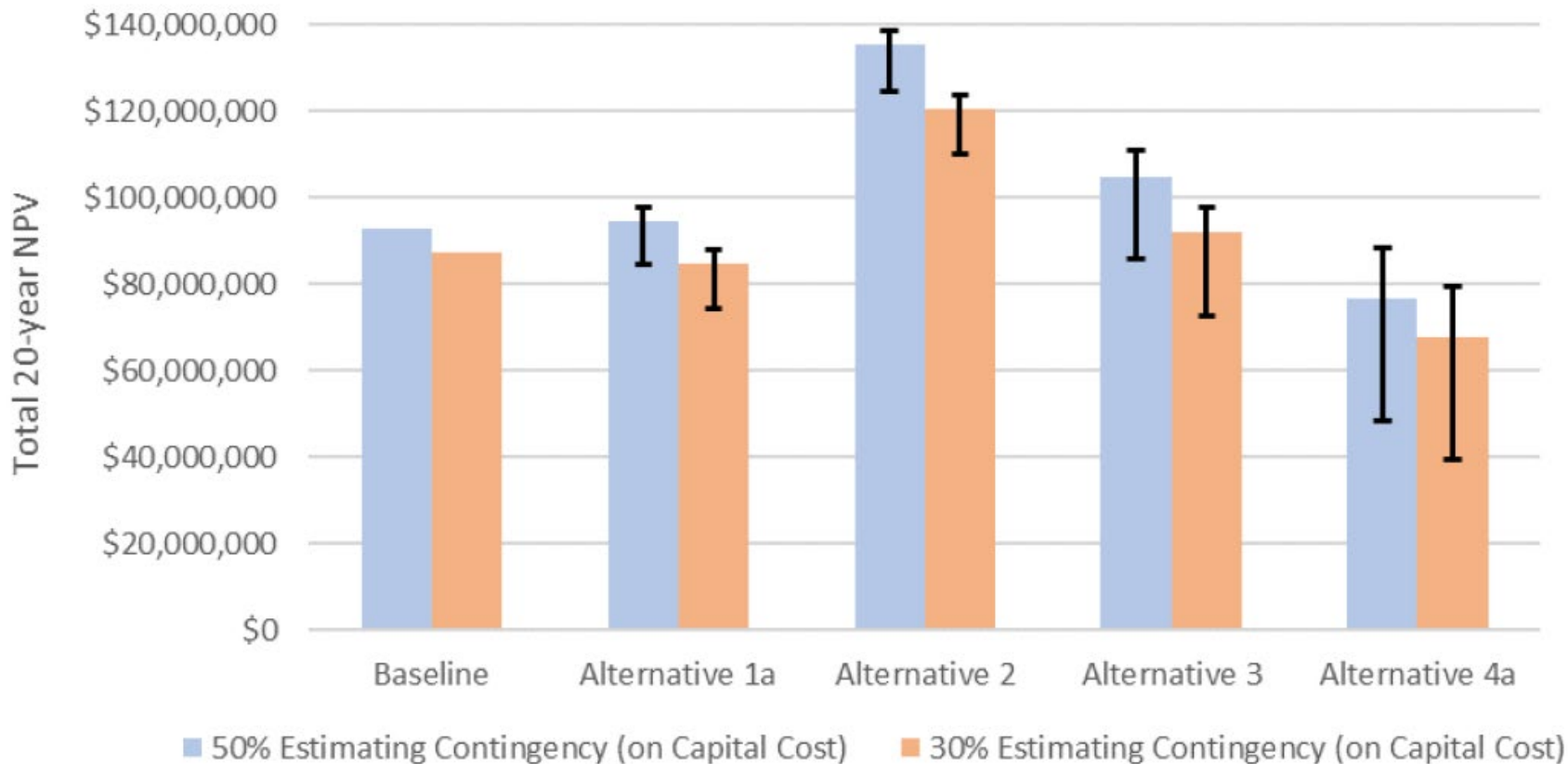


Process Area	Baseline Capital Costs <sup>(1)</sup>	Avoided Baseline Costs
Biosolids	\$31,200,000	\$12,200,000
Biogas	\$8,500,000	\$8,500,000
Co-Digestion	\$100,000	\$100,000
Thermal Heat Loop	\$200,000	\$200,000
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$40,000,000</b>	<b>\$21,000,000</b>



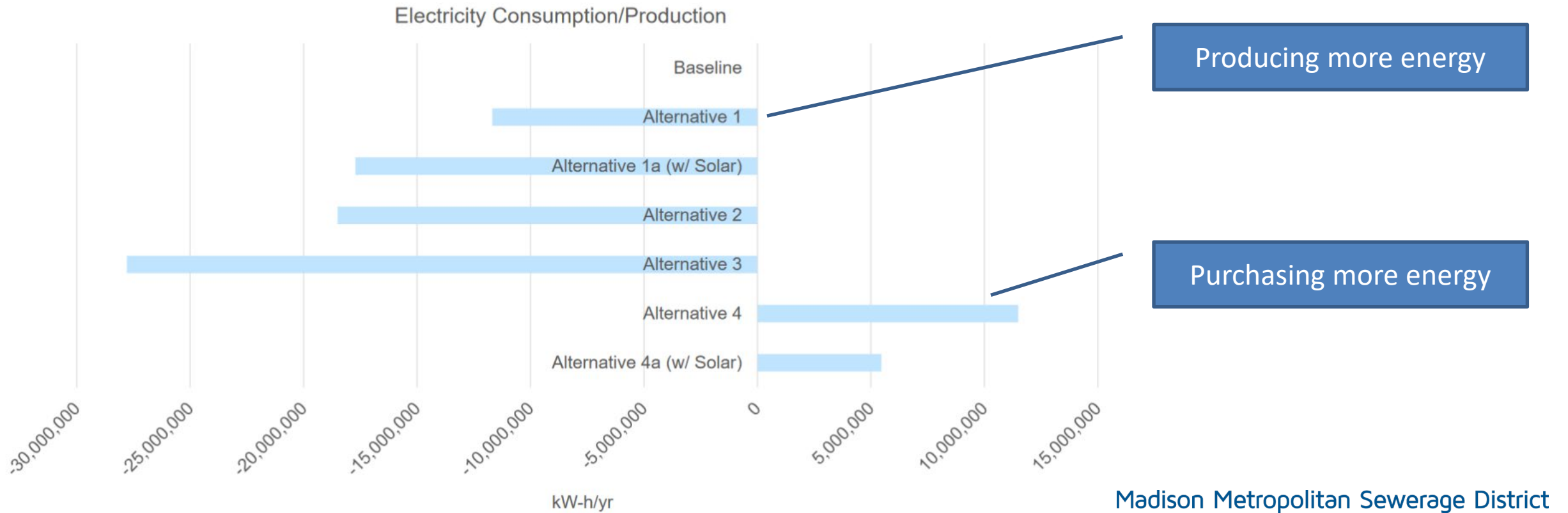
# Preliminary Conclusions

## Sensitivity Analysis Combined NPV



# Preliminary Conclusions

## Net Change in Electricity Production or Purchase



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# Preliminary Conclusions

## 2040 GHG Emissions (MT CO<sub>2e</sub>/year)

Status Quo	Alternative 1 w/ large solar (use biogas on site)	Alternative 4 w/ large solar (sell biogas)
34,340	20,320	27,420

\*assumes MG&E energy mix does not change

\*\*can purchase “green energy” for extra \$0.01/kWh



# Preliminary Conclusions

- Large Scale Solar
  - Renewable Energy Rider (RER) program
    - Partnership with MG&E
    - MG&E owns and operates the infrastructure
    - MMSD provides land
    - Can include NSWTP and pumping stations
    - Establishes long-term, stable power price
    - Supports development of renewable energy generation



# Preliminary Conclusions

- **Reliability**
  - All combinations yield **system reliability** improvements through simplification or replacement of aging infrastructure
    - Simplify digestion
    - Simplify/improve heat loop
    - Replace boilers and cogeneration
    - Simplify effluent pumping
    - Replace biosolids dewatering and reduce biosolids hauling



# Preliminary Conclusions

- Resilience
  - Solar does not add energy resilience
    - Need to include battery storage
  - Cogeneration adds limited resilience (i.e. not reliable)
    - Very few utilities rely on cogeneration for backup power
    - Requires complicated programming/controls
    - Black start of cogeneration is difficult



# Preliminary Conclusions

- Resilience
  - Backup generators are the simplest, least cost means of adding system resilience
    - Generator lease
      - ~\$35,500/year per MW
      - MG&E owns and maintains
    - Generator purchase
      - ~\$400,000 per MW (10-12 year payback)
      - MMSD owns and maintains





# Next Steps

- Complete master plan (August 2021)
- Facility planning, design and construction
  - Implemented in several phases



# Questions & Discussion

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# Questions

- Is any portion of this study considered unacceptable and needing reconsideration?
- Is there an implication in either of the recommended pathways that the commission is uncomfortable with or does not fully understand?

