



Pressure management optimisation – squeezing the last drop!

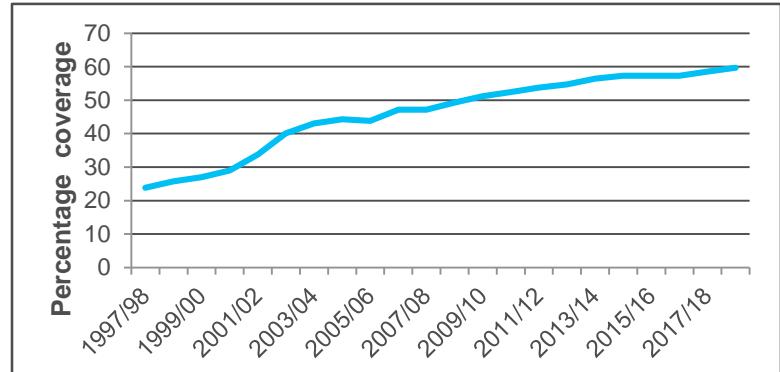
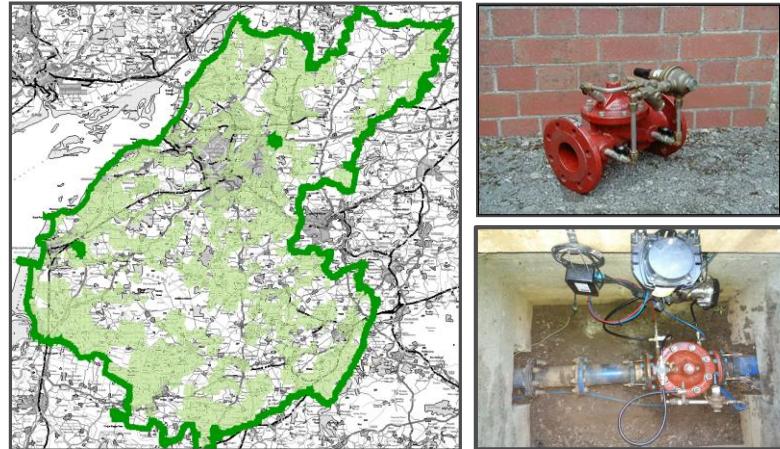
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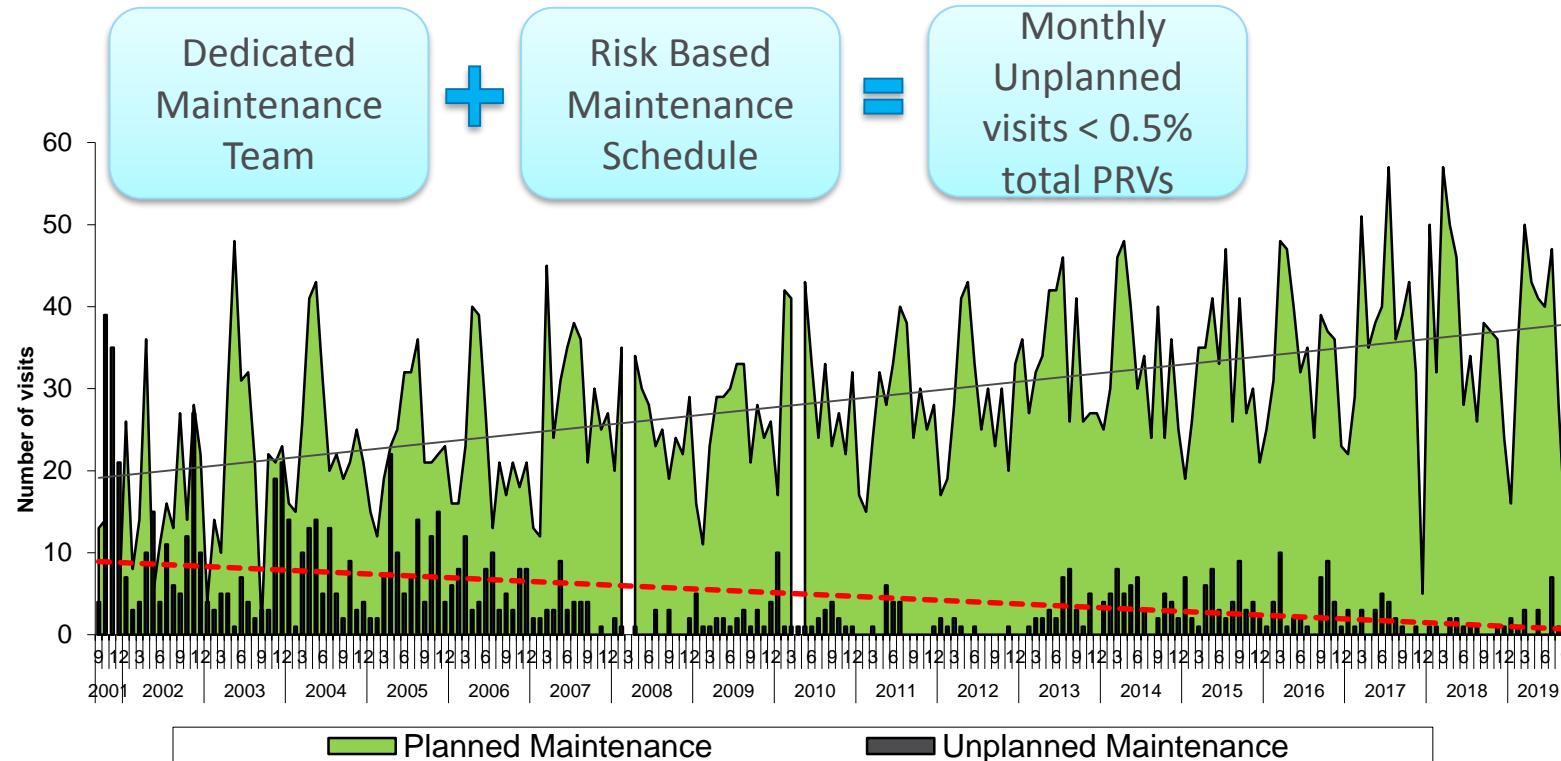
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Pressure Management in Bristol Water

- Part of Waste of Water Action Plan since early 1980s – increased activity 1998 onwards
- 600 pressure control areas – 870 prop/area
 - Fixed outlet 90%
 - Flow/ Pressure Modulation 10% and increasing
- Properties on pressure control 24% (1998) – 60% (2018)
- Target point design pressure – 15mH
- Significant long term savings made in reduction in background leakage and burst reduction



Doing the basics right! - Maintenance



Pressure Management

Mains Repairs



Customer Minutes Lost



Leakage



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Low Pressure

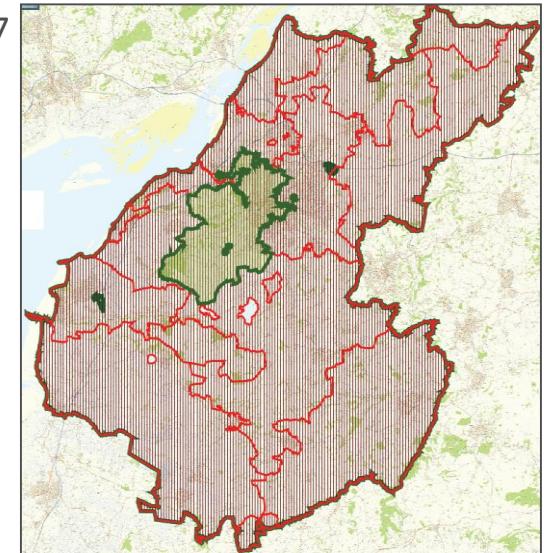




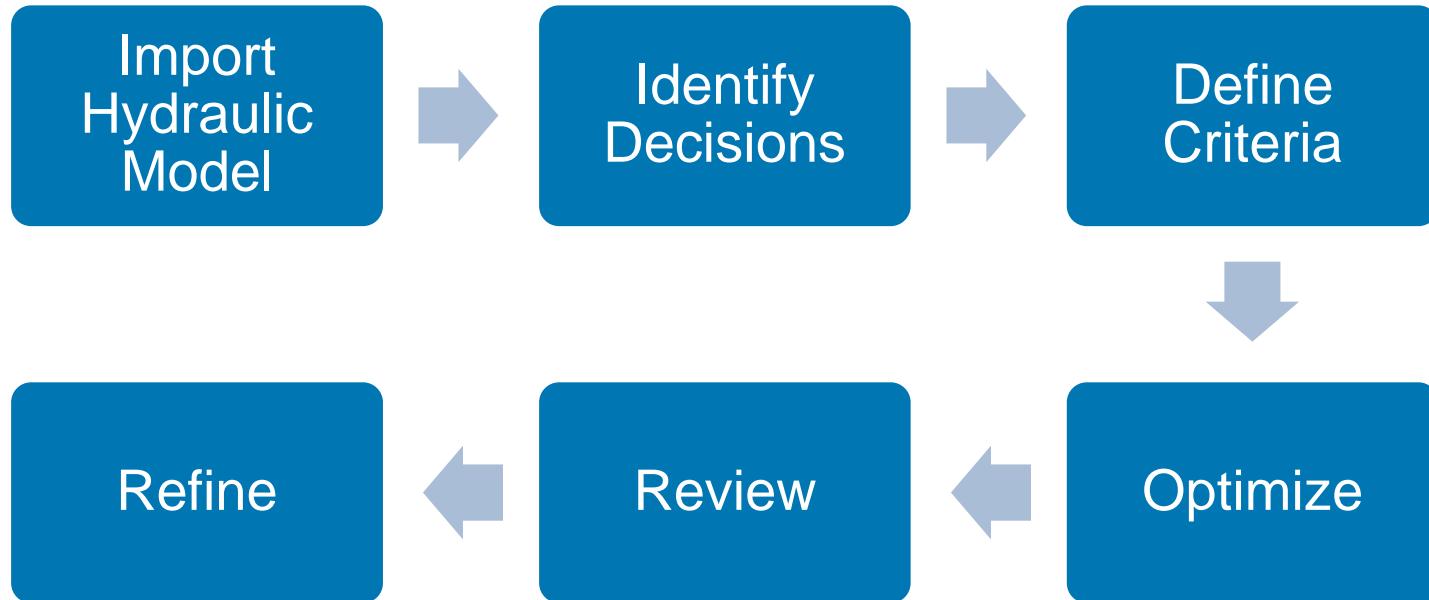
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Doing things differently - Optimizer project

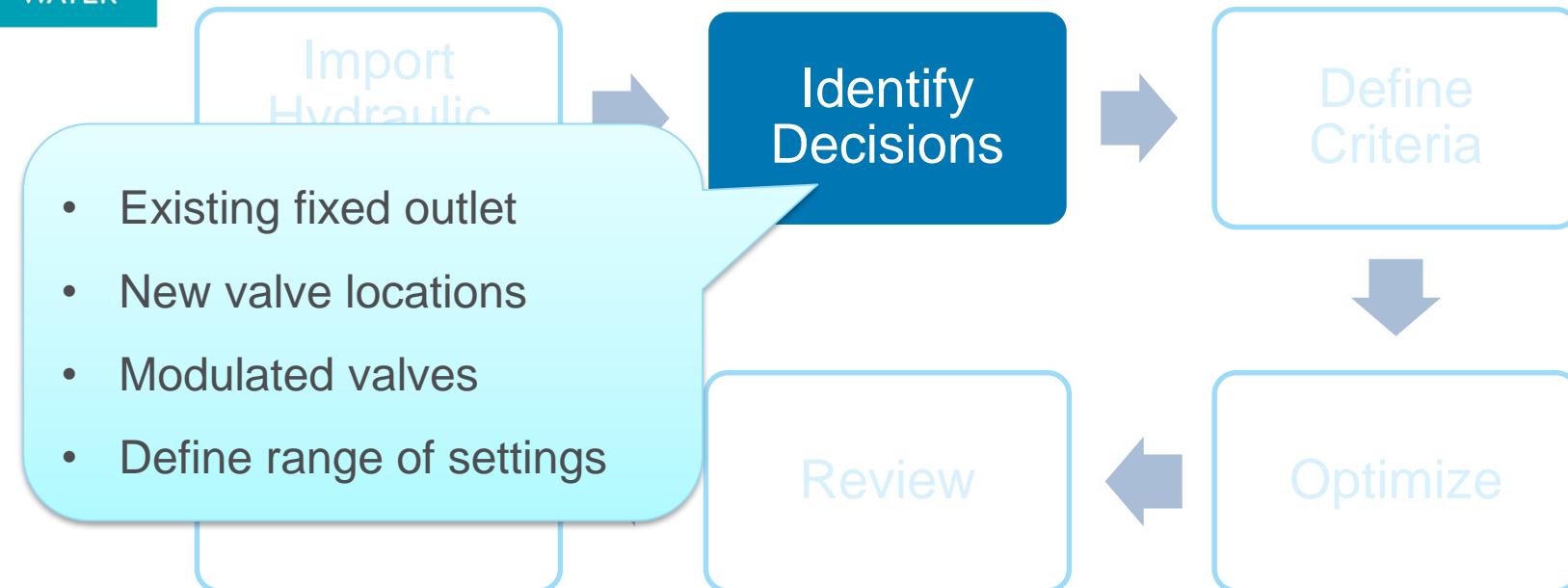
- Explore opportunities for an enhanced scheme identification process - AMP 7 preparation
- Maximise the use of hydraulic modelling capability
- Assess the effectiveness of optimisation software including its ease of use, algorithm performance and scalability
- Identify the potential to reduce Capital and/or Operational costs
- Enhance the use of network data & information
- Barrow TW zone pilot:
 - 122,989 properties (25% of total properties)
 - 1,107 km mains (16% of total mains length)



Optimization Process



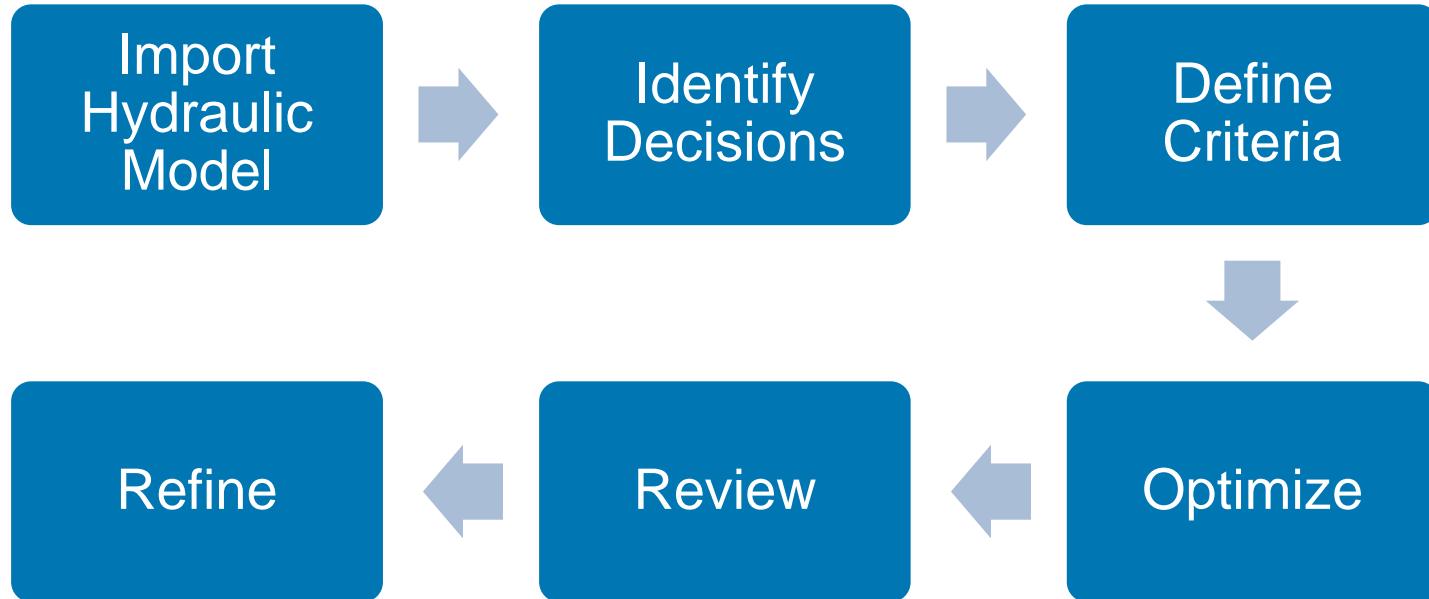
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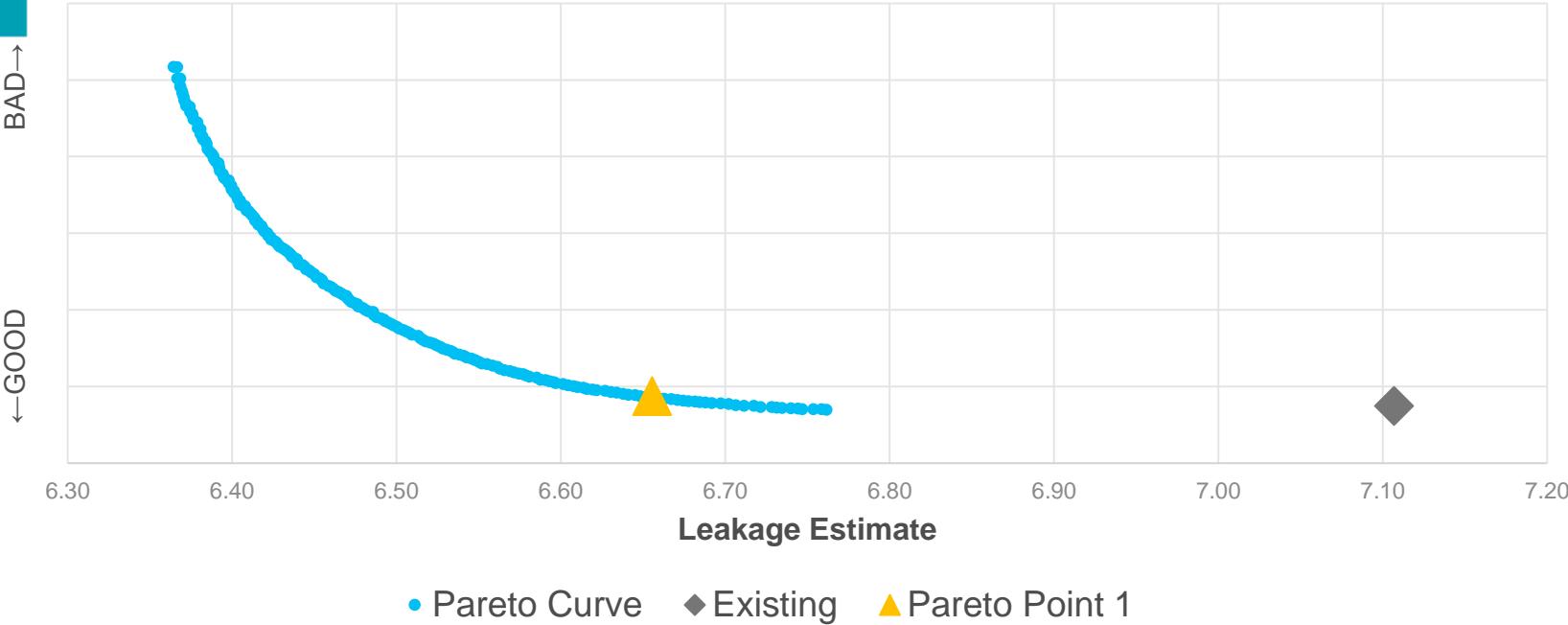


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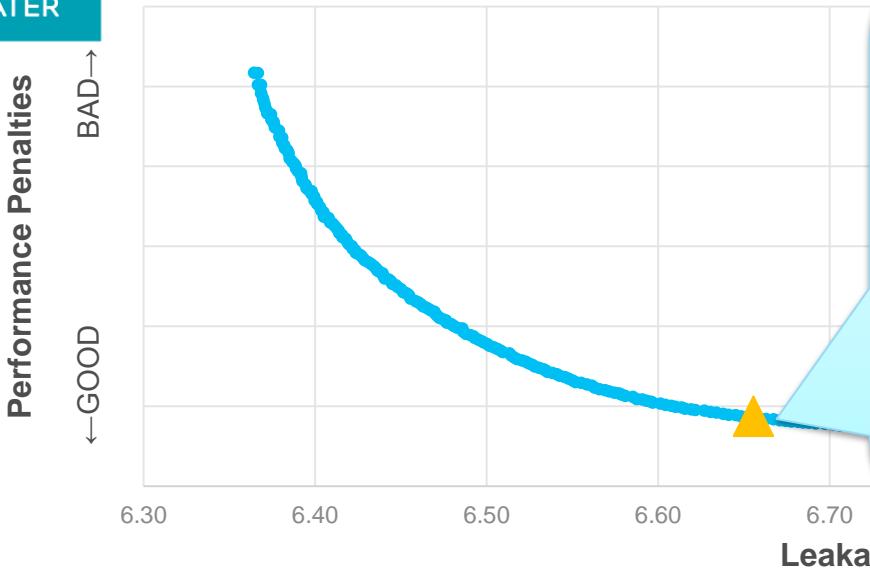


Optimization Results

Performance Penalties



Optimization Results



- 4 PRV settings maintained
- 9 PRV settings increased
- 49 PRV settings decreased

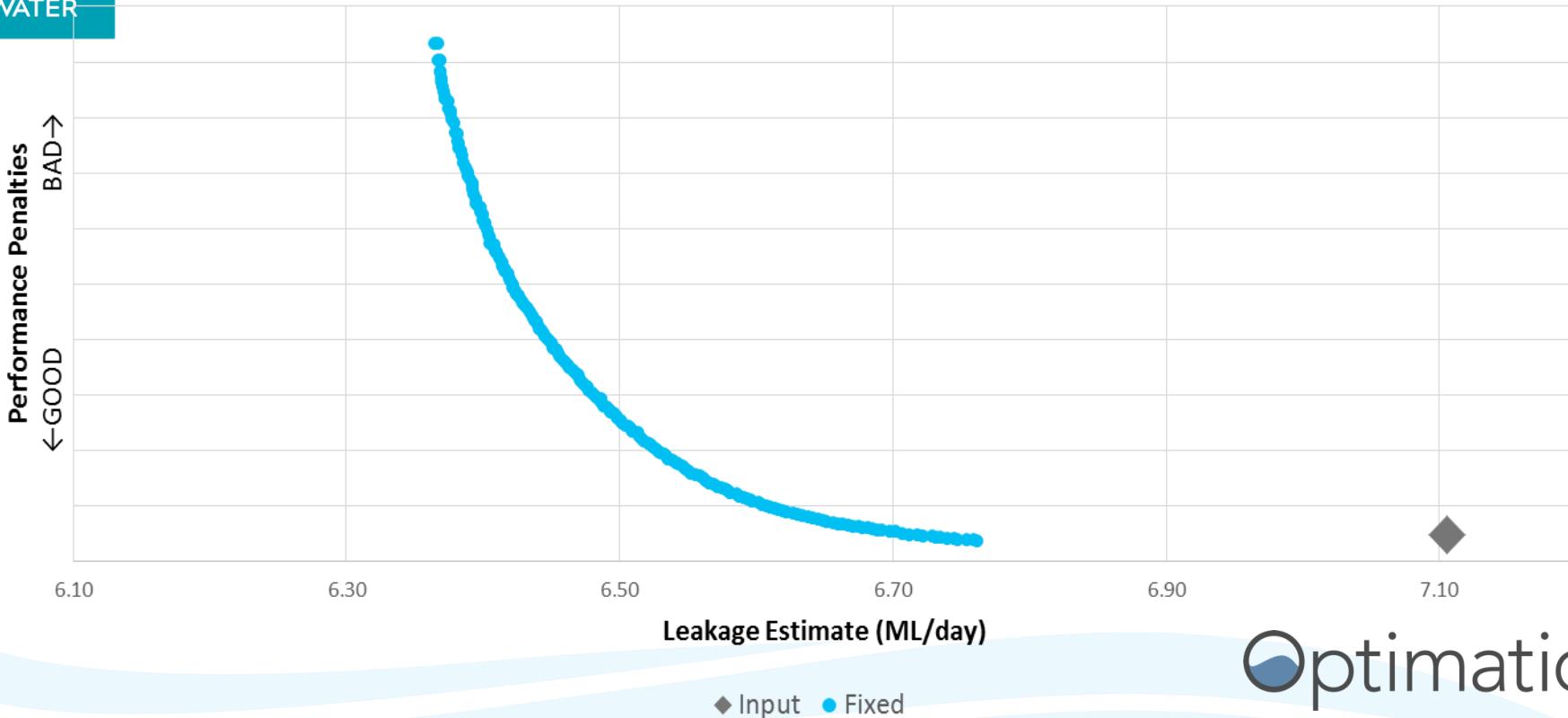
VALVE	EXISTING	PARETO POINT 1
Valve 38751	Setting: 25.00	Setting: 23.00
Valve 45908	Setting: 39.00	Setting: 24.00
Valve 46236	Setting: 26.00	Setting: 20.00

- Pareto Curve ◆ Existing ▲ Pareto Point 1

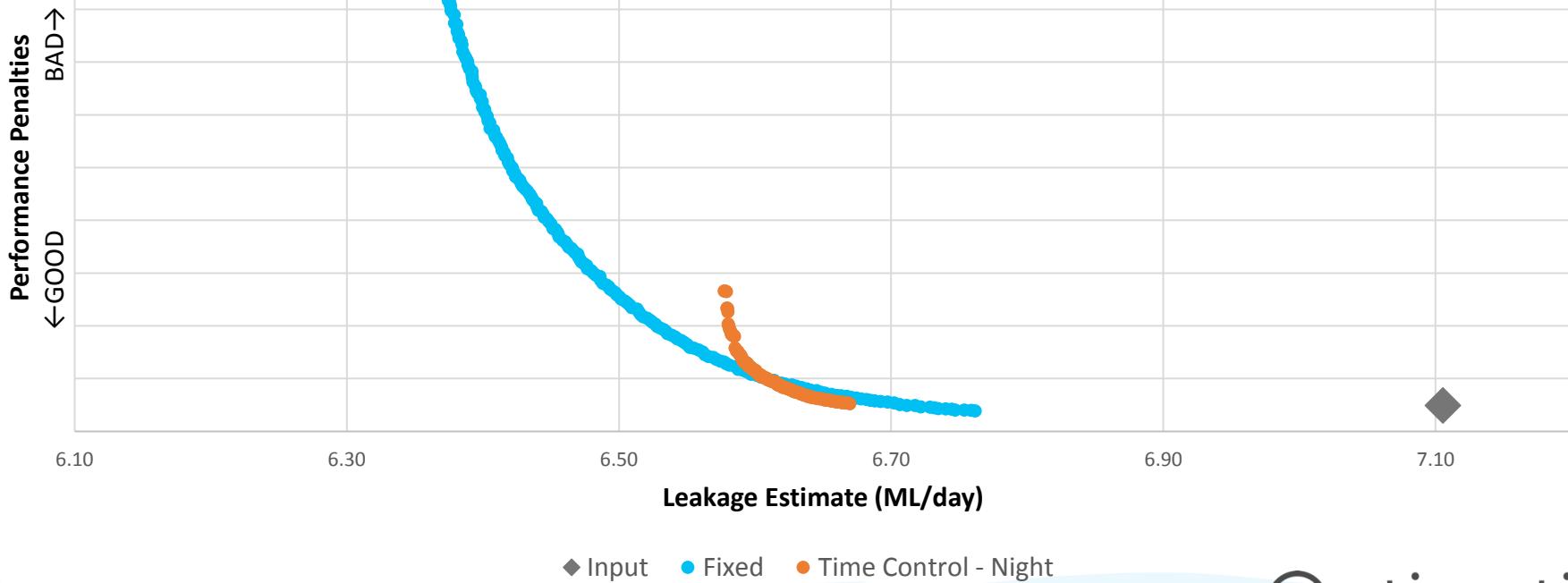
Optimization Results

	Existing	Pareto Point 1	Change
Pressure penalty	5,626,924	5,850,453	
Tank level penalty	3,866,466	3,898,403	
Total Nodes < 15m	283	380	
Performance Penalties	9,493,390	9,748,856	< 3% INC
Leakage Estimate	7.107	6.656	6.4% DEC

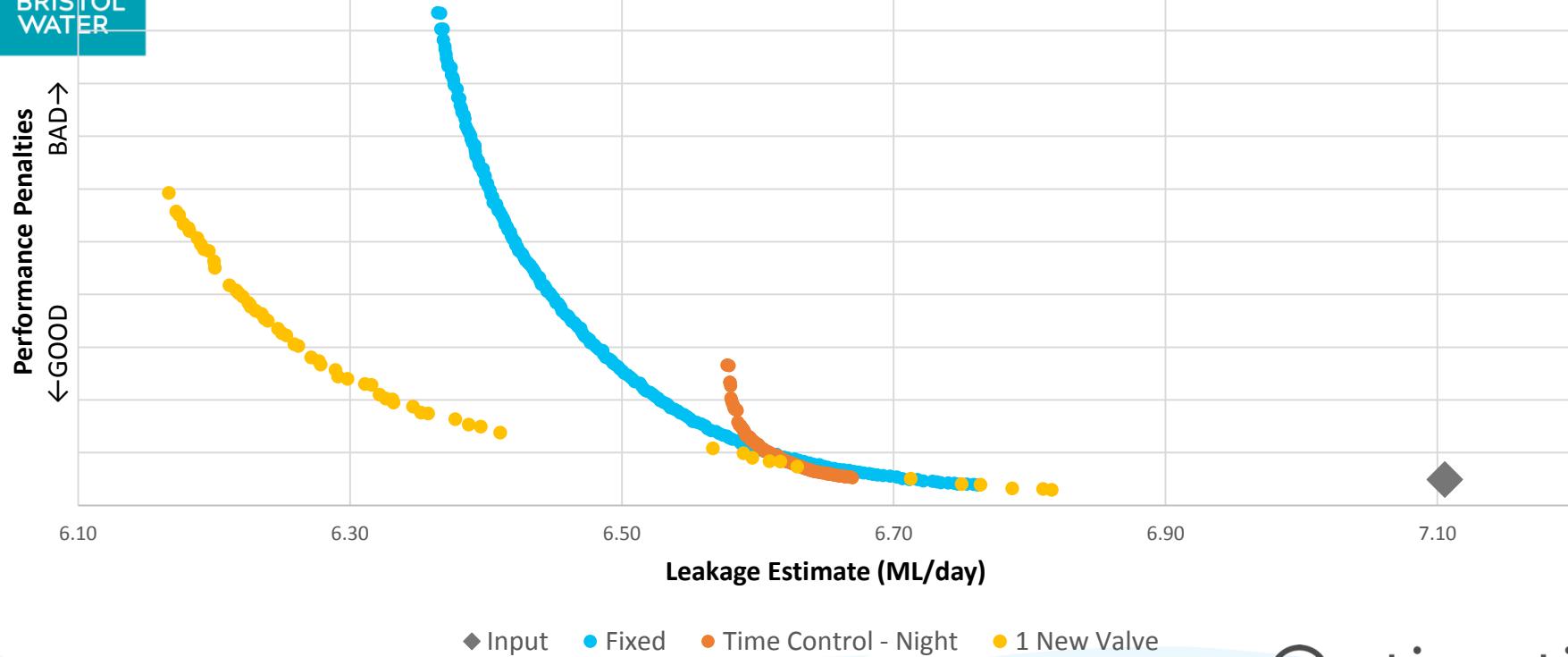
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◆ Input ● Fixed ● Time Control - Night ● 1 New Valve

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Optimization – Conclusions & Next Steps

- **Conclusions:**
 - Reducing leakage with existing infrastructure
 - Identify opportunities for further reduction
 - Improved process for identifying new schemes – enhancement from Manual process
 - Enhancing the capability of hydraulic models – adding value
 - Evaluate trade off between performance and leakage
 - Informed and improved Asset Planning Intervention process
- **Next steps:**
 - Prioritize the opportunities identified (high/medium/low yield)
 - Validate the results
 - Outline design of pressure control scheme



Thank you