



Synthica St. Bernard
Update to
Village of St. Bernard
April 17, 2026

Thank you for the opportunity to offer an update on the ongoing activities at the Synthica St. Bernard organics to energy facility.

In last week's update, I noted that cleanouts of the tanks had taken place and that we would be removing a panel on the mesophilic tank to allow for the installation of large equipment to enable further investigation as part of the root cause analysis. The panel was removed and an independent third party was brought in to conduct a review of the inside of the mesophilic tank.

The next tank that will be cleaned completely to prepare for inspection is the digestate tank. This work should start in the coming week.

The timeline for tank remediation and restart of the plant has not been determined, but that will be coming as our team gets the results of inspections and plan finalized for any required remediation work. While a restart date has not been determined, we notified the MSD that we will not be discharging to the combined system for at least a few months after the restart and have enough material ready to be processed in our wastewater systems. Overall, our tank conditions appear to be good, outside of the known issues in the thermophilic tank. There may be some remedial work to do, but we do not expect that we will need to disassemble or rebuild any of the tanks from the ground up.

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