

## WWTP Solids Handling Improvements

**Scope:** Install volute dewatering press at existing WWTP to increase process efficiency and reduce hauling and disposal costs.

Cost: \$1,132,498 – Design & Construction

**Design Firm**: Malone & Wheeler, Inc., Austin, TX **Construction Firm**: Udelhoven, Inc., Floresville, TX

## **Justification and Impact**

- Current sludge hauling and disposal costs are \$300,000 per year and labor intensive. Fully automated system provides return on investment in under 4 years.
- Avoids use of sludge drying beds and generates low noise and odor, a source of frequent complaints from adjacent property owners.



## **Project Timeline (subject to change)**

Jun 2022 – Contract awarded

Sept 2022 – Construction started

June 2023 – Substantial completion

October 2023 – Contract close-out (estimated)

**% Completed:** 95

**Status Update**: Unit is in operation. Ribbon-cutting ceremony held July 27<sup>th</sup> with City Council and neighbors.