

#### **CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS Public Works Committee Agenda Communication**

Meeting Date: March 7, 2022

**Prepared By:** Dennis Carr – City Engineer

**Agenda Item:** Smoke Testing Costs and I/I Discussion

**Background:** During the draft report presentation from Hamilton Consulting Engineers, two alternatives in particular were discussed amongst council as potential solutions for the Trunkline Project. For the alternative involving the reduction in I/I, smoke testing would need to be performed, as part of a Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Study (SSES), to identify illegal connections among other things. There were some differences in opinions at the council level, however, staff reached out to Robinson Engineering to acquire estimates and proposals to perform the smoke testing in Sanitary Basins 7&9 as well as with everything east of Wilmor..

**Further Review:** During review of Strand's flow metering, Hamilton's Draft Report, and Strands 2017 presentation to council regarding Sanitary Sewer Maintenance and Rehab, it was found that removal of I/I from basins 7&9 would not amount to enough flow removal and a price was also requested to smoke test everything East of Wilmor.

The flows discussed in Strand's Report on August 30<sup>th</sup> were from a 2.6-year storm intensity. Meter 6 measured the volume coming into STP1 at 11,671 gpm. This flow is a smaller flow than the combination of 7,8, and 9. Flow meter 7,8, and 9 combined for 16,117 gpm. The Strand report indicated that the difference in the flows between meter 6 and the combination of 7,8, and 9 could have been influenced by Control Chamber 1. This would likely mean that the Control Chamber is backing sewer up that exceeds 11,671 gpm, which would need to be removed as well. Hamilton's Relief Sewer alternative would bypass Control Chamber 1.

In looking at the combination of 7,8, and 9 (16,117 gpm) as the worst case, **We would need to reduce the peak flows by 8,291 gpm to get to the 7,826 gpm that the relief sewers could handle**. This would not include any additional I/I from basin 6, but considering the age of homes there, this will likely be another area to target in future.

				With 40%
				reduction in I/I
	Average	Aug 30 Flow		(Per Strands 2017
	Flow	(2.6 Year Storm)	Peaking	Presentation)
Basin	(gpm)	(gpm)	Factor	(gpm)
7	56	3142	56.1	1885.2
8	636	9584	15.1	5750.4
9	78	3391	43.5	2034.6
7+8+9	770	16117		9670.2

In Strand's 2017 presentation to council regarding the flow metering and I/I issues around the City, they noted on slide 33, that the reduction in I/I from the private side can reduce flows by 40%. A 40% reduction in I/I in basins 7,8, and 9 would only decrease flows to 9,670 gpm which exceeds the volume of the relief sewers included in Alternative E. This does not include the sewers in Basin 6 which would also add to the Trunkline flows.

Staff has been televising and lining sanitary sewers to address I/I on the public side for several years, but smoke testing could also potentially identify areas that we could address along our sanitary sewer or manhole structures.

#### **Smoke Testing**

A request was made to Robinson Engineering to provide the City with estimates for the smoke testing of basins 7 and 9 as well as everything East of Wilmor. Their smoke testing also includes additional analysis on the total amount of flow entering at each issue. Robinson provided staff a conservative estimate (formal proposal to follow) for these two options based on our GIS information as follows:

Basins 7&9 - 187 manholes- \$56,000

Diameter	Sum of Shape Length
4	105
6	4,631
8	21,080
10	2,270
12	8,406
15	5,013
18	3,068
<null></null>	80
12in	205
Grand Total	44,858

Basins 7,8,9 (East of Wilmor) - 693 manholes-\$152,000

Diameter	Sum of Shape Length
0	311
4	272
6	12,023
8	90,092
10	8,703
12	16,564
15	7,393
16	975
18	6,147
21	877
24	1,710
36	2,128
42	1,432
<null></null>	3,462
12in	205
8in	16
Grand Total	152,312

The smoke testing itself is not a huge issue for residents to accommodate. Smoke testing is done in communities across the nation. Disconnection of down spouts and sump pumps are easy fixes that would absolutely reduce our I/I issues and should be fixed. Whether or not these fixes alone will solve the I/I issues is only speculative, but to remove more I/I (footing tile and floor drain connection) would consider more intrusive and expensive solutions inside the private homes of residents. Our ordinance was amended in 2021 to take a softer approach with these connections, but unless adjusted, our ordinance would require the disconnection of footing tiles and floor drains with 6 months of a connection being identified.

**Action Requested:** Staff is looking for discussion on the direction forward regarding the smoke testing proposals.



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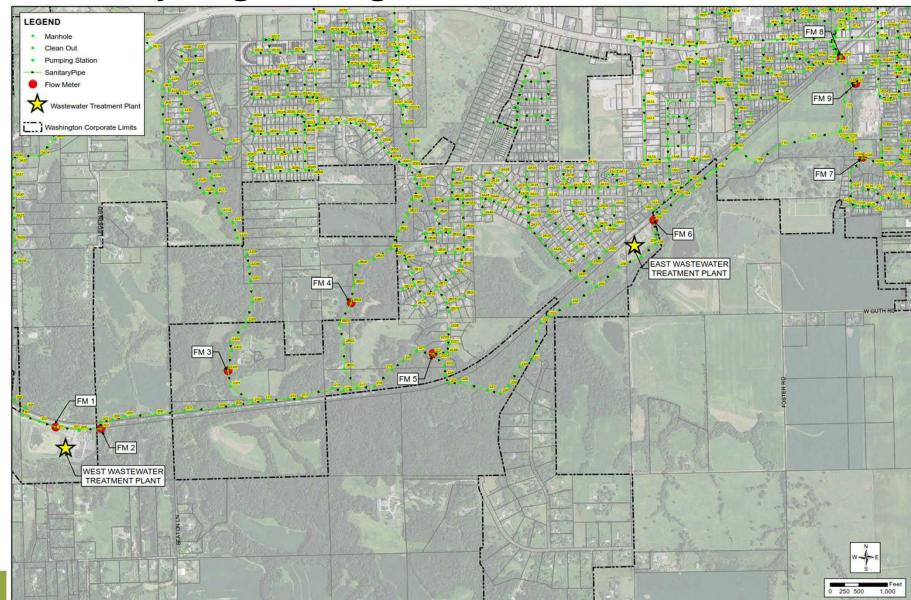


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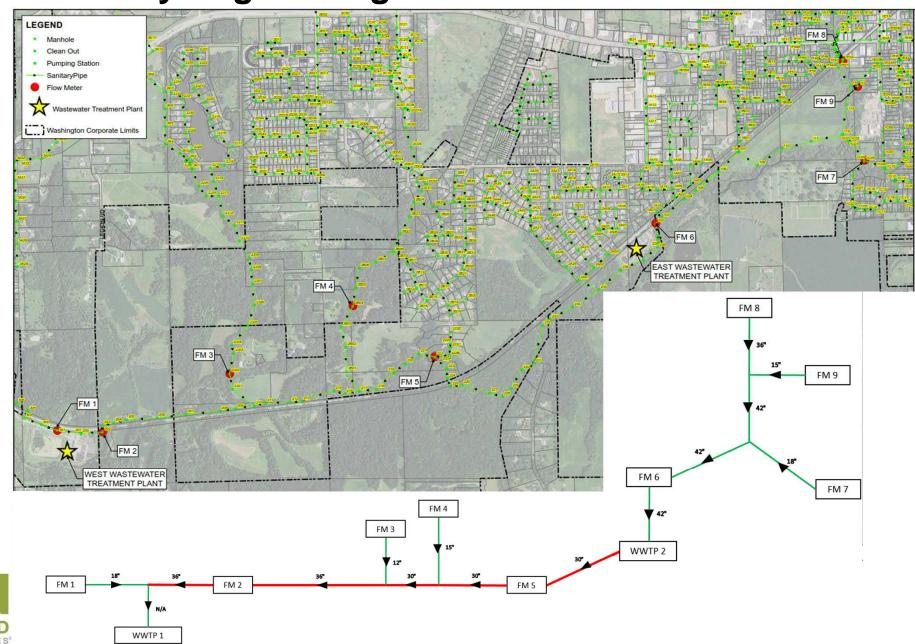


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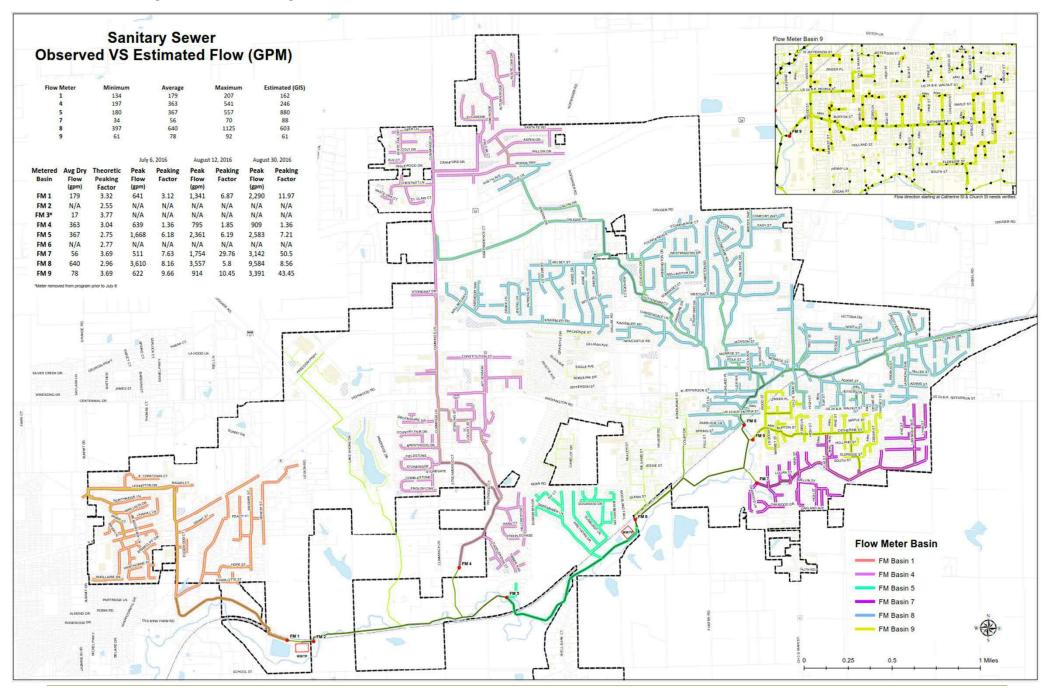




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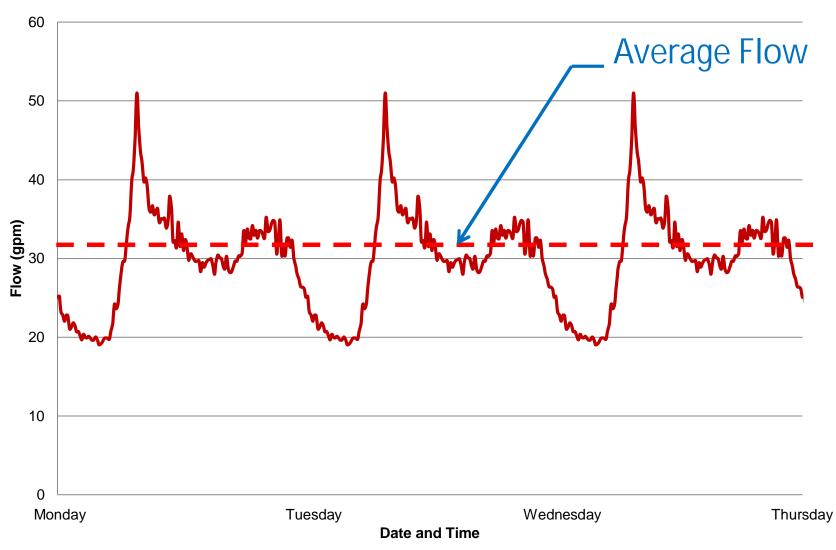
#### **Average Dry Weather Flow Assessment**

- A four month flow monitoring program
- Dry weather flow analysis was performed to determine the average flow in the system at each flow meter

Flow Meter	Dry Weather Flow (gpm)						
Flow Weter	Minimum	Average	Maximum				
FM 1	134	179	207				
FM 3	11	17	24				
FM 4	197	363	541				
FM 5	180	367	557				
FM 7	34	56	70				
FM 8	397	640	1,125				
FM 9	61	78	92				



#### **Excess Flow Evaluation – Dry Weather**



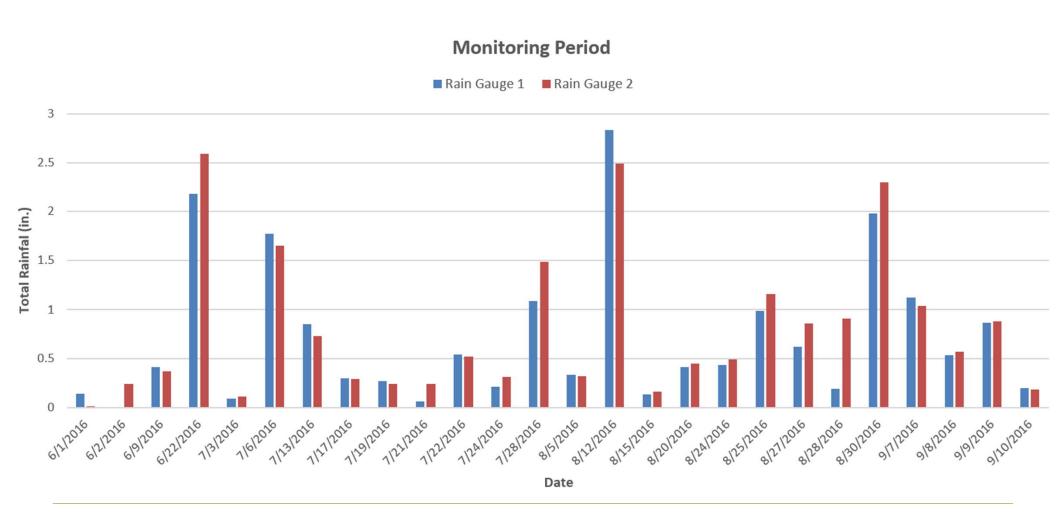


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Sewer flow and rainfall data collected over a four month period

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Rain Gauge 2 - East WWTP

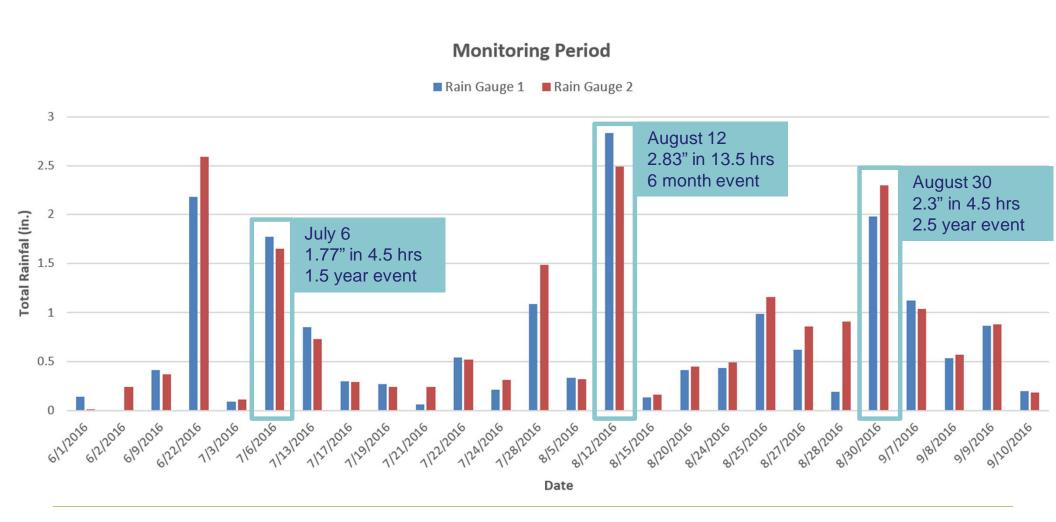


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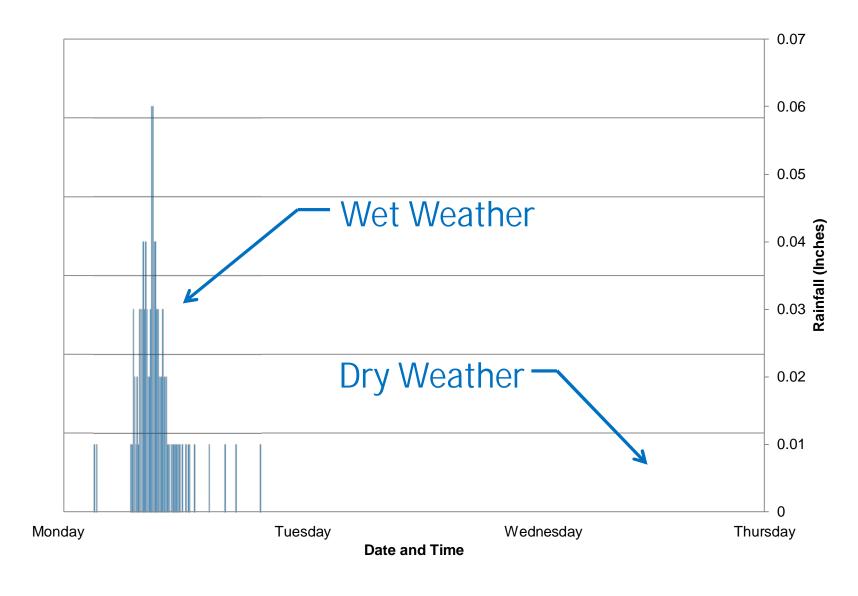
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- Evaluation #1 Peak Flow

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Metered Basin	Average Dry Weather Flow (gpm)	Peaking Factor	Peak Flow (gpm)	Peaking Factor	Peak Flow (gpm)	Peaking Factor	Peak Flow (gpm)	Peaking Factor
FM 1	179	3.32	641	3.12	1,341	6.87	2,290	11.97
FM 3*	17	3.77	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
FM 4	363	3.04	639	1.36	795	1.85	909	1.36
FM 5	367	2.75	1,668	6.18	2,361	6.19	2,583	7.21
FM 7	56	3.69	511	7.63	1,754	29.76	3,142	50.50
FM 8	640	2.96	3,610	8.16	3,557	5.80	9,584	8.56
FM 9	78	3.69	622	9.66	914	10.45	3,391	43.45

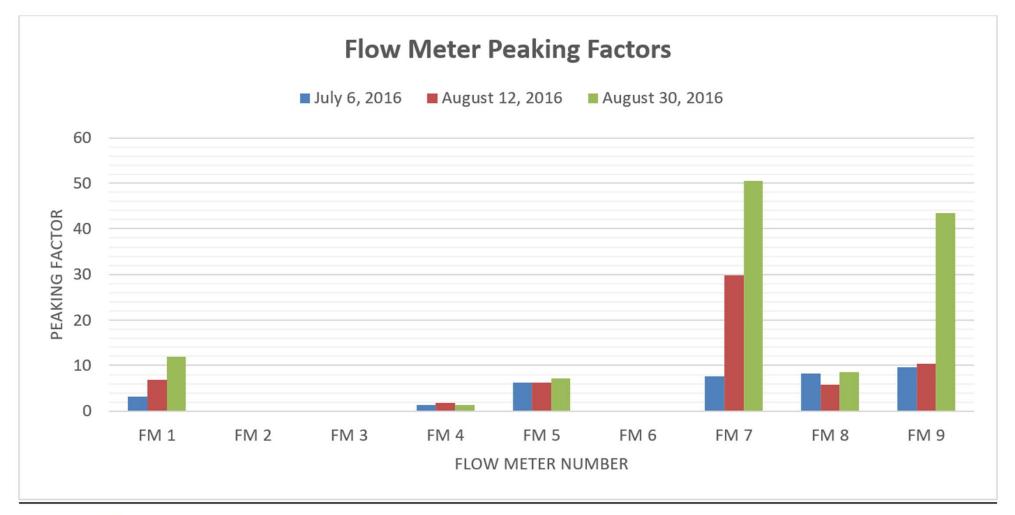


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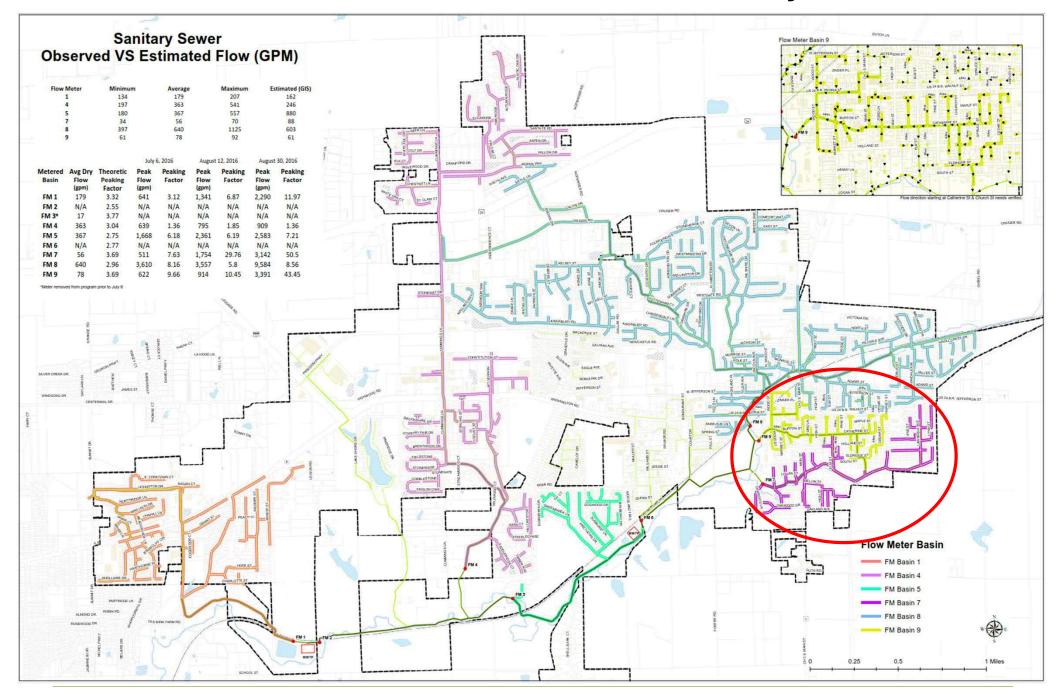
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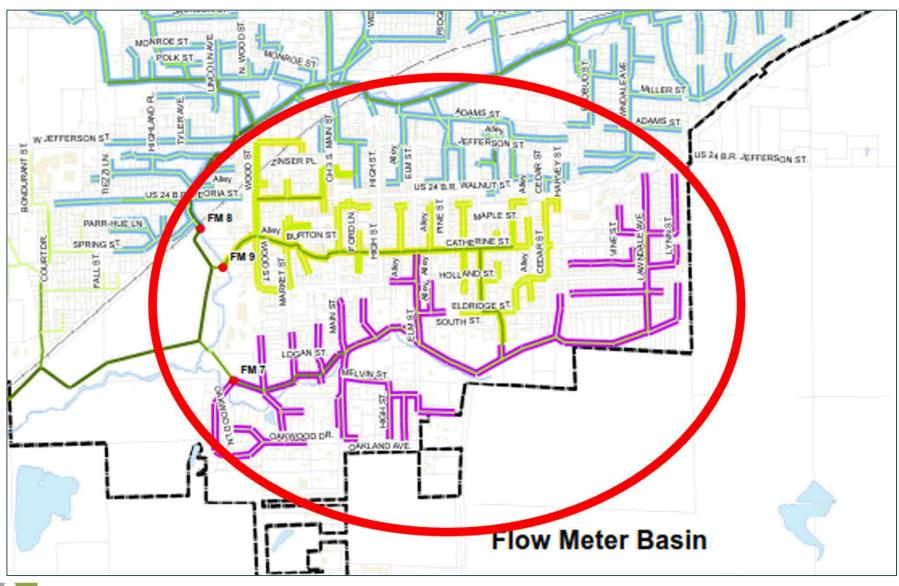


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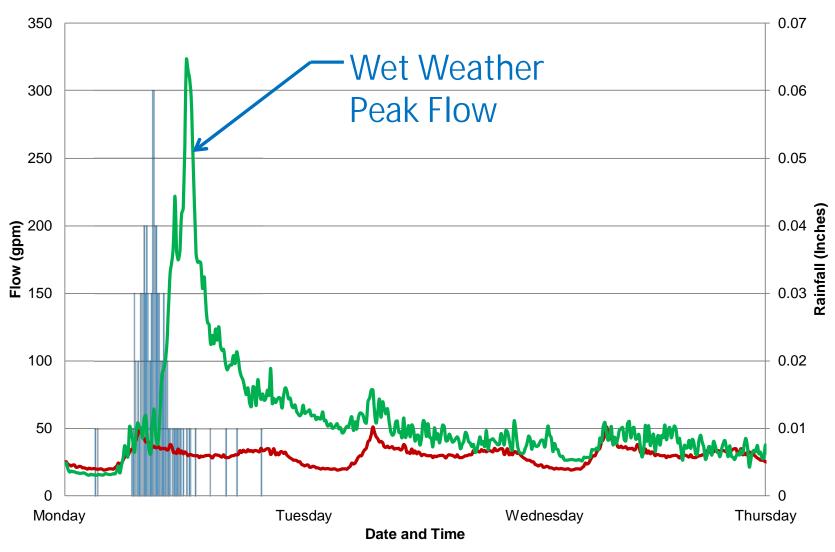






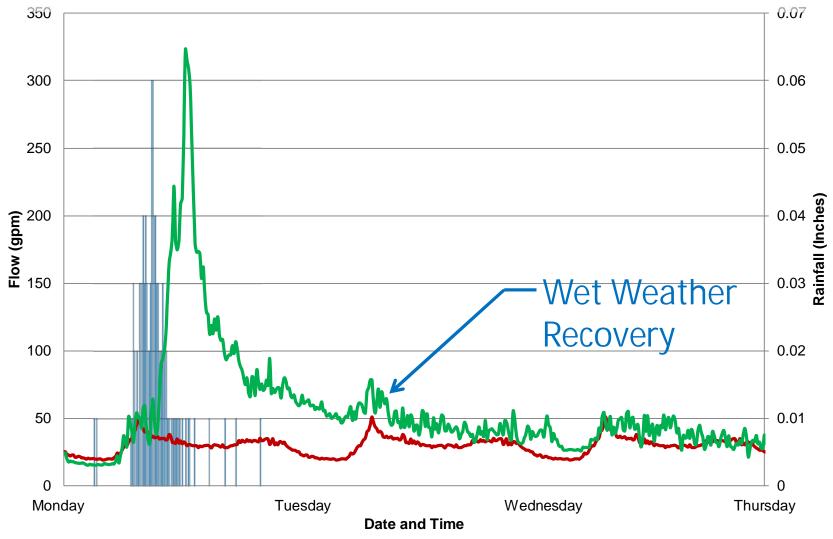








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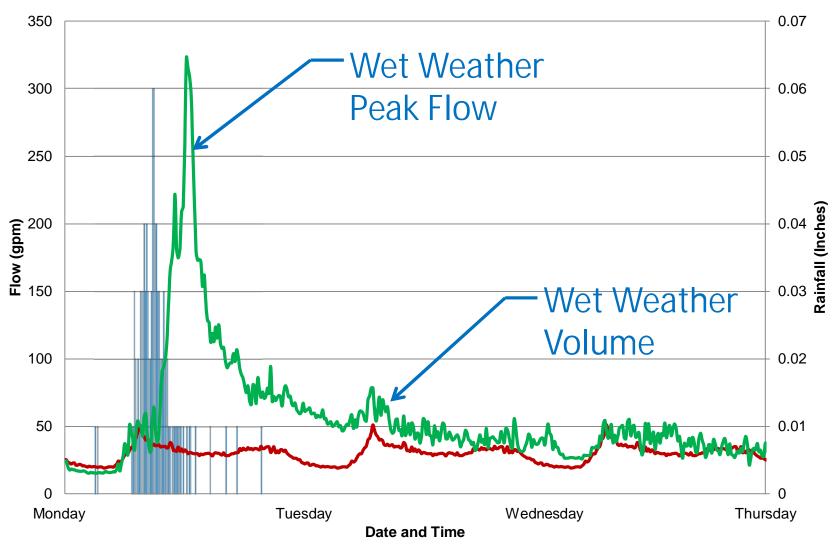
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FM 5	2,392.74	2,380.64	10,807.90		
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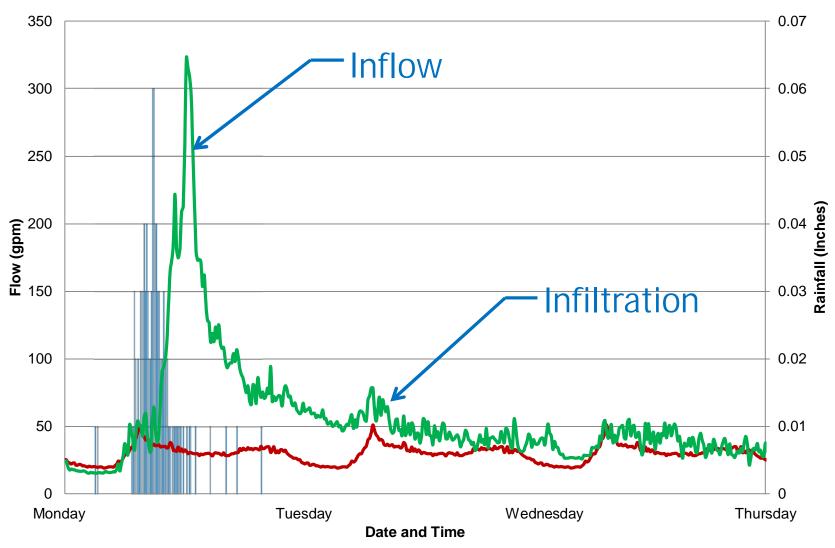
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#### What is Inflow and Infiltration (I/I)





#### **Prioritization for I/I Investigations**

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## An Effective Sanitary Sewer Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program Addresses Specific Goals











## Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Survey (SSES) Investigations Start with Manhole Inspections





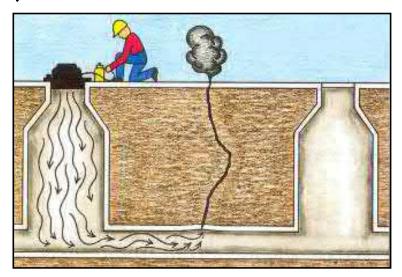


## Potential Manhole Rehabilitation Methods are Determined by Trained Field Staff During Inspections





## Smoke Testing Locates Sewer Deficiencies, Sources of Direct Inflow, and Cross Connections





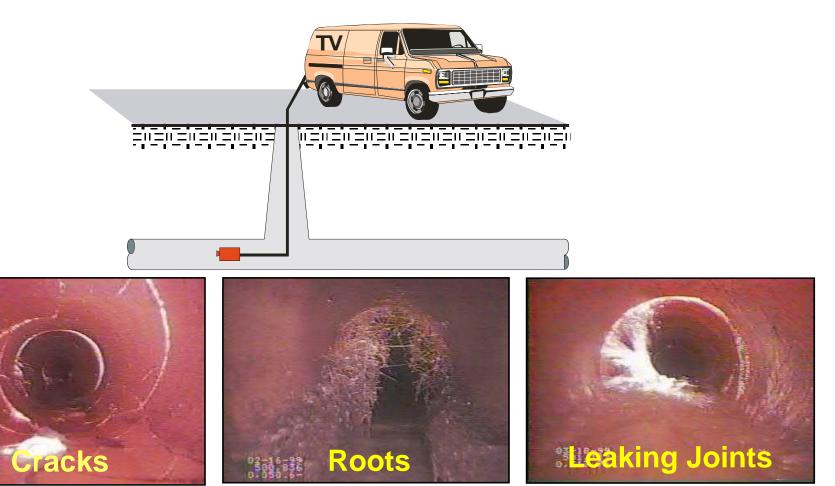






## Field Investigations Focus Televising and Dye Testing for Significant Cost Savings

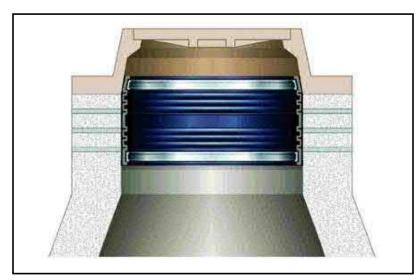
Goal: Televise Less – Reduce Cost





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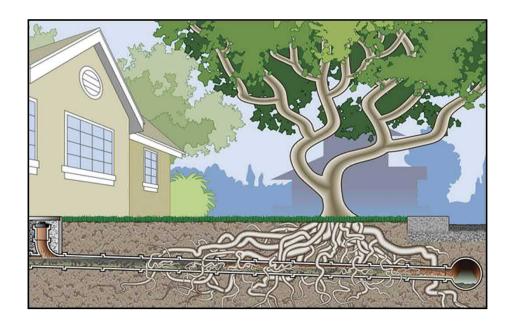




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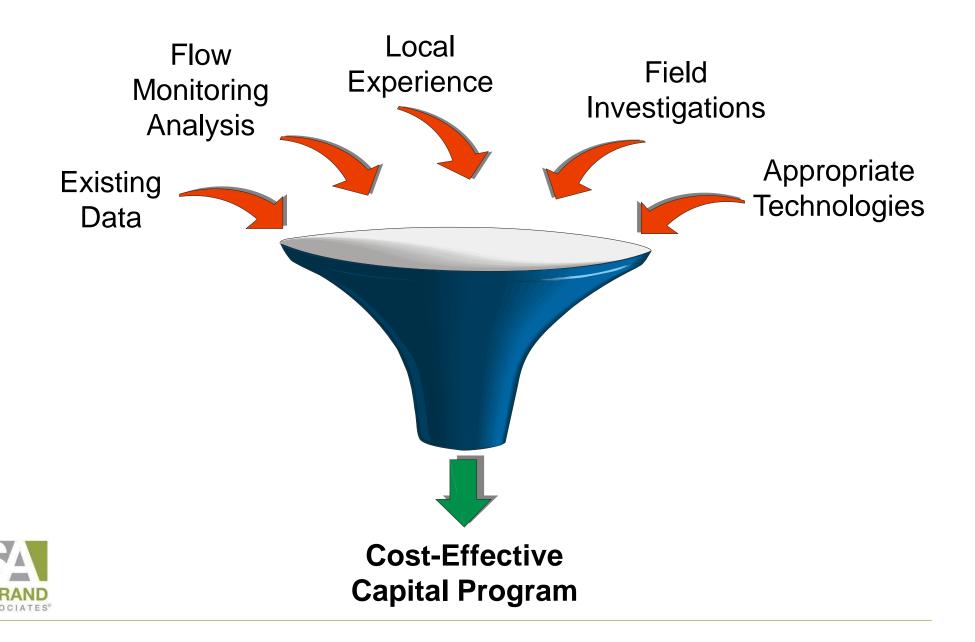
- Industry shifting to Private System Rehabilitation
- Public system rehabilitation success = 10% to 20% I/I reduction
- Private system rehabilitation success = 40% I/I reduction is highest reported
- Columbus, OH pilot study:
  - 75% of I/I from private sources
  - 30% I/I removal through private source program
- Miami-Dade study:
  - Lateral Repair Program cost 4x more per foot of pipe
  - 1/6 the cost in \$/gallon removed
  - 1/8 the cost to pump, convey, and treat the excess flow
- MWRDGC requires all systems to develop a Private SectorProgram (PSP)

#### Private Property Illegal Connections and Sources of I/I





#### Results of These Efforts Leads to Positive Return on Investment



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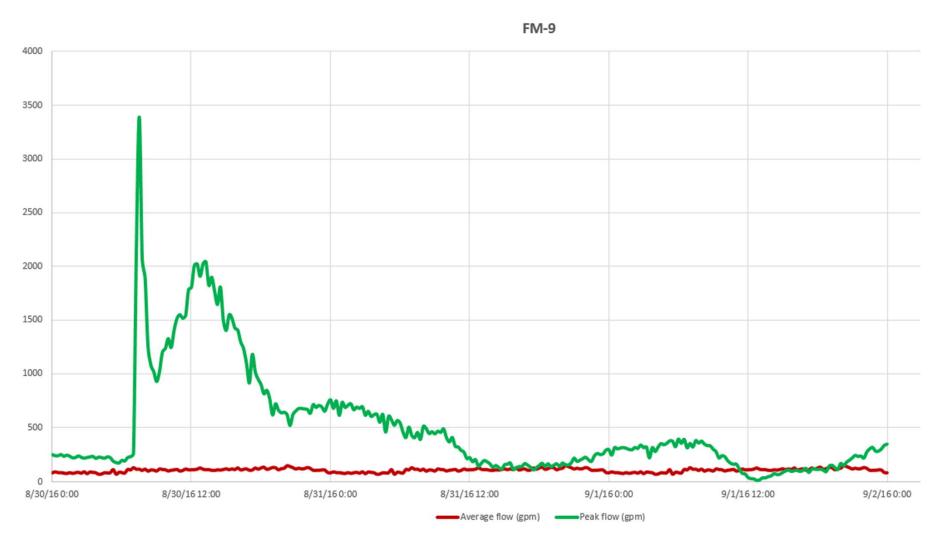




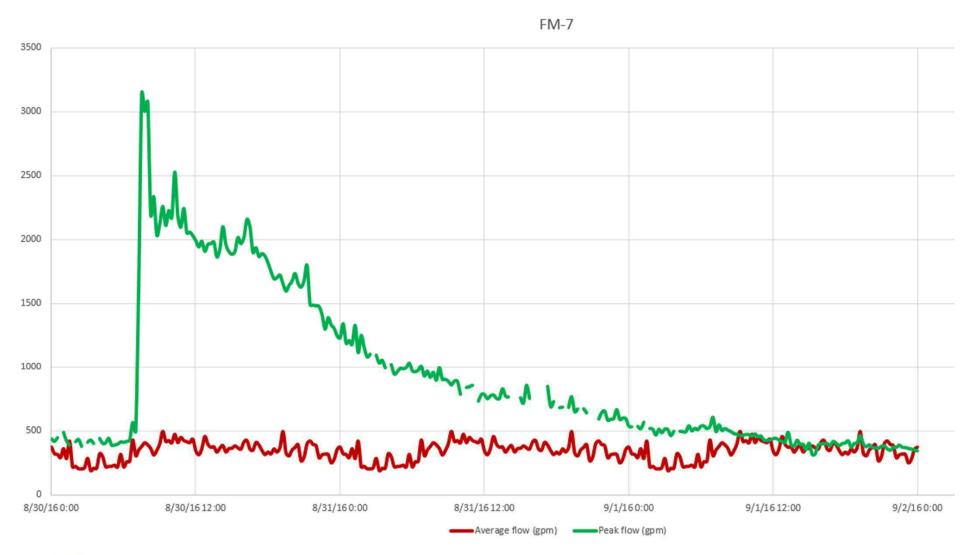




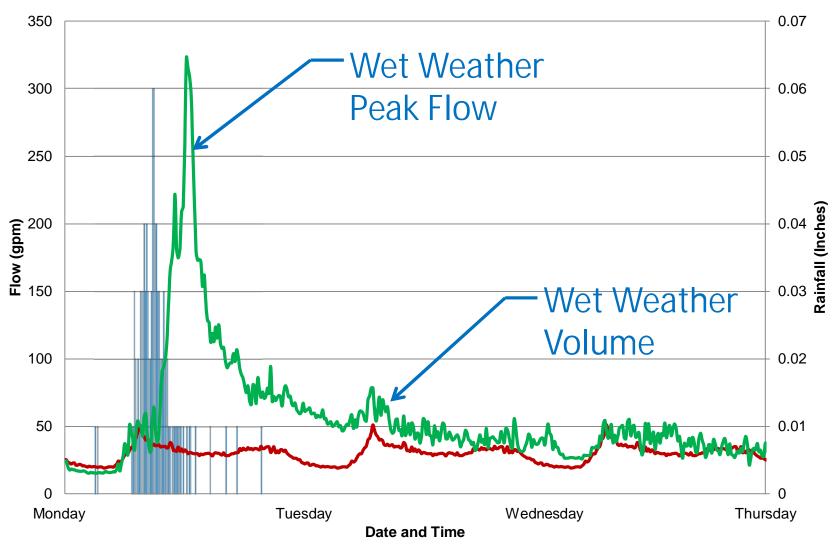
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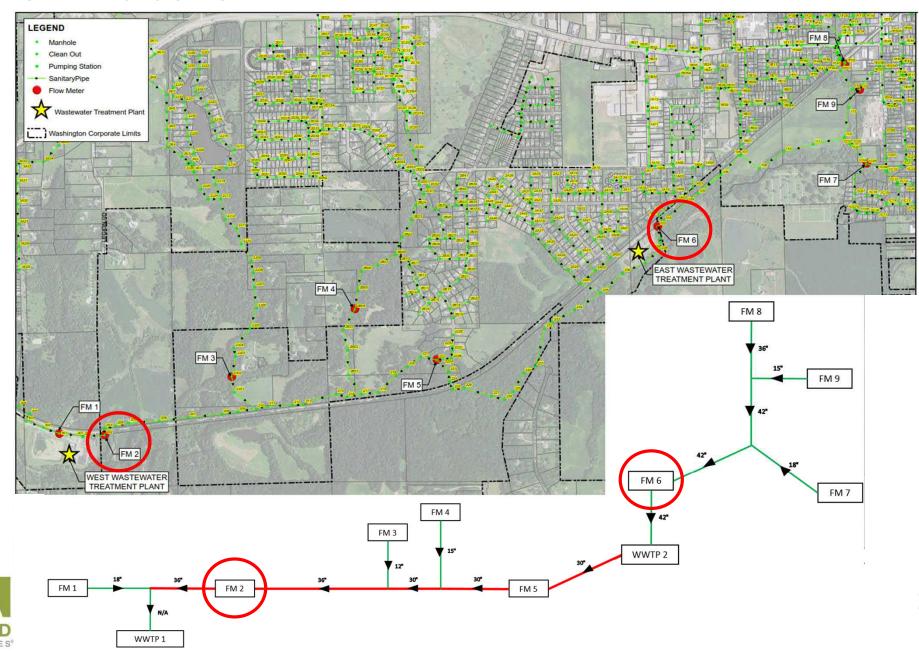




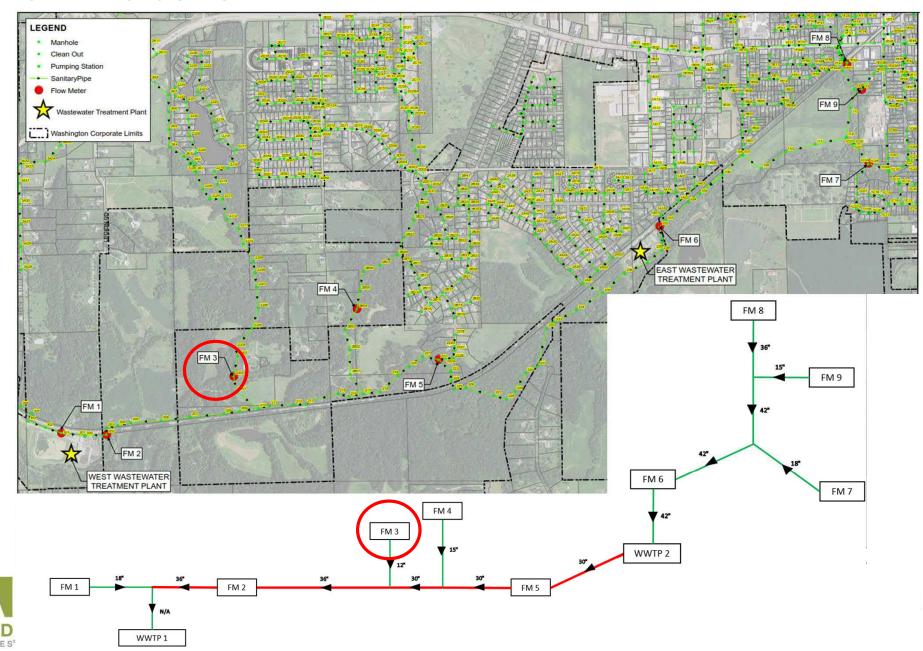




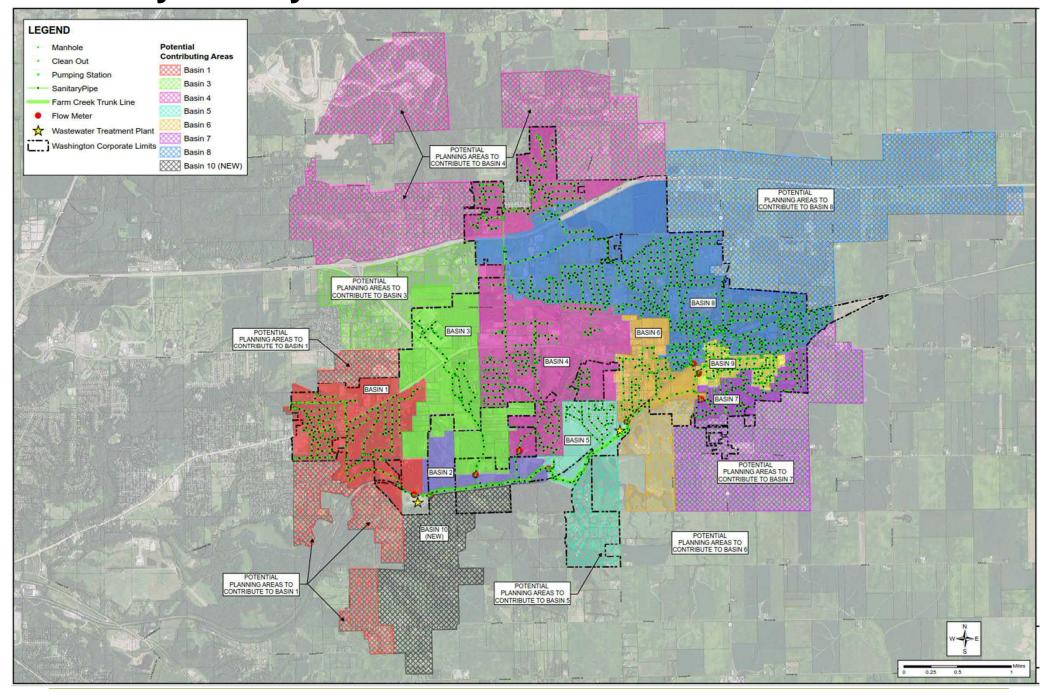
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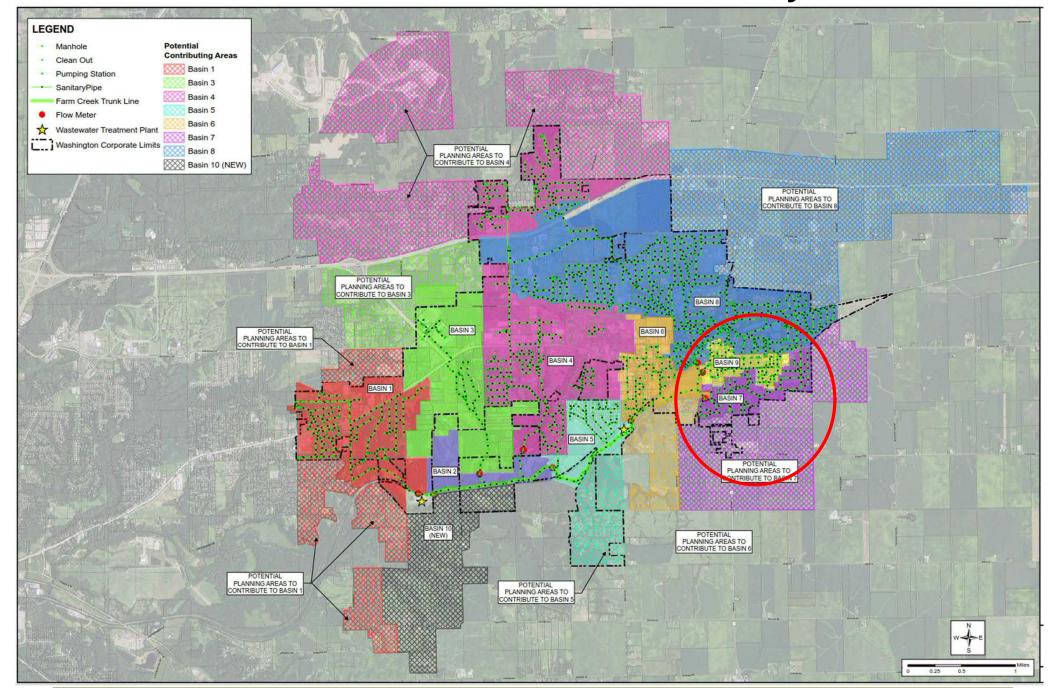


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#### **Conveyance System Sewer-shed Basins**





#### **Excess Flow Evaluation – Rainfall Analysis**

 Sewer flow data and rainfall data was collected over a four month monitoring period at

West WWTP (RG 1)

East WWTP (RG 2)

Three rainfall events were selected for further study

Date	RG 1				RG 2			
	Total Rainfall (in.)	Total Duration (hr.)	Maximum Rainfall Intensity	Maximum Rainfall Recurrence Interval	Total Rainfall (in.)	Total Duration (hr.)	Maximum Rainfall Intensity	Maximum Rainfall Recurrence Interval
7/6/2016	1.77	4.50	0.75 in. / 15 min.	1.5 years, 15 min.	1.65	4.25	0.52 in. / 15 min.	4.9 months, 15 min.
8/12/2016	2.83	13.50	0.52 in. / 15 min.	4.9 months, 15 min.	2.49	13.50	0.53 in./ 15 min.	5.1 months, 15 min.
8/30/2016	1.98	3.50	0.85 in. / 15 min.	2.6 years, 15 min.	2.3	4.50	0.72 in. / 15 min.	1.3 years, 15 min.



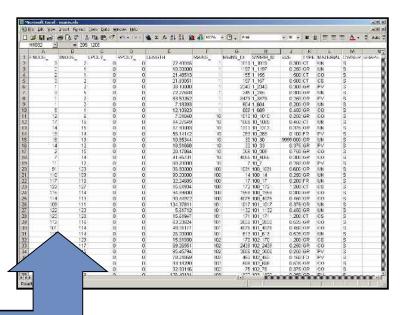
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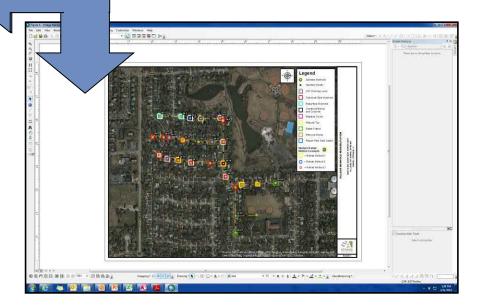
- Update on recent sanitary sewer conveyance study
- Identification of priority areas
- Our Sustainable Watershed Evaluation Process supports all five of CMAP's Stormwater Advisor Tasks
- Our depth of relevant experience provides CMAP with confidence in solid planning and decision making



## Use of PC Tablet Maximizes Efficiency During and After Field Investigations and to Update Village's GIS



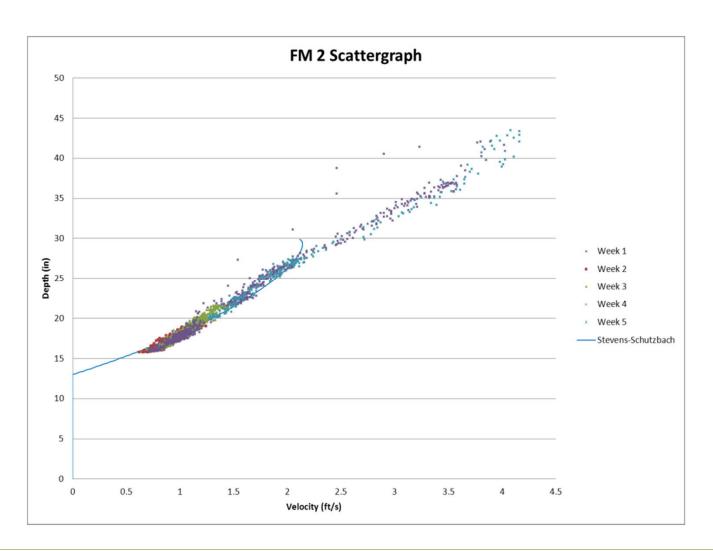






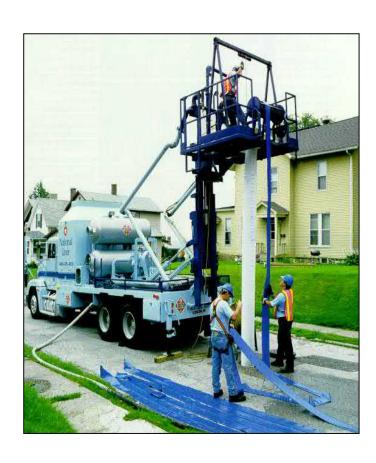
#### Data Quality Checks Confirm Flow Data is Accurate

- Rigorous Flow Metering Data Analysis
- Collection System-Wet Weather Performance





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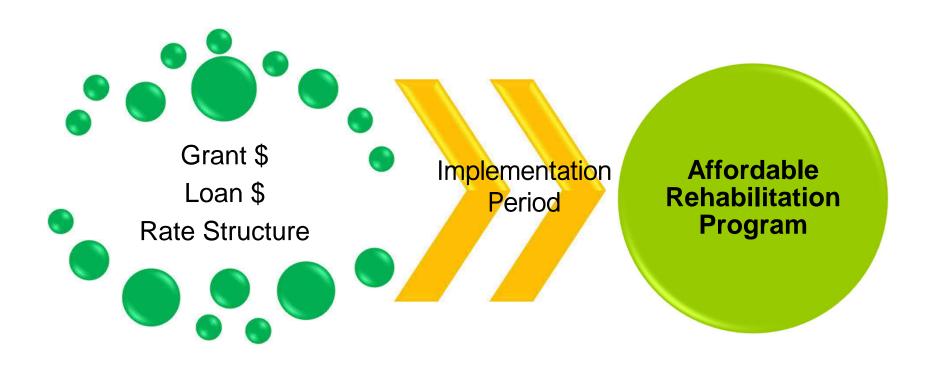








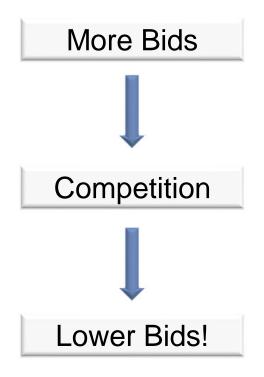
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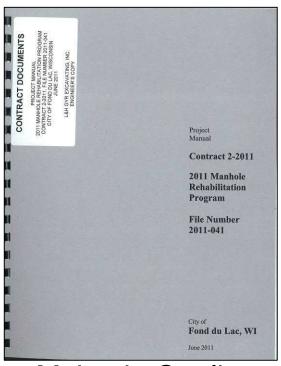




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