

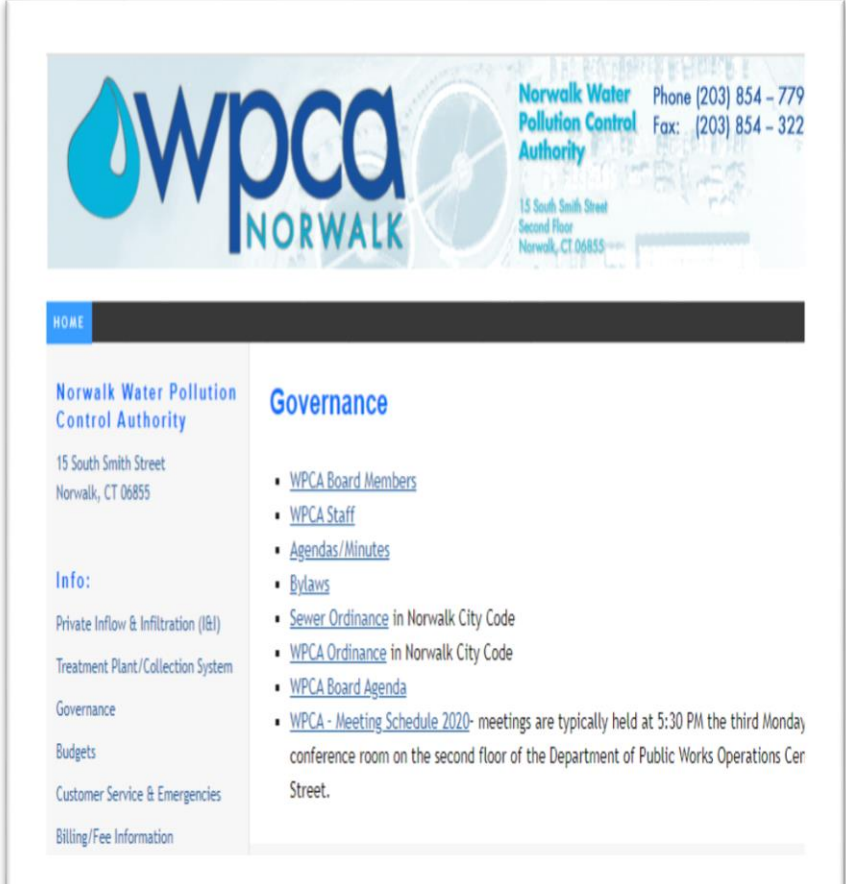
# City of Norwalk NPDES Permit Renewal



# City of Norwalk

## Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA)

- **Water Pollution Control Authority:**
  - Enterprise Fund ~ \$19MM Operating Budget
  - Staff members – 3 persons
    - Customer Service: 203-854-3200
  - Board of Directors – 9 persons
  - Ex Officio members – 2 persons
  - SUEZ - Contract Operator
    - Sewer Emergency: 203-943-0222 (24/7)
  - Meetings are held 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month
    - [www.wpcanorwalk.org](http://www.wpcanorwalk.org)
- **Wastewater System - Primary Components:**
  1. Collection System
  2. Pump Stations
  3. Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)



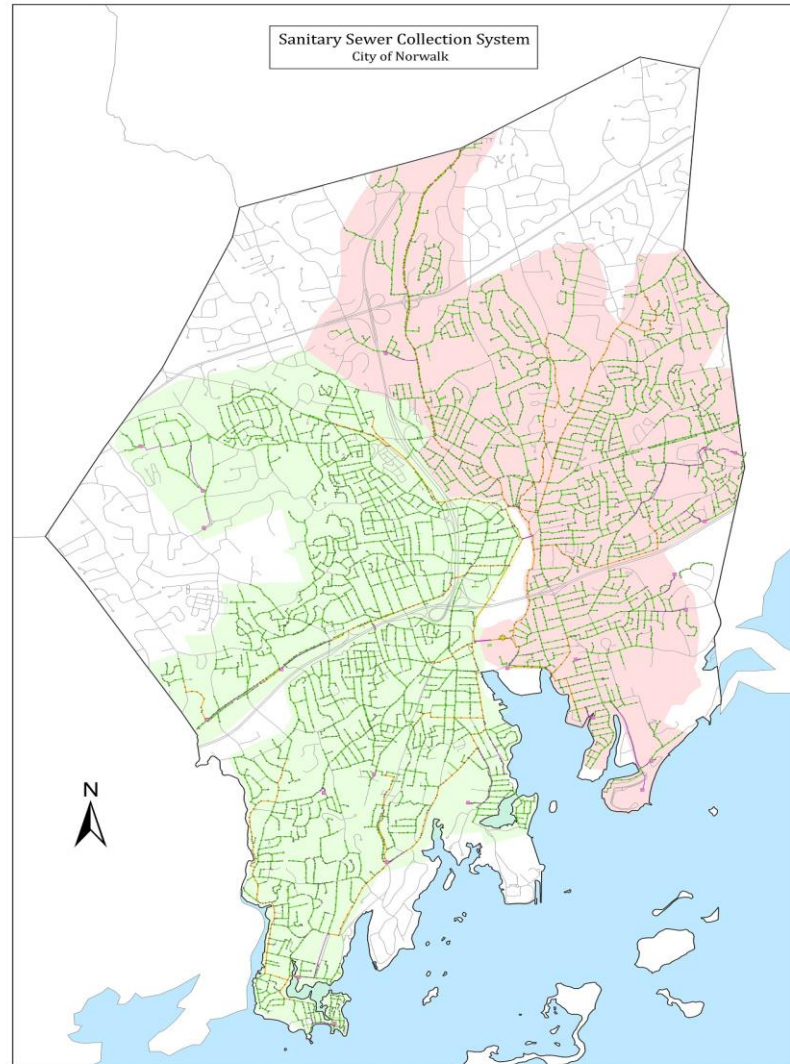
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# NPDES Permit Renewal Application

- On September 8, 2018, the WPCA submitted NPDES renewal application No. CT201812006 to the DEEP on behalf of the City of Norwalk prior to the September 24, 2018 renewal deadline.
- On October 17, 2018, the DEEP provided the WPCA with notice that the NPDES application was complete and ready for review for technical adequacy.
- The notice also confirmed that the WPCA's existing NPDES permit would continue in force and effect beyond its March 23, 2019 expiration date until such time as the Commissioner of DEEP issued a final determination on the renewal application.
- On September 9, 2020, the DEEP issued a Notice of Tentative Determination to Approve the renewal application and a draft NPDES permit.
- On October 8, 2020, the WPCA provided the DEEP with comments on the draft NPDES permit. The DEEP also received a petition for a public hearing and a request to extend the comment period which was granted until November 8, 2020.

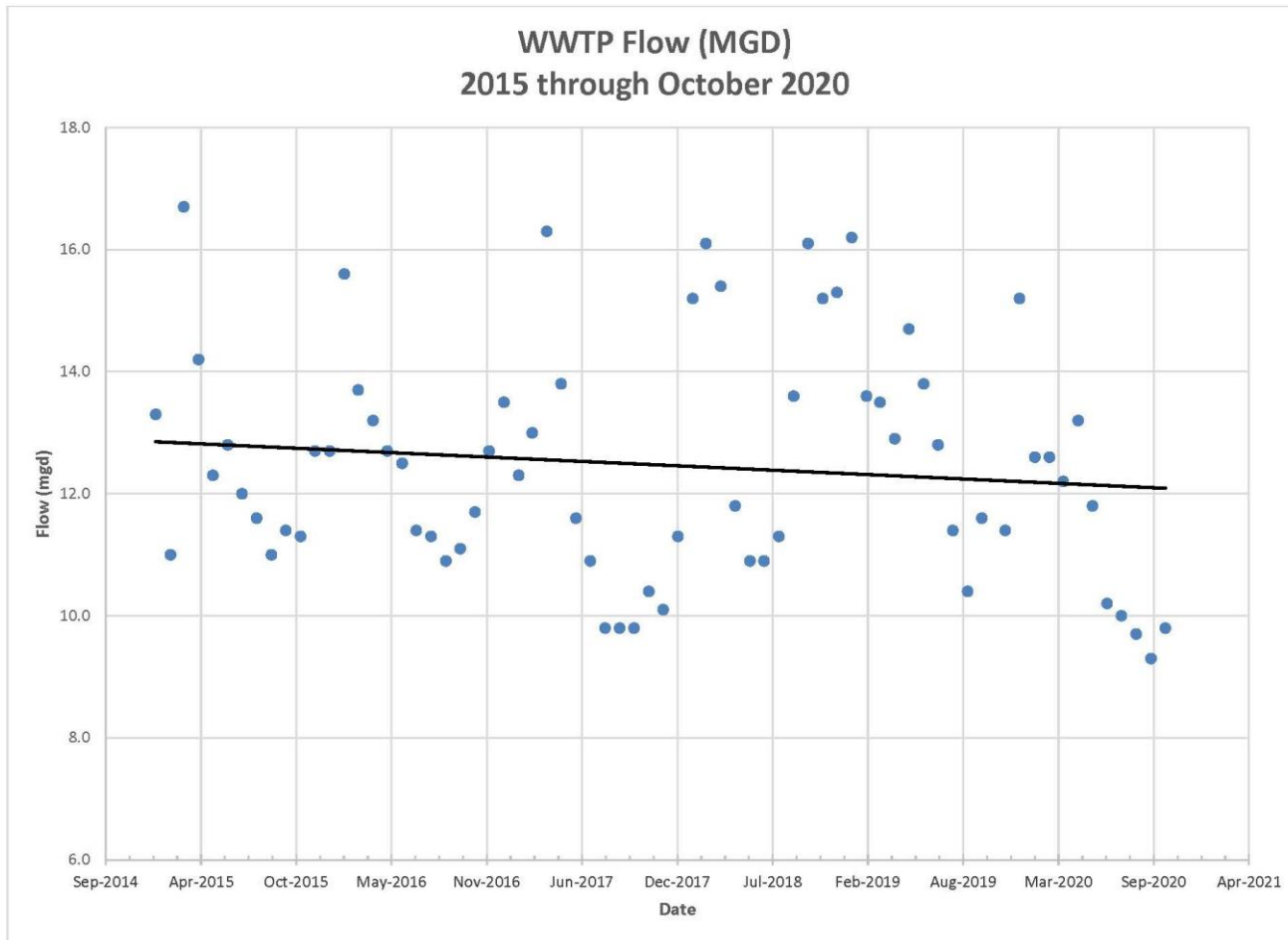
# Collection System

- **Service Area:**
  - City of Norwalk
  - Town of Wilton ~ 4% of total flow
  - Town of Westport (11 customers)
- **Norwalk System:**
  - Gravity mains ~205 miles (6" to 72" dia.)
  - Gravity assets ~6,500
  - Manholes ~6,400
  - Force mains ~6.7 miles
  - Major siphons – 2 locations
- **Total Average Flow:**
  - 11.5 MGD - 1-yr average
  - 12.6 MGD – 3-yr average





# Collection System Flow



# Collection System Highlights

- **Current Projects:**
  - Selection of new collection system consultants ~\$1.25MM
  - Sanitary Sewer Various Locations Improvements ~ \$6.3MM
    - *CIPP Lining ~ 46,000 ft of gravity sewer*
    - *Excavation ~ 1,500 ft of gravity sewer*
- **Recently Completed Projects:**
  - Westport Avenue Force Main Discharge Relocation ~\$126k
  - Ann Street Siphon WWTP sluice gate automation
  - Beacon Street Interceptor Service Area Rehabilitation ~\$2.7MM
- **Pollutant Source Tracking:**
  - Partnership with Harbor Watch
  - Dick Harris and Norm Bloom and Son (Copp's Island Oysters)
  - CTDEEP / EPA
- **Capacity, Management, Operation, and Maintenance (CMOM):**
  - Annual report to EPA and CTDEEP

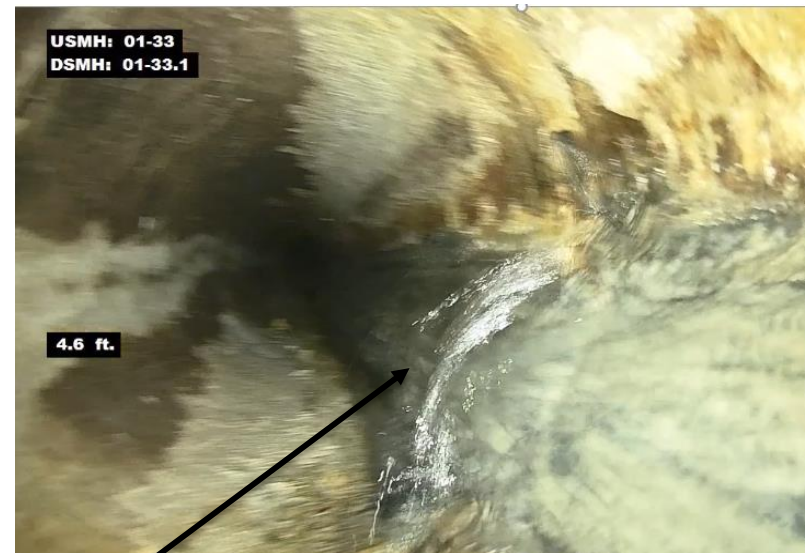
# Collection System

## Inflow and Infiltration (I/I) - Infiltration Elimination

- What is Inflow and Infiltration?
- Elimination of Infiltration
  - CCTV Inspections – 2 miles/month minimum
  - CIPP Lining
  - Excavation Repairs
  - Manhole Sealing



CCTV Mobile Camera



Infiltration Identified by CCTV



# Collection System CCTV Footage Used to Eliminate Infiltration





# Collection System

## Sanitary Sewer Various Locations Improvements Project Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) Lining



**Pre Lining – 8-inch VCP  
Midrocks Drive – Easement**



**Post Lining  
Midrocks Drive - Easement**

# Collection System

## Sanitary Sewer Various Locations Improvements Project Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) Lining



**Pre Lining – 8-inch VCP  
Raymond Street**



**Post Lining  
Raymond Street**



# Collection System Sanitary Sewer Various Locations Improvements Project Excavation Repairs



**Deformed/broken pipe replaced with PVC pipe and shielded banded couplings**



Collection System  
Sanitary Sewer Various Locations Improvements Project  
Manhole Rehabilitation



**Before**



**After**





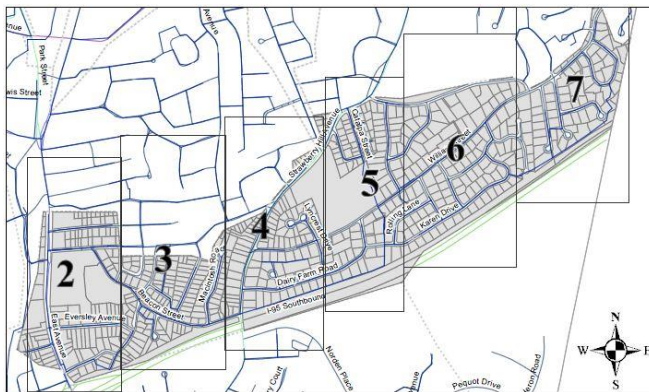
# Collection System

## Westport Avenue PS Force Main Discharge Relocation



# Collection System Inflow and Infiltration (I/I) - Inflow Elimination

- Elimination of Inflow
  - Sewershed-wide rehabilitation projections
  - 2 catch basins disconnected in 2020
  - Educational materials re: Inflow - WPCA Website
    - [www.wpcanorwalk.org/inflow-infiltration](http://www.wpcanorwalk.org/inflow-infiltration)
  - Smoke testing and Dye testing when necessary



The screenshot shows the WPCA website header with the logo and contact information: Norwalk Water Pollution Control Authority, 15 South Smith Street, Norwalk, CT 06855. The page title is "Private Inflow & Infiltration (I&I)". The content includes a navigation menu with "HOME", "Info:", "Private Inflow & Infiltration (I&I)", "Treatment Plant/Collection System", "Governance", "Budgets", and "Customer Service & Emergencies". The main text defines Private Inflow & Infiltration (I&I) as rainwater that enters the sanitary sewer through private sump pumps, driveway drains, uncapped cleanouts, and foundation drains. It notes that these sources are improperly or illegally connected to the sanitary sewer discharge into sinks or tubs that are directly connected to the sanitary sewer.

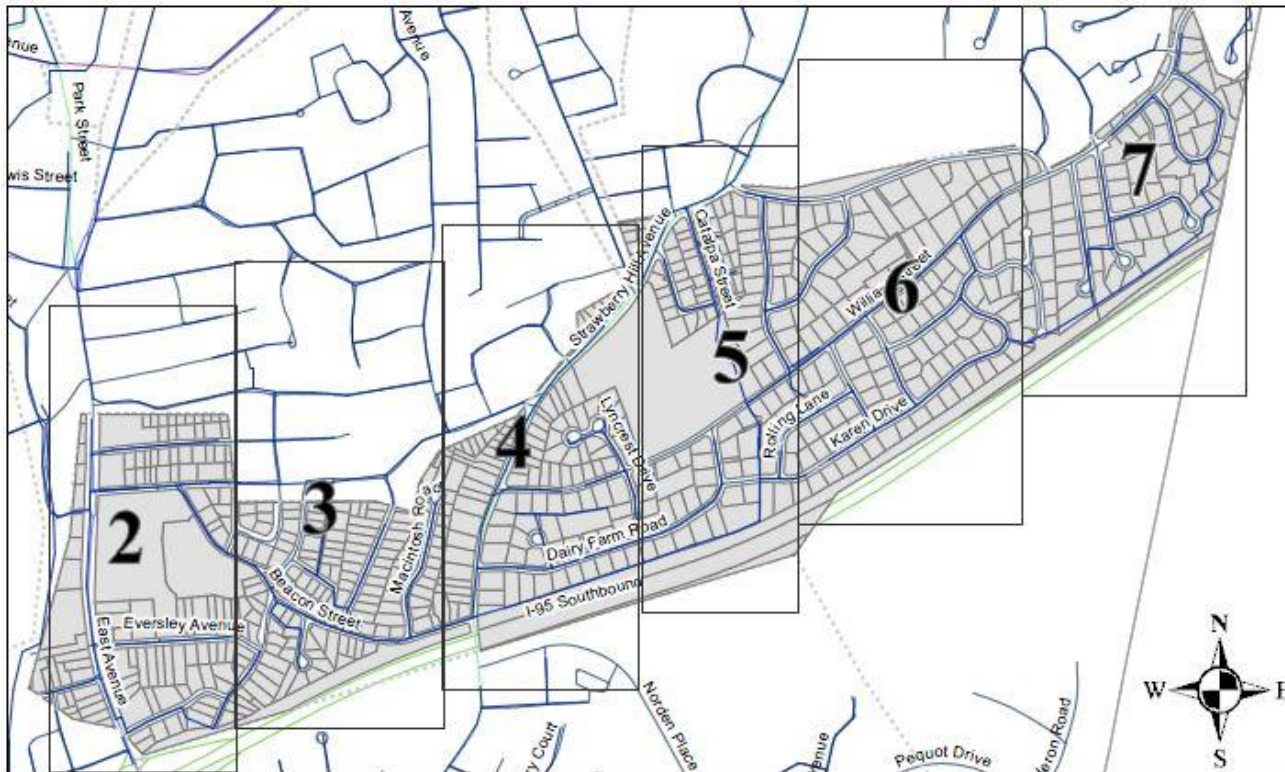




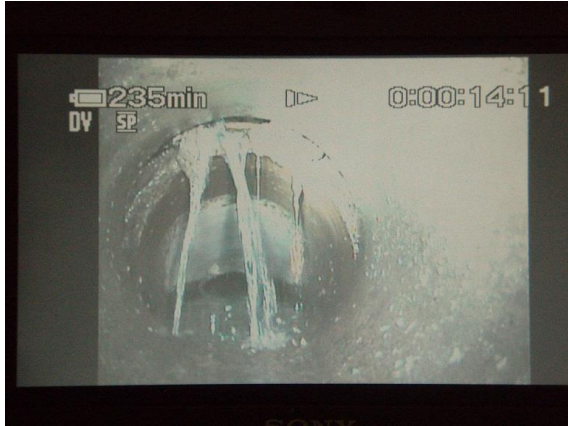
# Collection System

## Beacon Street Interceptor Service Area Rehabilitation Project

- *Service Area ~ 6.6 miles*
- *CIPP Lining ~ 26,000 ft of gravity sewer*
- *Test and seal ~ 700 joints and ~400 laterals*



# Collection System Pollutant Source Tracking





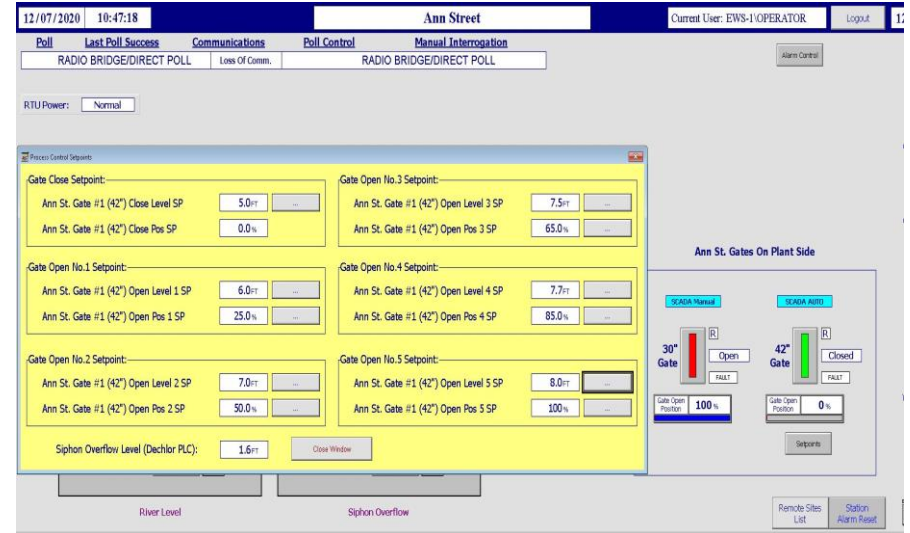
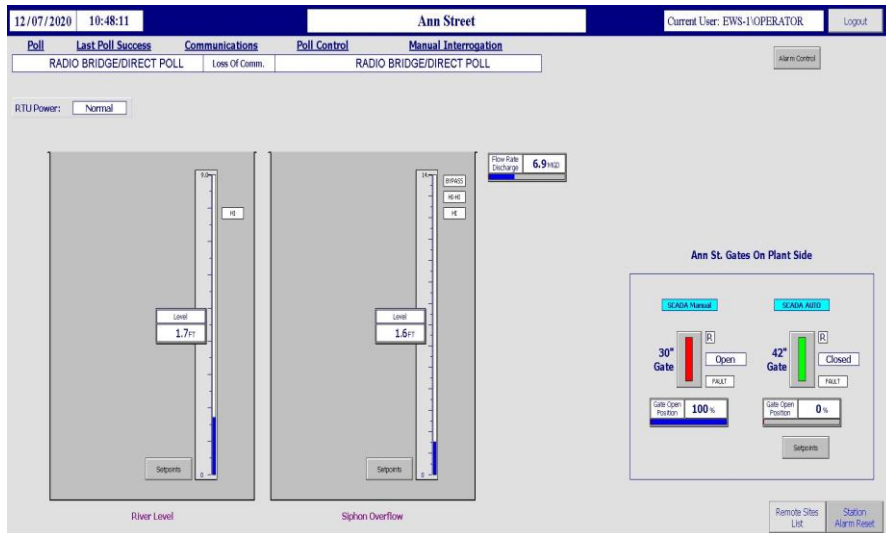
# Collection System

## Norwalk Shellfish Education



# Collection System

## Ann Street Siphon - WWTP Sluice Gate Automation



# Collection System

- Future Projects:
  - 2 Knight Street Interceptor Relocation and Improvement ~\$1.8MM
  - Smith Street 36" Sanitary Sewer Interceptor Rehabilitation – CIPP Lining
  - Shady Beach Pump Station Force Main Rehabilitation – CIPP Lining



# Collection System Contract Operator

- SUEZ – New Contract Operator – May 18, 2020
  - New Collection System equipment: CCTV Truck, Jet/Vactor Truck, Pole camera
  - New Technology: SL Rat, Smart Covers, IT Pipes
  - New GIS Position
  - Sewer cleaning, cctv inspection and PACP scoring monthly requirements
  - Industrial Pretreatment Program: SUEZ sampling, testing and reporting ~475 locations annually





# Collection System

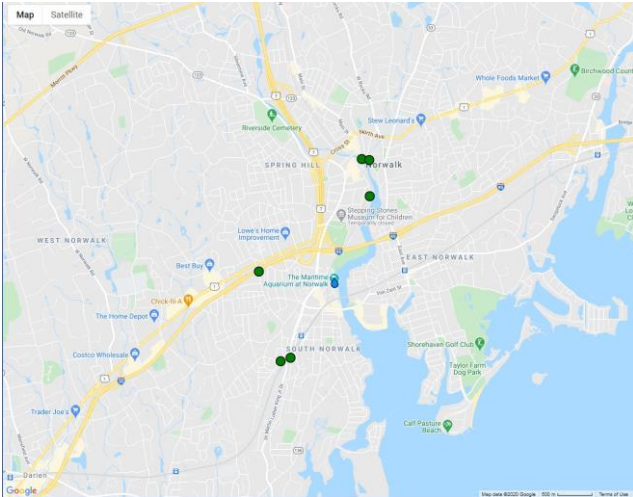
## New Collection System Equipment



**Vector Truck and Personnel**

**CCTV Truck and Equipment**

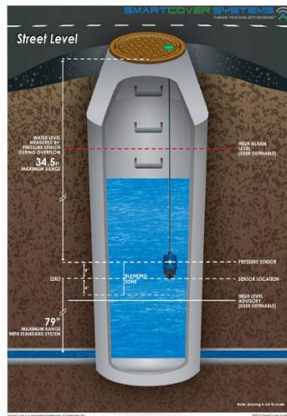
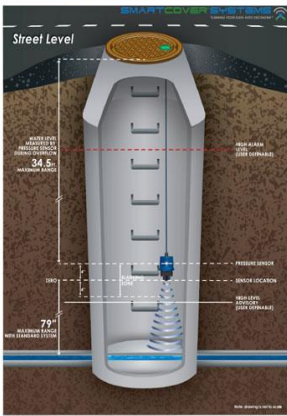
# Collection System Innovative Equipment - Smart Covers



## Location Map

Unsubmerged – low water levels

Submerged – high water levels



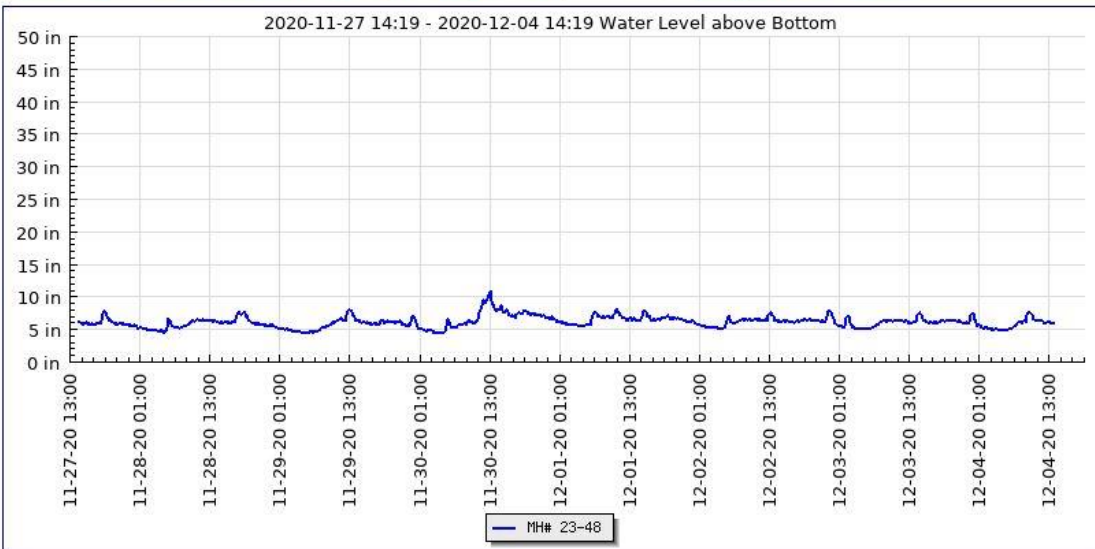
## Smart Cover System

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- Flow / Rain / Tide
- PowerPack Voltage
- Signal Quality

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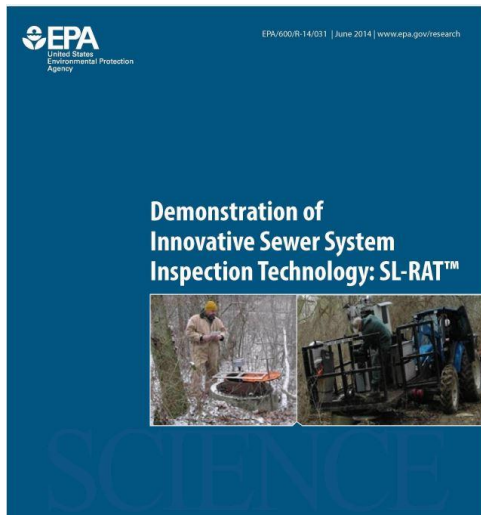
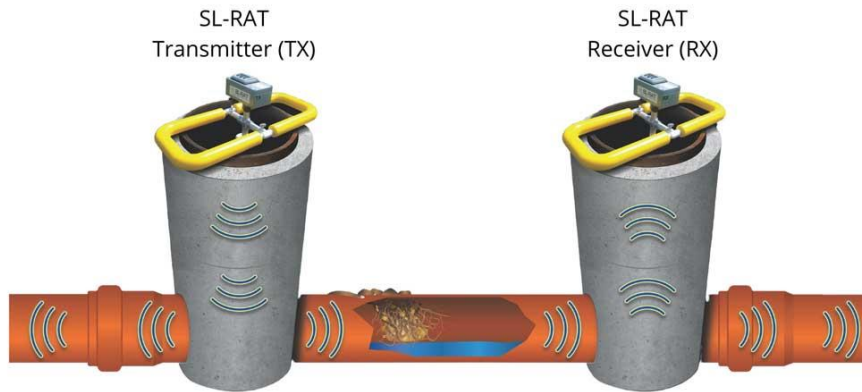
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## Wastewater level (in) within Manhole

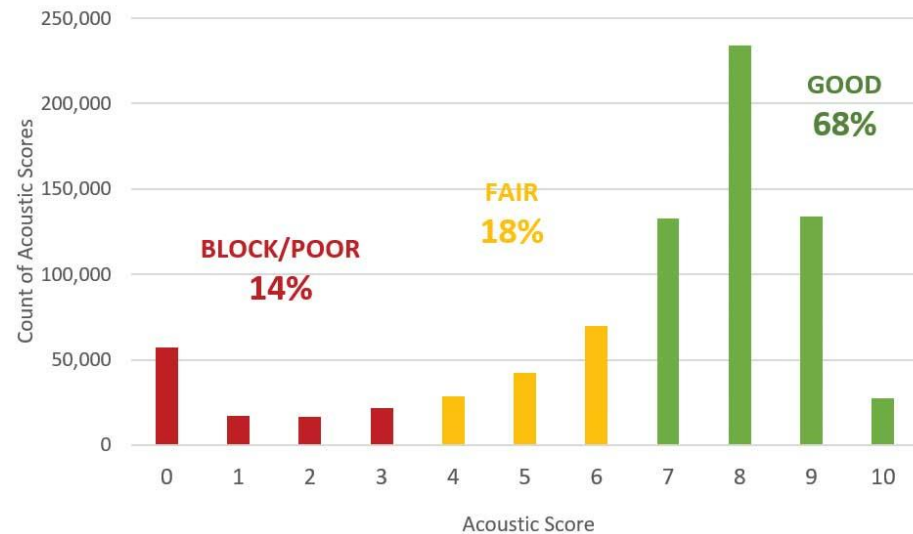


# Collection System

## Innovative Equipment - Sewer Line Rapid Assessment Tool (SL RAT)



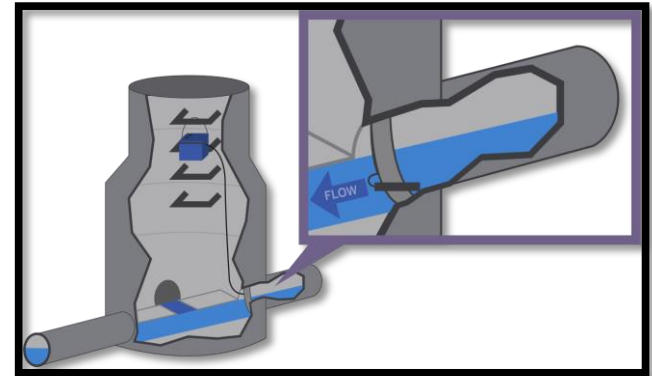
Distribution of Assessment Results from 350+ SL-RAT Users  
(~175 million feet inspected)





# Collection System Consultants

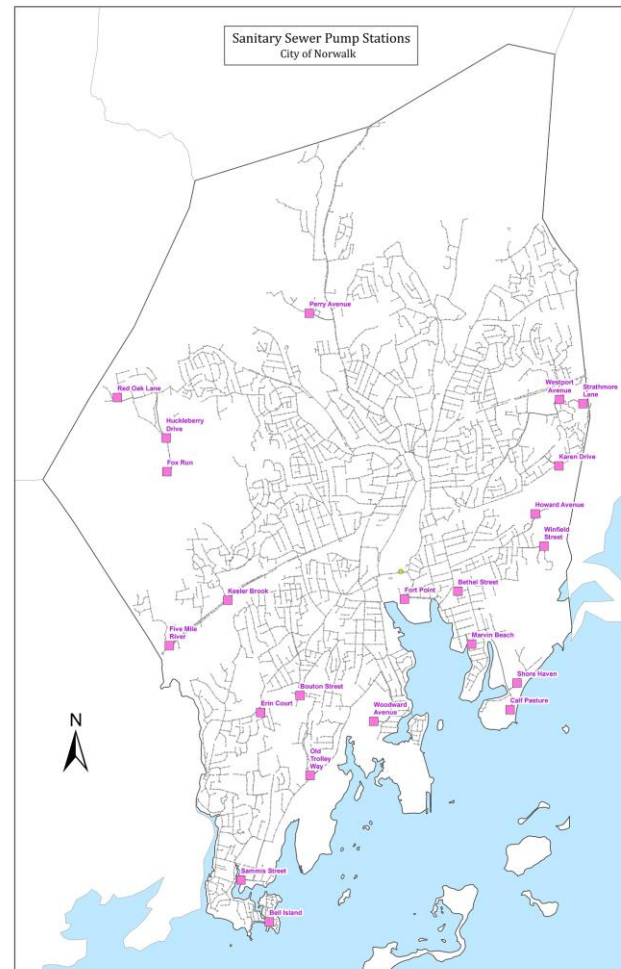
- Brown and Caldwell and Woodard & Curran
- Consultant Goals:
  - Flow monitoring of entire collection system (Spring 2021)
  - Update hydraulic model
  - Review collection system information (risk matrix evaluation):
    - *Interceptors (large diameter gravity pipes)*
    - *Gravity pipes*
    - *Force mains*
    - *Manholes*
    - *Inflow/Infiltration (I/I)*
    - *Capacity/hydraulic bottlenecks*
    - *Future development projects and impacts*
    - *Hot Spots (i.e. roots, grease, etc.)*
    - *SUEZ Data: CCTV and NASSCO PACP scoring of assets, SL RAT*
  - Update Sanitary Sewer Collection System Master Plan
  - Develop long-term rehabilitation projects



**Flow Monitor**

# Pump Stations

- 22 Pump Stations:
  - 1931 - Fort Point Street
  - 1950s thru 1970s – 19 stations
  - 1980s – 2 stations
  - Type:
    - Wet well / dry well - 17
    - Submersible - 5
  - Size: 0.2 mgd to 10 mgd
  - Emergency Generators (Kohler)
  - Flygt Pumps
  - 2019 Pump Station Asset Management Plan



# Pump Stations Completed Projects

- Pump Station Asset Management Plan ~\$170k
  - *Infrastructure age / condition (mechanical, electrical, structure, etc.)*
  - *Future flow and Capacity Evaluation*
  - *Force main capacity*
  - *Climate Change and Flood Impact Mitigation*
  - *Energy Efficiency*
  - *Develop long-term capital improvement program projects*
- Marvin Beach, Westport Ave, Fort Point St Pump Station Upgrades ~\$2.3 MM
- Marvin Beach Pump Station Force Main Replacement ~\$365k
- Bethel St Pump Station Force Main Replacement ~\$70k
- End of Term Replacement with OMI ~ \$600k
  - Shady Beach, Bouton St, Fox Run, Woodward Ave Pump Station Improvements
  - Extra spare pumps (located at maintenance shop) – for 17 stations
- Pump Station Generator Project – new generators at 9 stations ~\$700k
- Secondary Control System – installed on medium and large stations (10 total)





# Pump Stations

## Marvin Beach Pump Station Improvements



**Under Construction**



**Wet Well Concrete Work**



**New Electrical and Pump Controls**



**New Flygt Dry Pit Pumps and Piping**



**Completed Project**



# Pump Stations

## Marvin Beach Force Main Replacement



**Drilling Rig Setup**

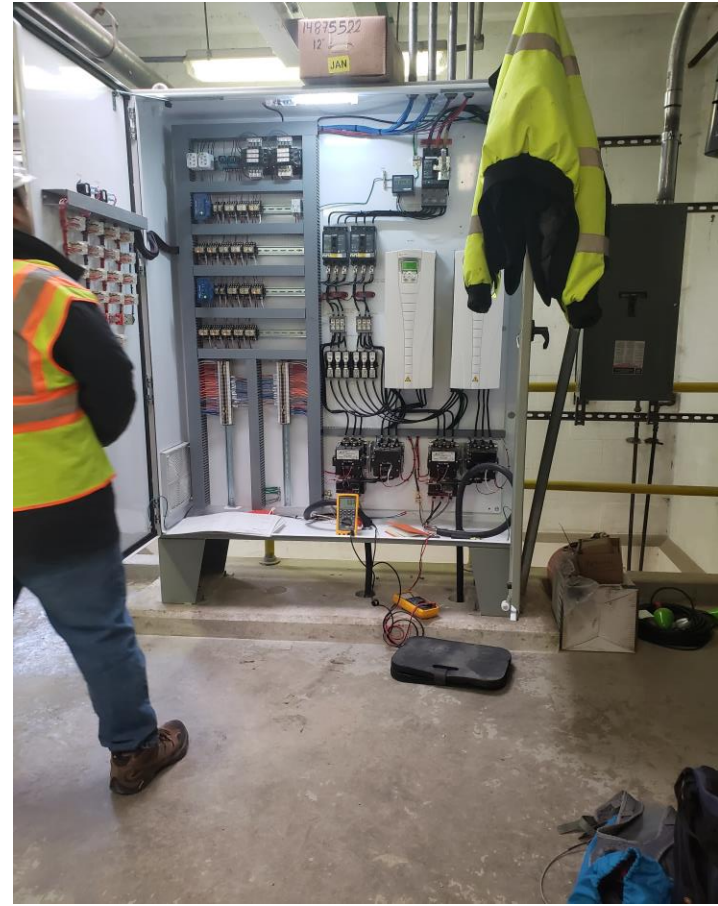
**New Force Main Location**

# Pump Stations

## Westport Pump Station Improvements



**New Flygt Dry Pit Pumps and Piping**



**New Pump Controls and VFDs**



# Pump Stations Wet Well Epoxy Coating



**Fort Point PS Wet Well Coating**



**Westport Ave PS Wet Well Coating**



**Marvin Beach PS Wet Well Coating**

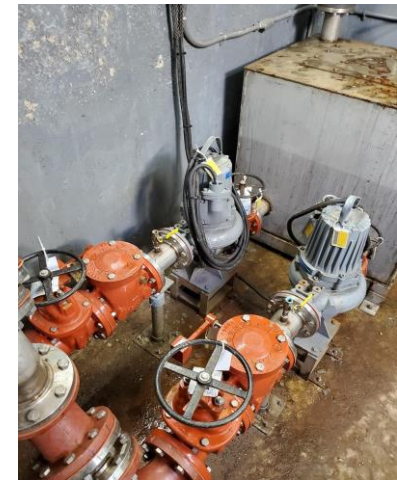
# Pump Stations ETER Projects



**Woodward Ave PS**



**Shady Beach PS**



**Fox Run PS**



# Pump Station Generator Projects



**Howard Ave PS**



**Bouton St PS**



**Shady Beach PS**



**Bell Island PS**



**Westport Ave PS**



# Pump Stations

## Current and Future Projects

- Five Mile River, Old Trolley Way, Woodward Avenue, & Karen Drive Pump Station Upgrades ~\$6MM
- Keeler Brook Pump Station and Force Main Replacement ~\$6MM
- Secondary Control System – continue to evaluate locations

# Wastewater Treatment Plant History and Background

- 1880's – Collection System
- 1931 – Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP)
- 1950's – WPCF Additions and Alterations
- 1960's – Primary Treatment
- 1970's – Secondary Biological Treatment
- 1980 – Wet Weather Treatment
- 1990's – Biological Nutrient Removal (BNR)
- 2012 – CSO/Wet Weather Preliminary Treatment
- 2020 – Wet Weather Improvements

# Wastewater Treatment Plant Criteria

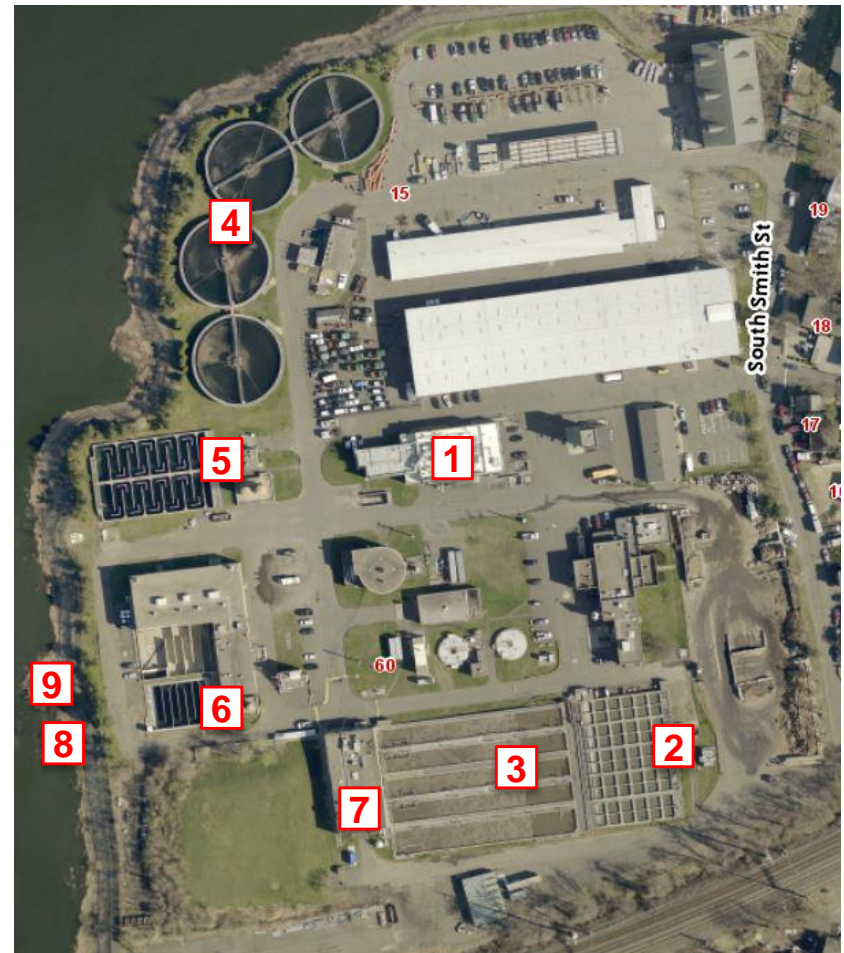
- Design Flow Capacity:
  - 18 million gallons per day (mgd)
  - Headworks – 95 mgd
  - Full Process Treatment – 30 mgd
  - Wet Weather Treatment – 65 mgd
- Historical Flow Data:
  - 11.7 mgd – 1-yr average
  - 12.6 mgd – 3-yr average
- Historical Total Nitrogen Data:
  - 513 lbs/day – 1-yr average
  - 611 lbs/day – 3-yr average
- Sewer Billing Accounts:
  - Residential ~21,400
  - Commercial ~1,900
  - Parcels on Septic ~4,200



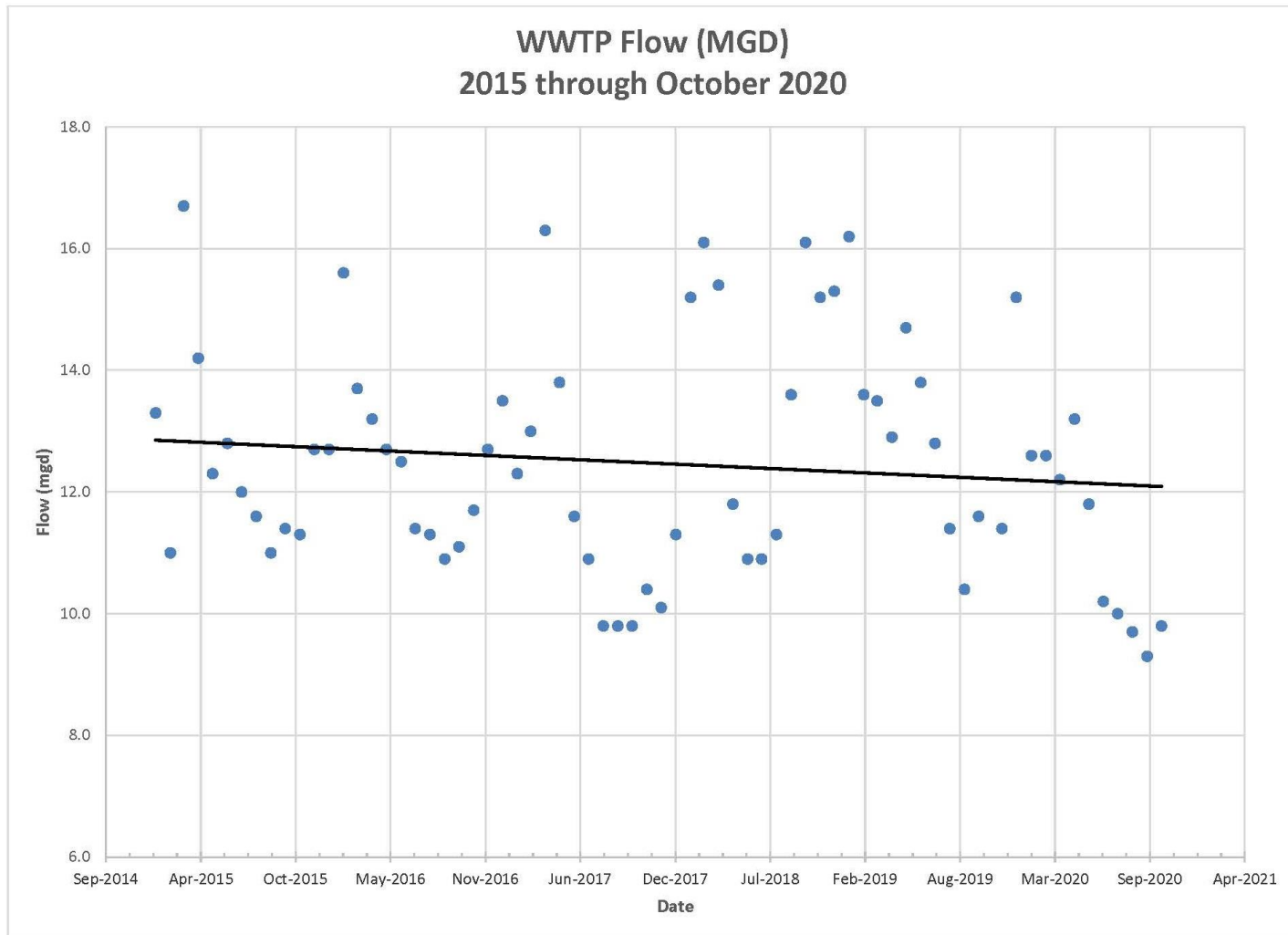


# Wastewater Treatment Plant Processes

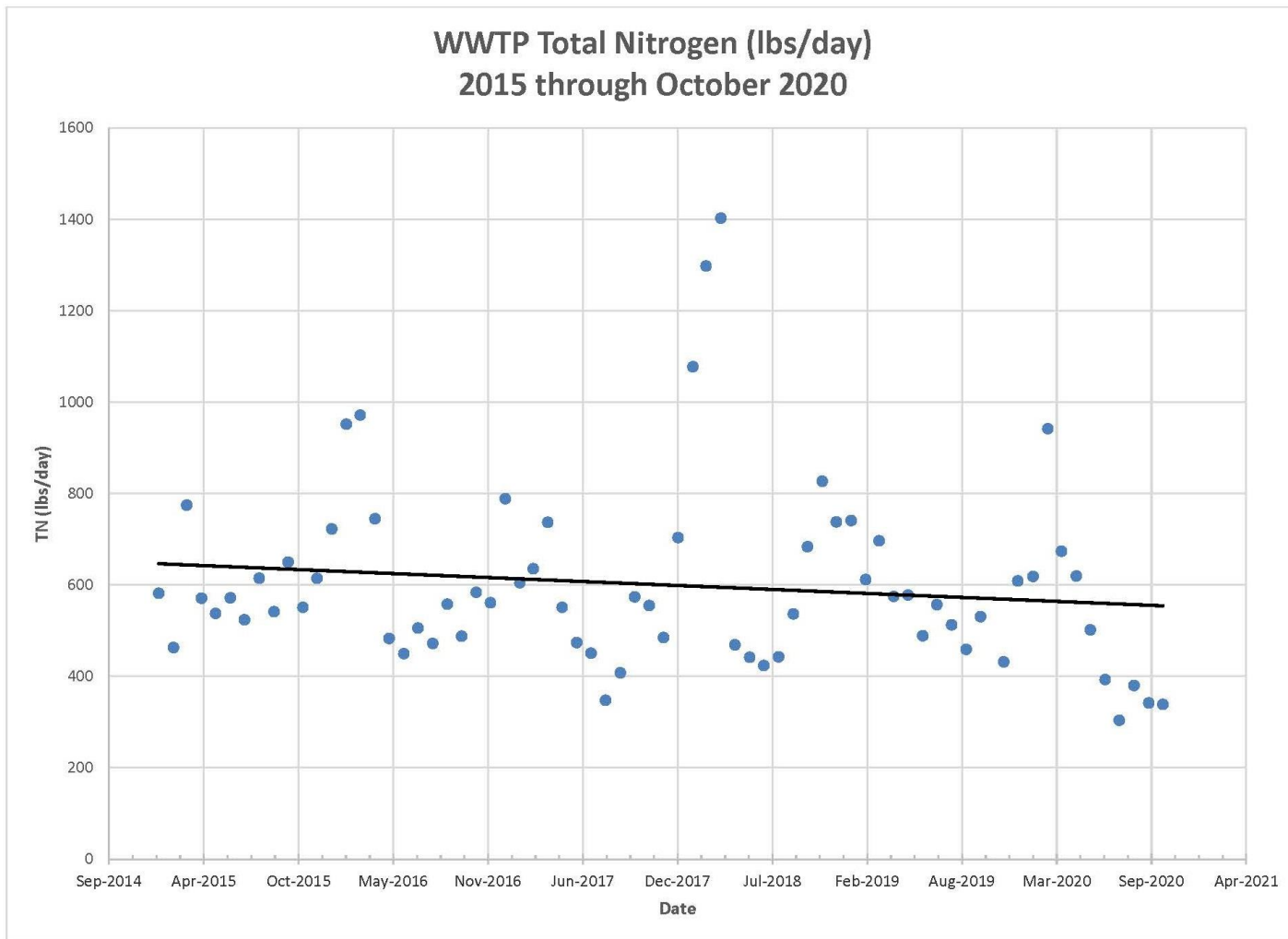
1. Preliminary Treatment
2. Primary Treatment
3. Advanced Secondary Treatment (BNR/Activated Sludge)
4. Final Settling
5. Disinfection
6. Dechlorination
7. Solids Handling
8. Final Effluent Discharge (Outfall 001-1)
9. Wet Weather Treatment Discharge (Outfall 002-1)



# Wastewater Treatment Plant Flow



# Wastewater Treatment Plant Total Nitrogen





# Wastewater Treatment Plant Completed Projects

- New Contract Operator – May 2020
- Outfall 002 – Chlorination and Dechlorination Improvements ~\$2MM
- Main Lift Pump Replacement ~\$4.8MM
- Chemical Tank Replacement ~\$318k  
(Sodium Hypochlorite and Sodium Bisulfite)
- End of Term Equipment (i.e. pumps, mixers, drives, etc.) Replacement ~ 100 pieces - ~\$2.6MM

# Wastewater Treatment Plant End of Term Equipment Replacement



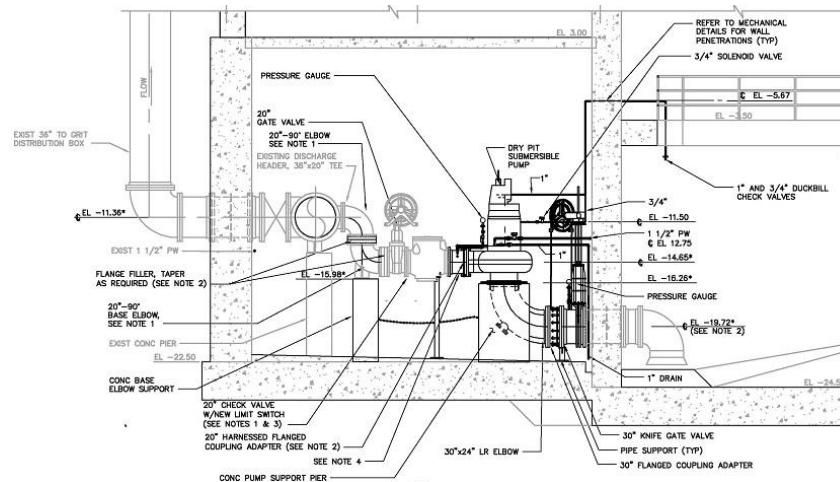
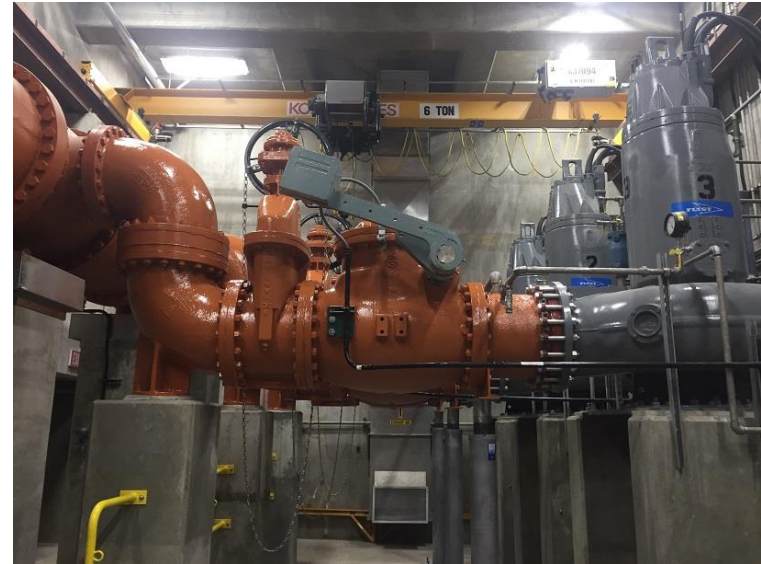


# Wastewater Treatment Plant Outfall 002 – Chlorination and Dechlorination Improvements





# Wastewater Treatment Plant Main Lift Pump Replacement



# Wastewater Treatment Plant Chemical Tank Replacement



Sodium Bisulfite Tanks



Sodium  
Hypochlorite  
Tanks



# Wastewater Treatment Plant Current and Future Projects

- Aeration Tank and Electrical Infrastructure Improvements – Phase I
- Scum Improvements
- Facility Plan Update
- BNR Analyzers - SUEZ
- Aeration Tank / Blower and Electrical Infrastructure Improvements – Phase II



# Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA)

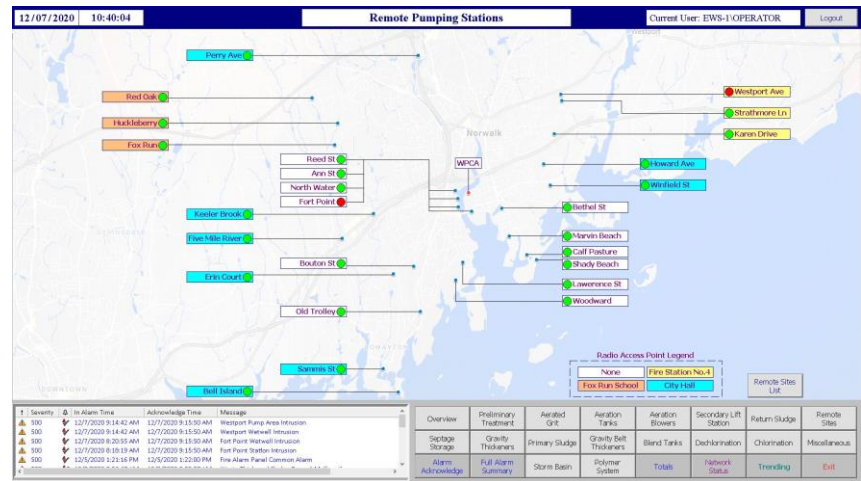
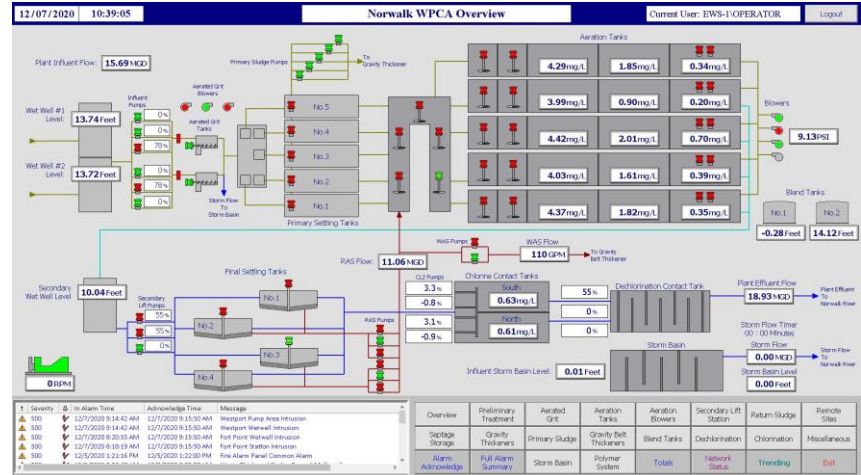
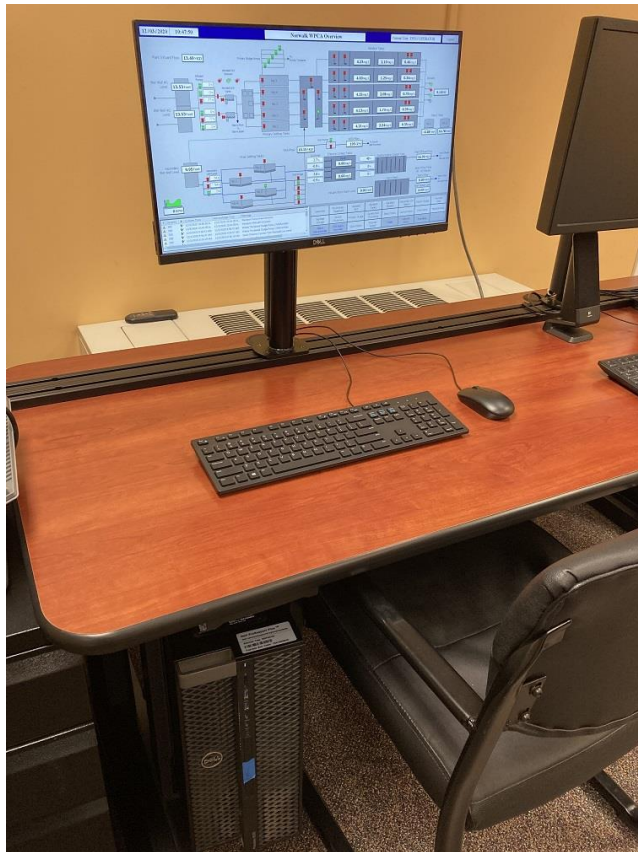
- **Recently Completed Projects ~\$550k**

- Phase I - New redundant SCADA server, operator workstations, HMI software, and fiber optic network
- Phase II - New HMI process screens/graphics, historian, process control improvements, PLC processor upgrades, and alarm updating
- Phase III – mobile application, expand integration of existing equipment into SCADA, and enhanced security
  - **Current Project ~ \$160k**



# Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA)

## Work Station



# Wastewater Treatment Plant Contract Operator

- SUEZ – New Contract Operator – May 18, 2020
  - 2-yr procurement process
  - 10 year initial contract, with Two - 5 year renewals
  - New Collection System equipment: CCTV Truck, Jet/Vacuum Truck, Pole camera
  - New Technology: SL Rat, Smart Covers, IT Pipes
  - New Dewatering Equipment: centrifuge, odor control and associated equipment
  - Aeration System Improvements: BNR analyzers and blower
  - 2040 End of Term Equipment Replacement (ETER)
  - Industrial Pretreatment Program – inspections, sampling, and educating
  - Increased System operation and maintenance requirements
  - SCADA System - renewal/replacement items and frequency requirements
  - Nitrogen Performance Incentives
  - Environmental Guarantees and Effluent Guarantee Limits
  - Critical Equipment and Predictive Maintenance Schedule
  - Replacement and Renewal of Equipment – \$10k or less, WPCA responsible for above



# Conclusion

## Current WPCA Operations

- Newly installed equipment throughout collection system, pump stations and treatment plant
- New Contract Operator within innovative approach, cutting edge technology and renewed enthusiasm
- Reduced flow to facility, despite ample development
- Comprehensive Collection System Analysis – Spring 2021
- CCTV benchmarks in place and being met to address infiltration
- Sewershed-wide projects addressing inflow
- No discharge from emergency outfall at Ann Street in 2+ years
- Only 1 discharge from Outfall 002 in 2020
- Lowest number of wastewater system bypasses in 10 years during 2020 (7 events)
- Best Nitrogen figures in history of facility - #2 in CT (2019 and likely 2020)
- Model-setting relationships with local environmental organizations
- Primary Objective: enhance water quality for Norwalk River and Long Island Sound



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**The information within this presentation demonstrates the City's compliance with the proposed NPDES permits.**

**The City of Norwalk respectfully requests DEEP accept the tentatively approved NPDES permit in its current form as the effective operating permit for the City.**