

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

# Infiltration / Inflow Control Program Training Workshop

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Private Sector Program & Long Term Operation and Maintenance Program

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**Infiltration**: Groundwater entering the system through defects **Inflow**: Stormwater entering the system by direct connections



# Consequences of Ineffective I/I Control





1889	MWRD established by Illinois General Assembly
1920	MWRD begins issuing permits to local sewer systems to connect to interceptors
1972	Under Federal Water Pollution Act, the District establishes a 150 gpcpd limit
1985	MWRD establishes ICAP Cost-effective I/I source removal

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2009	IEPA NPDES permits require additional I/I source removal/correction
2012-2014	Advisory Technical Panel develops new I/I Control Program (IICP)
July 2014	MWRD adopts IICP in WMO Article 8
2015	Program Compliance Training
2015 - Today	Satellite Entities Working on Short Term Requirements to Comply with Program



# MWRD Background

- 7 wastewater plants
- 554 Miles of Interceptors
- 508.5 sq. mi. separate sewer area
- 375 sq. mi. combined sewer area
- TARP serves combined area
- 114 separate sewer communities
- Sewer systems include cities, villages, sanitary districts, utilities





Applicability

• Local sewer system owners in the separate sewer area

Goals

- Reduce SSOs and Basement Backups
- Maintain system capacity
- Prevent system failures
- Minimize clearwater entering the system for treatment

Two phases of the Infiltration / Inflow Control Program (IICP):

- 1. Short Term Requirements (STR) Complete by 2019
- 2. Long Term Operation and Maintenance (LTOMP)



### Short Term Requirements (STR)

- Define High Priority Area / High Risk Sewers
  - SSOs / Basement Backups, surcharging sub-basins, etc.
  - 10% minimum
- Condition Assessment of High Risk Sewers (NASSCO)
  - CCTV, smoke testing, dye water testing
  - Manhole inspections
  - Property inspections
- High Priority Deficiencies
  - Address low-cost, high-flow I/I sources and defects likely to cause system failure
  - 1-year deficiencies: cleanouts, downspouts, x-connections
  - 3-year deficiencies: NASSCO 4 and 5 sewer/manholes



### Short Term Requirements (STR) (continued)

- Sewer System Map / System Description and Inventory
  - Submit system map (sewers, structures, pump stations, District connections)
  - Submit system attributes (service area, sewer length, etc.)
- Private Sector Program (PSP)
  - Develop program for the identification/correction of privatesector I/I sources
- Long Term Operation & Maintenance Program (LTOMP)
  - Develop program for the continuous inspection, maintenance, rehabilitation, and correction of I/I sources of the public-sector system



### Long Term Operation & Maintenance Program Components

- System Management
- System Map
- Inspection
- Maintenance
- Rehabilitation
- Capacity Evaluation
- Material and Equipment
- Capital Improvement Plan
- Private Sector Program
- Funding



### System Management

- Staff safety and training
- Customer service
  - Procedures to respond to reports of SSOs and basement backups, and other customer inquiries
  - Brochures, newsletters, mailings
- Management information system
  - Maintain records of all inspections, maintenance, and rehabilitation (CMMS, hardcopy, etc.)
  - Available to the District upon request
- SSO/ basement backup procedures
  - Investigation, notification, and corrective work
  - SSO / Basement Backup Internal Summary (Appendix D)



### System Management (continued)

- Emergency Response
  - Respond to sewer and/or pump station failure, SSOs, and basement backups
  - Procedure for 24-hour a day response
- Sewer Use Ordinance
  - Design and construction standards for all sewer work, quantity/quality of wastewater, I/I source correction, and inspection of the system
- FOG program
  - Requirements for FOG contributors (restaurants, auto service, etc.)



### Sewer System Map

- Map records maintained by GIS, CAD, hardcopy, other
- Map should contain sewer and structure attributes (elevation, size, material, age, pump stations, force main, etc.) and District connections
- Annual updates to the map





#### Sewer System Inspection

- Inspection procedures
  - New construction
  - Continuous existing system inspection
- Frequency (10% goal, 2% per year minimum)
- Indicate methodology (CCTV, smoke testing, other)
- Inspection standards (NASSCO where applicable, etc.)







#### Sewer System Maintenance

- Prevent SSOs and basement backups
- Remove blockages
- Prioritize regular maintenance to reduce emergency maintenance
- Emergency maintenance
  - 24-hour a day availability
- Sewer cleaning
  - Routine cleaning
  - Prior to inspections





### Sewer System Rehabilitation

- Address deficiencies identified during inspection
- Prioritize deficiencies that may result in:
  - System failure
  - Reduced capacity
  - Excessive I/I
- High priority deficiencies not corrected
  - Tracked on Status of High Priority Deficiencies Form
  - Included in Capital Improvement Plan

Capital Improvement Plan

- Include deficiencies identified for long-term correction
- Detail schedule and funding for corrective action
- Updated annually, as applicable





### Sewer System Capacity Evaluation

- Dry weather SSOs and basement backups
  - Not attributable to flooding, maintenance issues, or system deficiencies
- Service area is expanding or rezoned and require additional sewer capacity
- Evaluate existing system capacity
- Determine required capacity



### Material and Equipment

- Adequate and proper material and equipment provided to conduct work under the LTOMP
- Maintain inventory of material and equipment
- Document maintenance of equipment

### **Funding**

- Fund all aspects of the LTOMP and PSP
- Indicate funding source
  - Water and/or sewer fees
  - Grants
  - SRF loans



### Private Sector Program (PSP) Components

- Authority
- Inspection
- Non-compliance correction
- Long term I/I source correction
- Enforcement
- Public Information





### <u>Authority</u>

 Indicate ordinance allowing internal and external private property inspections and enforcement

### **Inspection**

- Indicate when private inspections occur
  - SSO / basement backup occurrences
  - System conditions
  - Substantial improvements
- Inspection results
  - Document location of all sewer connections
  - Use to provide owners with notice for corrective action





### Non-Compliance Correction

- Procedure to inform and educate property owners
  - Non-compliance issue/condition
  - Corrective action
  - Follow-up inspection
  - Enforcement actions

### Enforcement

- Summarize hierarchy of enforcement actions
  - Included in ordinance



### Long Term I/I Source Correction

- Correction plan for high-flow, high-cost deficiencies (foundation drains, driveway drains, area drains, laterals)
- Required at improvement, cost-share, transfer, etc.

### Public Information

- Public education details
- Availability of funding





### **IICP Non-Compliance**

- Article 8 of the WMO outlines non-compliance:
  - Complete the Short Term Requirements by July 2019
  - Implement the approved PSP or LTOMP
  - Failure to submit a complete Annual Summary Report
- Penalties:
  - Loss of potential District funding
  - Report the agency to the IEPA and/or USEPA
  - Loss of Authorized Municipality Status
  - Denial of a Watershed Management Permit for qualified sewer construction



# Questions?

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