Metropolitan Sewerage District of Buncombe County

Asheville, North Carolina



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1. MSD Organization



MSD HISTORY

- MSD was formed in 1962 by State Statute as a special District with the sole purpose to collect and treat wastewater and to eliminate the direct discharges to the surrounding rivers and streams.
- Between 1962 and 1989 MSD built over 100 miles of large interceptor lines and a 25 MGD treatment plant.
- In 1968 the Treatment Plant was completed and we began treating the wastewater from the various local governments in the region. The Treatment Plant was later upgraded to a 40 MGD Plant in the mid 1990's.
- In 1990 all the local governments and special districts gave all of their collection lines to MSD for ownership and maintenance in agreements we call "Sewer Consolidation."
- MSD assumed over 720 miles of these small local collection lines which were in poor condition, many of which were installed in the 1920's.



Consolidation of Fifteen Separate Sewer Systems in 1990

Five Municipalities

- City of Asheville
- Town of Biltmore Forest
- Town of Black Mountain
- Town of Montreat
- Town Of Weaverville



Over 170,000 people

Ten Special Districts

- Beaverdam Water and Sewer District
- Busbee Sanitary Sewer District
- Caney Valley Sanitary Sewer District
- Crescent Hill Sanitary Sewer District
- Enka-Candler Water and Sewer District
- Fairview Sanitary Sewer District
- Venable Sanitary District
- Skyland Sanitary Sewer District
- Swannanoa Water and Sewer District
- Woodfin Sanitary Water and Sewer District



MSD Board of Directors

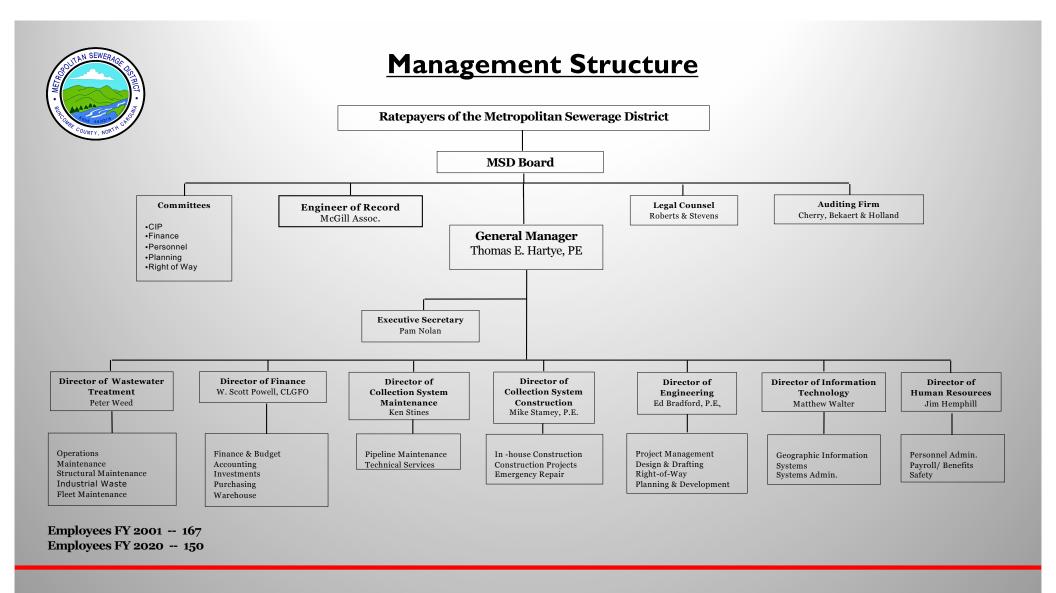
• Governed by a twelve-member Board appointed by the following entities:

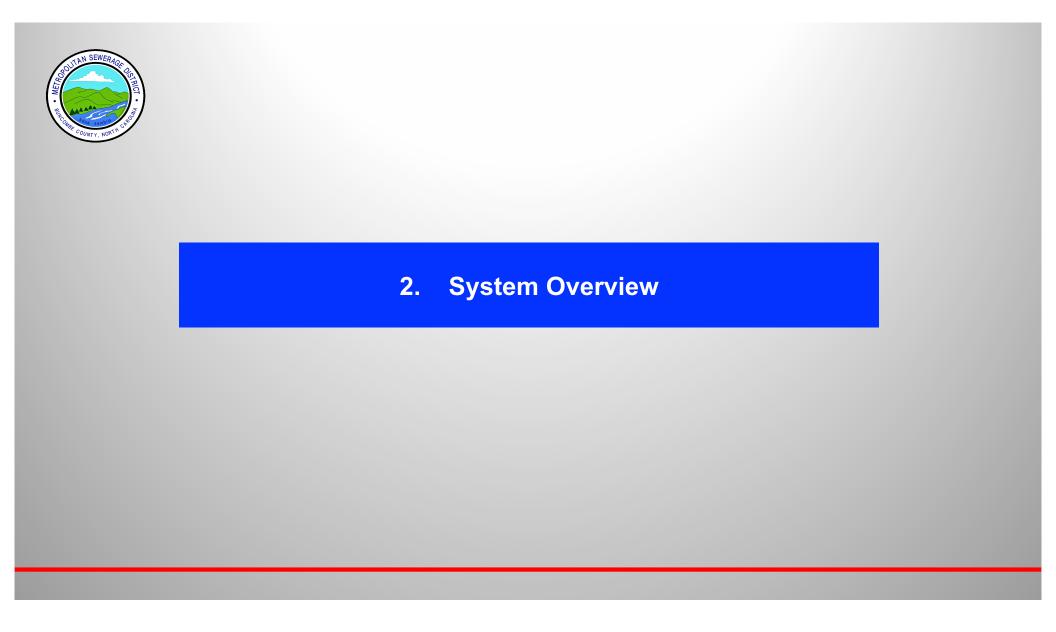
City of Asheville (3)	Montreat
Buncombe County (3)	Weaverville
Biltmore Forest	Woodfin Sanitary Water and Sewer District
Black Mountain	Town of Woodfin

- Board solely responsible for setting rates and fees for service.
- Chairman, Vice-chairman and Secretary-Treasurer are elected annually by the Board.
- Members serve staggered three-year terms and may be re-appointed.
- Active subcommittees:

Capital Improvement ProgramPersonnelPlanningFinanceRight of Way

• The Board employs a General Manager, P.E., who is responsible for managing all District operations.







Collection System Overview

- The MSD service area includes Asheville, Biltmore Forest, Black Mountain, Montreat, Woodfin, Weaverville, the unincorporated parts of Buncombe County. The northern portion of Henderson County (CCWSD) will consolidate with MSD this July1st.
- The MSD service area is over 180 square miles.
- Over 55,000 Customer Accounts.
- Since taking over the member agency collection systems in 1990, MSD has reinvested over \$395 Million in replacing more than 1,118,000 feet of sewer mains (over 25% of Original System).

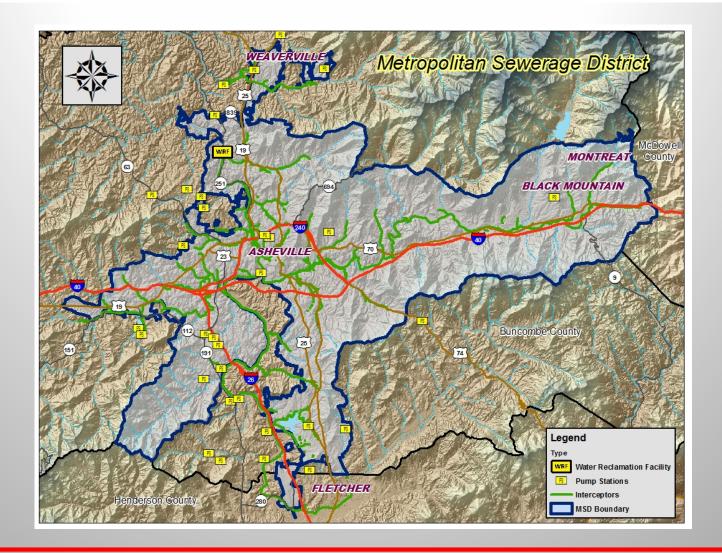


How much system does MSD maintain?



MSD maintains over 1,015 miles of sewer line - well past these locations.







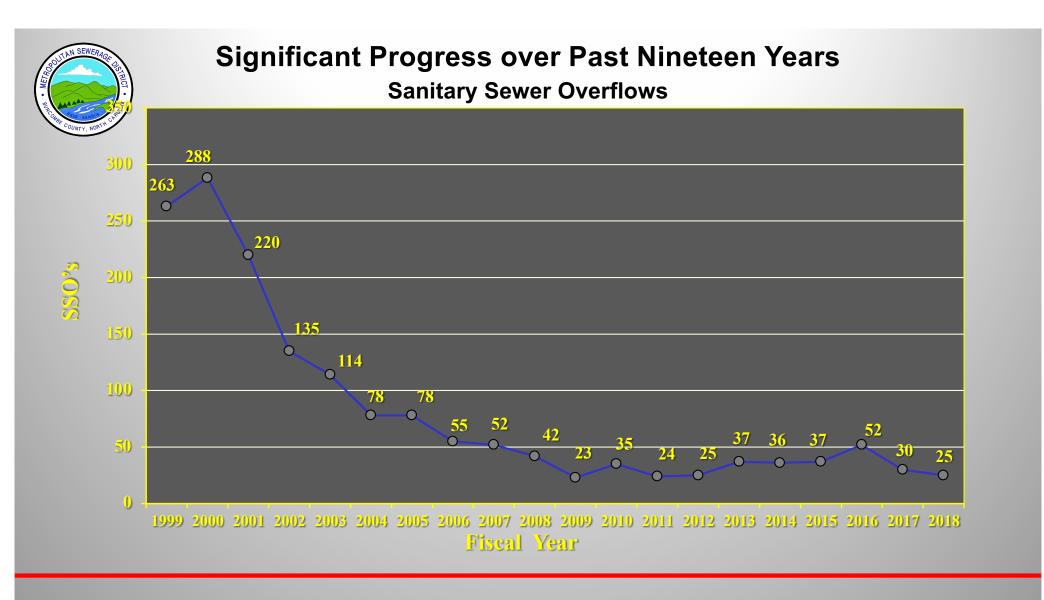
3. MSD Operations



Collection System



- Over 1,120 miles of sewer mains
- 40 pump stations
- Over 33,000 manholes
- 264 square mile service area (Includes CCWSD in Northern Henderson County
- Preventative maintenance cleaning and CCTV 15% - 20% of system per year
- More than 1,118,000 feet of sewer line replaced since 1990. Additional 250,000 feet in the next five years.





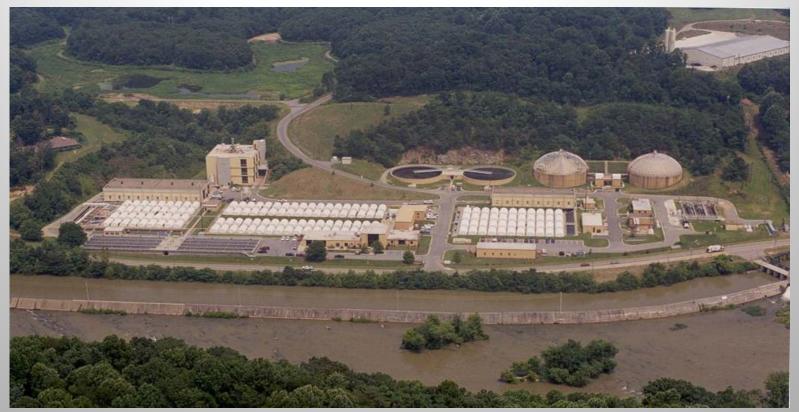
Customer Service Response

The MSD service area is over 180 square miles.

- MSD created a First Response Team to cut down in response time to customer calls and system emergencies.
- MSD tracks both response times and the time spent on each job.
- In FY 2016 the average response time of 31 minutes to customer service requests during regular working hours.
- During this same time period the average response time was 38 minutes to customer service requests after hours with the Night First Responder and Night Crew.



MSDTreatment Plant



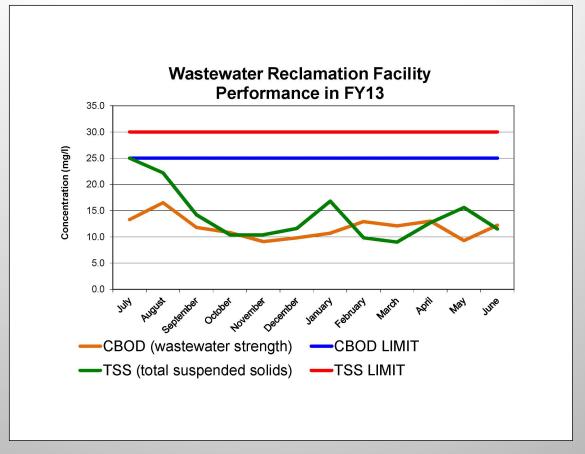


Treatment Plant

- 1987 Plant expansion to 40 MGD completed (65 MGD Peak)
- Current Average Daily Flow 19 MGD
- 152 Rotating Biological Contactors (RBC)—largest in world
- 2880 KW Hydroelectric Generation Facility
- 4 MW Diesel Generator Back-up
- New \$10 million Aqua Disk Polishing Filters
- \$7.4 Million Upgrade to incinerator and air emissions system



Regulatory Compliance at the Treatment Plant



FY 2014 TSS average = 9.8 mg/l and FY 2015 TSS average = 8.7 mg/l



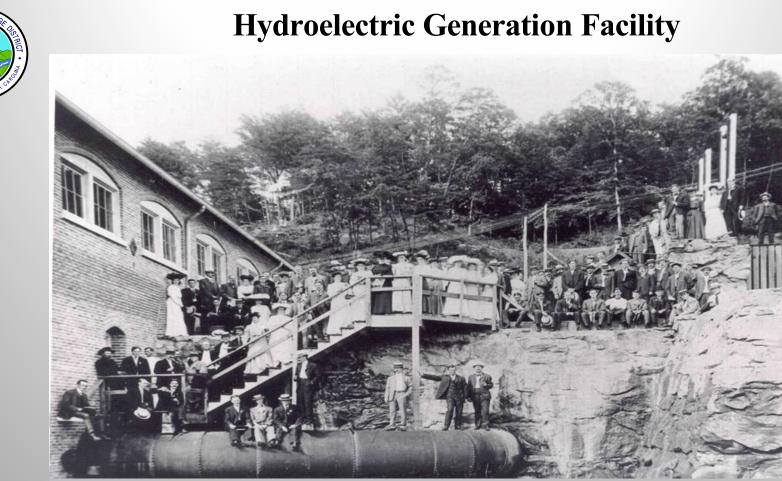
Treatment Plant Receives NACWA Platinum 7 Award

Platinum Peak Performance

- Seven consecutive years for excellence in wastewater treatment

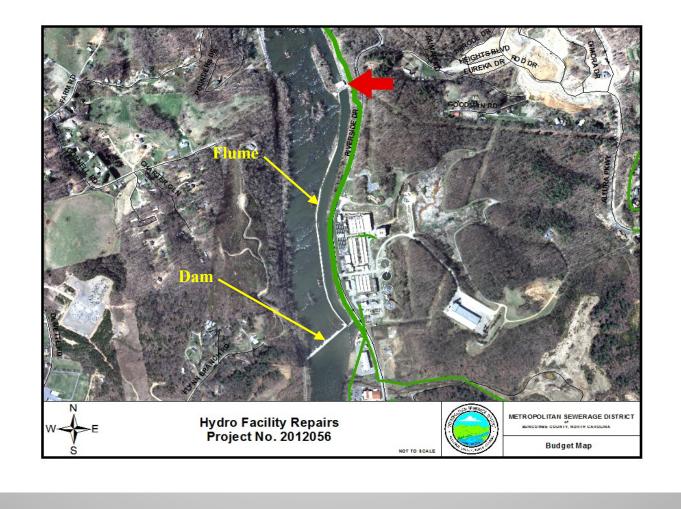






1986 Reconstructed Craggy Dam Hydro Plant (Originally Built 1903)







Current Hydroelectric Production



- Can Generate 2880 KW
- FY 2015 Avoided Power Cost \$435,000



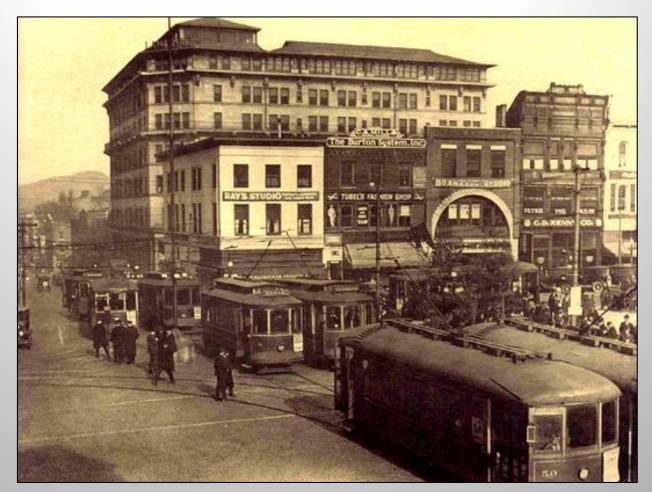


One of three turbine blades - variable pitch.



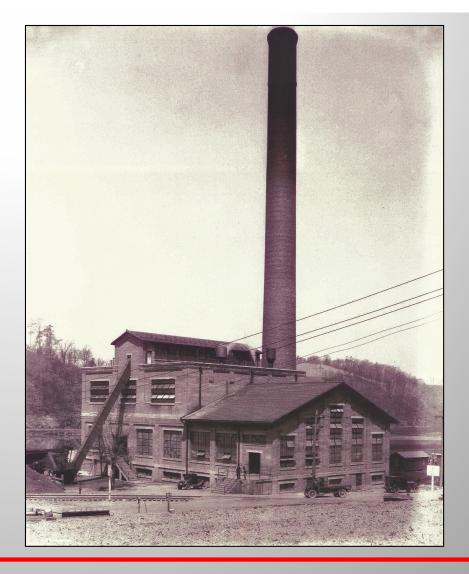
The current MSD Admin Building once housed the power generation facility for the trolley system in Asheville.

Downtown Asheville ca 1923





MSD Administration Bldg. *ca 1923* Power Generation Facility





Interior of Facility – Showing Coal-fired Steam Generators







4. Capital Improvement Program



Capital Improvement Program Background

- A Capital Improvement Program Committee comprised of representatives of all of our member agencies makes annual recommendations to the Board regarding program priorities.
- The District has replaced or rehabbed nearly 25% of the entire system and has implemented a long-term asset management plan to rehab or replace a little over 1% of the system per year which translates to a little over 50,000 feet each year.
- Since Consolidation in 1990 the District has reinvested over \$397 Million on Capital Improvements for the system. This includes \$350 million for replacing and rehabbing sewer lines and \$47million on rehabilitation of the Treatment Plant and general infrastructure.



Future Growth Potential System Capacity

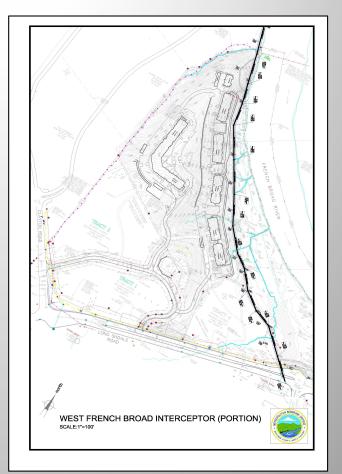
- Currently using about 20 MGD of 40 MGD capacity at the Treatment Plant.
- MSD's aggressive program of rehabilitation and replacement of existing lines include upgrades of lines sizes to provide for future growth.
- The MSD Collection System Master Plan has mapped out all the lines necessary to serve areas that are identified by our Member Agencies for future growth.





Economic Development Partner

- MSD provides incentives for the orderly growth of the sewer system into new areas as identified by Member Agencies and the Collection System Master Plan.
- MSD provides design services, ROW services, and financial contributions toward construction of new Master Plan lines.
- MSD also shares revenue with developers to help fund extensions.
- Economic development fee waiver
- Developer to developer reimbursements.





Master Planning Efforts Form Capital Improvement Program

- **2001 Master Plan** Camp, Dresser & Mckee (CDM): Collection, Treatment, and Operations.
 - Management, Operations and Maintenance
 - Sewer Rehabilitation Program
 - ✓ Capacity Improvements for wet and dry flows

2008 Collection System Master Plan – McGill & Assoc.:

- M Incorporated new Buncombe County Land Use Plan and Zoning Ordinance
- Incorporated all member agency planning/zoning efforts
- ✓ Plan for orderly growth of sewer system
- ✓ Replacement of existing sewers sized for future growth
- **2015 Facilities Plan** CDM: Detailed look at the Treatment Plant
 - ✓ Grit and Grease replacement/upgrade
 - ✓ Upgrade bar screens and add Fine Screening process.
 - W High rate ballasted flocculation primary treatment system



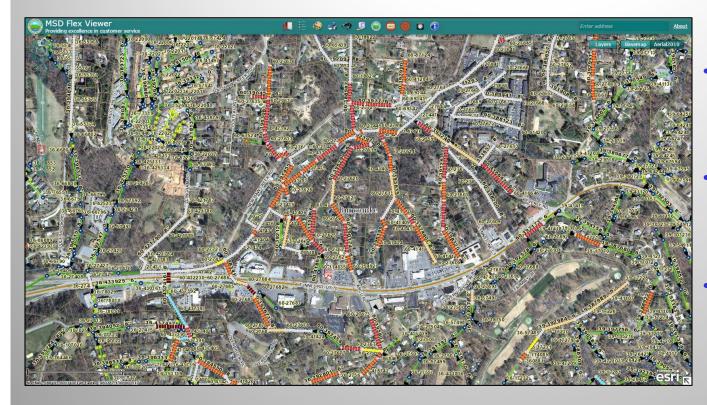
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FY20 through FY29 (10 years)

	Total	\$ 332.4 Million
Reimbursements		<u>\$ 1.6 Million (< 1%)</u>
Treatment Plant / P.S.		\$ 117.7 Million (35%)
Collection Rehabilitation		\$ 126.3 Million (38%)
Interceptors/Wet Weather Re	hab.	\$ 86.8 Million (26%)

Since Consolidation in 1990 the District has reinvested over \$397.4 million for Capital Improvements.



Pipe Rating Program



- Proactive program to focus rehabilitation dollars where most needed
- Featured in February 2004 issue of "Water Environment & Technology" magazine
- Developed by interdepartmental team using off-the-shelf software



Line cleaning and CCTV & Defect Coding

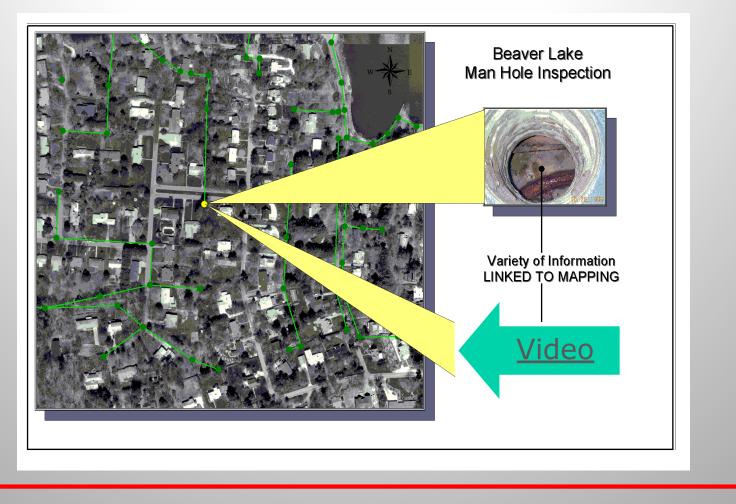








GIS Capabilities





CCTV, Defects, SSO's, Work Orders

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Pipe Rating Program



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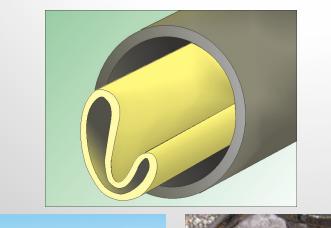
AMSA Award for Pipe Rating Project

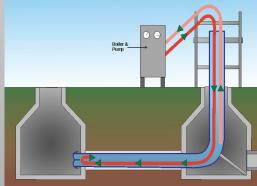
- In May of 2003, MSD received an AMSA National Environmental Achievement Award for the Pipe Rating Program
 - Developed in-house with a vertical team using off-the- shelf software
 - MSD and Los Angeles only two US utilities to receive this award





Trenchless Technologies Pipe Lining

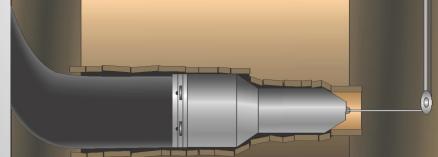








Trenchless Technologies Pipe Bursting









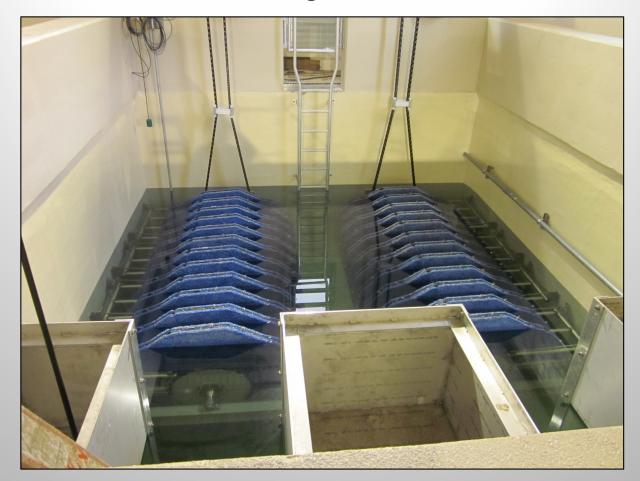
Recently Completed Plant Projects







Initial Testing of New Filters





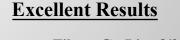
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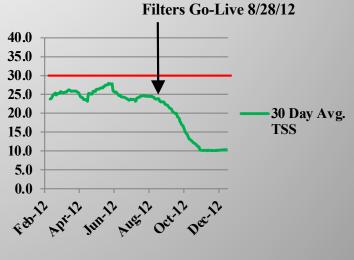
Old System

- 18 existing "Microscreens" all problematic.
- Performance failure very little suspended solids removal

New System

- Board awarded construction contract in October 2010.
- \$9.2M construction cost, over three fiscal years.
- Facility startup August 2012.









Incinerator Emissions Upgrade Project

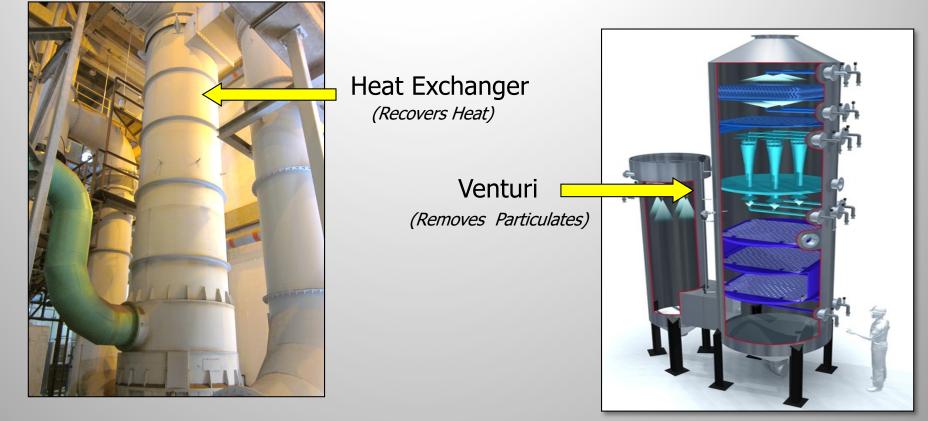
- EPA imposed aggressive schedule upon MSD, so MSD staff managed an accelerated design timeframe with consultant (CDM Smith) and prepurchased critical equipment.
- MSD pilot tested a new mebrane technology used in other applications.
- This new technology reduced capital costs by \$5M and annual costs by over \$100K.
- Was operational December 2015, ahead of schedule.
- Passed final compliance testing in 2016, staff continues to fine-tune operational parameters to maximize mercury removal rates.
- Project won 2017 NACWA Environmental Achievement Award.





Incinerator Emissions Upgrade Project

High-wear components have been replaced

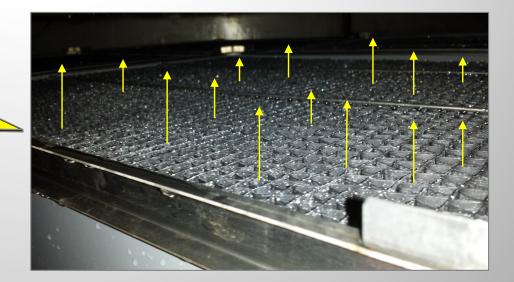






Three stories up - sorbent panel layers.

New Mercury Removal System



Up close - the exhaust flows up through the baffles. Impregnated with activated carbon, they remove mercury.

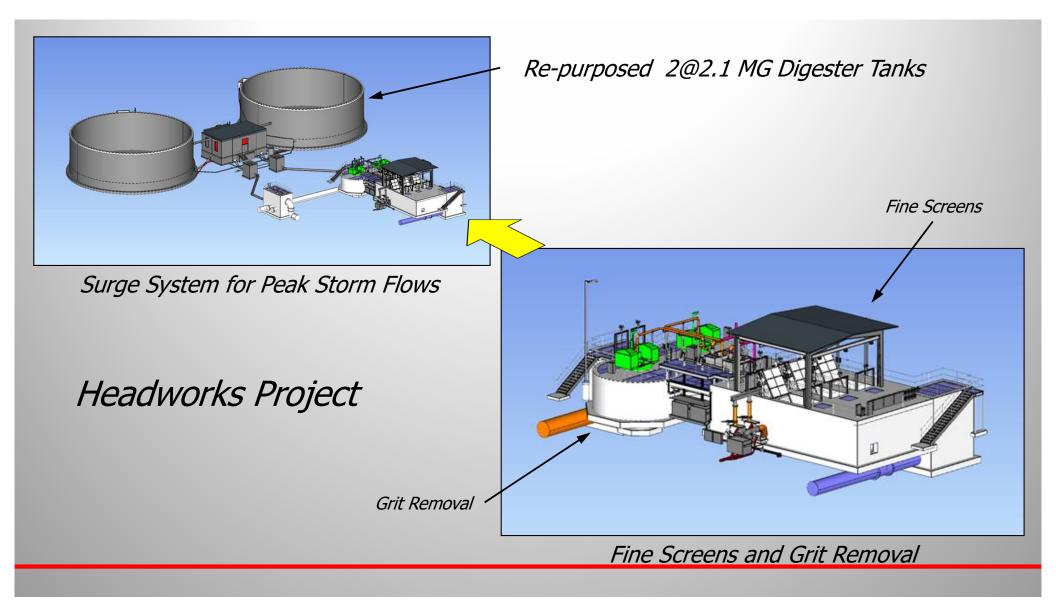
These are manufactured by Gore Industries (aka Gore-Tex)



Current Plant Improvement Projects



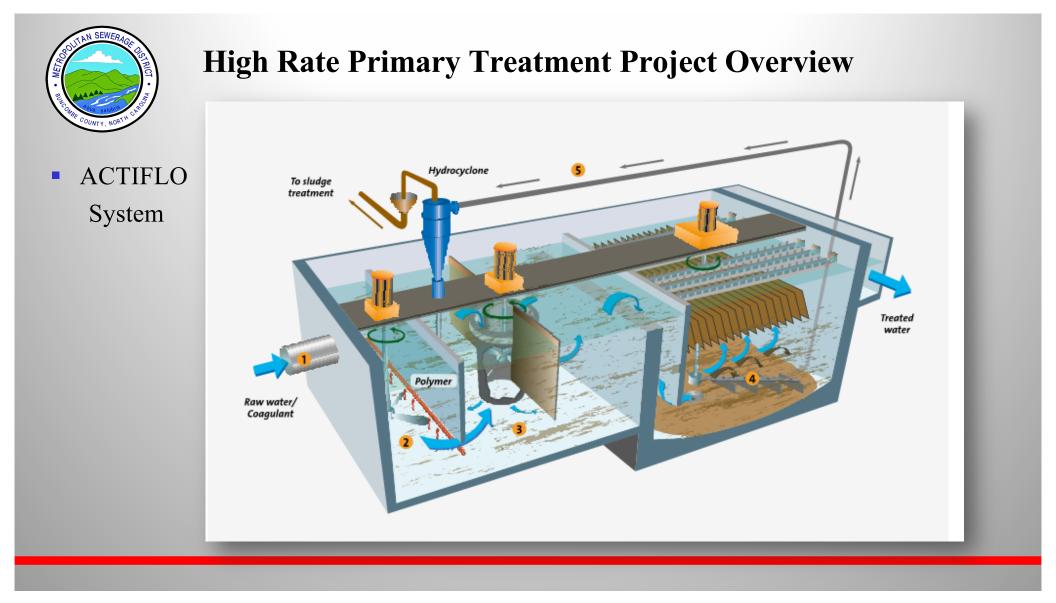


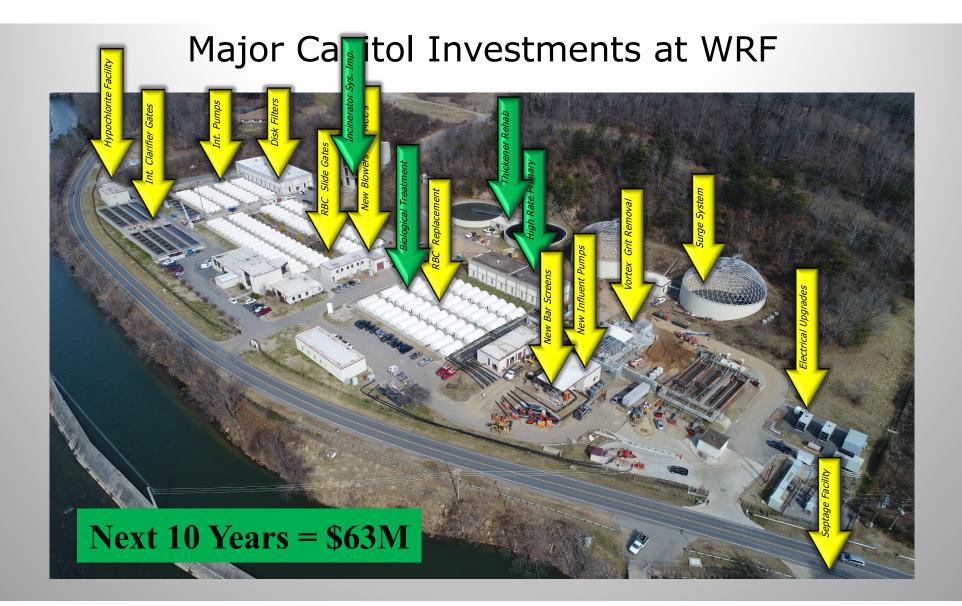




High Rate Primary Clarification

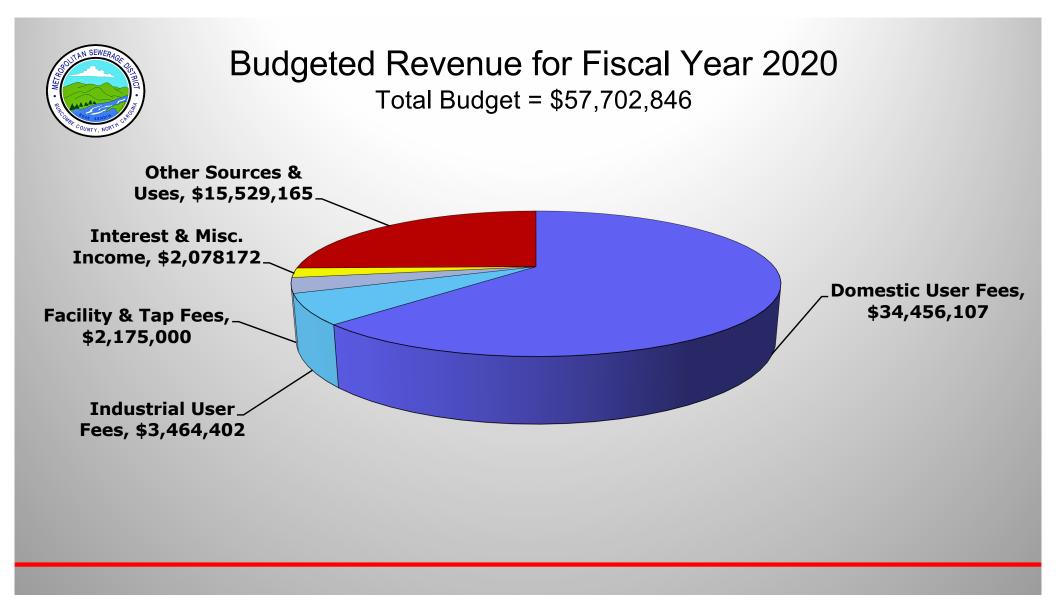
- New clarification process, there is none currently.
- Will significantly improve treatment process.
- Under Construction till January 2021.
- Total Project Cost \$15 Million





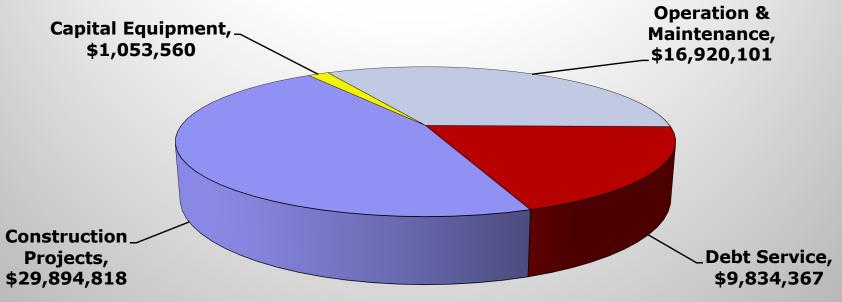


5. Financial Overview of District



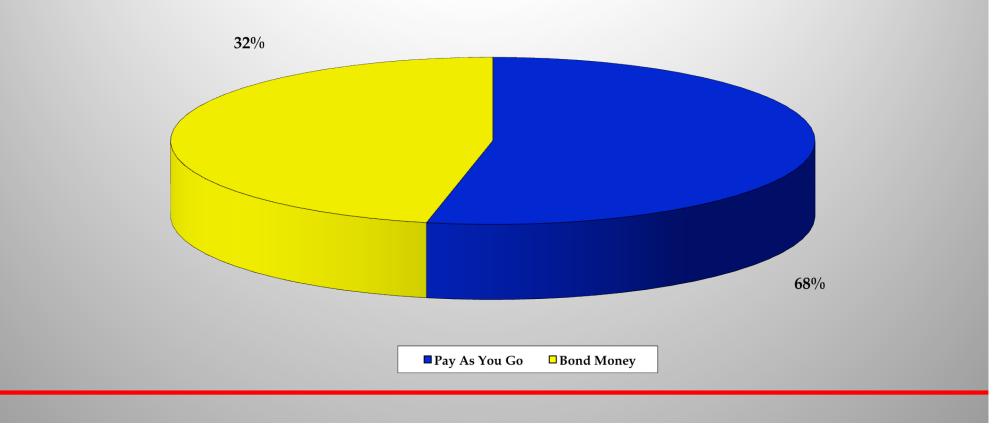


Budgeted Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2016 Total Budget = \$57,702,846





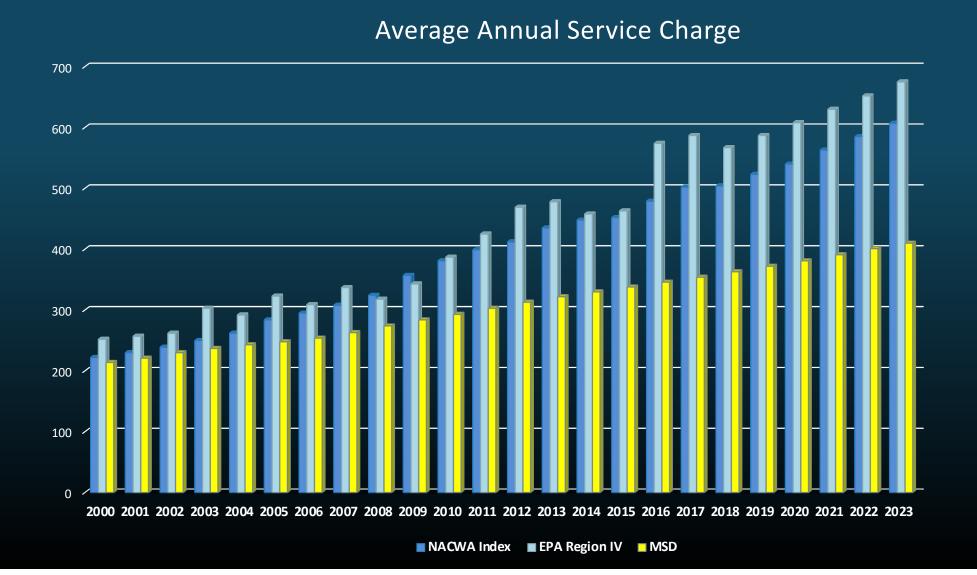
Capital Improvements and Sources of Funding FY 2012 to FY 2021 \$148.6 Million



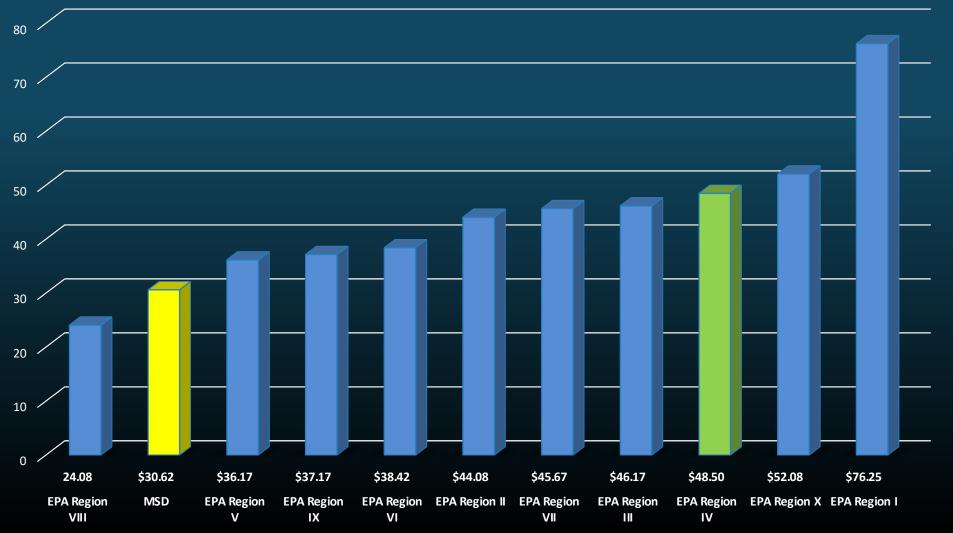


MSD Business Plan Future Projection

Business Plan -	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.50%	2.50%	2.75%	2.75%	2.75%	2.75%	2.75%	Sewer Rate Increase
Current	\$29.15	\$29.88	\$30.62	\$31.36	\$32.17	\$32.97	\$33.80	\$34.64	\$35.51	\$36.49	\$37.49	\$38.52	\$39.58	\$40.67	Average Monthly Bill
FY20	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	Assumptions
July 1- Available for Construction	44,585,099	41,819,146	46,455,838	69,792,374	65,459,390	49,825,911	36,601,452	22,955,916	49,354,762	26,666,485	51,773,588	34,892,240	11,280,151	32,504,757	Minimum of 365 Days Cash on Hands
REVENUE:														11/1/	
Domestic Users	29,581,170	30,842,462	31,935,658	32,531,584	33,623,113	34,732,618	35,860,421	37,006,848	38,233,303	39,557,512	41,241,300	42,674,046	44,194,128	45,740,039	Consumption and Account
Industrial Users (No growth)	3,344,074	3,909,925	4,159,767	3,745,625	3,464,402	3,544,137	3,625,866	3,709,637	3,795,503	3,892,317	3,716,793	3,819,005	3,924,028	4,031,939	Growth
Billing and Collections (User Fee)	754,317	768,833	795,574	811,883	832,994	861,327	887,167	913,782	941,195	969,431	998,514	1,028,470	1,059,324	1,091,104	
Tap Fees	526,415	571,126	604,047	500,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	175,000	0.75% Increase
Facility Fees Interest & Non-operating Revenues	5,798,181 207,246	6,405,971 306,110	4,752,960 885,718	4,500,000 1,500,000	2,000,000	2,000,000 972,308	2,000,000 670.020	2,000,000 813,495	2,000,000 950,266	2,000,000 980,501	2,000,000 1.083.323	2,000,000 692,586	2,000,000 656,774	2,000,000 617,036	0.75% increase
City of Asheville (annexEnka)	207,246	35.834	34,522	35.000	35.000	35.000	35.000	35.000	35,000	960,501	1,063,323	092,560	000,774	017,030	
Rental Income	78,925	71.399	81,826	71,641	71,641	71,641	71,641	71,641	71,641	71,641	71,641	71,641	71,641	71,641	
Transfer from Reserves (to / from)	430,058	(214,395)	298.619	0	71,041	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Miscellaneous	170,897	138,469	171,097	140.000	140,000	140.000	140.000	140.000	140.000	140.000	140.000	140.000	140.000	140,000	
Total Revenues	40,928,429	42,835,734	43,719,788	43,835,733	41,639,110	42,532,031	43,465,115	44,865,404	46,341,908	47,786,402	49,426,571	50,600,748	52,220,895	53,866,759	Bond Issues figured at:
State and Federal (EPA) Grants															4.0% yield FY23
Revenue Bonds/Stimulus			28,003,632					40,000,000		50,000,000			50,000,000		4.5% yield FY25
Total Funds Available	85,513,528	84,654,881	118,179,258	113,628,107	107,098,500	92,357,942	80,066,567	107,821,320	95,696,670	124,452,887	101,200,160	85,492,988	113,501,046	86,371,516	5.0% yield FY28
EXPENSES:															3% inflation in O & M,
Operations & Maintenance	14.804.769	14.874.149	15,538,788	16,163,063	16.793.404	17,793,395	18,828,983	19,475,331	20.161.257	20.875.778	21.620.299	22.396.257	23,205,244	23,948,859	Replacement Funds and
Replacement Funds (WRF & Fleet)	625,000	625,000	660,000	730,000	750,000	830,000	830,000	860,000	865,000	865,000	865,000	865,000	865,000	865,000	Engineering Force Account
Debt Service	9.003.519	7.918.557	9.423.689	9.448.115	9.834.367	9.837.382	9.823.943	8.899.361	11.394.314		14.737.511	14,731,468	14.730.209	18.269.556	ENR 10-year Construction Index
CIP (including Bond Projects)	19,261,094	14,781,337	22,764,407	21,827,539	29,894,818		27,627,726	29,231,865	36,609,614	39,572,114	29.085.110	36,220,112	42,195,835	34,657,129	@ 2.90%
Total Expenses	43,694,382	38,199,043	48,386,884	48,168,717	57,272,589	55,756,490	57,110,652	58,466,557	69,030,185	72,679,299	66,307,920	74,212,837	80,996,288	77,740,544	
Pay-as-you-go (Current Revenue only)	17.120.141	20.043.028	18,757,311	18.224.555	15.011.339	14.901.254	14.812.190	16.490.711	14,786,337	15.544.217	13.068.762	13.473.023	14.285.441	11,648,344	General Sewer Rehab to cover approx. 45,000 lineal ft / year
Tay-as-you-go (current revenue only)	17,120,141	20,043,020	10,757,511	10,224,333	15,011,555	14,501,234	14,012,190	10,450,711	14,700,337	13,344,217	13,000,702	13,473,023	14,203,441	11,040,344	approx. 45,000 linear it / year
Debt Coverage (User Fees only)	2.1	2.6	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.5	2.0	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.5	Target Debt Coverage 1.5
Debt Coverage with Total Revenue	2.9	3.5	3.0	2.9	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.8	2.3	2.4	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.6	Talget Best Best Best age 1.0
April 4, 2019		10-Year Capital Improvement Program									No growth in Industries -				
Active Plan CIP	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	Rate Parity for Flow in 2020
Interceptor/Wet Weather Rehabilitation	618,050	760,970	1,726,500	1,366,293	5,514,370	3,753,278	746,748	2,113,722	18,902,492		12,939,537	9,387,533	50,907	1,606,294	District 10yr CIP
General Sewer Rehabilitation	9,104,792	8,859,631	13,213,448	10,377,703	8,085,700	10,618,946	12,918,178	12,632,866	7,770,707	9,847,432	9,444,616	10,797,557	15,611,101	13,530,041	\$332.4 Million
Private Sewer Rehabilitation	2,000	646,000	51,200	0	6,500	84,275	294,834	20,700	2,179,841	0	0	0	0	0	District total 10yr Budget
Treatment Plant / Pump Stations Engineering Force Account	7,181,959 2,254,293	1,868,250 2,546,486	5,291,691 2,481,568	7,112,321 2,705,222	11,756,250 2,795,998	9,874,284 2,864,930	10,628,646 2,939,320	11,348,726 3,015,851	4,561,936 3,094,638	3,193,324 3,239,959	3,285,930 3,315,027	12,542,771 3.392,251	22,962,227 3.471.600	15,867,633 3,553,161	\$669.2 Million
Reimbursements	2,234,293	2,340,400	2,401,500	266.000	736.000	2,804,930	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000	
Contingency	0	0	ő	200,000		100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	
Capital Improvement Program Totals	19,261,094	14,781,337	22,764,407	21,827,539	29,894,818	27,295,713	27,627,726	29,231,865	36,609,614	39,572,114	29,085,110	36,220,112	42,195,835	34,657,129	
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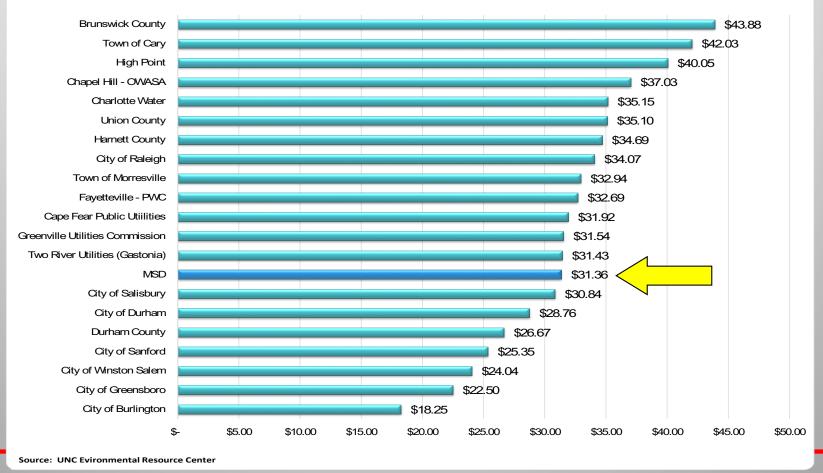
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Comparative Monthly Residential Bills

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