



PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Wastewater Facilities Plan Town of Beacon Falls

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This Meeting Will...

- Present project background for Town Boards and residents
- Provide opportunity for questions and initial feedback
- Shape the recommended plan and completion of the study
- Lead to more detailed follow-up discussions and meetings
- Serve as initial step towards future Town Meeting to consider capital improvements

What is a Facilities Plan?

- Planning study
- Consider current and future wastewater management needs
- Develop recommendations for 20-year planning period
- Funded through 55% grant from CT-DEEP
- Prerequisite for follow-up CWF funds from CT-DEEP for design and construction phases





Why Did Beacon Falls Need a Facilities Plan?



Pines Bridge Pump Station



Beacon Falls WPCF

Collection System

- Parts of system has old pipes that leak and are subject to infiltration and inflow (negative impacts on plant)
- Three remote pump stations in need of upgrades to ease maintenance needs

Treatment Plant

- 40 years old (original equipment)
- New permit requirements for phosphorus, nitrogen
- Operational challenges during wet weather periods

Status of Facilities Plan

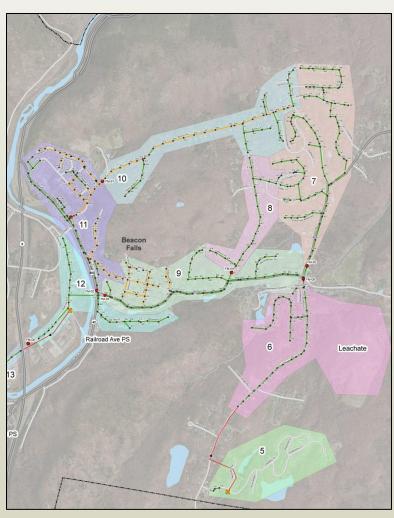
- Commenced in Summer 2012
- Treatment Plant evaluation nearly completed
- Collection System evaluation is on-going; to be completed Summer 2013
- In the process of developing recommendations
- Finalize Report in Fall 2013



Beacon Falls WPCF Outfall @ Naugatuck River



Collection System Overview



Partial Beacon Falls Collection System Map

Statistics

- 120,000 feet of gravity sewer
- 7,000 feet of force main
- 3 pump stations
- 1,700 existing connections / customers (50% of Town)

Findings

- 600+ Manholes GPS located and mapped
- Town now has comprehensive sewers system map
- I/I study in Spring 2013
- Only performed detailed evaluation in parts of system

Treatment Plant Overview

Statistics

- Constructed in 1970.
- UV and septage handling added in 2006.
- Majority of equipment is original and "tired"
- Extremely lean annual wastewater budget

Findings

- WPCF rated for 0.70 mgd, but was really only designed for 0.35 mgd
- Challenges meeting permit during wet weather periods
- Small undersized secondary clarifiers
- UV disinfection challenges due to loss of solids from clarifiers and impacts from leachate (iron/manganese)
- Major capital needs required

Treatment Plant Overview (Cont.)



UV Disinfection System



Influent Pumps



Sludge Pumps



WPCF Upgrade Needs

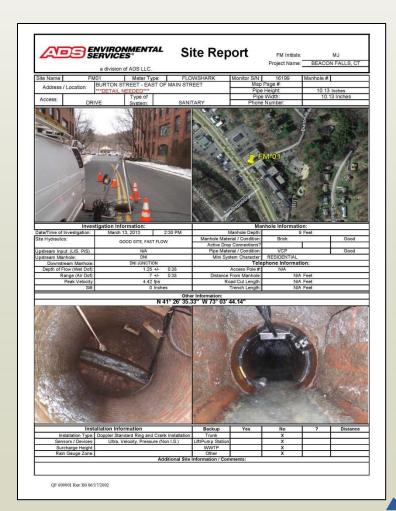


- Site plan showing current plant and future expansion area
- Considering four upgrade alternatives
- Similar capital costs but varying O&M requirements
- Operators have toured other treatment plants to see new processes
- Recommendations to Balance:
 - Life cycle costs
 - Site constraints
 - Solids handling requirements
 - Operator preferences and flexibility



Collection System Upgrade Needs

- Majority of needs are focused at WPCF
- Improve controls and monitoring capabilities at pump stations
- Remove excessive I/I where it's cost effective (results still pending field work)
- Develop integrated capital plan to evaluate sewer and storm drain systems as part of paving capital plan



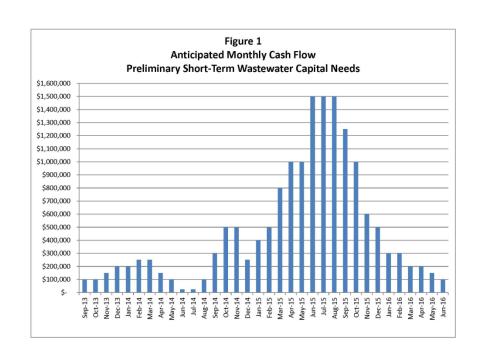
Overall Financial Impacts

- Capital Costs
 - Current proposed = \$16M
 - Interim phosphorus requirements (\$100K +/-)
 - Pump stations/SCADA (\$600K +/-)
 - WPCF (\$15.3M +/-)
 - Future collection system repairs and I/I removal TBD
- Annual Costs
 - Current annual wastewater budget = \$600K
 - Annual capital cost = \$978K
 - Also additional annual O&M cost (TBD)



Overall Financial Impacts (Continued)

- Annual Costs
 - Beacon Falls current annual wastewater costs = \$353/EDU
 - State-wide average of \$369/EDU
- Possible funding sources
 - CT-DEEP grants and low interest loans
 - USDA Rural Development
- Ad valorum versus user fees





Future Schedule

- Complete Facilities Plan Fall 2013
- Interim phosphorus requirements in place prior to May 1, 2014
- Pump stations upgrades during FY14
- Design for WPCF upgrades during FY14
- Future construction during FY15 and FY16

