# Information Item: Minneapolis Interceptor Study and Saint Paul Demonstration Project

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# Developing Strategies to Address Inflow and Infiltration



Saint Paul Inflow and Infiltration (I/I) Demonstration – 2018-175



Minneapolis Interceptor Study – 2018-176



#### A clear issue: I/I

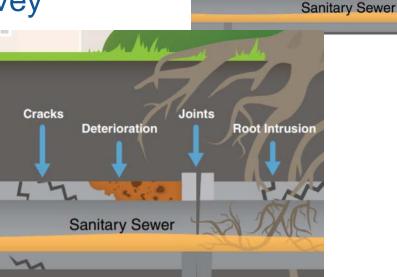
Backups to homes and overflows to waterways

Increased costs to convey

and treat

Reduced capacity for growth

Wasted resource





Improperly connected sump pumps

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connected

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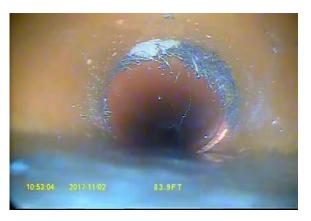
Uncapped

sewer

cleanouts

#### "Unquantified and Unresolved"

- 2016 Task Force recommendation
  - Private property I/I mitigation demonstration project
- Measure impacts on wastewater flows
- Grant funded in 2018







#### St. Paul Demonstration Grant



Quantify flow reduction of I/I mitigation



Detail the cost-effectiveness

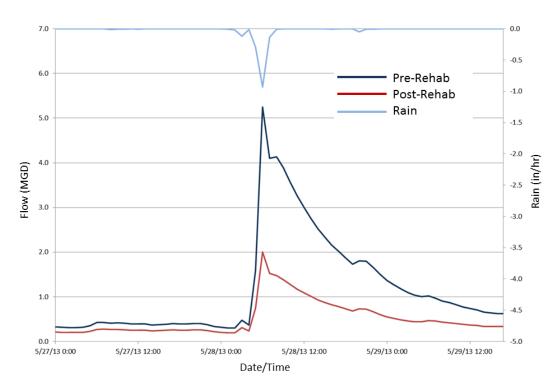


Provide technical assistance to regional communities



# **Project Scope**

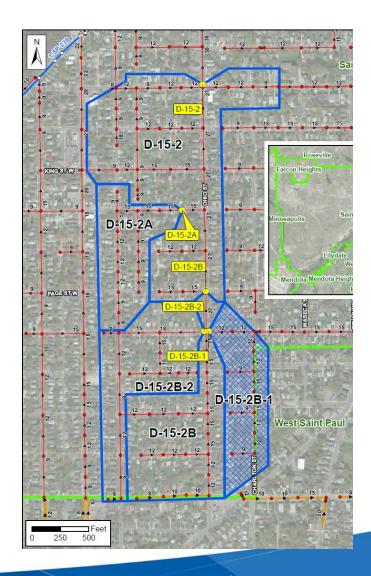
- Identify sources of I/I
- Repair sewer to remove I/I
- Monitor flow before and after repairs
- Evaluate the flow reduction
- Report findings for other communities to use





# **Progress in 2019**

- Developed strategy to completion
- Implemented public outreach of study and benefits to property owners
  - MCES Outreach Tools
- Installed flow meters
- Began inspection of service lines





#### **Schedule**

December 2018 Award and Notice to Proceed

October 2019 1st Annual Report

October 2020 2nd Annual Report

October 2021 3rd Annual Report

December 2021 Final Report



# Minneapolis Interceptor Study



Identify existing and future system limitations

Capacity, growth, storm events



Develop hydraulic model to meet the customer level of service

 asset renewal, reliability, I/I mitigation, and minimize risk of overflows



#### Scope

- Identify areas with high inflow and infiltration
- Identify areas with limited sewer capacity
- Develop strategies to lower risks of sewer overflow
- Prioritize and inform decisions for future



# **Minneapolis**

**2003:** Rain leader disconnection program begins

2013: Peak I/I flows reduced by 75% over 10 years

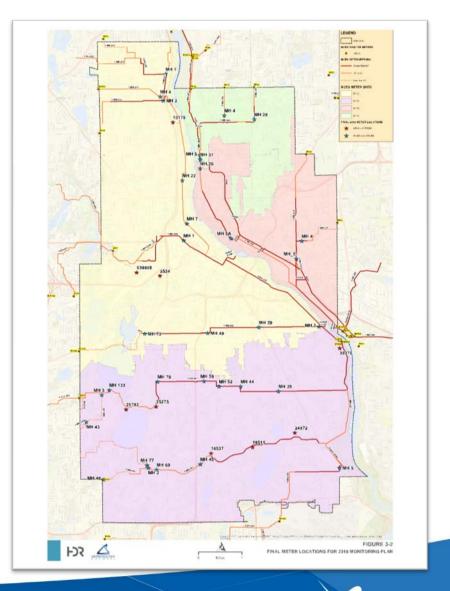
**2018:** Joint study with MCES includes identifying remaining I/I





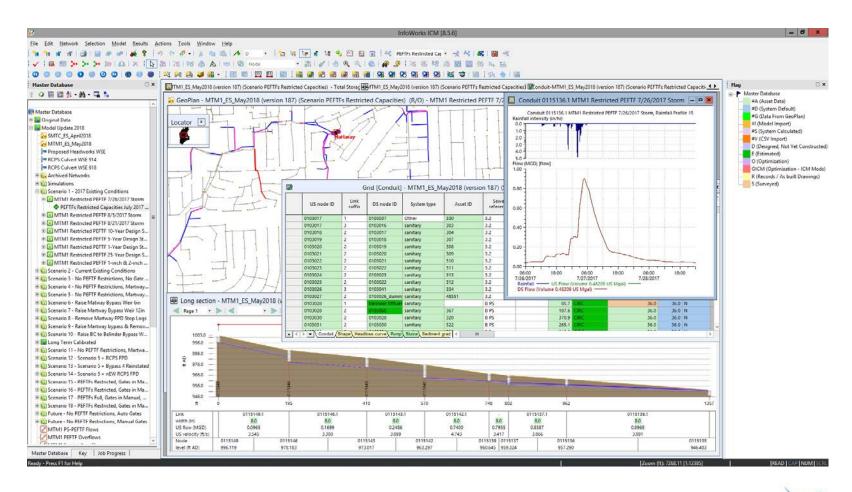
# Flow monitoring

- Existing data from MCES and Minneapolis
- 13 rain gages
- 41 wastewater flow meters
- Supplement existing, permanent meters





# **Hydraulic Model**

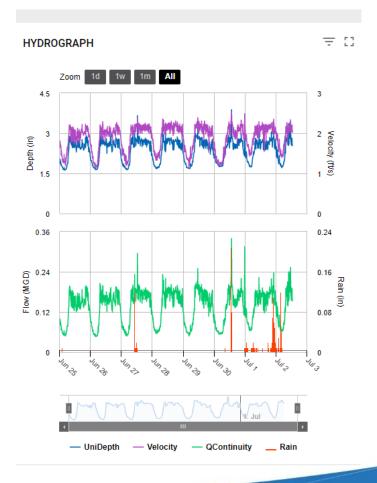




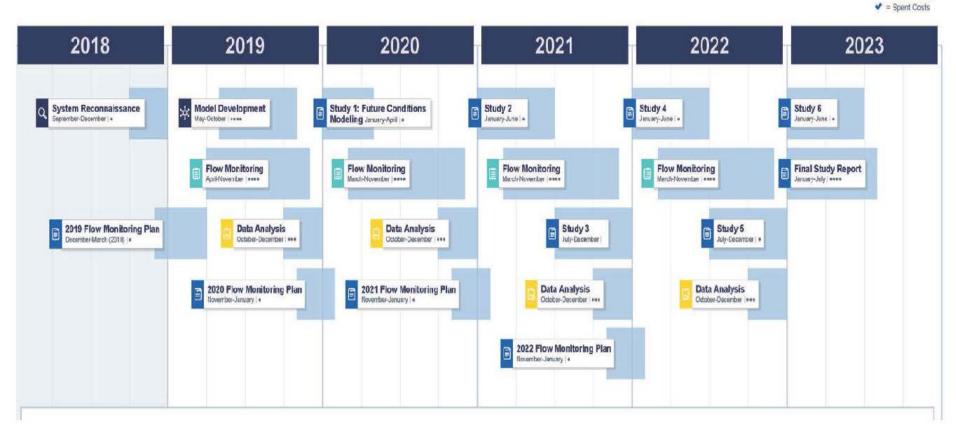
#### **Hydraulic Model**

- Forecast flows for population, weather, construction
- Computation version of actual flows in system
- Support long-term planning

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#### Questions

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