## Sewer Overflow Abatement Plan Public Input Meeting

Improving
Our
Waterways
Together
January 2013









### Survey of Guests





#### **Presentation Objectives**

- History of Louisville Sewers and Overflows
- Sewer Overflow Abatement Plan Overview
- Progress Report
- Proposed Plan Modifications
- Working Together to Keep Sewer Rates Lower
- Three Most Frequently Asked Questions
- Public Input Request





## History of Louisville Sewers & Sewer Overflows

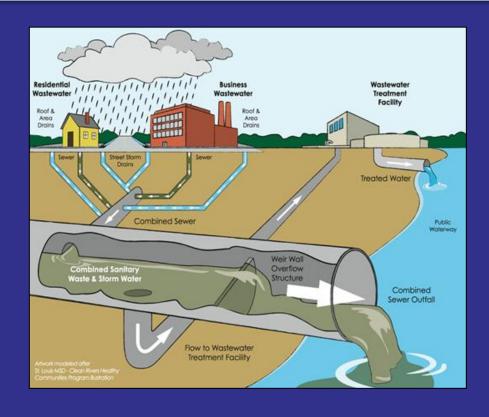




## Combined Sewer Overflow Inside I-264

#### Challenges

- Stormwater sewers & sanitary sewers were built to operate in "combined" pipe
- Wastewater treatment first built in 1958, but not sized for stormwater







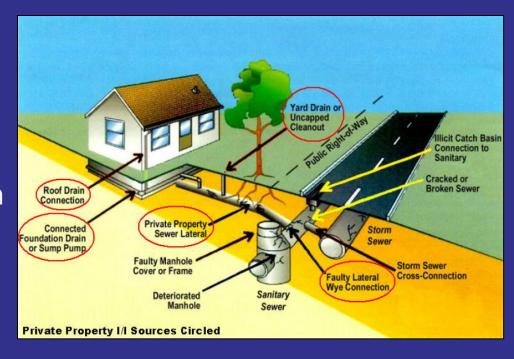
#### **Combined Sewer Overflows**



# Sanitary Sewer Overflows Along/Outside I-264

#### Challenges

- Original clay pipe sanitary sewers have deteriorated over time, allowing clean water entry into public system
- Groundwater sump pumps & rainwater downspouts connected to sanitary sewer from private property make up 50% of extra flow







### **Sanitary Sewer Overflows**

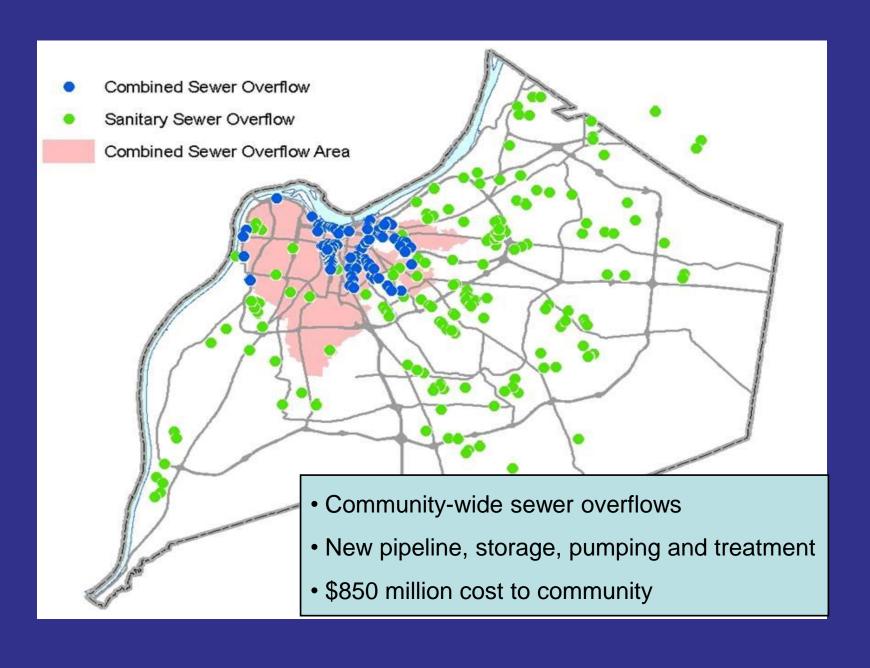


## Sewer Overflow Abatement Mandate

- 2005 Mandate from Federal EPA and Kentucky to abate overflows
- 2008 MSD submitted \$850 million plan to satisfy the mandate
- 2009 Federal EPA and Kentucky approve the plan
  - Combined Sewer Overflow program complete by 2020
  - Separate Sewer Overflow program complete by 2024







### Sewer Overflow Abatement Plan





## Overflow Abatement Projects Approved 2009 Plan

#### Gray infrastructure

- Pipeline projects
- Storage basins
- Pump station expansions
- Wastewater treatment plant expansions

#### Source control program

- Green infrastructure projects for stormwater reductions
- Rainwater downspout disconnections from sewers
- Groundwater sump pump disconnections from sewers



Smoke testing on public sewer indicates improper downspout connection to the sanitary sewer

### **Implementation Progress** 2007 - 2012

#### Gray Infrastructure Projects

- 25% completed
- 20% in design or construction

#### Green Infrastructure Projects

- 25 completed
- 40 in design or construction
- 30% of program budget committed

#### I/I Reduction Projects

- 9 sewer rehabilitation projects completed
- 8 sewer rehabilitation projects in design or construction

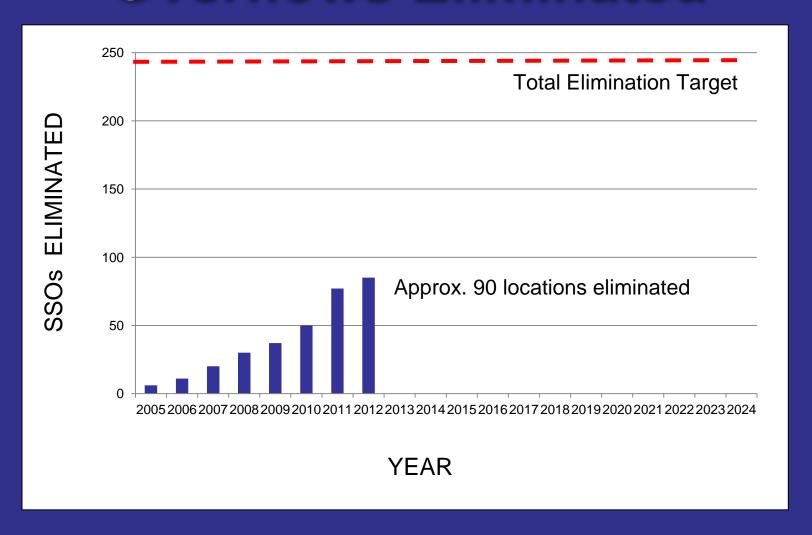
#### Overall program

- About 25% complete
- About 5% under budget, compared to original IOAP estimates





#### **Overflows Eliminated**



## Sewer Overflow Abatement Plan

#### **Proposed 2012 Modifications**





## Proposed Modifications Measure Twice, Cut Once



#### **Proposed Modifications**

### **Approved 2009 Plan Provided for Adjustments**

- Improve system monitoring and modeling
- Review project approaches & sizing
- Right-size projects to ensure overflow plan objectives met





## Project Modifications Summary

- 7 projects got larger, 7 projects got smaller
- 3 projects have higher level of overflow control, 1 project has lower control level
- 12 projects move forward in schedule
- 4 projects move back in schedule for "green" infrastructure & size increases
- Program Costs Remain at \$850 Million



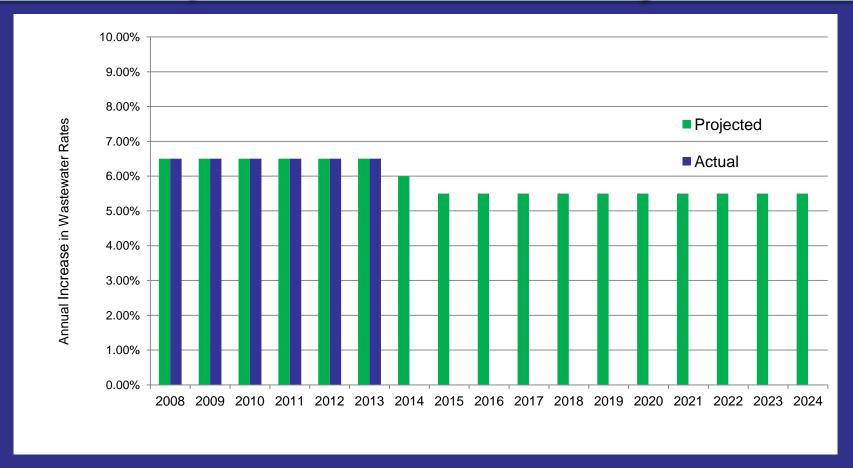


#### Sewer Rates





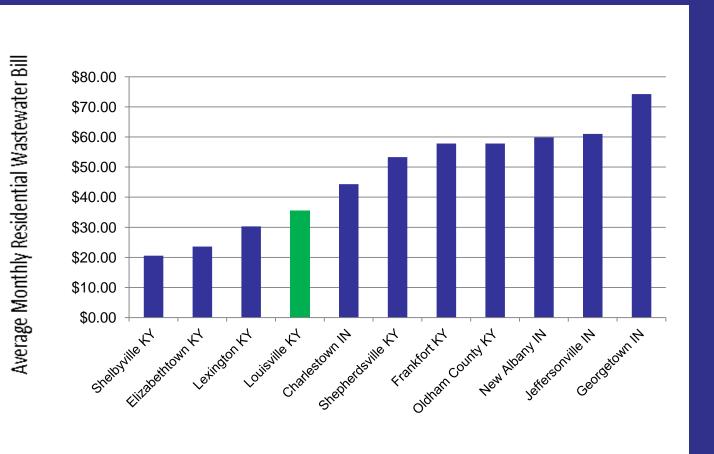
## MSD's Rate Increases Compared to 2009 IOAP Projection







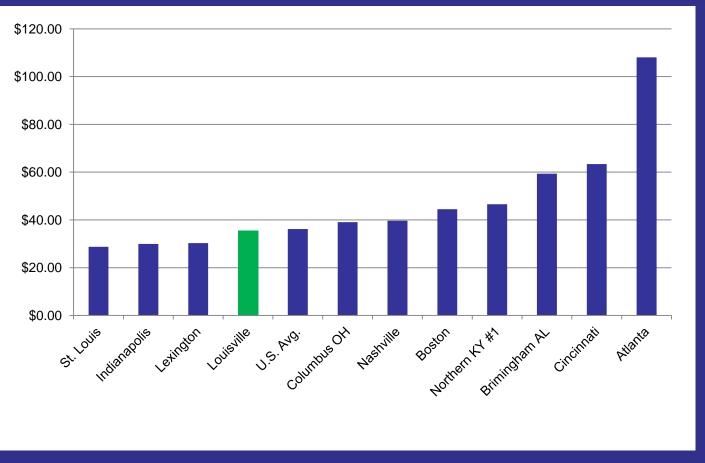
## MSD's Rates Compared to Surrounding Communities







### MSD's Rates Compared to Consent Decree Communities







## MSD's Rates Senior Citizen Discount Application

#### **Applicability**

- 65 years of age or older
- household gross income of \$35,000 or less per year
- must be on MSD sewers

**Customer Relations 587-0603** 

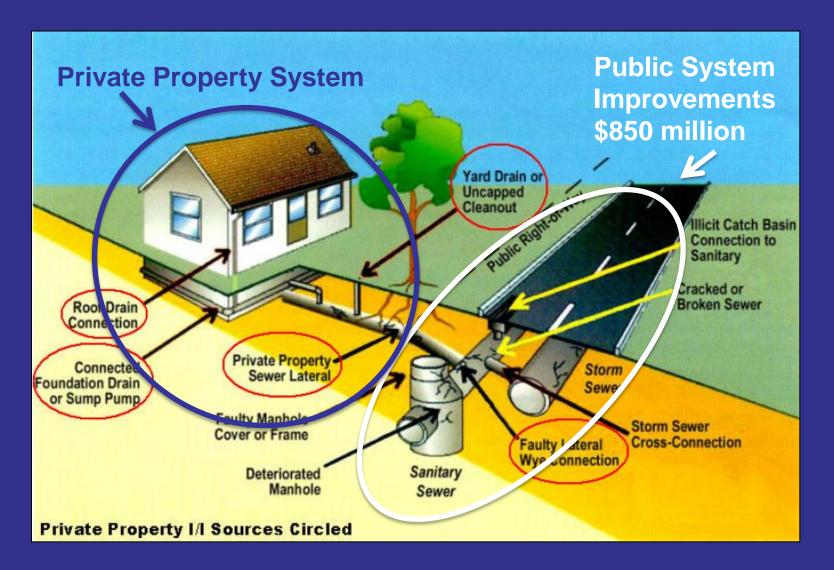
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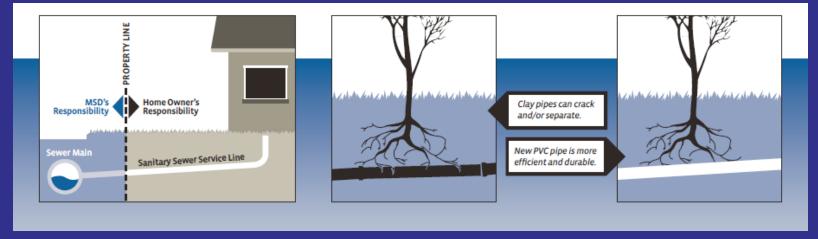






MSD Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement Program 587-0603









 Turn downspouts onto the ground

 Capture rain from down spouts to use for watering your gardens and landscaping

- Rain barrels
- Rain gardens







Disconnect sump pumps from the sewer system

- Single biggest source of private-side unauthorized connections
- Should outlet to the ground or stormwater system

Plumbing Modification Program 587-0603







Delay using dishwashers and washing machines until after rain events have passed

**Sewers are FULL!** 



Put dental floss, hair, and rags in the trash NOT down the toilet!





accumulates at pumps and causes sewer overflows and basement backups

## What You Can Do To Help Keep Sewer Rates Lower!!

Put fats, oils & greases in the trash

**NOT down the drain!!!!** 

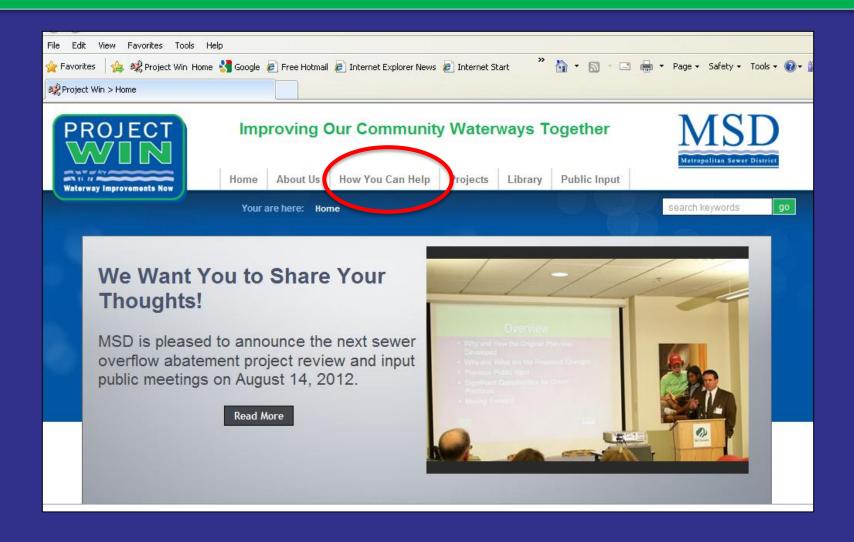


**Grease accumulates in pipes** 

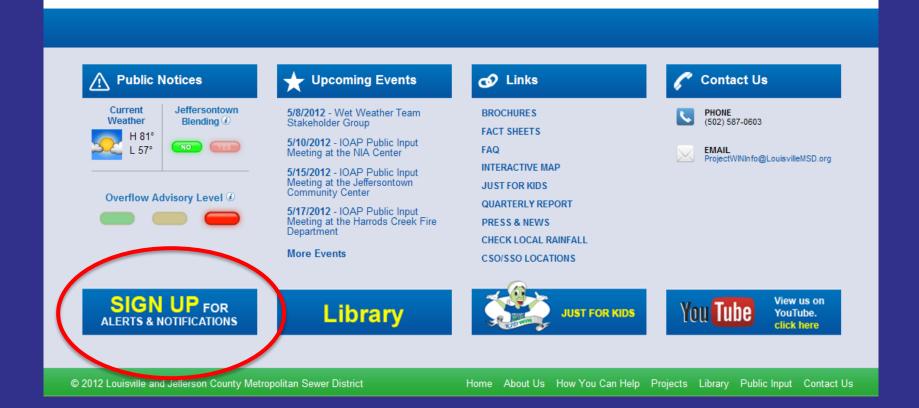


Put hot grease in metal container, let cool, TRASH!

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### Frequently Asked Questions





### Frequent Question #1

- Why are you doing \$850M worth of sewer work? Is it really necessary?
- Why are you charging customers more money while we are in a recession?

#### Unfunded Federal Mandate

Control combined sewer overflows by 2020 Eliminate sanitary sewer overflows by 2024





### Frequent Question #2

 Why is this the first we've heard about this large work effort?

MSD held 22 public meetings in 2007/2008 prior to submitting the plan to regulators for approval

Please Complete the Customer Survey





### Frequent Question #3

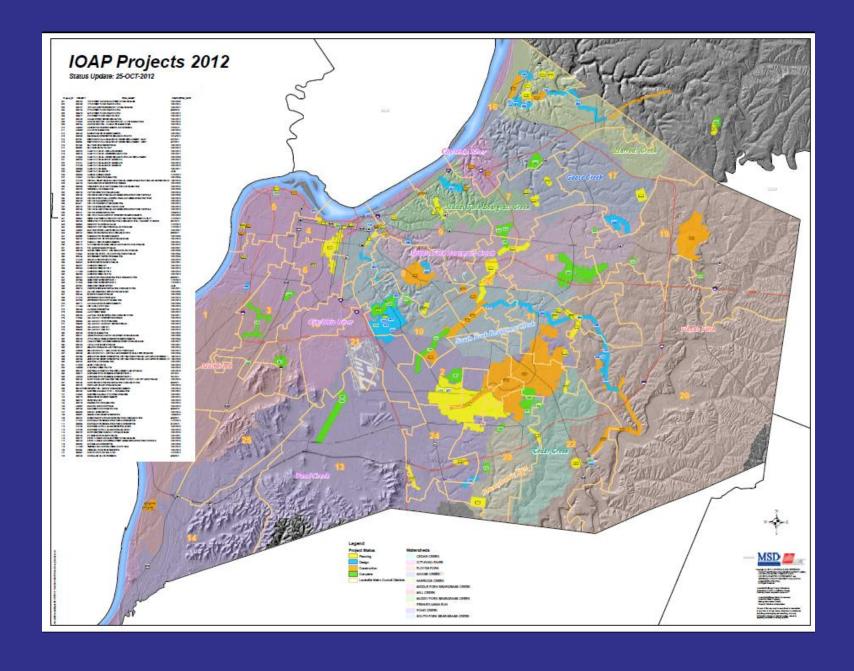
Will my input matter?

Depending on project status, public input can impact

- Final project location
- Site design to minimize neighborhood impact
- Project appearance







### **Together Moving Forward**

- Continue discussions with EPA regarding proposed project modifications
- Additional public input meetings being held
- Red-line markups of IOAP planned to be available at Public Libraries in mid February
- Formal public hearing on the Plan Modification planned for March





## Working Together Information Stations

Customer Relations	Sewer Overflow Projects	Project WIN Information
Backup, sewer or drainage issues	See if your property is near a current or future overflow project	Things you can do at home to help keep sewer rates lower
Plumbing Modification & Sewer Service Line Programs	Ask questions about the sewer overflow abatement program	Project WIN Website navigation assistance
Senior Citizen Discount Program		Signup for overflow alerts and meeting notifications





#### Public Input Sewer Overflow Abatement Program/Projects

#### Provide comments and ask questions

- 4 Ways to Provide Comments Tonight
  - Note card or comment form
  - Information station or on video
- Via email at <u>commentsIOAP@msdlouky.org</u>
- Via mail:

MSD IOAP Project Comments

Attention: Project WIN Program Manager

700 West Liberty St.

Louisville, KY 40203



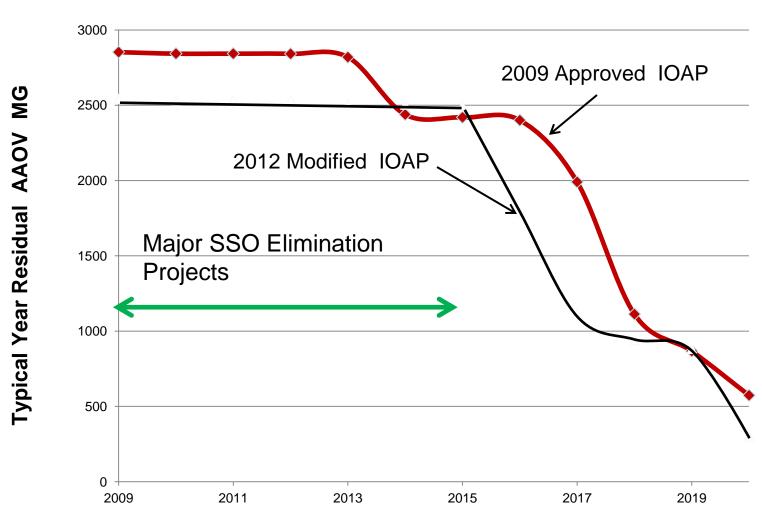


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#### **CSO Annual Average Overflow Volume (AAOV) Reduction**



Year

