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JOIN US AT THE ANNUAL NASTT NO-DIG NORTH CONFERENCE IN VANCOUVER!

The 2025 No-Dig North Show October 27 – 29 at the beautiful Vancouver Convention Centre is a noteworthy signature event because it is held in conjunction with this year's ISTT International No-Dig Show. A unique and rare networking opportunity, this joint conference will feature two full days and an amazing five tracks of technical sessions on leading edge trenchless applications. Another highlight is the series of refreshed NASTT Good Practice Courses on the opening day of the conference. Join us for this special unparalleled occasion and some unforgettable times!



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Long a mainstay and proponent of the trenchless technology industry in Western Canada, David O'Sullivan was one of the founding members of the North West chapter of North American Society of Trenchless Technologies in 1997. He served tirelessly as President and lifetime member of what is now the NASTT-BC Chapter volunteering his time organizing trade shows and informational sessions raising awareness of the many benefits of trenchless technology applications. David offers his well informed perspective on the current and future state of the trenchless world.

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NASTT offers special recognition to its Corporate and Government, Utility and Education members in appreciation of their ongoing promotion of NASTT and the industry. The member lists are up to date as of September 2025. The NASTT Corporate, Government & Education Members are highlighted here, along with key contacts, websites and corporate logos – the NASTT community!

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This paper was selected as the Outstanding Paper – Rehabilitation from all the presentation at the 2025 NASTT No-Dig Show in Denver CO. The award-winning paper outlines a rehabilitation project undertaken by the City of Bedford MA to improve access and repair 2,000 LF of the Grape Street Collector, an historic brick and vitrifed clay (VC) pipe sewer constructed in 1912. Completion of this project significantly reduced the I/I from the City's collector system.

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Executive Director's Message



WELCOME TO THE FALL 2025 EDITION OF NASTT'S TRENCHLESS NORTH AMERICA

Dear NASTT Members and Trenchless Advocates:

As we look ahead to Fall and Thanksgiving, I am reminded once again that the true strength of the North American Society for Trenchless Technology (NASTT) lies in its members. Our community of volunteers and corporate partners continues to drive innovation and growth across the trenchless industry. It is through your commitment, expertise, and passion that NASTT remains a leading force in advancing trenchless solutions across Canada, Mexico, the United States of America and beyond.

This issue of **Trenchless North America** focuses on YOU – our amazing members. As we highlight your business, we also continuously work to bring you more benefits, greater value and investment in the future.

This year, we are especially excited to showcase that spirit of collaboration on the world stage. For the first time since 2017, NASTT will host the ISTT International No-Dig alongside the 2025 NASTT No-Dig North in Vancouver, British Columbia. This combined event will bring together trenchless professionals from every corner of the globe – a unique opportunity to share knowledge, explore new technologies, and strengthen the international trenchless community.

We are proud to welcome the International Society for Trenchless Technology (ISTT), their staff, Board, and Council, along with the many international exhibitors and delegates who will join us in Vancouver. Together, we will create an unparalleled gathering that reflects both the global importance of trenchless methods and the leading role our North American members play in shaping the industry's future.

I encourage every NASTT member to be part of this historic occasion. Whether you are attending to learn from the technical sessions, to connect with colleagues and clients, or to explore the largest collection of trenchless technologies under one roof, your participation will help make Vancouver an event to remember.

On behalf of the NASTT Board of Directors, I thank you for your continued membership and support. We look forward to welcoming you – and the world – to Vancouver in October 2025.

Enjoy your read!

Matthew

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Message from the Chair



EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES AHEAD!

Dear Members and Friends of NASTT!

As Chair of the NASTT Board of Directors, it is both an honor and a privilege to share with you the exciting opportunities ahead for our trenchless community. The coming months will be a defining period for NASTT and our global partners as we bring together industry professionals, researchers, and innovators to advance the science and practice of trenchless technology.

This fall, we are thrilled to host the **NASTT 2025 No-Dig North & ISTT International No-Dig**, October 27–29 in Vancouver, British Columbia. This unique collaboration marks the first time that the International No-Dig event will be held in conjunction with No-Dig North, and it promises to be an extraordinary gathering. With delegates and exhibitors from around the world, the Vancouver conference will showcase the latest innovations in both installation and rehabilitation, highlight cutting-edge research, and provide countless opportunities to share best practices. From technical sessions and training courses to networking events set against the stunning backdrop of Vancouver, this is truly a must-attend event for anyone committed to advancing trenchless technology.

Looking ahead, we are equally excited to welcome you to sunny California for the **2026 No-Dig Show**, March 29–April 2 in Palm Springs. Known as the premier trenchless technology conference in North America, the No-Dig Show continues to set the standard for technical excellence and industry collaboration. The Palm Springs event will offer a robust program of peer-reviewed papers, industry panels, an expansive exhibit hall, and unparalleled networking. It will also serve as an important platform to recognize and celebrate the achievements of trenchless professionals and organizations who are pushing our industry forward.

Beyond these flagship conferences, NASTT remains committed to providing year-round education and engagement opportunities. Our highly regarded **Good Practices Training Courses** continue to deliver practical, real-world knowledge to professionals across North America. These courses, taught by volunteer experts, are designed to equip attendees with the tools and skills they need to apply trenchless solutions effectively and responsibly. Whether you are new to trenchless technology or an experienced practitioner, our training programs are an invaluable resource. Visit https://nastt.org/training/upcoming-events/ for the current offerings.

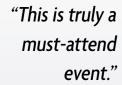
Equally vital are the activities of our **Regional Chapters**, which provide opportunities for trenchless professionals to connect locally, share ideas, and collaborate on projects that make a difference in their communities. These chapters host workshops, networking events, and technical sessions that strengthen our industry from the ground up and ensure that trenchless innovation continues to thrive across North America.

As we move forward, I encourage you to take full advantage of the opportunities NASTT offers, whether that means joining us in Vancouver this October, planning ahead for Palm Springs in 2026, enrolling in a training course, or engaging with your local chapter. Our strength as an organization lies in the dedication, expertise, and passion of our members. Together, we are shaping the future of underground infrastructure.

On behalf of the NASTT Board of Directors, thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to trenchless technology. I look forward to seeing you in Vancouver, Palm Springs, and at NASTT events across North America.

Greg Tippett

Greg Tippett P. Eng., Board Chair North American Society for Trenchless Technology (NASTT)





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UNDERGROUND INFRASTRUCTURE SUSTAINABILITY:

No-Dig North, Vancouver Convention Centre October 27 – 29, 2025

Explore the Future of Trenchless Innovation at the NASTT 2025 No-Dig North & ISTT International No-Dig

Join industry leaders from across North America and around the world at the 2025 No-Dig North & ISTT International No-Dig conference, happening October 27-29 at the Vancouver Convention Centre. No-Dig North is an annual event that brings together professionals in engineering, construction, manufacturing, and municipal planning to exchange ideas and discover cutting-edge trenchless technologies that support sustainable, cost-effective infrastructure development. With this year's partnership with ISTT, the conference brings a global vision of trenchless technology into focus.

No-Dig North is the largest trenchless technology conference in Canada where municipalities, contractors, consulting engineers, public utilities, industrial facilities, and damage prevention professionals attend to learn new techniques that will save money and improve infrastructure. This show offers topic tracks over the course of two days with peer-reviewed, noncommercial presentations, including case studies detailing environmentally friendly trenchless solutions and cost-saving opportunities. Additionally, an exhibition hall and networking events are offered throughout the week for opportunities to exchange ideas with colleagues. NASTT's suite of Good Practices Courses is offered on the first day of the conference as well.







Networking and access to industry expertise is a central feature of the annual No-Dig North







The exhibit hall features the latest innovations in trenchless technology from around the globe

For information and registration link please visit: https://nastt.org/no-dig-north/



Meet Us in Vancouver

October 27-29 | Vancouver Convention Centre

No-Dig North is the premier annual conference focused on trenchless technology in Canada. Attendees include engineers, contractors, manufacturers, and municipal representatives who seek to learn about and discuss sustainable, cost-effective solutions for infrastructure needs. The 2025 No-Dig North and ISTT International No-Dig conference is coming to Vancouver, BC at the Vancouver Convention Centre, October 27-29, 2025.

Learn more at nastt.org/no-dig-north



No-Dig North is owned by the North American Society for Trenchless Technology (NASTT), a not-for-profit educational and technical society established in 1990 to promote trenchless technology for the public benefit. For more information about NASTT, visit our website at nastt.org.

No-Dig North Schedule Summary



Saturday, October 25, 2025

NASTT Board Meeting

8:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Room 8

Sunday, October 26, 2025

ISTT Board Meeting

9:00 AM - 10:00 PM - Room 8

ISTT Council Meeting

10:30 AM - 3:30 PM - Room 8

ISTT Chairman's Dinner (ticketed event)

5:30 PM - 9:30 PM - Offsite

Monday, October 27, 2025

Attendee & Exhibitor Registration

7:00 AM - 6:00 PM - East Lobby

NASTT's Introduction to New Installations Good Practices Course

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM - Room 10

NASTT's DSPT Good Practices Course

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM - Room 11

NASTT's HDD Good Practices Course

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM - Room 12

NASTT's CIPP Good Practices Course

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM - Room 13

GLSLA Regional Chapter Meeting

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM - Room 7

Northwest Regional Chapter Meeting

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM - Room 9

BC Regional Chapter Meeting

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM - Room 16

NASTT's Introduction to Rehabilitation Good Practices Course

1:00 PM - 5:00 PM - Room 10

Regional Chapter Chair Meeting

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM - Room 9

Student Orientation Meeting

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM - Room 8

Exhibit Hall Open & Networking Reception

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM - East Exhibit Hall AB

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

Attendee & Exhibitor Registration

7:30 AM - 5:00 PM - East Lobby

Breakfast & Keynote Address

8:00 AM - 9:45 AM - East Exhibit Hall A

Technical Paper Session (Track 1)

10:00 AM - 11:55 AM - Room 8

Technical Paper Session (Track 2)

10:00 AM - 11:55 AM - Room 10

Technical Paper Session (Track 3)

10:00 AM - 11:55 AM - Room 11

Technical Paper Session (Track 4)

10:00 AM - 11:55 AM - Room 12

Technical Paper Session (Track 5)

10:00 AM - 11:55 AM - Room 13

Exhibit Hall Open & Lunch

12:00 PM - 5:00 PM - East Exhibit Hall AB

Lunch Concessions

12:00 PM - 3:00 PM - East Exhibit Hall AB

Technical Paper Session (Track 1)

2:30 PM - 3:55 PM - Room 8

Technical Paper Session (Track 2)

2:30 PM - 3:55 PM - Room 10

Technical Paper Session (Track 3)

2:30 PM - 3:55 PM - Room 11

Technical Paper Session (Track 4)

2:30 PM - 3:55 PM - Room 12

Technical Paper Session (Track 5)

2:30 PM - 3:55 PM - Room 13

Exhibit Hall Social Hours

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM - East Exhibit Hall AB

Gala Awards Dinner (ticketed event)

6:00 PM - 10:00 PM - East Exhibit Hall A

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

Attendee & Exhibitor Registration

7:00 AM – 2:00 PM – East Lobby

Coffee Break

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM - Session Area

Technical Paper Session (Track 1)

8:30 AM - 10:55 AM - Room 8

Technical Paper Session (Track 2)

8:30 AM - 10:55 AM - Room 10

Technical Paper Session (Track 3)

8:30 AM - 10:55 AM - Room 11

Technical Paper Session (Track 4)

8:30 AM - 10:55 AM - Room 12

Technical Paper Session (Track 5)

8:30 AM - 10:55 AM - Room 13

Exhibit Hall Open & Lunch Concessions

11:00 PM - 2:30 PM - East Exhibit Hall AB

Technical Paper Session (Track 1)

2:30 PM - 4:25 PM - Room 8

Technical Paper Session (Track 2)

2:30 PM - 4:25 PM - Room 10

Technical Paper Session (Track 3)

2:30 PM - 4:25 PM - Room 11

Technical Paper Session (Track 4)

2:30 PM - 4:25 PM - Room 12

Technical Paper Session (Track 5)

2:30 PM - 4:25 PM - Room 13





No-Dig North Networking Events



The NASTT No-Dig North offers numerous networking events and a chance to enjoy a little fun with industry leaders in addition to extensive track sessions, educational opportunities and exhibit floor.



Exhibit Hall Opening & Networking Reception

Date: Monday, October 27, 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM

Location: East Exhibit Hall AB

About: There is no better way to celebrate the start of the NASTT 2025 No-Dig North & ISTT International No-Dig in Vancouver than joining us for welcome drinks and appetizers as we open the hall! Kick off your conference with excitement as we all look forward to the days ahead greeting friends and welcoming new faces. Be sure to check in on Monday to get your attendee badge and drink tickets.

This event is open to everyone and includes 2 drink tickets: Join us!

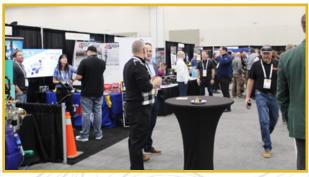


Exhibit Hall Social Hours (Cash Bars)

Date: Tuesday, October 28, 3:00 – 5:00 PM

Location: East Exhibit Hall AB

About: Join colleagues in the exhibit hall after an action-packed day of learning and networking to continue those conversations and switch gears before joining us at the Gala Awards Dinner later in the evening! Cash bars will be located throughout the exhibit hall for all attendees to enjoy a refreshing beverage and socialize on our buzzing exhibit hall floor.

Open to everyone with an exhibit hall pass!



Opening Breakfast & Keynote Address

Date: Tuesday, October 28, 8:00 AM – 9:45 AM

Location: East Exhibit Hall A

About: Full Conference attendees are invited to the opening breakfast to visit with colleagues and learn all that is in store for the week! Breakfast promptly served at 8:00 AM. Keynote address to follow. You will want to arrive on time to get your seat!

Breakfast is first come, first served. Be sure to check in on Sunday to get your attendee badge.



Gala Awards Dinner (Ticketed Event)

Date: Tuesday, October 28, 6:00-10:00 PM

Location: East Exhibit Hall A

About: This formal celebration features a complimentary cocktail reception, plated dinner, awards ceremony and continued connection with your global trenchless community. Come dressed to impress for a night to remember – black tie encouraged!

Cost: \$75 with early registration by October 1, 2025. \$100 after October 1.

The Gala Awards Dinner is a ticketed event taking place during the NASTT 2025 No-Dig North & ISTT International No-Dig. Purchase your ticket(s) when you register to attend the conference.

NETWORKING EVENTS | EXHIBIT HALL | TECHNICAL SESSIONS

https://nastt.org/no-dig-north/



NASTT Municipal & Public Utility Scholarship

APPLICATION DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 1



The NASTT No-Dig Show Municipal & Public Utility Scholarship awards employees of North American municipalities, government agencies and utility owners who have limited or no training funds with a Full Conference and Exhibition registration to the NASTT No-Dig Show. Hotel accommodations for three nights at the host hotel are provided for selected applicants. Recipients have full access to all exhibits and technical paper sessions.

Join us in Palm Springs! Applications should be submitted by November 1, 2025 at nastt.org/no-dig-show



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6	Flow Capacity: New pipes have similar flow capacity per AWWA Standards and Manuals	✓	~	AWWA M55, C906, M41 + PPIPACE.com
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8	Cost Effective: Has the lowest initial cost, lowest life cycle cost, and lowest restoration cost for trenchless installations	✓	×	Ufe Cycle Analysis of Water Networks, CSIRO 2008 + Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2014, Kittery Water District, 5/31/2015
9	Resilient: Ability to resist ground movements due to droughts, freeze/thaw, earthquakes, hurricanes, with ability for flow control/squeeze off	~	×	Recent Earthqaukes: Implications for U.S. Water Utilities, WRF 2012 + Polyethylene Pipeline Performance Against Earthquake, Kubota 2018 + MAB-9
10	Permeation/BTEX: Pipes and elastomeric joints need to be properly engineered for contamined conditions	\otimes	×	AWWA C901/C906 and C111/C151, Sec. 4

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Long a mainstay and proponent of the trenchless technology industry in Western Canada, David O'Sullivan founded PW Trenchless in January 2000, which continues to grow and lead the trenchless construction sector in British Columbia. Since then, David has been working tirelessly to expand his expertise across multiple trenchless methodologies. David was one of the founding members of the North West chapter of North American Society of Trenchless Technologies in 1997. Encompassing Alberta, Washington & British Columbia, he served as President and now is a lifetime member. He is still active in what is now the NASTT-BC Chapter volunteering his time organizing trade shows and informational sessions at various engineering firms and government offices.

David offers a valuable well informed perspective on the current and future state of the trenchless technology industry, based on his lifetime of experience in growing and developing the trenchless footprint in British Columbia.



I never wanted to do Municipal Engineering. I wanted to get into Structural Engineering, but when I came to Canada in 1978, I ended up with Mecman Engineering in Invermere, a small consulting company working in utilities. I remember, upon seeing a foundation, being built for a wine cellar, with no rebar, commenting to the contractor that he needed rebar. I then reported back to my old Boss at the time, and he told me to "keep quiet', as I was not qualified to give advice. Oh, the innocence of youth.

As Mecman did not get the work on the Panorama Ski Hill (and it turned out this was why they hired me), I was laid off after 6 months and ended up moving to Vancouver. Ironically, in 1980 I started with Morgan Stewart, who did get the Panorama contract, and I worked on the planning and design of that project for 3 years. I finished Morgan Stewart in 1986 and moved into the contracting side of the business, with P Baratta Construction. Within about 2 years I was the CEO (although we did not use titles), moving the company to utility replacement work for cities, and away from private work.

Outline your experience of first being introduced to trenchless technology methods and applications.

In 1993 we bid on the installation of some sewer work in the Queensborough area of New Westminster, BC. The job was







"In 1993 we proposed to use HDD and blew away the competition."

designed for open cut, but we proposed to use HDD and blew away the competition. The city extended our contract for 3 years and we installed about 10km of gravity sewers using HDD. This was a first, as the walkover control systems were only in development at the time with a Seattle-based company. This is when my light came on and we continued with the drilling subcontractor to complete numerous large Municipal HDD projects, including two crossings of the Fraser River, and a 900mm gravity sewer for the GVRD (Metro Vancouver). We even tried a 3km gravity sewer in the City of Abbotsford, which at the time was Moon shot (or even a Mars shot), and unfortunately failed. Our last HDD contract was in 1999, the crossing of False Creek in Downtown Vancouver, which was the seismic fireline for the City.

Our first Pipe Bursting trial was in 1995 in New Westminster, at the start of the City's 20-year program of sewer replacement using bursting and CIPP. In 1998, we completed the first Micro tunnel project in BC using an Iseki Machine, and the first job in North America with Myers pipe.

By 1999 the owner of P Baratta was not totally comfortable with the trenchless market. Therefore, at the end of that year





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I approached Pat Barratta for permission to set up my own company, PW Trenchless, within the structure of his company, to specialize in trenchless alone.

This worked very well, as Pat really was ready to wind down his company (he was 70), but still wanted to ensure his family remain employed. P Baratta stopped operating in 2004 and PW Trenchless was on its own.

The new company went for strength to strength and was turning over \$5m annually, within 5 years. We have developed into leaders of Sliplining and we support Pipe Bursting. We have also recently entered the HDD market, and support other trenchless experts in fields such as CIPP, guided auger boring and pipe jacking. After 25 years we have grown to a \$16m a year company, which I think is an achievement, considering we operate in a market just shy of 6m people, not a California or Texas population. This is enough for me, as I'm more interested in challenging engineering projects than becoming a large company, however the structure is in place to grow further, should the present or future management wish to achieve this.

How did you first get involved with NASTT? What are some of the goals and initiatives you would like to see NASTT pursue?

I was, with about ten others, a founding director of the NASTT Northwest Chapter in 1997 at the No Dig Conference in Seattle. The reason for NASTT is to educate and set the standards for the use and applications of the various trenchless technologies. Our catchment area was broad, with the chapter covering from Oregon to Saskatoon. One of our members, Marek Pawlowski, introduced the WRC system of CCTV inspection and operator certification in the late 90s, which allowed the BC part of the chapter to boom.

In 2000, by working with the NASTT chair, I was able to split off the BC group as the only Provincial or State chapter in North America. At that time, the US part of the NASTT NW Chapter was not very active and the distances to Edmonton meant that Lunch and Learns etc. were simply not feasible. The chapter continues to educate and set standards to this day in BC, and I am still a director. However, I have taken a step back recently, encouraging others to take the lead where possible. I feel this is key to a healthy future for the organization, but I remain in the background if needed.

"NASTT-BC continues to educate and set standards to this day."

I would like to see NASTT continuing to be proactive in educating the masses on trenchless, both on a regional and national level. For example, NASTT should explore new ways to get knowledge in the mind of owners and decision makers. Organizations such as NASTT can play a key role in advancing our industry and advocating for more trenchless inclusion in engineering curricula.

What are your thoughts on the current state of the trenchless industry? What areas do you see evolving in STEM education and post-secondary academics?

Trenchless technologies and methods have come a long way from their roots. Back when I was in college in Ireland, Eric Wood was still covered in resin, Ryan/British Gas were still trying different bursting processes in the UK, Charrington had only been drilling for 6 or 7 years in California, and the Japanese still led in Microtunneling. That is the change in just one career.

Having worked with the University of Alberta, Queens and Waterloo Universities in Canada, I note that utilities in general continue to form just a small part of Civil Engineering. When presenting, I often joke that Trenchless is taught in a single 60-minute lecture, once, in Year 3 of engineering programs. As more universities move to include utilities and trenchless it will grow, however the reach of these programs is limited. I do a couple of lectures a year in BC, but again, my reach is limited to those who attend. It would be great to see trenchless forming a substantial part of the standard civil engineering curriculum, perhaps even a module or course on its own, but I don't think we are quite there yet.

Is the trenchless industry generally doing a good job of attracting young professionals? What do you think can be done to better engage students and young professionals in the trenchless industry?

Because there is little or no mention in college curriculums (in BC, at least), young engineers have little to no exposure to trenchless upon graduating. The three universities I work with (Queens, Waterloo and U. O. Alberta) do teach trenchless as a solution to our utility challenges, but I feel that the academic conviction is based on only 5 or 6 professionals in total. God help us if they leave.

I think that increasing emphasis on sustainability in utilities projects could form a bigger part in education programs in





"Organizations such as NASTT can play a key role in advancing our industry."

future. Perhaps introducing modules or projects focused on sustainability, would be another great opportunity for engineering students to be exposed to trenchless technologies, and the positives they can bring. It would be great to see and hear young students come up with their own ideas for improvements to existing practices, and as a result, to have the industry learn lessons and make further advancements.

Biggest challenges facing the trenchless industry today? Has acceptance and understanding of trenchless technology improved?

To have the various trenchless technologies accepted, a contractor must be successful. To do that they have to do their homework and prepare. One bad job can kill the good value of five or ten good projects. Trenchless projects are always in the spotlight, so we must perform well and showcase the advantages and any lessons learned.

We need the municipalities and consultants to be educated and to exercise care and diligence when tendering trenchless programs or standalone projects. Set the standards properly, set the experience guidelines strictly and use those guidelines to control who does the work. Reach out and discuss with contractors for their thought or suggestions. Price alone is not the answer. You do not buy kitchen cabinets for you house based on price alone. At least, not if you intend to live there.

I would like to see consultants and owners asking more questions of the contractors during the construction process. This would cause the contractor to up their game and for potential problems to be seen ahead of time. This could be used to develop a deeper knowledge by already thinking of other related projects and how to make them better.

We also need to educate the public and the politicians in numerous ways as to the benefits of trenchless, from the 90 percent reduction in carbon emissions, to the vastly reduced degradation to asphalt because of the lack of utility cuts, to the reduced traffic disruption. I feel that trenchless also ties in very well with asset management and the repairs/rehabilitation that comes from that asset management.

"Witnessing progress is another big positive."

Utilities are a funny object in our society. Their design has not changed in 2000 years or so, therefore as they reach the end of their service life, rehabilitation is a feasible option, while their function is still acceptable.







The function and design of pipes has changed very little in the last 2000 years

On the other hand, the functionality of buildings, bridges and various other infrastructure can change in less than 100 years, therefore full replacement is required much more often. Think about the functionality of a bridge. In the 1910s it may have designed to accommodate the space and loading from a horsedrawn wagon, whereas in the 2020s the same bridge may be expected to accommodate a 45-tonne truck.

What do you personally enjoy most about working in the trenchless technology field?

One of the most enjoyable and elements of trenchless, is the ever-growing number of "tools" available within the "toolbox". It's fun to tackle challenges because there are usually several different ways of achieving the goals of project, and sometimes this involves thinking outside the box or combining multiple different trenchless methods. Brainstorming multiple approaches to a project, based on the information shared is engaging and rewarding, and is an approach I have instilled into the team at PW.

Witnessing progress is another big positive to this industry. Trenchless technologies are continuing to evolve, new methods are coming out all the time, and old technologies are becoming better. Take the pipe bursting field, we are proposing that the guidelines now set by NASTT and the IPBA are too conservative, based on the work we have completed. It is certainly not a static industry.





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From Unseen Risks to Unseen Data:

The Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) Transformed Geohazard Risk Management for HDDs

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Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) has been the trenchless workhorse of the pipeline industry for decades. In the Western Canadian Sedimentary Basin (WCSB), HDD became the dominant method of pipeline installation across rivers as early as the 1980s – and it's easy to understand why. Conventional construction through rivers is technically challenging, expensive, and environmentally disruptive. Worse, river channels migrate over time, exposing and even rupturing trenched pipelines during floods. HDD avoids these construction headaches, while also mitigating the integrity risk posed by rivers to a negligible threat.

Over time, however, another risk emerged – one that was largely unseen. Many HDD installations did not consider the presence of landslides on the valley slopes beside rivers. The result: HDDs avoided the river but often failed to avoid the landslides.

The Unseen Risk of HDD Crossings in Landslides

When HDDs intersect active landslides, they become the most likely place for geohazard failure on an entire pipeline system. The deep burial depth of HDDs amplifies the stresses imposed by ground movement.

A recent study showed that HDDs accounted for 35 percent of all landslide-related pipeline failures in Western Canada, even though they make up a much smaller fraction of landslide crossings. The failure rate for HDDs impacted by landslides is 15 times higher than for trenched pipelines.

And the consequences of failure are severe. Unlike trenched pipe, HDDs impacted by landslides cannot be dug up and stress-relieved. Once critically damaged, replacement is often the only option – leading to long outages, costly replacement bores, and the risk of environmental impact.

Identifying the riskiest HDDs is conceptually simple – find the HDDs that cross active landslides. In reality, it's an enormous



Figure 1. Landslide-pipeline intersections leading to failure by installation type. HDDs are far more vulnerable: out of 162 landslide intersections, HDDs produced 6 failures. By contrast, more than 4,000 intersections with trenched pipe led to only 11 failures

challenge. On average, pipelines in the WCSB cross a landslide every 16 km. Most of these are slow-moving landslides: creeping at millimeters per year, below the detection threshold of conventional methods, but moving fast enough to accumulate damaging strain over decades. Instrumenting every landslide is cost prohibitive. The industry needed a new tool.

Ultimately, the solution wasn't gathering new data. It was learning to leverage the data that was already there.

The Untapped Power of IMU

In-line inspection (ILI) tools have long been run through pipelines to detect corrosion, dents, and other anomalies. One type of ILI — the Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) — uses accelerometers and gyroscopes to measure tool orientation as it travels. From this, operators can reconstruct a 3D profile of the pipe's centerline.

For years, the value of IMU for geohazard management was largely unrecognized until a multi-disciplinary team responding to a landslide caused pipeline failure recognized that the IMU could have alerted the operator to landslide impact years before the



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"Landslide-caused bending can be spotted earlier and more reliably."

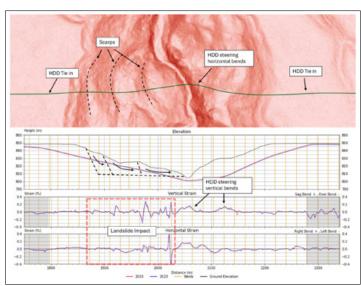


Figure 2. An IMU Bending Strain Signature of an HDD Impacted by a Landslide

failure. By carefully analyzing bend patterns, IMU can reveal whether a pipeline is being deformed by ground movement. In other words, the pipeline itself becomes the instrument, deforming in response to landslide loading.

This was a breakthrough. Where traditional geotechnical tools struggle to detect slow-moving landslides, IMU often revealed clear evidence of interaction. And unlike expensive slope instrumentation, IMU data already existed across tens of thousands of kilometers of pipeline.

IMU is particularly powerful for HDDs. Trenched sections often contain factory bends, field bends, and construction-induced roped bends that complicate interpretation. By contrast, HDDs have smooth, predictable curvature from installation. That "blank slate" means landslide-caused bending can be spotted earlier and more reliably, and provide insight into the activity of the landslide, whether the landslide and pipeline spatially intersect, and the strain demands on the pipeline.

The Results: Fewer Failures and Proactive Risk Management

As part of the systematic geohazard management programs BGC executes, we track both failure rates and "critical interventions."

Since 2015, annual failure rates have dropped by more than 10 times. Where we previously would have expected 6–8 failures per year, in recent years we've now had multiple years with zero failures.

Critical interventions represent sites where failure was imminent, but risk was identified in time for proactive action. More than 50 percent of these sites were first flagged by IMU data, underscoring its role as one of the most impactful tools in pipeline risk management.

Lesson Learned: Leverage the Data You Already Have

The IMU story carries a broader lesson: the most powerful data is often the data we already collect, but underutilize.

By learning to interpret IMU bending strain, the industry unlocked a tool that transformed landslide risk management for HDDs. It didn't require inventing new sensors or costly investigations – just smarter analytics.

Breaking New Ground: Managing HDD Installation Risk with Drilling Data

A similar opportunity is emerging on the construction side of HDD. Drilling rigs on HDD projects are often equipped with an Electronic Data Recorder (EDR), digitally recording drilling parameters such as torque, thrust, rate of penetration and rotations per minute.

Traditionally, these data have been used sparingly – often only to document production on the job. But the analysis and insights that can be generated through these data opens the door to a number of applications that could help improve the approach to managing risk, reducing costs and enhancing the capability of HDD.

For example, amassing clear, continuous, accessible records of drilling activities digitally from project-to-project provides a key tool for advanced risk analysis and planning by utilizing analytics to better understand and plan for the challenges and risks in upcoming projects. It also enables collaboration and transparency across project teams to assess the various parameters across the HDD operation and to provide a basis for decisions made during drilling. In addition, it enables significant learning and technical growth of HDD project teams to develop deep expertise.

Additionally, building on other qualitative geotechnical investigation techniques that have been conducted across the industry such as the geo-pilot bore, these data can also be used to leverage HDD as an alternative geotechnical investigation tool to provide a continuous quantitative profile of the drilling





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Figure 3. Example of drilling data indicating changes in ground conditions along an HDD pilot hole. (Image for representation only. Not actual project data)

parameters and identify changes in ground conditions. An example of this application is represented in Figure 3 where changes in mechanical specific energy (MSE) can indicate changes in ground conditions – in this case showing the intersection of the bedrock contact on either side of the valley.

BGC's Role: Turning Data into Insight

For more than 20 years, BGC Engineering has partnered with dozens of North America's largest pipeline operators to manage geohazard risk. Our team brings together geoscientists, engineers, and data scientists, and serves as a hub for industry-wide collaboration on the most challenging and impactful problems.

The IMU success story shows what happens when underutilized data is unlocked. The next chapter – drilling data – has the same potential.

Conclusion

HDD was once viewed as a silver bullet for crossing rivers and slopes. But in Western Canada, HDDs that intersect landslides became the most likely location for a geohazard caused failure.

IMU changed that. By unlocking the insights from the bending strain data that was already being collected, many geohazard-related failures were prevented.

"The pipeline itself becomes the instrument... this was a breakthrough!"

Now, the next frontier lies ahead. Just as IMU revealed unseen risks in operating HDDs, drilling data are poised to reveal unseen risks during HDD construction, enabling smarter, lower risk, and higher efficiency HDDs.



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routing, planning, design and construction. He has extensive experience with feasibility and risk assessments, and geotechnical drilling investigations for HDD projects.



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NASTT Membership

Boost Your Professional Presence:

Three Ways to Leverage NASTT on LinkedIn

By: Carolyn Hook, Membership Outreach & Database Manager

LinkedIn launched in 2003 and today has more than 1 billion members across 200 countries and territories. It's mission? "Connect the world's professionals to make them more productive and successful."

NASTT is reaching more than 7000 followers through LinkedIn connecting them daily to events, education, award programs, local networking, industry updates, resources and more.

Here's how you can become more productive and successful by following NASTT.



1. Announce that you follow NASTT.

Whether you're new to following us or have been for a while, announcing that you follow NASTT affirms your commitment to the trenchless industry and signals professionalism to your contacts, clients and potential employers.

"Excited to follow the North American Society for Trenchless Technology to stay connected to impactful updates in the industry. NASTT is a leader in trenchless best practices and industry leadership."

Don't forget to tag @NASTT and add hashtags like #TrenchlessTechnology #UndergroundConstruction.

2. Engage with NASTT content.

We love getting thumbs up and heart emojis. But you'll love the boost to your professional *presence* when you post an impactful comment. According to Ivana Todorovi, founder of AuthoredUp (authoredup.com) – a tool that makes regular people look like a pro on LinkedIn – an effective LinkedIn comment leaves the reader with something to think about. She suggests acknowledging the original post, adding value by bringing something new to the discussion and encouraging further response.

Skip the basics ("Great post," "Thanks," "I'll be there"). Instead, become an influencer with open-ended questions, stories and insights:

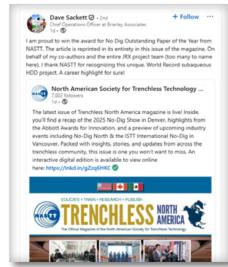
"This is a great NASTT event. Last year, our team returned with techniques we implemented immediately. We found a new client and collaborator for a project. This year @Company is bringing our young professionals to help them build their network. What will you be looking to accomplish?"

Todorović recommends skipping AI, negativity or hijacking the thread. Comment early and stick with 2-3 sentences (about 60 words) to maximize your reach.

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NASTT Learning: Practical Knowledge for Every Project

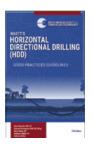


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- Andrea L. Long, PE, PME, Principal Engineer, Capital Projects, City of Aurora, CO

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It's Too Much Work: Volunteering is flexible. Yes, some projects, like supporting development of the technical tracks for the NASTT No-Dig Show and No-Dig North, take place over the course of a year and will require more time depending on the role you take. Joining a committee could mean a 60-minute meeting 4-6 times per year. With short-term projects, you can score applications, have one meeting and be done in 2 -3 weeks. Volunteer to help with registration and set up at a chapter event you were going to anyway and it won't even seem like work.





NASTT Membership

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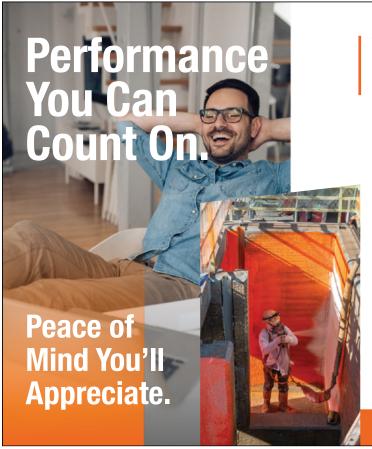
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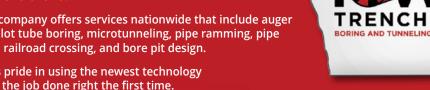
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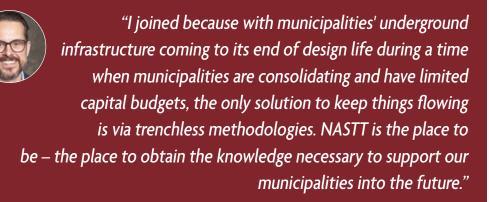
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"This critically important document provides the criteria for the proper design of an HDPE water main system," stated Camille George Rubeiz, P.E., F. ASCE, co-chair, HDPE Municipal Advisory Board, and senior director of engineering for the PPI Municipal & Industrial Division. "According to the latest United States Geological Survey, nearly 75 percent of the United States could experience an earthquake during the next 100 years that would cause significant damage to underground water mains. Professor O'Rourke's analysis of possible seismic events, lateral spreads and wave propagation hazards with formulas and charts provides the much needed data to help design a resilient water system."

The two primary seismic hazards to buried pipelines are wave propagation and permanent ground deformation. Because earthquakes are caused by movement at a fault, the resulting movement results in waves traveling away from the fault. These waves stretch and bend pipeline infrastructure at or near the ground surface and is referred to as the wave propagation (WP) hazard.

"The WP hazard occurs in all earthquakes and is most commonly quantified by the resulting ground strain," O'Rourke explained. "The WP hazard is also transitory in that after the shaking ends, the ground returns to its original prequake position. If the earthquake is large, it can also result in permanent offsets at the surface or movements of the ground (lateral spread hazard) both referred to as permanent ground deformation (PGD). The report addresses the lateral spread hazard and the strains due to PGD which are larger and hence more important than those due to WP."



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Mega-sized Machine crosses the Finish Line in Japan

A hard rock heavyweight crossed the finish line this spring with the successful breakthrough of a Robbins 13.67 m (44.8 feet) Slurry TBM in Hiroshima, Japan. The completion of the 1.4 km (0.9 mi) section of the Hiroshima Expressway Line 5 on April 30 is a landmark achievement in challenging geology, and marks the first time a foreign-made large-diameter Slurry TBM has been used to excavate hard rock in the country.

The 2,400 metric ton (2,650 US ton) Robbins TBM was deployed to excavate beneath Hiroshima's dense urban landscape for the Obayashi-Taisei-Kosei joint venture. The tunnel connects the city's urban center with a major national highway network and improves access to Hiroshima Airport.

"While there is little track record of large-diameter hard rock drilling with TBMs in Japan, Robbins' know-how and on-site support for disc cutters, which have a long track record in hard rock drilling, were excellent. We have been able to obtain great results and technical knowledge for future large-diameter slurry hard rock drilling work," said Mr. Tetsuya Taniguchi, Deputy Director of Obayashi.

The TBM was specially designed to handle the region's challenging geology, including granite formations with unconfined compressive strengths (UCS) of up to 130 MPa (19,000 psi). The cutterhead and other components were built



The 13.67 m (44.87 feet) diameter Robbins Slurry machine broke through this spring in Hiroshima, Japan

to withstand these abrasive rock conditions as well as high water pressure.

The machine's journey began long before its initial cut. Due to the confined urban site and tight



The mega-sized machine for the Obayashi-Taisei-Kosei joint venture bored the Hiroshima Expressway Line 5 tunnel

transportation restrictions, the TBM was assembled in sections, with each section being split into manageable weights and sizes. Once at the jobsite, which was only 30 meters (100 feet) wide by 60 meters (200 feet) long, the TBM was reassembled using Onsite First

Time Assembly (OFTA) – a process that enabled the team to meet a strict timeline of eight months for machine assembly.

The geology encountered was generally very massive, hard granite – while some fracture zones were expected to appear, crews conducted horizontal boring in front of the face every 50 m (160 feet) and these fracture zones were not found. "In addition, there was a section of low cover directly beneath a residential area, but we were able to pass through it safely by taking the appropriate measures to mitigate environmental impacts such as vibration, noise and ground surface displacement," said Mr. Taniguchi.

As the team moves closer to bringing the tunnel online, the success of the project proves the effectiveness of Slurry TBMs in challenging hard rock conditions. The completion of the tunnel for the project owner, Hiroshima Expressway Public Corporation, is also a boon to the region, supporting its growing economy and tourist sector.

"From the complex machine launch to breakthrough, we are proud of this tunnel being completed for the city of Hiroshima and congratulate the Obayashi-Taisei-Kosei JV. It will make a huge positive impact for the city," said Mr. Shinichi Konda, Robbins Chief Engineer.





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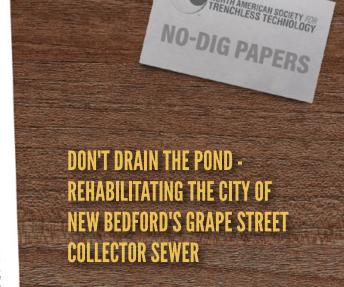
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Don't Drain the Pond - Rehabilitating the City of New **Bedford's Grape Street Collector Sewer**

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1. ABSTRACT

In the fall of 2018, the City of New Bedford (City) Department of Public Infrastructure (DPI) initiated a multi-sensor inspection (MSI) program of 40 miles of large diameter interceptors and collector sewers, and segmental block and brick sewers. This program included the inspection of the Grape Street Collector (GSC), comprised of approximately 12,900 linear feet (LF) of 36- to 72-inch diameter brick and vitrified clay (VC) pipe constructed in 1912. A portion of the 36-inch VC section of the GSC pipeline is located in an easement through the City's Fredrick Law Olmsted-designed Buttonwood Park and travels directly beneath Buttonwood Brook and Pond. Adjacent neighborhoods are serviced by lateral sewers that also flow under the Brook and Pond to the GSC. Inspections of these pipelines revealed broken pipe, cracks, intruding roots and excessive infiltration and inflow (I/I) through leaking joints and manholes. One manhole on the GSC, located within the extents of the Buttonwood Park Pond, was subject to substantial inflow.

To address these deficiencies, the City implemented a rehabilitation project to improve access and repair 2,000 This paper was selected as Outstanding Paper – Rehabilitation, from all the presentations at the 2025 NASTT No-Dig Show in Denver CO. NASTT No-Dig Papers are available for download, free to members, at www.nastt.org

LF of the GSC, including cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) lining, chemical root treatment, cementitious lining of manholes, adding new access manholes, and replacement of existing manhole frames and covers. This project was challenging to implement due to access constraints, complex by-pass pumping operations around the brook and pond, the need to maintain public access to park amenities throughout the project and coordinating work with existing Park projects. Work was successfully completed between March 2024 and October 2024. With the project complete, significant I/I has been removed from the City's collection system and the sewers are fully reinforced under the pond, with improved access for maintenance of the GSC.



2.0 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

In 2017, the City finalized a Long Term CSO Control and Integrated Capital Improvements Plan (Integrated Plan) that was developed in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) 2012 Integrated Municipal Stormwater and Wastewater Planning Approach Framework. The goal of the Integrated Plan was to capture all of the City's Clean Water Act obligations into a single roadmap of projects and programs that prioritized the City's most pressing needs. The Integrated Plan included eight priority needs areas: wastewater treatment; combined sewer overflows (CSOs); wastewater collection system; stormwater system; wet weather flooding; pumping stations; flood control structures; and organizational improvements.

One of the priorities identified by the Integrated Plan was the need to inspect and rehabilitate the City's sewer collection system. This included recommendations to implement a formalized I/I program as well as inspection of the City's major interceptors and collector sewers:

- A formal I/I program had not been completed on the system in over 30 years and no recent data existed on the sources and extent of I/I entering the system.
- 2. The City's interceptors and collector sewers are generally more than 75 years old and the structural condition and operation and maintenance (O&M) condition (i.e., sediment, infiltration, roots, pipe sags, etc.) for the majority of the pipelines was unknown. In total, approximately 40.7 miles of interceptors and collector sewers, large diameter concrete sewers, and brick/segmental block sideline sewers were recommended to be inspected as part of the program. Figure 1 shows and overview of the Interceptor and Collector Sewer network.

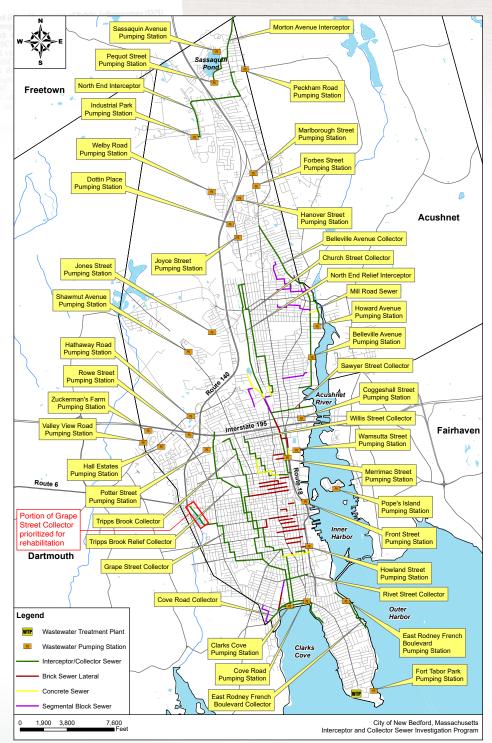


Figure 1: General Location Map of Interceptor and Collector Sewers and Brick Lateral Sewers

In 2017, the City began the process of implementing the first phase of the I/I program; a flow monitoring program. The flow monitoring program included assessment of 58 subareas covering approximately 103.5 miles of gravity sewer pipe to determine the general extent

of I/I entering the system. The study area focused on the sanitary portions of the City's sewer collection system (approximately 42 percent of the total system by length). The program identified excessive infiltration and/or inflow in 36 priority sub-areas, 21 of which exceeded





Figure 2: Manhole MH-5035 within Buttonwood Park Pond allowed inflow from the pond to enter the City's collection system.

both the infiltration and inflow thresholds. These 36 sub-areas account for approximately 77.4 miles of gravity sewer pipe. The GSC extended through several sub-areas.

In October 2018, the City began their interceptor and collector sewer investigation program (Investigation Program) of approximately 40.7 miles of interceptor and collector sewers. The Investigation Program included pipeline MSI consisting of National Association of Sanitary Sewer Companies (NASSCO) Pipeline Assessment Certification Program (PACP) compliant pipeline inspections as well as the collection of sonar data below the flow line to quantify levels of debris throughout the pipelines and lidar profiling above the flow line to determine pipeline integrity and defects. The Investigation Program found over 3,300 defects ranging in severity from minor PACP Grade 1 defects to major Grade 5 defects. In total, 98,000 LF (18.6 miles) of pipeline was recommended for rehabilitation at an estimate cost of \$56.7 million (2022 dollars).

The GSC, which was included in the flow monitoring program and the Investigation Program, was highlighted as a pipeline of concern. Flow monitoring data identified Sub-area 52,

located along the GSC, as the 12th highest sub-area based on the I/I severity (i.e., gallons per day per inch-mile of pipe), contributing an estimated 556,000 gpd of infiltration and 400,000 gallons of inflow to the system. Sub-areas 53 and 54 were located along lateral sewers connecting to the GSC and were ranked 3rd and 14th highest, respectively, in terms of I/I severity. MSI data identified numerous pipeline defects along the entire pipeline route such as root intrusion, broken pipes and offset joints, and a manhole (MH-5035) that was acting as a pond overflow (Figure 2). Due to the severity of I/I found to be entering the pipeline beneath Buttonwood Park Pond, the pipe condition and the potential impacts resulting from reconstruction of the Buttonwood Park Pond Dam, which the pipeline crosses under, the City decided to prioritize the repair of the uppermost reaches first (Refer to Figure 1 for location of work in comparison to the GSC location). The inspection work also identified the need to rehabilitate several lateral sewers that convey flow from adjacent neighborhoods to the GSC and are located under the Pond.

This paper will provide a summary of the following:

 Issues identified during GSC investigations including flow metering and the MSI program, and the need to

- coordinate projects which drove the prioritization of repairs.
- Design process and development of an approach to rehabilitate the pipelines while addressing City concerns related to impacts to the park and adjacent Pond and Brook.
- 3. Construction and implementation approach including the CIPP lining process, manhole rehabilitation, by-pass pumping approaches to mitigate interference with existing park activities and navigating the Brook and Pond.
- Lessons learned during construction and by-pass pumping operations during rehabilitation of the pipeline and manholes.
- 5. Project results.

2.1 Department of Public Infrastructure

The City's Department of Public Infrastructure (DPI) is a multi-faceted City department consisting of seven separate divisions: Water, Wastewater, Highways, Engineering, Greenspace Maintenance, Cemeteries and Forestry. This structure breaks down the traditional silos of municipal government and allows the Department the flexibility of managing projects, programs and staff to gain efficiencies and cost savings, and promotes the integrated approach outlined in the Integrated Plan. The DPI is responsible for the implementation and management of the approximate \$1.78 billion Integrated Plan.

3.0 SYSTEM AND PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The City's sewer collection system is comprised of approximately 259 miles of sanitary and combined gravity and pressure sewers ranging from 6- to 96-inch in diameter. In addition, there are approximately 164 miles of separate storm drains. The network of interceptors and collector sewers convey combined, sanitary, and stormwater flows to the City's Main



Intercepting Sewer (Main Interceptor) which transports the flow to the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). Many of the City's older collectors and interceptors are constructed of brick, segmental block, reinforced concrete (RC), and vitrified clay (VC).

Figure 1 shows the general location of the brick, segmental block and concrete sewers, interceptors and collector sewers and highlights the portion of the GSC included for rehabilitation as part of this project.

4.0 GRAPE STREET COLLECTOR

The GSC is located in the southwest section of the City between Route 6 and Clarks Cove. The surrounding area is primarily residential and is bounded to the south by the Rural Cemetery. The northern portion of the collector crosses through Buttonwood Park. Refer to Figure 1 for the location of the entire GSC.

4.1 Description

The GSC is approximately 12,900 feet in length, originating at the intersection of Kempton Street and Oesting Street and ultimately discharging to the Rivet Street Collector at the intersection of Bonney Street and Rivet Street. The collector ranges in size from 36-inch to 72-inch diameter and is primarily comprised of brick, RC and VC pipe. At the upstream end, the GSC flows south from Kempton Street to Lieutenant Walter E. Fuller Memorial Parkway, which requires crossing beneath Buttonwood Park Pond (see Figure 3). This portion of the collector is 36-inch diameter VC pipe. An 18-inch diameter VC sewer main from Brownell Avenue discharges to the GSC just north of Buttonwood Park Pond. An 8-inch diameter cast iron (CI) sewer main from Brownell Avenue also crosses beneath the pond and discharges to the GSC near the dead end of Lake Street.

4.2 Nature Of The Problem

The GSC was originally constructed in 1912 to collect flow from expanding service areas in the west and central areas of New Bedford. Over time, the pipeline was extended north as the City continued to expand, eventually requiring service to Buttonwood Park and the areas west and north. To serve these areas, the GSC was extended northerly and was constructed in conjunction with the Fredrick Law Olmstead-designed Buttonwood Park. This included the construction of the Buttonwood Park Pond and Buttonwood Park Pond Dam. The Dam and Pond were constructed on Buttonwood Brook to provide recreational opportunities and a gateway entrance to the park. In addition, to accommodate alignment of the GSC with park aesthetics, the pipeline and tributary sewers were built in the flood waters of the Pond and under the dam.







Figure 3: Portion of the Grape Street Collector Sewer Prioritized for Rehabilitation

Since construction of the Pond and Dam, the areas to the north of the pond eventually became wooded and overgrown. Challenges associated with maintaining pipelines under a dam and pond prohibited normal maintenance of the sewer pipes.

In 2017, the City began the process of implementing a flow monitoring



Figure 4: General Location of Sub-Areas 52, 53 and 54

program of its sanitary sewer system and MSI program of its major collector sewers and interceptors. The results of the programs showed that the area where the northern reaches of the GSC serviced, were some of the worst areas in terms of I/I. Based on the metering data, Sub-Areas 52, 53 and 54 contributed more than 7.3 percent of the total calculated I/I and represented 52 inch-miles of pipe out of a total 1,236 inchmiles included in the program (4.2 percent). All three subareas exceeded the excessive infiltration and inflow thresholds set by Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP). The infiltration threshold is a severity of 4,000 gpd/in-mi and the excessive inflow threshold is the highest severity subareas accounting for 80 percent of the total calculated inflow. See Figure 4 for the general location of Sub-Areas 52, 53 and 54 in relation to the GSC.

MSI data collected under the Investigation Program found that the pipeline had a number of defects such as roots, broken pipe segments and joints, sediment build-up, and infiltration (Figure 5). Follow-up closed circuit television (CCTV) inspection of the lateral sewers that serve the neighborhoods to the west of the park exhibited similar issues as the GSC. These defects, combined with the fact that one of the lateral sewer manholes was located on the Pond bank and one of the manholes on the GSC was located in the Pond, which was acting as a pond



overflow, confirmed the results of the flow monitoring program.

The need to address structural and O&M issues along the pipeline as well as the need to reinforce the pipeline to support future restoration of the Pond and Dam brought this project to the forefront of the City's capital plan.

5.0 PROJECT DEVELOPMENT, DESIGN AND PERMITTING

The following summarizes the development of the project and its design as well as the approach used to permit the work.

5.1 Project And Design Development

To meet the schedule outlined in the Integrated Plan, the City applied for a low interest loan through the MassDEP Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) program in August 2018 which was subsequently awarded in March 2019 on the CWSRF Intended Use Plan (IUP).



Figure 5: Typical defects observed along the GSC and broken pipe along the 18-inch diameter lateral sewer

The City contracted with CDM Smith Inc. (CDM Smith) to begin designing and permitting the GSC rehabilitation with an expected design completion and project award of June 2021. However, due to funding constraints associated with the COVID 19 pandemic, the project design was halted until funding for construction was in place. As a result of the almost two-year delay in design work, the City was required to re-apply for CWSRF construction

funding in August 2021 which was approved in May 2022 for \$5,800,000.

The initial proposed schedule would have allowed follow-up work on several planned projects in the same location which included rehabilitation of the dam and construction of green infrastructure associated with the addressing water quality in Buttonwood Brook. Unfortunately, the delay in starting the project created a schedule conflict which



complicated the GSC rehabilitation project. To address the scheduling conflict with other planned projects, the City and CDM Smith needed to develop an approach to implement the green infrastructure construction and GSC work simultaneously.

5.1.1 Design Challenges

The location of the project created unique design challenges including:

- Accessing manholes located in wooded wetland resource areas during construction
- 2. Accessing and rehabilitating manholes located in the pond
- Bypassing sewage flow within the City's over/under system (i.e., storm drain constructed parallel with and directly above the sanitary sewer)
- Mitigating construction related impacts to the Buttonwood Senior Center
- 5. Mitigating traffic impacts along Kempton Street
- 6. Developing a design that allowed continued service of the GSC and tributary sewers while minimizing impacts to Buttonwood Park Pond and Buttonwood Brook
- 7. Allowing continued use of the Buttonwood Park multi-use path during construction
- 8. Coordinating simultaneous green infrastructure projects in the same location

Through a series of design workshops with the City and public outreach meetings with the local neighborhood association, members of the City Council, and Friends of Buttonwood Park, an approach was developed that addressed both the City's and resident's concerns regarding the project and a coordinated approach to simultaneous project implementation.

5.1.2 Accessing Manholes in Wetland Areas and the Pond

Several manholes on the GSC are located in a forested wetland area adjacent to the Brook and Pond. Completed NASSCO Manhole Assessment Certification
Program (MACP) Level 1 manhole
inspections indicated that these
manholes had vented covers, were in low
lying areas and subject to inundation and
flooding. Defects identified within the
manholes included root intrusion, leaking
pipe connections, and signs of staining on
manhole walls indicative of I/I. Figure 6
shows photos of manhole MH-5294 from
the manhole inspection program.

One manhole was located directly in Buttonwood Park Pond at the end of Lake Street near the Buttonwood Senior Center. This manhole was identified as leaking considerably and acting as a pond overflow (Figure 2). A second manhole was found to be located directly adjacent to the Pond bank. This manhole was located on the 8-in lateral sewer that flows under Buttonwood Park Pond.

Based on the NASSCO MACP manhole inspections, it was determined that the manholes along the GSC and those along the lateral sewers needed to be rehabilitated. Cleaning followed by chemical root control and cementitious lining along with replacement of existing frames and covers was recommended with flexible chimney liners to ensure a tight seal between the manhole fame and cone section. For those manholes in the wooded wetland area, watertight frames and covers along with polyethylene manhole inflow covers were recommended. Epoxy lining was considered; however, because there was no indication of excessive hydrogen sulfide or other corrosion issues, it was not recommended.

Additional measures for the manholes located on the pond bank and within the Pond were proposed to mitigate water from the Pond entering the collection system. For the manhole adjacent to the Senior Center in the Pond, it was proposed in the contract documents to construct a small cofferdam around the manhole and completely replace





Figure 6: Existing Manhole MH-5294

the cone section with a new watertight structure. A flexible chimney liner was also recommended to create a watertight joint between the new cone section and manhole barrel followed by replacement of the frame and cover with a watertight casting and lining of the manhole.

The manhole adjacent to the pond bank was recommended to be abandoned in place as part of the lining of the 8-in lateral sewer. Following lining of the sewer thru the manhole, the structure would be filled, and the frame and cover removed. A new manhole was proposed away from the pond bank allowing easier access and mitigating flooding potential from the pond.

Access to all manholes was a challenge especially those located in the wooded areas. For those structures, it was recommended that a "cart" path be constructed using natural mulch or timbers to stabilize the ground surface to mitigate rutting and protect exposed or shallow root systems in the wetland areas. This approach was developed in cooperation with the local Conservation Commission to mitigate impacts to wetland resource areas.

5.1.3 Pipeline Rehabilitation Approach

Selection of the most appropriate and cost-effective approach to rehabilitating the GSC and lateral sewers under Buttonwood Park Pond required careful consideration of access requirements,



maintenance of flows, provisions should equipment become lodged in one of the pipelines under the pond during construction and the ability to minimize disturbance to use of the Park and Senior Center.

5.1.3.1 Liner Selection and Design

The project contains approximately 1,130 LF of 8- to 18-inch diameter lateral sewers and 1,930-feet of the 36-inch diameter GSC pipeline that required rehabilitation. As previously mentioned, pipeline inspection data of the GSC and lateral sewers indicated that roots were prevalent along all pipeline reaches. In addition, leaking joints and broken/offset joints also existed along all pipeline reaches. Debris within the GSC also needed to be removed prior to any type of rehabilitation.

At the southerly end of the GSC which was proposed to be rehabilitated, the pipeline was constructed with

a radius of approximately 750-ft with reverse curvature to a radius of 1,175-ft followed by a radius of 50-ft (Figure 7). These radii made it a challenge to select a rehabilitation approach that could navigate the bends without the need for the construction of access pits or manholes.

The difference in pipe diameter, the pipe radii, the challenges associated with flow maintenance and access to manholes, identified pipeline defects and the need to mitigate impacts to the Brook, Pond and maintain access to park amenities like the multi-use path drove decision-making on the selection of liner alternatives and ultimately the recommended approach to pipeline rehabilitation. The following list summarizes the alternatives considered to rehabilitate the pipelines:

- 1. Cured in Place Pipe Liner
 - a. Steam or hot water curing
 - b. Ultraviolet light curing

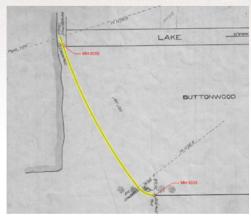


Figure 7: GSC record drawing showing design radius

- 2. Slip Lining
 - a. Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) pipe lining
 - b. Swagelining with High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) pipe
- 3. Spin Cast or Spray-on Lining
- 4. Joint Testing and Sealing
- 5. Chemical Root Control





Figure 8 below shows the results of the alternatives analysis completed to support the selection of the most appropriate rehabilitation method. One of the key considerations was the range of use and the ability of the rehabilitation approach to be utilized on both small and larger diameter pipes.

As shown, three alternatives ranked highly in the comparative analysis, primarily driven by their ability to be flexible with the implementation on both smaller and larger diameter pipelines, navigating pipe bends, as well as the need to mitigate disturbance to the Buttonwood Park and Brook.

Ultimately, CIPP lining was selected in combination with joint testing and sealing and chemical root control. It was determined that the project would leave the selection of the curing method to the contractor based on means and methods of construction. The alternatives analysis did show, however, that with the selection of CIPP lining, management of flows would be the biggest implementation hurdle to overcome.

Slip lining with FRP pipe was given strong consideration for this project due to its ability to be constructed under live flow; however, its uses on smaller diameter pipelines and the need for construction of larger access pits brought down its ranking. Similarly for swage lining, access issues and maintenance of flow also were drivers for not selecting these methods. It was determined that spin

cast lining was not cost-competitive in smaller diameters over traditional CIPP lining.

5.1.3.2 Maintenance of Flow

The biggest challenge of the project design was to develop an approach for maintenance of flow during the lining process. The following obstacles created challenges for the development of an approach to maintain flows on the project:

- Flows in the GSC ranged between
 mgd and 5.8 mgd depending on the time of day and weather conditions.
- 2. Most of the flow from the north comes from an existing 27-in sewer that is constructed in an "over-under" manner with a 36-in storm drain. The 27-in sewer pipe connects to a manhole on the GSC located in a grassed area just prior to the wooded wetland area. Over-under sewers are prevalent in New Bedford and consist of a drain and sewer line in a common trench with the drain line typically stacked directly over the sewer line. Refer to Figure 9.
- 3. Routing of flows from the northerly end of the project to the southerly end of the project requires crossing of the Buttonwood Park multi-use path, the Brook and depending on the by-pass piping route, the Pond.
- 4. The most upstream manhole of the area to be rehabilitated is

located in Kempton Street, a major City roadway.

The wide range of flows, the Brook and Pond, traffic mitigation and ensuring that the multi-use path remained operational throughout construction created a challenge for selection of the best method for maintenance of flows.

Following assessment of locations to by-pass pump from and to, it was determined that pumping from the upstream manhole of GSC which is located in Kempton Street was not possible due to traffic issues, nor was it needed as minimal flow was conveyed from the pipe from the west. Most of the flow to the GSC was being conveyed from the 27-in sewer from the north. Unfortunately, due to lack of access along the 27-in sewer, it was determined that new access manholes would be needed on the over-under sewer and drain system.

Providing access would mean constructing an offset drain manhole and a new sewer manhole directly over the sewer pipe. Although not an "ideal" solution as it results in the drain being installed with horizontal pipe bends, it was determined with the City that it would be best for the drain to have the bends and the sewer to continue straight allowing easier lining in the future and for future inspection. The only available location for these new manholes was determined to be in the share-use path. Figure 10 shows the final recommended design.

			Maintenance of	Traffic	Disturbance to	Range of Use	Disturbance to		
Liner Alternatives	Fisk	Access	Flow	Impacts	Park Amenities	(small and large)	Pond/Brook	Cost	Ranking
Cured in Place Pipe									
Steam or hot water curing									1a
UVCuring									1b
Sip Lining									3
Swage Lining									4
Spin Cast or Spray-on Lining									5
Spin Cast or Spray-on Lining Joint Testing and Sealing									1c
Chemical Root Control									2

Figure 8: Comparative Analysis of Rehabilitation Alternatives





Figure 9: Record plan of over-under system flowing to Grape Street Collector

Once it was determined where flows could be by-pass pumped from and to, determining a route of the by-pass main was then required. Following discussions with the City, three alternatives were developed for inclusion in the contract documents. Figure 11 shows each alternative that was considered during the design phase and discussed with the awarded contractor.

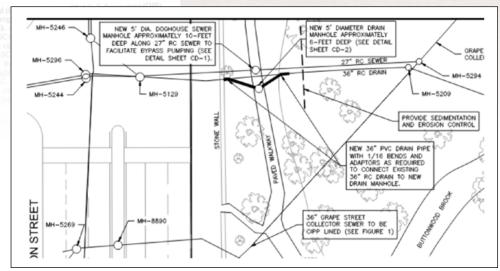


Figure 10: Over-under Sewer Access Design

Alternative 1 - Ilion Street Route:

Alternative 1 involved the construction of a by-pass force main from the new sewer manhole in the shared-use path to the east along the Veteran's Center access roadway to Ilion Street

then southerly and easterly through a wooded area to Oneida Street. From there, the force main would be constructed southerly, crossing Lake Street and the Senior Center parking lot to an existing manhole on the GSC.





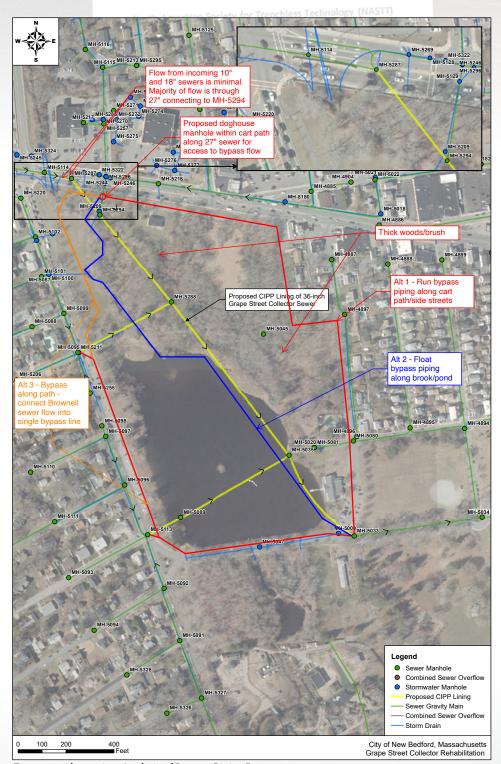


Figure 11: Alternatives Analysis of By-pass Piping Route

This alternative does not address flows from the lateral sewers that connect to the GSC which would have been handled separately.

Alternative 2 - Floated Pond Crossing:

This alternative involved a more direct route going south along the Brook and across the Pond to a manhole on GSC.

This would require floating the pipe on the Pond but would mitigate any disturbance to City streets and wooded areas that would be required under Alternative 1. Similar to Alternative 1, this alternative does not address flows from the lateral sewers that connect to the GSC.

Alternative 3 - Brownell Avenue Route:

Alternative 3 involves construction of a by-pass force main along Brownell Avenue. A force main would be installed from the new manhole in the shared-use path westerly, across Buttonwood Brook, then southerly in an open grass area, along the existing shared-use path, crossing the Pond at Fuller Memorial Park Way on the Dam to the manhole on the GSC. This approach could pick up flow from the lateral sewers that cross under the pond to the GSC but would cross the areas proposed for green infrastructure.

5.1.3.3 Traffic Mitigation

The upstream manhole of the GSC (MH-5287) is located at the intersection of a major highway (Route 140) and Kempton Street; one of the busiest streets in the City. Kempton Street is a major connector roadway from the adjacent Town of Dartmouth and Route 140 into downtown New Bedford and other historic points, including Buttonwood Park.

The recommended approach for rehabilitation of the pipeline and by-passing of flows needed to minimize traffic disturbance to the greatest extent possible.

Several options were developed to mitigate traffic disturbance coordinated with selection of the pipeline rehabilitation and flow management approaches. This included options to limit work areas to a single lane of traffic, fully closing the east bound travel lanes and diverting traffic around the work area using a portion of the west bound lanes, a full detour around the work site using





Figure 12: Kempton Street looking west at upstream manhole on Grape Street Collector located in the median

adjacent City streets or determining an approach to line from the park northerly to capture the upstream reach and bypass pump from the Park.

It was determined that lining the GSC pipe reach that extended from the park northerly to Kempton Street from the Park would be the best alternative to mitigate traffic disturbance in Kempton Street.

5.1.3.4 Liner Implementation Approach

Following selection of a preferred liner alternative, developing feasible by-pass piping options and development of traffic mitigation strategies, determining a constructable liner implementation approach was needed. Constraints associated with maintenance of flow, minimizing traffic disturbance and lack of access to manholes in the wooded wetland area created challenges in development of an implementable approach. Although the final approach would ultimately be left up to the contractor, both CDM Smith and the City wanted to make sure that a constructable approach was developed and provided to the contractors in the bid documents as a "suggested" sequence of construction.

Although not ideal, a design solution was developed that included lining from a manhole in the park. This approach was determined to be the most appropriate solution to mitigate traffic disturbance in Kempton Street while still maintaining access to the shared-use path. This

approach did create a challenge for lining of the GSC. Once it was determined that lining from the park could be completed, this forced a longer liner length to a manhole with no access in the wooded wetland area. The next closes manhole was approximately 800-ft south.

To address the lack of access and longer liner lengths, a leap-frog scenario was developed such that the contractor could line from a single manhole north and south and then leap-frog downstream where access was available and complete the same type of lining approach until all reaches of the GSC were lined.

5.1.3.5 Liner Design

Following selection of the lining approach using CIPP, a liner design was developed. The design approach included a Fully Deteriorated Gravity Pipe Condition design under ASTM F1216 for maximum structural strength and durability. Although much of the pipeline was not subject to traffic loading because it is in the park area, a more robust liner design was selected due to the future possibility of pond dredging activities and reconstruction of the dam. Large construction equipment would have to be used over the pipeline and the City did not want any damage to occur.

End seals were required as well as pre-sealing of any infiltration along the pipeline route to mitigate water entering behind the liner. A two-year warrantee was required. A minimum liner thickness for pipes 12-in and larger was set to 6 mm and all liner design was established with a minimum service life of 50 years. The following summarizes key design parameters which were governed by ASTM F1216, ASTM F1743, ASTM F2019 and ASTM D5813 for minimum initial and long-term properties of the liner:

5.2 Project Permitting

As part of the CWSRF application, all applicable construction-related permits are required to be identified at the time of application submission and obtained prior to receiving MassDEP's Permission to Advertise and Authorization to Award. For this project, a Notice of Intent (NOI) was filed with the MassDEP and application submitted to the New Bedford Conservation Commission. Following presentation of the project to the Conservation Commission, an Order of Conditions was issued by the Commission and appended to the construction contract specifications.

Close coordination upfront in the project design with the Conservation Commission helped to streamline the permitting process. As part of this process, the project team developed a route of the proposed "cart path" and the use of organic wood chips to access the manholes in the wooded areas. In addition, an approach to minimize disturbance to the manhole in the pond was developed that included use of oil-sorbent booms, sandbags, and the construction of a working platform around the manhole.

6.0 PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

In August 2023, the GSC rehabilitation project was publicly bid. Three bids were received for the project, with prices ranging from \$994,994 to \$1,394,059. The project was awarded to low bidder Green Mountain Pipeline Services (Green Mountain) of Bethel Vermont in the amount of \$994,994 which resulted in a total project cost of approximately \$2,355,344 that included construction, contingency, police details and engineering services during construction.

Property	Test Method	Initial (psi)	Long Term (psi)
Flexural Strength	ASTM D 790	4,500	2,250
Flexural Modulus of Elasticity	ASTM D 790	350,000	175,000





In June 2024, Green Mountain was acquired by Azuria Water Solutions (Azuria); formally Aegion Corporation (Aegion) which was rebranded to Azuria in April 2024. For the purposes of this paper, Azuria will be called by its subsidiary Insituform which completed most of the project work.

6.1 Mobilization And By-Pass Pumping

In March 2024, Insituform's subcontractor mobilized to the site to begin installation of a doghouse manhole at the northern end of the project area for use as a bypass suction manhole. Insituform also began installation of the 18-inch SDR 17 HDPE bypass piping. Due to the GSC being located within the combined portion of the City's sewer collection system, the Contract Specifications included a provision for the Contractor to submit a wet weather bypass plan. Based on flow monitoring data collected between March 6 and May 31, 2017, the 36-inch GSC had an average dry weather flow of approximately 900 gallons per minute (gpm) and a peak wet weather flow of close to 4,000 gpm. Data was collected in 15-minute intervals utilizing area-velocity sensors.



Figure 13: Bypass Pumps at Upstream GSC Manhole



Figure 14: Bypass Discharge at MH-5034 and Brook Crossing

By-pass pumping Alternative 3 was selected by Insituform to by-pass flows around the project area. The only major difference in the approach implemented was the use of the next adjacent manhole downstream from that shown (MH-5034) on Figure 11. This allowed access for Insituform to line to this manhole and not have to work around discharge piping.

The bypass pumping setup for the GSC consisted of two Godwin CD225M 8-inch pumps operated in a primary/standby configuration. Both pumps utilized the same suction manhole (new sewer doghouse manhole) which was plugged at the outgoing pipe. Discharge lines were isolated with check valves and combined into a single 18-inch line. Figure 13 shows the GSC bypass pumping setup. The 18-inch and 10-inch sideline sewers were bypassed using CD100M 4-inch pumps operated in a primary/stand-by configuration. Flows were pumped to 4-inch saddle taps along the 18-inch HDPE bypass pipe.

The bypass piping extended approximately 3,100 LF from the new sewer doghouse manhole to existing manhole MH-5034, located within a rotary at the intersection of Lieutenant Walter E. Fuller Memorial Parkway and Buttonwood Street. Figure 14 shows the discharge configuration at MH 5034 and the brook crossing at the shareduse path.

The majority of the bypass piping was installed along the ground surface with only one location requiring the piping to be buried at the entrance to the Buttonwood Park Senior Center as shown in Figure 15.

HDPE saddled vents were installed every 800-1,000 LF and at all high points along the bypass piping for air release purposes. In coordination with the New Bedford Police Department, a portion of the round-a-bout was temporarily closed for the bypass piping and discharge (Figure 13). A New Bedford Police Officer was stationed at the rotary for the duration of the bypass operation.

Where required, air release valves were installed along the pipeline route. This occurred at approximately every 800 feet and at high points along the pipeline route. Figure 16 shows a typical air release valve setup and laydown of above ground piping.

6.2 Pipeline Rehabilitation

Prior to CIPP lining, pipelines within the wooded area of the park were treated with a chemical root control application to ensure complete removal of the intruding roots prior to installation of the liners. Following chemical root





Figure 15: Buried by-pass piping at the Senior Center

treatment, the pipelines were cleaned, and CCTV inspected to verify the existing condition of the pipes. Based on the Contractor's pre-construction inspection, all pipelines were confirmed suitable for CIPP lining without any additional repairs including the portion with horizontal bends.

All CIPP liners were installed utilizing air inversion and steam curing, except the

reach between MH-5288 and MH-5035 which was installed using water inversion and hot water curing. Several factors contributed to the decision to install this liner using water inversion, including limited access to upstream manhole MH-5288, preference to install from the downstream manhole MH-5035, the diameter and length of the pipe being 36-inch and 800-feet, respectively, access

to water and the ability to discharge back

minimize disturbance of the park. See Figure 17 for a photo of the CIPP liner installation at manhole MH-5035 which is located in the Pond. All liners were installed successfully

into the sewer system, and the desire to

with no reported issues. Following installation of the liners, the Contractor completed a post-construction CCTV inspection of each pipe reach (manhole to manhole). CDM Smith review of the CCTV tapes concluded that the liners were installed properly and satisfactorily.

6.3 Manhole Rehabilitation

Manhole rehabilitation generally included the replacement of existing frames and covers, installation of a cementitious monolithic manhole lining system (CMMLS), application of a flexible chimney liner to the top vertical foot of the cementitious liner, and the installation of polyethylene inserts in GSC manholes north of the pond. See Figure 18 for a photo showing the installation of the CMMLS within manhole MH-5033.

In addition to this rehabilitation, two new sewer manholes and one new drain manhole were installed as part of the project. The first sewer manhole was a doghouse style manhole installed along the 27-inch RC sewer upstream of the GSC and located at the north end of the project site to facilitate bypass pumping operations, as previously mentioned. The new drain manhole was installed along the 36-inch drain pipe which diverted the drain around the new doghouse sewer manhole. Refer to Section 5.1.3.2 above for a detailed description of the design. The second sewer manhole replaced existing manhole MH-5089 located along the 10inch VC sewer at the south-west edge of Buttonwood Park Pond (Figure 19). The final rehabilitation of Manhole MH-5035 included the installation of 10foot by 10-foot concrete pad centered



Figure 16: Typical Air Release Valve and Above Ground Piping



Figure 17: CIPP Installation at MH-5035





Figure 18: Manhole 5033 Pre-lining and cementitious lining application



Figure 19: Existing manhole MH-5089



Figure 20: Rehabilitated manhole MH-5035

around the manhole to improve access to the manhole for the CIPP lining effort. The top section of the manhole was replaced with a precast concrete flat-top section and an additional precast concrete riser section to elevate the manhole above the surface elevation of the pond (Figure 20). Construction at manhole MH-5035 required the installation of a turbidity curtain to prevent transport of sediment into the pond, and a cofferdam to create a dry work environment. Once complete, 6-inch riprap was installed around the concrete pad to facilitate access to the manhole. Permanent installation of the riprap was included in the NOI and approved by the New Bedford Conservation Commission.

7.0 PROJECT RESULTS

The Grape Street Collector Rehabilitation project was completed with only minor issues and considered a successful project by the Owner, Engineer, and Contractor. The liner was successfully installed in the pipes under the pond and along the GSC including those segments with horizontal bends. Figure 21 shows images of the installed liner. Lessons Learned Key lessons learned during the project included the following:

 Coordination with stakeholders results in minimal disruptions and concerns: The multiple meetings that were held prior to the start of construction engaged key stakeholders such as the Friends of Buttonwood Park, the local ward councilor, and residents. As a result of this outreach, minimal complaints were received from the public during construction. In addition, the design team and City were able to listen to concerns from the public and integrate solutions to address those concerns in the contract documents. This helped ensure that the recreational facilities were in use through the duration of the project with minimal disruption.

Even with the multiple meetings and outreach completed as part of this project, communication with internal City Departments could have been better. Although aware of the project, the City's Parks, Recreation and Beach's Department (who manages park activities but not the upkeep of the parks) could have been better informed of the details of the project. The Department did not have any concerns regarding the proposed work, especially with the issuance of an Order of Conditions from the Conservation Commission: however, they expressed frustration that they were not made aware of the project in greater detail. This was a good reminder to take time to think through all stakeholders at the onset of any project.



Figure 21: Installed liner along 36-inch GSC at the horizontal bend downstream of manhole MH-5035 (left photo) and installed liner along 18-inch lateral sewer (right photo)



2. Additional time to think about constructability of the project during design leads to streamlined construction and sequencing:

The design of the project carefully considered constructability and sequencing especially bypass pumping alternatives and installation of the CIPP lining. Although this led to a longer design schedule; it minimized downtime, minimized disturbance to park facilities and reduced the potential for change orders resulting from lack of coordinated efforts. In addition, the sequencing allowed coordination between projects within the park to ensure that work would not interfere with other ongoing activities.

3. Over-under sewers create challenges during construction:

One of the biggest challenges of the project was working on the over-under systems. Constructability issues were apparent while attempting to replace manhole MH-5089 located immediately adjacent to the Buttonwood Park Pond. This manhole was also located along a sewer that was installed directly below a 12-inch drain pipe. The record drawing for the sewer showed this configuration and also showed the drain pipe being diverted around the south side of the manhole structure. To increase the distance between the pond and the new manhole, the new manhole was proposed to be located approximately 7-feet upstream of the existing manhole. This located the new manhole along the portion of the sewer that was directly below the drain pipe. Both the existing 10-inch sewer and 12-inch drain were shown on the plan, but a proposed relocation of the drain pipe around the new structure was not shown or called out. As a result, the subcontractor performing the

manhole replacement hit the top of the drain pipe causing the pond to begin to enter the excavation. The subcontractor had to use multiple pumps to lower the water enough to make an emergency repair along the drain pipe.

- 4. Contract documents were clear; however, payment methods could have better aligned with certain subcontractor work: The measurement and payment for the project was carefully thought out; however, consideration regarding subcontractor work for the general contractor could have been better defined. Since the project included the removal and replacement of existing frames and covers, the removal of manhole top sections to facilitate CIPP lining of the pipelines was included in the CIPP lining bid item. This was known by the Contractor at the time of bid and did not result in a dispute; however, the Contractor noted that work on manhole structures is typically performed by a subcontractor (not the lining contractor) and inclusion of this work in the CIPP lining item(s) makes it challenging to modify CIPP bid quantities during construction, especially if additional work is requested by the Owner. Since the type of work and entity performing the work are different, it is best to keep the unit prices separate.
- 5. Identifying a staging area and location to dispose of grit prior to construction rather than during pre-construction meeting: The contract documents identified that the Contractor was not responsible for the cost of the grit disposal. In addition, the contract documents also required the contractor to locate a staging area at their cost. During the pre-construction meeting for the project, the City noted that the Contractor was responsible for finding space to store their equipment but could dispose of grit at the septage receiving facility. Based on discussions with the Contractor, they had no issues

with that but felt that it would be more beneficial to identify a staging area and location to dispose of grit up front in the contract documents rather than during the pre-construction meeting.

8.0 CONCLUSIONS

The project was a success. It was completed on budget and schedule with no issues or disruption to the use of the park. Careful planning, coordination with various other park activities, and communication with project stakeholders were key to its success. Construction considerations such as bypass pumping, pipe lining staging and setups, access to manholes along the wooded easement, traffic management and pedestrian safety were evaluated early in the design to ensure project success. During the design phase of the GSC Rehabilitation project, the design team coordinated closely with the New Bedford Conservation Agent, The Friends of Buttonwood Park, designers working on other City projects in close proximity to this project, and various lining contractors.

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