



# PROVENTECHNOLOGIES, NEW WAYS OF THINKING

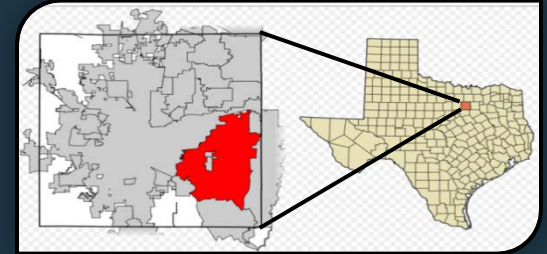
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# THE CITY OF ARLINGTON



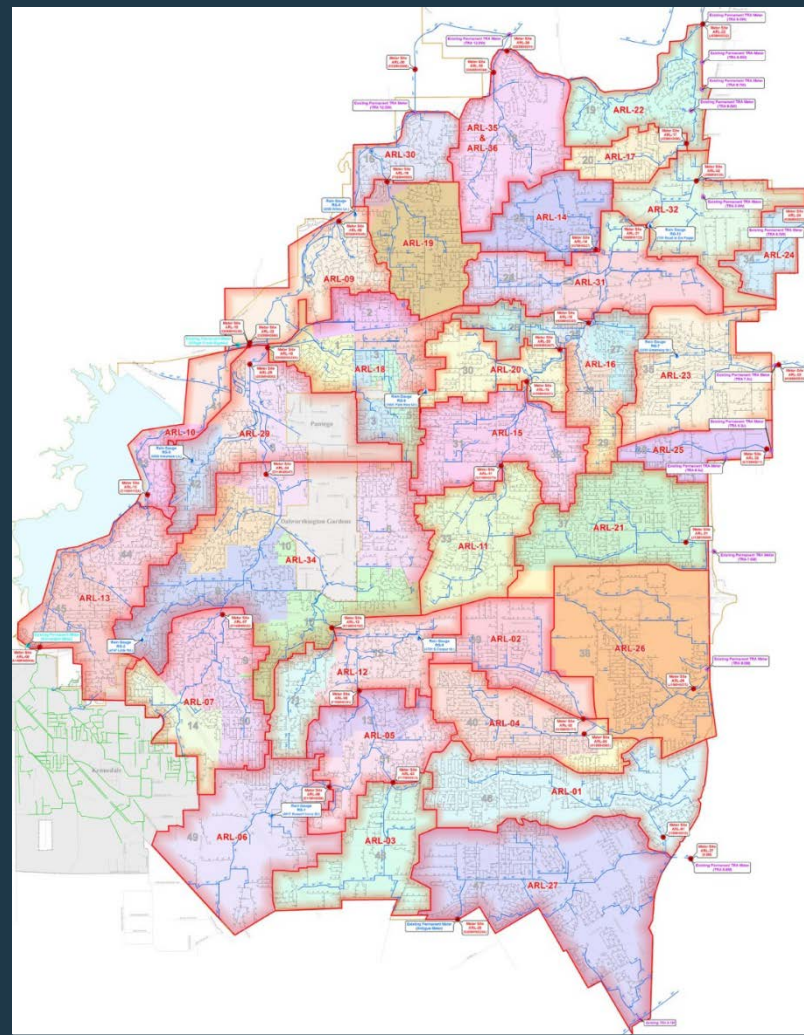
- Centered in the Dallas/Fort Worth metropolitan area
- Population over 370,000 (50th Largest in USA)
- City of Arlington is home to The University of Texas at Arlington, General Motors, D R Horton, The Original Six Flags, The Texas Rangers and The Dallas Cowboys



# ARLINGTON WATER UTILITIES



- Daily Water Demands 35 MGD to 115 MGD
- Rated Water Production Capacity of 172.5 MGD
- 1,425 Miles of Public Water Main
  - 6-inch to 54-inch in diameter
- 1,222 miles of Sanitary Collection System
  - 6-inch to 72-inch in diameter
- Average Pipe Age 29 Years



# Rethinking Renewal Prioritization

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- Age rarely correlates with condition (Water Research Foundation)
- 70% to 90% of replaced pipelines have remaining life (US EPA)
- “New” technology may be proven technology
- Failure of large mains cause biggest impact

# Rethinking Renewal Prioritization

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- Move beyond age, material and failure focus
- Assess actual pipe condition
- Savings from focused pipe replacement fund transition to proactive replacement

# Goals

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- Maximizing useful life of assets
- Efficient spending of replacement dollars
- Avoid major unplanned repairs
- Make better design decisions for new mains



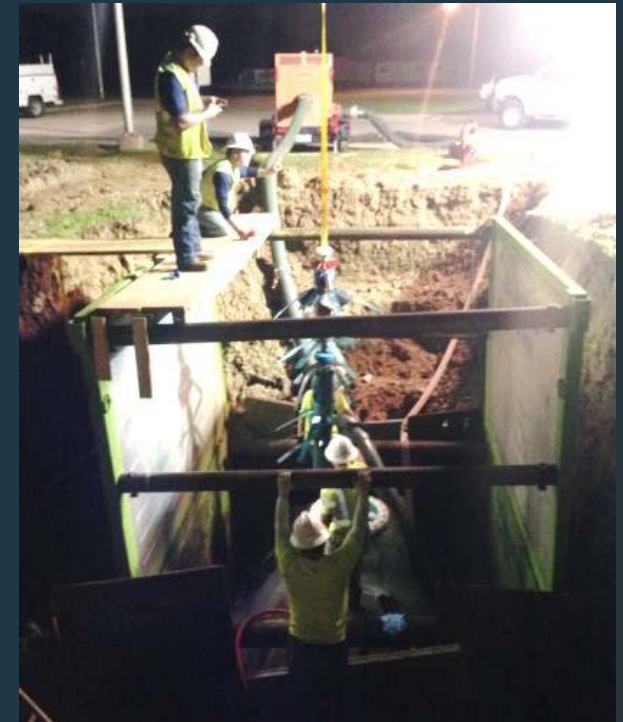
# CONCRETE WATER MAIN CONDITION ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

Case Study

# Green Oaks Water Transmission Main 2016 Condition Assessment



- 2.6 miles, 42", 48" & 54", Prestressed Concrete Cylinder Pipe (C301), 1982
- Estimated Replacement Cost \$10,500,000
- Assessment Cost \$286,500

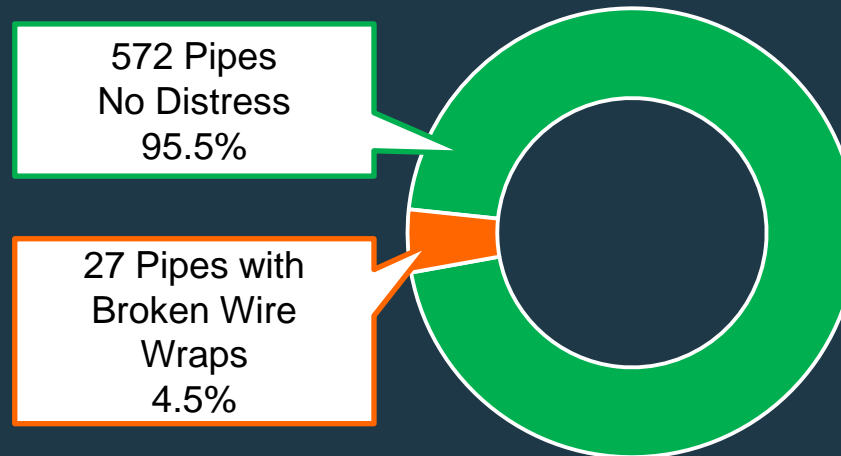




# Green Oaks Water Transmission Main 2016 Condition Assessment



- Assessment Results
  - 599 pipe segments
  - 27 segments with wire breaks (4.5%)
  - 6 segments with 25+ wire breaks (1.0%)
  - Cost avoidance of \$7,000,000





# LARGE DIAMETER SANITARY SEWER CONDITION ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

City of Arlington and  
University of Texas at Arlington  
Collaboration

# 66-Inch Sanitary Sewer Failure



- Installed in 1983
- 66-inch RCP Sanitary Sewer
- Repair Cost \$138,000





# Inspection Project Scope

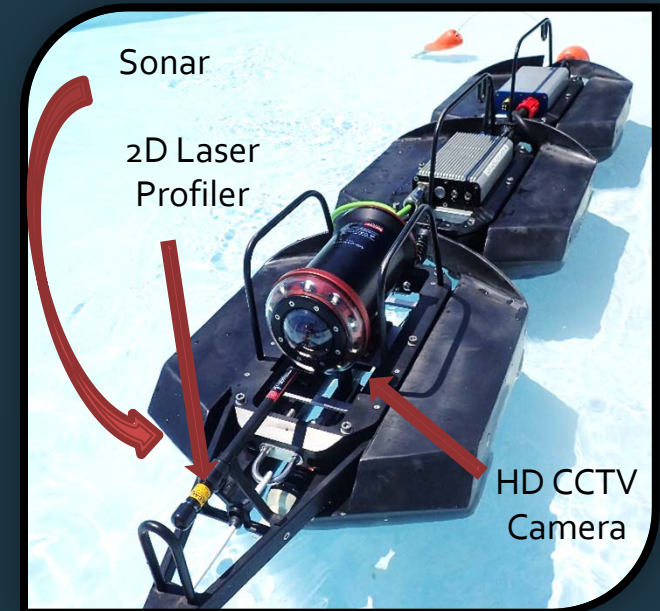
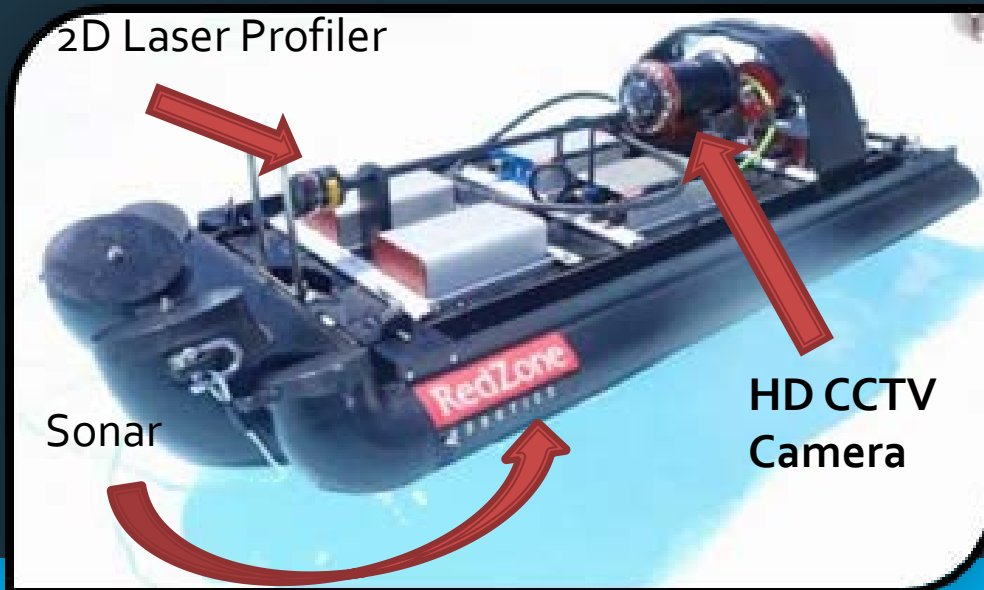
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- Inspect 48 miles of 24-inch to 72-inch Sanitary Sewer Main
- AWU / UTA partnership
  - Pre-Inspection Research
  - HD CCTV, Sonar and Laser Inspection
  - Laboratory Materials Testing (Planned)
  - Data Analysis and Report Summarizing Findings
  - CIP Development/Risk Based Assessment

# MSI Inspection Equipment

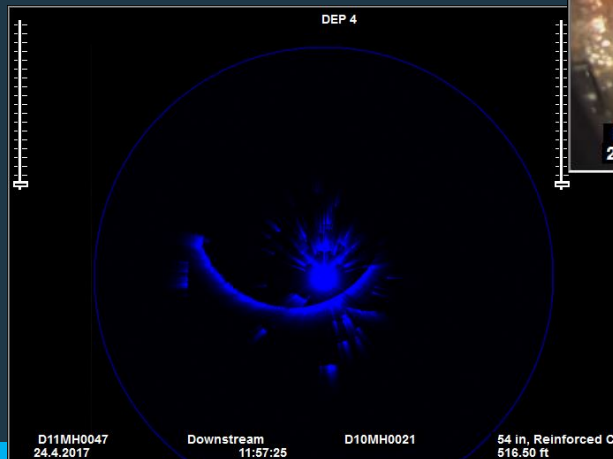


- Multi-Sensor Inspection Platforms
- HD CCTV Camera
- Laser Ring Profiler
- Sonar

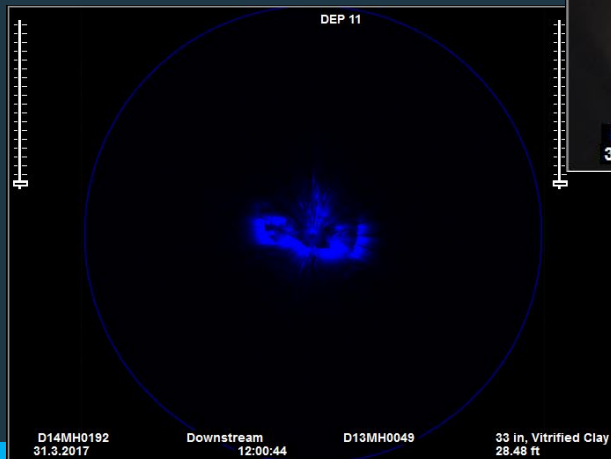




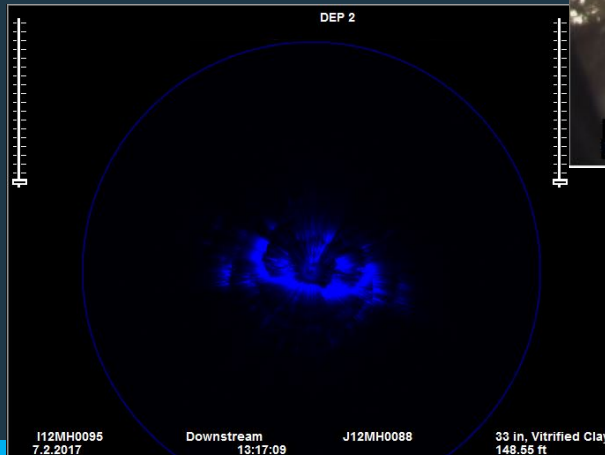
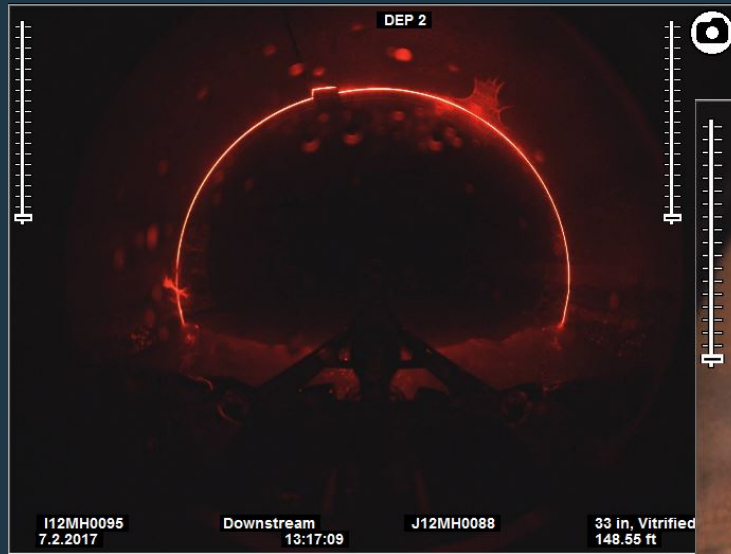
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# Collected Data (Bad Condition)



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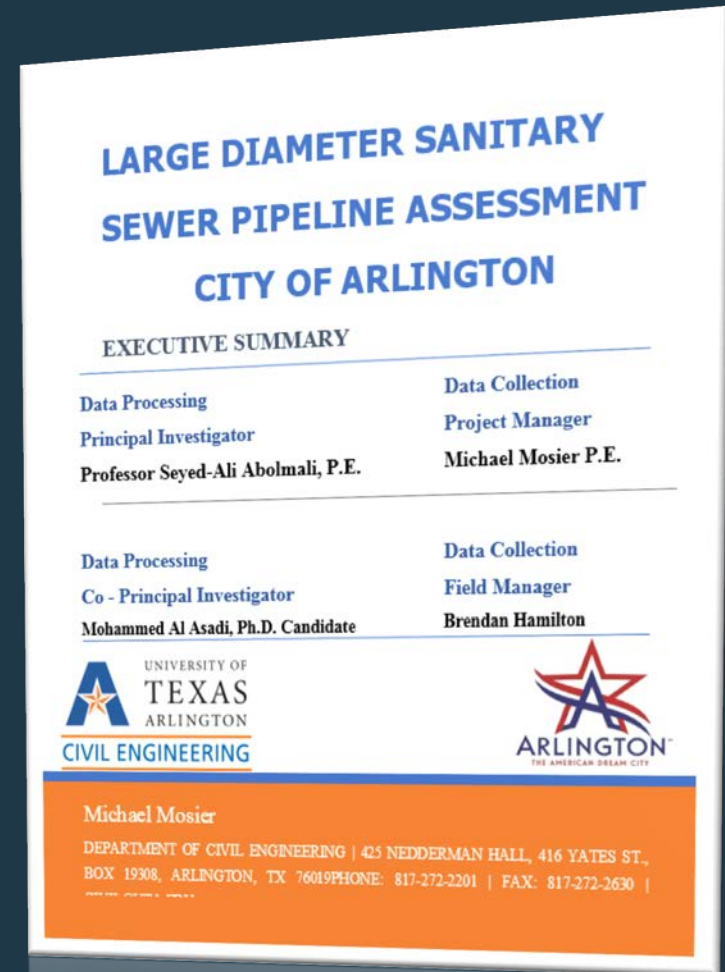




# UTA Research Enhancements



- Validated life cycle analysis
- Core sample confirmation
- Customized output
- Partnering with a nationally recognized pipe research institution



# Results We Can Act On



## Pipe Critical Defect Summary

LINE INSPECTION SUMMARY			
Asset Number	D09SL0105	Inspection Number	2
Upstream Manhole	D09MH0045	Observed Material	VCP
Downstream Manhole	D09MH0108	Observed Pipe Length	590.8 ft
Inspection Direction	DOWNSTREAM	Observed Pipe Diameter	36 in
OBSERVATION METRIC		OBSERVATION	
Distance Planned (ft.)		592	
Percentage of The Line Not Inspected		0%	
Total Collapsed		0	
Total Fractures Multiple		0	
Total Fractures Hinge		0	
Total Fractures Longitudinal		0	
Total Fractures Circumferential		0	
Broken		0	
Deformed Rigid		0	
Joint Offsets		0	
Total Roots Occurrences		0	
Level 5 Defects		0	
Level 4 Defects		0	
Total Defects		0	
Total Debris Volume (ft <sup>3</sup> )		251.2	
Total Deposits Volume (in <sup>3</sup> )		50221.4	
Maximum Blockage (%)		18.1	
Maximum Deposit Height (in)		2.8	



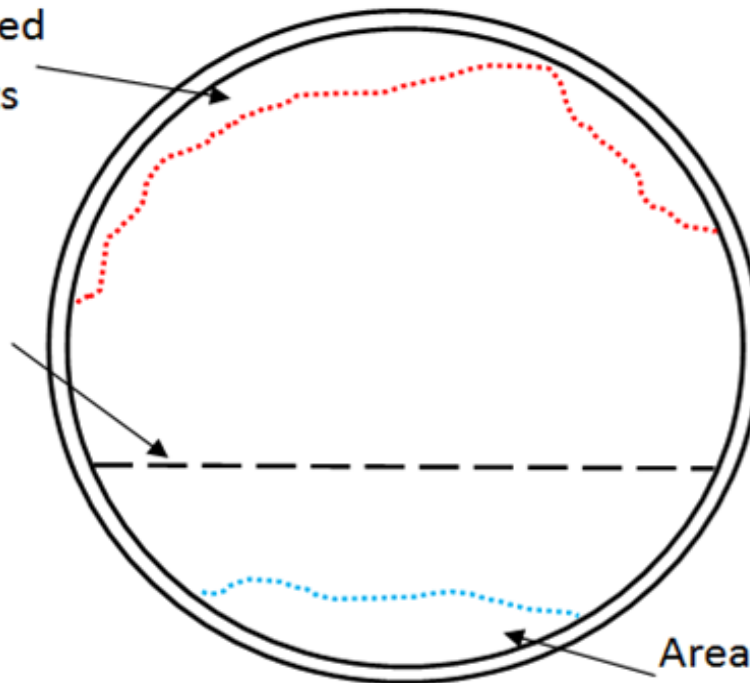
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## Debris and Deposit Blockage

Rank	Line ID	Pipe Material	Pipe Diameter (in.)	Peak Area Blocked by Deposits (%)	Peak Area Blocked by Debris (%)	Peak Combined Blockage (%)
1	D09SL0101	VCP	36	2.6	9.7	10.2
2	D09SL0105	VCP	36	1.7	17.26	18.1
3	D09SL0222	VCP	36	1.4	7.5	7.67

Area Blocked  
by Deposits

Water  
Level



Area Blocked  
by Debris

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## Debris and Deposit Blockage

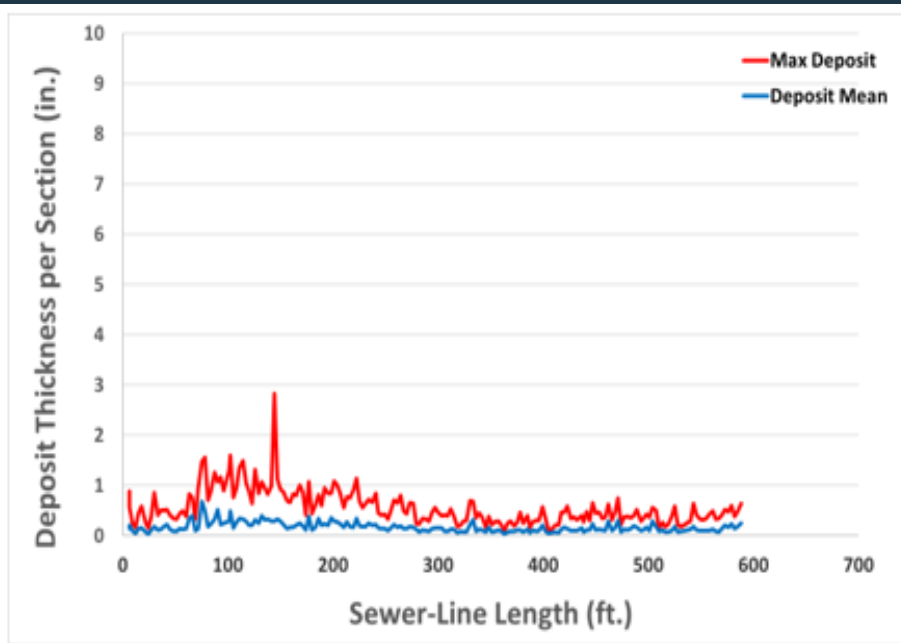


Figure A1.1.1: Deposit thickness per cross-section.

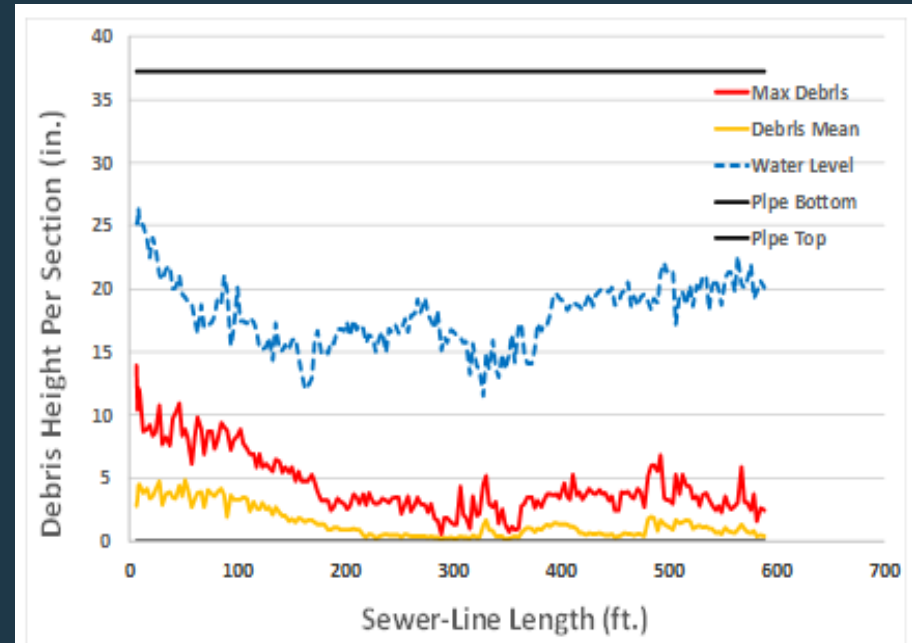
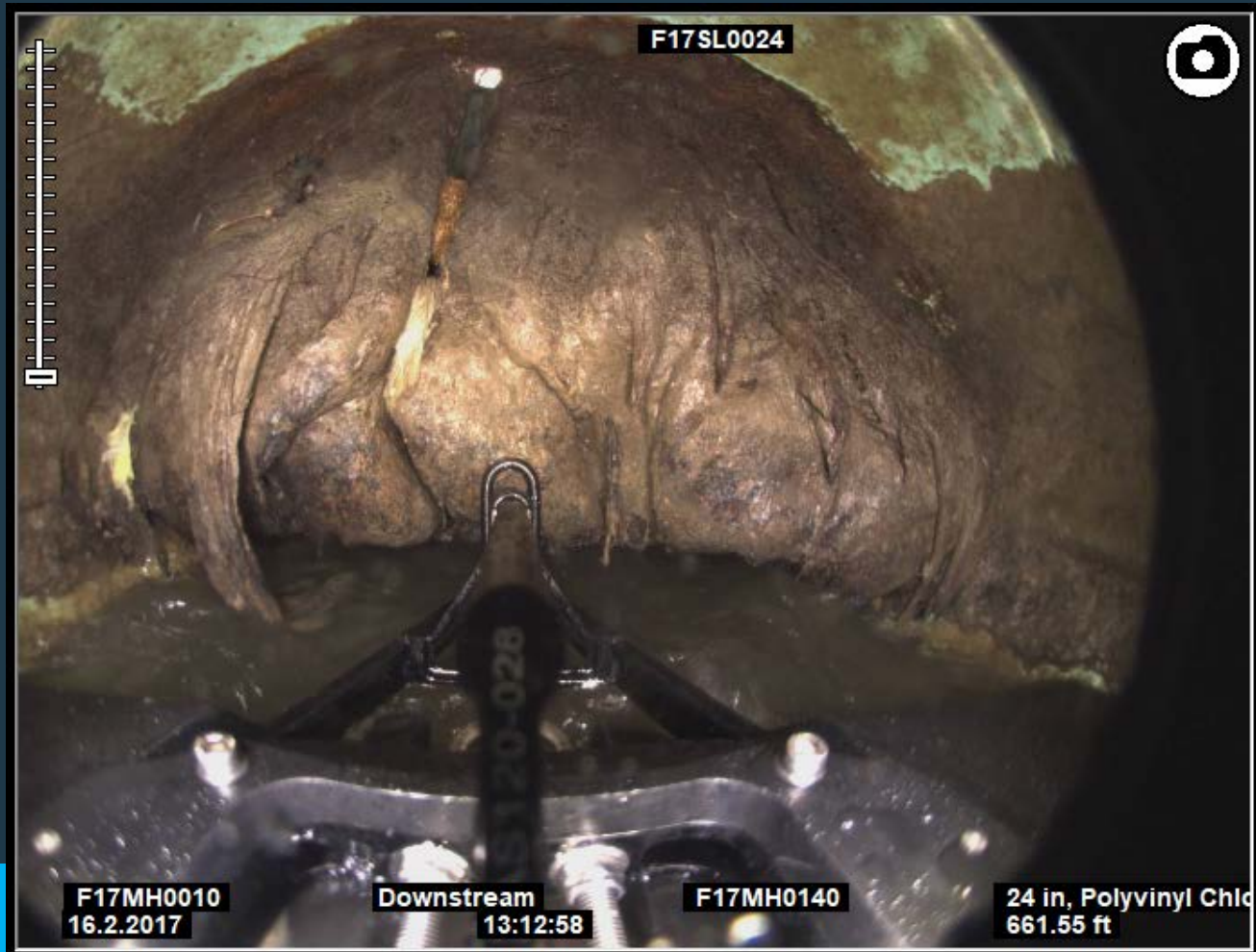


Figure A1.2.1: Debris height per cross-section.

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## Root Intrusion





WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW  
CAN HURT YOU

# 66-Inch Sanitary Sewer Failure Survey Results

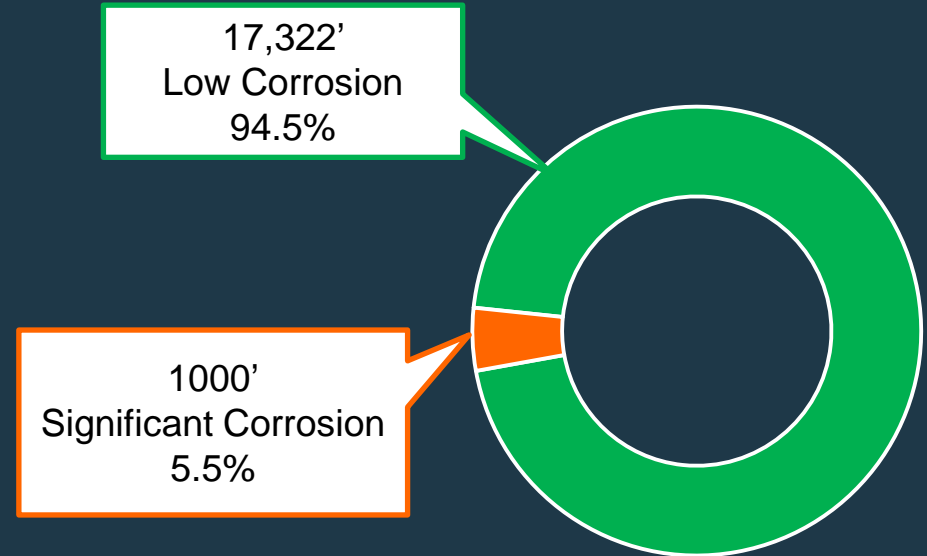


- Total Replacement Scope

- 14,875' of 66" Main
- 3,450' of 60" Main

- Assessment Results

- 1,000' Pipe with Measurable Wall Loss
- Abandoned Meter Station (H<sub>2</sub>S Point Source)
- Cost avoidance of \$17,097,000





# 24-Inch Highway Crossing



- Heavily Corroded Ductile Iron Pipe
- 1 Large Obstruction
- 5ft drop at unnecessary wet well
- Pipe Age: 34 years
- Parallels creek







# AWU BOLDLY GOING WHERE NO UTILITY HAS GONE BEFORE

