



# Asset Prioritization with GIS

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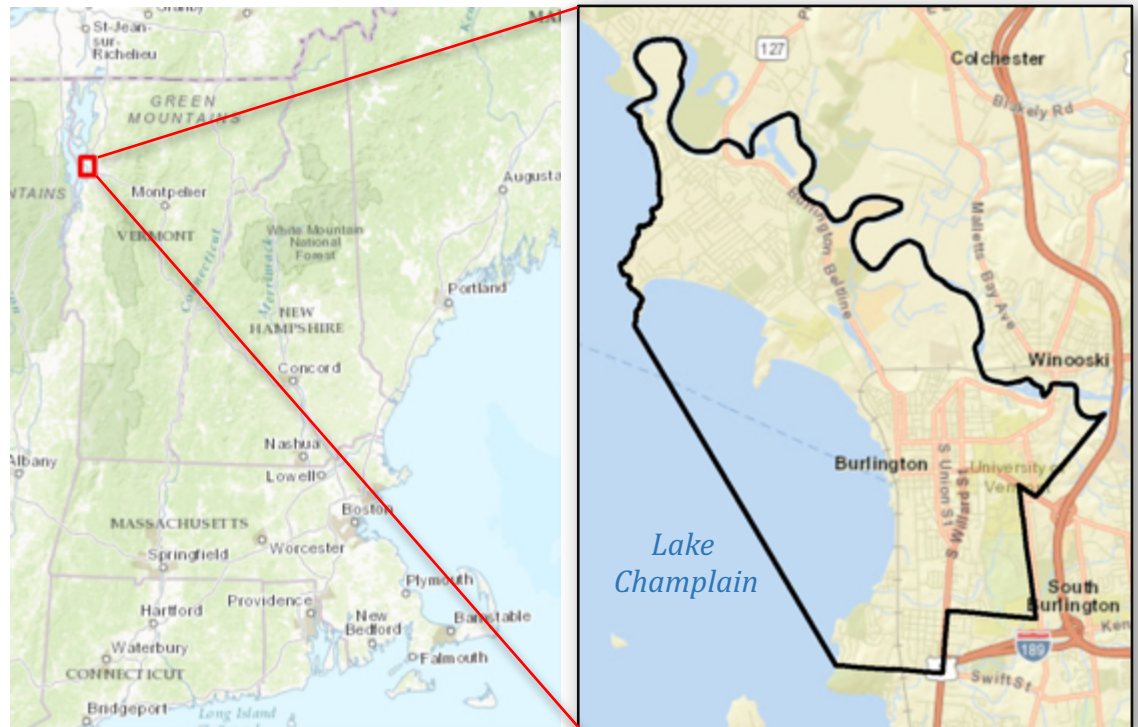
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## Burlington, VT

- 127 mi Gravity Sewer
  - 45 mi sanitary
  - 37 mi stormwater
  - 45 mi combined
  - Predominantly Vitrified Clay
  - Circular pipes 8-20"
  - Circular, oval, and box: 21-108"

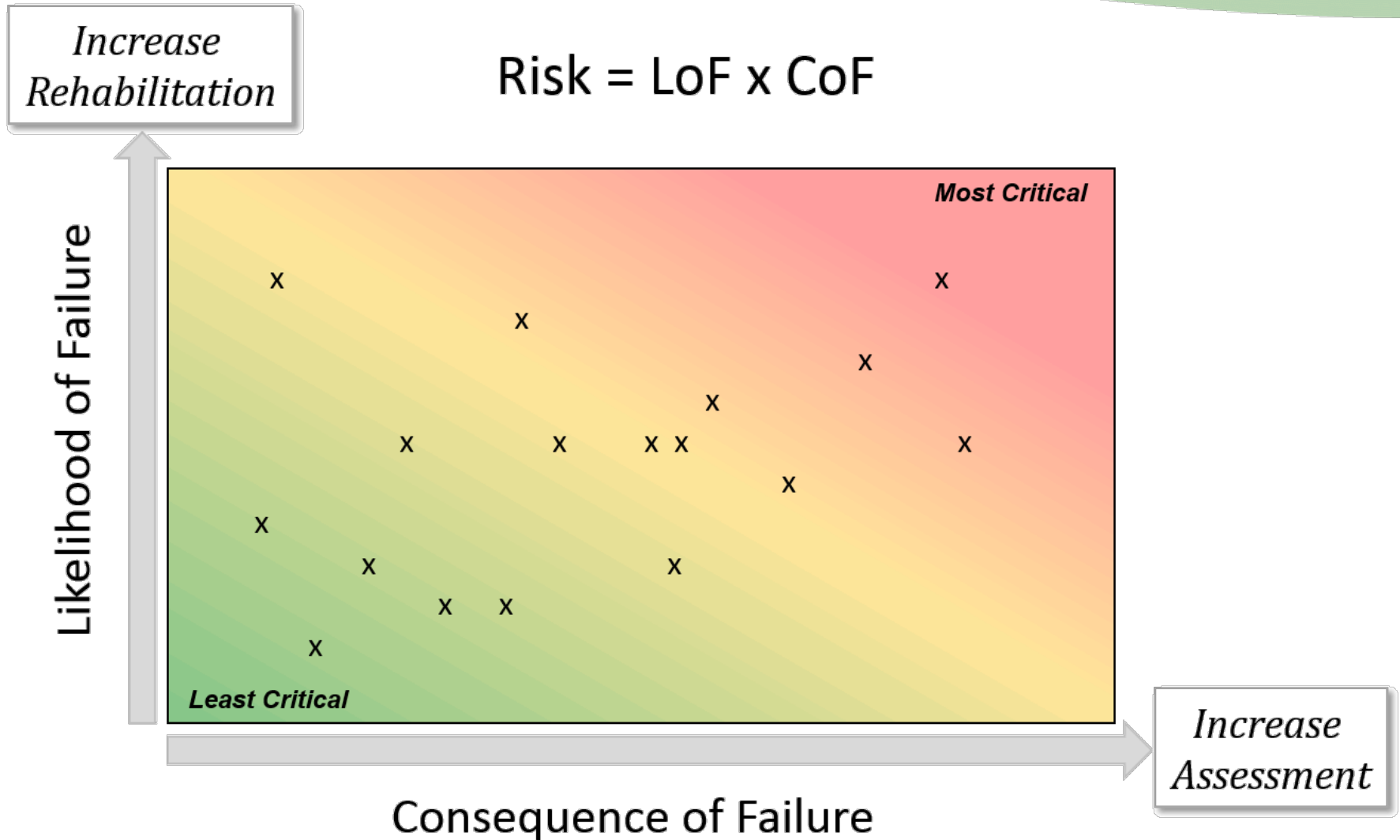


## Project Overview

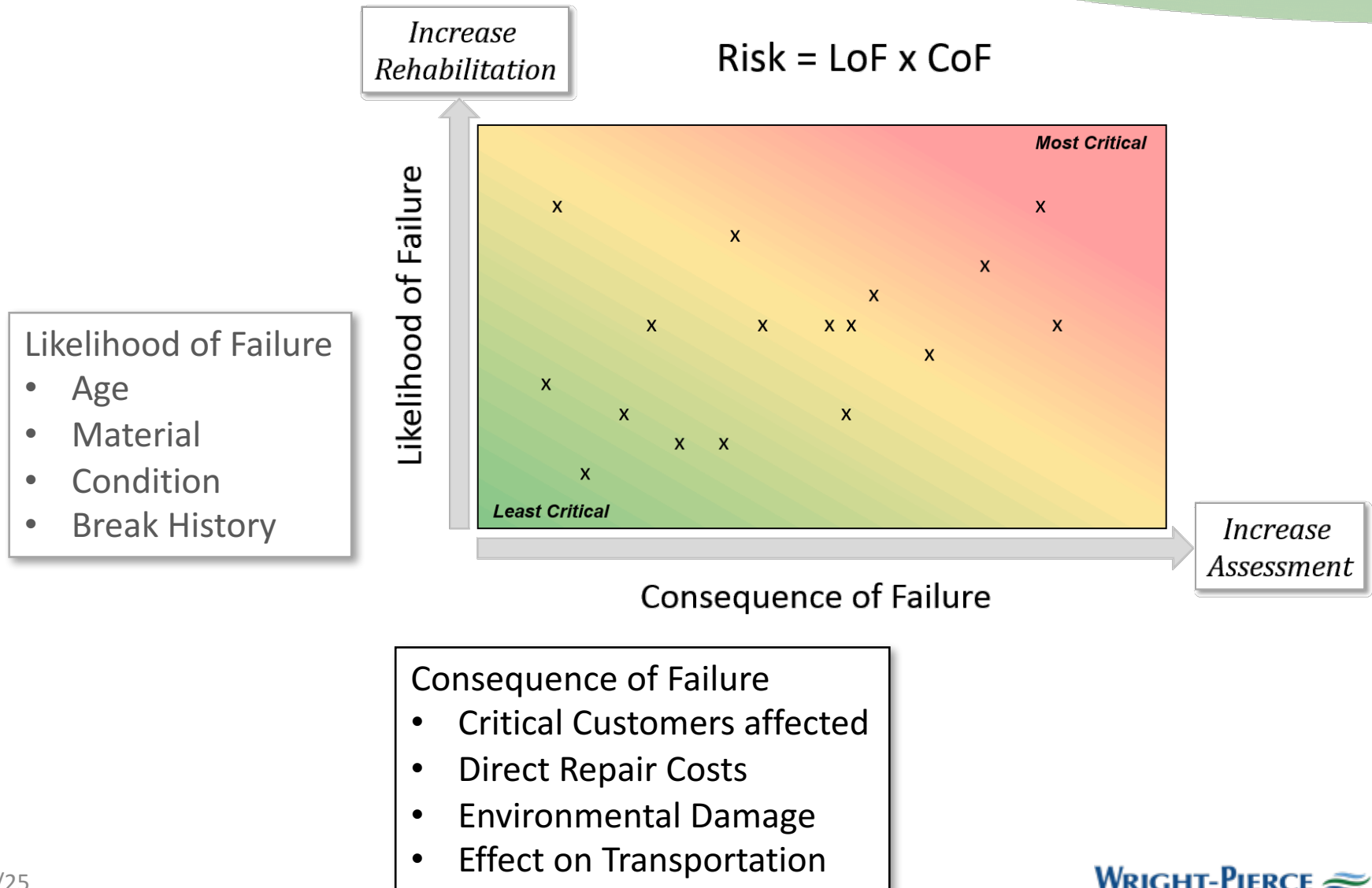
- Collection system inspections are part of larger Asset Management effort.
- Inspections will occur over 5 years, approximately 20% per year.
- Year 1 - MOST critical 20% of system.
- GIS analysis will guide decision-making on inspections and prioritization.

## Rationale

- GIS offers tools for Geographic analysis, and visual understanding.
- Analysis considers sewer system attributes, surrounding infrastructure, and environmental factors.
- Process was iterative, with input and buy-in from multiple staff.
- Results are dynamic and can be refined with new information.



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## Consequence of Failure

- *Economic Costs*
- *Social Costs*
- *Environmental Costs*

## Existing GIS Datasets

- Sewer/Stormwater Pipes
- Manholes/Catch Basins
- Roads
- Parcel/Assessing Data
- Customer Billing Database
- State/Federal Infrastructure Data – schools, hospitals, etc
- Surface Water/Wetlands
- Floodplains
- Other environmental considerations



## Consequence of Failure

### Social Costs

- Recreation areas
- Critical customers (hospitals, etc)

### Economic Costs

- Pipe diameter
- Pipe depth
- Road classification

### Environmental Costs

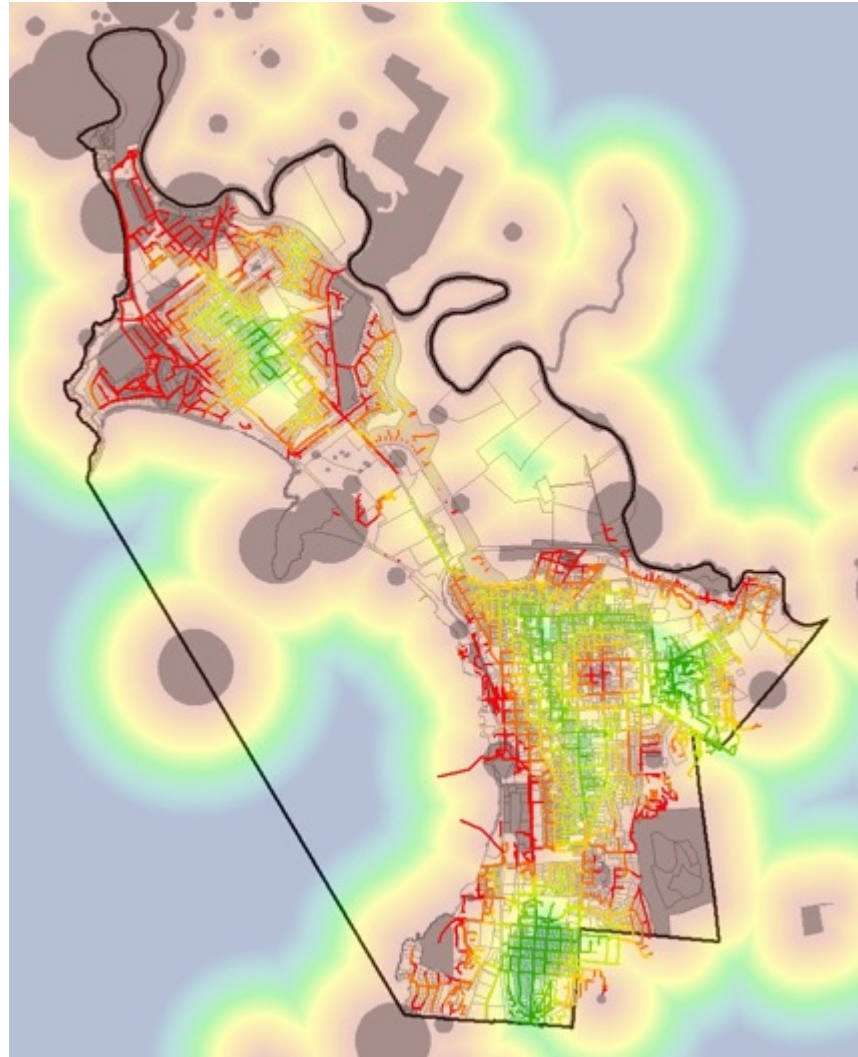
- Proximity to surface water, wetlands, floodplains
- Known presence of endangered species
- Significant Natural Communities

Burlington

Rare and  
Endangered  
Species

Distance  
Calculation

Applied to  
Pipes



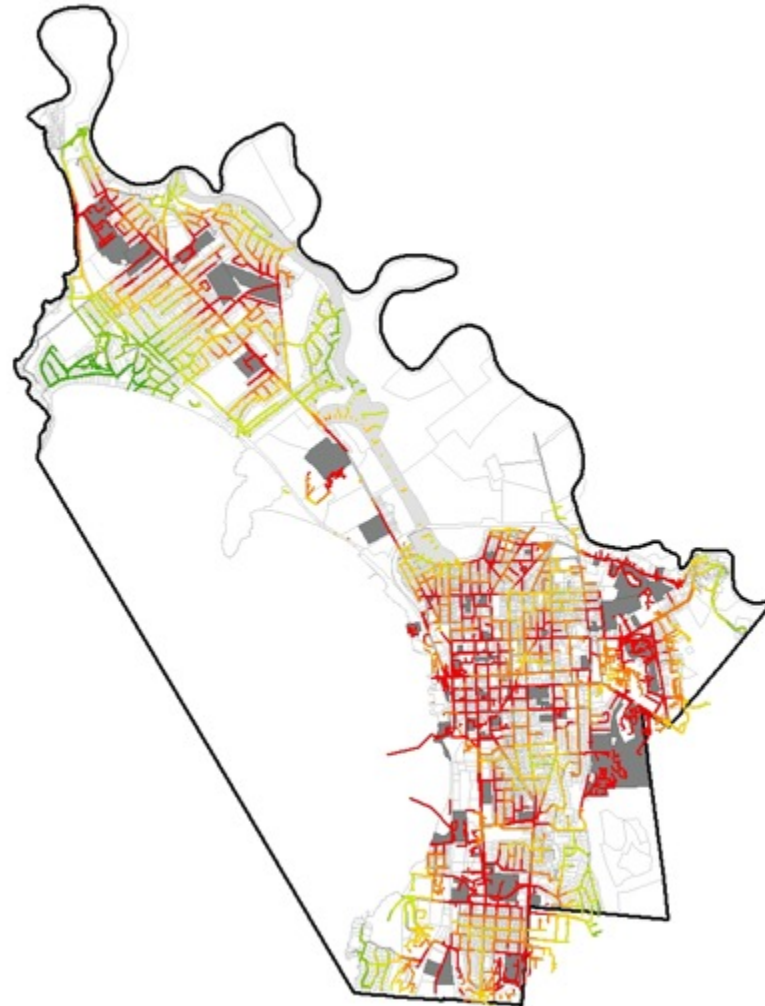
Surface Water,  
Wetlands, and  
Floodplains

Buffered and  
Applied to  
Pipes



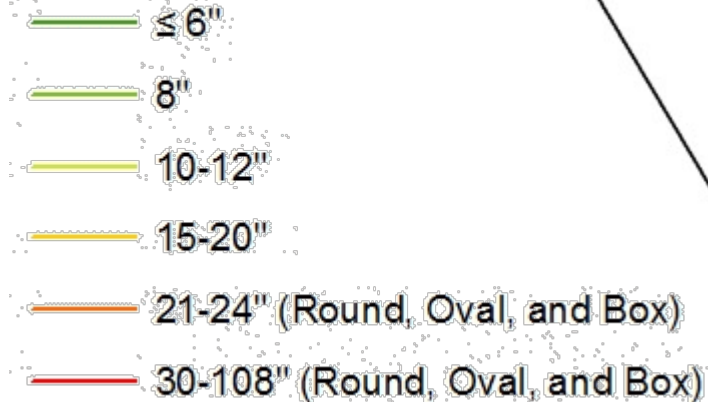
Critical  
Customers

Buffered and  
Applied to  
Pipes



## Pipe Diameters

### Pipe Diameter

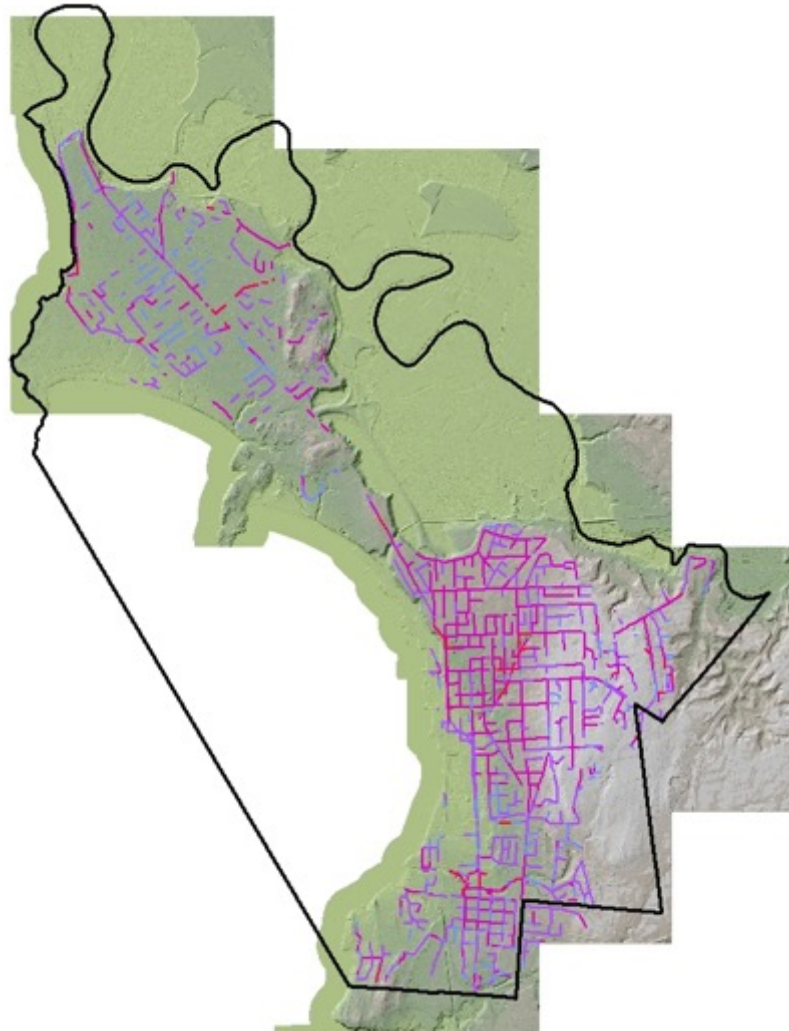


Pipe Depth

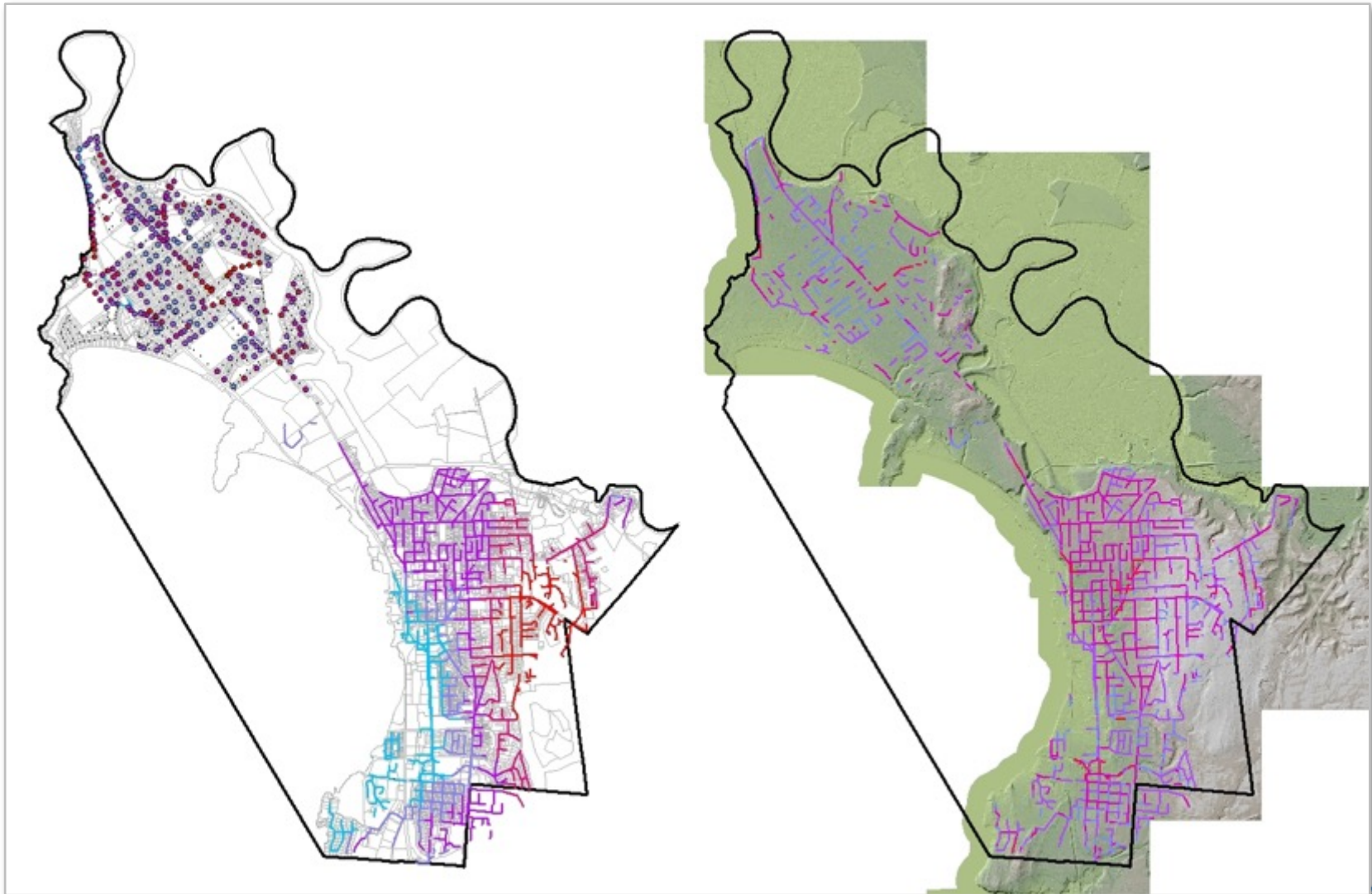
Manholes with  
Invert Elevs (M)

Pipes with  
Invert Elevs (ft)

Surface Elevations  
(LiDAR)



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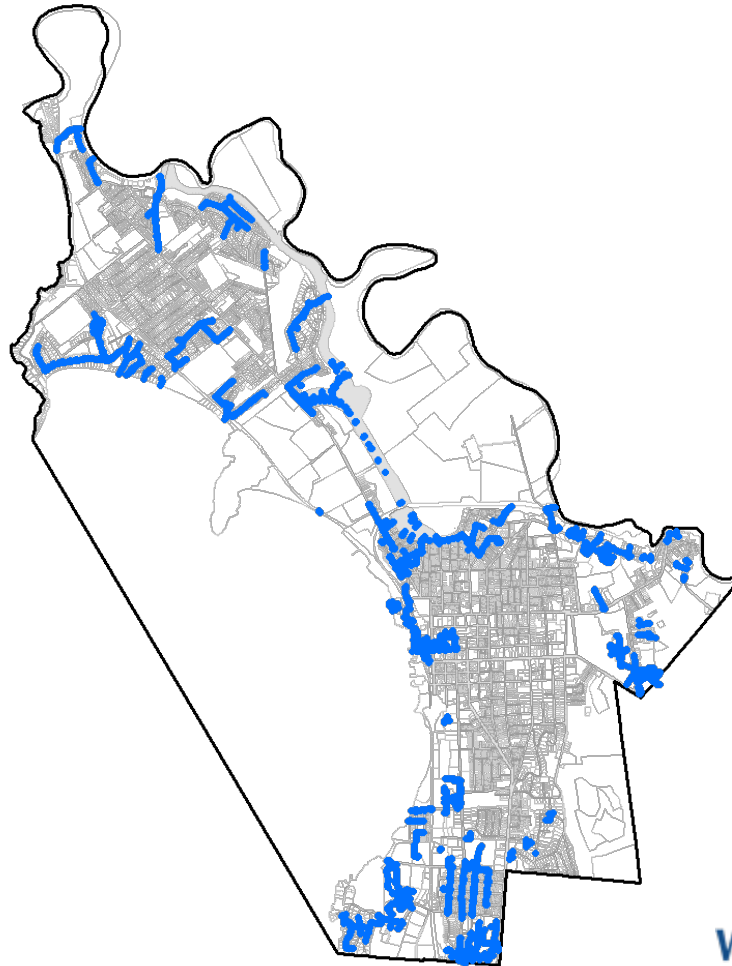
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Treated as a Major Road



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- Bike & Pedestrian Path –  
Treated as a Major Road
- Storm Drains and Outfalls –  
Treated as Streams



## Consequence of Failure: Weighted Prioritization

### Social Costs

(15%)

- Recreation areas (50%)
- Critical customers (hospitals, etc) (50%)

### Economic Costs

(50%)

- Pipe diameter (33%)
- Pipe depth (33%)
- Road class (33%)

### Environmental Costs

(35%)

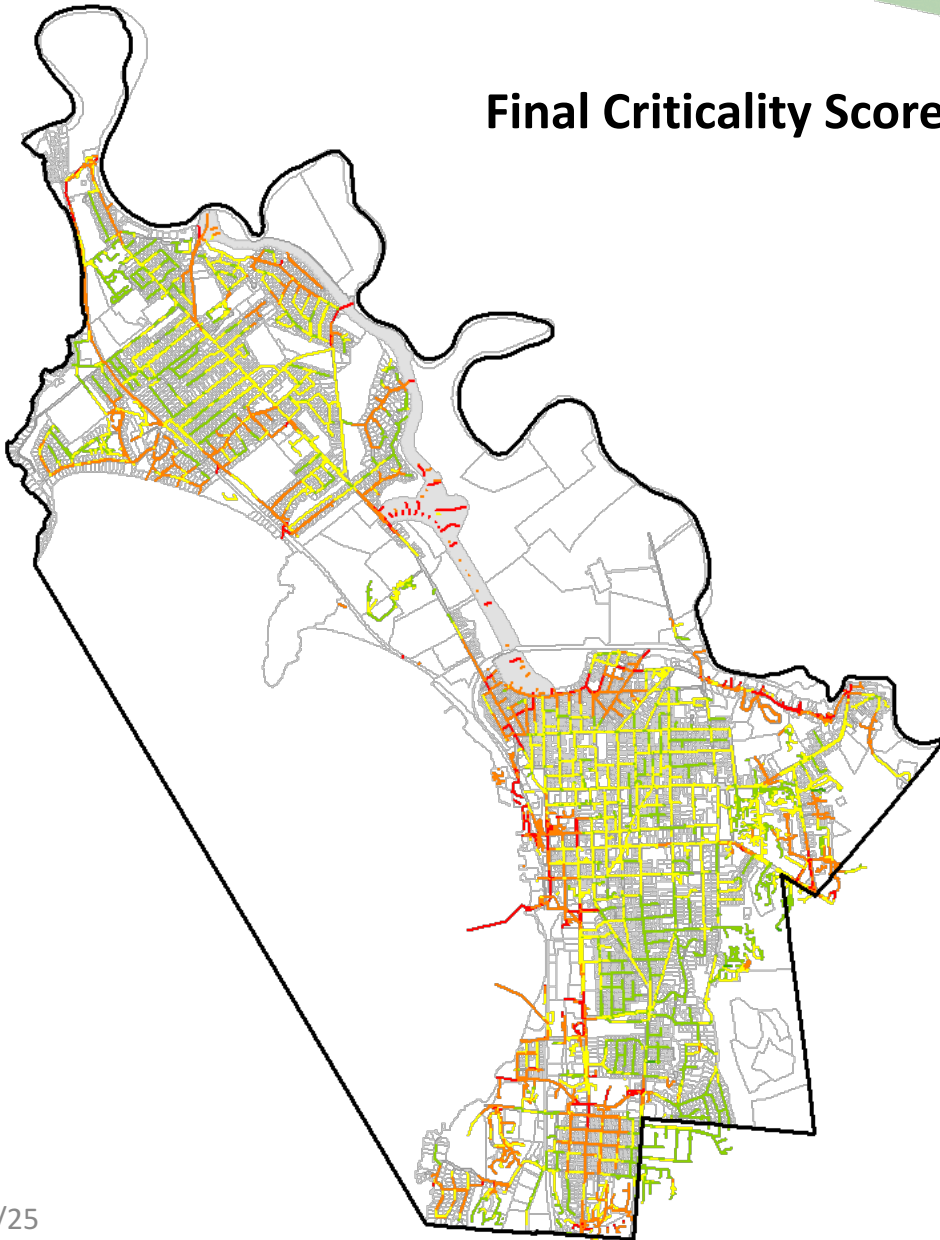
- Proximity to surface water, wetlands (80%)
- Known presence of endangered species (10%)
- Significant Natural Communities (10%)

### Overall Weights for Aggregation

|               |        |                    |       |
|---------------|--------|--------------------|-------|
| Water         | 28.00% | Recreation Areas   | 7.50% |
| Pipe Diameter | 16.67% | Critical Customers | 7.50% |
| Pipe Depth    | 16.67% | Endangered Species | 3.50% |
| Road Class    | 16.67% | Sig. Nat. Coms.    | 3.50% |

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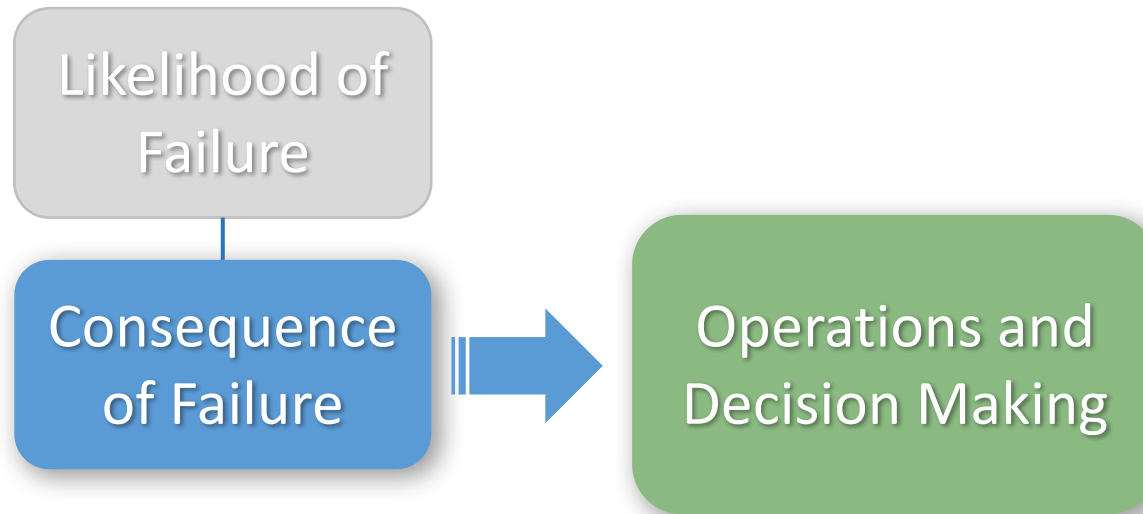
## Final Criticality Score



| Table             |              |                |                     |             |
|-------------------|--------------|----------------|---------------------|-------------|
| Final Criticality |              |                |                     |             |
|                   | Score_Social | Score_Economic | Score_Environmental | Criticality |
|                   | 0.579356     | 0.555556       | 0.70122             | 2.874856    |
|                   | 0.645428     | 0.388889       | 0.68945             | 2.426905    |
|                   | 0.60283      | 0.555556       | 0.697275            | 2.893497    |
|                   | 0.590455     | 0.555556       | 0.695506            | 2.881245    |
|                   | 0.697369     | 0.444444       | 0.610067            | 2.590308    |
|                   | 0.269283     | 0.888889       | 0.988634            | 5.001861    |
|                   | 0.265989     | 0.722222       | 0.932151            | 4.218312    |
|                   | 0.262962     | 0.722222       | 0.808451            | 3.647657    |
|                   | 0.269544     | 0.555556       | 0.86672             | 3.43529     |
|                   | 0.343282     | 0.388889       | 0.97756             | 3.561483    |
|                   | 0.395649     | 0.555556       | 0.97193             | 4.105067    |
|                   | 0.300536     | 0.388889       | 0.980908            | 3.525121    |
|                   | 0.445459     | 0.777778       | 0.977641            | 4.82016     |
|                   | 0.564182     | 0.611111       | 0.97785             | 4.427142    |
|                   | 0.504537     | 0.611111       | 0.981737            | 4.37591     |
|                   | 0.395649     | 0.444444       | 0.981372            | 3.777682    |
|                   | 0.453617     | 0.555556       | 0.693634            | 2.756911    |
|                   | 0.398176     | 0.555556       | 0.695264            | 2.708041    |
|                   | 0.299094     | 0.666667       | 0.994601            | 4.365784    |
|                   | 0.367569     | 0.666667       | 0.995368            | 4.427906    |
|                   | 0.541151     | 0.388889       | 0.690087            | 2.333457    |

1 (0 out of 7040 Selected)

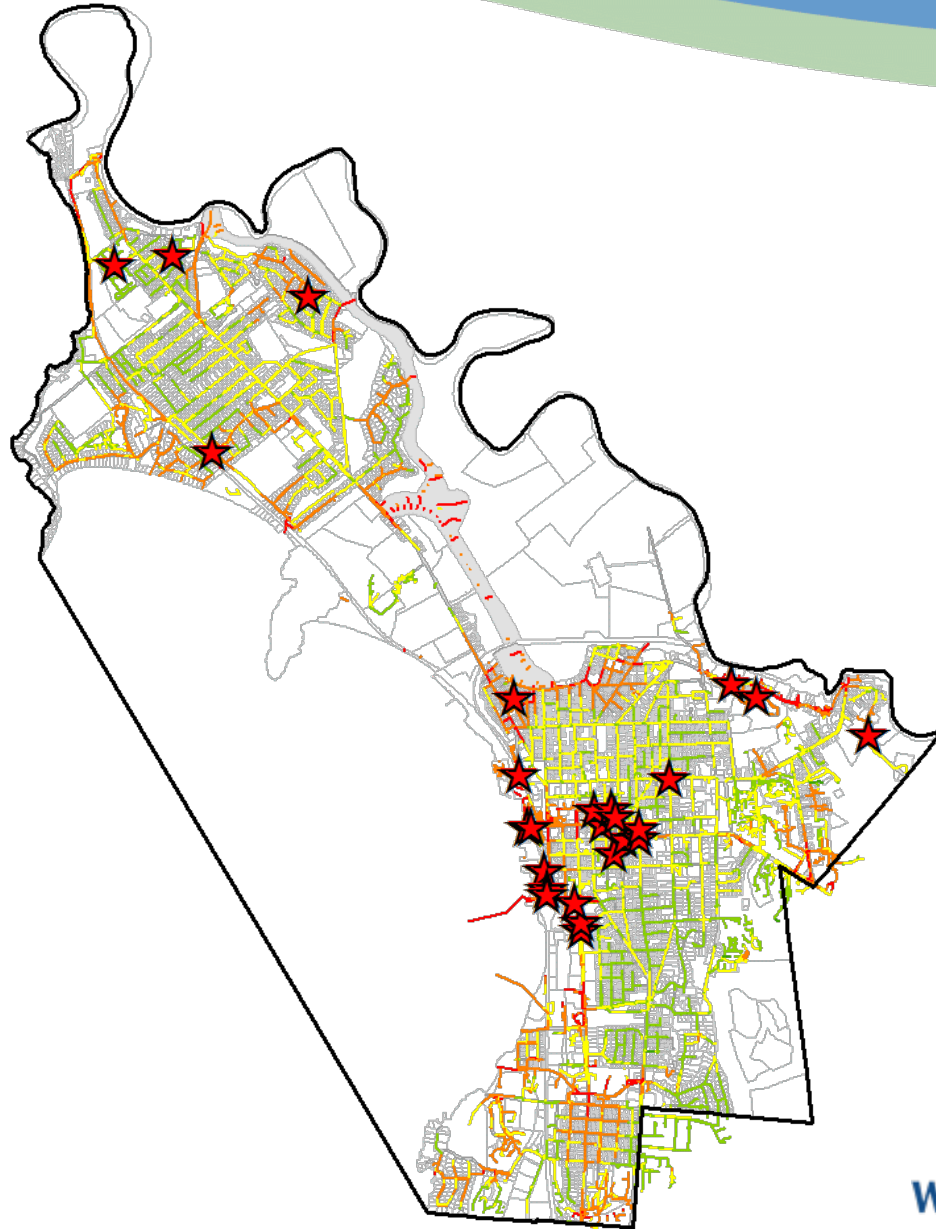
Final Criticality

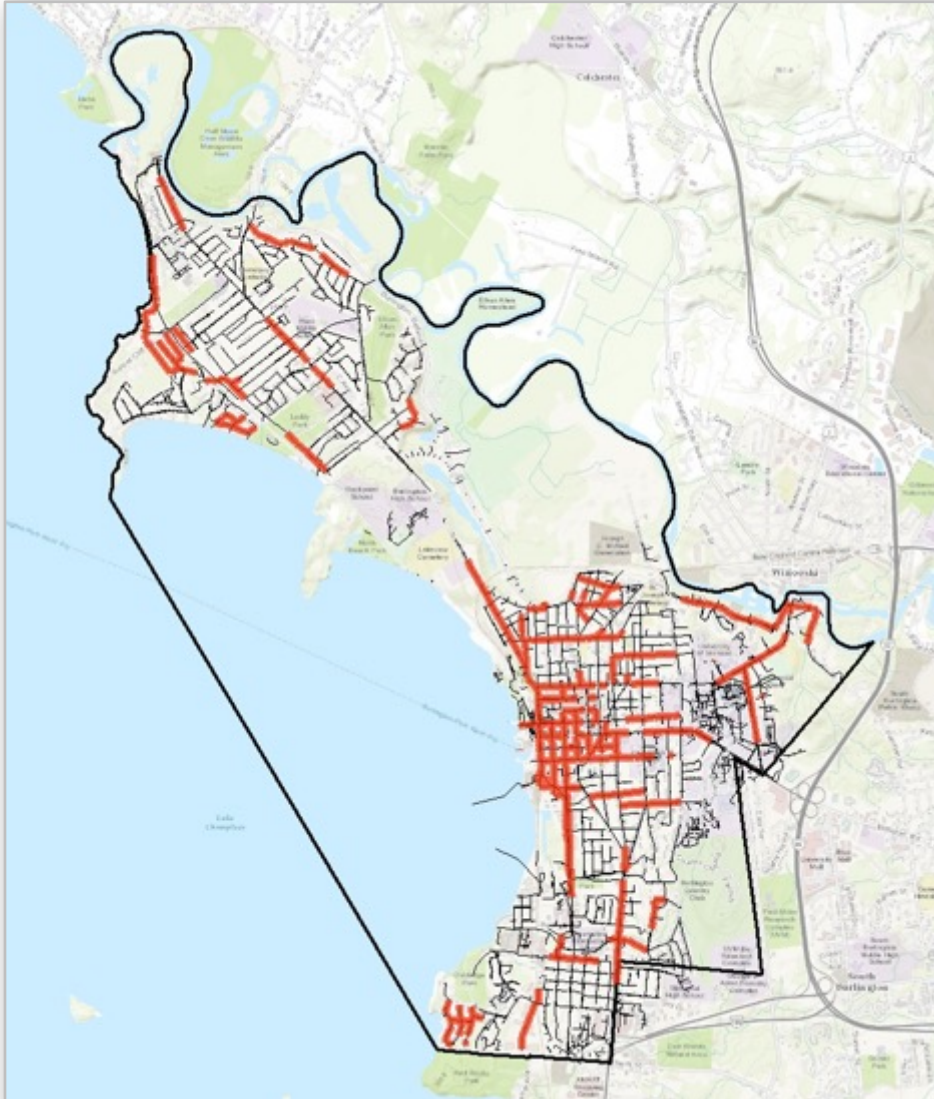


Additional factors for prioritization:

- Known Problem Areas
- Break History
- Paving Plan

## Problem Areas





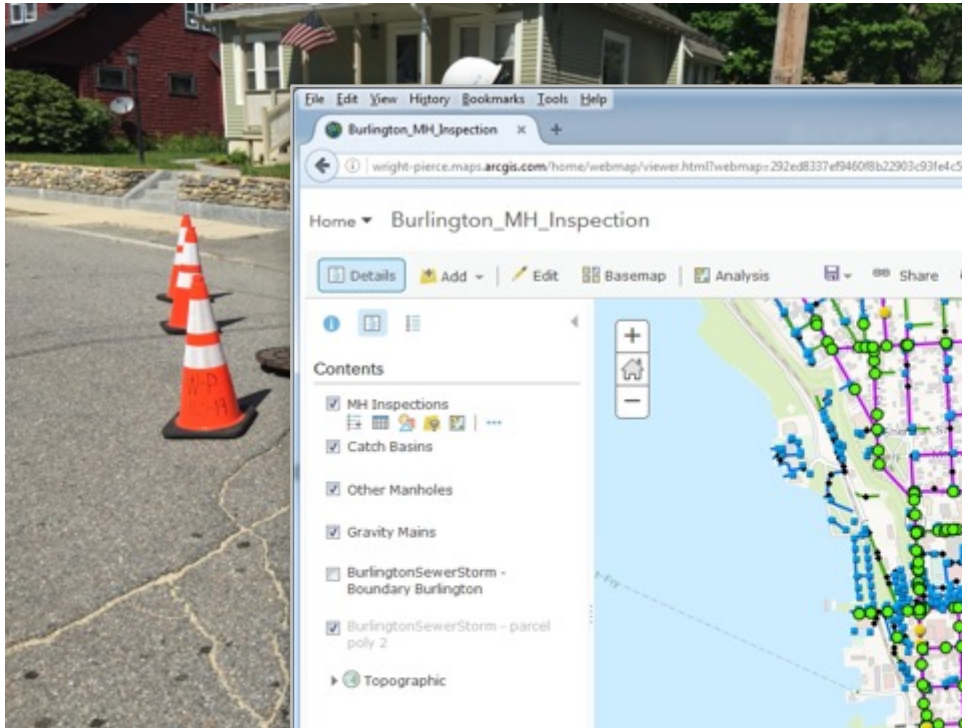
**Final Selection of Pipes  
To Be Inspected**

## Sewer Inspections

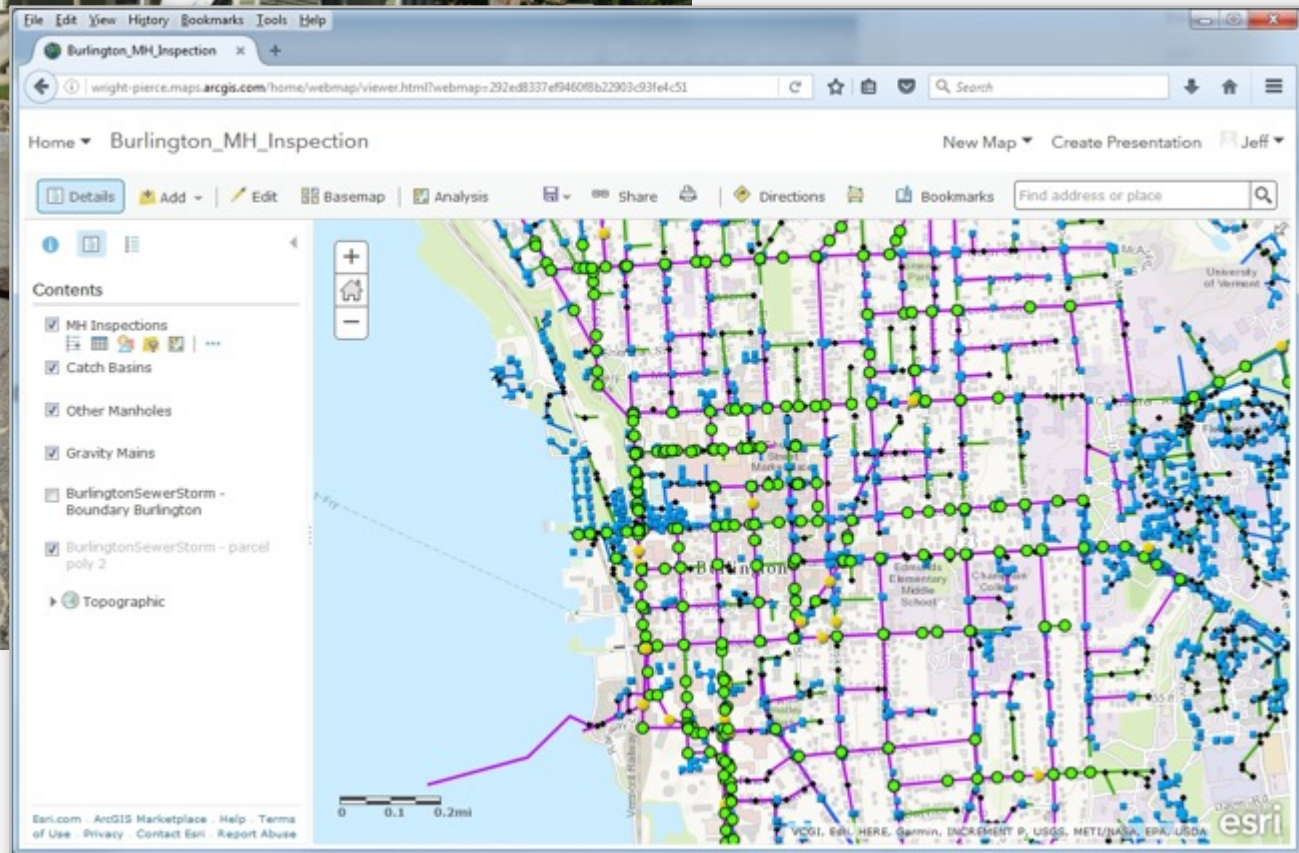


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## Sewer Inspections



## ArcGIS Online for Logging Inspections



## Summary

- ✓ Prioritization using diverse infrastructural and environmental considerations.
- ✓ Industry-standard methodology, customized with input from the City management and crews.
- ✓ 550 Manholes and 134,000' of pipe identified for inspection (2016-2017).
- ✓ Prioritization is defensible, easily revised, and can be clearly presented.

## Moving Forward

- Inspections will inform Likelihood of Failure (LoF) analysis.
- LoF will be combined with results of this CoF analysis to create a total Risk score.
- Risk assessment will be used to steer appropriate action:
  - *Inspections*
  - *Rehabilitation*
  - *Cleaning*
  - *Replacement*

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