# Improving Infrastructure While Protecting the Great South Bay

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# Suffolk County Sewer District No. 3 - Southwest

- Bergen Point Wastewater Treatment Plant
  - 40.5 MGD WWTP
  - Constructed between 1978 and 1980
- Outfall
  - Overall Length: 32,500 feet
  - Bay Portion of Outfall:
    - 72-inch Pre-stressed Concrete Cylinder Pipe
    - 14,200 feet of Price Brothers Pipe
    - 1,100 feet of Interpace Pipe
  - Ocean Portion of Outfall:
    - 17,200 feet of Concrete Lined Steel Pipe
    - 72-inch to 36-inch





### 2003 Outfall Concerns

- Failures of PCCP Manufactured during Same Time Elsewhere in the Country
- Single Pipe with no Backup
- Was the Pipe Leaking?
- Overall Condition of Pipe?



# Phase I - Outfall Monitoring

- Suffolk County Initiated an Outfall Monitoring Program with Pure Technologies
  - Two Arrays of Hydrophones
  - 5,000 Feet of Price Brothers Pipe
  - 1,100 Feet of Interpace Pipe
  - Monitored for Three Months

Results of 130 Days

- Hydro Array 1- 717 Wire Breaks
- Hydro Array 2 55 Wire Breaks
- Pure Technologies Rates Outfall as One of the Three Worst Pipelines that Pure Technologies ever Monitored at the Time



# What is PCCP?

- Composite Pipe Material: Mortar, High Strength Steel, Concrete and Mild Steel
- Developed during WWII to Minimize Steel by Substituting High Strength Steel and Concrete for Mild Steel
- Catastrophic Failures (Category

   I) are More Common with PCCP
  than with Other Pipe Materials
  due to Wire Failure





# Phase 2 - Outfall Evaluation

- External Inspection of Pipe on the Barrier Island Pipe Segments
- Cathodic Protection System Tested
- Structural Analysis of Pipe Integrity Performed
  - No Additional Load Can be Applied to Pipe
  - Concern if Pipe is Dewatered It
     Could Collapse





# **Alternatives Analysis**

- Tunnel with Carrier Pipes
- Tunnel without Carrier Pipes
- Open Cut Pipe Installation Across Great South Bay
- New Outfall Discharging to Great South Bay
- Lining of Existing Outfall while Using Temporary Outfall
- Replace Outfall with Upland Recharge



# **Tunnel Design Contract Requirements**

- Maintain Final Effluent Pump Station Operation
   Throughout Construction
- Replace Final Effluent Pump Station Discharge Piping in a Sequenced Manner
- New Tunnel within Existing Outfall Easement
- Connect New Outfall to Existing Outfall on Barrier Island
- Restoration per Regulatory Authorities



## **Outfall Tunnel Project Information**

#### Tunnel

ID:10 ftLength: $\approx$  14,200 ftDepth: $\approx$  100 ft

- Launch shaft  $\rightarrow$  ID:  $\approx$  35-ft  $\rightarrow$  Depth:  $\approx$  110-ft
- Receiving shaft
  - > ID: ≈ 30-ft
  - ➢ Depth: ≈ 95-ft
- Existing easement rights 300ft wide

West Babylon, Suffolk County, NY

**Receiving Site** 

Launch Site

### **Outfall Alignment**









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# **Tunnel Design Criteria**

- Depth of Tunnel
  - Consistent Soil conditions
  - Minimum of 2 Diameters Below Bottom of Bay Dredge Depth
- Slope Upward for drainage
- Size Minimum Size is 10-foot diameter to account for HVAC, piping, electrical and train
- Maintenance Stops
  - Need to replace cutters/perform Maintenance in front of TBM
  - Requires Specialty Firm and Hyperbaric Chamber

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## **Outfall Tunnel Alignment and Boring Program**

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# WWTP Plant/Launch Shaft

#### **Bergen Point WWTP Site Prior to Construction**

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#### Site Preparation for Ground Freeze Installation

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# Launch Shaft Design Alternatives

- Depth 110 feet
- Ground Freezing Required
  - Eliminates Dewatering
  - Compact Area and Reduced Impact on Surrounding Infrastructure

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### **Ground Freezing – Freeze Walls**

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#### **Ground Freeze At Launching Shaft**

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#### **Ground Freeze System**

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## WWTP Site February 2019

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#### Launch Shaft Excavation

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# WWTP April 2019

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#### WWTP June 2019

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# **Tunnel Boring Machine**

 Two Types for Soft Ground – Type Selected by Contractor Based on GDR and GBR

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# TBM (Slurry Machine)

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### September 2019 Launch of TBM/Pipe Jacking

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#### **TBM Being Lower into Shaft and Shaft Bottom**

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# **Launching Approach**

#### Pipe jacking

- Colleen starts journey September 14, 2019
- Gantry 1 and Bridge 1 installed after the 6 pipe
- Jacking completed October 22, 2019

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#### **Adapter Installation**

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# **Tunnel Lining**

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#### WWTP December 2019

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#### WWTP November 2020

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#### **Gantry Crane**

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#### **Slurry Treatment Plant**

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#### **Inside TBM**

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#### **Tunnel Lining – Segmental Section**

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## Tunnel Lining – Pipe Section

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# Site Piping

- Had to last 100 years of more
- Had to withstand being in Salt Water
- No Reduction in Pipe Size from Existing Outfall to Maintain Original Capacity of 180 MGD
- Duplex Stainless Steel 2507 selected

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#### WWTP September 2021

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# Barrier Island – Receiving Shaft

#### **Barrier Island Site**

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#### **Barrier Island September 2019**

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#### **Barrier Island January 2020**

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# Barrier Island July 2020

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#### **Barrier Island October 2020**

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### **Bypass Piping and Outfall Demolition**

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## New Outfall Piping Connection to Existing Outfall

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## **Barrier Island February 2021**

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#### **Barrier Island April 2021**

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#### Barrier Island July 2021

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# October 2021

#### Status

- New Outfall has been Tested and used for Gravity Flow
- FEPS Piping is being Replaced on Pumps 1 and 2 while Pumps 3 and 4 Operate with Existing Outfall

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## January 2022

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# Questions