



Rural Town Center Growth Possibilities and Wastewater Challenges

June 13, 2019







Higganum Village



Existing Condition

BLOCK	USE	SF	# UNITS	ARI	EA (ac)
A	GND FLOOR COMM	31,000			7.7
	2ND FL RES (ESTIMATED)		1	3	
	2ND FL OFFICE	14,000			
	STAND ALONE RES				
в	GND FLOOR COMM	11,200			2.7
	2ND FL RES (ESTIMATED)			9	
	2ND FL OFFICE	0			
	STAND ALONE RES				
c	GND FLOOR COMM	27,000			3.6
	2ND FL RES (ESTIMATED)			4	
	2ND FL OFFICE				
	STAND ALONE RES				
D	GND FLOOR IND	30,400			5
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	STAND ALONE RES				
E	GND FLOOR IND/MUNICIPAL	10,000			1.6
	2ND FL RES (ESTIMATED)				
	2ND FL OFFICE				
	STAND ALONE RES				
SUBTOTAL		123,600	2	6	20.6
	MINUS REDEVELOPED ROSSI AND DPW SITE	-30,400			
	REMOVAL OF IND/MUNICIPAL USES (DPW site)	-10,000			
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Proposed Condition

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2004 - 2012 C&D Locational Guide Map

2013 - 2018 C&D Locational Guide Map

2018 - 2023 Draft C&D Locational Guide Map





Infrastructure Needs

- Ongoing struggle for small towns to attract new small business into their town centers
- Traditionally need higher density to make economics of sewers work
- The desired density of village centers doesn't leave enough room for onsite septic systems



Wastewater Facilities Planning

- Compare and Contrast
 - Public sewer extension
 - Mini treatment plant with surface water discharge
 - Community septic system
- Look at construction and lifecycle costs upfront
 - \$\$ is usually not intuitive



Wastewater Facilities Planning - Example





Wastewater Facilities Planning - Example

Recommended Plan - Sanitary Sewers with Discharge to East Lyme with Additional Association Improvements

ORDER OF MAGNITUDE OPINION OF CAPITAL COSTS⁽¹⁾ OLD LYME SHORES BEACH ASSOCIATION

June 30, 2012

	NO COST SHARING			SHARE COSTS WITH OCBC				
	Low Range Costs ²¹ High Bange Costs ²¹			Low Range Cests ²¹ High Range Costs ²⁰				
Procure Agreements for Recommended Plan								1100
Technical Services to Procure Stakeholder Agreements	5	21,250	s	32,500	\$	10,625	\$	16,250
Legal and Administrative Services to Procure Stakeholder Agreements (2)	5	34,000	\$	52,000	\$	17,000	\$	26,000
. Total - Procure Agreements for Recommended Plan (Rounded)	\$	55,000	\$	85,000	\$	28,000	\$	42,000
Project Construction								
Construction Cost-Gravity Sewer with Central Pump Station (1)	\$	2,184,500	\$	3,341,000	\$	2,184,500	\$	3,341,000
Construction Cost-Force Main Along Route 156 to East Lyme [1]	\$	2,448,000	\$	3,744,000	\$	2,448,000	\$	3,744,000
Construction Cost-Cost Sharing Along Route 156	\$		\$		5	(1,224,000)	\$	(1,872,000
Buy-In Fee to East Lyme/Waterford/New London (2)	5	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000	\$	500,000	\$	500,000
3. Technical Services-Design, Permitting & Construction Administration (4)	5	926,500	\$	1,417,000	\$	681,700	\$	1,042,600
9. Legal & Administrative ⁽⁵⁾	\$	171,000	5	268,000	\$	127,000	\$	194,000
0. Total - Project Construction Costs (Rounded)	\$	6,730,000	\$	9,770,000	\$	4,720,000	\$	6,950,000
EEP CWF Eligible Design & Construction Costs								
1. Procure Agreements for Recommended Plan (Excluding Legal & Admin)	\$	21,250	\$	32,500	\$	10,625	\$	16,250
2. Project Construction Costs (Excluding Legal & Admin)	\$	6,560,000	\$	9,500,000	\$	4,590,000	\$	6,760,000
3. DEEP CWF 25% Design & Construction (Small Community) Grant Amount	\$	(1,645,313)	\$	(2,383,125)	\$	(1,150,156)	\$	(1,694,063
4. Total - DEEP CWF Loan Eligible Costs (Rounded) (4)	\$	4,936,000	\$	7,149,000	\$	3,450,000	\$	5,082,000
DEEP Ineligible Costs ⁽⁷⁾								
5. Short Term Financing at 1.5% ⁽⁸⁾	\$		\$		\$		\$	
5a. Legal and Administrative Fees (Table Line Items #2, #9)	\$	205,000	\$	320,000	\$	144,000	\$	220,000
6. Storm Drainage Improvements ⁽⁹⁾	\$	199,750	\$	305,500	\$	199,750	\$	305,500
7. Extensive Road Reconstruction ⁽¹⁰⁾	\$	674,900	\$	1,032,200	\$	674,900	\$	1,032,200
8. Fire Hydrants (Quantity: 16)	\$	136,000	\$	208,000	\$	136,000	\$	208,000
9. Drinking Water System Improvements ⁽¹¹⁾	\$	403,325	\$	616,850	\$	403,325	\$	616,850
0. Technical Services-Design,Permitting & Construction Administration ⁽⁴⁾	\$	282,795	\$	432,510	\$	282,795	\$	432,510
1. TOTAL - DEEP Ineligible Costs (Rounded)	\$	1,902,000	\$	2,915,000	\$	1,841,000	\$	2,815,000
Estimated Local Share								
2. DEEP CWF Loan Eligible Costs (7)	\$	4,936,000	5	7,149,000	\$	3,450,000	\$	5,082,000
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4. Estimated Local Cost Share (Rounded)	\$	6,838,000	\$	10,064,000	\$	5,291,000	\$	7,897,000
iet Capital Cost Per EDU								
5. Estimated Local Cost Share	\$	6,838,000	\$	10,064,000	\$	5,291,000	\$	7,897,000
6. Number of EDU's (Properties) Served		192	-	192	_	192	1	193
7. Net Cost Per EDU (Rounded)	s	36,000	\$	52,000	\$	28,000	s	41,000
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Annual Capital Cost Per EDU (Rounded) (12)		\$2,200		\$3,200		\$1,700		\$2,500

DROTALS

(1) All Phase III sosts developed in 2011 dollars.

(2) Typical planning level costs carry contingences of -15% to + 30%. Operating to other will continue table refined during subsequent phases. See Facilities Flanning Cost Document for more Detailed Cost. Breakdown. (1) Deer not include root of gravity service connections then the building to server study in street and abandorment of septic system (this cost to be prefix) have so write). Average

severstub estimated to be \$1,056 \$1,000. Assumes \$1M ConnectionPee apportioned to East Lyne, Waterford, and New London. Actual ConnectionPeecand apprillonneet breakdown are not defined at this junctione. Actuals connectionPeecand apprillonneet breakdown are not defined at this junction.

(4) Technical Services During Sesign and Construction estimated (2) 20% of construction for planning purposes. Services indude engineering design, permitting, topographic survey, test biorings, bidding services, construction administration and resident representative services.

(1) Legia and Administrative Don'ts estimated based on construction cost. Service: includeBond Courvelonits, Finance Director Costs, setup assessment policy, setup user fee policy, create programatic administrative policies, and miscalianeous legal and administrative costs during design and construction of the project.

(E) DEEP stigble sosts induderondway improvements compored of temporary parament repair, permanent parament repair, and parament mill 8 overlay to dimensions prescribed by DOT approval (T) Ineligible costs include project costs not directly related to sever design or construction, including daily WPCA Operating Administrative Costs and construction costs not required for the sever project

Legal costs other than land acquisition are ican eligible only. (8) Assume DEEP funding of design and construction work within 3 months of CWF application submittal

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(10) Based on \$355,000 per street for road reconstruction (per quotes obtained by Paul Rowean) less \$466,000 pavement allowance in sever project road rectoration.

(11) Assumes 10,000 feet of watermain pipe installation. Assume F&O designs water system.

(13) Annual cost per 520 in over a 38 year period at an annual interest rate of 2%. Does not include connection to sever, connection durate, or annual OEM code. Fire hydranits include estimate of \$6,000 for materials and \$4,000 for installation

That's a lot of number crunching!



Wastewater Facilities Planning - Example

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Estimate of Project Cost – Sewer Extension

- What will the sewer project cost to <u>construct</u>?
 _ \$4.8M to \$7.1M
 - · Assumes cost sharing of force main with Old Colony Beach Club
 - Assumes \$0.5M Connection to East Lyme Sewer infrastructure
 - Order of Magnitude Opinion of Cost in FY12 dollars
- What will the sewer project cost the <u>Association</u>?
 - \$3.6M to \$5.3M (in 2012 dollars)
 - Assumes 25% DEEP Clean Water Fund (CWF) Grant and low interest loan reduces local community costs
 - · Assumes cost sharing with Old Colony Beach Club
- How much will I be assessed for the sewer project?
 \$19,000 to \$28,000 per parcel approx. in 2012 dollars

• Cost split among 192 Association parcels

Takeaway: Annual costs can benefit from project cost sharing and DEEP CWF funding

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State Wastewater Regulations

- Continues to evolve ever so slowly
- Connecticut
 - Septic systems up to 7,500 GPD are State Health Department Regulated (might increase to 10,000 GPD)
 - CT DEEP community septic systems with mini treatment plant (25k to 50k GPD) can be a good option for Village Center Areas
- Rhode Island & Massachusetts
 - Allowing small scale Innovative/Advanced Treatment Units
 - This allows smaller leaching system footprints because effluent is much cleaner
 - Only as good as the O&M of the equipment



Infrastructure Funding

- Economic development grant's are usually not large enough
- State environmental protection funding typically only available to solve existing water pollution issues and is not for economic development
- USDA Funding for Water and Environmental Projects
 - Funding available to develop a plan and construct the infrastructure needed to attract new small businesses
 - Preliminary Engineering Report and Environmental Report prepared during the loan/grant application
 - Funding can be applied to water, sewer, and stormwater improvements for the community
 - Grant calculated based on community household income
 - 40 year loan repayment terms



Considerations for Greater WW Disposal

- Pre-packaged treatment systems can reduce upfront costs but can also have much higher O&M costs
- New treatment plant with surface discharge comes with years of permitting
- There is an entirely different rule book for large community septic systems
- Make wastewater cleaner before discharging into a community septic system to reduce leaching field size
- You really don't know the soils until you go out and dig test pits for a community septic system



Common Obstacles Small Communities

Face

- Public concern that sewers may bring unwanted growth
 - Create plan to provide 'just enough' wastewater disposal capacity
 - Allocate wastewater capacity parcel-by-parcel
- Unable to solve all of the infrastructure needs
 - Think creatively!
 - Consider meeting 'some' of the community WW needs (not all)
 - Mandate water conservation to lower sewage volumes in those old buildings
 - Use multiple sites for distributed leaching fields
- Project Funding
 - Distribute the cost among more properties
 - Consider USDA 40-year loan terms



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