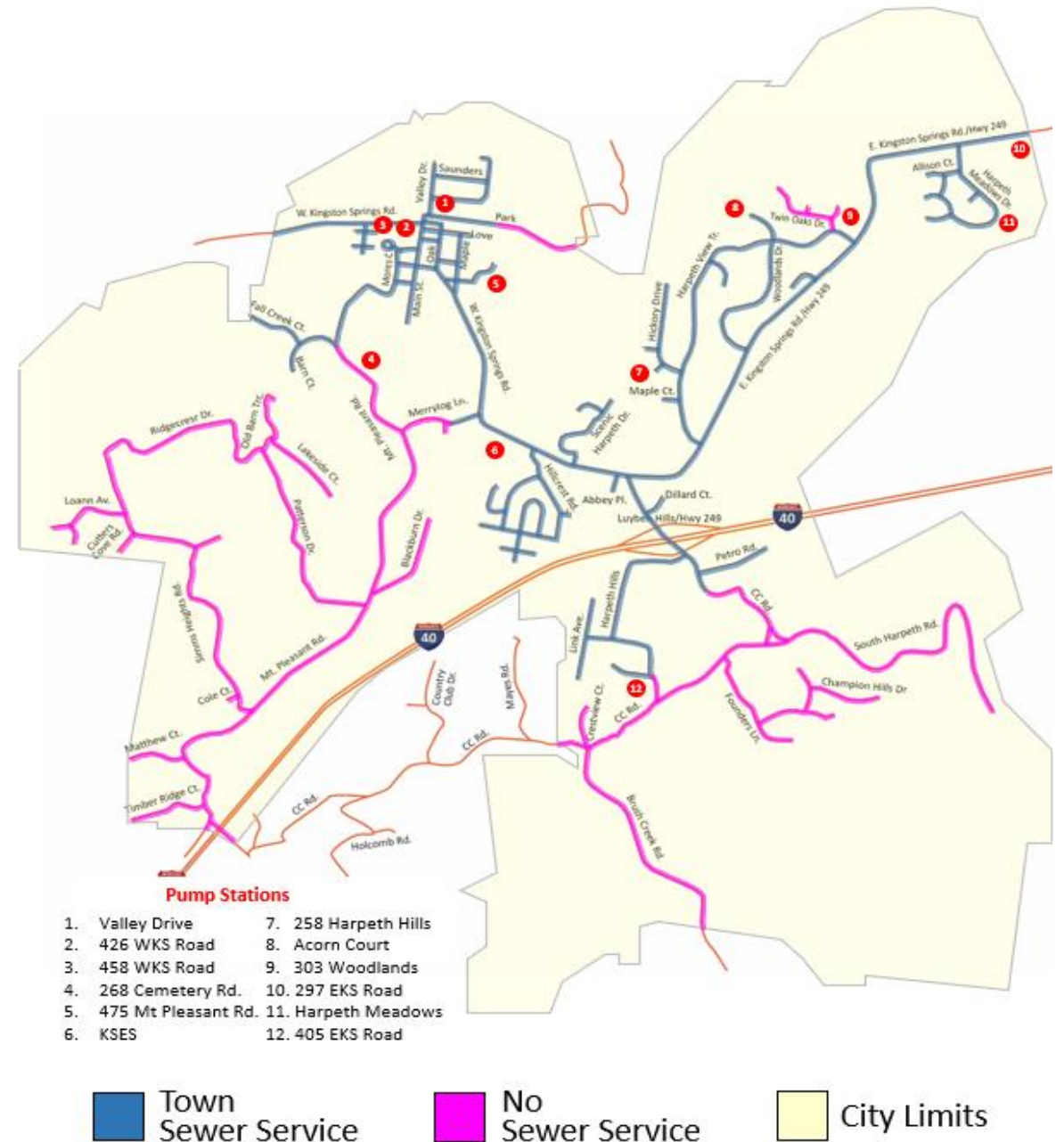




About the KS Sewer System

- System established in 1989
- Step System – Gravity Fed with 12 Pump Stations
- Treatment Plant with output into the Harpeth River.
- Number of Sewer customers: 750 (+/-).
- Daily, Weekly, Monthly testing and reporting to the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC).





About the KS Sewer Enterprise Fund

Who pays for the sewer?

- Only the customers on the sewer system pay for the operations, repairs, and maintenance of the sewer system.
- The sewer system was established to provide a service and must be self sustaining through the sewer rates received.
- Laws or regulations require that the activity's costs of providing services, including capital costs, be recovered with fees and charges instead of taxes or similar revenues
- Pricing policies of enterprise funds are designed to recover the costs of the activity (including capital costs).





About the KS Sewer System: Operating and Revenue Expenses

	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Operating Revenue	\$372,417.00	\$430,599.00	\$422,565.00	\$471,912.00	\$411,525.00
Operating Expenses	(\$253,664.00)	(\$219,594.00)	(\$250,398.00)	(\$293,091.00)	(\$230,677.00)
Depreciation	(\$100,835.00)	(\$107,851.00)	(\$107,850.00)	(\$138,693.00)	(\$142,407.00)
Total Income	\$17,918.00	\$103,154.00	\$64,317.00	\$40,128.00	\$38,441.00

- The fund is established to provide a service and must be self sustaining
- 2 consecutive years of non-sustainability mandates TDEC oversight



About the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation



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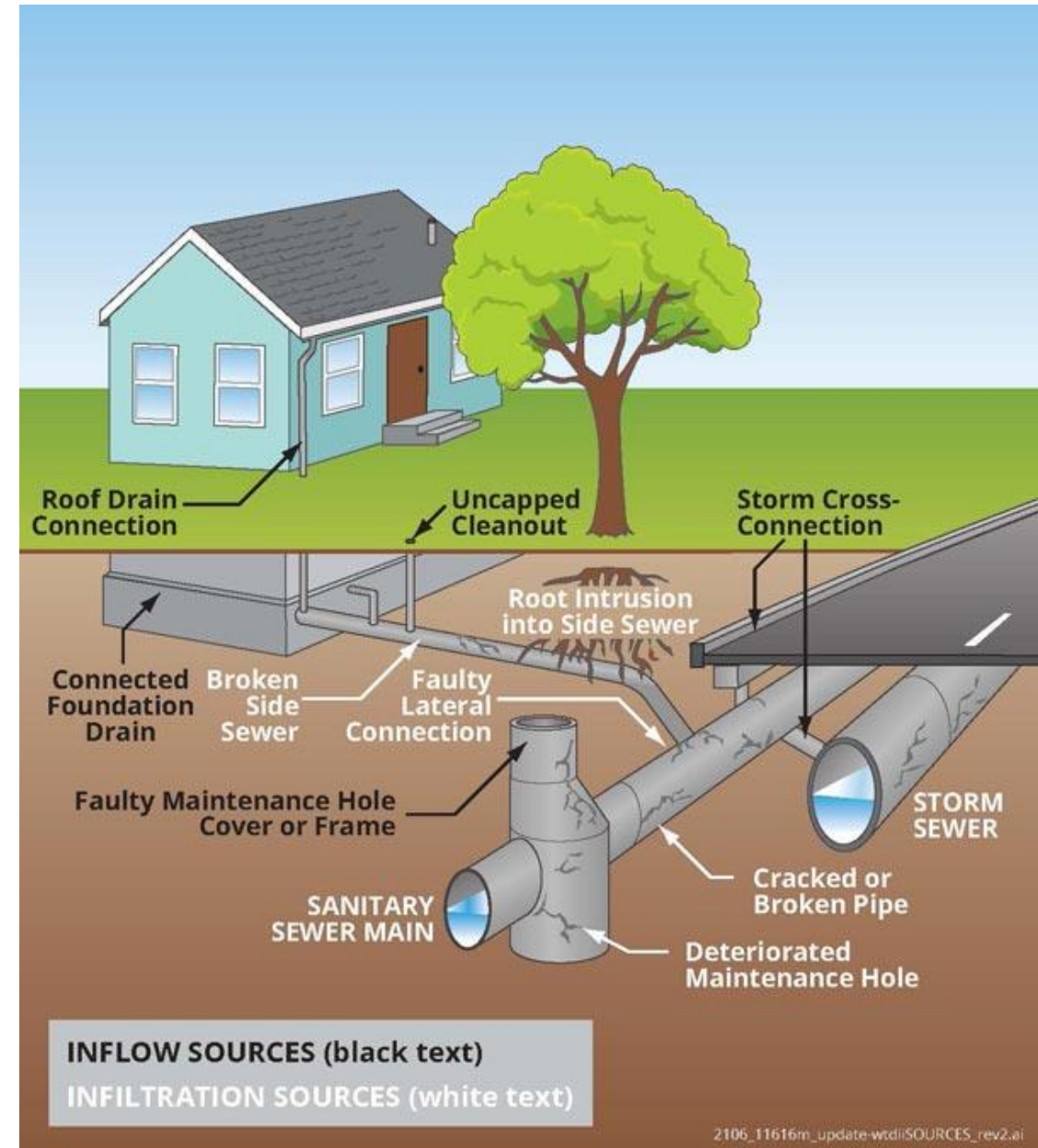
TDEC monitors the environmental health of the State of Tennessee, collecting information and setting priorities to address opportunities for environmental improvements in a timely manner.



About the KS Sewer System

What is Inflow and Infiltration?

- **Inflow** is surface water that enters the wastewater system from yard, roof, and footing drains, and occurs as a result of storm events such as rainfall and contributes to excessive sewer flows.
- **Infiltration** is groundwater that enters sewer pipes through holes, breaks, joint failures, connection failures and other openings.
- *Most I/I is caused by aging infrastructure that needs maintenance or replacement.*

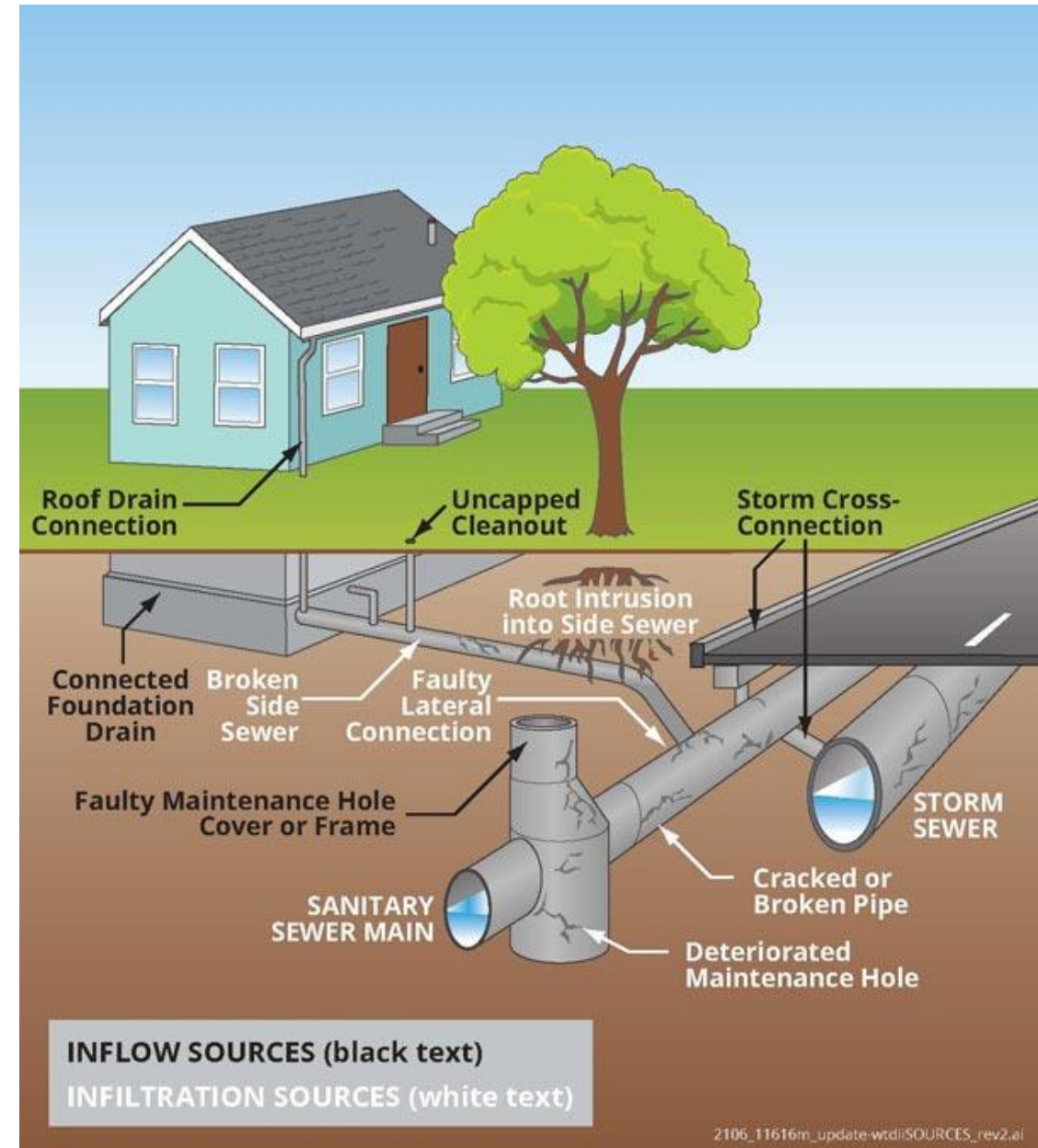




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Why is this Important?

- In 2020 the Town closed a Directors Order from TDEC it had received in 2016 after corrective action were taken.
- Although not part of the initial order the town was required to submit a plan of action related to repairing the system to limit violations in I&I.
- The Town continues to receive limit violations on inflow readings to our wastewater treatment plant that are higher than TDEC allows.





About Repairing the KS Sewer System: I&I Issues - 2-Step Process

1. Inspection and Mapping (estimated)

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNIT COSTS</u>	<u>TOTAL COSTS</u>
SCADA SYSTEM	\$200,000.00	\$200,000.00
SEWER CLEANING, INSPECTION AND MAPPING	\$6.00	\$696,000.00
MANHOLE INSPECTION AND MAPPING	\$500.00	\$58,000.00
CLEANOUT INSPECTION AND MAPPING	\$150.00	\$160,500.00
LATERAL INSPECTION AND MAPPING	\$500.00	\$390,000.00
SEPTIC TANK INSPECTION AND MAPPING	\$750.00	\$585,000.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COSTS		\$2,089,500.00
ENGINEERING		\$125,370.00
INSPECTION (PART TIME)		\$50,000.00
LEGAL ALLOWANCE		\$25,000.00
CONTINGENCY		\$460,130.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED PROJECT COST		\$2,750,000.00

2. Repair and/or Replace (estimated)

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>UNIT COSTS</u>	<u>TOTAL COSTS</u>
PIPE REHABILITATION	\$100.00	\$2,900,000.00
MANHOLE REHABILITATION	\$3,500.00	\$101,500.00
CLEANOUT REPLACEMENT	\$3,000.00	\$802,500.00
SEPTIC TANK EFFLUENT LINE REPLACEMENT	\$35.00	\$887,250.00
PUMP STATION LINE REHABILITATION	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COSTS		\$4,706,250.00
ENGINEERING		\$408,141.00
PRELIMINARY SEWER MAPPING		\$15,000.00
SEWER MAP UPDATES		\$15,000.00
INSPECTION		\$200,000.00
PERMITTING		\$50,000.00
CONTINGENCY		\$1,509,509.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED PROJECT COST		\$6,903,900.00



About the KS Sewer System: Future Operating and Revenue Expenses

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Rate Increase	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%

Rate Increases

- 2022-2023 Increase: **10% + ?**
- Estimated Repair/Replace cost: \$9M+
- Each \$1M Loan = **16% rate increase**
- Potential for 25%-35% increases each year

Other Options

- ARP funds of \$800,000 over 2 years
- Leverage ARP Funds for potential \$700,000 TDEC Grants

Only the people that use the service pay for the service and its maintenance



About Selling the KS Sewer System: How do you do it and who is interested?

Consultations on Process

- Municipal Technical Advisory Service (MTAS)
- Tennessee Association of Utility Districts (TAUD)
- Tennessee Comptrollers Office
- Tennessee Public Utility Commission
- Other Municipalities

Potential Interested Parties

- Other Utility Districts – No interest
- Other Municipalities – No interest
- Private Companies – Expressed interest



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Private Company Requirements

- Company appears before the Tennessee Public Utility Commission to establish ability to perform.
- Initial Rate Structure established in agreement with Town.
- Any future rate adjustments require company to undergo a Rate Case Proceeding with the Tennessee Public Utility Commission.
- Commission performs audit to assure proposed new rates are fair and reasonable.
- Process allows customers and stakeholders to provide input.
- Private Companies still fall under TDEC requirements for collection and output