

Focus Area #2 – Reliable and Sustainable Sanitary Sewer System

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Maintaining quality sanitary sewer services by supporting and funding operating and capital components while pursuing partnerships and other regional opportunities when available.	

Key Strategic Objectives & Initiatives

- Focus Area #2-Objective #1: Provide for upgrades and ongoing maintenance of the sewer system infrastructure through regular assessments of capital assets and the inclusion of needed projects in the Authority’s Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).**

Initiative(s)	Priority
1.1. Initiate and then perform at regular intervals, an Asset Condition Assessment on the sanitary sewer system.	Highest: Start/Finish within 1 year
1.2. Develop a Master Technology Plan to enhance a reliable and sustainable sanitary sewer system operation.	Higher: Start/Finish within 2 years
1.3. Develop a regular program to test sewer lines for Infiltration & Inflow (I&I) issues and allocate budget resources to remediate the problems.	Higher: Start/Finish within 2 years

- Focus Area #2-Objective #2: Seek appropriate growth and expansion of the sanitary sewer system to meet customer and stakeholder needs and support economic development.**

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2.1. Analyze revenue and expense impacts related to proposed system expansion opportunities.	Higher: Start/Finish within 2 years
2.2. Develop short-term (0-10 years) Capital Improvement Plan (CIP), including the funding scenarios, and a long-term (10-30 years) CIP for the sanitary sewer system.	Higher: Start/Finish within 2 years

3. Focus Area #2-Objective #3: Enhance financial and operational components of the sanitary sewer system to support capital investments and efficient operations.

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<p>3.1. Initiate and then perform at regular intervals, a rate study that supports all system expenses and considers other changes to improve rate equity.</p>	<p>Higher: Start/Finish within 2 years</p>
<p>3.2. Research and pursue available funding options through Federal, State of NC and other sources to minimize the financial impacts to customers from additional investments in the system.</p>	<p>Highest: Start/Finish within 1 year</p>