



Frequently Asked Questions: Interceptor System Rehabilitation

WHY IS THIS PROJECT NEEDED?

The existing 5.5-mile interceptor system, constructed in 1977, has experienced corrosion of the concrete pipe and structures (manholes and metering stations) in recent years. The most recent video inspection by Great Lakes TV Seal, Inc. found extensive surface corrosion that threatens longevity of the pipe. Without this project, more widespread damage will be done, requiring more extensive and costly renovation.

HOW WILL THIS IMPACT MY RIVER FRONT PROPERTY?

The impact along the river will be minimal. Work will only take place when weather allows. Project work crews will use several access points that already exist along the river and work to minimize the impact as much as possible.

HOW LONG WILL THE PROJECT TAKE? WILL IT INTERRUPT MY SERVICE?

From planning to completion, the project will take four years, with construction occurring in the final two years. The essential services provided by HOVMSD will not be interrupted during the project because temporary bypasses will be installed.

We are following required processes and procedures which include planning, extensive permitting, community outreach, bidding, contract awards and construction, all of which take time.



WHAT IS THE COST? HOW WILL IT BE FUNDED?

The initial project estimate from 2017 was \$21.8 million. In 2023, a contract for the work was awarded to Visu-Sewer in the amount of \$18,148,027.

The Heart of the Valley Metropolitan Sewerage District prides itself on fiscal responsibility, which is reflected in the district's annual budget and the flow rate charged to customers. The project bids will impact the flow rate to cover the cost of the interceptor system rehabilitation.

HOW CAN I RECEIVE UPDATES ON THE PROJECT?

HOVMSD will provide regular updates to residents impacted by the work along the river using a variety of communication methods. We will also provide regular updates on a dedicated page on the district website at www.hvmsd.org.