

***JMEUC  
PROGRAM TO  
ELIMINATE STORM  
WATER INFLOW***

# JMEUC TRIBUTARY / MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES

EAST ORANGE (Portion)

HILLSIDE

IRVINGTON

MAPLEWOOD

MILBURN

NEWARK (Portion)

ROSELLE PARK (Portion)

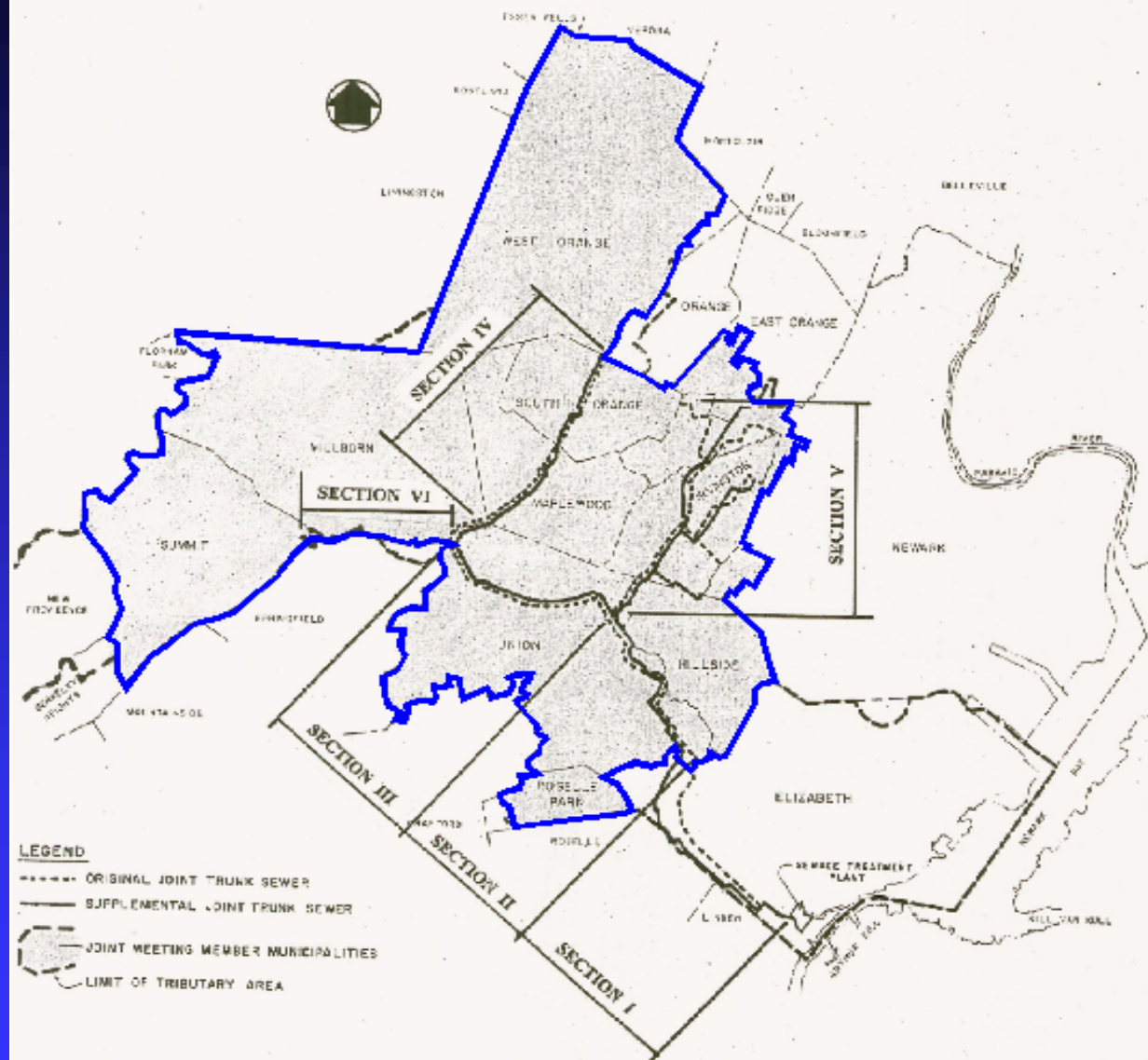
SOUTH ORANGE

SUMMIT

UNION

WEST ORANGE

ELIZABETH (Customer)



## JMEUC WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

DESCRIPTION	FLOW	UNITS
RATED CAPACITY	85	MGD
AVERAGE DAILY DRY WEATHER FLOW	60	MGD
WET WEATHER FLOW	UP TO 185	MGD

# **HISTORY OF INFLOW PROBLEM**

## **DEFINITION OF INFLOW**

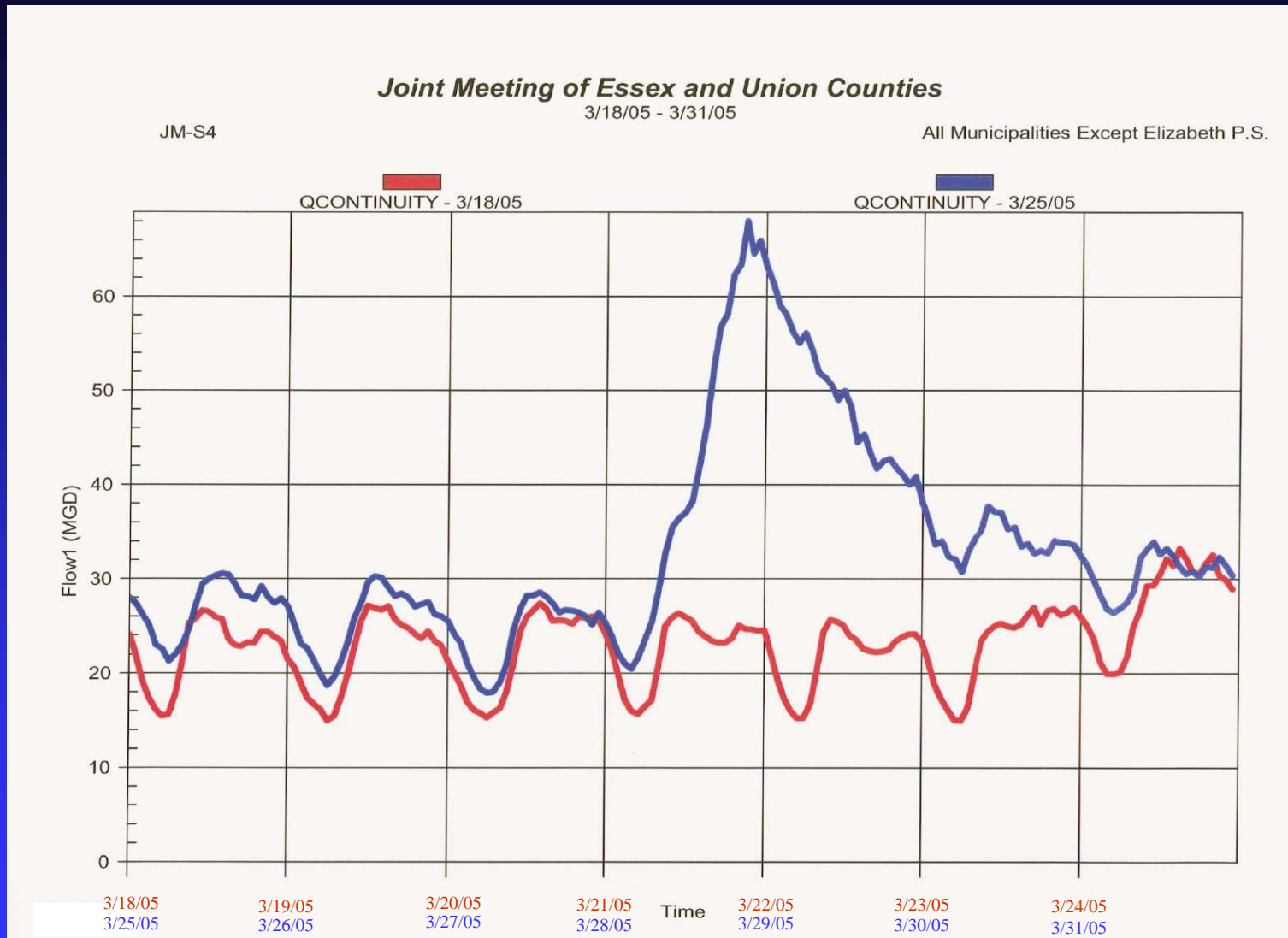
Inflow is defined as storm water that enters a sanitary sewer system as a result of broken or uncapped cleanouts, storm drain connections, roof leader tie-ins, sump pump discharges from building foundations/basement drains or through vented manhole covers.

# HISTORY OF INFLOW PROBLEM

## SEVERITY OF INFLOW

- DURING WET WEATHER EVENTS, FLOW INCREASES TO THE JMEUC WWTP BY AS MUCH AS 125 MGD
  - WET WEATHER FLOW – AVERAGE DAILY FLOW
  - $185 \text{ MGD} - 60 \text{ MGD} = 125 \text{ MGD}$
- DURING WET WEATHER EVENTS JMEUC WWTP EXCEEDS RATED CAPACITY BY AS MUCH AS 100 MGD
  - WET WEATHER FLOW – RATED CAPACITY
  - $185 \text{ MGD} - 85 \text{ MGD} = 100 \text{ MGD}$

# TYPICAL RAINFALL GRAPH



DURING WET WEATHER EVENTS FLOW INCREASES BY 45 MGD  
IN THIS TRIBUTARY AREA

# HISTORY OF INFLOW PROBLEM

## WET WEATHER BY-PASS STUDY

- PREVIOUSLY, EXCESS WET WEATHER FLOW BY-PASSED SECONDARY TREATMENT AT THE WWTP
  - ORIGINAL BY-PASS THRESHOLD WAS 120 MGD
  - WET WEATHER FLOW CAN BE AS MUCH AS 185 MGD
- IN APRIL 2003, NJDEP REVISED JMEUC'S PERMIT REQUIREMENTS
  - NO LONGER ALLOW BY-PASSES
  - JMEUC FACES NJDEP FINES FOR ANY BY-PASSES THAT OCCUR
- A RECENT HYDRAULIC STUDY OF THE WWTP
  - DETERMINED THE FLOW THAT THE WWTP COULD PROPERLY TREAT DURING SHORT-TERM WET WEATHER EVENTS
  - DETERMINED THAT THE BY-PASS THRESHOLD SHOULD BE MODIFIED TO 185 MGD



# REASONS WHY PROBLEM SHOULD BE RESOLVED

- TO AVOID FUTURE FINES BY NJDEP FOR WET WEATHER BY-PASSES. BY-PASS THRESHOLD WAS MODIFIED TO 185 MGD.
- HOWEVER, INFLOW WILL ONLY INCREASE IF NOT ADDRESSED.

# REASONS WHY PROBLEM SHOULD BE RESOLVED

- TO AVOID A CAPACITY UPGRADE AT THE JMEUC WWTP
  - SIGNIFICANT CONSTRUCTION COST
  - COST WOULD BE BORNE BY THE JMEUC'S MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES

# REASONS WHY PROBLEM SHOULD BE RESOLVED

- TO EXTEND THE LIFE CYCLE OF THE FACILITY EQUIPMENT
  - FLOODING EQUIPMENT WILL CAUSE DAMAGE
  - LESS FLOW = LESS WORK = LONGER LIFE SPAN  
= LESS ENERGY REQUIRED

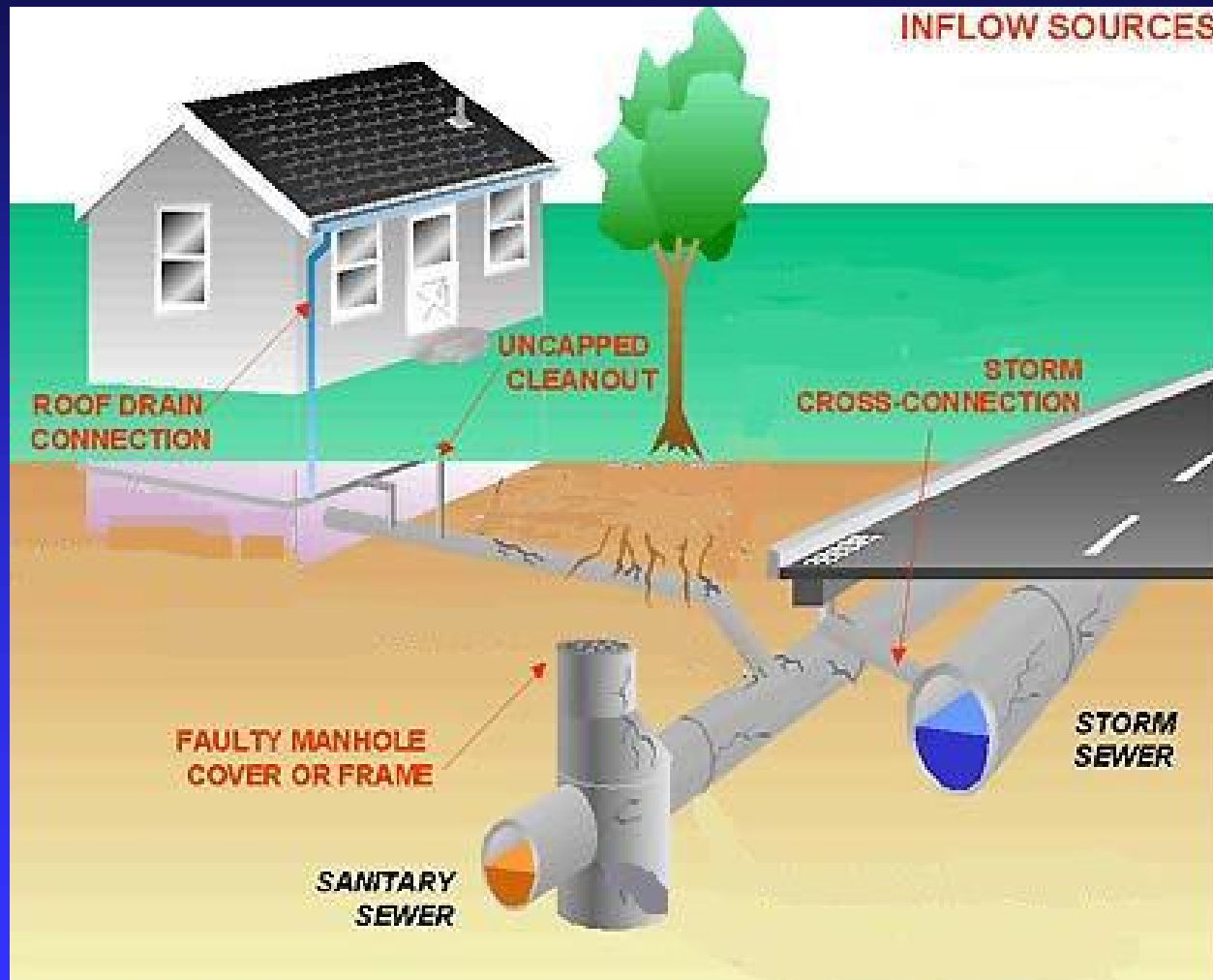
# REASONS WHY PROBLEM SHOULD BE RESOLVED

- FOR THE PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND WATERWAYS FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS
- WHEN BY-PASSES OCCUR ONLY TREAT TO PRIMARY TREATMENT STANDARDS

# REASONS WHY PROBLEM SHOULD BE RESOLVED

- TO AVOID STUNTING FUTURE DEVELOPMENT
  - IF PROBLEM PERSISTS, INFLOW WILL INCREASE
  - HYDRAULIC CAPACITY WILL NOT ALLOW FOR FUTURE CONNECTIONS TO WWTP

# SOURCES OF INFLOW



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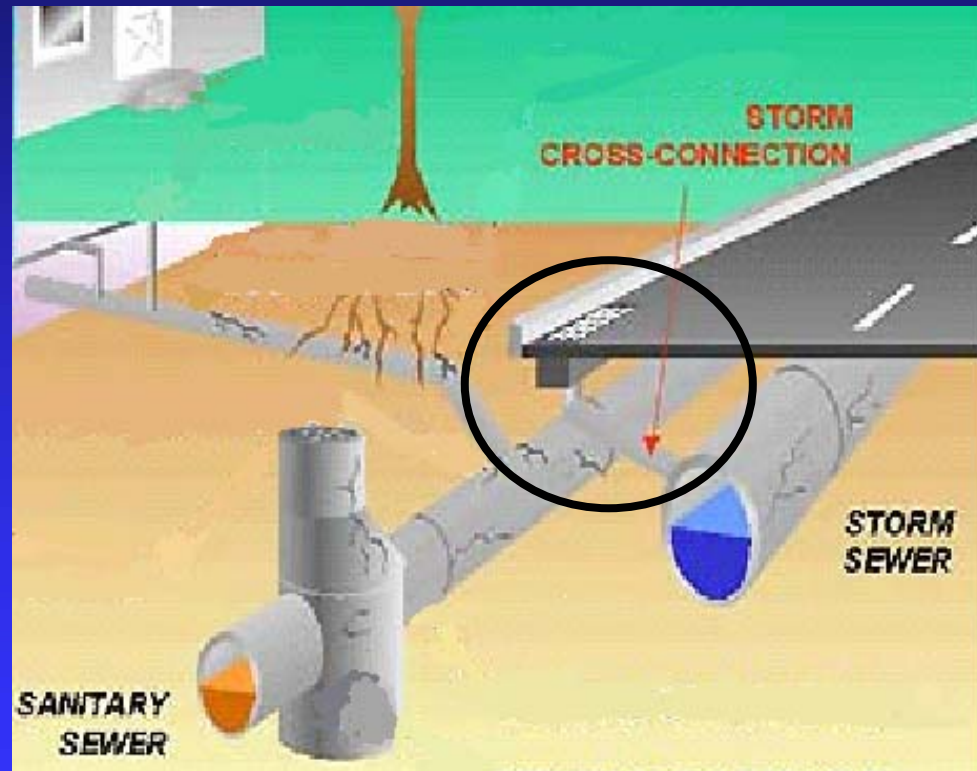
## UNCAPPED OR DAMAGED CLEANOUTS





# SOURCES OF INFLOW

## STORM SYSTEM CROSS CONNECTIONS





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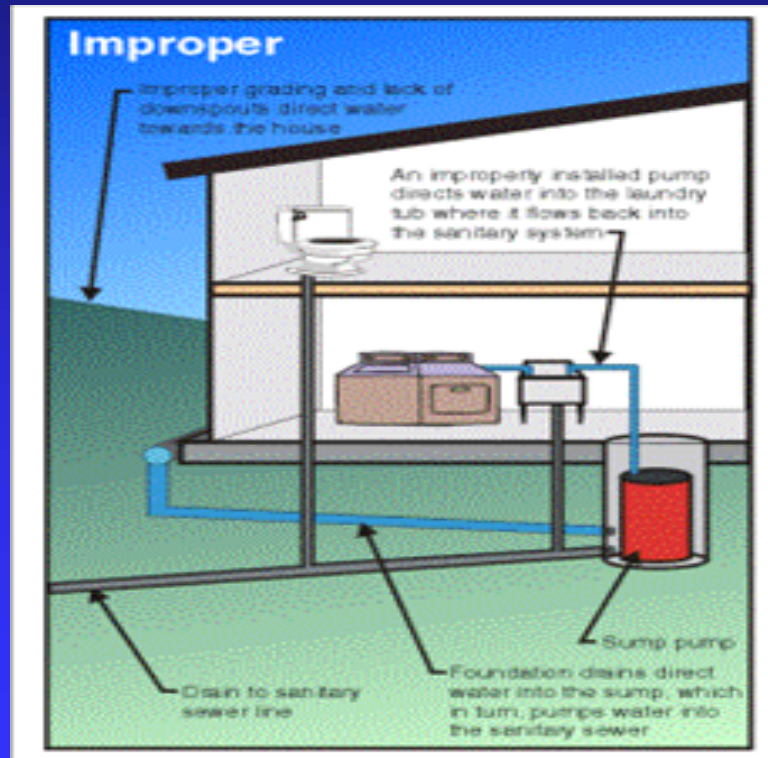
## ROOF DRAIN CONNECTION



# SOURCES OF INFLOW

## SUMP PUMPS

- AN IMPROPERLY INSTALLED SUMP PUMP DIRECTS WATER INTO THE LAUNDRY TUB WHERE IT FLOWS BACK INTO THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM



# REMEDIATION MEASURES

## SMOKE TESTING

SAFE, NON-TOXIC SMOKE IS RELEASED INTO THE SEWER SYSTEM TO LOCATE STORM WATER CROSS CONNECTIONS, UNCAPPED CLEANOUTS, ROOF DRAIN CONNECTIONS, AND BROKEN OR CRACKED PIPE WITHIN THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM.



# REMEDIATION MEASURES

## REMEDIATING PROBLEMS FOUND DURING SMOKE TESTING

- UNCAPPED CLEANOUTS
  - CAPPED WITH WATER TIGHT THREADED CAPS
- STORM SYSTEM CROSS CONNECTIONS
  - WHEN DISCOVERED THEY ARE ELIMINATED
- BROKEN OR CRACKED PIPE
  - PIPE LININGS
  - REPLACEMENT
  - INTERNAL GROUTING



# REMEDIATION MEASURES

## SEVERITY OF INFLOW FROM ROOF DRAINS

- AREA OF ROOF = 1,000 SF (20 FT x 50 FT)
- TYPICAL RAINFALL = 1.0 INCH/DAY
- ASSUME 25% OF RAIN FROM ROOF IS COLLECTED IN ONE ROOF DRAIN
- VOLUME OF FLOW ENTERING SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM FROM ONE ROOF DRAIN
  - $\text{AREA OF ROOF} \times (\text{TYPICAL RAINFALL}/12) \times 25\%$
  - $1,000 \text{ SF} \times (1.0/12) \times 25\% = 21 \text{ CF/DAY} = 150 \text{ GPD}$
- VOLUME OF FLOW FROM ALL ILLICITLY CONNECTED ROOF DRAINS
  - $\# \text{ OF CUSTOMERS}/3 \text{ PER HOUSEHOLD} \times 25\% \text{ (ASSUME 25\% ARE INCORRECTLY CONNECTED)} \times 150 \text{ GPD}$
  - $600,000/3 \times 25\% \times 150 \text{ GPD} = \text{APPROX. } 7.5 \text{ MGD}$

# REMEDIATION MEASURES

## ROOF DRAIN REDIRECTION

- THE CONNECTION TO THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM IS REMOVED
- THE ROOF DRAIN MUST EXTEND A MINIMUM DISTANCE (DEPENDENT UPON LOCAL TOWN REQUIREMENTS) PERPENDICULAR FROM THE HOUSE FOUNDATION
- FLOW IS DIRECTED TO THE LAWN
- A SPLASH BLOCK IS INSTALLED IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE GROUND FROM EROSION

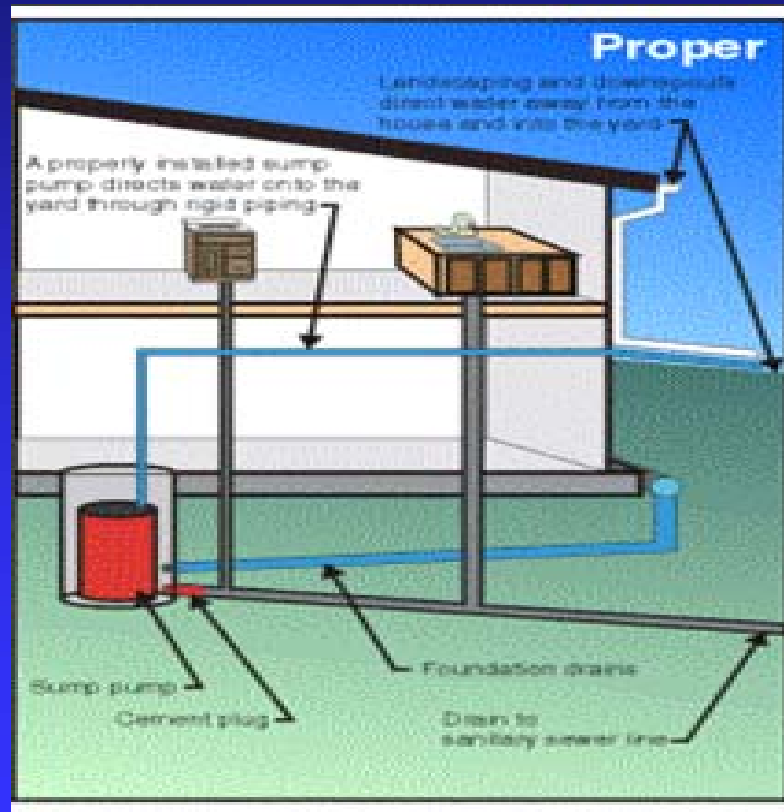




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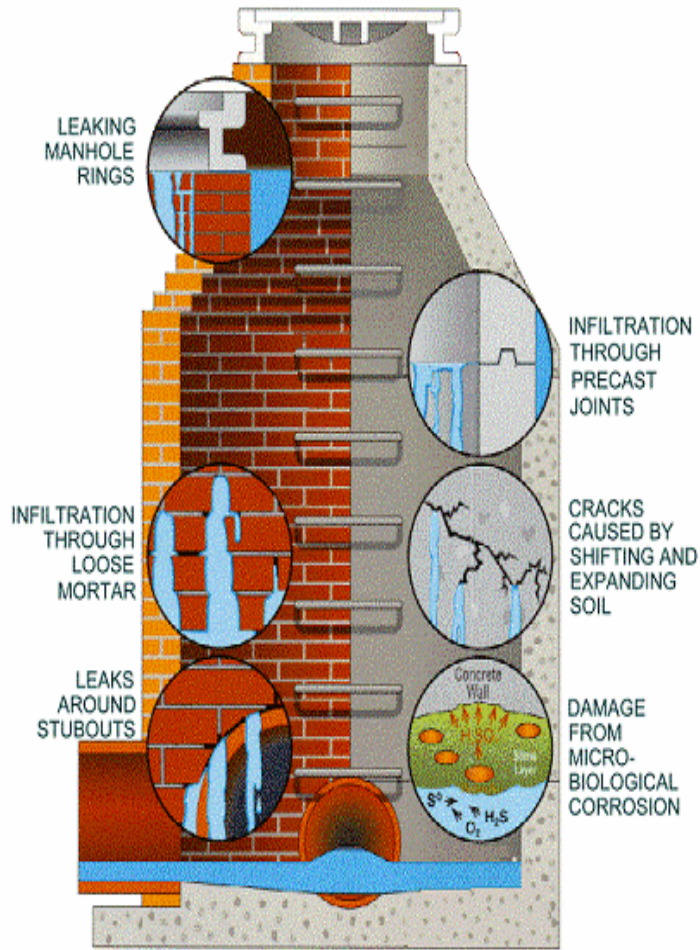
## HOUSE TO HOUSE SURVEYS

- USEFUL IN LOCATING IMPROPERLY INSTALLED SUMP PUMPS AND ROOF DRAIN CONNECTIONS
- A PROPERLY INSTALLED SUMP PUMP DIRECTS WATER ONTO THE YARD THROUGH RIGID PIPING



# REMEDIATION MEASURES

## MANHOLES AND MANHOLE COVERS





# REMEDIATION MEASURES

## INSTALL MANHOLE INFLOW PROTECTORS

### TWO OPTIONS

- INSTALL MANHOLE INFLOW PROTECTOR
- REPLACE DAMAGED OR VENTED MANHOLE COVER



# **COMPARISON OF POSSIBLE RESOLUTIONS**

# COST COMPARISON

ALTERNATIVE	COST
INFLOW REMOVAL	\$17,500,000*
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE	\$300,000,000*

**\*COSTS WERE DETERMINED FROM PRIOR SSES REPORTS. A PRESENT WORTH EVALUATION WAS COMPLETED TO BRING THE COSTS TO TODAY'S DOLLARS.**

# SUMMARY

- REMEDIATING THE JMEUC INFLOW PROBLEM IS VITAL
  - ALLOW FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT
  - SAVING MONEY (WWTP UPGRADE AND TREATMENT OF STORM WATER)
  - PRESERVING QUALITY OF WATERWAYS
- INSPECTION AND REMEDIATION METHODS
  - UNCAPPED CLEANOUTS
    - SMOKE TESTING
    - REPLACEMENT OR INSTALLATION OF WATER TIGHT CAP
  - ROOF DRAIN CONNECTIONS
    - SMOKE TESTING, HOUSE TO HOUSE INSPECTIONS
    - REDIRECTION OF ROOF DRAIN
  - STORM CROSS CONNECTIONS
    - SMOKE TESTING
    - ELIMINATION OF CROSS CONNECTION

# SUMMARY

- MANHOLES
  - PHYSICAL INSPECTION
  - REPLACEMENT OF PENETRABLE OR DEFICIENT COVERS
- SUMP PUMPS
  - HOUSE TO HOUSE SURVEYS
  - REDIRECTION OF FLOW