

CUSTOMER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 15, 2021

GROUND RULES

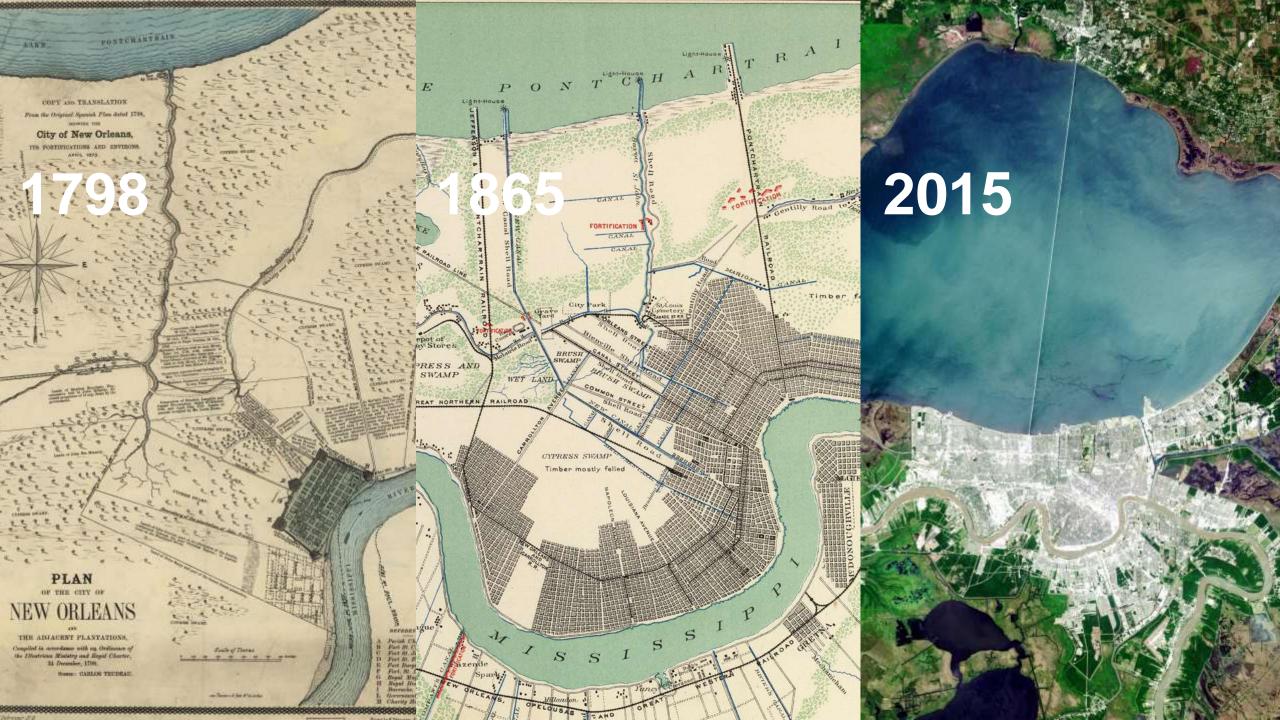
- Please keep your microphone muted unless you are speaking to reduce background noise
- Be sure to say your name before you speak so everyone knows who is speaking
- To be respectful of everyone's time, please keep remarks brief and to the point so we can end on time
- Members of the public can submit comments via the Q&A feature



AGENDA

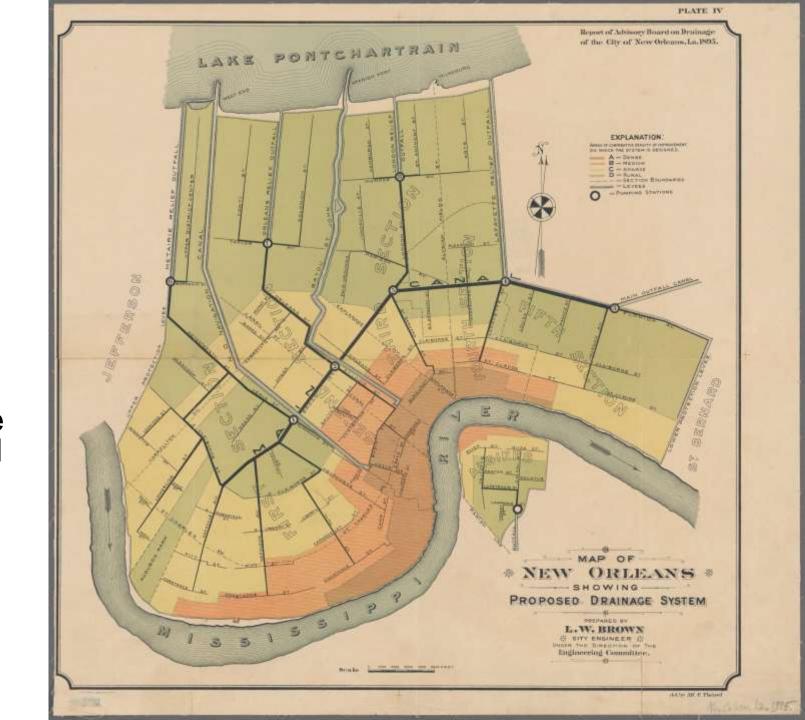
- Roll Call
- Drainage Overview
 - History
 - Existing System
 - Future Vision
- Next Steps





HISTORY

- New Orleans Drainage Commission formed in 1895
- Charged with implementing Drainage Master Plan
- Driven by need to reduce nuisance flooding as well as yellow fever, malaria, and drinking water contamination
- Combined with SWBNO in 1903



SYSTEM

- SWBNO:
 - 235 miles of pipe/canals
 - 24 pump stations
 - Power plant
 - \$66.9 M 2017 O&M
- City:
 - 1,288 miles of pipe
 - 68,000+ catch basins
 - \$6M 2017 O&M



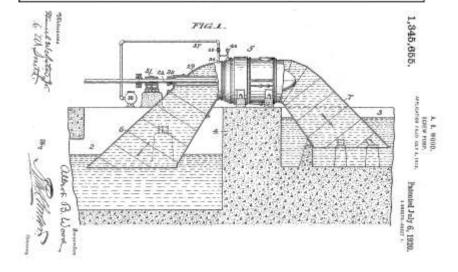


WOOD SCREW PUMP

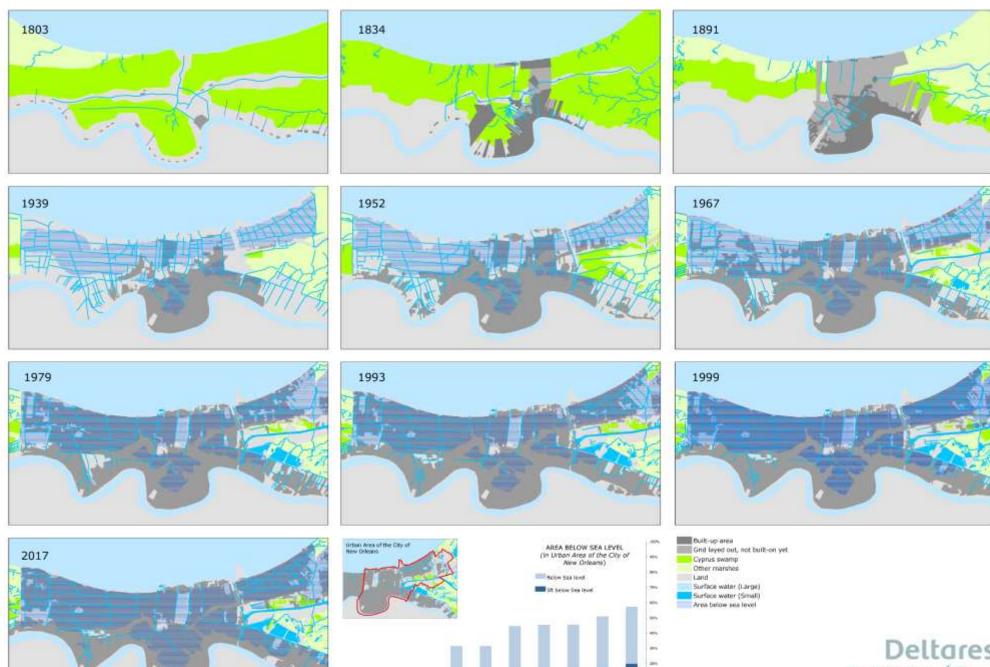
- Invented 1913 by SWBNO General Superintendent Albert Baldwin Wood
- "The largest and most efficient low-lift pumps in the world."
- Used in The Netherlands, Egypt, China, and India
- Many original pumps still in service
- Allowed for further expansion of the City into former swampland



Figure 60. Drainage Pumping Station No. 6. View of interior looking east; in the foreground are 250 cfs vertical centrifugal pump motors. The remainder of the pumps are Wood screw pumps; in the foreground are two 12' pumps, and in the background are four 14' pumps.



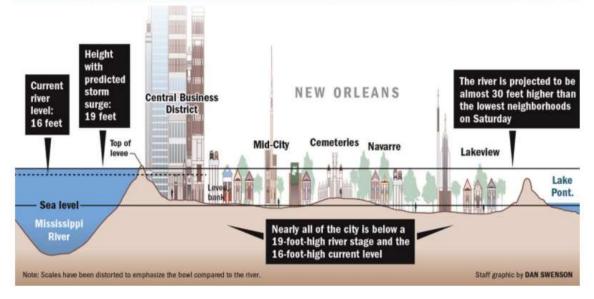




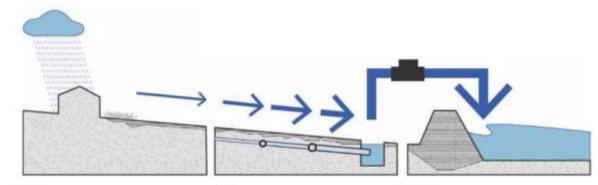




AREA OF CROSS-SECTION ABOVE Lake Pontchartrain KEY: 5 feet or Kenner greater Eastern above **New Orleans** sea level 0 to 5 feet Metairle above sea level Mississippi 0 to -5 feet below sea Algiers level Chalmette Harahan Orleans -5 feet or Gretna less below sea level Westwego Harvey



WHY PUMP?



Pave

Urban surfaces, including streets and parking lots, are paved with impervious materials that shed stormwater directly into storm drains and prevent that water from soaking into the ground.

Pipe

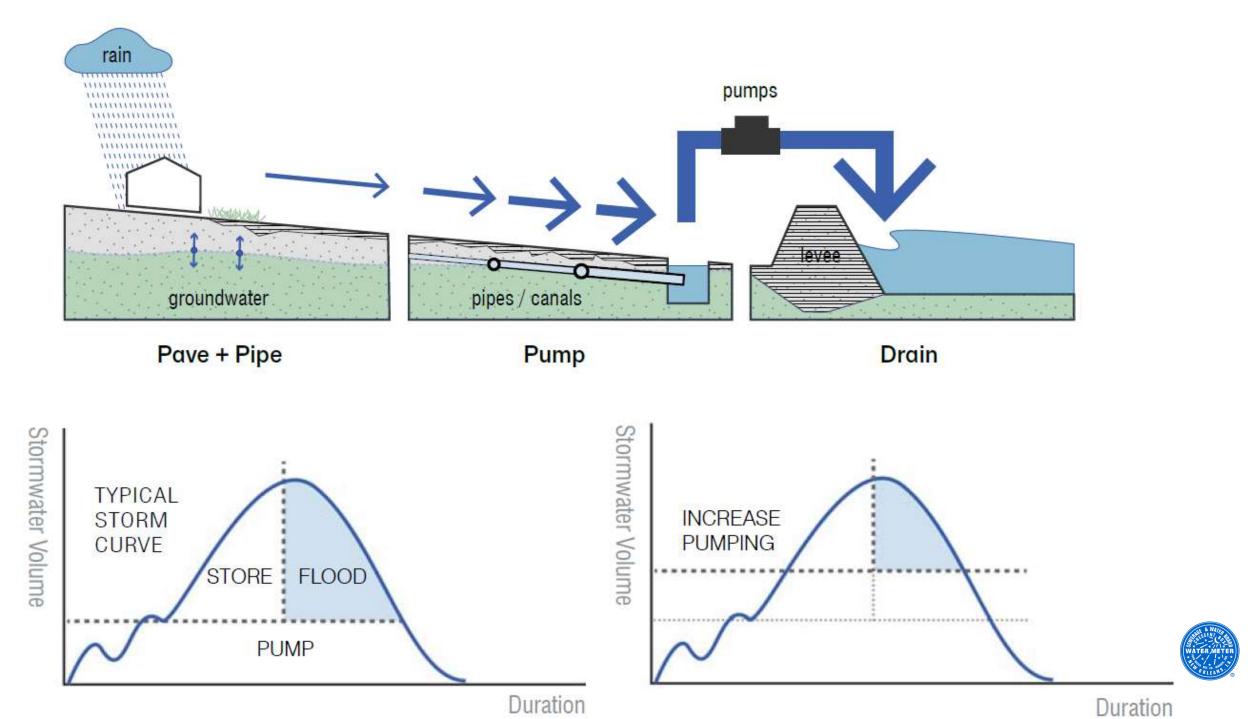
Underground pipes and culverts are often overwhelmed by stormwater, causing backed-up storm drains to overflow into streets. These pipes do not allow stormwater flowing through them to infiltrate into surrounding soils.

Pump

Fed by drainage pipes and canals, powerful pumps at the perimeter of each basin lift stormwater over the levees into Lake Pontchartrain, the Inner Harbor, and the Central Wetlands Unit.









Drainage Area

Pump Station



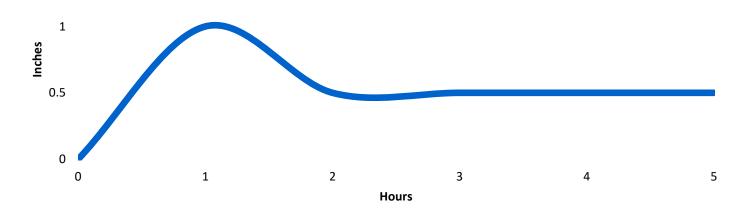
Canal



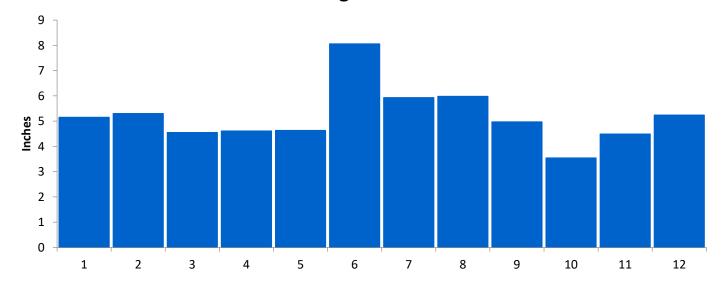


Pumping Capacity

1.5



Average Rainfall



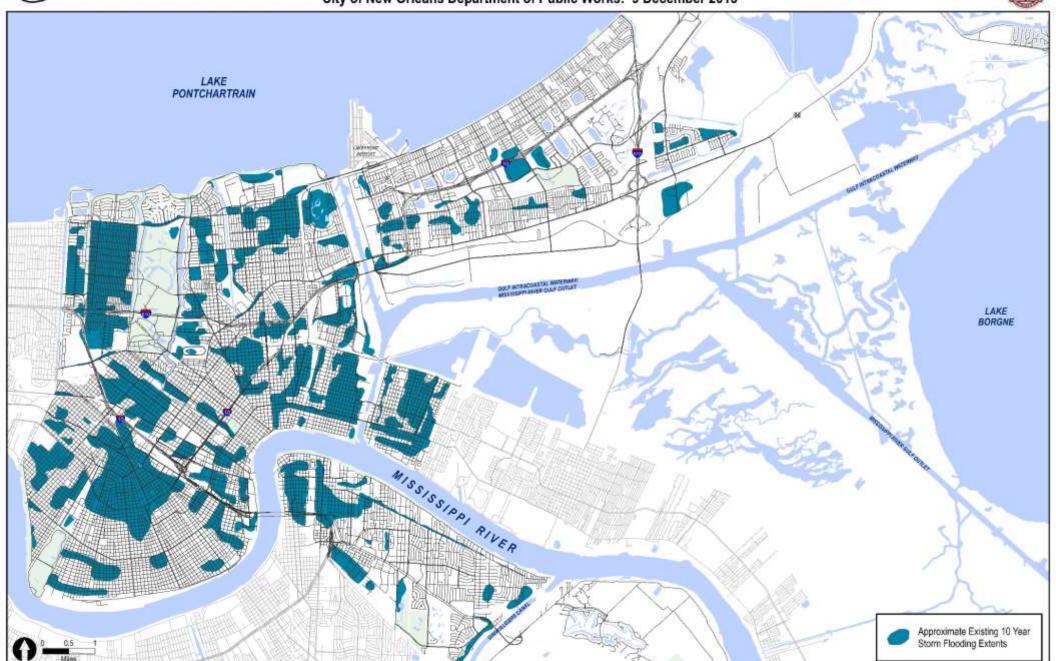




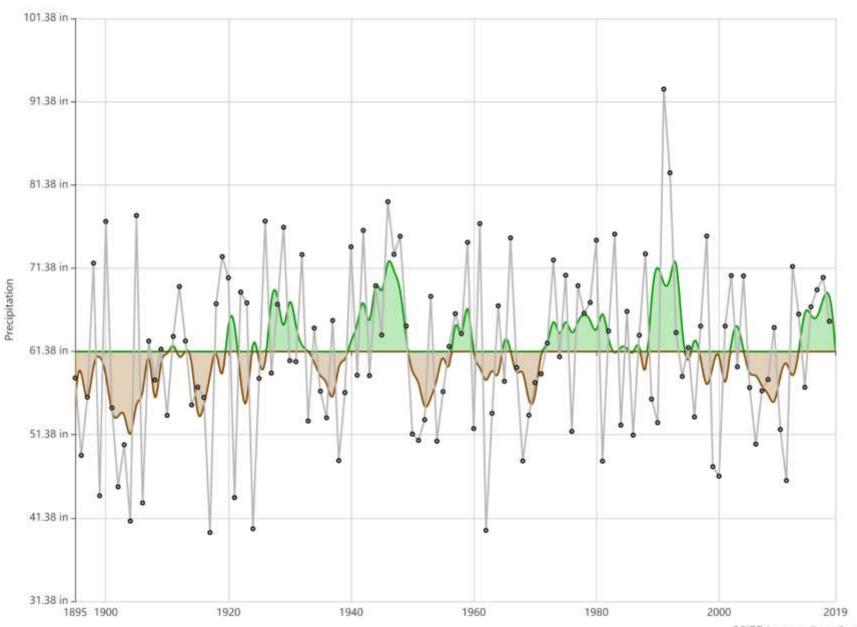
EXISTING 10 YEAR STORM FLOODING

City of New Orleans Department of Public Works: 9 December 2015













1 Drainage systems are regularly overwhelmed by too much runoff, causing flooding.



2 Excessive pumping causes the land to sink by lowering groundwater levels.



3 Critical water assets are wasted, hidden behind walls, buried underground, or pumped out of sight.

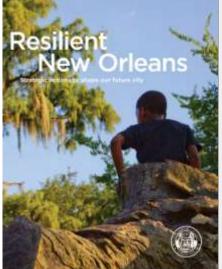














Green Infrastructure Plan

Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans

4/24/2014

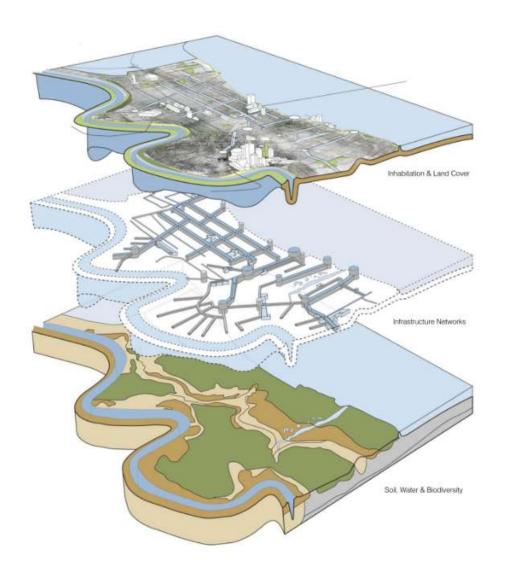
ARTICLE 23. LANDSCAPE, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT, & SCREENING



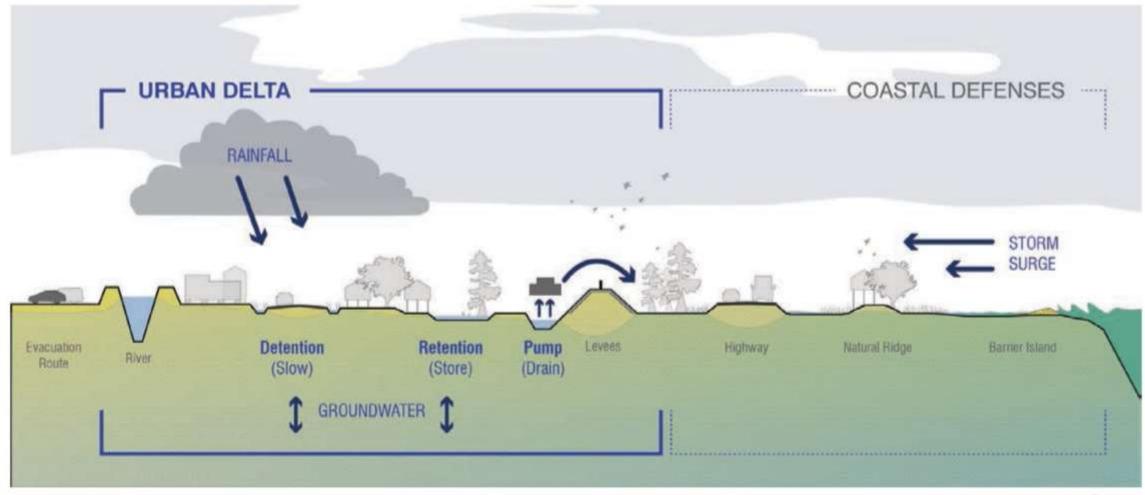
URBAN WATER PLAN

- Funded by State Office of Community Development
- Developed by Waggonner & Ball in association with hundreds of local and international water management experts
- Address ground water and stormwater as critical factors shaping a safer, more livable, and economically vibrant region

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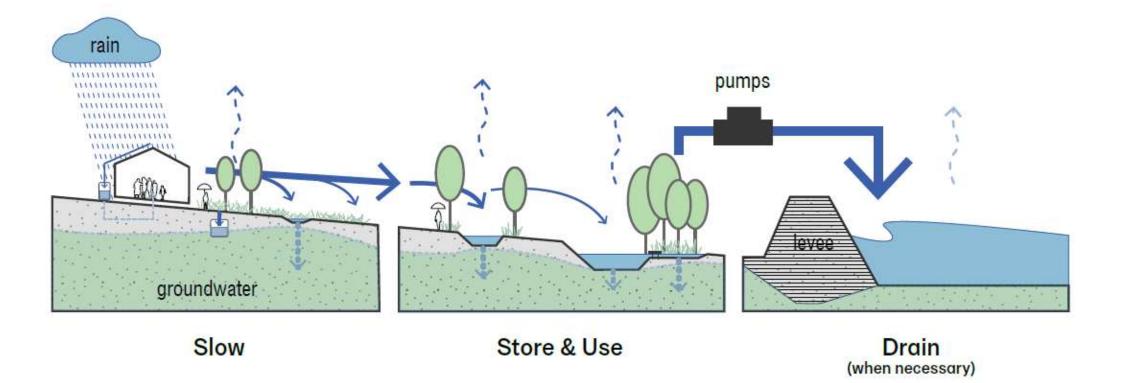


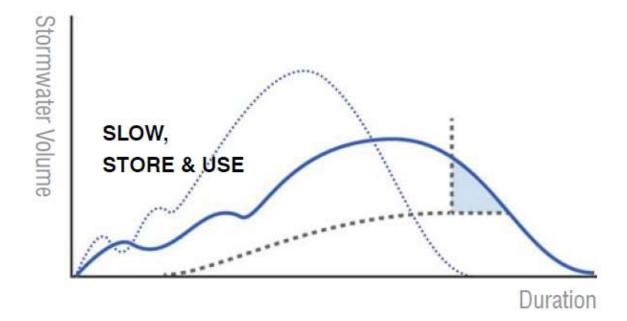


Urban water management and coastal defenses, both critical to a resilient urban delta

Source: Waggonner & Ball Consulting Team

















GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE













NEXT STEPS

- Next Meeting will be January 29 at Noon
- Meeting Topic?
 - Water System Overview
 - Sewer System Overview
 - Incl consent decree
 - SWB Organizational Structure
 - Review of recent planning efforts and outcomes
 - Boil Water Advisories
 - Flooding, how residents can mitigate?
 - Deeper dive on billing issues





THANK YOU