# PROPERTY OWNERS MEETING SEWER SERVICE RATES

Crystal Springs County Sanitation District (District)

Highlands Recreation Center
Multipurpose Room
1851 Lexington Avenue
San Mateo, CA

May 23, 2018 6:30 P.M.

**Department of Public Works** 

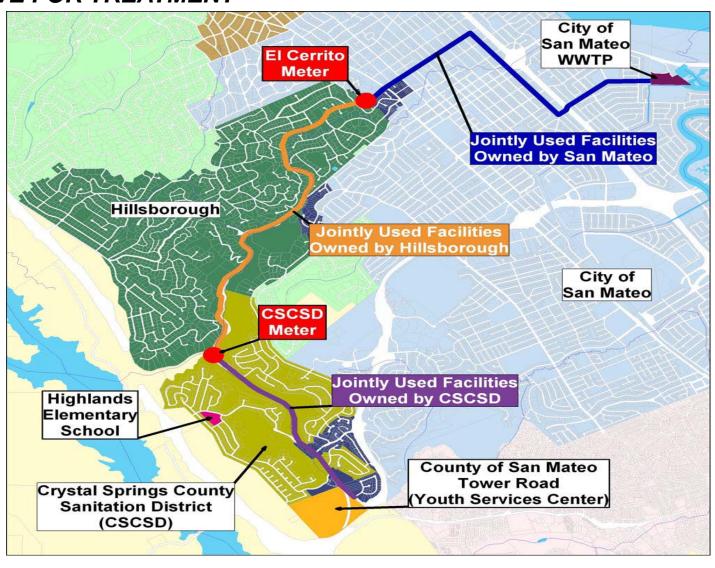
### **OVERVIEW OF TONIGHT'S MEETING**

- District Information
- District Funding
- What's Taken Place Since Last Rate Adjustment
- Elements of the Sewer Service Rates
  - In District Costs
  - Out of District Costs
- Proposed Rate
- Rate Setting Timeline
- Questions and Comments



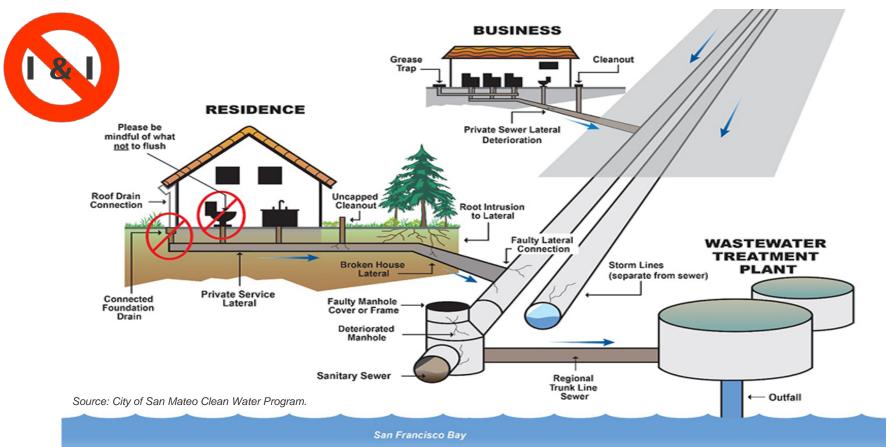
### **DISTRICT INFORMATION**

SEWAGE FLOWS THROUGH TOWN OF HILLSBOROUGH AND CITY OF SAN MATEO TO THE CITY'S TREATMENT PLANT AT 2050 DETROIT DRIVE FOR TREATMENT



# DISTRICT INFORMATION – HOW DOES A SEWER SYSTEM WORK?

EACH DISTRICT RELIES ON DOWNSTREAM AGENCIES TO TRANSPORT SEWAGE COLLECTED BY THE DISTRICT TO THE TREATMENT PLANT





### **DISTRICT SPECIFIC STATISTICS**

District	Age (yrs) *	Number of Connections	Equivalent Residential Units **	Downstream Transport Agency	Treatment Facility
Crystal Springs County Sanitation District	71	1,434	1,531	City of San Mateo	City of San Mateo

<sup>\*</sup>Age based on District formation date

<sup>\*\*</sup> Based on 2017-18 SSC Report

District	Miles of Pipe (Feet)	Percentage in Easements	Percentage in Streets
Crystal Springs County Sanitation District	18 (95,100 ft)	15%	85%



# SEWER/SANITATION DISTRICTS IN COUNTY GOVERNMENT

### EACH DISTRICT IS AN INDEPENDENT ENTITY WITH ITS OWN SEPARATE BUDGET

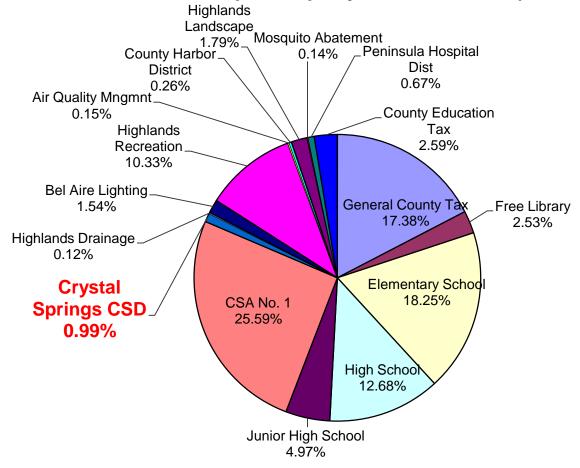
- Each District's Governing Board is the Board of Supervisors
- ➤ The District receives Sewer Service Charges and limited property taxes within the District boundaries to fund sewer service
- ➤ The Sewer Service Charges are a Fee For Service, Not a Tax
- ➤ The District collects Sewer Service Charges on the Tax Bill because it is least costly way to collect the fee



### WHERE DOES MY PROPERTY TAX MONEY

**GO?** 

#### **CSCSD Sample Property Tax Allocation (TRA 078-018)**



Note: CSCSD allocation of a portion (0.99%) of the property tax is approximately \$60,000 per year.



- Completed Capital Improvement Projects in 1999 Master Plan with State Revolving Fund Ioan (\$1.95 million Ioan, 2.1%, 20 years)
- ➤ Paid District's share of the Crystal Springs/El Cerrito Sewer Trunk Line projects completed by the Town of Hillsborough and City of San Mateo (\$7.3M County Loan)
- > Seneca Lane mudslide (2017) emergency response and temporary bypass
- Contributed to the purchase of maintenance equipment (CCTV camera, flushing/vacuum trucks, pickup trucks, and dump truck)
- Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) Response, Reporting, Water Quality Monitoring, and Public Awareness Program
- Continue to provide 24/7 emergency response to clear blockages in private laterals



1999 MASTER PLAN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS COMPLETED IN 2014





Replaced 2,230 feet of pipes in easements & 8,540 feet of pipes in streets (11% of District mains) funded by State Revolving Fund Loan with 20-year term and interest rate @ 2.1%



SENECA LANE MUDSLIDE EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND TEMPORARY BYPASS

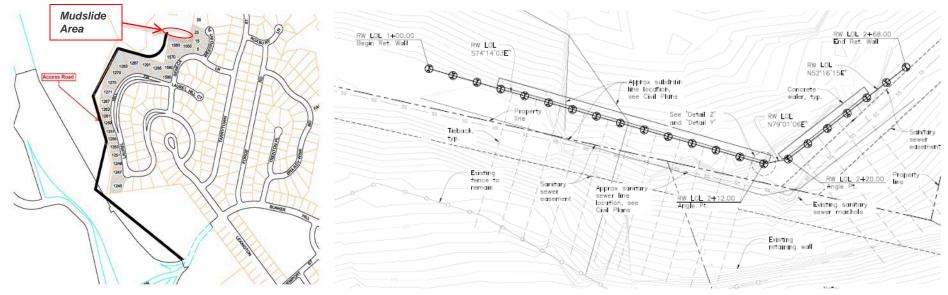




Jan. 24, 2017 – Feb. 15, 2017: District maintenance staff responded to a mudslide that damaged a section of the District's sewer main in the easement behind Seneca Lane, installed temporary bypass system, and monitored the bypass pump system 24 hours/day until PG&E approved a power connection.



#### SENECA LANE MUDSLIDE PERMANENT REPAIR



#### <u>Selected Repair Option – Soldier Pile Retaining Wall with Tie-Backs</u>

- Soldier pile wall with horizontal reinforced concrete beams between piles.
- Steel ground anchors (tie-backs) placed in drilled holes extending from the wall face to soil or bedrock.
- Estimated construction cost is \$1.9M; Total estimated cost \$2.7M.
- District is working with FEMA to seek reimbursement for eligible work associated with response, repair, design, and construction of permanent repair.



## WHAT'S TAKEN PLACE SINCE LAST RATE ADJUSTMENT – OUT OF DISTRICT COSTS

### CRYSTAL SPRINGS/EL CERRITO SEWER TRUNK LINE PROJECT PHASE II (TOWN OF HILLSBOROUGH)

- > Project elements:
  - Upsized 9,600 feet of 8-in. to 15-in. diameter pipes with 18-in.
     diameter pipes on Crystal Springs Road and El Cerrito Avenue
- Project completed in Feb. 2017
  - *Total estimated cost \$12,000,000*
  - Preliminary project closing cost \$10,007,515
- District share of project costs (paid with County loan proceeds):
  - Percent 37% of eligible costs (based on wet weather flow)
  - **\$3,702,780**



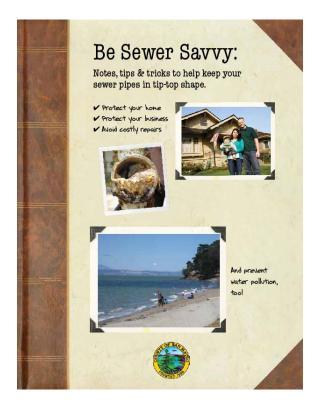
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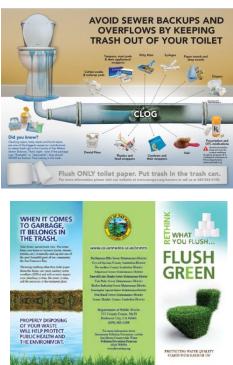
### EL CERRITO TRUNK RELIEF LINE PROJECT (<u>CITY OF SAN</u> <u>MATEO</u>)

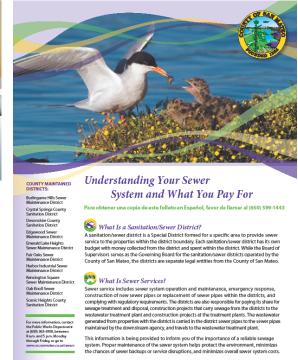
- Project elements:
  - Constructed 10,000 feet of 27-in. and 30-in. diameter pipes as relief line for wet weather flows
- Project completed in May 2017
  - Total estimated cost \$15,000,000
  - Final project cost \$11,587,347
- District share of project (paid with County loan proceeds):
  - Percent 37% of eligible costs (based on wet weather flow)
  - **\$3,573,657**



#### POLLUTION PREVENTION/PUBLIC AWARENESS PROGRAM







Beginning in 2012, brochures have been distributed to customers during service calls and mailed to customers upstream of a sanitary sewer overflow. Copies are also available on website at <a href="http://www.smcgov.org/sewers">http://www.smcgov.org/sewers</a>



#### SANITARY SEWER OVERFLOWS (SSO)

District	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 (to date)
CSCSD	6	3	11	4	0	6*	2*

Basin Cleaning implemented in 2014

Primary Causes of SSOs: Roots, Paper Towels, and Heavy-duty Wipes.

\* 3 (2017) and 1 (2018) SSO occurrences due to Seneca Lane mudslide site



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#### REGULATORY COMPLIANCE:

- > State Water Resources Control Board
  - Development and continuous updating of Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP)
  - Reporting to State Office of Emergency Services certain types of SSO's within 2 hours
  - Sampling of water within 48 hours when SSO enters a creek or stream
  - Training maintenance staff on SSO response
  - 2009 Cease and Desist Order Annual Reports due May 15th:
    - a) Sewer System Cleaning and Root Control Program
    - b) Infrastructure Renewal
    - c) Progress of Short and Long Term Improvements



### **DISTRICT EXPENSES**

#### IN DISTRICT COSTS:

- Operation and Maintenance
- > Regulation Compliance
- > District Projects



#### **OUT OF DISTRICT COSTS:**

- Sewage Transport and Treatment
- > Downstream Agency Capital Improvement Projects







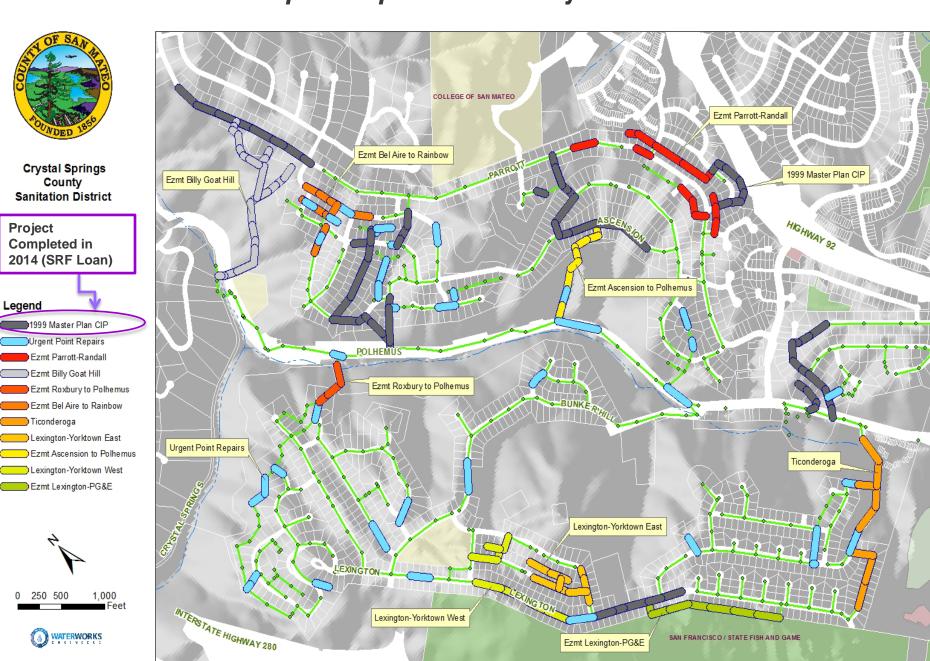
# ELEMENTS OF THE SEWER SERVICE RATES - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (CIP)

### HIGH PRIORITY CIPS IDENTIFIED THROUGH CONDITION ASSESSMENTS

- > Improvements are recommended based on the following:
  - Lack of capacity in pipe
  - Excessive maintenance costs
  - Structural defects in pipe
- Portions of your Sewer Service Charges collected are used to pay for improvements.



#### Recommended Capital Improvement Projects



#### PRIORITY OF REMAINING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS:

<b>Project Location</b>	<b>Estimated Cost</b>
Currently in Design	
Seneca Lane Mudslide Permanent Repair (~174 ft)	\$2,700,000
Urgent Point Repairs (42 Locations)	\$275,660
Future Projects	
Easement between Parrott and Randall Easement along Billy Goat Hill Easement from Roxbury to Polhemus Easement from Bel Aire to Rainbow Ticonderoga (Upper Portion) Lexington-Yorktown East Easement from Ascension to Polhemus Lexington-Yorktown West	\$714,000 \$882,000 \$207,000 \$537,000 \$741,000 \$465,000 \$354,000 \$612,000
Easement between Lexington and PG&E	\$501,000
Total Cost for Future Projects ~ 16,700 feet of Pipe (18% of District mains)	\$5.013 M



# <u>ELEMENTS OF THE SEWER SERVICE RATES</u> – OUT OF DISTRICT COSTS

PAYING FOR SEWAGE TRANSPORT, TREATMENT, AND DISPOSAL

- Sewage Transport, Treatment, and Disposal
- Downstream Agency Capital Improvement Projects
  - City of San Mateo Clean Water Program (CWP)
  - Crystal Springs CSD's share of contribution is estimated to be over \$3.5 million each for 30 years with 100% bond financing exclusively for the CWP expenses



### **ELEMENTS OF THE SEWER SERVICE RATES**

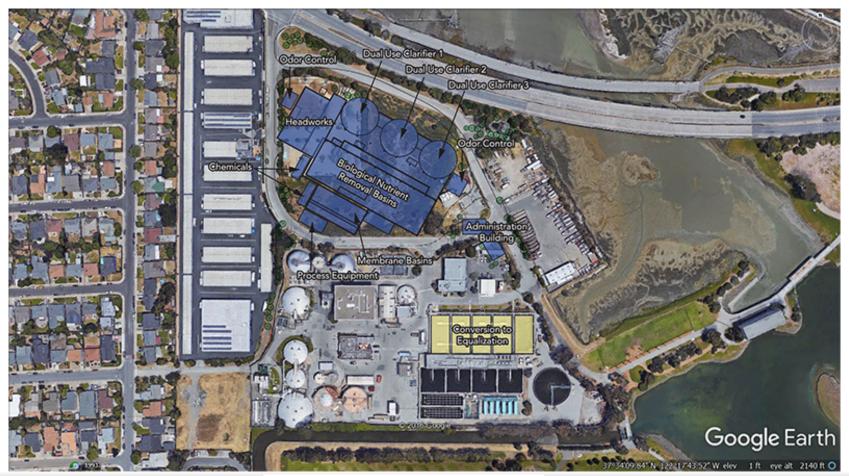
### - OUT OF DISTRICT COSTS



Source: City of San Mateo Clean Water Program.



# CITY OF SAN MATEO CLEAN WATER PROGRAM (CWP) – WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT (WWTP) COMPONENT



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# CITY OF SAN MATEO CLEAN WATER PROGRAM (CWP) - PROJECT COSTS

- Program Management \$85,092,559
- > WWTP Nutrient Removal and Wet Weather Flow Management Upgrade \$532,708,966
- WWTP Immediate Action Projects 1 & 2 \$34,631,635
- Dale Avenue Pump Station (DAPS)
  Rehabilitation/Forcemain Replacement \$41,629,979
- South Idaho Relief Extension \$1,129,633

Total Estimated District Cost Share - \$24,998,000 (based on District flows at DAPS-6.07% & WWTP-5.62%)



#### City of San Mateo

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Telephone: (650) 727-6870

Email: info@CleanWater ProgramSanMateo.org



### **PROPOSED RATE**

	Sewer Service Rate (\$/Year Per Residential Unit)		
		Proposed Rate	
	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	
Crystal Springs County Sanitation District	\$1,350	\$1,415 (+ \$65)	

The proposed rate includes a 4.8% increase, equating to an \$65/equivalent residential unit or \$5.42/month/equivalent residential unit increase.



### **RATE SETTING TIMELINE**

Key Dates	Actions
May 8	Sent all property owners information about proposed rates and timing of meetings with property owners.
May 23	Meetings with property owners to discuss the proposed rates, factors involved in establishing rates, and seek property owner input.
June 5	Introduce Ordinance with proposed sewer service rates and set Public Hearing for July 24.
June 8	Send Prop 218 notice (45 days prior to public hearing) to property owners with proposed rates.
July 24	Hold public hearing, adopt Ordinance setting rates, and adopt FY 2018-19 Sewer Service Charges Report based on the adopted rate.



### Emergency Response 24 Hours a Day, 7 Days a Week

Mainline (Blockage)

**Customer Sewer Laterals** 

Call (650) 363-4100 to Report Sewer Overflows



### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please e-mail your comments and questions to:

sewers@smcgov.org

Information is available on our website at:

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### THANK YOU!

### **QUESTIONS?**



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