

Stamford WPCA Top Issues (9/21/20)

No.	Issue	Action Description	Impact	Status	Schedule
1	COVID-19 Outbreak	Take action to reduce impact on SWPCA Operations and Finances	Operations and Financial	Supervisors, operators, mechanics, electricians and lab staff have returned to normal work schedule. Admin staff working from home and coming to site on staggered work days as necessary to conduct business.	Will adjust based on response to pandemic and direction by Governor and Mayor.
2	Sludge dryer had an explosion on 8/1/19 that resulted in damage to the dryer equipment and building. Currently hauling sludge cake at additional cost until dryer can be repaired and put back in service.	Need to replace damaged dryer equipment and building window, doors, skylights and masonry damaged by explosion.	Operations and Financial	Dryer equipment is currently going through startup and training of operating staff. Will be performing performance tests using sludge starting this week.	Sludge dryer equipment repairs have been completed. Waiting for windows to be installed to complete building repairs.
3	UV System Performance and Permit Exceedances	Upgrade UV System adding 2 new UV channels for system redundancy during peak flow and replacing aged Wedeco UV equipment with Trojan.	Regulatory and Operations	Two (2) new UV channels have been in service since 8/1/20. Have had a number of minor permit exceedances during equipment start up. Issues are being evaluated and resolved by manufacturer as they arise.	Third new UV channel to be completed by end of 2020 by contract will be delayed due to start up issues with the two (2) new channels.
4	Extreme wet weather - high flow discharge and permit exceedance on 5/1/14	Perform an Infiltration and Inflow (I/I) Study to identify and remove extraneous flows caused by rainfall and high groundwater	Regulatory and Operations	Phase I SSES (CCTV, smoke testing) and design have been completed.	Phase 1A sewer rehabilitation by Kenyon Pipeline has begun.

5	Reduce energy costs	Evaluate and implement energy conservation measures (ECM)	Operations and Financial	Installation of interior LED lighting is complete.	Eversource to provide \$469,695 cash incentive for energy efficiency measures used in Primary and Secondary Treatment Improvements
6	Personnel Safety	Comply with requirements for arc flash protection.	Operations		Siemens has started to perform electrical preventive maintenance (EPM), starting with sludge dryer electrical switchgear.
7	Sludge dryer before explosion was operating close to its capacity and there are limited options for disposal of sludge cake due to incinerators operating at their capacity and landfills that are closing, or won't accept sludge cake.	SWPCA needs to evaluate its future options for sludge processing and disposal and develop a long term Sludge Management Plan.	Operations	Hazen presented proposed scope of work and fee to Technical Committee at its meeting on September 16 th .	Expect 16 months to complete the Sludge Management Plan.
8	WPCF evaluations and improvements	Study, design, and construct WPCF improvements to replace aged equipment and increase operations and energy efficiency.	Regulatory and Operations	2,000 kW generator has been set in place. Work on aeration tanks will continue through the summer.	Work on Raw Sewage Pump Station to begin in October with set up of bypass pumping. Overall construction to be complete by June 2021.
9	Perna Lane Area is in need of sanitary sewers due to failing septic systems.	Evaluate cost effective options for providing sanitary sewers to the Perna Lane Area that avoid deep sewers (in rock) in High Ridge Road.	Operations	Most cost effective option will include a combination of gravity and low pressure sewers. Project will proceed upon receipt of petition signed by 2/3 of property owners in favor of the project	Project is currently on hold pending receipt of petition signed by 2/3 of property owners in favor of the sewer project.