## **Peters Township** Sanitary Authority

#### Friar Lane Sewershed Resident Meeting June 22, 2011

## Agenda

- What is the Goal of the program?
- Why Friar Lane?
- Proposed Pilot Program
- Next Steps
- Conclusion
- Questions

#### **GOAL:**

To identify and remove sources of groundwater infiltration into the sanitary sewer system

- Reduce Inflow & Infiltration (I&I) into the sewer system
- Reduce the need to expand treatment facilities
  Reduce the need to expand sewer interceptors
  Reduce the need to increase user fees
- Help to keep sewage from exfiltratingReduce and eliminate SSO's





Inflow is groundwater that is directly connected to the sanitary sewer system.



## Infiltration

... is ground water that indirectly enters the sanitary sewer through defects in the sewer pipe.





## Why Friar Lane?

- Engineering studies show the Friar Lane Sewershed ranks high for inflow & infiltration
- Infrastructure Investment by the Authority
  - Relined 7,268 LF of collector sewer pipe at a cost of \$277,000
- Wet Weather Investigation and data review
  - Inspections on eight separate occasions by the

#### **Reference Sewershed Concept**

Friar Lane E. Edgewood





#### Friar Lane Reaction to Rainfall

During Peak Rain Events (24-Hour Volume)

- Newer PVC Sewer Systems <100 GPD/EDU
- Brush Run System Overall 1,600 GPD/EDU
- Friar Lane Sewershed 13,000 GPD/EDU

#### Friar Lane Wet Weather Inspections

- After Rehabilitation. Conducted when BR Plant was at 5 MGD
- Very little infiltration from the public sewer
- 39% of dwellings discharge <1 GPM. No repairs required.
- 61% discharge >1 GPM. Repairs needed.
- 18% of total inspected discharge >3 GPM
- 8% of total inspected discharge >8 GPM

#### Extrapolating Friar Lane Results to **BR** System-Wide

- 70% of the customers have Non-PVC sewers
- Friar Lane.
- 18% of 2,900 customers=520 customers may discharge > 3GPM
   @ 5 MGD
- Could discharge >6 GPM @10 MGD
- Say 8 GPM average at 10 MGD
- 8 GPM/EDU X 520 customers = 4,160 GPM
- = 6 MGD peak flow may come from these 520 customers or...

60% of the problem comes from 12% of the customers!

## **Proposed Pilot Program**

Rainfall Simulation Testing:

- C & K Industrial Services: Professional, uniform and proven testing method.
- Testing is not dependent on natural rainfall.





## Vent Stack Deficiency

Inflow due to improper material and connection.



## **Root Infiltration**

roots entering from a defective joint.



## Infiltration

Multiple points of inflow from a defective pipe joint



#### **Closed Circuit Television Inspection**

Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) utilizes special video cameras that are inserted into the sewer to observe pipe conditions and to document defects that lead to Inflow and Infiltration (I&I).



#### Authority Funded Repairs, if needed:

- The Authority will determine the extent and type of repair necessary
- Authority will pay for repairs to a cumulative maximum of \$3,000 per participant.
- If repairs are required, the owner will not receive the \$200 payment for participation.
- Repairs made by the Authority will be warranted for one year.
- Authority will pay for all testing done in-house or contracted.
- Authority will pay for any driveway restoration, if needed.

# Homeowner Responsibility, if needed:

- Homeowner will pay to have illegal direct connections such as downspouts, area drains, or sump pumps and sump pump overflows connected to the sanitary system disconnected.
- Homeowner will pay for any final lawn restoration, if needed.



#### Other Benefits to the Homeowner:

- If the property passes testing, and repairs are not required, the owner will receive a minimum payment of \$200 for participation.
- If your home passes the
- test, or repairs are made to correct deficiencies, the Time of Sale Dye Test, and its \$150 fee, will be waived for one year.



#### Items to Consider

- The Authority will make multiple visits to your property over a long period, even if you home passes initial testing.
- Repairs my identify other deficiencies due to water migration.
- If trees and other plantings must be removed, the Authority will not replace them.

#### Benefits to the Community at Large

- The pilot program will help the Authority to develop a program to address the issue of groundwater infiltration.
- Once implemented, this program may help us avoid large capital expenses in unnecessarily treating fresh water.
- Possibly avoid "Tap Bans", EPA Enforcement Actions
- Help to keep sewer fees low for all residents of the service
- area.

  Protect the environment.



## Next Steps

- Obtain participation from the majority of the 83 property owners in the Friar Lane Sewershed.
- Property owners sign Right of Entry Agreements with the Authority
- Test and inspect all participating properties.
- Work with property owners to correct building sewer deficiencies
- Document post-rehabilitation flow results
- Replicate the process throughout our service area

## Conclusion

- Wet weather flows need to be reduced by correcting defects in private building sewers
- We need the cooperation of the residents in the Friar Lane sewershed in this Pilot Project
- This project will be valuable to you as homeowners
- The results of this program will benefit the Authority and all it's customers

## **Questions?**

Please reply no later than July 8th