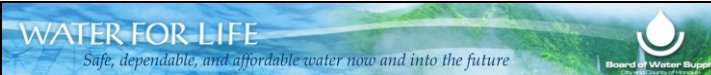


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**Board of Water Supply
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Tuesday, November 15, 2016

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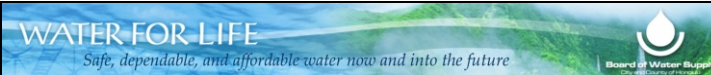
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Meeting Objectives


- ◆ Receive updates regarding the BWS
- ◆ Learn about the long-term financial plan and water rates development process
- ◆ Understand the major components of the 30-year Capital Improvement Program



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Action

Review and accept notes from
Stakeholder Advisory Group Meeting #9
on Wednesday, September 14, 2016



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Ernest Lau, P.E.
BWS Manager and Chief Engineer


BWS UPDATES



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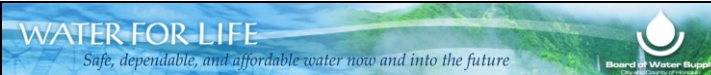
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**INTRODUCTION TO FINANCIAL
PLANNING AND WATER
RATES PROCESS**

BWS's Authority to Make Rates is Established in City Charter

- ◆ “The board shall have the power to fix and adjust reasonable rates and charges for the furnishing of water and for water services so that the revenues derived therefrom shall be sufficient to make the department self-supporting.”
- ◆ PUC regulates privately owned utilities

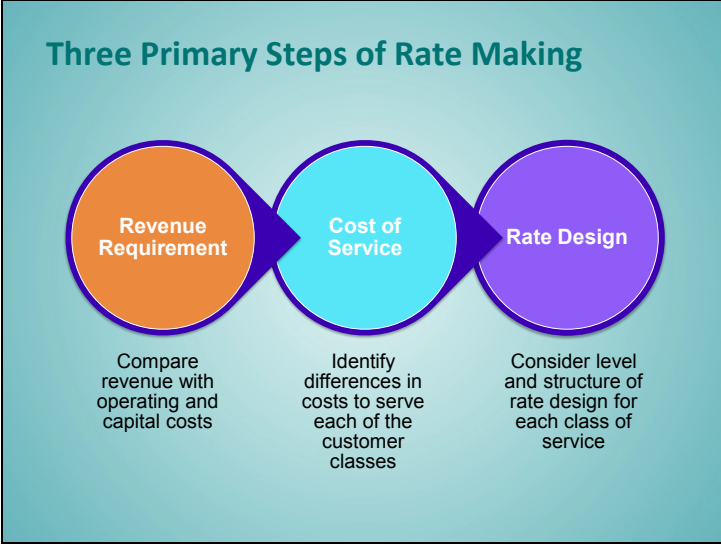
[RCH Section 7-109 Rates, Revenues and Appropriations]

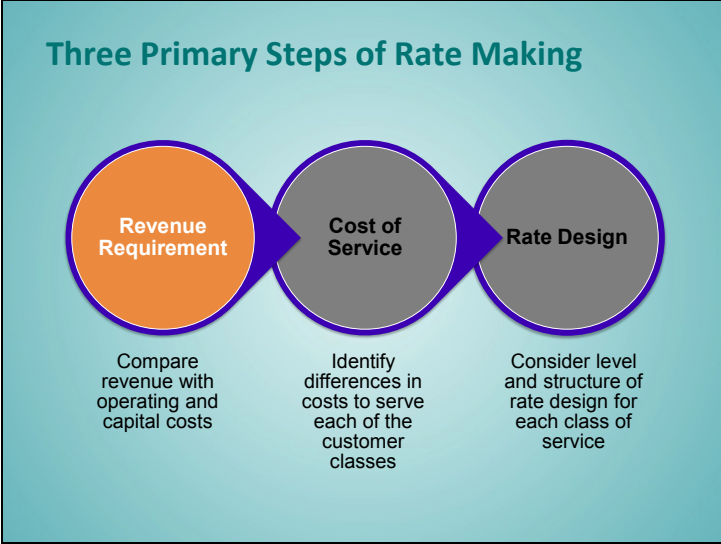
Examples of privately owned utilities include Hawaiian Electric, Hawaiian Telcom, Hawaii Gas, 38 private water and sewer companies in Hawaii.

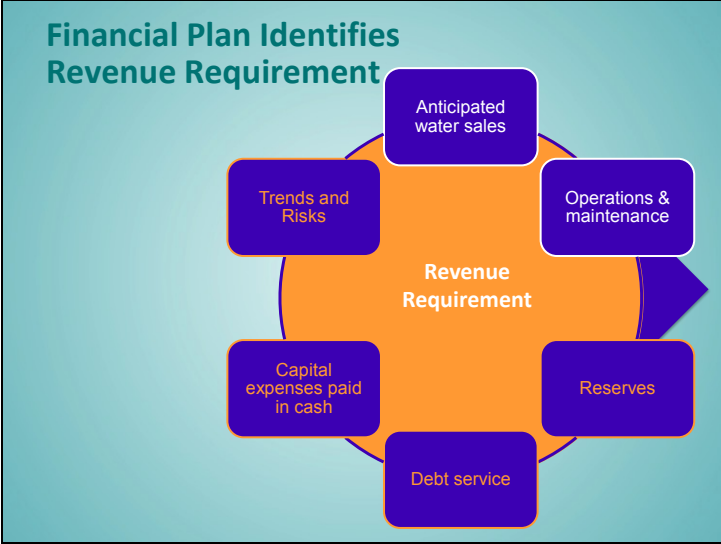
Cost-Based Ratemaking is Intended to Support 3 Key Objectives for Utilities

- ◆ Provide sufficient funding to build, operate, maintain and reinvest
- ◆ Provide safe and reliable drinking water and fire protection
- ◆ Allow for economic development and community sustainability

[American Water Works Association Manual M1, Principles of Water Rates, Fees and Charges, 6th Edition, 2012]







Financial Plan Identifies Revenue Requirement

Anticipated Water Sales


- From demand forecast in Water Master Plan
- Decreases with increasing conservation
- Impacted by economic cycles

Financial Plan Identifies Revenue Requirement

Operations & maintenance expenses

- 5-year forecast by each BWS Division
- Annual escalators for future years

Financial Plan Identifies Revenue Requirement



Reserves

Example reserves:

- Debt service coverage

Example working capital policies:

- Operating
- Capital
- Disaster recovery

Financial Plan Identifies Revenue Requirement

Capital expenses paid in cash

Debt service payments

- How should capital costs be balanced between existing and future rate payers?
- To what extent should debt be used to keep rates affordable?

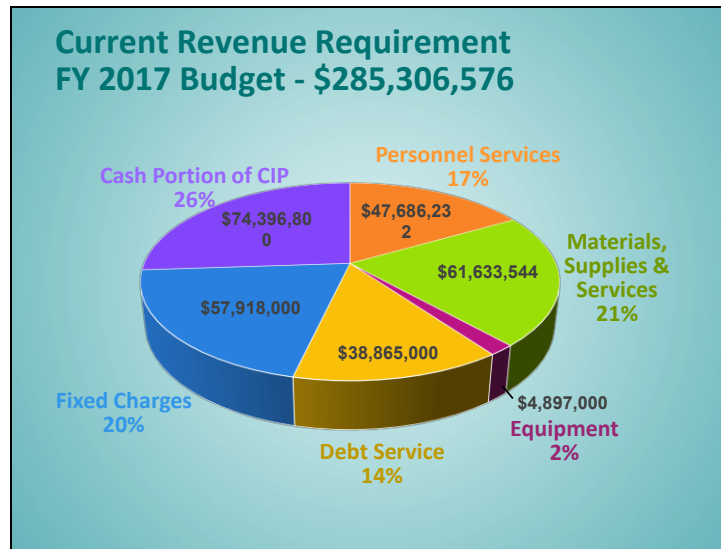
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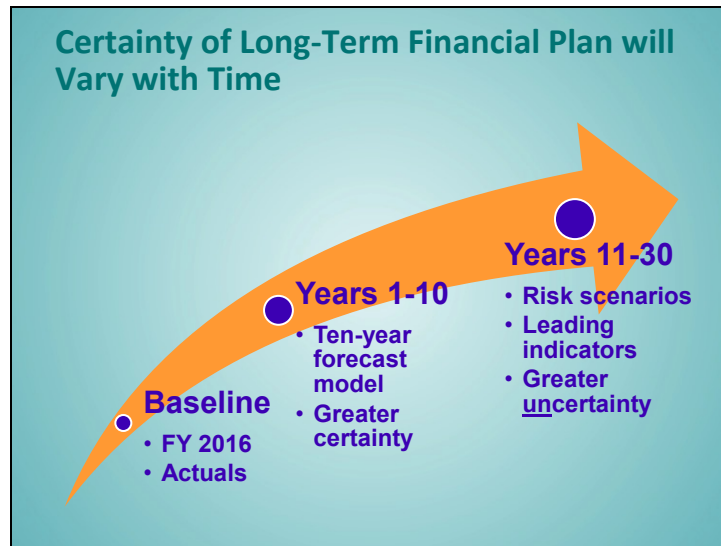
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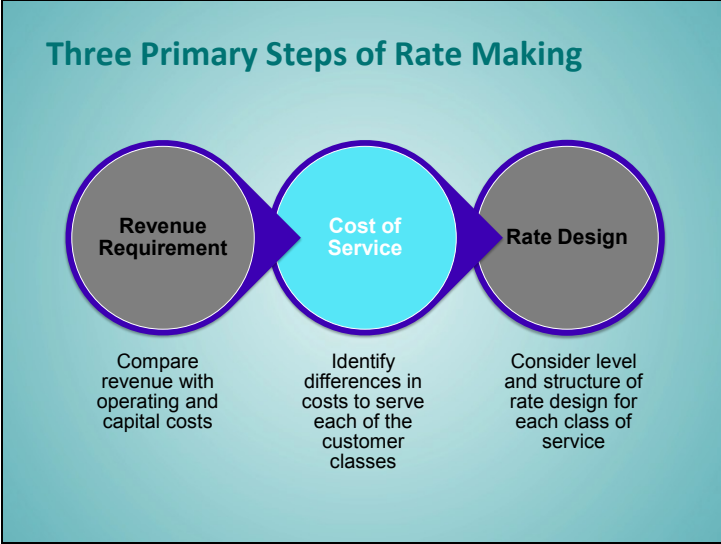
Trends and Risks

Examples of long-term considerations:

- Conservation
- Climate change
- Economic cycles
- Extraordinary circumstances

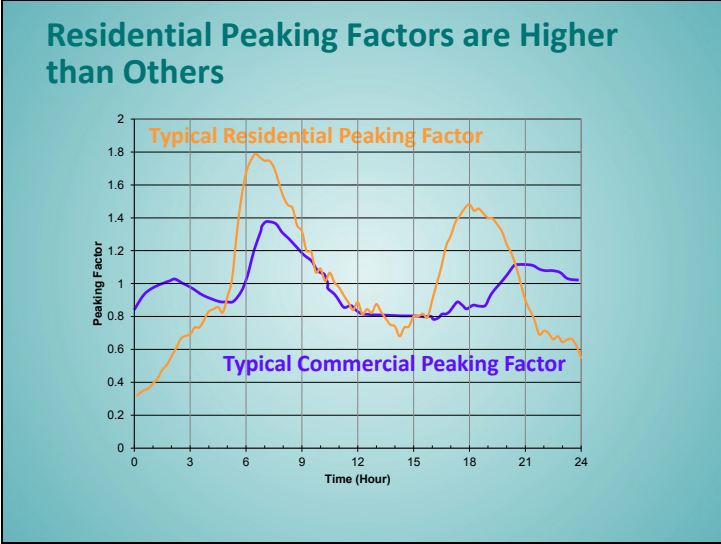






Cost of Service Considers Differences Among BWS' s Customer Classes

 Single-Family	 Multi-Family
 Commercial/Industrial	 Agricultural

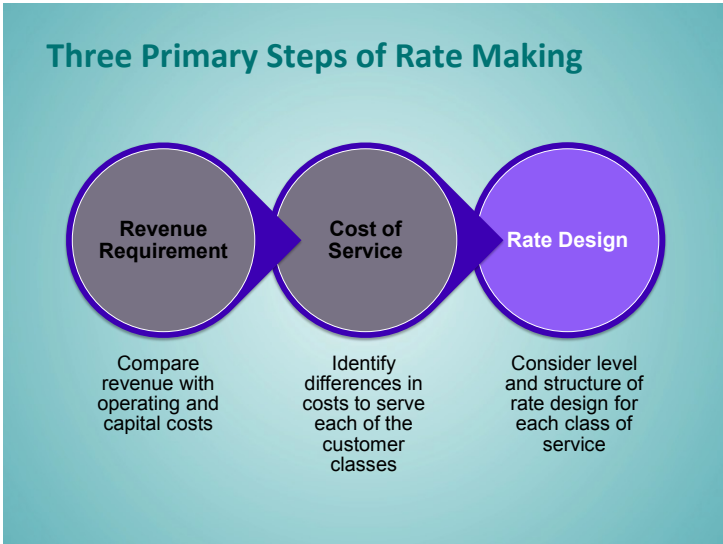


Evaluate Costs by BWS' s Functions

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Allocate Functional Costs to Appropriate Cost Components

- ◆ Total usage
- ◆ Peak usage
- ◆ Customer meters and bills
- ◆ Direct fire protection
- ◆ Conservation and sustainability



Rate Design Process

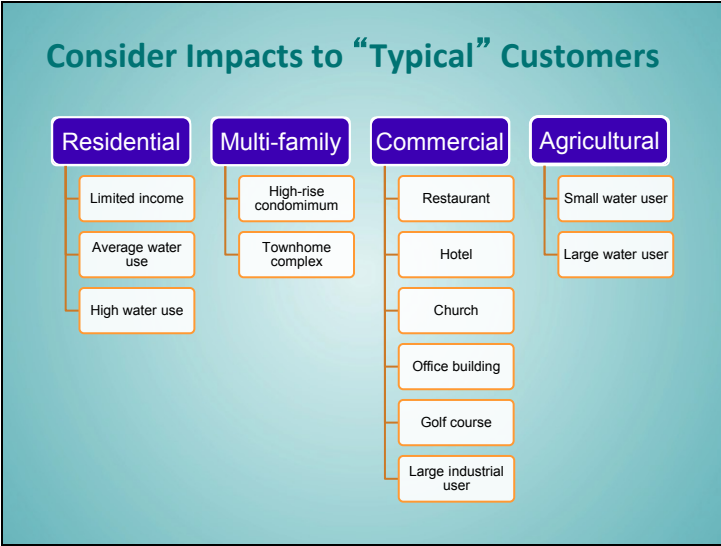
- ◆ Define goals and objectives of the rate structure
- ◆ Evaluate alternatives to meet these goals and objectives
- ◆ Understand and communicate the potential effects to customers

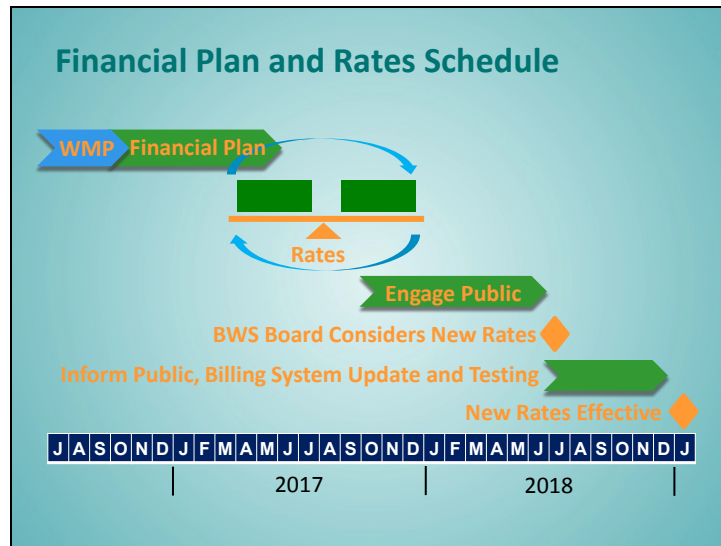
Examples of Rate Objectives

- ◆ Reliably provide required revenue
- ◆ Encourage efficient water use and conservation
- ◆ Promote fairness and equity
- ◆ Ensure affordability for economically disadvantaged
- ◆ Be easy to understand and administer
- ◆ Comply with all applicable laws

**Evaluation will Utilize a 5-Year
Water Rate Model**

- ◆ Evaluate current structure
- ◆ Comprehensively look at all charges
- ◆ Consider how it could be improved to better achieve objectives







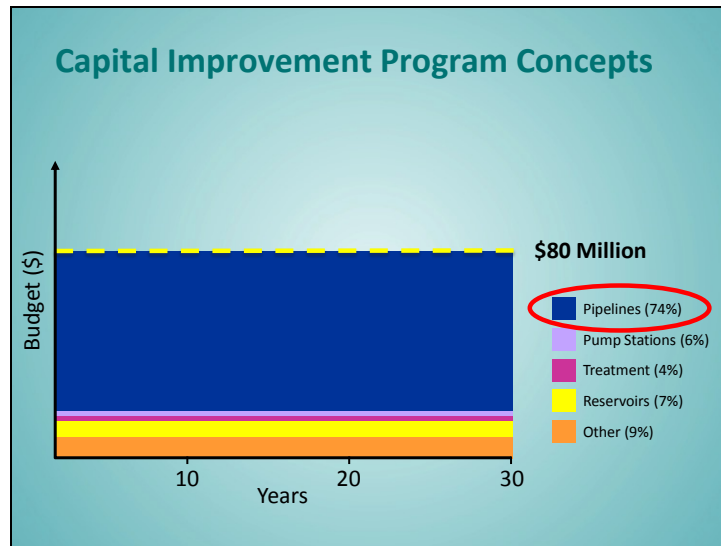
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Carl Lundin
Water Master Plan Team

30-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

“It is recommended that for the **near-term** the CIP continue at the **\$80 million per year level**. This investment level is **adequate to address high priority** renewal and replacement projects in all asset classes over a 10-year window, **with the exception of pipelines**. Only a portion of high priority pipelines can be addressed at this funding level. Pipelines are the largest component of the BWS assets and pipeline health indicators (number of main breaks per year) are currently favorable. It should be recognized, however, that the **current pipeline replacement rate** will result in the average age of the pipelines increasing, meaning **pipeline breaks will eventually begin to rise.**”

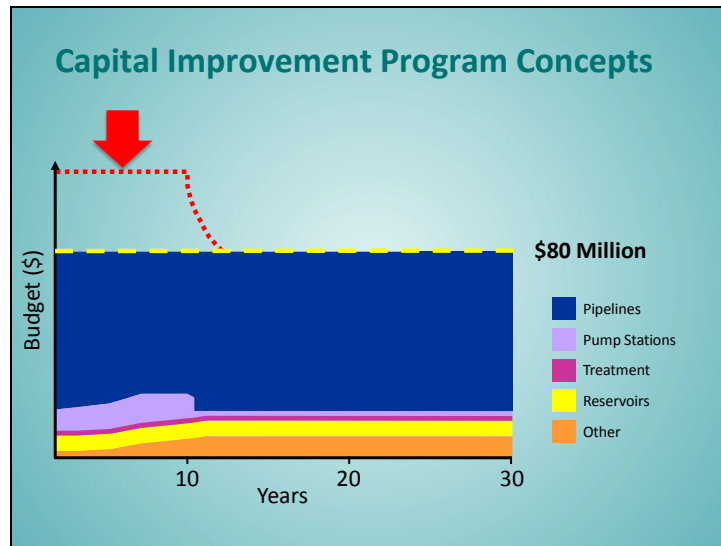
[BWS Water Master Plan, Oct. 2016]



One approach to developing the 30-year CIP is to fit within a given constraint, in this case \$80M/year, and still address all the types of water system assets (pipelines, pump stations, etc.).

Issues with this approach include:

- High priority improvements are pump stations, reservoirs and treatment facilities. The width of the budget allocations (“swim lanes”) is adequate for reservoirs and treatment facilities. However, a larger (wider swim lane) is needed to accommodate pump stations (shown here in light purple).
- \$73 million of pump stations over 10 years is about \$7M/year.

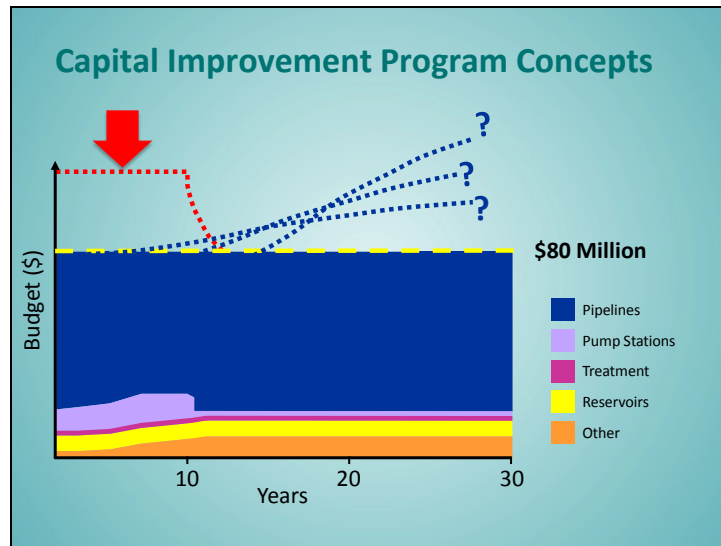


If we “widen” the swim lane (budget allocation) for pump stations to accommodate high and medium priority projects, the result is shown here.

Pump stations are critical to the operation of the water system. Whereas a pipeline failure can be repaired in a matter of hours, replacement of a failed pump or motor can take months. That is why BWS has “standby” equipment, but keeping the BWS’s 400 pumps ready to go requires significant investment.

Issues with this approach:

- All of the high priority pipelines cannot be addressed in a 10-year timeframe. In essence, these projects get “pushed out” further in time as shown here.



Questions that this approach creates include:

Is deferring the replacement of high risk pipes to more than 10 years acceptable?

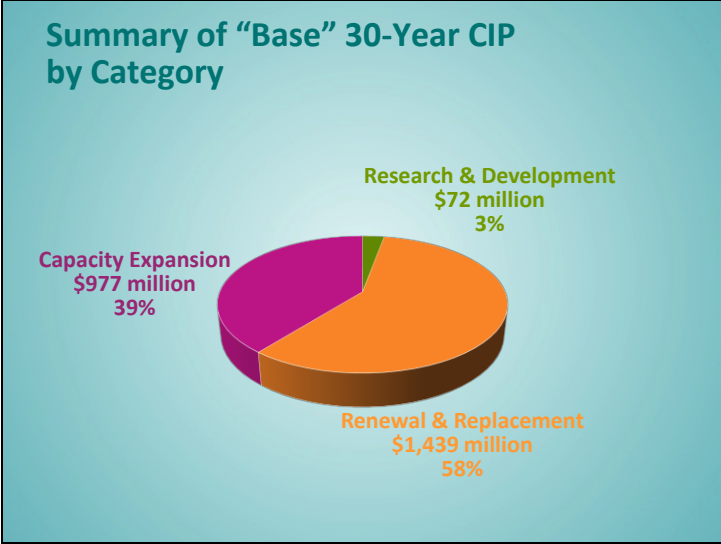
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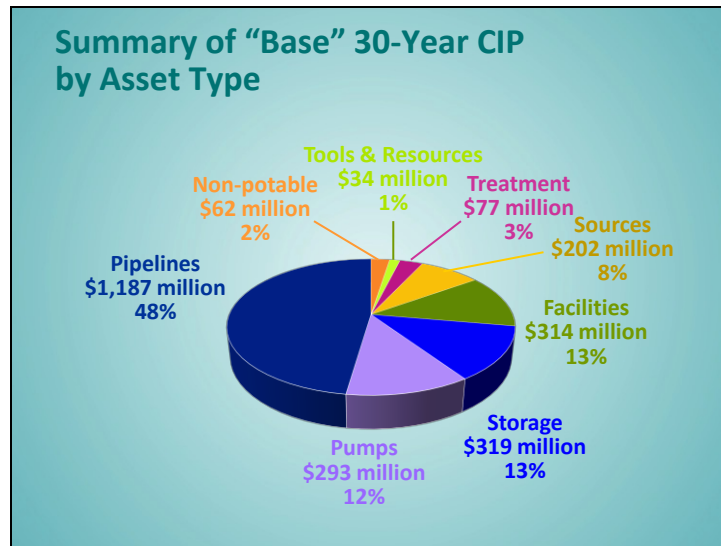
Should the BWS consider an increase of its CIP expenditures over time to allow more pipes to be replaced sooner?

- If so when do you start?
- In general, the later you start increasing rates, the faster they have to increase and often, a higher level of investment is required to achieve the same long-term objectives.

30-Year CIP Development Addresses BWS's System Needs

Capacity Expansion	Renewal & Replacement
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identified through system analysisTied to demandImplemented when neededExample: a new well for growth area	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identified through condition assessmentPrioritized based on riskSome discretion about when to implementExample: pipeline replacement





Pipelines make up 74% of the replacement value of the system. Constraining the "Base" 30-year CIP to \$80 million per year results in a long-term underinvestment in pipeline renewal and replacement (R&R).

Principles of Infrastructure Renewal & Replacement

- ◆ Nothing lasts forever
- ◆ Without renewal/replacement, asset is guaranteed to fail at some time
- ◆ On shorter-term, can focus funding on greatest needs
- ◆ Can accommodate year-to-year fluctuations as needed (resource availability, permitting, etc.)
- ◆ Over the lifespan of the system, must replace the entire value

Over the Lifespan of the System, Must Renew/Replace it Entirely

<i>Item</i>	<i>Capital Cost (millions)</i>	<i>Lifespan (years)</i>
Sources	\$1,300	150
Pumps	\$400	40
Treatment	\$300	40
Storage	\$1,250	100
Pipelines	\$12,300	100
Facilities	\$330	60
TOTAL	\$15,880	

Water System Annual Replacement

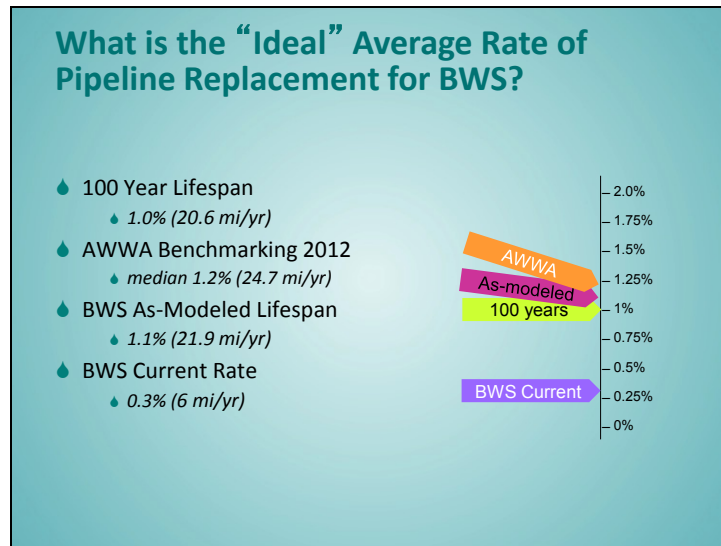
<i>Item</i>	<i>Capital Cost (millions)</i>	<i>Lifespan (years)</i>	<i>Annual R&R (millions)</i>	<i>% of Total</i>
Sources	\$1,300	150	\$8.7	5%
Pumps	\$400	40	\$10.0	6%
Treatment	\$300	40	\$7.5	4%
Storage	\$1,250	100	\$12.5	7%
Pipelines	\$12,300	100	\$123.0	74%
Facilities	\$330	60	\$5.5	3%
TOTAL	\$15,880		\$167	100%

Over the full lifespan of the system, R&R must average at least \$167 million.

Note that extending lifespan of all types of assets provides the benefit of reducing annual pipeline renewal and replacement (R&R) costs.

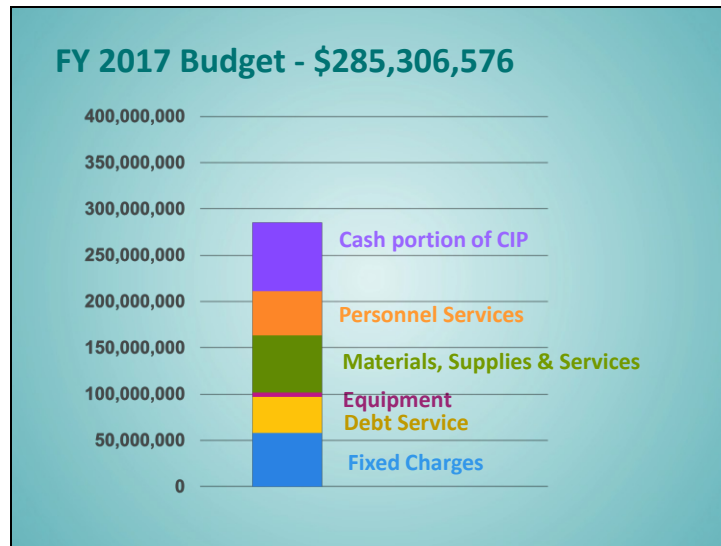
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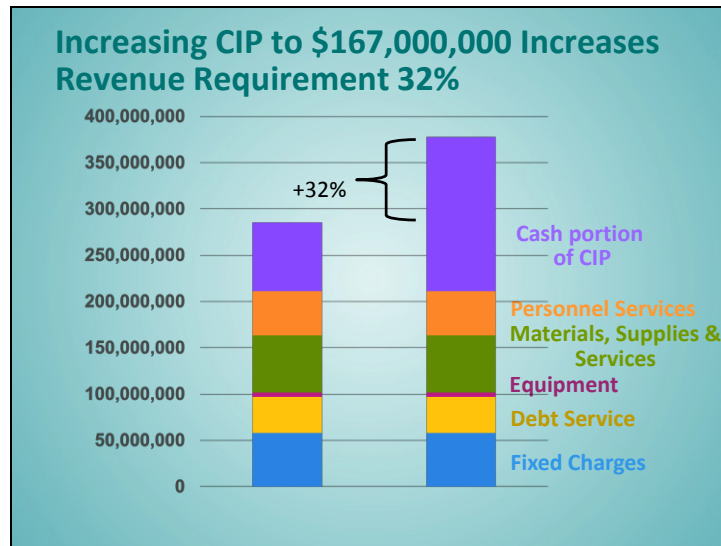
<i>Item</i>	<i>Annual R&R (millions)</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>"Base" 30-Year CIP</i>	<i>% of Total</i>
Sources	\$8.7	5%	\$6.8	8%
Pumps	\$10.0	6%	\$9.8	12%
Treatment	\$7.5	4%	\$2.6	3%
Storage	\$12.5	7%	\$10.6	13%
Pipelines	\$123.0	74%	\$39.6	48%
Facilities	\$5.5	3%	\$13.7	16%
TOTAL	\$167	100%	\$82.9	100%



The rate of pipeline replacement is expressed above as a % of the overall system and assumes the system will continue to grow at the same rate it has in the last decade.

The current BWS rate of replacement reflects the fact that pipes are relatively young. The average pipeline age is 40 years.





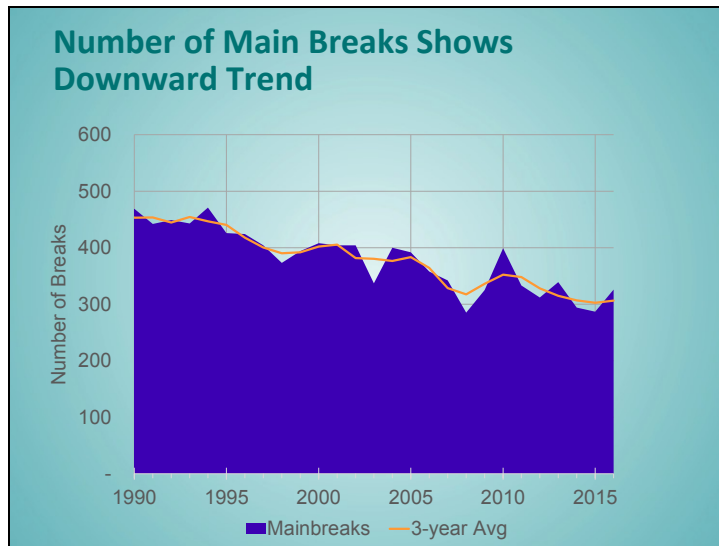
The CIP budget would have to be essentially doubled from \$80 million/year to reflect the \$167 million needed to match the life span level of investment. (See previous slide: Water System Annual Replacement.)

If all of that were funded with cash and no debt financing, the revenue requirement would need to increase about 32%. The use of debt financing would reduce this amount.

The decisions about pipeline replacement are the largest driver of future rate changes. This is why we are emphasizing pipelines in today's discussion.

BWS Pipelines are about Average

- ◆ Nearly 2,100 miles of pipe
- ◆ Average age 40 years (as of 2015)
- ◆ Currently 300 main breaks per year
- ◆ Breaks are about the national average
- ◆ Allows us to keep rates lower
- ◆ Currently replacing at about 6 miles per year

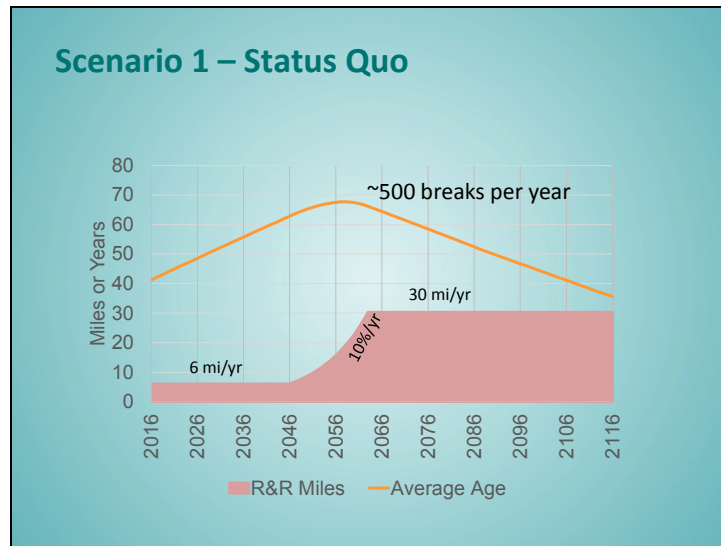


How Soon does BWS Need to Ramp Up Pipeline Replacement?

- ◆ Is 300 breaks per year too many?
- ◆ Is more than 300 acceptable?
- ◆ Do we need to invest in reducing them below 300?
- ◆ What if that cost an additional \$100 million per year?

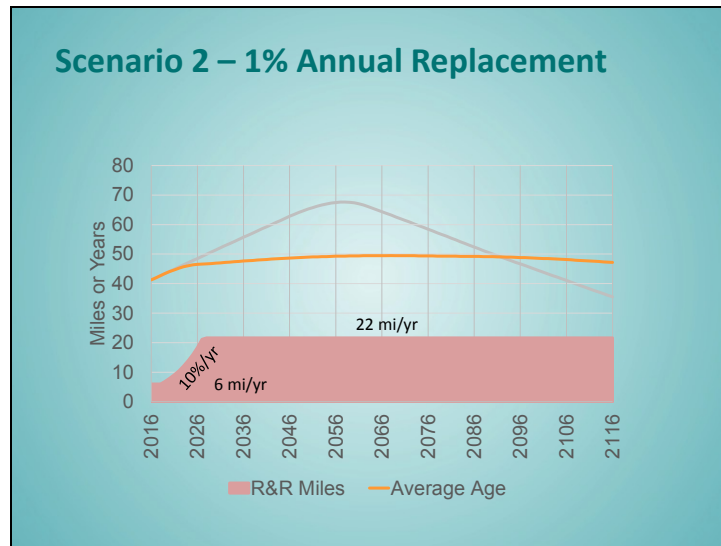
Initial Consideration of Financial Plan Alternatives

- ◆ Develop scenarios that “bracket” the desired level of service and spending
- ◆ Replace all 2,100 miles of pipe over 100 years, but
 - Different rates,
 - Different pipe ages,
 - Different main breaks rates, and
 - Different customer impacts
- ◆ Financial results and main break projections for the preferred scenarios will be developed and presented to the Group
 - Scenario 1 – “Base” 30-year CIP, status quo
 - Scenario 2 – Moderate ramp-up to 1% annual replacement rate
 - Scenario 3 – Reduce main breaks by replacing highest risk pipes as soon as possible



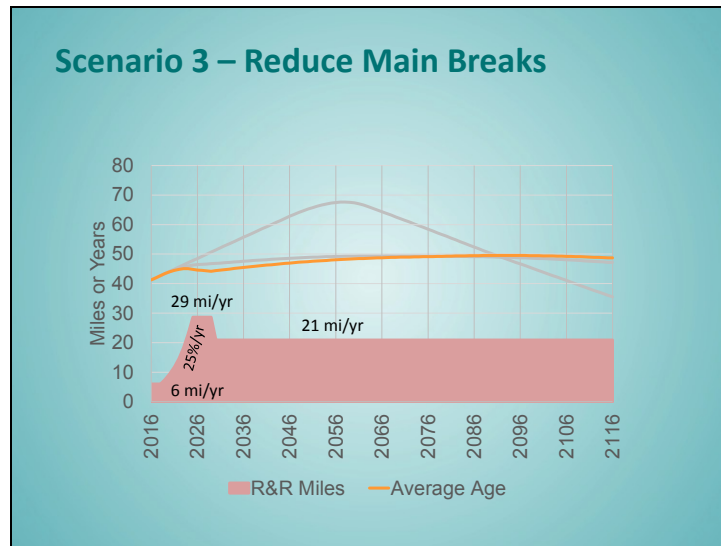
Scenario 1 maintains the current \$80M/yr. (or 6 mi/yr.) CIP over the 30-year horizon, then ramps up to 30mi/yr. to replace all 2,100 miles of pipe in the century.

This scenario results in rapidly increasing age of pipes until the 2050s, peaking at nearly 70 years. Based on trend analysis of historical BWS data, we would expect about 500 main breaks per year at this age.

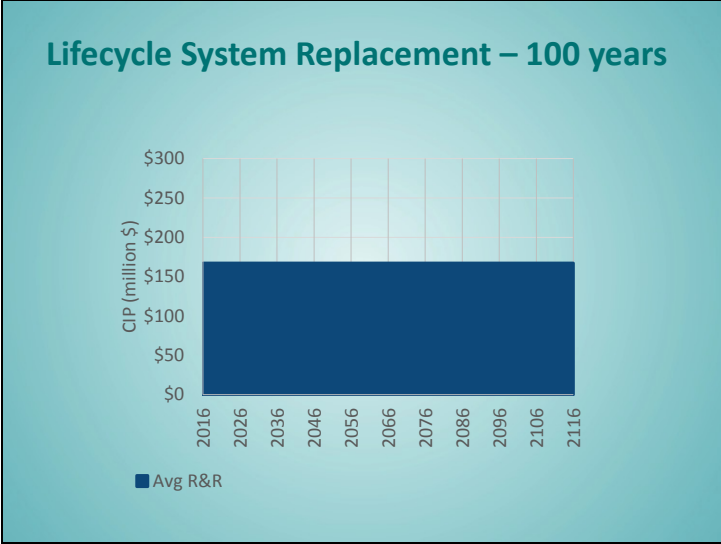


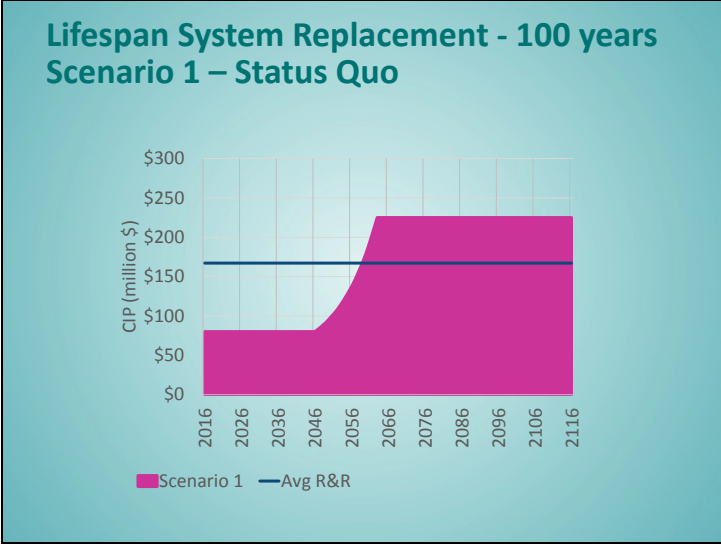
Scenario 2 ramps up at 10% per year to about 22mi./yr. to replace all 2,100 miles of pipe in the century.

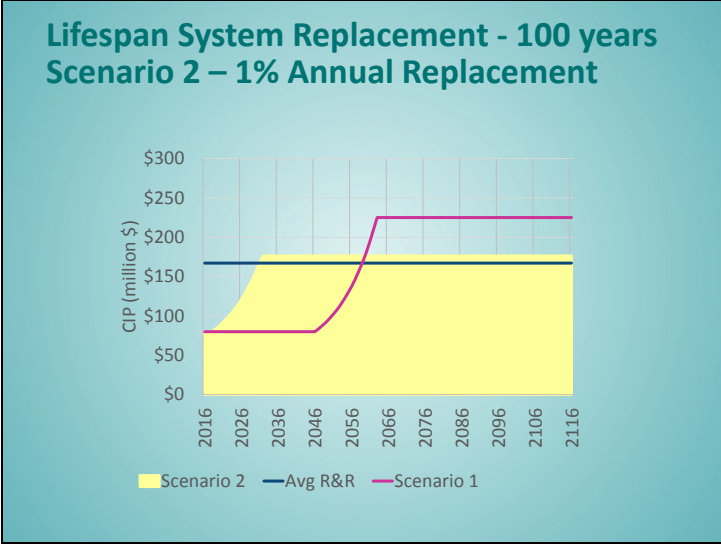
This scenario results in a flattening of the age of pipes until around 50, as expected at a 1% rate of replacement.

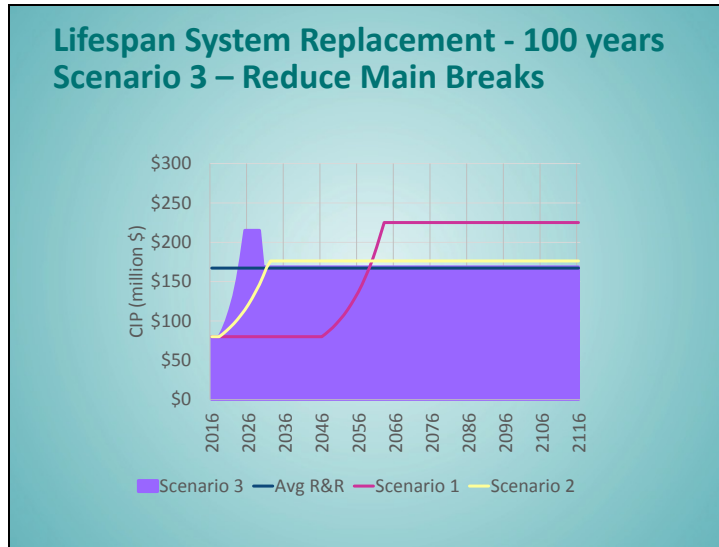


Scenario 3 ramps up very quickly in the first few years in order to more quickly replace “high risk” pipelines. A finding of the Water Master Plan was that if enough of the “high risk” pipelines could be replaced quickly, main breaks would be expected to decrease.











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SUMMARY AND NEXT STEPS

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Other Items

- ◆ Next Meeting
Tuesday, January 10
4:00 – 6:30 pm
Blaisdell Center
- ◆ 2017 meeting schedule

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