# Town of North Reading

Proposed Water and Wastewater Systems

Public Workshop

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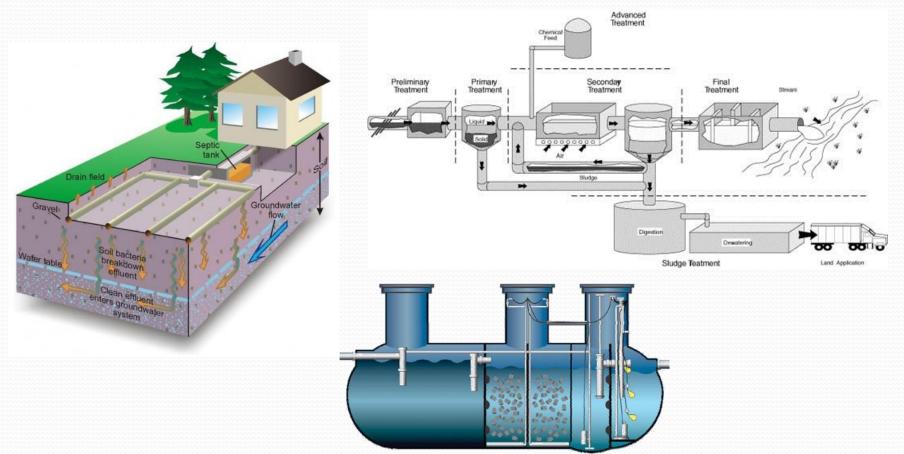
# Outline







## Wastewater Alternatives







#### Project Background - Wastewater

- Primarily served through on-site septic systems
- Water quality impairments from inadequate systems
- Small parcels and poor soils



• Evaluated limited alternatives through Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) process.





#### **Goals Wastewater**

- Improve surface and ground water quality
- Provide long-term sustainable option(s) for wastewater treatment and disposal
- Serve existing and future customer base
- Provide for economic development





#### **Screened Alternatives**

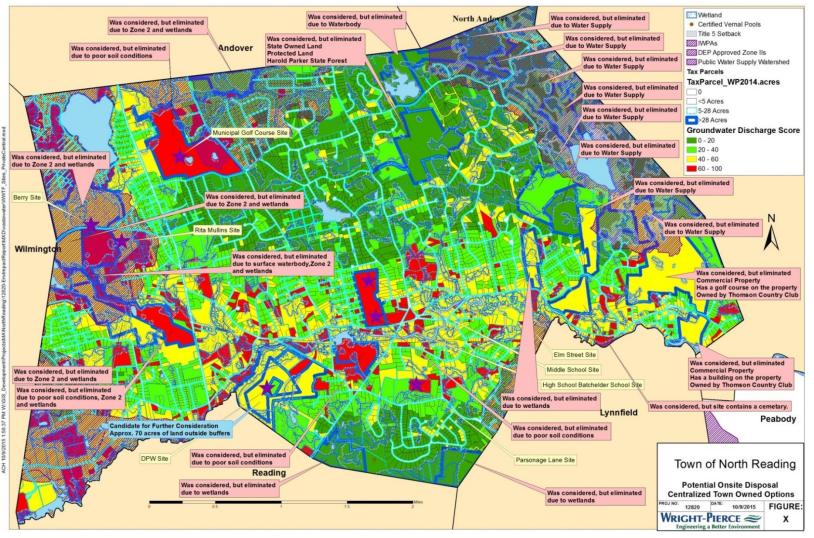
- No-build
- In-Town
  - centralized facility
  - decentralized facilities
- Out-of-Town
  - GLSD
  - MWRA
  - others





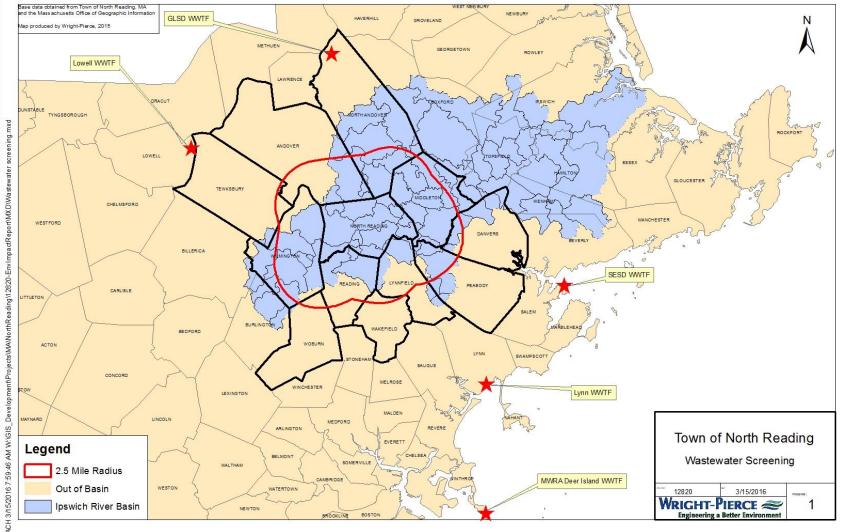


#### Wastewater Screening Analysis: In-Town System





#### Wastewater Alternatives: Out-of-Town





#### Wastewater Alternatives: Out of Town Options

Community/District	Municipal System (Y/N)	Capacity (Y/N)
Greater Lawrence Sanitary District	Y	Y
MWRA	Y	Y1
South Essex Sewerage District	Υ	Ν
Lynn Regional Sanitary District	Υ	Ν
Lynnfield	Ν	Ν
Middleton	Ν	Ν
Tewksbury	Υ2	Ν

1: MWRA is not actively expanding wastewater service area. Connection possible with significant I/I removal within MWRA system by connecting community

2:Tewksbury discharges its sewer to the Lowell Regional Wastewater Utility



Wastewater Alternatives Out-of-Town/Out-of-Basin

- MWRA pipes do not have capacity for NR flows
  - current Riverpark Drive flows to MWRA
  - potential Concord Street flows to MWRA (economic development initiative)
- GLSD has capacity
  - wastewater conveyed through Andover
  - upgrades required to accommodate North Reading flows





# **Recommended Plan**

 Blended approach with in-town & out-of-town options RECOMMENDED

- Connection to GLSD serving:
  - Martins Pond/Main Street/Concord Street
- Optimize HS WWTP & capture users in town center
- Other users remain on individual systems





# **Proposed Water Supply Plan**







# **Project Background**

Description	Amount in millions gallons/day (MGD)		
Town Sources	0.96		
Andover	<u>1.50</u>		
Total Available Capacity	2.46		
Existing Peak Demand	<u>2.56</u>		
Current Deficit	(0.10)		
Projected Peak Demand	<u>2.58</u>		
Future Deficit	(0.12)		





# **Goals for Future Water Supply**

- Long-term, sustainable quality water supply
- Simplify water system
- Contain capital and O&M costs
- Serve existing and future customer base
- Reduce stress on Ipswich River





GOALS

#### Water Alternatives Considered



#### Conservation

Maintain/Increase Andover Purchases (limited to 1.5 MDG)







# Water Alternatives Considered – cont.

- Optimize/Expand local sources
  - unreliable/declining capacity
  - diminishing water quality
  - Ipswich River basin cannot increase withdrawals
  - no viable surface/groundwater supplies
  - existing facilities require significant investment





# Water Alternatives Considered – cont.

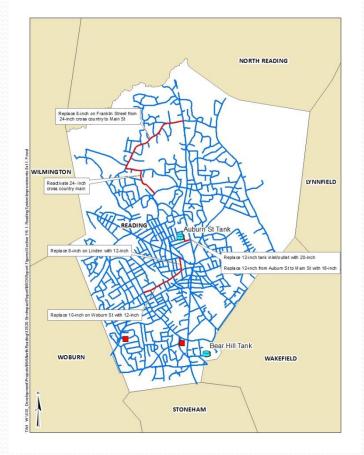
- Develop alternative supply sources
  - interconnections to neighboring communities
    - limited/no excess capacity
  - MWRA has capacity to give
    - Wilmington poor infrastructure
    - Reading strong pipe network; MWRA redundancy





## **Recommended Plan**

- Service from MWRA
  - capacity to serve future needs
  - redundancy/reliability
  - reduced stress on Ipswich River







## Recommended Plan – cont.

- Pump from Reading
  - 2.5+ miles of pipe upgrades in Reading
  - booster pump station for North Reading
  - maintain Andover connections as back-up
  - abandon existing supplies and facilities

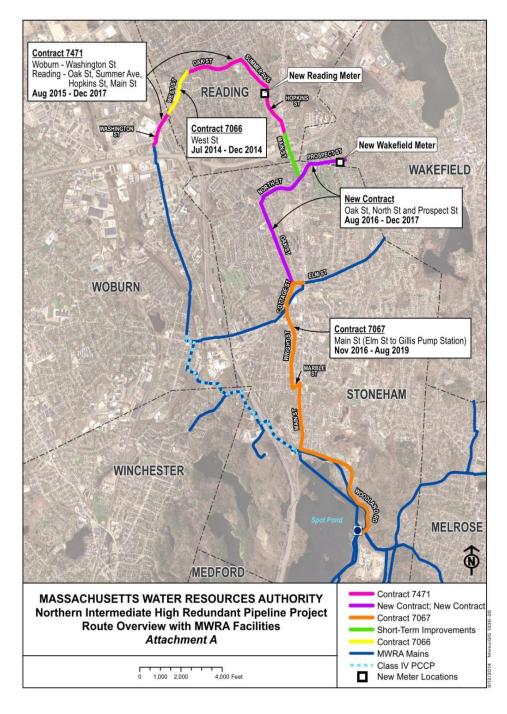






#### **MWRA Redundancy**

#### Increased reliability!







Stay with Existing Infrastructure	Switch to MWRA Service		
\$21M in investments over next 5+ years	\$17.13M investment over 3+ years		
Cannot increase capacity	Nearly unlimited capacity		
Cannot support growth	Satisfies future conditions		
Andover rates unknown	Not dependent upon Andover		
Major regulatory risk (Ipswich)	Minor regulatory risk		
Increased manpower & O&M	Reduced labor		



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# Aid and Assistance

- Community Compact Cabinet
- MassWorks Infrastructure Program
- Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund
- State Legislators and Grants

#### MWRA and Town of "Reading" are making a Major Commitment and Investment





# **Economic Development Impacts**

- Water infrastructure system is VITAL to:
  - community long-term health
  - environment
  - economic development
- Need additional water capacity to capture new growth









# **MWRA Connection through Reading**

- Communities collaborating since 2014
- Estimated project cost = \$9.45 million
  - bonded over 20 years, 0% interest loan eligible
- \$7.68 million MWRA "buy-in"
  - financed by MWRA; re-paid by Town; grant eligible?
  - 25 years at 0% interest





# **Implementation Schedule**

- Permitting/Agreement Phase 2016
- Design 2016/2017
- Construction 2017 2019
- Target date for MWRA connection - July 2019
- Decommission water treatment plants/wells





# Schedule

Activity	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Permitting/agreement					
Design		<b>→</b>			
Construction				<b></b>	
Connect to MWRA				*	
Decommission facilities					





# **Questions / Discussion**

For more information, please visit our website: http://www.northreadingma.gov/water-division/pages/waterwastewater-deir

