

# City of Memphis

## Semi-Annual Report

October 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024

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# Section 1

## Introduction

On September 20, 2012, the United States District Court for the Western District of Tennessee entered a CD (CD) between the City of Memphis (the City) and the United States, the State of Tennessee, and the Tennessee Clean Water Network.

To fulfill the reporting requirements defined in Paragraph VIII.25. of the CD, the City has prepared this Semi-Annual Report, which includes the following information:

- A description of projects and activities completed, and milestones achieved during the previous six-month period pursuant to the requirements of the CD.
- A summary of significant projects and activities anticipated to be performed, and milestones anticipated to be achieved, in the next six-month period pursuant to the requirements of the CD.
- Additional information determined to be appropriate to demonstrate implementation of the remedial actions required under the CD.

This report is organized into six sections:

- **Section 1** provides an introduction.
- **Section 2** documents recent progress and anticipated continuing activities related to development and implementation of the Management, Operations, and Maintenance (MOM) Programs noted in the CD.
- **Section 3** identifies recent progress and anticipated continuing activities related to the Priority Rehabilitation Projects noted in the CD.
- **Sections 4 and 5** provide a summary of additional actions that the City has recently completed and anticipates completing over the next six months.
- **Sections 6** identifies past CD projects and non-CD projects performed.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the ability of the City to undertake the identified implementation activities may be impacted by supply chain, personnel availability, or repercussions associated with a pandemic.

## Section 2

# Management, Operations, and Maintenance Programs

As defined in Paragraph V.10 of the CD, the City shall develop and implement specific Management, Operations, and Maintenance (MOM) Programs. These MOM Programs are listed below along with a summary of activities completed in the previous six months and activities anticipated to be performed during the upcoming six months. A chart showing the status of compliance is presented as **Figure 2-1**, as set forth at the end of this section.

### 2.1 Sewer Overflow Response Plan

#### **Activities Completed During Previous Reporting Periods**

The City submitted a Sewer Overflow Response Plan (SORP) to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) on March 11, 2011, before the CD was entered. A copy of the SORP is included in Appendix B of the CD. The City utilizes the SORP bypass plan in addressing bypasses associated with easements under the Gravity Sewer O&M program. The City updated Section 3 of the SORP and submitted it to EPA on March 30, 2016. The City identified these updates as “form” and not of “substance”. A copy of the document was submitted to the public document repository.

The City’s subsequent review of the SORP resulted in one change to Section 7.1 of the SORP submitted in its March 6, 2019 letter. The City was notified by EPA by letter dated May 20, 2019 that the change submitted on March 6, 2019 was not approved. The City revised the “form” of the SORP and submitted it to EPA on March 5, 2021. In 2023, due to the ambiguity with “form” versus “substance”, the City requested EPA written approval of the March 6, 2023, changes. A copy of the document was submitted to the public document repository. EPA has not yet responded to the March 6, 2023, submission.

#### **Progress During This Reporting Period**

The City continued to operate under the SORP.

#### **Anticipated Activities in The Next Reporting Period**

The City will continue to operate under the SORP

### 2.2 Fats, Oils, and Grease Management Program

#### **Activities Completed During Previous Reporting Periods**

The City submitted a Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG) Management Program (FOG Program) to EPA and TDEC on March 11, 2011, before the CD was entered. A copy of the FOG Program is included in Appendix C of the CD. The City continues FOG outreach at locations of FOG related SSOs. The City also, is educating elementary students with FOG presentations. The City has used its quarterly FOG

reports submitted to TDEC as the sole instrument for documenting and reporting the frequency of public education events.

In 2013, the City made minor changes in form, not substance, to the FOG Program and submitted it to EPA on October 30, 2013. Subsequently, on April 22, 2014 EPA approved the updated FOG Program submitted by the City.

The City reviewed the approved updated FOG Program and made additional minor changes of form and not substance. These changes were submitted to EPA on January 18, 2017.

Based upon prior discussion with EPA, by letter dated March 6, 2019 the City updated Section 1.1 Purpose of the FOG Program. The City was notified by EPA by letter dated May 20, 2019 that the change submitted on March 6, 2019 was not approved.

The City submitted revisions to the FOG to the EPA dated May 30, 2019. The City subsequently submitted a letter dated July 22, 2019 where the City further provided minor changes to the FOG Program identifying these updates as “form” not of “substance.” A copy of the document was submitted to the public document repository on July 22, 2019. The City operated under the processes described in the FOG Program as updated.

The City reviewed the FOG Program and submitted the modified FOG to EPA on July 21, 2021, and is waiting on approval of the revised program.

The City reviewed the FOG Program and submitted the modified FOG to EPA on July 21, 2023. The changes were identified as form over substance to the July 21, 2021, version. It has been almost three years and EPA has not responded to the July 21, 2021, changes.

### **Progress During This Reporting Period**

The City continued to operate under the FOG Program. In addition to conducting inspection and reporting activities, the City has continued public outreach efforts, such as the use of vehicle wraps, targeted advertising, and the distribution of “Can the Grease” door hangers and can lids to inform residents to discarding cooking oils and other FOG products trash rather than pour down the drain.

### **Anticipated Activities in The Next Reporting Period**

The City will continue to operate under the FOG Program.

## **2.3 Lift Station and Force Main O&M Program**

### **Activities Completed During Previous Reporting Periods**

On February 5, 2015, the City received comments from EPA on the Lift Station and Force Main Operations and Maintenance Program (LSFM O&M Program). The City revised the LSFM O&M Program to address these comments and submitted the revised version to EPA and TDEC on April 8, 2015. The City received the approval letter from the EPA dated March 13, 2017 and began to implement the approved program. The City reviewed the LSFM O&M Program in February 2019 and determined that no changes were necessary other than the one change it submitted in March

2019. Based upon prior discussion with EPA, by letter dated March 6, 2019 the City updated Section 1, second paragraph of the LSFM O&M Program. The City was notified by EPA on May 20, 2019 that the change submitted on March 6, 2019 was not approved. The City operated under the LSFM O&M Program as approved on March 13, 2017.

The City completed a review of the LSFM O&M Program and submitted the modified LSFM O&M Program to EPA on March 5, 2021 as a change in “form” and not of “substance.” In 2023, due to the ambiguity with “form” versus “substance”, the City requested EPA written approval of the March 6, 2023, changes. EPA has not yet responded to the March 6, 2023, submission.

### **Progress During This Reporting Period**

The City operated under the LSFM O&M Program.

### **Anticipated Activities in the Next Reporting Period**

The City will continue to operate under the LSFM O&M Program.

## **2.4 Gravity Sewer System O&M Program**

### **Activities Completed During Previous Reporting Periods**

On February 4, 2015, the City received comments from EPA on the Gravity Sewer Operations and Maintenance Program (GS O&M Program). The City revised the GS O&M Program to address these comments and submitted the revised version to EPA and TDEC on April 8, 2015. The City received new comments from EPA on March 13, 2017 and submitted responses on May 16, 2017. These responses were discussed during a July 19, 2017 meeting between the City and EPA and TDEC, and the City submitted follow-up changes on August 21, 2017. The City received approval of the revised GS O&M Program on November 9, 2017. Based upon prior discussion with EPA, by letter dated March 6, 2019 the City updated Section 1, second paragraph of the GSOM Program. The City was notified by EPA on May 20, 2019 that the changes submitted on March 6, 2019 were not approved. The City updated sections on November 14, 2019, identifying these updates as “form” not of “substance”. The City continued to operate and maintain the gravity sewer system in accordance with the November 14, 2019, GS O&M Program. The City submitted an updated GS O&M Program to EPA on November 12, 2021. The City is waiting on approval of the revised program.

### **Progress During This Reporting Period**

The City reviewed the GSOMP Program and submitted the modified GSOMP to EPA on November 13, 2023. The changes were identified as form over substance to the November 12, 2021 version. It, however, has been more than two years and the City is still waiting on EPA’s response regarding the November 12, 2021, submission.

## **Anticipated Activities in The Next Reporting Period**

The City will continue to operate and maintain the gravity sewer system under the GS O&M Program.

## **2.5 Inter-Jurisdictional Agreement Program**

### **Activities Completed During Previous Reporting Periods**

The City executed the IJA with the Town of Collierville on May 21, 2020, City of Millington October 19, 2021, and City of Lakeland on April 18, 2022. The City submitted comments to TDEC on the City of Bartlett NPDES permit to have the permit address interjurisdictional issues. TDEC issued the NPDES permit without the changes requested by Memphis but indicated that the City of Bartlett would be required to have a SOP that addresses its sewer system discharging to Memphis. The City submitted comments on the City of Bartlett and Town of Collierville SOP to have the permit address interjurisdictional issues. TDEC issued both SOPs with little to no modifications as proposed by the City of Memphis. The Town of Collierville is connected to the Memphis WCTS in two locations. One location, Gallina Centro Development, was disconnected from the Memphis WCTS October 21, 2022 in accordance with the IJA.

The City continued discussions with the Horn Lake Creek Basin Sewer District ("Sewer District") and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality ("MDEQ") regarding the draft IJA provided for the Sewer District and MDEQ's review. The City participated in a conference call with TDEC, MDEQ, EPA, and the Sewer District on October 16, 2019 to discuss the draft IJA within the context of pretreatment issues. The City of Memphis and Sewer District filed separate declaratory judgment actions against each other in federal court in Tennessee and Mississippi, respectively, with regard to the non-renewal of the existing sewer service agreements entered into between the parties and set to naturally expire in 2023. The parties agreed to table discussions concerning the remaining issues addressed within the draft IJA pending conclusion of the existing litigation which has been restricted to Tennessee federal court based on dismissal of the action filed by the Sewer District in Mississippi federal court. The litigation with the Sewer District proceeded to trial in Tennessee federal court in April, 2023. Ten days before trial, the Court issued a ruling that the existing sewer agreement between the parties would expire on September 23, 2023. Following trial, the Court ruled, among numerous other issues, that the District has 8 years from Oct. 1, 2023 to disconnect from the City's system. However, the Court determined that an Interjurisdictional Agreement between the parties is not required. The City intends to challenge the Court's determination that a written agreement with the District is not necessary during the eight (8) year period that the District is allowed to remain connected to the City's sewer system.

### **Progress During This Reporting Period**

The City remains in discussions with the City of Bartlett and City of Germantown concerning the draft IJA. The City of Millington disconnected from Memphis January 4, 2024, in accordance with the IJA. The City no longer receives wastewater flow from the City of Millington.

The City has filed (1) a Motion for Leave to file a Reply Brief in Support of the City's Motion for Reconsideration and (2) the City's Motion for Reconsideration, addressing among other things, the Court's determination that a written agreement with the Horn Lake Sewer District is not necessary during the eight (8) year period that the District is allowed to remain connected to the City's sewer system. The City is awaiting a response from the Court.

### **Anticipated Activities In The Next Reporting Period**

The City intends to engage in more extensive negotiations with the City of Bartlett and City of Germantown concerning a draft IJA during the next reporting period. The City will continue to await a response from the Court concerning its two motions filed in the Horn Lake Sewer District litigation. The City's next steps in the litigation will depend upon the Court's response.

## **2.6 Continuing Sewer Assessment Program**

### **Activities Completed During Previous Reporting Periods**

The Continuing Sewer Assessment Program (CSAP) was approved on September 10, 2014. The Year 1 and Year 2 priority areas specifically outlined in the CSAP were completed during previous reporting periods in accordance with the CD Year 1 and Year 2 deadlines and the City is continuing to assess the Wastewater Collection and Transmission System (WCTS) outside of the specified areas. The City submitted a revision to the CSAP on June 8, 2018. The City identified this as an update of "form" and not of "substance". The City received approval of the revised CSAP in a letter from the EPA dated November 5, 2018 and began to implement the revised program. The City reviewed the CSAP for potential changes and submitted revisions to the CSAP on June 8, 2020. The City identified this as an update of "form" and not of "substance". The City submitted revised CSAP on June 7, 2022 to EPA. The changes were identified as "form" over substance.

### **Progress During This Reporting Period**

The City continued to implement the June 7, 2022, CSAP.

### **Anticipated Activities In The Next Reporting Period**

The City will reevaluate and implement the CSAP.

## **2.7 Infrastructure Rehabilitation Program**

### **Activities Completed During Previous Reporting Periods**

The City completed the development of the Infrastructure Rehabilitation Program (IRP), as required in Paragraph V.10.g of the CD and submitted the document to EPA and TDEC for review on February 25, 2015. The EPA approved the IRP on July 13, 2016.

The City has rehabbed approximately 70,000 LF of collection system in the North and South Priority Areas. Rehabilitation work has been carried out using the Group 1 Relay and Group 1 CIPP bid packages, and through other rehab bid packages as needed.

Following the CSAP, along with IRP grading and prioritization of infrastructure, has led the City to reassess approximately 307,943 LF. Included in that number, approximately 30,087 LF were located within the boundaries of Appendix G areas.

**Progress During This Reporting Period**

The City continued to prioritize rehabilitation in accordance with the IRP along with reassessment and undertake maintenance activities on lines. The City has reassessed approximately 28,406 LF. Included in that number, approximately 174 LF were located within the boundaries of Appendix G areas.

**Anticipated Activities in The Next Reporting Period**

The City will continue to prioritize rehabilitation, reassessment, and on-going maintenance in accordance with the IRP.

A chart showing the status of compliance is presented as **Figure 2-1**.

**Figure 2-1**  
**MOM Programs Progress**

Program	CD Reference	CD Milestone	Progress During This Reporting Period						Anticipated Activities in The Next Reporting Period					
			Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept
Sewer Overflow Response Program	V.10.a	-	Awaiting EPA Approval of Changes submitted March 6, 2023						Continue to implement program.					
Fats, Oils, and Grease Management Program	V.10.b	-	Awaiting EPA Approval of Changes submitted July 21, 2021						Continue to implement program.					
Lift Station & Force Main O&M Program	V.10.c	9/19/2013	Awaiting EPA Approval of Changes submitted March 6, 2023						Continue to implement program.					
SCADA installation at lift stations	V.10.c.iii	3/19/2013	Previously completed. SCADA is operational.											
Gravity Sewer System O&M Program	V.10.d	9/19/2013	The City submitted updated program November 11, 2023; Awaiting EPA Approval of Changes submitted November 12, 2021						Continue to implement program.					
Inter-Jurisdictional Agreement Program	V.10.e	3/19/2018	Continue to implement program.						District JJAP contingent on Court's final Order and potential reconsideration and appeal results.					
Continuing Sewer Assessment Program	V.10.f	9/19/2013	Awaiting EPA Approval of Changes submitted June 7, 2022						Continue to implement program.					
Infrastructure Rehabilitation Program	V.10.g	3/9/2015	Continued to implement program.						Continue to implement program.					



## Section 3

# Priority Rehabilitation Projects

As defined in Paragraph V.11 of the CD, the City shall complete various Priority Rehabilitation Projects. These projects are listed below along with a summary of activities completed in the previous six months and activities anticipated to be performed during the upcoming six months. A chart showing the status of compliance is presented as **Figure 3-1 as set forth at the end of this section.**

### 3.1 Priority Areas Projects

Paragraphs V.10.f and V.11.a of the CD identify areas of the WCTS that were to be assessed during the first- and second years following approval of the CSAP. These areas are shown in Appendix E and F of the CD, respectively. Additionally, Appendix G identifies North and South Priority Rehabilitation Areas that were completed within six years and seven months of the IRP approval. In reevaluating the period, it could not have started until Memphis receipt of the CSAP approval letter. From a review of Memphis records, it appears that the EPA approval letter was not received by Memphis until July 19, 2016. Accordingly, if the six-year, seven-month period did not start until July 19, 2016, the final compliance date would be February 19, 2023. The projects that were procured to comply with this section is a mainline relay project (Group 1 & 2 Relay) which consists of approximately 19,000 LF of 6" and 8" diameter gravity mains with new 8" diameter pipe and a trenchless rehabilitation (Group 1 & 2 CIPP) which consist of CIPP rehabilitation of approximately 54,000 LF of 8" to 36" diameter gravity mains. One force main, located in the North Priority Rehabilitation area, was reassessed. Also, 4 lift stations within the priority area were completed. An Interim Priority Areas Project Report was submitted to USEPA and TDEC on October 11, 2018, and was signed by USEPA on November 5, 2018 and received by Memphis more than a week later (i.e., on November 13, 2018).

#### Activities Completed During Previous Reporting Period

Eight-point repairs and one manhole adjustments were completed in Priority Rehabilitation area as identified in Appendix G in preparation for annual City paving projects to minimize post-paving construction. The current total of manhole grade adjustments to 211 and point repairs to 179.

The rehabilitation work required in the Appendix G area was completed. The last Appendix G rehabilitation project undertaken involved abandonment of the pipe in which the last connection was rerouted on or about February 19, 2023.

In addition, the stream bank was stabilized at the dead end of Harlem Street where the sewer line crosses Cane Creek. This work was completed to prevent potentially a sewer collapse and SSOs spilling into a stream.

An August 11, 2023, Final Priority Areas Projects Report was prepared and submitted within six months of completion of priority area repairs as required.

#### Progress During This Reporting Period

No work was completed in this area.

### **Anticipated Activities in The Next Reporting Period**

Despite completion of the rehabilitation work required to be undertaken in Appendix G, it is anticipated that rehabilitation work will be undertaken as new problems are identified.

## **3.2 Critical Infrastructure Areas Projects**

### **Activities Completed During Previous Reporting Periods**

As discussed in Paragraph V.11.b of the CD, three areas within the WCTS were identified to receive prioritized rehabilitation due to the critical nature of the infrastructure and the potential consequences of large sanitary sewer overflow volumes in the event of a failure. A map showing the locations of these areas is included as Appendix H of the CD. Rehabilitation of these areas was completed during previous reporting periods and prior to the revised completion date of October 22, 2017. The Final Critical Areas Projects draft report was submitted to EPA and TDEC on April 23, 2018 and placed in the Public Document Repository. As such, these projects are now included in Section 6.1 Projects Completed in Previous Reporting Periods. Figure 3-1 at the end of this section displays the progress completed.

## **3.3 Prior Assessment Areas Projects**

As discussed in Paragraph V.11.c of the CD, four additional rehabilitation projects were identified based on previous inspection and assessment activities. These projects were to be completed by September 20, 2016, i.e., four years after the effective date of the CD. The four projects were completed during previous reporting periods and prior to the September 20, 2016 date established in the CD. As such, these projects continue to be included in Section 6.1 Projects Completed in Previous Reporting Periods. Figure 3-1 displays the progress completed.

**Figure 3-1**

**Figure 3-1  
Priority Rehabilitation Projects Progress**

Project	CD Reference	CD Milestone	Progress During This Reporting Period						Anticipated Activities in The Next Reporting Period					
			Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
Priority Area Projects	V.11.a													
Assess areas identified in Appendix E		9/9/2015	Previously completed.											
Assess Year 2 areas (including Appendix F)		9/9/2016	Previously completed.											
Prioritize areas identified in Appendix G		Via implementation of IRP	Previously completed.											
Complete Appendix G rehabilitation projects		2/19/2023	Previously completed.											
Interim Priority Areas Project Report		8/13/2018 - 10/13/2018	Previously completed.											
Final Priority Areas Project Report		8/11/2023	Completed and submitted Final Report			Previously Completed								
Critical Infrastructure Areas Projects	V.11.b													
Complete Appendix H rehabilitation projects		4/23/2018	Previously completed on August 25, 2012, October 22, 2017*, November 12, 2012 ahead of CD deadline. .											
Final Critical Areas Project Report		4/23/2018	Previously completed.											
Priority Assessment Area Projects														
Nonconnah Interceptor	V.11.c.(i)	9/19/2016	Previously completed.											
Mud Island Manholes	V.11.c.(ii)	9/19/2016	Previously completed.											
Burchart-Horn Manholes	V.11.c.(iii)	9/19/2016	Previously completed.											
Wolf River Interceptor	V.11.c.(iv)	9/19/2016	Previously completed.											

## Section 4

### Additional Measures

In addition to the projects and activities described in the previous sections, the measures described below are related to the City's ongoing CD compliance.

#### 4.1 M.C. Stiles WWTP Foam Study and Outfall Improvements

As described in Paragraph V.12 of the CD, the City was required to implement the M.C. Stiles Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Foam Study and Outfall Improvements Work Plan that was included as Appendix I of the CD. On May 19, 2014, the first amendment of the CD, which identified a preferred alternative design consisting of a vortex structure and which included a revised construction schedule, was approved and filed with the court. The vortex structure was completed, and plant effluent flow was directed through the vortex on September 19, 2017. This project has been moved to Section 6.1 Projects Completed in Previous Reporting Periods.

#### 4.2 State Projects

As stated in previous Semi-Annual Reports, the two State Projects: The Color Study and the Geographic Information System, have already been completed and therefore have been moved to Section 6.1 Projects Completed in Previous Reporting Periods.

#### 4.3 Program Administration Activities

Since entering into the CD, the City has conducted several coordination functions for the implementation of the CD program, known as the Sewer Assessment and Rehabilitation Program (SARP10).

##### **Activities Completed During Past and This Reporting Periods**

- **Coordination with Emergency Personnel:** Through the condition assessment and rehabilitation work, the City and SARP10 staff coordinate with fire and police departments' leadership to keep them abreast of on-going activities and work locations.
- **Coordination with Special Projects:** The SARP10 Team has been working closely with City personnel to identify upcoming City special projects that may require coordination with future sewer improvements. The sewer lines associated with the projects are assessed in advance using CCTV inspection to identify areas in need of repair. The repairs are subsequently conducted to avoid disrupting future construction activities and to avoid patching associated paved areas.
- **Street Paving Projects:** The SARP10 Team has been working closely with City and State personnel to identify upcoming street paving projects. The sewer lines associated with these streets are assessed in advance using CCTV inspection to identify areas in need of repair, and required repairs are subsequently made to avoid patching newly paved areas. During this reporting period a total of 10-point repairs and 1 relay were completed ahead of paving.

- **Workforce Development:** The City implemented a workforce development program. The program was comprised of five-stages: assess, recruit, train, place, and retain. The assessment phase identified the types of jobs that were needed to complete the CD- related work and that could be filled by local personnel. Subsequently, potential candidates were identified and screened. These personnel were provided training as necessary to avail them for potential employment by contractors working on CD-related projects.
- SARP10 implements community outreach through its “Green Team” which goes door-to-door to distribute information for upcoming condition assessment work. The Green Team had distributed roughly 100,000 informational bags since the implementation of them. The information distributed includes information about the FOG program along with grease caps to help educate the public. During the previous reporting periods, the Green Team distributed information for phase assessment work.

As a result of this program and other initiatives, approximately 175 or more personnel have obtained full-time employment with SARP10 program companies or assessment and rehabilitation contractors working on the program for the City.

- **Public Relations:** After consulting with leaders of various neighborhood associations, the Program determined that distributing emails with relevant information along with conducting public meetings to the affected neighborhoods was a more efficient use of resources while remaining effective at disseminating the information. SARP10 continues to utilize a website to provide current information, tentative schedules for work, and assessment and rehabilitation contracts. The City continued Prof. Phil presentations in local area schools.

### **Activities Anticipated to be Performed During the Next Reporting Period**

Implementation of the activities described above are expected to continue through the upcoming reporting period.

## **4.4 Ongoing CSAP Activities**

Due to the greater precision associated with the GIS information, the number of miles associated reports and documents will continue to utilize the total mileage of approximately 2,808 recognizing that the exact number may vary slightly over time as additional new information is developed. Accordingly, this report continues to be based upon 2,808 miles.

As of March 31, 2024, the City has assessed approximately 2,690 miles of the estimated 2,775<sup>1</sup> miles of pipe contained within the WCTS. The City continued to follow the IRP and reassessed high priority lines. This would correspond to an assessment of 97% of the total pipe mileage which does not even include pipe assessed using the SL-RAT technology implemented by the City as described in the CSAP or post-construction assessment to verify the project completion. The City is required to assess approximately 10% of the WCTS on average per year following approval of the CSAP in September 2014 (i.e., approximately 95% of the WCTS miles should be

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<sup>1</sup> Due to the de-annexation of some of the WCTS, the current numbers provided do not reflect prior work that had been done in those areas.

assessed by March 2024). Crews reassessed approximately 217,874 LF of small and large diameter pipe or 41.3 miles during this reporting period. The reassessment total miles completed is approximately 213 miles which includes areas inside and outside the WCTS. Combining the reassessment with the current ongoing assessment, the City has assessed or reassessed approximately 2,903 miles. The current assessment rate of 108%, including miles within and outside the WCTS corresponds to a greater amount of effort and places the City well ahead of the CD-required schedule.

Inasmuch as the City recently built a new lift station, the City now services 96 lift stations within and outside of the WCTS, all of which have been assessed. One lift station, which was assessed, was returned to a private entity. Additionally, ninety-five force mains have been assessed. Three have been reassessed. One was reassessed utilizing CCTV and two were reassessed utilizing Smartball technology.

### **Activities Completed During Previous Reporting Periods**

The City divided the WCTS into 13 watershed basins and subsequently divided these basins into 131 sub-basins and is assessing these areas in phases. To date, assessment has been completed in 128 sub-basins including the pilot area, Phase 1-9, and Fletcher Creek areas. The assessment continued in the Phase 9 area, where approximately 1,522,442 LF of small diameter pipe and 58,768 LF of large-diameter pipe have been completed. Phases were assigned and completed based on the historical sanitary sewer overflow (SSO) occurrences starting with the areas identified in Appendix E, then the area in Appendix F and proceeding from there in general to the next highest SSO area. In addition, the City is doing similar work outside the defined WCTS.

### **Activities Completed During This Reporting Period**

Condition assessment continued in Phase 10 area with 418,536 LF of small-diameter pipe and 13,076 LF of large diameter pipe. This correlates to approximately 82-miles of condition assessment outside the WCTS.

### **Activities Anticipated to be Performed During the Next Reporting Period**

It is anticipated that Phase 10 SSES contract will continue, and Phase 11 will commence.

## Section 5

### Infrastructure Rehabilitation Projects

This section covers a number of current rehabilitation projects. Completed projects are in Section 6

#### 5.1 Rehabilitation Projects

While the CD delineates which areas of the WCTS should be addressed through the rehabilitation program, the City has continued to improve the collection system beyond the scope of the CD to

include WCTS rehabilitation projects outside of the Priority Rehabilitation Areas.

### **5.1.1 Point Repairs and Manhole Adjustments**

Point repair and manhole adjustment contracts have been used to address issues found during cleaning and assessment of the WCTS. These repairs and adjustments were flagged as contractors cleaned and assessed sewers on an ongoing basis. These repairs are prioritized. As this was done, procurement of contracts for point repairs and manhole adjustment was undertaken. City of Memphis and SARP10 staff have selected sewer line defects and buried manholes to be scheduled for repair.

#### **Activities Completed During Previous Reporting Period**

- Point Repair Contract: Approximately 113-point repairs were completed.
- Manhole Adjustment Contract: Approximately 181 manholes were adjusted.

#### **Activities Completed During This Reporting Period**

- Point Repair Contract: Approximately 13-point repairs were completed.

#### **Activities Anticipated to be Performed During the Next Reporting Period**

It is anticipated that both the point repair and manhole adjustment contracts will continue.

### **5.1.2 Lift Station Rehab Design and Construction**

Lift Station Assessments were conducted, and summary reports were completed during previous reporting periods. Upon review of the assessment data, forty-one lift stations were scheduled for rehabilitation or have been rehabilitated. Fourteen lift stations are currently under design, seventeen have been completed and, and ten are currently under construction.

### **5.1.3 Wolf River 96 Sewer Interceptor Design**

The 96-inch diameter pipe of the Wolf River Interceptor, from M.C. Stiles Wastewater Treatment Plant to the joining at the Cypress Creek Interceptor, has been identified as in need of future improvement. A new 96" diameter parallel pipe is being designed for replacement of approximately 14,000 LF of the most downgradient section. The design of this project has been modified to a 96-inch parallel pipe and is in progress.

### **5.1.4 Stream Crossing Evaluation**

After the Pilot study, it was determined that further assessment would be undertaken for stream crossings. A consultant continued verifying and assessing sewer line crossings in areas outside of the previously selected pilot area and Priority Rehabilitation area. The goal of the evaluation is to further field verify sewer line crossings and the exterior conditions of the pipe and stream banks near the crossing. Work has been ongoing during this reporting period.

### 5.1.5 Gravity Sewer Improvements Package B

Four sites within the WCTS were identified for rehabilitation. A contract was awarded, and design started on these projects. The notice to proceed was issued on January 9, 2023. This design is ongoing.

### 5.1.6 Workhouse Gravity Improvements

Three sites within the WCTS were identified for rehabilitation. A contract was awarded to two firms, and design started on these projects. The notices to proceed were issued on October 6 and October 19, 2022. These designs are ongoing.

### 5.1.7 Fletcher Creek Conveyance

The City has identified the need to replace approximately 8,800 linear feet of existing gravity sewer pipeline with new, larger gravity sewer lines as part of the Fletcher Creek Conveyance Design (Project). The Project consists of improvements in three locations along the Fletcher Creek watershed. This design is ongoing.

### 5.1.8 Raleigh Millington Design

The City has identified the ability to eliminate this lift station (which is outside the WCTS) and 6,500 feet of 15" diameter to 36" diameter pipe along Raleigh Millington Road. The pipe and lift station are being replaced by a newer lift station to be designed. The design firm was chosen and the Notice to Proceed was issued on March 31, 2023. The project remained in the design phase during this reporting period.

## Section 6

# Past Consent Decree Projects and Non-Consent Decree Projects

## 6.1 Projects Completed in Previous Reporting Periods

The following projects have been completed during previous reporting periods and included in previous Semi-Annual Reports:

- Cane Creek and Hickory Hill Pilot Assessment Area (last included in April 2015 – Sept 2015 Semi-Annual Report)
- Critical Infrastructure Areas Projects (last included in April 2018 – September 2018 Semi-Annual Report)
  - The first critical area completed rehabilitation of the 42-inch through 48-inch Wolf River Interceptor, in 2012.
  - The second critical area completed rehabilitation of a portion of the 96-inch interceptor at the entrance/exit ramp located at Mile 51 of Interstate 240, in 2017.
  - The third critical area completed rehabilitation on the 84-inch interceptor located where McLean Boulevard crosses the Wolf River and Interstate 40, in 2012.

Prior Assessment Areas Projects (last included in April 2016 – September 2016 Semi-Annual Report):



- Cured-in-Place Pipe (CIPP) lining of the Nonconnah Interceptor Between Manholes Numbered N06-119 and N06-127
- Rehabilitation or replacement of manholes on Mud Island that include manhole number M10-005 plus the two (2) manholes immediately downstream and repair of the liner in the corresponding portion of the 60-inch interceptor near these manholes.
- Rehabilitation of approximately sixty-four (64) manholes identified as having heavy or medium corrosion in Appendix B of a June 6, 2006, study report prepared by Buchart-Horn on behalf of Memphis.
- CIPP lining on segments of the Wolf River Interceptor between demarcation points W05-120 and W05-130
- M.C. Stiles WWTP Foam Study and Outfall Improvements (last included in April 2018 – September 2018 Semi-Annual Report)
- Loosahatchie Interceptor Assessment (last included in April 2018 – September 2018 Semi-Annual Report).
- State Projects (last included in April 2016 – Sept 2016 Semi-Annual Report):
  - Color Study
  - Geographic Information System (GIS)
- Snowden Assessment and Rehabilitation (last included in April 2016 – Sept 2016 Semi-Annual Report)
- Woodview Subdivision Rehabilitation (last included in April 2016 – Sept 2016 Semi-Annual Report)
- Lick Creek Interceptor CIPP (last included in April 2016 – Sept 2016 Semi-Annual Report)
- Loosahatchie Interceptor Replacement (last included in April 2016 – Sept 2016 Semi-Annual Report)
- St. Elmo Pipe Bursting (last included in April 2016 – Sept 2016 Semi-Annual Report)
- John’s Creek Interceptor Repair and Evaluation (last included in October 2017 – March 2018 Semi-Annual Report)
- Black Bayou Stream Crossing Rehabilitation Project (last included in April 2018 – September 2018 Semi-Annual Report)
- Barksdale Siphon Redesign and Construction Project (last included in September 2018 – April 2019 Semi-Annual Report)
- Rodney Baber Project (last included in April 2019 – September 2019)

- Loosahatchie Diversion Design (last included in April 2020 Semi-Annual Report)
- SL-RAT Acoustic Assessment (last included in April 2020 Semi-Annual Report)
- Shelby Oaks Main Re-Route (last included in April 2020 Semi-Annual Report)
- Mud Island Emergency CIPP (last included in April 2020 Semi-Annual Report)
- Front Street Cleaning (last included in September 2020 Semi-Annual Report)
- Cane Creek/Pine Hills (last included in September 2020 Semi-Annual Report)
- Fletcher Creek Stabilization (last included in April 2021 Semi-Annual Report)
- Pilot Stream Crossing Evaluation (last included in April 2021 Semi-Annual Report)
- Front Street Gate Barrier (last included in April 2021 Semi-Annual Report)
- Group 4 CIPP (last included in April 2021 Semi-Annual Report)
- Stream Crossing Stabilization (last included in September 2021 Semi-Annual Report)
- Loosahatchie Diversion Construction (Last included in September 2021 Semi-Annual Report)
- Bazemore Stabilization Project (Last included in April 2022 Semi-Annual Report)
- Gravity Sewer Improvements Design Package A (Last included in September 2022 Semi-Annual Report)
- Chelsea Siphon Project (Last included in September 2022 Semi-Annual Report)
- Lift Station Rehab Design and Construction Group 1 (Last included in April 2023 Semi-Annual Report)
- Gayoso Force Main Design (Last included in April 2023 Semi-Annual Report)
- Wolf 120 Emergency Slip Line Project (Last included in September 2023 Semi-Annual Report)

## 6.2 Other Rehabilitation Projects Completed by City of Memphis

In addition to the assessment projects completed under the SARP10 program, the City routinely completes improvement projects of the WCTS. During this reporting period, the City estimates that in addition to the SARP10 program work, it has rehabbed 14,539 LF of pipe with CIPP. Since September 2012 (effective date of CD), the City has otherwise installed approximately 275,328 LF of CIPP and rehabilitated 12 lift stations (Gayoso, Big Orange, Genyth, N. Watkins, Jack Carley, Valero,

Kimbrough, Wilson, Harbor, South Mendenhall, Woodland Run, and Illinois). This is approximately another 52 miles of assessment work beyond the 108% of the WCTS identified in section 4.4.