Comox 2 Pump Station

Pre-implementation investigation results

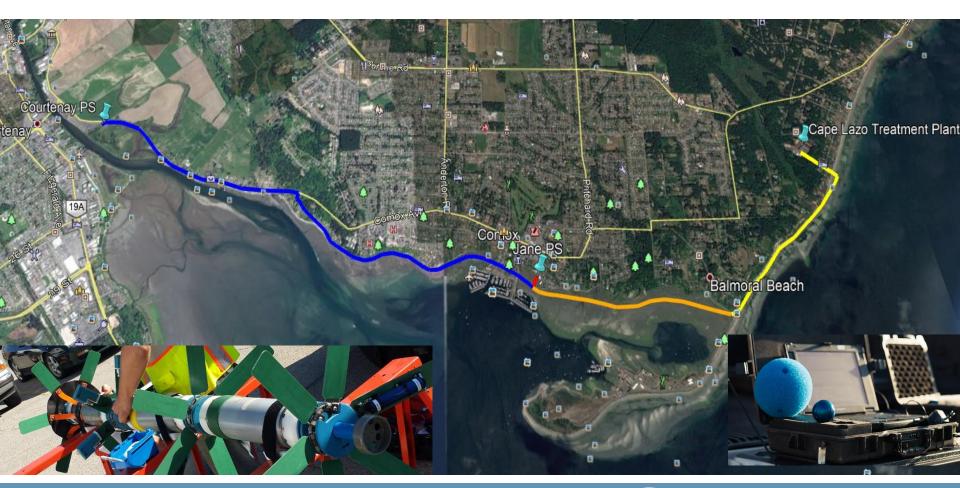


Background/summary

- 2016 risk assessment = high risk
- Identified potential red flags early on
- Risk of failure driving project
- Investigations to resolve flags in parallel with preliminary design process
- Results are in and a better solution may exist



Forcemain Condition





Forcemain Condition cont.

- No leaks or broken reinforcing wires/bars
- Estuary portion should last expected life
- Willemar Bluffs (WB) section better than expected
- Updated risk assess. = decreased risk

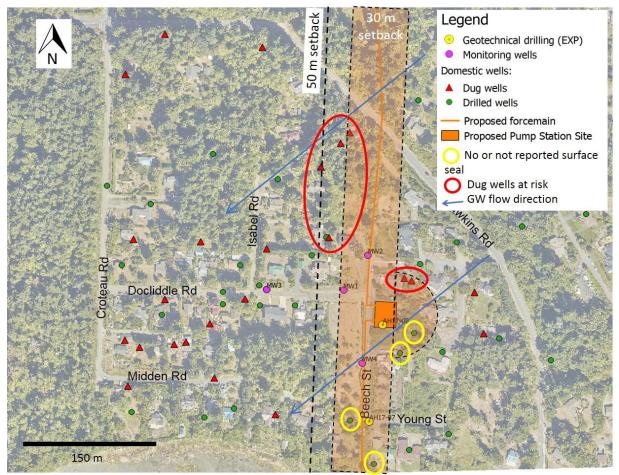


Capital Costs

- Higher than anticipated
 - Construction cost escalation
 - Foreshore tie-in complexity
 - Small size of property
 - High level of redundancy
 - Odor, noise, vibration mitigation



Risk to groundwater





Alignment Review

- Undertaken in case a red flag unresolved
- Financial/risk of Comox 2 vs alternatives
- Concluded that
 - Higher operational costs likely outweigh higher initial capital of alternative
 - Introduction of a single point of failure increases risks



Conclusions

- Comox 2 capital/lifecycle costs higher than expected
- Likely a less expensive/lower risk solution
- Condition and risk assessments = time
- Capacity at the Courtenay PS remains a concern
- Replacing Willemar Bluffs section still a priority
- Comox 2 on table until viable alternative confirmed



Next Steps

- Staff to develop options for discussion at January sewage commission meeting
- Extensive analysis and engagement required that will take approximately 12 months
- Seek grant funding to minimize financial impact on residents



Questions?

