Sanitary Sewer Capacity Assurance Program (CAP) Audit Results

Environmental Quality & Public Works
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AGENDA

- What is CAP?
- CAP Task Force History
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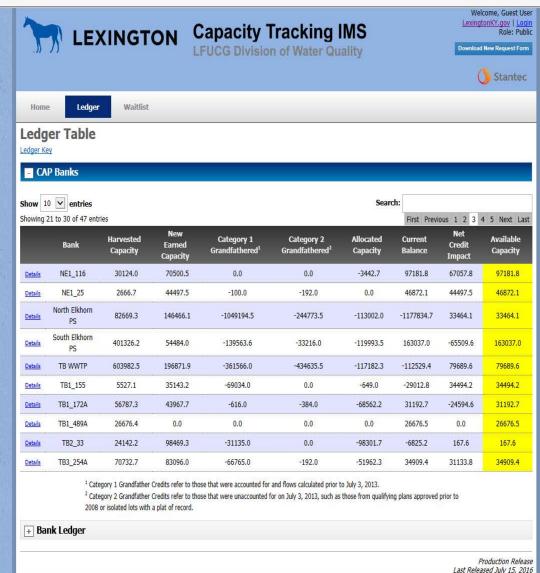


What is CAP?

Sanitary Sewer Capacity Assurance Program

- Consent Decree Requirement:
 - Resolution #722-2012
 - Go live date July 1, 2013
 - Received EPA approval July 3, 2014
- Accounting System of:
 - Deposits system repairs and/or capacity expansions.
 - Withdraws new or expanded service connections.





Last Released July 15, 2010

No

Yes



CAP Task Force

- Formed to define a CD required program that was of significant concern to the community.
- Task Force began work in April 2012.
- Chaired by former CM Tom Blues, voting members comprised of five (5) other councilmembers and Derek Paulsen.



CAP Task Force (cont.)

- Stantec, under contract with LFUCG, facilitated the Task Force meetings, assisted in internal and external stakeholders engagement, and drafted a final report along with the required submittals to EPA.
- Task Force work completed in November 2012 with nineteen (19) recommendations that became framework of program moving forward.



CAP Task Force (cont.)

CAP Task Force Recommendation #19

The Task Force approved the following recommendation for **Program Auditing**: Collected fees and program expenses associated with DWQ's Sanitary Sewer Program are to include an initial, independent audit after two (2) years from CAP implementation and followed by an independent audit every second year thereafter. Quarterly Reports submitted to the EPA (and publicly available on LFUCG's website) document credit ledger transactions and are subsequently subject to regulatory reviews and public scrutiny.



CAP Audit Requirement

Requirement – Article XIII: Code of Ordinances

Sec. 16-409. - Review; audit; public hearing.

A formal review and audit of the water quality management fees established in this chapter shall be performed on or before January 31, 2013 and every five (5) years thereafter and the audit report shall be sent to the urban county council. At least one (1) public hearing shall be held by the council related to the water quality management fees every time the review and audit required by this section is performed.



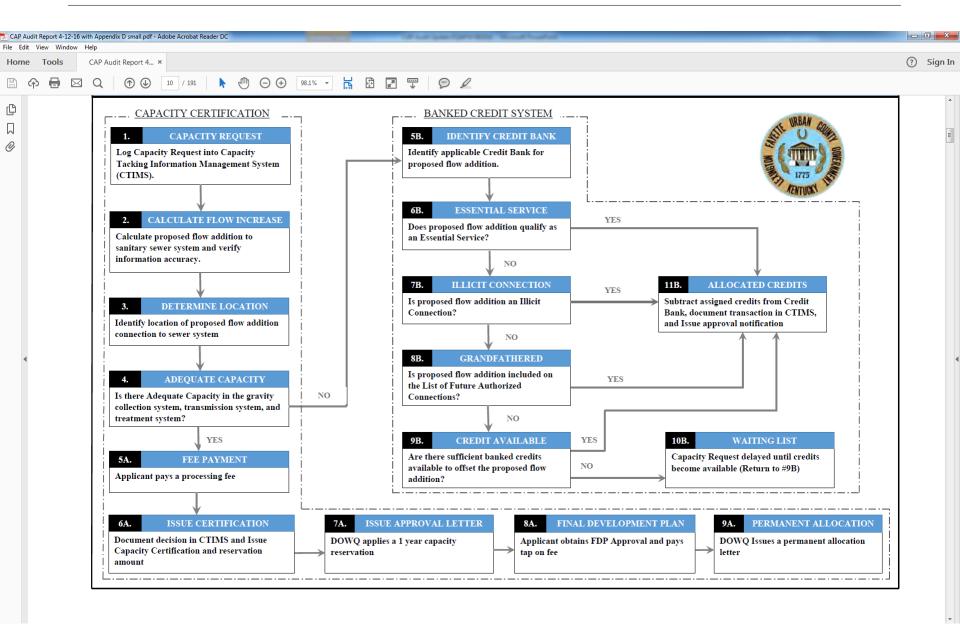
CAP Audit Process

- Initiated so that 2 full fiscal years would be audited.
- Procured independent auditor Bell Engineers.
- 60 randomly selected applications reviewed (from a total of 570 applications).
- Final audit report submitted in April 2016.



CAP Audit Content



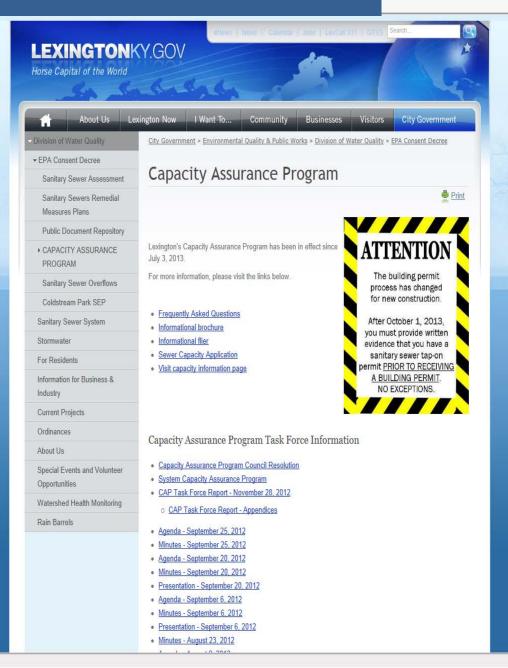




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"It is our opinion based on information obtained through record research of 60 randomly selected applications, interviews with personnel, and examination of the CTIMS website that the process for assuring sewer capacity is in compliance with the intent of the ordinance."

Additional Information Available







Questions