# Role of Research in Infrastructure Rehabilitation/Renewal Decision Process

水道施設の更新決定プロセスにおける研究の重要性

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### **Outline**

- Need for Infrastructure Rehabilitation/Renewal
- Importance and role of AwwaRF research
- Overview of AwwaRF Research
- Benefits of AwwaRF research



# Variables that Impact the

- Average age of pipe
- Corrosion rate
- Range/percentage of pipe sizes
- Number of appurtenances
- Building/population density

# Infrastructure Failure Rate

- Predominant pipe materials

## THE AGING **INFRASTRUCTURE**

- High percentage of water distribution systems are reaching reliable life span
- Leaking and unreliable distribution systems are economically unacceptable
- The next 10 to 30 years will require major financial investments

## Variables that Impact the Infrastructure Failure Rate

- Depth of water mains/seismic zones
- Condition of pipe gaskets
- Soil conditions
- System operations
- Operating pressures
- Other unique variables



### **U.S. Situation**

- 880,000 miles (1,626,600 km) of pipe (>6 in)
- Estimated replacement value \$348 billion
- Condition of piping 28% excellent, 43% good, 26% fair, 3% poor
- Type of piping 48% cast iron, 19% ductile iron, 15% AC

### **U.S. Situation**

- Estimated annual replacement rate 4400 miles (8,150km)
- Value of replacement rate \$1.74 billion
- Cost of water losses \$2.8 billion
- Replacement rate too low (<1</p> percent) - up to 200 years to complete!

### **U.S. Water Main Break Data**

- 0.27 breaks/mile/year (1994)
- Common causes
  - Materials/deterioration 55 %
  - Weak joint 35 %
  - Earth movement/settling 30 %
  - Freezing 30 %
  - Internal corrosion 25 %
  - Corrosive soils 25 %
  - Construction in area 25 %

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# THE IMPORTANCE OF RESEARCH

- Infrastructure replacement very costly
- Infrastructure decisions have long-term ramifications (50 to 100 years)
- Planning/financing decisions require the most comprehensive and practical knowledge available
- Provides assurance of correct decisions

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### Research Areas in Infrastructure Rehabilitation/Renewal Decision Processes \*

- Information Collection 20 projects (\$8.6 million)
- Rehabilitation/Renewal technologies 8 projects (\$2.7 million)
- Decision-making and Planning 15 projects (\$4.4 million)

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### **U.S.PRICE TAG\***

- Period between 2000 and 2019
- Drinking water \$11.6 to 20.1 billion per year
- Wastewater \$13.0 to 20.9 billion per year
- Household bills from 0.5 percent of household income to 0.6-0.9



\* U.S. Congressional Budget Office

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# The Role of Awwa Research Foundation

- Primary focus on practical application of research
- Research involves international collaborative partners
- Knowledge/information available to AwwaRF subscribers



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### **Information Collection**

- Location
- Condition Assessment
- Long-term performance prediction



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# Example of AwwaRF Reports

- Nondestructive, Noninvasive Assessment of Underground Pipelines
  - Reviewed nondestructive evaluation (NDE) methods for water pipes.





# Example of AwwaRF Reports

- Demonstration of Innovative Water Main Renewal Techniques
  - Demonstrated and evaluated various trenchless technologies
  - Identified conditions under which each technology can best be applied under North American conditions













## **Examples of AwwaRF Reports**

- Decision Support System for **Distribution System Piping** Renewal
  - Guidance for water utilities
  - A comprehensive decision support



**How Water Utilities Benefit from AwwaRF** Research



**AwwaRF Subscribers Benefiting** 

- Philadelphia Water Department (PWD)
  - The oldest distribution system in the
  - Saving from the AwwaRF ten point scoring system: >\$1 million per year



# AwwaRF Subscribers Benefiting

- Portland Water Bureau \$250,000 500,000/year for main replacement
- St. Louis \$100,000 to 200,000/year for main replacement
- Houston \$200,000 2,000,000 from main rehabilitation



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## **QUESTIONS**

- Who will ultimately "bank role" the renewal or replacement (federal, provinces, higher water rates, i.e., consumers, lottery)?
- What level of resources are necessary to renew/renovate the infrastructure in a reasonable period of time?



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## **Summary**

- Infrastructure deterioration a global concern
- Rehabilitation/Renewal of the infrastructure is costly
- Applied research is critical to ensure correct long-term planning decisions
- AwwaRF leader in sponsoring applied research on infrastructure

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Infrastructure Research
= Insurance for Making
the Correct Decisions



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### Infrastructure Rehabilitation/Renewal Decision Processes AwwaRF Projects

#### **Information Collection**

#### a) Condition Assessment

- 1. Water Utility Experience with Plastic Service Lines (#414). Published in 1992 Order No. 90593.
- 2. Nondestructive Testing of Water Mains (#507). Published in 1992 Order No. 90601.
- 3. Electromagnetic Inspection of Prestressed Concrete Pressure Pipe (#2564). Published in 2001 Order No. 90854.
- 4. Nondestructive, Noninvasive Assessment of Underground Pipelines (#355). Published in 2002 Order No. 90873.
- 5. Workshop on Non-Interruptive Condition Assessment Inspection Devices for Water Transmission Mains (#2871). Ongoing.
- 6. Testing and Condition Assessment of Joints in Water Distribution Pipelines (#2689). Ongoing.
- 7. Techniques for Monitoring Structural Behavior of Piping Systems (#2612). Ongoing.
- 8. Installation, Condition Assessment, and Reliability of Service Lines, Connections and Fittings (#2927). Ongoing.

#### b) Long-term Performance Prediction

- 1. Performance of Prestressed Concrete Pipe (#724). Published in 1994 by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
- 2. Investigation of Grey Cast Iron Water Mains to Develop a Methodology for Estimating Service Life (#280). Published in 2000 Order No. 90787.
- 3. Long-Term Performance Prediction for Polyvinyl Chloride Pipe (#2879). Ongoing.
- 4. Performance and Life Expectancy of Elastomeric Components in Contact With Potable Water (#2932). Ongoing.
- 5. Life Cycle Analysis of Epoxy Lining (#2941). Ongoing.
- 6. Long-Term Performance Prediction of PE Pipe (#2975). Ongoing.
- 7. Impact of Petroleum-Based Hydrocarbons on PE/PVC Pipes and Pipe Gaskets (#2946). Ongoing.
- 8. Long-Term Performance of Ductile-Iron Pipe (#3036). Ongoing.

### c) Location

- Innovative Techniques for Lead Service Line Location (#813). Published in 1995 Order No. 90601
- 2. New Techniques for Precisely Locating Buried Infrastructure (#2524). Published in 2001 Order No. 90859.
- 3. Multi-Utility Buried Pipes and Appurtenances Location Workshop (#2882). Completed in 2002. Published by UKWIR.
- 4. Development of Advanced Buried Infrastructure Tracer Wire (#3050). Ongoing.



### Rehabilitation/Renewal Technologies

- 1. Assessment of Existing and Developing Water Main Rehabilitation Practices (#314). Published in 1990- Order No. 90572.
- 2. Demonstration of an Innovative Water Main Rehabilitation Technique: In Situ Epoxy Lining (#808). Published in 1995 Order No. 90667.
- 3. Demonstration of Innovative Water Main Renewal Techniques (#255). Published in 1999 Order No. 90768.
- 4. Lead Pipe Rehabilitation and Replacement Techniques (#465). Published in 2000- Order No. 90789.
- 5. Investigation of Pipe Cleaning Methods (#2688). Published in 2003 Order No. 90938.
- 6. Non-Disruptive Tools for Remaking Connections After Pipe Rehabilitation (#2872). Ongoing.
- 7. Guidelines to Minimizing Downtime During Pipe Lining Operations (#2956). Ongoing.
- 8. Technology for Horizontal Directional Drilling (#2967). Ongoing.

### **Decision-making and Planning**

- 1. Water Main Evaluation for Rehabilitation/Replacement (#54). Published in 1985 –Order No. 90509.
- 2. Criteria for Renovation or Replacement of Water Treatment Facilities (#323). Published in 1991 Order No. 90563.
- 3. Quantifying Future Rehabilitation and Replacement Needs of Water Mains (#265). Completed in 1998
- 4. Financial and Economic Optimization of Water Main Replacement Programs (#462). Published in 2001 Order No. 90821
- 5. Capital Planning Strategy Manual (#2520). Published in 2001 Order No. 90838
- 6. Water Treatment Plant Infrastructure Assessment Manager (#460/2921). Published in 2001 Order No. 90843.
- 7. Synthesis Document on Distribution System Infrastructure (#2629). Published in 2001 Order No. 90846
- 8. Prioritizing Water Main Replacement and Rehabilitation (#459). Published in 2002 Order No. 90898.
- 9. Decision Support System for Distribution System Piping Renewal (#2519). Published in 2002 Order No. 90892.
- 10. Costs of Infrastructure Failure (#2607), Published in 2002 Order No. 90918.
- 11. Main Break Prediction, Prevention, and Control (#461). Closed.
- 12. Synthesis Documents on Infrastructure Integrity (#2772). Ongoing.
- 13. Risk Management of Large Water Transmission Mains (#2883). Ongoing.
- 14. Dynamic Influences on the Deterioration Rates of Individual Water Mains (#3052). Ongoing.
- 15. Development of Consensus Performance and Cost Targets for Water Pipeline Inspection Technologies: A Workshop (#3065). Ongoing.