



ACEC Briefing to EQSC  
– Finding Solutions for the Gap –  
Wastewater and Water Infrastructure Needs in Indiana

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## Wastewater and Water Infrastructure Needs in Indiana

### I. Briefing Purpose

- To seek governmental leadership in understanding and addressing long-term wastewater and water infrastructure needs in Indiana
- ACEC Request
  - That the EQSC further consider this issue



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### II. Why This Is Important

#### A. 2003 Study by Indiana Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations

- Statewide Needs for Wastewater and Drinking Water Infrastructure (2000-2020) at least \$12.4 to \$13.9 Billion
- Current Update at Essentially \$20 Billion over 20 Years
- \$1 Billion per Year Needs vs. Limited Current Capabilities !
- Program Needs
  - Combined Sewer Overflows
  - Wastewater Conveyance and Treatment
  - Failed Septic System Repairs
  - Stormwater Management
  - Drinking Water Systems



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#### B. Challenges with Current Funding Sources

- Town and City User Charge Systems (variable rates and capabilities)
- US EPA/IDEM - Transition from 1970 and 1980 Grant Program to State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF)
- Other Sources
  - Rural Development
  - Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA)
  - EDA
  - TIF
  - Other



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#### C. Assuring Indiana's Future

- Economic Development
  - Being Ready for Opportunities
- Environmental Improvement
  - Continue Progress with Wastewater and Drinking Water Quality Improvement (Health and Aesthetics)
- Overall Quality of Life Enhancement



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# Discussion

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