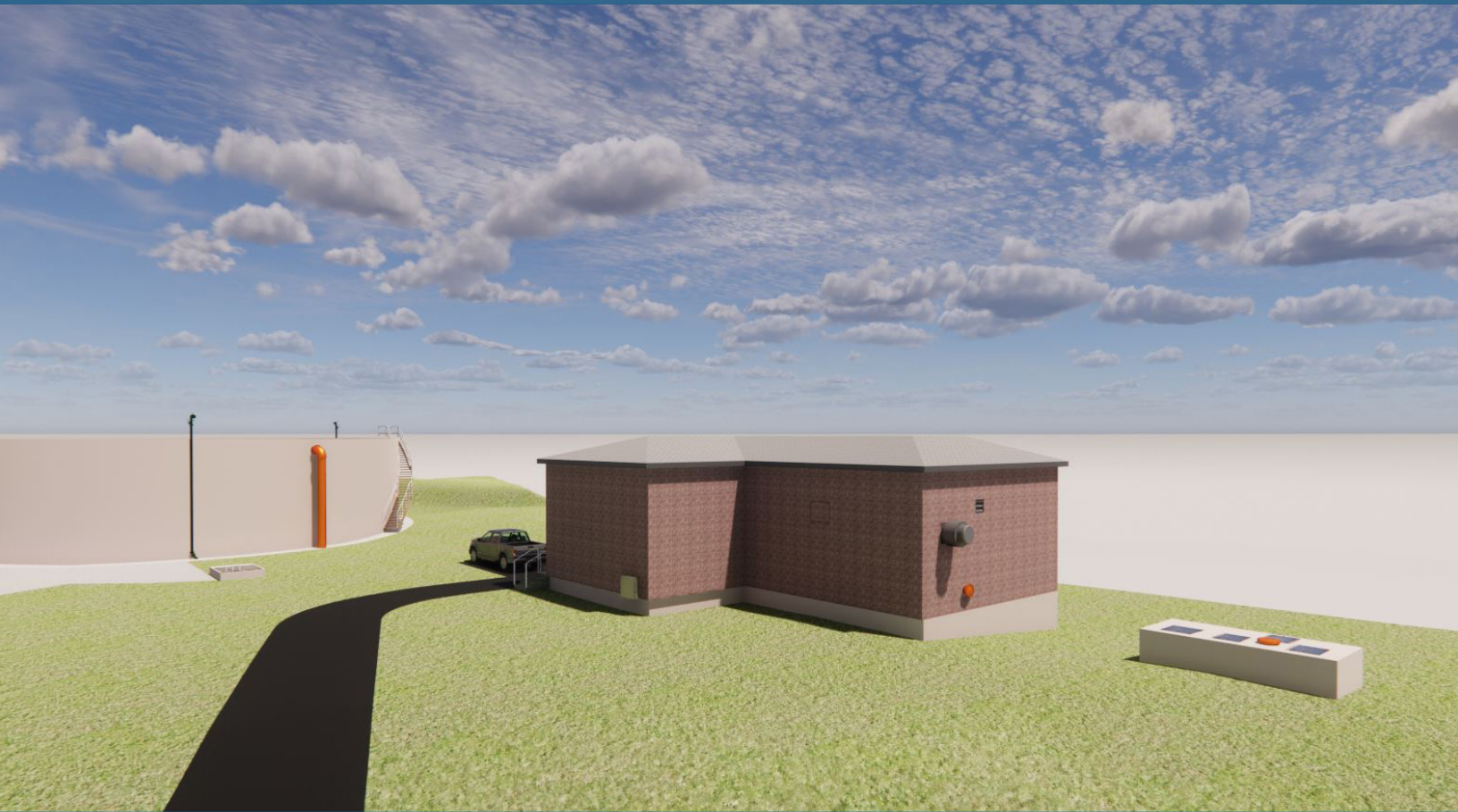


REGIONALIZATION OF THE INTERIM WET WEATHER PLAN



ACT 537 PLAN SPECIAL STUDY

OAKDALE PUMP STATION PROJECT

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During rain events or snowmelts, the sewer system becomes overloaded and causes diluted, untreated wastewater overflows into our region's rivers, streams, and creeks.



Every year, approximately nine billion gallons of sewage mixed with rainwater pollute our local waterways.

ALCOSAN's Clean Water Plan is a \$2 billion, 20-year plan for improving and protecting the quality of the region's waterways by reducing the volume of wet weather overflows by about seven billion gallons a year.

ALCOSAN'S CLEAN WATER PLAN

ALCOSAN has adopted the Clean Water Plan (CWP) to improve and protect the quality of the region's streams and rivers by controlling combined sewer overflows (CSOs) and eliminating sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs). The CWP is part of the modified Federal Consent Decree to comply with the United States Environmental Protection Agency's CSO Control Policy.

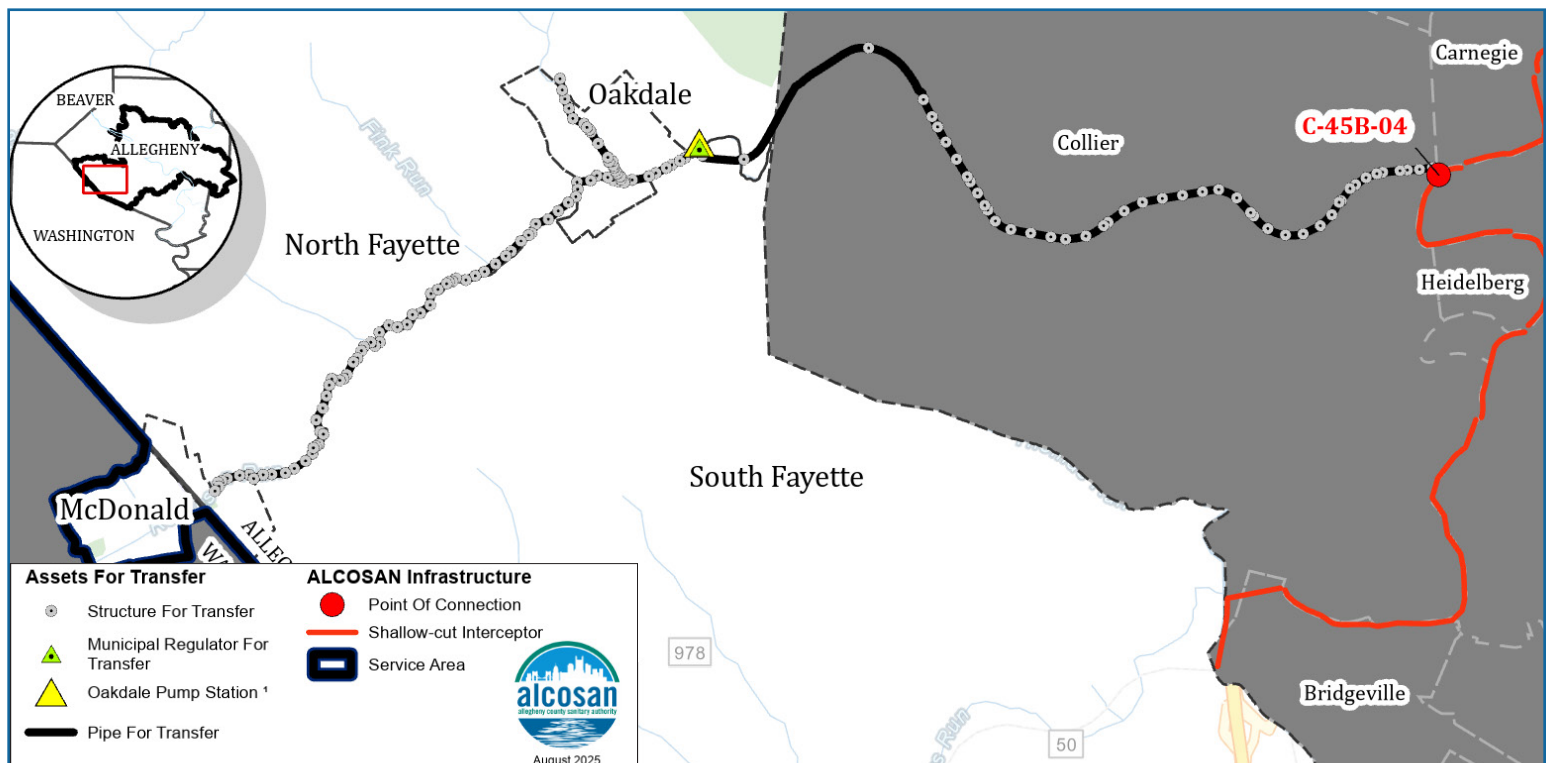
The CWP is made up of four components: preventing excess water from entering the sewer systems; expanding the wastewater treatment plant (WWTP); **Regionalization**; and constructing a new regional tunnel system.

What is Regionalization?

The Regionalization Program is the voluntary transfer of eligible sewers and related facilities from municipalities to ALCOSAN. Regionalization focuses on consolidating and integrating portions of municipal sewer systems into ALCOSAN's regional system, reducing the burden on local governments while ensuring more streamlined and effective operations. Eligible sewers are defined as being at least ten inches (10") in diameter and carrying flow from or contributing flow to more than one municipality.

What is Regionalization for the Robinson Run Sewershed?

The Robinson Run Sewershed comprises sewage collection and conveyance systems situated within the municipalities of North Fayette Township, Oakdale Borough, South Fayette Township, and McDonald Borough, which are tributary to the ALCOSAN Point of Connection (POC) C-45B-04 located in Scott Township. These communities formed the Robinson Run Advisory Group (RRAG). Eligible infrastructure for transfer for POC C-45B-04 includes nearly 10 miles of sewers, 146 manholes, a pump station, and an outfall.



What is the Act 537 Plan Special Study?

The Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act (Act 537) was enacted to correct existing sewage disposal problems and prevent future problems. To meet this objective, the Act requires proper planning in all types of sewage disposal situations. PADEP provides assistance and oversight to assist in fulfilling this responsibility.

Under Act 537, municipalities are required to develop and implement comprehensive official plans that provide for their current and future wastewater management needs. ALCOSAN's approved Act 537 Plan was developed on behalf of its 83 customer municipalities. It was amended in 2018 to address the expansion of the wastewater treatment plant and again in 2022 for the Regional Conveyance Facilities under ALCOSAN's Clean Water Plan.

This Act 537 Plan Special Study-Oakdale Pump Station Project is a product of ALCOSAN's Regionalization Program where ALCOSAN plans to address existing and future disposal needs.

What is the Oakdale Pump Station Project?

The transfer process for the Oakdale Pump Station and trunk line began in 2013 with a Municipal Feasibility Report. In 2024, North Fayette Township indicated that they would not be willing to transfer the sewers until after they were upsized as called for in the Township's 537 Plan. ALCOSAN and members of the RRAG negotiated until they agreed on a path forward as outlined in the Oakdale Pump Station Term Sheet executed December 2023. The Oakdale Pump Station Project includes the construction of a new pump station facility, an equalization tank, the upsizing of approximately 1.3 miles of upstream sewer lines, and the demolition of the existing pump station.

The implementation of the Oakdale Pump Station Project, which includes the commissioning and start-up of the newly constructed facilities, is scheduled for June 2030.

What does the Act 537 Plan Special Study - Oakdale Pump Station Project include?

- Previous Wastewater Planning
- Physical and Demographic Analysis
- Existing Sewage Facilities
- Future Growth and Development
- Identification of Alternatives
- Evaluation of Alternatives
- Institutional Evaluation
- Selected Wastewater Treatment and Institutional Alternative



Current Oakdale Pump Station

ALCOSAN's original 537 Plan was approved in 1996, with amendments for the plant expansion and the regional conveyance facilities in 2018 and 2022, respectively. This special study is for the Oakdale Pump Station Project, which is also related to the North Fayette Township Act 537 Plan Special Study, approved in 2024.



Act 537 Plan Special Study - Oakdale Pump Station Project

2025 Outreach Schedule

February

Release Act 537 Plan Special Study to Allegheny County Economic Development (ACED) - Planning Division, Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD), North Fayette Planning Commission, Oakdale Borough Council, and PADEP for comment.

July

Incorporate comments and update the study.

August

Release Act 537 Plan for public comment. Public outreach includes one virtual meeting and a 30-day public comment period.

October

Collect signed municipal resolutions adopting the 537 Plan Special Study.

November

Submit Plan to PADEP.

How can I participate?

Provide your input on the 537 Plan and stay up-to-date on the progress of the CWP via:



Visit bit.ly/47kYQbF to fill out the 537 Plan input form, check for public meetings, and sign up for the newsletter



Email ALCOSAN at public.relations@alcosan.org with questions or comments



Provide written comments directly at your municipal building



Call us at 412-734-8372

Learn more at alcosan.org/news-and-events/act-537-plan-special-study-0825

