



News Release

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OVER \$22.6M AWARDED IN ALCOSAN'S 6th CYCLE OF GROW GRANTS 15 source control projects to receive highest total grant amount in program history

September 23, 2021 – Fourteen of Allegheny County Sanitary Authority's (ALCOSAN) partner municipalities and municipal authorities have been offered over \$22.6M in Green Revitalization of our Waterways (GROW) grants in the program's sixth round. These 15 projects make up the largest collective award amount since GROW's inception and are modeled to remove 62.8 million gallons of overflow volume.

Created by ALCOSAN in 2016, the GROW program helps the Authority's customer municipalities and municipal authorities fund meaningful source control projects that help keep water out of the sewer systems.

This year's group of awards includes a \$10M grant to Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority (PWSA) for a stream removal project as part of its Four Mile Run Stormwater Improvement Project; and approximately \$5.4M to the Borough of Baldwin for a sewer lining project along Streets Run. This project is unique in that it is a partnership between the borough and Brentwood, PWSA, West Mifflin, and Whitehall to improve a multi-municipal sewer line.

"This GROW cycle is a great example of how important it is to work together toward a common goal – keeping excess water out of our sewer systems," said Arletta Scott Williams, ALCOSAN's Executive Director. "We are always thrilled to be able to help fund these necessary source control projects in our customer municipalities."

Including this cycle, ALCOSAN's GROW program has offered grants in excess of \$60M for approximately 140 projects, leveraging an approximate \$53M in municipal, authority and third-party funding. In all, those projects are expected to reduce the volume of overflows into the region's waterways by more than 200 million gallons.

Any municipality or municipal sewer authority within the ALCOSAN service area is eligible for GROW grants. The seventh cycle will begin later this year, and ALCOSAN already is scheduling informational meetings to assist municipalities in the application process.

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ALCOSAN is one of the region's premiere environmental and public health organizations, treating wastewater for 83 Allegheny County communities, including the City of Pittsburgh. The authority enhances the community's quality of life and safety by working to protect drinking water, rivers and streams, and making the Pittsburgh region a great place to live, work and play. ALCOSAN's 59-acre treatment plant processes up to 250 million gallons of wastewater daily and is one of the largest such facilities in the Ohio River Valley.

**ALCOSAN Green Revitalization of Our Waterways (GROW)
Cycle Six Award Descriptions – September 2021
Key: SS – Sewer Separation; I/I – Infiltration and Inflow;
DSIR – Direct Stream Inflow Removal**

Baldwin Borough

- Sanitary sewer lining (I/I) – Streets Run Multi-Municipal Sewer Rehabilitation Project (I/I) - The project is a comprehensive sewer rehabilitation project with infrastructure improvements in five municipalities including Baldwin Borough, Brentwood Borough, Borough of Whitehall, West Mifflin Borough, and the City of Pittsburgh. This project includes sewer lining, manhole repairs and modifications to the sewer alignment and is the largest multi-municipal project submitted to the GROW program to date, in both project scope and the number of municipalities participating in the project. \$5,432,500

Municipality of Bethel Park

- Sanitary sewer lining (I/I) – This project consists of sanitary sewer lining in several portions of the municipality near McLaughlin Run. \$108,700

Borough of Etna

- Sewer separation and direct stream inflow removal (SS, DSIR) – This project consists of removing two sources of inflow from the combined sewer system in a residential neighborhood tributary to Pine Creek. \$680,379.02

Ingram Borough

- Sewer separation (SS) – The project includes the removal of two cross-connections of the stormwater sewer system to the sanitary sewer system. \$280,000

Monroeville Municipal Authority

- Sewer lining (I/I) – Sanitary sewer lining of 2,767 linear feet of sewer lines near East Thompson Run. \$26,400

Mt. Lebanon

- Sanitary sewer lining (I/I) – The project consists of approximately 1,400 linear feet of sanitary sewer lining in a residential area along Cedar Boulevard. \$39,700
- Sanitary sewer lining (I/I) – The project consists of approximately 2,000 linear feet of sanitary sewer lining in a residential area along Eisenhower Drive. \$47,400

Township of O'Hara

- Sanitary sewer lining (I/I) – The project includes lining of 7,100 linear feet of sanitary sewer lines. \$69,600

Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority

- Sanitary sewer lining (I/I) – The project consists of 22,500 linear feet of sanitary sewer lining in the Carrick neighborhood of Pittsburgh. \$391,700
- Direct stream inflow removal (DSIR) – The Four Mile Run Stormwater Project encompasses Schenley Park and several Pittsburgh neighborhoods including Garfield, Hazelwood, Oakland, and Squirrel Hill. This project will capture and route stormwater through a natural channel that will follow the path of the historic streams that formed Four Mile Run from Panther Hollow Lake to the Monongahela River. The project includes daylighting of the stream through Schenley Park then directing that flow to a designated storm sewer directing it to the Monongahela River. The total cost of the project for design and construction is \$29,618,661 and the project received the maximum GROW grant award of \$10,000,000.

Ross Township

- Sanitary sewer lining (I/I) – This project consists of 65,000 linear feet of sanitary sewer lining along Spring Run and in the adjacent residential area. \$248,484.07

Scott Township

- Sanitary sewer lining (I/I) – This project consists of 3,545 linear feet of sanitary sewer lining along Kane Boulevard and the adjacent residential area. \$139,400

Borough of Sharpsburg

- Sewer separation and direct stream inflow removal (SS/DSIR) – This multi-municipal project includes the removal of a stream which enters the combined sewer system along Ravine Street in Sharpsburg. Additional drainage area from surrounding municipalities and stormwater from PA State Route 28 will also be separated from the combined sewer system. \$4,758,133.71

South Fayette Township Municipal Authority

- Sanitary sewer lining (I/I) – The project consists of 9,380 linear feet of sanitary sewer lining along the Portman Run sewer main. \$93,200

Wilkinsburg Borough

- Sanitary sewer lining (I/I) – This project consists of 7,600 linear feet of sanitary sewer lining in the Laketon neighborhood of Wilkinsburg. \$360,047.17