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7	PRESENTATION AND PUBLIC COMMENTS
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MS. WILLIAMS: Good morning, everybody. Welcome to the presentation today. I'm Arletta Scott Williams, the executive director at ALCOSAN. I trust you are all here to hear about our Draft Wet Weather Plan. Does everybody have a companion document with them? If not, raise your hand. We will bring one to you.

We are going to give you a presentation outlining what is in that document. That document is a brief synopsis of what is in our 1,200 page Wet Weather Plan which has been released to the public. We're in the public comment period. That's why we're all here for you to present and to get your input. That document will be finalized and submitted to the EPA, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and the Allegheny County Health Department in January next year.

So as we go through this public comment process, we're attempting to get your

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input to see if there is anything we need to
tweak before we prepare that final document.
The public comment period runs through
October 19. So once you have gone through this
session today, if there are people that you
feel will benefit from being a part of this
process, please encourage them to attend one of
the upcoming presentations.

You should have a schedule in the back of that companion booklet. If not, we will make sure we get those to you as well.

Before we get into the presentation, I'm going to ask Lugene Keys to come and give you some housekeeping information.

MS. KEYS: Good morning, once again. Thank you so much for taking your time to come out to this meeting today. I do want to take just a few minutes to go over a couple of items that we want to bring to your attention, and hopefully I don't reiterate too much of what Arletta said.

But I want to make sure, first of all, that every one of you should have received a brief questionnaire when you came in and

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ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - LUGENE KEYS signed up at registration. I would ask if you could take a minute to complete it if you haven't already and take it to the back of the room, and you can drop it off with Nancy. I think it was three questions, and we would like to get that as soon as possible at least before the presentation starts if you have not done that.

Also, inside of your companion booklet, this booklet was designed to give you a snapshot of what is in that huge Draft Wet Weather Plan to take you through and give you an overview of all of the important sections. There is a lot of good information here, so if you have not received this previously, we hope that you take the time to go through it.

Inside your booklet, again, is an agenda for today's meeting. You should have your public meeting schedule and all of these items are at the very back page inside of the pocket of your book so that you can see all of the meetings that are scheduled. You can go to any one of those meetings you desire.

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right now that the last two meetings -- at every one of the public meetings that are being held, we will be receiving public comments orally, written, whatever format you want to present them in.

The last two meetings, one is

October 17th at the Sheraton Station Square and also at ALCOSAN on October 19. At those meetings, we won't have the formal presentation. The time for those meetings will be dedicated to just receiving public comment.

So if you have written comments, if you want to come and present your comments orally, that would be the last chance effort. That will be the conclusion of the comment period. So those two last days are going to be dedicated to public comment only, but at any one of these meetings you can come and present your comments.

There is an open house, ALCOSAN'S open house scheduled for September 15, a Saturday. There is a brochure on sewer overflows, and there should be another sheet back there that's entitled "Public Comment

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Guidelines."

You'll notice we have a board up here that is basically an enlargement of that form that you have in your packet. There is really some key important information there.

Just that we ask as a courtesy to people when they're presenting their comments if we don't have any distractions during their comments so that everyone can hear what's being said, and it's also important so that the stenographer can capture that information accurately.

There is a three-minute time limit for the comments. I'll be the timekeeper so when you're two minutes into your comments, I'll hold up a sign that says one minute remaining. Then at the end of your time, I'll hold up another sign that says your time is up. We just want to make sure everybody has equal opportunity and time frame to present their information.

The main purpose of this meeting is again to hear what you have to say, to get your comments. But we will be having the presentation that will give you a more in-depth

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overview on the Draft Wet Weather Plan.

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If you want to give your comments orally today, hopefully you've checked the box at the sign-in table that just gives us the name. The moderator who is going to be Arletta Williams will call your name during the comment

period, and you'll be able to come up and

present your information.

want to give comments and you didn't sign in and check the box, that's okay. Once we get through the list of people who did sign in, if you decide at that point you want to give oral comments, you can do that. We would just ask that you provide the same information, your name and complete address, the city, your zip code and your municipality prior to starting your comments because that's key information we need for the record.

Everyone that is going to present comments, even if it's in written format is asked to provide that information. So if you didn't check the box and after the meeting you feel like I really need to say a few things,

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you're more than welcome to do that. Just after go we through the list of people who signed up, then you'll be welcome to come up, and I'm sure Arletta will talk to you at that time.

shy or maybe you don't want to present them out here with an audience, we have a separate comment room here on this side of the area set up so you can go in there with a stenographer. There will be an ALCOSAN staff person there, and they can sit down with you and you can provide your comments at that time privately. The same rules apply. You've got three minutes and the same information is required.

For those folks who may not want to give their comments privately or if you can't stick it out the entire meeting time frame, you can get up and provide your comments there if you wanted to give them orally.

As I indicated, Arletta Scott
Williams is going to be your meeting moderator.
I'm going to serve as your timekeeper. We have
two stenographers, one seated in this room and

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one in the separate comment area primarily for
the purpose of recording your comments.

Rest rooms, if you are interested in finding the men's room or ladies' room, you go back to the very end of the room where the clock is in the large opening there and the rest rooms will be off to your right, and they are signed. There are refreshments in the back. Help yourself to coffee, cookies, and I believe there is water. I believe I have covered everything.

MS. WILLIAMS: How many people have been to an ALCOSAN presentation prior to today, a show of hands? Fantastic. And you came back. We couldn't have been that bad. That's good to know.

With a 1,200 page document which is the culmination of close to 20 years of work, there's the document in the back. Weight lifters are passing it around. There is a lot of information for us to present to you. We have compressed it as much as possible.

After our initial public meeting, which was two weeks ago, in response to

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Our presenter today has been working on this issue since 1991, I believe, it is.

Not to date us. We're the same age. It's a good age. She's the director of regional conveyance at ALCOSAN. This is a project that is near and dear to her heart, Jan Oliver. Can I hear it for Jan?

(Audience applauds.)

MS. OLIVER: Good morning, and thank you for coming to the meeting. I hope to provide you with some answers to questions that you may have about a very important public works program in this area, and we will take your questions at the end.

I'll start with a brief history of ALCOSAN, and then we'll talk about how we

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developed the plan, what we used to come up with the ideas and run through all of the alternatives. Then we'll talk about what the plan includes, and then we'll also go through your comments, accept your comments and give you other avenues to provide your comments.

In the early 1900's, Pittsburgh sewers were constructed. Those sewers were mostly storm sewers. There was no indoor plumbing so those sewers were intended to carry away storm water, and it wasn't until later that indoor plumbing became available and those combined sewers were used to carry away sanitary sewage. They discharged directly to rivers and stream with no method of treatment.

In the 1950's, they recognized that there was disease as a result of these discharges, and so they constructed the ALCOSAN interceptor system and treatment plant. That interceptor system was constructed to convey dry weather flows to the wastewater treatment plant, but overflows that occurred when it rained or you had heavy snow melt were constructed as part of that design, and they

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were permitted by the health agency at the time.

In the 1970's, the treatment plant was expanded to include secondary treatment.

That's a biological treatment that provides greater removal of solids and pollutants from the sewage stream.

In the 1990's, we expanded the wastewater treatment plant to cover some additional wet weather flows and then also to address growth in the area. This included odor control processes as well.

In 2008, the Consent Decree was entered. The Consent Decree was a requirement of CSO policy. As I mentioned, those overflows were part of the original design and construction. EPA came back around after a secondary treatment was in place and said let's take care of those overflows that occur when it rains.

So in the late 80's and early 90's, they began developing what's called a CSO policy. That policy was approved and became part of the Clean Water Act in 1994. That

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policy required that cities like ALCOSAN would need to comply with those requirements through a Consent Decree.

The Consent Decree is based upon the Clean Water Act. It does require the development of a Wet Weather Plan and that Wet Weather Plan requires the elimination of SSOs. SSOs occur from sewer systems that are sanitary only. They have two-system sewers, and that's one to carry storm water and one to convey sanitary sewage; but many of the sewers have infiltration or roof connections even though they're not intended to do that.

So on the ALCOSAN system, there are 50-plus places where overflows occur from the sanitary sewer system. We have to control the CSOs to a level that's acceptable that wouldn't contribute to the degradation of water quality, and that's on the combined sewer overflows.

The combined overflow -- the combined sewer system is one system. It conveys both storm water and your sanitary sewage. We have about 280-plus CSOs located on the ALCOSAN system, and, again, there are

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additional overflows associated with municipal sewer systems.

We have to provide growth until 2046. We did an analysis of intended growth through SPC and then double-checked that with the municipalities, and that growth is worked into the development of the Wet Weather Plan.

We had to facilitate regional coordination. There are a number of meetings. We had basin planning meetings. We had the system broke up into seven basins that were used for analysis so that their local concerns would be considered and these groups of consultants met with these municipalities associated with each of the basins.

We had a regional stakeholder group and a number of meetings held with those folks that included municipal representation, academia, political entities, and planning commissions. We also had a CMAC, Customer Municipal Advisory Committee, and that was made up of municipal managers and elected officials within the municipalities.

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is not a flood control project. There may be some ancillary benefits associated with reducing flooding, but the sizing of facilities for this program are not what could control a flood. This plan that we're talking about today must be implemented by 2026. That's a requirement of the Consent Decree.

Understanding the problem is complex, so the process that we went through to get us here occurred over a number of years.

Where did the overflows occur? We did a large mapping program. Municipalities were working on this simultaneously trying to identify where their sewers are, sizes they are, elevations under wet weather conditions and how often and how much.

We had a rain gauge system with a radar rainfall instrument that could determine what the rainfall was in various areas. Using that along with a hydraulic model, we were able to determine how much the existing system can convey to certain locations and how much it overflowed under varying rainfall conditions. With that we were then able to determine how

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much the system could not convey and how much it overflowed.

What are the water quality impacts?
We had a lot of sampling both at the CSO
outfalls and also in the receiving streams. We
sampled upstream and downstream every ALCOSAN
service area so that we could see what the
river quality was, river water quality was
coming into the ALCOSAN service area and what
it was after it left the service area, and that
occurred in both wet weather and dry weather
periods and it occurred on the main rivers and
also in tributary streams.

There were a lot of institutional challenges. We worked with Three Rivers. We worked with the municipalities to try to identify what those were and worked through those institutional efforts.

These sewer systems when they connect to the ALCOSAN system, there are typically a lot of multi-municipal connections. That means that in that sewer shed you have multiple municipalities, and they must all work together in order to get that flow to the point

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We had to determine why they overflow. There are a lot of sources that contribute additional flows to the sewer system. You have direct stream inflows. We have identified ten locations in the sewer system where streams entered the sewer system.

They were put there likely because they didn't work with the downstream development whether it was residential or commercial or a highway or railroad, but the natural stream was placed into the sewer system.

We're slowly but surely working on taking them out, but we must work with the municipalities to do that. You have groundwater infiltration. Groundwater infiltration has a prolonged impact on sewer systems after it quits raining.

Deteriorated and aging sewers,
that's how the groundwater gets into the sewer
system. Improper connections, a lot of the
plumbers that did the construction for the
combined sewers moved out to the sanitary

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sewers and some of those same philosophies about flushing the sewer system were carried out into the sanitary sewer systems and just practices of moving storm water away from your home were also incorporated into places that were supposed to be sanitary only systems. Those are the locations where improper connections occurred.

There were conveyance capacity

limitations. They can occur because of a flat pipe or just because there is too much flow in the pipe. If it's an easy fix, those need to be evaluated and corrected. But if it's a capacity issue, then we have to build to correct that problem.

There are treatment plant capacity limitations. The ALCOSAN treatment capacity today is 250 million gallons a day, and that results in overflows when it rains or when there is snow melt.

Storm water runoff from impervious surfaces, combined sewers. When it rains, the runoff from the impervious surfaces enter the sewer system through the street drains, through

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driveway drains, through roof drains and contribute to the sanitary flow during wet weather periods.

There were a lot of key elements to the Wet Weather Plan. System inventory and characterization. We took that mapping and modeling and determined the characteristics and inventory of the system. We did a hydraulic hydrologic characterization to see what the piping network could convey and whatever overflowed, the water quality assessment, all of that sampling information, and we created a model of the rivers to see under what rainfall conditions and under what overflow conditions, what impacts you could expect to see within the receiving streams. We evaluated a number of alternatives for sewer overflows. We'll talk about those a little bit later.

We did a financial and institutional planning effort to determine what was affordable for this region, and that was based on a lot of things to consider, the median household income, the bond rates. All of that information was worked into what would be an

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affordable plan for this region.

A lot of municipal and public involvement. As I mentioned, we had CMAC, which is the Citizens Municipal Advisory Committee. We had the regional stakeholder group and basin planning meetings, and actually we have had five years of public meetings such as this where we hold meetings in the various parts throughout the service area in the morning and then also in the evening.

I'll talk about the implementation plan. There had to be a lot of thought that went into how we are going to implement this plan, what are going to be some of the priorities, and, of course, this plan will need to be negotiated with the regulatory agencies. These are our ideas. We are going to be asking for your ideas. We are going to try to incorporate what we can, and then we are going to present this to the regulatory agencies, and they will be telling us what their ideas are.

These are four methods of control for these overflows. You can store it in a tank or a tunnel while it's raining, and then

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after it quits raining drain it back to the sewer system. You can move it to a location where you can provide treatment. You can treat it, and then you can remove it.

Removal and source control. That's something that occurs within the municipal sewer system. Removal and source controls. ALCOSAN encourages source control that would prevent storm water and groundwater from entering the system, but we control the flows once they enter the ALCOSAN system. Once they come to the ALCOSAN system, there is no opportunities for that removal. So we can't require municipalities and properties to incorporate green infrastructure or do infiltration and inflow removal. We can't dictate what the municipalities inflow and infiltration practices are; so, therefore, the sewer controls are to be evaluated by the municipalities.

We did encourage green
infrastructure. We hosted workshops and had
many of the municipalities came in and provided
information on how to remove storm water

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We had an EPA grant that allowed us to identify two areas where we could work with the municipality. One of them happens to be the fair municipality that we're in today, and that's West View is going to implement a

demonstration green infrastructure project.

We're working with the City of
Pittsburgh and the Bells Run area which is
tributary to the Chartiers Creek area. As I
mentioned, those stream inflow locations,
ALCOSAN has done a lot. They are very large
source removal projects. They remove anywhere
from 50 to 250 million gallons annually from
the sewer system through those stream removal
projects.

The preliminary municipal plans include just a minimum of green infrastructure. I understand Three Rivers is going to be working with the municipalities to help identify them, and we have Beth here and Beth is kind of spearheading that effort to work with the municipalities to identify places where they could replace gray which is

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considered, the pipes are considered gray or storage tanks are considered gray construction.

Three Rivers is going to work with the municipalities to identify where they might be able to incorporate green within their sewer systems. If the municipalities refine their plans to include this green and reduce their flow, then we will certainly incorporate it into the Wet Weather Plan.

We developed 26 systemwide alternatives for controls. We looked at them in a basin-based approach and then also a regional-based approach. The basin based had a lot of separate facilities, storage tanks within certain areas. It did not include a tunnel system.

Then we looked at things on a more regional basis, and that included the tunnel system. We evaluated the amount of overflows that would discharge under these varying approaches and the regional approach turned out to be the more cost efficient.

We looked at additional treatment plants and the various treatment plant

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capacities at the ALCOSAN wastewater treatment plant. We looked at how far we would extend the tunnels up the Monongahela and up the Allegheny and then, of course, down the Ohio. We did a lot of sizing and cost effectiveness based on the number of overflows that would be anticipated with these types of facilities and determined what the percent of wastewater capture would be from these plans.

We used that model that I talked about earlier to determine what the water quality impacts would be and developed a need of the curve cost performance so that we could pick the optimum benefit that we would receive for our money in terms of water quality improvements.

This is what was identified as the selected plan. The selected plan includes 20 miles of tunnel system. The tunnel system is 12 to 14 feet in diameter, and it is constructed 30 to 55 feet below the existing deep tunnel interceptor system. This program will eliminate SSOs to a two-year level.

We'll have 96 percent CSO capture.

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So the overflows that occur now, we will have 96 percent capture of those overflows. That will be a 92 percent volume reduction. We have provided enhanced controls in sensitive areas where there was recreation or water intakes. The controls are a greater level of controls, so they overflow less frequently than in the rest of the plan area.

This plan does have an associated cost with it. It is \$3.6 billion. This is in compliance with EPA's requirements. The \$3.6 billion does include the municipal improvements.

One of the best bangs for our buck here was to increase the capacity of the treatment plant so the plant will go from a 250 million gallon secondary treatment capacity to a 600 million gallon a day primary capacity and then a 295 million gallon a day secondary capacity.

You can notice that the tunnels are identified by the green lines that run along the Ohio, up the Allegheny. Then you have them here along the Mon all the way up to Turtle

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Saw Mill Run actually has a tunnel that 10: 06: 46 2 Creek. 3 extends up there. Chartiers Creek and these 10: 06: 50 10: 06: 50 4 (indicating) little cylindrical shapes indicate 10: 07: 02 that there is a storage tank. So the green means that it's a combined storage tank and the 10: 07: 02 7 10: 07: 04 blue means that it is a separate sewage storage tank. 10: 07: 08 9 We have identified the ALCOSAN 10: 07: 14 10 10: 07: 16

We have identified the ALCOSAN

Wastewater Treatment Plant right here

(indicating) down in Woods Run and the little triangular symbols identify drinking water intakes, and there are some other sensitive areas identified within that plan.

I mentioned that the plan was \$3.6 billion. EPA has a guideline to determine what is affordable to ratepayers. If it is less than one percent of the median household income, it's considered a low threshold of pain, a low indicator. If it's one to two percent, that's a mid-range threshold. That's of the median household income. High is greater than two percent of the median household income. So that two percent allows for in this region a 2 billion dollar capital

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investment in this wet weather problem.

Again, the financial impacts in the median household incomes are over a broad base. ALCOSAN service area is 300 squares miles. We take in Rankin, and we also take in Fox Chapel, so we have median household incomes that are less than 18,000, and we have median household incomes that are greater than 220,000. We take the median of those averages, and we came up with like 43,800 is the median household income. When we did all those calculations, it was determined that a 2 billion dollar plan and investment in this problem was affordable to this region.

You can see the impacts with the 3.6 billion dollar plan is much greater than that. The red area shows that the impact is greater than three percent. Yellow is two percent to three percent, and then the green area shows that it's less than two percent. So that's 26 municipalities that would be in the red and nine of those 26 municipalities would be even greater than four percent.

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percent with this selected plan. This is total compliance with the regulatory agencies. So we had to pick components of that selective plan that were affordable that could meet with something that we could recommend to ratepayers and there were competing needs throughout this.

tributary streams, you know, Chartiers Creek,
Saw Mill Run, Turtle Creek. Do we focus on the
main rivers. There is a lot of recreation that
occurs in the main rivers. Do we focus on CSOs
where you have a greater amount of overflow.
Do we focus on sanitary sewer overflows which
the regulatory agencies right now consider to
be illegal. So components of that 3.6 billion
dollar plan needed to be selected.

Of course, we had to provide capacity for economic growth. We had to be able to implement this plan by 2026. That is the time frame for completion of the plan by 2026.

Chartiers Creek also has a third-party lawsuit associated with it that we said that sanitary sewer overflows would be

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controlled by an earlier date, so that needs to be considered as well.

Through all of this, we came up with a recommended plan to be implemented by 2026.

It includes ten miles, a little less than ten miles of the 20 miles of tunnel that we talked about earlier, same sizing, but it doesn't extend as far along the Allegheny.

It extends to the Strip District, and in the Monongahela it extends to approximately the Four Mile Run area of the City of Pittsburgh. The Chartiers Creek sanitary sewer overflow controls would be put into place with the treatment facility that would eventually become a storage facility, and it extends, the tunnel extends down to the wastewater treatment plant.

The wastewater treatment plant would be expanded to 480 million gallons a day as opposed to the 600 million gallons a day in the selective plan and you would still have a secondary treatment capacity of 295 million gallons a day.

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sensitive areas would be put in place so that we could address water intakes and recreational areas early in the implementation. Where we do have sanitary sewer overflow control is in the Chartiers Creek area, and that is a two-year level of control. This provides 79 percent CSO capture which the ultimate plan, as I mentioned, is 96 percent CSO capture. This one is 79.

This plan includes all of the municipal improvements. So of this 2 billion, 550 million are municipal controls. This is the residential indicator for the 2 billion dollar plan. You still see some red areas but not as many. You have greater than three percent in nine municipalities. You have greater than four percent still in four municipalities though and the City of Pittsburgh residential indicator becomes 2.3 percent of their median household income.

We anticipate that the ALCOSAN rates would be increased 10 to 12 percent at various times through the program but likely consecutive years. The average cost per

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household by 2026 will be double what the ALCOSAN sewer rate is today.

The implementation plan utilizes the affordability guidance that the National CSO Policy developed. We're recommending a phased approach so the recommended plan is the first phase. We'll see what improvements that we have in the sewer system and the water quality from those controls, and then we will move forward once those are in place with the second phase of the plan.

A 2 billion dollar budget has been established for that 226 plan, so it employs an adaptive management principle. Again, I said we'll see how effective these controls are and make improvements beyond that with these types of controls.

ALCOSAN's Wet Weather Plan, as

Arletta mentioned, has been a culmination of a
number of years of experts working on this
problem. We looked at system monitoring and
modeling. There were 550 flow meters in the
sewer system at one time. The system has been
extensively modeled.

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We did water quality assessment so that we could determine what the alternatives should be. A financial analysis was included. A lot of municipal and public coordination and participation were involved throughout the development of the plan.

It's a regionally-integrated plan.

It includes the municipal efforts as well as the ALCOSAN efforts. We determined it to be the cost effective solution. It's a balanced approach. It does direct some sanitary sewer overflows while it identifies the maximum level of control for the combined sewer overflows.

We think of it as a fiscally responsible plan to move us towards the 2026 time frame.

There are many documents out there that you can read to get an idea of more detail about the plan. As we mentioned, this is the entire plan and it's quite large, but there is the executive summary that you all should have a copy of.

There are sewer overflow fact sheets that talk about what you can do. You can log on to ALCOSAN at www.ALCOSAN.org. We're on

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Facebook and YouTube. We've had a lot of public meetings. This is the second public meeting in a list of meetings that appear in your folder there.

We have an open house that will be held this year September 15 at the ALCOSAN Wastewater Treatment Plant. There are a number of venues that provide education on a number of processes and things associated with the wastewater treatment plant, and I would encourage you to attend. It's from 10:00 in the morning or 9:00 in the morning until 4:00 in the afternoon, late afternoon. Refreshments and food are provided and tours of the wastewater treatment plant also.

A lot of public comment
opportunities. July 31 to October 19, we will
try to receive your comments. After that
point, we will try to incorporate those
comments or respond to them if we can't
incorporate them and then submit the plan to
the regulatory agencies in January 2013.

As we mentioned, there are a number of ways to provide comment. There is going to

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be testimonial statements that you can provide There is also going to be one meeting at the very end that will be all testimonial. You can mail your comments to ALCOSAN, 3300 Preble With that, I'll take questions or Avenue. Would you please state your name and comments. where you're from.

KOMARA: MS. My name is Kathryn Komara, and I'm from McCandless. I'm here just because I've been reading the articles in the Post-Gazette and the Post-Gazette writer is here. Thank you very much for enlightening me. I haven't heard about this up until that point.

My questions are, well, one, it's overwhelmingly to me to think of -- I'm a I work with elderly people. I therapist. can't even imagine the costs that are going to be accrued to them. They can barely afford their medications let alone me because I'm just a piddling occupational therapist, but are you going to have any type of system set up for people who are having difficulty with paying bills? That's my first question.

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My second question is how much participation have the municipalities been willing or able or are able to provide to ALCOSAN to try to reduce the costs, and are there ones that are more amenable to this versus the municipalities who are totally against trying to redo their systems?

MS. WILLIAMS: Excellent questions. In response to the first question, we do not have a system in place right now to subsidize those people who are having difficulty, and you're speaking of something that would be analogous to the utility programs where you get help with your electricity, your gas if you cannot pay those bills.

We are in the process of looking at how we bill, what our rate structure will be.

Currently we bill everybody uniformly based on water consumption. As part of this process, we are looking at that and looking at other options.

As we're looking at other options, we're looking at the potential to have some type of subsidiary in place for those people

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who fall below a certain threshold, but it's still very conceptual right now. That was the first part of the question.

The second part of the question with respect to municipal participation, our municipalities have been participating. They have been stepping up to the challenge. They have their own orders. They're not a party to our Consent Decree, which you heard Jan speak to, but they have orders with either the state through the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection or they have orders with the Allegheny County Health Department to do things within their systems.

This overall problem has an upstream component and a downstream component. The municipalities are responsible for the upstream component. We're responsible for the downstream component.

Just as Jan spoke to the financial wherewithal for the median household income across our service area going from \$18,000 a year to \$200,000, you see the same thing with municipalities. Some of them are more capable

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MS. KOMARA: How much of this is green versus gray? How much willingness is there? And again educating the public, I'm sorry to say that I'm just becoming aware of this, and I feel very strongly about our water system and the drainage and things like that, the cleanliness because I feel very strongly that water is going to be our next rare commodity worse than oil because we need water more than oil. What are we doing as far as green technology as far as municipalities willing to use green technology versus gray?

MS. WILLIAMS: The initial part of your commentary referred to what percentage of green is being used here, and then the second portion is what is the willingness to use green.

The plan as it exists, our document does not incorporate green as a solution as people anticipate green to be incorporated, and that is quite simply because we do not have

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either the purview or the wherewithal to
implement green. As Jan spoke to in the course
of the presentation, we support the
municipalities who do have that ability. Those
things would have to be adopted on a municipal
level either by municipal ordinance or some
other enforceable mechanism. By the time flows
get to our system, the conveyance system, the
opportunity to implement green is gone at that
point.

Now, we do support and strongly encourage our municipalities to remove flow by any means necessary and green is certainly one of those means. We have sought federal funding through EPA and used it to assist our communities. But absent that, we do not have the ability to go and do more than strongly encourage that they look at those options.

MS. KOMARA: I guess my question is, as people always say, it's supposedly easier to smile than frown. It's supposedly easier just to throw some sewer systems in than go around and expect homeowners to do more planting or use rain barrels or what

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have you. So how much willingness -- I'm just
curious -- is there, and is there any way that
you or the state or somebody could do some type
of a positive reinforcer or monetarily to help
them adapt green technology because in my eyes,
and I mean in your eyes I'm sure, that would be
much more optimal and in the long run a more
cost-effective, if I'm not mistaken, way to
handle this. Are municipalities willing to do
this, and is there something we can do to prod
them along?

MS. WILLIAMS: I do believe municipalities have a willingness to look at anything that is going to further the cause. In terms of actual projects, and there are those that Jan spoke to, one that is in process right here in West View. Well, it's in the early stages.

It would be nice if I could speak to those across the service area. Unfortunately, that's not case. Municipalities do have competing needs. They've got a lot of things that they are looking to use a certain amount of budget that they have available. Again, I

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KATHRYN KOMARA - ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS would encourage everybody who has this concern to approach your municipality and find out what their intentions are. It's a good place to have the conversation.

MS. KOMARA: Well, there is not many of us in this room and granted we work, but, again, my question is how many municipalities are using green or willing to use green? I'm looking for some type of response as far as who is on board and who is not percentagewise or a guesstimate?

MS. WILLIAMS: I can't give you a spreadsheet that says these ten have said yes, these 30 have said no, the rest have said We don't have that type of information. maybe.

MS. KOMARA: Do you guys encourage any type of participation through any type of a kickback or any type of a positive reinforcer that if they use green technology versus just regular systems, gray systems?

WILLIAMS: encouragement up to this point has been to provide funding through the federal sources and resources that have been made available to us.

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2 That has been the encouragement.

MS. KOMARA: Is there a way that you have it listed so we can see who is willing to take your encouragement?

MS. WILLIAMS: We do not have that available. Again, I would suggest that you approach your municipality. Most municipal meetings are held in the evenings. I think the majority of them begin at 7:00 or 7:30, so hopefully there is an opportunity for people to participate at that level. Jan?

MS. OLIVER: I just wanted to say that although we don't highlight green development, it is occurring throughout the ALCOSAN service area and through Allegheny County. It's just becoming a new way of thinking about developing, and you see it.

There are spreadsheets that were created by Three Rivers that we are incorporating to see what kind of impact, so it is happening as a new method of developing. If the municipalities don't select it, it may be because they don't find it as a cost-effective way for them to meet their requirements just as

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ALCOSAN did. So we can't force them to consider something that they may not feel will be effective.

MS. KOMARA: But in the long run, isn't that more cost-effective in the long run? I'm just curious.

MS. OLIVER: The jury is still out on that one. I think we're recognizing that there are a lot of benefits to it including air pollution benefits to it, increased property values, sound benefits. So there are a lot of other benefits associated with it.

The level of control that the regulatory agencies have required of us for these CSO discharges is quite large and the level of green infrastructure that would need to be constructed would have to take place over a very long period of time and wouldn't allow us to meet that time frame that is upon us now.

MS. KOMARA: How much impact is this construction going to take as far as -- I know that some of the ALCOSAN or actually quite a bit goes along the biking trails. How

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much impact is that going to have as far as interfering with travel and leisure recreation?

MS. OLIVER: The tunnel construction does help to minimize that type of interference, but I can't say that there wouldn't be any disturbance. There are places where you have to put the tunnel system in and places where you have to receive, and then there are shafts to collect and connect the So there will be flow to the tunnel system. some disturbance associated with it. always tried to make our construction work within the activities of the current land use.

MS. KOMARA: My last question is that I know we have public comments, and we have meetings and so on and so forth. Actually, I've gone to our municipal meetings, and I know that really what the bottom line is that it's already a done deal even though you have public comments and things like that.

So I thank you for allowing the public to comment. I have a feeling that all of this is already a done deal. I'm sorry about that, but I hope that you at least try to

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10: 32: 40	19	MS. WILLIAMS: It's the public
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ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - TOM HOFFMAN testimony. I just wondered is there a difference? Are they treated differently?

MS. WILLIAMS: I would say

that the difference is when we get to the last two meetings, we are taking pure statement of whatever you care to share. You're not commenting on something that we are going to be presenting at that time because there is no presentation.

MR. HOFFMAN: Those are comments then. Okay.

MS. WILLIAMS: Now, if you come and you've already been to a presentation, you've already read the Wet Weather Plan, you've already slept with the companion document under your book and by osmosis you have absorbed it all and you have something that you want to say, we can call it comment. We can call it testimony. We want to hear it. We want to take it, and hopefully we are not doing anything to obscure how we're attempting to receive that.

I'm now going to go to my list, and it is a brief list of people who have signed up

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to speak. When you're speaking, you have the opportunity to ask questions, to simply give us a statement, an observation, your opinion, what have you. I only have seven people signed today.

Once we get to the conclusion of the seven people who have signed who each have three minutes, that's three minutes for you to give us what you want to give us. If there is a need for us to respond, that does not count against your three minutes. Once we conclude these seven people, anybody else who has a question or comment is free to participate at that point.

I'm going to need you when you come to the microphone to state your name for the stenographer who I'm about to drive crazy over here unfortunately. Again, we are trying to get all of this information in the best way we possibly can because we want to be able to make use of it. So state your name, spell your name for her. She has requested that you spell your name. You give us your name, address, city, state, zip code, and municipality.

ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - MARLANE TUCIBAT

Once again, if for some reason you're not comfortable in this form, we have a room right here (indicating) where you can do the same thing behind closed doors where no mad stalkers will get your information.

Somebody could be looking at you right now thinking you're kind of hot and want to follow you home if you make a comment. I don't know. Come on. We've got to break this up a little bit. This is not the end of the world. It's a huge endeavor. We will get through it.

My first speaker I'm not going to massacre your last name, Marlane Tucibat, come on down.

MS. TUCIBAT: Marlane,
M-A-R-L-A-N-E, T-U-C-I-B-A-T, 16 Sedgewick
Street, Millvale, Pennsylvania, 15209.

You had mentioned previously about grant money for this project. How much grant money do you know or if you know are we going to get towards this project?

MS. WILLIAMS: Did we talk about grant money for this project? We talked

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ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - MARLANE TUCIBAT about grants for some of the municipal projects that have been a prelude to where we are today. Right now there is no funding. There is no pot of money in place, no discrete funding set aside for this particular issue.

Now, I would also point out that we probably wouldn't have anticipated ten years ago that there would have been stimulus funding available when it was a few years ago.

Anything is possible.

available for a variety of reasons, but right now there is no funding. This is unfortunately to be born on our backs, the ratepayers. When I say ratepayers, I mean people who are ratepayers within the ALCOSAN service area because this is not a taxing issue. So there are no taxes that are going to be allocated to this. It's all ratepayer funds.

MS. TUCIBAT: Is there any way that you can apply for grant monies for this project?

MS. WILLIAMS: We apply for funding constantly. We have people who are

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ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - MARLANE TUCIBAT constantly in front of our state legislature and our federal legislators attempting to first identify sources of funding.

Sometimes you can find funding in obscure places. For water and sewer issues, you wouldn't necessarily look at transportation funding, but we have been successful in the past in getting some funding for projects through the transportation pot.

There have been areas where when a highway went in, there was some disruption to the sewer system. So you can kind of bend that argument and seek funding there. Again, we turn over rock over possible looking for whatever we can get. We're talking about \$2 billion, but we will look for \$50,000 grants. We'll look for \$500,000 grants.

MS. TUCIBAT: I have an article here that was in August of last year about U.S. considering Pakistan dam project \$12 billion. Pakistan, Al-Qaida. America, wake up. Let's take care of home first, not our enemies.

There should be some way that our

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Senators and Congressmen can get money and help

for this project that is a necessity for us

tax-paying Americans all our lives, and it

should be put on the backs of us again and

again and again? When is it going to stop?

When will it stop?

Somebody has to get out there and apply. There is money everywhere. There's all kind of grant monies. Somebody has got to get in there and ask for it, and it should be this is a necessity. I mean, every time you turn around, here you go, America. It's put on you again.

This is something that it's not a luxury for us. It is a necessity. So maybe you folks can get on our Senators and Congressmen and representatives. They are supposed to be in there for us. Let's go get our money.

MS. WILLIAMS: And we do. We have an excellent relationship with all of them both on the state and federal level. We are before them. We have educated them. Over the last 20 years, of course, you have had an

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ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - MARLANE TUCIBAT evolution of who is sitting in those seats, but they have been very receptive and they have brought over -- 65 million?

MS. OLIVER: Over 60.

Over \$60

WILLIAMS:

million to this region that has gone to municipalities to help them take flows out because, again, we're talking about attempting to minimize the amount of flow that needs to be treated.

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So they have worked hard, and we do have champions in Washington. We just need more because it's not just Pittsburgh and Allegheny County. It's across the country. So there are a lot of people competing for the limited funding that's out there, but we hear you and we agree.

MS. TUCIBAT: I appreciate that. I just wanted to bring this out because this is heartbreaking when you hear our money goes overseas, and we are sitting here in need. Thank you.

> MS. WILLIAMS: Thank you.

Next I have Merritt Bussiere.

MERRITT BUSSIERE

MR. BUSSIERE: Thank you. I just wanted to make a statement. I'm Merritt Bussiere, 3001 Marshall avenue, Apartment 305, Pittsburgh, 15214. Bussiere is spelled B-U-S-S-I-E-R-E.

I'm with the Clean Rivers Campaign.

I want to thank you for your efforts to develop the Draft Wet Weather Plan and we at the Clean Rivers Campaign know that you're working hard to meet the daunting terms of the Consent Decree. We understand that.

That said, the draft plan basically offers what we perceive as an old gray industrial underground program for collecting, conveying, storing and treating system flows.

While we don't think that the big fix in the ALCOSAN service area can be accomplished without some gray facilities and we understand that green infrastructure is just one important form of source reduction, we strongly believe that is an historic once in our lifetime opportunity to make a substantial investment in green infrastructure.

While ratepayers and public

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officials and business owners will not see the direct results of most of the gray spending, the benefits of green investment are quite visible, and Ms. Oliver covered some of those benefits in her presentation.

Reducing water management needs with potential lower costs for rate payers, creating neighborhood amenities, increasing property values, sparking community revitalization, enhancing business development and air quality and the list goes on and on, we understand that the Pittsburgh area is unique. There are steep slopes, clay soils, multiple jurisdictions, numerous rainfall events. The system treatment facilities are located at the end of the pipe. Your agency does not believe that you can finance green facilities on properties it does not own and so on.

Every region has barriers. Every district has barriers, but progressive districts treat such barriers as challenges or even opportunities to pursue source reduction through and financing for and build partnerships around green infrastructure

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opportunities and they do this with zeal and creativity. They have developed different culture, a different ethic about how to proceed with this kind of a big project.

At the Clean Rivers Campaign, we're

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looking around the United States where many jurisdictions struggle to manage overflows and we're seeing examples of including both strong

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determined that green approaches will save the

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ratepayers money, but whatever we spend whether green costs the same amount as gray or less, if

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we are going to spend billions of dollars to

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problem, why not do so in ways that are rich in

I'm hoping that any negotiations

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comments.

MERRITT BUSSIERE - SEAN BRADY

these other examples around the country so that
we can learn from them. My full remarks are
attached to the comment form.

MS. WILLIAMS:

much. We appreciate that. Next, Sean Brady.

MR. BRADY: My name is Sean

Brady, S-E-A-N, B-R-A-D-Y, 3323 Delaware

Street, Pittsburgh, 15214. I have three

questions regarding leadership engagement and
incentives to follow up on some earlier

You would think that with our hills and our rainfall and our flowing water around here that Pittsburgh would really have some expertise in this area in terms of storm water management. It doesn't seem that's the case.

I guess in terms of leadership, my question is, is ALCOSAN going to exhibit the leadership to develop the expertise so that Pittsburgh can actually not only solve our own problems but serve as a model for other areas in the United States?

The second question is how much engagement was undertaken to seek out the

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expertise among conservation organizations in terms of storm water management through green infrastructure?

I realize that you don't own the land. You can't force or control the municipalities to implement green infrastructure, but are there some sort of incentives that you can offer? You don't have grant money for that. Can you give rate incentives?

You're going to spend -- you're putting out a proposal here for billions of dollars to build huge amounts of infrastructure to vastly inconvenience everybody who uses riverfront trails, rivers. There is going to be a long, long time to build that infrastructure not to mention the cost. Isn't that worth something? Can't you provide certain rate discounts to municipalities or individuals?

There are property owners that own hundreds, if not thousands, of acres of area that serve two purposes. One, if they're undeveloped now, they serve as green

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infrastructure now. If they were to be

developed, you would lose that benefit and the

storm water problem would get worse.

Second, can they implement new green infrastructure through permeable surfaces, bioswales, those types of things that I assume at this point you know about.

So those are my questions. Are you guys going to be the leader? Are you going to develop that expertise? Are you going to complete the process of engaging organizations and municipalities and landowners who actually do own the land; and, three, can you provide some incentives?

MS. WILLIAMS: Thank you.

Right now it is not our mission nor intention at this moment as I stand here to be the storm water leader. That can change, and we will get that guidance from on high, so to speak.

Somebody else will make that decision. If that's the case, we will embrace it as we embrace every other task that we're challenged with. Right now that is not part of our program.

SEAN BRADY - ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS

MR. BRADY: That sounds like you're going to continue in a sort of reactive mode rather than a proactive mode.

MS. WILLIAMS: There are people who are in a position to be storm water management leaders. If that's the case, we would certainly support those people.

MR. BRADY: Maybe they should be in charge rather than ALCOSAN.

MS. WILLIAMS: Absolutely.

That's why I say there are people who are better positioned right now to do that.

MR. BRADY: Shouldn't you have people like that on staff?

MS. WILLIAMS: I mean organizations and entities. I don't mean individual bodies. This is not something that me having duplicated Jan as another director is going to address.

We need organization to address this and, again, right now that's not us. It could be us, probably should be somebody else; but whatever it is, we're all going to end up working together. Those conversations are

SEAN BRADY - ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS taking place right now.

The second question about incentives. As our rate structure is currently in place, there is no room for incentives, but as I said before, we're looking at revamping and revising that to see what the options could be. That's a work in progress. The third question was?

MR. BRADY: Engagement. What organizations? I heard reference to Three Rivers Wet Weather. Did you talk to Land Trust? Did you talk to other scientists or?

MS. WILLIAMS: Allegheny Land
Trust has been part of the conversation. Our
regional stakeholders group has somewhere
between 35 and 40 members who represent a
broad-based constituency out there and some of
those that you're identifying participated on
that group.

Tom, who I think is over here

(indicating), he is a part of that group.

We've got folks from Nine Mile Run. We have a number. We do have people engaged in the process, and, of course, that conversation

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moves beyond just that committee engaging
because you start to form those relationships.
So, yes, we are engaging these people and
trying to move the agenda forward.

MR. BRADY: It doesn't seem
like it's very inspired work. You didn't
include any analysis of the green
infrastructure in your plan or possible
incentives to encourage someone who could
implement green infrastructure. It's kind of a
sad state. It's a sad state of affairs in
Pittsburgh. You guys are in charge of this
project, and it's a sad moment in our history.
I hope we move forward from this.

MS. WILLIAMS: We are going to move forward one way or another. One hour from now, it will be one hour from now. We are going to move forward, and we are always going to take what you're bringing to us and try to make improvements.

I know that there are those of you sitting out there who think just as our first speaker mentioned, it's a done deal. We're just out here because we have to be out here.

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ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - JAN OLIVER

I don't just like to come out here and have to engage like this. I would prefer to sit across the table and have spaghetti and kick back and talk about it casually.

We're out here because we are trying to get people into the process. Now, through the process of planning, we had engineering firms who were assigned to each of our seven planning basins, and there was some attempt to at least identify where green could be incorporated. Jan.

MS. OLIVER: That's very true.

At each of those basins an analysis was done to see where green would be cost-effective or where it could be introduced into part of the controls. It's just that, as Arletta mentioned earlier, by the time the flows get to the ALCOSAN system which is what we have to develop a plan around, the flows are already so commingled that some type of green control would not have been cost-effective and they did not show to be cost-effective.

There are areas of this plan though that are adaptive. Because it's unaffordable,

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there are many overflows that will go uncontrolled, and those are areas that may be down the road as development occurs and people adopt new green infrastructure types of development that they will be used as our method of CSO control. It was evaluated.

MS. WILLIAMS: Thank you again, Sean. Tom, you're up.

MR. HOFFMAN: Tom Hoffman,
H-O-F-F-M-A-N. I'm with Clean Water Action and
the Clean Rivers Campaign. I live at 7115
Willard Street, Pittsburgh, 15208.

In terms of an official position,

I'm going to defer to what -- Merritt has our

position, and we're one of the partners of that

campaign.

things for people. The idea of green infrastructure at least from the EPA's viewpoint, they have said we think the science is in on that. We think it works. It's not a new thing. They have told us we don't really fund demonstration projects anymore because we know it works.

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The problem is that it needs to be on a big scale, and I think you have mentioned that. It really needs to be a lot of it to really start reducing that flow. The problem we see is that those municipalities that you keep saying they have to do this, they're tapped out because they had to fix all the busted stuff that they have been having to look at.

So they're kind of tapped out and to say well, green infrastructure is great but the municipalities have to deal with it, but the problem is they don't have any money to do it. So the only real money that's around is what's going to get raised to pay for the \$2 billion we're talking about.

I also wanted to point out to people that right behind this there is going to be the same kind of requirements for us to fix our storm water, the quality of the storm water that runs off parking lots and streets and in the cities. So we are going to have to address that problem too.

I guess one of the things we're

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thinking is that maybe we could look at this

problem and that problem together and do a lot

more green infrastructure because that's

clearly the way to solve that second problem.

I'm done. Thank you.

MS. WILLIAMS: Thank you, Tom. The observation that the communities do not have the financial resources to implement green infrastructure, ultimately whatever the implementation is whether it is through the municipalities which is the only mechanism available right now or in some miraculous way it's through ALCOSAN, it's the ratepayer who is going to pay for it. There is a single ratepayer, John Q ratepayer. There is not a municipal ratepayer and then an ALCOSAN ratepayer. It is you; it is me.

There is no huge reserve of money at ALCOSAN that we're holding onto to be able to throw at this at some point. It's all going to come from our pockets. If we can't afford it one way, we can't afford it another way which is how we have come to move from a 3.6 billion dollar plan to a 2 billion dollar plan.

ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - PAUL MANION

If you take the green issue away completely, we have to recognize the financial capability of the ratepayer, once again you and I the people who are going to be paying for this. We will continue the green conversation.

Is there a benefit to economy of scale? Yes, there is, but only to a certain I've been quoted as saying you can't point. get blood from a turnip. I have become an expert on the morphology of turnips. We are going to go in there, and we are going to give it our best effort with EPA and the agencies. We are going to come back with the best overall plan that we can. Taking your comments, your opinions, your preferences with us will be very helpful. Next on the list is Paul Menton (sic).

MR. MANION: My name is Paul Manion. I live at 8 Glenview Drive, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 15237. That's M-A-N-I-O-N.

My question concerns the interrelationship between ALCOSAN's responsibilities with respect to sewage and the

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ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - PAUL MANION municipalities and the agencies and authorities that deliver water into the ALCOSAN system.

When one looks at the map of ALCOSAN's service area, you find that particularly in the urban areas of the city and going east toward Penn Hills, north over the Allegheny River, down beyond the Ohio, these are basically combined sewer systems.

More specifically, my questions concern the death of four people on August 19 of last year on Washington Boulevard when the depth of the water reached 13 feet and rubber rafts sent to try to alleviate the situation never even detected a van of about seven foot in height with two children and a mother who drowned.

As I understand it and from what studies I have done, there are two lines owned or operated by the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority that run down Washington Boulevard from the Negley Run area that are ten feet and They feed into the nine feet in diameter. ALCOSAN system right down in what is and has been for 50 years a man-made drowning pool

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11: 01: 10	2	created by agencies of the city and the county
11: 01: 14	3	where people drowned 50 years ago. There are
11: 01: 20	4	injuries every five years with sewage.
11: 01: 26	5	What happened on August 19 of last
11: 01: 28	6	year where the system is supposed to shunt the
11: 01: 32	7	water coming down through the PWSA system into
11: 01: 38	8	the river where ALCOSAN can't handle it? What
11: 01: 44	9	happened at the interceptor level, and why did
11: 01: 48	10	water back up to the depth of 13 feet?
11: 01: 56	11	MS. WILLIAMS: Mr. Manion, we
11: 02: 00	12	are not going to talk about the Washington
11: 02: 02	13	Boulevard incident today. It was a
11: 02: 04	14	regrettable, tragic incident, but that is not
11: 02: 08	15	what we're here to discuss today.
11: 02: 08	16	MR. MANION: And that's a
11: 02: 08	17	storm water and sewer water responsibility of
11: 02: 16	18	ALCOSAN.
11: 02: 16	19	MS. WILLIAMS: I respectfully
11: 02: 18	20	decline to discuss that in this venue.
11: 02: 24	21	MR. MANION: Why?
11: 02: 24	22	MS. WILLIAMS: I decline to
11: 02: 26	23	discuss it in this venue.
11: 02: 30	24	MR. MANION: What venue will
11: 02: 32	25	you discuss it? In court?

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11: 02: 32	2	MS. WILLIAMS: I decline to
11: 02: 32	3	discuss it in this venue.
11: 02: 34	4	MR. MANION: You're a public
11: 02: 34	5	agency all right. You refuse to discuss the
11: 02: 38	6	responsibilities of ALCOSAN for that incident
11: 02: 42	7	and what happened.
11: 02: 46	8	MS. WILLIAMS: Mr. Manion,
11: 02: 46	9	this has transitioned into litigation, and I am
11: 02: 52	10	not at liberty to discuss these matters.
11: 02: 58	11	MR. MANION: There is no
11: 02: 58	12	litigation pending in that case yet.
11: 03: 02	13	MS. WILLIAMS: Mr. Manion, I
11: 03: 04	14	am not going to discuss this matter in this
11: 03: 06	15	venue because it has transitioned into
11: 03: 10	16	litigation.
11: 03: 10	17	MR. MANION: Where?
11: 03: 12	18	MS. WILLIAMS: That's the end
11: 03: 12	19	of this dialogue. We are trying to be mindful
11: 03: 46	20	of the stenographer's needs. I have two more
11: 03: 48	21	speakers, and she is going to need to take a
11: 03: 50	22	break after that.
11: 03: 52	23	I've already told you that anybody
11: 03: 54	24	who is not signed, we will give you equal time

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to participate; but just understand once I get

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ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - HEIDI NEVALA through these next two, we are going to need to take at least a five-minute break. The next speaker is Heidi Nevala.

MS. NEVALA: My name is Heidi Nevala, N-E-V-A-L-A. I'm here on behalf of County Controller Chelsa Wagner. I wanted to thank you and your staff for coming out. I appreciate the efforts you're making to work with the municipalities.

Most of my questions were answered by the first speaker about the green infrastructure. Controller Wagner is a big advocate of the green infrastructure, and I realize just from listening today and from the questions we need to work with the municipalities to get them on board as well.

I just had a question. During the proposal, have you worked or looked at any other cities and their plans, Philadelphia or Cleveland, Indianapolis? I was just wondering because some of the cities show that, for example, in Indianapolis the city saved \$740 million over their original plan by identifying some of the green structures put in place.

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MS. WILLIAMS: Absolutely. We have looked at numerous cities because, as I said, and I think we all recognize we are not in this alone. There are many other parts of the country who have either dealt with this issue or are dealing with it right now. So we do have a lot of information on those other cities.

Philadelphia, as a comparison right here in the state, Philadelphia has a little bit of a different scenario. Philadelphia's order is a state order. They do not have a Consent Decree with the federal agency, with EPA and the Department of Justice like we do.

So they're dealing with their issues on a state level and their system is a little bit different and their responsibility is different as well, whereas our municipalities hand the flow off to us. We convey it from that point and then treat it. In Philadelphia, the city is responsible for all of that. So they do have the ability to approach the problem a little differently just because of the overall control and oversight that they

ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - HEIDI NEVALA have.

The references to Indianapolis, specific numbers I couldn't comment on their specific numbers and savings. As Jan has said, the jury is still out on how much of a savings if a savings would be from green --

AUDIENCE MEMBER: There would be an environmental savings.

MS. WILLIAMS: I believe Jan acknowledged that, and I think she spoke specifically to air quality, if I recall correctly, and there are other ancillary advantages. We don't deny that. Not at all. We would like to reduce costs overall, and we would like to get the best return on the investment that we can, and we think we will by the time we get to the end of the day.

Recognize, and I don't think we really pursued it in the presentation, recognize that we are getting your comments. We are submitting this document to EPA, to the state, to the county in January of next year. They have a year to review it.

During that year, they're going to

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11: 07: 50	2	be receiving comments from you as well.
11: 07: 52	3	They're reviewing over that year and in the
11: 07: 56	4	middle of next year in July of 2013, all of the
11: 08: 00	5	municipalities have to submit plans to dovetail
11: 08: 04	6	with our plan. This is going to be an ongoing
11: 08: 06	7	process where things are going to get modified,
11: 08: 10	8	remolded, redefined.
11: 08: 12	9	Do I think there will be a wholesale
11: 08: 16	10	change? No. I don't think that's the case,
11: 08: 18	11	but I think there is ample opportunity for
11: 08: 20	12	things to be modified. Then as we go forward,
11: 08: 24	13	once we have a final plan, a final program
11: 08: 28	14	moved forward, there will be adaptive
11: 08: 32	15	management incorporated into it. That's our
11: 08: 34	16	overall approach.
11: 08: 38	17	MS. NEVALA: That's all I
11: 08: 38	18	have. Thank you.
11: 08: 40	19	MS. WILLIAMS: Thank you.
11: 08: 42	20	Last I have Kathryn Komara.
11: 09: 16	21	MS. KOMARA: Kathryn Komara,
11: 09: 16	22	K-A-T-H-R-Y-N, K-O-M-A-R-A, 2060 Menold Drive,
11: 09: 28	23	M-E-N-O-L-D, Drive. That's Allison Park,
11: 09: 36	24	15101.
11: 09: 38	25	MS. WILLIAMS: For staff, just

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KATHRYN KOMARA

every once in a while you have that trivia.

She's Mr. Trent's neighbor.

MS. KOMARA: I am. And now that I know that -- no. He's a wonderful guy.

MS. WILLIAMS: He has read the entire document and commented on it but proceed.

MS. KOMARA: You heard what I said before, although I didn't know it was going to be on record. However, I'm going for the green technology versus the gray. I feel that don't pave paradise and put up a parking lot. I think that green technology is the way to go if you know that they will come. If we set an example, others will follow. I think that we need to do our best, put in our best efforts to go this way.

The other thing that I would like to say is I would be willing to bet if you put this on a ballot come November and you said would you prefer to go green technology and would you like your municipality to get off their butts and go green versus let's charge you how much more dollars for the way that we

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have to do it now or that we're thinking about
doing it now, I bet you I know what their
answers would be.

I would think that maybe some more publicity on this out to the public because again look how many are here. I don't know how many have made comments so far, but I think that we need to get this out there more.

I would be willing to bet if you put out a TV ad giving the people a little rundown on what's going on, I would be willing to bet you would get a lot more participation. I didn't see this on TV. I read the paper, and I'm fortunate enough that I did. But I would be willing to bet if you put it on the ballot and you put this out on a TV ad or what have you, you would get your participation. So what about that? Thank you.

MS. WILLIAMS: We have been out doing presentations of this nature since 1999. We have done television ads. We have been criticized for purchasing television ads and unfortunately --

MS. KOMARA: I have never seen

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11: 12: 20	2	one. I would be willing to bet if you put the					
11: 12: 24	3	ad out and you said your rates are going to					
11: 12: 26	4	increase significantly to the point where you					
11: 12: 28	5	are going to scream, it's going to take from					
11: 12: 36	6	your medications, your food, I would be willing					
11: 12: 38	7	to bet you would have a lot more people here.					
11: 12: 42	8	When they get the bill, it's going to be too					
11: 12: 46	9	late.					
11: 12: 48	10	Believe me, I know you are the					
11: 12: 48	11	messenger. You seem like a very nice person.					
11: 12: 52	12	This has nothing to do with you. This is the					
11: 12: 54	13	bottom line is money and green technology and					
11: 12: 56	14	environmental safety and all of these other					
11: 12: 58	15	factors that we're all supposed to be here for.					
11: 13: 02	16	We all want this. But where is the president					
11: 13: 08	17	of ALCOSAN? Is he here.					
11: 13: 14	18	MS. WILLIAMS: I'm sorry.					
11: 13: 14	19	It's me.					
11: 13: 14	20	MS. KOMARA: You are?					
11: 13: 14	21	MS. WILLIAMS: Yes. I am a					
11: 13: 16	22	very nice person, and I am the person who is					
11: 13: 16	23	responsible.					
11: 13: 16	24	MS. KOMARA: I said that					
11: 13: 18	25	wrong. Is she here. Thank you. So what are					

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11:13:20 2 you doing as far as telling people their rates

11:13:24 3 are going to significantly increase? I just

11:13:24 4 wanted to ask that question.

MS WILLIAMS: Lappreciate

MS. WILLIAMS: I appreciate that. Three years ago the county controller and city controller did a joint audit of the authority where their findings at that point estimated that this solution could cost anywhere between \$10 billion and \$50 billion. It was all over the papers.

There was a certain expectation that there would be shock value associated with it and people would be drawn to it like a magnet.

Most people looked at it and said I'm not worried about that. Nobody is going to let that happen. The politicians will take care of it.

No politicians took care of it. We worked vigorously, as we always have, to get a plan that is less than compliant but affordable. It's less than compliant today. That 2 billion dollar plan today has to be amended in the future. We eventually still have to get to compliance. That's behind all

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KATHRYN KOMARA - ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS of this. That will be beyond 2026 as we have projected it, but we are still going to have to meet those goals.

We do everything humanly possible to engage the public. Our open house is the best venue. Our largest crowd at open house is 2,500 people all of whom were introduced to these topics and have been over many years, our 12th year of open house. It is September 15. You have the flyer. It's a great opportunity for people to be educated in a fun mechanism. Please ask somebody to come. The first open house I ever had I was so happy when 150 people showed up. We just keep plugging at it.

We have a scholastic program because my personal belief is people will do anything for their children. Recycling programs are effective because they went into the school, and they went through children. Children went home and told their mother and their father don't put that paint down the drain. Don't pour antifreeze down the drain. That's why recycling programs work.

Likewise, we have gone into the

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KATHRYN KOMARA - ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS schools to educate through Frankie, through the scholastic system to educate children who then take that information home to their parents.

By the way, one day those children will be ratepayers. We push the envelope as much as we possibly can.

Do we buy commercials in the middle of prime time? Absolutely not, because somebody would be blowing my head off, but anyway, I can get to people. I want to get to people, and I'm saying I because, yes, I'm not just a messenger. This is my plan. I believe in this plan. I signed the Consent Decree.

I signed the Consent Decree on my son's seventh birthday. Last Monday he entered seventh grade. He's 12 years old. We are just going to keep moving the ball, moving the process.

When I first received the Consent

Decree, he was four months old. It took me

until he was seven to get it negotiated. We're

serious about what we are doing. We bring our

A game every day. We'll engage. We'll agree

to disagree, but please don't ever think that

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11: 17: 26	2	my team is not doing the best they possibly			
11: 17: 28	3	can. I will put them up against anybody			
11: 17: 32	4	anywhere.			
11: 17: 32	5	MS. KOMARA: I am asking more			
11: 17: 34	6	about the municipalities, and you really			
11: 17: 36	7	haven't answered those.			
11: 17: 38	8	MS. WILLIAMS: I can't answer			
11: 17: 40	9	you about the municipalities.			
11: 17: 42	10	MS. KOMARA: It's those			
11: 17: 42	11	goofballs out there.			
11: 17: 44	12	MS. WILLIAMS: Let's not say			
11: 17: 46	13	goofballs. At this point we are going to give			
11: 17: 46	14	the stenographer a break. Okay. Five minutes.			
11: 25: 46	15	(Recess taken.)			
11: 25: 46	16	MS. WILLIAMS: A show of hands			
11: 25: 48	17	of how many people would like to say something			
11: 25: 56	18	else? Okay. You're first, sir.			
11: 26: 00	19	MR. WOLFSON: My name is			
11: 26: 00	20	Lawrence, L-A-W-R-E-N-C-E, Wolfson,			
11: 26: 06	21	W-O-L-F-S-O-N, 2408 Springdale Drive, Glenshaw,			
11: 26: 12	22	15116, Shaler.			
11: 26: 14	23	I guess I'm agreeing with the other			
11: 26: 16	24	folks here about the need for green in the			
11: 26: 18	25	plan. It's more than disappointing the way the			

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plan is shaping up.

I guess my question is it's one thing to say it's not within our purview or our business to be including that in our plan because we don't have jurisdiction, and it's another to provide leadership in trying to get these groups together and if they're not there, including them in the plan is somebody else that can be providing leadership to provide a comprehensive green approach to the problem, then every effort should be made to make sure those people that are on board or maybe even leading the project.

What I'm getting, and I would like you to comment on this or respond to this is I'm getting the sense that the idea is this is the scope that we were assigned and we're just sticking to the scope, and we are going to get the best we can out of building what is within our scope and that's all our job is.

The problem is that's not looking at what the Pittsburgh area needs. It's just looking at what the agency is supposed to do.

I think what needs to be done is to get that

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broader leadership and get the project done
right rather than crossing T's and dotting I's.

MS. WILLIAMS: Thank you. We have a requirement through the Consent Decree which has generated the Wet Weather Plan, we've got a requirement to produce a plan within a certain time frame. If we do not meet that requirement, we are fined. Stipulated penalties go into effect, substantial stipulated penalties.

So, yes, our first objective is to create a plan that is going to meet the requirement to meet our deadlines which we have. We participate with all of the local agencies and entities who have something to do with green or on the municipal level.

Green Infrastructure Network, which it has been around over a year, 18 months, maybe 24 months, the Green Infrastructure

Network, GIN for short, G-I-N, is the creation of, I believe, it's the Pennsylvania Resource

Council and Three Rivers Wet Weather and brings all of the agencies together to look at green and green options on a broader scope. They

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LAWRENCE WOLFSON - ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS meet quarterly. Certainly there is the possibility for them to meet more than quarterly as needed, but that group has all of the necessary players at the table to do what you're referring to and what has been referred to again and again.

I wouldn't want anybody to get the impression that we have turned our back on green, that we are not attempting to be a leader. If we can figure out how to get the horse to be thirsty once you have them at the stream, you can have success. We have obviously not figured out how to make that happen yet, but it doesn't mean we stop.

We continue to try these efforts, but at the end of the day I still have to have a plan that meets the requirements of the Consent Decree. Nobody else has that requirement but ALCOSAN.

MR. WOLFSON: What were the two programs?

MS. WILLIAMS: Pennsylvania
Environmental Council and Three Rivers Wet
Weather. As Jan mentioned earlier, Three

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Rivers Wet Weather has taken the responsibility

of trying to pull together what the

municipalities are and can do with respect to

green infrastructure.

Now, Three Rivers itself was formed by ALCOSAN. Three Rivers was formed by ALCOSAN and the County Health Department in 1998 to assist communities in coming up with ways to remove flow from the system so that there would be less flow for us to have to treat on the downstream end.

Again, there are so many initiatives that we have been involved in over the years.

They have gone in different directions, but the ultimate objective is to position both municipalities and ALCOSAN to be compliant by reducing the overall amount of flow that needs to be managed.

MS. BATES: My name is Mary

Bates, 811 Cumberland Road, McCandless, 15237.

I have three comments.

About a year ago, I went through these public meetings and you presented your plan, and I understand that you're trying to do

ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - MARY BATES it over again to incorporate green.

Now, what's different about now and as it was last time, there was an effort by the city to try to get RAD money to help the Port Authority. Now, is there something that ALCOSAN is looking to get RAD money to pay for the sewers? And also, you have the gray infrastructure that you are planning to put all these pipes in, these holding tanks, and that's a huge amount of business for the local engineering companies to put in these structures.

My question is how many civil engineers building structures like that are in ALCOSAN's planning commission as opposed to landscape architects who could guide you into how to use green infrastructure?

MS. WILLIAMS: The first question, the difference between what you saw in a previous presentation and what you saw today in terms of incorporating green, through the process we did not change our approach to incorporate green.

We made presentations as we

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developed the Wet Weather Plan. Each year we

did an annual meeting to inform the public of

where we were in the process of developing the

plan.

So over the last four years, each year there was a status report, so to speak, this is where we are in the process. What you're seeing today, the difference between today and what you saw last year would be now we have come to this is the selected plan.

The selected plan is a 3.6 billion dollar plan that after running the financial capability analysis on it, we recognize we can't afford so here is the recommended plan which is the 2 billion dollar plan, and we are showing you specifically what we have incorporated into this document to submit to EPA to say this is what we're proposing to go forward. So there was no distinction in terms of incorporating more green between last year and this year.

RAD, any efforts that the county made to redirect RAD funding to Port Authority, that's certainly not something that we have

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been a part of, and will we seek grant funding?
There is not a whole lot of RAD money there,
but it's just another pot that we look at along
with everything else. Is anybody leading that
effort for us? No. We do have people
internally that work on that type of thing, and
we have lobbyists that help us to seek funding.

The question about engineering firms and jobs associated with whatever that solution may be and right now you have referred to pipes and tanks which is a large part of what you see in our proposal, I can't tell you how many firms, how many engineering firms will end up working as opposed to how many landscape architects would work with a greener plan.

I can definitely say that there will be many more construction workers working than either of the other two to build things that are proposed right now. So you will have more contractors, more construction workers than you would have engineers by far.

MS. BATES: But have they steered ALCOSAN towards building the gray meaning that they're going to get more

ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS - MARY BATES business?

MS. WILLIAMS: At ALCOSAN we are a pretty aggressive customer. We do not get led around by the nose by our engineers. We do a lot of research. We participate in national organizations where we can interact with our peers with other agencies across the country to find out what's going on.

Do we rely on the expertise of our engineers? Yes. But if my engineer, my consulting engineers were taking me down a road that was uncomfortable or I didn't believe in, we would not be going down that road. So ultimately I take responsibility for where the plan has gone.

MS. BATES: Thank you.

MS. WILLIAMS: Thank you.

Jeff Bair, B-A-I-R,

9171 Lucia Lane, 15642. I was a long time resident of Penn Hills on Jefferson Road. My dad still lives there.

BAIR:

MR.

I remember back in the early 90's

Penn Hills was sued by the EPA for sanitary

overflows. Penn Hills ended up paying

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significant fines and fixes that took many years, so Penn Hills has been experiencing these high rates for a long time. I see the same thing happening here if this Consent Decree and set of actions that's in place isn't completed and on time according to the EPA.

I guess what my comment is to the green infrastructure, I think it's a good approach, but it seems that this balanced plan that's in the Wet Weather Plan fixes the first half of the problem. It fixes 2 billion of the 3.6 billion dollar problem. That gives us the community collectively the next 10 or 15 years to implement green infrastructure to avoid spending that next \$2 billion 15 20 years down the road.

I guess a lot of people have talked about incentives for green infrastructure. I think that starts with the homeowners and property owners, and I attended the first meeting and I noted that there is a pamphlet in the back, and it lists out what you can do personally as a property owner to start to fix this problem. I think if we all collectively

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I guess the last part of my comment would be that I think Pittsburgh and Allegheny County are behind the curve in terms of nationally. I think Chicago's program started in the late 1970's to build a tunnel collection system.

A lot of other cities started a lot of years ago, so I think the green infrastructure that we read about sometimes is the last phase of their plan, not the first phase.

I think this is the first phase of our plan, and there is significant time for green infrastructure over the next 10 to 15 years to avoid spending the next \$2 billion.

Thanks.

MS. WILLIAMS: Thank you. Do
I have anybody else? We will be here a little
Ionger just my staff and I, not much because we
don't have the venue for much longer, but we
will be here if you would prefer to approach us

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individually recognizing if you do that that whatever your commentary is will not be on the record. But there will be many other meetings where you have an opportunity to do that.

The next meeting is after the holiday. It is Wednesday, September 5. That is in Turtle Creek. So we are going east.

That's at the Hilltop Hall on Harper Drive in Turtle Creek. That's a 9:30 a.m. meeting.

Please note if you're looking at the schedule, don't just assume because you came to a 9:30 that they're all 9:30 meetings. There are evenings meetings at 6:30.

There is also a large meeting on the Gateway Clipper Princess on Thursday, October

4. That's an evening meeting. You can at least come out and look at the water quality that we will all be protecting.

I appreciate you being here. For those of you out there who are feeling sorry for me, don't feel sorry for me. God has gifted me to do this, and I am pleased and proud to do it. We are going to get to where we need to be. I guarantee that. I thank you

ARLETTA SCOTT WILLIAMS 1 2 for your participation. 11: 41: 12 Please if there is somebody that you 3 11: 41: 14 can in any way encourage to come to one of 11: 41: 14 4 these presentations, or better yet, come to our 11: 41: 18 open house, send them on down. The more the 11: 41: 20 7 merrier. Thank you so much. 11: 41: 24 8 (Whereupon, the above-entitled 9 matter was concluded at 11:45 a.m., this date.) 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

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