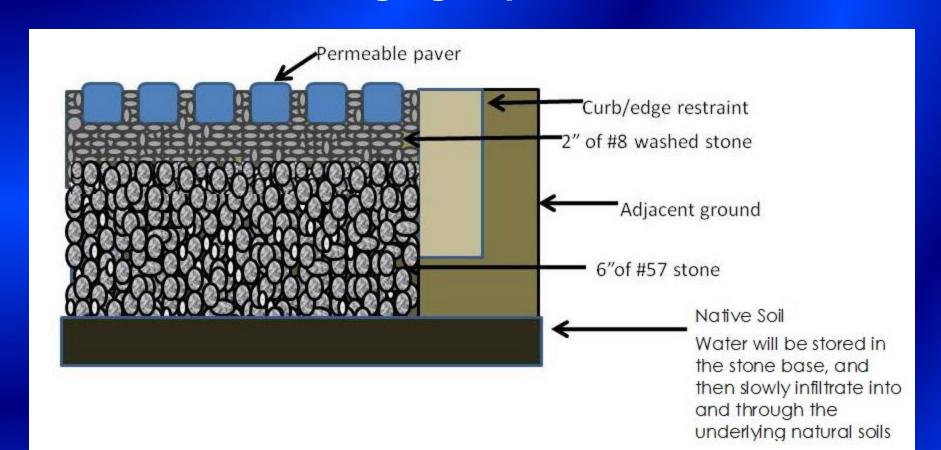
## **MWRD**

- In the next five years or so MWRD will more than quadruple its current CSO storage capacity
- Implementation of GI Plan
  - Using Design Retention Capacity as the Metric for Gauging Implementation



### **MWRD – Green Infrastructure**

### **Green Infrastructure Plan**

- Establishing Partnerships and Collaboration with Other Stakeholders
- Public Participation
- Geographic Coverage/Decision Criteria
- Preservation of Constructed Green

**Infrastructure Projects** 



### **MWRD – Green Infrastructure**

# Geographic Coverage/Decision Criteria (prioritization scheme)

- (1) Green Infrastructure control measures will help reduce flooding and basement backups;
- (2) Land ownership will readily accommodate permanent GI control measures and maintenance, such as areas where vacant parcels can be retrofitted into "stormwater parks," which would store and infiltrate or reuse rainfall and runoff and also be an amenity for local residents; and
- (3) Green Infrastructure control measures can improve socio-economic conditions in the service area, with the highest priority given to neighborhoods where the need for improvement is greatest.

### **MWRD – Green Infrastructure**

MWRD, by itself or in collaboration with other stakeholders, will complete Green Infrastructure projects within its service area that are identified in accordance with the Plan



# **Example – Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District**

- The District, working with partners as appropriate, will ensure that green infrastructure practices are put in place in the MMSD service area.
  - Each year 1 million gallons of design retention capacity.
  - Up to 75% of the total green infrastructure retention capacity requirement can be met through capture at GreenSeams® parcels.
  - At least 25% of the green infrastructure retention capacity requirement must be met through implementation of rain gardens, permeable pavement, bioswales, etc.
- Any green infrastructure practices/control measures that are put in place must be maintained.

# Example – Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District

- MMSD issued two requests for proposals from entities in the service area.
- The District reviewed proposals and selected projects to be supported
- Total gallons excluding GreenSeams® parcel acquisitions: 3,865,000
- Total gallons including parcel GreenSeams® acquisitions: 10,020,000
- Includes 8 Green Roofs projects
- Includes 13 projects for Rain Gardens, Permeable Pavements, Bioswales, etc.

## Example – Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District

Sampling of MMSD Green Infrastructure

Partners (2013)

- Six Points Farmers Market
- Bradley Road Median
- All Peoples Church
- St. Ann Inter-Generational Center
- UWM Sandburg Commons Gardens
- City DPW Yards



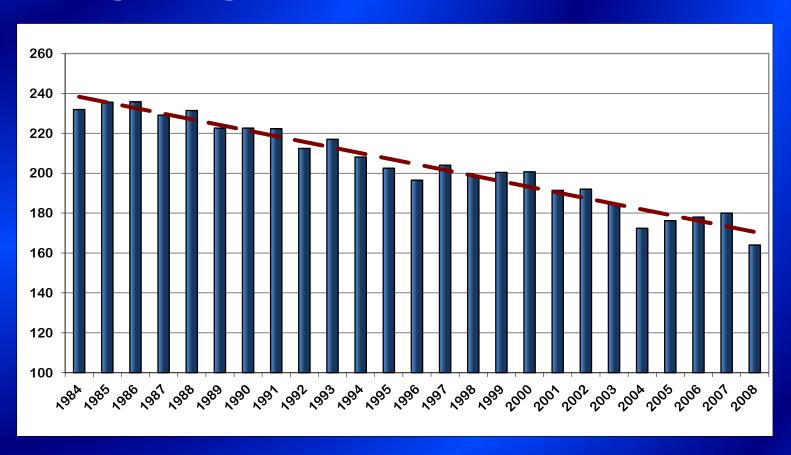
#### **Cincinnati's Environmental Challenge**



MSDGC is among the Top 5 CSO dischargers ... the US

## **MSD Economic Challenges**

# Maintaining affordability of residential usage Declining usage per account



## Sustainable Infrastructure Planning

## Source Control - Stormwater offloading through:

- Strategic sewer separation (natural conveyance and storm sewers)
- Bioretention or detention
- Stream restoration
- Stream daylighting
- Green infrastructure
  - Rain gardensRain barrels

  - Reforestation
  - Pervious pavements







# Current Conditions in the Community



# Leverage MSD's Investment



# Community's Vision for the Future

#### THE CINCINNATI ENQUIRER

Property value at a substantial decline



Expand & improve parks and greenspaces

Improve traffic flow, pedestrian accessibility

and safety

Opportunities for improved mixed use and affordable housing

> Incentives for business retention or redevelopment

economics sustainability

jobs

recreational. . opportunities

better education community gardens

quality place community assets

# Metropolitan Sewer District

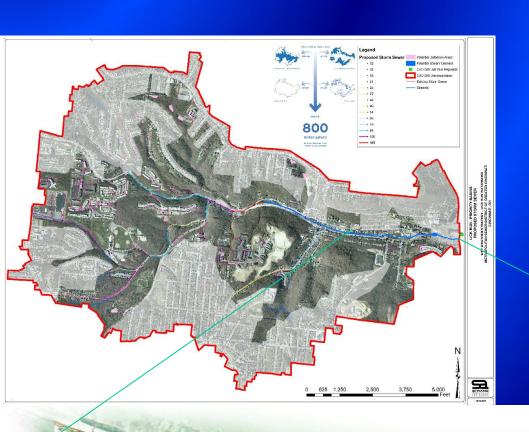
Investment to reduce sewer overflows and meet federal mandates

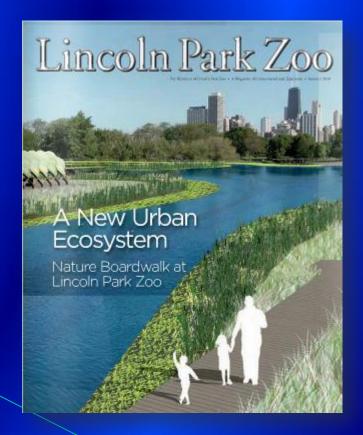
recreation





#### Lick Run: Sustainable Infrastructure Alternative





# Cincinnati CSO Program Lower Mill Creek Service Area

- Default solution: Tunnel
- Alternative solution: Keep water out of the system and "right size" grey infrastructure components
- Reduction in CSOs: 1.78 billion gallons (in a typical year, for these sewersheds)
- Costs
  - Default: \$414.4 million (2006 dollars)
  - Alternative: \$244.3 million (2006 dollars)

# Inform & Influence Communities of the Future Advisory Committee



- Sierra Club
- Mill Creek Restoration Project
- Community Building InstituteXavier University
- University of Cincinnati
- Local Initiative for Support Corporations (LISC)
- OKI Regional Council of Governments
- Chamber of Commerce Agenda 360
- **O US Green Building Council**



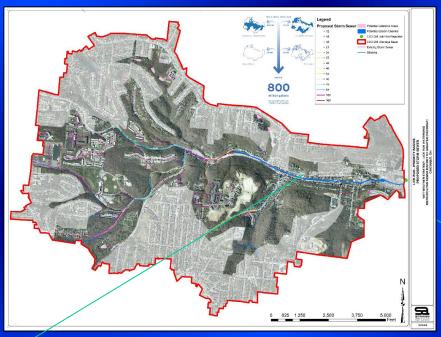
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#### How many problems can a community solve for \$3 billion?

- Conventional CSO Tunnel: Reduces sewer overflows to rivers
- Land-Based Storm-Water Mgmt Strategies:
  - Reduce sewer overflows to our rivers
  - Create green space and parks,
     urban land restoration,
     mitigate global climate change, reduce heat islands,
     resilience,
     improve quality of life,
     water conservation, energy use,
     education, recreation,
     riparian buffers, flood control, access, unimpaired streams.
- How to make theory into reality?

#### **EPA Region 5 Community Based Approach**



- Brownfields Phase I Site Assessments (TBA)
- OBLR-funded Community Revitalization Strategy
  - Demolition/Deconstruction
  - Coordinate ORD involvement
    - Sustainable Communities



#### **Lick Run Watershed: Integration Strategy**

#### Lick Run Watershed Strategic Integration Plan Cincinnati Ohio









Partnership for Sustainable Communities

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#### 3.4 Framework Action #3: Cincinnati Parks Coordination (Ongoing)

Goal:	Continue to update and work through the MOU between MSD and Cincinnati Parks to accomplish planning and implementation of the Sustainable Infrastructure Program and improve neighborhood open space and park resources.
Opportunity:	Provide a model for cooperative maintenance, funding and upkeep of distributed stormwater source control and treatment; provide "green jobs" opportunities and training once projects are implemented.
Lead responsibility:	MSD and Cincinnati Parks.
Additional agencies:	Mill Creek Restoration; HUD Neighborhood Stabilization; Cincinnati Schools.
Timeframe:	First MOU expires December 30, 2012; MOU Renewal for 2013 - 2015.

#### Recommendations:

Develop a scope for the Lick Run Watershed Plan, as part of the LDC update that makes
implementation of the Sustainable Infrastructure Program a principal goal and brings together the
Framework Actions identified in this Plan.



#### **QUICK LINKS**

### Unbuilding/Rebuilding South Fairmount

**OES Home** 

Cincinnati Recycles



Green Umbrella

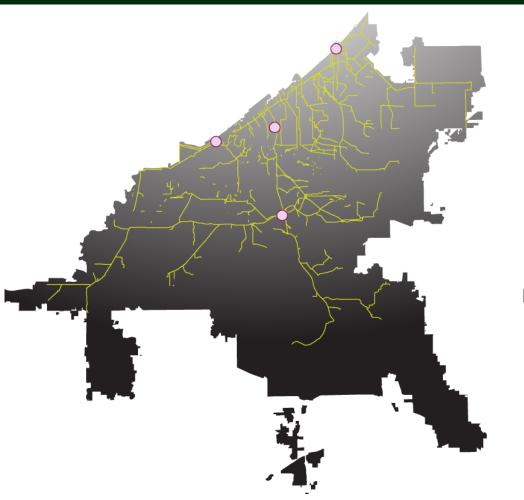


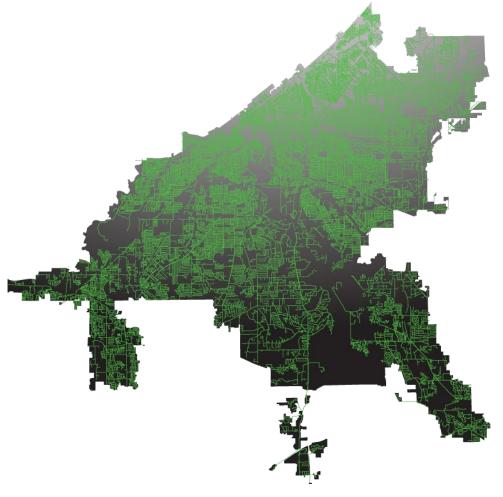
Green Partnership



The Metropolitan Sewer
District of Greater
Cincinnati (MSD)
demolished 21
residential and
commercial buildings in
South Fairmount this
summer as part of the
Lick Run project.

## **Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District**



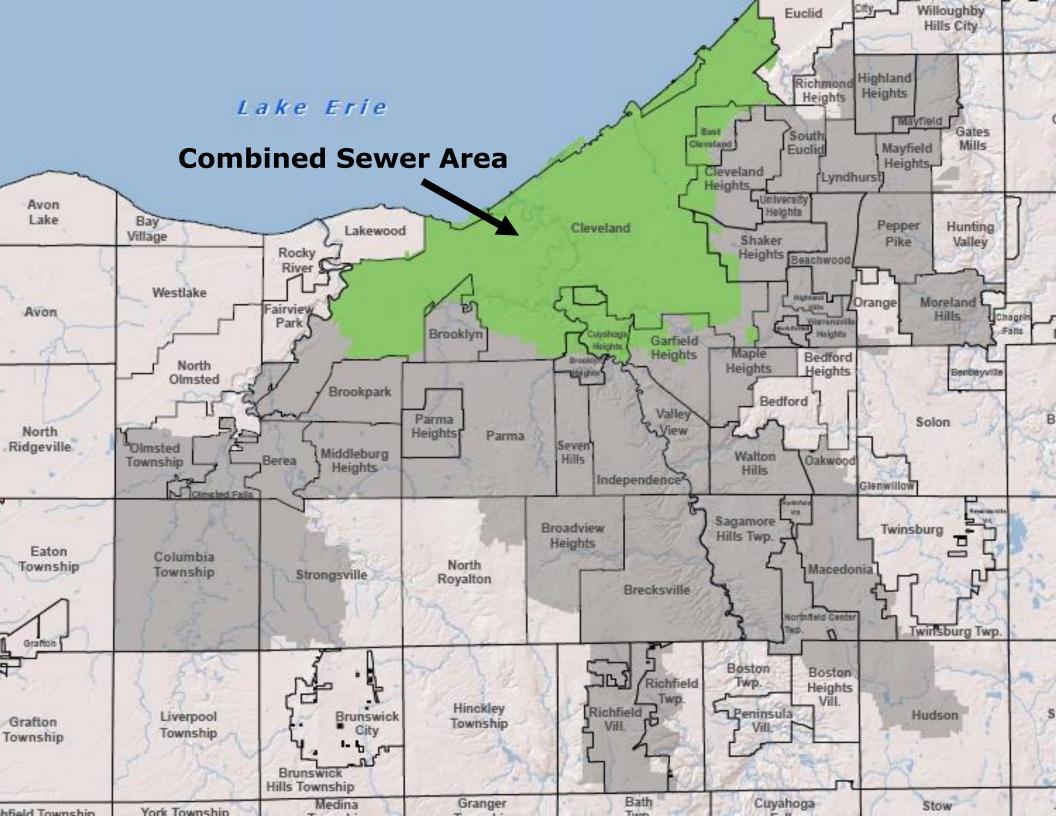


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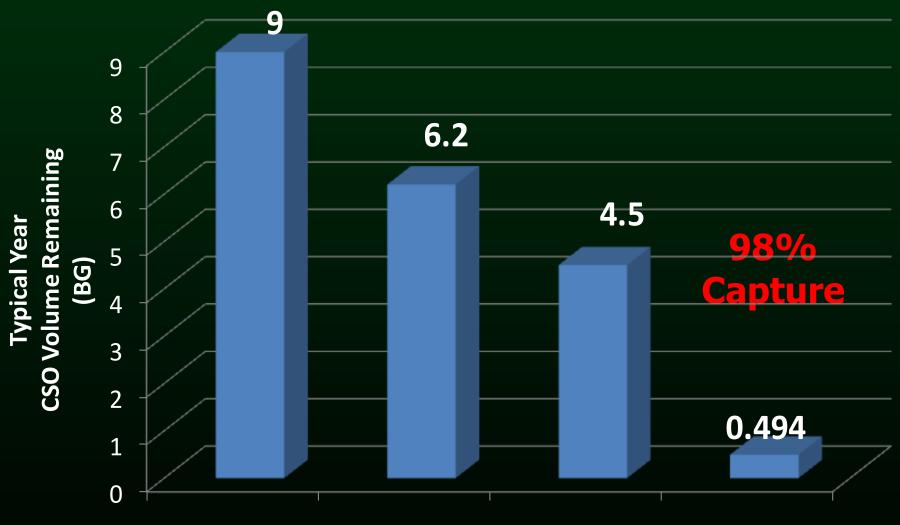
Total length of District-owned sewers and interceptors

# 3,107 miles

Total length of locally-owned sewers and interceptors



# EPA Requires Northeast Ohio's CSO Problem Reduced in 25 Years



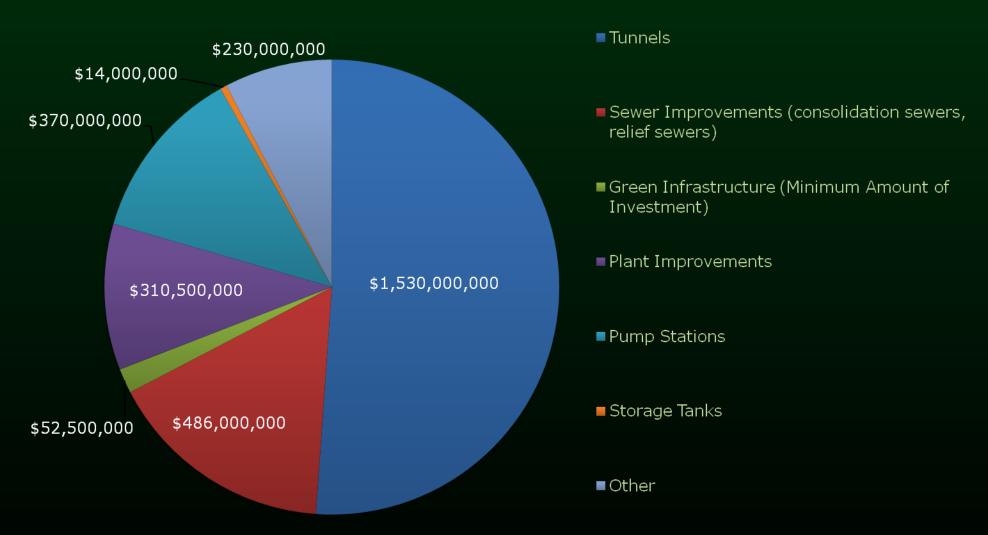
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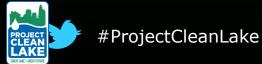


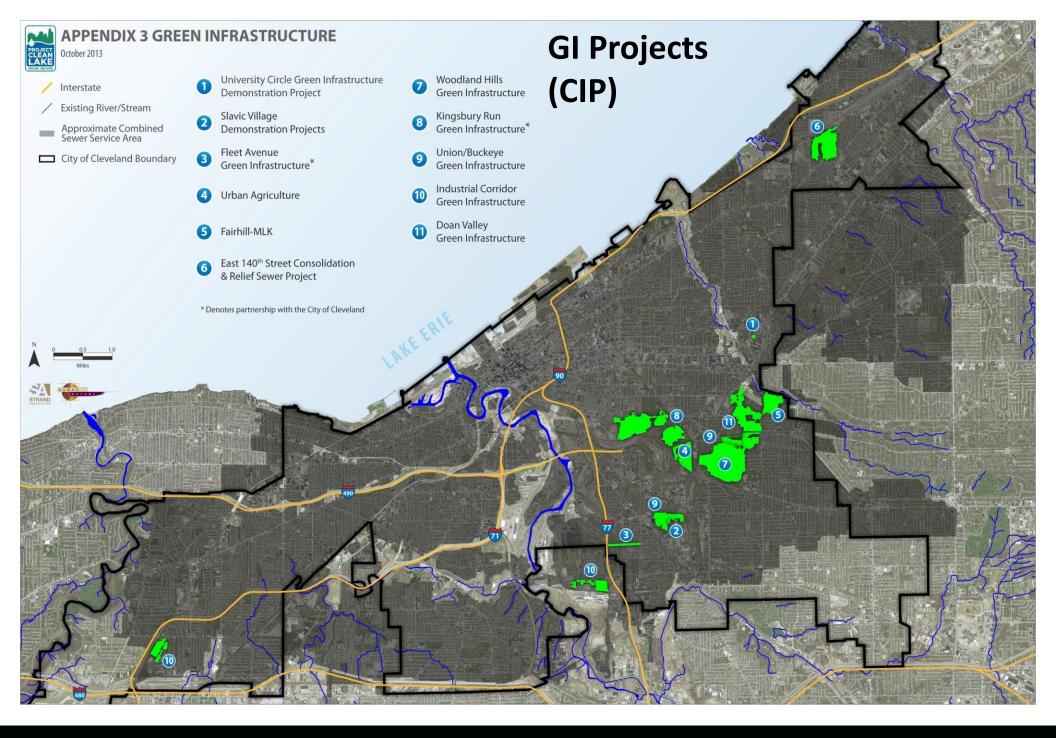
## **CSO Consent Decree**

\$3B Capital Investment in CSO Control Measures over 25 Years















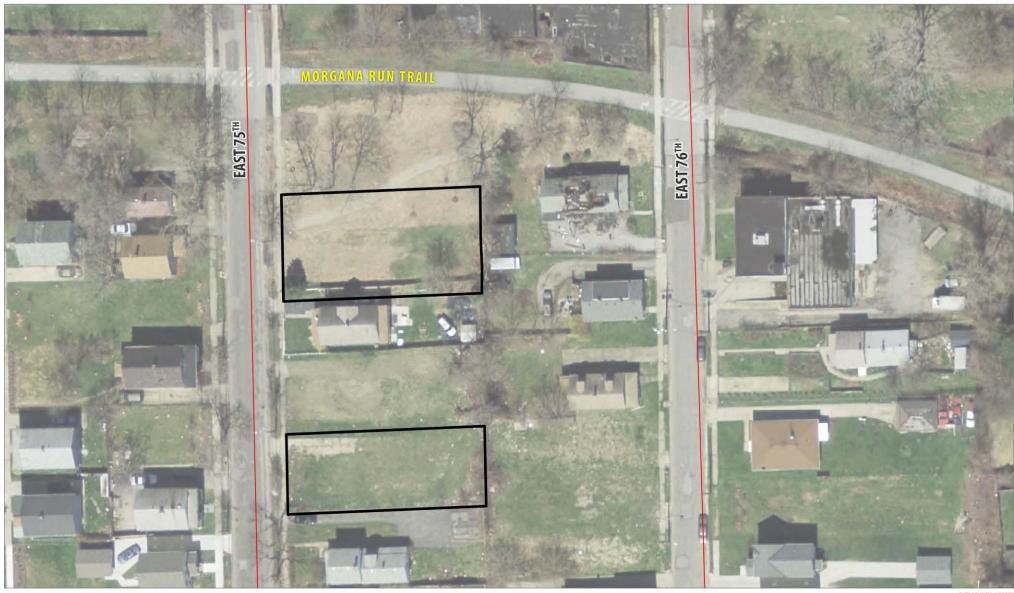
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# Sampling of GI Projects





### **East 75th Street Bioretention Features**





#### Legend

/ Existing Combined Sewer

☐ Project Area Boundary

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GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE AMBASSADOR PROJECTS
SLAVIC VILLAGE EAST 75<sup>TH</sup> STREET
BIORETENTION FEATURES







### **East 75th Street Bioretention Features**







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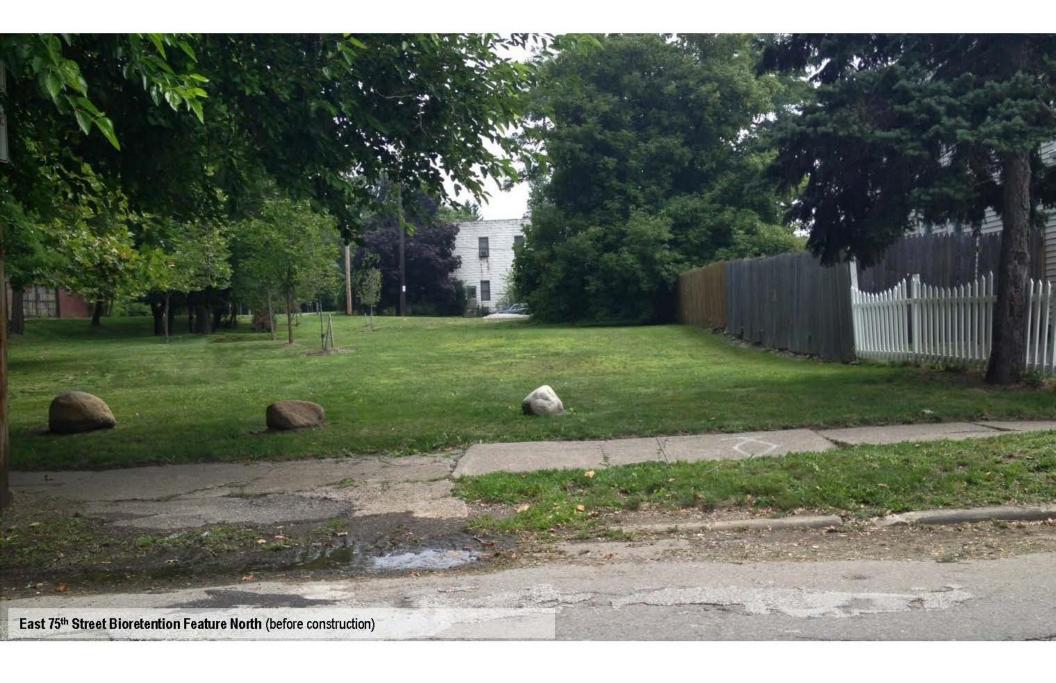










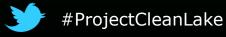


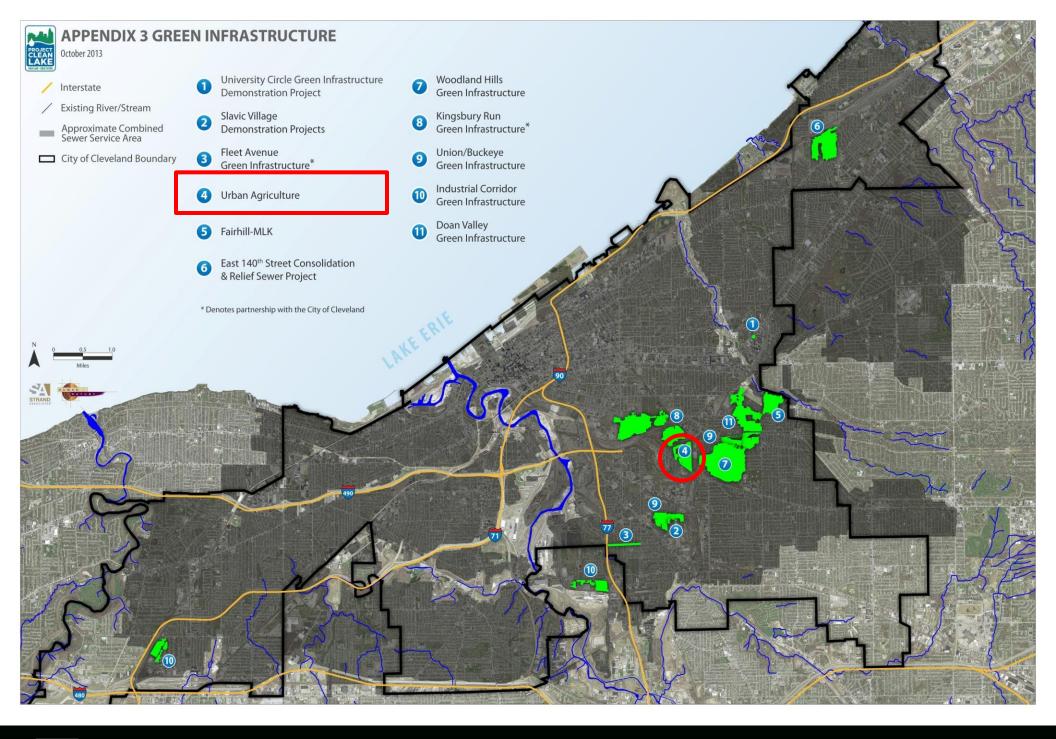






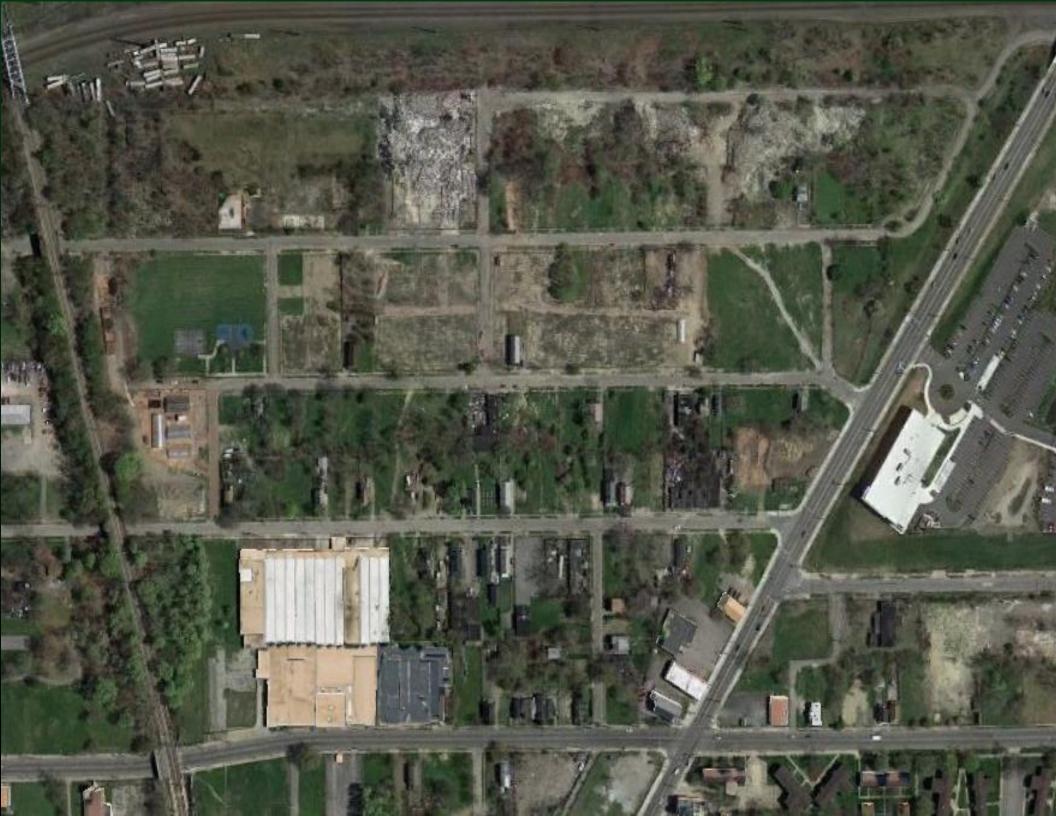


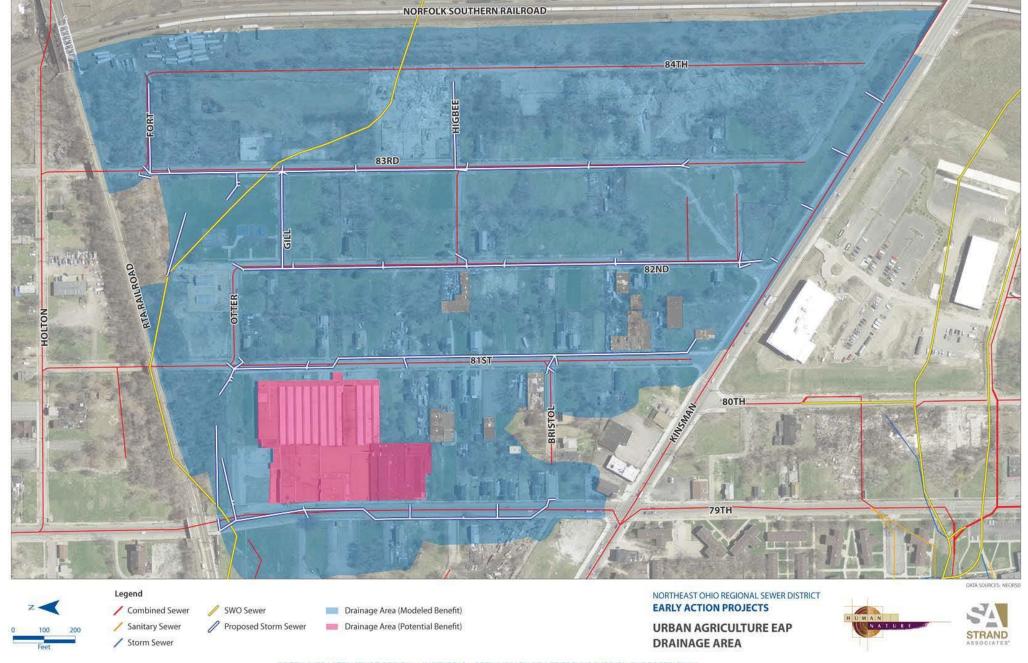












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**EXISTING CONDITIONS** 











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# **Consent Decree GI Requirements**

Implementation Obstacles and Challenges

- Ratio of stormwater capture to CSO Control
- Maintenance, control in perpetuity
- Limited locations to discharge into stormwater system
- Topography, soils including contaminated sites
- Ownership, partnerships, and control



## Possible CMAP Roles

### Green Infrastructure Planning Phase

- Convening and marketing
- Assemble GI projects from LTA
- Review planned capital projects for GI opportunities
- Staff GI liaison(s)
- Identify funding leverage options
- Go to 2040 plan implementation