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The Needs



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Stormwater Budget Drivers

Old and Aging Infrastructure

- 171 Culverts, 9 Bridges over Water, 3788 Catch Basins, 1640 Manholes, 62 Miles Pipe and More

Unfunded Federal Mandates (MS4)

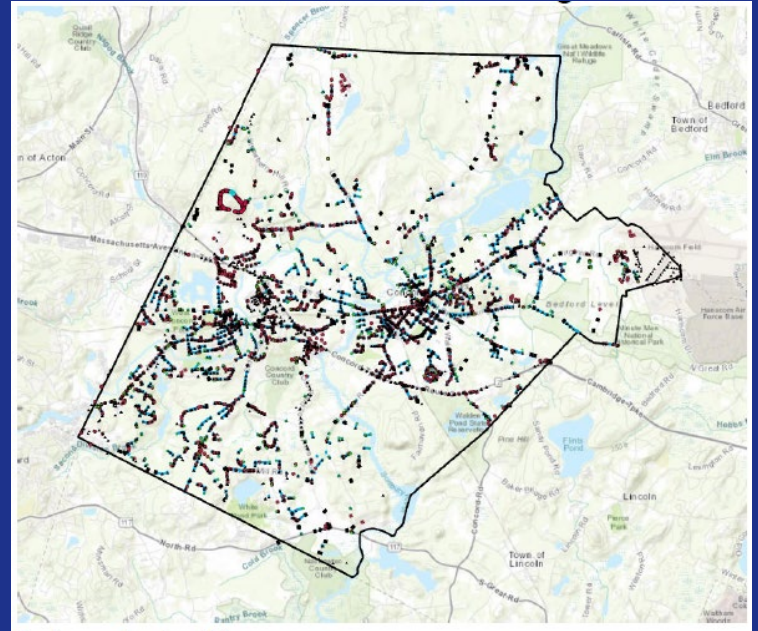
Chronic Underfunding: O&M & Capital

Compromised Environmental Protection

Emergency/Unplanned Spending

Climate Vulnerability

Insufficient Staffing & Equipment





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Stormwater Enterprise Development

2024 ATM approved Article 16 by:

- Accepting the Stormwater Enterprise Bylaw and provisions of Mass. Gen. Laws. Chapter 44, § 53F½ to authorize the establishment of a Stormwater Enterprise Fund, **effective July 1, 2025**; and ...

2025 (May) PWC approved stormwater rate schedule

2025 ATM approved Article 34 by:

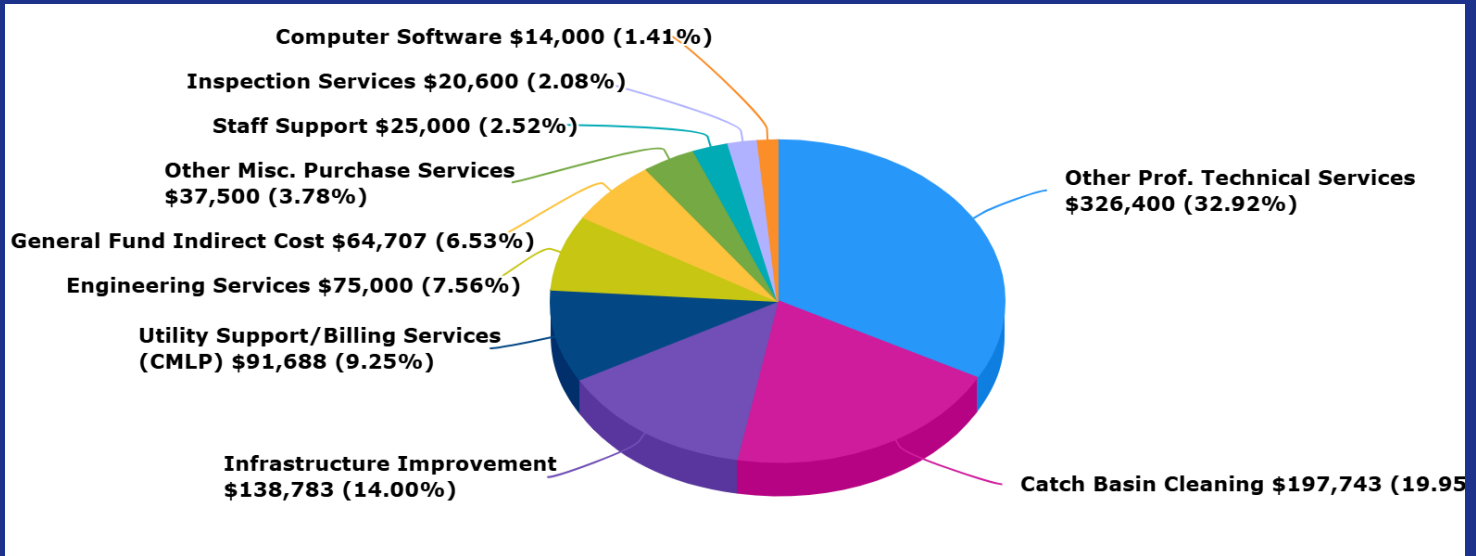
- Approving an annual stormwater enterprise budget in accordance with Mass. Gen. Laws. Chapter 44, § 53F½ to ...



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Stormwater FY27 Budget

Total \$991,421





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- Construction for phosphorus removal, per MS4 permit requirements
- Stormwater System Upgrades & Repairs:
 - Catch Basins, Drainpipes, Culverts
- Planning and design for culvert replacements
- Drainage mapping & Catchment investigation



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- Catch Basin Cleaning and Inspection Services
- Billing Software
- Utility Support/CMLP Services
- Indirect Cost to General Fund
- Staffing Support - Administrative and Engineering



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Projected FY27 Revenues

Approximately \$1.09M:

- All 6,330 owners (5,522 parcels) will be billed
- Include municipal, state, federal and non-profits
- Credits and Abatements available

Fees:

- Based on impervious area on parcel
- On parcel type – Small Residential, Non Resid. & Large Multi Family
- **No Increase** in rates for FY27



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1 to 3-Family Residential

Impervious Area (SF)	Annual Fee
0 – 2,500	\$41.30
2,500 – 5,000	\$78.23
5,000 – 10,000	\$144.31
10,000 – 25,000	\$297.24
25,000 – N/A	\$733.49



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Non-Residential & Larger Multi-Family Residential

Impervious Area (SF)	Annual Fee
0-5,000	\$118.00
5,000-10,000	\$154.75
10,000-15,000	\$261.26
15,000-25,000	\$424.10
25,000-50,000	\$763.12
50,000-75,000	\$1,299.66
75,000-100,000	\$1,786.72
100,000-250,000	\$2,806.64
250,000-500,000	\$6,918.73
500,000-N/A	\$23,347.99



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Credit Eligibility

Small Residential (Up to 25% credit):

- Improvements: Rain gardens, dry wells, and porous pavers, etc.

Non-Residential and Multi-Family (Up to 50% credit):

- Improvements: Oil/Grit Separators, sediment forebays, rain gardens, etc.

Income Eligible Households (Up to 25% credit):

- Owners in financial assistance programs (Water, Sewer, Electric programs)

Policy updated by PWC. Application Form Online



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Supplemental Information



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Stormwater Utility FY26 Update

- Stormwater Utility executed
- Billing began for December, and the first bills were issued to property owners in January.
- Staff have been actively responding to resident inquiries on billing and startup concerns regarding assessor records, GIS calculations of impervious areas, fee structure, etc.
- Revised the policies and administrative processes for credit and abatement application review.



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Stormwater Utility FY26 Update

- Staff continue to provide guidance to residents and process adjustments when warranted, while refining the administrative workflow for the program.
- Additional coordination with GIS and internal staff has been ongoing to verify impervious surface calculations and property data where questions have been raised.



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For related documents:

- Concord Stormwater Enterprise Fund Evaluation Report
- Fee Structure Analysis
- Credit Policy
- Stormwater Enterprise FAQ

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