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Condition Assessment of NTMWD 20" Water Supply Line

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Room 202A – Track II Waterworks

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Background Information

- C-303 pressure class 150 pipe manufactured in 1975
- Approximately 81,000 linear feet (15 miles)
- Single water line providing supply to several customers
- Existing asset management data supported need to assess



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Scope Overview

- Preliminary site investigation
- Evaluate access locations and determine inspection limits
- Develop construction and inspection schedule
- Prepare bid documents for pre-inspection improvements
- Perform inspection
- Review inspection results and recommendations
- Prepare replacement strategy and capital improvement plan



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Pre-Inspection Improvements

- Installation of access manways for equipment entry/extraction
- Modifications to 25 existing air release valves
- Construction sequencing plan
- Dewatering plan
- TxDOT permitting
- Standard site plan for most locations
- Individual site plans for unique locations
- Access plans





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Inspection Phase

- Equipment
 - SmartBall®
 - PipeDiver®
- Segments
 - SmartBall[®] 3 segments
 - PipeDiver[®] 2 segments, 3 runs per segment (1 for bars, 2 for wall loss)
- Schedule
 - SmartBall[®] 3 days (April 3 6)
 - PipeDiver[®] 3 weeks (April 10 May 3)

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Results

- SmartBall[®] Inspection
 - Two leaks detected
 - Small, unknown type
 - Large, pipe joint type
 - No static air pockets detected

Table 2.3: Leak #1				
Leak Location Description	Event lines up along the side of Farm to Market Road 987, upstream of ARV A-18 1,026 feet upstream of ARV A-18 Small			
Leak Distance from Nearest Downstream Tracking Location				
Leak Size				
Leak Type	Unknown			

Table 2.4: Leak #2				
Leak Location Description	Event lines up on the side of Farm to Market Road 987 West Pyle Street along Kings Creek 101 feet upstream of ARV A-25 Large			
Leak Distance from Nearest Downstream Tracking Location				
Leak Size				
Leak Type	Possible Joint Leak- Map and data show a small bend where the leak is located			

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Leak #2 – Large Leak at Pipe Joint



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Results

YEARS

• PipeDiver[®] Inspection

Table 2.6: Summary of Analysis Results								
Segment	Diameter (inches)	Number of Inspected Pipes	Pipes with Broken Bar Wraps	Pipes with Cylinder Anomalies Consistent with Wall Loss	Pipes with Cylinder Anomalies not Consistent with Wall Loss (Localized)	Pipes with Cylinder Anomalies not Consistent with Wall Loss (Non-localized)		
1	20	982	8	6	2	4		
2		674	17	10	1	0		
То	tal	1,656	25	<mark>1</mark> 6	3	4		

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Results



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Data Analysis

- Three-dimensional, non-linear finite element analysis (FEA)
- Pipe performance curves based on FEA
 - Visible cracking of inner liner and steel yield limits
 - Design operating plus surge pressure
 - Various depths of cover based on as-built drawings



Figure 3.1: Performance Curve for the 20-Inch Class 150 BWP Under 8-Feet of Cover



Figure 3.3: Corrosion Performance Curve for the 20-Inch Class 150 BWP Under 10-Feet of Cover

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Recommendations

- Repair two leaks
- Repair 1 pipe segment containing up to 64 bar breaks
- Repair 6 pipe segments with combined bar breaks and corrosion
- Observe condition of excavated pipe segments to determine approach for remaining damaged segments

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Cost Breakdown

- Pre-inspection improvements: \$1.4 million
- Pipeline inspection: \$831,000
- Repair of damaged sections: \$1.6 million (projected)



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Considerations/Things to Know

- PipeDiver[®] can't pass through butterfly valves at this pipe size
- 30% detection threshold
- Model has to be calibrated based on previous testing