



# **Bronx River Combined Sewer Overflow Long Term Control Plan**

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Public Meeting #2

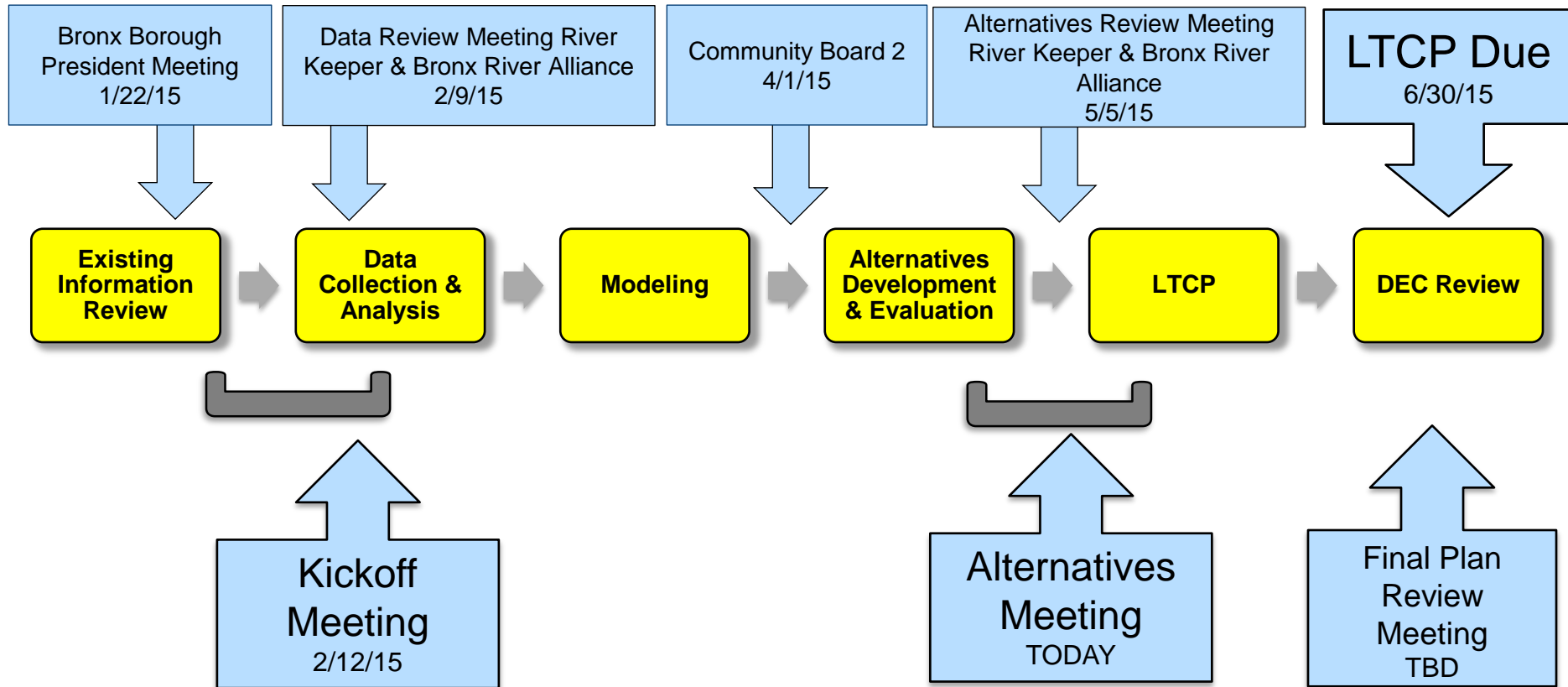
**Review of Alternatives**

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# Welcome & Introductions

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# LTCP Process and Public Involvement



**ONGOING PUBLIC/STAKEHOLDER INPUT**



## Bronx River Alliance:

- Bronx River has enjoyed steady improvements and has an active constituency of users, making water quality a priority for this waterbody
- Public Comments:
  - Control CSOs and address upstream issues
  - Making river safe for primary contact is long term goal
  - Consider alternatives that make the river safe for primary contact throughout the entire year and as soon as possible after a rain event

# Bronx River Sections



**Freshwater  
Section**

**Tidal  
Section**

## ➤ Boat Access Points

*(Contains kayak/canoe launch site)*

- 1 219<sup>th</sup> Street (Shoelace Park)
- 2 Forth Knox
- 3 Kazmiroff Blvd

## ➤ Portages

*(Re-access points to get around river obstructions)*

- A Stone Mill – Botanical Garden
- B Twin Dams – Bronx Zoo
- C River Park Dam



Twin Dams – Bronx Zoo



River Park Dam

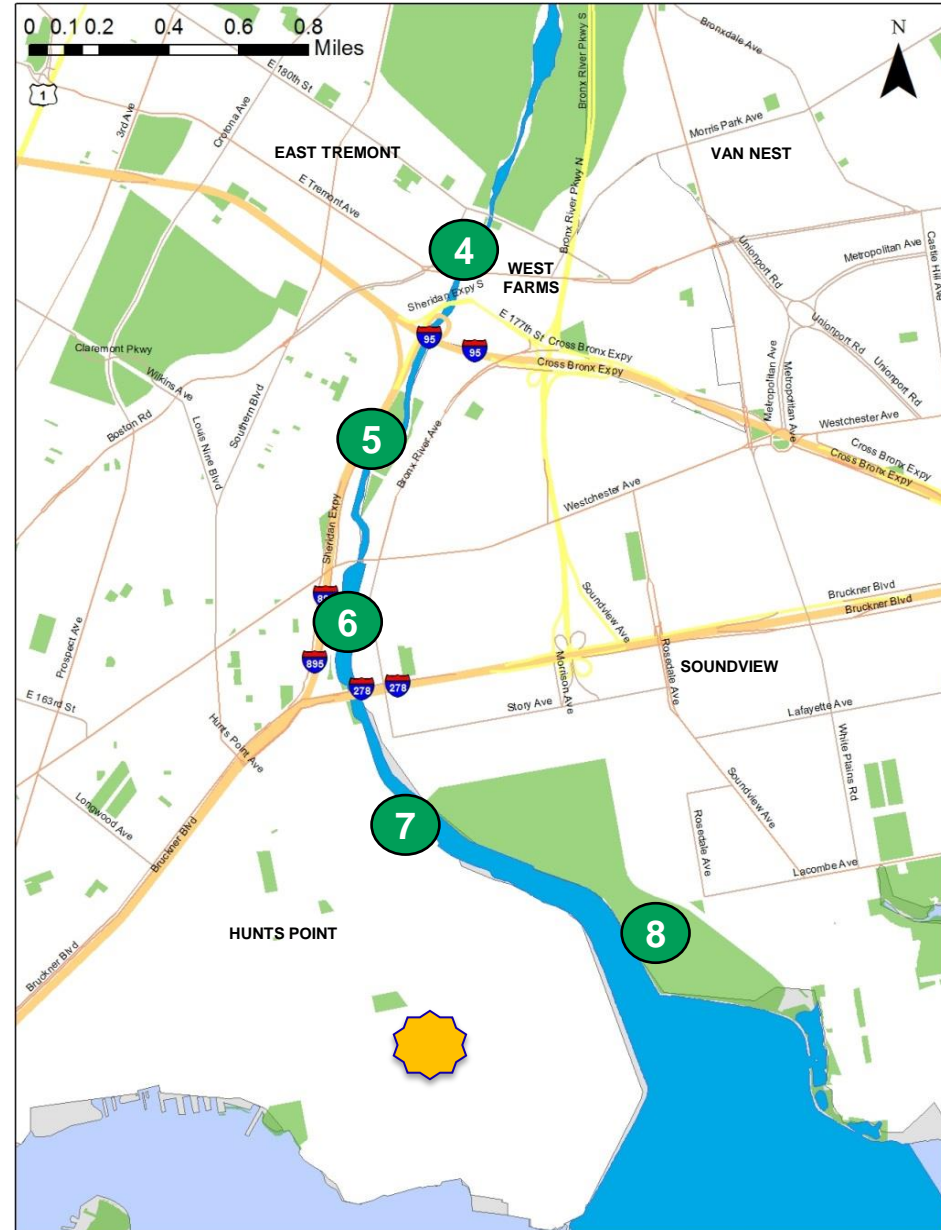
## ➤ Parks & Boat Access Points

(Contains kayak/canoe launch site)

- ④ West Farms Rapids
- ⑤ Starlight Park
- ⑥ Concrete Plant Park
- ⑦ Hunts Point Riverside Park
- ⑧ Soundview Park

## ➤ Upcoming Development

- 🌟 Hunts Point Vision Plan



# Sampling and Modeling

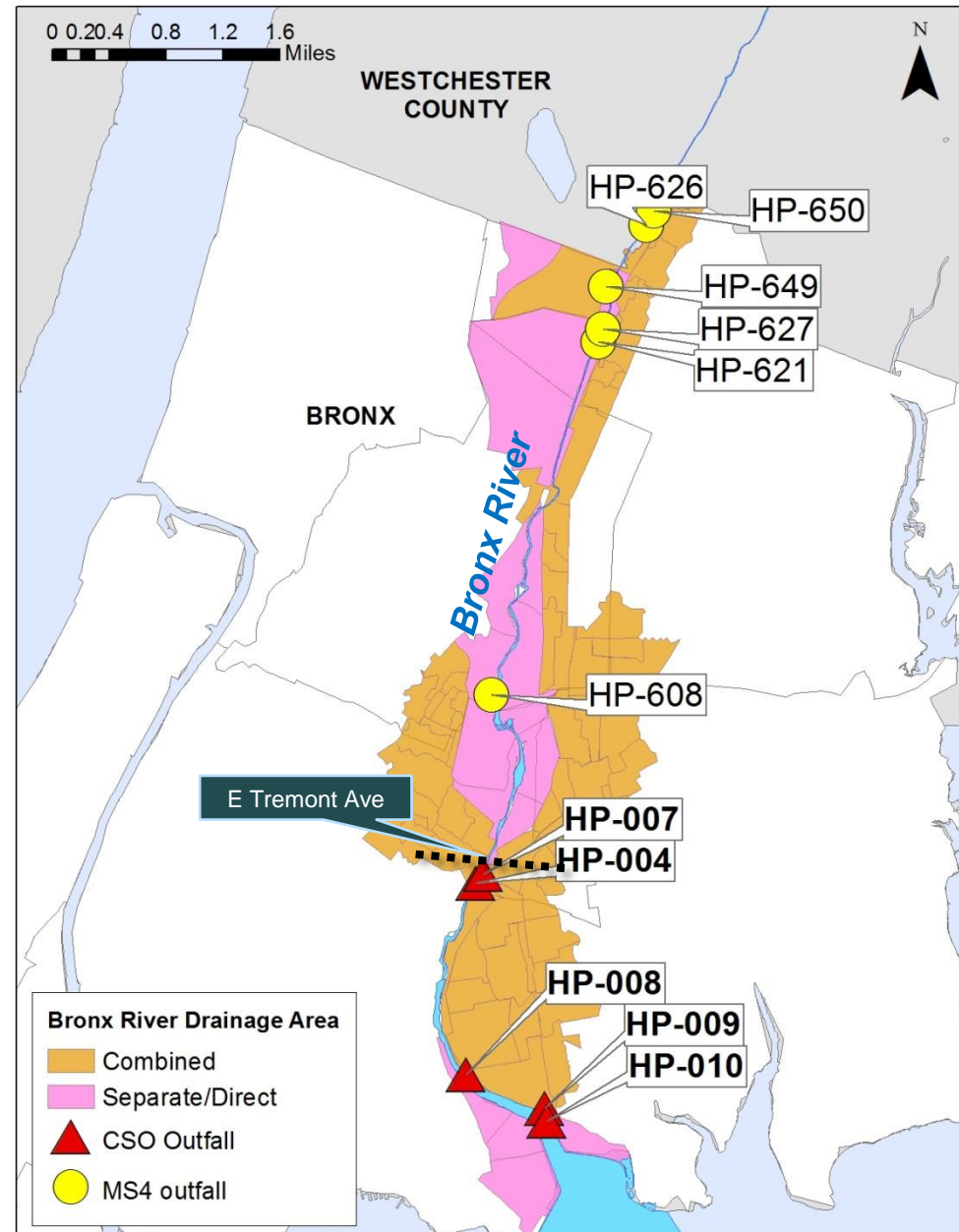
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# Bronx River Drainage Area

- **Annual Wet-Weather Discharge Volume:**
  - ~1,950 MGal (*typical year*)
    - ~26% CSO
    - ~74% Direct Drainage and Stormwater
  
- **Fresh Water Section:**
  - No CSO Outfalls
  - 6 MS4 Outfalls (●)
  - Primarily direct drainage
  
- **Tidal Section:**
  - 5 CSO Outfalls (▲)
  - No MS4 Outfalls

	NYC	Westchester
Drainage Area (Acres)	4,318	23,020
Served by Combined Sewers	64%	N/A



# Bronx River Classifications



**CLASS C**  
Bathing/Fishing  
Westchester

**CLASS B**  
Bathing  
New York City

**CLASS I**  
Boating/Fishing  
New York City

Freshwater  
Section

Tidal  
Section

# Current Water Quality Standards

*Focusing only on the **New York City** portion of the **Bronx River**:*

Section	Class	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Bacteria	
			Fecal Coliform (col/100 mL)	Total Coliform (col/100 mL)
<b>Freshwater</b> NORTH of E. Tremont Ave.	Class B	never less than 4.0 daily average > 5.0	≤ 200 (Monthly GM)	≤ 2,400 (Monthly Median) and 80% ≤ 5,000
<b>Tidal</b> SOUTH of E. Tremont Ave.	Class I	≥ 4.0	≤ 2,000* (Monthly GM)	≤ 10,000 (Monthly GM)

**\*Note:** New DEC proposed rulemaking for primary contact criteria for Class I and Class SD of ≤ 200 col/100 mL for Fecal Coliform.

## LTCP Sampling:

### ➤ Outfall Pipe

- ▲ 2 CSO (HP-007 & HP-009)
- 2 Stormwater (HP-608, HP-627)

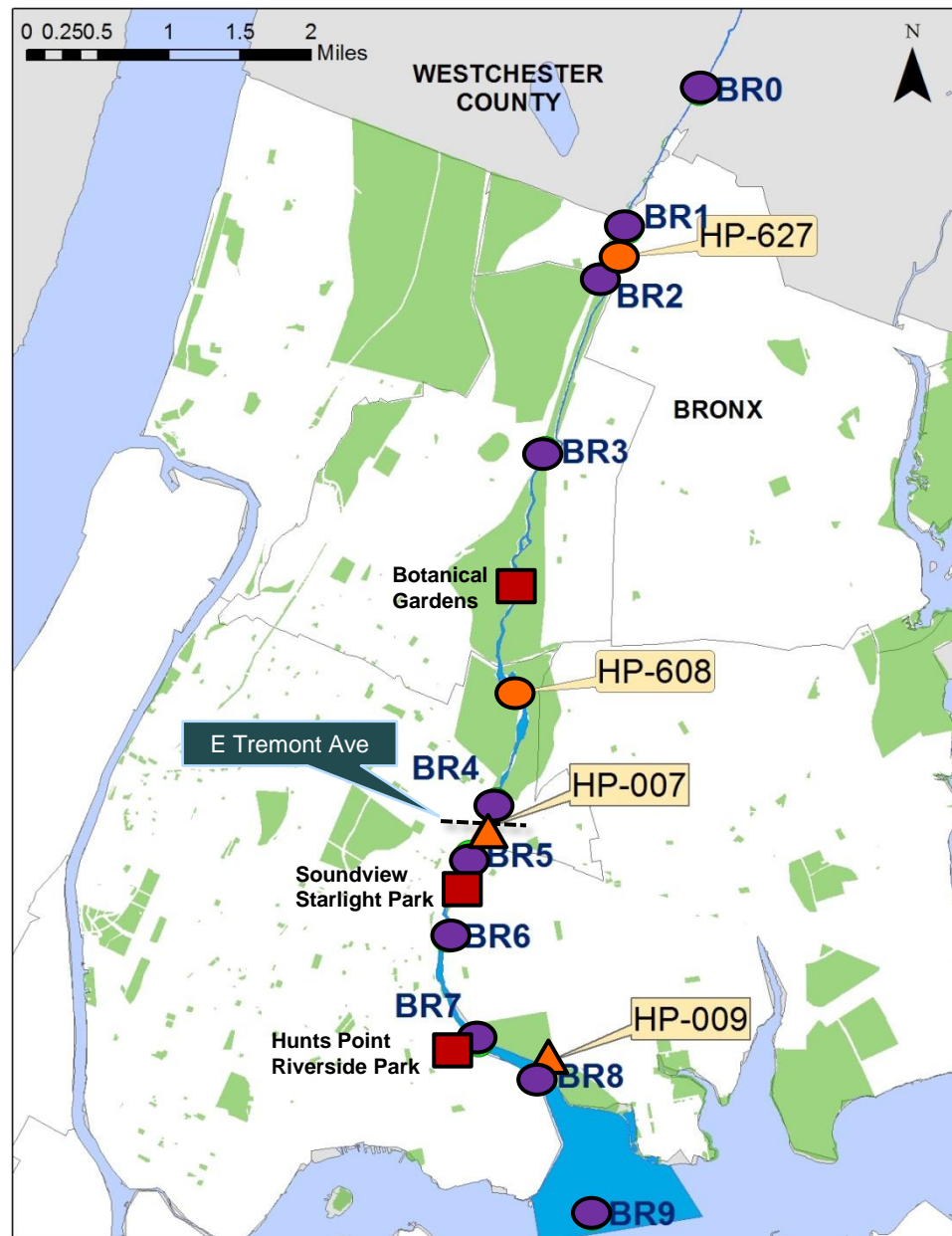
### ➤ Bronx River

- 10 Locations (1100+ analyses)
  - BR0 in Westchester County
  - BR1 at County line
  - BR2 - BR9 in NYC

## Citizen Sampling:

### ➤ Bronx River

- 3 Locations Near:
  - Botanical Gardens
  - Soundview Starlight Park
  - Hunts Point Riverside Park



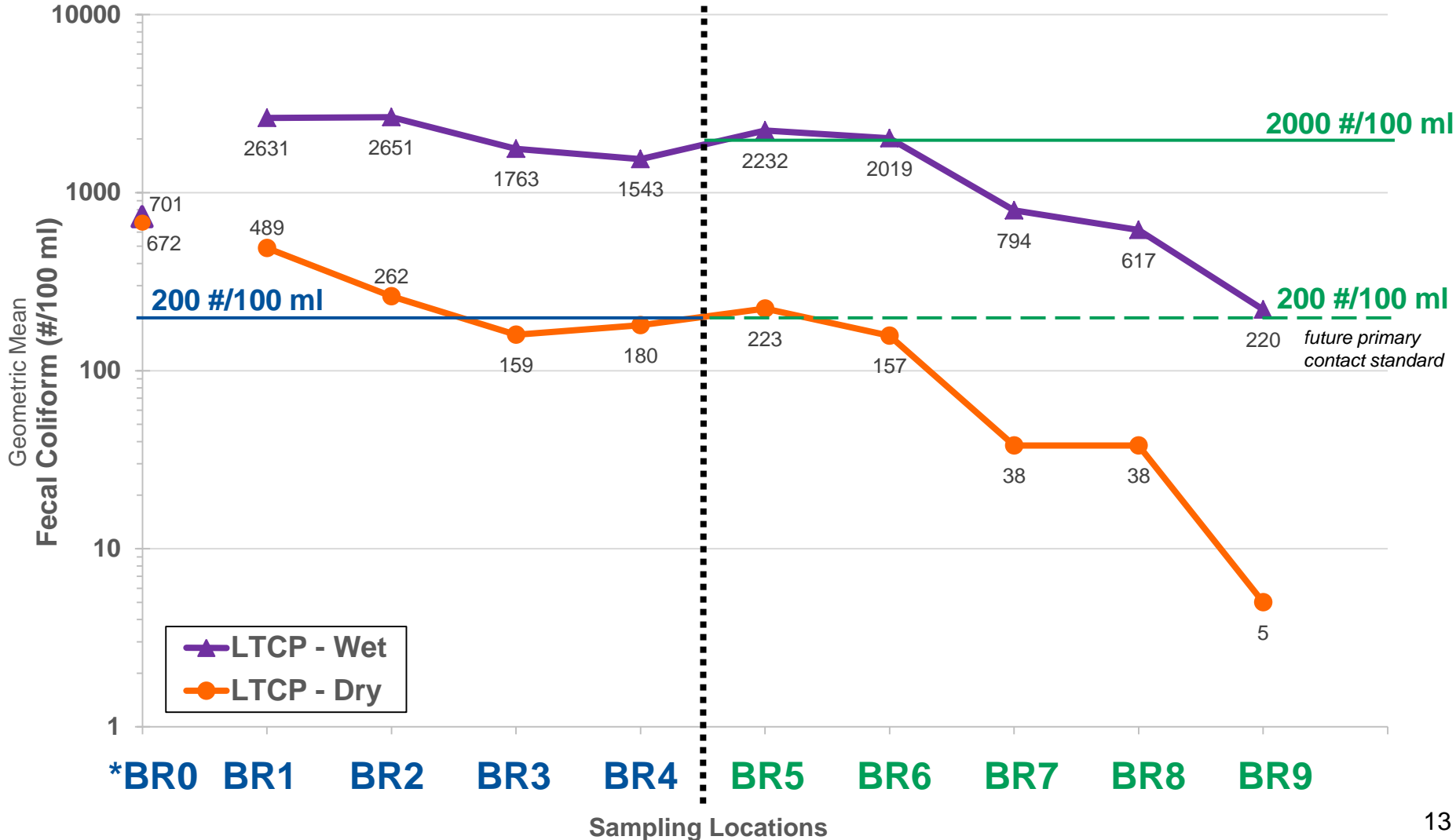
# Fecal Coliform Sampling Results - GMs

May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014 to July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014

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Freshwater

Tidal



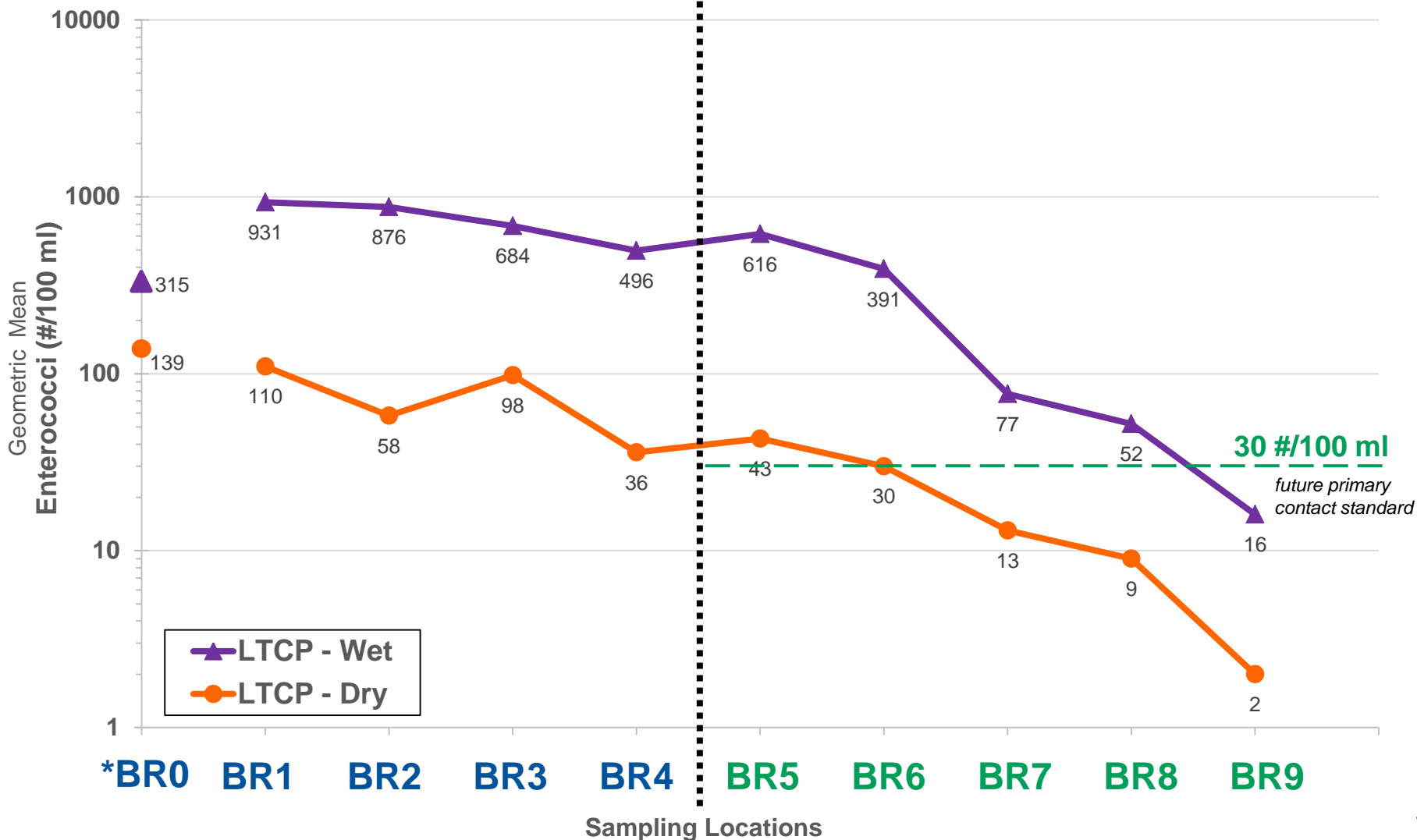
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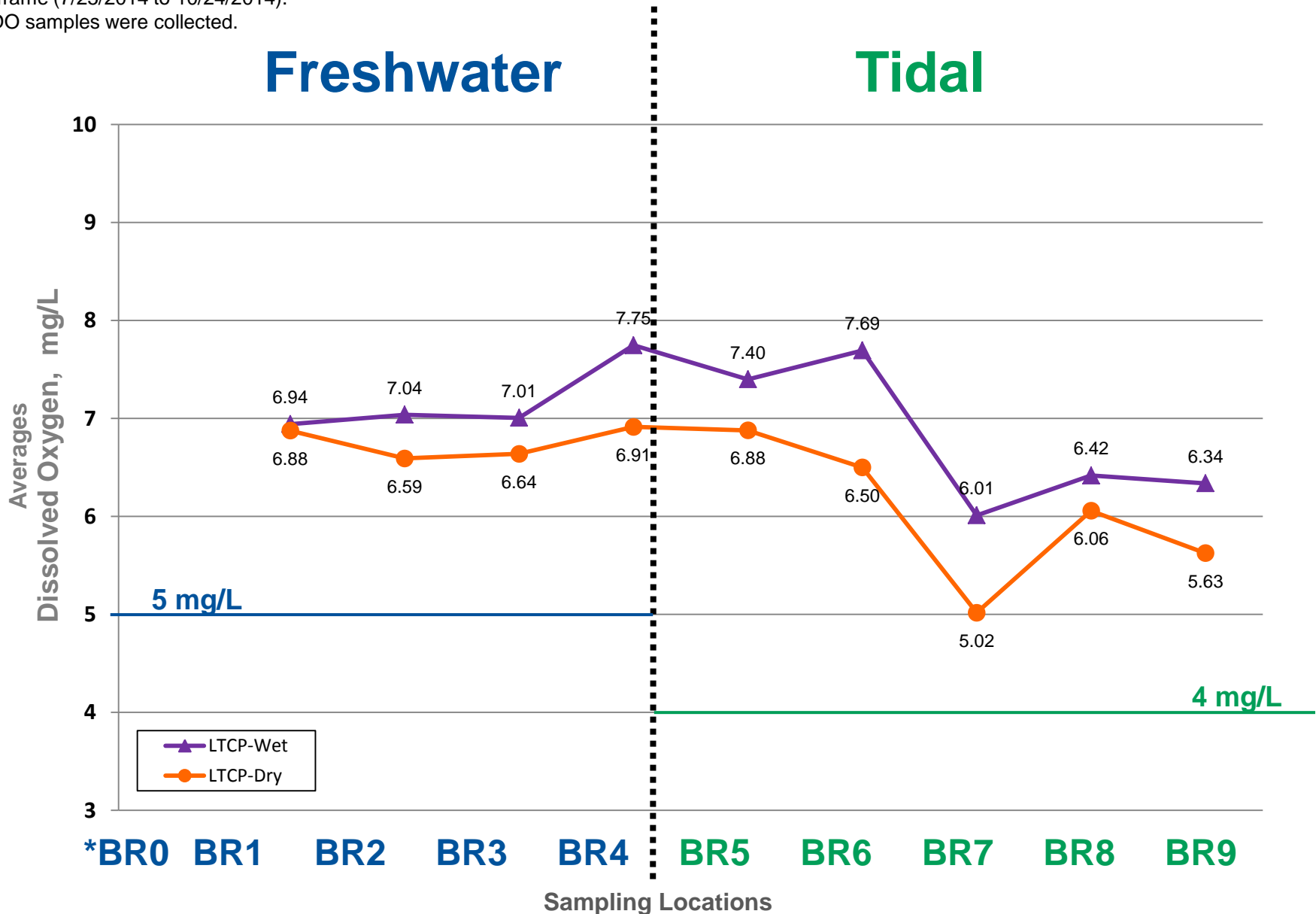
## Tidal



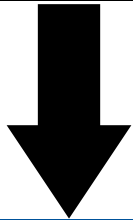
# DO Sampling Results – Averages

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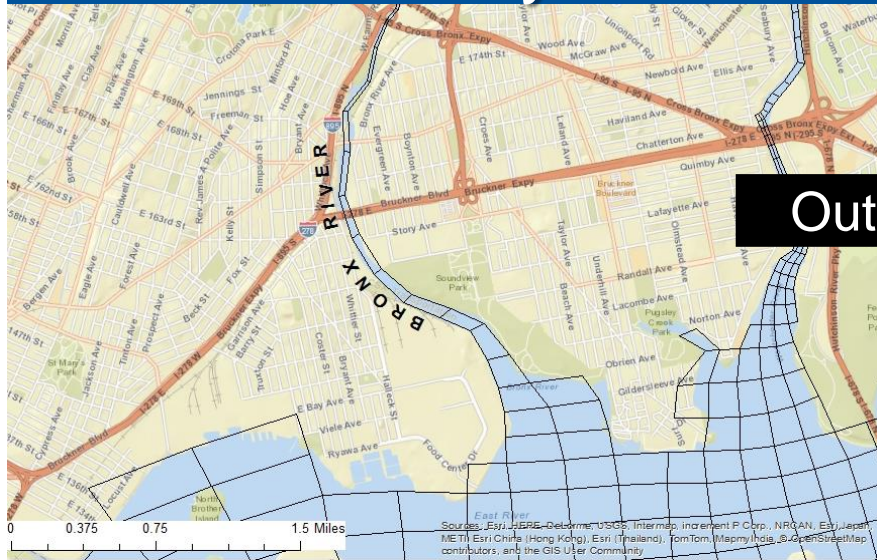
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Sampling Data



Water Quality Model



Output

Based on Model Results:

**No difference** in annual attainment between Baseline and 100% CSO Control\*.

**All 100%** Seasonal Fecal  
(Monthly GM  $\leq$  200 col/100 ml)

**83% to 100%** Annual Fecal  
(Monthly GM  $\leq$  200 col/100 ml)

**61% to 100%** Annual Enterococcus  
(30-d rolling GM  $\leq$  30 col/100 ml)

**93% to 100%** Dissolved Oxygen  
(Never less than 4.0 mg/L)  
(Daily Average  $>$  5.0 mg/L)

**Assumptions:**

- Westchester County flows are in attainment
- 2008 rainfall year

\*Range based on results across 9 sampling locations (BR1 to BR9).



# Water Quality Improvement Projects **Green and Grey Infrastructure**

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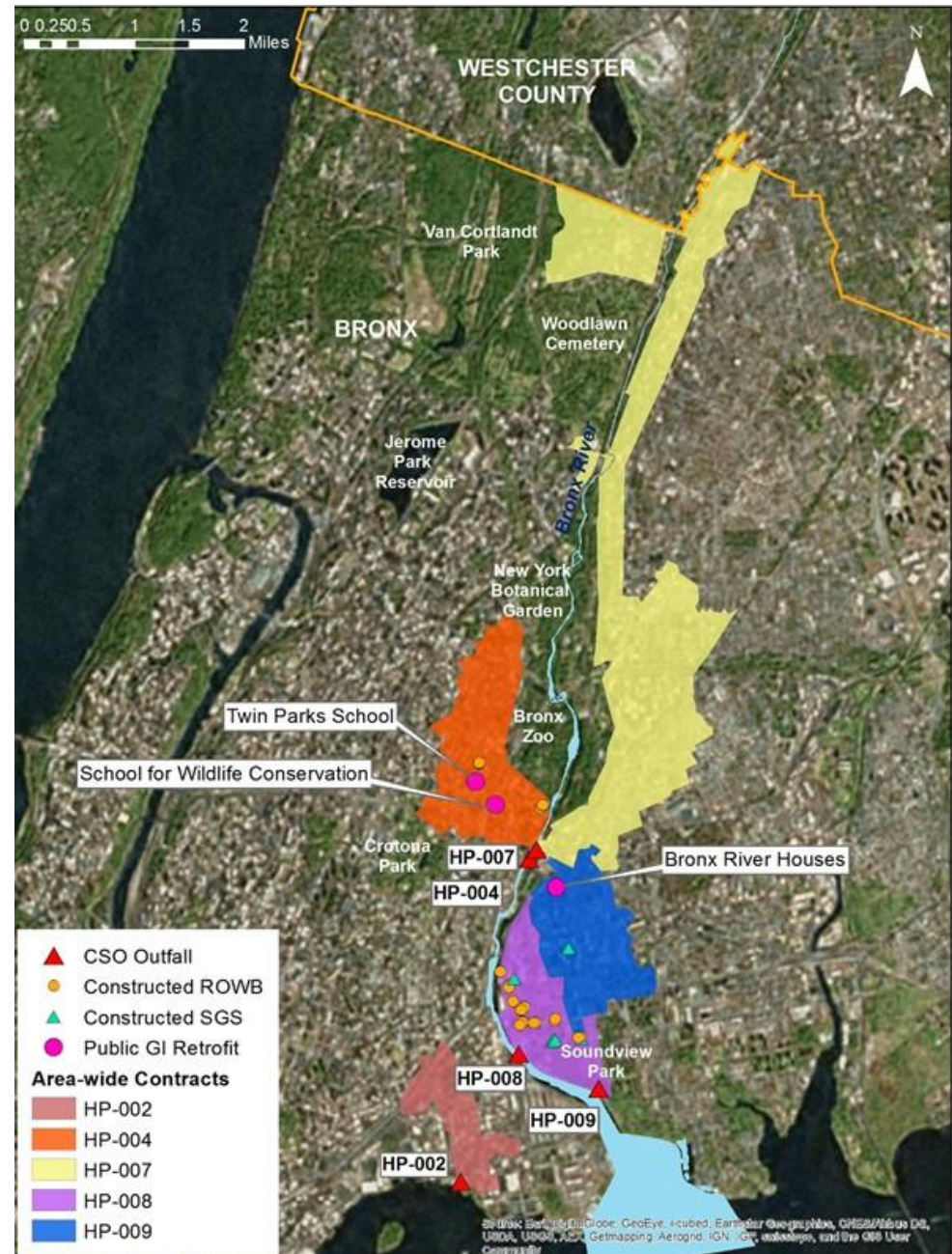
# GI Projects in Bronx River Watershed

## Built Green Infrastructure:

- 23 bioswales and 8 stormwater greenstreets constructed to date in HP-008 and HP-009
- Bronx River Houses - NYCHA
- Shoelace Park - DPR

## Planned Projects:

- Area-Wide Contracts:
  - Design will begin in HP-002, HP-004 and HP-007 in 2015
- Partnership with TPL/SCA/DOE:
  - P.S. 129 (in construction)
- Partnership with DPR:
  - Watson Gleason Playground
- GI Grant Program:
  - ~\$1 M renovation of a Bronx Zoo parking lot with rain gardens and porous paving



## ➤ Floatables Control

▲ **In-Line Netting Facilities**  
at CSO Outfalls HP-004 & HP-009

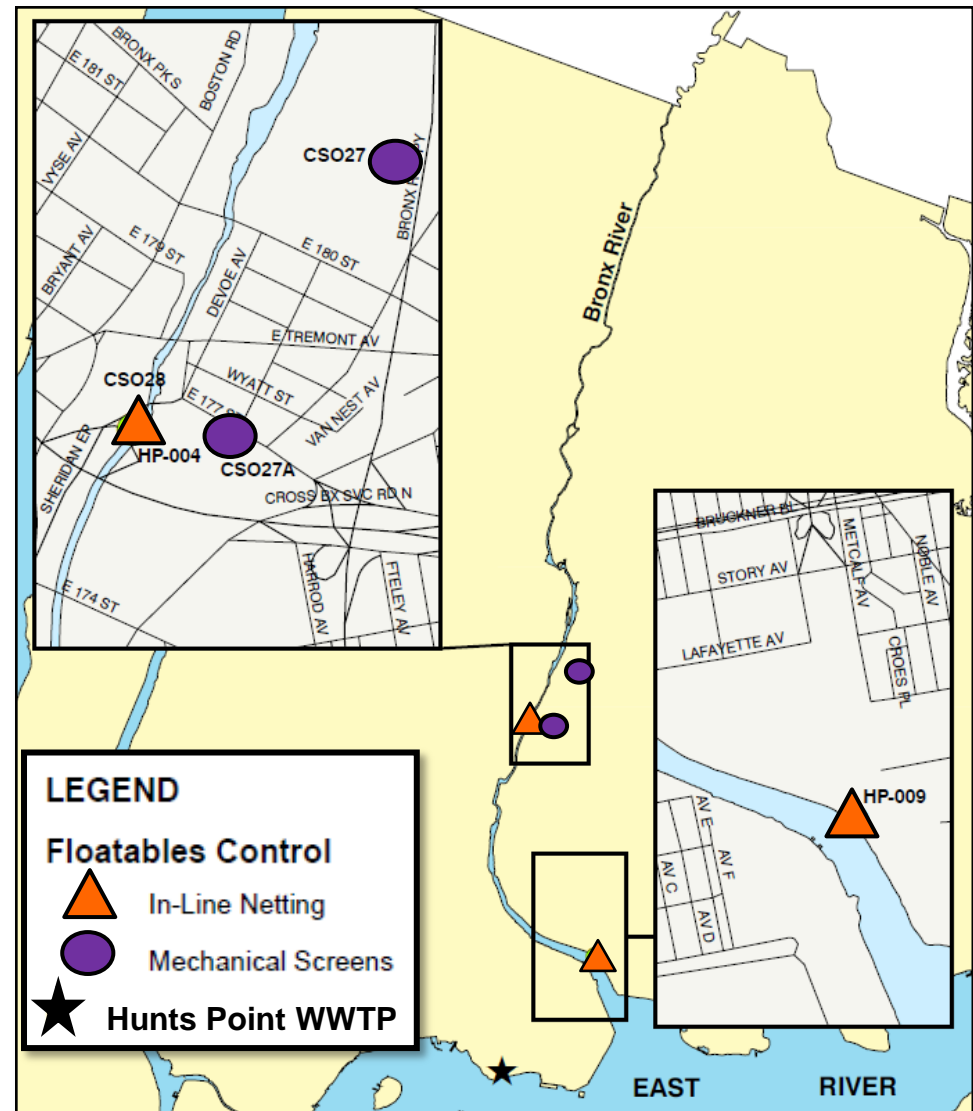
● **Mechanical Screens**  
at Regulators CSO27 & 27A

▪ **Floatables Boom**  
by Concrete Park

- ✓ CY2014: Bronx River had 415 cubic yard of floatables removed. Significant amount of tree branches.

➤ Construction Cost ~ \$47M

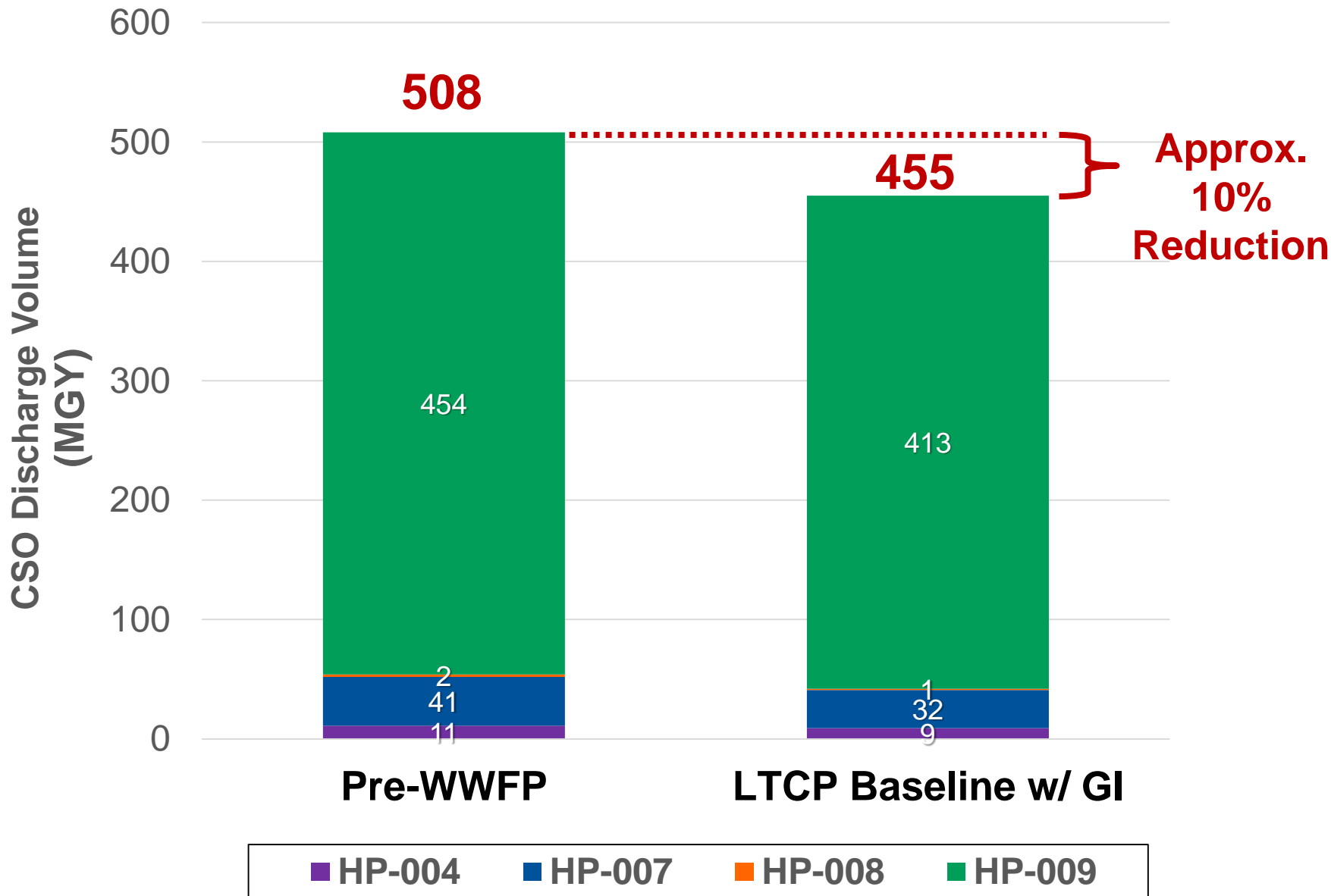
➤ Completed in June 2012



# **Additional CSO Reduction Alternatives Evaluation**

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# Modeled Bronx River CSO Volumes



# Alternatives Overview

## ➤ Evaluate Alternatives for Bronx River Outfalls:

- **HP-009**
- **HP-007**
- HP-008
- HP-004

*Target Outfalls  
with Largest CSO  
Discharges*

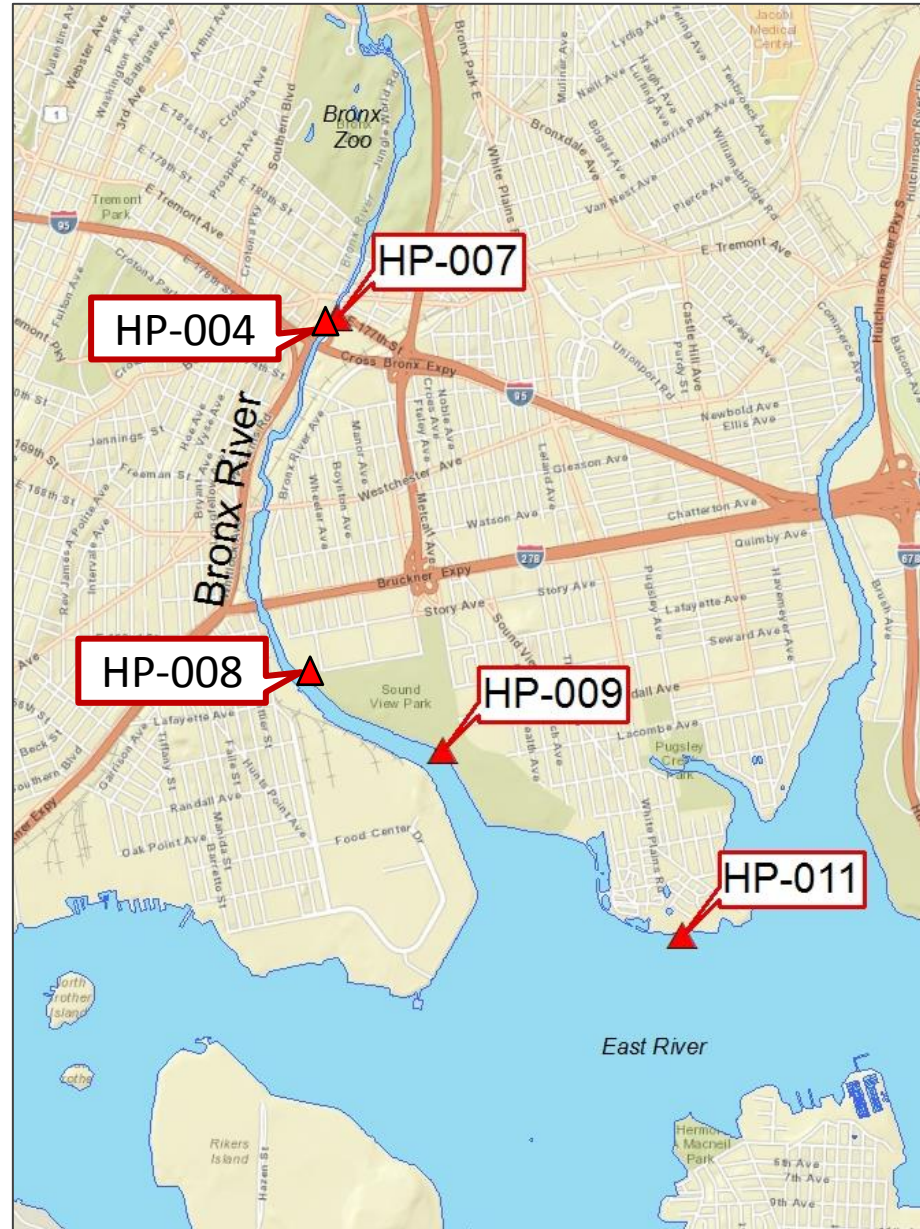
## ➤ Evaluate Floatables Control for East River Outfall:

- HP-011

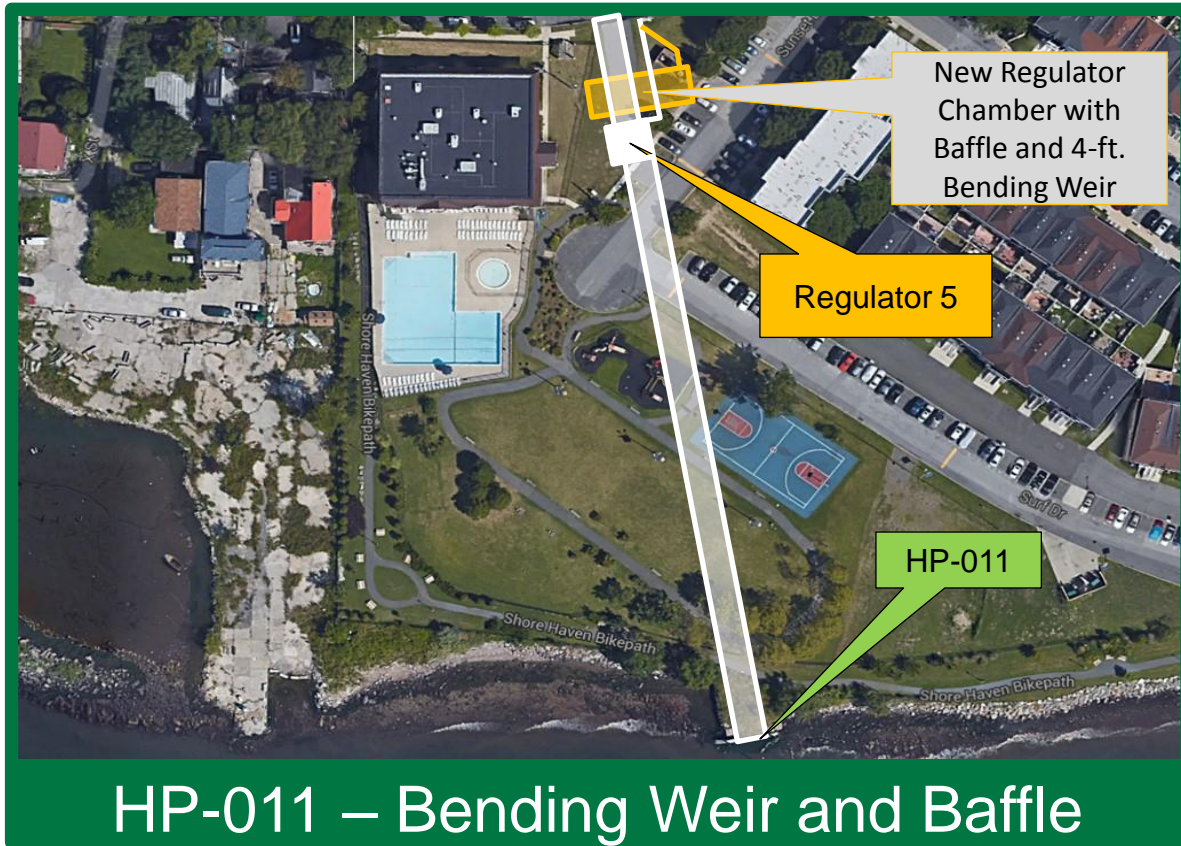
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technology options** at target outfalls

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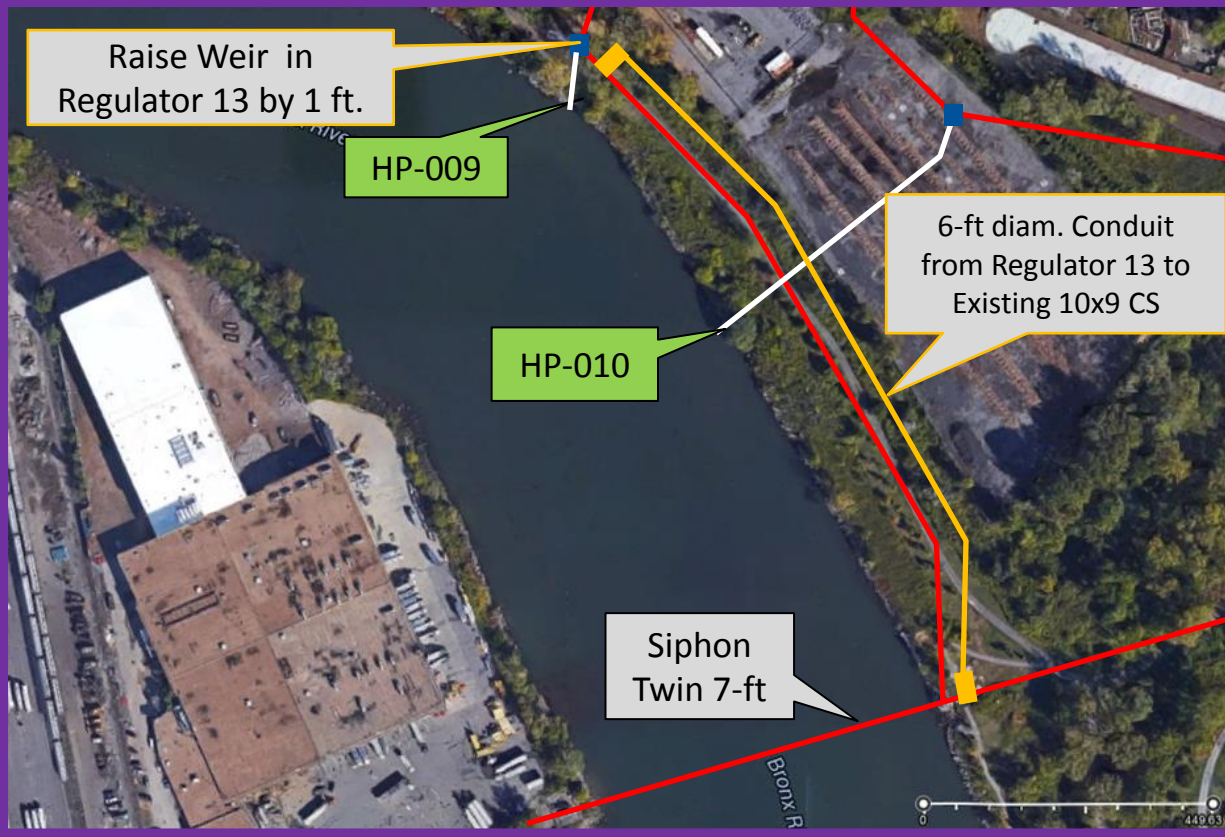


## ➤ 4-ft bending weir and baffle at Regulator 5



- Raise weir at Regulator 13
- Relief pipe between Regulator 13 and Bronx River siphon

## HP-009 – Hydraulic Relief





## HP-007 – Hydraulic Relief



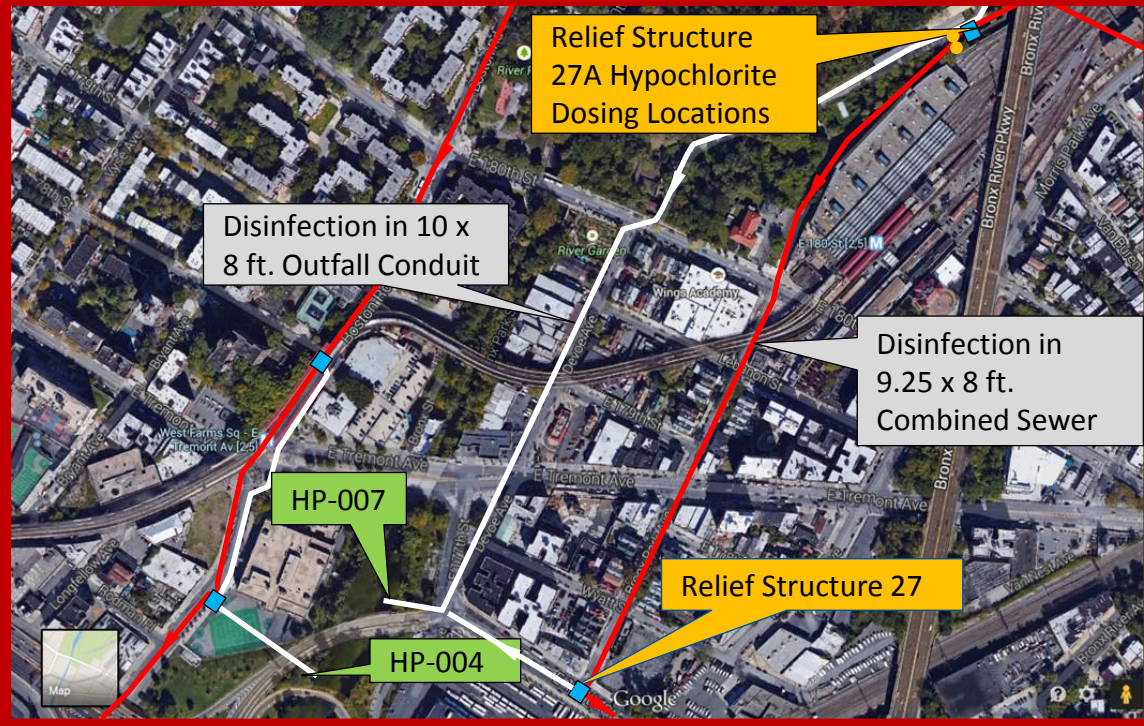
- 5-ft diameter relief pipe
- 2,700 linear feet
- Connect to existing combined sewer



Hydraulic Relief

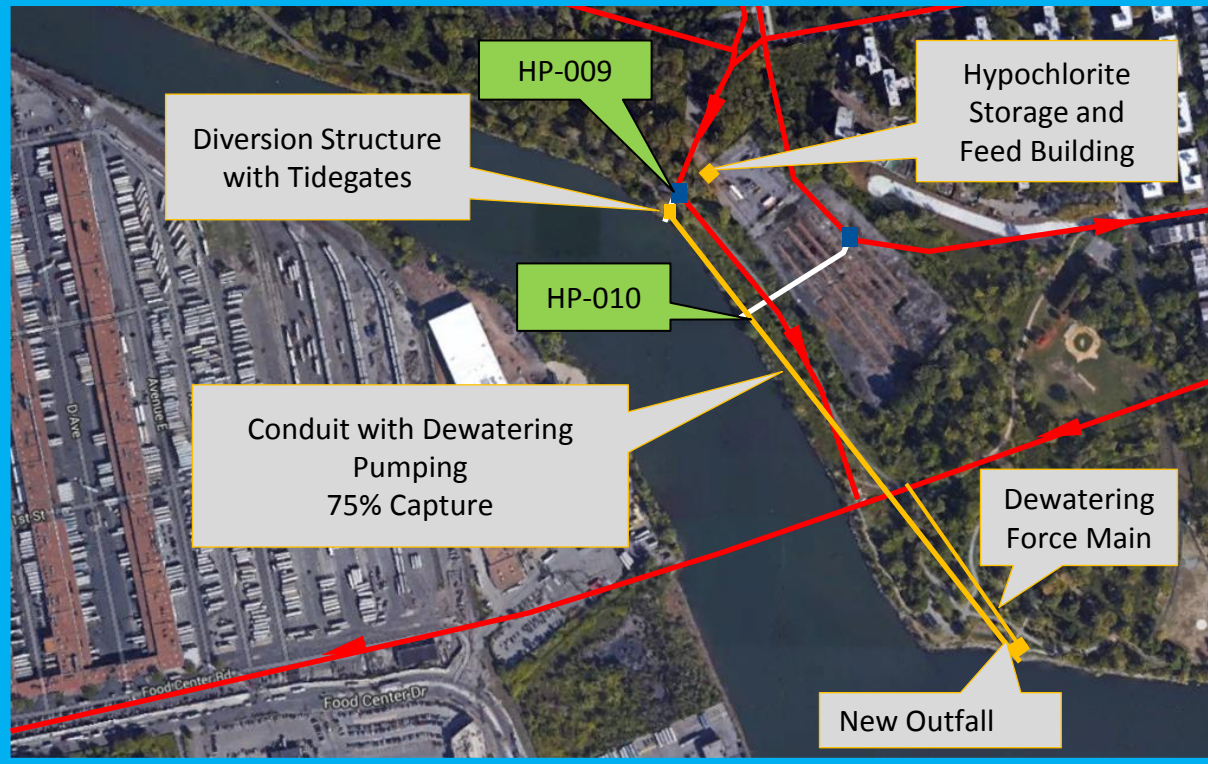
- Hypochlorite Dosing at Relief Structure 27A
- Disinfection in 10 x 8 ft. Outfall Conduit
- Disinfection in 9.25 x 8 ft. Combined Sewer

## HP-007 – Disinfection

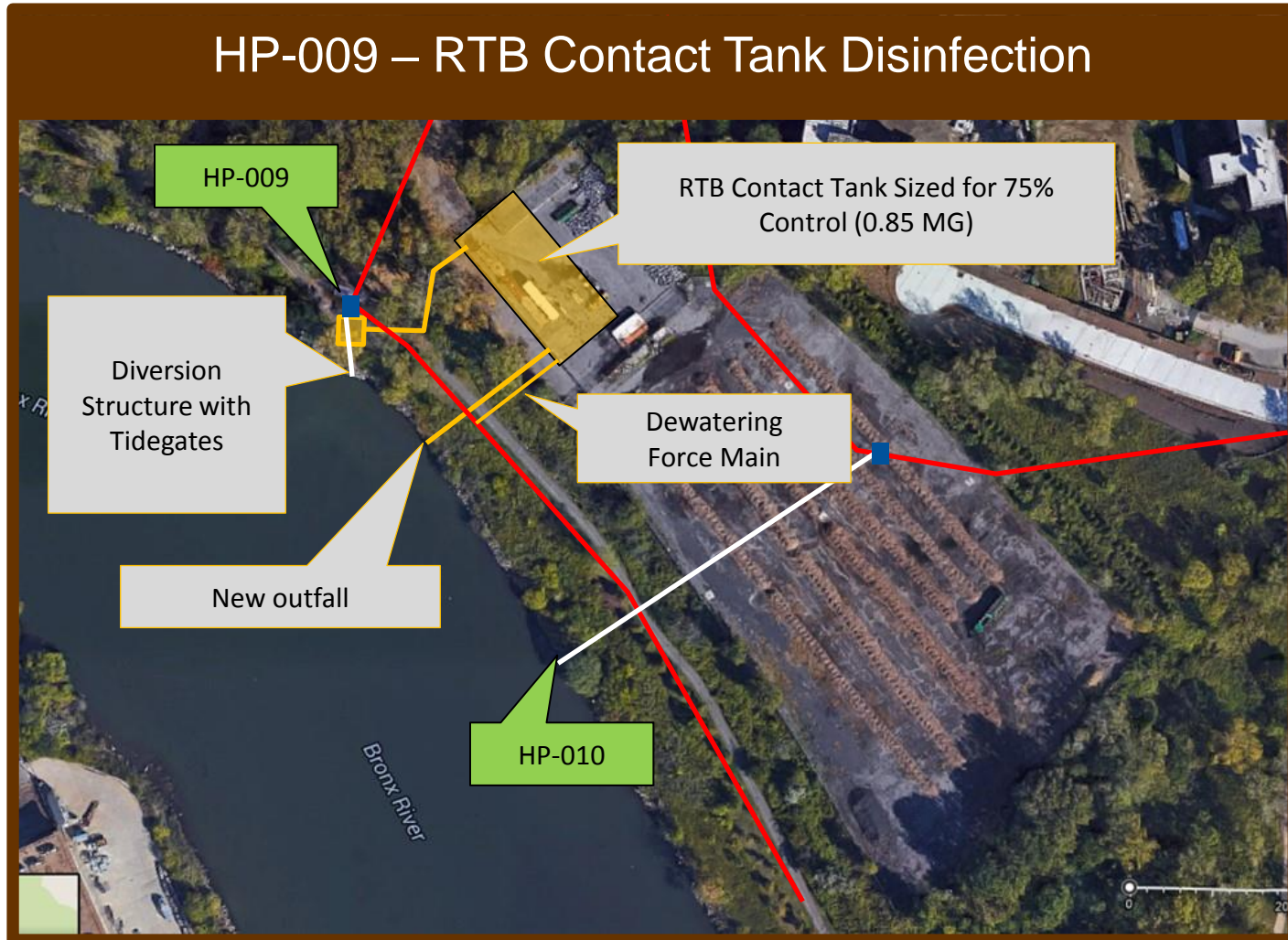


- Diversion structure with tide gates
- 1,900 LF 9ft. diameter conduit with dewatering pumping

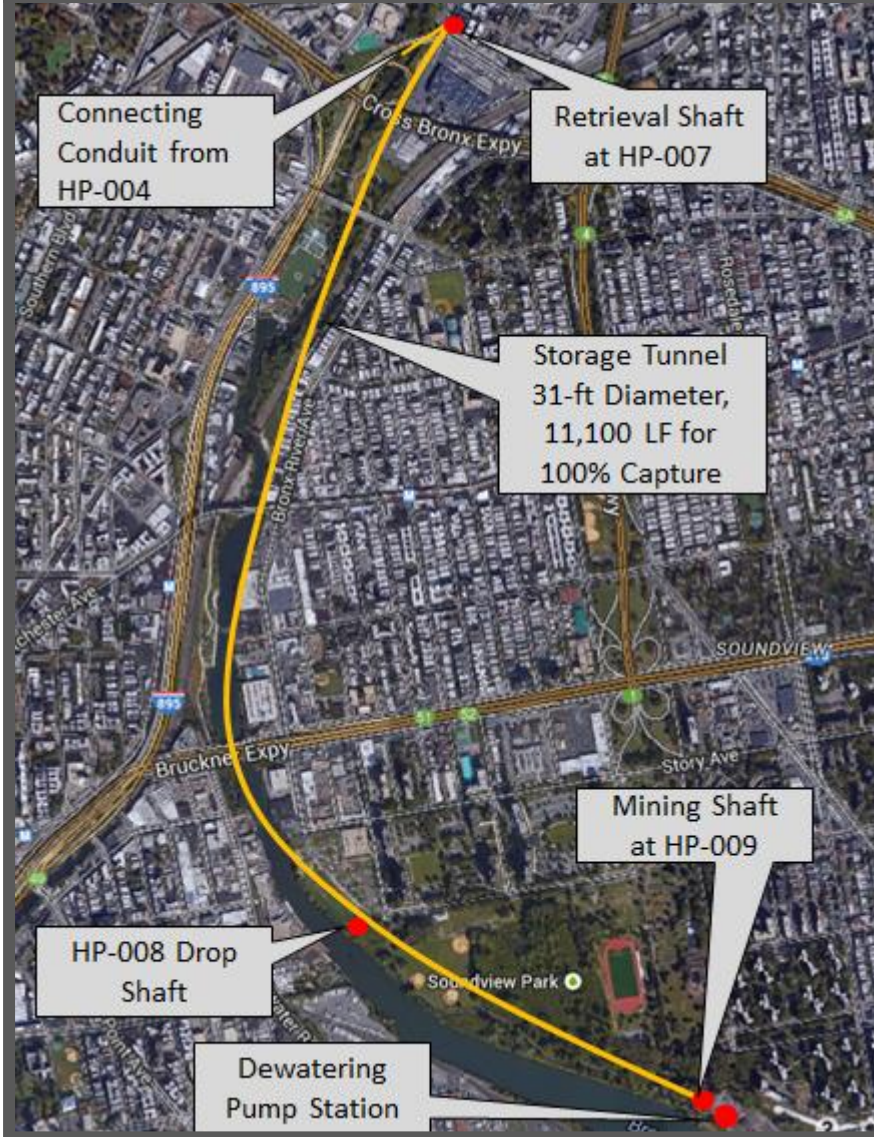
## HP-009 – Outfall Conduit Disinfection



- RTB Contact Tank Sized for 75% Control
- New Outfall



## Tunnel



**100% Capture of CSO from outfalls HP-004, HP-007, HP-008 and HP-009:**

- **61 MG Tunnel**
  - 31-ft Diameter
  - 11,100 Linear Feet
  - 30.5 MGD Dewatering Pump Station

# Evaluation of Six Alternatives

- Alternatives developed based on **combinations of different technology options** at target outfalls:

Alt. #	HP-011		HP-009		HP-007		HP-008		HP-004
1	Bending Weir & Baffle	+	Hydraulic Relief		--		--		--
2	Bending Weir & Baffle	+	Hydraulic Relief	+	Hydraulic Relief		--		--
3	Bending Weir & Baffle	+	Hydraulic Relief	+	Disinfection		--		--
4	Bending Weir & Baffle	+	Outfall Conduit Disinfection	+	Disinfection		--		--
5	Bending Weir & Baffle	+	RTB Contact Tank Disinfection	+	Disinfection		--		--
6	Bending Weir & Baffle	+	Tunnel	+	Tunnel	+	Tunnel	+	Tunnel

# Time to Recover

Station	Time to Recover to 1,000 cfu/100 ml FC (Hours)						
	Baseline	<u>Alt. 1</u>	<u>Alt. 2</u>	<u>Alt. 3</u>	<u>Alt. 4</u>	<u>Alt. 5</u>	<u>Alt. 6</u>
<b>BR5</b>	27	27	27	27	27	27	27
<b>BR6</b>	23	23	23	22	19	19	15
<b>BR7</b>	21	21	21	18	14	14	13
<b>BR8</b>	14	15	15	12	11	11	11
<b>BR9</b>	4	3	3	3	3	3	2

Based on August 15, 2008 Storm, using JFK rainfall

# Summary of Benefits & Costs

Alt . #	Technology Combinations	Total CSO Volume (MGY)	% CSO Volume Disinfected	%CSO Volume Reduction	%Bacteria Load Reduction	Total NPV Cost (\$ Million)
--	<b>LTCP Baseline with GI</b>	455	--	--	--	--
<b>1</b>	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-009: Hydraulic Relief	295	--	35%	35% Seasonal 35% Annual	\$41
<b>2</b>	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-009: Hydraulic Relief HP-007: Hydraulic Relief	286	--	37%	37% Seasonal 37% Annual	\$111
<b>3</b>	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-009: Hydraulic Relief HP-007: Disinfection	295	9%	35%	66% Seasonal 40% Annual*	\$65
<b>4</b>	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-009: Outfall Conduit Disinfection HP-007: Disinfection	437	43%	4%	74% Seasonal 45% Annual*	\$153
<b>5</b>	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-009: RTB Tank Disinfection HP-007: Disinfection	437	43%	4%	74% Seasonal 45% Annual*	\$85
<b>6</b>	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-004/007/008/009: Tunnel	--	--	100%	100% Annual	\$701

\*Annual bacteria load reduction based on no disinfection in non-recreational season.



# Summary of Cost Breakdown

Alt. #	Technology Combinations	Capital Cost	Annual O&M	Total NPV Cost
1	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-009: Hydraulic Relief	\$40.7 M	\$53 K / year	<b>\$41 M</b>
2	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-009: Hydraulic Relief HP-007: Hydraulic Relief	\$110.7 M	\$53 K / year	<b>\$111 M</b>
3	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-009: Hydraulic Relief HP-007: Disinfection	\$59.8 M	\$381 K / year	<b>\$65 M</b>
4	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-009: Outfall Conduit Disinfection HP-007: Disinfection	\$143.8 M	\$701 K / year	<b>\$153 M</b>
5	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-009: RTB Tank Disinfection HP-007: Disinfection	\$75.6 M	\$701 K / year	<b>\$86 M</b>
6	HP-011: Bending Weir & Baffle HP-004/007/008/009: Tunnel	\$660.7 M	\$2.75 M / year	<b>\$701 M</b>

- LTCP Submittal to NYSDEC by June 30, 2015
  
- Bronx River LTCP Public Meeting # 3, TBD
  - Present and review proposed LTCP
  
- Comments can also be submitted to:
  - New York City DEP at: [ltcp@dep.nyc.gov](mailto:ltcp@dep.nyc.gov)

- Visit the informational tables tonight for handouts and poster boards with detailed information
  
- Go to [www.nyc.gov/dep/ltcp](http://www.nyc.gov/dep/ltcp) to access:
  - LTCP Public Participation Plan
  - Presentation, handouts and poster boards from this meeting
  - Links to Waterbody/Watershed Facility Plans
  - CSO Order including LTCP Goal Statement
  - NYC's Green Infrastructure Plan
  - Green Infrastructure Pilots 2011 and 2012 Monitoring Results
  - NYC Waterbody Advisory Program
  - Upcoming meeting announcements
  - Other LTCP updates

# Discussion and Q&A Session