

# PCCP Rehabilitation & Replacement Program

Engineering & Operations Committee Item 6a June 10, 2013

## **Infrastructure Programs**

Distribution System

**Seismic Upgrades** 

Colorado River Aqueduct

Infrastructure Reliability

Dams & Reservoirs

Treatment Plants

# **Distribution System R&R Programs**

#### Comprehensive Programs

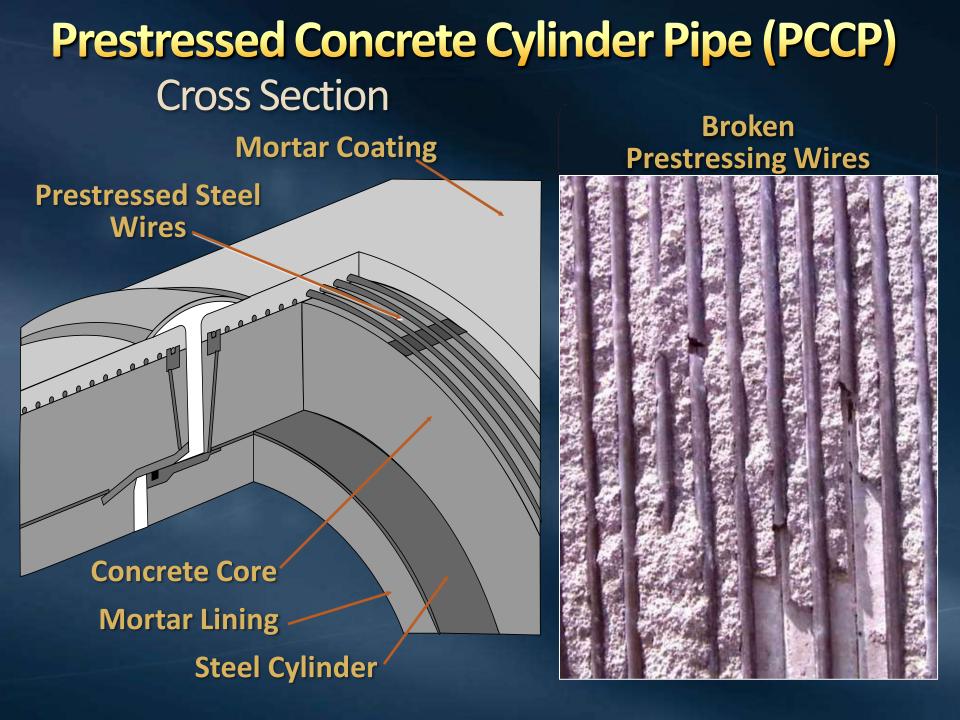
- PCCP Lines
- Metallic Pipelines
- Distribution System Infrastructure Protection
- Reservoir Covers
- Hydroelectric Plants

## Individual Projects

- Gates, Valves
- Pressure Control Structures
- Dams

# **Prestressed Concrete Cylinder Pipe (PCCP)**





# **Industry Experience w/ PCCP**

Viewed as economical alternative to steel pipe

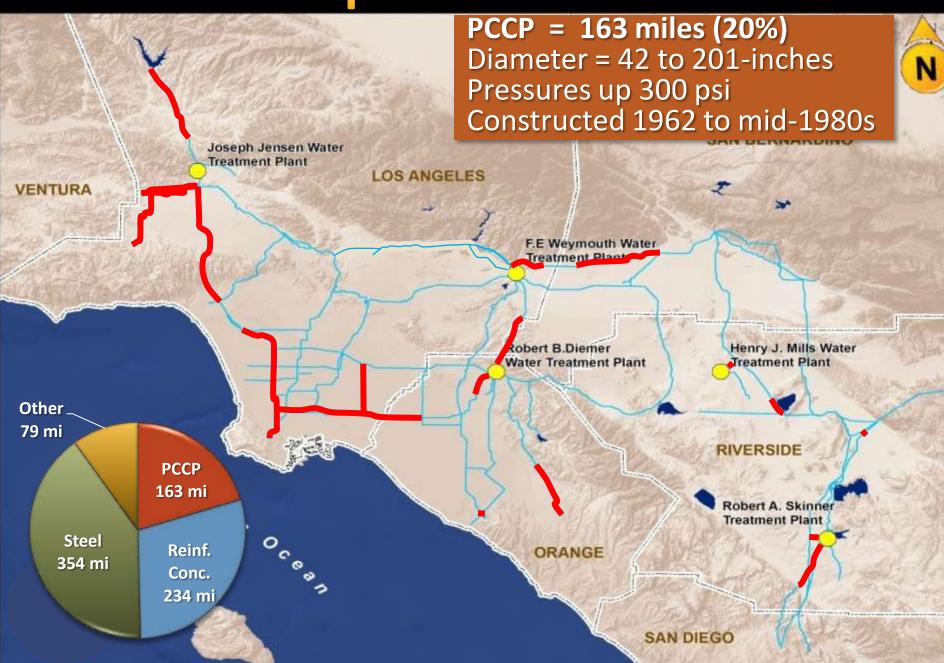
- Handles high pressures
- U.S. & Canada 30,000 miles installed from 1960s to 1980s
- Elevated risk of failure
  - Broken prestressing wires
  - Cracked mortar
  - Corrosive surrounding soils
  - Third party stray current interference
  - External loading
- Reduced service life vs steel pipe
  - Early design standards untested
  - Claims of defective pipe
  - Highly susceptible to quality control lapses
- Failures often catastrophic
- Requires diligent monitoring by pipe owner

# Maryland PCCP Wire Break

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### 60-in diameter PCCP

# **Metropolitan PCCP Lines**



# **Metropolitan Experience**

- Electromagnetic inspections initiated in 2000
  Three cycles of inspections completed
- Data compiled over 13 year period
  - Little or no deterioration of 63 miles (22 pipelines) Stable
  - Continued deterioration of 100 miles (5 pipelines) Rehabilitation will be needed
- Former strategy
  - Perform regular electromagnetic inspections
  - Install cathodic protection when needed
  - Repair individual distressed pipe segments
- Higher cost to repair single pipe segments
- Remainder of PCCP segments continue to deteriorate

# **PCCP Repair History Since 1999**

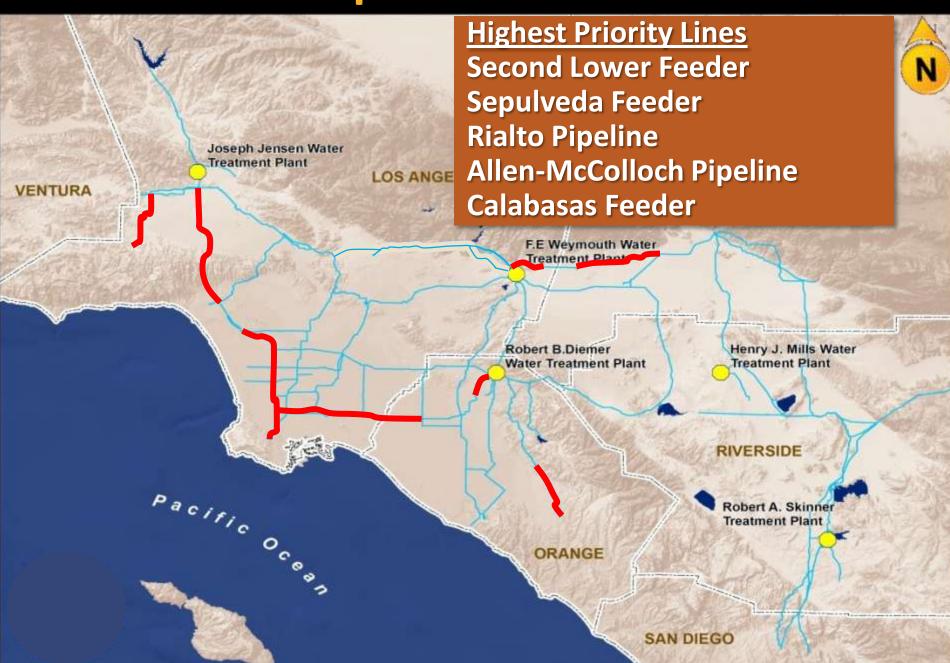
	Repaired (ft)	Costs (\$M)	Remaining Pipe Length w/ WBs (ft)
Second Lower Feeder	4,620	6.9	5,560
Allen-McColloch Pipeline	831	11.4	0
Calabasas Feeder	520	5.0	800
Sepulveda Feeder	321	6.9	2,020
Rialto Pipeline	255	12.3	2,280
Box Springs Feeder	491	6.6	0
West Valley Feeder No.1	240	0.9	100
Lake Skinner Outlet Conduit	94	4.4	40
San Diego Pipeline No. 5	72	0.8	0
San Diego Pipeline No. 4	66	0.3	220
Foothill Feeder	60	8.9	100
Auld Valley Pipeline	24	0.3	20
TOTAL	7,534	64.7	

# **Moving Forward**

#### Proposed New Strategy

- Initiate projects to reline or replace entire PCCP lines
- Continue regular electromagnetic inspection
- Install cathodic protection where needed
- Perform urgent repairs as needed
- Proactive replacement program
- Improves reliability with completion of each pipeline reach
- Less expensive per pipe segment

## **Metropolitan PCCP Lines**



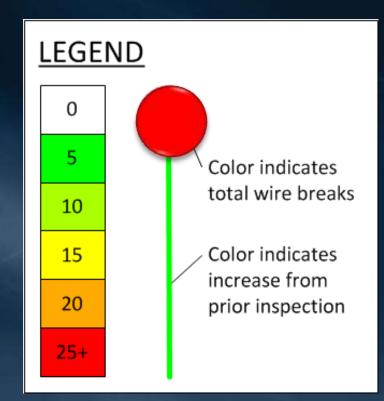
# **Second Lower Feeder – First Priority**

## Background

- Highly urbanized area
- High pressure pipe
- Highly corrosive soils
- 3rd party stray currents
- History of wire breaks
- 🧕 ln 1999, 2002
  - Repaired 4,620 feet

## <sup>●</sup> In 2013

- Increases in prestressing wire breaks in 19 segments
- 25 wire breaks in one segment





















## **Next Steps**

Board Letter to authorize repairs of the Second Lower Feeder in July

Presentation of PCCP rehabilitation program within CIP in July

