

# Digital Approaches to Improving Collection System Asset Management in an Ever-Evolving World

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## Agenda

1. Collection System Asset Management – Current Approaches
2. Why use Digital OneWater approach?
3. Condition Assessment with Digital Tools
4. Asset Management
5. Smart Sensors for Insights into Operations of Collection System

## Collection System Asset Management – Current Approaches

- Gravity sewers are inspected via many methods
  - Smoke testing
  - Acoustic testing
  - CCTV inspection
- Data from gravity sewer inspections are coded either by contractor or in-house crew
- Results of the coding are sometimes entered into CMMS, but what do you do with these results?

# Sewer Buried Infrastructure Inspection & Maintenance - Overview

US Sewer O&M market: \$50B/year  
Pipe/infrastructure inspection : ~\$4B/year  
CCTV Footage Collection: \$3.7B/year  
» Footage Review and Defect Coding: \$300M/year

Most cities aim to inspect 10% of system per year

Every year, additional 1M+ miles of CCTV inspection footage is collected

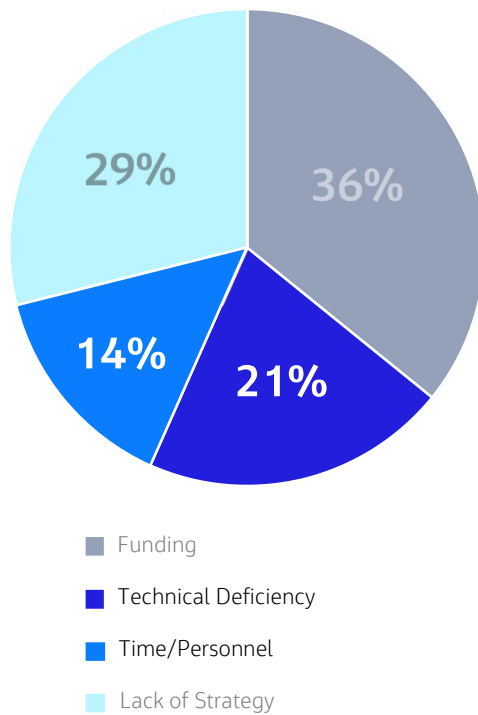
Municipalities typically use in-house (crews and trucks) resources or contract work out to private companies, or have a blend of both

## Many Issues for Utilities –

- 1) Massive CCTV backlogs
- 2) Low visibility into aging collection systems
- 3) Shortage of skilled resources
- 4) Limited capacity to allocate for time-intensive, slow and tedious tasks,
- 5) Labor is costly
- 6) Manual coding of defects is also highly error-prone, subjective and inconsistent

# The Status Quo for Sewer CCTV Condition Assessment Cannot Keep Up

Impediments to Proactive Approach

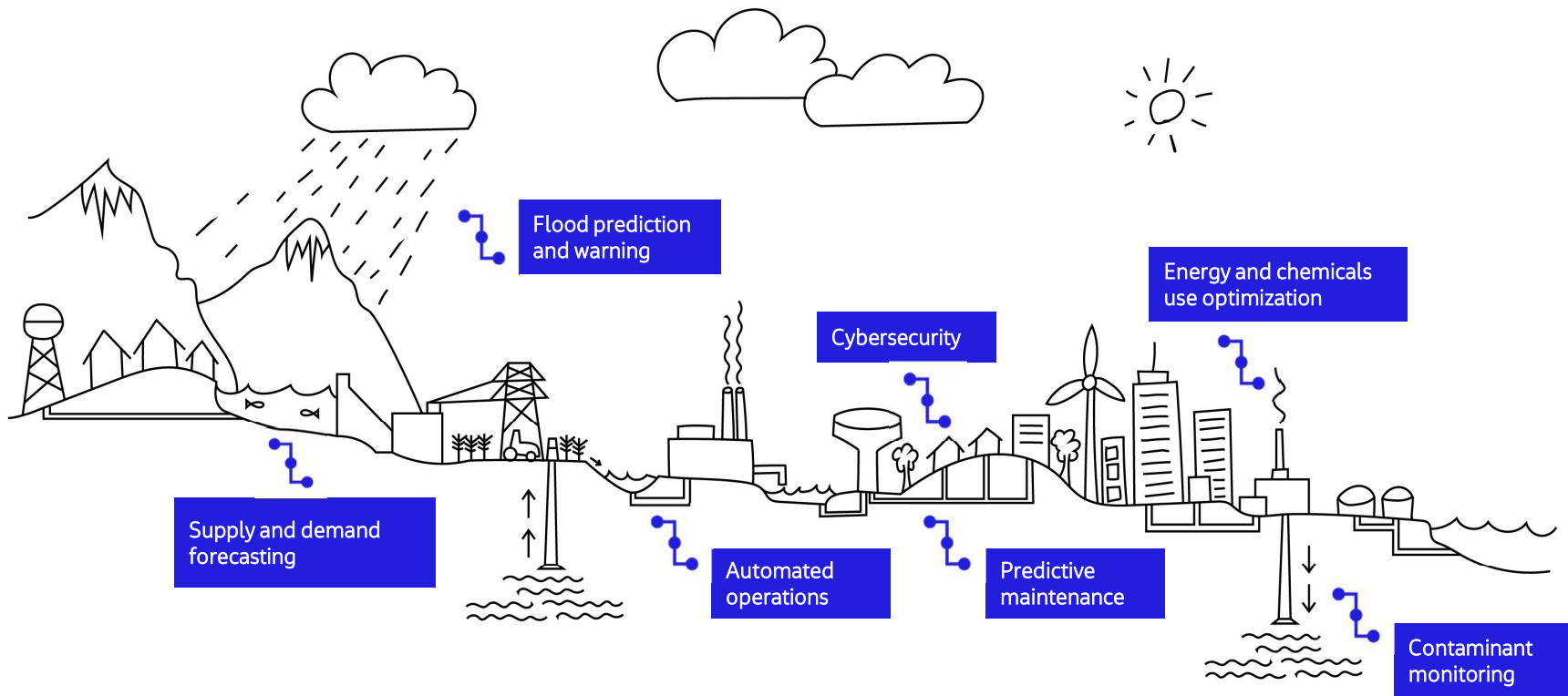


- Most cities conduct regular sewer CCTV inspections but still find:
  - Personnel don't have time available to focus on defect coding
  - Methods for defect coding are technically deficient
- In the life span of 1,000LF worth of sewer video: 2-6 hours (30-40% of the total acquisition time) is spent doing defect coding

...Leads to Digital Solutions & Digital OneWater

# What is Digital OneWater?

- » Tools that transform big data into actionable information
- » Creates an integrated ecosystem of data-enabled solutions



# How Can Digital OneWater Assist Today's Utilities?

# Digital OneWater

More Stringent Regulations

Aging Infrastructure

Staffing Pressures

Shrinking Budgets

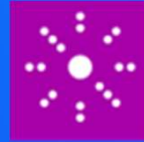






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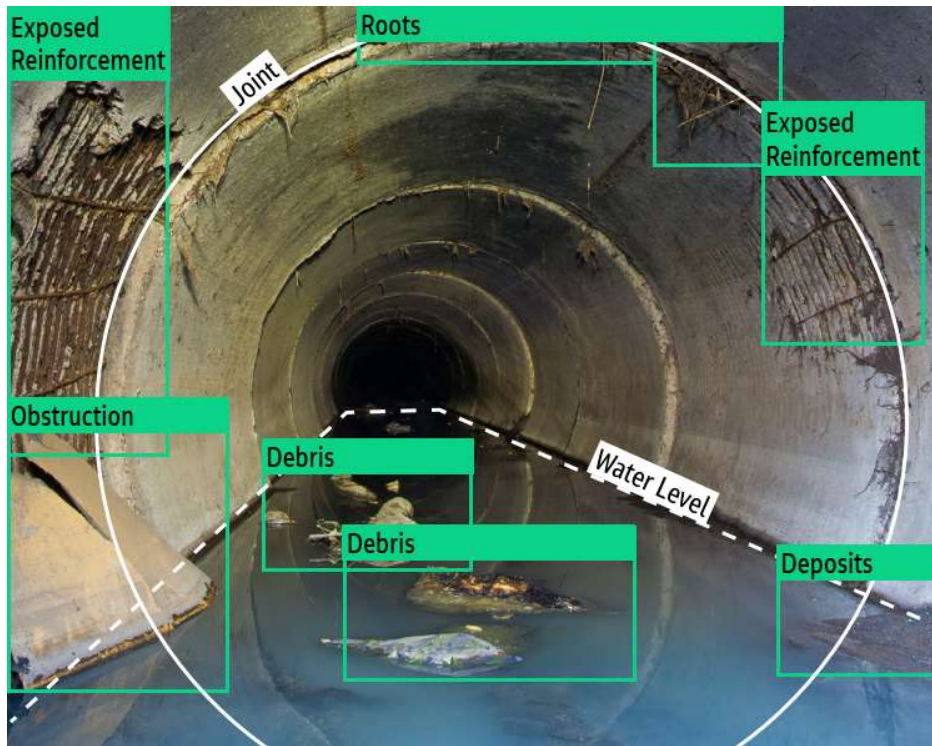
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# What is Dragonfly?

Dragonfly, is an Informed-AI and Machine learning solution, efficiently and accurately detects/codes defects to increase visibility into buried sewer infrastructures, and generates AI-driven recommendations (powered by Argon Insights) to optimize decision making and refine system management and intervention strategies



## Automated Sewer CCTV Defect Coding

Dragonfly applies artificial intelligence to automatically detect defects in raw CCTV inspection videos

## Industry Standard Output

Dragonfly rapidly produces consistent, accurate PACP output, usable in any pre-existing workflow and CMMS/CCTV software

## Reliable Business Intelligence

Dragonfly integrates with Jacobs' Argon tool and supports asset management

Optimizes reinspection and maintenance schedules

Prioritizes asset rehabilitation lists

# How can Utilities utilize Dragonfly?



Use Dragonfly to -

- To Process historic data – code your old videos to track assets over time
- To Correct quality issues – if you don't trust the coding, have your videos re-coded
- To Include in your in-house process – have your crews focus on running the camera, not coding
- To Add to your contractor SOP – Have your contractors work directly with Dragonfly for additional QC and video quality review

## And how can Utilities get more out of their sewer management investments?

### Developed by Industry Experts

Combines Jacobs' domain expertise with Hitachi's global Social Innovation and deep computer vision, artificial intelligence, and machine learning expertise

Includes multiple computer models of increasing maturity and sophistication

### Rigorous Quality Assurance

AI/ML system trained on over 10 million feet of sewer video footage

Validated by NASSCO PACP certified technicians

Includes on-demand technical support and guidance

### Integrates with Existing Asset Management Tools & Programs

Data is easily imported into existing GIS, CMMS, or CCTV data tools and workflows

Informs maintenance and rehabilitation plans, schedules, and costs

# What is Argon?



**Argon** (formerly known as SCREAM) is a Jacobs' built AI-solution that provides prescriptive asset management for Sewer Utilities Asset Managers.

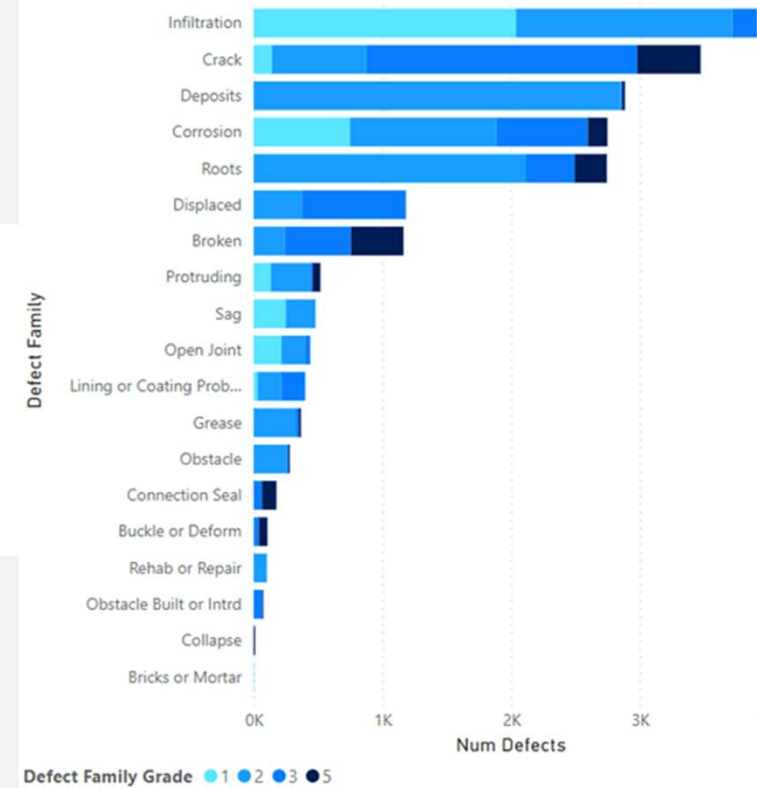
Argon analyzes pipe inspection defect data to produce:

- Advanced condition scores
- Reinspection and maintenance schedules
- Prioritized lists of pipes needing rehab
- Repair/replacement cost estimates

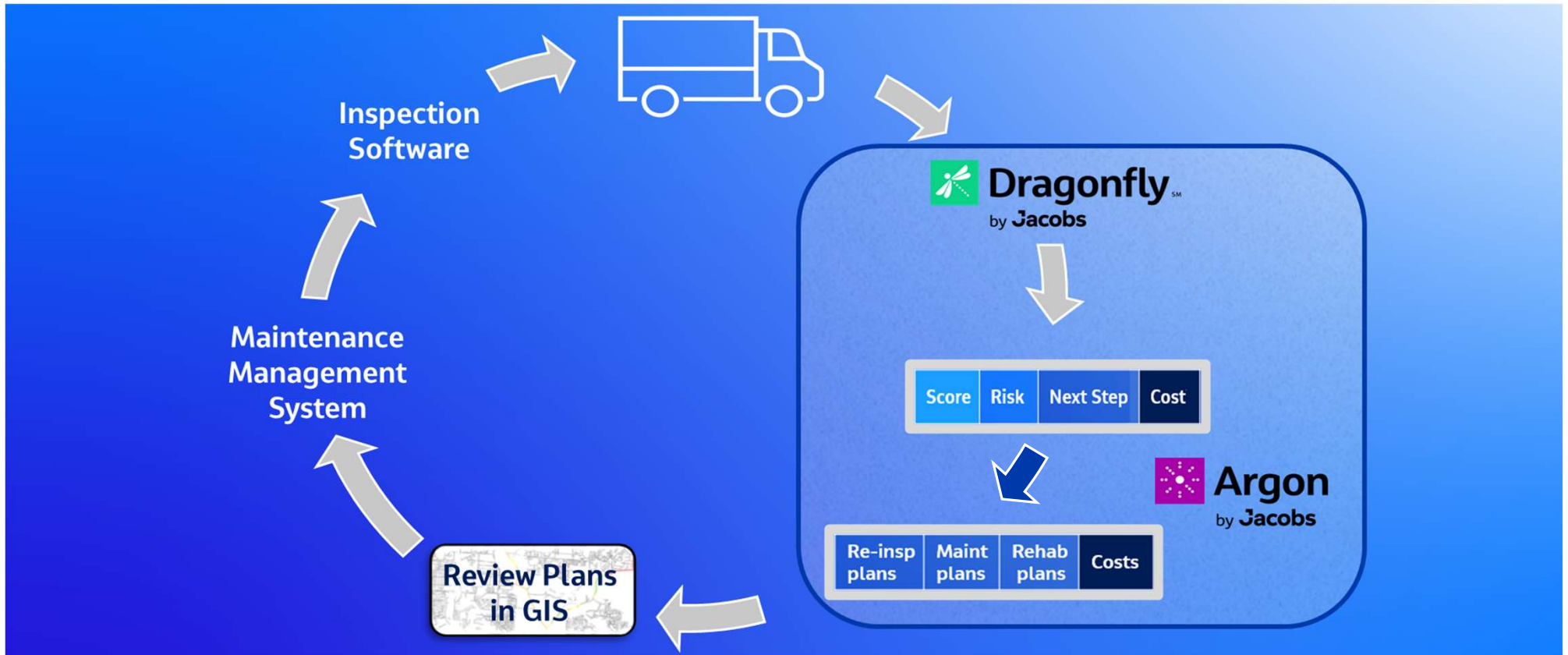


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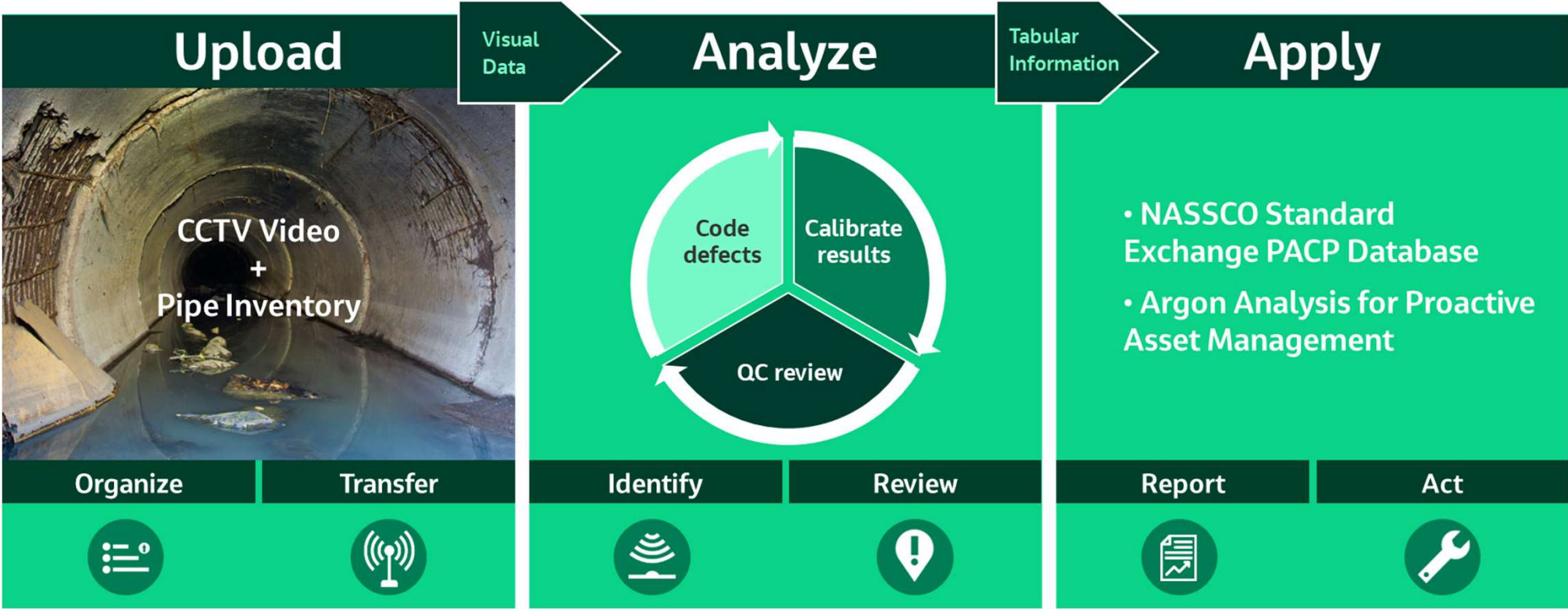
# Defects by Defect Family and Condition Grade (latest insp ONLY)



## Dragonfly and Argon in the Inspection to Work order cycle.



# Dragonfly works in 3 easy steps to transform raw data (CCTV inspection video) into the information engineers can use





# The Dragonfly steps



## Data Prep

**Organize**

- Video Files (.mpg, .mp4, .avi, .wmv, etc.)
- NASSCO Standard Exchange PACP Database or Jacobs-Provided Metadata inventory template

Prepare your videos and corresponding metadata.



## Create Request

The screenshot shows the Dragonfly login page on the left with fields for Email address and Password, and a Continue button. On the right is the Requests dashboard for 'Sample Client ABC', featuring a 'CREATE NEW' button, a search bar, and a table of requests.

ID	Request name	Created by	Created date	Videos
4	Sample Request 4	[redacted]	7/15/2022	15
3	Sample Request 3	[redacted]	7/15/2022	1
2	Sample Request 2	[redacted]	6/22/2022	10
1	Sample Request 1	[redacted]	6/22/2022	0

Dragonfly login credentials will be issued.

The screenshot shows the 'Create request' form on the left with a 'CREATE REQUEST' button. On the right is the 'Sample Request 5' details page, which includes a 'Video upload status' section with an 'UPLOAD VIDEOS' button.

Create a request and upload videos.

The screenshot shows an 'Upload videos' dialog box with '30 files' and an 'UPLOAD' button. On the right is the video upload progress page, showing a list of video files with 'Uploading' status and progress bars.

Once uploaded, analysis will begin!

# The Dragonfly steps

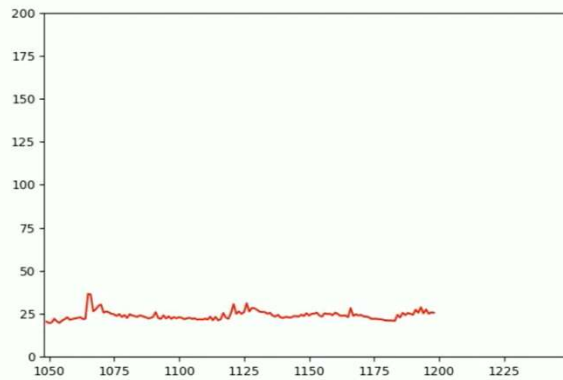


## Machine Analysis

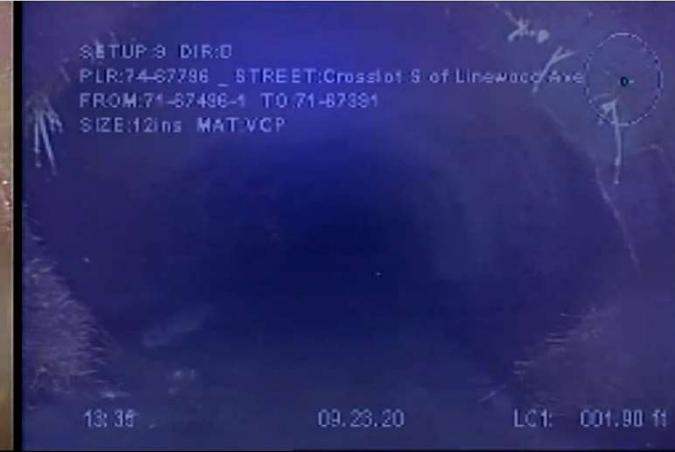
1. Original Inspection Video



2. Anomaly Threshold Algorithm



3. Defect Heatmap Algorithm



4. Defect Labeling





# The Dragonfly steps



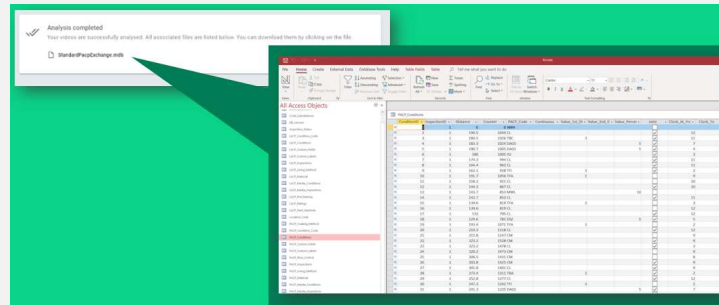
## QA/QC

Issue	INCP Code	Distance	Value	Clock	Just	Time
Accepted	AMM	8	-	12	False	02:00
Accepted	MM	1.4 → 2	30	-	False	01:47
Rejected	ISPH	37.4	-	11-12	True	02:25
Accepted	CL	29.7	-	12	False	02:37
Accepted	CL	42.8	-	11-12	True	02:40
Accepted	MM	45.8	30	-	False	02:41
Accepted	SM	52.2	8	9-10	True	02:50
Current defect	CL → PL	61.5	-	12	True	03:00
Accepted	CL	66.6	-	12	True	03:23
Accepted	PL	71.3	-	2	True	03:29
Accepted	SM	85.5	8	8-10	True	03:44
Accepted	HC	88.6	-	1-3	True	03:48
Accepted	MM	91.8	30	-	False	04:21
Accepted	SM	95.2	8	8-10	False	04:25

PACP certified (Jacobs GID India) technicians review and verify machine output.



## Dragonfly Complete



Dragonfly produces a NASSCO Standard Exchange PACP database.



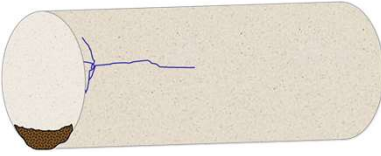
## Dragonfly to Argon



# Glimpse into some of Argon's Logic ...

Scoring by Material

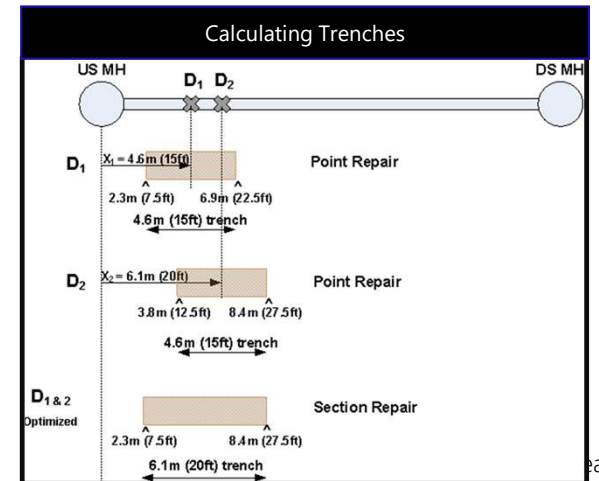
Example: hairline longitudinal crack



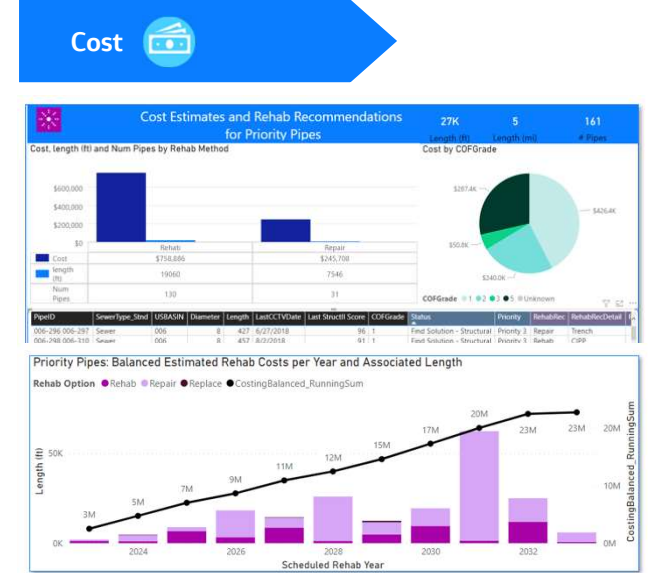
Material	Base Score	Max Score
Brick	5	25
CI	10	30
Clay	20	30
Concrete	5	25
DI	5	20
HDPE	10	30
PVC	10	30
SegBlock	10	30
Steel	5	20

Determine Next Steps					Structural Grade					
SewerType	Diam	LatestInspType	HighAccel	COFGrade	0	1	2	3	4	5
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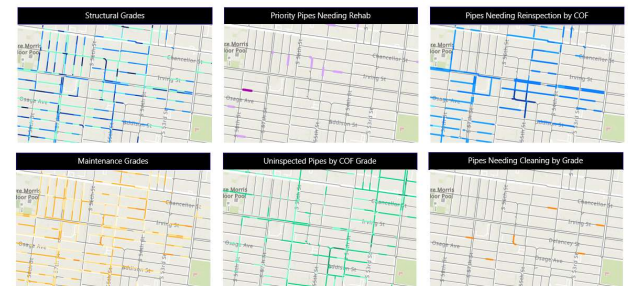
Only valid inspections are included



# Argon insights viewable/customizable by Client via Dragonfly system



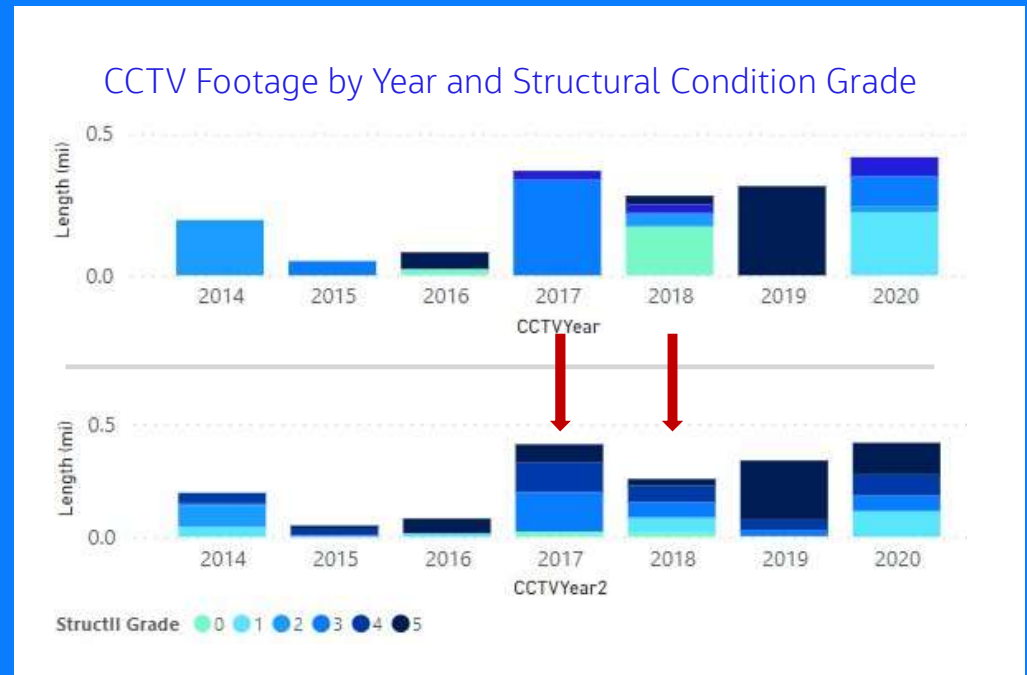
Integrate Argon results with GIS



# Dragonfly Case Study: City in Northeast US

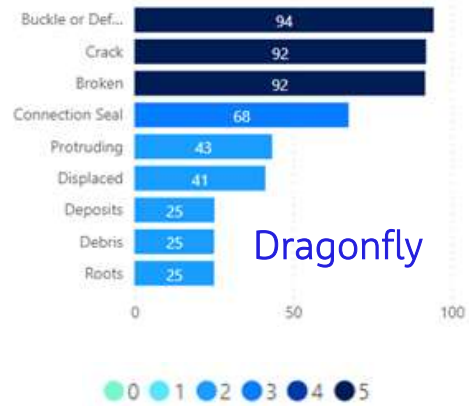
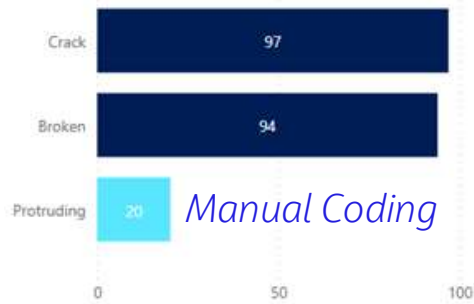
## Case Study: Side-by-Side Comparison

- Large USA municipal utility piloted Dragonfly and compared against 17,000LF of trusted, manually coded, legacy data
- **Dragonfly** identified important nuanced defects and overall pipe severity levels that were overlooked
- Client enabled to better optimize preventive maintenance and repair plans

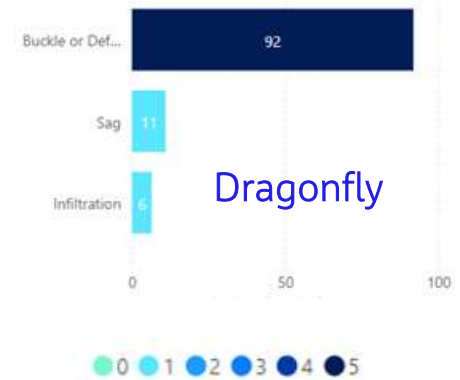
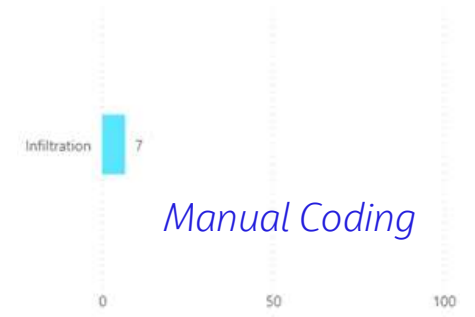


# Case Study Findings

## Case Study: 12-inch VCP



## Case Study: 10-inch CIPP Liner



# Dragonfly with Argon

## The Differentiated Value

### Accurate and Consistent

- Built by Jacobs engineers and Hitachi computer scientists
- Consistent and objective deliverables
- QA/QC by trained, certified personnel

### Efficient

- Handle your backlog with a streamlined one-stop solution
- No software install, no license fee, no proprietary output formats
- Pay-as-you-go, priced per linear foot

### Actionable Insights & Intelligence

- Create rehabilitation/maintenance plans and schedules
- Support proactive intervention
- Cost estimates for high level budgeting

### Trusted Support

EOO

- Backed by Jacobs' commitment to clients, and global water and digital expertise
- Driven by Hitachi's industry-leading advances in data science

## Additional Differentiators

- **No-risk service:** No software install, no license fee, no proprietary output formats – only pay for what you want, and its QC-backed by Jacobs.
- **Added value:** Argon insights are more than trend analysis. They provide reliable and optimized pre-engineering recommendations, schedules, and costs.
- **Fastest cloud speed:** Dragonfly lives in the cloud and will always have access to the fastest, most powerful computing clusters. You get your data faster.

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## What about insights into operations?

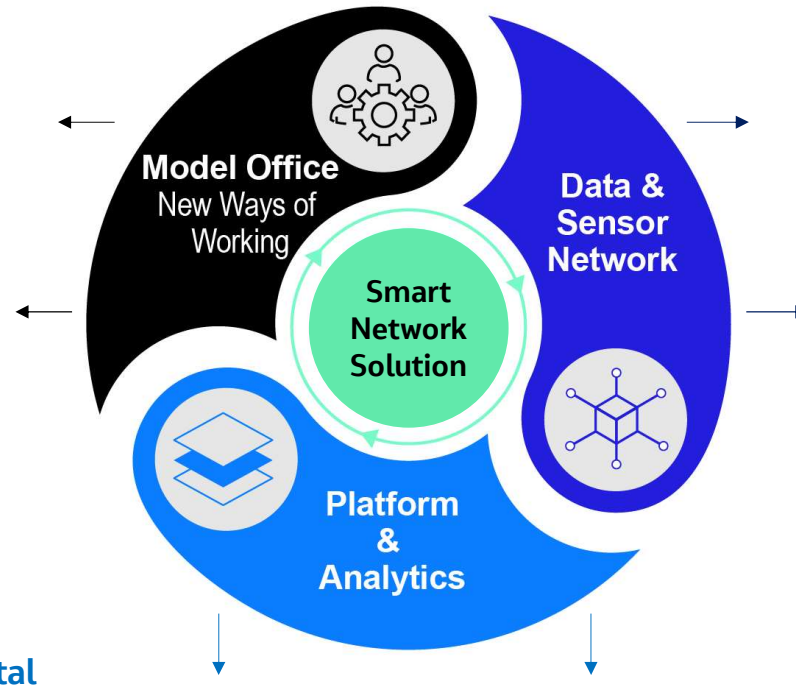
- Condition assessment & CIP are half the battle
- Most utilities are operating aging systems with high consequence of failure
- Many digital sensors/data capture tools have come into play in the last 10 years
- However, utilities only use about 10% of the data that they capture

How do you gain insights when you are inundated with data???

# New Ways of Working– Combining Digital with Domain

## High Value Advisory Domain

- Moving from Reactive to Proactive working practices
- Transformation from chasing problems to getting ahead of problems before they manifest
- Improving control and allocation of field resources



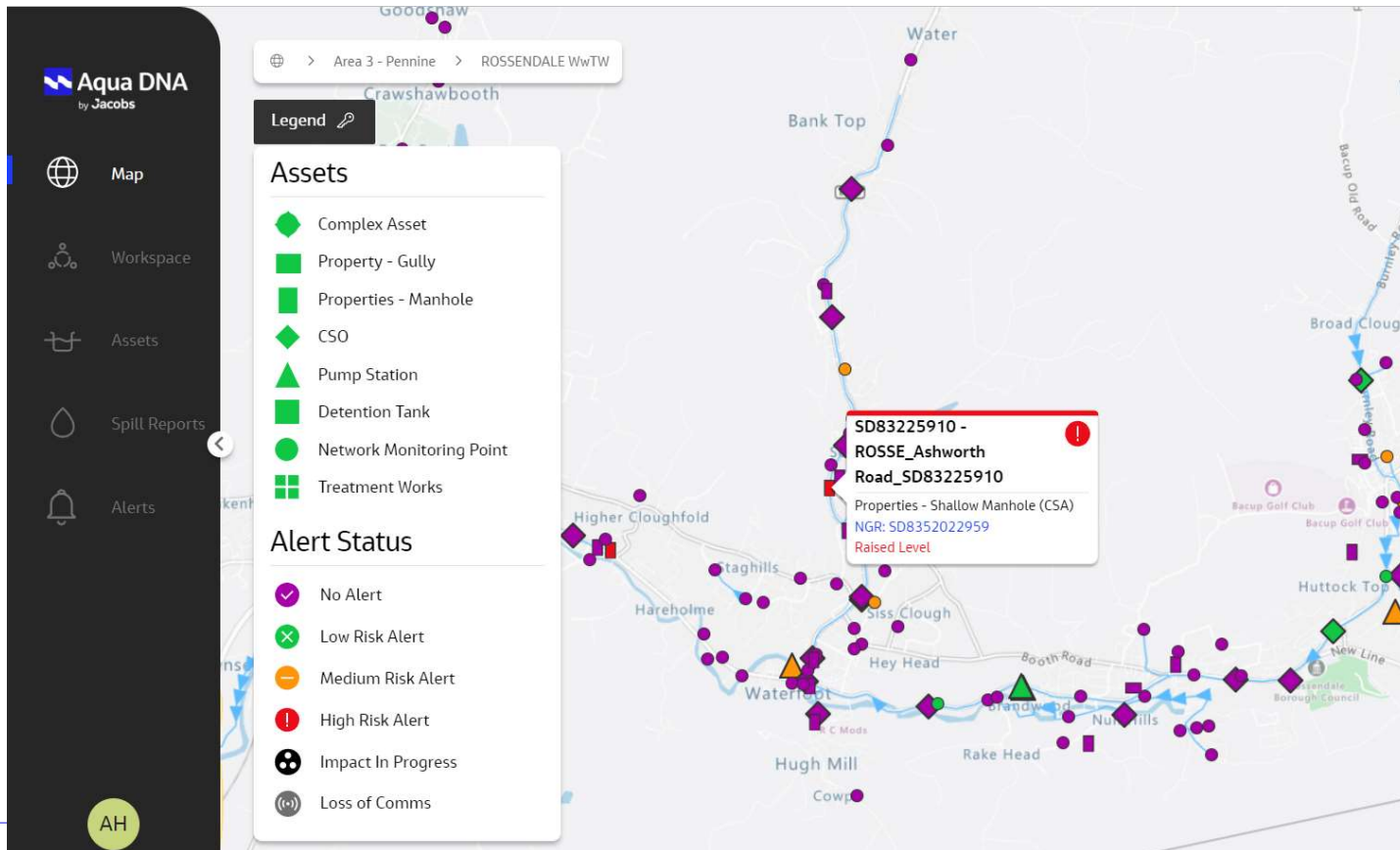
## Engineering Domain

- Harvest existing data – SCADA, telemetry and monitoring
- Monitor points of greatest risk or concern

## Digital

- Add value to monitoring data through applied analytics
- Learn behaviour of normal, safe operation
- Identify Emerging Issues, allowing a Response Window for correction

# Getting Ahead of the Problem: United Utilities in the UK



- Emerging Issues are risk ranked and priority action assigned to field teams
- Teams get ahead of the issue and prevent sewer problems impacting the customers or the environment

# United Utilities Outcomes

**+4,000**

Proactive  
Fixes

**13% ↓**

Sewer  
Blockages

**20% ↓**

Sewer  
Surcharge

**50% ↑**

Proactive vs  
Reactive

**37% ↓**

Customer  
Complaints

**25% ↓**

Lift Station  
Call Outs

Operational Benefit

Business Benefits

Reduced Operational Costs

Reduced/Avoided Capital Investment

Improved Environmental Performance

Customer Bill Impact Reduced

Asset Management Benefits

## City of Wilmington System Overview

Jacobs provide O&M services for wastewater treatment plant, combined sewer overflow facilities and Renewable Energy Biosolids Facility (REBF).

Collection system and WWTP details:

- 168 mgd maximum treatment design flow
- 340 mgd maximum in wet weather
- 41 CSOs
- 4 pump stations
- 3 Real time control (RTC) facilities with storage
- Approx. 375 miles of gravity sewer

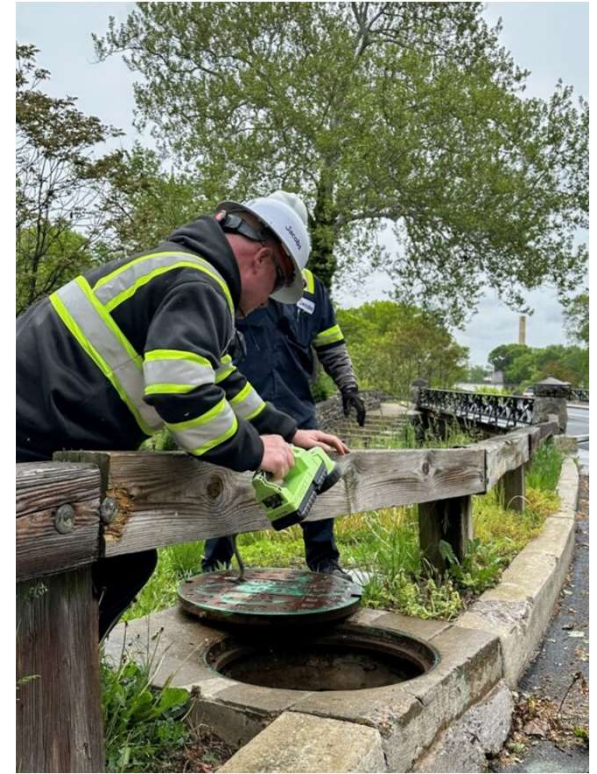




# City of Wilmington – CSO Management

## Existing Approach

- Field Crew visit all CSO sites 3-5 days a week, mainly to clear blockages;
- Dry-weather overflows can occur if blockage isn't cleared quickly enough;
- Client requesting a modernized approach to system maintenance that reduces risk

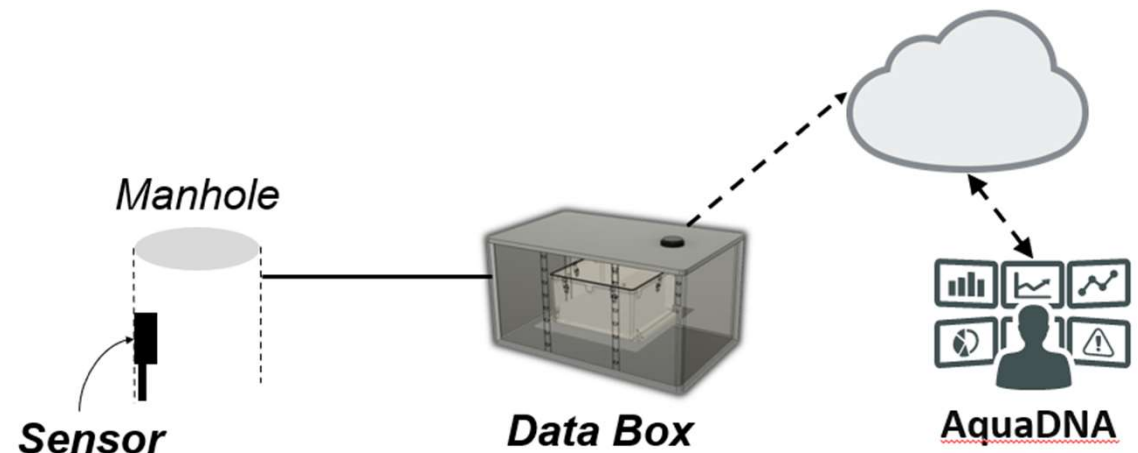




# Technology Solution to Modernize CSO Management

## New ways of working

- Cybersecurity is “baked in” with remote communications
- Level sensors installed at each CSO
- Crew gets text/email alerts if level is off-trend or sensor stops transmitting data
- Proactive maintenance
- Goal is zero dry-weather overflows in 2024



## Phase 1 – Alerts & Visualization

Alerts are configured for the following:

- Above baseline
- Dry-weather approaching overflow
- Dry-weather overflow warning
- Tidal correlation
- Sensor not responding

Wet weather alerts show on dashboard but are not sent via email/text (operator does not want 41 alerts during a rain event)

### High level alert – overflow occurring

A new alert at CSO-5 of type Overflow Warning, started at 2023-10-24 02:48 EDT.

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### Medium level alert – approaching overflow

A new alert at CSO-9A of type Approaching Overflow, started at 2023-10-25 20:00 EDT.

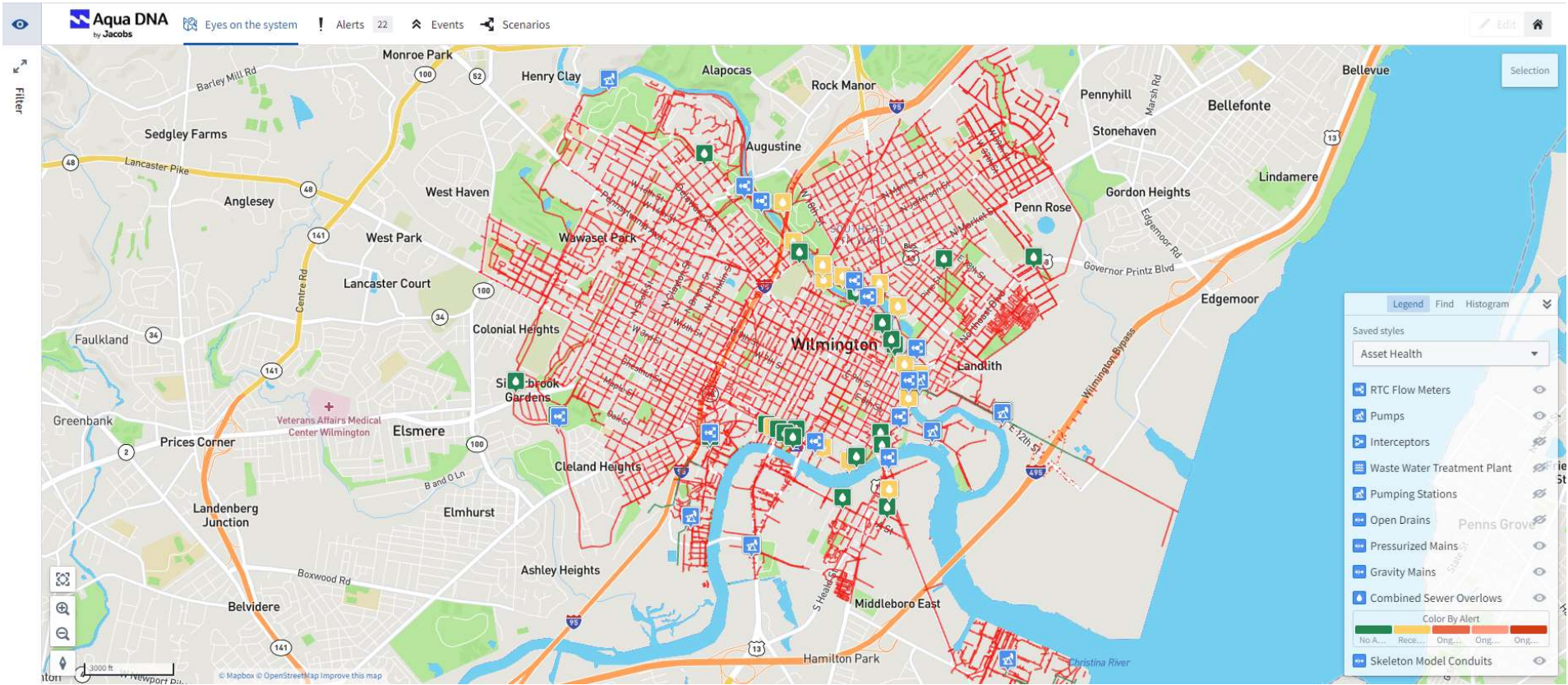
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### Low level alert – above baseline

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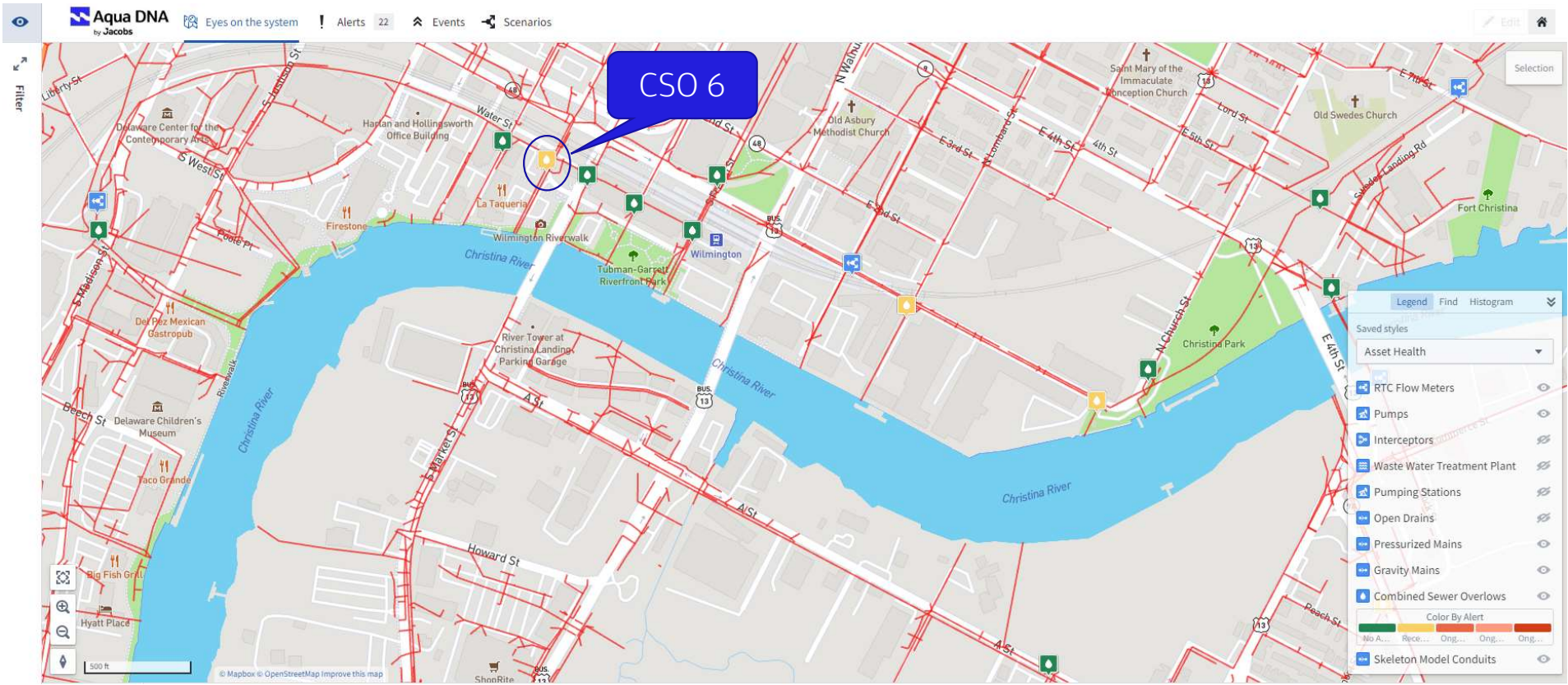
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# System Wide Real Time Monitoring



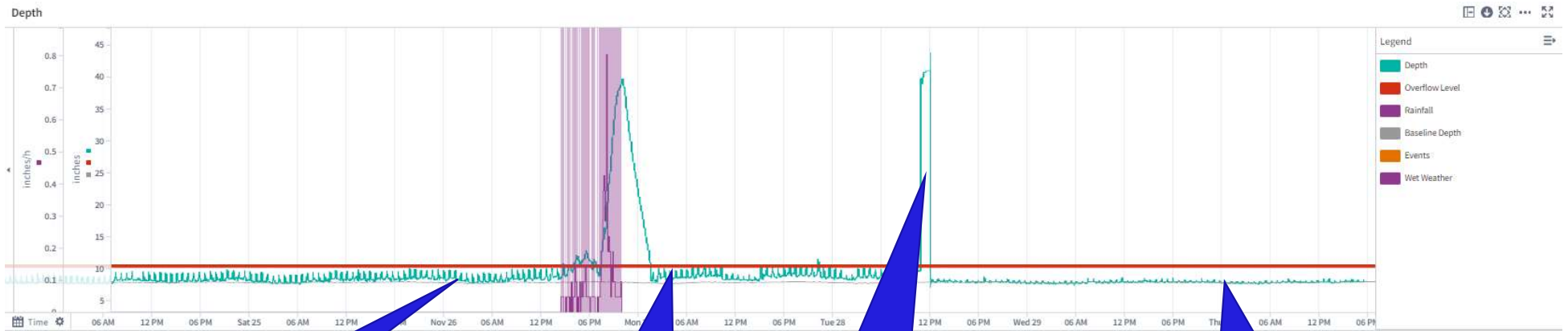


# Alert Prioritization



# Real Time CSO Performance & Risk Analysis

## CSO 6: One Week of Data



Level is slightly above baseline prior to rain event

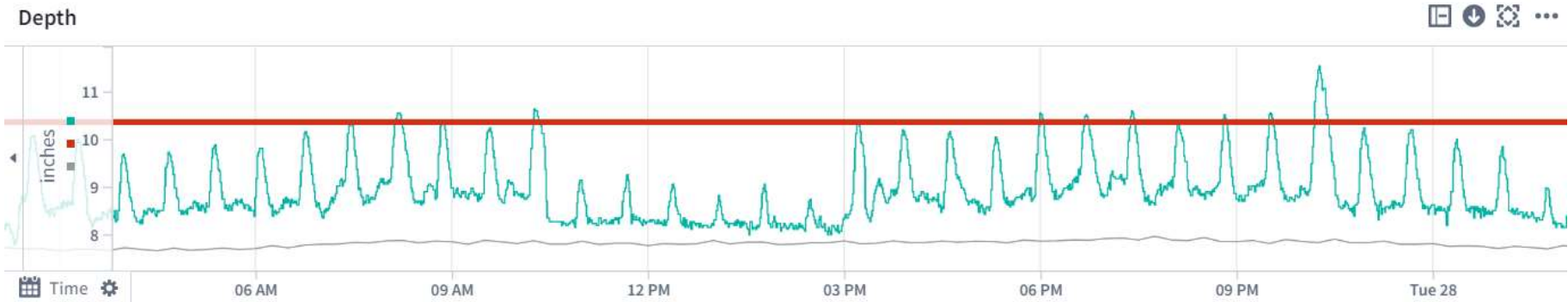
Level continued to increase following rain event

Jetting underway

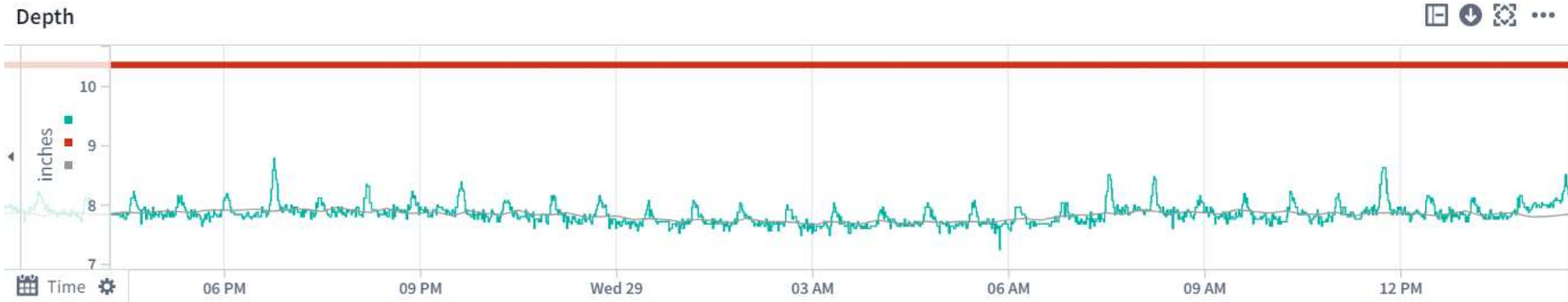
Back at baseline

# Real Time CSO Performance & Risk Analysis

## CSO 6: prior to jetting



## CSO 6: after jetting



## Summary and Conclusions

- Utilities are experiencing greater challenges that lead to using digital tools
- Condition assessment, asset management, and risk assessment in your collection system can be performed more efficiently with digital solutions
- Most utilities have more data than a human can ingest/visualize

*AI/ML tools can assist with visualizing data and providing insights into the condition and behavior of your collection system*



Thank you!  
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## Value Impact Potential of Dragonfly on 1,000LF of Sewer Video

Task	Task Duration	Cumulative Total Time
<b>FIELD CREWS</b>		
Mob/Recon/Setup	1-2 hr	1-2 hr
Cleaning	3 hr	4-5 hr
Drive the Robot	0.5 hr	4.5-5.5 hr
Data Coding	1.5-3.5 hr	6-8 hr
Extract/Demob	1 hr	7-9 hr
Robot Repairs	0.5-1 hr	7.5-10 hr
Data/Transfer	1 hr	8.5-11 hr
<b>OFFICE ENGINEERS</b>		
Import	0.5-1 hr	9-12 hr
QC Review Coding	2-3 hr	11-15 hr
Report	1 hr	12-16 hr

**Dragonfly could reduce 30-40% of the total time spent by humans doing sewer defect coding**