



Town of Tyrone – Stormwater News Update

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Recently, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act has made national and local news headlines. While the news often covers the need for certain infrastructure projects, like repairing bridges or re-building highways, this bill will also fund important projects you may not have read about, namely, stormwater infrastructure projects.

What is stormwater infrastructure?

Stormwater infrastructure consists of systems intended to capture rainwater (stormwater) runoff, drain it away from our streets, homes, and businesses, then release the runoff back into the natural environment.

Why are stormwater infrastructure projects important?

Failing stormwater infrastructure can cause flooding, sediment pollution and roadway safety concerns. While there are many reasons to improve stormwater infrastructure, the Town's top priority for selecting stormwater projects is protecting public safety.

Many municipalities', including our Town's, stormwater infrastructure is at least partially composed of corrugated metal pipe (CMP), which has an average lifespan of 25-30 years.

Sample photo – When should you replace a CMP?



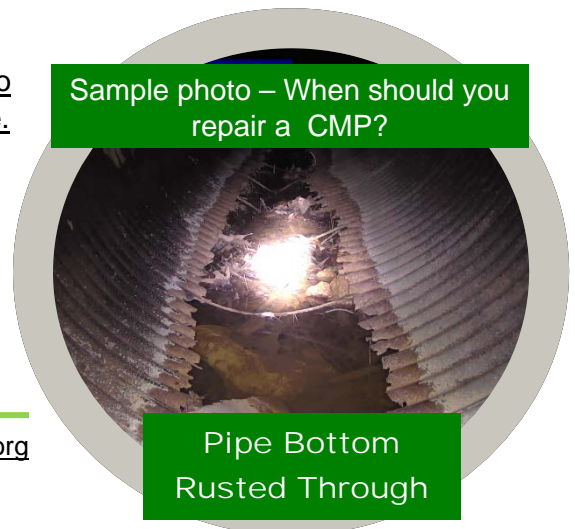
Collapsed Pipe

While CMP's lifespan can vary, there is a growing need to repair or replace this (often) invisible, aging infrastructure.

The sample photos illustrate issues associated with aging stormwater infrastructure.

To address the growing concern of aging stormwater infrastructure and identify important stormwater projects for funding, the Town routinely inspects Town-owned stormwater infrastructure.

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Pipe Bottom Rusted Through

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