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*Modeling Plan*

**South Genesee Combined Sewer  
Overflow Reduction Plan Project**

**Genesee Modeling Plan**

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# Acronyms

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AD	above datum, as in elevation in feet above datum
ADS	ADS Environmental
BMP	best management practice
BSF	base sanitary flow
CSO	combined sewer overflow
CSS	combined sewer system (equivalent to the 'PS' designation within SPU)
DWF	dry-weather flow
GIS	geographic information system
gpcd	gallons per capita per day
gpm	gallons per minute
H&H	hydraulics and hydrology
HGL	hydraulic grade line
KC	King County
LF	linear feet
LS	lift station
mgd	million gallons per day
MH	maintenance hole
MLLW	mean lower low water
NAD1983	North American Datum established in 1983
NAVD88	North American Vertical Datum established in 1988
NMC	Nine Minimum Control
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
PDP	Project Development Plan
PF	peaking factor
RDI/I	rainfall dependent inflow/infiltration
SCADA	supervisory control and data acquisition
SPU	Seattle Public Utilities

SW	stormwater
USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
WWTP	wastewater treatment plant

# Introduction

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This document summarizes Seattle Public Utilities' (SPU's) needs and goals for the hydraulic model of its combined sewer system (CSS) and the essential attributes of the model. The CSS conveys both domestic and stormwater flows. Within SPU, 'PS' is often used to differentiate the *public combined system* and is equivalent to the CSS reference in this modeling plan.



# 1.0 Project Background

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The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) administers the City of Seattle's (the City's) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for combined sewer overflow (CSO) outfalls. The City developed the Combined Sewer Overflow Reduction Plan Amendment in December 2001 and subsequently issued an amendment update in 2005, which outlines plans to comply with permit conditions. The City is required to abide with a compliance schedule designed to achieve the greatest reasonable reduction of CSOs at the earliest possible date. The City's goal is to reduce CSOs to the Washington State Regulation of an average of one untreated CSO per year per outfall by the year 2020. A review of Water Quality Standards is being performed by SPU's Water Quality Business Unit, which will provide input on how to meet Water Quality Standards.

The 2001 Plan describes a series of projects intended to comply with regulatory requirements through a mix of best management practices (BMPs), off-line storage, and structural modifications to existing facilities. The Genesee Basin was identified as one of the project areas and comprises eight sub-basins corresponding to CSO outfalls designated by NPDES Nos. 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 and 165. In 2006, sub-basins 38 and 39 were combined into a single outfall. The combined basin is now identified as basin 38.

Recent CSO reporting to Ecology and a review of historical CSO volumes from 1998 to 2007 indicate that CSO sub-basin 37 is controlled and sub-basins 38, 40, 41, 42, 43, and 165 are not controlled to Ecology standards. Controlled basins are defined as those that meet the one untreated CSO event per year. The 2005 Plan Amendment indicated an anticipated construction completion date of 2015 for the South Genesee CSO Storage Project. (See Figure 2 in Section 2.0, Modeling Goals and Objectives, for a map of the Genesee Basin.)

## 1.1 Problem

Based on historical overflow data, CSOs currently exceed one untreated discharge per year on average in Genesee Sub-basins 38, 40, 41, 42, 43, and 165.

## 1.2 Project Goal

The goal of SPU's South Genesee Combined Sewer Overflow Reduction Plan Project is to develop and evaluate alternatives that support the project objectives (see Section 1.3, Project Objectives) and reduce CSOs to the Washington State Regulation of an average of one untreated CSO per year per outfall by 2020.

## 1.3 Project Objectives

The project objectives include the following:

1. Submit a CSO reduction plan (engineering report) to the Ecology by December 31, 2010.
2. Develop a plan that is technically feasible and financially responsible.
3. Coordinate the CSO project with King County's (KC's) wastewater system.
4. Coordinate with affected communities and neighborhood groups.
5. Control odors to meet Puget Sound Clean Air Agency Standards.
6. Comply with Nine Minimum Control (NMC) CSO requirements for solid and floatable materials.
7. Implement a post-construction monitoring program to measure the effectiveness of the CSO controls and demonstrate the attainment of water quality standards.

To assist SPU in developing the CSO reduction strategies and facilities, the existing hydraulic model must be updated to reflect monitoring data collected from January 2008 through approximately June 2009 and refined to support the alternatives analysis for the eight Genesee sub-basins (i.e., 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, and 165). The updated comprehensive InfoWorks hydraulic model will be used to characterize the Genesee combined sewer system and CSO activity, aid in development of a long-term CSO control plan, and identify and prioritize capital improvements.

## 2.0 Modeling Goals and Objectives

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### 2.1 Characterize Existing System (Hydraulic and Hydrologic Performance)

The model will be used to evaluate hydraulic grade lines (water levels), velocities, and flow rates throughout the Genesee Basin under varying conditions based on historical precipitation and known boundary conditions. The model must address the following objectives:

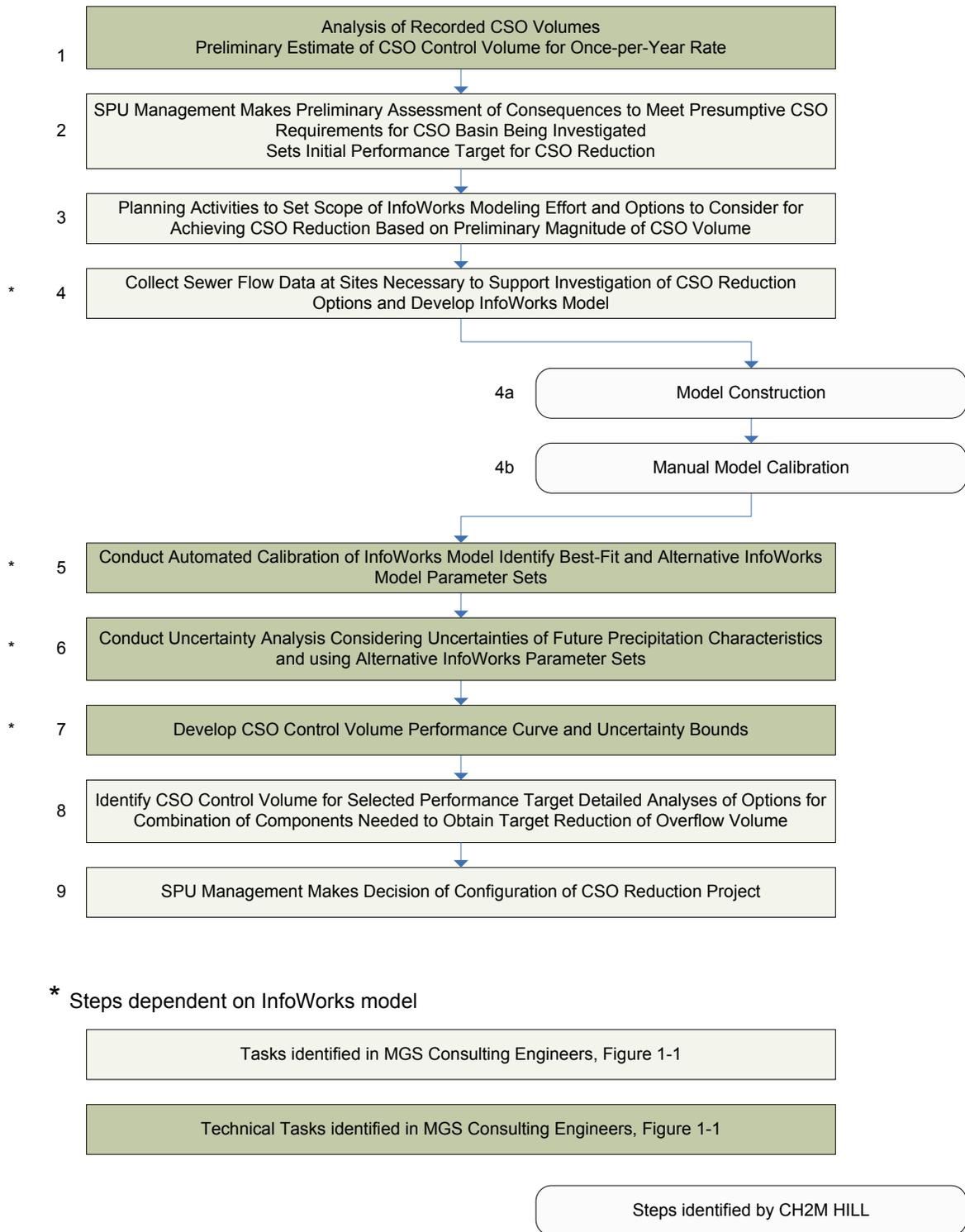
- Characterize the performance of the existing Genesee CSO diversion structures, outfall structures, storage facilities, conveyance pipes, and hydrobrakes
- Simulate SPU Lift Stations 5 and 6 and KC Rainier Avenue Lift Station
- Characterize the hydrologic performance of the basin
- Identify hydraulic capacity deficiencies within the basin
- Predict long-term simulation CSO frequency, volumes, and flow rates
- Provide for the evaluation of CSO reduction alternatives

SPU recognizes that a risk-based approach is needed to provide information to SPU decision-makers for evaluating options for sizing of control facilities to meet compliance targets with CSO reduction variability. As a result, the hydraulic model developed as part of the Genesee project will undergo several refinements, as summarized in Figure 1, with technical tasks highlighted in grey (derived from MGS Engineering Consultants Inc., Figure 1.1). The final hydraulic model will be used to apply probabilistic and risk-based methods for estimating the control volumes needed for reducing the frequency of CSOs.

### 2.2 Impacts on Downstream System

#### 2.2.1 Boundary of Model and Downstream Boundary Condition

As seen in Figure 2, all flow from Genesee Basin discharges into the KC Metro system through the South Charleston Street Trunk and Rainier Avenue Lift Station. From the Rainier Avenue Lift Station, flow is conveyed north along Rainier Avenue until it discharges to the South Hanford Street system. Because of the hydraulic connection with the KC system, the model and alternatives analysis must account for both the impacts by the KC system on the Genesee system and vice versa.



**FIGURE 1. GENESEE CSO REDUCTION PROJECT PROCESS RELYING ON INFOWORKS MODEL**

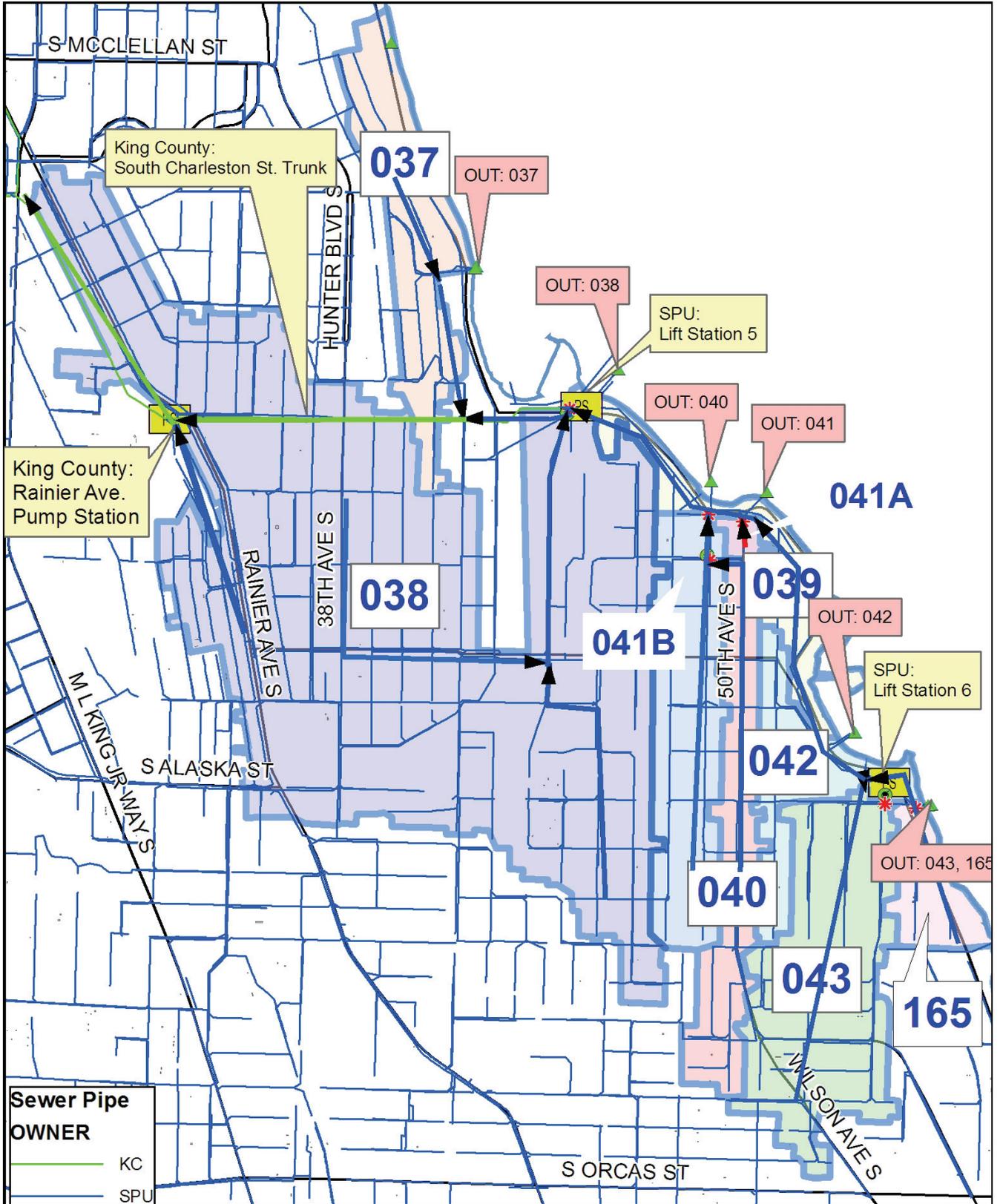


FIGURE 2. GENESEE BASIN AND KC FACILITIES

Developing accurate flow hydrographs from the KC Rainier Avenue Lift Station and CSO outfall discharges will be critical objectives of the model and used to estimate the impact on the downstream KC Metro system and receiving waters.

### 2.2.2. Downstream Boundary Constraints

The Genesee Basin discharges from lift station 5 into the KC Charleston Street Trunkline and the KC Rainier Avenue lift station. The downstream conditions in the KC system may affect the hydraulic performance in the Genesee Basin and must be incorporated into the model. Coordination with KC to identify the downstream conditions will be included in the model.

## 2.3 Identification of Alternatives to Reduce CSOs

### 2.3.1 Presumptive Approach

Ecology’s requirement is up to one untreated discharge event per year per CSO outfall, on average. It has been presumed that satisfying the Ecology untreated CSO discharge frequency will meet the water quality standards.

### 2.3.2 Types of Alternatives to be Evaluated

Table 1 summarizes the types of alternatives that may be evaluated for the project. The list will be finalized as the model is calibrated and the uncertainty analysis process is completed.

**TABLE 1. GENESEE CSO CONTROL CONCEPTUAL OPTIONS**

CSO Control Options	Specific Conceptual CSO Control Option
<b>Conveyance System</b>	I/I removal  Passive or active controls (i.e. - Real Time Control or RTC)  Increased maintenance cycles  Increased conveyance capacity  Sewer Separation  Inter-basin and intra-basin (SPU) flow transfer
<b>Demand Management</b>	Diversion of stormwater away from combined sewer within public right-of-way, including low impact development practices  Diversion of stormwater away from combined sewer on private property, including low impact development practices
<b>Storage</b>	In-line storage  Off-line storage
<b>KC CSO Treatment</b>	CSO flow transfer to KC sewer system

**TABLE 1. GENESEE CSO CONTROL CONCEPTUAL OPTIONS**

<b>CSO Control Options</b>	<b>Specific Conceptual CSO Control Option</b>
	CSO flow transfer directly to KC CSO Treatment Plant
<b>SPU CSO Treatment</b>	CSO Treatment (CSO discharges only) Joint CSO/Stormwater Treatment (Basin #38 only)

Throughout the project phases (calibration, uncertainty analysis, and alternatives evaluation), opportunities for retrofit will be targeted and communicated to the project team for consideration.



# 3.0 Data and Documentation

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## 3.1 Sources of Information

The Genesee hydraulic model requires the compilation of data from multiple data sources from multiple agencies. In general, SPU’s geographic information system (GIS), as-builts, and record drawings, supplemented with survey and field investigations, will be used to develop the system information in the hydraulic model. Flow monitoring and supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) data will be used for flow inputs, and lake level information will be used for boundary conditions. Precipitation data will be obtained from the network of rain gauges maintained by SPU. Table 2 lists the general data needed for the Genesee model and the sources of the data.

**TABLE 2. GENERAL DATA NEEDS OF THE GENESEE MODEL**

<b>Data</b>	<b>GIS</b>	<b>Flow Monitoring</b>	<b>As-builts/ Record Drawings</b>	<b>Field Observation/ Measurement</b>
Sewer flows	X	X		X
Pumps				X
Weir dimensions			X	X
Hydrobrakes		X		
Boundary conditions (Lake Washington, KC system)				X
Invert elevations of sewer pipes	X		X	
Ground elevations	X		X	
Connectivity, size and length of sewers	X		X	
Sewer types (material and shape)	X		X	
Precipitation				X
Condition of sewers				X

## 3.2 Metadata

The Genesee model will be developed from a wide variety of sources. Metadata is information about the data and usually includes information such as the data source, field names and data codes, and horizontal and vertical projections. Below are sources of metadata that CH2M HILL anticipates will be used in the project.

- <http://www.ci.seattle.wa.us/GIS/docs/availdata.htm#property> (Source: City of Seattle GIS listing available datasets)
- "Geoguide" (Source: City of Seattle for detailed metadata for each feature provided by SPU/City of Seattle)

The final list of metadata used will be presented in the project's final Hydraulics and Hydrology (H&H) Report.

Anticipated data sources include SPU's GIS, aerials, topographic/contour, as-builts, field surveys, sewer cards, publicly available information (websites), previous studies and models, and engineering and operations and maintenance personnel. Much of the data used in the model will be derived from a combination of multiple sources (e.g., per capita flow loading will be derived from flow monitoring and population data). Table 3 is a proposed list of user-defined flags that denote sources of data. As the project progresses, the user-defined flags will be adjusted and the final list will be presented in the project's final H&H Report.

**TABLE 3. INITIAL USER DEFINED FLAGS IN 2008 GENESEE MODEL**

Name	Description
G	GIS
IN	Interpolated
S	Survey
AB	As-built
RD	Record Drawing
SC	Sewer Card
AS	Assumed
KC	KC
FO	Field observation
DM	Developed for Model

Figure 3 shows the defined flags in the 2006 Genesee Model. CH2M HILL will use a similar method to document the various sources and pertinent information.

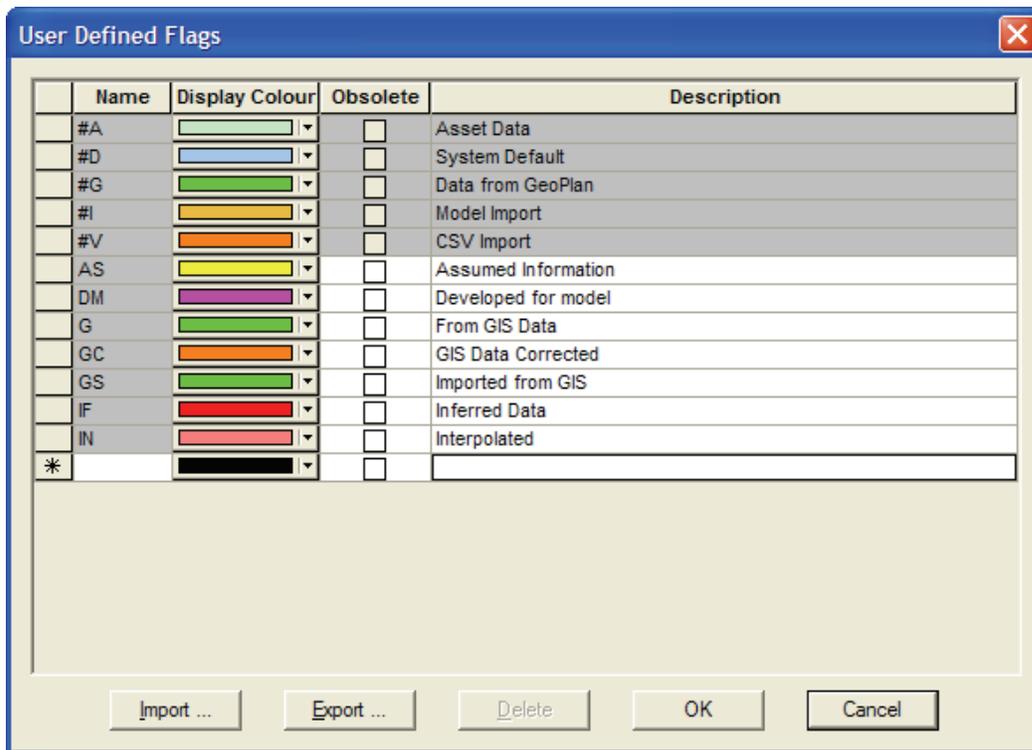


FIGURE 3. USER DEFINED FLAGS USED IN THE 2006 INFOWORKS GENESEE MODEL

### 3.3 Model Documentation

As the model is developed, model documentation will be a critical aspect of the project. The objective of model documentation will be to record the assumptions made in developing the model. To meet this objective, CH2M HILL will keep a log book to document data sources, assumptions, methodology, and decisions. As each phase of the model development (e.g., calibration) is completed, a draft chapter documenting the work will be prepared and reviewed with SPU. At each monthly review meeting, or more frequently, as appropriate, decisions needed for the project will be reviewed and documented.

In addition, the 'Notes tab' available in the model properties information window will be used to document site specific adjustments, assumptions, etc.

Also, the project's final H&H Report will document the model development. The following chapters are anticipated:

- Introduction
- Model Construction
- Calibration/Validation
- Existing Conditions Assessment (Uncertainty)
- Performance Curves
- Modeling Approaches for CSO alternatives (appendix)



# 4.0 Review of Past Modeling and Monitoring and Gap Analysis

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## 4.1 Previous Modeling

In 2001, Earth Tech, Inc., released the “Sewerage System Modeling and Assessment Project – Basin Group C Model Development Report,” which addressed the operation of combined/sanitary sewer facilities that were modeled in the City’s CSO Plan Amendment. The report described the methodology used in the development of the computer models and the documented simulation results. The report focused on the modeling of Basins 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, and 165 within the Genesee Basin. The model was calibrated from flow monitoring data collected between February and April 2000, with the exception of Basin 43, which was calibrated for the period of November 7 through November 28, 1999.

EarthTech updated the model in the summer of 2006 and tried to further calibrate the model with raw data collected from September 2004 to January 2006. An updated modeling report was provided. Additional flow data was collected at 17 locations in Genesee from 2006 to 2007 and reviewed by SPU personnel for data quality and completeness. The period of record appears to contain data from Geotivity, ISCO, and ADS Environmental (ADS) monitoring equipment. Using the same period, CH2M HILL evaluated the data to determine if the data were sufficient to calibrate and verify the expanded hydraulic model. As presented to SPU in August 2007, the data were determined to be insufficient to meet the project needs because of lack of quality data during storm events.

Since 1998, there has been permanent monitoring at the basin outfalls, consisting primarily of depth measurements. These data were used to provide information regarding CSO frequency.

SPU has maintained a network of rain gages since 1978. One of these existing gages is located in the Genesee Basin and will be used to provide the needed precipitation data for the Genesee CSO Reduction Project.

Recognizing the significant influence the KC Rainier Avenue Lift Station has on the Genesee Basin, SPU tasked CH2M HILL with expanding the existing InfoWorks model to include basins 37 and 38, as well as the Rainier Avenue Lift Station.

## 4.2 Gap Analysis Results

To determine the extent of information needed to develop the updated model and to evaluate CSO control alternatives, a review of the existing model and available data was completed and is summarized as follows:

- The physical connectivity (pipes and nodes) in the existing model of basins 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, and 165 closely correlates to the GIS and is generally sufficient to meet the project objectives.
- The GIS contains adequate data in basins 37 and 38 to expand the model without the need of extensive surveying. Data gaps can be filled through interpolation (to be documented in the model as “interpolated” using data flags).
- Updated data for SPU’s lift stations 5 and 6 and Rainier Avenue lift station were needed. Drawdown tests were conducted at the SPU lift station 5 and 6 in June 2007 to verify capacity. For the KC Rainier Avenue Lift Station, the SCADA data will be the basis for lift station capacity.
- SPU SCADA data are available. Flow monitors exist upstream and downstream of the lift stations, and in combination with the 2007 drawdown tests, sufficient data exist to model the lift stations.
- A review of available flow monitoring data in August 2007 determined that there was insufficient monitoring to support hydraulic modeling on basins upstream of the CSO outfalls, and that the general hydrology of the basin models needed to be improved for the purposes of this project. From January 2008 through approximately June 2009, 19 temporary monitors will be installed and maintained to obtain water level and velocity information at sites that support simulating the hydrobrakes, detention facilities, and hydraulic loading upstream in the Genesee Basin. One additional monitor was installed in a stormwater drainage line. These monitors complement the eight permanent monitors installed for NPDES reporting.
- Model catchments and loadpoints will need to be adjusted to reflect the flow monitoring data collected from January 2008 to approximately June 2009. This will result in adjusted impervious and pervious areas for each catchment. GIS sewer system, drainage system catchment areas, digital terrain model, and landuse shapefiles will be the basis for delineating the new sewer catchments.
- The CSO diversion structure configurations need to be updated. ADS performed site assessments during the installation of permanent monitors in 2007, and their measurements will be the basis for data needed to model the overflow weirs. Additional surveys are needed, in particular, for the weirs near LS5.
- In reviewing the previous monitoring data, it is difficult to confirm the reported CSO overflow volumes, due to questionable data sets and incorrect empirical weir formulas. After correcting the weir equations, there is still uncertainty in the current calculations being used to predict the overflow volumes. This uncertainty is due to the general monitoring environment and structure configurations within each of the CSO monitoring sites.

- KC SCADA data are available at the Rainier Avenue Lift Station. These data will be compared to available drawdown tests, but information from KC indicates that the “Total Flow” tagged data are the best source of flow data through the station.

As model development occurs, additional gap analyses will be conducted and summarized in the final H&H Report.



# 5.0 Flow Monitoring

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## 5.1 Monitoring Program

As noted in the Gap Analysis, a review of the available flow monitoring data resulted in the need to install additional monitors in the Genesee Basin. In December 2007 and January 2008, 19 temporary monitors were installed in the Genesee system to supplement flow monitoring data from 8 permanent monitors installed at the Genesee CSO outfalls. In addition, there are 3 existing flow monitors installed for the SPU Rain Catcher Program and 1 KC flow monitor installed just upstream of the Rainier Avenue lift station. Each of the above monitors will be used in the model development. An additional monitor was installed in February 2008 in the stormwater drainage system at MH 059-191 in the Genesee Basin. This monitor was installed to characterize flow from an area adjacent to a CSO outfall to support developing possible CSO and storm water treatment alternatives.

The temporary meters will be in place through approximately June 2009. The objective of the flow monitoring program is to adequately and accurately characterize the performance of the combined sewer system and existing facilities before, during, and after storm events. The monitors were located to characterize the hydrologic response and to develop sanitary flow loading within individual monitoring sub-basins, as well as the operation and performance of significant facilities (e.g., hydrobrakes, inline and offline storage, CSO regulator structures). There will be inherent error in the flow monitoring data due to the complexity of monitoring an urban collection system, meter inaccuracy and drift, etc. However, these errors are acknowledged and will be incorporated into the uncertainty analysis.

In addition, SPU improved the monitoring at each of the Genesee CSO outfalls in mid 2008. Additional information is available in the S. Genesee Flow Monitoring Quality Assurance Project Plan.

## 5.2 Monitoring Basin Delineation

Each monitor is located in the most downstream manhole within a *flow monitoring basin*. The delineation of the flow monitoring basins was completed as part of the monitoring program in early 2008. Delineation of the flow monitoring basins was based on topology and CSS pipe network configuration and will be used to determine per capita flows and loading in the model.

Figure 4 shows the delineation of the flow monitoring basins.

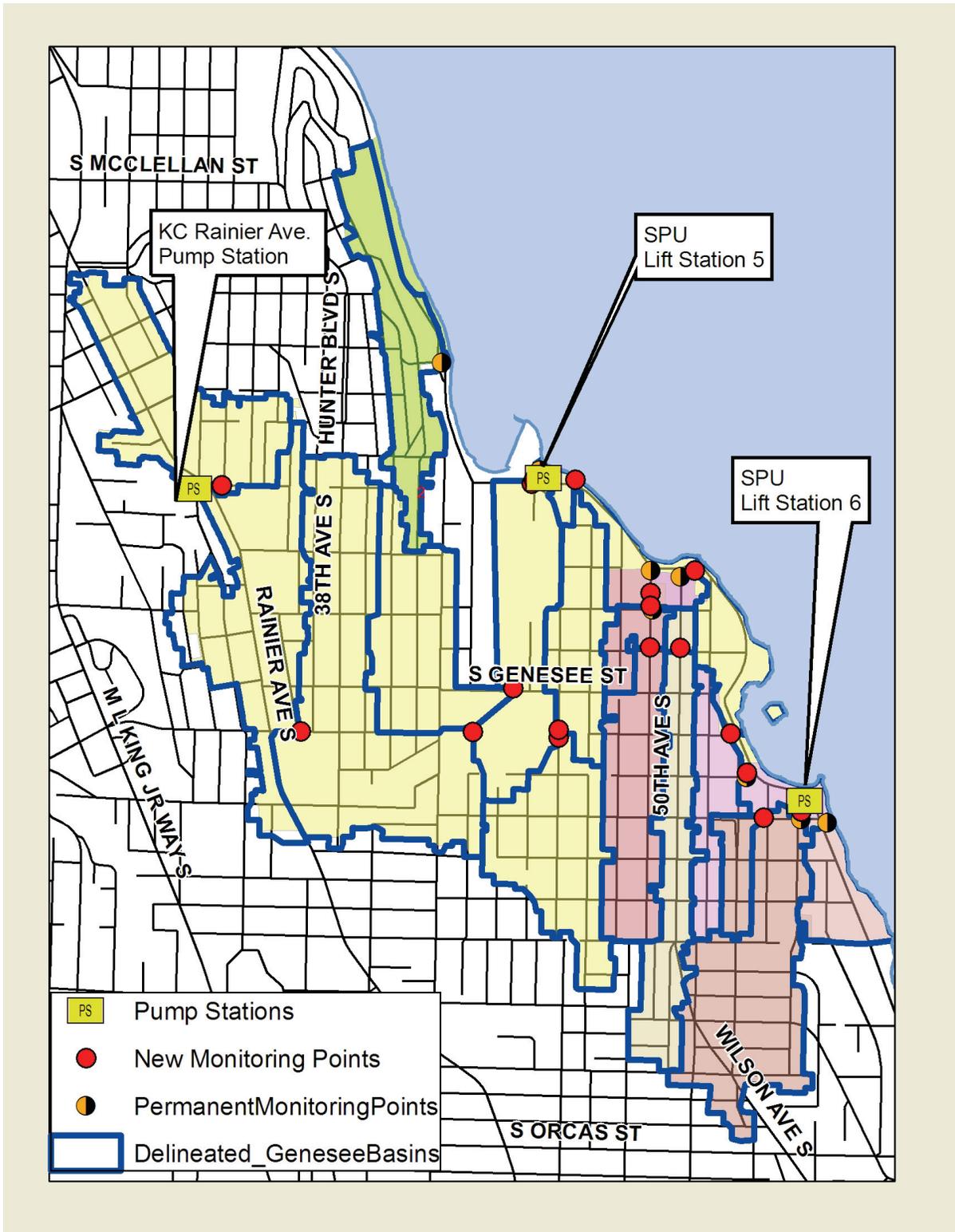


FIGURE 4. MONITORING BASINS

# 6.0 Model Development

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This section details the models, data requirements and sources, boundary conditions.

## 6.1 Modeling Platform

The modeling platform of the Genesee model is InfoWorks CS version 9 – the current standard H&H modeling platform for CSO planning projects for SPU.

## 6.2 Horizontal and Vertical Datums

### 6.2.1 Horizontal and Vertical Datums

The datums of the hydraulic model are consistent with SPU’s GIS:

- Horizontal: NAD\_1983\_HARN\_StatePlane\_Washington\_North\_FIPS\_4601\_Feet
- Vertical: NAVD88-North American Vertical Datum of 1988

Many of the as-built drawings used in the model development are based on City of Seattle Vertical Datum. To convert to the NAVD88 used in the model, the general conversion number of 9.7 feet will be added to each elevation referenced in the drawings, unless otherwise specified on the drawing.

## 6.3 Data Sources and Data Filling

### 6.3.1 Hierarchy of Data Sources

There are multiple data sources that will be compiled for the Genesee model, each with varying degrees of accuracy. The following is the hierarchy of data accuracy used for the system information in the Genesee model:

1. Survey
2. As-built
3. GIS
4. Sewer card
5. Interpolated
6. Inferred/assumed

### 6.3.2 Data Filling and Documentation

The model will be developed primarily from the GIS, but superceded by survey and as-built information. After the extent of the model is established, initial reviews of the system of available system data will be incorporated into the model and pipe profiles will be reviewed. GIS will generally contain the necessary information; however, in some instances missing data will be identified. In most instances, interpolation will fill the data gaps. As the

model is developed and areas requiring greater accuracy are identified, data for these areas will be obtained through field surveys.

As discussed in the Model Documentation section, user-defined flags will be used to denote data sources, including those data fields populated through interpolation. Figure 5 shows an example of where CH2M HILL will apply the 'assumed' and 'interpolated' flags.

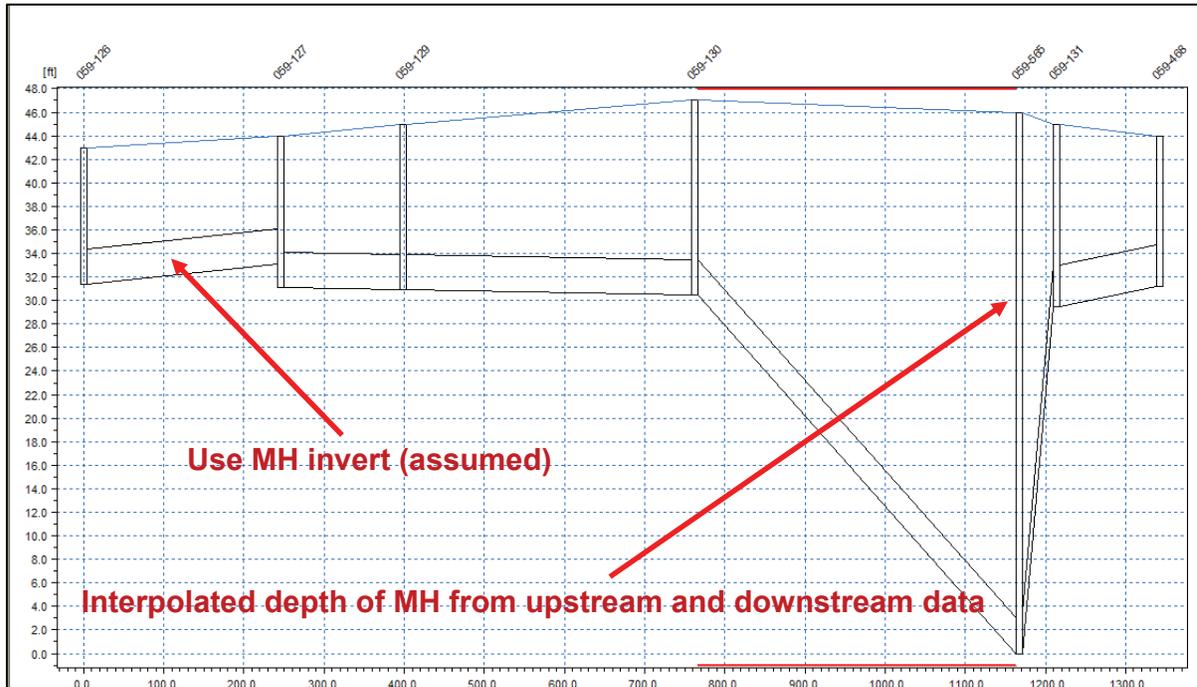


FIGURE 5. EXAMPLE OF DATA FLAGS TO DOCUMENT SYSTEM REVIEW

## 6.4 Boundary Conditions

### 6.4.1 Lake Level

Lake Washington lake levels will be a boundary condition in the node affecting the hydraulics at each of the Genesee Basin CSO outfalls. Lake Washington lake levels fluctuate on a yearly cycle controlled by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) at the Chittenden Locks. Lake levels are available from the USACE Seattle District of the Water Management Section based on the mean lower low water (MLLW) USACE Locks Datum, which is 3.25 feet below the NAVD 88 (3.25 feet is subtracted from the *MLLW Locks Datum* elevation). Time series lake level data are available for the monitoring period (2008), as well as the historical record from 1978 (needed for the uncertainty analysis).

### 6.4.2 Model Outfall

Flows from the entire Genesee Basin are conveyed through the Rainier Avenue Lift Station. The station controls flow between the Genesee Basin and KC's regional conveyance system. SCADA data from KC for the Rainier Avenue Lift Station have been collected, and initial reviews indicate that the data can be used to develop a flow-head (Q-H) relationship for the

model. The Rainier Avenue Lift Station pumps flow through an 18-inch force main to maintenance hole (MH) 059-445, where it joins a 60-inch SPU gravity pipe from the south and flows into a 66-inch KC gravity pipe along Rainier Avenue. The SCADA data reflect the downstream impacts. For this reason, the model outfall will be modeled as a “free outfall” with the peak capacity of the Rainier Avenue Lift Station based on the SCADA data. CH2M HILL proposes that the outfall of the model be MH058-190 near S. Estelle Street and Rainier Ave. The maintenance hole has an invert elevation of 37.1 feet, and the upstream pipe has a 66-inch diameter. The outfall water elevation will be set at 36 feet, simulating the free outfall. Impacts to the downstream system will be determined by the flow from the Rainier Avenue Lift Station.

## 6.5 Models

The Genesee model includes combined and partially separated sewer systems. The comprehensive model is organized into three model types, as described below:

- Hydraulic conveyance system model to simulate the combined and sanitary sewer system pipes and route the runoff and inflow from the hydrologic and dry-weather models
- A hydrologic runoff model to simulate wet-weather flows in the system.
- A dry-weather flow model to simulate sanitary inflows from residential, commercial, and industrial users and groundwater infiltration.

Each is discussed below.

### 6.5.1 Model Hydraulics

#### 6.5.1.1 Extent of Modeled Pipes

The project team anticipates the sewer system model consisting of all pipes in combined or separated areas that convey wastewater – all pipes 8-inches and greater (this criterion excludes the service laterals to each parcel from being in the model). The model will not be a “skeletonized” or other macro-scale model. To determine the extent of the modeled system, CH2M HILL will use the GIS as the primary source of information. Pipe information (in particular, probable flow, permitted flow, system type, nodes, building footprints, and topography) will be referenced.

Figure 6 shows the extent of the Genesee hydraulic model.

As model development of the combined sewer system occurs, the project team may elect to delineate catchments for hydraulic loading to the stormwater drainage network and to connect catchment loads to the appropriate inlet or catchbasin. Delineating catchments and associated loadpoints for both the sewer system and stormwater drainage system will optimize use of the data. Although not part of the Genesee CSO project, this approach compiles the data needed for future modeling of the storm water drainage system.

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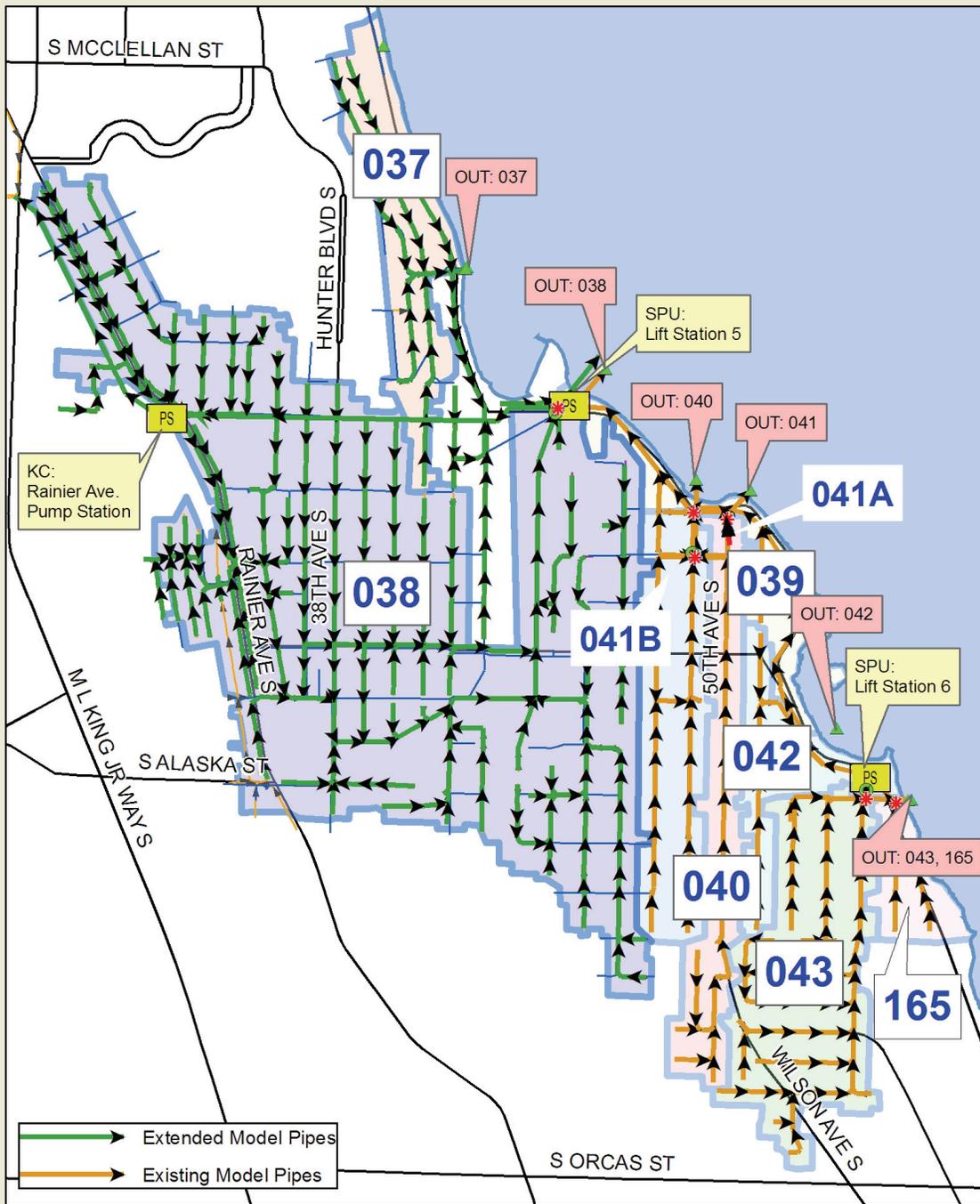


FIGURE 6. EXTENT OF GENESEE HYDRAULIC MODEL

### 6.5.1.2 System Information

The sewer system in InfoWorks is represented as a series of nodes that are connected by links. Inflows to the system are introduced at selected nodes throughout the system. In the model, nodes represent maintenance holes, blind connections, lift station wet wells, and outfalls. Links convey flow through the system. In the model, links represent pipes and force mains. In addition, flow can pass between nodes through pumps, weirs, orifices, sluice gates, and flap gates. This section outlines the construction of the InfoWorks hydraulic model according to the major components:

- Links
- Nodes
- Pumps
- Weirs
- Detention systems
- Hydrobrakes
- Valves

#### 6.5.1.2.1 Links

Links represent the sewers and force mains modeled in InfoWorks. A link is defined as a straight line passing flow between two nodes (upstream node to downstream node). Links can be standard shapes (e.g., circular, egg, square) or user-defined shapes for irregular pipes, but for the Genesee model, each pipe will be assumed to be circular, based on GIS data. Link locations are defined by their upstream and downstream node names. Links in the model are selected based on connectivity to the sewer system.

Table 4 presents the types of data required to define links in InfoWorks.

**TABLE 4. INFOWORKS DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR LINKS**

Description	Units	Sample Data	Data Source
Upstream Node ID		046E-090	GIS
Downstream Node ID		059-072	GIS
System Type		Combined	GIS
Asset ID		046E-090 059-072	GIS
(Pipe) Length	ft	325.0	GIS
(Pipe) Shape		CIRC	GIS
(Pipe) Width	in	8.0	GIS
(Pipe) Height	in	8.0	GIS
(Pipe) Roughness		0.013	Field observation
Upstream Invert Level	ft AD <sub>1</sub>	87.800	GIS
Downstream Invert Level	ft AD <sub>1</sub>	86.600	GIS

<sup>1</sup> ft AD = feet above NAVD88-North American Vertical Datum of 1988 datum

Special structures such as weirs, pumps, hydrobrakes, etc., are modeled as links in InfoWorks. To be consistent with SPU's modeling standards and guidelines, a dummy node and a link will be inserted to model the special structure. Coordination will be required between the model and SPU's GIS for the unique link ID.

The project includes soliciting input from SPU operations and maintenance personnel to incorporate anecdotal information, including areas of sedimentation, heavy root intrusion, misaligned pipe, or other conditions that will greatly affect the hydraulic capacity of the system. In such instances, the approach will be to increase the roughness coefficient and, if warranted, specific cross sections will be developed that reflect the reduced pipe capacity due to significant sediment. The default roughness coefficient Manning's  $n$  of 0.013 will be used for each pipe without specific condition data, but possibly adjusted to calibrate to measured water levels. The same value will be used for the bottom and top roughness for each pipe.

#### 6.5.1.2.2 Nodes

Nodes are structural elements like maintenance holes, blind connections, outfalls, or user-defined structures (pump station wet wells). They also represent points throughout the sewer system that may accept inflow, such as the runoff calculated by the hydrologic model. To ensure connectivity between the hydrologic and the hydraulic system model, each inlet node defined in the hydrologic model must correspond to a node in the hydraulic model.

For the Genesee model, each node defined as a maintenance hole in the GIS will be included in the model. Tees or cleanouts will be included in the model to maintain spatial reference, but these will be "sealed" and the ground level set equal to the top of the pipe. Nodes defined as "plugs" (usually at the terminus end) will not generally be included.

Table 5 presents the types of data required to define nodes in InfoWorks.

**TABLE 5. INFOWORKS DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR NODES**

Description	Units	Sample Data	Data Source
Node ID		059-398	GIS
Node Type		Maintenance hole	GIS
System Type		Combined	GIS
X-coordinate ft		1282611.9	GIS
Y-coordinate ft		213245.8	GIS
Ground Level	ft AD <sub>1</sub>	96.000	GIS
Flood Level	ft AD <sub>1</sub>	96.000	GIS
Chamber Floor Level ( <i>maintenance holes only</i> )	ft AD <sub>1</sub>	87.800	
Chamber Roof Level ( <i>maintenance holes only</i> )	ft AD <sub>1</sub>	88.467	
Chamber Plan Area	square ft	7.9	Default set to 28.3 (equivalent to 6 ft diameter). Survey and as-builts for significantly different hydraulic structures

TABLE 5. INFOWORKS DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR NODES

Description	Units	Sample Data	Data Source
Shaft Plan Area	square ft	7.9	Default set to 12.6 (equivalent to 4 ft diameter). Survey and as-builts for significantly different hydraulic structures
Flood Type ( <i>maintenance holes only</i> )		Stored	
Level (storage nodes only)		324	
Plan Area (storage nodes only)	square ft	34.5	

<sup>1</sup> ft AD = feet above NAVD88-North American Vertical Datum of 1988 datum

### 6.5.1.2.3 Pumps

Pumps connect two nodes together and pass flow between them according to established rules that simulate the operation of the pumps. There are three pump stations in the Genesee model—SPU Lift Stations Nos 5 and 6 and the KC Rainier Avenue Lift Station. They are defined at a node in the hydraulic model, transferring flow to another node according to the relationships specified in the model.

Available options to model pumps in the Genesee Basin are to: 1) use a pump curve (flow versus a differential head relationship between the upstream node and the downstream node)—QdH; or 2) to set the pump based on the water level in wetwell—a QH relationship.

Because of the availability of data (drawdown tests and SCADA), CH2M HILL will model SPU Lift Stations 5 and 6 as a *screw* pump type—pump increases with an increase in wetwell level set equal to the measured drawdown flow rate. The KC Rainier Avenue Lift Station is a variable speed station with three pumps with peak capacity of 5.2 million gallons per day (mgd), based on the SCADA *Total Flow* data. This station will be modeled as a *variable speed* pump type—it has controls permitting variations in speed to maintain a consistent wetwell level.

#### 6.5.1.2.3.1 Drawdown Tests

Drawdown tests were performed at each of the SPU Lift Stations 5 and 6 in June 2007 to obtain average pump capacity across the pumping range. Drawdown tests consisted of measuring the time required to draw and fill the wetwell. After calculating the area of the wetwell, the lift station's pump rate could be calculated.

#### 6.5.1.2.3.2 Submerged Wetwell Effects

The drawdown tests were conducted across the pumping range (below the lowest influent pipe to just above the sump in the wetwell). No indications of excessive water levels were evident during the test; however, to account for the increased pumping rates during submerged wetwell conditions, the QH curve developed from the drawdown test will be

increased to account for the decrease in total dynamic head. The static lift of the lift stations is approximately 14 feet. As a result, the effect of approximately 2 to 3 feet of increased water level above the drawdown pump range is not expected to be significant.

#### 6.5.1.2.3.3 Start/Stop Elevations

For all lift stations, field observations (local SCADA displays) and facility drawings will be used to provide the start/stop elevation data.

Table 6 presents the types of data required to define pumps in InfoWorks.

**TABLE 6. INFOWORKS DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR PUMPS**

Description	Units	Sample Data	Data Source
Upstream Node ID		059-453	GIS
Downstream Node ID		059-453Dummy	
Link Type (Pump type)		FIXPMP	Field observation
System Type		Combined	GIS
Switch On Level	ft AD <sub>1</sub>	16.57	Field measurement
Switch Off Level	ft AD <sub>1</sub>	11.7	Field measurement
Head Discharge Table	gpm-ft	LS5	Field measurement

<sup>1</sup> ft AD = feet above NAVD88-North American Vertical Datum of 1988 datum

#### 6.5.1.2.4 Weirs

Weirs connect two nodes together and pass flow between them according to mathematical equations that simulate flow over a weir. There are 10 weirs in the Genesee hydraulic model located primarily at 8 CSO regulators (four are located at NPDES sub-basin 38 at SPU Lift Station 5). Information regarding the existing weirs will be developed from the site installation sheets developed by ADS during monitor installation. These sheets documented the items needed for the model: type, crest elevation, length, crest length (applicable for broad-crested weirs). Table 7 lists the items required to define weirs in InfoWorks.

**TABLE 7. INFOWORKS DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR WEIRS**

Description	Units	Sample Data	Data Source
Upstream Node Name		059-456	GIS
Downstream Node Name		059-456Dummy	
Link Type		BRWeir (broad crested weir)	Field measurement
System Type		Combined	GIS
Crest Elevation	ft AD <sub>1</sub>	18.8	Field measurement
Weir Width	ft	4	Field measurement

**TABLE 7. INFOWORKS DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR WEIRS**

Description	Units	Sample Data	Data Source
(Roof) Height (sharp-crested weirs only) ft	ft	3	Field measurement
(Crest) Length (broad-crested weirs only)	ft	0.67	Field measurement

1 ft AD = feet above NAVD88-North American Vertical Datum of 1988 datum

The *roof height* is a modeling parameter that indicates the height of the chamber roof above the weir crest and is applicable. For the Genesee CSO diversion structures, this parameter is needed for the CSO diversion structures and weirs. When the water level is above the roof elevation, the weir behaves like a sluice gate. Note that this parameter is given as a height, not an elevation referenced to a datum.

#### 6.5.1.2.5 Detention Systems

The Genesee Basin has detention systems (offline and inline storage facilities) to retain runoff volume during periods of wet weather. Flows into these structures are controlled through hydrobrakes and weirs. The detention systems will be modeled as links.

#### 6.5.1.2.6 Hydrobrakes

There are four hydrobrakes in the Genesee Basin and all are included in the hydraulic model. The hydrobrake functions to regulate the flow to downstream pipes reducing the volume and frequency of CSOs. Because flow is restricted through the device during periods of wet weather, CSS flows are stored in the detention system facilities.

A hydrobrake is regarded as a vortex control type structure and is represented in the model as a link of zero length, forming a discharge-head (Q-H) relationship between two nodes. The vortex invert level determines when the control first comes into operation. The Q-H relationship will be developed from the flow monitoring conducted between January 2008 and June 2009. If monitored flows are insufficient to activate the hydrobrake across their performance range, operation points may be determined by extrapolation.

#### 6.5.1.2.7 Valves

There is one valve in the Genesee Basin that will be included in the model. It is located at the downstream end of “Structure A” regulating flow into Lift Station No. 5. This valve is normally open, but as water levels increase, this valve is closed to make use of the storage in Structure A. The operation of this valve is based on water level and its operation will be incorporated in the model using real-time control functionality in the InfoWorks model.

### 6.5.2 Hydrologic Model

In a hydrologic model, physical parameters describing urban catchments—the basic area unit required by a hydrologic model—are used to determine the magnitude of stormwater runoff. The runoff is introduced into the hydraulic model of SPU’s combined sewer system at locations specified for each catchment, after which the hydraulic model routes it through the sewers to the KC system or to the CSO outfalls.

The catchments are primarily described in terms of land area and contributing area, percent impervious, surface slope, and catchment width. The data requirements that define catchments are presented in Table 8.

**TABLE 8. INFOWORKS DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR CATCHMENTS**

Description	Units	Sample Data	Data Source	Comment
Catchment ID		059-398		Unique identifier
System Type		Combined		
(Inlet) Node ID		059-398		Maintenance hole where flow from catchment is loaded into model
Total Area	Acres	4.3	GIS	Used for information only
Contributing Area	Acres	3.5	GIS	Sum of the absolute areas from runoff surfaces
(Catchment Center) X-coordinate	ft	1284379.9	GIS	
(Catchment Center) Y-coordinate	ft	211185.1	GIS	
Landuse ID		1	GIS. A single landuse ID per flow basin will be used to describe a combination of runoff surfaces in each catchment. Every catchment will have areas specified for each of the seven runoff surfaces (sometimes zero).	Available soil information will be used to distinguish between varying infiltration characteristics.
Population	Residential dwelling unit	100	GIS—landuse and available data sources (King Co block census, Puget Sound Regional Council census data)	Population per catchment will be multiplied by a flow per capita rate to determine sanitary flow contribution
Wastewater Profile		1	Flow monitoring	A weekend and a weekday profile will be developed from each monitor.
Rainfall Profile		1	Historical precipitation (Rain gage 18)	
Area Measurement Type		Absolute		
(Catchment) Slope	%	8.2	GIS	Based initially on topography, but may be adjusted in calibration
Dimension (Catchment Width)	ft	244	GIS	May be adjusted during calibration

**TABLE 8. INFOWORKS DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR CATCHMENTS**

Description	Units	Sample Data	Data Source	Comment
Runoff Area 1 (to 12 as needed): <u>Impervious Surfaces:</u> Buildings – Runoff Area 1 Road/Alley – Runoff Area 2 Decks/Patios – Runoff Area 3 Driveways/Sidewalks – Runoff Area 4 Parking lots – Runoff Area 5 <u>Pervious Surface</u> – Runoff Area 6	Acres	0.2	GIS	Absolute areas of pervious and impervious runoff surfaces within each catchment

Data to be used for the catchment delineation and attribute definitions are from SPU. Information provided by SPU pertains to topography (contours), the road network within Genesee, sewer pipes and maintenance holes, and zoning classification.

### 6.5.2.1 Catchment Delineation

The Genesee Basin will be divided into approximately 200 drainage catchments with an average size of just under 10 acres. A catchment is an area that drains to a single point that contains the dry weather sanitary flow and wet weather runoff flow contribution from the area.

The catchments can contain multiple land uses. They can be a combination of pervious and impervious areas that are largely defined by the type of land use and type of system (combined or partially separated). Pervious lands such as grassy surfaces have the ability to absorb a portion of the precipitation through the process of infiltration, depending on the type of soil. There is a limit to the infiltration rate, after which additional precipitation results in surface runoff from pervious lands. Impervious lands include roadways, parking lots, rooftops, and other similar surfaces. Impervious land may have small depressions that store some of the initial precipitation, but once these spaces are filled, additional precipitation results in immediate surface runoff from impervious lands. Both sources of runoff can be collected by the sewer system.

In the Genesee Basin, two different types of systems exist. There are portions of the basin that meet the traditional definition of combined areas, as well as other areas considered partially separated (to be referred to herein as “separated”). Roof leaders and yard drains are assumed to be connected to the combined system, however, this assumption will need to be verified through some field observations and adjusted accordingly. Catchments will be delineated based on topography from the GIS and then refined as needed according to the layout of the combined sewer network.

In combined areas, the contributing area will consist of impervious and pervious surfaces. All areas can be considered to contribute runoff to the combined system.

In the separated area, the hydrology model will be limited to the areas of roofs and yard drains. As in the combined system discussed above, this assumption will need to be verified in the field and adjusted accordingly. A nominal area will be needed to allow for the contribution of rainfall dependent inflow/infiltration (RDI/I) in the sewer system. Although these areas are separated, RDI/I is generally present and is expected in the Genesee Basin. The sum of these areas will be the contributing area. For separated areas, it will be assumed no impervious area contributes to the combined system.

For each catchment there is one loadpoint – the maintenance hole where dry weather model and hydrologic model flow is routed into the hydraulic model. Load points were selected based on the relative size of contributing areas and configuration of the system. Load points, at a minimum, are located at the ends of each terminal pipe (no upstream pipes).

If the project team elects to determine the contributing areas to the storm water drainage system, another layer of subcatchments will be added to the hydraulic model (identified as storm water drainage) and connected to an inlet or catchbasin in the storm water system.

### **6.5.2.2 Wet Weather Hydrology**

#### **6.5.2.2.1 Impervious Area Delineation/Definition/Subcatchment Resolution**

Within each catchment, impervious and pervious surfaces will be delineated. To support the CSO alternatives analysis, the following impervious surfaces will be defined per catchment:

##### **Impervious Surfaces:**

- Buildings – Runoff Area 1
- Road/Alley – Runoff Area 2
- Decks/Patios – Runoff Area 3
- Driveways/Sidewalks – Runoff Area 4
- Parking lots – Runoff Area 5

##### **Pervious Surfaces**

- Runoff Area 6

Within each delineated catchment, the above runoff surfaces are used to generate a runoff volume that is routed through the system. There are a variety of data sources that will be used to quantify the contributing areas for each runoff surface, including the following:

- Aerial images
- Shapefiles:
  - Building
  - Sidewalk
  - Street – edge of pavement
  - Parcel/landuse
  - Black and Veatch runoff surfaces
  - Pipes (storm, sewer, small diameter laterals)

- Maintenance holes and catchbasins/inlets
- Storm water pipes and smaller diameter lateral information

A description of the approach to quantify the runoff surfaces will be presented in the project's final H&H Report.

The GIS will be the primary source of information to quantify the contributing areas. The project team recognizes that the data in the GIS are not absolute (e.g., not all roof leaders and yard drains are connected in the combined system) and some field verification may be necessary. The need to perform a more extensive assessment of connectivity in the system will be determined during model development and initial calibration simulations. Figure 7 describes the process used to determine impervious and pervious surfaces for structures and parcel areas using a series of GIS spatial and attribute queries.

#### **6.5.2.2.2 Pervious Area Delineation/Definition**

All surfaces that drain to the combined sewer system that are not classified as one of the above-identified impervious surfaces will be classified as a pervious surface. Figure 7 describes the process of pervious surface delineation.

#### **6.5.2.2.3 Runoff Generation and Routing Methodology**

##### **6.5.2.2.3.1 Runoff Volume Model**

It is necessary to define how much precipitation falling on each runoff surface type (buildings, roads, driveways, etc., as listed above) will be converted to runoff that will enter the combined sewer system. The impervious surface types will be set to use the Fixed Runoff Volume model with 100-percent runoff. For the pervious surface type, the Green-Ampt Infiltration model will be used with values that are typical for loam soil, which is appropriate for the Genesee Basin.

##### **6.5.2.2.3.2 Runoff Routing Model**

InfoWorks provides five different models for routing stormwater runoff. The model that InfoWorks refers to as SWMM was selected for the Genesee model because it has been widely applied in the United States. This routing method uses a combination of a non-linear reservoir and kinematic wave routing to move the runoff over the ground surface to the inlet node.

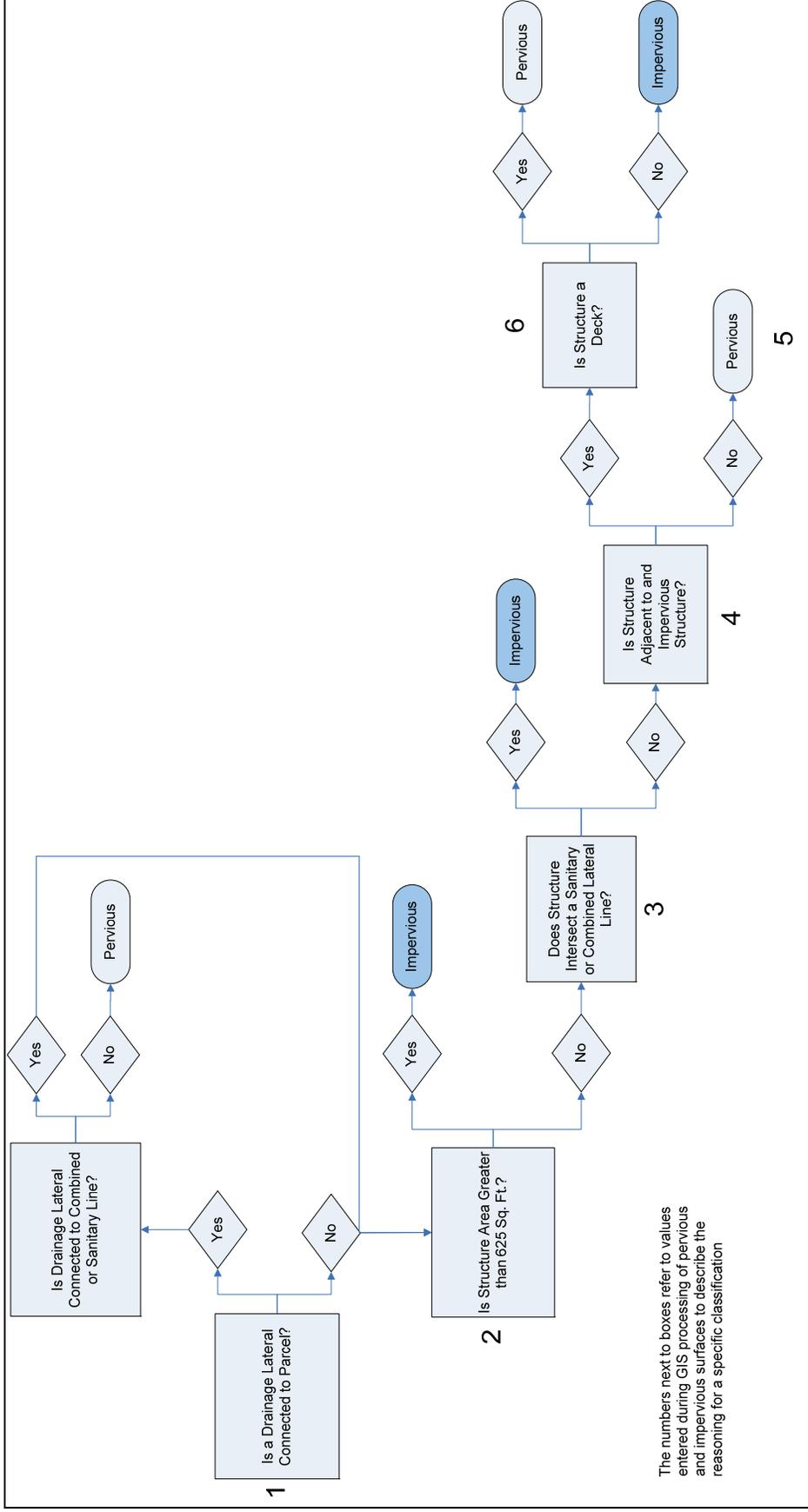


FIGURE 7. DECISION TREE FOR IMPERVIOUS/PERVIOUS SURFACE DELINEATION

#### 6.5.2.2.4 Areas Routed to Combined Sewer vs. Storm Sewer

One of the first steps in catchment delineation is the delineation of *System Type* boundaries. For Genesee Basins, there is a combination of two types of systems: *Separated* and *Combined*. *Separated* areas are those areas where storm water drainage systems exist that collect and route storm water. In the case of the South Genesee Basin, the *Separated* areas are actually only partially separated, because some storm runoff is routed to the sanitary system via connected roof drains and other similar connections. Surface runoff areas typically served by the storm water pipes include streets, sidewalks, and large pervious surfaces found in parks. Flows from these surfaces are routed to their own drainage outfalls and are not connected to the CSS.

In *Combined* areas, storm water drainage pipes do not exist and surface flows from streets, parking lots, etc., are routed into the CSS. Because street runoff surfaces are characterized separately between the two types of systems, catchment boundaries must also follow system type boundaries. The presence of storm water pipes and laterals from contributing parcels will be used to differentiate the two systems. In addition, *PRBLE\_FLOW* and *USE\_PERMIT* fields in the pipe shapefiles may also be used, but primarily as a reference. These GIS fields provide information regarding the general purpose of the pipe.

#### 6.5.2.2.5 Modeling Parameters

Modeling parameters refine the amount of modeled flow entering the CSS system. Although some of these parameters are defined globally, others may be used as calibration parameters and are adjusted to align modeled flows with measured flows. Modeling parameters used for wet weather hydrology include the following:

- Catchment widths
- Initial abstractions
- Catchment connectivity
- Contributing area of runoff impervious surfaces and pervious surfaces
- Percolation coefficient

### 6.5.3 Dry Weather Flow

Dry weather flow consists of base sanitary flow (BSF) and groundwater infiltration. BSF is the result of wastewater generated by human activities, and typically varies during the day. Groundwater infiltration is the result of water entering sewers in the ground from saturated areas and high water tables through cracks and misalignments in the sewers and is typically at a constant rate, but varies seasonally. In the Genesee CSS model, these two flow components will be addressed simultaneously as a combined base sanitary flow-groundwater infiltration estimate referred to as dry weather flow (DWF).

The InfoWorks model computes dry weather flow from three parameters:

1. The average rate of sanitary waste generated per person per day
2. The catchment population
3. The hourly variation in the sanitary flow pattern, given as a set of peaking factors (PF)

InfoWorks computes DWF using the following equation:

$$DWF = [WW_{cap,avg}] \times [Pop] \times [PF]$$

where:

WW<sub>cap,avg</sub> = average per-capita wastewater generation rate, including groundwater infiltration (gal./cap/day, or gpcd)

Pop = population (for an individual catchment)

PF = diurnal peaking factors

To calculate WW<sub>cap,avg</sub>, the following will be performed:

1. Total population will be compiled for each monitoring basin by overlaying the Puget Sound Regional Council census and land use data with the monitoring basin delineation.
2. The net (upstream basin flows will be removed) average dry weather flow will be calculated for each monitoring basin using SLICER (see below).
3. Dividing the average DWF by the population in the catchment yields WW<sub>cap, avg</sub>.

SLICER is a data processing tool from ADS, the flow monitoring contractor used for the Genesee flow monitoring program. CH2M HILL will apply SLICER to process the data to calculate the data needed for the model, as explained below.

InfoWorks has the functionality to add specific industrial discharges into the system. In the Genesee Basin, wet weather runoff flows greatly exceed sanitary flows in the basin. During model development, significant industrial discharges may be added; however, it is expected to be on a limited basis. Initial reviews indicate the only industrial source that will be entered into the model will be from the Marigold facility in basin 059-131. Discharges from this facility increase dry weather sanitary flow loads from approximately 0.6 to a peak of 2.5 mgd. Any industrial discharge average will be subtracted from the net average flows calculated for each flow monitoring basin.

### 6.5.3.1 Net Average Flow

To calculate the DWF contributed within each catchment, a wastewater generation rate (flow per capita) is needed in the model. The net average flow is calculated by subtracting the upstream dry weather flow contribution. The relative connectivity of each monitoring basin is entered into SLICER, enabling CH2M HILL to calculate net average flows for each monitoring basin.

### 6.5.3.2 Diurnal Pattern

The diurnal pattern is the predictable flow pattern evident in the system on a typical dry weather day. A distinct diurnal PF pattern will be developed for both weekdays and weekends for each monitoring basin (a diurnal pattern is not applicable to the outfall monitors). The final processing will yield an hourly ratio of the peak flow to the average flow for each monitoring site.

### **6.5.3.3 Population-based Distribution**

The Genesee model will rely on a network of temporary and permanent flow monitors to provide DWF loading into the model. To further distribute the net DWF upstream of each monitoring location for each catchment, CH2M HILL will use population.



# 7.0 Calibration/Verification (QA/QC Procedures)

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The primary purpose of calibrating and validating a model with measured data is to assure that the model will provide a realistic simulation within the level of accuracy needed for its ultimate goal. For the Genesee model, the model will be compared to the eight permanent flow monitors installed at each of the CSO outfalls and 19 temporary flow monitors installed and maintained in the interior of the basin from January 2008 to approximately June 2009. Both traditional calibration techniques and automatic calibration technologies will be used.

## 7.1 Manual Calibration

Calibration refers to the process of making changes to certain model parameters so that model output matches flow monitoring data. Once the model is calibrated, an independent storm that was not used in the calibration effort was simulated to verify that the model can reproduce the storm's impact on the sewer system. The calibration of the Genesee Model falls into three distinct elements:

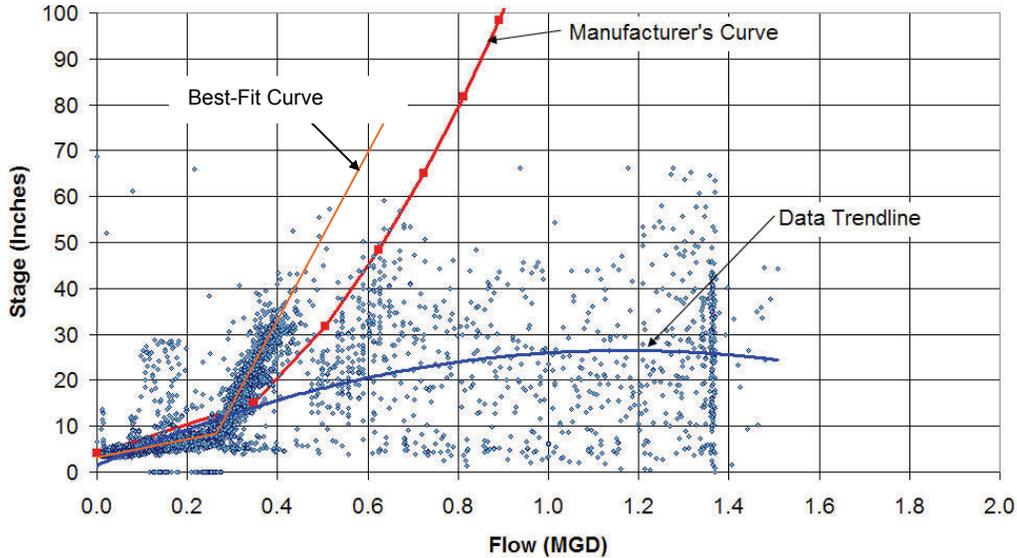
1. Preliminary assignment of Hydrobrake stage-discharge curves
2. Calibration of the hydrologic and hydraulic characteristics of the overall basin dry weather flows
3. Calibration of the hydrologic and hydraulic characteristics to the overall basin wet weather flows, and adjustment of hydraulic structure behavior (hydrobrake stage-discharge curves, lift station start/stop elevations, weir configuration, etc.)

Each of these steps requires different types of flow monitoring data and different calibration methodology.

### 7.1.1 Hydrobrake Calibration

One data objective of the flow monitoring program is the development of a stage-discharge curve for each of the four hydrobrakes in the Genesee Basin (located in NPDES basins 38, 40, 42, and 43). Because it is likely that the hydrobrakes do not behave as suggested by the manufacturer's stage-discharge curves (not available for basin 38), flow data are being collected from January 2008 through approximately June 2009 to generate a best-fit stage-discharge curve, as shown in Figure 8. These best-fit curves will be loaded into the model to assign hydraulic behavior characteristics to the hydrobrakes. Monitoring data is required from the upstream and downstream monitors to each hydrobrake shown in Table 9. For the model to replicate hydraulic behavior at the hydrobrakes for a wide range of hydraulic conditions, it will be necessary to have data from low (dry-weather), medium, and high (wet weather) flows to create an adequate best-fit stage discharge curve. An absence of high flows will require some approximation and extrapolation.

**GEN42\_060W047 Hydrobrake Stage Discharge with Differential Head**



**FIGURE 8. EXAMPLE OF HYDROBRAKE MANUFACTURER'S STAGE-DISCHARGE CURVE COMPARED WITH BEST-FIT STAGE-DISCHARGE CURVE**

**TABLE 9. MONITORS USED FOR DETERMINING HYDROBRAKE PERFORMANCE**

Hydrobrake (MH ID)	Supporting upstream monitoring locations (MH ID)	Supporting Downstream Monitoring Locations (MH ID)
059-498	059-498	059-451
059-490	059-490	059-407
060W-052	060W-052	060W-014
060W-047	060W-047	060W-019

### 7.1.2 Dry-Weather Calibration

The second element focuses on calibrating dry weather flows. For this element, data from each of the flow monitors assigned directly to a flow-monitoring basin are used. This includes all of the permanent and temporary flow monitors (Table 10), except those that are directly downstream of a hydrobrake.

**TABLE 10. MONITORS USED FOR MEASURING BASIN HYDRAULIC AND HYDROLOGIC RESPONSE**

NPDES #	MH ID	Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)
37	059-489	P
38	059-346	P
	(Structure "A")	
38	059-398	T
38	059-498	T

**TABLE 10. MONITORS USED FOR MEASURING BASIN  
HYDRAULIC AND HYDROLOGIC RESPONSE**

NPDES #	MH ID	Temporary (T) or Permanent (P)
38	059-121	T
38	059-320	T
38	059-332	T
38	059-371	T
38	059-373	T
38	059-131	T
38	060W-012	T
38	059-404	T
40	059-491	P
40	059-490	T
40	059-409	T
41A	059-434	P
41A	059-436	T
41B	059-406	P
42	060W-052	P
42	060W-047	T
43	060W-049	P
43	060W-025	T
165	067-078	P

Observed data and model results for dry weather periods are compared to ensure that base DWF is accurately simulated. A well-calibrated DWF model can help pinpoint troublesome spots in the sewer system and provides a basis for calibrating the model to wet weather conditions. To calibrate the DWF model, a dry period with average flows and detailed meter data from the monitoring program is selected. The model is then run for the selected period (a week). An iterative approach of identifying issues, seeking solutions, and rerunning the model is then taken until an appropriate level of calibration is achieved. Parameters that may be adjusted for dry weather calibration are the following:

- Per capita flow load factor
- WWcap,avg in units of gal./cap/day
- Adjustment to the loadpoint locations

Slight adjustments may also be necessary to the Manning's n to align measured water levels with simulated HGL.

### 7.1.3 Wet Weather Calibration

After the model is calibrated to dry weather conditions, precipitation that was measured during the flow monitoring period is used in a hydrologic model and routed through the hydraulic model. CSOs occur as a result of a sewer system becoming overloaded during wet

weather and being relieved through regulating structures. The wet weather model is used for estimating the volume, frequency, and duration of CSOs, which can then be used to estimate pollutant loadings to receiving waters or to evaluate CSO reduction alternatives. As in the dry weather calibration, data from all of the flow monitors (except those directly downstream of a hydrobrake) are used for calibration. To calibrate the model, observed data and model results for a range of wet weather events are compared to ensure that the system's wet weather characteristics are realistically simulated in the model. The process used to calibrate the model for wet weather simulations is the same as that followed for dry weather: Realistic values are applied, the model is run, differences between the model and monitors are noted, reasons for the discrepancies are sought, and the model is adjusted based on the findings. The parameters that may be adjusted during wet weather calibration include the following:

- Catchment widths
- Initial abstractions
- Catchment connectivity
- Contributing area or runoff surfaces
- Percolation coefficient
- Hydrobrake Q-H curves

#### **7.1.4 Model Validation of Initial Calibration**

Several iterations of this process are used to refine the model. The wet-weather calibration will be achieved by using a small number of storms selected from the initial monitoring program that represents a range of storm volumes and intensities. Monitoring data from the 2008 to 2009 seasons will be used after the traditional calibration to refine hydrologic and hydraulic response of the model to storms. A single storm from the monitoring period will be excluded from the data used for calibration so that these storm data can be used for independent model verification following the traditional calibration procedure.

## **7.2 Automatic Calibration**

The calibration process discussed above is the traditional industry-accepted approach of calibrating a hydraulic model to support facility planning and alternatives analysis. In addition to this traditional calibration process, an automated model calibration and validation process developed specifically for SPU will be used. Using this process, Generalized Likelihood Uncertainty Estimation and Validation (GLUE) developed by MGS Engineering Consultants for SPU, modeling parameters, and the corresponding upper and lower bounds of these parameters will be identified. A Monte Carlo type repetitive simulation will be used to determine multiple alternative hydrologic parameter sets from a randomized sample. This process is discussed in more depth in *Guidance Manual: Technical Methods for Estimating Control Volumes for CSO Reduction- Draft 1* (CH2M HILL, 2008). The GLUE approach applies primarily to the dry and wet weather calibration.

The GLUE process depends on an external controlling program that operates InfoWorks in a batch mode. The external controlling program runs the model multiple times (sometimes even hundreds of runs are executed), each time using a different set of model parameters. Each set of model parameters is randomly generated from among the range of acceptable

parameters (set by the user). Instead of a relative few parameter sets being investigated, as in the traditional calibration, this process ensures a more thorough evaluation of possible parameter sets. The results from each model run are recorded and compared with measured flows using the Goodness-of-Fit measures of percent of total volume and percent of peak flow rate. The top 10 parameter sets whose results best match the measured flow data are selected as “Behavioral” parameter sets and are used for model validation and uncertainty analysis.

The goal is to calibrate to three storms of varying magnitude. The period of precipitation and flow monitoring data selected for automatic calibration will consist of storms representing the widest range of events experienced during the monitoring period. Because of the large computational time commitment needed for the GLUE process, automatic calibration will only commence after the extended monitoring period (2008 through 2009 season) is complete. The period for one selected storm will be excluded from the calibration data in order that these data be used for independent model validation. After this is completed, personnel familiar with the operation and performance of the system will be consulted to verify the model’s accuracy. These comparisons are often qualitative, but usually result in greater confidence in the accuracy of the model.

## 7.3 Calibration Criteria

### 7.3.1 Target Criterion

The following criteria will be used as a guideline for the evaluation of GLUE calibration for wet weather events:

- Predicted peak flows between 20 percent above and 15 percent below metered flow for the highest peak of each rain event
- Predicted flow volume between 20 percent above and 15 percent below metered flow volume for each rain event
- Predicted peak flow depth between 1 foot above and 0.5 feet below measured flow depth for each rain event
- Predicted flow event hydrograph should follow meter hydrograph in magnitude and shape until the flow has substantially returned to the dry weather flow rates.

### 7.3.2 Water Level

Simulated hydraulic grade lines will be compared to measured levels from the flow monitors and observed water levels in the field. The water levels at the CSO diversion structures will be specifically targeted for review.

## 7.4 Uncertainty Analysis

### 7.4.1 Uncertainty Analysis Approach

SPU has recognized the high variability with regard to number, magnitude, and temporal characteristics of storms used to evaluate CSO reduction alternatives. In addition, there are sizable uncertainties associated with the various analyses, data reliability, and computer modeling of combined sewer systems. In considering these factors, a risk-based approach was developed to provide information to SPU decision-makers for evaluating options for sizing of control volumes for meeting compliance targets for CSO reduction. A risk-based approach is particularly well-suited to the CSO reduction problem because many of the factors to consider have elements of chance and uncertainty, and there can be significant environmental, economic, and social consequences for not complying with state and federal water quality regulations.

The Uncertainty Process, as developed by MGS Engineering Consultants under contract by SPU, is briefly discussed below. As with the automated calibration process, a more detailed discussion of the uncertainty analysis can be found in *Guidance Manual: Technical Methods for Estimating Control Volumes for CSO Reduction- Draft 1* (CH2M HILL. 2008).

For the uncertainty analysis, precipitation scaling factors representing uncertainty in the model input parameters are assigned to each of the 10 selected “Behavioral” parameter sets from the GLUE calibration. These factors will eventually be applied to the entire period-of-record precipitation dataset for SPU gages (1978-2008), thus driving uncertainty analysis. Unique precipitation scaling factors are applied to represent the following sources of uncertainty:

- Representativeness of the 1978 through 2008 period of precipitation data for use in predicating future precipitation (assuming stationary climate)
- Effects of climate change
- Accuracy of flow measurements used for calibration and validation
- Ability of model to accurately predict flows given a set of parameters

The above uncertainties are each quantified using a probabilistic scaling function. From this function, a scaling factor is randomly chosen for each of the 10 selected “Behavioral” parameter sets. Scaling factors for each source of uncertainty are multiplied, resulting in a Total Precipitation Scaling Factor. A unique Total Precipitation Scaling factor is applied to model runs for the entire period of rainfall record (1978 to 2008) for each of the 10 selected parameter sets. The results from these 10 long-term model simulations are then evaluated by graphing Probability In-Compliance against CSO Control Volume (also known as a Control Volume Performance Curve). The Control Volume Performance Curve, along with percent uncertainty bounds, will allow the SPU management to select a CSO Control Volume that meets acceptable performance and risk objectives.

## 7.4.2 Existing Conditions Assessment

The purpose of the uncertainty analysis is to determine the effects of uncertainties on the sewer flows and overflow volumes predicted by the computer model. Sufficient simulations are performed to yield the following:

- Most probable performance curve presented as a probability vs. peak overflow rate
- Most probable performance curve presented as a probability vs. volume
- 80 percent uncertainty bounds for each curve
- 90 percent uncertainty bounds for each curve

## 7.4.3 Selection of Performance Curves

The performance curves are reviewed for the alternative future and the performance curve that best meets the performance target is selected and recommended to SPU as the basis for CSO alternative analysis.

## 7.5 General Quality Assurance/Quality Control Procedures

The Henderson Basin model development requires the compilation and analysis of multiple data from a wide variety of sources with information of varying accuracy, resolution, and formats. Implementing quality assurance and quality control (QA/QC) procedures continuously throughout model development is critical in developing a model that meets the objectives of the project. Procedures to be implemented include the following:

- Specified SPU personnel tasked with review and assisting in compiling the most accurate, pertinent information available
- Ongoing review meetings among project team members to clarify issues, document decisions, and anticipate/obtain additional data or resource needs
- Project team to consult senior hydraulic engineers and software vendor technical resources verifying the modeling approach, construction and analysis
- Redundant and independent review of model inputs, use, and analysis throughout the model development process

To enhance the QA/QC reviews, the project team has compiled a checklist to guide critical reviews. The checklist, provided in Appendix A, guides reviewers to target specific items throughout the various development and analysis tasks: network and catchment development, sanitary/dry weather flow components, and dry and wet weather calibration, as well as other general issues and data groups.



## 8.0 Modeling of Alternatives

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After the model is calibrated using GLUE and refined during the uncertainty analysis, it will be used to evaluate CSO reduction alternatives. An appendix in the final H&H Report will be the proposed methodology to model the selected alternatives.



# 9.0 Implementation

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## 9.1 Roles and Responsibilities

In general, ADS is responsible for installing and maintaining the flow monitors that will be the basis for the flow loading in the model. CH2M HILL is responsible for developing and calibrating the InfoWorks hydraulic model and model documentation. These roles are described in greater detail in Table 11, which is derived from *Work Assignment Form Attachment 1: Scope of Service for the Genesee CSO Model Development Project*.

**TABLE 11. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Role	Entity Responsible
Flow monitor installation and maintenance	ADS
Providing the GIS, SCADA, and lift station configuration data needed to develop model	SPU
Model development and initial calibration	CH2M HILL
GLUE Calibration Tool	MGS
Automated model calibration (GLUE – Generalized Likelihood Uncertainty Estimation) and Validation	CH2M HILL
Uncertainty Analysis Tool Module	MGS
Performance Curve selection	SPU
Hydrological and Hydraulic Modeling Report	CH2M HILL
Rainier Avenue lift station capacity and configuration	KC
Monitoring data on S. Charleston Trunk	KC
Develop alternatives modeling approach	CH2M HILL
Alternative screening methodology approval	SPU
Coordinate the CSO project with KC's wastewater system	SPU

## 9.2 Project Deliverables

Project deliverables for Genesee CSO Flow Monitoring are listed in Table 12. Additional task assumptions such as outline and draft report submittals, intermediate data review, and communications expectations can be found in the Scope of Services for the *S. Genesee Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Reduction Project: Basin Modeling and Uncertainty Evaluation*.

**TABLE 12. PROJECT DELIVERABLES**

<b>Project Element</b>
Final Modeling Plan submittal to Ecology
Final H&H report

The proposed chapters of the Genesee Model Report are listed in the Model Documentation section.

### 9.3 Timeline and Project Schedule

The permanent flow monitors were installed in the summer of 2007. The temporary flow monitors were installed in January 2008 and expected to be maintained through approximately June 2009. Following flow monitoring, the model will be calibrated and alternatives developed to proceed with the PDP. The anticipated duration of the project is expected to be approximately 2 years. Table 13 details the major activities as described in the Scope of Services for the S. Genesee Combined Sewer Overflow Reduction Project.

**TABLE 13. PROJECT SCHEDULE**

<b>Project Element</b>	<b>Schedule</b>
Flow Monitoring	January 2008 through June 2009
Final H&H report	October 2009
CSO reduction plan (engineering report) to the Department of Ecology	December 31, 2010

# 10.0 References

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APPENDIX A

# **CSO InfoWorks Modeling QA/QC Checklist - Model Development and Calibration**

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**CSO InfoWorks Modeling QA/QC Checklist - Model Development and Calibration**

Project Genesee CSO Reduction Project

Reviewer

Date 12/4/2008

Model File

This checklist is considered a minimum for QA/QC review, and should be expanded to meet the needs of the project being reviewed.

**Part 1 - General**

Item	Description	Reviewer	Date	Review Comments	Reviewer Recommended Action	Modeler Response	Final Resolution
1	The performance requirements of the model are clearly defined through the project performance requirements and the modeling plan. These requirements include the boundary condition(s), the sewered area to be modeled, the types of alternatives that will be evaluated, how the performance of alternatives will be evaluated, and any other requirements external to the project that may impact the model (e.g., SPU Standards & Guidelines, systems modeling program).						
2	The design and level of detail of the model meet the performance requirements						
3	Catchment group organized and labeled in a consistent and clear manner. Catchment group contains the following minimum data groups: Network, Rainfall, Level, Wastewater, Inflow, Flow Survey, Run, Graph Template, and Ground Infiltration.						
4	Current version of network flagged "Current"						
5	Model passes Engineering Validation with no errors or warnings						
6	Each element and attribute in the model has a user defined data flag, with the exception of #D (default). Elements and attributes that are assumed, calculated, or otherwise modified from the SPU GIS or drawings should include additional description in the comment fields to indicate how the value was calculated (e.g., "invert elevations calculated from average slope of 0.002 between node 006-488 and node 006-188")						
7	NAVD88 datum used for all elevations. Conversion factors documented and verified (9.7 feet for both Henderson and Genesee unless otherwise stated).						
8	Other general items that warrant QA/QC review given the project goals, objectives and performance requirements						

Item	Description	Reviewer	Date	Review Comments	Reviewer Recommended Action	Modeler Response	Final Resolution
<b>Part 2 - Network Development</b>							
1	Boundary conditions defined by project team are applied correctly in the model. Downstream boundary condition, typically an interface point (regulator or pump station) within King County's combined sewer system, modeled as described in design documentation. Any deviations from design documentation are described. Downstream boundary condition designed so as to achieve the performance requirements described in the boundary condition performance requirements.						
2	Outfall boundary conditions defined as time versus stage relationships at each outfall location. Time versus stage information for Lake Washington and Puget Sound based on historical level information collected by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Salt water density differential, if applicable, accounted for through adjustment of time versus stage relationship.						
3	Extents of modeled network defined (e.g., minimum pipe diameter) and deviations explained						
4	Node and link names follow SPU naming conventions. Nodes - SIMSID; Links - InfoWorks naming convention; Dummy nodes associated with special structures - SIMSID[StructureCode] (StructureCodes - Hydrobrake = H, Weir = W, Sluice Gate = S, Flap Gate = F, Pump Station = P). Predominant hydraulic element takes precedence.						
5	Link attribute data (i.e., length, diameter, invert elevations, system type) matches SPU GIS system, any differences are explained in comment fields						
6	Node attribute data (i.e., MH ID, rim elevation, system type) matches SPU GIS system or best available information. Any differences are explained in comment fields						
7	Asbuilts, survey data, or best available information reviewed for critical nodes and links, and attributes updated						
8	Pipe profiles reviewed and no anomalies are noted						
9	Head loss coefficients that aren't default are explained in comment fields						
10	Default Manning's n of 0.013 applied, other n values explained in comment fields						
11	Sediment levels included where information is available (e.g., measurements from flow monitoring) and explained in comment fields						
12	Flood types applied (e.g., sealed for force mains, stored, lost) - Lost is default, unless in an area where surface discharges are known to re-enter the system						
13	Additional node storage applied where node does not represent an ordinary maintenance hole (e.g., maintenance hole used as a wet well for a pump station)						
14	Hydraulic control elements that divert flow out of or into the basin are included in the model, and characteristics checked against asbuilts or best available information, differences noted						
15	Hydraulic control elements that divert flow within the basin are included in the model, and characteristics checked against asbuilts or best available information, differences noted						
16	Configuration of pump stations checked against asbuilts or best available information and differences noted - minimum pump station information should be pump curves or operating points, off/on elevations, wet well dimensions, wet well depth, relief point characteristics (e.g., weir and outfall), and minor losses of pump fittings (unless calibrated against measured data)						

Item	Description	Reviewer	Date	Review Comments	Reviewer Recommended Action	Modeler Response	Final Resolution
17	Pump curves or operating points adjusted based on flow monitoring data, and changes from design information described in the comment field						
18	Configuration of CSO control structures checked against asbuilts or best available information, differences noted. Overflow weir elevations match survey data. Field visit by modeler to confirm hydraulic characteristics of CSO control structures.						
19	Hydrobrake curves adjusted based on flow monitoring data, and changes from design information described in the comment field						
20	Weir coefficients or rating curves adjusted based on flow monitoring data, and changes from design information described in the comment field. Source of coefficients for weirs without measured data is documented.						
21	Configuration of other structures, including storage, checked against asbuilts or best available information, differences noted						
22	Review configuration of key facilities in the CSO basin: diversion structures, pump stations, NPDES Permitted CSOs						
23	Other items related to network development that warrant QA/QC review						

Item	Description	Reviewer	Date	Review Comments	Reviewer Recommended Action	Modeler Response	Final Resolution
<b>Part 3 - Subcatchment Development</b>							
1	Resolution of subcatchments is sufficient for the needs of the project						
2	Methodology for delineating subcatchment boundaries and final subcatchment boundaries reviewed						
3	Methodology for determining subcatchment physical parameters (e.g., all drainage and sewer area tributary to boundary condition accounted for in model subcatchments, drain node id, slope, hydraulic width, percent imperviousness) reviewed and final physical parameters reviewed.						
4	Latest available information from Puget Sound Regional Council utilized for determining subcatchment population. Adjustments for commercial and industrial populations reviewed and documented. Methodology for dissolving population values from TAZ zones reviewed and final population values totals reviewed.						
5	Runoff area measurement type correctly assigned (percent or absolute), and total runoff areas corresponds with contributing area						
6	Rain gage assignments verified						
7	If land use table is used, verify values						
8	Runoff volume and routing models appropriate for geographic area and project needs. Review subcatchment size limitations for selected runoff method.						
9	Runoff volume and routing model parameters within reasonable range according to literature						
10	Ground infiltration module or Ground Infiltration Events utilized and parameters within reasonable range according to literature						
11	Determination of land use and application of developed/undeveloped areas						
12	Other items related to subcatchment development that warrant QA/QC review						

Item	Description	Reviewer	Date	Review Comments	Reviewer Recommended Action	Modeler Response	Final Resolution
<b>Part 4 - Sanitary/Dry Weather Flow Components</b>							
1	Key monitoring locations to be used for dry weather flow derivation identified, reasons for not selecting locations for dry weather flow derivation documented						
2	Documentation for derivation of wastewater profiles and per capita flow rates reviewed (included separately from model)						
3	Weekday and weekend wastewater profiles defined						
4	Correct wastewater profiles and population assigned to each subcatchment						
5	Significant flow from unmodeled and modeled areas (large users) applied						
6	Sanitary & dry weather flow balances using a flow meter schematic - dry weather flows used in the model should hold continuity prior to being allocated						
7	Other items related to dry weather flow components that warrant QA/QC review						

Item	Description	Reviewer	Date	Review Comments	Reviewer Recommended Action	Modeler Response	Final Resolution
<b>Part 5 - Other Data Groups</b>							
1	Level groups created and populated with measured level data, assigned to outfalls in network						
2	Flow survey group created and populated with data from flow monitoring period, survey points match node names in network						
3	Rainfall group created and contains gages needed for the modeled area, contains observed event data for 30 years of record for calibration and long term simulation purposes						
4	Rainfall group contains the adjusted rainfall time series that will be required for long term simulations that include climate change (climate change only applies if uncertainty analysis is being applied)						
5	Real time control scenarios defined and working, match operational procedures or measured data, utilize the most appropriate incremental or PID controllers to match real world performance						
6	Groundwater group contains infiltration event profile for each subcatchment if a time-varying profile is being used, parameters being used are reasonable range according to literature and best available information about groundwater levels						
7	Other items related to data groups that warrant QA/QC review						
<b>Part 6 - Dry Weather Calibration</b>							
1	Key monitoring locations to be included or excluded for dry weather calibration are identified and reasons for inclusions or exclusion are documented, selected locations should be the same for dry weather flow and wet weather flow						
2	Model is stable during dry weather runs						
3	Flow and volume balances across key monitoring locations and outfalls						
4	Modeled hydrographs during dry weather flow periods match monitored hydrographs at key monitoring locations, in volume, peak, and shape (standard error within 5%) on weekday and weekend days						
5	Other items related to dry weather calibration that warrant QA/QC review						

Item	Description	Reviewer	Date	Review Comments	Reviewer Recommended Action	Modeler Response	Final Resolution
<b>Part 7 - Wet Weather Calibration</b>							
1	Key monitoring locations to be included or excluded for wet weather calibration identified and reasons for inclusions or exclusion are documented. Selected locations should be the same for dry weather flow and wet weather flow. Key monitoring locations should contain storms that meet the criteria for calibration.						
2	Review weighting for key monitoring locations, and methodology that was used to determine weighting factors						
3	Flow survey and rainfall data being used for calibration is final data, not raw or preliminary. Final data has been finalized by a flow monitoring consultant, and the scattergraph for the data matches the theoretical curve for the monitoring location.						
4	Following model shakedown/initial calibration, performance of significant hydraulic structures reviewed to confirm proper operation within the model and consistency with what is known about actual performance. Qualitative assessment made to identify which structures have a significant role in determining CSO control volume. If required, field visit conducted to these significant hydraulic structures for which there are sizeable uncertainties in hydraulic characteristics and/or actual performance, and modifications made to reduce uncertainties.						
5	Calibration period utilized includes 6 - 10 key storm events that range between those that do not cause overflows to those that do, typically events between 2-month recurrence interval and 10-year recurrence interval						
6	Model parameter set selected for automated calibration excludes physically based parameters that can be directly measured in GIS (e.g., subcatchment area, contributing area, impervious area) that could potentially be adjusted during analysis of green infrastructure alternatives (e.g., downspout disconnects)						
7	Minimum and maximum values established for each parameter in the model parameter set are reasonable given the physical limits of each parameter, characteristics of the subcatchment, and literature values						
8	Model parameter space thoroughly evaluated (i.e., enough runs completed) to identify behavioral parameter sets						
9	Review flow thresholds used for computing goodness-of-fit measures at key monitoring locations						
10	Modeled hydrographs match monitored hydrographs at key monitoring locations, in volume (+/- 15%), peak (+/- 20%), and shape (standard error within 10%), for the 6 - 10 key storm events selected for model calibration						
11	Comparison of modeled CSO frequency for the 1998-2008 period to measured CSO frequency yields expected results						
12	Surface flooding predicted by the model is comparable with reported flooding during monitoring period - flooding should be generally reproduced by the model both in terms of location, severity and frequency						
13	Model is stable during calibration model runs, volume into the model matches volume discharged						
14	Outfall hydrographs reviewed to ensure that flows are being discharged						
15	Other items related to wet weather calibration that warrant QA/QC review						