

The Long-Term Control Plan Overview

The federal court-ordered Consent Decree that created the Toledo Waterways Initiative required the development of a Combined Sewer Overflow Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) that would lead to a reduction in the occurrence and volume of CSO discharges into area waterways.

Originally, the LTCP was submitted to the U.S. and Ohio EPAs for review at the end of 2005. In 2009, a revised plan was submitted to both EPAs. The revised plan was accepted and signed in 2010 by the parties.

The revisions included a four-year program extension until 2020 to reduce rate impacts and the elimination of projects, mostly at the Bay View WWTP, resulting in a savings of more than \$36 million.

According to the revision's Executive Summary: "The revised plan ... emphasizes solutions with highly predictable outcomes (storage, separation, source control) rather than solutions that rely on treatment technology that may be difficult to accomplish."

Another revision was the addition of a Pathogen Study to continue evaluating the treatment effectiveness of the state-of-the-art Wet-Weather Treatment Facility, built during Phase One at Bay View WWTP, compared to the main plant's secondary treatment processes during wet-weather events.