

Lecture 1: Course Introduction and Background

WMD651: Water Management Systems Design

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Course Introduction

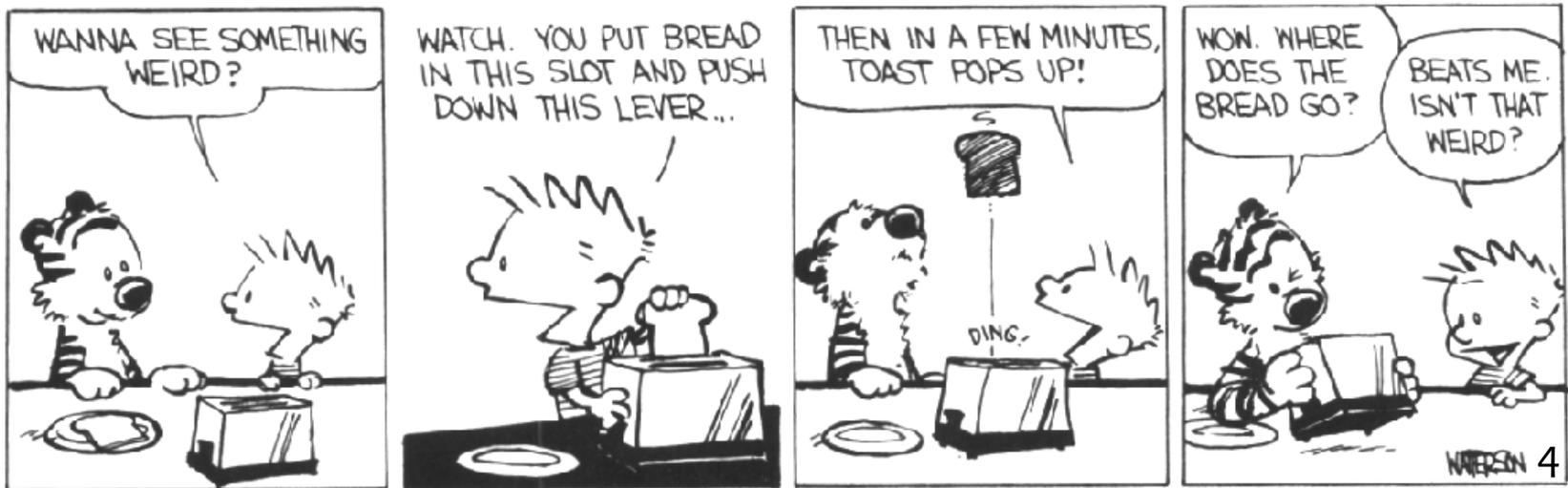
- Course details:
 - **Instructor:** Johnathan D. Nault, Ph.D., P.Eng., Hydraulic Specialist with HydraTek & Associates
 - **Delivery:** synchronous online lectures and tutorials
 - **Assessments:** assignments, project, quizzes, final exam – *more info on following slide*
- WMD651 description:
 - Explore the design, analysis, and management of various water resources systems
 - Models used for analyses (Excel, software) but...
 - Not just about using models – also understand role of models, broader topics, implications

Grading and Assessments

- **Assignments – 25%**
 - Each worth 5% of overall grade
 - Based on review material/fundamentals, water supply, wastewater collection, and stormwater management
- **Design project – 15%**
 - Completed in groups of 2-3 students
 - Integrate course materials, more details to be provided later
- **Two quizzes – 30%**
 - Each worth 15%, roughly 1 h long
- **Final exam – 30%**

Key Learning Outcomes

- Understand how to apply models for water resources engineering problems
- Learn how to use EPANET and EPA SWMM
- Communication of modeling, analyses, and designs
- Analysis of water supply, wastewater collection, and stormwater drainage systems
- Foster knowledge of current trends and challenges
- Application of design standards for system-level analyses



Water Resources Engineering

- Design and management of systems to control the **quantity**, **quality**, and **supply** of water
- Also consider socioeconomic, financial, political, and environmental impacts
- In municipal context:
 - Where does tap water come from?
 - How does it get to you?
 - What happens after the drain?
 - Why are roads designed to flood?



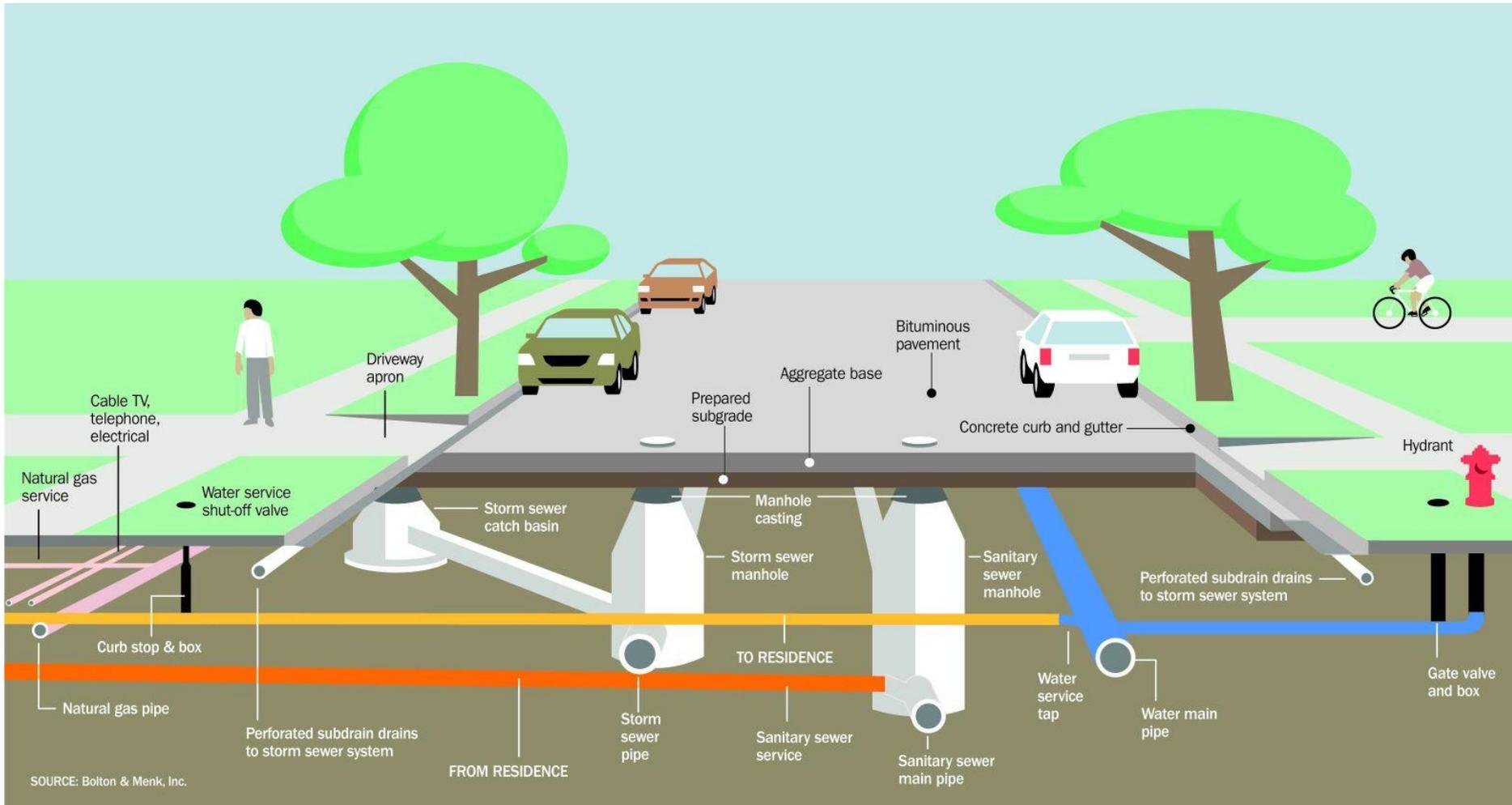
<http://www.bbc.com/news/20802988>

Water Resources Systems

- Water supply – domestic consumption (residential, ICI), firefighting
- Wastewater collection and stormwater drainage
- Agricultural irrigation
- Hydroelectric power generation

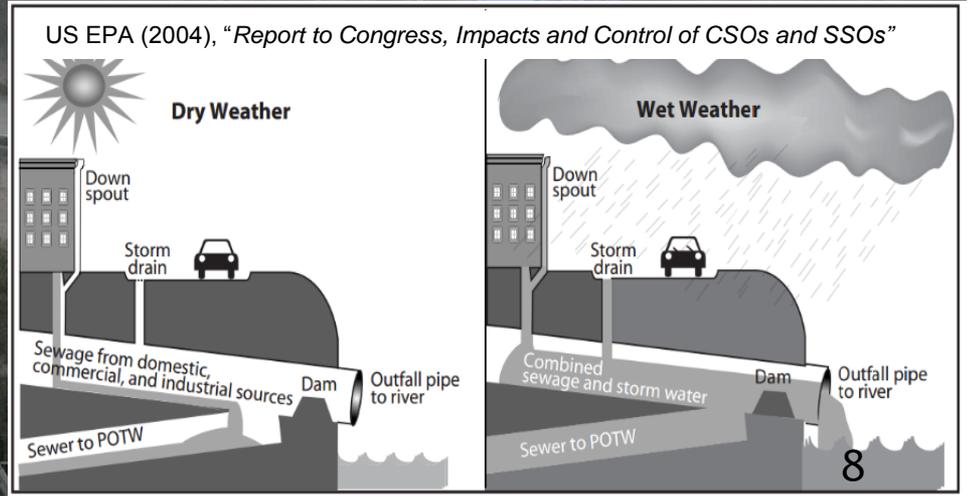


A (Partly) Buried Challenge



Podsada (2016): http://www.omaha.com/money/a-mess-of-spaghetti-under-there-maze-of-pipes-and/article_b7b5f89e-639d-5337-8f0a-5b5ddec94493.html

Competing with Nature



How is water managed in Ontario?

- Ontario Water Resources Act:
 - Oversee conservation, protection, management, and efficient use of Ontario's water resources
- Conservation Authorities Act:
 - Grant local power to Conservation Authorities, delineated by watershed boundaries
 - Safeguard Ontario's water resources
- Municipal Act:
 - Division of public services, including water and wastewater servicing
 - Treatment and supply of water
 - Collection, management, and treatment of wastewater (sewage and stormwater)

Conservation Authorities



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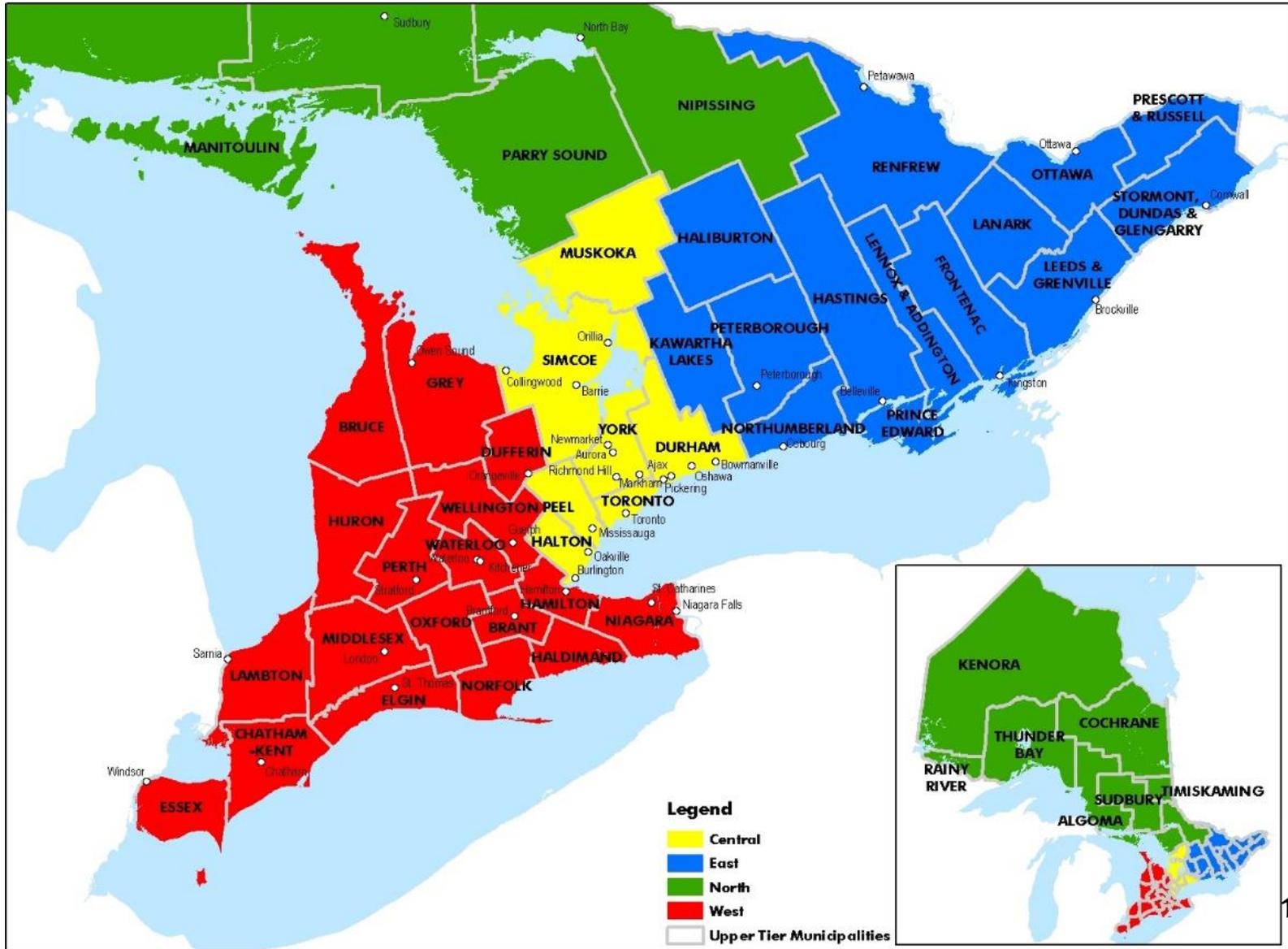
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Website: www.conservation.ontario.on.ca

Regional Municipalities



Regional Municipalities – GTA

Greater Toronto Area



Current Trends and Challenges

- Sustainability – balancing the triple bottom line
- Design under uncertainty
- Conservation – efficiency, water loss, consumption
- Climate change – extreme events, droughts, flooding, intense storms, water scarcity
- Asset management – renewal, replacement, failure
- Water quality – treatment, emerging contaminants
- Environmental factors – up/downstream impacts
- Design philosophies

Infrastructure Renewal



Extreme Events

WMTW-8
Road Collapse
8/2008

Outline of Remaining Lectures

- Review topics:
 - Fundamental concepts
 - Hydraulics, open-channel flow, hydrology
- Water supply systems:
 - Overview, operation, design objectives
 - Modeling using EPANET
- Wastewater collection:
 - Types of systems, design objectives
 - Sewer network modeling using EPA SWMM
- Stormwater management:
 - Design approaches, LID, operation, challenges
 - Integrated system modeling using EPA SWMM
- Advanced topics