



# Hutchinson River and Westchester Creek CSO Long Term Control Plan

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Public Meeting #3

**Final LTCP Plan Review**

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September 16, 2015

# Welcome & Introductions

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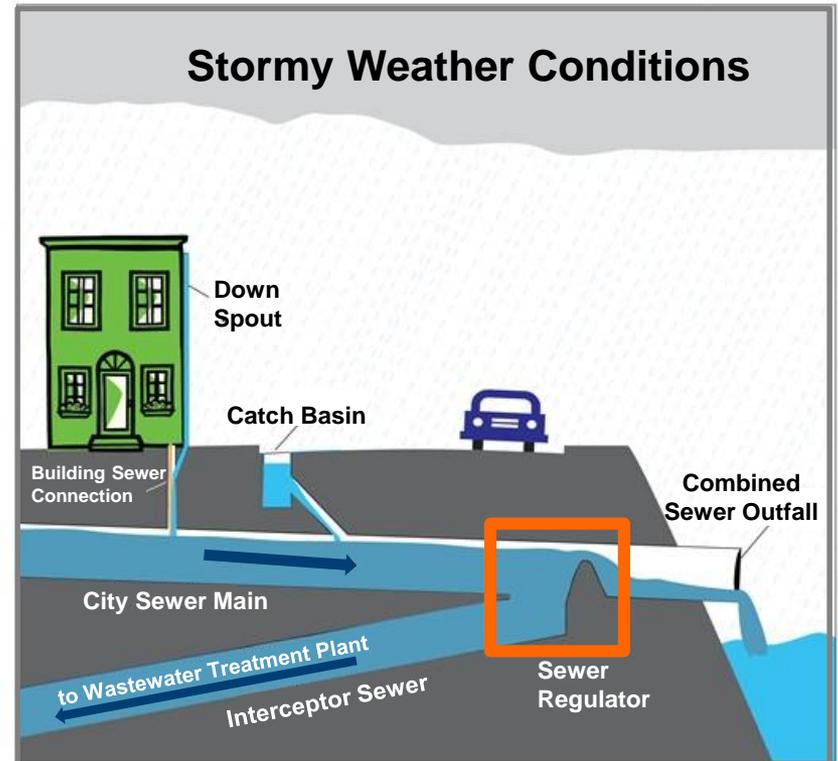
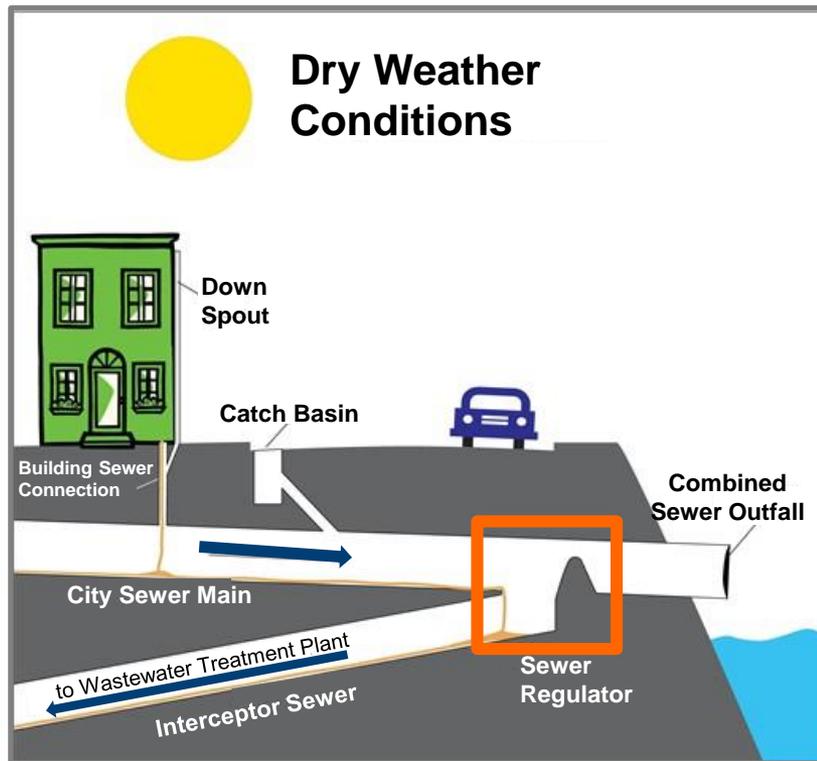
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# What is a Combined Sewer Overflow?

- NYC's sewer system is approximately 60% **combined**, which means it is used to **convey both sanitary and storm flows**.



- When the sewer system is at full capacity, a diluted mixture of rain water and sewage may be released into local waterways. This is called a combined sewer overflow (CSO).
- 65% to 90% of **combined** sanitary & storm flow is captured at treatment plants.

## Long Term Control Plan (LTCP)

**identifies appropriate CSO controls to achieve applicable water quality standards**

consistent with the Federal CSO Policy and Clean Water Act

## CSO Consent Order

**an agreement that settles past legal disputes without prolonged litigation**

requires DEP to develop LTCPs and mitigate CSOs

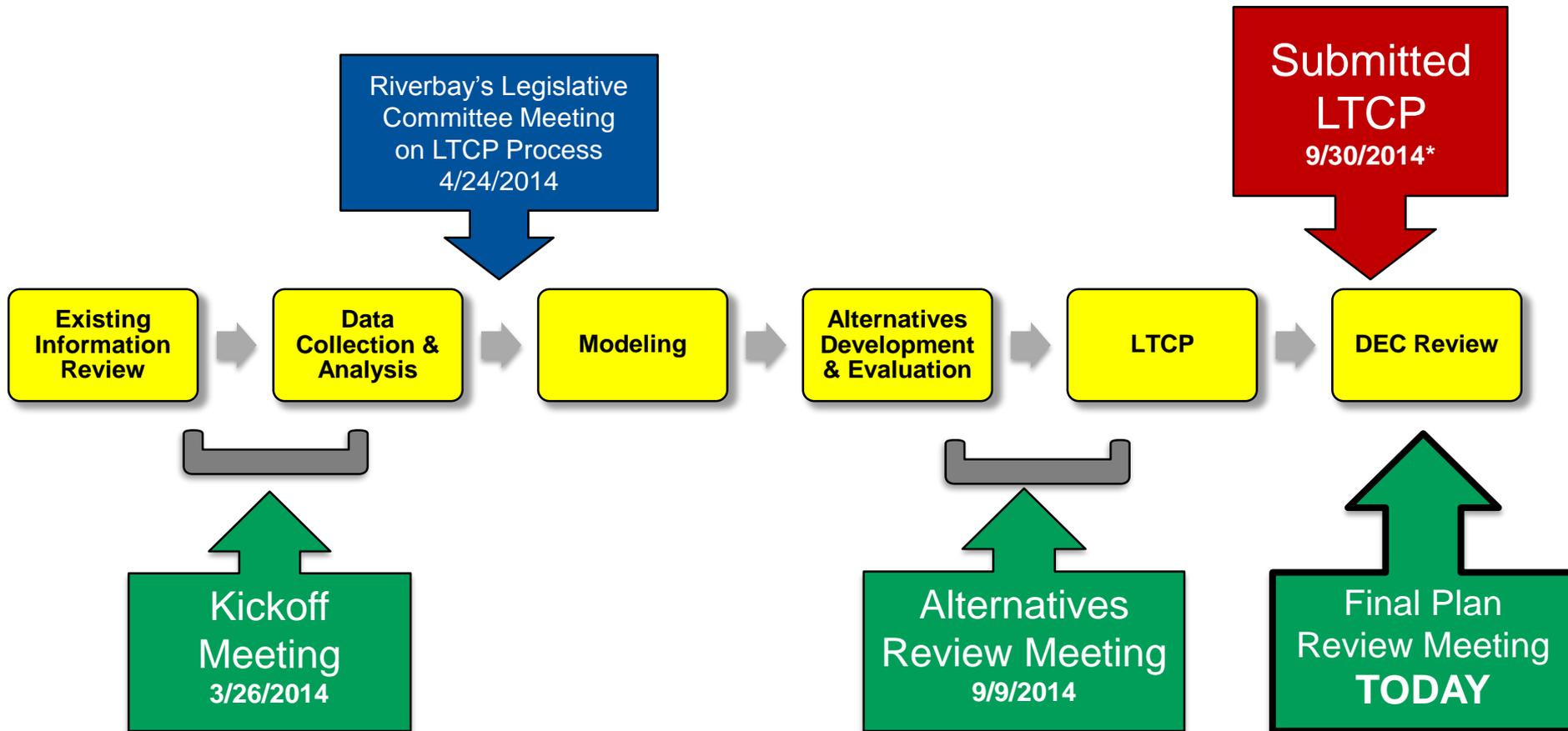
# Hutchinson River (HR) LTCP



# Summary of Previous HR Public Meetings

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# HR LTCP Process and Public Involvement



**ONGOING PUBLIC/STAKEHOLDER INPUT**

\*DEP submitted supplemental documentation to DEC on 4/14/2015 and 8/7/2015 in response to their comments.

Date: March 26, 2014

Location: Harry S. Truman High School

# Attendees: 15

## Presented on:

➤ Waterbody/Watershed Characteristics

➤ Current Uses

➤ Water Quality Sampling Results

Bacteria	Dry Weather (GM, #/100 mL)	Wet Weather (GM, #/100 mL)
Fecal Coliform	53 – 670	95 – 773
Enterococci	17 – 38	26 – 207

➤ Green Infrastructure Projects

- Edenwald Houses
- Neighborhood Demonstration Area
- Area-Wide Contracts with DDC



Date: September 9, 2014

Location: Co-Op City Community Center

# Attendees: 15

## Presented on:

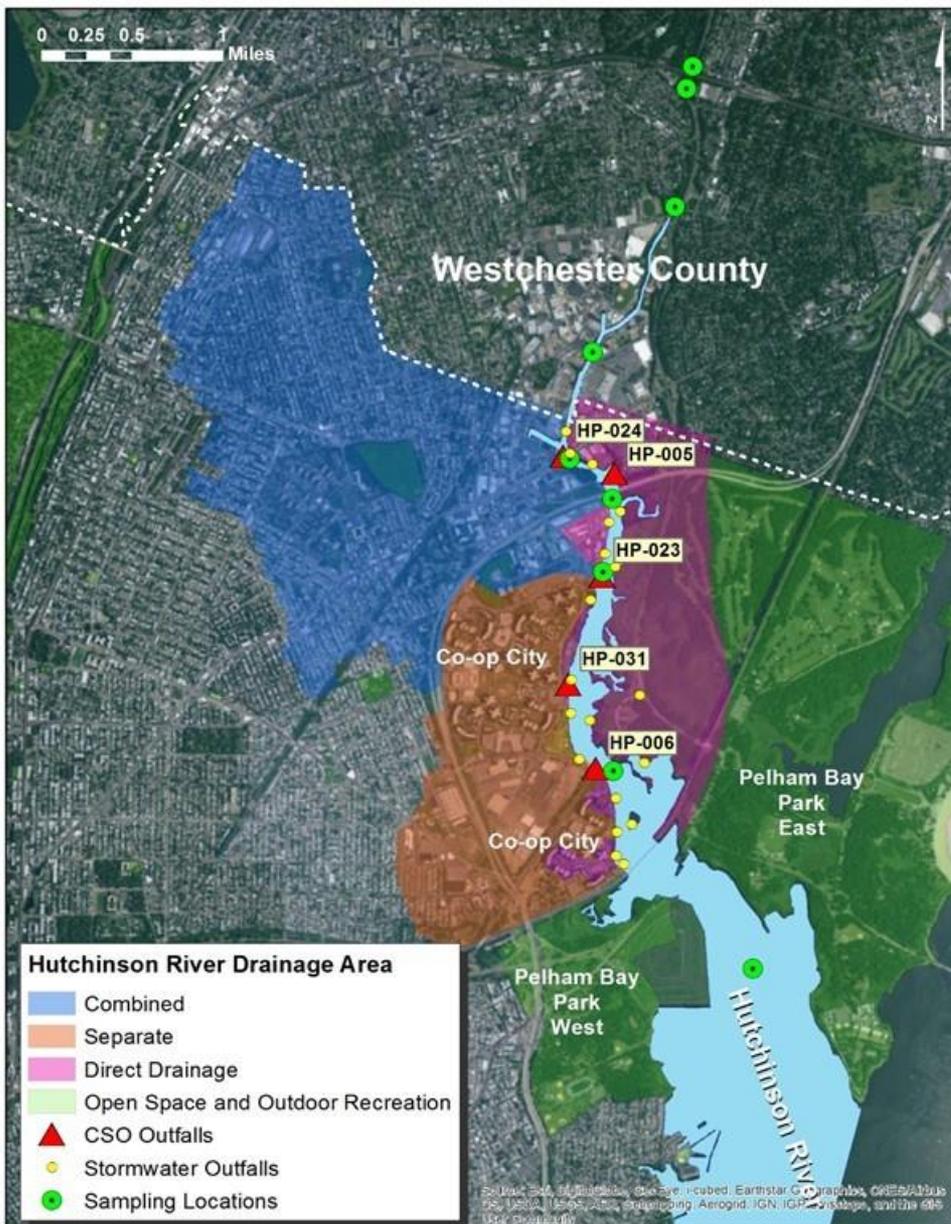
- Brief Recap of Meeting #1
- Water Quality Attainment
  - Current Class SB: Non-attainment
  - Future Entero: Non-attainment
- Modeling
  - Minimal improvement with 100% CSO Control
  - Significant bacteria loading contribution from Westchester County
- Comparison of Key Alternatives



# **HR LTCP Proposed Final Recommendations**

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# Hutchinson River NYC Drainage Area



- Begins in Westchester County, flows through the Bronx into Eastchester Bay Tributary to East River
- Total NYC watershed drainage area is approximately 2,795 acres
  - 53% served by combined sewer
- Classified by New York State DEC for primary contact recreation:
  - **Class SB – Bathing and Fishing**
- Land Use (breakdown for NYC):
  - 43 % Residential
  - 30 % Open Space
  - 10 % Public Facilities
- DEP wet weather discharges include:
  - ▲ 5 CSO Outfalls
  - 18 Stormwater Outfalls

# Hutchinson River CSO Mitigation Options

INCREASING COMPLEXITY 

INCREASING COST 

<b>System Optimization</b>	Fixed Weir	Parallel Interceptor / Sewer	Inflatable Dams Bending Weirs Control Gates	Pump Station Expansion
<b>CSO Relocation</b>	Gravity Flow Tipping to Other Watersheds	Pumping Station Modification	Flow Tipping with Conduit/Tunnel and Pumping	
<b>Water Quality / Ecological Enhancement</b>	<b>Floatables Control</b>	Dredging	Dissolved Oxygen Improvement	Flushing Tunnel
<b>Treatment Satellite:</b>	<b>Outfall Disinfection</b>	<b>Retention Treatment Basin (RTB) with Disinfection</b>		High Rate Clarification (HRC)
<b>Centralized:</b>	WWTP Expansion			
<b>Storage</b>	In-System	Shaft	<b>Tank</b>	<b>Tunnel</b>

**Preferred Alternative**

**= Floatables Control & Outfall Disinfection** (See Next Slide)

## Divert flow to Outfall HP-024 Extension, Provide Floatables Control, and Disinfect 50 MGD in Recreational Season\*

### ➤ **Benefits:**

- Reduces bacteria load to river from seasonal disinfection
- Provides floatables control
- Utilizes gravity, no effluent pumping
- No construction of costly retention tank

### ➤ **Challenges:**

- Solids deposition in outfall
- Permitting of new outfall
- Impact on MTA bus facilities during construction
- Site acquisition for disinfection facility and soil contamination

### ➤ **Est. Construction Cost / Annual O&M**

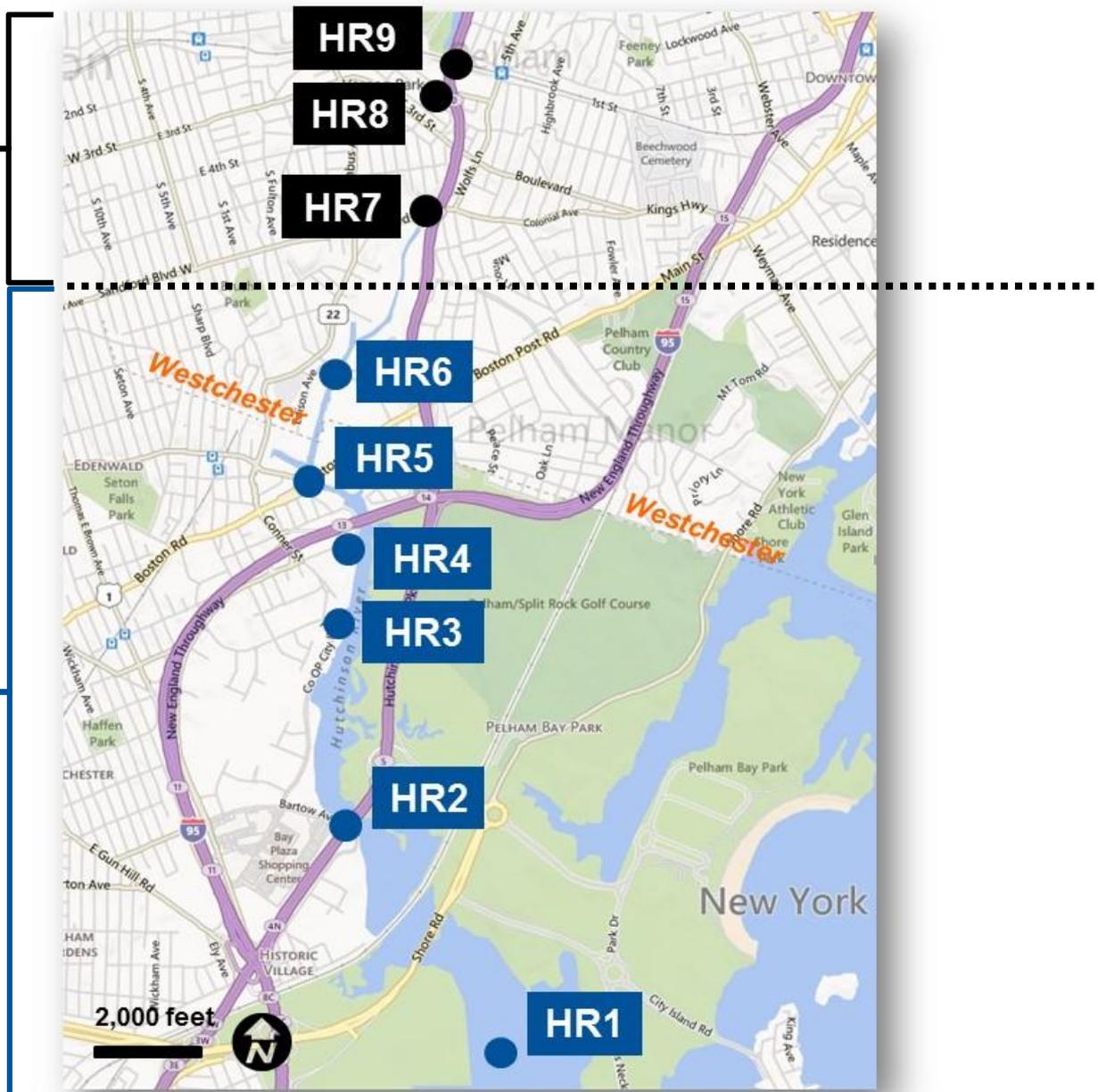
- **\$90 Million / \$1.25 Million**



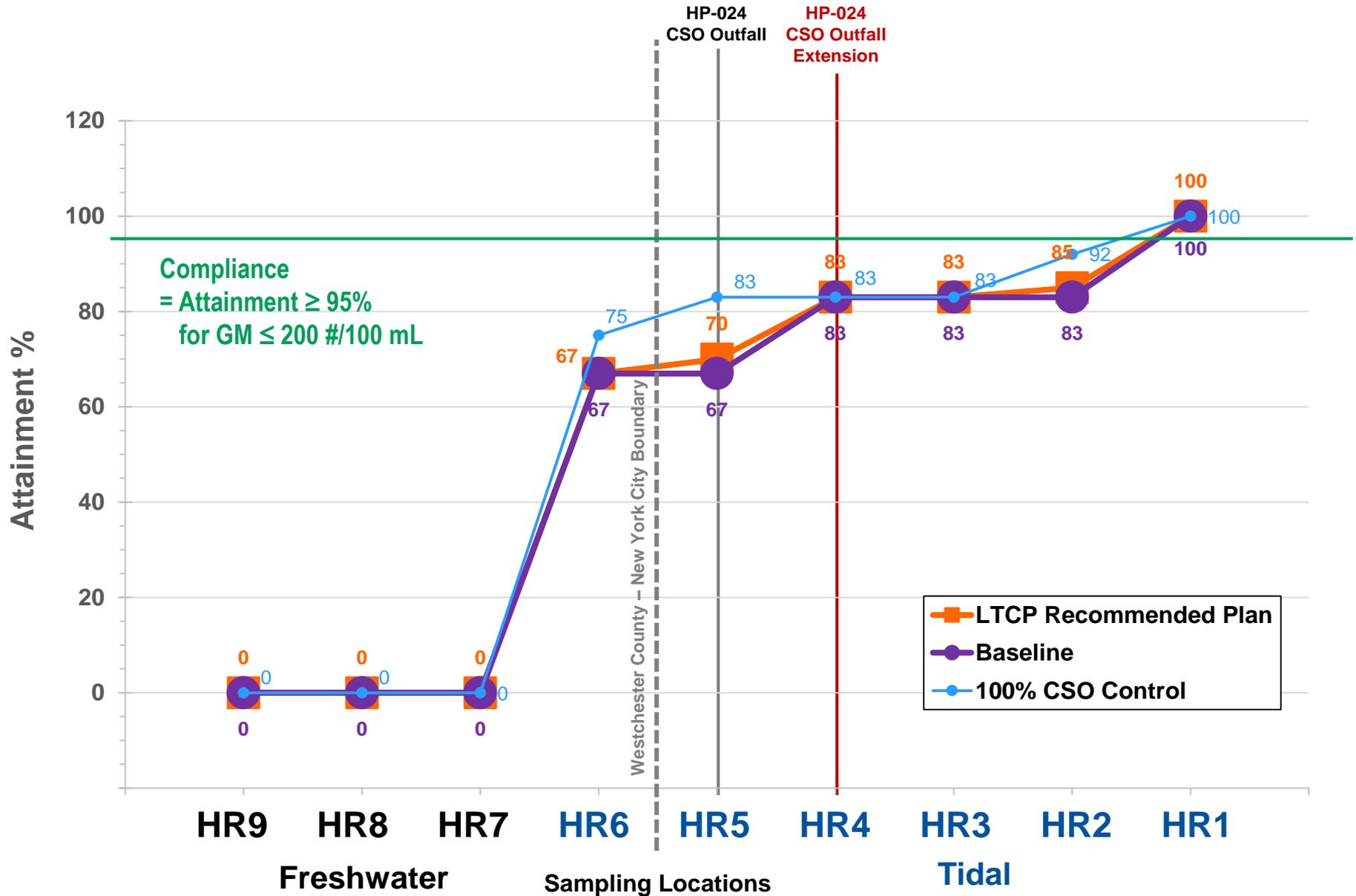
# Hutchinson River Sampling Locations

Freshwater  
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Tidal  
Section

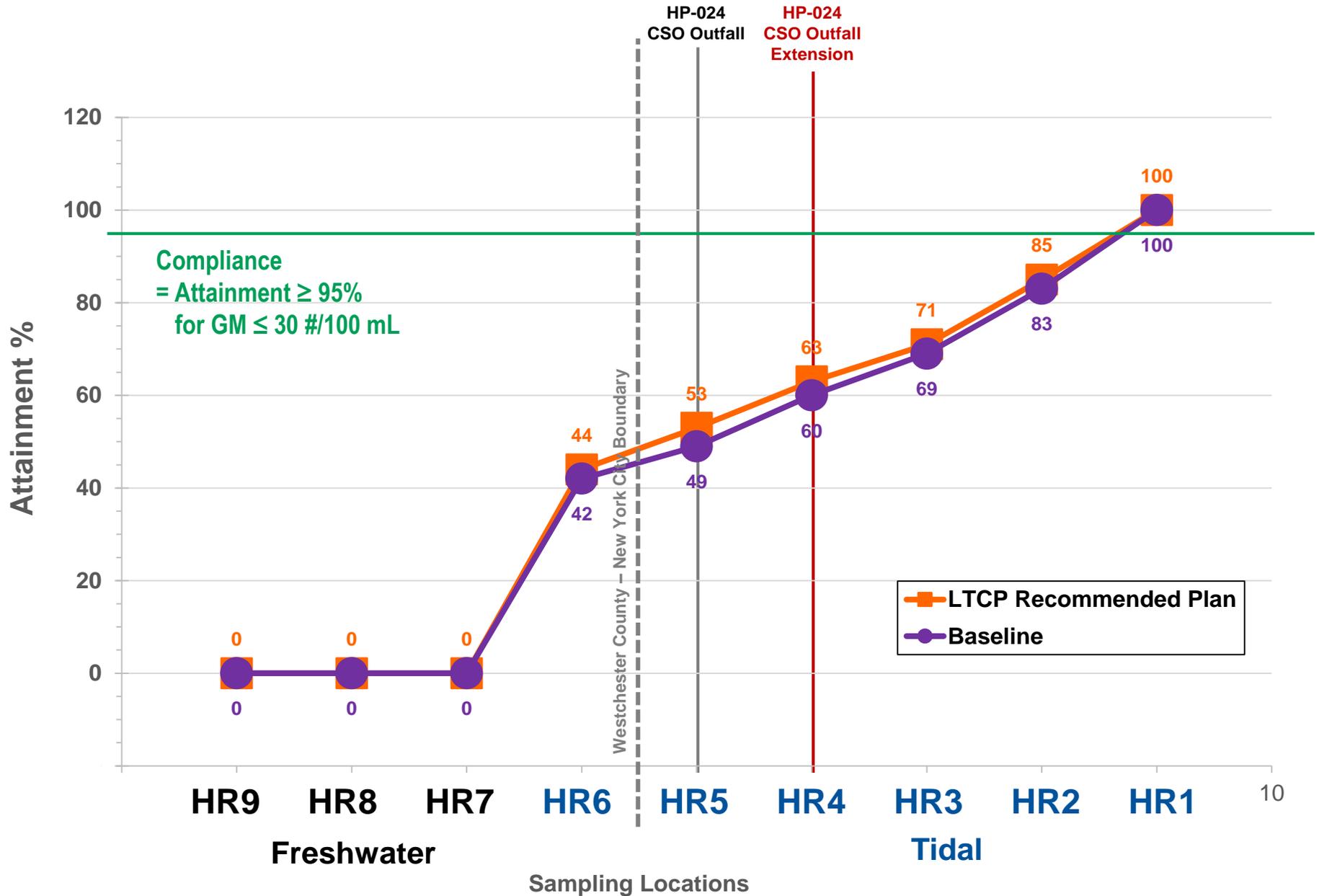


# Projected Annual Fecal Coliform Attainment



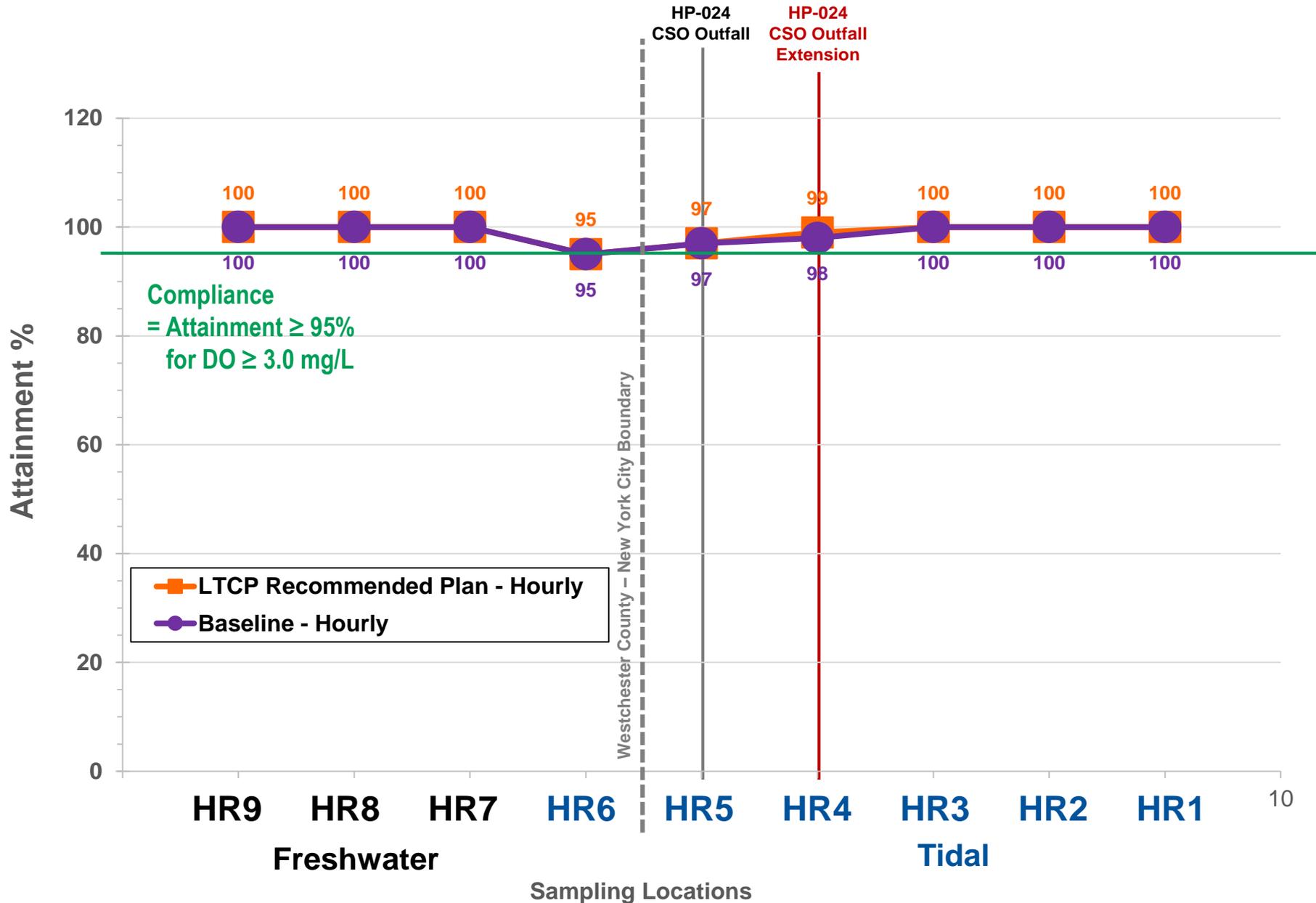
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# Projected Annual Enterococcus Attainment



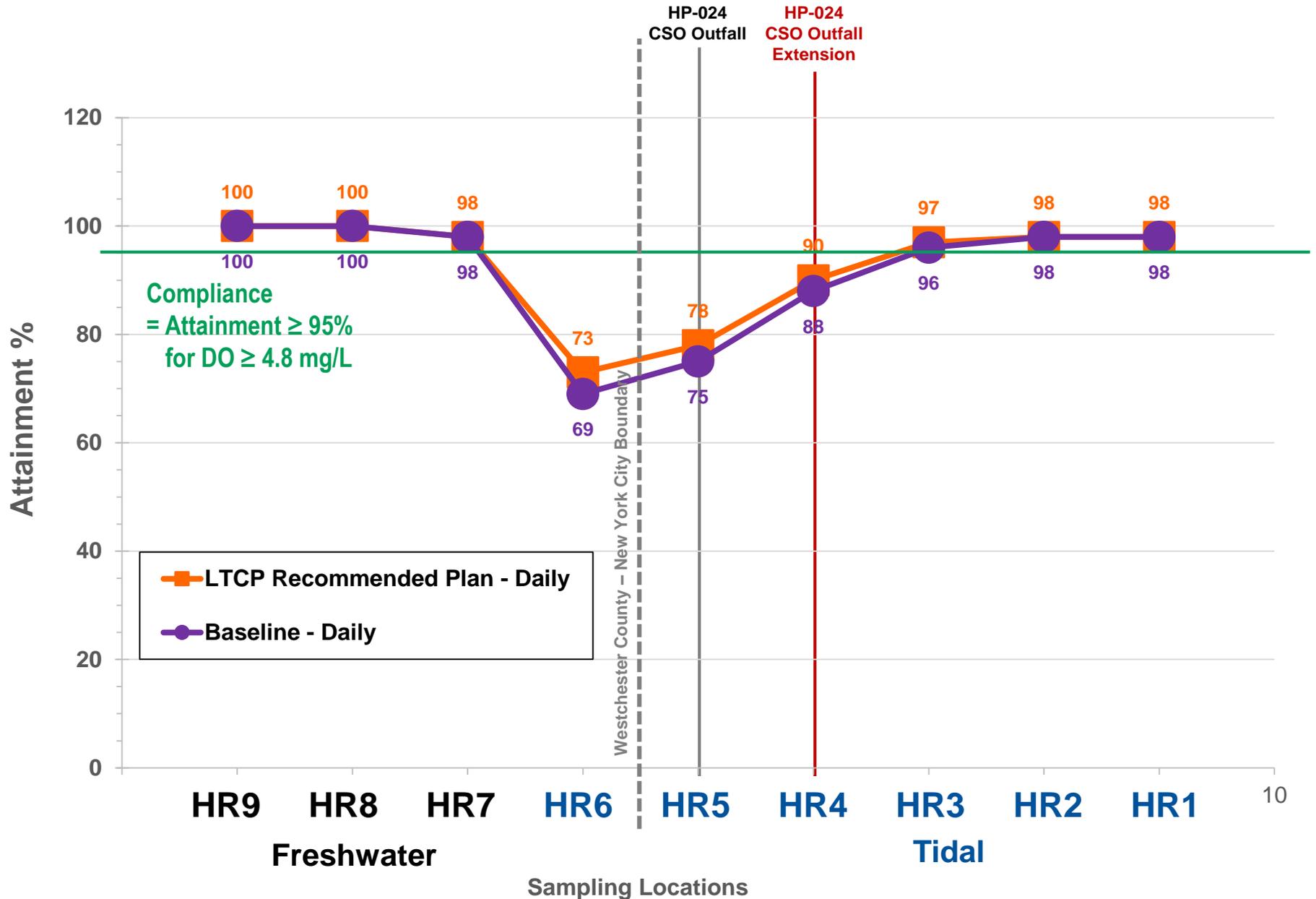
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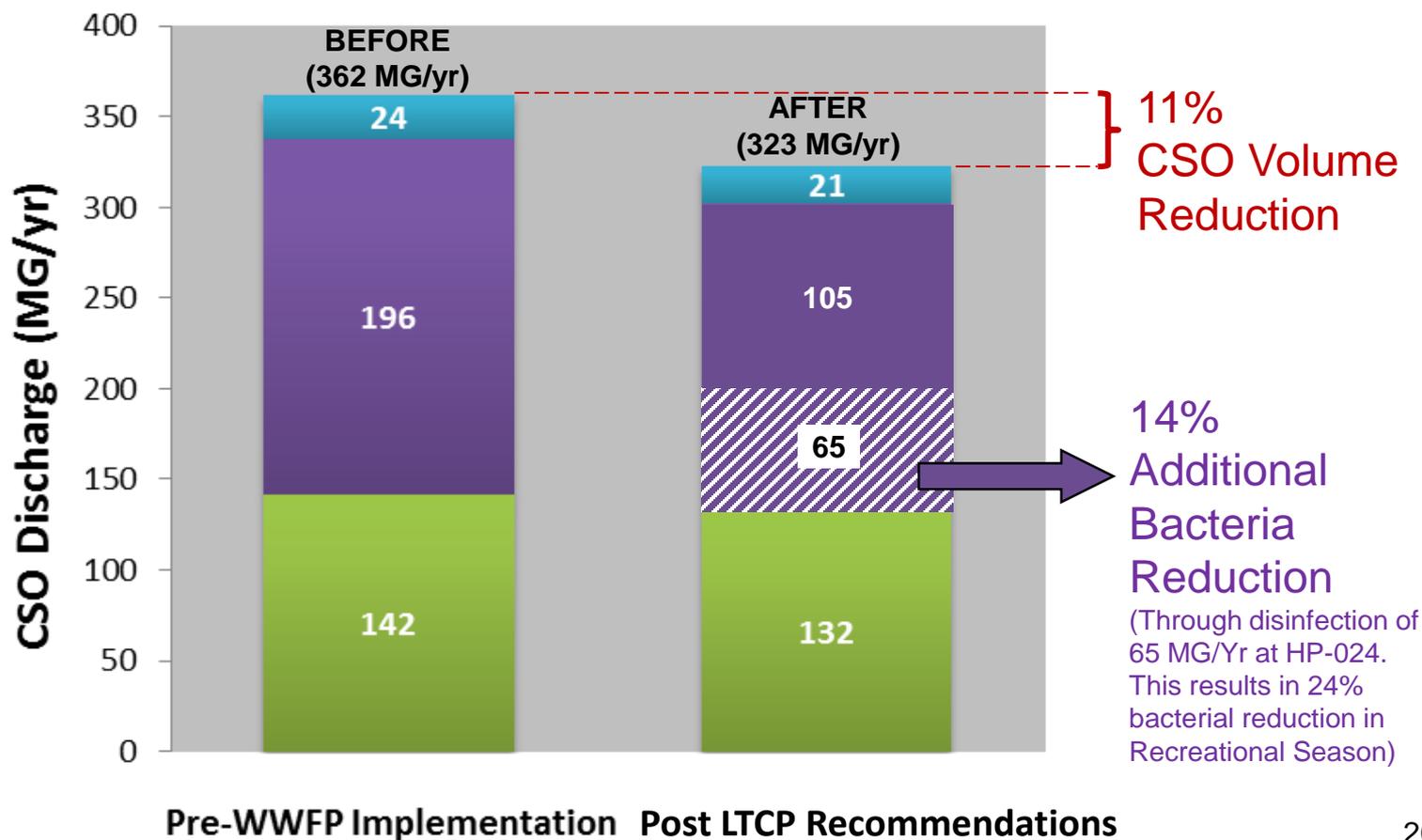
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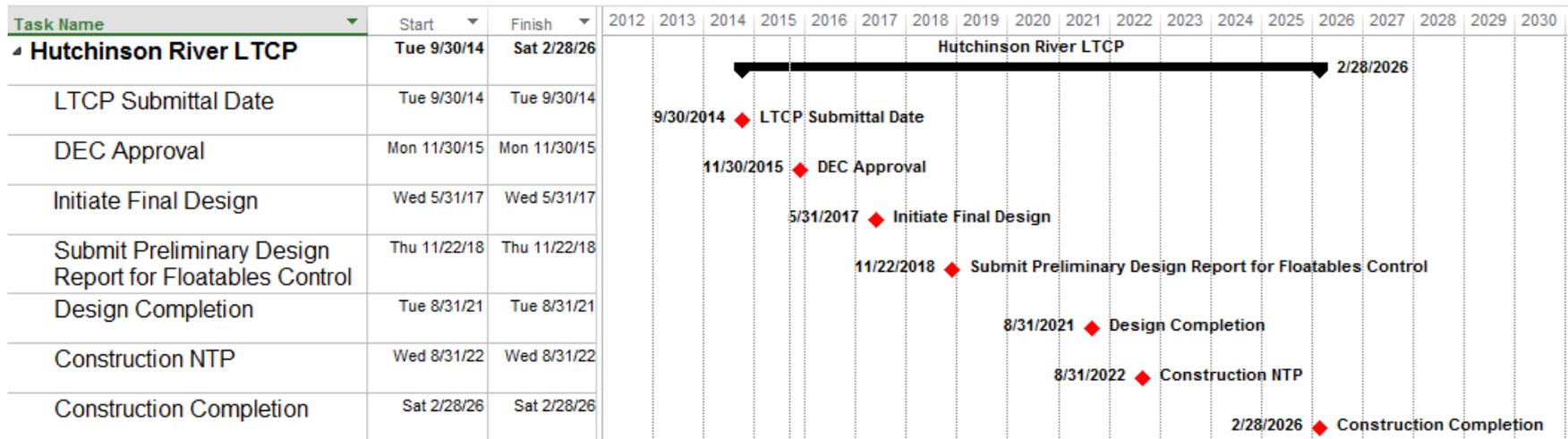
# HR Resulting Water Quality Improvements

- **CSO Volume Reduction: 11% annual volume reduction** through planned Green Infrastructure implementation
- **CSO Bacteria Reduction: 14% additional annual bacteria reduction** through disinfection of Outfall HP-024 Extension during recreational season (May 1<sup>st</sup> to Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>)



# HR Tentative Implementation Schedule

- Per constructability reviews and recent DEC Technical Meeting on Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2015:



- Continue to implement Green Infrastructure Program
- Implement Preferred Alternative
  - Outfall Disinfection & Floatables Control
- Initiate post-construction compliance monitoring
- Perform a Use Attainability Analysis (UAA) addressing non-compliance
- Establish a wet-weather advisory during the recreational season (May 1<sup>st</sup> – Oct 31<sup>st</sup>)

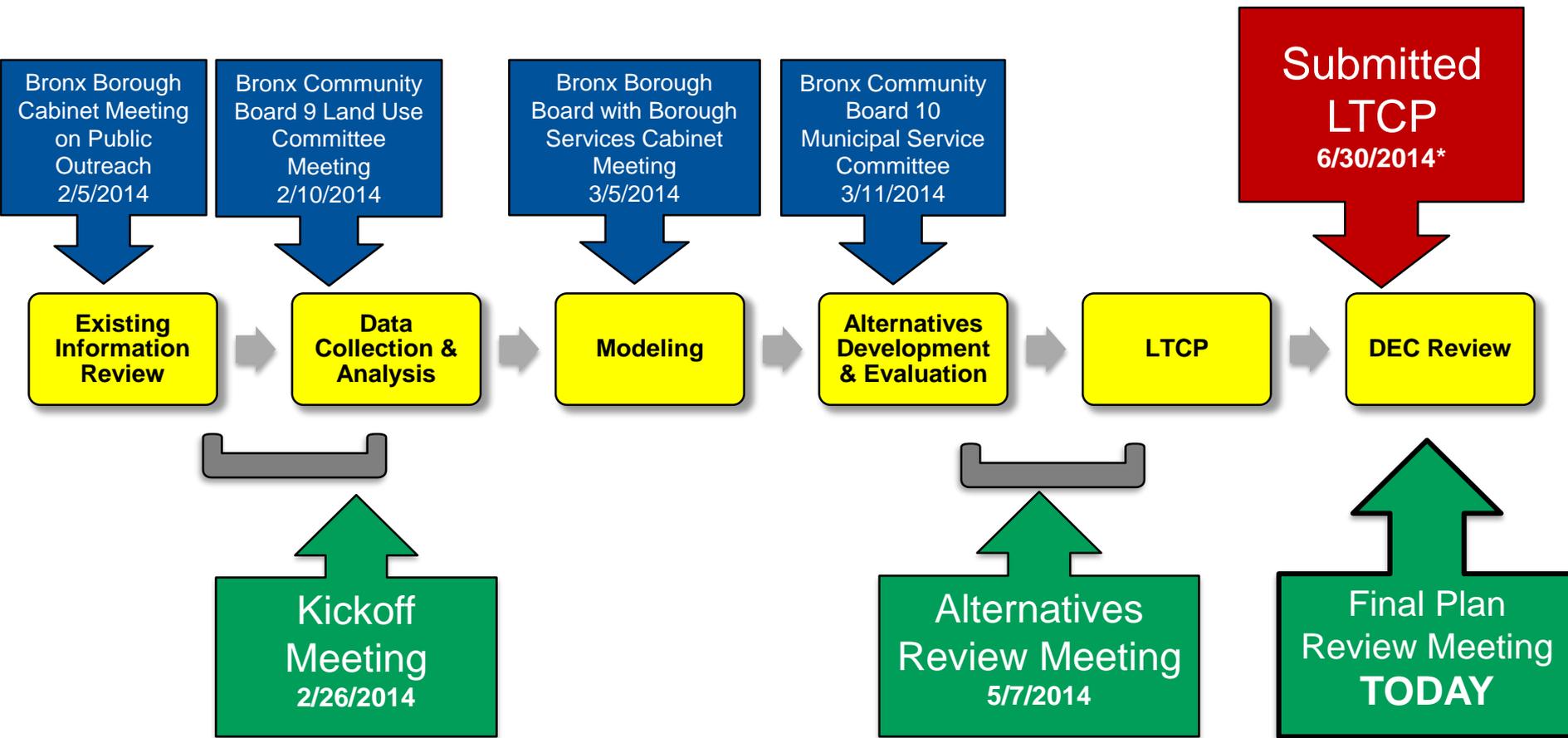
# Westchester Creek (WC) LTCP



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# WC LTCP Process and Public Involvement



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Date: February 26, 2014

Location: JHS 125 Henry Hudson School

# Attendees: 10

## Presented on:

- Waterbody/Watershed Characteristics
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- Water Quality Sampling Results

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Fecal Coliform	5 – 97	23 – 559
Enterococci	4 – 74	12 – 460

## ➤ Current WQ Improvement Projects

- Weir Modification to Regulators CSO 29A/29
- Pugsley Parallel Sewer
- Green Infrastructure



Date: May 7, 2014

Location: Herbert Lehman High School

# Attendees: 10

## Presented on:

### ➤ Brief Recap of Meeting #1

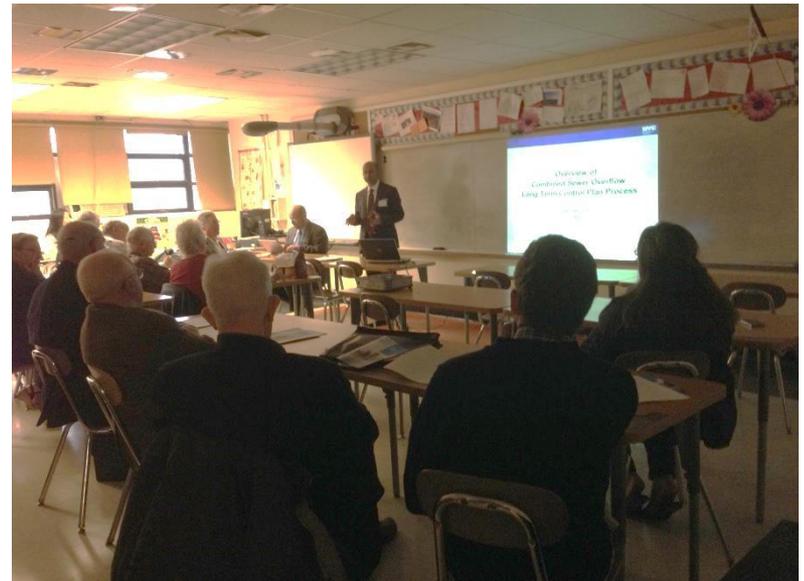
### ➤ Water Quality Attainment

- **Current Class I:** Full Fecal attainment
- **Primary Contact:** Full Fecal attainment during Recreational Season\* and high-level of Annual Fecal attainment

### ➤ Modeling

- Minimal improvement with 100% CSO Control
- East River and stormwater inputs limit reaching full Class SB attainment

### ➤ Comparison of Key Alternatives



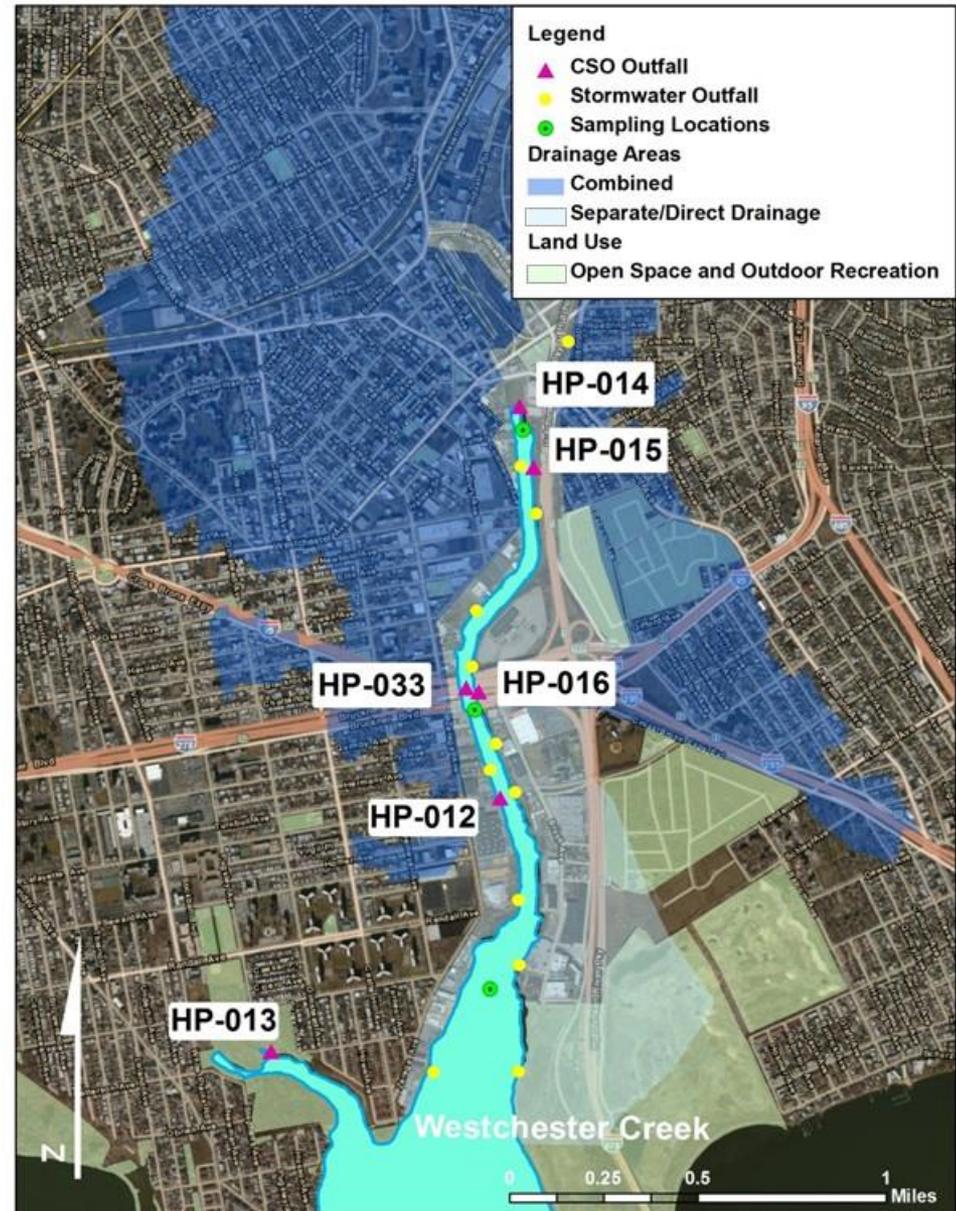
\*Recreational Season is from May 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>

# **WC LTCP Proposed Final Recommendations**

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# Westchester Creek Drainage Area

- Majority of CSO discharges at head end near Lehmann HS (HP-014)
- Drainage area:
  - 4,952 acres
  - 70% impervious
  - 85% served by combined sewers
- Classified by New York State DEC for secondary contact recreation and fishing (**Class I**)
- Land Use
  - 55% Residential
  - 18% Mixed Use
  - 15% Open Space
- Wet weather discharges
  - ▲ 6 CSO Outfalls
  - 12 Stormwater Outfalls



# Westchester Creek CSO Mitigation Options

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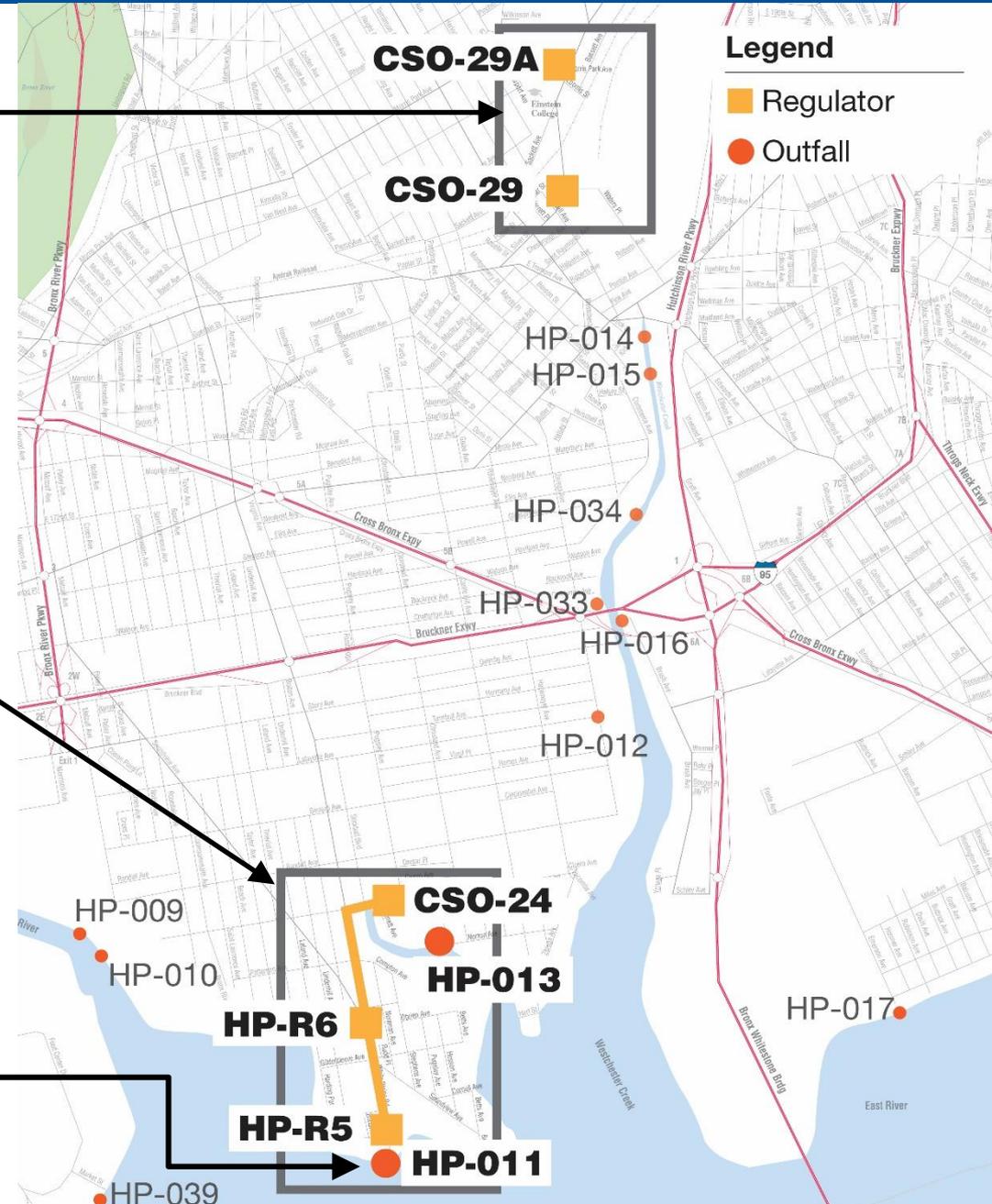
**Preferred Alternative = Continue to Implement Waterbody/Watershed Facility Plan (WWFP) Work (See Next Slide)**

# WC Recommendation: Continue Ongoing WWFP Work

Weir Modifications to Regulators CSO-29A and CSO-29 (Directs more flow to WWTP)  
**Cost = \$15 Million**

Parallel Relief Sewer to Divert CSO Away from Pugsley Creek  
**Cost = \$66 Million**

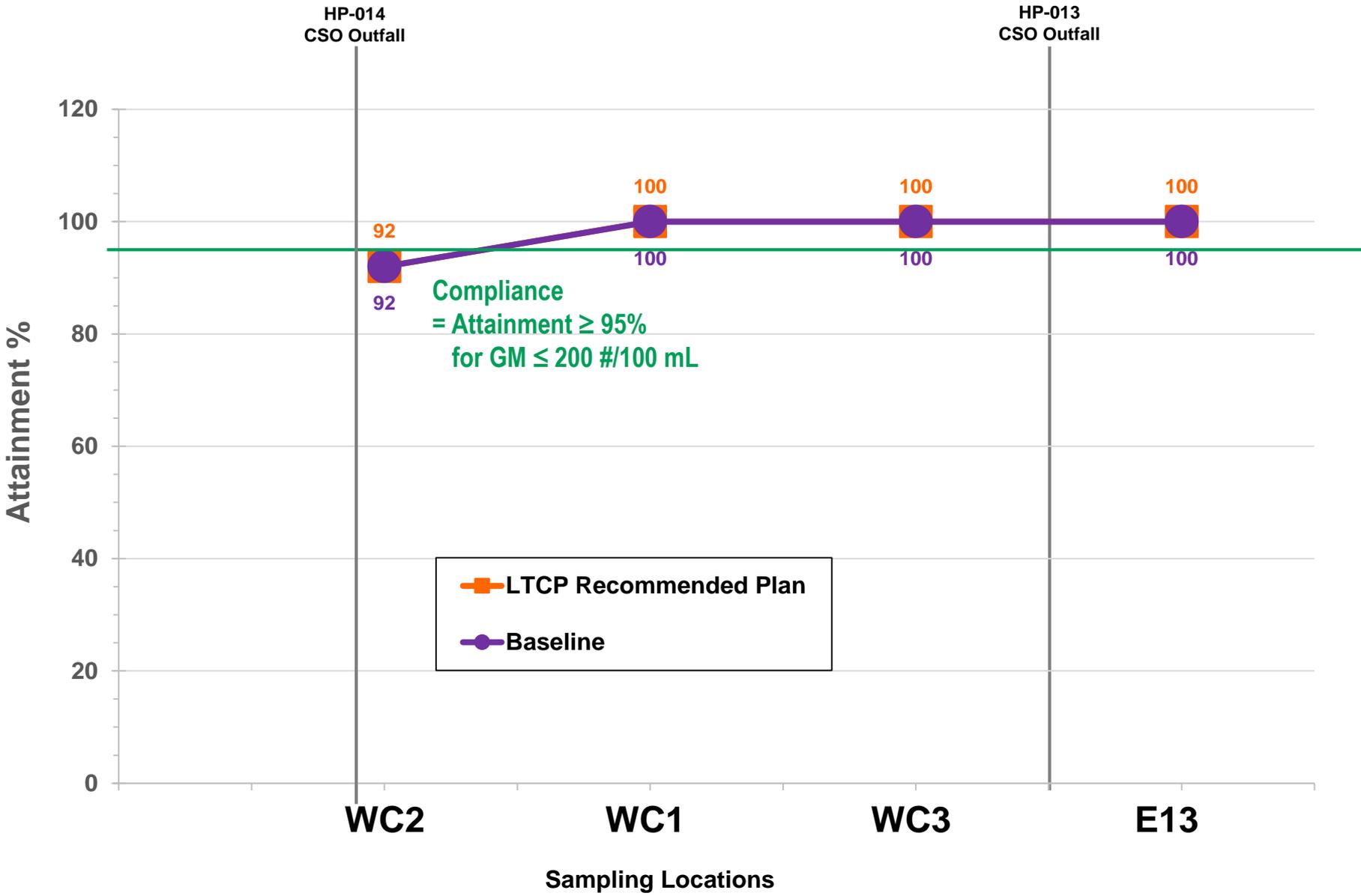
Floatables Control at HP-011 (Incorporated under Bronx River LTCP)  
**Cost = \$9 Million**



# Westchester Creek Sampling Locations

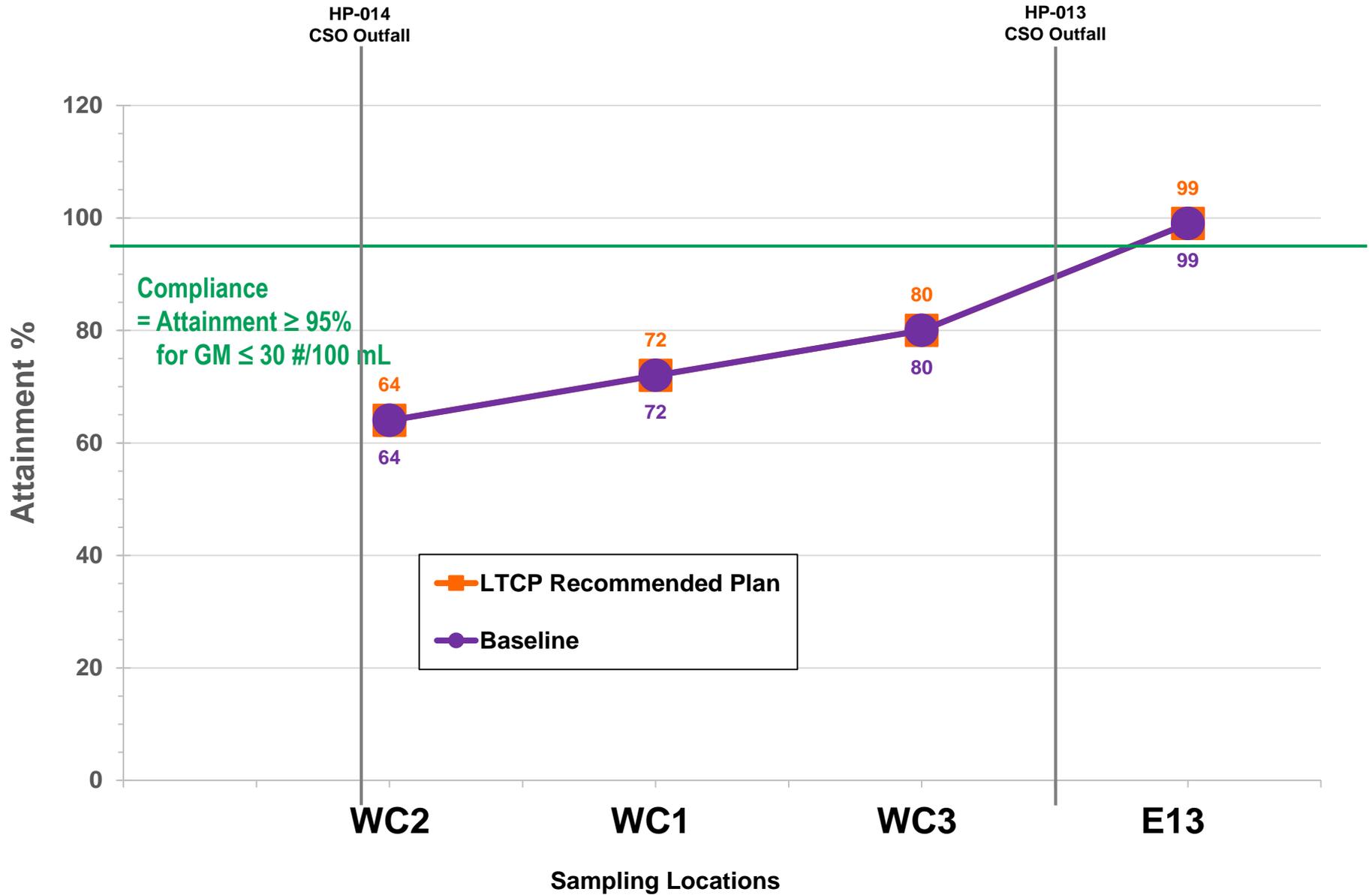


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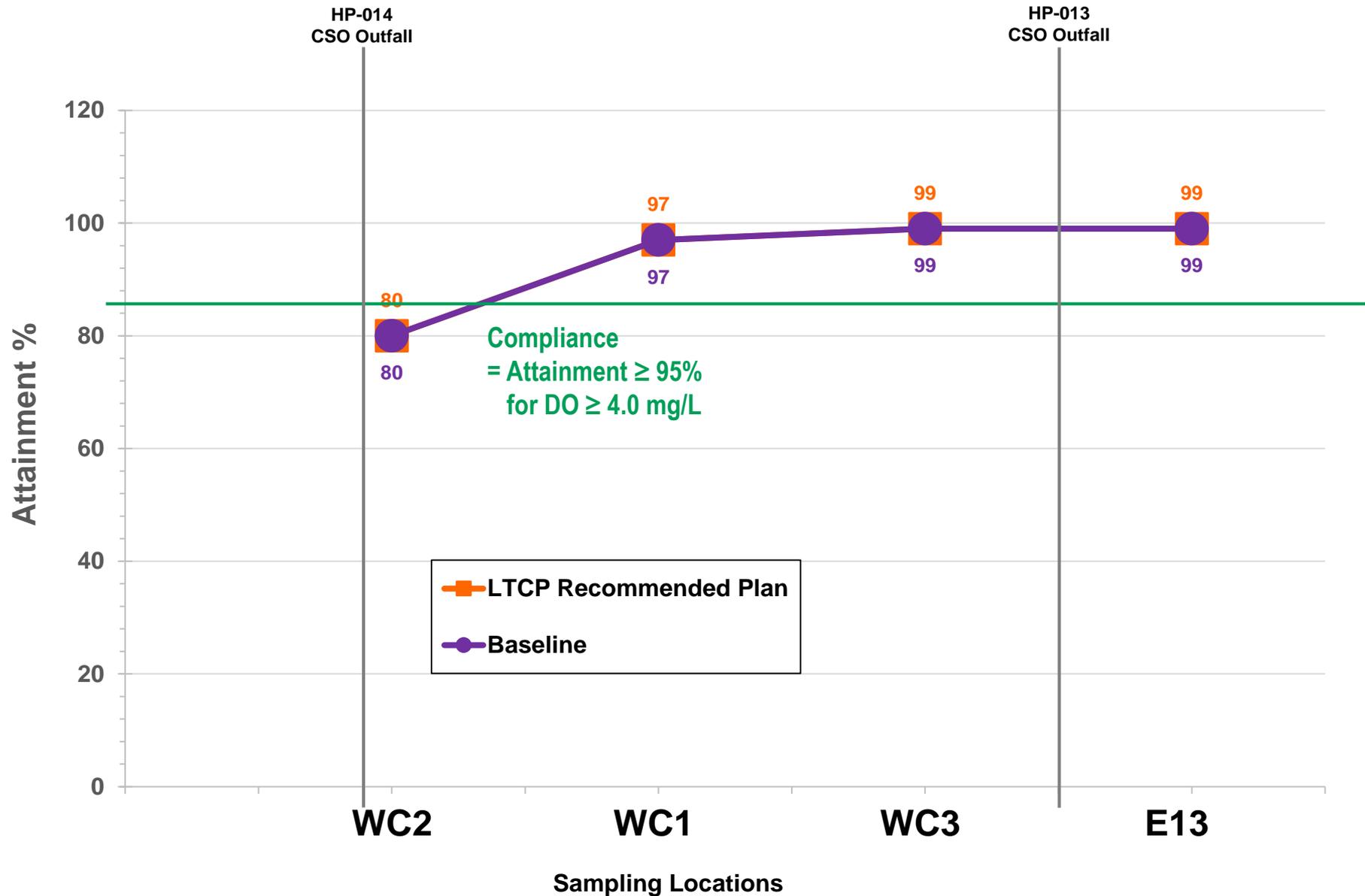
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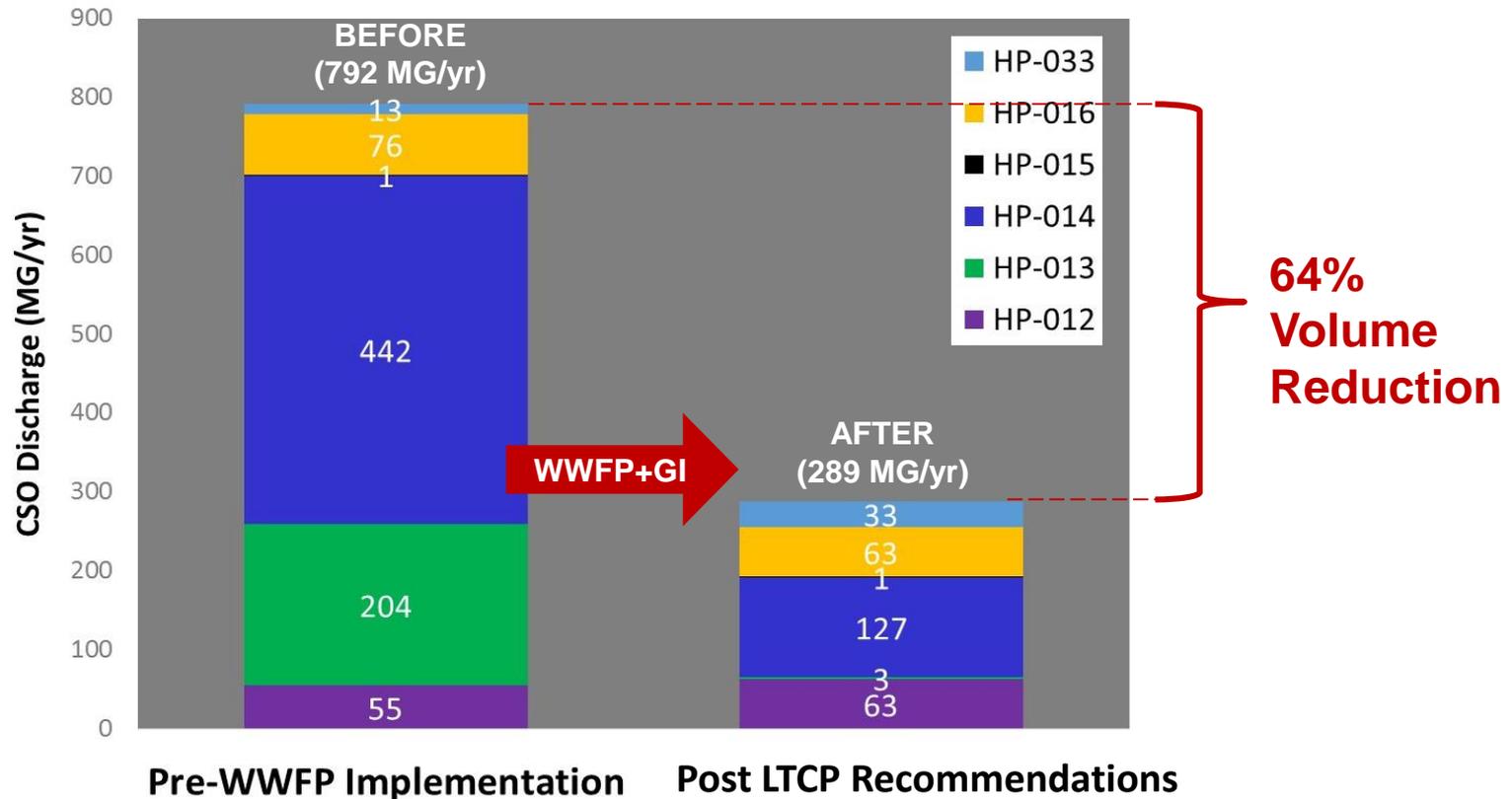
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# WC Resulting Water Quality Improvements

- Implementation of planned GI and WWFP Recommendations will reduce CSO volume by 64%



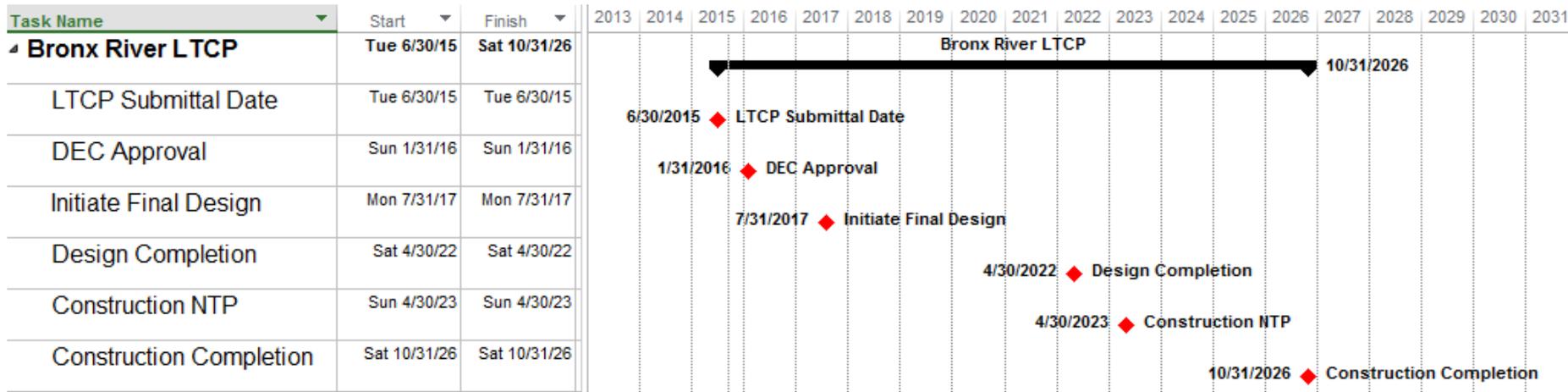
- High level of attainment of primary contact criterion (Fecal Coliform GM <200 cfu/100 mL)

# WC Overview of Implementation Schedule

LTCP Recommendation	Phase	Schedule	
Continue Ongoing Waterbody / Watershed Facility Plant (WWFP) Projects	<b>Weir Modifications to Regulators CSO-29A and CSO-29</b>	Design	Completed
		Construction	Dec 2015 – Dec 2019
	<b>Pugsley Creek Parallel Relief Sewer</b>	Design	In Progress
		Construction	Jun 2016 – Dec 2019
Part of Larger CSO Control Project under Bronx River LTCP	<b>Floatables Control at HP-011*</b>	<p>Estimated Construction Completion = 9 Years from Bronx River LTCP Approval  <i>(See Next Slide)</i></p>	

# Tentative Floatables Control Implementation Schedule

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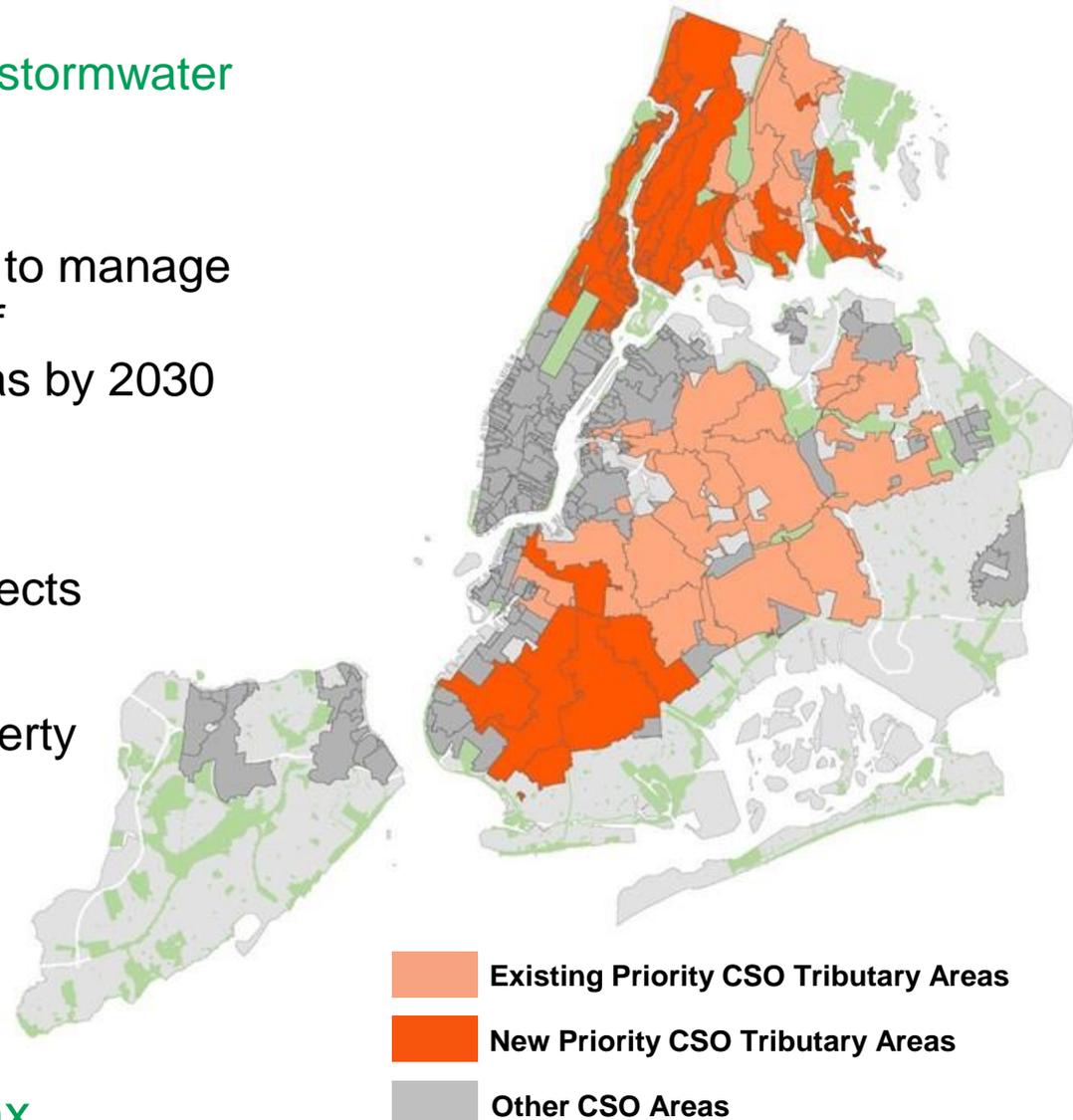


- Continue to implement 2011 Waterbody / Watershed Facility Plan (WWFP) Recommendations
- Continue to implement Green Infrastructure Program
- Initiate post-construction compliance monitoring
- Incorporate floatables control at Outfall HP-011
  - *As part of a larger CSO control project under the Bronx River LTCP*
- Perform Use Attainability Analysis (UAA) addressing non-compliance
- Establish a wet-weather advisory during the recreational season (May 1<sup>st</sup> to Oct 31<sup>st</sup>)

# Green Infrastructure

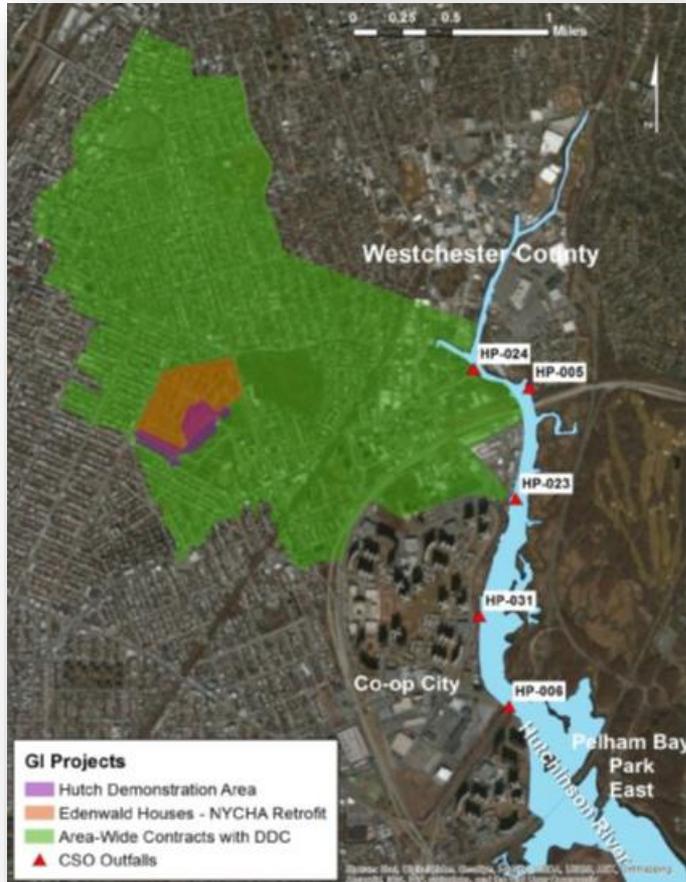
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Program Manager  
DEP

- **Green Infrastructure (GI)** collects stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces
- Budget **\$1.5 billion** for GI Citywide to manage 1" of stormwater runoff from 10% of impervious combined sewered areas by 2030
- Meet this goal through:
  - ROW Bioswale Area-Wide Projects
  - Public Property Retrofits
  - Grant Program for Private Property Owners



Currently in-construction on approx. **2700 GI Assets** in Brooklyn, Queens and the Bronx

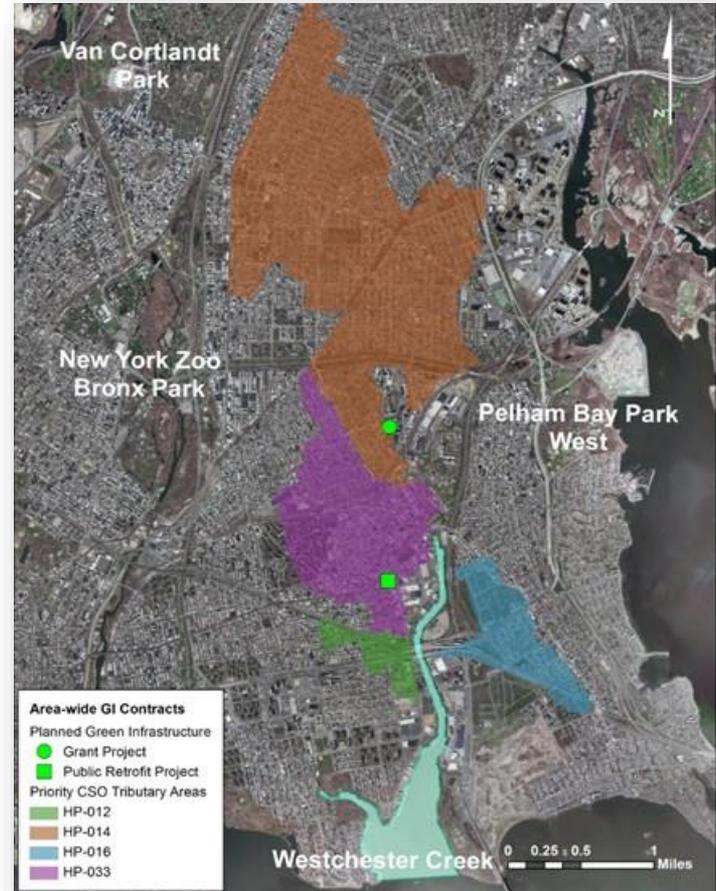
## Hutchinson River



### Status:

- 22 Bioswales Constructed
- 100 GI Assets in Construction or final design
- Porous Concrete Pilot
- Edenwald Retrofit – NTP issued

## Westchester Creek



### Status:

- 2 Green Roofs Constructed
- Geotechnical Investigations Underway

- Public Comments will be accepted through October 30, 2015
  
- DEP/DEC to review public comments
  
- DEC to approve LTCPs
  
- Comments can be submitted to:
  - New York City DEP at: [ltcp@dep.nyc.gov](mailto:ltcp@dep.nyc.gov)

- Visit the informational tables tonight for handouts and poster boards with detailed information
  
- Go to [www.nyc.gov/dep/ltcp](http://www.nyc.gov/dep/ltcp) to access:
  - LTCP Public Participation Plan
  - Presentation, handouts and poster boards from this meeting
  - Links to Waterbody/Watershed Facility Plans
  - CSO Order including LTCP Goal Statement
  - NYC's Green Infrastructure Plan
  - Green Infrastructure Pilots 2011 and 2012 Monitoring Results
  - NYC Waterbody Advisory Program
  - Upcoming meeting announcements
  - Other LTCP updates

# Discussion and Q&A Session