## When the big one hits... will your pipes and valves stand the test?

Evaluating pipe and valve redundancy in Sammamish Plateau Water's System

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## Agenda





**29** square miles Population: **63,000**  Water connections: **18,700** Sewer connections: **12,300** Replacement value: **\$1 Billion** 



- Mid-size water and sewer utility
  - Located 20 miles east of Seattle, WA
  - 2018 budget: \$74,000,000
- About the community we serve
  - Population: **63,000**
  - **29** square miles, covering **2** cities (Sammamish and Issaquah) and unincorporated King County
  - Median household income: \$144,775
  - % of population with Bachelor degree or higher: 72.5

#### • Our Mission

Sammamish Plateau Water will provide safe, efficient, and reliable water and sewer services by being a leader in the planning and the practice of fiscal and environmental stewardship.



## **Purpose of the 2017 Seismic Pipeline Study**

- Follow up to the Seismic Vulnerability Report, 2014
- Reassess the need for a New Supply Pipe to the 650 Zone
  - Determine Potential Level of Service after an earthquake
  - Develop alternatives for a new seismically resilient supply pipe to the 650 zone
- Evaluate the resiliency of SPW's distribution system to a pipe breaking seismic event



## **Effects of an Earthquake - Assumptions**

- Seismic Liquefaction Zone
  - Well 9 would function
  - Many facilities would be inoperable
  - Many broken pipes
- Plateau Area 650 Zone
  - Some pipes break however most would be in service
  - Wells would be in service



Plateau area supply could feed the 297 zone through pressure reducing valves

#### Level of Service - Demand

- What demand should be supplied during an emergency?
- All agreed it is reasonable to reduce the Level of Service following an earthquake.

|                                 | MGD | gpm   |                             |
|---------------------------------|-----|-------|-----------------------------|
| Average Winter Demand (Nov-Feb) | 3.3 | 2,300 |                             |
| 2016 Average Day Demand         | 4.7 | 3,262 | More conservative, use this |

#### **Level of Service**



- Demand
  - 2016 Average Day Demand = 4.7 MGD (3,262 gpm)
  - This is more conservative than the average winter day demand
  - Demand will increase in the future and eventually this won't be enough
- Supply
  - Plateau, without 297 Zone supply = 6.7 MGD (4,675 gpm)
- 6.7 MGD supply > 4.7 MGD demand
  - Plateau sources exceed "emergency" demand and can supply the overall system

#### **Issaquah Fall City Road Pipe and Booster Station**



#### **Supply Evaluation Summary**

- Using relatively conservative demand assumptions, supply is adequate to serve system under emergency conditions
- A new 297 supply pipeline can provide additional redundancy to the 650 Zone; however, it can be delayed





## Pipe and Valve Evaluation

## **Distribution System Resiliency Analysis**

- What is required to conduct the analysis
- Performance Criteria
- How does the system perform with the loss of components?
  - Pipe Breaks to assess:
    - Violation of system pressure thresholds Innovyze
    - Demand isolated by pipe breaks Optimatics
  - Number of valves to isolate a pipe Optimatics
  - Number of valves to isolate a valve Innovyze
  - Supply redundancy (Single Pipeline to/From Facilities) Optimatics & Innovyze

#### **Data and resource requirements**

- Calibrated hydraulic model
- Mainline valve locations (from GIS)
- Performance criteria

## **Performance Criteria**

- Scenario utilized (Max Day Demand)
- Pressure criteria
  - Customer Meter Locations (>20 psi)
  - Transmission lines and facilities (>0 psi)
- Critical Pipe connections (Removal from service isolates customers):
  - Approx. 0.5 gpm (MDD)/EDU (EDU = 1 Residential customer)
  - 0-10 gpm (MDD) (0-20 ERU)
  - 10-50 gpm (MDD) (20-100 ERU)
  - 50 gpm or more (MDD) (100 or more ERU)
- Number of Valves required to isolate pipe = 4 or fewer
- Number of Valves required to isolate a valve = 5 or fewer

#### Pipe Break Pressure and Demand Isolation Analysis

- Process:
  - Batch modeling simulations are run where each pipe is broken in the distribution system one by one
  - Software identifies which pipe breaks result in pressures below set criteria (<20 psi) and the location of the low pressure
  - Software identifies which pipe breaks cause the isolation of demand



#### Pipe Breaks – Demand Isolation/Number of Customers Out of Service



- Some areas may be addressed by changing operations
- Single PRV stations can create a dead-end

#### **Example Demand Isolation Results**

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#### **Redundancy Improvements**





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#### **Model Components: Pipes, Nodes, and Valves**



#### Valve Spatial and Attribute Quality Control

- Valve attributes:
  - Active "status = active"
  - Typically open "normally open <> N"
  - On main line "main line valve = on''
- Spatial location of valves
  - On mainline
  - Near mainline (associated with nearest main)



Red = "Excluded"

#### **Valve Spatial and Attribute Quality** – Box 1



## **SPW's Valve Attribute Summary**

- Out of 8,726 valves:
  - 4,874 valves met attribute criteria (Active, Mainline, not closed) and were used
  - 3,935 of those were spatially located on pipelines (Approx. 81%)
    - 939 required review by SPW staff
  - 380 valves in total, had a null "Mainline valve" status and were not used
    - Required review by SPW staff

#### Valves required to isolate pipe breaks

- SPW generally has good valve coverage
- A number of locations were identified to have additional valves installed

| Valves<br>Required | Occurrences |
|--------------------|-------------|
| nequireu           | occurrences |
| 8                  | 1           |
| 7                  | 2           |
| 6                  | 20          |
| 5                  | 173         |
| 4                  | 557         |
| 3                  | 1463        |
| 2                  | 1033        |

#### Number of valves to isolate broken valves



#### **Valve Criticality**



| ValvelD | lo Close |
|---------|----------|
| V004139 | V000875  |
| V004139 | V004141  |
| V004139 | V004140  |
| V004139 | V004136  |
| V004139 | V004138  |
| V004139 | V000953  |
| V004136 | V004141  |
| V004136 | V004140  |
| V004136 | V004137  |
| V004136 | V001063  |
| V004136 | V004138  |
| V004136 | V004139  |
| V003214 | V003212  |
| V003214 | V003234  |
| V003214 | V003210  |
| V003214 | V003213  |
| V003214 | V003211  |
| V003214 | V003229  |
| V003469 | V001250  |
| V003469 | V003467  |
| V003469 | V184051  |
| V003469 | V003466  |
| V003469 | V002445  |
| V003469 | V001249  |
| V002445 | V001250  |
| V002445 | V002446  |
| V002445 | V002444  |
| V002445 | V184051  |
| V002445 | V003469  |
|         |          |



#### **Critical Facilities – Supply Redundancy**



 Model controls set up to automatically turn on any alternate facilities that are available.

#### Conclusions

- Assess "Level of Service" goals before focusing on specific projects
  - SPW has flexibility to serve non irrigation demands with the loss of 297 zone supplies indefinitely
- Historically most resiliency studies have focused on facilities and transmission piping
  - Now modeling tools allow for assessment of distribution system
- For systems with varied topography and/or multiple pressure zones, pipe and valve criticality is often tough to visually discern
  - SPW generally has a high level of piping and valve redundancy
  - SPW identified approximately 20 pipe and PRV projects that would improve the redundancy of the system

#### **Conclusions (cont.)**

- A secondary benefit to the analysis is improving the quality of water GIS
  - SPW identified mis-coded and mis-located valves
  - Identified several locations where additional valves will be installed
- Software tools are generally available to complete this analysis
  - Requires calibrated steady state model and accurate system valve information
  - Tools from Optimatics and Innovyze were utilized in this project
  - Unfortunately no single piece of software provides all required functionality

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# Q&A





## Thank you!