

# Wastewater Trust Funds

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# Purpose

- To encourage orderly development
- Equitably spread the cost of wastewater line extensions.
- Reimburse developers for constructing infrastructure where City infrastructure is deficient or non-existent.
  - Funds are collected from developers via Acreage Fees & Surcharge Fee

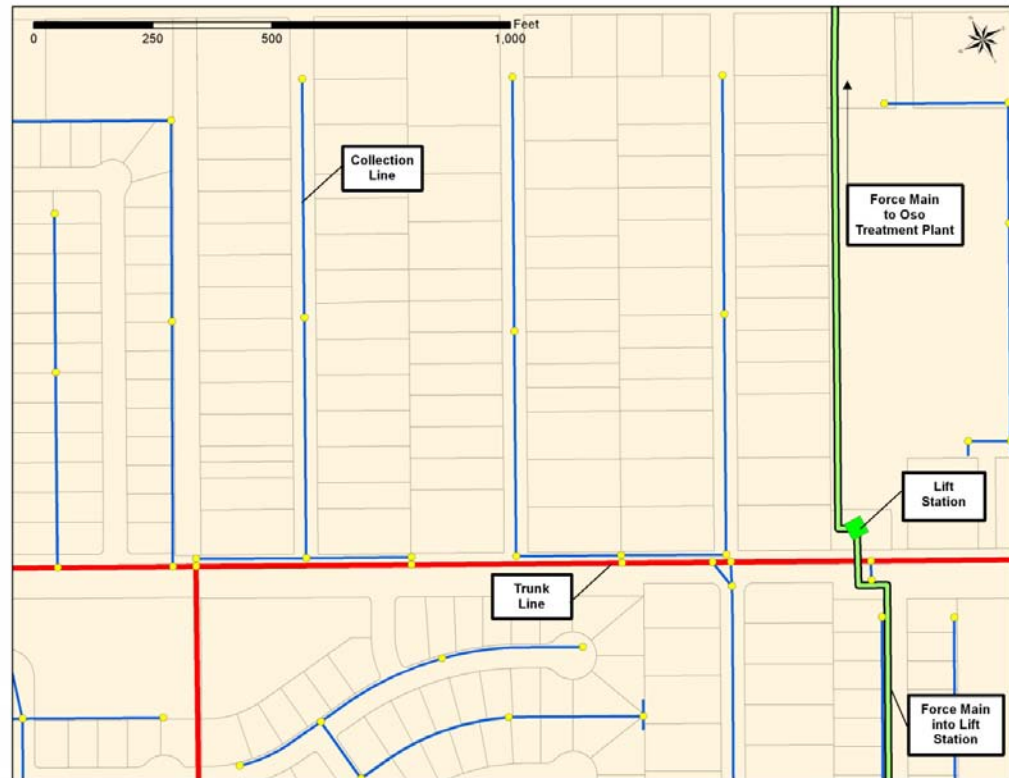
# Funds

- **Collection Line**

- Off-site Collection Lines

- **Trunk System**

- Trunk Lines
- Master Planned Lift Stations
- Force Mains



# Trunk System Fund

- 2004 – First Lift Station funded
  - Cost \$2.8 Million
- 2005 – Balance \$5.8 million
- 2006 to 2009 – Funded four more Lift Stations
  - Total Cost = \$6.5 million
- 2009 = Balance \$0 w/over \$2 million in Commitments
- Current = \$377k w/over \$400k in Commitments

# Causes

- Started Funding Master Planned Lift Stations
  - Four still not in use
- Economy hit hard times
  - Revenue from acreage fees was down

# Current Costs and Revenue

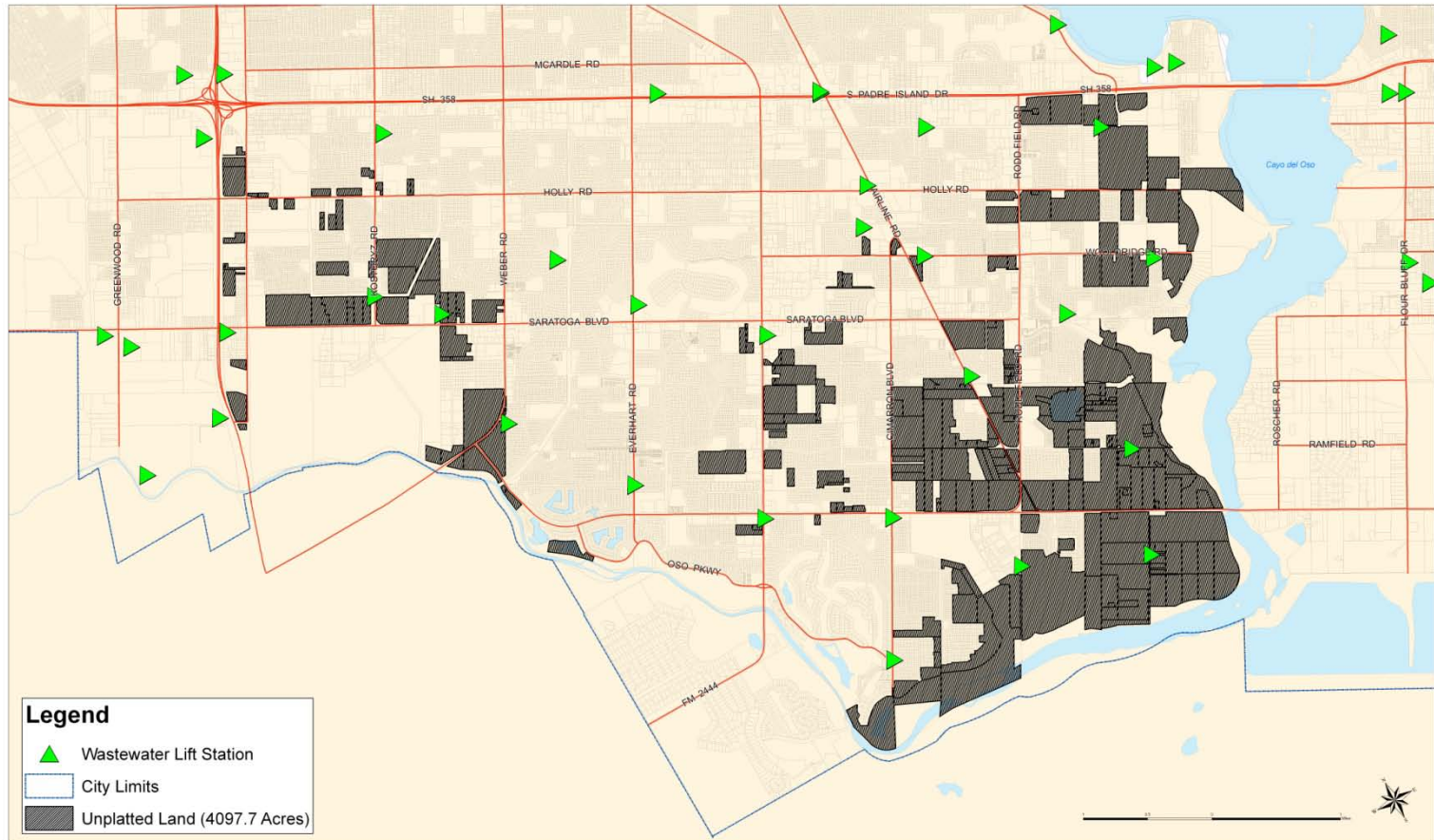
- Average Costs

- Trunk lines = \$839/Ac
- Lift Station = \$2,047/Ac
- Force Main = \$652/Ac
- Total = \$3,538/Ac

- Revenue

- Acreage Fees = \$1,528/Ac
- Surcharge = \$269/Ac
- Total = \$1,797

# Un-platted Property



# Analysis

- Un-platted Acres = 4098
- Revenue = \$7.1 Million
- Trunk Line cost = \$3.0 Million
- Available for Lift Stations = \$4.1 Million
  
- Average Service Area (Acres) = 450
- Cost per lift station = \$1.1 Million
  
- Enough to build 3 Lift Stations in another area



# Recommendation

- Only increase fees to cover inflation
- UDC text amendment to change priority of reimbursement
  - Refunds to owners who did not receive service in 10 yrs
  - Trunk Lines by date of approval by City Council
  - Lift stations only when fund has balance of \$350k or greater , then by date of approval by City Council
- Exempt the area South of Oso Creek
  - Reduces refunds