

MARKET SEGMENT STORMWATER DRAIN REMEDIATION

LOCATION MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ DATE MARCH 2022

CLIENT INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURER

PROJECT PROFILE

UV CURED-IN-PLACE-PIPE 70 FOOT / 36" STORMWATER DRAIN RENEWAL

BACKGROUND & SITUATION

An industrial manufacturing facility in Middlesex County, NJ had widened the roadway as the facility expanded to address increased road loading and to increase traffic. The corrugated metal pipe storm drain had reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) sections added. When a major hurricane created a stormwater surge of 15 feet, the joint seals and the pipe connections to the culvert at the inverts failed, causing irreversible damage. Unwanted infiltration and sediment were leaking into and out of the end of the 36-inch pipe into the storm water system.

The leaking stormwater drainpipe had been lined with a1inch geopolymer liner installed by a different contractor. PPM inspected the 70 feet of the 36-inch stormwater pipe and identifed an efficient and permanent way to strengthen the pipe to prevent further leakage without replacing the pipe. Replacing the 70-foot length of pipe would have led to a costly excavation, detours and delays production at the plant.

SCOPE

PPM proposed a fiberglass, structural cured-in-place-pipe (CIPP) to be installed through the entire length of the 70-foot stormwater line.

After flushing and cleaning the line, PPM conducted a CCTV inspection of the 70-foot stormwater drain. There was significant evidence that infiltration indeed was occurring – the corrugated metal pipe had corroded in many locations, often completely missing portions.

After approvals and engineering, lining was completed in two days. As is true in most installations, CIPP does not require excavations. A protective layer was applied inside the bottom of the existing 36" pipe to prevent damage to the CIPP liner during installation. A cable was pulled through the pipe and attached to the uncured liner. End gates were attached so that air pressure would be properly maintained during the liner curing process. A UV light chain was pulled through at timed intervals to cure the liner.



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CHALLENGES

There were many challenges due to the location of the 36-inch pipe and culvert. The sloped sides of the culvert were lined with a special material that had sealers underneath it to prevent water from being absorbed into the ground. Due to the sloping terrain of the culvert and channel, there was no ready access for the necessary equipment at the exact location of the stormwater drain.

In order to fully seal the annular space between the corroded sag points of 'host' stormwater pipe and the CIPP, hydraulic water stop cement was applied using approved Confined Space Entry procedures. Hydrophilic end seals were installed at both termination points of the new CIPP inserts to prevent any future infiltration into the system.

A manhole penetration of the stormwater system (i.e. lateral) had to be reinstated after the CIPP was installed and cured.

OUTCOMES & RESULTS

The ultraviolet/UV CIPP technology selected was proven to be stronger and more sustainable that other liners. After curing and the ends were finished, a sample of the cured liner was submitted for testing by a 3rd party to ensure it met design specifications. A second sample of the liner was provided to the client and the municipality to test the thickness and integrity.

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