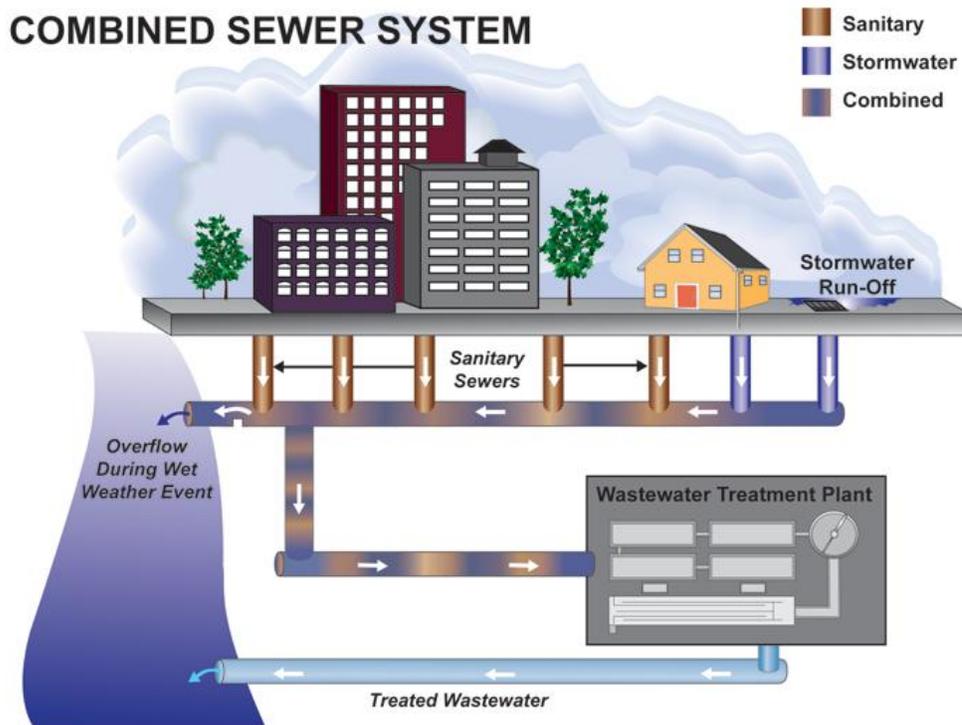


City of Easton's Combined Sewer System

The purpose of this web page is to make the public aware that the City of Easton has a combined sanitary and storm sewer system servicing portions of its downtown area.

During dry weather, the combined sewer system and wastewater treatment plant have sufficient capacity to transport and treat all of the sanitary sewage entering the system. However, when flow in the sewer increases as a result of significant rainfall events, the sewer system may become inundated. When this situation occurs, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection permits the City of Easton, as it does with other cities with combined sewer systems, to discharge excess combined sewer flow into nearby waterbodies. The City has two authorized discharge facilities which are located along the Delaware and Lehigh Rivers. These facilities help to prevent health and human safety issues that may result from localized flooding in homes and throughout neighborhoods.



In order to comply with the terms of its general NPDES permit for wet weather overflow discharges, the City inspects and monitors its combined sewer overflow facilities at least once each year during dry weather, and during every precipitation event of at least 0.25 inches. Reports are submitted to the DEP on a monthly as well as an annual basis.

The City has submitted approved reports to the DEP on Implementation of the Nine Minimum Controls to reduce CSO's and their effects, and also a Long Term CSO Control Plan which identifies actions to control discharges from its SCO's. The City of Easton's CSO outfalls are located near the intersection of Larry Holmes Drive and Church Street and at the pumping station located on Larry Holmes Drive at the intersection of extended Second Street.

Interested citizens may contact the City of Easton Engineering Office at 610-250-6680 for more information regarding this program