# Revised Water **Engineering Design Standards**

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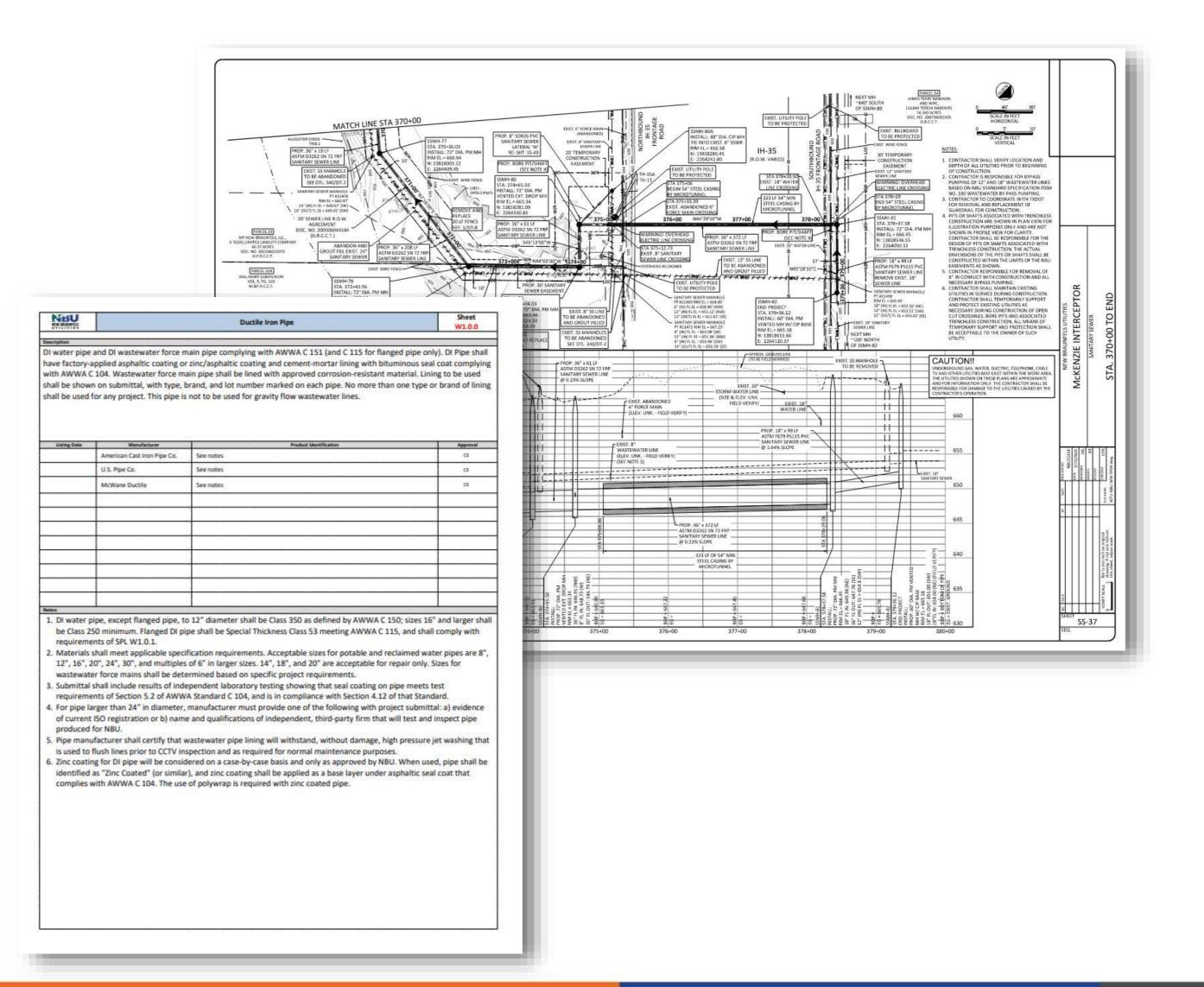


## Water Engineering Design Standards

- Purpose
- What are Design Standards?
- How have they changed
- What it means to NBU and the community

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## Water Engineering Design Standards

#### Water/Wastewater Design Criteria

- Construction Plan Requirements
- Construction Inspection, Acceptance, and Warranty
- Design Requirements for Water/Wastewater Systems
- Lift Station Design Criteria
- Standard Specifications
- Standard Details
- Standard Product List
- Standard Construction Notes

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Specifications

#### 120.3 Materials

A. Standard Bedding Materials

USE / PIPE MATERIAL	Cement Stabilized Backfill	Natural or Mf'd Sand	Stone Screenings	Pea Gravel	Course Aggregate
WATER		10 · · · · ·	o" - 20		2.5
Service Tubing 1" to 2"		×	x	x	92 
WATER and WASTEW	ATER (PVC)	15 :	l) al	2	85.
Up to 15 Inch ID		X	х		1.5
Larger Than 15 Inch ID			x	x	
WATER and FORCEM	AINS (DUCTII	LE IRON)	71		125
Up to 15 Inch ID			X	х	Х
Larger Than 15 Inch ID				x	x
WASTEWATER (FRP)			* :	9 	*01 
Larger Than 30 Inch			x		с. -

1. General requirements and limitations governing bedding selection.

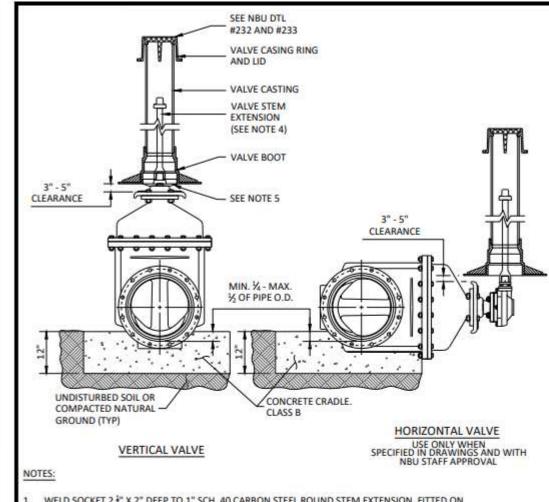
- Crushed gravel or crushed stone shall not be used with polyethylene tubing or polyethylene film wrap.
- b. Pea Gravel or bedding stone shall be used in blasted trenches.
- 2. Requirements to prevent particle migration.

Bedding material shall be compatible with the materials in the trench bottom, walls and backfill so that particle migration from, into or through the bedding is minimized. The Engineer may require one or more of the following measures to minimize particle migration: use of impervious cut-off collars; selected bedding materials, such as pea gravel or bedding stone mixed with sand; filter fabric envelopment of the bedding; cement stabilized backfill; or other approved materials or methods. Measures to minimize particle migration will be shown on the Drawings or designated by the Engineer, and, unless provisions for payment are provided in the contract documents, the cost of these measures shall be agreed by change order. The following limitations shall apply.

- (a) Sand, alone, shall not be used in watercourses, in trenches where groundwater is present, or in trenches with grades greater than 5 percent.
- b) Pea gravel or bedding stone, alone, shall not be used in the street right-of-way within 5 feet of subgrade elevation in trenches that are 3 feet or wider.
- (c) Each gravel or bedding stone, alone, shall not be used where the trench bottom, sides, or backfill is composed of non-cementitious, silty or sandy soils having plasticity indices less than 20, as determined by the Engineer.

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Utility Trenching and Backfill



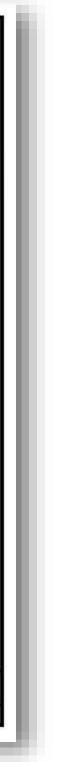
- WELD SOCKET 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> X 2" DEEP TO 1" SCH, 40 CARBON STEEL ROUND STEM EXTENSION, FITTED ON OPERATING NUT. [SCH.80 FOR LENGTHS OVER 10'.]
- VALVE CASTING SHALL BE 6" DI PIPE WITH BELL OR COLLAR CENTERED OVER VALVE BOOT.
- 3. NUT AT TOP OF VALVE EXTENSION ROD SHALL BE SQUARE 2" LONG WELDED TO TOP OF ROD.
- VALVE STEM EXTENSIONS ARE REQUIRED ON ALL VALVES THAT EXCEED 3' DEEP FROM FINISHED GRADE.
  VALVE EXTENSIONS SHALL BE PLACED SUCH THAT THE EXTENSION NUT IS BETWEEN 12" AND 18" FROM FINISHED GRADE.
- . TRUMBULL VALVE BOX ALIGNMENT DEVICE OR APPROVED EQUAL

NEU	APPROVED BY A. WILLARD	TYPICAL GATE VALVE			
NEW BRAUNFELS UTILITIES WATER SYSTEMS ENGINEERING	DRAWING DATE: 2/1/24	UPDATED:	N.T.S.	1 OF 1	DRAWING NO. 230

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## Water/Wastewater Design Criteria Updates

#### • Updated Criteria:

- System capacity sections updated to match Master Plans
- W/WW criteria revised per staff feedback and consultant recommendations
- Abandonment of facilities revised to match NBU standard practice
- Miscellaneous clarifications of common design inquires
- New Criteria:
  - Easements: Identified width, slope, and access
  - Polymer concrete manholes

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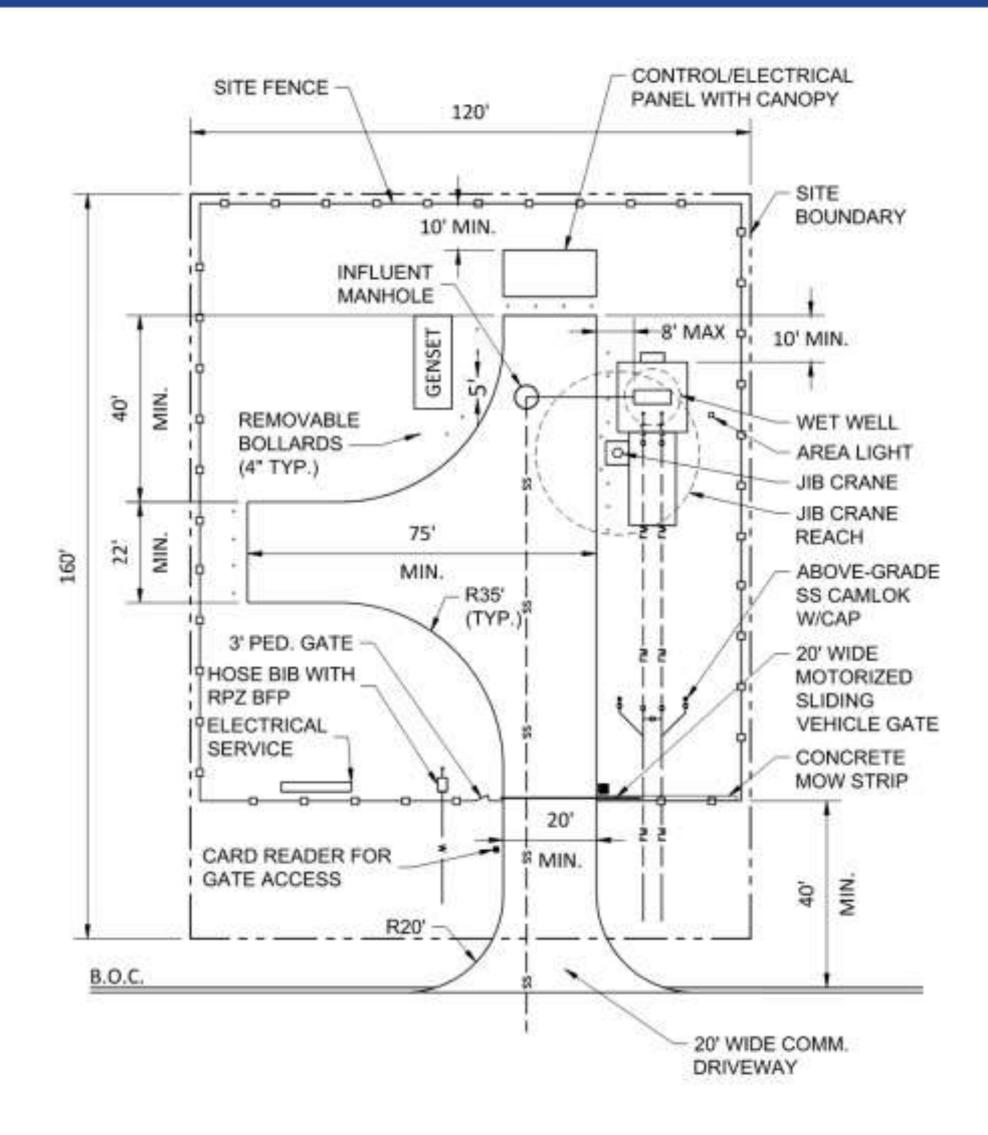


## Lift Station Design Criteria

- Need for standard identified by issues at existing lift stations
- Enhanced requirements:
  - Dual force mains for resiliency/reliability
  - Fiber communications for SCADA and security ●
  - Site access: turnarounds and paved access roads •
  - Odor control, aeration, & bypass considerations
  - Security: Cameras, solid perimeter fencing, and gates

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## **Standards and Specifications Updates**

### • Standard Specifications Revisions:

• Updated 20+ year old existing NBU specifications to address inconsistencies noted during project construction and to match current industry standards

### • New Standard Specifications:

 Added specifications for pumps, storage tanks, coatings, fiberglass gravity sewer pipe, polymer concrete manholes, vaults, vault hatches, and cathodic protection

### • Standard Detail Updates:

- Addressed operational issues per NBU staff feedback
- Added and updated details to match new specifications

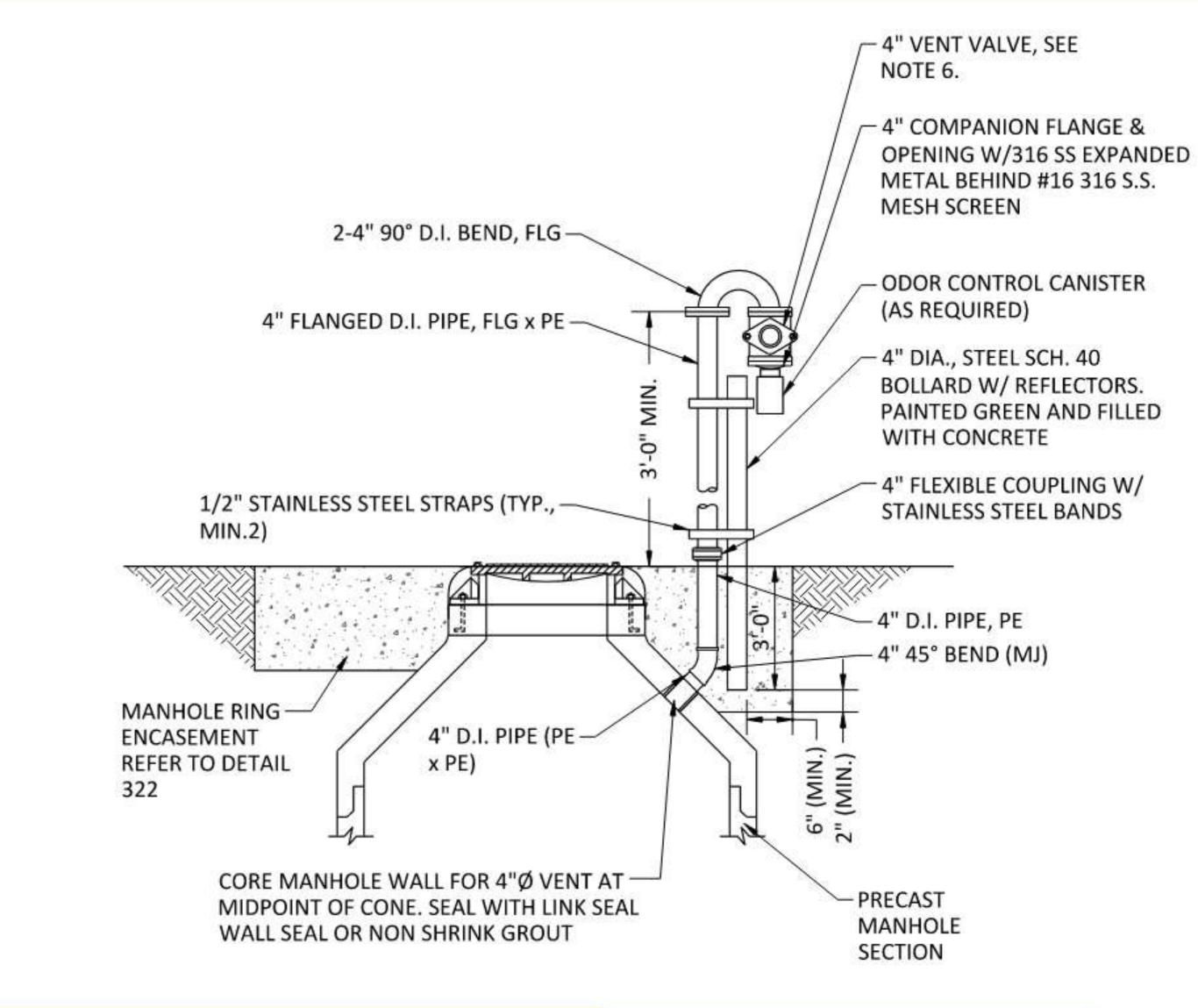
#### • New Standard Products List:

 Updated draft Standards Products List for use by engineers and contractors to streamline submittals process and consistency for O&M

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## **NBU and the Community**

- NBU
  - Efficient review and inspection
  - Standard products
  - Less meetings

### Developers/Community

- Clear direction
- Less interpretation
- Consistency
- No surprises

### Outreach and Implementation

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April 15, 2024

Mr. Matthew Geistweidt, P.E. Pape-Dawson Engineer: 2000 NW Loop 410 San Antonio, TX 78213 MGeistweidt@pape-dawson

RE: Trail Creek Subdivision Approval of Water and Wastewater Construction Plans Project Number(s): W - 232264 / WW - 232266

Dear Mr. Geistweidt

Please be advised that New Braunfels Utilities has reviewed and approved the water and wastewater construction plans for Trail Creek Subdivision (Sealed plans dated 1/04/2024.)

The approved plans show:

Water:

- o 8" Main Extension 14 - Fire Hydrant Assemble
- 139-1" Services
  - 130-5/8" domestic water meter 9 – 1" irrigtion water meter
- - 8" main extensio 12" main extensio
  - 37 Manholes
  - 130 6" service

This approval is good for one year from the date of the initial approval 4/15/2024. If you make any revisions or changes to the referenced plans, you will be required to submit a new Application for Construction Plan Review and Approval prior to construction

PLEASE NOTE:

- The construction plan approval by NBU for public improvements associated with Trail Creek Subdivision is not a construction permit. The applicant is required to apply for a public improvement permit to allow for construction through the City of New Brounfels
- APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION PLAN REVIEW DOES NOT RESERVE WATER CAPACITY. NBU WILL DETERMINE AVAILABILITY OF CAPACITY AT FINAL PLAT APPROVAL
- <u>Coordinate with NBU Easements</u>, at 830.608.8999 or 830.608.8894, regarding any new easements or easement conflicts that may need to be addressed prior to establishing NBU utility services.
- Coordinate with NBU New Construction, at 830.608.8992 or 830.608.8919 or email at newconstruction@nbutexas.com regarding the application process and any applicable fees.
- <u>A 48-hour notice is required before construction may begin</u> Please call 830.608.8831 or email <u>wtropsadmin@nbutexas.com</u> to s start date and contractor information. A water/wastewater inspector will be assigned at that time
- Upon completion of any vertical water and/or wastewater infrastructure, please contact our Water Services Planner at waterservicesplanning@nbutexas.com to schedule an inspection. This inspection will be completed within 15 business days of the

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