KNOXVILLE UTILITIES BOARD

DESIGN GUIDE FOR CONSTRUCTION APPROVAL FOR WASTEWATER LOW PRESSURE SYSTEMS

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Introduction to Design Guide for Wastewater Systems

The purpose of this document is to assist developers and design firms with successfully completing wastewater designs for proposed developments. This guide offers a standard set of templates that are proposed for wastewater system designs and outlines the minimum submittal information considered to be required by KUB for new systems such as subdivisions, extensions, upgrades, etc. The purpose of this guide is to improve the efficiency of reviews by reducing the number of re-submittals by the developer's design firm. Project submittals such as construction documents and associated calculations must be prepared according to this design guide.

As a general rule, each submittal should include one pdf copy of the design (also send a copy of the storm water and grading plans with the proposal) to KUB. Once reviewed, the design will be returned to the designer with comments for revisions. Once the plans are ready for approval, KUB will stamp the plans with a red approved for construction stamp and will return the plans with a letter, pending TDEC fees and utility agreements.

Documents Contained in this Design Guide

Several items located in this package can help assist designers in document submittal requirements when preparing proposed wastewater plans and calculations. This guide is divided into several sections. The sections include parts A through E and I, focusing on required checklists that are used to approve general wastewater design projects, Sections F through H focusing on required checklists that are used to approve wastewater asbuilt submittals, and the latter sections give various wastewater design examples that relate to the previous checklist requirements mentioned.

Proposed Construction Approval for Wastewater Low Pressure Drawing Requirements (Sections A-H) There are sets of wastewater design checklists that are used to review the plans in order to improve the efficiency of the review process. It is important that the designer view the checklist items before project submittal to KUB. If an item on the checklist is not identified in the project submittals, the plans will not be approved and will have to be corrected. Note that Sections A-H should be used for Low Pressure wastewater sewer designs. The "Required Documents for Wastewater Submittals" page outlines all the required checklist items relevant to the type of design.

Additional Resources for Construction Approval of Wastewater Low Pressure Systems

KUB has provided numerous hyperlinks through our webpage to further assist in receiving approved plans. These additional resources include example designs, electronic KUB Logo, calculation templates, etc. Contact Engineering New Service for additional details of accessing this information.

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CHART A-1: Review Process - General Wastewater

Comment	First	Second	-General wastewater
Number	Date:	Date:	Review Criteria
1			If submitted design plans are of a project with multiple phases, all prior phases and their respective easements and final subdivision plans must already be
			approved, accepted, and recorded if this phase will connect to an earlier phase.
2			Provided KUB logo is used.
3			Title Block at the bottom of each sheet must include:
4			-Project name as well as Public or Private
5			- Engineer's company, address and phone number
6			- Engineer's stamp (signed and dated)
7			- Developer's name, address, and phone number
8			- Sites platted address prior to subdivision
9			North Arrow on all sheets
10			Vicinity Map (Upper right-hand corner)
11			Provide a summarized table of property units for proposed public portion on front sheet only.
12			Check GIS for existing utilities in relation to project area.

CHART B-1: Review Process - General Wastewater (Plan View)

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
13			Plan scale can be any scale used from a standard engineering scale, such as 1"=20', 1"=50', 1"=100', etc.
14			All existing public utilities and associated easements are shown where appropriate (i.e. water, sewer, gas, electric, storm, etc.)
15			Bold all proposed Public_wastewater utilities and features and reduce line weight for other utilities in order to clarify the project's items of interest.
16			Represent existing wastewater mains by dashed lines. (Refer to provided drawing legend.)
17			Represent proposed wastewater mains by solid continuous lines (Refer to provided drawing legend.)
18			Station 0+00 is located at the downstream end of the wastewater main.
19			Location where project/phase completion will occur is clearly shown (i.e. E.O.L)
20			Clearly label line designations throughout proposed project
21			Clearly indicate the location and station number of all important appurtenances. Manholes (existing and proposed) are described by the line stationing (i.e., MH STATION 0+50) and the KUB MH number for existing manholes.
22			Clearly label each proposed pipe's material and size. Including pipe length on profile view
23			Minimum pipe size shall be 2-inch diameter for low pressure wastewater mains
24			Clearly indicate locations of storm water mains, catch basins and detention ponds (existing and proposed).
25			All Stormwater mains not running parallel to sewer mains are shown in profile view.

CHART B-2: Review Process - General Wastewater (Profile View)

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
26			Plan scale can be any scale used from a standard engineering scale, such as 1"=20', 1"=50', 1"=100', etc.
27			All existing public utilities and associated easements are shown where appropriate (i.e. water, sewer, gas, electric, storm, etc.)
28			Bold all proposed public wastewater utilities and features and reduce line weight for other utilities in order to clarify the project's items of interest.
29			Represent existing wastewater mains by dashed lines. (Refer to provided drawing legend.)
30			Represent proposed wastewater mains by solid continuous lines (Refer to provided drawing legend.)
31			Station 0+00 is located at the downstream end of the wastewater main and is on the left side of each drawing sheet.
32			Location where project/phase completion will occur is clearly shown (i.e. E.O.L)
33			Clearly label line designations throughout proposed project
34			Clearly indicate the location and station number of all important appurtenances. Manholes (existing and proposed) are described by the line stationing (i.e., MH STATION 0+50) and the KUB MH number for existing manholes.
35			Clearly label each proposed pipe's material and size. Including pipe length on profile view
36			Minimum pipe size shall be 2-inch diameter for low pressure wastewater mains
37			Clearly indicate locations of storm water mains, catch basins and detention ponds (existing and proposed).
38			All Stormwater mains not running parallel to sewer mains are shown in profile view

CHART C-1: Review Process - General Wastewater (Site Plan View)

Comment	First Date:	Second Date:	
Number		2	Review Criteria
39			Rights-of-way (ROW), edges of pavement, driveways and property lines are shown and labeled.
40			Existing and proposed streets and street names are shown (actual street names used) if known.
41			Future development in adjacent parcels is addressed in the design by either providing easements for future extensions or extending utilities to allow immediate access for future phases.
42			Show all building footprints and other proposed structures such as pool, garage, clubhouse, etc., on drawing plan that impact the design.
43			Existing houses shall be given consideration during the design of the proposed wastewater system. Finished floor elevations (FFE) and basement elevations for existing houses shall be shown on drawings as required.
44			Show vegetation.

Main and Lateral Locations

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	<u>Do Install</u>
45	Street right-of-ways
46	Easements
	<u>Don't Install</u>
47	Paved areas
48	Easements may not encroach upon berms or any crossing detention basins
49	Wastewater mains shall not be installed in the same trench with other utilities unless approved by KUB Engineering in writing prior to the preparation of design plans.

CHART C-2: Review Process - General Wastewater (Site Plan View) (continued)

Horizontal Separation

Horizontal Separation	OII
50	Horizontal separation between water and wastewater mains is at least 10 feet
51	Horizontal separation between gas and wastewater mains is at least 5 feet
52	Minimum horizontal separation shall be greater than or equal to 3 feet between the sanitary sewer and storm water sewer mains measured from the outside of the pipes.
Manholes	
53	Clearly indicate stub out elevations and locations for future laterals and wastewater mains at manholes
Laterals	
54	Clearly present the proposed locations of all proposed laterals.
55	Each customer (lot or unit) shall have its own sewer lateral connection and shall not cross adjacent property lines without an easement.

CHART D-1: Review Process – Profile View

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
Profile Viev	w Genera	l:	
56			Plan & profile can be any scale used from a standard engineering scale, such as 1"=5' or 10' for vertical (profile), 1"=20', 1"=50', 1"=100', etc. for Horizontal.
57			All existing public utilities and associated easements are shown where appropriate (i.e. water, sewer, gas, electric, storm, etc.)
58			Represent proposed wastewater mains by solid continuous lines (Refer to provided drawing legend.)
59			Represent existing wastewater mains by dashed lines.
60			Station 0+00 is located at the downstream end of the wastewater main and is on the left side of each drawing sheet.
61			Location where project/phase completion will occur is clearly shown (i.e. E.O.L)
62			Clearly label line designations throughout proposed project
63			Clearly indicate the location and station number of all important appurtenances. Manholes (existing and proposed) are described by the line stationing (i.e., MH STATION 0+50) and the KUB MH number for existing manholes.
64			Clearly label each proposed pipe's material and size in KUB format (e.g. 100' of 8" SDR 26 PVC @ 0.5 %). Include pipe length on profile view.
65			Minimum pipe size shall be 2-inch diameter for low pressure wastewater mains
66			Clearly indicate locations of storm water mains and all other utility crossings, including diameter and vertical separation distances.
67			All storm water mains not running parallel to sewer mains are shown in profile view.

CHART D-2: Review Process - Profile View (Cont.)

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
Vertical Sep	aration:		
68			Vertical separation must be labeled between wastewater mains and all utilities to include water and storm water lines.
69			Wastewater and water mains have at least 18 inches of vertical separation measured from outside pipe to outside pipe.
70			Minimum vertical separation shall be greater than or equal to 24 inches between the outside of sanitary sewer mains and the outside of storm water sewer mains.
Wastewater	Main D	epth:	
71			Minimum depth of cover for Low Pressure wastewater lines in roadways and other traffic-bearing areas is 48 inches for PVC amd HDPE and 30 inches for Ductile Iron. In non-traffic-bearing areas (easements), the minimum cover is 30 inches no matter the pipe material.
72			Investigate options to shallow deep mains.
73			Where applicable indicate fill compaction specifications that meet KUB standards.

CHART E-1: Low Pressure Sewer Drawing Requirements (Plan View)

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
74			LPS pipe 4 inches and smaller shall be HDPE SDR - 11; LPS pipe larger than 4 inches shall be HDPE SDR 17.
75			LPS mains shall be sized through E/One Design Assistant for Low Pressure Sewer Systems Software or KUB approved equal. NOTE: Use C of 130 in design software
76			Zone assignments for the E/One Software should take into account increases in simultaneous operations and the effects on max flow rates per zone.
77			All the spreadsheets used for hydraulic calculations in the E/One Design Assistant (or KUB approved equal) Software are submitted with the proposed LPS design.
78			Clearly indicate the locations of every flushing station in the proposed design.
79			A flushing station should be located at the end of every LPS main
80			Wherever pipe must be deflected from a straight line (in either the vertical or horizontal plane) in order to avoid obstructions, or wherever long radius curves are permitted, the amount of deflection shall not exceed the pipe manufacturer's recommendations and details should indicate the allowable deflection to the pipe.
81			Acceptable HDPE pipe diameters for LPS are 1¼", 2", 3", and 4".
82			Thrust/Restraint blocking shown (where appropriate).
83			A Separate Zone Map, which clearly indicates the zones used for E-One (or KUB approved equivalent) calculations. (Please see Section K)

CHART E-2: Low Pressure Sewer Drawing Requirements (Profile View)

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
84			LPS pipe 4 inches and smaller shall be HDPE SDR - 11; LPS pipe larger than 4 inches shall be HDPE SDR 17.
85			LPS mains shall be sized through E/One Design Assistant for Low Pressure Sewer Systems Software or KUB approved equal. NOTE: Use C of 130 in design software
86			Zone assignments for the E/One Software should take into account increases in simultaneous operations and the effects on max flow rates per zone.
87			All the spreadsheets used for hydraulic calculations in the E/One Design Assistant (or KUB approved equal) Software are submitted with the proposed LPS design.
88			Air Release Valves shall be placed at peak elevation points that produces a significant crest.
89			Clearly indicate the locations of every flushing station in the proposed design.
90			A flushing station should be located at the end of every LPS main
91			Wherever pipe must be deflected from a straight line (in either the vertical or horizontal plane) in order to avoid obstructions, or wherever long radius curves are permitted, the amount of deflection shall not exceed the pipe manufacturer's recommendations and details should indicate the allowable deflection to the pipe.
92			Acceptable HDPE pipe diameters for LPS are 1¼", 2", 3", and 4".
93			Thrust/Restraint blocking shown (where appropriate).
94			A Separate Zone Map, which clearly indicates the zones used for E-One (or KUB approved equivalent) calculations. (Please see Section K)

CHART E-3: Low Pressure Sewer Drawing Requirements (Plan View Only)

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
95			All the "Zones" that are used in the LPS calculations (done by E/One Design Assistant) are identified clearly as to their extent in the design plan (e.g. Zone # 3) view.
96			Clearly indicate the approximate location, material, and size of every LPS mains, service laterals, and E/One (or KUB approved equal) grinder pumps in the proposed design.
97			Horizontal separation between water and LPS mains is at least 10 feet.
98			Every proposed lot or unit will have its own Model Extreme E/One grinder pump (or KUB approved equivalent) which produces a flow rate of 11 gpm.
99			Consideration of the combination of existing and proposed grinder pumps on the same Force Main are found in calculations used with the E/One Sewer Design Assistant Software and on the design plans.
100			All residential LPS service laterals are 1¼ inch HDPE SDR-11 pipe and are clearly indicated in the plans.
101			At least one set of wastewater hydraulic calculations stamped by registered P.E. are submitted with calculations.

CHART E-4: Low Pressure Sewer Drawing Requirements (Profile View Only)

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
102			All the "Zones" that are used in the LPS calculations (done by E/One Design Assistant) are identified clearly in the on the profile view. (e.g. Zone # 3)
103			LPS mains shall have at least 36 inches of cover and LPS laterals at least 24 inches.
104			Wastewater mains have at least 18 inches of vertical separation from water mains.
105			LPS pipes shall have continuous slopes between high and low points to eliminate the formation of air pockets. Mains shall have a minimum of 60 inches of cover at high points to facilitate installation of air release valves. (See KUB Standards and Specifications 02536)
106			Crown of low pressure main must be installed at the same elevation as the crown of the receiving gravity sewer.
107			Low-pressure sewer mains shall be connected to manholes. If the depth of the manhole is greater than 10 feet, low-pressure sewer mains and laterals may be connected directly to a manhole using an internal drop approved by OWNER.

CHART F-1: Review Process – Easements

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
108			All required easements and/or subdivision plats shall be submitted, approved, and recorded before the new wastewater system will be accepted.
109			The deed instrument number shall be clearly indicated on the plans. If multiple instrument numbers exist for the development, then each instrument number shall be listed.
110			Easements are indicated on plans for sewer laterals which cross private property to serve another lot if approved by KUB.
111			With project easements, a 15-foot wide permanent utility easement exists 7.5 feet on either side of all water & wastewater mains as installed, plus an additional 10 foot utility construction & maintenance easement as required, necessary to install and maintain mains.
112			If a joint permanent easement (JPE) with utilities is used rather than public Right of Way, then the JPE must include "with utilities" to remove the requirement for a utility easement.
113			Easements may not encroach upon berms or any crossing detention basins.

CHART G-1: Review Process - Road & Water Crossings

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
114			Clearly indicate road bores (casing, carrier pipe sizes, and materials) on both the plan and profile view (see Table J-3).
115			Ductile iron pipe with concrete encasement at all joints or HDPE is used for wastewater transport beneath waterways that have a continuous flow of water or as described in the approved ARAP permit. Use of clay water stops on both sides of waterway are required per TDEC.

CHART H-1: Review Process - Abandonment & Removals

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
116			Clearly label abandoned lines throughout proposed project
117			Abandoned sewer pipes 12 inches and larger shall be filled with flowable fill if not completely removed from the ground
118			Abandoned sewer pipes located under existing/proposed buildings are filled with flowable fill if not removed completely from the ground regardless of size.
119			When manholes are abandoned, a note indicates that KUB Standards and Specifications have been met for manhole abandonment.

CHART I-1: Review Process – Low Pressure Sewer Drawing Notes

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
120			A note that states that the contractor must be certified to weld/fuse HDPE pipe for low pressure sewer projects
121			A note that states, "Low Pressure Sewer Service Laterals shall be 1¼ inch HDPE SDR-11 from main to transition fitting. Change to 1¼ inch SCH40 PVC from transition fitting to grinder pump (See KUB Standards and Specifications, Fig. 2-02532-B)."
122			A note that indicates an E/One check valve installation on the 1¼ inch PVC lateral, that is within 24 inches of the HDPE transition fitting.
123			A note that indicates that the backfill material that is within one foot of the pipe shall not exceed 3/4 inch. (TDOT #57 Stone)
124			A note that states, "All pipe shall be installed with a 12-gauge solid copper wire for locating purposes. (See KUB Standards and Specifications 02536, Pg. 3)"
125			A note that states, "Polyethylene pipe (HDPE) and fittings shall be made of High Density, Extra High Molecular Weight polyethylene with a standard thermoplastic material designation of PE3408."
126			A note that states, "Polyethylene pipe (HDPE) shall have a co-extruded green cover or extruded green stripes designating use for sanitary sewer. Color print lines are not an acceptable method for designation of low-pressure sewer mains. Pipe with extruded green stripes shall have a minimum of three equally spaced stripes."
127			A note that states, "Proper installation of LPS found in KUB's Standards and Specifications Section 02536 shall be fully understood and implemented."
128			A note that states, "Thrust/restraint blocks shall be installed in locations shown on the plans or in accordance with the pipe manufacturer's recommendations or as required by OWNER. Thrust/restraint blocks shall be considered an integral part of the low pressure sewer main installation.

CHART J-1: Review Process – General Wastewater Notes

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria
Wastewater	Construct	tion Notes	
129			Road right-of-ways shall be graded and sloped to required specifications or as approved by KUB prior to staking and installing wastewater mains.
130			The Developer's Authorized Representative shall stake the proposed wastewater main layouts, property corners, and easement locations, etcprior to construction to allow ample time for KUB's inspectors to inspect the layouts prior to construction. KUB will determine if staking may be required prior to approval of plans.
131			Construction materials must meet KUB specifications. KUB representatives must approve materials submittals prior to construction.
132			Wastewater main installation must be inspected by KUB. Contact KUB field services at least three (3) working days prior to construction at 558-2786. Trenches shall be left open and not backfilled until inspected by KUB.
133			Contact KUB field services at least three (3) working days prior to construction at 558-2786 to inspect from cleanout to structure when project is located outside of City of Knoxville Limits.
134			Contractor must have a valid State of Tennessee municipal utility license for construction of wastewater mains.
135			Manhole and Main Line Abandonment Procedures:
136			Cut all pipes on the outside of the manhole and plug with brick and mortar.
137			Brick and mortar all pipe openings inside the manhole including drop connections and laterals
138			Remove the manhole ring, lid, and grade rings. Disposal of all manhole Materials shall be at the discretion of the OWNER. Precast cones and risers shall also be removed if they are exposed.
139			Manholes shall be filled with backfill material as specified in KUB specifications for Unclassified Excavation and Backfilling for Utilities.
140			Lines to be abandoned that enter an existing manhole to remain shall be cut on the outside of the manhole and the inlets shall be plugged with brick and mortar to ensure a watertight structure.
141			Abandoned pipe 12 inches and larger shall be filled with flowable fill if not completely removed from the ground.
142			Abandoned pipe underneath existing/proposed buildings shall be filled with flowable fill if not completely removed from the ground.

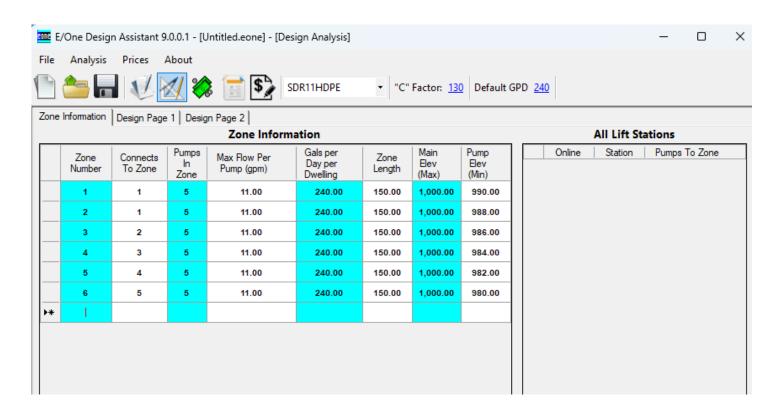
CHART J-2: Review Process – General Wastewater Notes

Comment Number	First Date:	Second Date:	Review Criteria		
	General Wastewater Notes				
143			All sanitary sewer lines and appurtenances shall be installed in accordance with the Knoxville Utilities Board's Standard Sewer System Specifications and Details.		
144			Location of all existing utilities is approximate. Contractor shall field locate all existing utilities prior to excavation.		
145			All pipes shall be installed in the presence of the Owner.		
146			Utilities shall be installed after grading has been completed and approved before any surface cover is finalized to include paving, concrete driveways, etc.		
147			Trench design and safety for pipeline construction is solely the responsibility of the contractor and shall conform to all applicable local, state, and OSHA regulations.		
148			Requirements for proper trench and backfill operations must meet or exceed City of Knoxville, Knox County, and TDOT Standards.		
149			After completing each section of the sewer, all debris and construction materials shall be removed from the work site as well as smoothly grading the disturbed ground surface on the project site.		
150			The Contractor shall obtain plastic warning tape for wastewater mains and bury it one foot above the entire length of each lateral. A 3/8-inch diameter steel rebar shall be driven into the ground at the end of each lateral and painted green. The buried end of the rebar shall be bent to form a hook.		
151			Sanitary sewer flow control (KUB Standards and Specifications) requirements are fully understood and implemented in the wastewater project.		
152			The appropriate KUB representative must approve any field changes to approved plans before construction.		
153			A copy of the latest approved set of utility plans designated by the KUB RED stamp must be present during all times of construction of the appropriate utilities.		

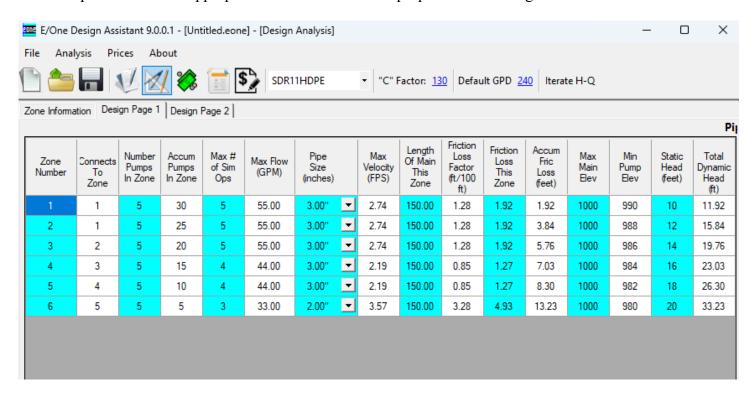
SECTION K: Low Pressure Sewer E/One Software Calculation Example

Using the E/One Low Pressure Sewer System Design Assistant Software, the following screen shots were taken to produce the appropriate sizes of force mains required to properly generate continuous scour velocity in the sewer system. Please refer to the reference Low Pressure Sewer System example drawing for a layout of this proposed system.

Under the Design Icon (which is the tab punched in next to the red notebook tab) the following information from the design of the low-pressure sewer system is typed into the program for the software to calculate the appropriate diameters of the proposed force main. The needed information that the software requests is the Number of Pumps per Zone, Zone Lengths, and Elevations specific to the design. All the other values are calculated for the user automatically, but can be modified if needed.



Design Page 1 under the Design Icon Tab is the first set of calculations that the E/One Design Assistant Software produces for the appropriate sizes of force mains proposed in the design.



Design Page 2 under the Design Icon Tab is the second and final set of calculations that the E/One Design Assistant Software produces for the design of the proposed low-pressure sewer system.

