Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) Report Card		City of San Mateo's Private Sewer Lateral Replacement Project	
Regional Water Board	Region 2 - San Francisco	OUTCOMES:	⊠ Satisfactory □ Unsatisfactory
Total Project Cost	\$760,000		
SEP Funding	\$760,000		
Approval Date	3/11/2009		
Project Category	Other (Rehabilitation)		

Summary

The City of San Mateo implemented the Citywide Private Sewer Lateral Cost Sharing Program(Citywide Program) designed to help property owners with a portion of the expenses incurred to repair or replace their private sewer laterals. The Citywide Program is a grant and loan program based on the Healthy Home model. It allowes the program to have a greater environmental impact by including all properties (commercial, residential, rental, etc.) in the Citywide Private Sewer Lateral Cost Sharing Program.

The Healthy Home program initially targeted the San Mateo Village neighborhood which had been identified as having the "leakiest" sewer laterals. The program was structured as a grant and loan program using \$760,000 of fine monies. Grants of 50% of the sewer lateral repair, with a cap of \$3,000 were available to owner-occupied, single family residences with household incomes below \$82,000. In addition to the grants, low interest loans, up to \$6,000, were available to owner-occupied, single family residences, regardless of income.

The Citywide Private Sewer Lateral Cost Sharing Program has been a popular program and has proven successful in helping residents fix their defective laterals.

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Water Quality Outcomes

- A total of 392 laterals were repaired (230 repairs were required in the stipulated order).
- As part of the SEP, 149 grants and 80 loans were awarded for a total of 229 grants and loans.
- The program was not able to get enough interest to the program from low-income households to reach 185 and fell short by 36 laterals. However, the City issued 35 more loans than required.
- 346 video inspections were completed, exceeding the required 256 inspections.
- Approximately 13,900 feet of private sewer lateral pipe has been repaired or replaced through the citywide Private Lateral Program.
- Outreach requirements were met by 1,000
 Program Introductory Packets that were mailed
 or handed out directly to residents.

Location Map