

Sanitary Sewer

Pinellas County Utilities (PCU) shall provide the levels of service necessary for proper wastewater treatment, reuse and disposal in order to ensure the protection of its citizens and the environment and to provide adequate wastewater treatment capacity for all current and projected wastewater facility demands of Pinellas County Utility customers.

Wastewater flows associated with existing and permitted development cannot exceed the wastewater treatment plant's permitted design capacity.

Treated effluent and biosolids shall meet all pertinent federal, state and local standards and regulations for treatment, reuse and disposal.

Pinellas County will, for concurrency management purposes, annually compare wastewater flows to permitted treatment capacity to determine the percentage of available capacity and assess whether permitted treatment capacity exceeds the needs of existing and committed development. If available treatment capacity meets this standard, development can be permitted.

Unpredictable situations where permitted capacity is temporarily exceeded due to unanticipated situations such as limited/extreme weather conditions shall not impact the determination of level of service conditions.

Peak design flow capacity shall be between 1.5 and 2.5 times the average daily flow for each sanitary sewer system, based on the individual characteristics of the system.

If an annual assessment evidences that a capacity deficit could occur within 10 years, Pinellas County Utilities will prepare a more detailed capacity analysis as directed by 62-600.405, F.A.C, and determine whether facility expansion is required or if the service area is built out.

To determine whether adequate capacity is available for a development or redevelopment project in the unincorporated County that is served by a municipal wastewater system, Pinellas County will utilize the level of service standards adopted by the municipal service provider.

1.5.2. Policy: Pinellas County shall continue to implement its concurrency management ordinance (Section 134-221, et seq., Pinellas County Land Development Code.

1.5.3. Policy: Amendments to the Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan and requests for new development or redevelopment shall be evaluated according to the following guidelines:

1. Contribute to a condition of public hazard as described in the Surface Water Management, Coastal Management, Natural Resources, Conservation, and Management, Potable Water and Sanitary Sewer, and/or Solid Waster and Resource Recovery Elements.

2. Aggravate any existing condition of public facility deficiencies, as described in the Surface Water Management, Potable Water and Sanitary Sewer, Recreation, Open Space, and Culture, Solid Waste and Resource Recovery, and Transportation Elements.
3. Generate public facility demands that may exceed capacity increases planned in the Ten-Year Schedule of Improvements. [16-19]
4. Conform to land uses as shown on the Future Land Use Map of the Future Land Use and Quality Communities Element.
5. Accommodate public demands based upon adopted level of service standards and attempts to meet specified measurable objectives when public facilities are provided by developers.
6. Demonstrate financial feasibility, subject to this Element, when public facilities will be provided, in part or whole, by Pinellas County.
7. Affect on state agencies and the Southwest Florida Water Management District's facility plans.

- 1.5.4. Policy: Pinellas County shall ensure that public facilities and services for which a level of service standard has been adopted and that are needed to support development will be available concurrent with the impacts of development. This policy shall be implemented through use of the Concurrency Management System adopted as part of the Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan. [16-19]
- 1.5.5. Policy: Pinellas County shall ensure that development orders issued prior to the adoption of the Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan shall be provided with necessary facilities and public services.
- 1.5.6 Policy: Through an analysis of the capital and service program needs of the Pinellas County Comprehensive Plan and an evaluation of the County's funding needs, funding options, and funding sources, the County shall assure that its Comprehensive Plan is financially feasible.