

# SHENZHEN WATER: MAINSTREAMING SMART WATER IN THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA



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# Presentation Shenzhen Water Group (SZWG)

- Shenzhen: 1<sup>st</sup> Special Economic Zone & innovation hub in China.
- SZWG (2001) Concession 50 y. Shenzhen (Population 12.5 M)
- PPP in 18 other cities (20 M people).
- SOE Reform (2003): 45% private & 55% SZ Municipal Government.
- First water company with customer satisfaction certif. (ISO10002).
- R&D: 35 patents & 43 utility models & Innovation platform.
- Smart water initiatives since 2006 – NRW 13% (2016).
- 8.4 M m<sup>3</sup>/d (82 water treatment plants) & 3.5 M m<sup>3</sup>/d (28 sewage treatment plants)



# SZWG approach to Smart Water (2006-18)

## Planning and Management

Hydraulic & WQ modeling linked to SCADA & GIS

Business intelligence & big data analysis.

ERP with key real-time operational data

## O&M

Real-time leak detection algorithms.

Preemptive, data-driven ASM.

Advanced equipment and patents.

Portable apps for O&M.

## Customer care

Cloud-based CMS.

Social network data analysis

Smart meters linked to end-user apps.

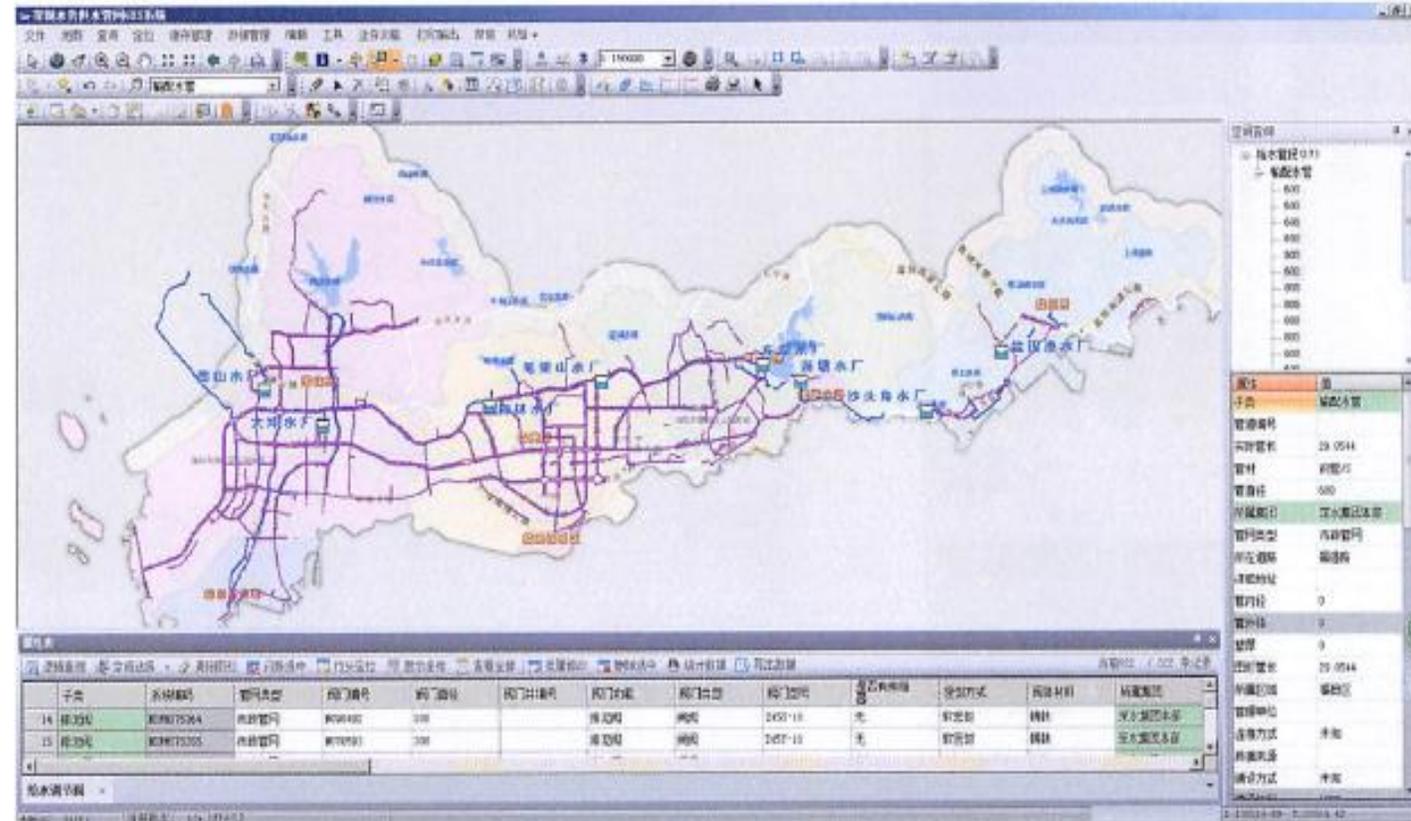
Real-time urban flood warning systems.



# GIS Development

Updated GIS (2016) for the networks linked to database (static & dynamic information)

- Characteristics pipes, valves
- Water consumption (nodes)
- Real-time network data (pressure, flows, etc.) over 12,000 km WS network & WW/Drainage



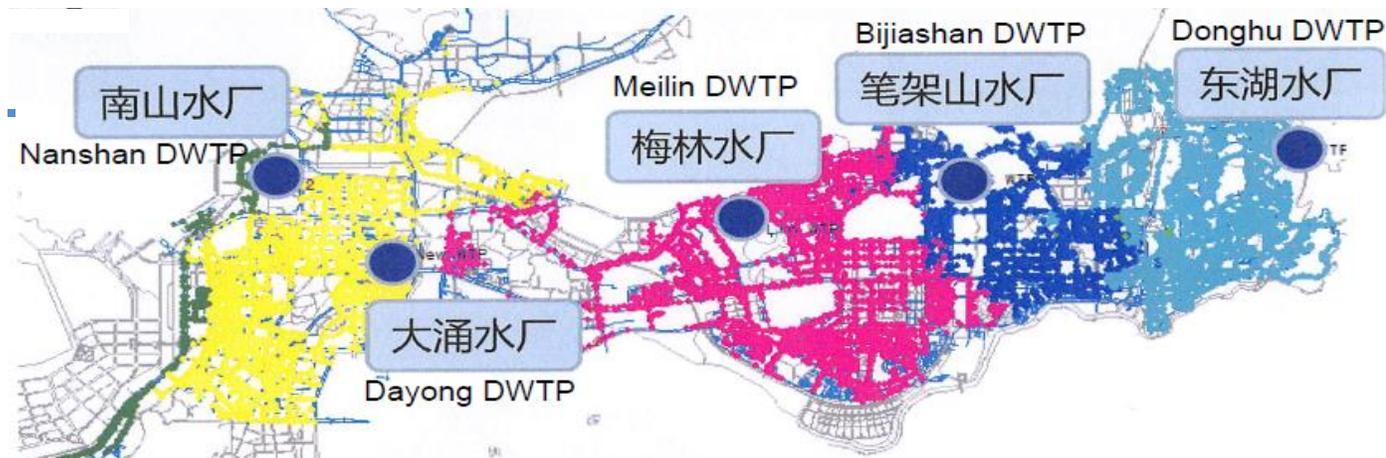
# Hydraulic modeling

**Hydraulic modeling** (quantity and quality):

- Planning: Networks' expansions, modifications, operational and contingency plans, ...
- Operations: Repair, leak-detection, installation of new sensors, etc.

**Models calibrated with field data are the backbone for:**

- Leak detection algorithms
- Active pressure-management
- Real-time demand forecasting.

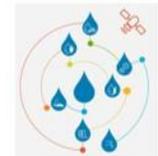


# Smart Operational Tools

## O&M MOBILE APP FOR TREATMENT PLANTS

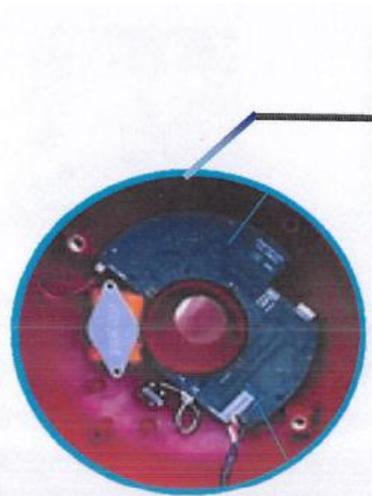


- Standardized, paperless, mobile-assisted inspection work at the treatment plants.
- Improved efficiency: time-out inspection or non-patrol.
- Incidence reporting and fast response in O&M.



# Advanced Equipment and Patents

## Smart Fire Hydrants (8,000 units)



### Module

- Micro motion Sensor
- Pressure Monitor
- Anti collision
- RFID
- Communication

### Functions

- Real time Monitor
- Data Analysis
- Authorized staff ID
- GIS Location
- Alert Message



## Real-time Toxicity Bio-monitoring (40 sets)



### Functions

- Biological indicators
- Temperature: 0-40°C
- Accuracy: 0.05 - 0.1 TU
- Alert: 5 mins

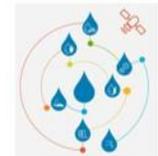
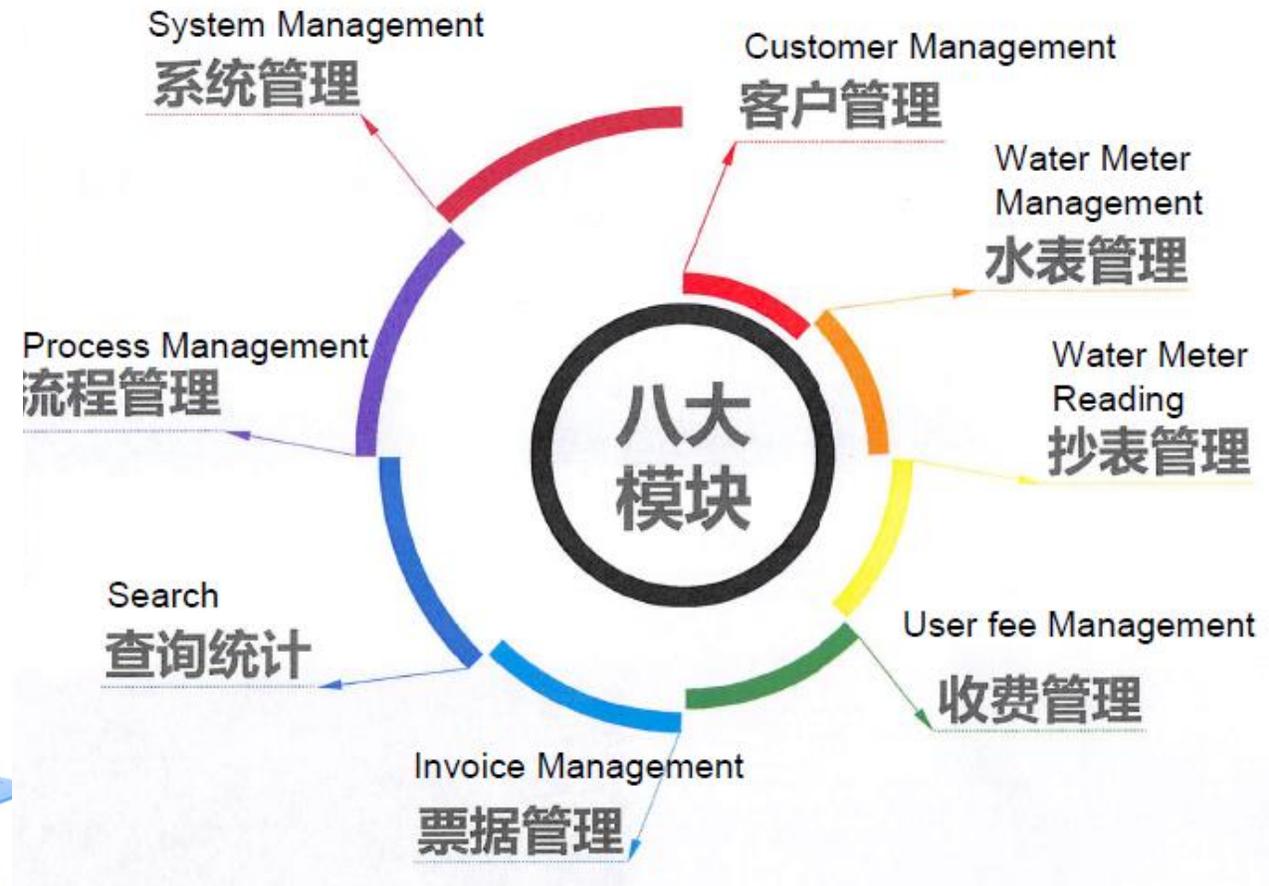


# Customer service and smart meters

## CUSTOMER SERVICE SYSTEM

Based on 8 components 

SZWG partnership with ICT firms to develop technological solutions for smart metering based on NB-IoT



# SZWG smart approach to Sponge Cities

- Government Sponge City Initiative  
=> Game-changer in Urban Development
- SZWG = Leader Sponge Cities:  
=> Pilot projects Shenzhen, Chizhou, ...
- Smart Water = KSF Sponge Cities:  
=> Performance indicators with accurate real-time measurements hydro-climatic & system variables.



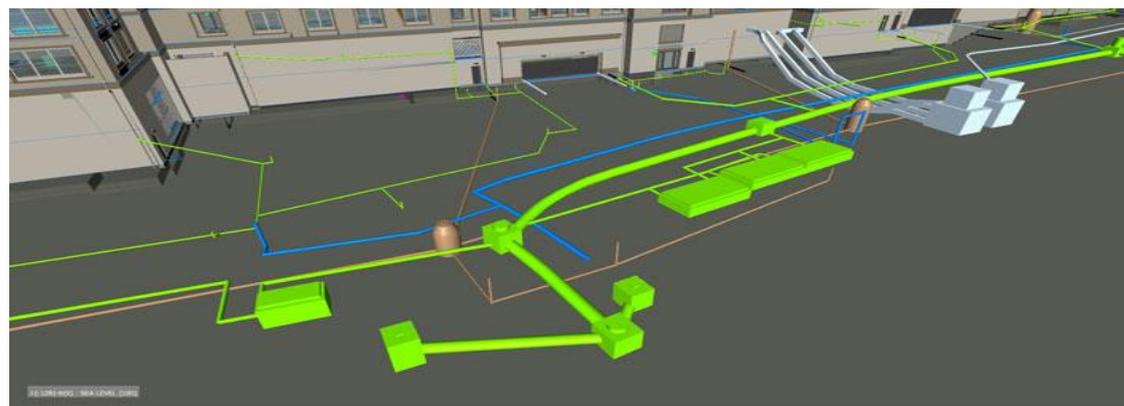
Shenzhen Sponge City Pilot



# Other smart water initiatives in focus

Planned initiatives in SZWG for the next 3 years:

- Develop ICT Platform: Flood control with Citizens' feedback.
- Develop ICT tools to move swiftly to on-line customer care.
- Apply Building Information Modeling technology for projects.
- Develop unmanned water and wastewater treatment plants.
- Develop optimization and big data tools to improve operations and planning of W3 network extensions.



# Expansion plans: crossing the river...

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- Experience in more than 35 PPP projects outside Shenzhen.
- Proximity and direct access to the leading IT companies in China.
- World-class public & private stakeholders supporting expansion plans.
- Modular & replicable business processes: Operations in growing market.
- Support from ADB (Ongoing NSO) & other leading financial partners.

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- Low margins due to political restriction in water pricing
- Growing competition & Cooling down PPP in China.
- Difficulty in reaping the benefits of economies of scale.



# THANK YOU !

