

## **ESTERO DE PACO CONDOMINIAL WASTEWATER SYSTEM**

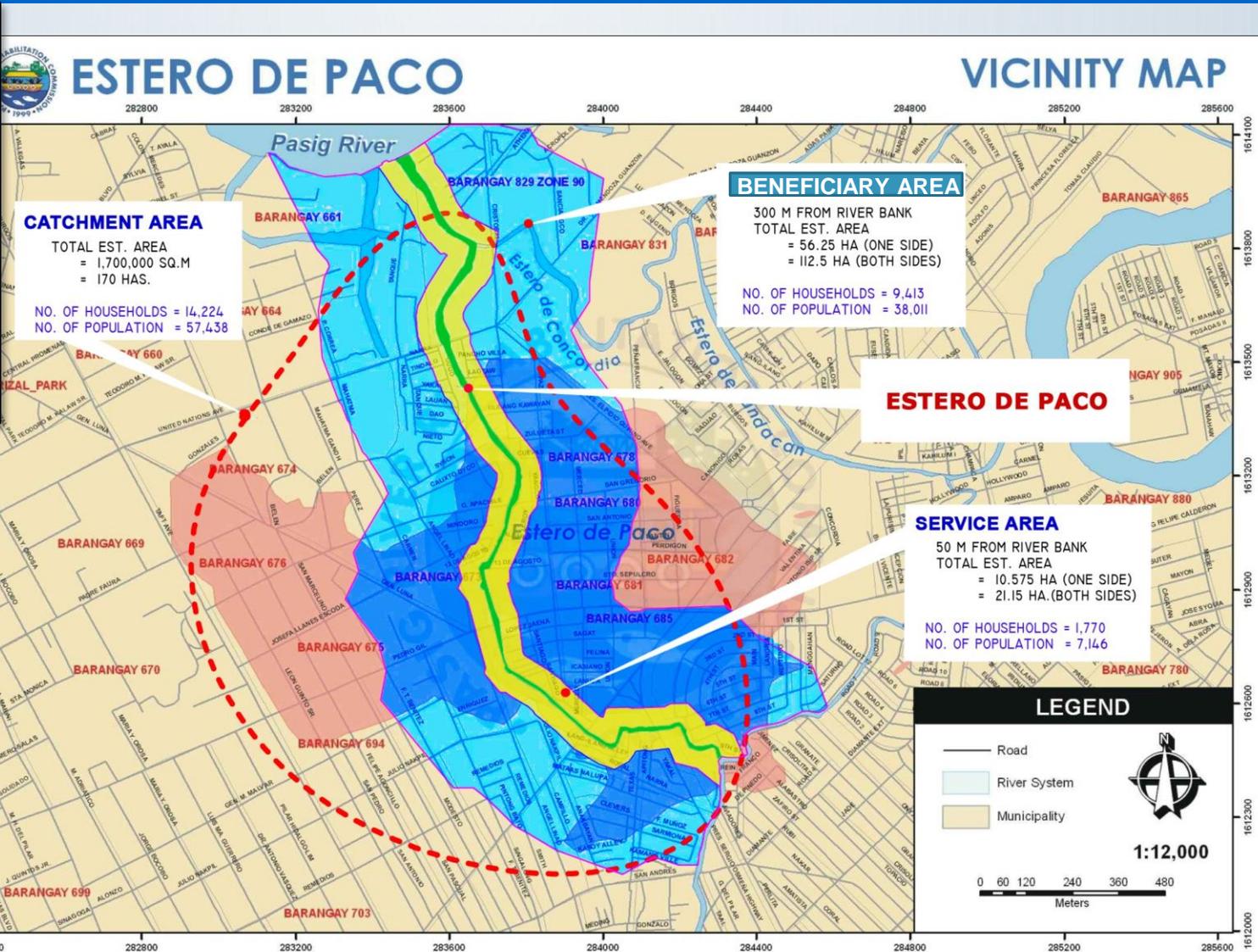
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# INTERVENTIONS

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- 1. Wastewater treatment pilot**
2. Flood gates management guidelines (MMDA)
3. Interceptors and combined sewer management (Maynilad)
4. Headwaters interception (MWSS and Manila Water)
- 5. Solid waste management improvement (LGU)**
- 6. Paco Market water and waste management (concession)**
- 7. Stakeholder awareness, capacity building, institutional arrangements**

# ESTERO DE PACO



# ORIGINAL SITUATION

Before clean up



After clean up



- Estero water does not meet **quality standards**
- **Need to intercept pollutants** (infrastructure+ behavior)

# CHALLENGES & ADB'S APPROACH

- **Intercept pollutants before they get to the river:**
  - Treat water on site or connect to network
  - Sort waste / recycle and collect remaining
  - Practice good market management
  - Flood gates management
- **Address residents' resistance in paying for garbage collection and waste water connection**

# CHALLENGES & ADB'S APPROACH

<https://www.adb.org/news/videos/local-community-helps-keep-manila-river-clean>

OR

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e5Okm7VBJE8>

# ON SITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT

- **SITUATION:** HH and septic tanks direct discharge into the Estero
- **CHALLENGES:**
  - **Capture and treat** sewage and grey water before flowing into the Estero
  - Change people's behavior
  - Allow Estero water to flow into the Pasig River, through flood gates operation
  - Improve the CSOs. (Alert)
  - **Pilot easily replicable** example.
    - **USD 60,000** and minimum O&M expenses



# SELECTED SITE: BARANGAY 672

## Objectives:

- show intercepting and treating discharges with a low cost system can provide good effluent
- prove its efficiency, and feasibility for larger scale replication

### Proposed Site for the Wastewater



- 58 houses, 7 existing septic tanks
- Direct discharge to estero
- Population: ~496 people
- Est. water consumption ~30m<sup>3</sup>/d
- Average BOD est.: 127 mg/l

# 1. WASTEWATER TREATMENT PILOT

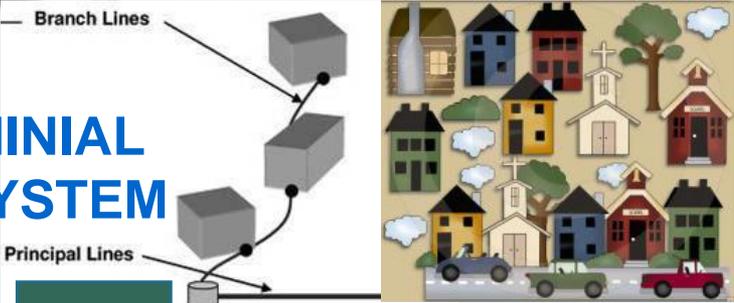
## Infrastructure

- **Condominial Sewerage System**
- **Solar-powered pumps**
- **Anaerobic Baffled Reactor (ABR)**
- **Constructed Wetland (CW)**
- **Combined sewer overflow (CSO)**  
construction and connection to sewer line

- **Complemented with**
  - **Training** (masonry, construction of CSS)
  - **O&M Workshop**
    - ✓ community association
    - ✓ barangay officials
    - ✓ River Warriors

# PILOT PROJECT PROCESS

## CONDOMINIAL SEWER SYSTEM



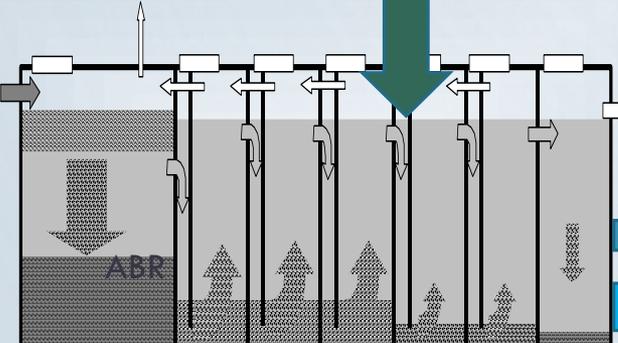
BOD: 127 mg/l  
Flow: 30 m<sup>3</sup>/d

## CONSTRUCTED WETLAND

Marsh plant: 3 -4 plants/m<sup>2</sup>  
75% BOD removal  
Size: 19 m (length) x 2 m (width)

Grey and Black  
Water

BOD: 127 mg/l  
Flow: 30 m<sup>3</sup>/d



## ANAEROBIC BAFFLED REACTOR (ABR)

Hydraulic retention time: 1.5 days  
70% BOD removal  
Size: 9 m (length) x 2 m (width) x 2.5 m (depth)

BOD: 38 mg/l  
Flow: 6 m<sup>3</sup>/d

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BOD: 38 mg/l  
Flow: 24 m<sup>3</sup>/d

ESTERO  
DE PACO



# PILOT PROJECT LOCATION



# CONSTRUCTION



**Collector box**

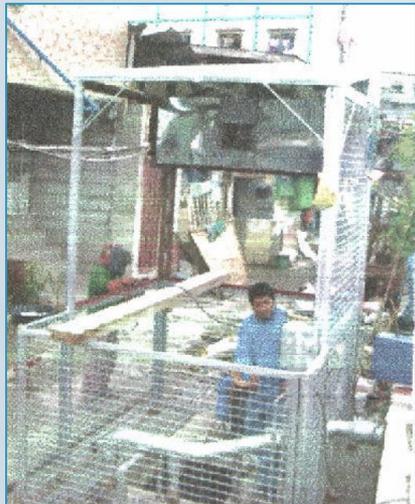


**ABR**

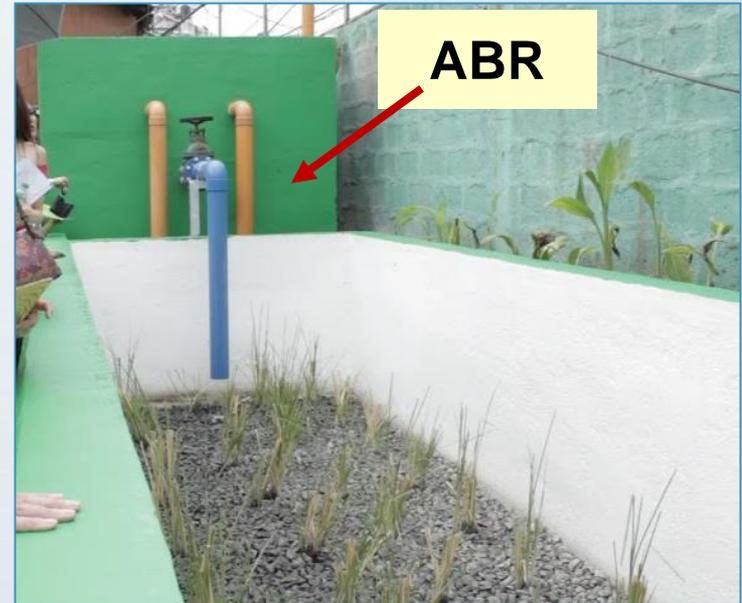


**constructed wetland:  
gravel layer and outfall**

# PILOT PROJECT



**sump pit, 2 pumps, solar panel**



**constructed wetland**

# MOU SIGNING

## MOU between PRRC and Barangay 672

- Turnover of pilot project to Barangay 672 and Kilusang Pang-kapitbahay at Pang-kabuhayan, Inc.
- **Financing mechanism** for O&M sustainability
- **Roles and responsibilities:** Barangay, City Government, PRRC, national government agencies, Maynilad



## 2. FLOOD GATE MANAGEMENT

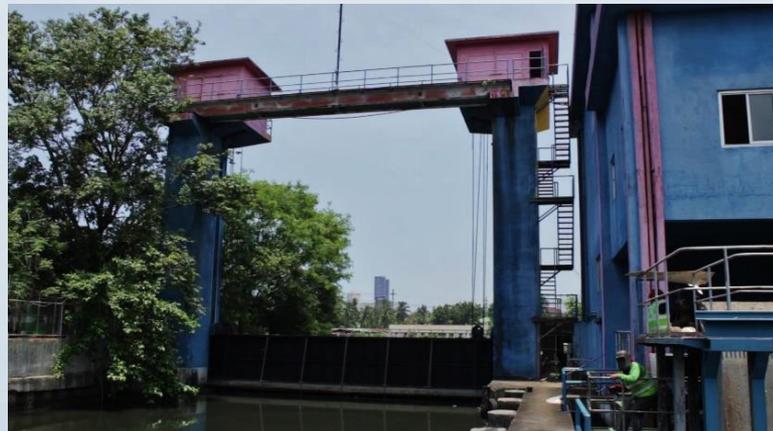
- Objective: avoid water stagnancy

### Flood gate operator:

Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA)

### Recommendation

- Flood gates should be opened if water level in Estero de Paco is higher than in Pasig River.



# 4. SEWER AND DRAINAGE LINES MANAGEMENT

Operators: Maynilad / MMDA

## Recommendations:

**sewer** wastewater from toilets, bathrooms and kitchens

**drainage** Rainwater (no toilet connection)



**clogging** Avoid clogging in sewers and drains to prevent overflows



**frequency** In the same place:  
Find cause, come up with a suitable solution.

# 5. HEADWATERS

- **Septic tank** blocking flow between Estero de Paco and Estero Tripa de Gallina
  - Septic tank removed
  - Manila Water connect the outfall to its sewer system.
  - MWSS endorsed the plan.



# 6. SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

## INITIAL ACTION PLAN

**SITUATION:** Solid waste dumped directly or washed out into Estero

**CHALLENGE:** Sort and recycle waste | For unrecyclable waste, bring to suitable collection point

**Operator: Manila LGU**

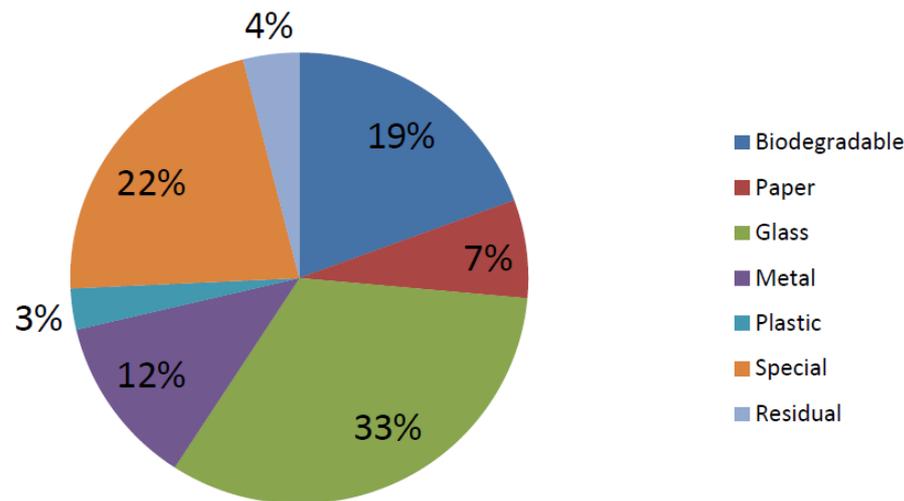
• **Solid waste management issues:**

- Large quantities involved
- Small alleys no truck accessible
- Inefficient collection.

• **Segregation to get revenues from 'valuables':**

- Organic matter, plastics, paper, glass and metal.

**Bulk Density**



# 6. SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PILOT

## Improved collection system

- Containers for disposal, collection and Recycling Points
- Collection schedule
- Transfer/Storage points established for selected alleys
- Routes for LGU's garbage trucks reviewed and discussed



# 6. SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PILOT



## Composting

- Paco Market organic waste collection and vermi-composting at **Lukban Elementary School**
- Compost taken by City Parks

## MRF

- new MRF in Paco Market
- Segregation Bins

# 7. PACO MARKET

## Strategies for Wastewater and Solid Waste Management Improvement

**SITUATION:** Waste and sewage directly dumped

**CHALLENGE:** Good management of market

- Operator: Paco Market Admin
- Issues:
  - Septic tank from fish section, overflows to estero
  - Other discharges directed to drainage.
  - Solid waste is not properly collected



# REMOVAL OF ISLAND AERATORS AND DREDGING OF ESTERO



## • Issues

- Did not improve water quality
- Costly operation
- Created sludge
  - Need to dredge the estero
- Obstruction of water flow
  - Remove aerators to avoid floods

# CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT

- Training at Escuela Taller Intramuros
- Waste Analysis and Characterization
- O&M Training for the pilot project
- Workshops
  - Barangay Convention
  - Wastewater and Waterways Management Workshop



# STAKEHOLDER AWARENESS

## Mural painting



# STAKEHOLDER AWARENESS

Play:

“The Monster in the Water”



Paco Market (26 April 2014)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xGQLzw2P\\_FU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xGQLzw2P_FU)

# INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

GENERAL GOALS: IMPROVEMENT IN WATER QUALITY, PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT, URBAN QUALITY OF LIFE, LOCAL ECONOMY, COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

1

ASSESSMENT  
PLANNING  
& COORDINATION  
PRRC, KBPIP

2

RESETTLEMENT  
OF ISFs  
NHA, KBPIP, LIAC  
MMDA, CEO, AFP

3

CLEARING OF  
EASEMENT  
MMDA

4

CLEARING &  
CLEANING OF  
WATERWAY  
MMDA, KBPIP,  
PRRC, CEO, DPS,  
AFP

5

INFRASTRUCTURE  
& LANDSCAPING  
PRRC, DPWH,  
LGU, Barangay

6

COMMUNITY  
ORGANIZATION  
& TRAINING  
KBPIP, PPRC,  
River Warriors, AFP, PNP  
Adamson

7

COMMUNITY  
INFORMATION &  
EDUCATION  
KBPIP, PPRC, River  
Warriors, Barangay,  
Block & Cluster  
Leaders, Maynilad

8

SOLID WASTE  
MANAGEMENT  
LGU, River Warriors,  
NSWMC

10

MAINTENANCE OF  
PEACE & ORDER  
AFP, River Warriors

12

REGULAR CLEAN UP &  
WATER QUALITY  
MONITORING  
PRRC, KBPIP,  
River Warriors,  
PEEP, City Engg,  
Residents

14

PUBLIC  
ADVOCACY,  
MARKETING  
PRRC, KBPIP

9

WASTEWATER  
MANAGEMENT  
Maynilad, Manila  
Water, Sanitary  
Inspector

11

URBAN  
REDEVELOPMENT  
KBPIP, DPWH,  
PAGCOR (Paco  
Market)  
Homeowners

13

INFRASTRUCTURE  
MAINTENANCE  
PRRC, River  
Warriors, Maynilad



**AWARENESS  
START AT EARLY  
AGES AND  
SUSTAINED  
OVERTIME**