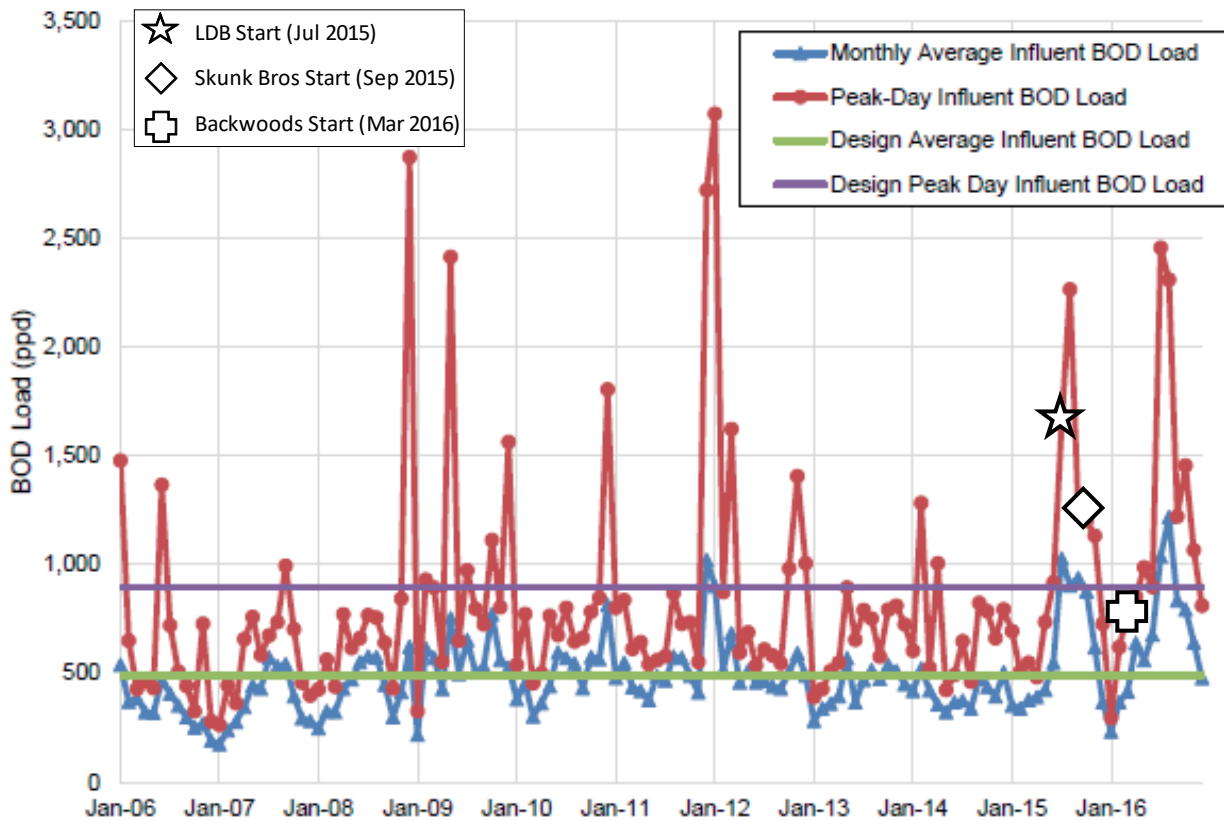


Public Comment on City of Stevenson Draft General Sewer Plan and Proposed Rates

We're requesting the City Council take a careful, slow, and measured look at the sewer plant project. A public project of this magnitude should have a high level of stakeholder involvement. There is too much at stake to rush through the planning. It's more important to do this right rather than do this right now.

There are a lot of assumptions and decisions made in the 296 page Plan that are driving the costs and resulting in large rate increases necessary to pay for those costs. A committee with community involvement should be part of this project.

1. As the historical BOD load chart from page 2-9 of the City's draft sewer plan shows, influent BOD loads have been an issue for the City long before LDB, Backwoods and Skunk Brothers began production in Stevenson.



2. We disagree with Katy Isaksen & Associates' assessment that the proposed rate increases are "reasonable". The table below shows the increases facing the four businesses that would be rated very high dischargers.

Increase in Annual Combined Water/Sewer Bill for Three Beverage Producers (Very High Users)

Year	LDB	YOY Change, \$ %	Backwoods	YOY Change, \$ %	Skunk Brothers	YOY Change, \$ %	Walking Man	YOY Change, \$ %
Current	\$ 30,264	- -	\$ 9,450	- -	\$ 4,362	- -	\$ 2,475	- -
2018	\$ 99,516	\$69,252 229%	\$ 27,320	\$17,870 189%	\$ 12,609	\$ 8,248 189%	\$ 7,347	\$ 4,872 197%
2019	\$ 124,829	\$25,313 25%	\$ 33,852	\$ 6,532 24%	\$ 15,624	\$ 3,015 24%	\$ 9,128	\$ 1,781 24%
2020	\$ 150,141	\$25,313 20%	\$ 40,384	\$ 6,532 19%	\$ 18,639	\$ 3,015 19%	\$ 10,908	\$ 1,781 20%
2021	\$ 164,947	\$14,806 10%	\$ 44,204	\$ 3,820 9%	\$ 20,402	\$ 1,763 9%	\$ 11,950	\$ 1,042 10%