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City of Oregon City Receives LOC's Excellence Award

NORTH BEND, Ore. – During its 2025 Local Government Spring Conference Friday, the League of Oregon Cities (LOC) presented its 2025 Award for Excellence to the city of Oregon City for its Inflow and Infiltration Reduction project. The award, which recognizes progressive and innovative city operations and services, was presented to co-recipients, with the cities of Falls City and Scappoose also winning.

About Oregon City's Inflow and Infiltration Reduction Project

The challenge for the oldest city in Oregon was to address "I&I" in a sewer system with pipelines that were very old, while also navigating a scarcity of building records. The program seeks to significantly reduce I&I by implementing construction packages over multiple years, while also addressing sewer basins identified as significant contributors to I&I within the city. The work includes investigation of the existing system through CCTV, smoke and dye testing, flow monitoring, and other techniques. A strong public outreach effort is also needed, as the program seeks to reduce private-sector sources of I&I, as well as those within the public right-of-way. To date, \$28 million in program and project costs have been completed, and approximately 20,000 linear feet of mainline rehabilitation has been constructed.

About the League of Oregon Cities

Founded in 1925, the LOC is a voluntary association representing all 241 of Oregon's incorporated cities. The League helps city governments serve their citizens by providing legislative services, policy setting, intergovernmental relations, conferences and training, technical assistance and publications.

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