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# State Grant Made For Town Sewerage Study

Governor Rockefeller announced recently that a State grant of \$40,658.50 has been awarded to the Town of Rotterdam in Schenectady County and Guilderland in Albany County, to conduct a comprehensive sewerage study.

The study, scheduled for completion on December 7, 1968, will cover an area of 40 square miles containing a population of some 30,000.

The study will develop a 50-year sewerage utility master plan for the Town of Rotterdam and that portion of the Town of Guilderland in the study area. O'Brien and Gere of Syracuse is the engineering firm which will conduct the study.

The scope of the engineering services to be provided has been designed so that this study will coincide with the impending Schenectady County Comprehensive Sewerage Study.

"This study is an important step toward meeting the demand for sewerage facilities in this area," said Governor Rockefeller. "By having these two programs run concurrently, a comprehensive program can be developed to meet the needs of all the citizens."

During the course of the study, the engineer will determine if the existing Rotterdam Wastewater Treatment Plant must be enlarged and rehabilitated or abandoned.

The engineer will also determine early in the study period those town areas requiring immediate sewerage systems and will probably recommend that action be taken in these areas prior to completion of the formal study report.

Guilderland Supervisor Carl Walters said only the portions of Guilderland sharing a common drainage basin with Rotterdam would be considered in the study.

# McKownville Sewage Planning Begins 3/9/67

The Guilderland Town Board's "next big project," according to supervisor Carl Walters, is a sewage disposal system for parts of McKownville.

The Town Board; the head of the Department of Water and Sanitation, Durward Brewer; and the Standard Engineering Corporation will work together on the system's design.

New York State's 1965 "Pure Waters" legislation is forcing the development of a sewage plan for the McKownville area where the Krum-Kill is being polluted by domestic wastes. Town officials have until January 2, 1968 to present a design for a collection and disposal system which will end the pollution.

Standard Engineering has already considered the problem. The firm was chosen by the Guilderland Town Board in 1964 to participate, in the Town's behalf, in a Comprehensive Sewerage Study of Albany County sponsored by the State Health Department.

The results of that study, published last March, projected annual costs of \$50-\$60 per household in McKownville. Lateral lines were estimated at an additional \$10 per front foot. House connections could cost each homeowner \$300 to \$400.