





# Bridging The Gap Between Engineers and Operators

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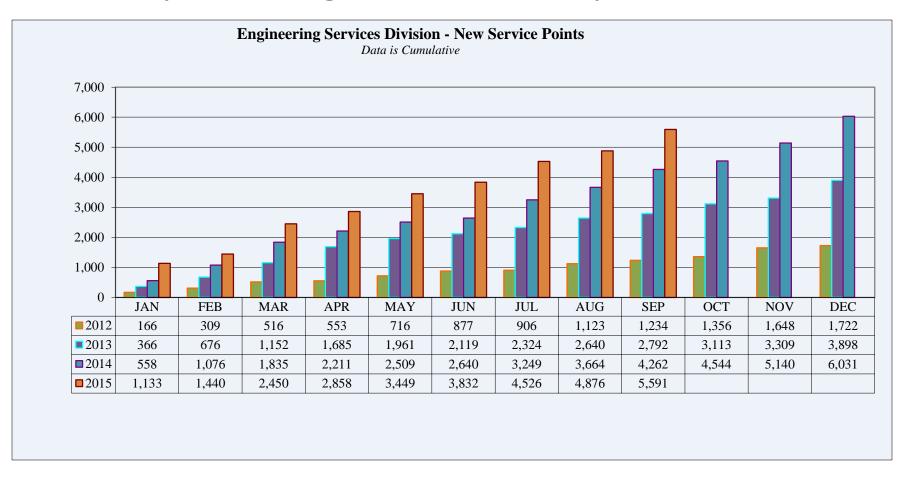
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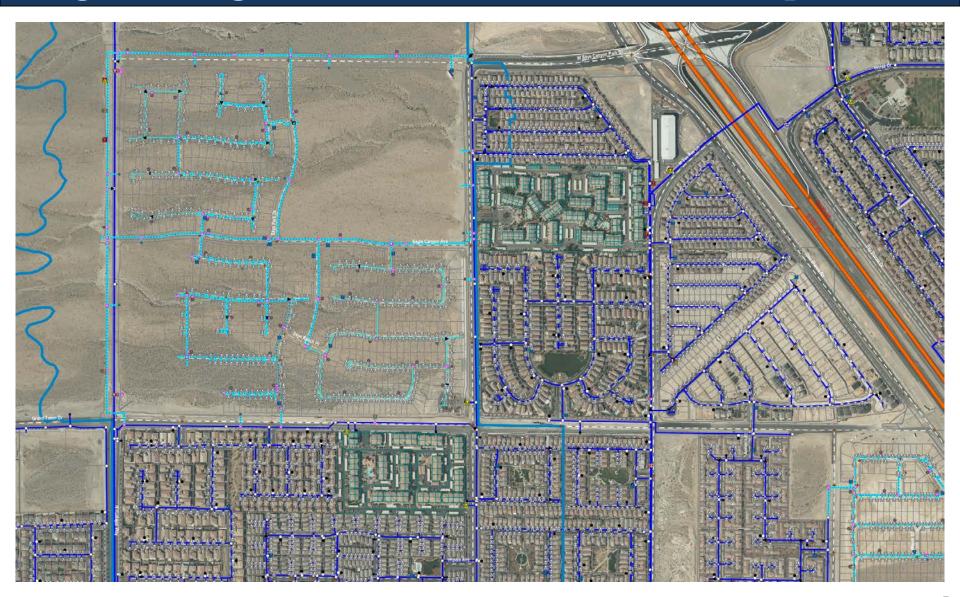
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#### LVVWD Service Area Grows

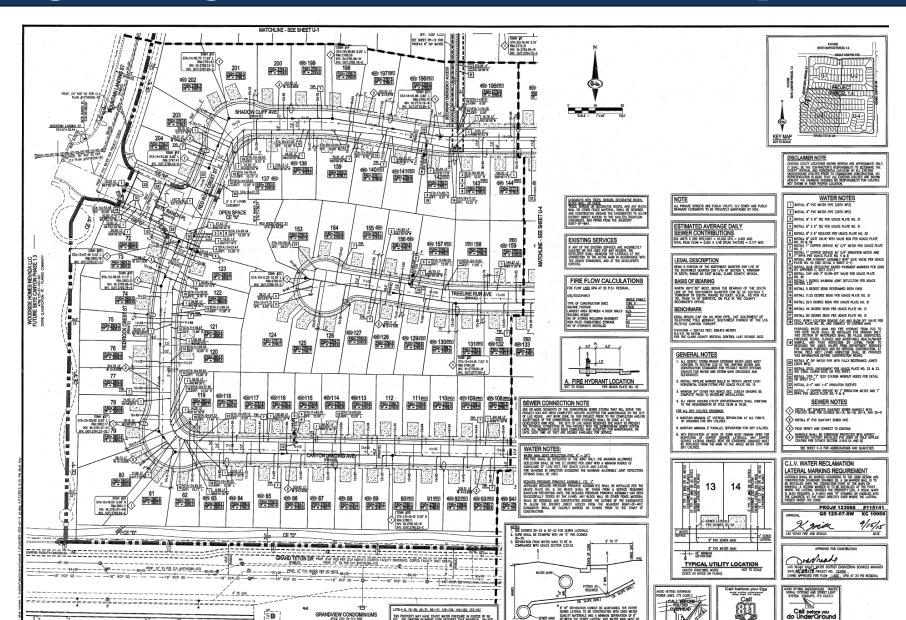
#### Nearly doubling services each year



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#### Uniform Design and Construction Standards

# UNIFORM DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS

**For Potable Water Systems** 



3rd Edition - 2010











#### **UDACS Sections**

- Definitions section
- Design section
- Construction section
- Standard plates
- Reference tables

## **Engineers Know It All**

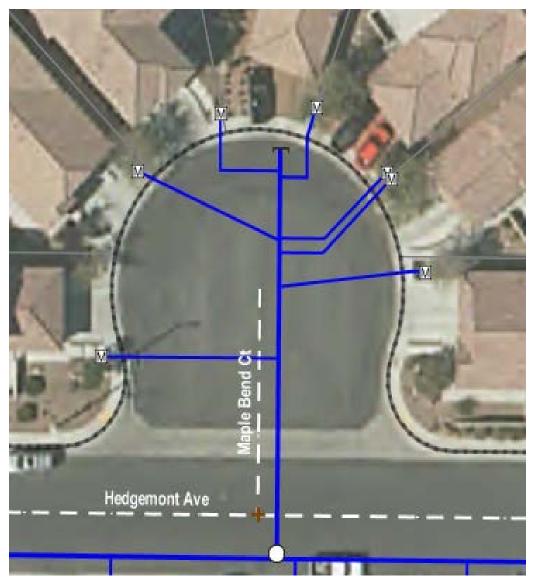
If it works on paper and the calculations are good, then the design must be right!

"How do they expect us to construct this?"

"How do they expect us to maintain this?"

"What are those engineers thinking?"

# Engineers Don't Know It All



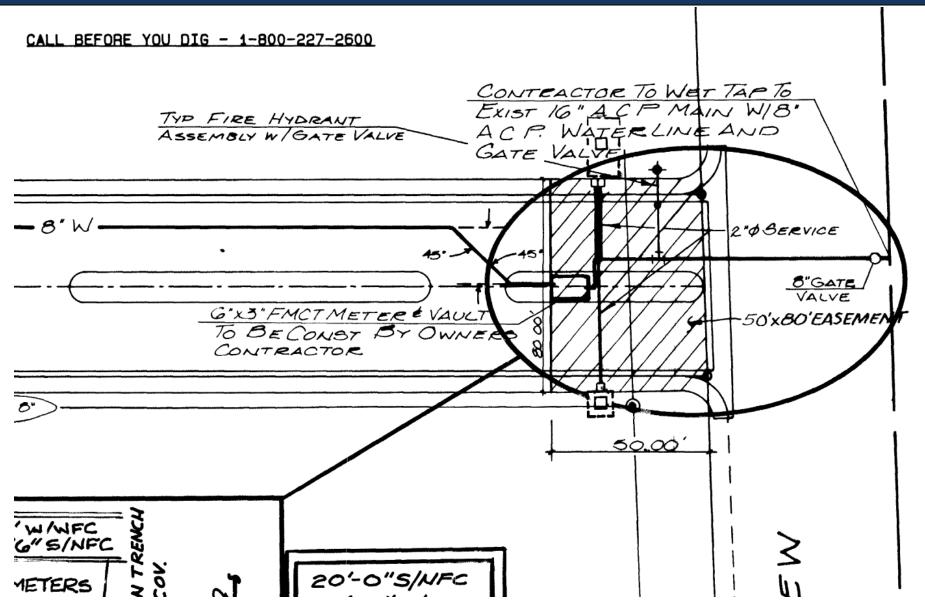


# **After Feedback From Operations**

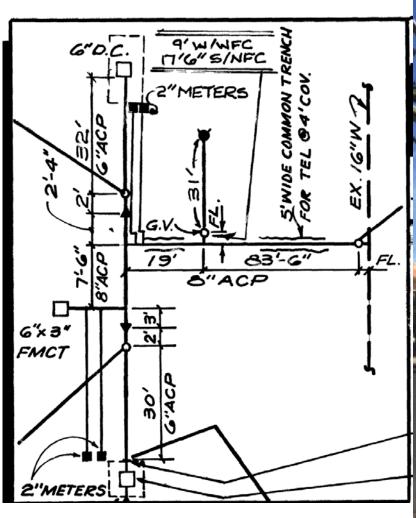




## It Looked Good On Paper



#### Where Do You Think The Leak Is?

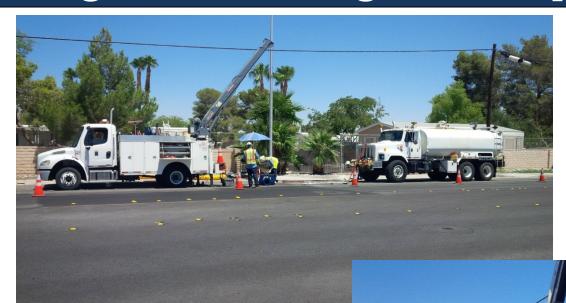




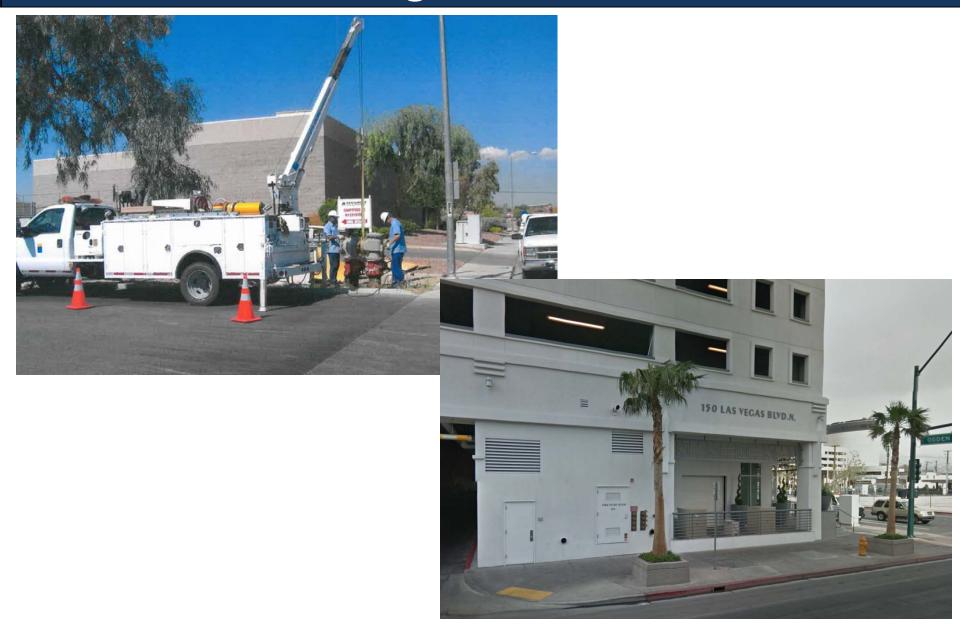
# Bank Services On Major Roadways



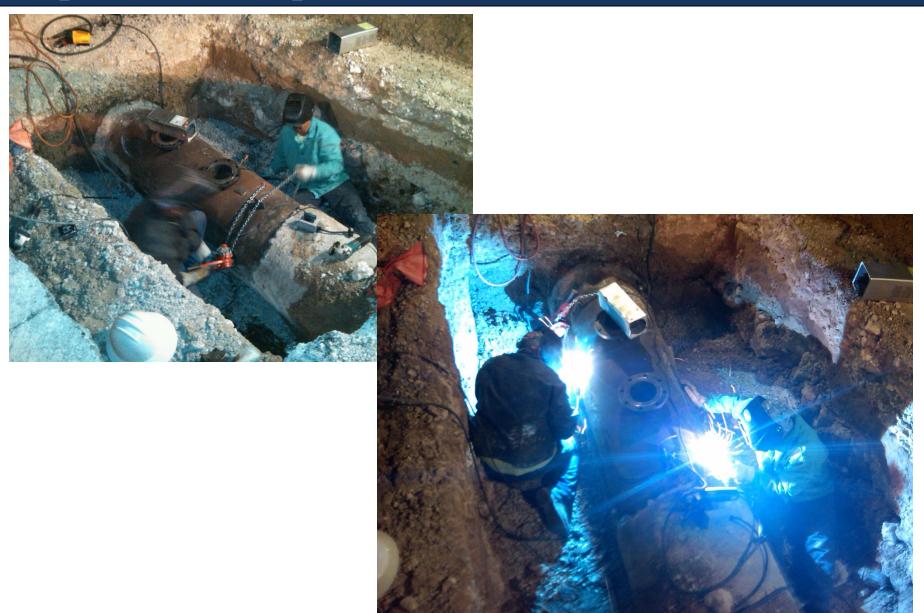
# Large Meter Change Out – Space Required



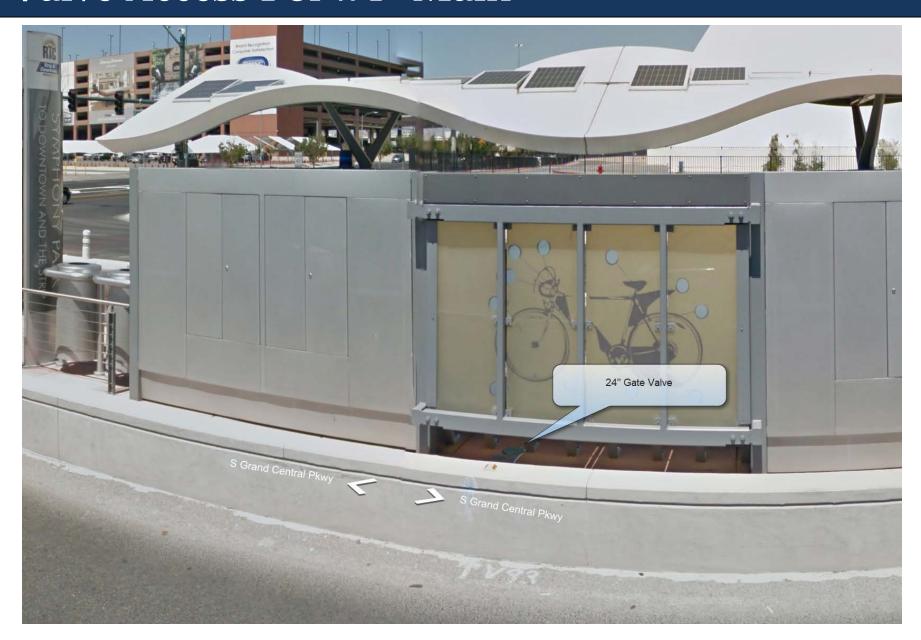
# Access Issues – Design vs. Access Needs



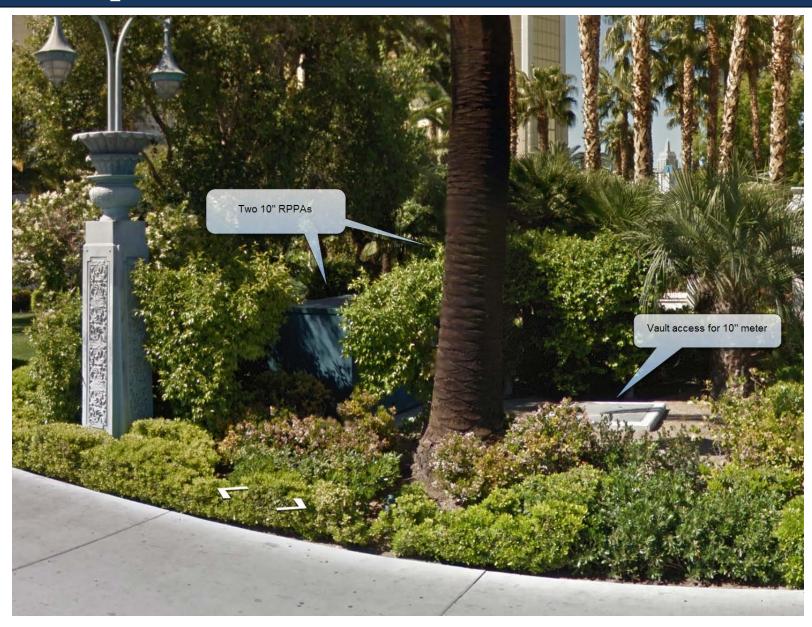
# **Separation Requirements**



#### Valve Access For 24" Main



# Landscape Access Issues



#### A Picture Is Worth A Thousand Words

- Ride along with the field to understand their role
- Defend your requirements for access
- Demand to review ALL plans in a development set
- Photos say it all when you need to justify requirements
- Encourage the field to send photos of their work good, bad or ugly
- Use the photos for in-house maintenance engineering design purposes
- Design a better product for the longevity of your system

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# Questions?