CIPP and Spray-On Liner Culvert Rehabilitation: A Review of Water Quality Impacts and Current Construction Specifications

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Repair Needs for Storm Sewer Pipes & Culverts

Trenchless Technology can be Used to Repair Buried Assets
- Slip lining
- Spiral wound pipe
- Close fit pipe
- Thermoformed pipe
- Fold-and-form pipe

Cured-in-place-pipe (CIPP)
Spray-on lining
Chemically manufacture new liners in the field

> 12 million linear feet in place
> 1 million existing culverts require rehabilitation
CIPP is Used by DOTs for Storm Sewer Repairs

A new plastic pipe is **Chemically Manufactured** inside an existing damaged pipe.

Example of steam CIPP for storm sewer

1. Curing facilitated by hot water, steam or UV light
2. Various resins (Styrene vs. Nonstyrene based)
3. Different contractors that manufacture similar “types” of CIPP can have different setups and processes
4. Styrene is only one of many chemicals used
5. New chemicals can be created during CIPP manufacture
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Visit http://CIPPSafety.org or https://engineering.purdue.edu/CIPPSafety

FAQs
Links to studies
Links to resources

You can access FREE CIPP worker and public safety resources

CIPP SAFETY STUDY WEBINAR (Oct 2017)
neha.http://neha.org/node/59333

To help local, state, and county health professionals better understand public health and occupational exposures with CIPP. Results of a July 2017 Purdue University CIPP safety study were presented as well as lessons learned from a NIOSH workplace Health Hazard Evaluation, and options for health officials, agencies, companies, and workers to gain technical assistance.

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Task 1
To better understand existing CIPP construction practices and past chemical contamination incidents focused on storm sewer

Objectives
(1) Compile and review CIPP-related surface water contamination incidents: incident = outside a research study
(2) Analyze CIPP water quality impacts
(3) Evaluate construction practices for 35 state DOT agencies

11 water contamination incidents were found in the US
+2 in Canada
+1 undisclosed location
Of the 14 water contamination incidents...

- **Alabama (2010)**: National Response Center
  - 70,000 gallons of CIPP wastewater released to a dry creek bed
  - Styrene concentration in the creek water (143 mg/L), contaminated nearby drinking water well (4 mg/L)

- **Colorado (2011)**: DOT, Department of Public Health and Environment
  - Chemicals entered surface water and downstream drinking water
  - Maximum styrene level detected in water (18 mg/L) and 14 mg/kg in soil
  - Variety of other chemicals present associated with CIPP

- **Vermont (2013)**: DOT, Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation
  - Maximum styrene level in the Creek the day of installation was reported as 5,160 mg/L
  - Styrene level decreased over the two month monitoring period, but other compounds were detected: acetone, 1,2,4-TMB, 1,3,4-TMB, tert-butanol

Styrene: 0.1 mg/L (EPA); 2.5 mg/L (VDOT), 1.0 mg/L (VTDOT), 0.005 mg/L (NYSDOT)

*Other chemicals found in contaminated water, not just styrene*

In summary….few CIPPs have been examined

- 7 total studies: VDOT, CALTRANS, NYSDOT
- Total CIPPs monitored: 18 steam, 4 hot water, 3 UV
- Styrene, a common ingredient for some CIPPs, found often
  - Reported in waterway: Up to 77 mg/L
  - Detectable in water: 88 days
  - In curing water: Up to 250 mg/L
  - Found leaching from a non-styrene based CIPP
- Other compounds detected at UV- and steam-CIPP sites
  - Vinlylic monomer exceeded toxicity threshold for up to 120 days; Other chemicals found: acetone, benzene, chloroform, isopropyl benzene, tert-butyl alcohol, methylene chloride, methyl ethyl ketone, n-propyl benzene, toluene, xylenes, 1,2,4-TMB, 1,3,5-TMB
  - Steam-CIPP condensate contains high chemical concentrations
For the 32 states who responded, CIPP construction specifications and requirements differed quite a bit

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**Before Construction**

- Show POTW permit to the Engineer | 4 |
- Install impermeable liner up and downstream | 4 |
- Conduct water testing at the site | 4 |

**Before Reinstating Flow**

- Rinse new liner with clean water, capture, and dispose | 5 |
- Prohibit return to service before a minimum unspecified time period | 4 |
- Prohibit culvert return to service before a minimum time period (2, 4, or 7 days) | 3 |

**General Requirements**

- Capture and dispose of compounds, water, and condensate | 10 |
- Conduct water testing at the site | 4 |
- Contractor is responsible for reporting any water quality alterations | 3 |

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4 states required water testing for CIPP installations (CO, NV, VA, VT)

But methods used differed.

Some methods not capable of detecting CIPP related compounds.
Review of water quality impacts of spray-on liners

Task 2
Better understand existing spray-on liner construction practices and past chemical contamination incidents (Cement Mortar, Polyurethane, Polyurea, Epoxy)

Objectives
(1) Compile and review spray-on lining related surface water contamination incidents from publicly reported data
(2) Review lab- and field-scale studies
(3) Evaluate current construction practices for spray-on liners as reported by 35 DOT agencies

Results available on the posted presentation

Final Thoughts

• CIPP and spray-on linings are products chemically manufactured in the field.
  – They are not installed like other materials. Raw chemicals and other hazards are used in the field.
  – They can present different and sometimes additional risks of chemical release compared to other rehabilitation technologies.

• Some CIPP related incidents have contaminated drinking water supplies, prompted emergency responses, contaminated drinking water, caused fish kills.

• Incidents found may be outlier events or they may represent the risks inherent of typical installations.
Specification Recommendations for CIPP

1. **Wear** appropriate PPE (i.e., inhalation, dermal, eye protection)
2. **Submit** a POTW permit to the DOT Engineer to verify pre-approval for POTW disposal of rinse water, wastewater, and/or condensate
3. **Conduct** real-time and grab sample air monitoring
4. **Divert** water flow until “acceptable degree of cure” established and new CIPP passes water quality tests
5. **Utilize** impermeable plastic sheets (i.e., 10 mil thick) immediately upstream and downstream of the pipe
6. **Prohibit** chemicals from exiting the pipe **during** the CIPP manufacturing process (collect gases, liquids, or solids)
7. **Rinse** the new CIPP after manufacture (collect liquids and solids)
8. **Prohibit** wastewater, rinse water, or condensate to be discharged to waterway unless written approval by state environmental agency
9. **Conduct** water testing before and after installation - compare to standards/specs (use tests capable of detecting **ALL** chemicals of concern) - Any exceedance triggers additional testing
10. **Capture** particles and shavings created during cutting the end of CIPP
11. **Report** accidental discharge, small or large, to state DOT and Environmental Regulatory officials immediately, so downstream water supplies, the environment, and population can be protected.

Thank You

Additional specification recommendations and guidance from this Pooled Fund Project will be released. Ongoing work pertains to CIPP longevity and chemical release.

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ADDITIONAL SLIDES
Polyamine spray on lining technologies also chemically manufacture the product at the asset repair site.

- Isocyanate $^R$NCO + Polyol $^R$OH → Polyurethane $^R$NH$^R$R$^R$N$^R$H
- Isocyanate $^R$NCO + Polyamine $^R$H$^R$N$^R$NH → Polyurea $^R$N$^R$H$^R$NH$^R$R$^R$N

Spray-on lining technology seems to be used less frequently than CIPP and there are differences in chemicals and installation practices.

- Practically no information found for chemicals used, created, emitted, their fate and their toxicity at storm sewer repair sites.
- Only 2 field studies found for a cementitious and polyurea liner: No impacts found in field for parameters monitored, in lab changes were found.

**0 water contamination incidents found...but**

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Only 3 of 32 DOTs provided documents. Most stated they had no formal or statewide specification.

- Spray-on linings:
  - Cement mortar (2 states)
  - Polyurethane (1 state)
  - Epoxy (1 state)
  - Polyurea (1 state)

- 1 of the 3 states detailed some monitoring requirements, these included
  - During install, curtains to prevent overspray
  - After install, water rinsing until water pH less than 9 especially for cementitious lining
  - Before and after install, water sampling for diphenyl diisocyanate (MDI), methylenedianiline (MDA), total cyanide, COD, and TN for polyurea

Contact Us for the Spray-On Lining Specification Recommendations

Spray-On Liner Specification Recommendations

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8. Prohibit rinse water discharge to waterway unless written approval by state environmental agency
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10. Report accidental discharge, small or large, to state DOT and Environmental Regulatory officials immediately, so downstream water supplies, the environment, and population can be protected.
Very few sanctioned CIPP lab- and field-scale water quality impact studies have been conducted.