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A Discussion with Anna Grigg's of Apex Companies, LLC

Observations From Stormwater Asset Maintenance to Drive Sustainable Performance

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# Today's Presenters:

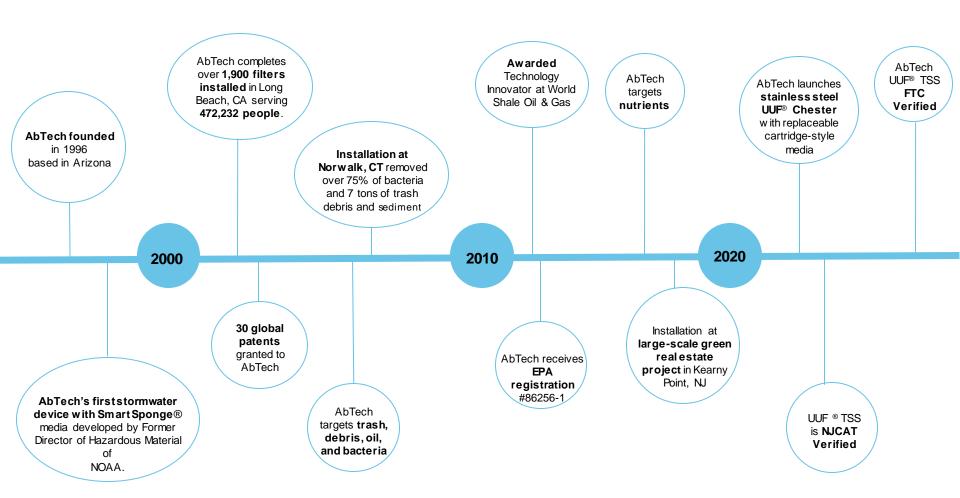


### **About AbTech**

- Headquarters in AZ
- Representatives nationally and internationally
- Innovative solutions to address water pollution
- 30,000+ installations in 45 states and 15 countries
- Provide Stormwater, SPCC and Industrial solutions











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### **Apex Quick Facts**

- Privately-held company with 30-year history of customer satisfaction
- 700+ employees in nearly 60 offices nationwide
- Full suite of professional and field environmental services serving over 2,000 clients across the US each year







### Why Apex?

- Technical expertise and very high rate of repeat clients
- Demonstrated responsiveness to meet client needs (24/7 if needed)
- Proven relationships with state/federal regulators to provide a clear path to regulatory closure
- Industry specific expertise
- Partnerships with our clients
- Solid health & safety culture and performance metrics (our WorkSafe program is committed to zero incidents)





## Opening Remarks

- Why is stormwater so important?
  - First step to drinking water
    - Which leads to... beer
- Who should care?
  - Anyone who drinks water (beer)
  - Anyone who showers regular
  - All the critters on the plane





### Poll:

- How often do you Inspect or Maintain your stormwater infrastructure?
  - Monthly
  - Quarterly
  - Annually
  - When not performing (clogged or flooded)
  - Never or Do not know



### Stormwater Planned Maintenance Program

### **Awareness**

- Regulatory
- Property Damage
- Public Perception

### Identification

- Types of Systems
  - Above Ground
  - Below Ground
  - Retention
  - Detention



### Agenda: 5 Steps to Stormwater Planned Maintenance Program

### Inventory

- Structures
- Attributes

### **Assessment**

- Condition of Systems
  - Neglected
  - Improper installation

### **Implementation**

- Analyze
  - Data
  - Budget
    - Repairs or remediation
    - Maintenance Frequency



# Regulatory – Local Enforcement Efforts Kent Conservation District DE

#### To Whom It May Concern:

Kent Conservation District recently performed our annual inspection of the storm water facility at the above referenced address. During our inspection, the following items were noted and our office request the following items be performed:

On the south end of the building there is a stormwater facility. Very near to this facility, there is a garbage dumpster. This dumpster is leaking and trash is finding its way into the stormdrain. There are collected sediments on the pavement in the area of this stormdrain. This matter needs to be resolved and the sediment removed from the pavement. Any collected sediments in the pipe system also need to be removed.

The approved plan for this location was approved on July 10, 2002, by Kent Conservation District. The approved plan requires that the facility by maintained per the DE Sediment and Stormwater Regulations. We will be performing a follow up inspection to ensure compliance within 60 days.

Please call my office upon receiving this correspondence, to schedule a meeting so that I may provide you with technical assistance and a better understanding of that work that needs to be completed.

 Regulatory – Local Enforcement Efforts Tampa FL

#### Dear Permittee,

By letter dated 07/07/2010 you were advised that a condition of the permit for the above referenced project requires that you submit an inspection report to the District in accordance with a specific schedule. To date, this information has not been provided. Failure to submit the required documents is a violation of your permit and District rules.

To bring this matter into compliance, you must submit a certified "Statement of Inspection for Proper Operation and Maintenance" form within 14 days. Your response should be directed to me at the Tampa Service office.

If this matter is not brought into compliance in a timely manner at the staff level, the case may be referred to the District's Legal Department for further enforcement action.

If you have any questions, please contact TAMPA Service Office.

### Regulatory – Local Enforcement Efforts Bee Cave TX

#### To Whom It May Concern:

The addressee above is listed as the owner of a non-point source water quality facility located in the City of Bee Cave city limits or ETJ, and you are responsible for maintenance of the facility in accordance with the City's Code of Ordinances, associated environmental and drainage criteria manuals, and approved development plans. This location was recently inspected, and a copy of the inspection report is enclosed with this letter. This water quality facility requires an annual operating permit, and any maintenance required per the inspection report attached shall be performed within 30 days of the date of this letter. Please review the permitting procedures below and submit all required information along with applicable permit fees to the City of Bee Cave's Community Services Department within 30 days of the date of this letter.

#### Sec. 20.01.104 Annual Operating Permit

- (a) General Requirements. The owners or operators of all new water quality controls for multi-family residential development, for single-family subdivision development, and for non-residential development must obtain an annual operating permit. The owner or operator is responsible for the proper operation and maintenance of the control and for annual permit renewal. The initial operating permit will be issued by the city upon:
- (1) The completion of construction, if applicable;
- (2) Inspection of the control by the city after review of the maintenance plan accompanying the design engineer's concurrence letter of the completion of construction;
- Final inspection approval by the city;

Regulatory – Local Enforcement Efforts
 Thousand Oaks CA

Subject: Report on required maintenance for permanent storm water quality facilities

Due June 30, 2018

To the Owner(s) of 512 N Ventu Park Rd (PCID 139): 3179

The developer of the subject property was required to install a permanent storm water treatment system as a condition of developing the property. This system removes pollutants from the property's storm water runoff to protect the downstream natural receiving waters. The installed system is referenced in a Covenant and Deed Restriction upon the subject property, recorded by the County of Ventura as document number 20130917-00159196-0 1/8.

Frequent maintenance of these facilities is necessary for them to operate effectively. Neglecting maintenance could result in an illegal discharge of pollution subject to fines and/or flooding due to blocked storm drains. Maintenance procedures are required by City Municipal Code Section 7-8.201(e) as a preventative measure. Please review the Deed Restriction for the site (typically found among property title documents) and follow the prescribed maintenance including equipment manufacturer's recommendations.

- Public Perception
- The social phenomenon known as **public perception** can be seen as the difference between an absolute truth based on facts and a virtual truth shaped by popular opinion, media coverage and/or reputation



Public Perception



### Creating a Win-Win for Public & Private

- Converted 3.2 ac-ft from passive to active storage at 90% savings compared to new storage
- Generated 12.1 water quality credits at 86% capital savings for Howard County
- Saved private landowner \$14,000/year

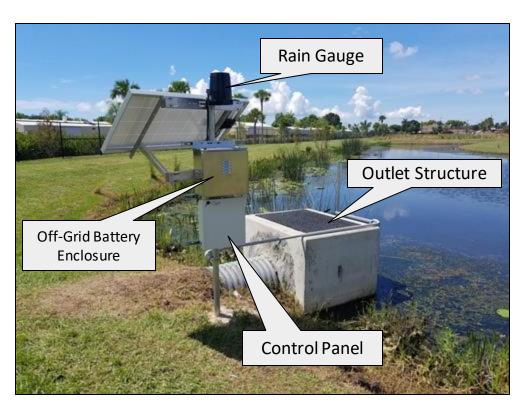
Metric	Passive	Active	Improvement
Wet Weather Flow Reduction	5%	70%	13X
Average Retention Time	12hr	60hr	4X
Peak Flow Reduction	33%	91%	1.8X

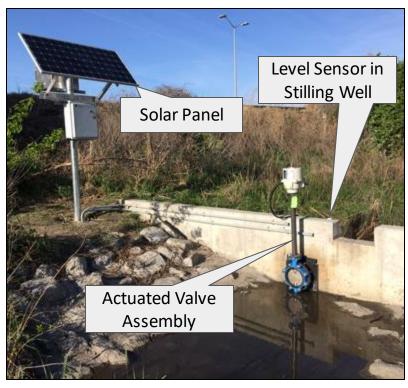
<sup>\*8/1/2018-8/1/2019</sup> 





### Public/Private Integrated Solutions







### What is a stormwater system?

It's a network of structures, channels, and underground pipes that carry stormwater away from buildings to ponds, lakes, streams, and rivers.









- Diversion
  - Retention
  - Detention
- Above Ground
- Below Ground
- Ponds vs. Bioretention
- Inlet
- Outlet
- Flow Control
- Box Filter
- Treatment Devices
  - Filters
  - Sand



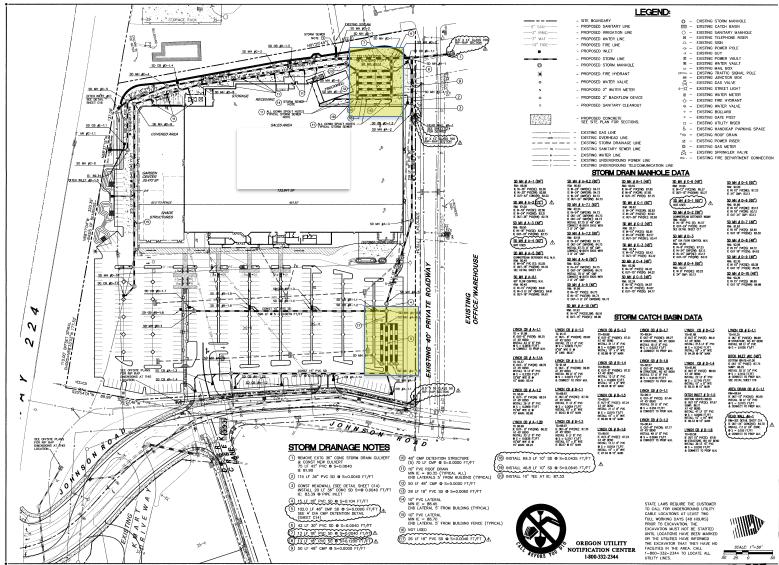


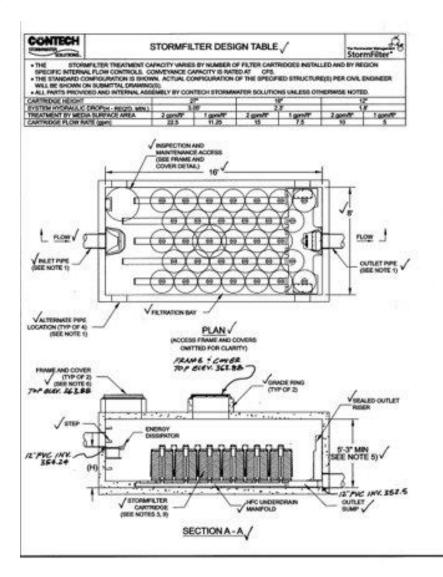












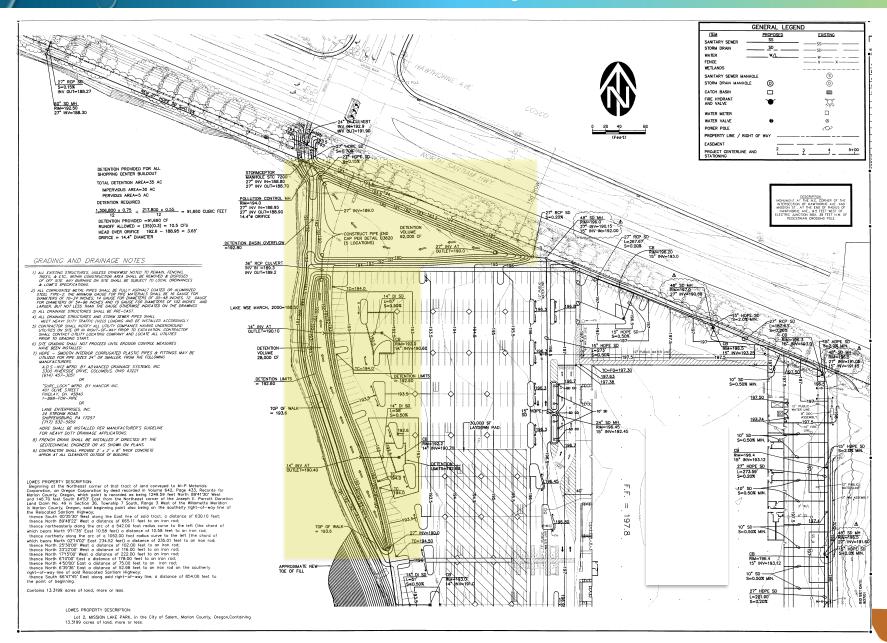
#### **GENERAL NOTES**

- 1. INLET AND OUTLET PIPING SHALL BE SPECIFIED BY SITE OWN, ENGINEER (SEE PLANS) AND PROVIDED BY CONTRACTOR
- STORMFLITER IS PROVIDED WITH OPENINGS AT PLET AND OUTLIT LOCKTIONS.

  2. IF THE PEAK PLOW RATE, AS DETERMINED BY THE SITE CIVIL, ENGINEER, EXCEEDS THE PEAK HYDRAULIC CAPACITY OF THE PRODUCT, AN UPSTREAM EYPASS STRUCTURE IS REQUIRED. PLEASE CONTACT CONTECH STORMWATER BOLUTIONS FOR
- 3. THE PATTER CANTREDGESS ARE SIPHON ACTUATED AND SELF-CLEANING. THE STANDARD DETAIL DRAWING SHOWS THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CAPTRIDGES, THE ACTUAL NUMBER SHALL BE SPECIFIED BY THE SITE CAYL ENGINEER ON SITE
- PLANS OR IN DATA TABLE BELOW. PRECAST STRUCTURE TO BE CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASTM CRIST AND CRISS. SEE STORMFELTER, DESIGN TABLE FOR REQUIRED HYDRALLIC DROP, FOR SHALLOW, LOW DROP OR SPECIAL DESIGN CONSTRAINTS, CONTACT CONTECH STORMWICTER SOLUTIONS FOR DESIGN OFTIONS
- 5. ALL WATER QUALITY PRODUCTS REQUIRE PERIODIC MANTENANCE AS OUTLINED IN THE GAM QUIDELINES, PROVIDE MINIMUM CLEARANCE FOR WANTENWICE ACCESS.
- 5. STRUCTURE AND ACCESS COVERS TO MEET AASHTO H-20 LOAD RATING.
- 7. THE STRUCTURE THOOMESSES SHOWN ARE FOR REPRESENTATIONAL PURPOSES AND VIMY REGIONALLY.
- B. ANY BADDFILL DEPTH, SUB-BASE, AND OR ANTI-FLOTATION PROVISIONS ARE SITE-SPECIFIC DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS AND SHALL BE SPECIFIED BY SITE COAL ENGINEER
- 3. STANDARD CANTRIDGE HEIGHT IS 27" (DHOWN), CARTRIDGE HEIGHT AND ASSOCIATED DESIGN PARAMETERS PER STORMFILTER DESIGN TABLE
- 10, STORMFETER BY CONTECH STORMWITTER SOLUTIONS: (800) 925-5240.

	SITE SPECIFIC DATA REQUIREMENTS			
	STRUCTURE ID	96-1		
	MATER QUALITY VOLUME (ov. R.)	5,62		
	VOLUME STORED IN VALILY (IN.E.	512		
	RETURN PERIOD OF PEAK FLOW (pro)	N/A		
	WOF CAPTRIDGES REQUIRED	38.01		
	CARTINDOS FLOW MATE	7.8		
	MEDIA TYPE (CSF, PERS.ITF, 2PG)	CSF		
	PIPE DATA LE MATERIAL	DVAMETE		
#	NUET PIPE #1 -0040F P.Y.C. V	tr y		
	NUET PIPE RE	-		
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	UPSTREAM RIM ELEVATION	1 8		
15	CENTER RIM ELEVATION			
	DOWNSTREAM RIM ELEVATION			
	ANTI-PLOTATION BALLAST   MACTIN	HEIGH		
	NOTES/SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: *PER SITE CAY, ENGINEER			







Diversion & Detention



Structural or Manufactured BMPs



Green Infrastructure



### Inventory – Stormwater Assets/Structures

### **Diversion & Detention**

**Definition:** an artificial pond or other structure that is designed to collect and retain or detain urban stormwater.









### Inventory – Stormwater Assets/Structures

### Structural or Manufactured BMPs

**Definition:** Proprietary or manufactured structures, catch basins, filtered devices, formed inlets/outlets, etc.









### Inventory – Stormwater Assets/Structures

### "Green Infrastructure"

**Definition:** The process in which contaminants and sedimentation are removed from stormwater runoff through a system utilizing vegetation, various soil media for infiltration, and temporary retention.







# LID – Effective Construction Installation



### Poll

- Who does your maintenance and inspection?
  - You
  - Third-party
  - Unsure

### Assessing Systems

### Has the system received routine maintenance?

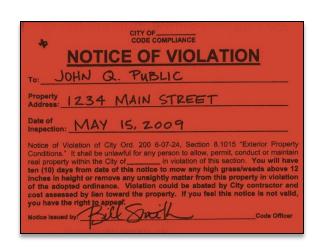
Is it neglected?

### Are repairs required?

Major or minor?

### Is the system out of regulatory compliance?

- Has a notice of violation been received?
- Are fines being assessed?





### Assessing Systems

### Above/Below Ground Detention Systems Common Issues

# **Underground Detention/Retention**

- Inconsistent Maintenance
- Improper Installation
- Location of Access
- Paved-Over Lids
- Locked or Specialized Tool Required for Entry
- Broken Structures
- Dumping Regulations
- End of Pipe (where is it going?)
- MS4
  - Pond
  - Vault







### Assessing Systems – Example Issues

### **Underground Detention/Retention**

- Inconsistent Maintenance
- Location of Access





### Assessing Systems

# Other System Attributes Common Issues

### **Inlets/Outlets**

- Inconsistent Maintenance
- Improper Installation
- Location of Access
- Broken Structures
- Dumping Regulations
- End of Pipe (where is it going?)
  - MS4
  - Stream/Creek
  - Lake
  - Ocean









### Assessing Systems – Example Issues

### Inlets/Outlets

- Inconsistent Maintenance
- Broken Structures
  - Liability





### Assessing Systems

# Above Ground Systems Common Issues

# Above Ground Detention/Retention

- Inconsistent Maintenance
- Improper Installation of Inlet/Outlet
- Location of Access (if any)
- Irregular and Incorrect Herbicide Use (erosion)
- Locked Entry (gates locked)
- Broken Structures
- Regulatory Requirements
- Illegal Dumping (landscape debris, trash, transients)
- End of Pipe (where is it going & where did it come from?)
  - MS4
  - Vault
  - Receiving Waters







# Assessing Systems – Example Issues

### Above Ground

- Inconsistent Maintenance
- Broken Structures
- Dumping Regulations





# Assessing Systems – Example Failures



Property development stopped due to economy. No inspections, no maintenance.

Marietta, GA





# Assessing Systems - the cost of neglect

Outlet to System: \$45,000 Rehab • Lafayette, LA









# Assessing Systems – the cost of neglect



Overgrown Vegetation. No Inspections. No Prior Maintenance.

Lafayette, LA



# Assessing Systems – the cost of neglect

### **Above Ground Detention/Retention**

- Inconsistent Maintenance
- Regulatory Requirements
- Illegal Dumping (landscape debris, trash, transients)

Flow Control Weir – impacted by vegetation and

<u>trash</u>





# Assessing Systems – the cost of neglect

Flow Control Weir – impacted by vegetation and trash - 45' swale rebuild and dumping restrictions \$25,000 repair – Gaithersburg, MD – no ongoing maintenance





### Poll

- Does your organization consider your Stormwater Program...
  - Necessary requirement
  - Asset and a value to our core mission
  - Someone else's problem

## Implementing a Program

### How to manage all that information!

#### **Data**

- Where Does it Go?
- Ease of Access

### Requirements (Inspection, etc.)

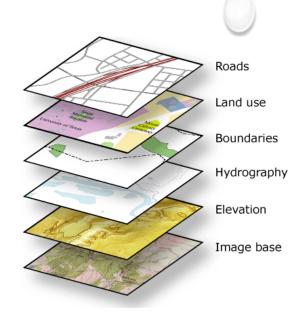
When, Where, Who?

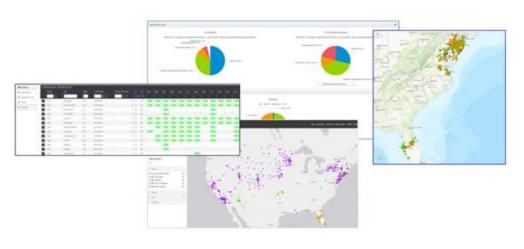
### **Repair/Remediation**

- How Much?
  - Time for Budget
  - Immediate Repair?

#### Maintenance

- How much?
- How often?





### **ARTEMIS**<sup>SM</sup>

### Information Management System (ARTEMIS<sup>SM</sup>)

#### **Automated Workflows**

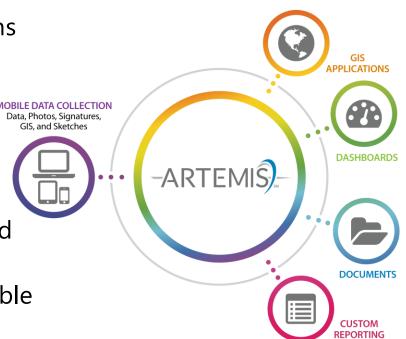
- Use of electronic field inspection forms
- Capture inspection and repair data, including photos and signatures
- Ensure quality of data collection and reporting

#### **Centralized Data**

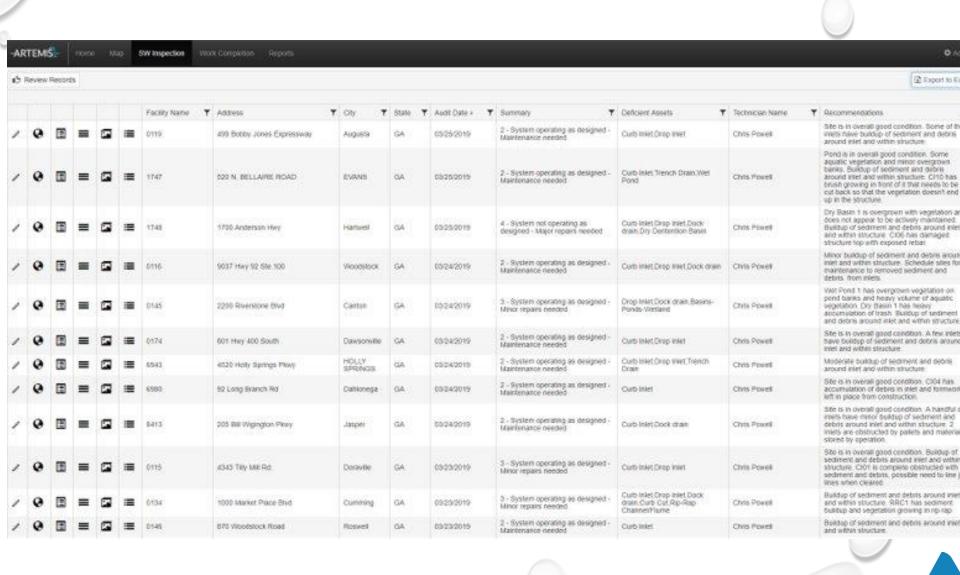
- Data is synchronized with a centralized data management system
- Data and Information is easily accessible through an easy to use interface
- Review, analysis and workflow

#### **Centralized Document Management**

- Implementation of client-facing sites
- Provides one location for all pertinent documents with enhanced search capability



## Implementing A Program



### Information & Data Management

### Summary – 5 Keys to Success

- 1. Awareness
- 2. Identification
- 3. Inventory
- 4. Assessment
- 5. Implementation Data



# Interesting Findings...







# Thank you!

# Questions?





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