

- Utility customers use nearly 100 million gallons of water annually; the Town pays more than \$200,000 for this water that is resold to its customers
- There are 509 in-town customers and 463 out-of-town customers
- The Town maintains 25 miles of sewer lines which, all of which must be kept clear and continuously inspected
- There are 4 pump stations
- Warrenton was progressive in the early 20th century and proud of its sewer system, much of which is now antiquated and must be replaced or upgraded. The Town recently completed a \$340,000 project (of which nearly \$300,000 was grant) to clean and evaluate the system. This study identified urgently needed repairs for which the Town has been awarded \$500,000 (half grant, half loan) to address.
- The Town pays more than \$250,000 for sewage treatment at the Wastewater Treatment Plant
- The Wastewater Treatment Plant is owned by the county and operated by the Town, with costs divided among the Town of Norlina, Warren County and the Town of Warrenton based on their relative volume. Expensive repairs are needed by this 30 year old facility with the first being funded by a \$870,000 loan for which the Town will be responsible for approximately 45%.
- These costs represent a major share of utility rates paid by individual customers.