



NAMPA WASTEWATER ADVISORY TEAM SURVEY NO. 3 AT-A-GLANCE SUMMARY

OVERVIEW

The City of Nampa must implement an extensive program to upgrade its treatment and disposal of wastewater in order to meet the upcoming National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit.

Involving the community in this process is challenging, but necessary. Nampa residents and businesses must be aware of the complexities of wastewater treatment and understand they will be required to pay more for the upgrade. To gather input into the decision-making process, the City has formed a virtual focus group comprised of volunteer citizens and community leaders. The purpose of the focus group is to help city leadership determine which option best meets the needs of its Nampa citizens.

The third survey was sent in March 2012 to a database of 500 residents, businesses and industry representatives.

SUMMARY AT-A-GLANCE

The purpose of the third survey was to gather more input about phasing the upgrades to Nampa's wastewater system, how best to fund the short term upgrades and which long term upgrade option is most preferred.

1) Phasing the upgrades to Nampa's wastewater system

- More survey participants said they would like to phase the upgrades (87%) than those who said they would not like to phase the upgrades (13%).

2) How to best fund the short term upgrades

- More survey participants said they would prefer to fund the upgrades with bonding (80%) than those who said they would prefer cash funding (20%).

3) Which long-term upgrade option is the most preferred

- *Direct Infiltration* was ranked as the most preferred option.
- *Rapid Infiltration* was ranked as the second most preferred option.
- *Treat and Offset* was ranked as the third most preferred option.
- *Treat to EPA Levels* was ranked as the fourth most preferred option.
- *Do Nothing More* was ranked as the least preferred option.