

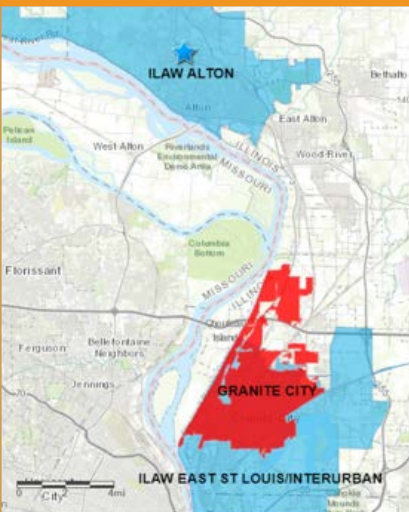


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SOLUTIONS THAT WORK

The sale of the City of Granite City's wastewater collection system to Illinois American Water made good sense for customers and the community.



SOLUTIONS AT WORK

CITY OF GRANITE CITY WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM ACQUISITION

The City of Granite City's wastewater collection system is located within Illinois American Water's Metro East service area in Madison County. Granite City's 12,150 wastewater collection connections joined Illinois American Water's Metro East operations, which serves more than 80,000 customer connections across Madison and St. Clair counties.

CHALLENGES

- **Rates:** Based on their rate structure, funds were not available to implement needed improvements to correct capacity issues.
- **Operational:** The City wished to no longer operate its wastewater collection system, and community leaders wanted to ensure current employees had a future with the system.
- **Financial:** City officials were concerned about retiring outstanding debt and pension liability in the community. In addition, they were looking to invest capital for other community needs.

SOLUTION

The City chose to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to sell its assets and relieve their operational responsibilities. Through the RFP process, Illinois American Water was selected by the City as the best long-term solution provider for its residents.

BENEFITS

- **Financial:** The City received \$18 million for its wastewater collection system assets after regulatory approval and at close of sale. This financial gain relieved the City of outstanding debt with proceeds to fund other community interests. Additionally, Illinois American Water is making significant investments in the collection system, which will ensure the system remains in compliance with regulations and improve service for customers.
- **Operations:** The systems are staffed by existing Granite City full-time licensed personnel and supported by our Metro East operations, engineering and customer support teams.
- **Rates:** Customers are included in Illinois American Water's existing tariff groups, which will help sustain future capital needs for the system while providing long-term rate stability.



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