

# Machine Learning and Pipeline Replacement Prioritization

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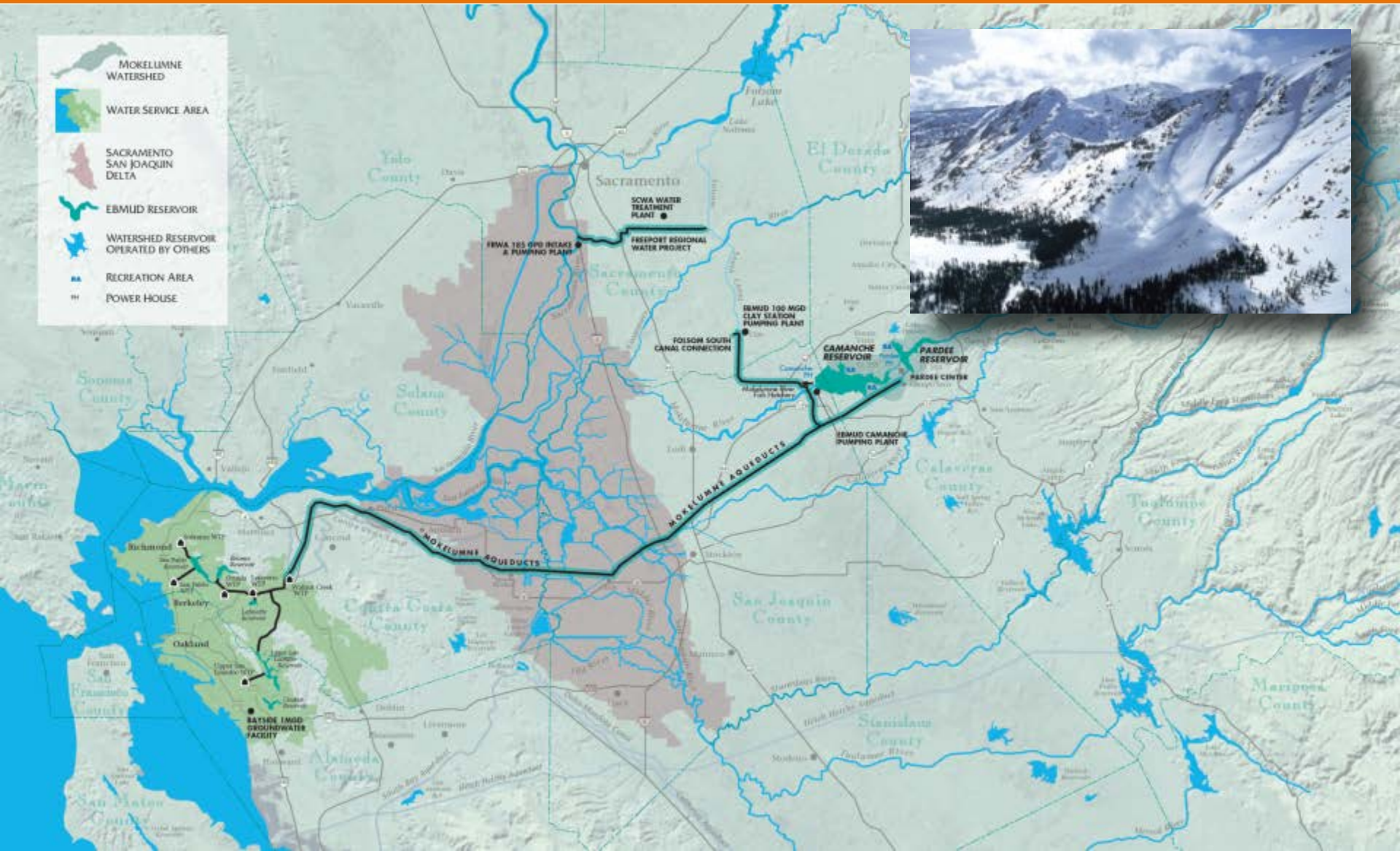
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# EBMUD Water System

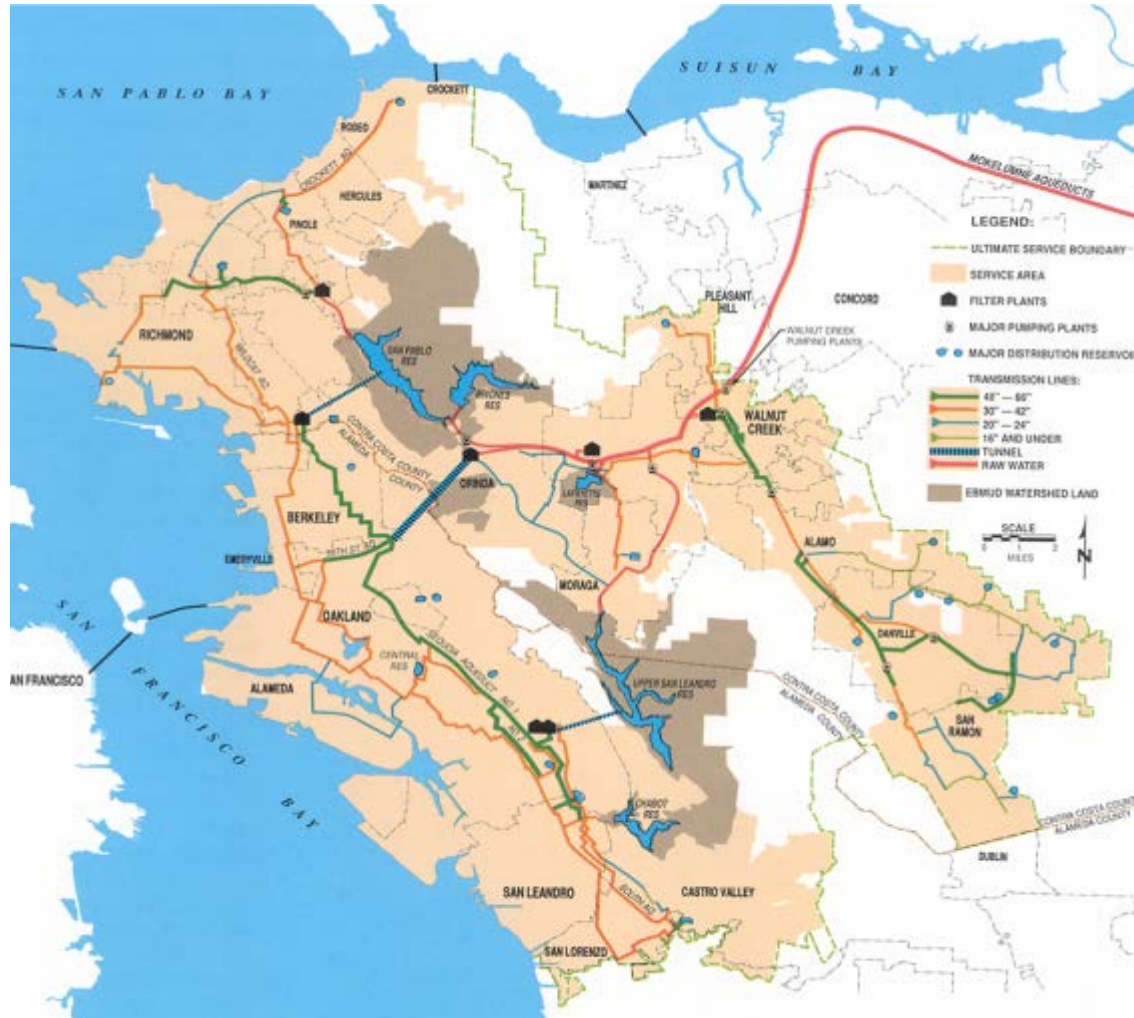


- MOKELUMNE WATERSHED
- WATER SERVICE AREA
- SACRAMENTO SAN JOAQUIN DELTA
- EBMUD RESERVOIR
- WATERSHED RESERVOIR OPERATED BY OTHERS
- RECREATION AREA
- POWER HOUSE





# EBMUD System & Service Area



## Customers

- 1,400,000 customers

## Raw Water System

- 2 upcountry reservoirs
- 5 local reservoirs

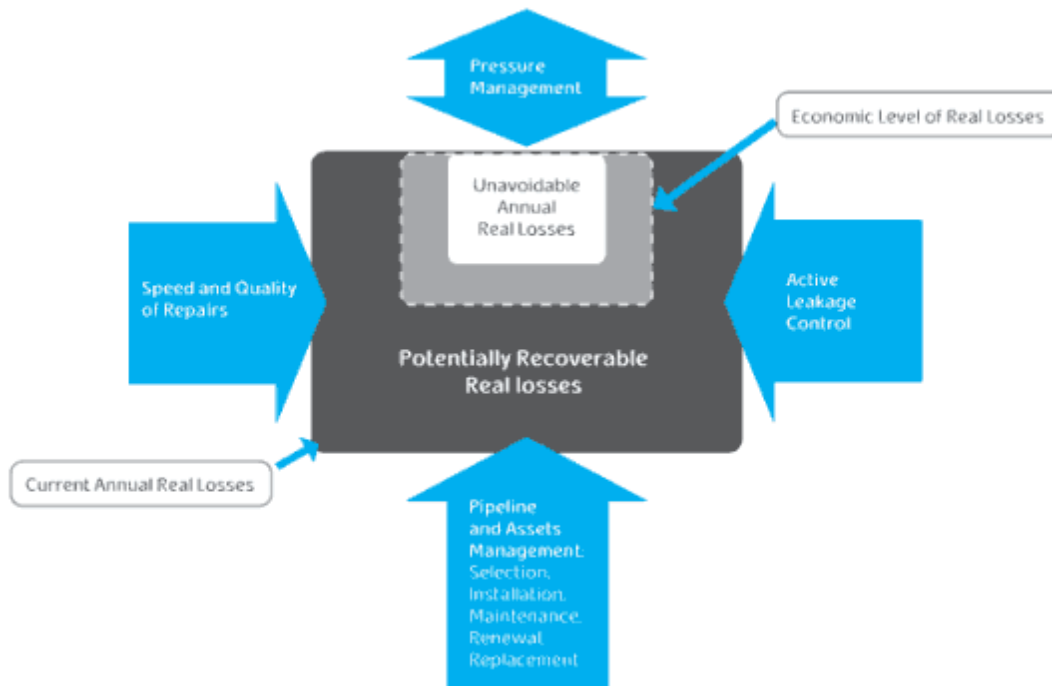
## Treatment System

- 6 water treatment plants

## Distribution System

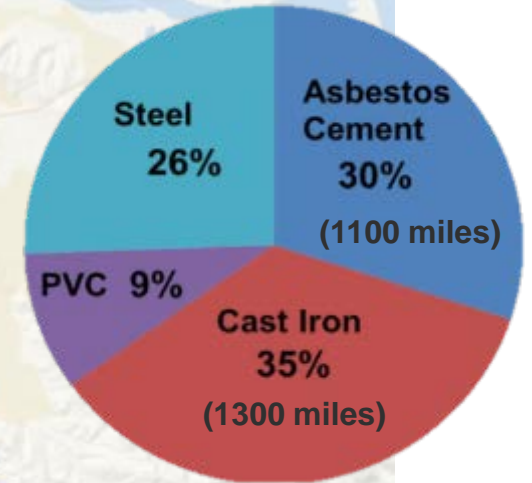
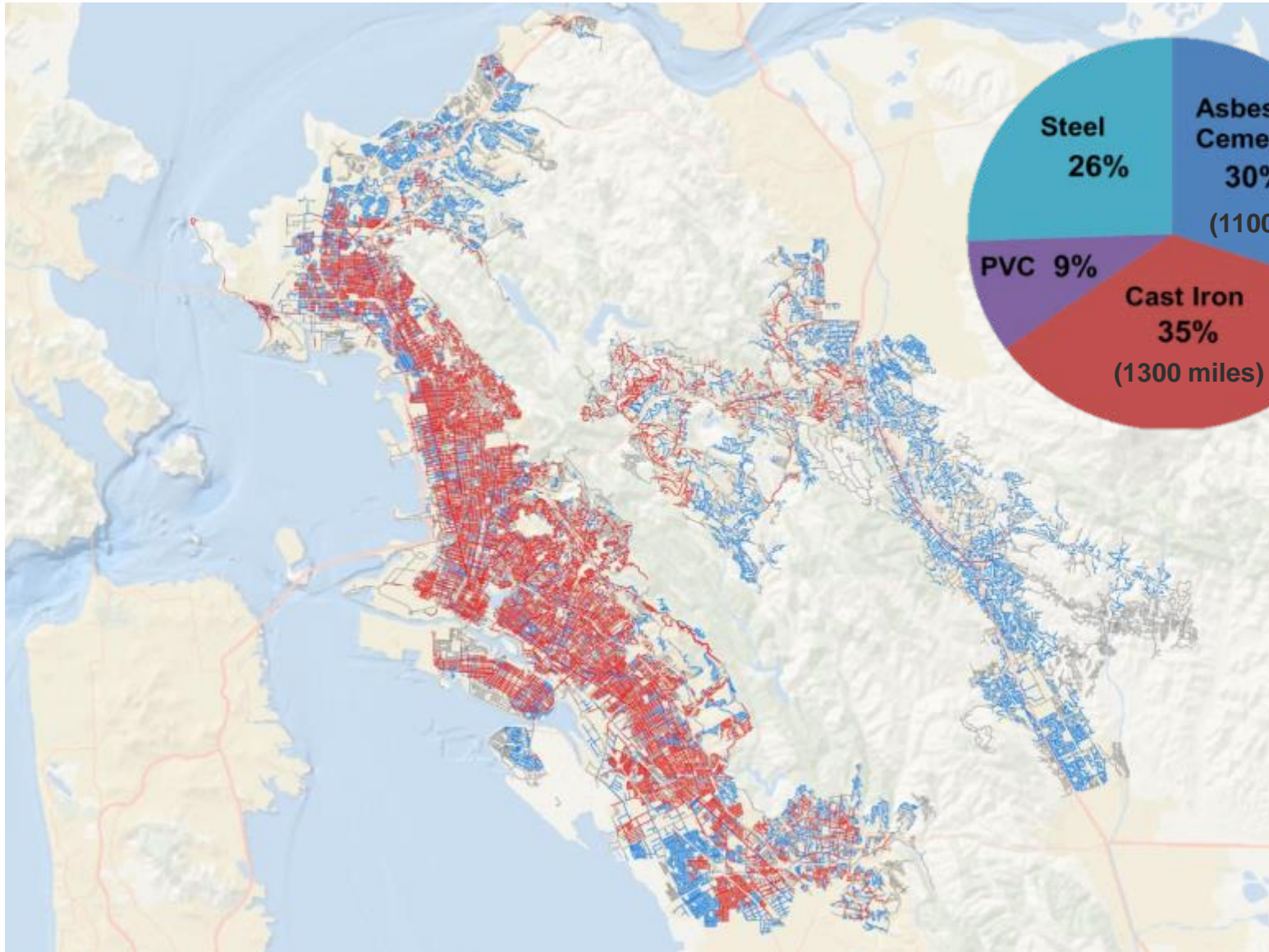
- 4,200 miles of pipeline
- 122 pressure zones
- 164 reservoirs
- 135 pumping plants
- 100 regulators/RCS

# Addressing Real Water Loss



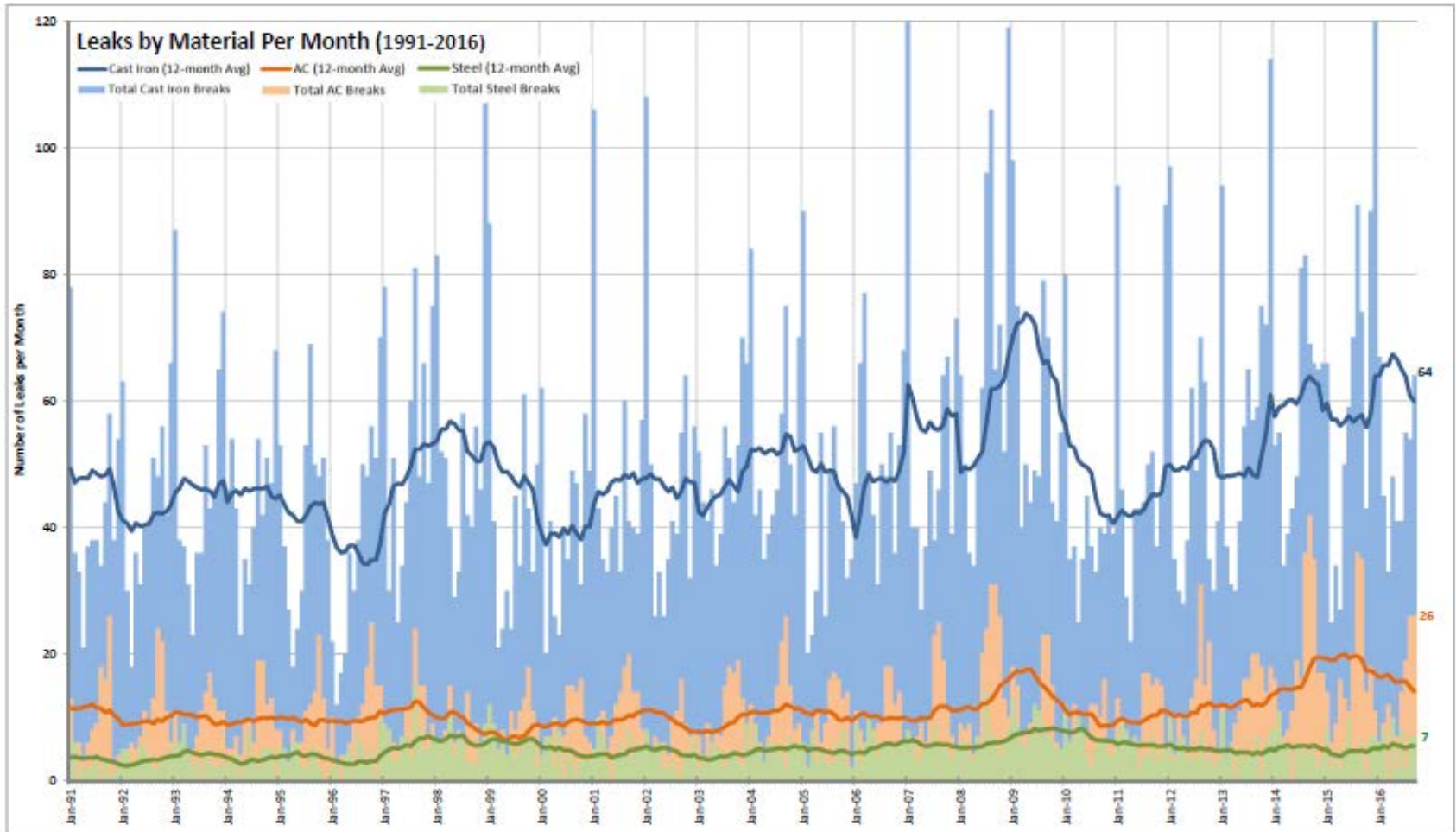
- Active leakage control
- Pressure management
- Speed and quality of repairs
- **Infrastructure management**

# Pipeline Inventory





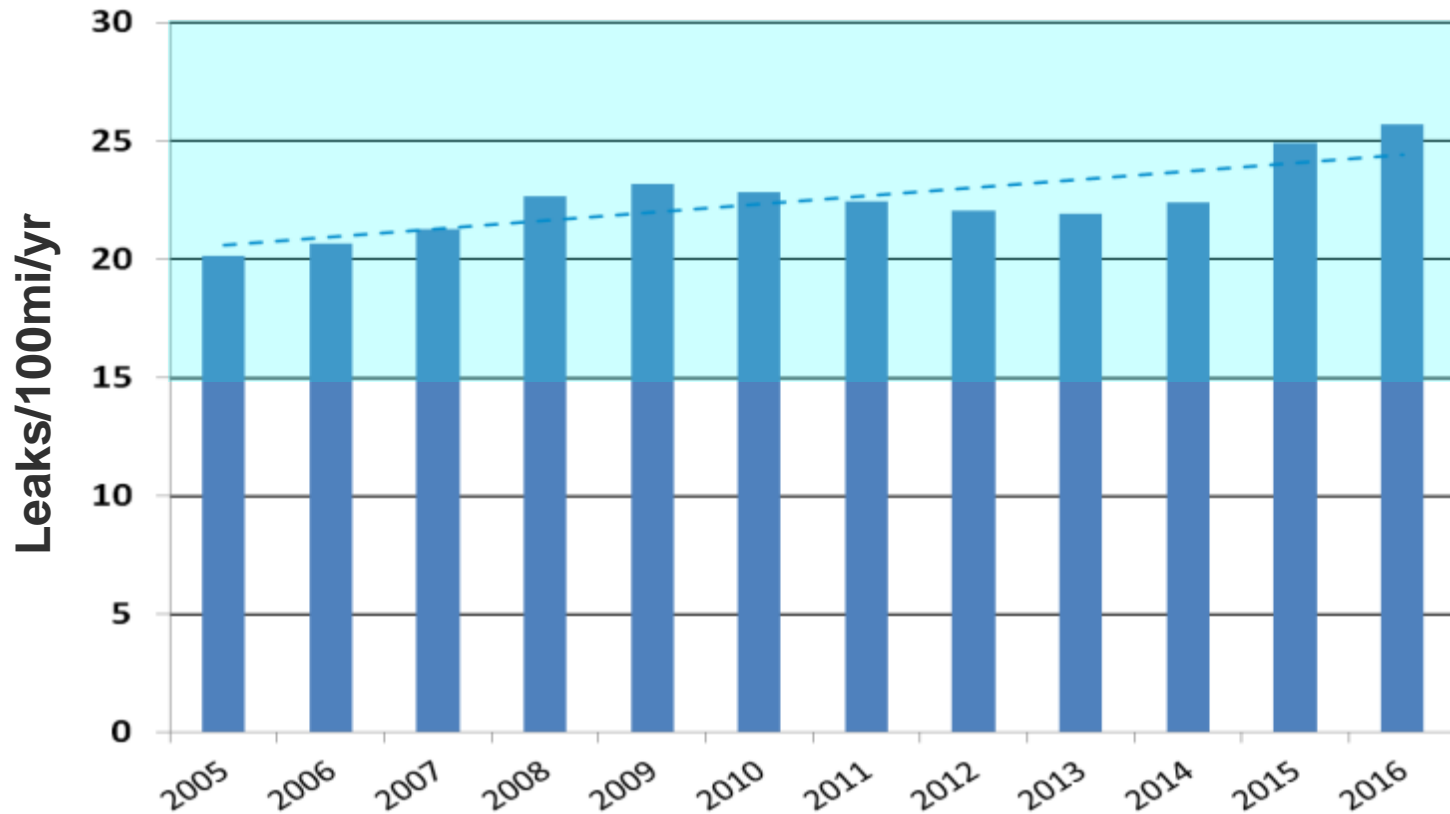
# Pipeline Break History



# Infrastructure Renewal Program -- Ramping Up Replacements



**Industry Benchmarks for a well maintained system**  
**= < 15-30 leaks/100 miles/year**



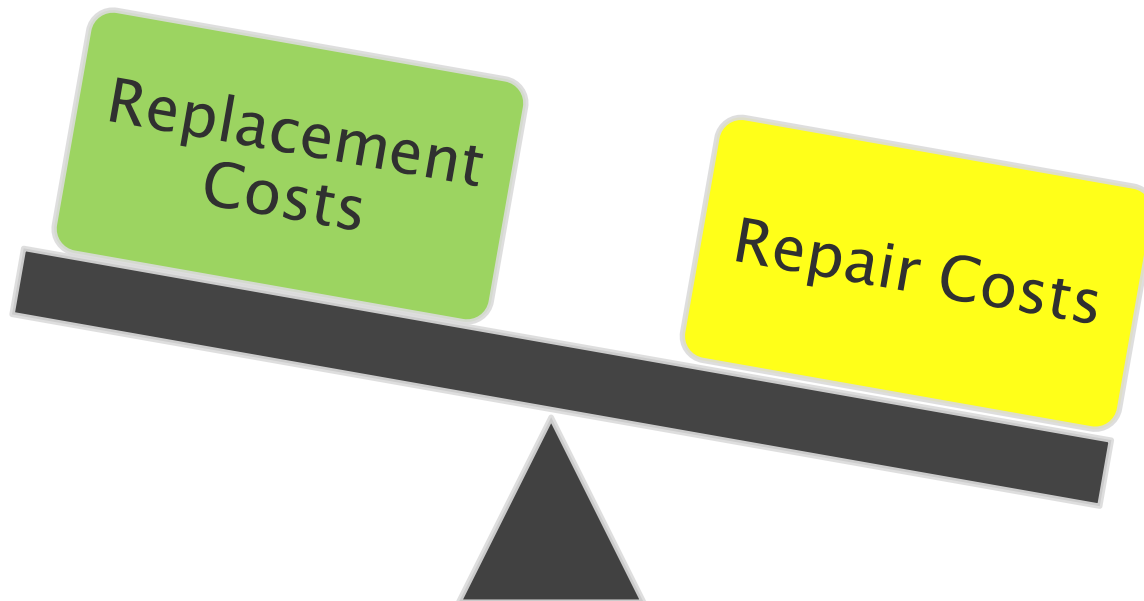
How do we make sure we are replacing the right pipe?

# *Prior* Pipeline Replacement Model



$$\text{Cost Benefit Ratio} = \frac{\text{Repair Costs}}{\text{Replacement Costs}}$$

> 1.0 , more beneficial to replace pipe





# New Pipe Replacement Risk Model



**LOF**

**COF**

$$\text{RISK} = (\text{Likelihood of Failure}) \times (\text{Consequence of Failure})$$

The probability a pipeline will leak.

The resulting magnitude of consequence if the pipe does leak.



# Pipe Replacement Risk Model

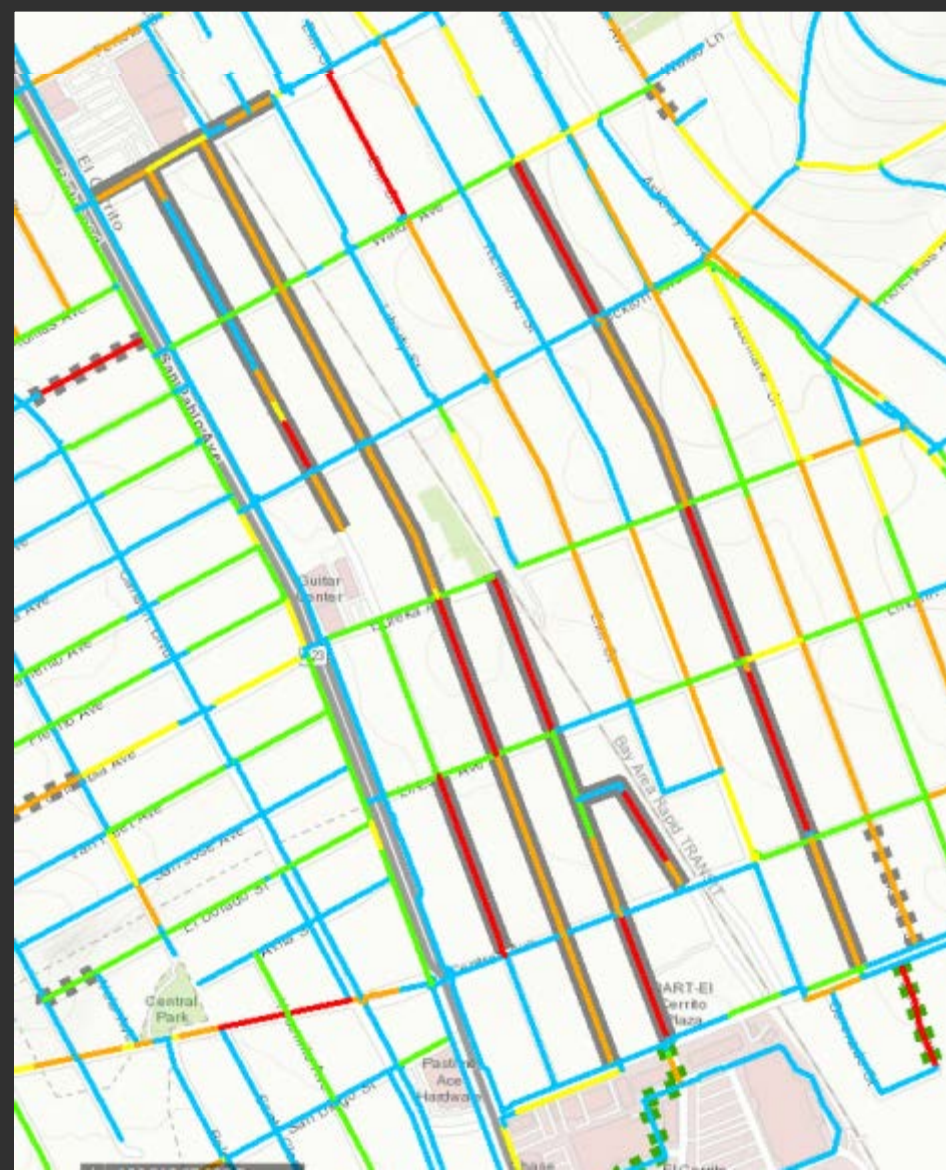


- Pipe Leak History
- Pipe Age

- Creek crossing
- Diameter
- Consumption
- Access
- Slope
- Backbone/Critical
- Highway crossing
- Railroad crossing

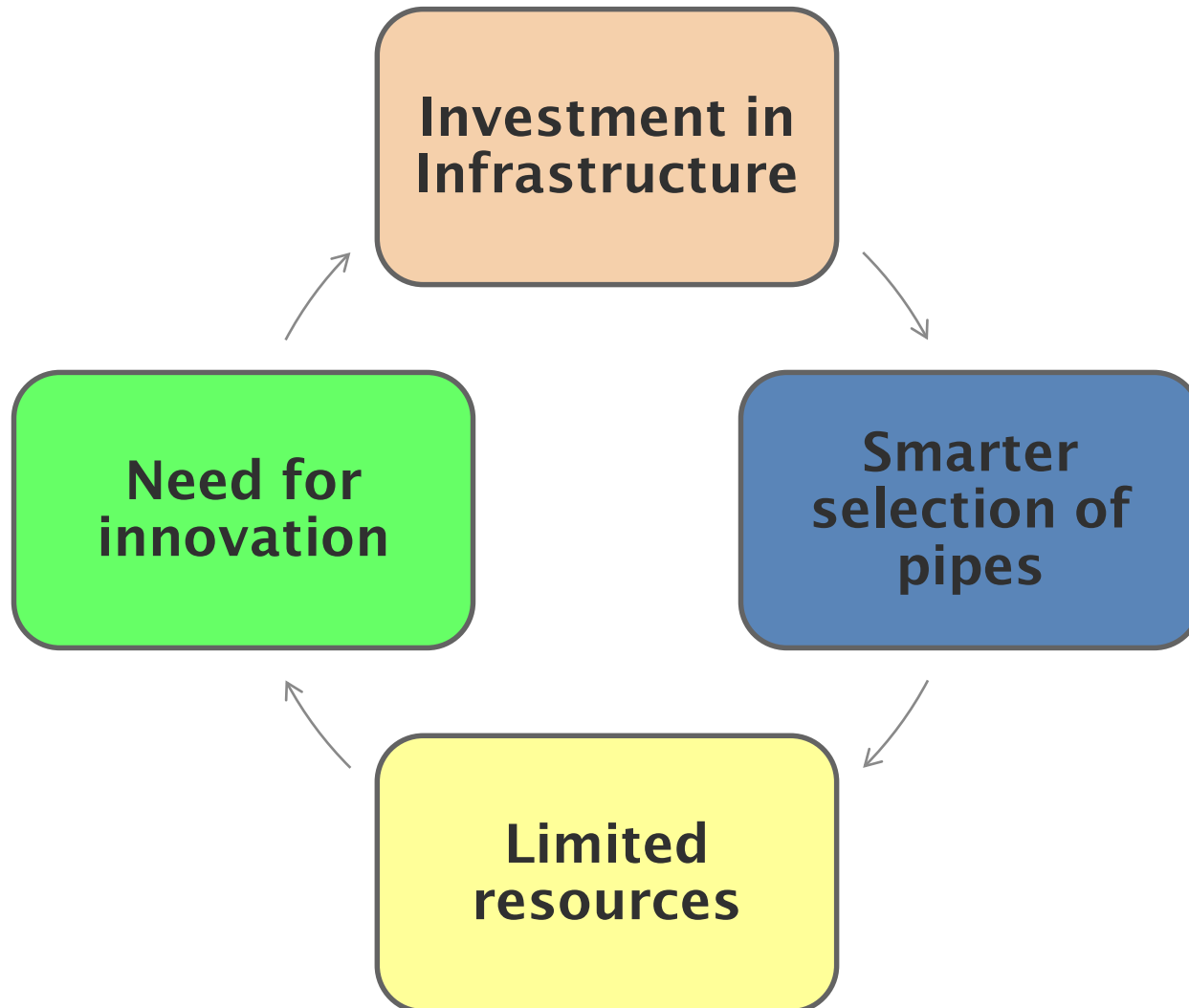
		Likelihood of Failure				
		Very Low	Low	Medium	High	Very High
Consequence of Failure	Very Low					
	Low					
	Medium					
	High					
	Very High					
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# How we choose projects using the Risk Model

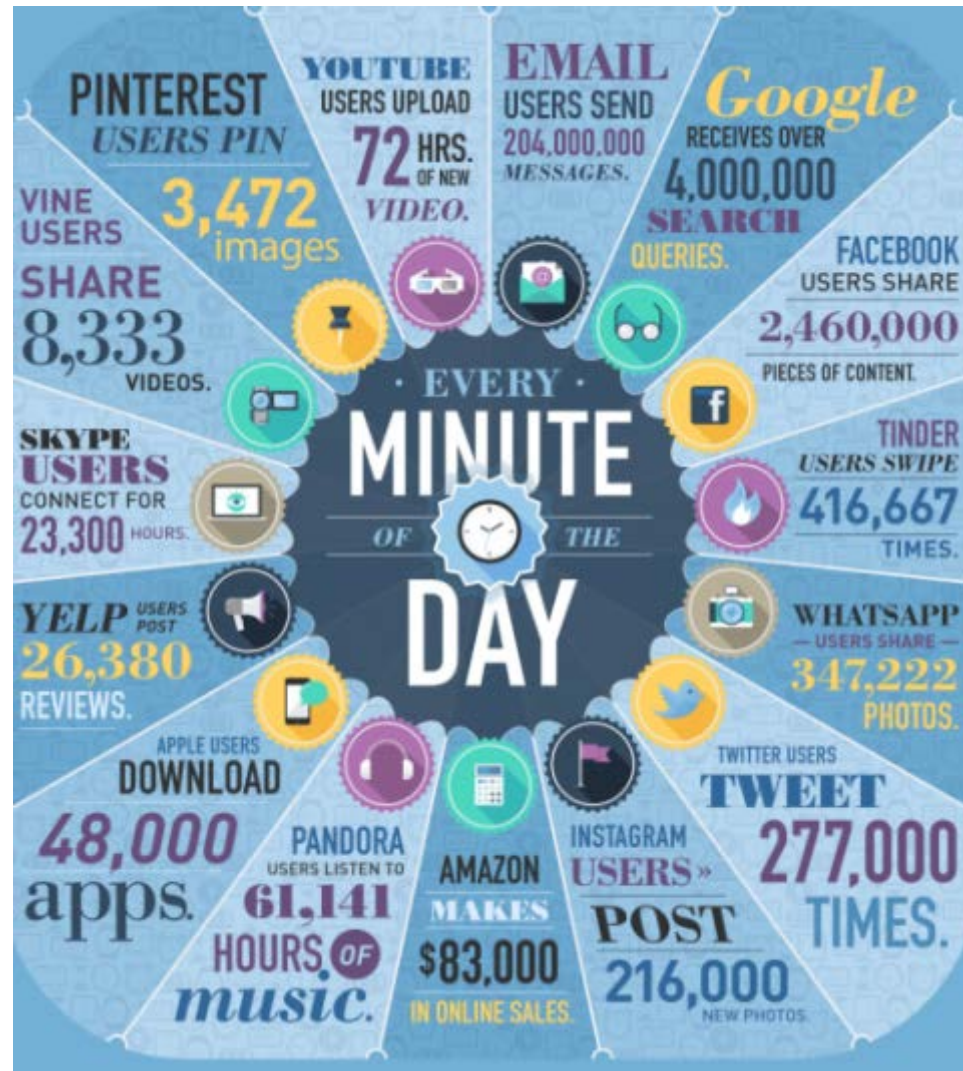




# New Decision-Making Tools



# Data Never Sleeps



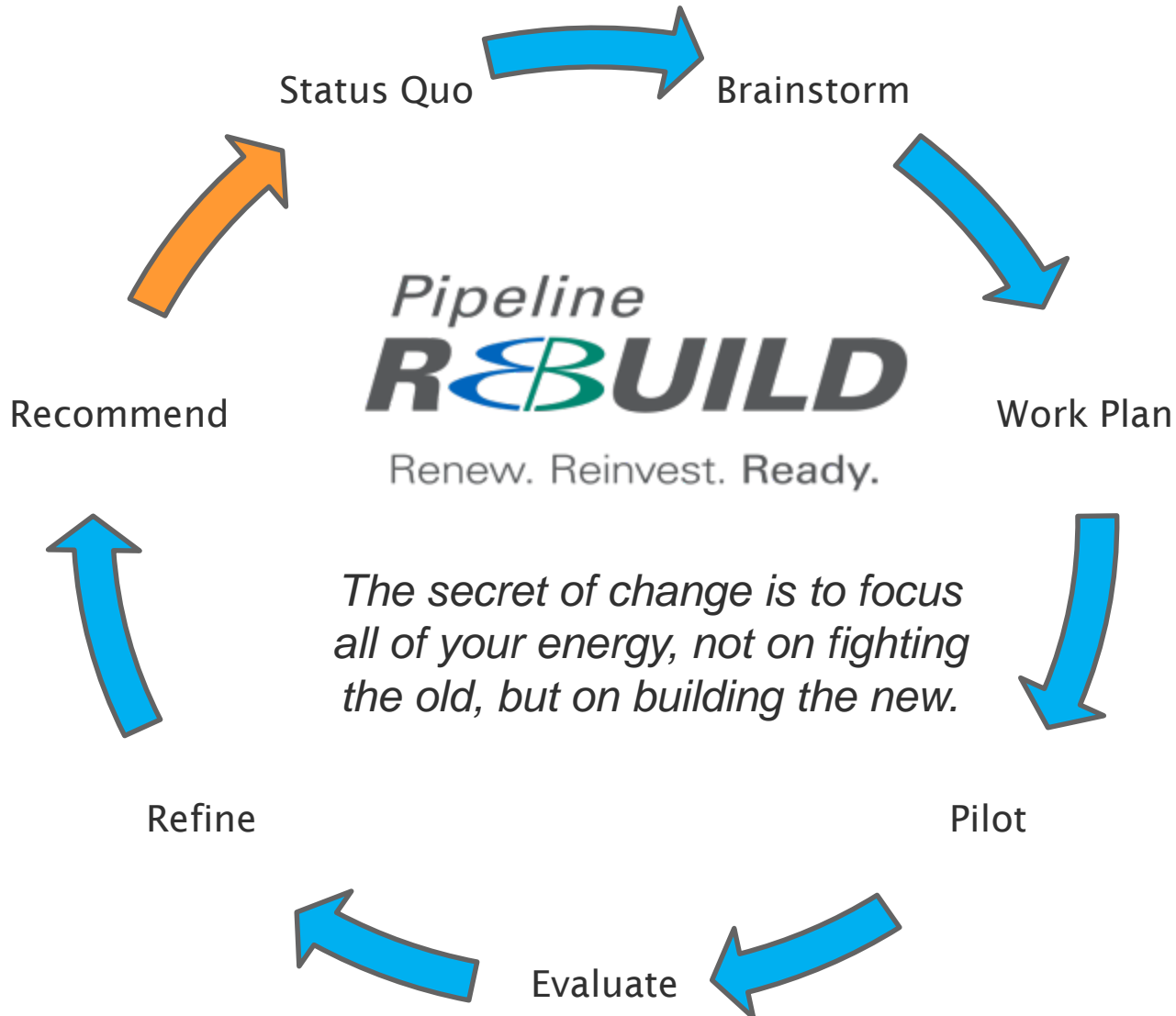
# Operational Data



- SCADA
  - Enterprise database: ~150 million readings per year
  - Data historian: ~7 billion readings in the database
- What's Next
  - Pipeline data
  - Maintenance data
  - AMI data
  - Pressure and leak detection data



# Pipeline Rebuild



# Machine Learning

## How It Works?

1

Wrangle and import  
water main and  
geographic data



2

Layer geodata and  
run machine learning  
algorithms

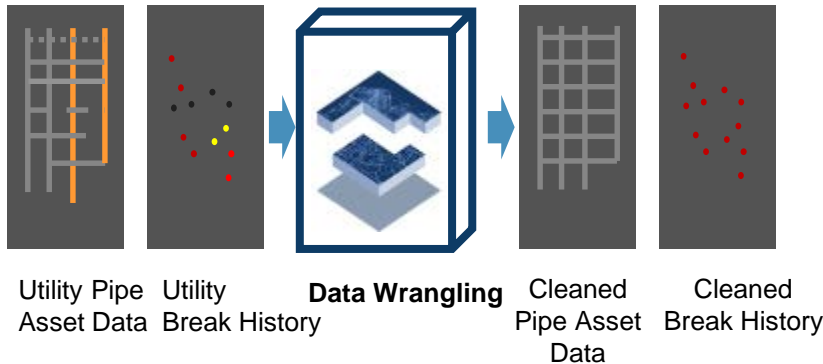


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Visualize  
vulnerabilities and  
apply LOF results



# Step 1: Wrangle and Import Data



+ Cleaning and normalizing the data

+ Correcting wrong/outlier data points and filling in missing values

+ Geocoding breaks with pipe segments

## Example :

Received Pipe Data as ESRI Shapefile

23876 Pipe Segments

**~15% Total Missing/Error**

Received Break data as two Excel sheets  
+ GIS file

Clean

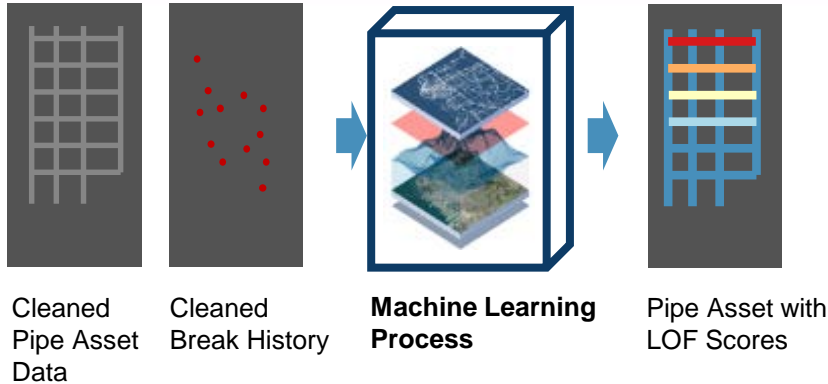
Correct

Geocode and assign to pipes





# Step 2: Machine Learning Analysis



## Utility Data

- Pipe Parameters
  - Length, Material, Diameter, Install Year, Pressure etc.
- Break History
  - Break info assigned to pipe segment

## Variables derived from Utility Data

- Age-Derived Variables
- Pipe and Leak Density

## Geo Variables

- Environment
  - 40+ Soil Properties from USGS
- Location
  - Slope, Elevation
  - Proximity to Transportation Features (roads, rail etc.)
  - Proximity to Water (salt water, river etc.)
- Population and Buildings
  - Population, Zoning, Buildings etc.

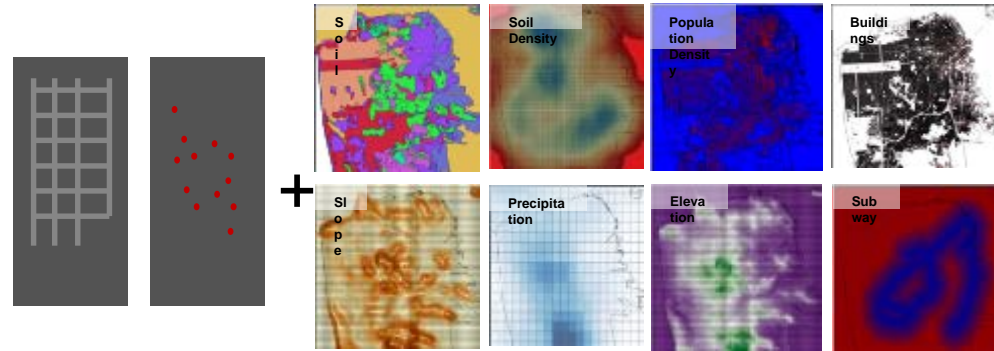
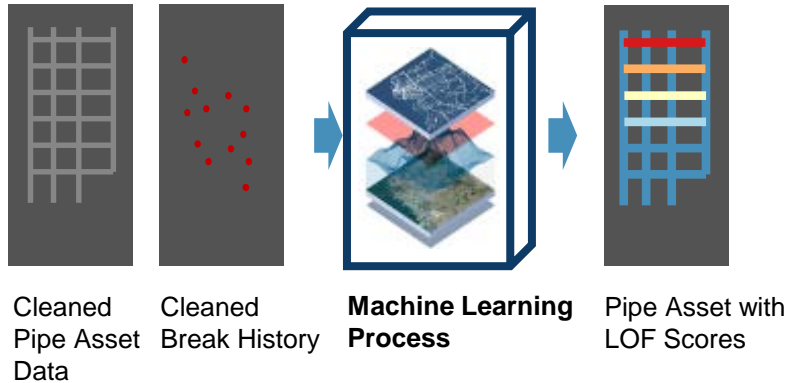
## Variables derived from Geo Data

- Min/Max/Mean Distance
- Density of Soil Type Changes



➔ 1000+ variables

# Step 2: Layer Geodata and Run Machine Learn



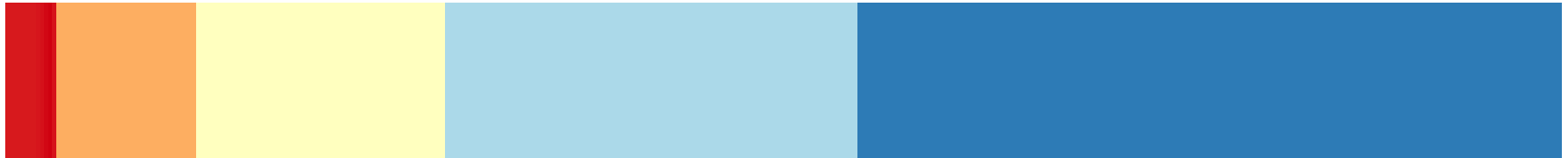
- Process in a repeatable and scalable manner
- Layer additional variables
- Look for correlations
- Calculate 5-year LOF probability scores



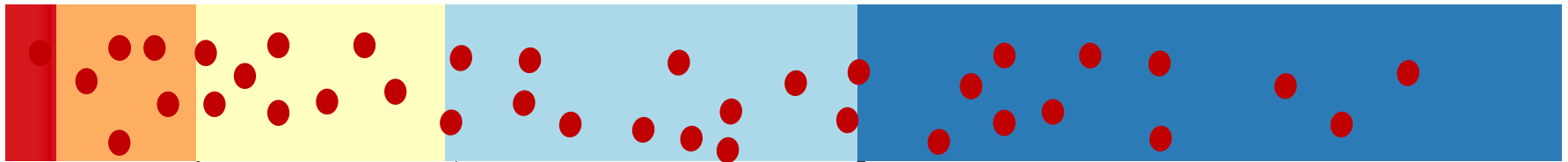
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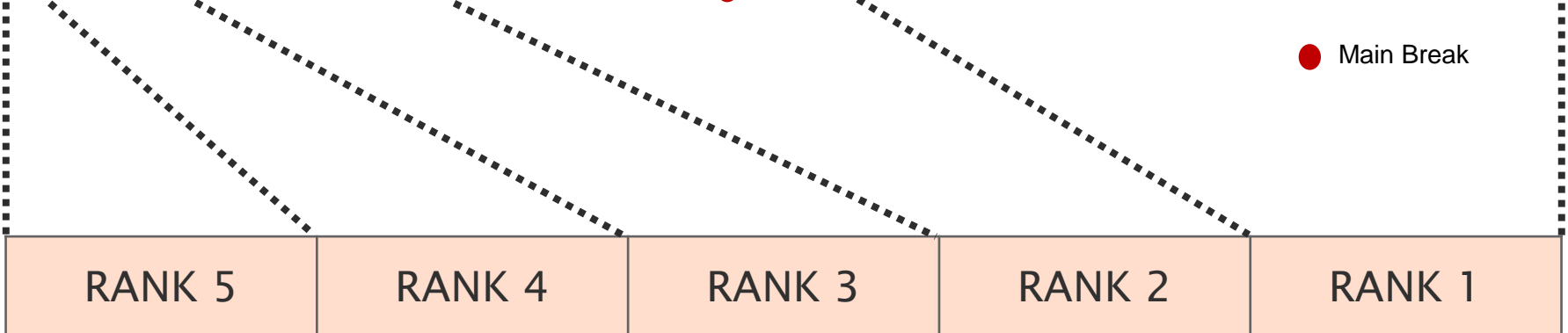
Prediction



Actual




● Main Break





# Measuring Accuracy



Fracta LOF Focused Ranking	Rank F5	Rank F4	Rank F3	Rank F2	Rank F1
	41.6 miles <b>(1%)</b>	166.3 miles <b>(4%)</b>	415.8 miles <b>(10%)</b>	831.8 miles <b>(20%)</b>	2702.9 miles <b>(65%)</b>
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5-yr forecasted breaks	397	901	1160	1251	1183
5-yr forecasted break rate (x/100mi/yr)	191.0	108.3	55.8	30.1	8.8

*Used historical data, 1990 → 2011,  
to predict next 5 years LOF*

# Comparing to Actual Events Break Data (2012-2016)



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Actual Breaks 2012-2016	436	991	1177	1038	838
Actual Break Rate 2012-2016	209.5	119.2	56.6	25.0	6.2

**Broad Correlation of Projected & Actual break rates**

# Demo & Questions

