Evolution of New York City's Water Supply



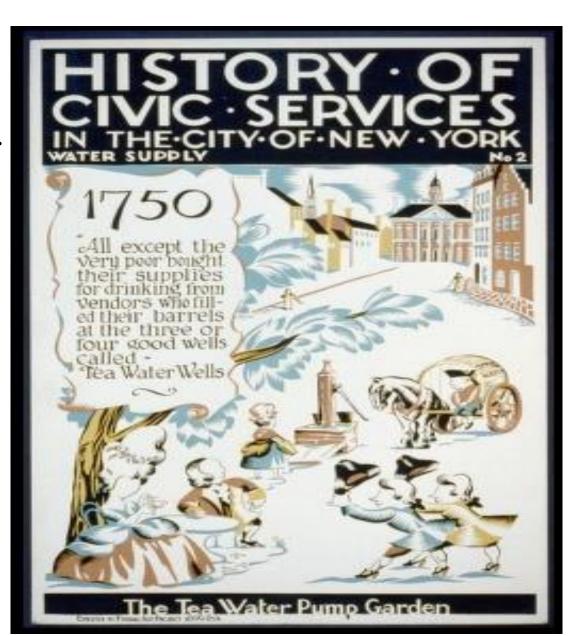
***** 1600s:

Main water source was a 48-acre pond in lower Manhattan

❖ 1700s:

Water hauled from Brooklyn to supply Manhattan's growing population

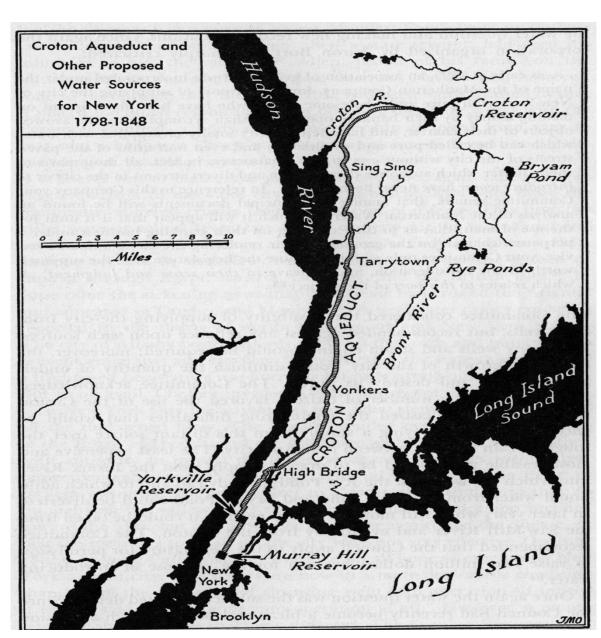
Early 1800s:
 Inadequate supply leads to health and safety problems



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- 1830s: City begins construction of the Croton Water Supply System in Westchester County
- 1842: Water flows from upstate New York through the Croton Aqueduct
- 1880s and 1890s: Croton System Expanded



The Old Croton Watershed

Great Fire of 1835



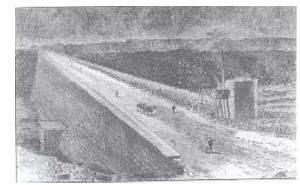
- Consumed over 700 buildings in a 17 square block area
- Increased demand for reliable water supply / increased the pace of Croton development



Croton Expansion



- New reservoirs constructed to increase supply
 - ❖ 1870 Controlled Lakes (3)
 - ❖ 1873 Boyd's Corner
 - ❖ 1878 Middle Branch
 - ❖ 1891 East Branch
 - ❖ 1892 Bog Brook
 - ❖ 1893 Titicus
 - ❖ 1895 West Branch
 - ❖ 1897 Amawalk
 - ❖ 1905 New Croton Reservoir
 - ❖ 1905 Muscoot Reservoir

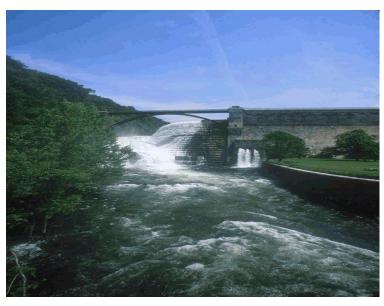


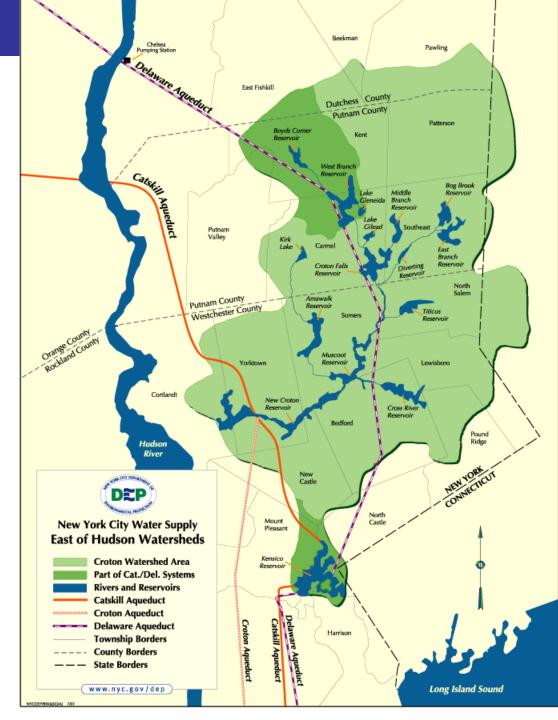


New Croton Aqueduct placed in service in 1890 to serve the Greater New York Area

Croton System Today







West of the Hudson Expansion



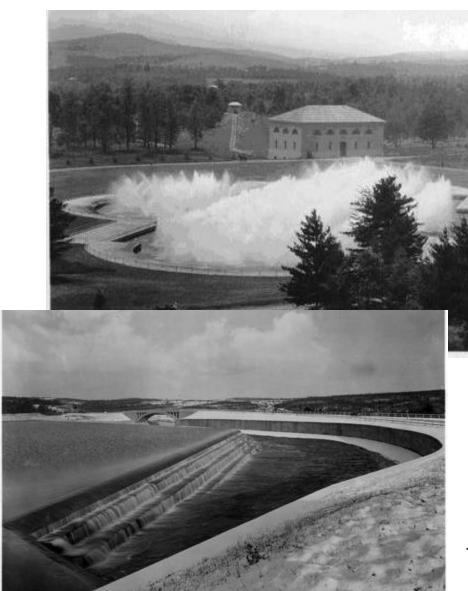
- 1905 Board of Water Supply created
 - Catskill region plan submitted
 - ❖ Department of Water Supply, Gas, and Electricity operated system







- Esopus and SchoharieWatersheds selected
- Construction started1907
- Ashokan Reservoir and Catskill Aqueduct were placed in service in 1915



The Catskill Watershed (1905-1928)



Development began in the early 1900's as the city's population grew at

a rapid rate.

Comprised of:

- 2 reservoirs
- Shandaken Tunnel
- Catskill Aqueduct
- Kensico Reservoir
- Hillview Reservoir
- City Tunnel #1
- Richmond Tunnel

Provides 40% of the water supply.



The Delaware Watershed (1937-1965)

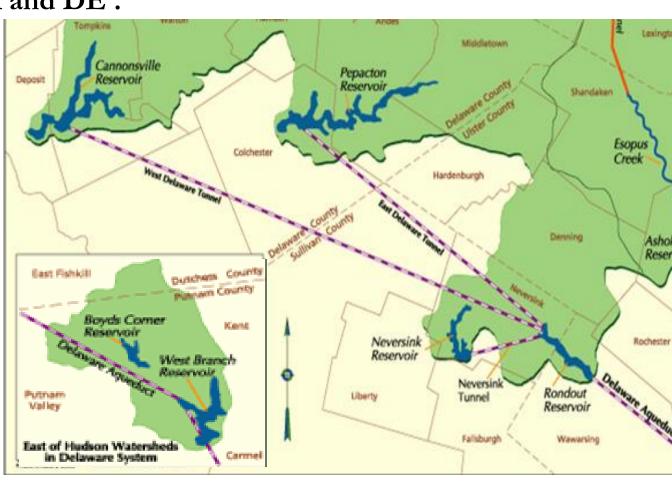


Created in accordance with the Supreme Court Decree of 1931 (amended 1954) which formulated a water rights agreement between NYC, NY, NJ, PA and DE.

Comprised of:

- 4 reservoirs
- Delaware Aqueduct

Provides 50% of the water supply.



Delaware System



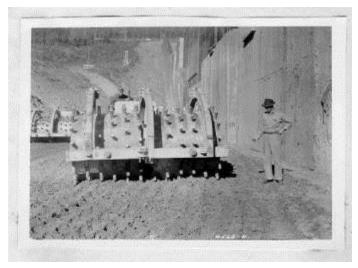
- 4 1928- NYC moves forward
- 1930 New Jersey to stop NYC development
- In 1931 Supreme Court upheld the right of New York City to develop Delaware supply
- 1954 Supreme Court Decree amended allowing Cannonsville development

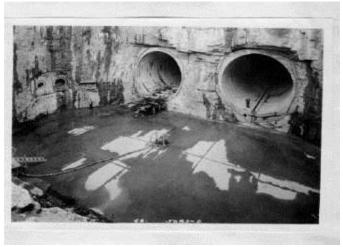






- Delaware System was completed in several stages.
 - ❖ Delaware Aqueduct -1944
 - ❖ Rondout Reservoir 1950
 - ❖ Neversink Reservoir -1954
 - Pepacton Reservoir -1955
 - Cannonsville Reservoir –1964









Today

- Primarily a surface water supply
- 19 reservoirs & 3 controlled lakes
- System Capacity: 550 billion gallons
- Serves 9 million people
 (1/2 of population of New York State)
- Delivers approx. 1.3
 billion gallons per day
 to the City
- Source of water is a
 2,000 square mile
 watershed in parts of 8
 upstate counties

Improvements in Water Supply Infrastructure



New disinfection & filtration facilities will increase the flexibility of our water supply system

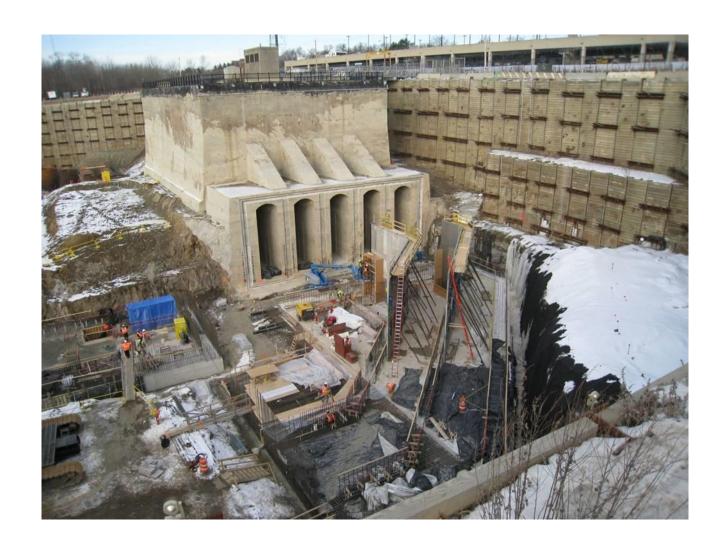


Catskill/Delaware Ultraviolet Disinfection Facility



Croton Water Filtration Plant













Croton Filtration Plant



- Filtration of the Croton System is required under the Surface Water Treatment Rule and a subsequent federal Consent Order.
- Filtration of the Croton supply will:
 - significantly enhance the reliability of the Croton system in meeting downstate water needs in the 21st century
 - reduce the formation of disinfection by-products and seasonal problems with color, odor and taste
 - significantly reduce the potential threats posed by microbial contaminants
- Filtration in conjunction with a strong watershed protection program is the most effective way to protect the public and increase the reliability of the water supply

Croton Filtration Plant



- Filtration Plant will be located at the Mosholu Golf Course in Van Cortland Park.
- Filter process:
 - stacked dissolved air flotation above filters
 - UV disinfection
 - ❖ Design flow of 290 mgd
- ❖ To compensate for the lost parkland, 70 Bronx parks reconstruction projects, at a cost of \$220 million from DEP and the Municipal Water Finance Authority, will be completed over the next five years.



Mosholu Site New Design



