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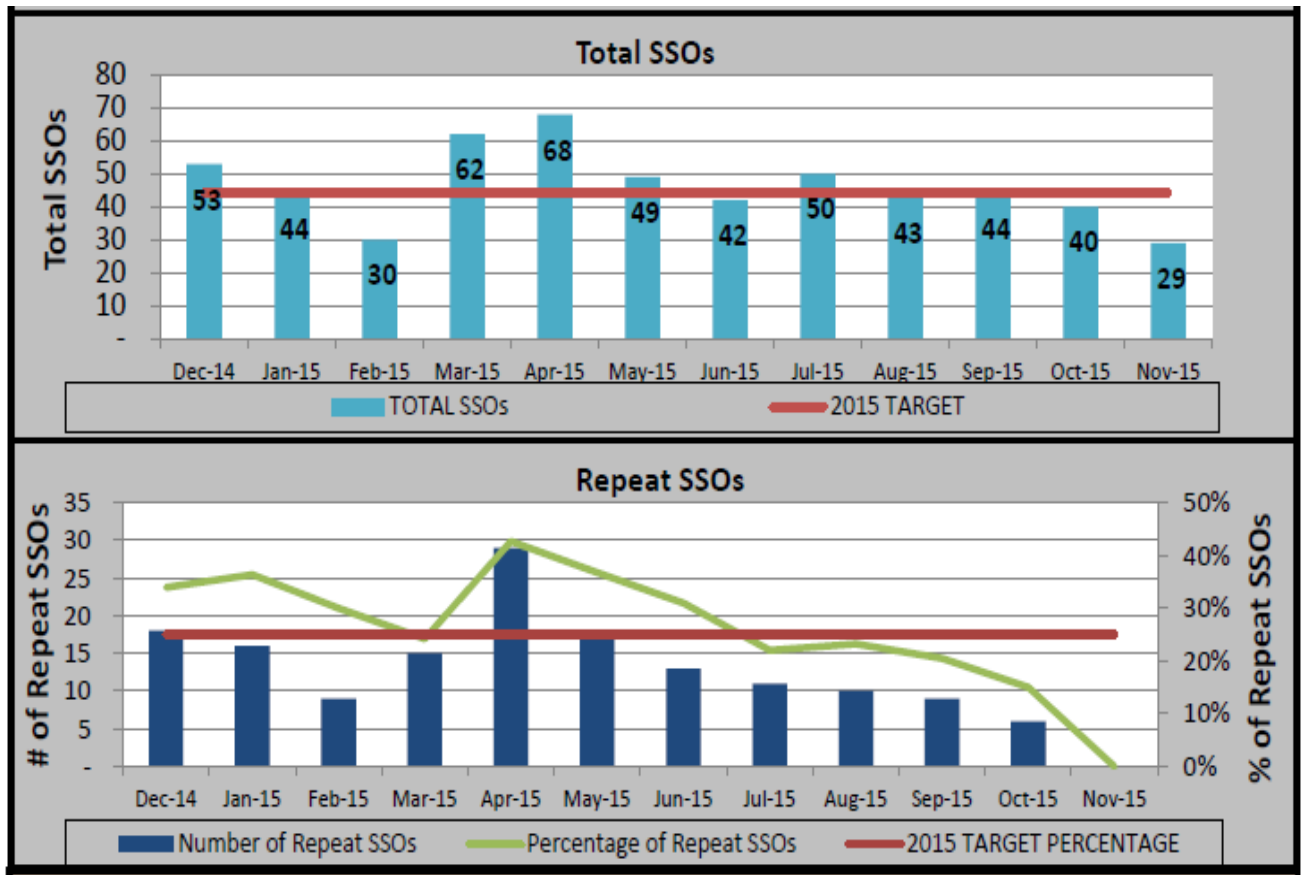
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SUBJECT: DPW- Bureau of Water & Wastewater, Executive Briefing



- **Making Progress**

- **Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs).** The Department of Public Work's Office of Asset Management monitors the amount and locations of Sanitary Sewer Overflows including sewer water in basement (WICs). An SSO is an uncontrolled release that can be caused by issues with sewer capacity, blockages, and pipe collapses. As of now there is very little that can be done to handle wet-weather SSOs, however there are multiple sewer programs aimed at combatting dry-weather SSOs. These programs include the Sewer Lateral Inspection and Renewal, Trunk Sewer Inspections, Root Control and FOG program. The graphs below show Sanitary Sewer Overflow data as of November 2015. The data shows the total number of SSOs along with the amount of repeat SSOs, which both have seen significant reductions.



- **Needs Improvement**

- **Permanent Surface Repairs.** The Bureau of Water and Wastewater is responsible for permanent surface repairs after cutting into the street for any utility work. After the Bureau completes a repair, such as a water main repair, it is their responsibility to complete a temporary repair until a permanent surface repair to the street can be made. It is also the Bureau’s responsibility to maintain these temporary patches until the permanent restoration can occur. As of November 2015, there were approximately 1,500 surface repairs that need permanent restoration which has dropped to 1,276 as of January 15th, 2016. There was also an uptick in the number of permanent surface repairs from November to December 2015, 340 to 550 respectively. The graph below shows the number of permanent surface repairs completed per month by type (asphalt, concrete, masonry & sidewalk) dating back to June 2014.

