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Question (Member Question No. 41):

Has the Administration considered upgrading the 6 dry weather flow interceptors in Yau Tsim Mong District and 8 others at Nam Cheong Street, and providing new-type automatic dry weather flow interceptors at the outlets of the box culverts at Cherry Street and Hoi Fan Road so as to prevent sewage from flowing into the New Yau Ma Tei Typhoon Shelter, as well as the waters off the Hampton Place and The Long Beach from the vicinity of Nam Cheong Street respectively? If yes, what are the completion dates and the expenditures involved?

Asked by: Hon. WONG Pik-wan, Helena

Reply: The design work for the provision of automatic dry weather flow interceptors (DWFIs) at the outlet of the box culvert at Cherry Street has commenced in August 2012 and is now near completion. The estimated expenditure for the design work is about \$13.5 million. Upon completion of the design work, we will prepare the implementation programme and the cost estimate for the project and then seek funding approval from the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council in accordance with the Public Works Programme procedures.

There is currently no plan to provide DWFIs at the outlet of the box culvert at Hoi Fan Road. However, the Drainage Services Department is now making preparation for engaging engineering consultants to carry out investigation and design work for a sewerage improvement project which includes the provision of eight DWFIs at the upstream of the box culvert along Nam Cheong Street and six others in Yau Tsim Mong District, as well as other sewerage upgrading works in West Kowloon. The investigation and design work is expected to commence in the later half of 2014 at the earliest.