



Owosso Water Funding Request

TOM COOK ON ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS

Shiawassee River – Downtown Owosso





**Nitrification
Towers**, on
the banks of
the
Shiawassee
River

Dangers of Nitrification Tower Failing

- ▶ 40-year-old Infrastructure
- ▶ Most dire need – Nitrification Towers (\$15 Million Request)
- ▶ 6 million gallons of wastewater (sewage) will be released into the Shiawassee River - DAILY
- ▶ The River flows north toward Lake Huron
- ▶ This will affect several ecosystems that rely on the river for their survival.

Bottom Line

- ▶ Failure of towers will result in 6 million gallons of Wastewater – DAILY– released into the river
- ▶ The ratepayers in Owosso, Corunna, and Owosso Township cannot afford the increase
- ▶ 108% increase in rates
- ▶ There are so many more parts to this system that we will have to address soon
- ▶ But the most dire need for the community and the clean Shiawassee River environment - \$15 million for the towers.
- ▶ This will hold off an environmental disaster