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The estimated useful life of the MWRA's capital projects are summarized below:

Type of Capital Improvement	Estimated Useful Life (in years)
Buildings (includes all substantial above ground structures or enclosures)	40
Mechanical Equipment (includes pumps, chains, fans, HVAC, valves, etc.)	20
Electrical Equipment (motors, generators, motor control centers, lighting, conduit, etc)	20
Control Systems (computers, SCADA, PLCs, programming, etc)	10
Water Pipes	50 – 75
Water Pipe appurtenances (blow offs, air valves)	40
Sewer Pipes – gravity	50
Sewer Pipes – pressure	50
Sewer Pipe appurtenances (manholes, chambers)	50
Tunnels – Water	100
Tunnels – Wastewater	100
Tunnel appurtenances (shafts, control valves)	40
Distribution Reservoirs – above ground	40
Distribution Reservoirs – below ground	75 -100
Dams and Dam improvements	100
Motor Vehicles	10 – 15
Furniture and Fixtures	5 – 15
Leasehold Improvements	Period of lease
Study	5
Design – if constructed	20
Design – if not used	5
Inflow/Infiltration - Repair	20
Inflow/Infiltration - Replacement	50
Covered Storage	50