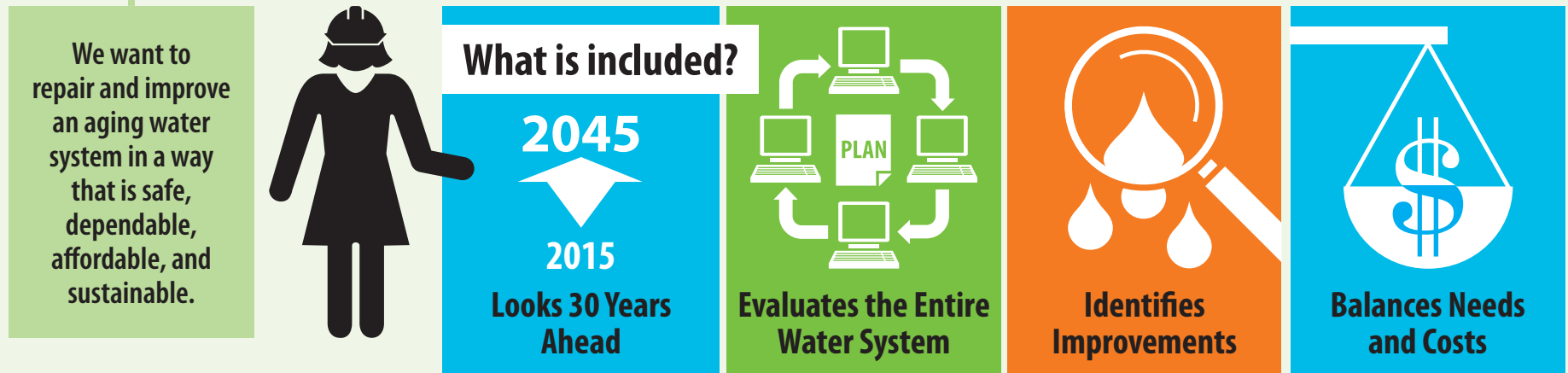


Why is the BWS doing a Water Master Plan?



What are the benefits?

- Anticipate and fund future infrastructure needs, so that the water is available when and where it is needed.
- Provide updated, comprehensive understanding of water supplies, water needs, and the water system.
- Prioritize essential replacement and repairs by physically assessing the condition of infrastructure.
- Improve the BWS's ability to make infrastructure decisions with greater accuracy and efficiency.
- Proactively care for our water quality and delivery infrastructure, and reduce costly emergency repairs.
- Improve design, construction, and maintenance practices and standards so that infrastructure lasts longer.
- Allow the BWS to identify cost efficiencies by adjusting the timing, location, or scope of projects, and by refining operations or maintenance activities.
- Prioritize investment of limited resources in infrastructure based on benefit and risk.
- Spread investments and rate changes over time.
- Support the BWS's ability to better control rates over the long run.

