

**Water Policy Plan - By ensuring sustainable water resources in the region, we position  
Integrated Water**

<b>Reference #</b>	<b>Advisory Group</b>	<b>Section of Policy</b>	<b>Comment</b>
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Other	Define roles for all players
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Other	Where is action for providing local plan requirements and guidance?
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Desired Outcomes	Define risks and impacts for
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Partner	What does "support" look like?
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Partner	How does this work?
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Partner	Policy level, not action
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Other	Enhance/restore which waters? How do we prioritize?
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Other	Integrate water with comp planning. Water-based directed growth.
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Desired Outcomes	What is sustainable water supply for growth?

	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Other	Ambiguous statement. Define how this could work. Use tangible things and prove it.
	<b>Environment Committee</b>	Desired Outcomes	Add: Economic prosperity including affordable and sufficient water to meet the needs of residents, institutions, businesses, industries, and agricultural producers
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Policy Statement	Holistic is a buzzword
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Policy Statement	Are we integrating planning and management? Focus should be together
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Policy Statement	"Management" feels like more public works
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Policy Statement	Need a better word than "cooperative"
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Desired Outcomes	Strike "All" at the start
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Desired Outcomes	Are "benefits" defined?
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Desired Outcomes	Move gaps to other bullet that includes "...consider risks and impacts..."
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Other	Level of service lens from community perspective meets needs of their residents
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Partner	Add "gaps" after identify risks

	<b>Environment Committee</b>	Policy Statement	Integrated should not be used in statement
	<b>Environment Committee</b>	Desired Outcomes	Add "Economic prosperity - enough water for business/ag needs
	<b>Environment Committee</b>	Partner	Explain HOW to partner
	<b>Environment Committee</b>	Partner	Too vague
	<b>Environment Committee</b>	Partner	Good
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Desired Outcomes	Define 'sustainable'
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Desired Outcomes	Is 'collectively' active collaboration or the result of our collective work?
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Desired Outcomes	Add streamlining?
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Plan	Seems to be missing timing component for local plan development
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Plan	Excellent!
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>	Provide	Add "including federal funds" after financial assistance
	<b>Environment Committee</b>		Cederberg: Add "previous" before 2040
	<b>Environment Committee</b>		Cederberg: Delete approaches and change to operations

	<b>Environment Committee</b>		Cederberg: What kind of approaches? When there is a list does approach apply to all 3 or just operation?
	<b>MAWSAC-TAC</b>		This is good
	<b>Environment Committee</b>		Consider present and future risks...
	<b>MAWSAC</b>		Is there anything that defines water sustainability for the region, specifically for groundwater? For the subregions? We struggle with what the targets are for achieving this in order to plan out projects and programs to address water sustainability and whether they're making a dent in the projected need.
	<b>Environment Committee</b>		Cederberg: Strike "in the region"
	<b>MAWSAC</b>		Consider adding limitations or water availability - recommend linkage to long-term sustainability.
	<b>Environment Committee</b>		Cederberg: Change to organizational

			<p>Moline: Still curious what this means for the Council? Preparing a plan, help other agencies prepare plans, help WD's and WMO's prepare plan, etc. Clarification would help implementation</p> <p>Previous comments apply still? Is this primarily through local comp plan requirements? What is different in this approach compared to watershed &amp; local water plan statute requirements? It could be helpful to show how the Met Council goal/objective here is in addition to those requirements or what is unique in this goal.</p>
	<b>Water Advisory Group</b>		
			Consider adding "local government units" since SWCD, County, and other communities that don't have a water utility are not included in this list.
	<b>MAWSAC</b>		
	<b>Environment Committee</b>		Cederberg: Replace with "2050"
	<b>Environment Committee</b>		Cederberg: Decide if you need this or be consistent with use of Council, Met Council, or we
	<b>MAWSAC</b>		Is this supposed to be past tense? It sounds like there is something missing in this bullet.
	<b>Environment Committee</b>		Cederberg: Change to "We"?

**1 ourselves to meet the needs of current and future generations.**

Referenced Language	Proposed Action	Final Language
	No action	
	Edit language	Provide local plan requirements and guidance to align regional and local efforts in water planning, management, and development decisions.
Water planning and management decisions consider risks and impacts across the entire water sector	No action	
Support educational efforts through partnership opportunities with organizations that further integrated water planning and management	Edit language	
The Met Council will partner with the state to help rural communities collaborate around emergency planning and service reliability by identifying community needs and potential service or funding gaps.	No action	
Work within the metro region to address issues that transcend water organization boundaries to prepare water management plans that promote the enhancement and restoration of local and regional waters (lakes, rivers, streams, wetlands, and groundwater)	Edit language	Used this language to in
	Edit language	Prioritize protection and
	No action	
All water organizations work collectively across geographical, political, social, and cultural boundaries to achieve water sustainability in the region.	No action	

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	Edit language	Added this content to th
Water planning and management approaches are integrated, cooperative, and holistic.	No action	
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Water planning and management approaches are integrated, cooperative, and holistic.	Edit language	Changed to collaborativ
All water organizations work collectively across geographical, political, social, and cultural boundaries to achieve water sustainability in the region.	Edit language	Adjusted sentence
The Metropolitan Council will strive to maximize the benefits of clean and plentiful water from regional investments, through coordination among its division and across the integrated water cycle.	Edit language	
Water planning and management roles and responsibilities within the region are clarified and any identified gaps collaboratively addressed.	Edit language	Added this content to th
	No action	
The Council will partner with communities, water agencies, technical experts, and residents to identify risks, associated vulnerabilities, and develop solutions for our regional water concerns.	Edit language	

Water planning and management approaches are integrated, cooperative, and holistic.	Edit language	Fixed.
	Edit language	Addressed above
Support educational efforts through partnership opportunities with organizations that further integrated water planning and management	Edit language	Support regional out
The Met Council will partner with the state to help rural communities collaborate around emergency planning and service reliability by identifying community needs and potential service or funding gaps.	No action	
Federal, tribal, state, regional, and local water plans and policies align to support sustainable and equitable water outcomes.	Edit language	
All water organizations work collectively across geographical, political, social, and cultural boundaries to achieve water sustainability in the region.	Edit language	
	No action	ensure that we work c
	Edit language	
Identify and assess current groundwater and surface water conditions, uses and use behaviors, community needs, historical trends, drivers (influencers) of change, risks and system limitations, and estimated future conditions.	No action	
Advocate for financial assistance to local governments, water suppliers, and other partners on water issues and water management activities.	Edit language	
The Twin Cities metro region is shaped by the water that moves through it. The 2050 Water Resources Policy Plan, like the 2040 plan before it,		
Water planning, management, and operation approaches are cooperative and span the natural and built water cycle.		





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Collaborate with federal, tribal, state, and local partners to perform studies that develop information and approaches that enhance the sustainability of water services of the Council and local providers.

Support outreach and educational opportunities with organizations that further integrated water planning and management. The Met Council will partner with the state to help rural communities collaborate around emergency planning and service reliability by identifying community needs and potential service or funding gaps.


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