



# 2022 Year End Accomplishments

Metro Area Water Supply Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee (MAWSAC and TAC)





# 2022 Work Plan Objectives

1. Summary document of how MAWSAC has influenced the Metropolitan Council's Regional Development Guide (RDG), Water Resources Policy Plan (WRPP), Master Water Supply Plan (MWSP), and plans and projects.
2. Draft water supply vision and goal content for Chapter One of the master water supply plan, informed by 2022 MAWSAC report.
3. Draft approach or work plan to engage subregional water supply work groups in 2023, to help local water supply plans better reflect subregional concerns and goals and to identify opportunities/projects that benefit multiple communities and advance regional vision.
4. Documented strong committee support for the subregional approach and commitment to help promote the subregional work in 2023 and beyond.

# Activities

- Promoting MAWSAC recommendations through the 2022 MAWSAC report to the Metropolitan Council and Minnesota Legislature
- Providing input to legislative issues
- Providing committee input to regional planning efforts
- Promoting local projects that support MAWSAC recommendations

# Feedback on 2022 MAWSAC report

## **Charles Zelle, Chair, Metropolitan Council**

“I think this shows where Met Council does its best work. We’re not just planners, we’re researchers and conveners. To be a trusted partner is really what we aspire to be.”

## **Richard Brainerd, Clean Water Council and City of Mahtomedi City Council**

“I would like to draw everyone’s attention to the report and what I found extremely interesting: the executive summary is very beneficial, and I ask all the members of this committee to look at that. For the seven-county metro area, it goes into a lot of detail including recommendations for water supply planning.”

# Input on legislative issues

## SFY24-25 Clean Water Fund Request

To support MAWSAC recommendations, [Metropolitan Council requested an appropriation for SFY24-25 from the Clean Water Fund](#) for two programs: Metropolitan Area Water Sustainability Support program (requesting \$2.5M) and the Water Demand Reduction Grant program (requesting \$1.5M).

## Subcommittee on Minnesota Water Stakeholder Meeting on Groundwater Issues

Of the fifteen of the topics discussed by the Subcommittee, nine connect to recommendations in the 2022 MAWSC report.

# Input to Regional Planning Activities

- Priority Waters List
- Regional Visioning
- Community Designations
- Scenario Planning
- Water Resources Policy Plan White Papers
- Metro Area Water Supply Plan Update – Chapter one developed; draft approach for subregional engagement began to be drafted, but will be continued into 2023

# Input to Met Council Projects

- Grant program with Saint Paul Regional Water Services
- Continuation of the Water Efficiency Grant Program
- Water Supply Planning Atlas
- Multi-Community Wellhead Protection Planning Pilot in the West Metro

# QUESTIONS: Committee Perspectives



1. What did you get out of the MAWSAC or TAC meetings in 2022?
2. A year from now, how would you like to be able to describe the impact of these committees? If we were to create a summary report similar to the one shared today, what would you like to see in it?





Thank You

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