



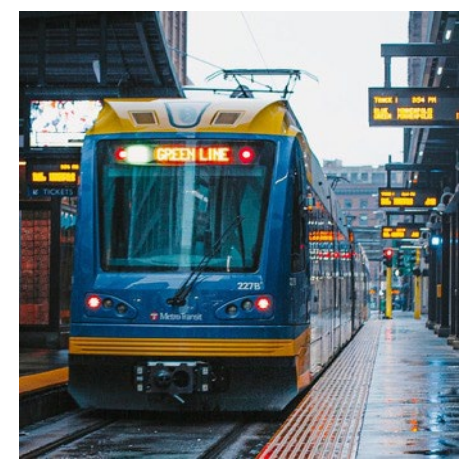
Water Policy Plan and Metro Water Supply Plan



Water Policy Plan (WPP)

Plan Purpose

- Met Council is developing the 2050 Water Policy Plan, which **focuses on ensuring sustainable water resources in the region**. It is a part of and informed by the Regional Development Guide.
- The WPP provides a **framework for integrative water planning** (wastewater, water supply, and water resources) and includes the Metro Area Water Supply Plan, and the Wastewater System Plan.
- It contains water **policies, strategies, and actions** for both the Met Council and our 180+ local governments within the seven-county region.
- WPP policies **will commit the Council** to take action in the areas of long-range visioning and planning, regional system investments, facility management, technical assistance, research and assessment, and partnerships.



Draft WPP objectives



CLIMATE: Create climate-resilient water sources, ecosystems, and water infrastructure through mitigation, innovative design, and adaptive planning.



INVESTMENTS: Optimize regional water protection, planning, and infrastructure investments.



HEALTH: Protect public and ecosystem health to maintain, restore, and enhance a high quality of life, regional waters, and water services across the region.



EQUITY: Water benefits and services are accessible and shared amongst all residents and communities.

Policy template

Topic Area

Narrative language to set context for policy.

Regional Water Policy:

The policies are intended to apply for the whole region, knowing that there are many agencies, and people connected by water.

Desired Outcomes:

- Statements that describe specific changes that will be the result of the policy.

Connected Objectives:



Example Actions:

PARTNER

- Actions that require collaboration with other organizations to enact.

PLAN

- Actions that plan to create, protect, maintain, enhance, and restore regional waters and water infrastructure.

PROVIDE

- Actions that help the Met Council deliver our water planning and treatment services to the region.

Draft policy topics



- **Integrated Water Policy**
- **Equitable Water Outcomes Policy**
- **Water Monitoring, Data, and Assessment Policy**
- **Climate Resiliency Policy**
- **Water-focused, Land Protection, and Development Policy**
- **Water Stewardship and Sustainability Policy**
- **Water Reuse Policy**
- **Water Quality Policy**
- **Regional Wastewater Operations and Finance Policy**
- **Regional Wastewater Service Area Policy**
- **Inflow and Infiltration Policy**
- **Water Sector Workforce Development Policy**

Breakout discussion

Can you fit the regional water supply actions under these policies?

Do you have any comments or edits for the policies?

- **What are your first impressions?**
- **Are we on the right path?**
- **Should we modify the policies?**
- **Did we miss an action?**

Thank you

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