

# 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, <u>Metropolitan Council requested an appropriation for SFY24-25 from the Clean Water Fund</u> 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

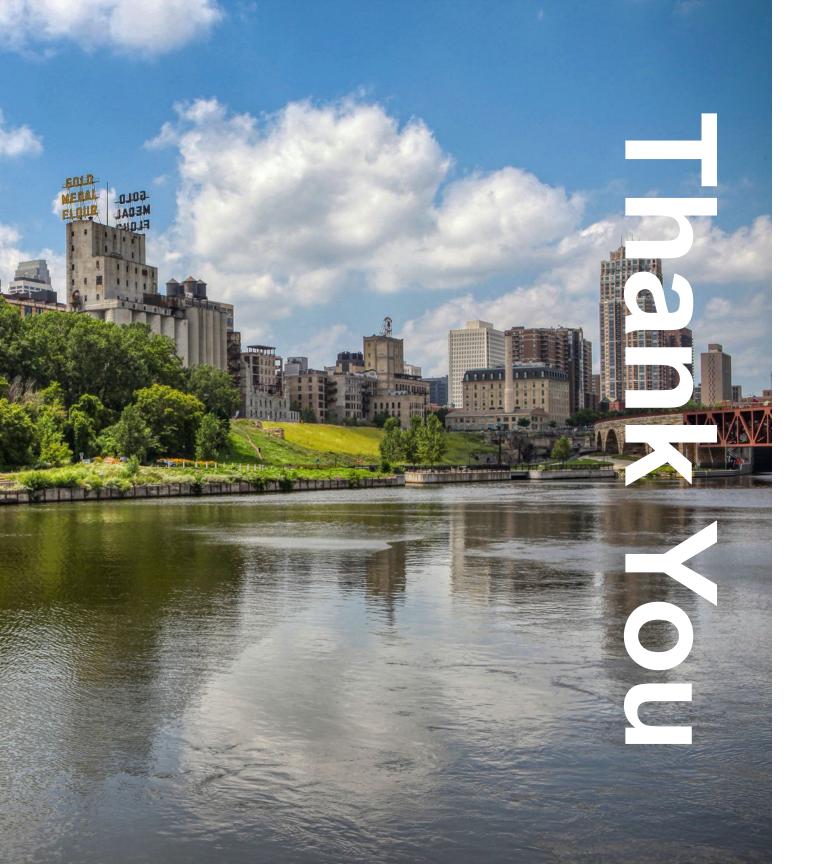
- Grant program with Saint Paul Regional Water Services
- Continuation of the Water Efficiency Grant Program
- Water Supply Planning Atlas
- Multi-Community Wellhead Protection Planning Pilot in the West Metro

# **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?



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