

## **Financial Services Audit Committee Communication**

**Date:** July 25, 2022

**To:** Great Lakes Water Authority Audit Committee

From: Nicolette N. Bateson, CPA, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer

**Re:** Presentation: 10-Year Forecast Update

**Background:** The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) utilizes a ten-year forecast as a way to inform current decisions by evaluating the long-term impact as well as to guide a sustainable path forward in making operational and capital decisions balance with public health needs and member partner expectations. The ten-year forecast is updated at least annually.

**Analysis:** The ten-year forecast has been updated in preparing for an upcoming revenue bond transaction. The GLWA administration has worked closely with The Foster Group who has compiled the ten-year forecast report (attached) based upon assumptions and parameters provided by GLWA Administration. In addition, GLWA administration and The Foster Group have worked closely with the Detroit Water & Sewerage Department (DWSD) Chef Financial Officer, DWSD Finance staff, and their consultant (Stantec) to obtain an updated DWSD forecast to incorporate required financial plan information that aligns with the GLWA Master Bond Ordinance as well as the agreements between the GLWA and DWSD related regional water and sewer lease and services agreements.

**Proposed Action:** Receive and file this report.