GREAT LAKES WATER AUTHORITY

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR FY 2024 CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (CWSRF) PROJECTS

The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) announces a Public Hearing regarding its Project Plan for the WRRF Pump Station 2 Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) Replacement Project. The purpose of this public hearing is not only to inform, but to gather feedback from people who will be affected.

WRRF Pump Station 2 VFD Replacement Project is comprised of significant electrical upgrades, including VFD and transformer replacement, that will maintain the operability of this critical pumping facility at the headworks of the WRRF. The existing VFD at Pump Station 2 were identified for replacement due to their age, cost of maintenance, and criticality to the operation of the facility. The new VFD will provide the means for the main lift pumps to convey sewage with more reliability and flexibility, allowing the operations staff to modify pumping rates to properly convey flow during dry and wet weather conditions.

The temporary impact of construction activities will be minimized as all work is planned to occur within existing buildings and facilities at the WRRF. Improvements to the infrastructure are needed to maintain the long-term reliability of the WRRF to treat wastewater from the surrounding communities. This project will improve the transport and treatment of sewage flows to and through the WRRF.

Adverse impacts on historical, archaeological, geographic, or cultural areas are not expected as all work is proposed to take place on the WRRF site where all earth has been previously disturbed for construction. However, if any potential impacts arise, construction will be halted, and the proper steps will be taken to proceed following all appropriate guidelines.

The cost of this project is currently estimated at \$12 million and is eligible for participation in the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) low interest Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) financing program. GLWA intends to pursue this low interest funding opportunity for FY 2024.

The Public Hearing on the FY 2024 CWSRF Project proposed by GLWA will be held for the purpose of receiving comments from interested persons. The presentation at the Public Hearing will provide a description of the improvements, its evaluation, and estimated costs, as well as the cost per household impact for customer communities. Comments and viewpoints from the public are requested. Information on the Project Plan will be available for review online after March 24, 2023, at the **GLWA Website**: https://www.glwater.org/.

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD ON:

DATE: Wednesday, April 26, 2023

TIME: 2:00 PM, Eastern Time (US and Canada)

PLACE: In person, Zoom Videoconferencing, and Telephonic Hearing

Join Zoom Meeting

https://glwater.zoom.us/j/87537144694?pwd=TEI2cX[xdElja2xRVGtYOU5pRFIzdz09

Meeting ID: 875 3714 4694

Passcode: 693305

In Person (subject to capacity)

Board Room, 5th Floor 735 Randolph Street Detroit, Michigan 48226

Telephonic

Public Call-In Number: 877-853-5247 US Toll-Free

888-788-0099 US Toll-Free

Meeting ID: 875 3714 4694

Passcode: 693305

Members of the public may offer comments in the following manner:

By Zoom videoconferencing: Members of the public who wish to use Zoom videoconferencing to attend the meeting and/or offer public comment may utilize the following link to attend:

https://glwater.zoom.us/j/87537144694?pwd=TEI2cXJxdElja2xRVGtYOU5pRFIzdz09

During the portions of the hearing designated for public participation may "raise their hand" by using that feature within the software program.

<u>In Person</u> (subject to capacity): Members of the public who, subject to capacity, wish to attend the meeting and/or offer public comment in person may attend the meeting in the Board Room, 5th Floor, 735 Randolph, Detroit, MI 48226.

<u>By Telephone</u>: Members of the public who wish to attend the meeting and/or offer public comment by telephone should call in at the number indicated above, press *9 on their keypad to "raise their hand for public comment." During other portions of the meeting, members of the public are asked to mute their line by pressing *6 on their keypad to mute or unmute their line.

By E-Mail: Members of the public may provide written comments to the Board by emailing those comments to CEO@glwater.org on or before 5:00 p.m. EST. on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, and should reference "April 26, 2023 Public Hearing on proposed FY 2024 Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Projects" in the subject line of the e-mail. The opportunity to submit written comments by e-mail may remain open throughout the duration of the Public Hearing.

By U.S. Mail: Members of the public may provide written comments by United States mail addressed to:

Suzanne R. Coffey, P.E., Chief Executive Officer Great Lakes Water Authority 735 Randolph Detroit, Michigan, 48226

Written comments by U.S. mail should reference "April 26, 2023 Public Hearing FY 2024 Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Projects" in the letter. The opportunity to submit written comments by U.S. mail may remain open throughout the duration of the Public Hearing.

If a member of the public requires accommodation due to a disability, please contact CEO@glwater.org or (844) 455-GLWA (4592) not less than 72 hours prior to the date of the meeting.