GREAT LAKES WATER AUTHORITY

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE WATER CONVEYANCE SYSTEM FY 2019 DRINKING WATER REVOLVING FUND (DWRF) PROJECTS

The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) announces a Public Hearing regarding its Project Plan for the proposed Waterworks Park to Northeast Transmission Main Project. GLWA will be seeking low interest Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWRF) loan assistance for FY 2019. The primary purpose of the project is to better align the GLWA water production capacity with long-term system water demands, while improving reliability, water quality protection and reducing future operational and maintenance costs as well as capital improvement costs. The Northeast Water Treatment Plant (NE) was built in 1956 and has large backlog of required capital improvements necessary to maintain water treatment capacity. Waterworks Park Water Treatment Plant (WWP) was completely re-built in 2003 and has a large amount of excess treatment capacity. The intent of the project is to provide finished water to the NE site from WWP through a proposed transmission pipeline such that treatment facilities at the NE site can be de-commissioned and the existing NE high lift station and reservoirs can be used to re-pump finished water to the NE service area. The proposed NE Repurposing will largely eliminate the need to complete the large and costly backlog of capital improvement projects at the NE site with the goal of long term capital cost savings. In addition to NE repurposing, the project is also intended to provide additional reliability to the WWP service area through the proposed transmission pipeline in case of loss of service at the WWP. The project is comprised of the final design and construction of a new transmission main, isolation valves, control valves, and related appurtenances to provide a design flow rate of 160 million gallons per day (MGD) of finished drinking water from Waterworks Park WTP to the Northeast facility. The total cost of this project is currently estimated at \$133,700,000 that will be allocated to GLWA and suburban customers similar to other water system capital improvements. The Waterworks Park to Northeast Transmission Main Project is eligible for participation under the State of Michigan low interest DWRF loan program.

The Public Hearing will present a description of the recommended project, its evaluation, estimated costs and cost per household impact for customer communities. The purpose of the hearing is not only to inform, but to seek and gather input from people that will be affected. Comments and viewpoints from the public are requested.

THE MEETING WILL BE HELD ON:

DATE: Wednesday, April 11, 2018

PLACE: Great Lakes Water Authority Water Board Building 735 Randolph 5th Floor, Board Room Detroit, Michigan 48226

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

Information on the Project Plan will be available for review after March 9, 2018 at the following locations:

GLWA Website: <u>www.glwater.org</u> or Great Lakes Water Authority Water Board Building 735 Randolph, Room 1601, 16th Floor Detroit, Michigan 48226

If you have questions or would like to submit written statements for the Public Hearing Record call or write:

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Written comments will be accepted at the above address if received prior to 5:00 p.m. EST, Wednesday, April 11, 2018.

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