

# GREAT LAKES WATER AUTHORITY

## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND PROJECTS

The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) announces a Public Hearing regarding project plans for the following two projects: 1) Conner Creek Sanitary Pump Station Replacement Project and 2) Rehabilitation of the Ashland Relief, Linwood, Second Avenue, and Shiawassee Sewers. The projects are eligible for funding consideration through the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan program, which provides low interest funding for wastewater projects. The purpose of this public hearing is not only to inform, but to allow an opportunity for public participation.

The following is a brief description of each project:

Conner Creek Sanitary Pump Station Replacement project consists of the construction of a new sanitary pump station to improve the reliability and performance of the sewer system serving residential, commercial and industrial customers in the eastern Detroit area. The new station will have a firm capacity of 160 million gallons per day (mgd) and a total capacity of 240 mgd. The facility will include two wet wells, modern pumping equipment and flow control features to improve reliability and resiliency, enhance operational efficiency, and facilitate easier maintenance for operation and maintenance staff.

The need for this project arises from ongoing operational issues at the existing station, where the influent flow path and small wet well result in extreme turbulence and significant air entrainment at the pump suction. These conditions have led to reliability and maintenance challenges. Several options were considered to address these deficiencies, but ultimately the decision was made to construct a new pump station to improve reliability, maintainability, and operability.

The temporary impact of construction activities will be minimized as work is planned to occur within the project site.

Adverse impacts on historical, archaeological, geographic, or cultural areas are not expected. However, if any potential impacts arise, construction will be halted, and the proper steps will be taken to proceed following all applicable guidelines.

The total cost of this project is currently estimated at \$190,000,000.

Rehabilitation of Ashland Relief, Linwood, Second Avenue and Shiawassee Sewers project consists of the rehabilitation of four large diameter combined sewers throughout the City of Detroit. These four sewers, collectively referred to as AL2S, comprise over 8 miles of linear assets that convey wastewater from member communities through the GLWA service area and ultimately toward the Water Resource Recovery Facility (WRRF). The Ashland Relief Sewer and Shiawassee Sewer convey flow to the Freud Pump Station and Puritan Fenkell CSO Retention Treatment Basin, respectively, while the Linwood and Second Avenue sewers convey flow to larger collector sewers.

The current condition of portions of the AL2S Sewers, which vary from 3' brick egg-shaped sewers to 16' concrete sewers, is fair to poor with risk of failure. The positive impacts of the project include structural rehabilitation and operations and maintenance (O&M) repairs of the sewers which are designed to extend their service lives by another 30 years and allow them to continue to convey flow to the GLWA WRRF. Sewer repairs are proposed to consist of, but are not limited to, various

types of spot repairs, isolated structural repairs, debris/sludge removal, manhole frame and cover replacements, new manhole installation, and more.

Adverse impacts on historical, archaeological, geographic, or cultural areas are not expected. 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 the project is currently estimated at approximately \$13,700,000.

The Public Hearing on the proposed projects will be held for the purpose of receiving comments from interested persons. The presentations at the hearing will provide a description of the improvements, its evaluation, estimated costs, and cost per household impact for customer communities. Comments and viewpoints from the public are requested. A copy of each draft project plan will be available for review online after April 7, 2026, on the GLWA website: <https://www.glwater.org/>.

**THE MEETING WILL BE HELD ON:**

**DATE:** Wednesday, April 22, 2026

**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/89873315600?pwd=8DJ5D7zQVPFLuwrYLzaBFJpUzRA9Y4.1>

Meeting ID: 877 853 5247 US Toll free

Passcode: 432064

**In Person (subject to capacity)**

Board Room, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor

735 Randolph Street

Detroit, Michigan 48226

**Join Zoom Telephonic**

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

or 888-788-0099 US Toll-Free

Meeting ID: 898 7331 5600

Passcode: 432064

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/89873315600?pwd=8DJ5D7zQVPFLuwrYLzaBFJpUzRA9Y4.1>

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

In Person (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, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 735 Randolph, Detroit, MI 48226.

By Telephone: 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 22, 2026, and should reference “April 22, 2026, Public Hearing on proposed FY 2027 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, Chief Executive Officer  
Great Lakes Water Authority  
735 Randolph  
Detroit, Michigan, 48226

Written comments by U.S. mail should reference “April 22, 2026, Public Hearing FY 2027 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.