



Financial Services Audit Committee Communication

Date: August 22, 2025

To: Great Lakes Water Authority Audit Committee

From: Greg Bolterman, CFO Services Management Professional

Re: Grants, Gifts, and Other Resources Report Through July 31, 2025

Highlights: The Grants, Gifts, and Other Resources Report highlights changes from the prior report in yellow. Seven projects were updated this month. Of particular note are the following.

- ✓ **2023-005 Department of Energy – Hydrothermal Liquefaction Project** – Received reimbursement for \$58,233.
- ✓ **2023-023 I-94 Modernization Project (CIP Project 270001)** – After nearly two years of planning and scoping activities, vendor selection is complete. A project kick-off meeting is scheduled for September 9, 2025.
- ✓ **2023-019 American Rescue Plan – State Revolving Fund (ARPA) Funded Project 7532-02 96 Inch Water Transmission Main Relocation Phase 2 EGLE (CIP Project 122004)** – Reimbursement request of \$258,834 submitted and received in July. Additional request of \$262,897 submitted.
- ✓ **2025-005 American Rescue Plan Northwest – State Revolving Fund Project 5840-01 Northwest Interceptor to Oakwood CSO Sewer (CIP Project 222001)** – Reimbursements of \$2,171,261 received in July 2025. Additional reimbursement request for \$150,916 submitted.

Background: The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) delegated authority to the Chief Executive Officer to oversee and report on activities identified in the GLWA Articles of Incorporation related to solicitation and receipt of grants, gifts, and other resources ⁽¹⁾ as stated in Article 4 – Powers, Section B (4):

¹ Other resources as referenced above refer to labor, contributions of money, property, or other things of value from any other person or entity, public or private with the exception for loans, subject to provisions of the GLWA Board Debt Management Policy, and Intergovernmental agreements and other activities that are addressed in the GLWA Board Procurement Policy.

(4) Solicit, receive, and accept gifts, grants, labor, loans, contributions of money, property, or other things of value, and other aid or payment from any federal, state, local, or intergovernmental government agency or from any other person or entity, public or private, upon terms and conditions acceptable to the Authority, or participate in any other way in a federal, state, local, or intergovernmental government program ⁽²⁾.

GLWA's Grants, Gifts, and Other Resources Delegation Policy is online at [Grants, Gifts, and Other Resources Delegation Policy - GLWA \(glwater.org\)](https://glwater.org/Grants-Gifts-and-Other-Resources-Delegation-Policy).

Analysis: The tables in each section of this report present GLWA grant activity by each phase. As a grant moves through each phase, it is shown in the corresponding table.

The **pre-award** phase includes the process of applying for a grant and the period prior to the signing of the grant agreement between the awarding agency and GLWA.

The **award phase** reflects the period after the agreement is executed with the awarding agency. In this phase, GLWA becomes responsible for meeting the administrative, financial, and programmatic reporting requirements of the award.

The **post award** phase is the final stage of grant activity and includes final reporting requirements, auditing, and closeout. There are final financial and programmatic reports that must be submitted to formally close out the grant as defined in each grant agreement.

The **programs not awarded or programs that GLWA will not continue to pursue** is a table that reflects programs that GLWA was not awarded, or alternatively, programs that will not continue to be pursued by GLWA.

Items of note related to each table include the following.

Table 1 – Pre-Award Programs reflects open submissions for FY 2023, FY 2024 and FY 2025 to date. The summarized activity below identifies two earmarked EPA Community Grants and two Cybersecurity Grants.

Table 2 - Awarded Programs reflects all open, awarded grants from FY 2021 through FY 2025. Current month summarized activity below includes two EPA Community Grants, the I-94 Modernization Project, two awards for local nonprofit apprenticeship grants, three reimbursement requests submitted for three associated FEMA Flood projects, one reimbursement request for COVID-19 related management costs, two SRF funded projects, a Department of Energy grant, a Building Resilient

² Participation in any other way in a federal, state local, or intergovernmental government program includes participation in research projects at universities.

Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant, a DWSD SRF pass through grant, a flood study grant where we are required to track costs incurred by GLWA, and a subrecipient grant for scale up of the hydrothermal liquefaction process.

Table 3 – Post Award Programs Seven FEMA Flood projects are fully received and in the process of being closed out.

Table 4 – Programs not awarded or Programs that GLWA will not continue to pursue is a table that reflects programs that GLWA was not awarded, or alternatively, programs that will not continue to be pursued by GLWA – there is no current activity in this category.

Proposed Action: Receive and file this report.



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Table 1 – Pre-Award Programs reflects open submissions for FY 2023, FY 2024 and FY 2025 to date. The programs listed under this section do not have a grant agreement between the awarding agency and GLWA at this time, but an application has been submitted, or the funds have been identified in legislation (i.e. earmarks). The summarized activity below identifies two earmarked EPA Community Grants and two Cybersecurity Grants.

Table 1 – Pre-Award Programs

Reference Number	Date Originally Awarded or Requested	Program Description	Type of Activity	Amount to be Provided	Compliance and/or Performance Requirements	Status
2024-009	3/9/2024	FY2024 Environmental Protection Agency Community Grant – Conveyance System Infrastructure Improvements (CIP Project 260701)	Federal Grant (Reimbursement Basis)	\$959,752	Federal Audit Requirements	Earmark (20% Cost Share). Original project selected not eligible, new project selection in process.
2024-009b	3/9/2024	FY2024 Environmental Protection Agency Community Grant – Oakwood District Intercommunity Relief Sewer Modifications (CIP Project 222001)	Federal Grant (Reimbursement Basis)	\$959,752	Federal Audit Requirements	Earmark (20% Cost Share)
2025-001	12/19/2024	State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) - Cybersecurity Assessments	Federal Grant (Reimbursement Basis)	\$80,000	Federal Audit Requirements	Application Submitted by GLWA, under review by FEMA.

Reference Number	Date Originally Awarded or Requested	Program Description	Type of Activity	Amount to be Provided	Compliance and/or Performance Requirements	Status
2025-002	12/19/2024	State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) - Cybersecurity Professional Training for IT/Security Staff	Federal Grant (Reimbursement Basis)	\$191,194	Federal Audit Requirements	Application Submitted by GLWA, under review by FEMA.

Table 2 Awarded Programs reflects all open, awarded grants from FY 2021 through FY 2025. Current month summarized activity below includes two EPA Community Grants, the I-94 Modernization Project, two awards for local nonprofit apprenticeship grants, three reimbursement requests submitted for three associated FEMA Flood projects, one reimbursement request for COVID-19 related management costs, two SRF funded projects, a Department of Energy grant, a Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Grant, a DWSD SRF pass through grant, a flood study grant where we are required to track costs incurred by GLWA, and a subrecipient grant for scale up of the hydrothermal liquefaction process.

Table 2 – Awarded Programs

Reference Number	Date Originally Awarded or Requested	Program Description	Type of Activity	Grant Amount	Compliance and/or Performance Requirements	Status
2023-002	6/6/2025	FY2022 Environmental Protection Agency Community Grant – Detroit River Interceptor (CIP Project 222002)	Federal Grant (Reimbursement Basis)	\$2,000,000	Federal Audit Requirements	Received notification of award June 6, 2025.
2023-003	12/19/2022	FY2023 Environmental Protection Agency Community Grant – PFAS Compounds remediations project	Federal Grant (Reimbursement Basis)	\$3,452,972	Federal Audit Requirements	Received notification of award June 6, 2025.
2023-005	3/28/2023	Department of Energy – Hydrothermal Liquefaction Project	Federal Grant (Reimbursement Basis)	\$1,000,000	Federal Audit Requirements	Submitted and received reimbursement request #5 for \$58,233. Reimbursement requests of \$657,158 received through July 2025.

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2023-013	8/06/2023	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), June 25-26 Flood, DR-4607 Project 714729 Outfalls (CIP Project 260201)	Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$247,650	Federal Audit Requirements	Reimbursement request of \$247,650 submitted in February 2024. Project closeout in progress.
2023-014	8/28/2023	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), June 25-26 Flood, DR-4607 Project 664811 Conner Creek Sewer System (CIP Project 260204)	Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$1,910,621	Federal Audit Requirements	Reimbursement request of \$1,910,621 submitted in February 2024. Project closeout in progress.
2023-015	10/3/2024	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), June 25-26 Flood, DR-4607 Project 670521 CAT-Z – Allocation of Management Costs	Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$90,541	Federal Audit Requirements	Reimbursement request of \$90,541 submitted in November 2024. Project closeout in progress.
2023-019	3/3/2021	American Rescue Plan – State Revolving Fund (ARPA) Funded Project 7532-02 96 Inch Water Transmission Main Relocation Phase 2 EGLE (CIP Project 122004)	Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$11,751,730	Federal Audit Requirements	Reimbursement request of \$258,834 submitted and received in July. Additional request of \$262,897 submitted. Total reimbursement requests received of \$8.4M to date.
2023-023	8/30/2023	I-94 Modernization Project (CIP Project 270001)	MDOT Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$34,400,000	Federal Audit Requirements	Wade Trim has been selected as vendor. Kick-off meeting September 9, 2025.
2024-005	12/15/2023	Fiscal Year 2023 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Project Scoping/Feasibility Study (design and engineering only – no construction)	Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$856,000	Federal Audit Requirements	\$856,000 Grant awarded January 2025 – currently on hold.
2024-011	7/10/2024	Southeast Michigan Flood Study	Federal (Cost Share Only)	\$0	Federal Audit Requirements	Cost Share Agreement – GLWA share \$1.5M.
2024-014	6/7/2023	Focus Hope – Michigan Industry Cluster Approach (MICA 4.0)	Focus Hope (Nonprofit)	\$43,000	None	\$17,000 Received to date.

Reference Number	Date Originally Awarded or Requested	Program Description	Type of Activity	Grant Amount	Compliance and/or Performance Requirements	Status
2025-004	5/1/2025	Scale-up of Hydrothermal Liquefaction with Supercritical Water Oxidation in an Integrated Biorefinery	Federal Grant (Cost Share)	\$0	Federal Audit Requirements	Cost Share Agreement – GLWA share \$250,000 completed May 2025.
2025-005	9/6/2024	American Rescue Plan Northwest – State Revolving Fund Project 5840-01 Northwest Interceptor to Oakwood CSO Sewer (CIP Project 222001)	Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$20,000,000	Federal Audit Requirements	Reimbursements of \$2,171,261 received in July 2025. Additional reimbursement request for \$150,916 submitted. Total reimbursement received to date \$12.0M.
2025-006	5/8/2025	Detroit Employment Solutions Corp (DESC) Apprentice Grant	DESC (Nonprofit)	Currently \$5,000 per Apprentice, will decrease to \$4,000 per Apprentice July 2025	None	\$5,000 received in July, total reimbursements to date - \$107,000.
2025-007	8/22/2024	State Revolving Fund Clean Water Initiative/Strategic Water Quality Initiative 5980-01 West Chicago South Stormwater Improvements (DWSD Grant)	Pass Through to DWSD	\$14,011,908	Federal Audit Requirements	Received reimbursement of \$242,632 in July. Total reimbursement received through July \$2.2M.
2025-008	6/3/2025	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) COVID-19 DR-4494 Project 953011 - CAT-Z – Allocation of Management Costs	Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$100,398	Federal Audit Requirements	Reimbursement request of \$100,398 submitted June 2025. Project closeout in progress.

Table 3 – Post Award Programs the awards below were completed. GLWA reimbursement has been received in full, and the programs are in the process of being closed out, including any closeout reporting requirements. Seven FEMA Flood projects are fully received and in the process of being closed out.

Table 3 – Post Award Programs

Reference Number	Date Originally Awarded or Requested	Program Description	Type of Activity	Grant Amount	Compliance and/or Performance Requirements	Status
2023-006	2/22/2023	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), June Flood DR-4607 Project 660138 Seven Mile CSO	Federal pass through-State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$46,996	Federal Audit Requirements	Funds received as of June 30, 2023. Working with MSP to close out grant.
2023-007	4/3/2023	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), June Flood DR-4607 Project 660076 Springwell Water Treatment Plant	Federal pass through-State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$180,000	Federal Audit Requirements	Funds received as of June 30, 2023. Working with MSP to close out grant.
2023-008	4/3/2023	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), June Flood DR-4607 Project 668336 Fairview PS Protective Measures (CIP Project 232001)	Federal pass through-State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$180,000	Federal Audit Requirements	Funds received as of June 30, 2023. Working with MSP to close out grant.
2023-009	4/3/2023	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), June 25-26 Flood, DR-4607 Project 660133 – Obligated \$80,129 Puritan Fenkell CSO	Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$80,129	Federal Audit Requirements	Funds received June 20,2025. Working with MSP to close out grant.
2023-010	4/10/2023	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), June 25-26 Flood, DR-4607 Project 660118 – Obligated \$180,000 WRRF	Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$180,000	Federal Audit Requirements	Funds received June 20,2025. Working with MSP to close out grant.
2023-011	8/29/2022	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) June 25-26 Flood, DR-4607 Project 668672 - System Wide Emergency Protective Measures	Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$43,031	Federal Audit Requirements	Funds received June 20,2025. Working with MSP to close out grant.

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2023-012	4/3/2023	Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), June 25-26 Flood, DR-4607 Project 660110 – Obligated \$319,911 Fairview PS (CIP Project 232001)	Federal pass-through State (Reimbursement Basis)	\$319,911	Federal Audit Requirements	Funds received as of March 6, 2025. Working with MSP to close out grant.

Table 4 –Programs not awarded or Programs that GLWA will not continue to pursue is a table that reflects programs that GLWA was not awarded, or alternatively, programs that will not continue to be pursued by GLWA – current there is no new activity for this the month of July.