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Sally Petrella  
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Re: FY 2027-2031 CIP- Discussion Draft #1 Comments

Dear Sally Petrella:

Thank you for taking the time to review the Great Lake Water Authority's (GLWA) FY 2027-2031 Capital Improvement Plan Discussion Draft 1. We value your feedback and will endeavor to evaluate and address your comments. We have responded to your question.

***Comment: "I reviewed the draft CIP Plan and have a question. How are the 56 untreated CSO outfalls being addressed? You are only allocating \$8171 to the Long Term CSO Control Plan and only through 2026 so how will any progress be made in reducing the amount of sewage being regularly discharged into our waterways?"***

***GLWA Response:*** GLWA appreciates your correspondence. Please note that GLWA is currently working with the Army Corps of Engineers on the Southeast Michigan Flooding Resilience Study and the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) on our next National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Discharge Permit. This may include specific identification of long-term combined sewer overflow (CSO) mitigation as informed by the flooding resiliency study. Once this final path is understood, GLWA will update the CIP plan as appropriate to reflect these permit requirements and/or the projects as identified in the flooding resiliency study.

I hope that your comments on FY 2027-2031 Draft 1 have been addressed. If you have additional questions or would like to discuss any of these matters in greater detail, please do not hesitate to contact me. Your feedback is greatly appreciated and valued.

Best regards,

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