



Financial Services Audit Committee Communication

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To: Great Lakes Water Authority Audit Committee

From: Nicolette N. Bateson, CPA, Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer

Re: CFO Update

WRAP Affordability & Assistance Update

Service Delivery Partner Realignment

Beginning July 1, 2025, the counties receiving WRAP assistance will be realigned from five service areas to six service areas. Under this realignment, Area 2 (City of Flint) and Area 6 (Washtenaw) will be working with new service delivery partners. This transition will elevate the quality of service and outreach provided to the WRAP communities.

<u>Service Area</u>	<u>Service Delivery Partner</u>
Area 1 – City of Detroit – <u>No Change</u>	Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency
Area 2 – City of Flint – NEW!	Genesee County Community Action Resource Department
Area 3 – Wayne County (not including Detroit) and Monroe County – <u>No Change</u>	Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency
Area 4 – Oakland County – <u>No Change</u>	United Way for Southeastern Michigan
Area 5 – Macomb, Lapeer, and St. Clair Counties – <u>No Change</u>	Macomb Community Action Agency
Area 6 – Washtenaw County – NEW!	United Way for Southeastern Michigan

Women on Water Event

On May 8, the Michigan section of the American Water Works Association (AWWA), Women on Water (WOW) hosted an engagement panel featuring accomplished water professionals. This meeting was led by GLWA's Affordability & Assistance leader, and WOW Committee Chair, Haran Stanley. This event provided an opportunity for the over 60 registered participants to share both their personal and professional experiences working in the water sector. The next WOW event is scheduled during the 87th MI-AWWA Annual Conference and Exhibits which will be held from September 9-12, 2025.

New FSA Lunch and Learn

On May 21, 2025, the Financial Services Area (FSA) hosted its fifth lunch and learn session titled, "CD Allocations Overview". At GLWA, centralized (C) and administrative (D) operating costs are shared by the water system and sewer system. The allocation of these costs for reporting financial results and charge setting are core to the integrity of those costs.

This session was introduced and led by FSA Director and Chief of Staff Lisa Mancini and Financial Planning & Analysis (FP&A) Management Professional Jay Oswalt. They provided an overview of CD allocations administration which included key components of CD allocation accounting. In addition, the session outlined FSA roles and responsibilities as well as highlighted relevant accounting and reporting references.

Procurement Update

Please save the date! We are excited to share that the 2025 Vendor Outreach Event will be held on September 25, 2025, at Macomb Community College in Macomb County. More information will be forthcoming as the date gets closer. We look forward to seeing everyone there.