



Financial Services Audit Committee Communication

Date: August 1, 2025

To: Great Lakes Water Authority Audit Committee

From: Matthew S. Lane, MPA, Manager - Charges Outreach & Modeling

Re: Annual Financial Planning Calendar with Charges Rollout Schedule

Background & Analysis: The proposed FY 2027 and FY 2028 Financial Planning Calendar is attached and provides a road map for the budgeting and charge-setting processes.

Noteworthy Items:

- **Preliminary Budget Briefing to Board of Directors**- Wednesday, October 8, 2025
- **Charges Rollout #1 (CIP)** – Thursday, October 23, 2025
- **Charges Rollout #2 (Units of Service)** – Thursday, November 13, 2025
- **Charges Rollout #3 (Proposed FY 2027 Charges)** - Thursday, January 15, 2026
- Charges discussions include the related budget and financial plan
- **Member Partner One-on-One Meetings**
 - Friday, January 16, 2026
 - Tuesday, January 20, 2026
 - Wednesday, January 21, 2026
- **Charges Rollout #4 (FY 2027 Charges Continued)** – Thursday, January 22, 2026
- **Regular GLWA Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, January 28, 2026**
 - Presentation of Proposed FY 2027 and FY 2028 Biennial Budget
 - Presentation of Five-Year Financial Plan
 - Presentation of Proposed FY 2027 Charges.
- **GLWA Board of Directors Meeting - Wednesday, February 25, 2026**
 - Public Hearing for FY 2027 & FY 2028 Biennial Budget
 - Public Hearing for FY 2027 Schedule of Revenues and Charges
 - Pending public comment, proposed approval of biennial budget and annual charges

Proposed Action: Receive and file this report.