

# WELCOME TO HASTINGS



November 6, 2025

House Capital Investment Committee



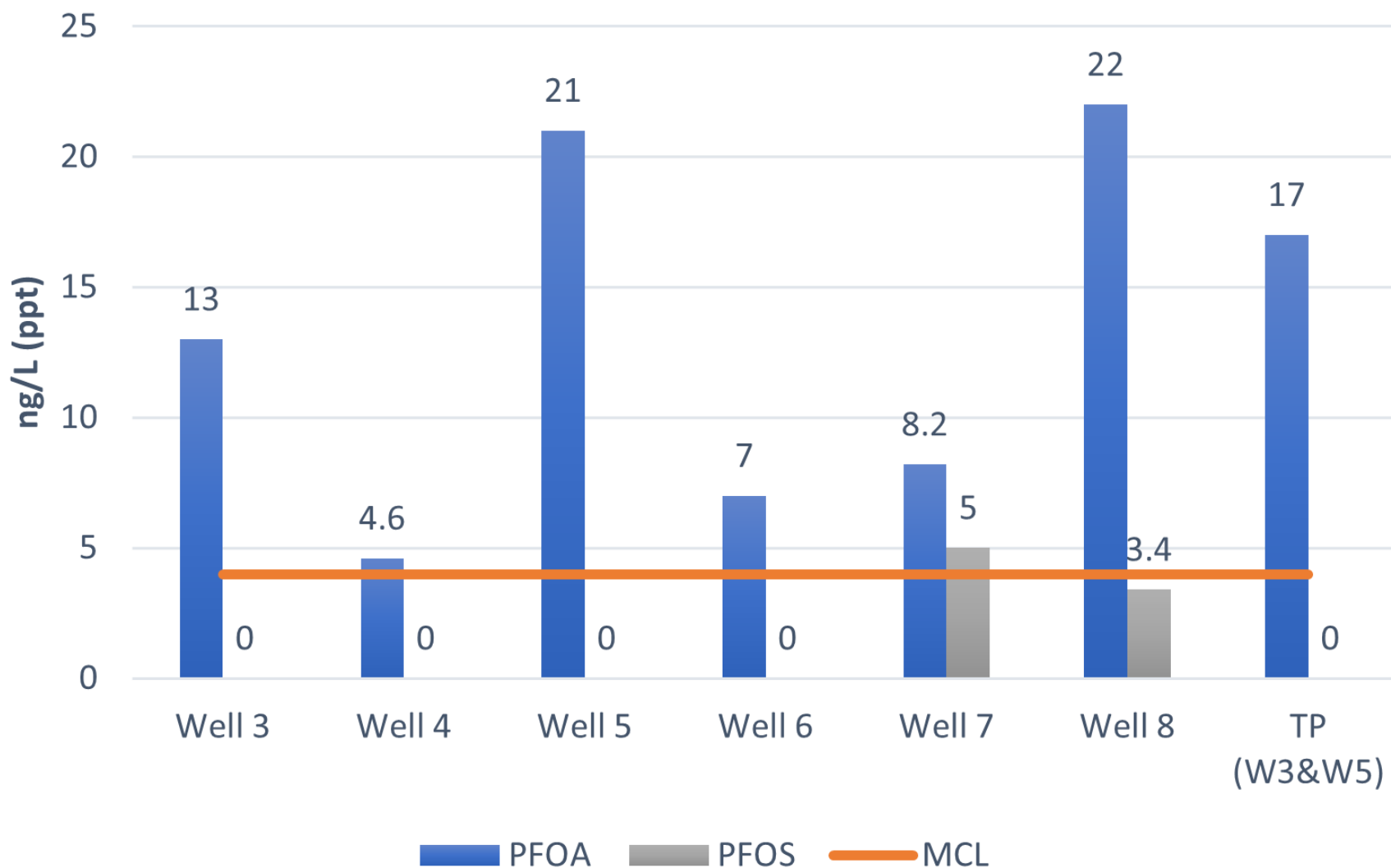
# Hastings Historic Courthouse

## □ Investing in History

- Thank You: 2020 State Bonding \$2M for \$5.5M project
- 2<sup>nd</sup> oldest courthouse in Minnesota, built in 1869
- Nat. Register Historic Places
- Asset Preservation:
  - Historic Dome and roof repairs
  - Masonry tuckpointing
  - Seal and insulate crawlspace
  - Interior plaster repair
  - Humidity mitigation - HVAC



# PFAS Levels in Hastings



# Project Description:

- 3 PFAS & Nitrate Decentralized Treatment Plants with associated water main piping (7 municipal wells)
  - ▣ All 3 plants required to address PFAS contamination
  - ▣ Phased in from 2025 to 2029 if we find funding now
- Interconnect with the MN Veterans Home
- **Shovel Ready**, not asking for temporary solutions or research and development

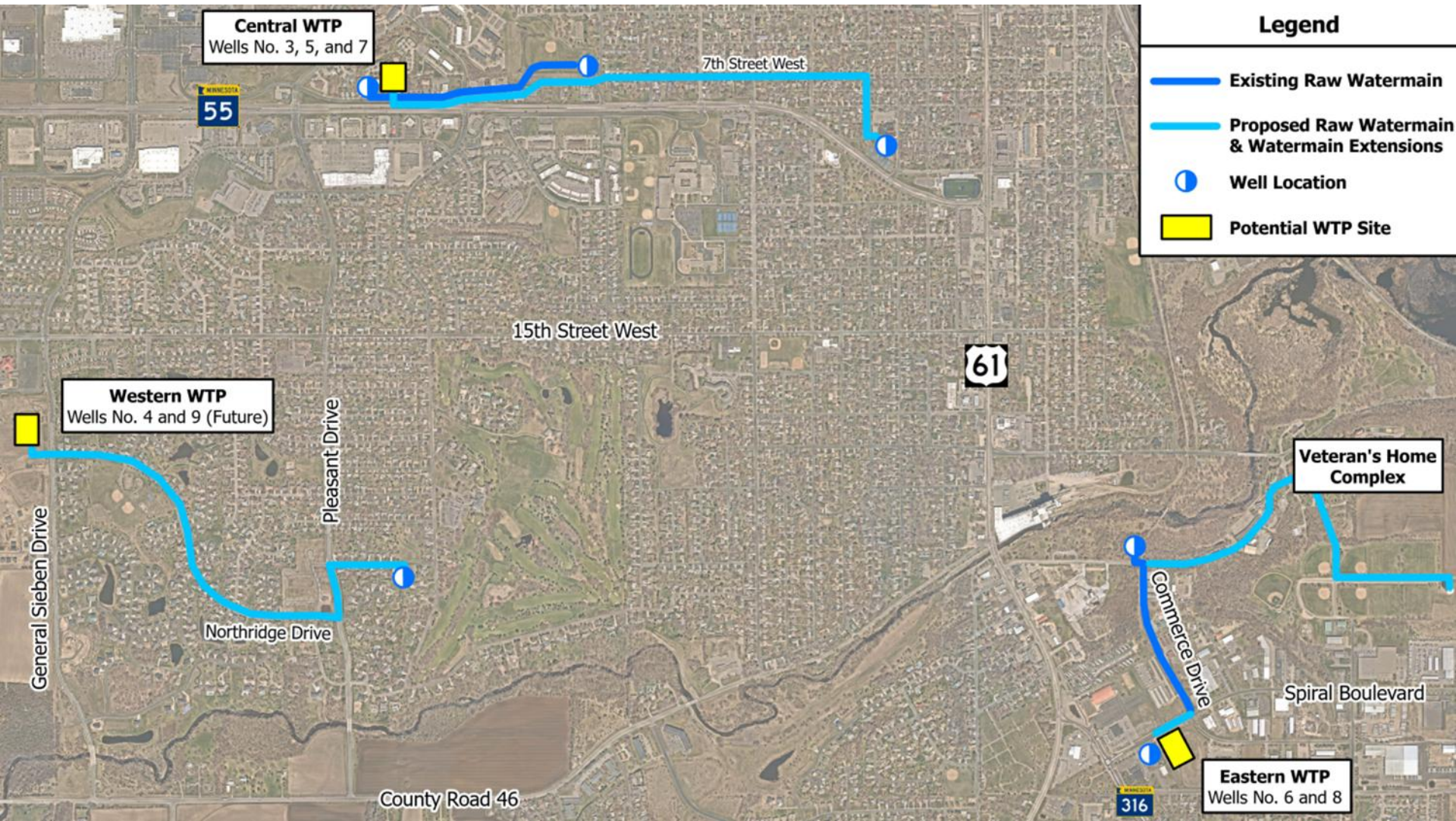
# PFAS Water Treatment Plants



# PFAS Treatment



# PFAS Treatment Plant Locations



# State Bonding Request:

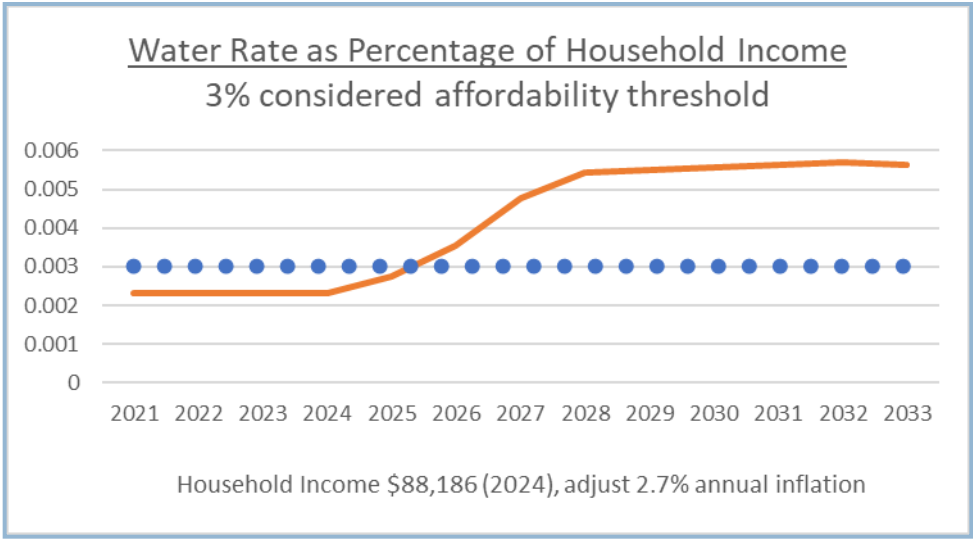
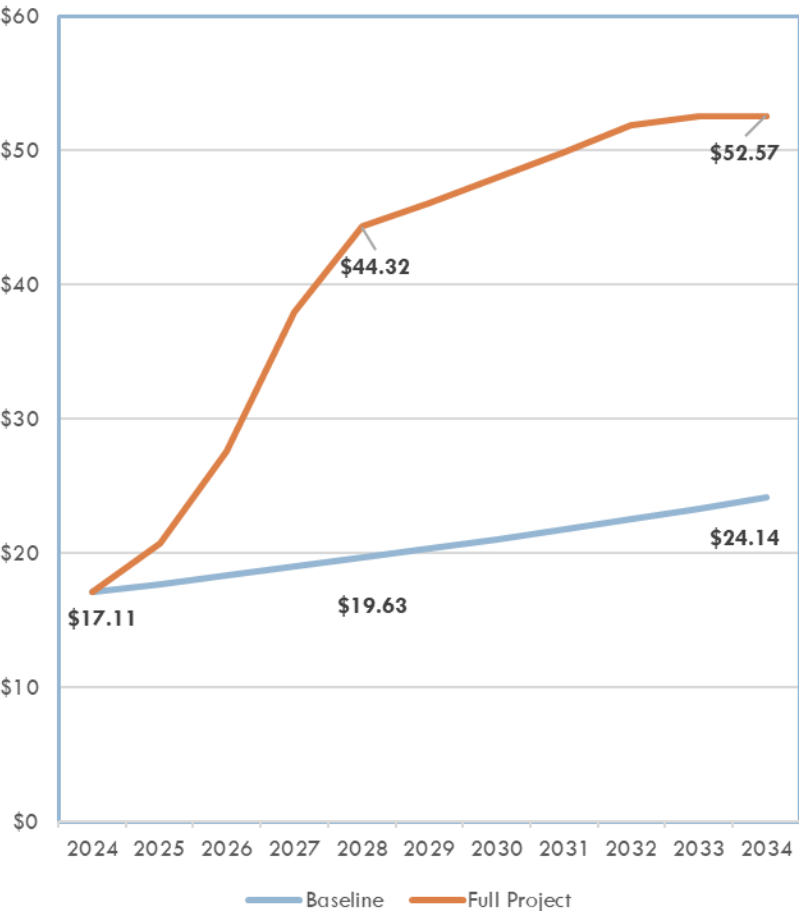
- Central WTP - \$23.1M (currently in construction)
- Eastern WTP - \$22.3M (asking for \$18.3M)
  - Includes interconnect for Minnesota Veterans Home
- Western WTP - \$21.7M (asking for \$20.7M)

# Budget Buster

- Approximately \$70M Total Project Cost thrust upon the City
  - ▣ Additional \$1M annually for operation & maintenance
- Water Rates would increase 150% over just 4 years
  - ▣ Impact to our residents in this economy
    - EPA considers water expense of 3% of income as affordable
    - Historically maintained at 2.3% with long-range financial planning
    - Increasing to unaffordable 3.6% in 2026 and 5.6% before leveling off
  - ▣ Businesses taking major hit – against razor thin margins
    - Assisted Living Facility estimates \$80K additional water costs
    - Family-owned restaurant estimates \$11,500 additional water costs
    - Tourism asset such as local brewery estimates \$6K additional water costs
- Threat to degrade City's AA+ bond rating
  - ▣ Impacting cost of all future infrastructure and capital projects

# Budget Buster

Projections: Hastings Residential Water Bill  
7500 gallons/month avg.



# City of Hastings Contributions

- Completed Feasibility Study to address the problem
- City-owned land valued at \$134K – Eastern WTP
  - ▣ Saves time and cost of acquisition
- Raw Water Main Piping \$700K – Eastern WTP
- Raised water rates – 21% already in 2025
- PPL and IUP: **ranked #2** – Eastern WTP
- Continue seeking other capital funding
  - ▣ \$3.5M MPCA Grant for Design of Water Treatment Plants
  - ▣ \$15.1M from East Metro 3M Settlement for 1 well connected - Central WTP
  - ▣ Emerging Contaminants Grants – \$5M Central WTP, \$3M Eastern WTP
- \$1M annually for Operation & Maintenance
  - ▣ Note: State's 3M Settlement covers 20 years O&M for East Metro neighbors

# Request to Fund the Remaining 2 WTPs to Address PFAS

- City building first WTP, requesting State funding for remaining 2
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- Can't continue to delay at the expense of clean drinking water

# Request to Fund the Remaining 2 WTPs to Address PFAS

- ❑ Critical Infrastructure – clean and safe drinking water
  - ❑ Ranked #2 on State's PPL/IUP
- ❑ Budget Buster Project – increasing water rates over 150%
- ❑ Tried and True Technology
  - ❑ Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) filters
  - ❑ Vessels designed to change filter media if cost effective & efficient
- ❑ Shovel Ready
  - ❑ Bid and start construction summer 2026
  - ❑ Permanent Fix – not seeking temporary treatment or temporary water
- ❑ Able to be Phased – 3 Water Treatment Plants
- ❑ State's Ability to Recover Funds – determination of responsible party
- ❑ Capital Plan – inclusion in City's CIP to ensure financial management and asset preservation

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