### WELCOME TO HASTINGS



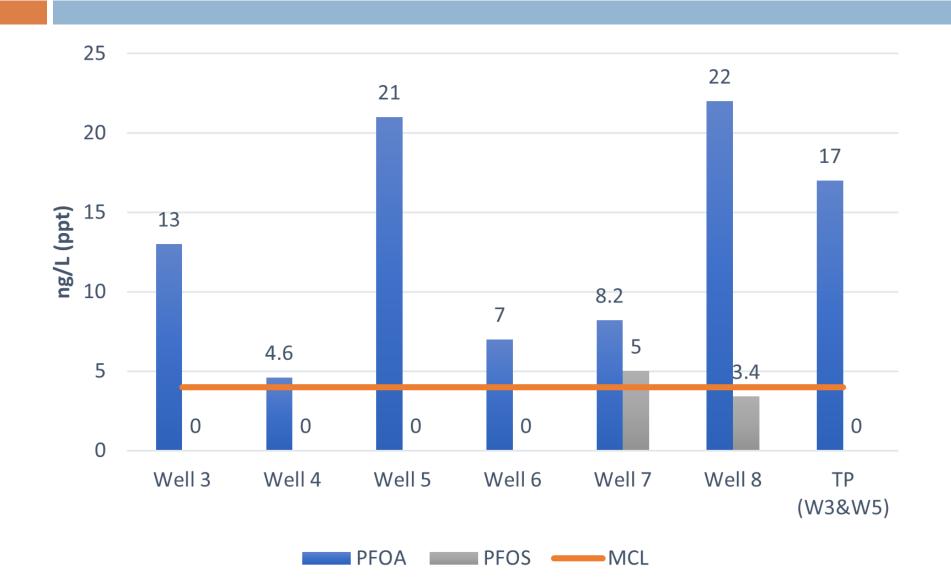


# Hastings Historic Courthouse

- 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:

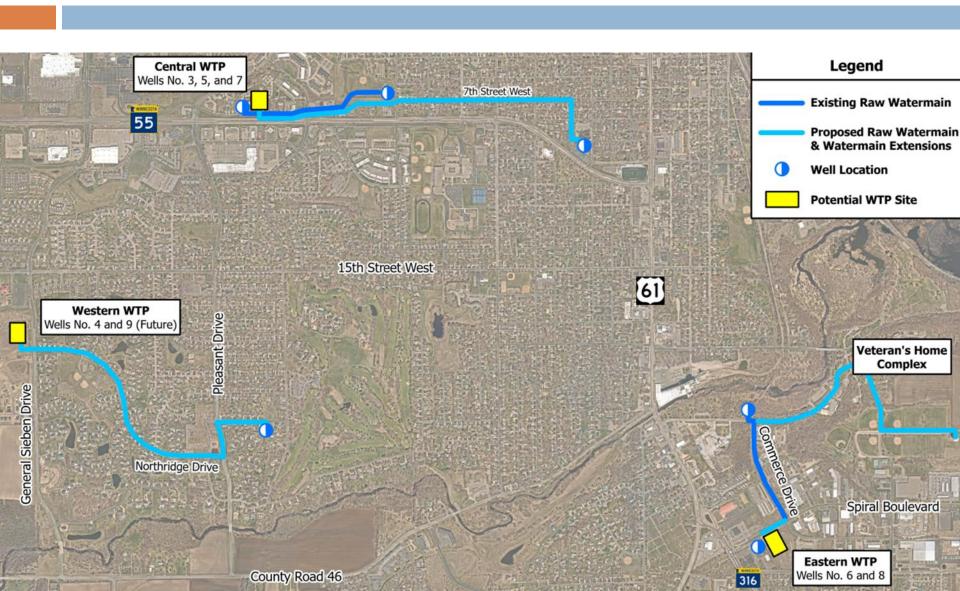
- 3 PFAS & Nitrate Decentralized Treatment Plants with associated water main piping (7 municipal wells)
  - All 3 plants required to address PFAS contamination
  - □ Phased in from 2025 to 2029 if we find funding now
- Interconnect with the MN Veterans Home
- Shovel Ready, not asking for temporary solutions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

## **PFAS Water Treatment Plants**





### **PFAS Treatment Plant Locations**



# State Bonding Request:

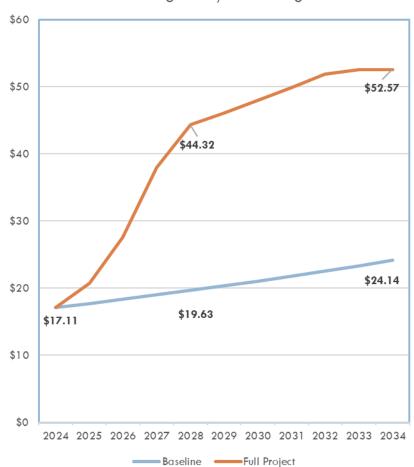
- Central WTP \$23.1M (currently in construction)
- □ Eastern WTP \$22.3M (asking for \$18.3M)
  - Includes interconnect for Minnesota Veterans Home
- Western WTP \$21.7M (asking for \$20.7M)

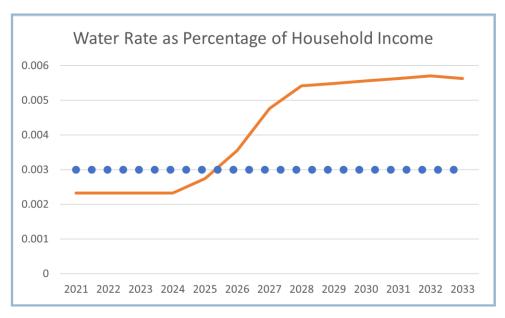
#### **Budget Buster**

- 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 <u>all</u> 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
  - Central WTP \$23.1M (currently in construction)
  - Eastern WTP \$22.3M (asking for \$18.3M)
  - Western WTP \$21.7M (asking for \$20.7M)
- 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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