

# Subregional Engagement

Metro Water Supply Plan update and implementation



# Metropolitan Council

## Purpose of this effort

# To build <u>shared understanding</u> of the following at a subregional level:

- Context and current conditions
- Definition of success
- Issues and barriers
- Strategies to address them
  - Practices
  - Policies
  - Partnerships
- Timeline/sequencing
- Resources needed to sustain effort towards success over time









## Using the input

"Asking a question is a promise to do something with the answer."



- Subregional recommendations
- Regional recommendations

Metro Area Water
Supply Plan

Water Resources
Policy Plan

#### **Context for this work**



#### This is connected to more than just the MWSP

Avoid duplication, leverage past work, tee up what comes next

- Products and processes—a few of the known connections:
  - Water Resources Policy Plan and Regional Development Guide
  - Water Supply Atlas
  - Research papers
  - Technical tools and information
- Less-tangible efforts
  - Integrated water planning
  - Enhanced trust with and among subregional partners
  - Ongoing and future relationships

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## General, high-level approach

# Gather data and design approach

- Determine subregion boundaries
- Harvest themes and information from completed work
- Identify internal leads for each subregion and collaboration approach
- Establish core teams for each subregion

May-June

# **Engagement** within subregions

- Host core team kick-off
  - Add to participant list
  - Confirm how to host conversations
- Host broader stakeholder conversations (likely 2-3 in each subregion)

July-November

# Develop draft MWSP content

- Develop draft content for subregional chapters based on engagement
- Check for completeness and accuracy at MAWSAC/TAC and WAG, with subregional representation
- Articulate continued collaboration approach

December-February

### **Core Team Kickoffs**



#### One for each subregion

- 3-5 core team members in each
- Participants chosen for invitation based on
  - Recent involvement
    - Subregional workshop
    - MAWSAC/TAC, WAG
    - Water Supply Planning Atlas
  - Ability to promote one water approach
- Balance of perspectives
  - Geography
  - Size
  - Relationship to water planning
    - Surface Water
    - Groundwater
    - Land Use

### Status

#### Moving from design to kick-off

- Boundaries set
- Data is still being compiled
- Staff that will manage the effort in each subregion have been identified
  - Lead and support staff from Water Resources
  - Liaison from Local Planning Assistance
- Core Teams have been formed and are beginning to meet



**Questions?** 

Hopes?

**Concerns?** 

Ideas?



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