

QUARTERLY REPORT – 1ST QUARTER 2025

WDNR – WCWRPC AID AGREEMENT For the update of the Chippewa Falls-Eau Claire Urban Sewer Service Area (SSA) Plan

Project Goals

Update the SSA Plan for the Chippewa Falls-Eau Claire Urban Area, which includes:

- Applicable content and plan structure described within NR 121.04 and NR 121.055, including brief discussion of water quality standards/impairments and references to other related water quality management plans and policies.
- Incorporate environmental justice and climate resiliency implications & considerations.
- Update 20-year forecasts and facility plan data.
- Update the 20-year SSA Plan boundary.
- Fine-tune environmentally sensitive area (ESA) definitions, as needed.
- Review and update SSA Plan goals, policies, and procedures, including future related applications, amendment processes, tracking/reporting, and plan monitoring.
- Educate on SSA Plan purpose and policy compliance.

Progress this Quarter (1/1/25 – 3/31/25)

- Conducted meeting #3 with Water Quality Management Technical Advisory Committee (WQM-TAC), which focused on environmental sensitive area definitions and policies. Also reviewed approach to determining SSA boundary.
- Survey distributed to communities regarding input on ESA policies to maximize plan consistency.
- Webpage for plan update information created.
- WCWRPC continued with data collection and the development of the SSA Plan sections, including contacts with sewer municipalities for facility plan, permit, and capacity information.
- Coordinating with Wisconsin DOT to incorporate recently updated State population projections into traffic analysis zones (TAZs) for the SSA Plan analysis. WDNR has granted an extension on this project until the end of 2025 to allow time for WDOT's work.

Activities Planned for Next Quarter

- Provide draft ESA sections and policies to WQM-TAC for comment.
- Plan for, advertise, and conduct WQM-TAC Meeting #4 to focus on non-ESA SSA Plan goals, objectives, and policies and Meeting #5 to focus on Plan Administration.
- Continue coordination with WDOT on TAZ data updates.
- Continue with plan update activities, including land use mapping, ESA mapping, analysis of demographics, gathering facility plan/capacity data, etc.

Problems/Issues

- An extension was granted to allow additional time for WDOT to integrate WDOA population projections into the traffic analysis zones (TAZ).