# State of the Water

March 26, 2024





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### **Purpose and Process**

- Provide the Residents of Mound with Safe and Affordable drinking water
- The solution is to construct a Water Treatment Plant to remove Manganese
- This solution has a \$36 Million Price Tag





### **Drinking Water at the Source**

• Composition has not changed

Testing Results City of Mound, Minnesota					
	2021	2021	Max		
	Well	Well	Contamination		
	No.3	No.8	Limit		
Arsenic (ug/L)	3.10	4.57	10		
Bromide (mg/L)	<0.4	<0.2	NA		
Chloride (mg/L)	14.7	3.2	250		
Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	10.3	10.7	NA		
Iron (mg/L)	0.500	1.050	0.3		
Manganese (mg/L)	0.761	0.475	0.05		
Nitrate + Nitrite as N (mg/L)	<0.05	<0.05	10		
рН	7.1	7.4	6.5-8.5		
Sulfate (mg/L)	34.7	24.6	250		
Total Organic Carbon (mg/L)	1.6	1.8	NA		

Sampling Tests March 2024 Manganese Only mg/l		
Lynwood Blvd	0.421	
Bartlett Blvd	0.406	
Three Points Blvd	0.403	
Manchester Rd	0.634	



# **Funding To Date**

#### Requested

- State of Minnesota Direct Appropriations
- Drinking Water Revolving Fund (IUP/PPL)
- Federal Direct Appropriations

#### Received

- \$10.3 Million State of Minnesota Direct Appropriations
- \$0.9 Million Federal Direct Appropriations (NEW!)

• \$24.5 Million Gap Remains in Funding





# IUP / PPL

- IUP = Intended Use Plan
- PPL = Project Priority List
- Monies administered by the Public Facilities Authority (PFA)
- Drinking Water Revolving Fund
- PFA is also tasked with administering the \$10.3 direct appropriation



2022	2023	2024
343 rank	658 rank	135 rank
10 points	5 points	15 points



# **Implementing the Solution**

- "Unlock" the existing funding & get the project(s) shovel ready
  - The current \$10.3 million is encumbered by language requiring the entirety of the project to be funded before it will be released
  - Access to that funding through a proposed amendment to the bill
  - We have a plan to stage out the things that can be built NOW, and design the rest
- Continue to submit the project for direct appropriations
  - State and Federal
  - Continued Efforts by Mayor and Council and City Manager
- Continue to submit to the IUP/PPL
  - Final packages offered to us may include some low interest loans and/or refinancing of existing water system bond debt
- Continue to push Manganese and Manganese as a contaminant at the state level
- **KEEP ADVOCATING | CONTINUE TELLING OUR STORY | DON'T STOP ASKING** This applies to EVERYONE





# **Continued Guidance for Residents**

- Maintain your water softener this includes salt and resin media
- We encourage testing the water in your home
  - Preferably after any filtering and water softening in your home
    - RMB Environmental Laboratories, Inc. Bloomington, MN
    - Tri-City/William Lloyd Analytical Lab Bloomington, MN
    - Twin City Water Clinic, Inc. Hopkins, MN
    - Pace Analytical Minneapolis, MN
    - EMSL Analytical New Hope, MN
- Bottled water is still recommended for infants
  - Health Based limits 0.3 mg/l for infants and 1.0 mg/l for adults
- Manganese is poorly absorbed through the skin, so bathing, showering and contact with water is less of a concern than consumption





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