

Welcome to the December edition of *The Procurement Pipeline*, a monthly newsletter designed to provide updates on doing business with the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA).

GLWA's Economic Outlook Task Force (EOTF)

In September 2021, GLWA formed the Economic Outlook Task Force (EOTF) to better understand the potential impact of recent economic conditions on GLWA's capital and operating budgets. These conditions, characterized by supply constraints, sharp growth in demand, and labor pressures, have produced unprecedented cost increases for most organizations in the country, including GLWA.

The three goals of the EOTF include the following:

1. To analyze financial trends and economic data for the specific materials and labor used by GLWA to anticipate how they may affect GLWA's Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and long-term financial plans;
2. To predict likely scenarios in the short- and medium-term; and
3. To recommend approaches to mitigate cost and supply pressures.

As part of this effort, GLWA has interviewed peer organizations to learn how others are responding and to share ideas and resources. Those interviewed include peer utilities across the United States, large construction firms and a regional energy provider, as well as financial and procurement officers from the City of Detroit, Detroit Water and Sewage Department (DWSD), and Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne Counties.

GLWA is not alone in what we are experiencing—commodity price increases and supply chain issues are impacting everyone, regardless of region. With the EOTF, GLWA continues its tradition of regional collaboration in service to the communities that rely upon us for the highest quality water and wastewater services. In the coming year, GLWA's EOTF will continue to monitor changes in cost pressures, connect with peer utilities to collaborate and address shared challenges, and explore in more detail mitigation strategies and recommendations.

Coronavirus Update #174: Visitor COVID-19 Questionnaire to be Discontinued Effective January 1, 2023

On December 9, 2022, GLWA issued [Coronavirus Update #174](#) to the Vendor Community, indicating that effective January 1, 2023, Visitors will no longer be required to fill out the [Visitor COVID-19 Questionnaire](#) before providing onsite services at GLWA facilities or project worksites. Please note that GLWA may choose to reinstate the Visitor COVID-19 Questionnaire if COVID-19 conditions change in future. To read the full Coronavirus Update #174, visit the [GLWA Vendor Webpage](#). Any questions regarding these matters should be directed to [Michael Lasley](#) and [Megan Savage](#).

Virtual Vendor Introduction Meetings

If you are interested in learning more about doing business with GLWA, contact us at GLWAVendorOutreach@glwater.org to schedule a virtual vendor introduction meeting. Topics include information on submitting a competitive bid or proposal to a GLWA solicitation, as well as the requirements for GLWA's Business Inclusion and Diversity (B.I.D.) Program.

Keeping up with GLWA

Our Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Monthly Report provides a wealth of information and news about important initiatives within GLWA's service territory that impact GLWA, its member partners, and the public. To read the November 2022 Monthly Report, please [click here](#).

What's Coming Down the Pipe?

Current Solicitations: Register in GLWA's [Bonfire Procurement Portal](#) for new solicitations and contract award information.

Upcoming Procurements: Next Three to Nine Months—See newsletter page 2.

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Upcoming Solicitations December 2022

Category	CIP #	Description/Project Title	Budget Estimate
Water System (next four to nine months)			
Construction	170802	Reservoir Rehabilitation Construction Services Phase II at Waterworks Park, Northeast, and Booster Stations.	\$35,972,000
Wastewater Systems (next four to nine months)			
Construction	211005.2	WRRF Pump Station 2 VFD Replacements	\$7,000,000
Construction	211005.3	WRRF Pump Station 2 Mag Meter Replacements	\$1,000,000
Construction	260905	WRRF Plumbing Shop Rehabilitation	\$2,000,000
Construction	260802	WRRF Roofing Improvements	\$4,300,000
Construction	232002	Freud Pump Station Improvements	\$75,000,000
Design-Bid-Build	261001	WRRF Rehabilitation of Secondary Clarifiers	\$6,000,000
Water System (next three months)			
None			
Wastewater (next three months)			
Construction	260209	Emergency and Urgent Sewer Repair II	\$12,400,000
Construction	260510	Conveyance System Repairs- CSO Outfalls Rehabilitation - Phase 5	\$10,000,000
Construction	260903	WRRF Front Entrance Rehabilitation	\$3,300,000
Construction	O&M	Plumbing Shop Rehabilitation	\$1,500,000
Projects moved to Procurement Team (Preparing for solicitation on Bonfire)			
Construction	170904	Phase II Wholesale Water Meter Pit Rehabilitation and Replacement Project - 60 new meter sites	\$16,000,000
Professional Services	O&M	Service - All Pumps for CSO Facilities Three Year Contract with Two - One Year Renewals	\$2,200,000
Professional Services	O&M	Professional Technical Services for Sewer Meter Support	\$8,500,000
Professional Services	O&M	Property and Casualty Insurance Brokerage and Ancillary Services	\$1,250,000
Professional Services	O&M	Grounds Maintenance Services	\$4,600,000
Professional Services	O&M	Electrical Services Contract	\$6,600,800
Professional Services	O&M	Motor Repair Contract	\$1,800,000
Professional Services	O&M	Pump Repair Contract	\$1,650,000
Professional Services	O&M	Instrumentation/I&C Contract	\$3,011,840

Vendors should continue to monitor [Bonfire](#) for solicitation updates.

Acronyms		
WRRF: Water Resource Recovery Facility	CSO: Combined Sewer Overflow	WTP: Water Treatment Plant