



2023/2024 Wastewater Treatment Project

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Tourism

Rapid Housing Development

Year-Round & Seasonal Residents

Natural Resources



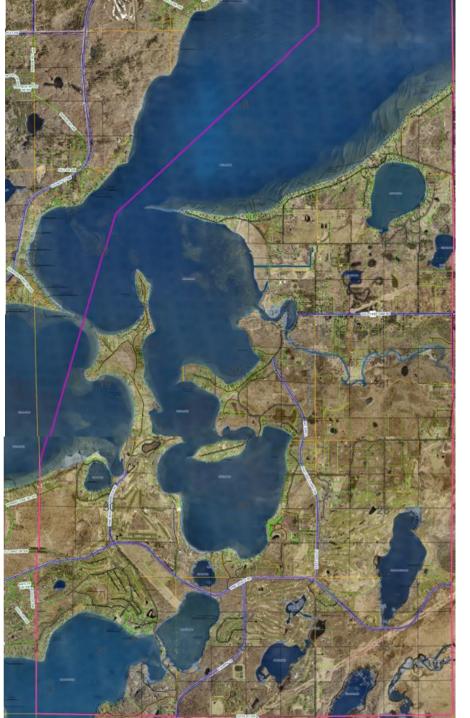


Protecting our Lakes, Rivers & Wetlands

- Approximately **half** of the city's incorporated area is water

- City contains nearly <u>40 miles</u> of shoreline

- **<u>97%</u>** of lakeshore property in East Gull Lake serviced by our wastewater system



Gull Lake - 88,000 ft Sylvan Lake - 12,500 ft Dade Lake - 9,500 ft Bass Lake- 8,500 ft Lynch Lake - 5,500 ft Stephens Lake - 12,500 ft Ruth Lake - 8,500 ft Echo Lake - 3,500 ft Gull River - 40,000 ft Unnamed Lakes/Wetlands



Sanitary Sewer Systems History

City Operates two Wastewater Treatment Facilities (WWTF)

North Gull Point WWTF and South Pine Beach WWTF

- 2 grants to construct facilities in 1991
- City funded collection and force-main infrastructure costs through local levy
- Local resorts provided upfront funds for a large portion of the project in exchange for future credits for private expansion/upgrade projects





South Pine Beach WWTF

2005 - \$6.4 million investment in South WWTF

- Upgrade for phosphorus removal efficiencies
- 94% efficient phosphorus removal after improvements
- Current plant capacity for an additional 750 single family homes





North Gull Point WWTF

Aging Plant

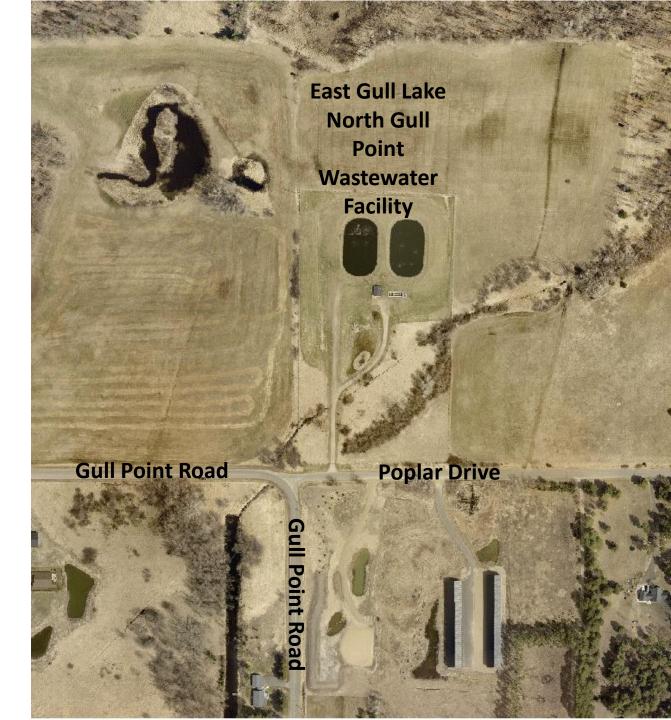
- ~33 years old
- Structural and mechanical deterioration

Limitations

- No significant investments for upgrades to plant due to substantial cost for necessary improvements
- New MPCA permit requirements are significantly more stringent than 1991 requirements
- Issues with remaining in compliance for water quality standards

2017 Facility Plan

- Studied alternatives for improvements to North WWTF
 or decommissioning North WWTF
- Project placed on MPCA Project Priority List (PPL)



CRITICALITY

The North WWTF has significant structural, mechanical, operational and safety issues including:

Overall plant deterioration

- **Compliance issues** (15 mo. non-compliance TP)
- Aeration system (numerous leaks & mechanical issues)
- UV disinfection system **problematic** (controls & connections)
- Severe sand filtration system **degradation** (media needs replacement)
- No onsite water (safety issue)
- No influent or effluent metering infrastructure for daily monitoring
 - Flow monitoring performed offsite; no meters onsite **decreases accuracy** of measurements
- No chemical room (safety and operational issue)
- Water quality concerns at discharge (into Gull River)











Operational

Mechanical

Structural

Safety



**Non-Compliance with MPCA Permit Requirements The North Gull Point WWTF exceeded the 12-month moving total effluent phosphorus limit of 162 kg/yr for a 15-month period between November 2020 to January 2022

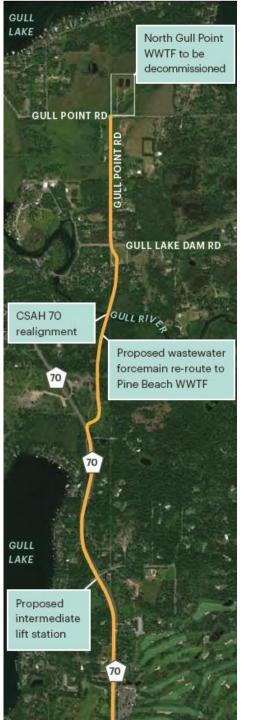


Project Proposal

 Decommission North WWTF and reroute wastewater to South WWTF

Main Project Components:

- Install force-main
- Incorporate intermediate lift station
- Improvements to existing lift stations
- Improvements to South WWTF







Project Benefits

Protecting the Environment while Looking Toward the Future

- Maintenance and operational costs at North WWTF
 eliminated after decommissioning
- Allows for consolidation of flows
- **Expansion** of municipal sewer services to new and existing developments including Gull Lake Resort
- South WWTF equipped for phosphorous removal and has sufficient capacity for current and future development
- Accommodates for future growth of rapidly developing lakeside community while prioritizing environmental protections
- **Protects surface and groundwater** especially at discharge point into the Gull River





Cost Savings / ROI

Total Cost Estimate for Improvements

- \$5.8 million (in 2023 dollars)
- Includes new force-main, improvements to existing lift stations, new intermediate lift station, and improvements at the South WWTF
- Facility Plan present worth considers electricity, labor, materials, and preventative maintenance

Operational and Maintenance Savings

- 20-year Operations and Maintenance Cost at North WWTF
 - 20-year present worth value cost Approx. \$1,650,000
- 20-year Operations and Maintenance Cost for 2023/2024
 Improvement Project
 - 20-year present worth value cost Approx. \$192,000
 - Facility Plan present worth considers electricity, labor, materials, and preventative maintenance

20-Year Operation and Maintenance Cost Estimate Forcemain Alternative City of East Gull Lake, MN WSB Project No. 017015-000

Electrical Consumption

| Lift Station No. 1 Pumps | 4,578 kW-hr/yr |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Intermediate LS Pumps | 5,341 kW-hr/yr |
| Electricity Costs | 0.085_\$/kW-hr |
| Annual Cost | \$843.04 /yr |

Preventative Maintenance

| Pump Grease | \$200.00 /yr |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Mechanical Seal | \$92.00 /yr |
| Misc. Maintenance | \$4,000.00 /yr |
| | \$4,292.00 /yr |

(replace twice over 20 years)

North WWTF Improvement Alternative- Operation and Maintenance Cost Estimate East Gull Lake, Minnesota 20-Jan-17

| Electrical Consumption | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 3 x 25 HP Blowers (assumed size) | 326,748.00 | kW-hr/yr | |
| Clarifier Mechanism | 13,069.92 | kW-hr/yr | |
| UV Disinfection Equipment | 3,650.00 | kW-hr/yr | |
| Chemical Feed Pumps | 9,802.44 | kW-hr/yr | |
| Cost per kWHr | | \$ 0.05 | ; |
| | \$ 17,783.52 | per yr | |
| Preventative Maintenance | | | |
| Pump Grease | \$ 100.00 | per yr | |
| Mechanical Seal | \$ 46.00 | per yr (replace tw | vice over 20 years |
| Misc. Maintenance Cleaning/ Repair | \$ 4,000.00 | per yr | |
| UV bulbs | \$ 2,000.00 | per yr | |
| Blower Filters | \$ 600.00 | per yr | |
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