



Clear Answers for Clean Water<sup>SM</sup>

# Invest in Wastewater Infrastructure for a Clear Return

Every year, Minnesota's wastewater treatment plants clean trillions of gallons of dirty water from our communities—safeguarding public health and protecting the environment. We depend on this infrastructure for quality of life and for business to thrive and grow, but we don't think about it much until it fails.



**Secondary Clarifiers** perform a fundamental function in wastewater treatment. They settle out solids and clarify the water.

They aren't fancy, they are not sexy and not exciting. And, along with the rest of the wastewater treatment process, they are critical to our region's clean water, public health and economy.

Public health is dependent on clean water. Our critical water infrastructure ensures the safe supply of water to our homes, businesses and hospitals.

At its core, wastewater treatment protects public health and prevents disease transmission. When solids are effectively settled out of the water, we continue to meet and exceed current and future regulations that protect public health and our waters.

## From the Executive Director

*"When local communities must alone bear the tremendous costs of repairing and replacing this infrastructure, rates become unaffordable and the viability of communities and business is threatened. Now's the time to invest proactively in wastewater infrastructure."*



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## WLSSD Secondary Clarifiers Structural Rehabilitation and Safety

Total Project Cost.....	\$13,900,000
WLSSD Investment.....	\$6,950,000
<b>2022 Capital Budget Request:</b>	<b>\$6,950,000</b>



Each of WLSSD's giant clarifiers

- \* measure 160 feet across
- \* hold 2.1 million gallons of wastewater.