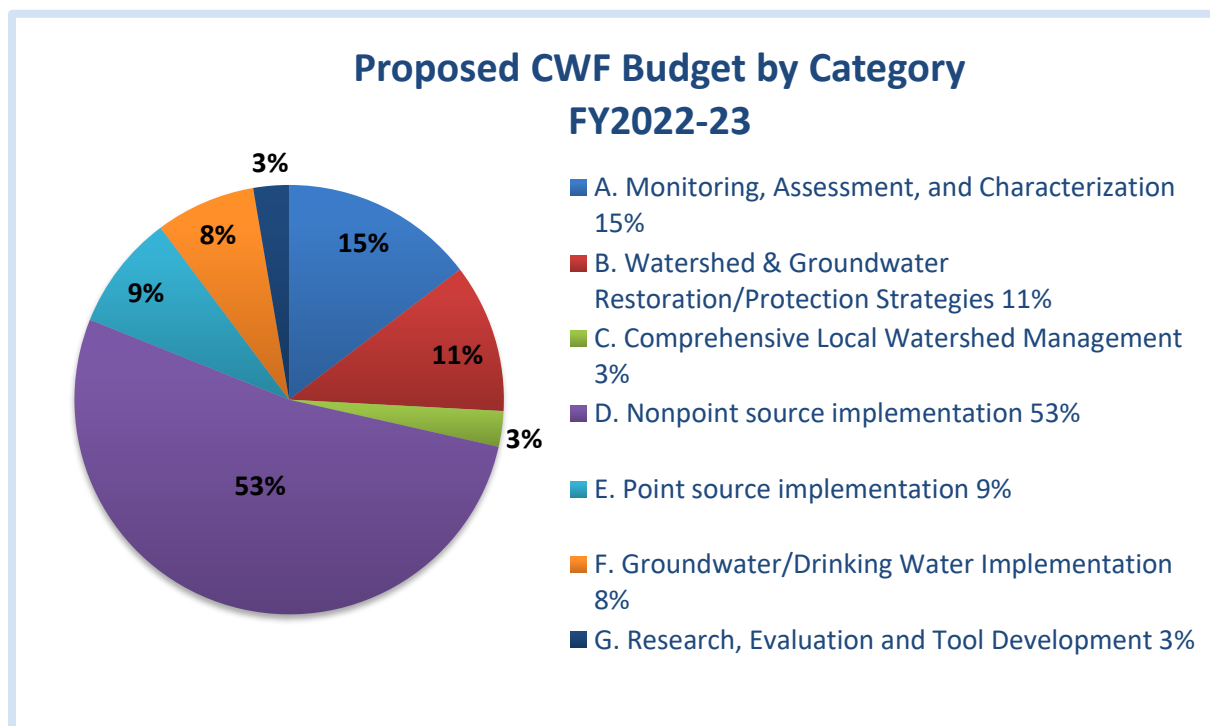


FY2022-23 Governor’s Recommendations: Legacy Clean Water Fund

The Governor’s Recommendations for the Legacy Clean Water Fund budget total \$217.799 million (M) for water resource activities during fiscal year (FY) 2022-2023. These activities include a continuation of previous clean water activities and new water management efforts.

Seven partner agencies receive Clean Water funding including:

1. Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR)
2. Metropolitan Council (MC)
3. Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA)
4. Minnesota Department of Health (MDH)
5. Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR)
6. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA)
7. Public Facilities Authority (PFA)



FY22-23 Proposed CWF Budget by Functional Category	Proposed CWF Budget by Category FY2022-23 (000)	Percent of total
A. Monitoring, Assessment, and Characterization 15%	\$ 31,722	15%
B. Watershed & Groundwater Restoration/Protection Strategies 11%	\$ 24,292	11%
C. Comprehensive Local Watershed Management 3%	\$ 5,808	3%
D. Nonpoint source implementation 53%	\$ 113,848	53%
E. Point source implementation 9%	\$ 18,855	9%
F. Groundwater/Drinking Water Implementation 8%	\$ 16,338	8%
G. Research, Evaluation and Tool Development 3%	\$ 5,826	3%
Total State Agency CWF Budget	\$ 216,689	100%
We Are Water MN	\$ 560	
Clean Water Council Budget	\$ 550	
Total Clean Water Fund Budget	\$ 217,799	
Total Implementation (NPS, PS, GW/DW)	\$ 149,041	69%

Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources

BWSR would be allocated \$108.81M from the Clean Water Fund (CWF) for these activities:

- \$94.422M: Competitive and non-competitive grants for on-the-ground water quality implementation projects including surface and drinking water protection/restoration, targeted watershed-based plan implementation activities, resource protection and enhancement, and acceleration of local government technical assistance. Supports the statewide accelerated development of watershed-based local planning via the One Watershed, One Plan program, provides for local efforts to ensure compliance with buffer requirements, supports conservation drainage management and assistance, and provides for oversight, results measurement, and evaluation of projects.
- \$14.388M: Conservation easements to meet landowner priorities, including: wetland restoration easements, new working lands floodplain easements, critical shoreland protection easements, MN Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program with federal match, and targeted wellhead/drinking water protection easements. All programs are voluntary; priority for targeted wellhead easements to be placed on land located where the drinking water supply is designated with high or very high vulnerability.

BWSR oversees the state's non-point restoration and protection efforts by working in partnership with more than 240 local units of government and private landowners; 90% of BWSR's CWF recommended appropriation is distributed locally. For more information, contact Assistant Director Angie Becker Kudelka at 612-616-5112 or angie.beckerkudelka@state.mn.us.

Metropolitan Council

The MC would be allocated \$2.338M from the CWF to address water supply issues which includes these activities:

- Supporting communities implementing projects that address emerging drinking water supply threats, provide cost-effective regional solutions, leverage inter-jurisdictional coordination, support local implementation of wellhead protection plans, and prevent degradation of groundwater resources.
- Provide grants to communities to encourage implementation of water demand reduction measures by municipalities in the metro area. The Council will encourage communities to implement measures that have proven to reduce water use.

For more information, contact General Manager Leisa Thompson at 651-602-1105 or leisa.thompson@metc.state.mn.us.

Minnesota Department of Agriculture

The MDA would be allocated \$19.66M from the CWF for these activities:

- \$6M: Continue to implement the Minnesota Agricultural Water Quality Certification program statewide and reduce backlog of applications.
- \$3.324M: Work with farmers, agricultural community, and local government to demonstrate, evaluate and implement conservation practices that support the impaired waters process.
- \$6.384M: Increase water monitoring and accelerate activities to reduce nitrate in groundwater.
- \$3.952M: Research and implementation of perennials, winter annuals, and cover crops through the Forever Green Initiative and support for the Minnesota Water Research Digital Library.

For more information, contact Director of Government Relations Peder Kjeseth at 651-201-6607 or peder.kjeseth@state.mn.us.

Minnesota Department of Health

The MDH would be allocated \$11.91M from the CWF to keep drinking water safe for everyone, everywhere in Minnesota:

- \$9.01M: Protect drinking water sources through wellhead and surface water intake protection plans and implementation grants to local public water systems, source water surveillance; private well sampling, education and outreach, and development and funding local implementation of groundwater protection strategies.
- \$2.9M: Prepare for future threats to drinking water by developing health-based guidance for federally unregulated contaminants. Proactively address threats to safe drinking water through development of a statewide drinking water action plan based on recommendations from the UM Future of Drinking Water report.

For more information, contact Water Policy Manager Tannie Eshenaur, at 651.334.5854 or tannie.eshenaur@state.mn.us.

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

The DNR would be allocated \$17.352M from the CWF for these activities:

- \$2.6M: Target implementation, helping state and local partners identify the most pressing water quality issues and prioritize and implement targeted solutions.
- \$9.936M: Assess surface waters, measuring stream flow, assessing lake biology, and assessing mercury and other contaminants in fish from lakes and streams.
- \$3.7M: Maintain and install groundwater level monitoring, modeling aquifer levels and groundwater movement and completing geologic atlases to help communities protect and sustainably manage water supplies.
- \$1.116M: Provide foundational information, maintaining LiDAR and watershed boundary data, and mapping and analyzing riparian buffers.

For more information, contact Assistant Commissioner Jess Richards at 651-259-5379 or jess.richards@state.mn.us.

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

The MPCA would be allocated \$41.594M from the CWF for these activities:

- \$14.432M: Continue accelerated monitoring and assessment efforts from the previous funding cycle to characterize conditions of our water resources.
- \$13.208M: Support local government through development of watershed protection and restoration strategies that diagnose sources of problems and provide information to help local water planners prioritize and target solutions.
- \$7.224M: Enhance groundwater assessment, drinking water protection and subsurface sewage treatment systems (SSTS).
- \$3.7M: Ramp up efforts associated with nonpoint and point source implementation, including Great Lakes restoration.
- \$0.52M: Chloride reduction efforts: Assist communities in reducing salt at the source.
- \$2.51M: Three projects for which MPCA is fiscal agent, including Clean Water Council, We Are Water MN and Voyageurs Water Quality.

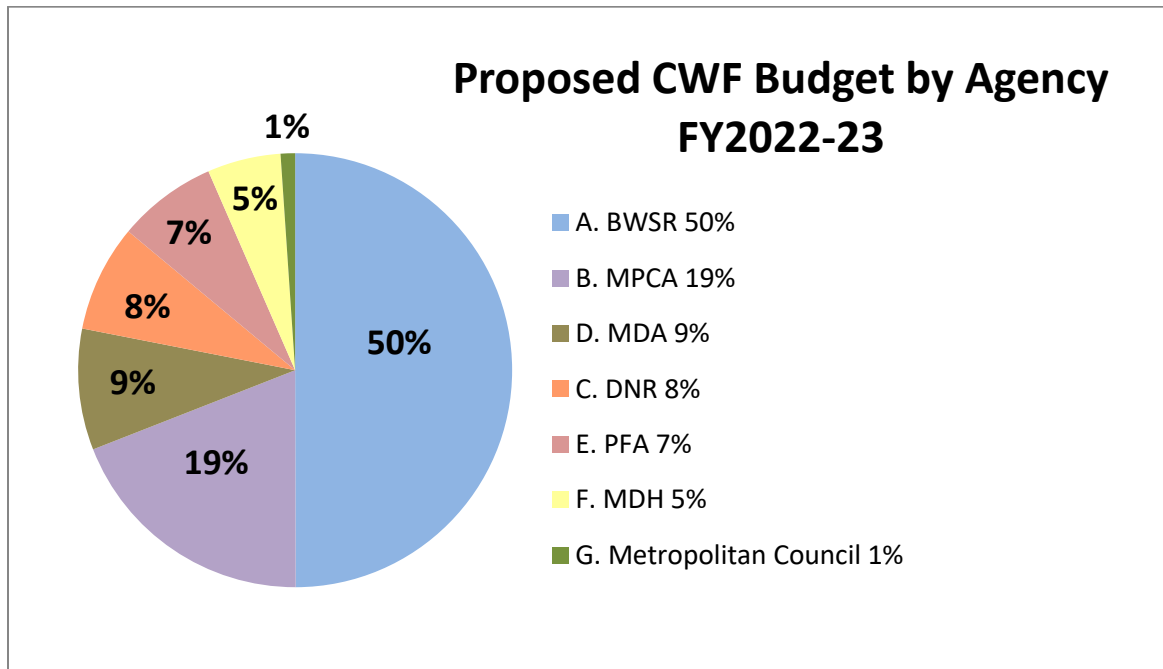
For more information, contact Assistant Commissioner Katrina Kessler at Katrina.kessler@state.mn.us.

Public Facilities Authority

The PFA would be allocated \$16.135M from the CWF for these activities:

- \$15.936M: Point Source Implementation Grants program, providing grants to help cities upgrade water treatment facilities to meet more protective requirements to improve water quality.
- \$0.200M: Small Community Wastewater Treatment program, providing loans and grants to help small unsewered communities with technical assistance and construction funding to replace non-complying individual septic systems with community SSTS.

For more information, contact Executive Director Jeff Freeman at 651-259-7465 or jeff.freeman@state.mn.us.



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FY22-23 Proposed CWF Budget by Agency	Proposed CWF Budget by Agency FY2022-23 (000)	Percent of total
A. BWSR 50%	\$ 108,810	50%
B. MPCA 19%	\$ 41,594	19%
D. MDA 9%	\$ 19,660	9%
C. DNR 8%	\$ 17,352	8%
E. PFA 7%	\$ 16,135	7%
F. MDH 5%	\$ 11,910	5%
G. Metropolitan Council 1%	\$ 2,338	1%
Total Clean Water Fund Budget	\$ 217,799	100%