

June 29, 2023

To: Clinton River Water Resource Recovery Facility Drainage District Apportioned Communities

Re: Clinton River Water Resource Recovery Facility Drainage District

Optimization Project Phase I – Electrical Improvements CWSRF Project Number 5835-01

The Drainage Board for the Clinton River Water Resource Recovery Facility Drainage District (CRWRRF) will soon commence work on the Optimization Project Phase I – Electrical Improvements Project (Project). The Project intends to upgrade and replace aging electrical infrastructure at the CRWRRF. The Project will improve plant reliability and help to mitigate unapproved discharges as required by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE). The Project consists of the installation of plant backup generators and cogeneration power/steam generators, replacement of aging switchgear, construction of a new electrical building, and other electrical upgrades to the plant.

The estimated cost for the Project is \$62,645,000, and the final cost will be known after project bids are received on July 25, 2023. Estimates for this project have been challenging due to the volatile electrical supply market and costs will be trued up once the bids are opened. The Drainage Board plans to finance the Project by issuing drain bonds in one or more series.

The Drainage Board expects to issue at least one series of drain bonds to the State of Michigan's CWSRF Program. The Project has been allocated \$38,090,000 of low-interest (1.875%) financing and the CWSRF Bonds are expected to close on September 20, 2023. Additional funding has been requested but the status of that request is unknown at this time. The CWSRF Bonds will relate to the Special Assessment Roll No. 1-A of the Clinton River Water Resource Recovery Facility Drain Optimization Project ("Roll No. 1-A").

If necessary, the balance of the Project funding will likely be completed through a combination of additional CWSRF funding, public market bond offering, and/or grants. Current interest rates estimates for the public bond market are about 3.75% to 4.00% for 20 years. Grants, if received, will reduce the overall assessment for all apportioned communities. More details will be communicated as the Project budget and other funding sources are finalized.

On July 18, 2023, the Drainage Board is anticipated to approve Roll No. 1-A relating to the CWSRF financing only. Attached is a copy of the draft Assessment Roll. Upon approval, the Chairman of the Drainage Board will certify to each community its total assessment on each roll. The assessment amounts will be finalized by a Supplemental Order of the Chairman of the Drainage Board once the final cost is known after project bids are received.

Each community may elect to either pay its Roll No. 1-A in relation to the CWSRF bond issue in installments with interest or prepay its assessments.

## **Installment Payments**

EGLE accepted the Project into the FY2023 Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) financing Intended Use Plan. The interest rate on the bonds will be 1.875%, and the bonds will receive principal forgiveness of 10% of the amount financed. It is important to note, per EGLE's FY2023 CWSRF structuring, the principal forgiveness is only applied to the amount financed.

The CWSRF financing is a draw-based loan. The Drain District will draw against the loan as Project construction proceeds. Semi-annual interest on the bonds will accrue based on the actual dollar amount that has been drawn on



the Project. The Drainage District will pay interest on the bonds each April 1 and October 1, beginning April 1, 2024. Oakland County Fiscal Services, on behalf of the Drainage District, will invoice communities for interest due prior to the due date. The CWSRF Bonds are anticipated to close on September 20, 2023. The Drainage Board anticipates (subject to change) that principal payments will begin on October 1, 2027.

If your community chooses to pay in installments, no action is required. The Drainage Board will include your community's assessments in the CWSRF bond issue and collect each assessment over twenty (20) installments.

## **Prepayment**

Each community electing to prepay its assessments on the \$38,090,000 portion of the Project must notify the Drain Board of its intent to prepay and the amount to be prepaid by July 28, 2023. If your community's board or council decides to adopt a resolution approving prepayment following consultation with your local attorney, please include the adopted resolution in your prepayment notice.

Email the notice of intent to prepay to Carrie Cox, P.E., and Steven Burke, CFA (<a href="coxc@oakgov.com">coxc@oakgov.com</a>; <a href="steveb@mfci.com">steveb@mfci.com</a>). In addition, mail a hard copy of the notice of intent to prepay to the Office of the Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner, Attention: Carrie Cox, P.E., One Public Works Drive, Bldg. 95-West, Waterford, MI 48328.

Oakland County Fiscal Services will send prepayment invoices with payment instructions on or about August 11, 2023. All prepayments must be received by Oakland County no later than September 12, 2023.

Should you have any questions, please contact the following individuals:

- Project questions: Carrie Cox, P.E., Chief Engineer, Oakland County Water Resources, at 248.470.1314 or email: coxc@oakgov.com.
- Financing questions: Contact the financial advisor to the Drainage District: Steven Burke, CFA, MFCI, LLC, at 313.782.3011 or email: <a href="mailto:steveb@mfci.com">steveb@mfci.com</a>.

Thank you, and we look forward to our continued relationship as we proceed with this important Project.

Sincerely,

Jim Nash

Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner

## Clinton River Water Resource Recovery Facility Drainage District Part 1 of Optimization Project Phase I – Electrical Improvements Drain Installments - Special Assessment Roll No. 1-A

Public Corporations:	City of Auburn Hills		Charter Township of Independence		City of Lake Angelus		Village of Lake Orion		Charter Township of Oakland		Charter Township of Orion		Charter Township of Oxford		Village of Oxford		City of Pontiac		City of Rochester		City of Rochester Hills		Charter Township of Waterford		wnship of West loomfield	Total
Apportionment:	5.257%		4.090%		0.000%		0.570%		1.315%		4.487%		1.841%		0.572%		54.800%		2.486%		10.242%		11.198%		3.142%	100.000%
Installments Due:																										
10/1/2027	\$ 83,323	\$	64,827	\$	-	\$	9,035	\$	20,843	\$	71,119	\$	29,180	\$	9,066	\$	868,579	\$	39,403	\$	162,336	\$	177,488	\$	49,801	\$ 1,585,000
10/1/2028	84,901		66,054		-		9,206		21,237		72,465		29,732		9,238		885,019		40,149		165,408		180,848		50,743	1,615,000
10/1/2029	86,741		67,485		-		9,405		21,698		74,036		30,377		9,438		904,198		41,019		168,993		184,767		51,843	1,650,000
10/1/2030	88,318		68,712		-		9,576		22,092		75,382		30,929		9,610		920,638		41,765		172,066		188,126		52,786	1,680,000
10/1/2031	89,895		69,939		-		9,747		22,487		76,728		31,481		9,781		937,079		42,511		175,138		191,486		53,728	1,710,000
10/1/2032	91,472		71,166		-		9,918		22,881		78,074		32,033		9,953		953,520		43,256		178,211		194,845		54,671	1,740,000
10/1/2033	93,312		72,598		-		10,118		23,341		79,644		32,678		10,153		972,697		44,127		181,796		198,765		55,771	1,775,000
10/1/2034	95,152		74,029		-		10,317		23,802		81,215		33,322		10,353		991,879		44,997		185,380		202,684		56,870	1,810,000
10/1/2035	96,729		75,256		-		10,488		24,196		82,561		33,874		10,525		1,008,320		45,742		188,453		206,043		57,813	1,840,000
10/1/2036	98,569		76,688		-		10,688		24,656		84,131		34,519		10,725		1,027,497		46,613		192,038		209,963		58,913	1,875,000
10/1/2037	100,409		78,119		-		10,887		25,117		85,702		35,163		10,925		1,046,679		47,483		195,622		213,882		60,012	1,910,000
10/1/2038	102,249		79,551		-		11,087		25,577		87,272		35,807		11,125		1,065,859		48,353		199,207		217,801		61,112	1,945,000
10/1/2039	104,351		81,187		-		11,315		26,103		89,067		36,544		11,354		1,087,779		49,347		203,304		222,280		62,369	1,985,000
10/1/2040	106,191		82,618		-		11,514		26,563		90,637		37,188		11,554		1,106,962		50,217		206,888		226,200		63,468	2,020,000
10/1/2041	108,294		84,254		-		11,742		27,089		92,432		37,925		11,783		1,128,880		51,212		210,985		230,679		64,725	2,060,000
10/1/2042	110,397		85,890		-		11,970		27,615		94,227		38,661		12,012		1,150,800		52,206		215,082		235,158		65,982	2,100,000
10/1/2043	112,237		87,322		-		12,170		28,075		95,797		39,305		12,212		1,169,980		53,076		218,667		239,077		67,082	2,135,000
10/1/2044	114,340		88,958		-		12,398		28,601		97,592		40,042		12,441		1,191,897		54,071		222,764		243,557		68,339	2,175,000
10/1/2045	116,705		90,798		-		12,654		29,193		99,611		40,870		12,698		1,216,562		55,189		227,372		248,596		69,752	2,220,000
10/1/2046	118,808		92,434		-		12,882		29,719		101,406		41,607		12,927		1,238,480		56,184		231,469		253,075		71,009	2,260,000
	\$ 2,002,393	\$	1,557,885	\$	-	\$	217,117	\$	500,885	\$	1,709,098	\$	701,237	\$	217,873	\$	20,873,304	\$	946,920	\$	3,901,179	\$	4,265,320	\$	1,196,789	\$ 38,090,000



MFCI, LLC
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