

THE GREAT LAKES REGIONAL WATER PLAN















- Detroit will retain ownership of the entire system and maintain control of its local water mains and sewer system.
- Detroit will lease regional water mains and treatment plants for \$50 Million a year over the next 40 years.
- The 6,000 miles of local water mains and sewer pipes serving the City of Detroit will remain under DWSD along with approximately 500 employees currently maintaining those lines. The billing/collection staff will stay with DWSD.
- The Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) will be made up of 6 members: 2 from Detroit, 1 from Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb counties and 1 appointed by the Governor. 5 votes out of 6 will be required for major decisions.
- Approximately 900 DWSD employees will become employees of the GLWA. The GLWA will recognize the existing DWSD unions and honor all collective bargaining agreements.
- A \$50 million dollar annual lease payment will be used to fix City of Detroit water and sewer lines.
- Detroit will be able to direct the GLWA to sell bonds for up to \$800 million to accelerate repairs if necessary.
- We'll put over 1,000 people to work in our city fixing our crumbling infrastructure.
- A water affordability fund of \$4.5 million per year will be created to help people in need who truly can't pay their water bills.

