

City of Traverse City
Public Hearing Notice Regarding
the Application to the Michigan Department of Environment,
Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) for funding assistance
through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund



The City of Traverse City will hold a public hearing on the application to the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) for funding assistance through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, better known as the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Program for the proposed Drinking Water System Improvements project. The public hearing is being held for the purpose of receiving comments from interested persons.

The hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 18, 2026, during the City Commission Regular Meeting. The proposed Drinking Water System Improvements project descriptions and details are organized into a comprehensive 20-year Project Plan. If the SRF application is successful, the City will have the ability to employ the program to fund the proposed project with low-interest loans and grants. The project construction will include improvements within the Water Treatment Plant, including low service and high service pump improvements, new electrical switch gears and variable frequency drives for improved electrical efficiency, reservoir piping installation, hypochlorite storage tank and building, freight elevator, standby generators, pump station control valves, and a new raw water main. In addition, EGLE lead and copper rule required service line replacements and the replacement of aging and undersized water mains throughout the distribution system. Work will occur at the existing water treatment plant site, located at 2010 Eastern Avenue, as well as other locations throughout the City within the distribution system.

Impacts of the proposed project may include:

Noise: Noise due to construction activities such as construction equipment, machinery, generators, compressors, etc., will be kept to a minimum, as practicable. The work hours will be maintained in accordance with local ordinances.

Traffic Disturbance: Traffic control devices and temporary lane closures will be necessary during construction in the collection system. This may impact vehicular and pedestrian traffic flow patterns. Construction activities will be coordinated by location to mitigate any cumulative impacts.

The total cost of the improvements is estimated to be \$24.0 million. The repayment of the SRF loan, if approved, will be apportioned to City water customers at a monthly rate of approximately \$9.33 per residential service. The estimated user costs to finance the proposed project have been determined, assuming SRF financing with a 3.0% interest rate (current SRF interest rate) and a 20-year debt retirement. The apportionment costs are based on an annual average over a 20-year period to provide an estimate of the average charge per residential service.

Copies of the Drinking Water System Draft Project Plan detailing the proposed project is available for review beginning on Thursday, May 7, 2026 at:

- City of Traverse City - City Hall, 400 Boardman Avenue, Traverse City, Michigan, 49684 and at the City's website www.traversecitymi.gov.

Written comments received before the hearing record is closed on May 18, 2026 will receive responses in the Final Project Plan. Written questions should be sent to:

Sarah Lutz, City Clerk, City Hall, 400 Boardman Avenue, Traverse City, Michigan, 49684
Or tcclerk@traversecitymi.gov

IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC MEETING AND YOU HAVE A DISABILITY REQUIRING ANY SPECIAL ASSISTANCE, PLEASE NOTIFY THE ADA COORDINATOR AT 992-4440 OR TDD #922-4412 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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Sarah Lutz, MiPMC, City Clerk