### **Anoka County Water Supply Profile**

#### Available approaches to meet current and future demand

- 1. Conservation
- 2. Groundwater sources
- 3. Stormwater reuse
- 4. Reclaimed wastewater
- 5. Enhanced recharge
- 6. Surface water sources

## Amount of water used, on average, by water appropriation permit holders in key water use categories



#### Projected municipal water use

	2020	2030	2040
Population Served	268,400	304,370	341,671
Total Population	332,370	370,540	408,160
Projected Average Daily Water Use (Million Gal./Day), Plus or Minus 20%	2.28	2.60	2.94
Total Per Capita Water Use (Gal./Person/Day)	127	128	129
What per capita water use would be, if population grew without changing total water use:	104	92	83

- State and federal requirements, such as Safe Drinking Water Act standards, conditions identified on water appropriation permits issued by the DNR, water quality permits issued by the MPCA and others
- Potential for water use conflicts and well interference
  - Due to the pervasiveness of private wells in the metro area, there exists a potential water use conflict and well interference of all appropriators
- Potential for significant decline in aquifer water levels

- A nearby DNR observation well documents a declining trend in aquifer water levels
- Potential for impacts of groundwater pumping on surface water features and ecosystems
  - Surface waters in this area may be directly connected to regional groundwater system
  - A spring has been mapped nearby
- Significant vulnerability to contamination
  - A vulnerable Drinking Water Supply Management Area has been designated in the area
  - A Special Well and Boring Construction Area has been designated in the area
  - Travel time from land surface to bedrock aquifers is estimated to be less than 50 years
- Significant uncertainty about aquifer productivity and extent
  - Part of the area may not be well-represented by a Minnesota Department of Health aquifer test
  - The county geologic atlas is more than twenty years old
  - Part of the area may not be represented by a Minnesota Department of Natural Resources or community observation well
- Regulatory considerations
  - A Groundwater Management Area has been designated within the community

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- Work with partners to evaluate relationships between aquifer withdrawals and surface water features. If a
  connection is likely, management plans should include aquifer testing, monitoring water levels and pumping rates and surface water flow, triggers and actions to protect aquifer levels, a schedule for periodic analysis of data to identify the need for action to mitigate impacts, and a schedule for periodic and timely
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- Collaborate with partners, including MDH, to support local actions that prevent the spread of contamination. This may include implementation of source-water protection plan measures to mitigate public health risks. Where significant contamination exists, MDH will continue enhanced monitoring, and public water suppliers in the area may need to implement treatment processes to meet Safe Drinking Water Act requirements and manage pumping to better control the extent and magnitude of contaminant plumes.
- Work with partners to identify opportunities for sharing information, reducing duplicate work, and partnering on projects that improve understanding about aquifer productivity and extent.

- Partner with DNR and neighboring water users to use water in accordance with the approved Groundwater Management Area plan.
- Support collaborative efforts to periodically review local water supply risks and potential alternatives to mitigate those risks. Technical advances, regulatory adjustments and sub-regional developments can present new opportunities for local water suppliers to enhance the resiliency, sustainability, and affordability of their water supplies.
- Continue to work with local, state and federal agencies, as required.

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### **Carver County Water Supply Profile**

#### Available approaches to meet current and future demand

- 1. Conservation
- 2. Groundwater sources
- 3. Stormwater reuse
- 4. Reclaimed wastewater
- 5. Enhanced recharge
- 6. Surface water sources

# Amount of water used, on average, by water appropriation permit holders in key water use categories



#### Projected municipal water use

	2020	2030	2040
Population Served	94,850	123,150	149,110
Total Population	98,900	127,200	153,160
Projected Average Daily Water Use (Million Gal./Day), Plus or Minus 20%	1.09	1.39	1.67
Total Per Capita Water Use (Gal./Person/Day)	126	124	123
What per capita water use would be, if population grew without changing total water use:	78	61	51

- State and federal requirements, such as Safe Drinking Water Act standards, conditions identified on water appropriation permits issued by the DNR, water quality permits issued by the MPCA and others
- · Potential for water use conflicts and well interference
  - Due to the pervasiveness of private wells in the metro area, there exists a potential water use conflict and well interference of all appropriators
- Potential for significant decline in aquifer water levels

- A nearby DNR observation well documents a declining trend in aquifer water levels
- Regional groundwater modeling indicates significant aquifer decline under pumping rates that meet the projected range of 2040 demand
- Potential for impacts of groundwater pumping on surface water features and ecosystems
  - A state-protected calcareous fen has been mapped nearby
  - A state-designated trout stream has been mapped nearby
  - Surface waters in this area may be directly connected to regional groundwater system
  - A spring has been mapped nearby
- Significant vulnerability to contamination
  - A vulnerable Drinking Water Supply Management Area has been designated in the area
  - Travel time from land surface to bedrock aquifers is estimated to be less than 50 years
- Significant uncertainty about aquifer productivity and extent
  - Part of the area may not be well-represented by a Minnesota Department of Health aquifer test
  - The county geologic atlas is more than twenty years old
  - Part of the area may not be represented by a Minnesota Department of Natural Resources or community observation well

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### **Dakota County Water Supply Profile**

#### Available approaches to meet current and future demand

- 1. Conservation
- 2. Groundwater sources
- 3. Stormwater reuse
- 4. Reclaimed wastewater
- 5. Enhanced recharge
- 6. Surface water sources

# Amount of water used, on average, by water appropriation permit holders in key water use categories



#### Projected municipal water use

	2020	2030	2040
Population Served	385,945	423,545	462,045
Total Population	387,850	424,780	462,230
Projected Average Daily Water Use (Million Gal./Day), Plus or Minus 20%	3.35	3.65	3.97
Total Per Capita Water Use (Gal./Person/Day)	121	121	120
What per capita water use would be, if population grew without changing total water use:	110	100	94

- State and federal requirements, such as Safe Drinking Water Act standards, conditions identified on water appropriation permits issued by the DNR, water quality permits issued by the MPCA and others
- Potential for water use conflicts and well interference
  - Due to the pervasiveness of private wells in the metro area, there exists a potential water use conflict and well interference of all appropriators
- Potential for significant decline in aquifer water levels

- A nearby DNR observation well documents a declining trend in aquifer water levels
- Regional groundwater modeling indicates significant aquifer decline under pumping rates that meet the projected range of 2040 demand
- Potential for impacts of groundwater pumping on surface water features and ecosystems
  - A state-protected calcareous fen has been mapped nearby
  - A state-designated trout stream has been mapped nearby
  - Surface waters in this area may be directly connected to regional groundwater system
  - A spring has been mapped nearby
- Significant vulnerability to contamination
  - A sinkhole (karst) has been mapped nearby
  - A vulnerable Drinking Water Supply Management Area has been designated in the area
  - A Special Well and Boring Construction Area has been designated in the area
  - Travel time from land surface to bedrock aquifers is estimated to be less than 50 years
- Significant uncertainty about aquifer productivity and extent
  - Part of the area may not be well-represented by a Minnesota Department of Health aquifer test
  - The county geologic atlas is more than twenty years old
  - Part of the area may not be represented by a Minnesota Department of Natural Resources or community observation well
- Regulatory considerations

- A Groundwater Management Area has been designated within the community

#### Note: Local studies may be underway or completed to provide more information about these issues.

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  present new opportunities for local water suppliers to enhance the resiliency, sustainability, and affordability of their water supplies.
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### Hennepin County Water Supply Profile

#### Available approaches to meet current and future demand

- 1. Conservation
- 2. Groundwater sources
- 3. Stormwater reuse
- 4. Reclaimed wastewater
- 5. Enhanced recharge
- 6. Surface water sources

# Amount of water used, on average, by water appropriation permit holders in key water use categories



#### Projected municipal water use

	2020	2030	2040
Population Served	1,212,588	1,284,817	1,381,371
Total Population	1237,680	1310,080	1385,070
Projected Average Daily Water Use (Million Gal./Day), Plus or Minus 20%	4.38	4.68	5.07
Total Per Capita Water Use (Gal./Person/Day)	127	127	128
What per capita water use would be, if population grew without changing total water use:	117	106	99

- State and federal requirements, such as Safe Drinking Water Act standards, conditions identified on water appropriation permits issued by the DNR, water quality permits issued by the MPCA and others
- · Potential for water use conflicts and well interference
  - Due to the pervasiveness of private wells in the metro area, there exists a potential water use conflict and well interference of all appropriators
- Potential for significant decline in aquifer water levels

- A nearby DNR observation well documents a declining trend in aquifer water levels
- Potential for impacts of groundwater pumping on surface water features and ecosystems
  - A state-protected calcareous fen has been mapped nearby
  - A state-designated trout stream has been mapped nearby
  - Surface waters in this area may be directly connected to regional groundwater system
  - A spring has been mapped nearby
- Significant vulnerability to contamination
  - A sinkhole (karst) has been mapped nearby
  - A vulnerable Drinking Water Supply Management Area has been designated in the area
  - A Special Well and Boring Construction Area has been designated in the area
  - Travel time from land surface to bedrock aquifers is estimated to be less than 50 years
- Significant uncertainty about aquifer productivity and extent
  - Part of the area may not be well-represented by a Minnesota Department of Health aquifer test
  - The county geologic atlas is more than twenty years old
  - Part of the area may not be represented by a Minnesota Department of Natural Resources or community observation well
- Regulatory considerations
  - A Groundwater Management Area has been designated within the community

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### **Ramsey County Water Supply Profile**

#### Available approaches to meet current and future demand

- 1. Conservation
- 2. Groundwater sources
- 3. Stormwater reuse
- 4. Reclaimed wastewater
- 5. Enhanced recharge
- 6. Surface water sources

# Amount of water used, on average, by water appropriation permit holders in key water use categories



#### Projected municipal water use

	2020	2030	2040
Population Served	580,382	609,365	640,805
Total Population	450,930	468,440	486,910
Projected Average Daily Water Use (Million Gal./Day), Plus or Minus 20%	6.20	6.24	6.28
Total Per Capita Water Use (Gal./Person/Day)	107	102	98
What per capita water use would be, if population grew without changing total water use:	109	106	103

- State and federal requirements, such as Safe Drinking Water Act standards, conditions identified on water appropriation permits issued by the DNR, water quality permits issued by the MPCA and others
- Potential for water use conflicts and well interference
  - Due to the pervasiveness of private wells in the metro area, there exists a potential water use conflict and well interference of all appropriators
- Potential for significant decline in aquifer water levels

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- Regional groundwater modeling indicates significant aquifer decline under pumping rates that meet the projected range of 2040 demand
- Potential for impacts of groundwater pumping on surface water features and ecosystems
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### **Scott County Water Supply Profile**

#### Available approaches to meet current and future demand

- 1. Conservation
- 2. Groundwater sources
- 3. Stormwater reuse
- 4. Reclaimed wastewater
- 5. Enhanced recharge
- 6. Surface water sources

# Amount of water used, on average, by water appropriation permit holders in key water use categories



#### Projected municipal water use

	2020	2030	2040
Population Served	121,503	147,003	174,203
Total Population	125,600	151,100	178,300
Projected Average Daily Water Use (Million Gal./Day), Plus or Minus 20%	2.09	2.53	3.01
Total Per Capita Water Use (Gal./Person/Day)	103	103	104
What per capita water use would be, if population grew without changing total water use:	87	71	59

- State and federal requirements, such as Safe Drinking Water Act standards, conditions identified on water appropriation permits issued by the DNR, water quality permits issued by the MPCA and others
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### **Washington County Water Supply Profile**

#### Available approaches to meet current and future demand

- 1. Conservation
- 2. Groundwater sources
- 3. Stormwater reuse
- 4. Reclaimed wastewater
- 5. Enhanced recharge
- 6. Surface water sources

# Amount of water used, on average, by water appropriation permit holders in key water use categories



#### Projected municipal water use

	2020	2030	2040
Population Served	220,415	252,777	285,329
Total Population	237,630	267,020	296,900
Projected Average Daily Water Use (Million Gal./Day), Plus or Minus 20%	1.82	2.08	2.35
Total Per Capita Water Use (Gal./Person/Day)	115	115	115
What per capita water use would be, if population grew without changing total water use:	99	85	76

- State and federal requirements, such as Safe Drinking Water Act standards, conditions identified on water appropriation permits issued by the DNR, water quality permits issued by the MPCA and others
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  - Surface waters in this area may be directly connected to regional groundwater system
  - A spring has been mapped nearby
- Significant vulnerability to contamination
  - A sinkhole (karst) has been mapped nearby
  - A vulnerable Drinking Water Supply Management Area has been designated in the area
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- Explore and support water demand (water conservation) programs such as incentives, ordinances, education and outreach, rates and other approaches. The Metropolitan Council Water Conservation Toolbox can support these efforts.
- Promote the evaluation of water conflict and well interface as part of the water appropriation permit request and review process. Before requesting water appropriations, water users in this areas should evaluate the need to address water conflict and well interference including a) an inventory of all active domestic and public water supply wells near proposed well locations and b) an analysis of existing water level/water withdrawal data to identify where future drawdowns could affect domestic wells.
- Support collaborative efforts to evaluate the likelihood of significant declines in aquifer water levels before water appropriation permits are requested. The analysis may be determined in consultation with DNR and can vary from a graphical comparison of water levels to local groundwater flow modeling. If this analysis suggests future declines are likely to be unacceptable, a management plan should be developed and include additional water level and pumping rate monitoring, triggers and actions to protect aquifer levels, a schedule for periodic analysis of data to identify the need for action to mitigate impacts, and a schedule for periodic and timely reporting to DNR.
- Work with partners to evaluate relationships between aquifer withdrawals and surface water features. If a
  connection is likely, management plans should include aquifer testing, monitoring water levels and pumping rates and surface water flow, triggers and actions to protect aquifer levels, a schedule for periodic analysis of data to identify the need for action to mitigate impacts, and a schedule for periodic and timely
  reporting to DNR.
- Collaborate with partners, including MDH, to support local actions that prevent the spread of contamination. This may include implementation of source-water protection plan measures to mitigate public health

risks. Where significant contamination exists, MDH will continue enhanced monitoring, and public water suppliers in the area may need to implement treatment processes to meet Safe Drinking Water Act requirements and manage pumping to better control the extent and magnitude of contaminant plumes.

- Work with partners to identify opportunities for sharing information, reducing duplicate work, and partnering on projects that improve understanding about aquifer productivity and extent.
- Partner with DNR and neighboring water users to use water in accordance with the approved Groundwater Management Area plan.
- Support collaborative efforts to periodically review local water supply risks and potential alternatives to
  mitigate those risks. Technical advances, regulatory adjustments and sub-regional developments can
  present new opportunities for local water suppliers to enhance the resiliency, sustainability, and affordability of their water supplies.
- Continue to work with local, state and federal agencies, as required.

### Note: The actions listed above may be underway or completed, and information may be available from local public water suppliers, planners, or water resource managers.