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Mayor Dan Devine  
City of West Allis  
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CITY OF WEST ALLIS  
MAYOR

Dear Mayor Devine:

As part of the approved Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (District) 2011 Capital Budget, the District has included funding for municipalities to assist the District in its efforts to reduce the impact of wet weather on the District's conveyance and flood management systems. The funding is included in two separate projects, with a total of \$11 million funded to date, and an additional \$145 million in the District's financing plan through 2020. To ensure that each municipality receives a proportionate share, the allocation of funding to each municipality is based on the equalized value of each municipality used to collect capital funds from that municipality for the current budget year. The two projects are as follows:

**I/I Reduction on Private Property - Project M03044**

This project provides funding to municipalities for Infiltration/Inflow (I/I) reduction efforts on private property. I/I reduction efforts include foundation drain disconnection, lateral repair, lateral rehabilitation, and improved surface water drainage. The actual work to reduce I/I would be implemented by each municipality. There is a total of \$151 million in the District's current financing plan for this project.

**Stormwater Best Management Practices (SBMPs) - Project M03053**

This project provides funding for municipalities to implement demonstration projects to reduce polluted stormwater runoff and nutrient loadings to local waterways. In previous years, the District has partnered with units of government, nonprofit organizations, and businesses to implement various SBMPs, such as rain gardens, green roofs, downspout disconnections, and pervious surface parking lots. The goal of this project is to reach all 28 communities served by the District. There is a total of \$5 million in the District's current financing plan for this project.

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As part of the 2012 Capital Budget process, the District is considering a significant reduction in the funding of these two projects. As like your municipality, the District is trying to respond to the public's demand to significantly limit annual tax levy increases. The District is currently looking at proposed 1% tax levy increases in 2012 and 2013 and a 4% annual increase in the levy for the years 2014 through 2020. The original \$156 million funding allocation was based on a financing plan that would have had 6% annual increases in the tax levy for the years 2012 through 2020.

Based on the proposed levy increases, the funding for the project related to I/I reduction efforts on Private Property would be reduced from \$151 million in 2011's Capital Budget to \$60 million in the 2012 Capital budget. The 2012 proposed Capital Budget would have funding of \$8 million per year for 2012 and 2013 and \$5 million per year from 2014 through 2020, in addition to the \$9 million already currently funded.

With respect the SBMPs project, based on the proposed levy increases, the funding would be reduced to \$2 million (which is the current funding), with no funding in the years 2012 through 2020.

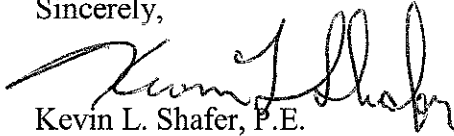
As stated in my March 1, 2011 letter, since the intent of both projects is to provide regional solutions to managing wet weather flows, funding transfers from SBMPs to I/I Reduction on Private Property will be allowed, should your municipality request such a transfer. Transfers from I/I Reduction on Private Property to SBMPs may be allowed for municipalities with low I/I, as described by the Policy document for the I/I Reduction on Private Property program. To date, six municipalities have received approvals for funding transfers from SBMP to I/I Reduction.

Attached, are spread sheets showing the impact of the proposed funding reduction by municipality through 2013. It should be pointed out, that at the beginning of the I/I reduction program, the District will calculate the Design, Planning and Investigation Cap for each Municipality. This Cap will be calculated by taking 20% of the projected total allocation, \$60 million over eleven years. **It is important to understand that the actual amount allocated and dispersed to the Municipality will depend on the District's annual budget process,** but to provide some level of certainty at the beginning of the Program, the Design, Planning and Investigation Cap will be based on the current spending projection. Per the spread sheet, each community will have more than enough funding through 2013 to spend up to the 20% cap. The Commission and I need your input on the impact of the proposed revised funding level for these two projects. Your input is important since the intent of the funding is to provide your municipality with long-term benefits by helping to reduce basement backups, helping to reduce overflows and providing effective stormwater management practices to your municipality and to the entire service area.

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The Commission and I would like you to know your plans on using this funding. Your input will help the Commission to shape its future capital spending plans. Please let me know your thoughts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin L. Shafer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kevin" being the most prominent part.

Kevin L. Shafer, P.E.  
Executive Director  
Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District

c: Jerome Flogel, P.E.

Attachments

**STORMWATER BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (SBMPs) (Project M03053)**  
**SUMMARY TO DATE AND PROJECTED FUNDING ALLOCATION BY MUNICIPALITY**  
As of August 15, 2011

MUNICIPALITIES	REMAINING	% OF ORIGINAL	PROPOSED ADDITIONAL		TOTAL
	DISTRIBUTION	DISTRIBUTION	FUNDING ALLOCATION		
	TO DATE	REMAINING	2012	2013	
BAYSIDE	\$16,200.00	100.0%	\$0	\$0	\$16,200.00
BROOKFIELD	0.00	0.0%	0	0	0.00
BROWN DEER	0.00	0.0%	0	0	0.00
BUTLER	5,545.00	100.0%	0	0	5,545.00
CALEDONIA	993.00	100.0%	0	0	993.00
CUDAHY	25,692.00	100.0%	0	0	25,692.00
ELM GROVE	26,287.00	100.0%	0	0	26,287.00
FOX POINT	27,254.00	100.0%	0	0	27,254.00
FRANKLIN	83,429.00	100.0%	0	0	83,429.00
GERMANTOWN	46,462.00	100.0%	0	0	46,462.00
GLENDALE	0.00	0.0%	0	0	0.00
GREENDALE	33,400.00	100.0%	0	0	33,400.00
GREENFIELD	74,751.00	100.0%	0	0	74,751.00
HALES CORNERS	16,191.00	100.0%	0	0	16,191.00
MENOMONEE FALLS	89,425.00	100.0%	0	0	89,425.00
MEQUON	46,309.00	50.7%	0	0	46,309.00
MILWAUKEE	361,263.00	100.0%	0	0	361,263.00
MUSKEGO	58,397.00	100.0%	0	0	58,397.00
NEW BERLIN	102,717.00	100.0%	0	0	102,717.00
OAK CREEK	78,141.00	100.0%	0	0	78,141.00
RIVER HILLS	0.00	0.0%	0	0	0.00
ST. FRANCIS	16,016.00	100.0%	0	0	16,016.00
SHOREWOOD	35,590.00	100.0%	0	0	35,590.00
THIENSVILLE	7,274.00	100.0%	0	0	7,274.00
WAUWATOSA	130,700.00	100.0%	0	0	130,700.00
WEST ALLIS	0.00	0.0%	0	0	0.00
WEST MILWAUKEE	7,772.00	100.0%	0	0	7,772.00
WHITEFISH BAY	49,671.00	100.0%	0	0	49,671.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,339,479.00</b>	<b>96.7%</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,339,479.00</b>

Note: Available funds in BMP allocation may be transferred to Private Property I/I Reduction Program.

**I/I REDUCTION ON PRIVATE PROPERTY (Project M03044)**  
**SUMMARY TO DATE AND PROJECTED FUNDING ALLOCATION BY MUNICIPALITY**  
As of August 15, 2011

MUNICIPALITIES	REMAINING DISTRIBUTION TO DATE	% OF ORIGINAL DISTRIBUTION REMAINING	PROPOSED ADDITIONAL FUNDING ALLOCATION		TOTAL	ESTIMATED DESIGN, PLANNING & INVESTIGATIVE CAP*
			2012	2013		
BAYSIDE	\$73,058.00	100.0%	\$64,981	\$64,981	\$203,020.00	\$97,471
BROOKFIELD	327,887.00	96.5%	246,278	246,278	820,443.00	369,417
BROWN DEER	144,908.00	100.0%	105,390	105,390	355,888.00	158,086
BUTLER	24,229.00	100.0%	21,353	21,353	66,935.00	32,030
CALEDONIA	4,464.00	100.0%	3,967	3,967	12,398.00	5,951
CUDAHY	115,446.00	100.0%	102,576	102,576	320,598.00	153,864
ELM GROVE	118,950.00	100.0%	105,901	105,901	330,752.00	158,851
FOX POINT	121,602.00	100.0%	107,826	107,826	337,254.00	161,739
FRANKLIN	373,910.00	100.0%	331,978	331,978	1,037,866.00	497,967
GERMANTOWN	209,376.00	100.0%	186,187	186,187	581,750.00	279,280
GLENDALE	264,447.00	100.0%	193,427	193,427	651,301.00	290,140
GREENDALE	149,829.00	100.0%	133,062	133,062	415,953.00	199,592
GREENFIELD	335,627.00	100.0%	298,144	298,144	931,915.00	447,215
HALES CORNERS	72,917.00	100.0%	64,830	64,830	202,577.00	97,245
MENOMONEE FALLS	404,779.00	100.0%	360,405	360,405	1,125,589.00	540,607
MEQUON	412,721.00	100.0%	367,328	367,328	1,147,377.00	550,992
MILWAUKEE	3,618,407.00	100.0%	2,890,101	2,890,101	9,398,609.00	4,335,151
MUSKEGO	262,777.00	99.2%	235,900	235,900	734,577.00	353,850
NEW BERLIN	466,207.00	100.0%	415,417	415,417	1,297,041.00	623,125
OAK CREEK	349,560.00	100.0%	310,193	310,193	969,946.00	465,290
RIVER HILLS	71,319.00	100.0%	52,058	52,058	175,435.00	78,087
ST. FRANCIS	73,708.00	100.0%	65,934	65,934	205,576.00	98,901
SHOREWOOD	159,000.00	100.0%	141,040	141,040	441,080.00	211,560
THIENSVILLE	29,115.50	88.0%	29,506	29,506	88,127.50	44,259
WAUWATOSA	593,109.00	100.0%	528,467	528,467	1,650,043.00	792,701
WEST ALLIS	560,134.00	100.0%	406,229	406,229	1,372,592.00	609,344
WEST MILWAUKEE	35,614.00	100.0%	31,819	31,819	99,252.00	47,728
WHITEFISH BAY	224,411.00	100.0%	199,703	199,703	623,817.00	299,557
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$9,597,511.50</b>	<b>99.8%</b>	<b>\$8,000,000</b>	<b>\$8,000,000</b>	<b>\$25,597,511.50</b>	<b>\$12,000,000</b>

Note: Proposed funding allocation for 2012 and 2013 based on most recent equalized value (January 1, 2010).

\* Cap is based on 20% of \$60 million using 2010 equalized value allocation percentages. Subject to change based on future equalized value allocation percentages and actual funding for the program.