Governor’s Water Infrastructure Initiative

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Our Mission: Protect and improve the environment and enhance human health
2015 Water Infrastructure Listening Sessions

What we heard:
• Aging infrastructure
• High costs and rates
• Regulatory Flexibility
• Regulatory certainty
• Workforce issues
• Asset management
• MPCA water fees
• Wipes Clog Pipes!
Governor Dayton’s Clean Water Infrastructure plan

$220 million proposal

- $167 million for updating wastewater and drinking water infrastructure
- $52.7 million for water quality protection initiatives
2016 Legislative initiatives

- Regulatory Certainty: helping communities confidently invest in infrastructure upgrades
- Ban on the terms “flushable” and “sewer-safe” for personal care wipes
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