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To: Howes, Sarah (DEQ)
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Subject: RE: Karegnondi Water Supply-Farmers

ODWMA should also be represented.

Our issues depend on whether the proposal is for farmers to use finished water (like any other customer) or are they proposing to draw raw water from the pipeline. To start with, Richard Benzie should be included in the discussion. He can involve others depending on how the discussion progresses.

In addition, it should be noted that the current plan for Genesee County's WTP is to start at 30 MGD and expand to 45 MGD. Flint has a WTP capacity of 36 MGD, though Flint has only purchased 18 MGD Annual Avg Day Demand in KWA. Lapeer has an option to connect into KWA with a capacity of 4 MGD. So much of the 85 MGD is already allocated.

Liane

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Yes, WRD needs to be at the meeting. We issued the water withdrawal permit and farm irrigation was not part of the permit considerations. Dina and the water withdrawal staff need to be there.

From: Howes, Sarah (DEQ)
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Liane and Bill,

I received a call from Jason Wadaga of Kindsvatter and Associates---they represent Genesee County Drain Commissioners. They are getting a lot of questions from farmers on how to tap into the new water system since they are getting disconnected from Detroit's.

He's requesting a meeting with DEQ/MDARD (Mike DiBernardo will be there for MDARD) to talk about the process and any environmental regulations that they should be aware of if/when they tap in.

Can you guys let me know who from your staff (not sure if WRD and ODWMA both need to be included) would be most appropriate to handle this? I'll ask Jason to reach out to them directly.

Thanks,
Sarah

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