



## Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Committee on Budget and Employment  
2015 Budget

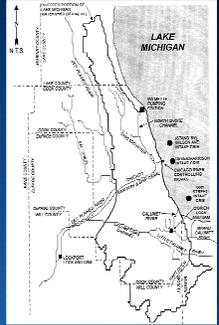
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***Recovering Resources,  
Transforming Water***



## Mission Statement

The mission of the District is to protect the health and safety of the public in its service area, protect the quality of the water supply source (Lake Michigan), improve the quality of water in watercourses in its service area, protect businesses and homes from flood damages, and manage water as a vital resource for its service area.




## Strategic Business Plan

- Maintain progress made under the 2012 Strategic Business Plan
- Entering 1st year of the five-year plan in 2015
- Vision: *Recovering Resources, Transforming Water*
- Goals:
  - Add value
  - Excellence
  - Resource recovery
  - Develop employees
  - Leading partnerships
  - Technology



## Financial Health

- Stable Corporate Fund
- Sustainable capital program
- Retirement Fund increase in funding level
- OPEB reached a 50 percent funded level
- Insurance policies provide funding for catastrophe level losses:
  - Property coverage for \$10.1 billion in District assets
  - Excess Liability coverage for third-party legal liability issues
  - Excess Workers' Compensation coverage for work related injuries to employees



## How Full is the District's "Tank"?



**Unavailable Cash**

- 2010: \$224
- 2011: \$202
- 2012: \$175m
- 2013 (100%): \$200
- 2014 (100% Recommendation): \$287

**Deferred Costs**

- 2010: \$224
- 2011: \$202
- 2012: \$175m
- 2013 (100%): \$200
- 2014 (100% Recommendation): \$287

**Sustainable**

- 2010: \$335
- 2011: \$308
- 2012: \$375m
- 2014 (100% Recommendation): \$287

Source: Operating reserve balances include 12/31/XX Corporate, Construction, Reserve Claim, Cash, and Investment Balances (in millions of dollars).



## Major Accomplishments for 2014

- Localized stormwater management initiative
- Resource recovery bill
- Five platinum treatment plants and two silver treatment plants NACWA Peak Performance Awards
- State Revolving Funds
  - \$250 million for clean water initiative
  - \$35 million for TARP
  - \$10 million grant for Burbank project



### Major Initiatives for 2015

- Resource recovery
  - Phosphorus
  - Energy
  - Water
  - Biosolids
- Community flood program
- Disinfection
- Thornton Reservoir opens

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### Executive Director's Budget Recommendations (in millions)

Fund	2015 ED Rec.	BF-19	2015 Proposed	2014 As Adjusted	2015-2014 Change	
					\$	%
Corporate	\$382.8	\$ -	\$382.8	\$395.3	(12.5)	(3.2)
Construction	37.8	.1	37.9	53.3	(15.4)	(28.9)
Stormwater Mgmt.	47.0	(1.1)	45.9	50.9	(5.0)	(9.8)
Bond Redemption & Interest	205.1	-	205.1	194.9	10.2	5.2
Retirement	61.7	-	61.7	75.0	(13.3)	(17.7)
Reserve Claim	34.0	-	34.0	64.0	(30.0)	(46.9)
Subtotal	\$768.4	\$ (1.0)	\$767.4	\$833.4	\$(66.0)	(7.9)
Capital Improve- ments Bond	490.2	(5.3)	484.9	386.2	98.7	25.6
Total	\$1,258.6	\$ (6.3)	\$1,252.3	\$1,219.6	\$32.7	2.7

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### Construction Fund

#### Appropriations

2015	\$37,840,700
2014	53,306,000
Change ↓	\$15,465,300
	29.0%

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### Construction Fund Projects Completed or Near-completion in 2014

- Multiple Roof Replacements in SWRP basin, including a partial green roof on the south end of RAPS (~\$2 million)
- Replacement of a failing low-pressure steam supply line at CWRP (~\$800,000)
- Installation of infrastructure for the upcoming AnitaMox Centrate Treatment at EWRP (~\$700,000)

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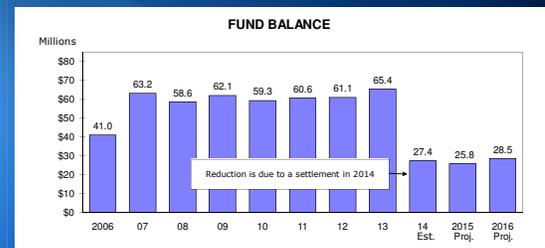
### Construction Fund 2015 Awards

- Gas Turbine Recommissioning, SWRP, \$500,000
- FD&I New Boilers at 125<sup>th</sup> Street Pumping Station, CSA, \$455,000
- Rehabilitation of Bridges, NSA, \$1,000,000
- Paint and Carpet Replacement, MOB, \$435,000
- Biosolids Drying Pilot Testing, \$250,000
- Evaluate enhanced biological phosphorus removal at District WRPs

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### Reserve Claim Fund



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**Executive Director's 2015 Budget Recommendations  
Summary (Including BF-19 Changes)**

	2015	2014 Adjusted	Change	%
Total Tax Levy	\$ 560,025,957	\$ 540,255,741	\$ 19,770,216	3.7
Aggregate Levy	307,400,000	300,930,700	6,469,300	2.2
Appropriation	1,252,258,281	1,219,656,083	32,602,198	2.7

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**Increase in Positions (Including BF-19 Changes)**

Fund	2015 Proposed	2014 Budgeted	Change	%
Corporate	1,915	1,898	17	0.9
Stormwater Management	60	63	(3)	(4.8)
Total	1,975	1,961	14	0.7

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**Board of Commissioners  
Directed Changes**

- For ease of administration:
  - Directed changes of the BF-20 submittal vs. voted changes
  - Changes made by motion must change BF-19 submittal

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**Questions?**

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