

# Priority 1 Approach

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# Priority 1 Purpose

3M Settlement sets two priorities for funding:

- **Priority 1: Ensure safe and sustainable drinking water**
- Priority 2: Enhance natural resources

Priority 1 includes long term drinking water solutions, but also groundwater (drinking water source) quality and quantity protection

- e.g. treatment systems; groundwater conservation, recharge, and reuse



## Priority 1 Goals

- Provide clean drinking water to residents and businesses to meet current and future needs under changing conditions, population, and health-based values
- Protect and improve groundwater quality
- Protect and maintain groundwater quantity
- Minimize long-term cost burdens for communities



# Priority 1 Conceptual Plan

The Conceptual Plan was a key component to develop long-term options for all the affected communities in the East Metropolitan Area under Priority 1

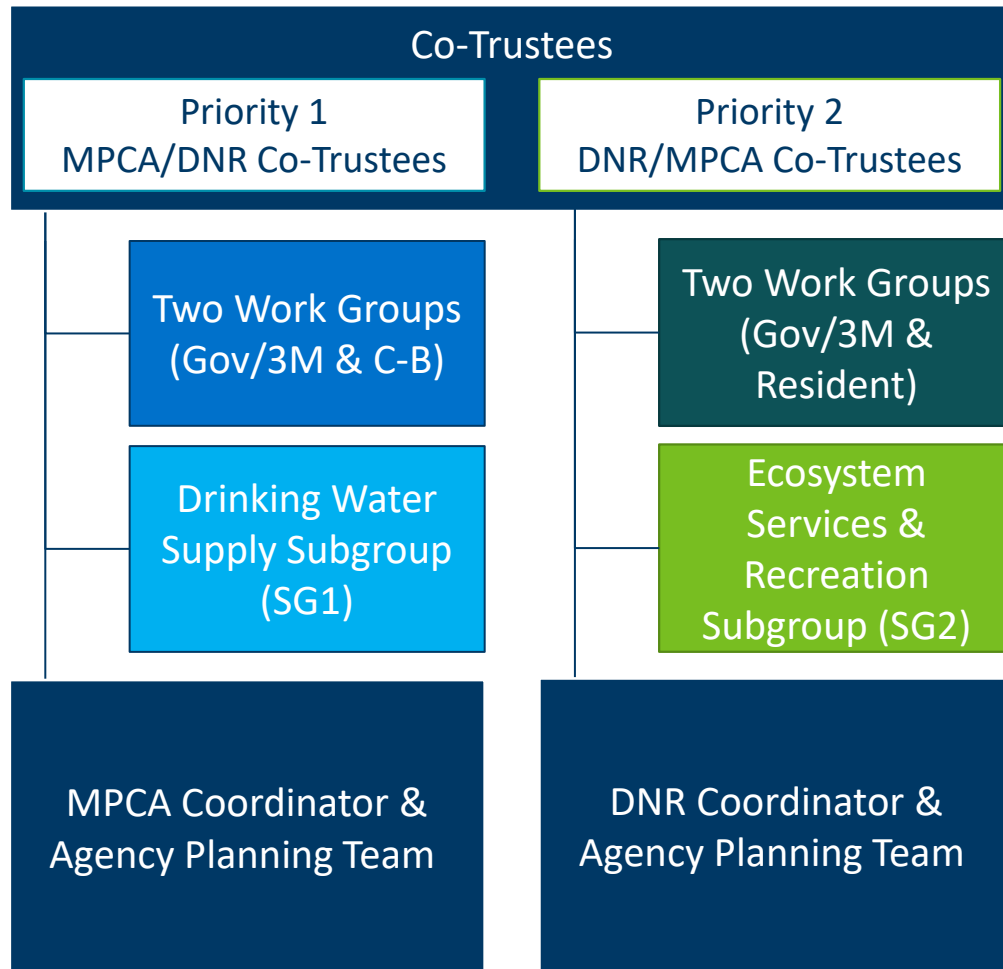
Strategic planning process to ensure all options to address drinking water needs were carefully and thoroughly considered

Process allowed for citizen, business, and local government and elected official input

Safe drinking water was provided to communities as the Conceptual Plan was under development



# Priority 1 Conceptual Plan



- Priority 1 Work Group structure differs from Priority 2 in several ways:
  - MPCA is the agency coordinating the lead
  - Work group and subgroup representatives
  - Work group feedback largely focused drinking water protection needs by the communities
  - Timeframe is longer, started in July 2018 and still meeting

# Priority 1 Conceptual Plan



## The Conceptual Plan is...

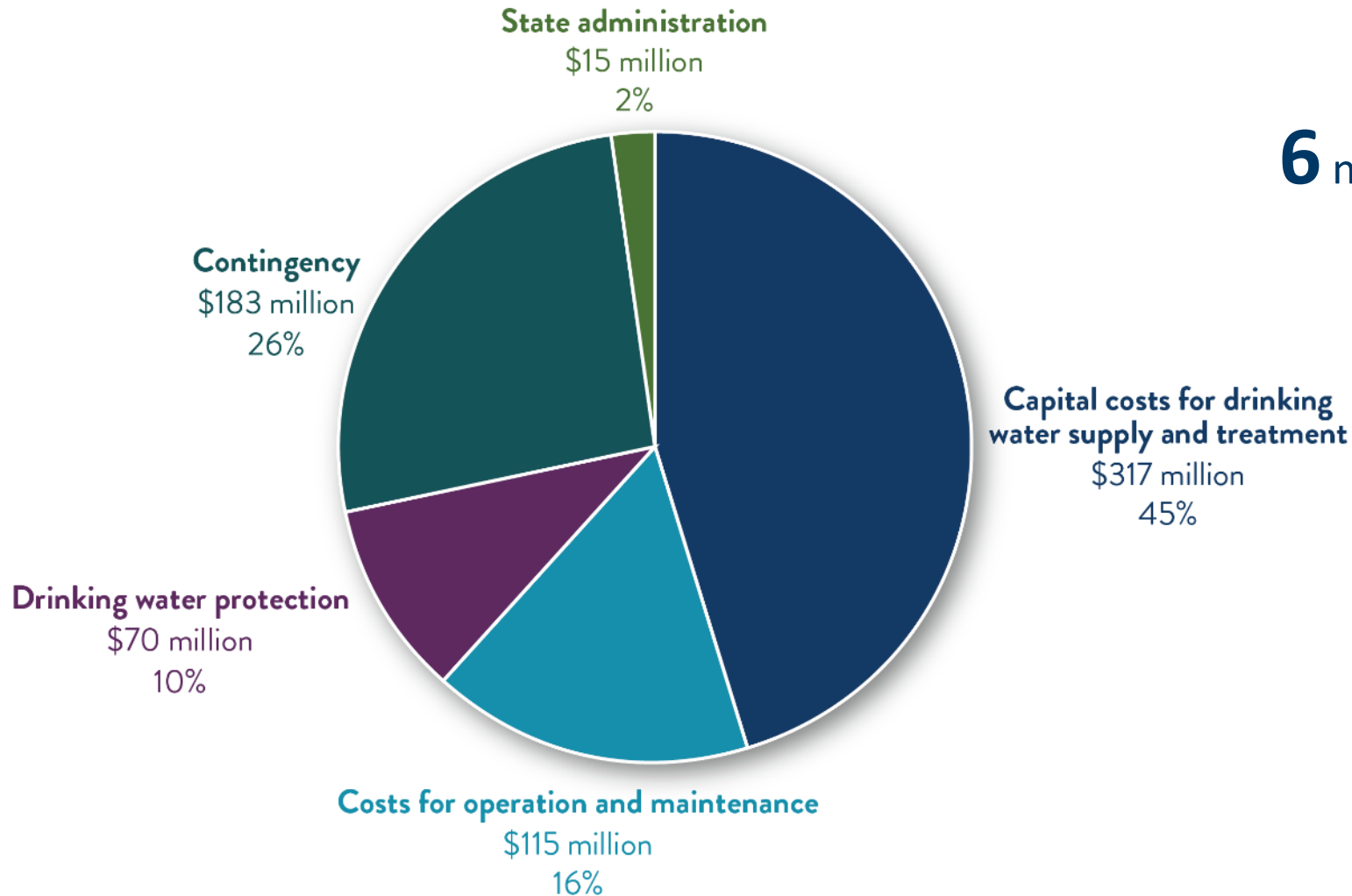
**Comprehensive** approach that addresses what is coming out of the tap, as well as the source

**Safe and sustainable** plan that protects drinking water now and into the future

**Resilient** plan that can adapt as we learn more about PFAS

**Flexible** funding for communities

# Priority 1 Conceptual Plan



**6** new or expanded water treatment plants

**33** treated municipal wells

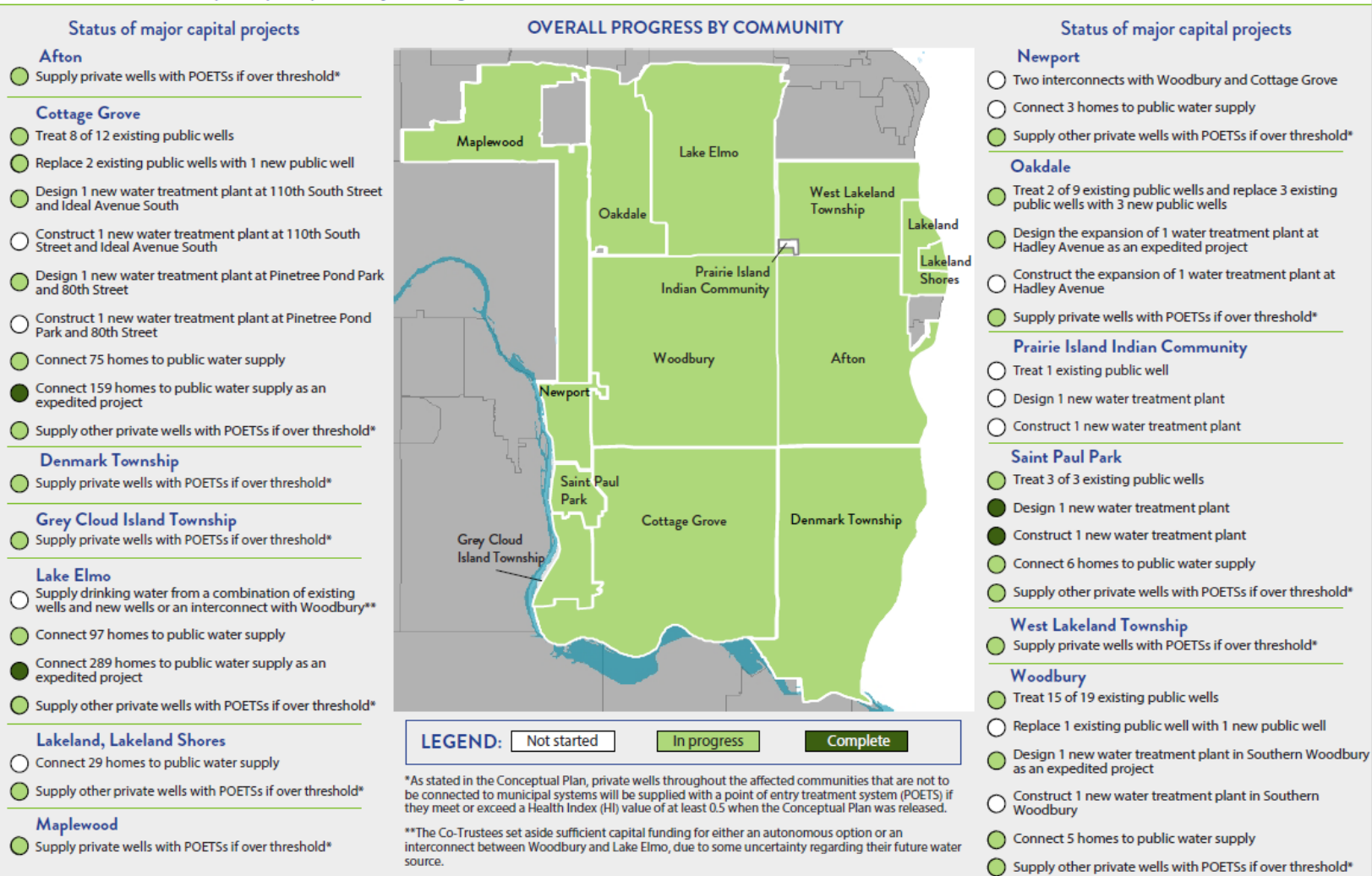
**296** homes connected to municipal water

Nearly **1,000** homes with whole home treatment systems

# Priority 1 Conceptual Plan

## Tracking Conceptual Plan Progress

This page shows progress toward implementing the capital projects identified in the Conceptual Plan (<https://3msettlement.state.mn.us/full-plan-documents-conceptual-drinking-water-supply-plan>) or through expedited funding prior to the release of the Conceptual Plan. The map shows overall progress toward implementing projects, a process led by the communities. The list shows the status of major projects as of June 2022. This information is updated quarterly and is subject to change.





# Questions?

- Clarifying questions from Work Group members about the Priority 1 approach?

