

50-year Clean Water Plan

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The 50-year Clean Water Plan

(1) provide a literature-based **assessment of the current status and trends** regarding the quality and quantity of all Minnesota waters, both surface and subsurface;



(2) **identify gaps** in the data or understanding and provide **recommended action steps** to address gaps;



(3) identify **existing and potential future threats** to Minnesota's waters; and



(4) propose a **road map of scenarios and policy recommendations** to allow the state to proactively protect, remediate, and conserve clean water for human use and biodiversity for the next 50 years.



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U of M Water Task Forces

1. Partner Engagement & Needs Assessment Task Force



2. Data & Decision Support Task Force



3. Scenarios & Forecasting Task Force



4. Policy Analysis & Recommendations Task Force



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Scope of Work

(1) the **data sets** that are required and how the University of Minnesota will obtain access;



(2) the suite of proposed **analysis methods**;



(3) the **roles and responsibilities** of project leaders, **key personnel**, and stakeholders;



(4) the **project timeline** with milestones; and



(5) a **budget** with expected costs for tasks and milestones.



CHAPTER 60 H.F. No. 2310, Article 9, Sec. 12

50-YEAR CLEAN WATER PLAN SCOPE OF WORK.

- (a) The Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota, through the University of Minnesota Water Council, is requested to develop a scope of work, timeline, and budget for a plan to promote and protect clean water in Minnesota for the next 50 years. The 50-year clean water plan must:
- (1) provide a literature-based assessment of the current status and trends regarding the quality and quantity of all Minnesota waters, both surface and subsurface;
 - (2) identify gaps in the data or understanding and provide recommended action steps to address gaps;
 - (3) identify existing and potential future threats to Minnesota's waters; and
 - (4) propose a road map of scenarios and policy recommendations to allow the state to proactively protect, remediate, and conserve clean water for human use and biodiversity for the next 50 years.
- (b) The scope of work must outline the steps and resources necessary to develop the plan, including but not limited to:
- (1) the data sets that are required and how the University of Minnesota will obtain access;
 - (2) the suite of proposed analysis methods;
 - (3) the roles and responsibilities of project leaders, key personnel, and stakeholders;
 - (4) the project timeline with milestones; and
 - (5) a budget with expected costs for tasks and milestones.
- (c) By December 1, 2023, the Board of Regents of the University of Minnesota is requested to submit the scope of work to the chairs and ranking minority members of the house of representatives and senate committees and divisions with jurisdiction over environment and natural resources.