# WILD WATER COMMISSION

COMMISSION HISTORY AND MEMBERSHIP

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- Commission History
- Members and Membership
- Capital Build (and Future Upgrades)
- Governance and Mission
- Operations
- Becoming a Member
- Advantages to Membership
- Questions

### A HISTORY OF WILD WATER

2003

Water for Life Strategy

(New Grant Opportunity) 2008

Commission **Formed** (RSA by MO) 2016

Phase I Complete (Stony to Wabamun)

2021

Phase III Complete (Wabamun to Entwistle)

2024

Phase V Started (AB to Darwell)

2005

Security)

First Significant Conceptualizatio n (Regional Priority Water

2011

First Business Plan

2018

Phase II Complete (North to Onoway/AB/Ale xis)

2023

Phase IV Complete (Sandy/Naka./R **Future:** 

2026 - Ph V Commissioned 2027-30 Upgrades **Expansion** and Infill

#### MEMBERS AND MEMBERSHIP

#### 19 Founding Members:

2 Counties

1 Town

2 Villages

14 Summer Villages

2 First Nations

(\*Wabamun Dissolution = 2018 Current Members).

#### **Prospective Members:**

Alexander FN

Silver Sands

South View

# Rights, Duties, and Obligations

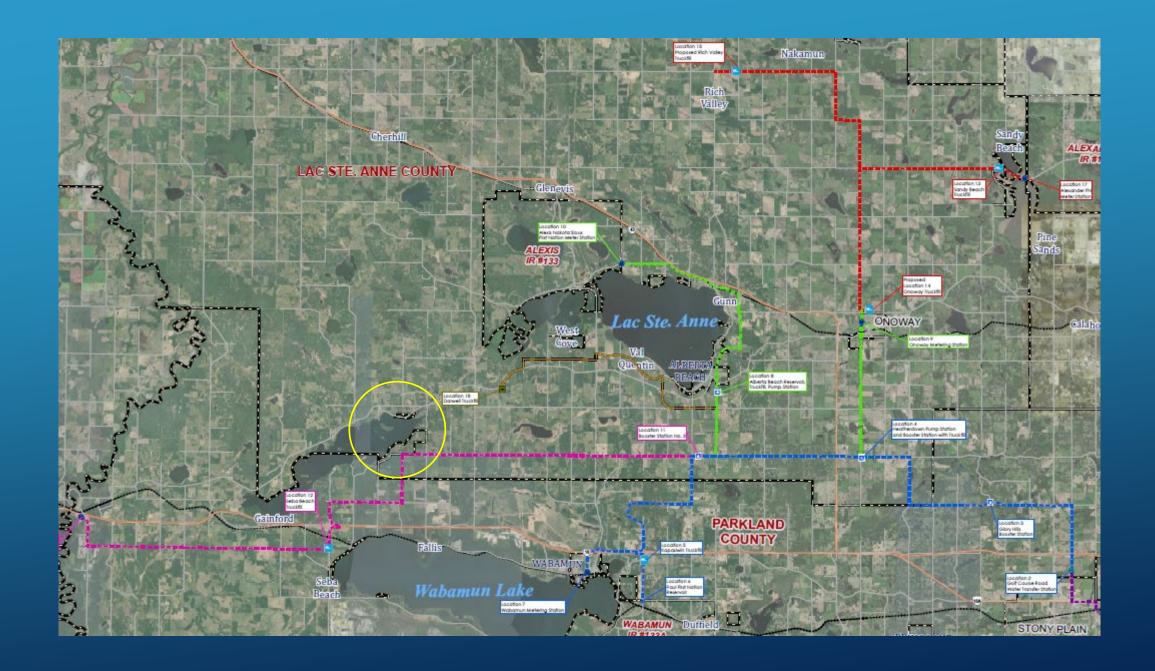
"Ownership" in the Regional Service Commission

Obligation to Cover Capital Build (I-V), Other Costs

Right to Appoint Representatives, Engage, Right to Enter Water Supply Agreement.

## CAPITAL BUILDS

- "Original Build" What the Members (via the Business Plan) Agreed to Cost Share
  - ullet Phase I, Phase II, Phase IV, Phase IV  $\sim$  \$82 Million in Capital
  - Transmission Lines, Booster Stations, Mechanical and Truck Fills
  - Member 10%, Debenture/Capital Costs
- "Future Builds" Expands and Upgrades
  - Envisioned as "Commission Capital Projects" No New Member Obligations
  - ullet What Upgrades? ... Storage, Pumps, Twinning Lines and Mechanical ( $\sim$ \$40 Million)



# GOVERNANCE AND MISSION

- Regional Service Commission
  - Similar to a Municipality, But Different
- Board of Directors, Administration, Operations
  - Guided by the (Revised) Business Plan
- Bylaws, Policies, Agreements, and Regulations
  - A Utility Service (Not a Political Operation)
- 2025 Business Plan Clarifies the Mission and Focus to Meet the Mission (Page 30 + Strategic Actions)
  - Capital Build .... Supply Water .... Secure Allocations
- Member Focused

# OPERATIONS: SYSTEM HIGHLIGHTS

+200KM of Transmission Line (Monitored Daily)

• 8 Truck Fills/Stations, 7 Points of Connection (and Growing)

 Contract Operators, Contract Manager and Admin Staff, Project Managers and Engineering Staff

• ~\$3,000,000/year Operating Budget (2025)

 System Capacity – 2,300,000 Cubic Meters (Expected by 2043)

# JOINING THE COMMISSION

- No Existing Provision for "Customers" Unless Also Members
  - Pressure to Join, Secure Water Supply
- Entry Must Mirror the "Original" Obligations:
  - Resolutions (Or Bylaw) to:
    - Join the Commission and to Adhere to the Business Plan (Principles and Governance);
    - Payment of Capital Cost Commitment (Retroactive assignment Buy-in Bylaw)
    - Designation of Appointment to the Board (for SVs this is via SVLSACE)
- Bylaw 18-2023 New Members Buy-In Bylaw
  - Fees for Application and Capital Costs
- Application, Determination of Water Allocation (25-Year),
  Board Approval, Payment of Fees, Passing of Motions.

# MHA 101Ms

- Water Security
  - (Current and Future Supply Within a Larger Licence)
- Water Quality
  - (Reliable Delivery, City Water ... Better in and Better Out).
- Member Rates (Cash-Needs vs. Utility-Basis Pricing):
  - Economic Incentive to Direct Connection (Rather than Truck Fills, or Private Wells/Supply)
- Engagement and Advocacy Rights:
  - Representation, Influence in Mandate/Strategic Priorities
  - Ex. SVs Reps Tweak Business Plan to Prioritize Water Quality/Watershed Initiatives
- Improve Local Services
  - Preserve Local Assets and Amenities



Questions? Need More Info?

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