### PHASE 2: POPE/DOUGLAS SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT Advanced Material Recovery Facility

Creating a model Greater MN unified waste diversion, recycling and composting system to meet the growing regional needs of 8 counties.

## **Project Summary**

 Applicant Pope/Douglas Solid Waste Management (Government Joint Powers)
Project Partners Counties of Douglas, Pope, Otter Tail, Grant, Stevens, Stearns, Benton, Sherburne
Project Location Alexandria (Central Minnesota)
Total Project Cost \$19,508,200
Requested Bonding Amount \$12,833,000
Local Contribution \$6,675,200

### **Phase 2 Description**

This project will retrofit and expand the existing waste diversion/recycling processing facility - including problem material management and emerging waste/recycling programs.

This is a shovel-ready project designed to replace aging and undersized public infrastructure with flexibility built in to meet the needs of the community for the next 30+ years.

Project will reduce GHG emissions by 20,400 tons CO2e per year which is the equivalent of removing 4,430 cars off the road.

# Material Recovery Facility

### Retrofit and Expand Existing Regional Front-end Materials Recovery/Waste Diversion Facility.

- Facility pre-sorts/processes all incoming wastes removing recyclable and problem materials.
- Improved safety for residents, haulers and employees.
- Robotics and enhanced equipment will recover additional recyclables from the incoming raw garbage.
- Design for diverting 8% of raw garbage as recycling (up from current 2.5%).
- Plan for flexibility to incorporate equipment upgrades.
- Process more materials.





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### Materials Recovery Facility Expansion & Renovation

### **Project Scope**

- Construct a transfer station and material recovery facility.
- Current processing facility in front of the WTE facility has a low recovery rate and is in need of a major equipment upgrade.
- The current facility processes 70-85% of incoming MSW and has a recovery rate of 2.5%. The upgraded facility would have an estimated recovery rate of over 8%. The equipment will also be able to recover additional plastics and problem materials.
- Allow flexibility to process up to 18,000 tons per year of Single Sort Recycling (Curbside Collected Material).
- Waste abatement and processing MSW to remove recyclables coincides with our current solid waste plan.
- Multiple counties already partner/contract with Pope/ Douglas for the processing of their MSW.
- Project will be supported by tipping fees, recovered material sales, solid waste fees, local match and state capital.

### Details

- Tons to be Processed: 79,000 and recovering 6,400 tons of recycled material, not including organics. (An increase of 4,400 tons)
- Operating Capacity: 79,000 tons per year

# **MPCA Waste Hierarchy**

This project supports Minnesota's Waste Hierarchy through recycling, waste diversion and organics composting – reducing the need for Waste to Energy processing or landfilling of materials.



# Thank you! Phase 1 Update

# Glacial Ridge Composting Facility

- Source Separated Organics Processing
- Yard Waste Management
- Reduces GHG by 1,320 tons of CO2e per year.



### **Environmental Center** Projected Opening Spring 2024

- Household Hazardous Waste
- Problem Materials
- Waste/Recycling Education

