

Monticello, MN Water Treatment Plant

Sales Tax Exemption Request



HF 2132

SF 3016

Monticello's municipal drinking water meets regulatory requirements, but our municipal wells have manganese levels above the Minnesota Department of Health's recommended health guidelines. In 2020 and 2024, MDH issued a Health Risk Advisory for Monticello.

To best serve the community, the City needs to construct a Water Treatment Plant.

COST & TIMELINE

\$ Tax Exemption Request
\$22.5 Million (estimated materials cost)
\$45 Million (estimated total project cost)

Funding

State of Minnesota: \$11 Million
Local Funds: \$34 Million

📅 Purchase Period
2025 - 2029

LOCAL FINANCIAL IMPACTS

- Among regional peer communities, Monticello has the lowest median and mean household incomes (*City of Monticello 2023 Housing Needs Study*).
- Larger percentages of Monticello's population fall into low-income categories when compared with county level data (*City of Monticello 2023 Housing Needs Study*).
- The utility rate increase required to fund the project is estimated at 65%. Without additional assistance, this would be a significant burden on Monticello's utility rate payers.

A CENTRALIZED SOLUTION

The City is working to improve drinking water by addressing manganese levels. The well with the highest levels is offline, and a study recommends constructing a centralized treatment facility. Our goal is safe, reliable water residents can trust.



Preliminary Design

