

# **SOUTH DEERFIELD WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT**

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## **BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS - ANNUAL REPORT** ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING – JUNE 3, 2026

The South Deerfield Water Supply District Commissioners are pleased to report that FY2026 has been another year of strong progress and continued productivity for the District.

In addition to maintaining a full schedule of routine operations and maintenance, the District completed several important capital improvements and system upgrades during the past fiscal year. These efforts included the installation of a new boiler and computer system upgrades at the Roaring Brook Filtration Plant. The District also purchased a brush-hog attachment for its excavator, enhancing our ability to manage vegetation and maintain infrastructure.

A major undertaking this year was the full cleaning of the lagoons at the filtration plant—an extensive project funded at last year’s Annual District Meeting. In addition, the District was awarded a Safety Grant from MIIA, which enabled the purchase of new traffic safety cones, signage, and hydraulic shoring equipment to further support safe operations. The District was also pleased to waive fees in support of the Town of Deerfield’s municipal offices project on Sugarloaf Street.

In preparation for the upcoming fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, the Commissioners have developed a prudent and carefully balanced FY2027 budget for voter consideration. The proposed budget is level-funded while continuing to prioritize infrastructure improvements. Notably, the District will make the final debt payment for the Eastern Avenue and Graves Street water main replacement project, eliminating all outstanding District debt. The budget also increases investment in new water meters, with all replacements utilizing the latest cellular technology.

The Board of Water Commissioners extends its sincere gratitude to our state, local, and private partners, as well as to our dedicated team of Water Operators, Superintendent, and staff, whose daily efforts ensure the reliable delivery of water to the community.

The South Deerfield Water Supply District remains committed to providing a safe and dependable water supply and appreciates the continued support of our residents and business community.

Respectfully Submitted,

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