

NOTICE OF PROJECT PLAN PUBLIC HEARING

The Gogebic-Iron Wastewater Authority (GIWA) will hold a public hearing on the proposed Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements project for the purpose of receiving comments from interested persons.

The hearing will be held at 8 a.m. on Thursday, May 12, 2022 at the following location:

City of Ironwood Memorial Building Auditorium
213 S Marquette St.
Ironwood, MI 49938

The purpose of the proposed project is to complete improvements to the existing wastewater treatment facility to provide performance to meet present day regulatory standards, to replace outdated and deteriorated treatment systems, and minimize long term operation costs.

Project construction will involve improvements to the following wastewater treatment facility components:

- Headworks: Screw Pumps, Grit Classifier with Cyclone Unit, Septage Receiving Station
- Primary Treatment: Collector Mechanisms, Sludge Pumping, Mixing System
- Oxidation Ditches: Optimize Configuration Including Drives, Rehab Covers
- Final Treatment: RAS/WAS Pumping Improvements, Collector Mechanisms
- Chemical Building: Optimize Disinfection
- Digesters: Pumping Improvements, Covers
- Administrative Building: Rehab of Mechanical Systems, Sludge Handling
- Electrical: Electrical Throughout Plant, Generator

Impacts of the proposed project include short term construction related impacts and financial impacts to the wastewater system users. No significant long term adverse impacts are anticipated on either cultural or environmentally sensitive resources.

The estimated cost to users for the proposed project will be approximately \$25,208,000 total project costs with costs to individual users dependent on the level and type of project financing that can be secured for the project. The Authority intends to pursue project financing with the goal of minimizing impact to the system users.

Copies of the plan detailing the proposed project are available for inspection on Monday, April 11, 2022 at the following location, on Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.:

GIWA Wastewater Treatment Facility
700 W Cloverland Dr
Ironwood, MI 49938

and electronically on GIWA's website: <https://gogebicironwwa.org/>

Written comments received before the hearing record is closed on 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 will receive responses in the final project plan.

Written comments should be sent to:

GIWA Wastewater Treatment Facility
ATTN: Jeff Wasley
700 W Cloverland Dr
Ironwood, MI 49938