#### **KWA Historical Review**



# 1999 – Talk of Building our own Pipeline Begins

**Ken Hardin – then Genesee County Drain Commissioner** 

and

**Woodrow Stanley – then Mayor of Flint** 

Begin discussions to separate from Detroit and build a joint pipeline.

#### 2001

# Detroit/DWSD Contract Expires with Flint

#### August 14, 2003

Massive Blackouts Sweep Across the United States

Shuts Down DWSD's System

Cuts off Water to Flint and Genesee County for Several Days

#### Exhaustive and Comprehensive Feasibility and Reliability Studies

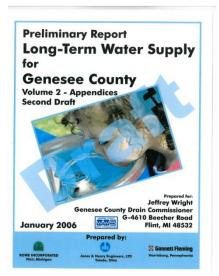
2004 - 2006

**Genesee County and Flint studied all water options** 

For the safety of our residents, a second pipeline had to be

built

- Reliability
- Redundancy



#### 2006-2008

Flint and Genesee County entered into negotiations with DWSD

DWSD realized for the public's health and safety, a second pipeline had to be built.

Our Goal was to build this pipeline as a partnership with Detroit.

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# Detroit

Extension from Orion Township to Flint may cost current customers hundreds of millions of dollars.

BY ROBERT SNELL The Detroit News

ter and Sewerage Department on tem and potentially siphon away Tuesday proposed a major water- customers who are dissatisfied line extension that will stretch with spending and rate hikes in from northern Oakland County to Detroit's system. Flint, potentially opening up large rural areas to development.

dollars and be paid for by water the punch." and sewer customers across proposed route.

originally was proposed to be would ensure consistent water built in 2040 but was moved up to increase reliability, officials said. Please see Water, Page 7A

Critics, however, say it's because a rival study is under way that DETROIT - The Detroit Wa- would establish a new water sys-

"That is a bombshell," said Independence Township Trustee The project - the largest sys- Dan Kelly, whose community is tem expansion since the 1970s - along the pipeline's path. "Sounds will cost several hundred million like they're trying to beat them to

Detroit leaders say a new water southeast Michigan instead of line to Flint - along with an \$85 merely by communities along the million, 25-mile water line between Orion Township and Ro-The roughly 35-mile water line meo also announced Tuesday -

#### Water

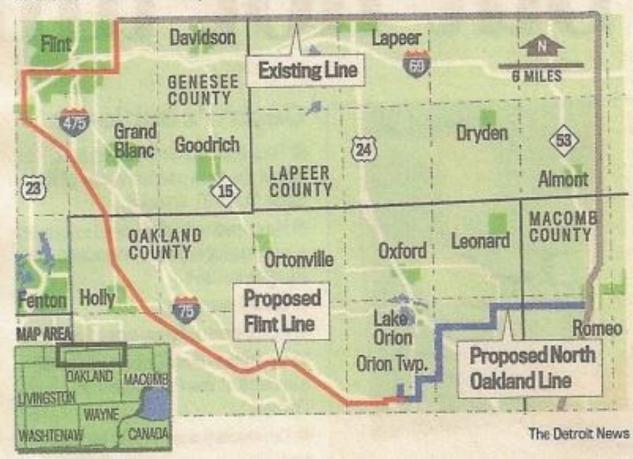
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pressure. It also would provide a backup system in case of breaks or a catastrophe such as the 2003 blackout, which left portions of the service area without water.

The department will solicit design plans by December. Construction contracts would need approval by the Detroit City Council and the department's Board of Water Commissioners. Construction could start in two years, Director Victor Mercado said.

The cost would be shared by all customers because the new water lines are part of a system-wide imPipe progress

Two proposed water-line extensions would run from Orion Township to Flint and from Orion Township to Romeo. Construction could start as early as 2009.



#### August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009



#### **Governor Jennifer Granholm Approves KWA**

Granholm issues permit numbers 001 and 002 under the Great Lakes Compact – approving the withdraw of 85 million gallons of water per day by KWA from Lake Huron

#### **KWA Environmental Permits**

MDEQ Construction Permit (ACT 399 permit)
National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)
Joint Permit Application MDEQ (State)
Joint Permit Application EPA (Federal)
Floodplains (NREPA Part 31)
Inland Lakes and Streams (NREPA Part 301)
Wetlands (NREPA Part 303)
Threatened and Endangered Species (NREPA Part 365)

#### KWA has always had broad community support



#### KAREGNONDI WATER AUTHORITY SUPPORTERS

- \* State of Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development
- \* Michigan Agri-Business Association
- \* Genesee County Farm Bureau
- \* Lapeer County Farm Bureau
- \* Sanilac County Farm Bureau
- \* St. Clair County Farm Bureau
- \* Senator Mike Green (R)
- \* Senator Phil Pavlov (R)
- \* Senator Jim Ananich (D)
- \* Representative Pam Faris (D)
- \* Representative Richard E. Hammel (D)
- \* Representative Charles Smiley (D)
- \* Genesee County Sheriff Robert Pickell (D)
- \* Genesee County Treasurer Deborah Cherry (D)
- \* Genesee County Clerk John Gleason (D)
- \* Genesee Democratic Party
- \* UAW Region 1C Norwood Jewell
- \* Michigan Building Trades
- \* Flint River Watershed Coalition
- \* Holloway Reservoir Homeowner's Association
- \* Sierra Club

- \* McLaren Regional Medical Center
- \* Dee Cramer
- \* DTE
- \* Diplomat Pharmacy
- \* Eastside Business Association
- \* Genesee Regional Chamber of Commerce
- \* Goyette Mechanical Company
- \* Koegel Meats
- \* Landaal Packaging Systems
- \* Management Diversified, Inc.
- \* Merrill Lynch
- \* Security Packaging
- \* Walker Electric
- \* Weinstein Electric

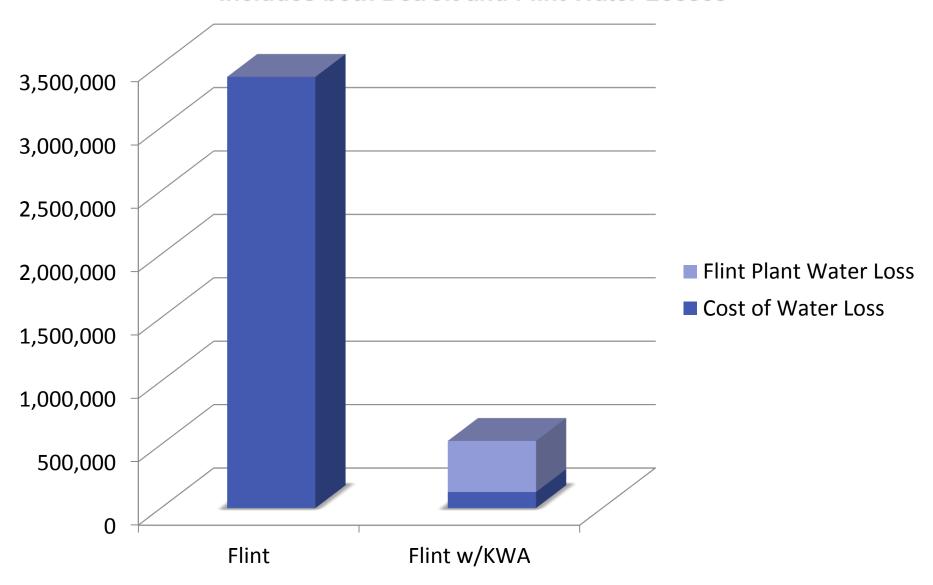
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- \* City of Burton
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- \* City of Davison
- \* City of Fenton
- \* City of Flint
- \* City of Flushing
- \* City of Grand Blanc
- \* City of Imlay City
- \* City of Lapeer
- \* City of Linden
- \* City of Montrose
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- \* Village of Goodrich
- \* Village of Lennon
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#### Water Loss is defined as:

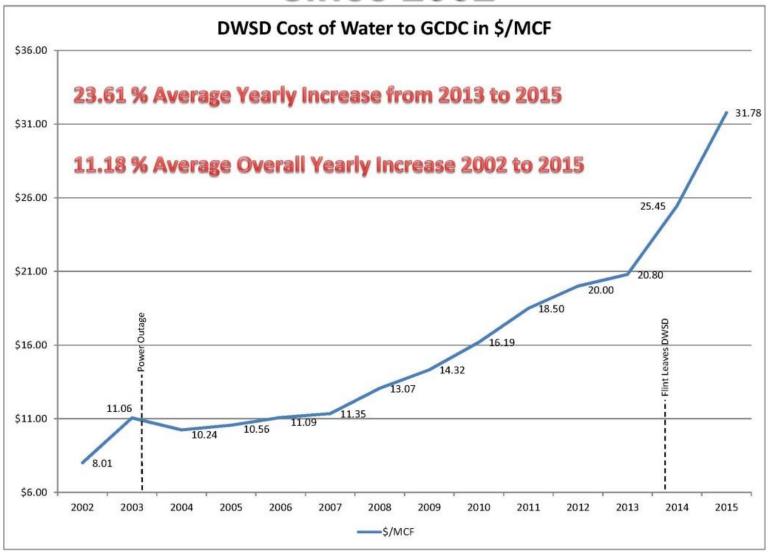
The difference between the water produced at the treatment plant and the water recorded through end user's meter. This includes water for fire protection, water main breaks, inefficiencies in meter devices, and water theft.

#### Water Loss Costs Includes both Detroit and Flint Water Losses

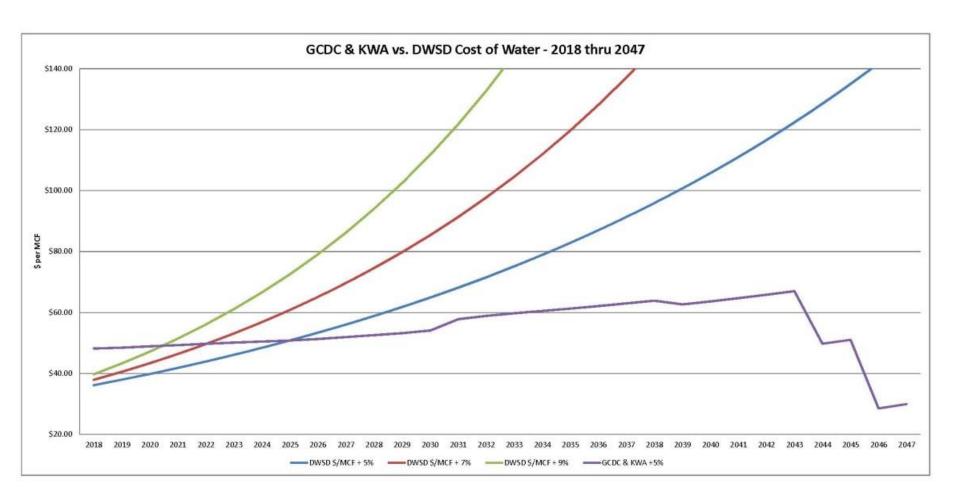


<sup>1.</sup> This is the cost for 2 mgd water loss for Flint.

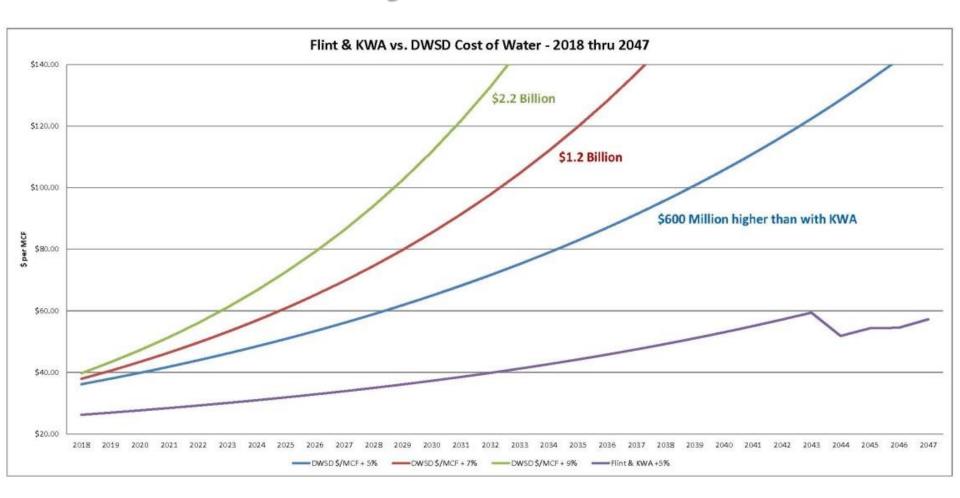
### Detroit has quadrupled the price of water since 2002



#### **Genesee County Resident Cost**



#### Flint City Resident Cost



All in costs to deliver 11 MGD to the distribution system, which includes: Flint Treatment Costs, KWA Charges, and KWA Debt Service

#### **Governor's Task Force Report**

Report suggests KWA should be investigated.

The Task Force itself praises KWA and our vetting process at various points in the report, seemingly contradicting their expressed desire for an investigation.

KWA has already been one of the most highly scrutinized projects in the history of our state, originally being approved under the Granholm administration and the Great Lakes Compact. KWA is a public authority, has been vetted by countless public agencies, its formation discussed at numerous public hearings, and approved by local elected officials in each and every part of our service area. Literally everything relating to KWA is a matter of public record.

## KWA Support Remains Strong Among Flint Residents

 A privately commissioned, independent poll by Practical Political Consulting was conducted February 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> of this month.

Results showed that a majority of Flint residents continue to support KWA, and 69.35% - 30.65% want to connect to KWA instead of paying higher DWSD/GLWA rates.

#### Flint's Longstanding Support of KWA

May 12, 2008 – Resolution to enter into a joint study with Genesee County authorized by Flint City Council.

December 2008 – Professional Services Contract for Joint Feasibility Study with Genesee County authorized by Flint City Council.

Funding Received by KWA from Flint

February 13, 2009 – \$50,000 for study, authorized by Flint City Council

September 29, 2010 – \$100,000 for Lake Huron borings authorized by Flint City Council

April 2010 - Articles of Incorporation Karegnondi Water Authority Approved by Flint City Council

August 1, 2013 - Karegnondi Financing Contract approved by Flint City Council

September 11, 2013 – Resolution Approval of Contract between City of Flint, Genesee County, and Karegnondi Water Authority by Flint City Council

October 1, 2013 - Raw Water Supply Contract approved by Flint City Council

February 20, 2014 – Resolution Approving First Addendum

March 6, 2014 – First Addendum to Water Supply Contract

