

Their water systems crumbling, Minnesota cities seek state help

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Small towns face a 'crisis' of aging water, sewer pipes

Cities across Minnesota are racing to replace aging water pipes, sewer systems

City leaders now are looking to act with aging out-of-eight, out-of-mind infrastructure that, in some cases, has been patched for decades.

By Pam Louwage Star Tribune | NOVEMBER 25, 2017 -- 8:04PM

Sewer problems threaten growth in small towns

by Bob Reha, Minnesota Public Radio October 6, 2004

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Minn. cities say they need \$5 billion to fix aging sewers

Small towns in rural Minnesota struggle to find money to replace sewer, water systems

In rural Minnesota, residents facing economic challenges, opportunities

Posted on Nov 25, 2016 at 9:02 a.m.

Water Across rural Minnesota, water woes threaten to choke small town growth



Water in Southwest Minnesota: It Affects You!

February 12, 2018

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Please join us to discuss, share, and learn about the challenges that rural communities are facing with aging city sewer and water infrastructures. This is an opportunity for elected and appointed officials, city administrators, city maintenance supervisors, and anyone who deals with municipal water and sewer systems to join the Heron Lake Watershed District, City of Currie, and our state legislators to share your concerns, hear about programs available for assistance, and develop a basic understanding of how these issues impact the overall water quality of the West Fork Des Moines River watershed.

Agenda

- 4:00 - 4:20 **Welcome and Introduction**
- 4:20 - 5:15 **Building our Water Context** - Time to share our concerns and what is working well
- 5:15- 5:45 **Working with Our Legislators** - Hear from our legislators about upcoming priorities for small towns
- 5:45 - 6:00 **Citizen Assessment and Values Survey**
- 6:00 - 6:50 **Meal and Presentation**
Karen Terry, U of Minnesota Extension - The Effects of Urban Runoff on a Watershed Scale
SEH Engineering - Small City Sewer and Water Crisis.....Problems, Solutions and Funding
- 6:50 - 7:00 **Closing Remarks**



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