

AMENDING THE DANE COUNTY WATER QUALITY PLAN  
BY REVISING THE PROPOSED APPROACH TO WASTEWATER TREATMENT  
AND DISCHARGE FOR THE CITY OF VERONA

**WHEREAS**, the Dane County Regional Planning Commission has developed, adopted, amended and reaffirmed a Dane County Water Quality Plan, which has been certified as the official areawide water quality management plan for the Dane County region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Dane County Water Quality Plan currently provides for the City of Verona operating a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) discharging to the Sugar River; and

**WHEREAS**, a wastewater facilities plan update for the Verona WWTP has been completed by the Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) and proposes that the Verona WWTP be abandoned and wastewater be transmitted to MMSD's Nine Springs treatment plant for treatment, and highly treated effluent returned to the Sugar River basin to balance the interbasin water transfer; and

**WHEREAS**, the staff of the Dane County Regional Planning Commission have prepared an Environmental Assessment evaluating the impacts of the Verona wastewater management alternatives and have reviewed the MMSD facilities plan update and reached the following conclusions:

- (a) that the facilities planning and environmental assessment support the abandonment of the Verona treatment plant and transmittal of Verona wastewater to MMSD for treatment;
- (b) that the potential long-term adverse impacts of this approach are serious enough that it is extremely important to pursue a strategy of returning or discharging highly treated wastewater to Badger Mill Creek and/or the Sugar River;
- (c) that the alternative recommended by the MMSD facilities plan update to return treated effluent to the Sugar River basin successfully addresses interbasin water transfer concerns and can also reverse adverse hydrologic impacts already evident in Badger Mill Creek; and

**WHEREAS**, the Dane County Regional Planning Commission is on record in support of the alternative recommended in MMSD's Verona facilities plan update, pending further detailed feasibility studies;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that in accordance with §66.945(9) Wis. Stats. and Section 208 of Public Law 92-500 the Dane County Water Quality Plan is amended to reflect the following interim recommendations regarding wastewater management for the City of Verona:

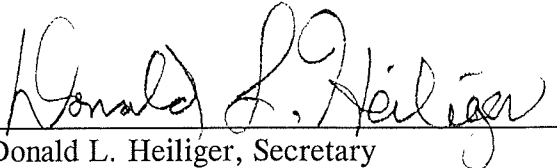
- (1) that the City of Verona continue to be the designated management agency for point source control-collection systems, and the Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District

be designated as the management agency for point source control-treatment for the Verona Urban Service Area;

- (2) that part of the wastewater generated in the Verona Urban Service Area continue to be treated at the Verona treatment plant and discharged to the Sugar River; and
- (3) that the remainder of the wastewater generated in the Verona Urban Service Area be pumped to the Nine Springs treatment plant for treatment and discharge.

May 11, 1995

Date Adopted

  
Donald L. Heiliger, Secretary