#### **Executive Summary**

Item: 2007 - 301

## Environment Committee

Meeting date: September 11, 2007

### For the Metropolitan Council meeting of September 26, 2007

#### ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	September 5, 2007				
Subject:	: Authorization to Acquire Wastewater Treatment Plant Site and Groundwater Recharge Sites for East Bethel Water Reclamation Facility, MCES Project No. 801620				
District(s), Member(s):	9, Natalie Steffen				
Policy/Legal Reference:	: Minnesota Statutes 473.504 and Council Policy 3-3, Expenditures				
Staff Prepared/Presented:	: Bryce Pickart, 651-602-1091				
Division/Department:	MCES c/o William G. Moore, 651-602-1162				

### **Proposed Action/Motion**

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to acquire the wastewater treatment plant site and the groundwater discharge sites for the East Bethel Water Reclamation Facility, MCES Project No. 801620.

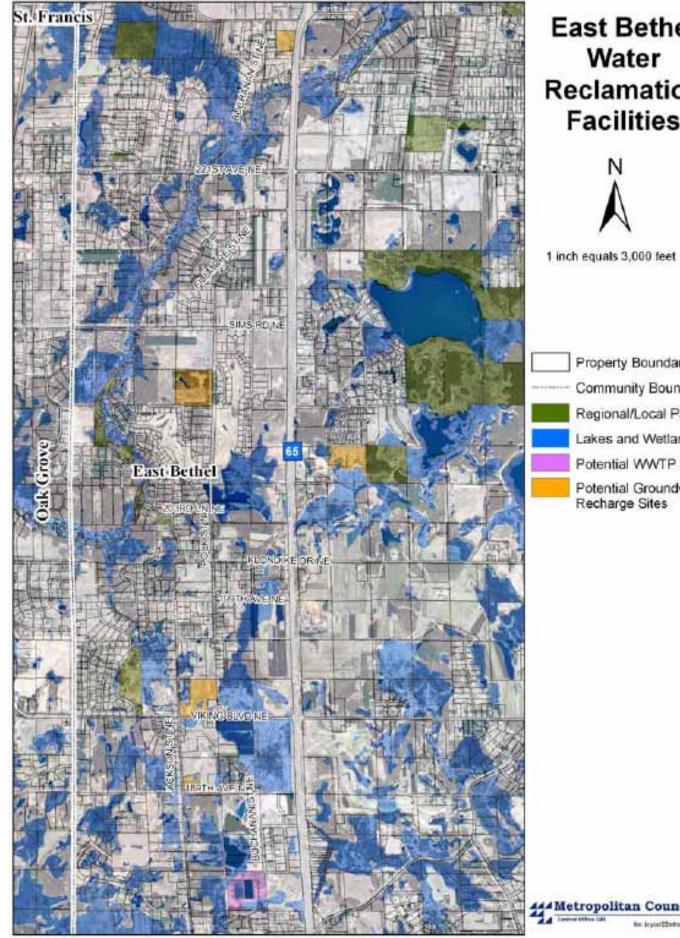
### Issue(s)

• Land acquisition is necessary for implementation of this project. This action delegates authority to the Regional Administrator to negotiate and acquire sites for the appraised value, plus up to \$250,000 in settlement costs for each parcel, per Policy 3-3.

#### **Overview and Funding**

This project will provide wastewater service to the City of East Bethel, using a wastewater treatment plant to produce water suitable for non-potable uses (e.g. irrigation) and to provide a treated water distribution system that incorporates groundwater recharge through dispersed basins in the community. The proposed plant site and five potential groundwater recharge basin sites are shown on the attached map. Geotechnical evaluations have been conducted, and these sites are feasible. Four of the five proposed groundwater recharge sites are government-owned. Acquisition of these sites is necessary, so that the project can proceed into the environmental permitting process and design/construction.

BUDGET INFORMATION							
Annual or	Year Project	Estimated		Unencumbered	Requested		
Capital	Approved	Project Cost	Current Auth.	Funds	Amount		
Capital	2007	\$20,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$2,700,000	\$2,000,000		



# East Bethel Water Reclamation Facilities



Property Boundary Community Boundary Regional/Local Parks Lakes and Wetlands Potential WWTP Site Potential Groundwater Recharge Sites

