

INFO ITEM 2: WATER RESOURCES POLICY PLAN UPDATE

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Water Resources Policy Plan Update

- Process and Schedule
- Thrive outreach summary as related to Water Resources Policy Plan update

Process

2012 Environment Committee briefings

- ✓ Discuss Thrive MSP 2040 connection (Sept.)
- ✓ Update on process and schedule (Nov.)
- ✓ Update on new initiatives (Dec.)

Process

2013 Environment Committee briefings

- ✓ New initiatives
- ✓ Wastewater system plan
- ✓ Wastewater
- ✓ Water supply
- ✓ Water quality/storm water management
- ✓ Review draft plan

Process

2014 Environment Committee briefings

- ✓ Adopt plan for public hearing
- ✓ Hold public meetings around the region
- ✓ Hold public hearing
- ✓ Adopt new plan in May 2014

Thrive MSP 2040 Summary

- Council should be a convener of regionally significant discussions
- Need to collaborate and facilitate discussions on water supply
- One-size fits all does not work
- Coordinate efforts to assure adequate water supply
- Play a role in improving water quality
- Assist with addressing requirements for impaired waters
- Reevaluate SAC program

Next Steps

- New initiatives and policy discussions in December and January