



# Waukesha Water Supply - Section 219

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**Location**

Waukesha, WI

**State(s)**

WI

**Congressional District(s)**

WI-5

**Status**

Project would be executed under the authority of Secion 219 (Environmental Infrastructure). Congressional action would be required to add this project area to the Section 219 authorization.

**Description**

The project entails supplying potable water to the City of Waukesha. The city currently utilizes deep aquifer wells which pump at rates in excess of recharge rates. Additionally, this water source exceeds Safe Drinking Water Act standards for radium. The city has developed and implemented a comprehensive water conservation program, but this still does not address the radium contamination. The City has obtained approval from the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Council (Compact Council) to divert up to 10.1 million gallons of water per day (MGD) from Lake Michigan for municipal use. The diverted water would be returned, after treatment, to the Root River which is a tributary to the Great Lakes Basin. The Diversion was approved by the Compact Council in May 2016, which includes the either Great Lakes States and 2 Canadian provinces.

**Major Work Item (This Fiscal Year)**

Waiting for Authorization

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