



## CARPC Resolution No. 2026-05

### **Recommending to the Wisconsin DNR an Amendment of the *Dane County Water Quality Plan* by Adopting *Policies and Criteria for Sewer Service Area Amendments***

WHEREAS, In March 1975, Dane County was designated by the Governor of Wisconsin as an area that has substantial and complex water quality control problems, and certified such designation to the federal Environmental Protection Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission (CARPC) is a regional planning commission duly created by Executive Order of Governor Jim Doyle in 2007 under Wis. Stats. § 66.0309; and

WHEREAS, CARPC is authorized to carry out a range of planning activities, pursuant to Wis. Stat. §66.0309(8), and contracts with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to conduct areawide water quality management planning for the Dane County region; and

WHEREAS, the *Dane County Water Quality Plan (DCWQP)* is the approved areawide water quality management plan for the Dane County region, first adopted in 1979 and since amended from time to time by recommendation of CARPC and approval by Wisconsin DNR; and

WHEREAS, the review of sewer service area amendments is currently dictated by the [\*Policies and Criteria for the Review of Sewer Service Area Amendments\*](#) (last revised April 13, 2017) and [\*Policies and Criteria for the Review of Minor Sewer Service Area Amendments\*](#) (last revised February 13, 2020); and

WHEREAS, CARPC has prepared the *Policies and Criteria for the Review of Sewer Service Area Amendments* which, upon approval by Wisconsin DNR as an amendment to the *DCWQP*, will replace prior policy documents referenced above; and

WHEREAS, draft materials were distributed and outreach efforts made to all local units of government and interested parties in Dane County during the months of December 2025, and January and February 2026, and a public hearing was held during the Regional Planning Commission meeting on January 8, 2026, to hear testimony on the proposed update.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission recommends approval to the Wisconsin DNR an amendment of the *DCWQP* by adopting Revised Policies and Criteria for the Review of Sewer Service Area Amendments.

March 12, 2026  
Date Adopted

  
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David Pfeiffer, Chairperson

  
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Cynthia Richson, Secretary