

# **EXHIBIT I**

**EGLE**

# Office of the Clean Water Public Advocate

The Office of the Clean Water Public Advocate (OCWPA) was created through Governor Whitmer's [Executive Order 2019-06](#). The Office operates as a type 1 agency within the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) to elevate concerns and has a direct connection to the Governor's Office.

The OCWPA primarily serves as a resource and facilitator of communication between other offices, state agencies, community partners, and the public in issues related to drinking water. Exploring gaps and recommending potential improvements to policies, procedures, and regulations to support the continued improvement of Michigan's drinking water response and regulation is part of what we do as well. The OCWPA also ensures that the public can report drinking water concerns through the statewide concerns reporting system and that those concerns are heard and investigated by the appropriate entity.



# Drinking Water Week<sup>22</sup> May 1-7, 2022

## Drinking Water Week

Michigan recognizes national Drinking Water Week from May 1-7, 2022. Drinking Water Week was established by the American Water Works Association (AWWA) and its partners and provides a unique opportunity for both water professionals and the communities they serve to recognize the vital role water plays in our daily lives.

The Office of the Clean Water Public Advocate (OCWPA) collaborates with other state divisions and agencies in using this week to educate the public on where their drinking water comes from, how to find out about their water quality, and who to contact with concerns.

[Learn more](#) >





## Benton Harbor Drinking Water Response

Learn about lead service line replacement, water testing results, and other information about on-going efforts in Benton Harbor.

[Learn more](#) >



## Drinking Water Concerns

The online drinking water concern system was developed to provide Michigan residents with an additional channel to submit their water quality concerns to EGLE or their Local Health Department (LHD).

[Report a drinking water concern](#) >

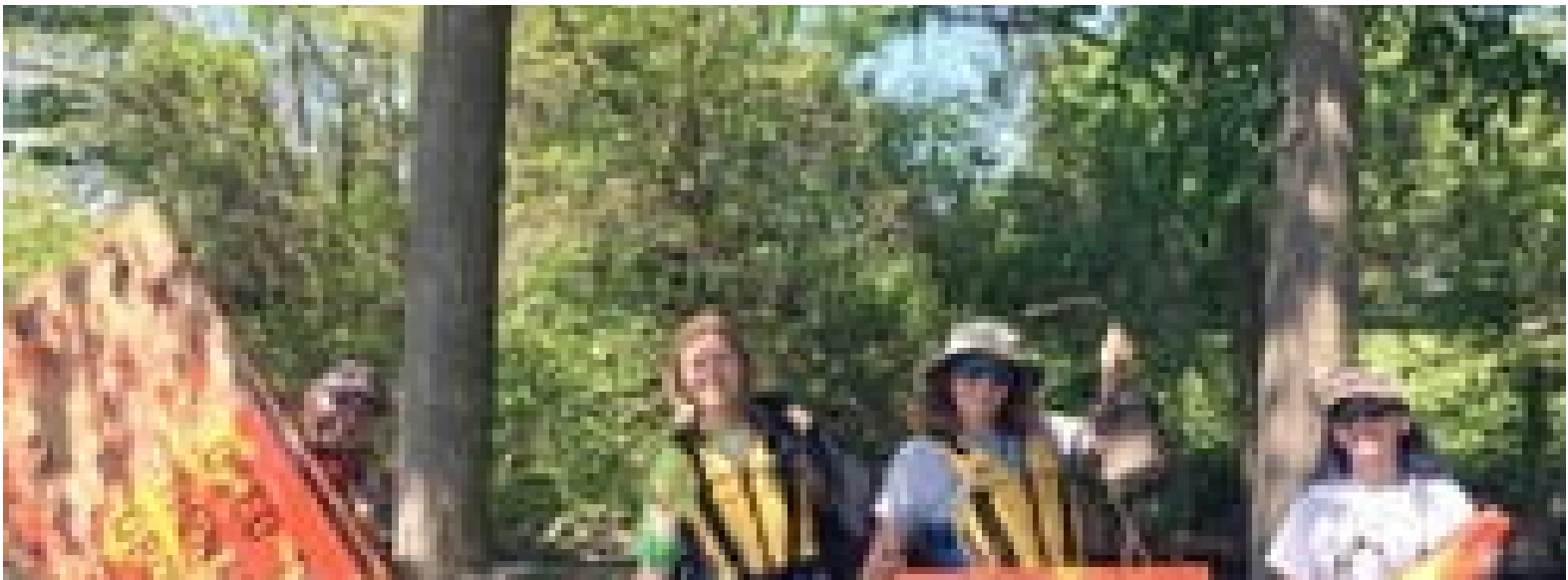




## Water Assistance

If you are having a hard time paying your water or other utility bills, there may be help. Michigan 2-1-1 is an easy way to connect with help of all kinds, right in your community. Need help with food, housing, or paying bills? Need support in a family crisis or community disaster? **We're here for you. Any time. All the time.** Just call, text, or search online and we'll get you connected.

Visit [MI211.org](https://MI211.org) >





## Get Involved

Here are a few ways that you can lend your voice to improve water quality in Michigan.

**Become an Ambassador**

**Participate in Public Meetings**

**Advocate for Policy Change**



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