



## Memorandum

**To:** City of Bellevue Common Council

**From:** Chris Johnson, Public Works Director

**Re:** Amended Drinking Water Facility Plan

**Date:** 23 March 2026

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### Background

The common Council approved the “Technically Approved Draft (approved by DEO 12.22.2023) Drinking Water Facility Plan” at the September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Common Council meeting. After surveying the easements and Points of Diversion location and after consulting our Water Attorney Chris Bromley along with opposition from the landowner it was recommended that the project adjust the scope of work that involved upgrading or relocating the spring collection sites be altered to rehabilitating the current collection system and focus on the transmission lines and IDEQ Compliance components. It was discussed that if the location was changed or modified the water rights would possibly need modification and could change the priority date of the water right. After reviewing the available flow data, the current collection system exceeds the City’s 3 CFS water rights and will meet the flows as outlined in the project. IDEQ has requested that a majority of the council acknowledge and accept the changes to the Drinking Water Facility Plan prior to their final approval.

### Recommendation and Next Steps

I recommend that the Council accept the highlighted changes to the Drinking Water Facility Plan.

### Enclosures

1. Drinking Water Facility Plan with Highlighted Changes.