

constructing a new water facility.

g. The proposed water diversion project would help stabilize the fluctuating high water levels adversely affecting shoreline property owners.

h. The primary purpose of the proposed water diversion project is to advance an environmentally beneficial activity (e.g. energy conservation, recycling, etc.)

i. The proposed water diversion project would open the Great Lakes to increased world shipping, economically stimulating the region as a whole.

j. The proposed water diversion project would involve the transfer of Great Lakes water from one Great Lake to another in order to reduce water transportation costs, bypassing a Great Lake in the process.

k. The proposed water diversion project would increase the ability of the benefitting community to handle anticipated future growth.

l. The proposed water diversion project would be used for agricultural irrigation purposes in order to enhance the ability of the benefitting area to increase its agricultural productivity or the variety of crops able to be grown in that area.

m. The proposed water diversion project would economically enhance a general industry associated with the Great Lakes region, such as the hydroelectric power, transportation and navigation, or recreational/sports industries.

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Among the non governmental stakeholder groups, there was consensus by both Canadian and Michigan survey respondents that scenarios would influence their organization's position on water diversion projects:

(a) The proposed water diversion project was developed to address dangerous, natural contamination of public water supplies and there is no feasible water supply alternative.

(b) The proposed water diversion project was developed to address dangerous, man-made contamination of public drinking water supplies and there is no feasible water supply alternative.

Only Canadian governmental groups agreed that (a) would affect their organization's water diversion policy, while Michigan and Canadian governmental groups indicated that three different scenarios would affect their organization's water diversion policy: