### WATER UTILITY BOARD MEETING: 11/23/2021 UNIT WELL 19 TREATMENT PROJECT

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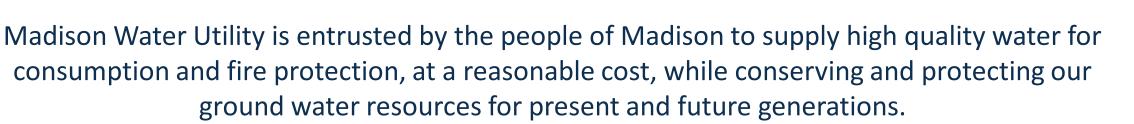


### PROJECT OBJECTIVES



- 1. **Reduce** iron, manganese, and radium levels at Well 19 through wellhead filtration
- 2. Improve water quality to optimize use of this critically important supply point
- 3. Upgrade the pumps and electronic controls for more energyefficient operations

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### LOCATION & BACKGROUND: WELL 19



Constructed in 1974, it includes a well house and buried 3-million gallon reservoir



The buried reservoir: facing south



The well house: facing north



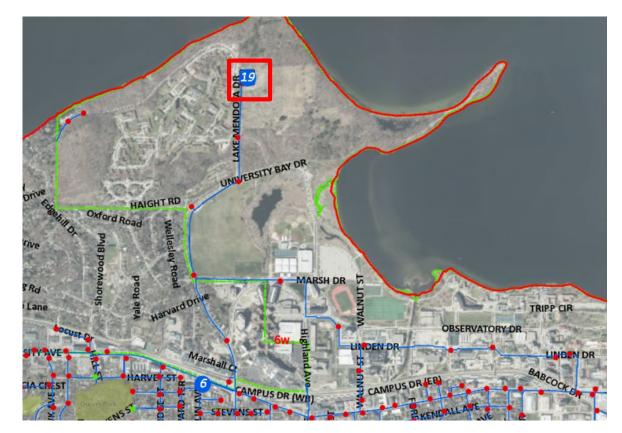
The well house entrance: facing west

# LOCATION & BACKGROUND: WELL 19



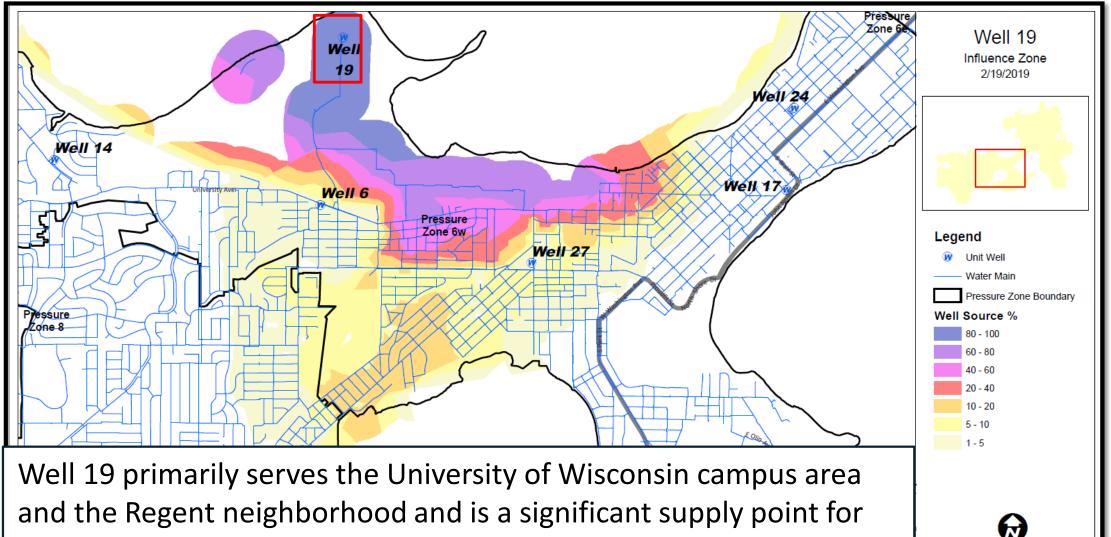
The facility is situated on an easement on University of Wisconsin-Madison property







• 26% of annual capacity is utilized due to poor water quality



the entire near west side of Madison

## PROJECT NEED / JUSTIFICATION

- Well 19 water quality does not meet MWU Water Utility Board standards
- Radium & manganese periodically exceed primary and secondary MCL, respectively
- Unable to maximize use of facility due to poor water quality, risk of regulatory non-compliance

Contaminant Primary M (Enforceab		Secondary MCL (Non-Enforceable)	Water Utility Board Policy	August 2021 Results		
Radium	5 pCi/L		4 pCi/L	4.1 pCi/L*		
Manganese		50 μg/L	20 µg/L	46 µg/L		
Iron		0.3 mg/L	0.1 mg/L	0.23 mg/L		

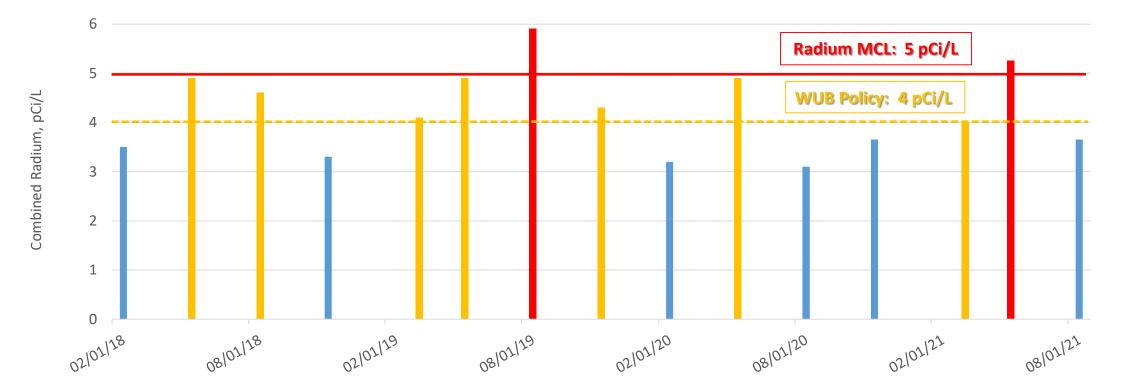
\* Running Annual Average

### WATER QUALITY CONSIDERATIONS

Radium: Two Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) Exceedances in Recent Years (red bars);

Three Results Just Below the MCL and Four Others Above the WUB Policy (orange bars)

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### WATER QUALITY CONSIDERATIONS

#### Monthly manganese level ( $\mu g/L$ ) at Well 19

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	<u>KEY</u>
2018	56	42	47	47	44	45	36	43	45	47	45	47	>SMCL
2019	50	54	46	46	39	37	40	41	37	46	42	47	>WUB
2020	43	51	48	41	45	39	43	38	42	37	50	48	
2021	46	44	47	47	48	44	44	46	48				

- Five Secondary MCL exceedances (shaded brown) since 2018
- **100%** of monthly samples since 2018 have exceeded the WUB policy



### WATER QUALITY CONSIDERATIONS

#### Monthly iron level (mg/L) at Well 19

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	<u>KEY</u>
2018	0.20	0.20	0.21	0.21	0.20	0.21	0.20	0.20	0.21	0.20	0.20	0.20	>SMCL
2019	0.20	0.23	0.20	0.20	0.19	0.20	0.19	0.20	0.18	0.22	0.22	0.21	>WUB
2020	0.19	0.22	0.21	0.21	0.19	0.18	0.20	0.18	0.20	0.20	0.22	0.21	
2021	0.22	0.21	0.23	0.22	0.23	0.22	0.23	0.23	0.23				

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### PROJECT BACKGROUND

- Original Request for Proposals (RFP) authorized by WUB in July 2017
  - MWU envisioned design (2018) and construction (2019)
  - Lack of funding suspended project after pilot testing and conceptual design completed (early 2019)
- Consultant considered **5 alternatives**: Source water blending, Pyrolusite Filtration, reverse osmosis, ion exchange, and lime softening
- Recommended Pyrolusite Filtration
  - Reduces iron and manganese by >90% and radium by 30-50%.
  - Space will be added for **Hydrous Manganese Oxide** (HMO) feed system, if needed in the future, to further reduce radium levels

### PROJECT COST AND FUNDING



PROJECT ITEMS	2022	2023	TOTAL	
Estimated Project Costs	\$ Millions	\$ Millions	\$ Millions	
- Design	0.9	0.0	0.9	
- Construction	<u>0.0</u>	<u>6.7</u>	<u>6.7</u>	
Total	<u>0.9</u>	<u>6.7</u>	<u>7.6</u>	
Estimated Funding Source				
- MWU Construction Fund Balance	<u>0.9</u>	<u>6.7</u>	<u>7.6</u>	

### PROJECT SCHEDULE



- RFP & Consultant Selection: Nov 2021 to Feb 2022
- Preliminary Design Development: Mar 2022 to Jun 2022
- Final Design Development: Jul 2022 to Jan 2023
- Bidding & Construction Contract Award: Feb 2023 to Mar 2023
- Construction: May 2023 to May 2024

### **REQUESTED ACTION**

Authorization to advertise for engineering consulting services for the design and construction of a filtration system, and other facility upgrades, at Well 19







# QUESTIONS?

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