

# City of Plymouth

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#### Organization

The City of Plymouth is the 7<sup>th</sup> largest city in Minnesota with a population of 78,351. It provides water to its residents and businesses from three aquifers and two water treatment plants.

#### **Intern Project**

Perform an audit on the city's water distribution system and make recommendations regarding water management practices. Identify opportunities to reduce water usage in the city's irrigation systems and multifamily buildings.

#### **Incentives to Change**

The city consumes nearly 3 billion gallons of water per year. Average monthly water consumption nearly doubles in the summer months, which puts additional strain on the aquifers.



## Solutions

Implement a policy for regular customer meter testing to improve data validity of future water audits.

Optimize irrigation schedule with soil moisture sensors and/or basic evapotranspiration calculations.

Retrofit fixtures in multifamily buildings to reduce domestic water consumption

