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25 BY 25 UPDATE

The League of MN Women Voters coordinated a Community Water Meeting on Tuesday, August 29, 2017 at the Anoka Ramsey Community College at 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. The meeting was set up to provide feedback to Governor Mark Dayton on Minnesota's 25% by 2025 Water Quality Improvement Goal. The Governor is going around the state asking people how we can reach this goal together, and what our priority actions should be. The Governor is hosting ten regional Town Hall meetings across the state in addition to locally coordinated Community Water Meetings such as the one on Tuesday, August 29, 2017.

The meeting included a brief introduction by Gretchen Sabel, Chair of the League on MN Women Voters, an explanation of what the Governor's 25% by 2025 initiative is about by Anna Henderson, Water Advisor at the Governor's office and Bruce Bomier, Environmental Resource Council discussed the importance of water quality for the State of MN.

Once the speakers were finished, people sat at their tables and worked together addressing questions provided by the table's facilitator. The questions were geared towards finding out what are the biggest problems facing water quality, what actions can be taken at the individual, community, state and federal levels and what are the top barriers in reaching the goal and what support is needed to overcome them.

Unfortunately, there wasn't enough time to hear about the discussions at each table. The comments from the meeting will be submitted to the Environmental Quality Board along with the comments from all of the other meetings and used to determine the 25% goals and top 10 proposed ideas for actionable steps or policy. This will be presented in a report sometime this winter.

More information is available at

<https://www.eqb.state.mn.us/sites/default/files/documents/4%20Metro%20MN%20-Toolkit-25by25-FINAL.pdf>