

Athens-Clarke County Public Utilities Department
2025 Capital Improvements Element

Project
1-301

Project Name

Future Drinking Water Regulations
Treatment

Project Category

Public Health
Regulatory Requirement

Project Cost

\$9,200,000

Key Elements

1. Design and Construction of a Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) filter retrofit.



Project Description

- Characterize raw water quality from three separate sources of supply (Middle Oconee River, North Oconee River and Bear Creek Reservoir) for taste and odor, contaminants of emerging concern (CECs), and PFAS compounds.
- Design and construct GAC filter. This includes any ancillary equipment needed to meet future regulations and permit requirements.

Additional Notes

The ancillary equipment has not been identified, but during the design phase of the project, the Public Utilities Department will explore all available options to meet future regulations and permit requirements such as those for PFAS and Lead & Copper Compliance. As the project develops, the design including all equipment, will be presented to the Mayor & Commission. Raw water testing results are available to the public. Please email savewater@accgov.com to request raw water results.