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## **Four State Revolving Fund loans awarded for water and sanitary sewer projects**

BISMARCK, N.D. - The State Revolving Fund (SRF) programs, jointly administered by the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality and the North Dakota Public Finance Authority, awarded four loans for water and sanitary sewer projects in June 2023.

- **Bismarck** received a \$45 million Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan to replace the existing Hay Creek Interceptor sewer, relocate the Hay Creek lift station and construct a new gravity sewer connection, and construct a new force main from the lift station to the existing sewer on Airport Road. These changes will increase capacity to safely handle projected flows. The city also received a \$2 million Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loan to replace lead service lines, reducing a potential source of lead in drinking water.
- **Galesburg** received a \$606,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan towards a project to connect all households to rural water, which will provide a safe, reliable source of drinking water for all residents.
- **Milnor** received a \$119,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan to update and incorporate the existing supervisory control system for the pump station into the water control system and upgrade the pump station's light fixtures and electrical system. This project will provide operational flexibility and ensure reliable drinking water for residents.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency provides part of the SRF programs' funding, which offers below-market interest rate loans to political subdivisions for financing projects authorized under the Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act. SRF programs operate nationwide to provide funding to maintain and improve the infrastructure that protects our vital water resources.

Loans are awarded to projects listed on the project priority list based on project eligibility determined by the Department of Environmental Quality and the Public

Finance Authority's review of repayment ability. The Public Finance Authority is overseen by the North Dakota Industrial Commission, consisting of Governor Doug Burgum as chairman, Attorney General Drew H. Wrigley, and Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring. Please contact the Department of Environmental Quality at [ndsrf@nd.gov](mailto:ndsrf@nd.gov) regarding specific detail on any of the projects mentioned above.

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