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## **Three 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 three loans for water and sanitary sewer projects in the last two months.

- **Berthold** received a \$1,050,000 Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan and a \$731,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loan towards a project to improve or replace the community's water and sanitary sewer mains along Main Street. This project will reduce emergency repairs and improve system reliability.
- **Fargo** received a \$6,400,000 DWSRF loan for the rehabilitation of their existing gravity filters in the water treatment plant and the installation of new granular activated carbon media and filter underdrains. This project will assist with meeting current drinking water standards and addressing emerging contaminants.

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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