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State Revolving Fund programs award six loans for water and 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, have awarded six loans for water, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer projects since August.

- **Dickinson** was awarded a \$2 million loan from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) towards Phase 2 construction of Sims Street Improvements, which includes sanitary and storm sewer upgrades from the south side of Interstate 94 to 10th Street. The city also secured a \$2 million Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loan to replace lead service lines, reducing a potential lead source in drinking water. Another DWSRF loan of \$1.6 million was also approved towards replacing cast-iron water mains, providing safe water transmission for residents.
- **Arthur** received a \$550,000 CWSRF loan to install a new inlet structure for the wastewater treatment pond and to replace the sanitary sewer force main from the main lift station to the primary wastewater treatment pond. This project will reduce repairs and improve system reliability.
- **Carpio** received a \$5.5 million CWSRF loan towards the wastewater treatment plant replacement and sanitary sewer improvements to help the city meet discharge requirements and reduce repairs.
- **Jamestown** was granted a \$1.9 million CWSRF loan to replace the existing lime sludge filter presses and install two settling treatment basins. These basins will allow the settling of materials in reclaimed backwash and filter press effluent, allowing for the recycling of water back to the head water treatment plant conserving aquifer resources.

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 regarding specific detail on any of the projects mentioned above.

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