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Clean water and drinking water loans support North Dakota communities

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 ten loans to support critical water infrastructure in June and July.

- **Colfax** was awarded a \$1.3 million Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan to construct a new sanitary lift station. The city also received a \$1 million CWSRF loan for a stormwater retention pond and sanitary sewer main to serve the Colfax Reserve First Addition. These projects will improve the safe transmission of wastewater and stormwater for residents.
- **Elgin** received a \$442,000 CWSRF loan and a \$668,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loan to replace nine blocks of water main and rehabilitate its sanitary sewer system.
- **Fargo** was granted a \$20 million CWSRF loan and a \$20 million DWSRF loan to replace aging water, sanitary sewer and stormwater infrastructure, which will reduce the need for repairs and improve system reliability. These improvements will occur in conjunction with planned roadway reconstruction projects.
- **Grand Forks** was awarded a \$10.9 million CWSRF loan and a \$1.7 million DWSRF loan to install water, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer systems, including a stormwater pond, pump station, and forcemain to serve properties in the Korynta-Lemm Sixth Resubdivision. This project will support safe delivery of drinking water and effective management of wastewater and stormwater.
- **Mapleton** received a \$10.6 million CWSRF loan to install a new lift station and approximately five miles of 14-inch wastewater forcemain to connect to West Fargo's wastewater system. Wastewater will ultimately be treated at the Fargo Regional Water Reclamation Facility. Joining the regional system will reduce costs and improve service.

- **Napoleon** was granted a \$975,000 DWSRF loan to install new water main and connect 11 properties currently served by wells to the city water distribution system. Once linked to the rural water system, the community will reduce reliance on groundwater in an area with elevated manganese levels. Residents will benefit from a safe and reliable drinking water supply.

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 Kelly Armstrong 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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