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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 eight loans in February and March to support critical water infrastructure.

- **Garrison Rural Water District** received a \$396,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) loan to construct a new pump station and 125,000 gallon tank to address low water pressure and allow the water system to handle current peak demands.
- **Kindred** was awarded a \$5.3 million Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan and a \$350,000 DWSRF loan to construct sanitary and storm sewer infrastructure, including a sanitary sewer lift station and storm water pond for the Meadow Trails Development. The project will also replace the Elm Street asbestos cement pipe water main, hydrants, gate valves, fittings and curb stop with new materials. The project will reduce breaks, lower the risk of sewer backups and improve system redundancy.
- **McVile** was granted a \$1 million DWSRF loan to rehabilitate the water treatment plant including filter system rehabilitation; upgrades to the control system, process instrumentation, and high service pumps; and chemical storage area modifications. This project will help the city save on operational and maintenance costs and improve water service.
- **Mooreton** was awarded an \$892,000 DWSRF loan to replace a booster station and associated components. Other improvements will involve replacing failing distribution system appurtenances, such as gate valves and fire hydrants. The project will help the city improve the overall useful life of the system.
- **Reile's Acres** received a \$1.2 million CWSRF loan to construct sanitary and storm sewer infrastructure to serve the New Haven Addition Phase 2, a 23-acre subdivision with 26 active living lots and 12 standard home lots. This project will provide safe, reliable utility services to residents.
- **Wahpeton** was awarded a \$16 million CWSRF loan for the construction of new sanitary and storm sewer infrastructure to serve the new Legacy Lakes Development. The city was also awarded a \$3 million DWSRF loan to complete structural repairs and replace the interior and exterior coatings for water towers 1 and 2. This project will ensure the water towers will continue to provide safe, reliable service to 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 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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