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### **Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Awards 10 Project Loans**

Bismarck, N.D. – The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Program awarded loans to the following eight North Dakota cities and two water districts between February and April 2017.

- Beulah - \$530,000 towards a \$5,450,000 project for membrane filtration improvements to the water treatment plant for providing increased reliability and water quality.
- Gardner - \$250,000 to refinance a USDA-Rural Development loan. The original project replaced a water storage reservoir and new pump house to enhance reliability.
- Grand Forks - \$66,000,000 towards a \$150,000,000 new water treatment plant to replace aging infrastructure, move the water treatment plant out of the floodplain, and increase the plant's ability to treat source water of varying quality.
- Horace - \$580,000 to replace a 4-inch diameter cast iron water main with new 6-inch diameter PVC water main to safely transmit drinking water to residents.
- Mandan - \$886,000 to rehabilitate the transmission pipeline extending from the water treatment plant to the Sunset Reservoir to safely and reliably deliver drinking water.
- Mandan - \$1,363,000 to replace high service pumps, replace electrical equipment, build an addition to the water treatment plant building, and for miscellaneous improvements throughout the plant.
- Mohall - \$610,000 towards a \$1,280,000 project to replace the water tower and controls which will provide for safe storage of drinking water.
- Northeast Regional Water District - \$3,175,000 towards \$24,143,130 needed to install 85 miles of pipeline to connect the district to the City of Devils Lake water treatment plant, improving water supply to the district.
- Sherwood - \$155,000 towards a \$611,000 project to replace aged water mains and increase pressure throughout the system to increase the reliability and quality of the drinking water supply.

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- Southeast Water Users District - \$4,709,000 towards a \$16,500,000 project to extend rural water distribution to users who don't have access to a dependable and safe drinking water supply.

The DWSRF Program is administered by the North Dakota Department of Health with funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The program offers below-market interest rate loans to political subdivisions for financing projects authorized under the Safe Drinking Water Act. DWSRF programs operate nationwide to provide the funding necessary to maintain and improve the infrastructure that protects and supplies valuable water resources.

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