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SRF IUP Applications Now Being Accepted Electronically

Intended Use Plan (IUP) Applications for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) are now being accepted electronically. Mailed application packets are still being accepted but electronic submission is the preferred method of receiving the IUP applications.

The signed IUP application and all support documentation can be submitted to the following email address: srf-iup@dnr.iowa.gov

The IUP applications can be found at www.iowasrf.com or on the DNR website:

- [Clean Water SRF Intended Use Plan Application](#)
- [Drinking Water SRF Intended Use Plan Application](#)

Questions regarding IUP application submission should be directed to Theresa Enright, SRF Coordinator, theresa.enright@dnr.iowa.gov

SF409 Rulemaking proceeds to EPC in May for Approval

The Senate File 409 Adopted and Filed rulemaking is on the agenda for approval at the May Environmental Protection Commission meeting on Tuesday, May 19, 2020. Senate File 409 was signed by the Governor in May 2019. The rules pertain to 567-Chapter 9 Delegated Permitting Authority and 567-Chapter 50 Water Allocation Scope and Purpose of the Iowa Administrative Code. The Notice of Intended Action was published in the February 12, 2020, edition of the Iowa Administrative Bulletin. There were no comments received during the public comment period and one comment received in support of the

rulemaking after the close of the comment period. There are no changes to the Notice of Intended Action.

The May EPC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19. It is a teleconference meeting. Information on participation and the agenda is available on the [EPC's webpage](#) in the EPC Meeting Packet link (midpage), with the rulemaking listed as Agenda Item 8.

FY 2021 Intended Use Plan Ready for Public Review

The Fiscal Year 2021 Intended Use Plan (IUP) for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) are now available for public review and comment at the following locations:

- [Clean Water SRF](#)
- [Drinking Water SRF](#)

The IUPs cover the period of July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021. Public comments are welcome. Draft project lists are also available for review.

A public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. via conference call. Participants should use the following call-in information to participate:

PHONE: 1-575-518-3054, PIN: 495 460 618 #

Written comments will be accepted through Thursday, May 21, 2020.

It is anticipated that the Iowa Environmental Protection Commission will act on the IUPs at their June 16, 2020 meeting.

Questions and written comments should be directed to Theresa Enright, SRF Coordinator, at theresa.enright@dnr.iowa.gov.

Reminder to Flush the Potable Lines in Unused Buildings

Water use has been very low in many buildings for several weeks during the time of shutdown. These are two available resources that can assist a building manager in ensuring a fresh and safe water supply in the building prior to reopening. Remember to clean any ice makers or dispensers, to clean the aerators at each faucet tap especially if the water during flushing is discolored or has sediment, ensure the plumbing p-traps are filled with water to prevent sewer gas from escaping. The guidance documents refer to *Legionella*, which is a bacteria that can live in biofilms inside the piping unless the building plumbing is properly maintained. The same water management practices will also ensure a safe water supply.

- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Guidance for Building Water Systems](#) This webpage has information to ensure the safety of your building water system and devices after a prolonged shutdown.

- [ESPRI and AHI Coronavirus Building Flushing Guidance](#) From the webpage: “The scientists and engineers at the Environmental Science, Policy & Research Institute (ESPRI) and AH Environmental Consultants, Inc. (AH) developed this brief guidance material to help those who are responsible for maintaining building water systems. We have decades of water quality and treatment experience, including building water quality and operation issues, and wanted to share our insights on this topic. As buildings have been shut down or used less frequently, building water quality degradation becomes a silent but serious issue. This document is meant as a starting point to bring awareness of the issue of water quality degradation in building plumbing when it is not used, or water use is significantly reduced. We kept this brief and provide it as a general roadmap for how to flush contaminants from the building and get the plumbing system water quality back to pre-stagnation conditions. Each building is different, and flushing will need to be tailored accordingly.”

SHL Annual Laboratory Symposium Cancelled

The SHL Annual Laboratory Symposium scheduled for September 24, 2020, has been cancelled.

ASDWA Webinar: Thinking Bigger with Asset Management

From ASDWA Weekly Update, 4/23/2020

“The Association of State Drinking Water Administrators (ASDWA) will share information about how states and water systems can benefit from including source water protection in asset management planning. State, interstate, tribal, and federal water programs, water utilities, technical assistance providers, and anyone else who would like to participate are invited to attend. The webinar presenters are:

- Heather Himmelberger, Director, Southwest Environmental Finance Center, University of New Mexico
- Barbara Jones, Drinking Water Capacity Development Analyst, Idaho DEQ
- Amy Klei, Chief, Division of Drinking and Ground Waters, Ohio EPA”

Date: May 14, 2020

Time: noon - 1:00 pm (CDT)

Cost: Free

[Registration](#)

EPA Webinar: Drinking Water Microbes 101

From EPA, 4/29/2020

Registration is now open for EPA's Small Drinking Water Systems Webinar on Drinking Water Microbes 101. “This presentation will cover a brief history of waterborne disease

and evolution of the federal drinking water regulatory program. Each of the major National Primary Drinking Water Regulations that require microbial monitoring will also be covered.”.

Date: May 19, 2020

Time: 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. CDT

Cost: Free

[Registration](#) Please note that registration is on a delayed process and you will receive an email with your link to join the webinar within one business day after registering.

LSLR Collaborative Webinar: Encouraging Customer Initialed LSL Replacement

From the Lead Service Line Replacement Collaborative, 4/29/2020

“Lead service line (LSL) replacement is not a simple task. The LSL Replacement Collaborative has developed an [online toolkit](#) to help communities across the United States develop and implement replacement programs and is hosting a series of webinars to address specific topics related to this work.

This webinar in the Collaborative's series will explore customer-initiated replacement.

An important facet of a comprehensive lead service line (LSL) replacement program is ensuring customers have sufficient incentives to replace their lead pipe. In this webinar, we will feature two public water systems that have proactive programs enabling customers to voluntarily request LSL replacement. These systems have used a variety of tools to encourage LSL replacement, including online, interactive maps; streamlined contractor bidding; waivers of permit fees; grants to subsidize the costs; and education through redevelopment permits. We will also discuss the challenge of balancing participation to minimize health equity disparities.”

Date: May 27, 2020

Time: 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. (CDT)

Cost: Free

[Registration](#)

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources is working with state and local officials to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and has transitioned employees to work remotely. DNR offices are closed to the public during this time and only available by appointment.

In another effort to further reduce the spread of COVID-19, the DNR is encouraging the use of the online services for submitting applications, payments and other daily tasks and interaction with DNR staff.

- [Full list of DNR's online services](#)
- [Up-to-date information on DNR services, facilities and events impacted by COVID-19](#)

- [Technical information for regulated businesses in regards to COVID-19](#)

We thank you for your patience and flexibility during this time. If you need to contact DNR staff you can reach them by email or phone or by calling 515-725-8200.

A note on Iowa DNR and COVID-19