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Updated SRF Front-End Documents Now Available

February 19, 2021

The required State Revolving Fund (SRF) Front-End Documents have been updated and are now available for use. All SRF projects bidding in February 2021 and after will be required to use the updated SRF Front-End Documents.

Please note the addition of a new requirement in Attachment 10 of the SRF Required Front-End Specifications (DWSRF Exhibit7A/CWSRF Exhibit 12A), and in Attachment 5 of the SRF Required Front-End Specifications for Nonpoint Source and Sponsored Projects.

If you have downloaded a previous version of these documents, please replace them with the January 2021 updates for CWSRF and DWSRF infrastructure projects and the February 2021 updates for CWSRF nonpoint source projects (including Sponsored Projects).

The updated forms are available on these webpages:

- <u>SRF Forms website</u> (New SRF Required Front-End Specification document is available under the heading entitled Bidding & Procurement Materials, .doc, 34 pages)
- DNR Wastewater Construction Permits website
 - <u>CWSRF Exhibit 12A: SRF Required Front-End Specifications including</u> <u>Davis-Bacon and American Iron and Steel requirements</u> (.doc, 34 pages; if it doesn't open, right-click on the link to open the document)
- <u>DNR DWSRF website</u>
 - <u>DWSRF Exhibit 7A: SRF Required Front-End Specifications, including</u> <u>Davis-Bacon and American Iron and Steel requirements</u> (.doc, 34 pages; if it doesn't open, right-click on the link to open the document)
- Sponsored Project Manual website
 - <u>SRF Required Front-End specifications for Nonpoint Source and Sponsored</u> <u>Projects</u> (.pdf, 14 pages)

Address questions regarding the SRF Front-End Documents to Theresa Enright, SRF Coordinator at 515-725-0498 or <u>theresa.enright@dnr.iowa.gov</u>.

New CDC Tools: Prevent and Control Legionella Growth and Spread

From CDC, 2/22/2021

NEW TOOLKIT: Controlling Legionella in Common Sources of Exposure

Use this <u>toolkit</u> for concise, actionable information on controlling *Legionella* in commonly implicated sources of Legionnaires' disease outbreaks. All modules were developed according to ASHRAE Guideline 12-2020, CDC guidance, and other resources.

NEW ASSESSMENT FORM: Legionella Environmental Assessment Form (LEAF)

Use this <u>form</u> (.pdf, 23 pages) to document a facility's water systems, help determine whether to conduct *Legionella* environmental sampling, and, if so, develop a sampling plan. This form was updated from outbreak response experiences and to align with ASHRAE Guideline 12-2020.

TRAINING: Preventing Legionnaires' Disease

Take this <u>training</u> from CDC and partners on creating a water management program to reduce risk for Legionnaires' disease. Training aligns with industry standards (ASHRAE 188) on managing risk for *Legionella* bacteria.

America's Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) RRA and ERP Compliance Updates

From EPA's Water Security Division, 2/25/2021 Please note that EPA Region 7 is implementing this in Iowa.

"Five hundred and thirty-nine (539) large-sized community (drinking) water systems (CWSs), systems that serve 100,000 people or greater, have submitted their Risk and Resilience Assessment (RRA) certifications and 532 large CWSs have submitted their Emergency Response Plan (ERP) certifications to the Agency. In addition, 580 medium-sized CWSs, systems that service 50,000 to 99,999 people, have submitted their RRA certifications to the Agency.

The upcoming compliance date of **June 30, 2021** is for **medium-sized** CWSs to submit their ERP certifications to the Agency and for **small** CWSs, systems that serve 3,301 to 49,999 people to submit their RRA certifications to the Agency.

EPA Regional offices continue their assistance efforts to help these CWSs achieve compliance.

To find out more about your AWIA requirements and how to certify your RRA and ERP, please <u>visit us here</u>."

March 4th Webinar on Updated Drought Conditions in Iowa

From DNR's EcoNewsWire, 2/25/2021

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DES MOINES—From nearly 20 below to record snow falls to 50-degree-February days, one thing is certain about Iowa's weather: it's unpredictable.

Despite plentiful snow this winter, there's still concern about spring drought and water availability, especially in the northwestern areas of the state, where severe and extreme drought conditions continue to exist. As farmers, livestock producers and city officials prepare for spring, they can learn more about what to expect during a webinar from 1 to 3 p.m. on March 4.

Sponsored by DNR and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship, Mike Naig, Iowa's secretary of agriculture, will kick off the meeting. State and federal experts will follow, recapping Iowa's winter conditions and forecasting what to expect: flood, drought or somewhere in between.

Specialists will reflect on winter precipitation and climatology, current streamflow and groundwater conditions, and how those affect the outlook for water resources this spring.

Find the complete meeting agenda and sign-in information on DNR's <u>Water Summary</u> <u>Update webpage</u>.

Presenters come from Iowa DNR, Iowa DALS, U.S. Department of Agriculture—Midwest Climate Hub, U.S. Geological Survey—Central Midwest Water Science Center, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/National Weather Service."

Operator Certification: Continuing Education Opportunities

To find continuing education opportunities, please view the "Training Calendar" at <u>programs.iowadnr.gov/opcertweb/</u> Training events where Iowa DNR staff will make presentations are listed below with the presentation name in the description. Also included are training events provided by EPA where Iowa CEU are granted, or events sponsored by Iowa DNR. See the listing on the appropriate date on the Training Calendar for registration instructions. Look at the calendar often, as there are new opportunities posted throughout the week.