

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

# Wastewater News Environmental Services

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### FY 2022 Intended Use Plan Ready for Public Review

The Fiscal Year 2022 Intended Use Plans (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, 2021 - June 30, 2022. Public comments are welcome. Draft project lists are also available for review.

A public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, May 13, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. via conference call. Please use the following call-in information to participate:

PHONE: 1 475-558-0367 PIN: 426 442 662#

Written comments will be accepted through Thursday, May 20, 2021. It is anticipated that the Iowa Environmental Protection Commission will act on the IUPs at their June 15. 2021 meeting.

Questions and written comments should be directed to Theresa Enright, SRF Coordinator, at 515-725-0498 or theresa.enright@dnr.iowa.gov.

## SRF Water Resource Restoration Sponsored **Project Application Materials for September 2021 Application Round Now Available**

The SRF Water Resource Restoration Sponsored Project program provides wastewater utilities with the opportunity to fund locally directed, watershed-based, nonpoint source projects to address water quality problems. The SRF Sponsored Project Application for the September 2021 application deadline is now available. Communities or wastewater utilities interested in applying for an SRF Water Resource Restoration Sponsored Project should note the upcoming deadlines:

**July 2, 2021:** Deadline to hold a pre-application conference call with DNR. The call is mandatory with the purpose of discussing potential projects, getting technical advisors involved early, and going over the application requirements.

**September 1, 2021:** Deadline to submit a sponsored project application.

The new application materials are now posted online on the <u>2021 Sponsored Project Application Packet</u> webpage.

To schedule a pre-application call or for information about the SRF Sponsored Project program contact Lee Wagner, <u>lee.wagner@dnr.iowa.gov</u>, 515-725-0992. General information about sponsored projects can be found on the <u>Sponsored Projects home page</u>.

## **Operator Certification: Continuing Education Opportunities**

Online and virtual training opportunities are being created and offered through community colleges, state industry associations, national industry associations, EPA, and other state industry partners. All operators should continue to monitor their emails and the Training Calendar on the <a href="Lowa DNR Operator Certification Database">Lowa DNR Operator Certification Database</a>. Look at the calendar often, as there are new opportunities posted throughout the week.

Please contact Laurie Sharp at (515) 725-0284 with any questions concerning operator certification training.