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## FY 2023 Intended Use Plan Q2 Update Approved

At their meeting on September 20, 2022, the Iowa Environmental Protection Commission approved the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Intended Use Plan (IUP) second quarter (Q2) updates for state fiscal year 2023 (July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023).

The Q2 IUP updates and project lists can be viewed on the following webpages:

[Clean Water State Revolving Fund](#)

[Drinking Water State Revolving Fund](#)

For more information, please contact Theresa Enright, SRF Coordinator, Iowa DNR, 515-725-0498 or [theresa.enright@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:theresa.enright@dnr.iowa.gov).

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## FFY 22 BIL General Supplemental Fund Intended Use Plans Approved

At their meeting on September 20, 2022, the Iowa Environmental Protection Commission approved the federal fiscal year (FFY) 2022 Intended Use Plans (IUP) and Annexes for the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) General Supplemental Funds.

FFY 2022 BIL General Supplemental IUPs and project lists are available below and on the SRF website at: <https://www.iowasrf.com/infrastructure-bill-funding-opportunities/>

- [Base SRF Program IUP-Second Quarter Update](#)
- [Annex A to CWSRF IUP- BIL General Supplemental Fund IUP](#)
- [Annex A to DWSRF IUP- BIL General Supplemental Fund IUP](#)
- [CWSRF SFY23 Q2 and FFY 22 Gen Suppl Project Priority List](#) Open in Read Only
- [DWSRF SFY23 Q2 and FFY 22 Gen Suppl Project Priority List](#) Open in Read Only

\*\*Please note, the Intended Use Plans for BIL PFAS/Emerging Contaminants and Lead Service Line Replacement Funds are still forthcoming and will be published as separate documents.\*\*

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## SRF Socioeconomic Assessment Tool is Now Available for Public Use

At their meeting on September 20, 2022, the Iowa Environmental Protection Commission approved the state fiscal year 2023 Intended Use Plan (IUP) second quarter updates and Annexes for both the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Programs. With this approval, the SRF Program will begin using the Socioeconomic Assessment Tool (FY 2023) as the affordability criteria to determine if a community is considered disadvantaged **for the purposes of SRF loan forgiveness**.

Beginning with the December 1, 2022 application cycle, SRF applicants will be asked to include a copy of the Socioeconomic Assessment Tool worksheet with their Intended Use Plan Application. The Socioeconomic Assessment Tool can be located on the [SRF Resources](#) page under General Information or on the [SRF BIL Funding Opportunities](#) page.

The Socioeconomic Assessment Tool uses 15 data points representing social, economic, and demographic information from public sources to evaluate a borrower's relative disadvantage compared to other Iowa communities. SRF applicants with a socioeconomic score between 11 and 30 points will be eligible for consideration of SRF base program loan forgiveness and may qualify to receive loan forgiveness from the federal fiscal year 2022 BIL General Supplemental Fund (when combined with the other elements of the loan forgiveness equation).

**\*\*Please note, a separate tool will be developed specifically for BIL Lead Service Line Replacement Funds to evaluate the borrower at the census tract level.\*\***

More information on the Socioeconomic Assessment Tool, score matrix, and SRF Loan Forgiveness Formula can be found in [Annex A to the Clean Water SRF IUP](#) and [Annex A to the Drinking Water SRF IUP](#). These documents are also available on the [SRF BIL Funding Opportunities](#) webpage.

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## 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 [Iowa DNR Operator Certification Database](#). 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.

