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## North Dakota State Water Commission

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## **State Water Commission approves \$160 million for municipal, rural, and regional water supply projects**

The State Water Commission met today and approved multiple cost-share requests for municipal, rural, and regional water supply projects across the state.

The Commission consists of Governor Jack Dalrymple as Chairman, Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring, and seven Governor appointed members: Arne Berg, Maurice Foley, Larry Hanson, George Nodland, Harley Swenson, Robert Thompson, and Doug Vosper.

“The Commission meeting today was monumental in regards to the amount of funding we were able to approve through our cost-share program,” said State Engineer Todd Sando. “The State Water Commission approved \$160 million for water supply projects in rural areas and communities throughout the state.”

- Municipal water supply project cost-share approvals included the City of Dickinson, \$1.04 million; City of Mandan, \$2.29 million; City of Minot, \$3.63 million; Watford City, \$5.43 million; City of West Fargo, \$3.42 million; and the City of Williston, \$10.89 million.
- Rural water supply projects approved for funding were Stutsman Rural Water District, \$4.17 million, and North Prairie Rural Water District, \$3.45 million.
- Large regional water systems were also considered at the meeting, with \$70 million approved for Western Area Water Supply, and \$55 million for Southwest Pipeline.

The State Water Commission will utilize funds appropriated by the Legislature for the 2015-2017 biennium toward these water supply projects.