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State Water Commission Approves More Than \$20.6M For Water Projects Across North Dakota

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota State Water Commission (SWC) approved more than \$20.6 million in funding for projects including flood control, water supply, and other water infrastructure projects across the state during its April 8 meeting in Bismarck. The approved projects include \$8.2 million for the City of Wahpeton Well Field and Transmission line project as well as \$2.6 million for the City of Jamestown Lime Sludge Filter Press and Recycle/Reuse project.

"The State Water Commission had to make some difficult decisions today as project requests outnumbered the available funding," Director Haase said. "The approval of these nine projects, and more than \$20.6 million in funding, represents the importance of these projects and the significant impact they will make on our communities across the state."

Approved projects include:

- Pembina County WRD – Olga Dam Feasibility Study: \$142,200
- Maple River WRD – Buffalo-Lynchburg Channel Improvements Ph. 3: \$1,617,173
- Northeast Regional WE – User and Reservoir Expansion: \$1,048,260
- City of Minot – 11th Ave NW Watermain Replacement: \$2,080,211
- City of Minot – Dakota Homes & 2nd Ave SW Watermain Replace: \$1,928,527
- City of Jamestown – Lime Sludge Filter Press and Recycle/Reuse: \$2,600,400
- City of Cando – Lead Service Line Replacement: \$942,066
- City of Dickinson – 2026 Utility and Street Improvements: \$2,031,151
- City of Wahpeton – Well Field and Transmission Line: \$8,198,352

A project receiving significant funding is the City of Wahpeton Well Field and Transmission Line project. This project includes four new production wells, approximately 36,500 feet of water transmission line, a new booster station, and two backup generators. This project will also include the removal of the former wells. The end result of this project will produce quality drinking water for the citizens of The State

Water Commission consists of eight members appointed by the Governor, the Agriculture Commissioner, and the Governor as chairperson. Cost-share funding approved by the SWC is primarily supported by North Dakota's Resources Trust Fund, which receives 20.5 percent of the state's oil extraction tax revenue. Wahpeton.

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