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Andrew Belanger, *Vice Chair*  
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Mike Workman  
Jeremy Hutchings

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## AGENDA

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### STATE BOARD FOR FINANCING WATER PROJECTS

May 20, 2026

9:00 AM

Location:

The Richard H. Bryan Building  
Bonnie B. Bryan Conference Room  
901 South Stewart Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Carson City, NV 89701

Join the Meeting virtually at:

Microsoft Teams:

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- 1 **Call to Order** – Chair Bruce Scott
  - 2 **Introduction / Establish Quorum (Discussion)**
  - 3 **Public Comment (Discussion)**

Members of the public will be invited to speak before the board; however, no action may be taken on a matter during public comment until the matter itself has been included on an agenda as an item for possible action. Public comment may be limited to three (3) minutes per person at the discretion of the chair. Additional comments may be submitted to the board for inclusion in the minutes.

- 4 **Approval of Minutes – February 18, 2026, Meeting (For Possible Action)**

- 5 Capital Improvements Grant Program Update (Discussion)**  
*Presented by Benjamin Miller*
- 6 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Update (Discussion)**  
*Presented by Benjamin Miller*
- 7 Approval of the Nevada Drinking Water Priority List- Effective May 2026 (For Possible Action)**  
*Presented by Benjamin Miller*
- 8 Nye County School District – Amargosa Elementary School (For Possible Action)**  
Proposed project for the DWSRF program  
One resolution for consideration  
*Summary by Matt Livingston, Chris Flores, and Benjamin Miller*
- 9 Orovada General Improvement District (For Possible Action)**  
Proposed project for the DWSRF program  
One resolution for consideration  
*Summary by Matt Livingston, Chris Flores, and Benjamin Miller*
- 10 Esmeralda County – Goldfield Town Water (For Possible Action)**  
Proposed project for the DWSRF program  
One resolution for consideration  
*Summary by Matt Livingston, Chris Flores, and Benjamin Miller*
- 11 Coyote Crossing Water Well Association (For Possible Action)**  
Proposed project for the DWSRF program  
One resolution for consideration  
*Summary by Matt Livingston, Chris Flores, and Benjamin Miller*
- 12 Capital Improvement Grant Match Scales (For Possible Action)**  
*Presented by Benjamin Miller*
- 13 Board Comments (Discussion)**
- 14 Public Comments (Discussion)**
- 15 Adjourn**

**Additional Information:**

The Board for Financing Water Projects was created by NRS 349.957. Under NRS 445A.265, the Board is charged with approving the priority of projects applying for grant assistance and the review and approval of loans to water systems applying for assistance from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. Under NRS 349.982, the Board is charged with the administration of the programs that provide grants for capital improvements to publicly owned water systems, grants for improvements to conserve water and grants for Technical Support for Water Rights.

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**Meeting Minutes**  
**BOARD FOR FINANCING WATER PROJECTS**

**February 18, 2026**

**10:00 am**

Bonnie B. Bryan Conference Room  
 901 South Stewart Street, 1st floor  
 Carson City, NV 89701

Held virtually using Microsoft Teams:  
 Meeting ID: 279 250 999 628 7

**Members present:**

Bruce Scott, Chair  
 Andrew Belanger, Vice Chair  
 Jeremy Hutchins  
 Mike Workman  
 Abbe Yacoben

**Legal counsel present:**

Katie Armstrong, Deputy Attorney General

**DCNR staff present:**

Brandon Bishop

**Public present:**

Aaron Gamble, Las Vegas Valley Water District  
 Kathy Flanagan, Las Vegas Valley Water District  
 Jason Mace, Las Vegas Valley Water District  
 Gina Meyer, Shaw Engineering  
 Cody Black, Shaw Engineering

**NDEP staff present:**

Benjamin Miller  
 Sheryl Fontaine  
 Matt Livingston  
 Chris Flores  
 Relinda Hawxhurst  
 Daniel Morgan  
 Ross Cooper  
 Brendon Grant  
 Cara Miller  
 Nina Odunlami, Environmental Protection Agency  
 Joe Westerlund, Town of Tonopah  
 Elise Reynoso, Town of Tonopah  
 Susan Dudley, Town of Tonopah  
 Matthew Martensen, Silver Springs Mutual Water Company

## **Board for Financing Water Projects regular meeting**

### **1) Call to order**

Chairman Bruce Scott opened the meeting and acknowledged the one-hour delay due to inclement weather. Chairman Scott invited introductions from Board members and the public.

### **2) Establish quorum**

Chairman Scott established a quorum as the required number of board members were present.

### **3) Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

#### **4) Approval of minutes from November 19, 2025, regular meeting**

Vice Chairman Andy Belanger moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Board Member Mike Workman. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **5) Capital Improvements Grant Program Funding Update**

NDEP representative Benjamin Miller reported that as of February 2, 2026, the Capital Improvements Grant Program held \$82,136.93 in cash, with \$21,688.22 reserved for administration and \$39,906.12 still committed to one open project from the prior bond issuance. After administrative set-asides, the program has \$18,884.59 in uncommitted proceeds, and projected interest will raise the available balance to approximately \$19,719.11.

Mr. Miller continued that the state bond sale was delayed due to a special legislative session but is expected to occur the following week, allowing new project agreements approved in November 2025 to move forward.

Mr. Miller continued providing an update on the board-requested revisions to the Capital Improvement Grant scoring scale. He explained that staff are finalizing a simplified structure in which points earned directly correspond to the grant match percentage and removing complicated formulas. A public workshop will be held prior to the next board meeting to gather feedback from water systems and other interested stakeholders.

Sheryl Fontaine added that significant progress had also been made on updating the revisions to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) chapter 349, pertaining to the Capital Improvement Grant Program, which was last amended in 2006. She emphasized that the Legislature's two-year deadline for adoption is in June 2026, and revisions must be adopted by that date, or the process would need to be restarted. Chairman Scott and the other board members expressed support for keeping the revisions on schedule and requested that staff notify them if a special meeting becomes necessary to avoid missing the deadline. Board members agreed to review the draft revisions individually once distributed.

#### **6) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Update**

Mr. Miller stated that as of February 2, 2026, the DWSRF held \$140,624,503 in state accounts and had \$57,844,015 in federal grant funds still available, giving the fund \$191,501,843 in cash available for loans. Existing commitments total \$151,169,627, with \$890,450 on this meeting agenda and \$18,725,238 in projects under discussion, resulting in \$169,785,315 in committed and potential projects.

Mr. Miller added that the Emerging Contaminants Program has \$29,926,860 available, with \$6,000,000 committed and \$10,000,000 in discussion. For the Lead Service Line Program, \$25,212,000 is available, of which 49 percent may be issued as principal forgiveness; staff is discussing approximately \$5,000,000 in potential projects as systems complete their inventories.

Mr. Miller also reviewed the requirement that states must meet certain federal "pace targets" and maintain appropriate balances. Given the relative surplus in the Drinking Water SRF and significant needs in the Clean Water SRF, staff anticipate transferring approximately \$60 million from the DWSRF to the CWSRF in state fiscal year (FY) 2027. This transfer is allowed by federal regulations and will help ensure maximum use of available dollars while maintaining compliance with federal benchmarks.

Board members asked for additional clarity regarding the clean water project pipeline and the relationship between drinking and clean water cash balances. Mr. Miller confirmed that clean water projects are often larger and therefore require more capital, making the transfer both appropriate and beneficial.

Staff also responded to questions about program transparency and data availability. Mr. Miller shared that updated maps for 2025 showing funded projects across the state would be posted on the NDEP website, and the Board would receive direct links once published.

### **7) Silver Springs Mutual Water Company – Zone 2 Booster Pump PER**

NDEP staff recommended the Board approve a \$97,750 project loan commitment to Silver Springs Mutual Water Company for their Zone 2 Booster Pump Preliminary Engineering Report (PER). Matthew Livingston presented the staff's technical recommendation and Chris Flores presented the staff's financial review. The estimated project cost is \$115,000 with the DWSRF funding 80%, or \$97,750, as a principal forgiveness loan.

Chairman Scott commended staff for the inclusion of the visual maps in recent board packets, noting their value despite limited detail due to confidentiality constraints. Mr. Livingston acknowledged the comment and credited colleague Daniel Morgan for the mapping work.

Board Member Workman moved to approve Resolution D07-0226 Silver Springs Mutual Water Company for their Zone 2 Booster Pump PER Loan Commitment. The motion was seconded by Board Member Abbe Yacoben. The motion carried unanimously.

### **8) Pine View Estates Homeowner's Association – Redundant Well PER**

Chair Scott recused himself from this agenda item due to his involvement in a related sewer project, and Vice Chairman Belanger presided.

NDEP staff recommended the Board approve a \$64,000 project loan commitment to Pine View Estates (PVE) Homeowner's Association (HOA) for their Redundant Well PER. Mr. Livingston presented the staff's technical recommendation and Ms. Flores presented the staff's financial review. The estimated project cost is \$80,000, with DWSRF funding 80%, or \$64,000, as a principal forgiveness loan.

Board Member Workman raised the issue of metering, noting concerns about unmetered systems. Staff responded that while the DWSRF does not require metering, they have recommended PVE consider a path toward implementing meters and that this topic will necessarily arise again during future design or construction phases. Ms. Flores noted that water and sewer utilities are included in HOA dues.

Board Member Yacoben moved to approve Resolution D08-0226 Pine View Estates HOA for their Redundant Well PER Loan Commitment. The motion was seconded by Board Member Jeremy Hutchings. The motion carried unanimously, with Chairman Scott abstaining.

### **9) Las Vegas Valley Water District-Searchlight Water Company – S4a Well Development**

NDEP staff recommended the Board approve a \$228,200 project loan commitment to Las Vegas Valley Water District-Searchlight Water Company (LVVWD) for their S4a Well Development. Mr. Livingston presented the staff's technical recommendation and Ms. Flores

presented the staff's financial review. The estimated project cost is \$228,200, to be funded as a principal forgiveness loan from the DWSRF.

Aaron Gamble, representative of LVVWD, thanked staff and the Board for their assistance. In response to the Chairman's question about prior experience with the hydro-jetting technology, he noted the district had not used it previously in Searchlight, but hydrology staff believe it is likely to succeed.

Board Member Workman moved to approve Resolution D09-0226 Las Vegas Valley Water District-Searchlight Water Company for their S4a Well Development Loan Commitment. The motion was seconded by Board Member Yacoben. The motion carried unanimously, with Vice Chairman Belanger abstaining.

### **10)Town of Tonopah – Booster Station Improvements**

NDEP staff recommended the Board approve an \$816,375 project loan commitment to the Town of Tonopah for their Booster Station Improvements. Mr. Livingston presented the staff's technical recommendation and Ms. Flores presented the staff's financial review. The estimated project cost is \$816,375, to be funded as a principal forgiveness loan from the DWSRF.

Chairman Scott asked for clarification regarding the "average water use" value in the staff report. Ms. Flores explained that the number should reflect 7,000 gallons per month, not dollars.

Town of Tonopah representative Joe Westerlund expressed appreciation for the Board's consideration.

Vice Chair Belanger moved to approve Resolution D10-0226 Town of Tonopah for their Booster Station Improvements Loan Commitment. The motion was seconded by Board Member Yacoben. The motion carried unanimously.

### **11)Board comments**

Chairman Scott reminded Board members to review proposed NAC revisions before the next meeting to avoid missing statutory deadlines. No additional comments were offered.

### **12)Public comments**

There was no public comment.

### **13)Adjourn the Board for Financing Water Projects meeting**

The board meeting adjourned at 11:43 am.

## **Attachments**

**Board for Financing Water Projects  
Capital Improvement Grant Program  
May 2026**

**Capital Improvements Grant Program Funding Updates as of May 4, 2026**

Current Cash Balance:	17,432,085.98
Reserved for Administration (service fees)	26,801.50
Committed funds not yet disbursed:	17,963,251.44
Pending Disbursements	-
Bond proceeds for Administration	-
Un-committed (over-committed) bond proceeds	(557,966.96)
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FY27 PENDING Bond Issueance Year 2	16,200,000.00
Forecasted Interest for Bond 7075 through Dec 2026	745,907.63
Forecasted uncommitted balance Dec 2026	<b>16,387,940.68</b>

Bond Series	2026C	
Legislative Authority	SB502 (83rd Session) \$17,700,000	
Date of Issuance	February 24, 2026	
Initial Proceeds	\$	17,700,000.00
<u>Treasurer's Interest<sup>2</sup></u>	\$	-
Total Proceeds	\$	17,700,000.00
6 months	\$	(294,715.52) 1.67%
12 months		0.00%
18 months		0.00%
24 months		0.00%
30 months		0.00%
36 months		0.00%
42 months		0.00%
48 months		0.00%
Unspent Proceeds	\$	17,405,284.48 98.33%

Entity	Contract	Date	Amount	Drawn	Outstanding	Last Draw Date
Topaz Ranch Estates GID	GP2203	05/17/22	\$1,645,520.00	\$1,605,613.88	\$39,906.12	06/10/25
Carlin, City of	GP2601	03/18/26	\$874,478.68	\$0.00	\$874,478.68	None
Clark County Water Reclamation District	GP2602	04/06/26	\$2,106,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,106,000.00	None
Ely, City of	GP2603	03/18/26	\$260,340.00	\$0.00	\$260,340.00	None
Hawthorne Utilities	GP2604	03/25/26	\$303,778.00	\$0.00	\$303,778.00	None
Hawthorne Utilities	GP2605	03/25/26	\$151,184.88	\$0.00	\$151,184.88	None
Henderson, City of	GP2606	04/06/25	\$2,191,595.56	\$0.00	\$2,191,595.56	None
Moapa Valley Water District	GP2607	03/18/26	\$2,252,640.00	\$0.00	\$2,252,640.00	None
Moapa Valley Water District	GP2608	03/18/26	\$26,838.00	\$0.00	\$26,838.00	None
Moapa Valley Water District	GP2609	03/18/26	\$80,859.90	\$0.00	\$80,859.90	None
Pioche Public Utilities	GP2610	03/18/26	\$197,208.70	\$225.16	\$196,983.54	04/15/26
Pioche Public Utilities	GP2611	03/18/26	\$167,420.50	\$11,908.13	\$155,512.37	04/15/26
Reno, City of	GP2612	04/08/26	\$3,095,137.50	\$0.00	\$3,095,137.50	None
Silver Springs GID	GP2613	04/02/26	\$592,920.00	\$0.00	\$592,920.00	None
Sun Valley GID	GP2614	03/18/26	\$5,201,135.73	\$343,048.84	\$4,858,086.89	04/03/26
Virgin Valley Water District	GP2615	04/02/26	\$606,990.00	\$0.00	\$606,990.00	None

**Board for Financing Water Projects  
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund  
May 2026**

**Drinking Water Program Funding Updates as of May 4, 2026**

Program Cash Balances	DWSRF Base Program	DWSRF Emerging Contaminants	DWSRF Lead Service Lines	Total DWSRF Funding
<b>Cash in the State Account</b>	<b>\$142,165,924</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$142,165,924</b>
Less bond debt service reserves	-\$6,966,675	\$0	\$0	-\$6,966,675
Add Federal Cash Available for Loans	\$50,725,256	\$29,719,515	\$25,212,000	\$105,656,771
Add pending federal grants (FY26 appropriation)	\$20,553,720	\$7,921,000	\$0	\$28,474,720
<b>Cash Available for Loans</b>	<b>\$206,478,225</b>	<b>\$37,640,515</b>	<b>\$25,212,000</b>	<b>\$269,330,740</b>
Committed funds not yet disbursed	\$143,259,821	\$7,325,178	\$0	\$150,584,999
Add commitments for Board consideration	\$5,165,270	\$0	\$0	\$5,165,270
<b>Total committed funds after Board Approval</b>	<b>\$148,425,091</b>	<b>\$7,325,178</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$155,750,269</b>
Add projects in discussion with OFA	\$18,660,405	\$29,385,000	\$6,281,700	\$54,327,105
Total committed and potential project loans <sup>A</sup>	<b>\$167,085,496</b>	<b>\$36,710,178</b>	<b>\$6,281,700</b>	<b>\$210,077,374</b>

<sup>A</sup> Nevada evaluates cash over a three-year period to determine the amount of cash available for loan commitments. This practice is highly encouraged by EPA for effective use of funds management. Therefore, the amount committed to projects at any given time *may* be higher than the current cash available in the program accounts.

Program Cash Balances for Principal Forgiveness (PF) Loans <sup>B</sup>	DWSRF Base Program	DWSRF Emerging Contaminants	DWSRF Lead Service Lines	Total DWSRF Funding
<b>Required amount to commit to PF loans</b>	<b>\$76,786,620</b>	<b>\$29,926,860</b>	<b>\$14,038,500</b>	<b>\$120,751,980</b>
Add pending federal grant requirements	\$14,596,120	\$7,921,000	\$0	\$22,517,120
Less spent amount	-\$36,940,240	-\$207,345	\$0	-\$37,147,585
<b>Total Required PF Loan Balance</b>	<b>\$54,442,500</b>	<b>\$37,640,515</b>	<b>\$14,038,500</b>	<b>\$106,121,515</b>
Committed funds not yet disbursed	\$14,265,387	\$5,792,655	\$0	\$20,058,042
Commitments for Board consideration	\$5,165,270	\$0	\$0	\$5,165,270
Add projects in discussion with OFA	\$4,072,000	\$29,385,000	\$6,281,700	\$39,738,700
Remaining Authority <sup>B</sup>	<b>\$30,939,843</b>	<b>\$2,462,860</b>	<b>\$7,756,800</b>	<b>\$41,159,503</b>

<sup>B</sup> Cash available for PF loans is included in the Program Cash Balance table above. This table reflects the federal requirements for Nevada to distribute a portion of the available cash as PF loans.

## Drinking Water Cash Flow Projections (Base Program Only)<sup>1</sup>

Values include federal grants received through FY25 with projected FY26 grants	Jul 01,2025	Jul 01,2026	Jul 01,2027	Jul 01,2028	Net Change
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	
<b>Cash balance forward</b>	<b>\$161,048,928</b>	<b>\$175,493,947</b>	<b>\$63,429,239</b>	<b>\$35,770,503</b>	
Receipts from grants awarded	25,626,770	20,553,720	0	0	46,180,490
Transfer to the CWSRF program <sup>2</sup>	0	(60,000,000)	0	0	(60,000,000)
Receipts from bonds issued	0	500,000	0	0	500,000
Receipts from treasurer's interest <sup>3</sup>	5,550,326	4,261,124	4,264,978	4,264,978	18,341,406
Receipts from loan principal	12,909,545	12,942,384	13,299,835	13,682,398	52,834,162
Receipts from loan interest	3,099,695	2,944,462	2,656,490	2,352,454	11,053,101
Payments for debt service on bonds	(5,124,623)	(3,926,325)	(3,986,850)	(3,482,025)	(16,519,823)
Payments for loan recipients <sup>3</sup>	(26,719,302)	(89,542,498)	(44,572,914)	(12,270,407)	(173,105,121)
Change in debt service reserves	(897,392)	202,425	679,725	1,489,100	1,473,858
<b>Cash balance forward</b>	<b>\$175,493,947</b>	<b>\$63,429,239</b>	<b>\$35,770,503</b>	<b>\$41,807,001</b>	<b>(\$119,241,927)</b>
				Beginning Cash	\$161,048,928
				Ending Cash	<b>\$41,807,001</b>

<sup>2</sup>Transfer to CWSRF is dependent upon budget approval and EPA consent

<sup>3</sup>Estimated at 4% A.P.R. on undisbursed cash in the fund. Subject to change.

<sup>1</sup> Estimate only for planning purposes. All numbers are subject to change.

# Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

Board for Financing Water Projects

May 2026

## Drinking Water Priority List – Effective May 2026

<b>183 Projects</b>	<b>Recommendation</b> The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) recommends that the Board for Financing Water Projects (Board) approve the Drinking Water Priority List – Effective May 2026.
<b>Total Estimates Costs</b>	<b>Resolution</b>
\$1,059,442,427	D07-0526

### Priority List Classes

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- Class I  
Acute**
  - Acute health risks: Demonstrated illness attributable to the public water system
  - Significant non-compliance
  - Court ordered compliance
  - Systems addressing acute health issues in the specific project
- Class II  
Chronic**
  - Chronic health concerns – documented non-compliance with primary & secondary drinking water standards
  - Systems addressing chronic health issues in the specific project
- Class III  
Rehabilitation**
  - Projects that address deteriorated, substandard, or inadequate conditions in a public water system.
    - Treatment
    - Storage
    - Transmission & Distribution
    - Meters
    - Security
    - Planning
- Class IV  
Refinancing**
  - Refinancing of debt incurred after July 1, 1993

### Additional Points for Asset Management

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Projects can receive additional points for the following:

- (5 pts) System is mapped and assets are catalogued/evaluated.
- (5 pts) System has a rate structure that supports O&M.
- (5 pts) System has allocated funds for rehabilitation/replacement of aging infrastructure.

### Disadvantaged Systems

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Nevada Administrative Code Amended:

“Disadvantaged community” means an area in which, as compared to other communities in this State, residents disproportionately experience economic, environmental, or health issues, including, without limitation, high rates of poverty or unemployment. (NAC 445A.675245)

### **Federal Drinking Water Act Requirements:**

[42 U.S.C §300j-12(b)(d)(3)] The term “disadvantaged community” means the service area of a public water system that meets affordability criteria established after public review and comment by the State in which the public water system is located.

### **2025 Drinking Water Intended Use Plan:**

- 50 points are needed to qualify for principal forgiveness.
- 25 points will be added to the initial score for systems qualifying as disadvantaged.

### **Disadvantaged Criteria:**

- Income factors:
  - Median Household Income (MHI) versus State MHI
  - Poverty levels in the service area
- Population trends:
  - Change in population over three years based upon the latest American Community Survey data available.
- Unemployment:
  - Percent of the population not in the workforce
  - Unemployment rate of the service area
- Affordability:
  - Whether or not an interest-bearing loan will increase already sufficient user rates by 10%, 20%, or 30%.
    - This also has a look back function for five years.
  - Residential rates compared to MHI.
    - Based on 1.0%, 1.5%, and 2.0%.
- Other factors:
  - Nature of project
  - Incentive for project types
  - Financial assistance from government or political subdivisions

## **Priority List**

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- Priority Rank
- N: New to the list
- D: System or project qualifies as disadvantaged
- C: Water System Classification (community or non-transient/non-community)
- Entity
- PWS ID#
- Project Population
- Project Service Connections
- Total Points
- Revised Points
- NIFS Project ID
- Project Description
- Estimated Loan Amount
- Special Funding (Emerging Contaminants or Lead Service Line Funding)

- **Funded:** Indicated the project has received at least partial funding, is not complete, and must remain on the list.

## Priority List Statistics

	Projects	Disadvantaged Systems or Projects	Small Systems (less than 10,000)
<b>Previous List</b>	191	155	159
<b>New to the list</b>	10	9	9
<b>Removed</b>	18	14	17
<b>Current List</b>	183	150	151
		<b>82.0%</b>	<b>82.5%</b>

	Projects	Disadvantaged Systems or Projects	Small Systems (less than 10,000)
<b>Class I</b>	4	4	3
<b>Class II</b>	19	17	15
<b>Class III</b>	159	128	132
<b>Class IV</b>	1	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>151</b>

## Project Readiness and Bypass Process

NDEP may bypass a project on the priority list if NDEP determines the project is not ready to proceed, fails to file a letter of intent, or the applicant requests action to be deferred. (NAC 445A.76573)

- Projects ready to proceed may bypass projects with a higher point score that are not ready to proceed.
- Written notice is given to systems being bypassed.
- Current list readiness to proceed:\*

<b>Funded Partially Funded</b>	48 projects (26.23%)
<b>All others</b>	135 projects (73.77%)

\*As of May 04, 2026. Data subject to change.

## **DWSRF Authority and Purpose**

The 1996 amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) authorized the DWSRF. The DWSRF is a national program to assist public water systems in financing the cost of drinking water infrastructure projects needed to achieve or maintain compliance with the SDWA and to further the public health objectives of the SDWA. The SDWA authorizes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to award capitalization grants to states that have established DWSRF programs. The Nevada Legislature passed legislation that authorizes NDEP to administer the DWSRF under the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 445A.200 to 445A.295, inclusive. In addition to the authorizing statute, Nevada has adopted Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.6751 to 445A.67644, inclusive, which describes the program requirements. Federal regulations for implementing the DWSRF are found in 40 CFR, part 35. Other program directives include the Operating Agreement between NDEP and EPA, the annual Intended Use Plan, EPA guidance and policies, and conditions of each grant award.

One of the requirements of the NRS pertaining to the DWSRF is that NDEP shall not “commit any money in the account for the revolving fund for expenditure ... without obtaining the prior approval of the board for financing water projects” (NRS 445A.265(3)).

### **RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR THE DWSRF PRIORITY LIST**

I move to approve the resolution titled “D07-0526 Nevada Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Priority List – Effective May 2026,” to establish the priorities for determining which public water systems will receive money or other assistance from the Account for the Revolving Fund as required in NRS 445A.265(3).

# RESOLUTION D07-0526

## *Nevada Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Priority List – Effective May 2026*

- WHEREAS:** The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) is authorized pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 445A.200 to 445A.295, inclusive, to establish procedures for the administration of the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF); and
- WHEREAS:** The DWSRF Program Guidelines promulgated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency require that the State establish a priority list of public water system projects eligible for funding from the DWSRF and seek public review and comment on the priority list; and
- WHEREAS:** NRS 445A.265 (3) requires that NDEP shall not establish the priorities for determining which public water systems will receive money from the Account for the Revolving Fund without obtaining the prior approval of the Board for Financing Water Projects (Board); and
- WHEREAS:** NDEP may at any time after receiving approval from the Board revise the ranking of a water project in accordance with Nevada Administrative Code 445A.67567; and
- WHEREAS:** NDEP provided notice and held a workshop for public comments on its proposed priority system on May 5, 2026, in-person and via virtual platform; and
- WHEREAS:** All substantive comments, suggestions, or recommendations were addressed.

**IT IS RESOLVED by the Board for Financing Water Projects of the State of Nevada:**

**Section 1:** This resolution shall be known as the “D07-0526 Nevada Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF Priority List – Effective May 2026”

**Section 2:** Based on its review of the information and recommendation submitted to the Board concerning the (DWSRF) Priority List – Effective May 2026, the Board hereby makes the following findings of fact in support of its determination to approve the revised priority list:

- (a) NDEP has provided public notice of the DWSRF Priority List – Effective May 2026.
- (b) NDEP held a workshop for public review and comment on the DWSRF Priority List – Effective May 2026; and

**Section 3:** In connection with its findings of fact set forth in Section 2 of this Resolution, the Board has determined, and does hereby declare, that it approves the DWSRF Priority List—Effective May 2026 of public water system projects eligible for funding by the DWSRF.

**Section 4:** The DWSRF Priority List—Effective May 2026 included as Attachment A to this resolution and by reference incorporated herein is a true and correct copy filed with the Board by NDEP.

**Section 5:** This resolution shall be effective on its passage and approval.

**PASSED, ADOPTED, AND SIGNED May 20, 2026**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Chair**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

**Loan Commitment from the  
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

May 2026

# Nye County School District – Amargosa Elementary School

<b>Total Commitment</b> \$1,369,900.00	<b>Recommendation</b> The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) recommends that the Board for Financing Water Projects (Board) approve a loan commitment to Nye County School District for an Arsenic Treatment System.	
<b>Amount</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Program and Terms</b>
\$1,369,900.00	D08-0526	DWSRF Principal Forgiveness

## Management and Structure

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<b>Loan Recipient and Structure</b>	Nye County School District is a designated school district.
<b>Project system</b>	The project is for Amargosa Elementary School, which is managed by Nye County School District.
<b>System Number</b>	NV0002190

## System Information

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<b>County</b>	Nye
<b>System Population</b>	200
<b>System Service Connections</b>	8
<b>System Infrastructure</b>	Amargosa Elementary School has a distribution system with one active well. There is an intertie from the Amargosa Town Complex, the neighboring Nye County maintenance yard water system, but it is only available for use in emergency situations.
<b>System Compliance</b>	The system has had an arsenic violation for exceedance of the maximum contaminant level (MCL) since 2023.

## System Project for Funding

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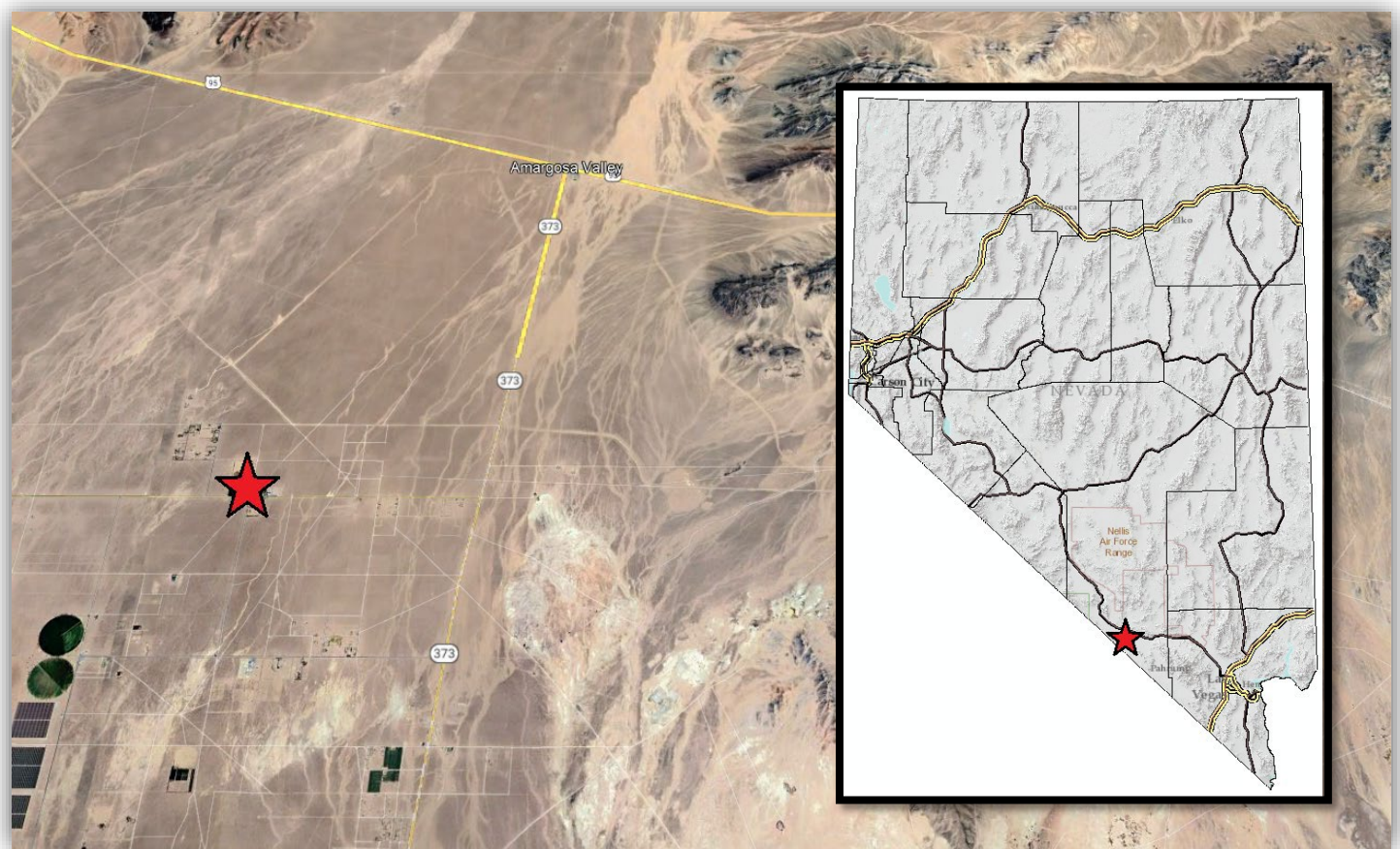
<b>DWSRF Priority List</b>	Priority #24 on the Drinking Water SRF Priority List Effective November 2025.
<b>System need for the project</b>	The system that supplies drinking water to students and staff at the elementary school has elevated arsenic levels, making this water not safe for regular consumption. The

	school has been relying on bottled water for consumption, which is a financial burden. Treatment is necessary to provide sustainable safe drinking water for the school.
<b>Project Narrative</b>	The project will fund the engineering, design, and construction of a centralized treatment plant for the removal of arsenic. This project will include the construction of a metal structure to house the treatment plant, security fencing, and any associated appurtenances needed to support the project.
<b>Project Alternatives Evaluated</b>	The Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) evaluated project alternatives including “no action” and Point-of-Use Treatment.

## Maps and Exhibits

In accordance with NRS 239C.210 and Executive Order 2020-01 dated February 4, 2020, drawings, maps, plans, or records that reveal the locations of critical infrastructure, including primary buildings, facilities, and other structures used for storing, transporting, or transmitting water, are deemed confidential and not subject to subpoena or discovery, and therefore not subject to inspection by the general public.

NDEP is able to provide the following information for further clarification on the project location, need, or scope:



### Timeline

**Loan Closing:** 7/01/2026

**Design:** 8/31/2026

**Construction Bid:** 10/01/2026

**Construction Start:** 12/01/2026

**Initiation of Operations:** 5/01/2027

### Sources of Project Funding

	<b>DWSRF</b>	<b>Local</b>	<b>Other Source</b>	<b>Total Costs</b>
Planning costs including PER and ER development	\$15,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$15,000.00</b>
Design and Engineering including inspection	\$162,588.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$162,588.00</b>
Construction costs	\$1,083,920.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$1,083,920.00</b>
Construction contingency	\$108,392.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$108,392.00</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$1,369,900.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$1,369,900.00</b>

Other Source: \_\_\_\_\_

### Environmental Review

Sufficient documentation has been submitted to NDEP for the environmental review process. NDEP has determined this project qualifies for a Categorical Exclusion.

### Community Engagement

Public notification that the drinking water exceeded the arsenic MCL (a Tier 2 violation), was distributed by email and hand delivery to consumers on 1/24/2023. The Notice must be redistributed every three months as long as the violation persists.

Amargosa Elementary School is overseen by the Nye County School District Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees approved a resolution for funding through the Nevada State Revolving Fund on August 15, 2024.

### Loan Recipient Information

**Possibility for Consolidation** The PER addressed the possibility of consolidation and found that there is no municipal water system in the area for connection.

**Water Conservation Plan** Amargosa Elementary School has a Water Conservation Plan on file dated 6/30/2021.

**Technical Capacity** "Technical capability" means the ability of a public water system to:

1. Obtain an adequate and reliable source of water that is necessary to provide the quantity and quality of water required by the system; and
2. Establish and maintain an adequate infrastructure for the treatment, storage and distribution of the quantity and quality of water required by the system; and
3. Employ operators who have the technical knowledge and ability to operate the system<sup>1</sup>.

Amargosa Elementary School has a certified operator Grade T2/D3 in current good standing.

Nye County School District has the technical capacity for NDEP to recommend funding support.

**Managerial Capacity**

“Managerial capability” means the ability of a public water system to conduct its administrative affairs in a manner that ensures compliance with all applicable standards based on<sup>2</sup>:

1. The accountability, responsibility and authority of the owner or operator of the system; and
2. The personnel and organization of the system; and
3. The ability of the persons who manage the system to work with:
  - (a) Jurisdictional, regulatory and other governmental agencies; and
  - (b) Trade and industry organizations; and
  - (c) The persons served by the system.

Nye County School District has demonstrated the managerial capacity for NDEP to recommend funding support.

**Financial Capacity**

“Financial capability” means the ability of a public water system to:

1. Pay the costs related to maintenance, operations, depreciation and capital expenses; and
2. Maintain creditworthiness; and
3. Establish and maintain adequate fiscal controls and accounting methods required for the operation of the system<sup>3</sup>.

<b>Financial Information as of:</b>	<b>June 30, 2025</b>
Financial information independently audited by:	Daniel McArthur, LTD
Unrestricted cash	\$75,937,688
Days cash on hand	241
Outstanding debt	\$190,965,544
Net Income before depreciation	\$3,982,003
Current ratio	8.82
Debt coverage	0.32

**User Water Rates**

Water user rates are not applicable to the school district.

**Water Meters**

The system is not metered.

**Asset Management Plan**

The water system Asset Management Plan was updated 06/30/2025.

**Capital Replacement Reserve Account**

Nye County School District has a Capital Reserve Fund that is maintained and follows NRS 354.6113, 387.328, 387.177, and 387.331.

**DWSRF Principal Forgiveness Eligibility Criteria**

Amargosa Elementary School qualifies for Principal Forgiveness under the DWSRF Disadvantaged criteria.

<sup>2</sup> NRS 445A.827

<sup>3</sup> NRS 445A.817

## System Previous Commitments and Studies

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None

### DWSRF Authority and Purpose

The 1996 amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) authorized the DWSRF. The DWSRF is a national program to assist public water systems in financing the cost of drinking water infrastructure projects needed to achieve or maintain compliance with the SDWA and to further the public health objectives of the SDWA. The SDWA authorizes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to award capitalization grants to states that have established DWSRF programs. The Nevada Legislature passed legislation that authorizes NDEP to administer the DWSRF under the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 445A.200 to 445A.295, inclusive. In addition to the authorizing statute, Nevada has adopted Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.6751 to 445A.67644, inclusive, which describes the program requirements. Federal regulations for implementing the DWSRF are found in 40 CFR, part 35. Other program directives include the Operating Agreement between NDEP and EPA, the annual Intended Use Plan, EPA guidance and policies, and conditions of each grant award.

One of the requirements of the NRS pertaining to the DWSRF is that NDEP shall not “commit any money in the account for the revolving fund for expenditure ... without obtaining the prior approval of the board for financing water projects” (NRS 445A.265(3)).

### DWSRF Loan Conditions

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\$1,369,900.00      D08-0526      DWSRF principal forgiveness loan.

The above-referenced loan will contain the following conditions:

- 100% of the principal will be forgiven.
- Develop and maintain an asset management plan that is reviewed by the governing board at least every five (5) years.
- The recipient agrees to draw funds available in this contract within three (3) years from the date of this contract. Funds will be subject to de-obligation and/or review after this time period by the Division.

### RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR THE DWSRF LOAN

I move to approve the resolution titled “D08-0526 Nye County School District Project Loan Commitment,” which is intended to finance certain projects in an amount not to exceed \$1,369,900.00. The loan will include terms and conditions as outlined in the resolution and staff report.

# RESOLUTION D08-0526

## *Nye County School District Project Loan Commitment*

<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Board for Financing Water Projects (Board) of the State of Nevada is authorized by Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) chapter 445A.265 to approve the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) prioritized lists of water projects and to commit loans from the revolving fund account to help community water systems and non-transient water systems pay for capital improvements and debt refinancing, both of which are required and made necessary under NRS 445A.800 to 445A.955, inclusive, by the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 300f et seq.), and by corresponding regulations; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has the responsibility of administering the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	On November 19, 2025, the Board, under NRS 445A.265(3), approved the Priority List Effective November 2025, which ranks water projects that are eligible for loans from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund account; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	Nye County School District (Recipient) owns and operates a public community water system in Nevada; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Recipient submitted a pre-application to NDEP for funding a project to install an Arsenic Treatment System (Project); and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Project is included as project #24 on the Priority List Effective November 2025 of water projects; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Recipient's Project is ready to proceed; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	In connection with seeking a loan, the Recipient has submitted a written application to NDEP consistent with NAC 445A.67613; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has reviewed the application — including supporting materials — and has determined that the Recipient has the technical, managerial, and financial capability to manage a loan for the Project; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has taken all necessary and proper actions as required by regulations on loan applications adopted by the State Environmental Commission (NAC 445A.6751 to 445A.67644, inclusive); and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Board must give prior approval before NDEP may expend any money from the revolving fund account for the purposes set forth in NRS 445A.275.

**IT IS RESOLVED by the Board for Financing Water Projects of the State of Nevada:**

**Section 1:** This resolution shall be known as the “D08-0526 Nye County School District Project Loan Commitment”

**Section 2:** The loan for the Project shall be negotiated between the Recipient and NDEP. The loan will include terms and conditions as outlined in the staff report dated May 20, 2026, and must comply with applicable provisions in the Nevada Drinking Water Intended Use Plan.

**Section 3:** Based on NDEP’s review of the application and recommendation to the Board concerning the Project, and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and 4 of this resolution, the Board approves a commitment of funds in the amount not to exceed \$1,369,900.00 from the revolving fund account consistent with NRS 445A.265(3).

**Section 4:** The Board further recommends that NDEP take all other necessary and appropriate actions to advance the provisions of this resolution consistent with NRS 445A.200 to 445A.295, inclusive, and with corresponding regulations.

**Section 5:** This resolution shall be effective on its passage and approval.

**PASSED, ADOPTED, AND SIGNED May 20, 2026**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Chair**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

**Loan Commitment from the  
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

May 2026

# Orovada General Improvement District

<b>Total Commitment</b> \$1,499,974.44	<b>Recommendation</b> The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) recommends that the Board for Financing Water Projects (Board) approve a loan commitment to Orovada General Improvement District for a redundant tank and transmission line.	
<b>Amount</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Program and Terms</b>
\$1,499,974.44	D09-0526	DWSRF Principal Forgiveness

## Management and Structure

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**Loan Recipient and Structure** Orovada General Improvement District (GID) is a public water system per NRS 445A.235.

**System Number** NV0003032

## System Information

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**County** Humboldt

**System Population** 200

**System Service Connections** 65

**System Infrastructure** The system is composed of two wells, each with a chlorinator, one steel welded 125K-gallon storage tank, and a distribution system.

**System Compliance** This project is for compliance to meet minimum water storage capacity.

## System Project for Funding

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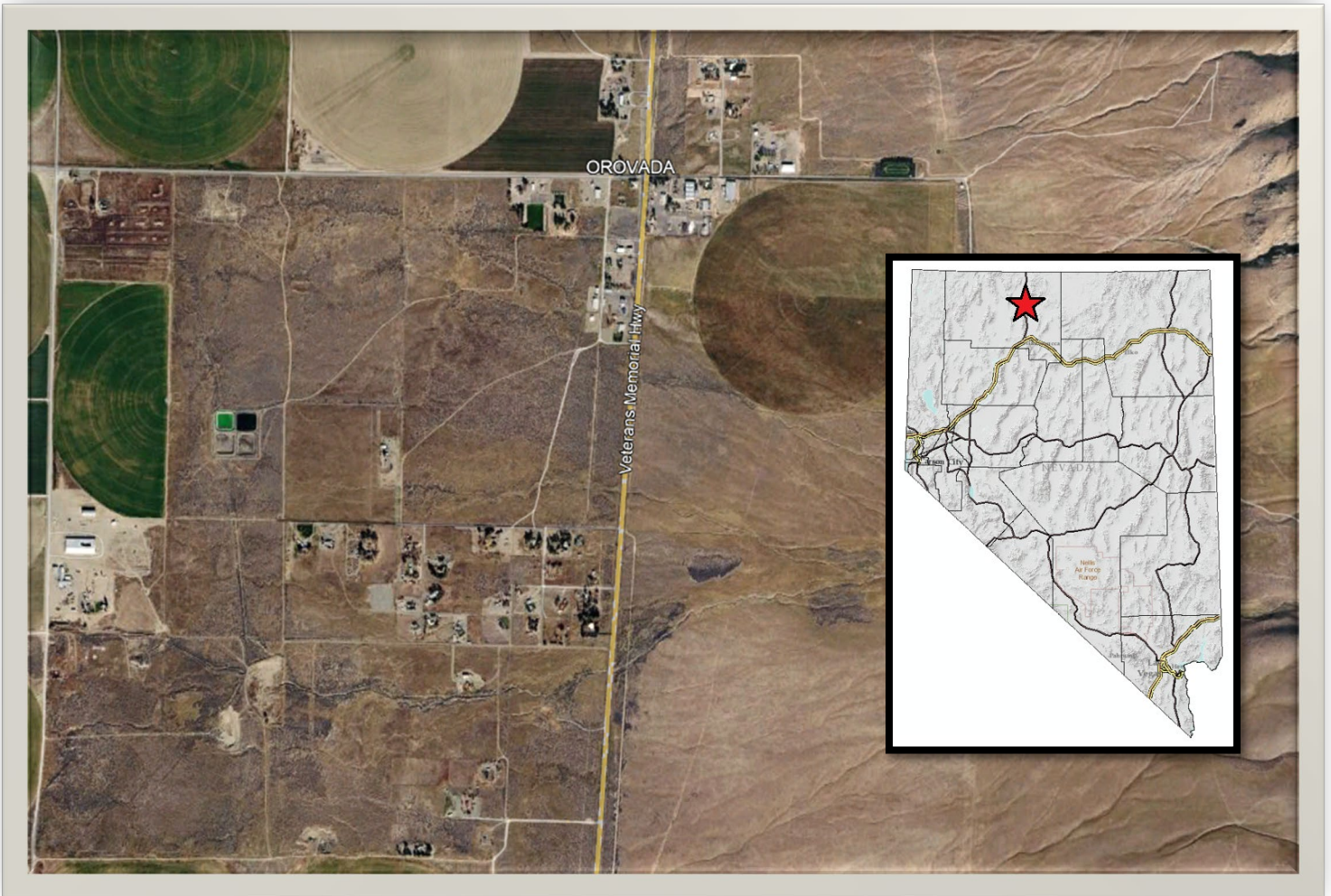
<b>DWSRF Priority List</b>	Priority #60 on the Drinking Water SRF Priority List Effective November 2025.
<b>System need for the project</b>	Currently, the system does not meet the minimum requirements for water storage as set forth in NAC 445A.6672(3). Analysis indicates a deficit of approximately 212,000 gallons.
<b>Project Narrative</b>	The project includes the construction of a new 215,000-gallon storage tank and a connecting main.
<b>Project Alternatives Evaluated</b>	The Preliminary Engineering Report details three options, including “no action”; this project was determined to be the best alternative.

## Maps and Exhibits

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NDEP is able to provide the following information for further clarification on the project location, need, or scope:



### Timeline

**Loan Closing:** 6/18/2026

**Design:** 12/14/2026

**Construction Bid:** 1/11/2027

**Construction Start:** 03/01/2027

**Initiation of Operations:** 04/01/2028

## Sources of Project Funding

	DWSRF	Local	Other Source	Total Costs
Design and Engineering including inspection	\$232,396.04	\$0.00	\$257,890.96	<b>\$490,287.00</b>
Construction costs	\$1,056,633.70	\$0.00	\$1,172,548.30	<b>\$2,229,182.00</b>
Construction contingency	\$105,733.76	\$0.00	\$117,333.24	<b>\$223,067.00</b>
Permitting Costs	\$52,605.47	\$0.00	\$58,376.53	<b>\$110,982.00</b>
Administrative Costs	\$52,605.47	\$0.00	\$58,376.53	<b>\$110,982.00</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$1,499,974.44</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$1,664,525.56</b>	<b>\$3,164,500.00</b>

Other Source: USDA-RD

## Environmental Review

An Environmental Assessment conducted by the Bureau of Land Management has been submitted, including a separate Environmental Assessment conducted by an engineering consultant company. NDEP has reviewed all submitted documentation and expects to issue a Finding of No Significant Impact for this project.

## Community Engagement

Regular progress reports are provided to the Orovada GID Board for presentation at regularly scheduled meetings that are open to the public and noticed in accordance with open meeting law requirements.

## Loan Recipient Information

**Possibility for Consolidation** Orovada is approximately 30 miles south of McDermitt, NV. Physical consolidation is not feasible at this time. Managerial consolidation would be subject to further discussions between the governing board and another public water system and/or Humboldt County.

**Water Conservation Plan** Orovada GID's Water Conservation Plan was last updated in December 2024.

**Technical Capacity** "Technical capability" means the ability of a public water system to:

1. Obtain an adequate and reliable source of water that is necessary to provide the quantity and quality of water required by the system; and
2. Establish and maintain an adequate infrastructure for the treatment, storage and distribution of the quantity and quality of water required by the system; and
3. Employ operators who have the technical knowledge and ability to operate the system<sup>1</sup>.

Orovada General Improvement District has a certified operator Grade D1-T0 in current good standing.

Orovada General Improvement District has the technical capacity for NDEP to recommend funding support.

**Managerial Capacity**

“Managerial capability” means the ability of a public water system to conduct its administrative affairs in a manner that ensures compliance with all applicable standards based on<sup>2</sup>:

1. The accountability, responsibility and authority of the owner or operator of the system; and
2. The personnel and organization of the system; and
3. The ability of the persons who manage the system to work with:
  - (a) Jurisdictional, regulatory and other governmental agencies; and
  - (b) Trade and industry organizations; and
  - (c) The persons served by the system.

Orovada General Improvement District has demonstrated managerial capacity for NDEP to recommend funding support.

**Financial Capacity**

“Financial capability” means the ability of a public water system to:

1. Pay the costs related to maintenance, operations, depreciation and capital expenses; and
2. Maintain creditworthiness; and
3. Establish and maintain adequate fiscal controls and accounting methods required for the operation of the system<sup>3</sup>.

<b>Financial Information as of:</b>	<b>June 30, 2025</b>
Financial information independently audited by:	Drake Rose & Assoc
Unrestricted cash	\$247,358
Days cash on hand	1,546
Outstanding debt	\$0.00
Net Income before depreciation	\$80,468
Current ratio	9.45
Debt coverage	N/A

**User Water Rates**

Water user rates were adopted on April 1, 2025:

- Residential base rate per user per month: \$57.00
- Commodity Rate: \$0.80
- Average Water Rate/Use for System: \$57.00

The water rates established sufficiently cover current operation, maintenance, debt service, and reserves of the system. Orovada GID worked with a technical assistance provider to complete a rate study and to create the current rate structure.

**Water Meters**

The system reports it possesses “unreliable” meters, which are not read year-round.

**Asset Management Plan**

Orovada GID updated their Asset Management Plan in June of 2025.

**Capital Replacement Reserve Account**

Orovada GID approved implementation of a Capital Replacement Reserve Account in August 2025 and is maintaining it based on SRF requirements.

**DWSRF Principal Forgiveness Eligibility Criteria**

Orovada GID is eligible for Principal Forgiveness based on their disadvantaged status.

<sup>2</sup> NRS 445A.827

<sup>3</sup> NRS 445A.817

## System Previous Commitments and Studies

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**Project I.D. DW2509; Executed November 2024; Loan Amount \$80,000.00**  
Orovada PER and EA

## DWSRF Authority and Purpose

The 1996 amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) authorized the DWSRF. The DWSRF is a national program to assist public water systems in financing the cost of drinking water infrastructure projects needed to achieve or maintain compliance with the SDWA and to further the public health objectives of the SDWA. The SDWA authorizes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to award capitalization grants to states that have established DWSRF programs. The Nevada Legislature passed legislation that authorizes NDEP to administer the DWSRF under the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 445A.200 to 445A.295, inclusive. In addition to the authorizing statute, Nevada has adopted Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.6751 to 445A.67644, inclusive, which describes the program requirements. Federal regulations for implementing the DWSRF are found in 40 CFR, part 35. Other program directives include the Operating Agreement between NDEP and EPA, the annual Intended Use Plan, EPA guidance and policies, and conditions of each grant award.

One of the requirements of the NRS pertaining to the DWSRF is that NDEP shall not “commit any money in the account for the revolving fund for expenditure ... without obtaining the prior approval of the board for financing water projects” (NRS 445A.265(3)).

## DWSRF Loan Conditions

\$1,499,974.44      D09-0526      DWSRF principal forgiveness loan.

The above-referenced loan will contain the following conditions:

- 100% of the principal will be forgiven.
- Review user rates at least every three (3) years for the life of the loan.
- Develop and maintain an asset management plan that is reviewed by the governing board at least every five (5) years.
- The recipient agrees to draw funds available in this contract within three (3) years from the date of this contract. Funds will be subject to de-obligation and/or review after this time period by the Division.

## RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR THE DWSRF LOAN

I move to approve the resolution titled “D09-0526 Orovada General Improvement District Project Loan Commitment,” which is intended to finance certain projects in an amount not to exceed \$1,499,974.44. The loan will include terms and conditions as outlined in the resolution and staff report.

# RESOLUTION D09-0526

## *Orovada General Improvement District Project Loan Commitment*

<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Board for Financing Water Projects (Board) of the State of Nevada is authorized by Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) chapter 445A.265 to approve the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) prioritized lists of water projects and to commit loans from the revolving fund account to help community water systems and non-transient water systems pay for capital improvements and debt refinancing, both of which are required and made necessary under NRS 445A.800 to 445A.955, inclusive, by the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 300f et seq.), and by corresponding regulations; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has the responsibility of administering the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	On November 19, 2025, the Board, under NRS 445A.265(3), approved the Priority List Effective November 2025, which ranks water projects that are eligible for loans from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund account; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	Orovada General Improvement District (Recipient) owns and operates a public community water system in Nevada; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Recipient submitted a pre-application to NDEP for funding a project to Redundant Tank and Transmission Line (Project); and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Project is included as project #60 on the Priority List Effective November 2025 of water projects; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Recipient's Project is ready to proceed; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	In connection with seeking a loan, the Recipient has submitted a written application to NDEP consistent with NAC 445A.67613; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has reviewed the application — including supporting materials — and has determined that the Recipient has the technical, managerial, and financial capability to manage a loan for the Project; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has taken all necessary and proper actions as required by regulations on loan applications adopted by the State Environmental Commission (NAC 445A.6751 to 445A.67644, inclusive); and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Board must give prior approval before NDEP may expend any money from the revolving fund account for the purposes set forth in NRS 445A.275;

**IT IS RESOLVED by the Board for Financing Water Projects of the State of Nevada:**

**Section 1:** This resolution shall be known as the “D09-0526 Orovada General Improvement District Project Loan Commitment”

**Section 2:** The loan for the Project shall be negotiated between the Recipient and NDEP. The loan will include terms and conditions as outlined in the staff report dated May 20, 2026, and must comply with applicable provisions in the Nevada Drinking Water Intended Use Plan.

**Section 3:** Based on NDEP’s review of the application and recommendation to the Board concerning the Project, and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and 4 of this resolution, the Board approves a commitment of funds in the amount not to exceed \$1,499,974.44 from the revolving fund account consistent with NRS 445A.265(3).

**Section 4:** The Board further recommends that NDEP take all other necessary and appropriate actions to advance the provisions of this resolution consistent with NRS 445A.200 to 445A.295, inclusive, and with corresponding regulations.

**Section 5:** This resolution shall be effective on its passage and approval.

**PASSED, ADOPTED, AND SIGNED May 20, 2026**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Chair**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

**Loan Commitment from the  
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

May 2026

# Esmeralda County - Goldfield Town Water

<b>Total Commitment</b> \$2,230,562.27	<b>Recommendation</b> The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) recommends that the Board for Financing Water Projects (Board) approve a loan commitment to Esmeralda County – Goldfield Town Water for replacement of transmission lines and repair and recoat of a storage tank.	
<b>Amount</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Program and Terms</b>
\$2,230,562.27	D10-0526	DWSRF Principal Forgiveness

## Management and Structure

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**Loan Recipient and Structure** Esmeralda County - Goldfield Town Water is a public water system per NRS 445A.235.

**Project system** The project is for Goldfield Town Water, which is managed by Esmeralda County.

**System Number** NV0000072

## System Information

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**County** Esmeralda

**System Population** 381

**System Service Connections** 339

**System Infrastructure** The system is comprised of four groundwater wells, two booster stations, two storage tanks, one arsenic treatment plant, transmission and distribution lines.

**System Compliance** The water system is currently in compliance.

## System Project for Funding

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<b>DWSRF Priority List</b>	Priority #123 on the Drinking Water SRF Priority List Effective November 2025.
<b>System need for the project</b>	The Town of Goldfield is supplied by groundwater wells approximately 12 miles north of town. Until 2019 the entire 12 miles of transmission line was 6-inch asbestos cement (AC). The utility has successfully secured funding to replace approximately nine miles of that asbestos cement line with 10-inch PVC; a separate project, funded by Gemfield Resources, replaced approximately two miles with 6-inch PVC. Approximately 5,000 linear feet of the 43-year-old 6-inch AC still needs to be replaced; it is at the end of its useful life and has historically been a cause of breaks/leaks in the system. This project

	also includes rehabilitation of the town’s 366,000 welded steel storage tank, built in 2002. The tank was recommended for repair and recoat in a 2014 Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) and was again noted in a recent dive report in November 2025.
<b>Project Narrative</b>	This project is a combination of two pre-applications into one project. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The project will replace approximately 5,000 linear feet of 6-inch asbestos cement with new 6-inch C900 PVC water main. This will include five gate valves, fire hydrants, air valves, connections to existing main lines, and abandonment of the old mains.</li> <li>2. The rehabilitation of the town’s 366,000-gallon welded steel water storage tank. This will include sandblasting, any repairs, and recoating the tank’s interior and exterior.</li> </ol>
<b>Project Alternatives Evaluated</b>	The 2014 PER addressed four alternatives that included “no action” and the consolidation of the town’s water system with Tonopah.

## Maps and Exhibits

In accordance with NRS 239C.210 and Executive Order 2020-01 dated February 4, 2020, drawings, maps, plans, or records that reveal the locations of critical infrastructure, including primary buildings, facilities, and other structures used for storing, transporting, or transmitting water, are deemed confidential and not subject to subpoena or discovery, and therefore not subject to inspection by the general public.

NDEP is able to provide the following information for further clarification on the project location, need, or scope:



## Timeline

**Loan Closing:** 6/30/2026

**Design:** 2/1/2027

**Construction Bid:** 4/6/2027

**Construction Start:** 6/1/2027

**Initiation of Operations:** 9/30/2027

### Sources of Project Funding

	<b>DWSRF</b>	<b>Local</b>	<b>Other Source</b>	<b>Total Costs</b>
Design and Engineering including inspection	\$417,371.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$417,371.10</b>
Construction costs	\$1,535,107.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$1,535,107.20</b>
Construction contingency	\$225,272.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$225,272.58</b>
Administrative Costs	\$52,811.39	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$52,811.39</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$2,230,562.27</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$2,230,562.27</b>

Other Source: \_\_\_\_\_

### Environmental Review

Sufficient documentation has been submitted to NDEP for the environmental review process. NDEP has determined this project qualifies for a Categorical Exclusion.

### Community Engagement

This project has been discussed in several Esmeralda County Commission meetings. All these meetings have been noticed and provided for public comment. The March 17,2026 Commission meeting approved the Board Resolution for application to the State Revolving Fund and has identified the Chairman of the Board to sign the loan contract and any other related documents.

### Loan Recipient Information

**Possibility for Consolidation** The nearest drinking water system is located approximately 26 miles to the north in the town of Tonopah and would not be considered economically feasible.

**Water Conservation Plan** Goldfield has a Water Conservation Plan that was recently updated in January 2026.

**Technical Capacity** “Technical capability” means the ability of a public water system to:

1. Obtain an adequate and reliable source of water that is necessary to provide the quantity and quality of water required by the system; and
2. Establish and maintain an adequate infrastructure for the treatment, storage and distribution of the quantity and quality of water required by the system; and
3. Employ operators who have the technical knowledge and ability to operate the system<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> NRS 445A.847

Esmeralda County-Goldfield Town Water has a certified operator Grade D1-T2 in current good standing.

Esmeralda County-Goldfield Town Water has the technical capacity for NDEP to recommend funding support.

**Managerial Capacity**

“Managerial capability” means the ability of a public water system to conduct its administrative affairs in a manner that ensures compliance with all applicable standards based on<sup>2</sup>:

1. The accountability, responsibility and authority of the owner or operator of the system; and
2. The personnel and organization of the system; and
3. The ability of the persons who manage the system to work with:
  - (a) Jurisdictional, regulatory and other governmental agencies; and
  - (b) Trade and industry organizations; and
  - (c) The persons served by the system.

Esmeralda County – Goldfield Town Water has demonstrated managerial capacity for NDEP to recommend funding support.

**Financial Capacity**

“Financial capability” means the ability of a public water system to:

1. Pay the costs related to maintenance, operations, depreciation and capital expenses; and
2. Maintain creditworthiness; and
3. Establish and maintain adequate fiscal controls and accounting methods required for the operation of the system<sup>3</sup>.

<b>Financial Information as of:</b>	<b>June 30, 2024</b>
Financial information independently audited by:	McArthur, LTD
Unrestricted cash	\$519,411
Days cash on hand	819
Outstanding debt	\$1,036,853
Net Income before depreciation	\$426,769
Current ratio	6.48
Debt coverage	9.72

**User Water Rates**

Water user rates were adopted on June 1, 2025:

- Residential base rate per user per month: \$26.00 includes first 2,000 gal
- Commodity Rate: \$3.00 per k/gal over 2,000
- Obligation Fee: \$8.33 monthly
- Average Water Rate/Use for System: \$55.00

The water rates established sufficiently cover current operation, maintenance, debt service, and reserves of the system.

**Water Meters**

The system is fully metered.

**Asset Management Plan**

The Asset Management Plan was updated in July 2025.

**Capital Replacement Reserve Account**

A Capital Replacement Reserve Account is maintained per SRF requirements.

<sup>2</sup> NRS 445A.827

<sup>3</sup> NRS 445A.817

**DWSRF Principal Forgiveness Eligibility Criteria** Esmeralda County – Goldfield Town Water meets the disadvantaged criteria qualifying them for Principal Forgiveness.

## **System Previous Commitments and Studies**

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**Project I.D. EC2D; Executed October 2010; Loan Amount \$414,106.00**  
Goldfield Arsenic Treatment

**Project I.D. DW1401; Executed July 2013; Loan Amount \$155,000.00**  
Storage Tank Recoat PER

**Project I.D. DW1508; Executed March 2015; Loan Amount \$500,000.00**  
Water System Improvements

**Project I.D. DW1609; Executed July 2016; Loan Amount \$500,000.00**  
Phase 2 – Booster Pump, Storage Tank, Various Improvements, and SCADA

**Project I.D. DW2305; Executed April 2023; Loan Amount \$63,750.00**  
PER Arsenic Treatment Improvement

**Project I.D. DW2603; Executed December 2025; Loan Amount \$1,612,512.00**  
Arsenic Treatment Improvement

## DWSRF Authority and Purpose

The 1996 amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) authorized the DWSRF. The DWSRF is a national program to assist public water systems in financing the cost of drinking water infrastructure projects needed to achieve or maintain compliance with the SDWA and to further the public health objectives of the SDWA. The SDWA authorizes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to award capitalization grants to states that have established DWSRF programs. The Nevada Legislature passed legislation that authorizes NDEP to administer the DWSRF under the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 445A.200 to 445A.295, inclusive. In addition to the authorizing statute, Nevada has adopted Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.6751 to 445A.67644, inclusive, which describes the program requirements. Federal regulations for implementing the DWSRF are found in 40 CFR, part 35. Other program directives include the Operating Agreement between NDEP and EPA, the annual Intended Use Plan, EPA guidance and policies, and conditions of each grant award.

One of the requirements of the NRS pertaining to the DWSRF is that NDEP shall not “commit any money in the account for the revolving fund for expenditure ... without obtaining the prior approval of the board for financing water projects” (NRS 445A.265(3)).

## DWSRF Loan Conditions

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**\$2,230,562.27**    **D10-0526**    **DWSRF principal forgiveness loan.**

The above-referenced loan will contain the following conditions:

- 100% of the principal will be forgiven.
- Review user rates at least every three (3) years for the life of the loan.
- Develop and maintain an asset management plan that is reviewed by the governing board at least every five (5) years.
- The recipient agrees to draw funds available in this contract within three (3) years from the date of this contract. Funds will be subject to de-obligation and/or review after this time period by the Division.

## RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR THE DWSRF LOAN

I move to approve the resolution titled “D10-0526 Esmeralda County – Goldfield Town Water Project Loan Commitment,” which is intended to finance certain projects in an amount not to exceed \$2,230,562.27. The loan will include terms and conditions as outlined in the resolution and staff report.

# RESOLUTION D10-0526

## *Esmeralda County – Goldfield Town Water Project Loan Commitment*

<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Board for Financing Water Projects (Board) of the State of Nevada is authorized by Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) chapter 445A.265 to approve the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) prioritized lists of water projects and to commit loans from the revolving fund account to help community water systems and non-transient water systems pay for capital improvements and debt refinancing, both of which are required and made necessary under NRS 445A.800 to 445A.955, inclusive, by the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 300f et seq.), and by corresponding regulations; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has the responsibility of administering the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	On November 19, 2025, the Board, under NRS 445A.265(3), approved the Priority List Effective November 2025, which ranks water projects that are eligible for loans from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund account; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	Esmeralda County – Goldfield Town Water (Recipient) owns and operates a public community water system in Nevada; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Recipient submitted a pre-application to NDEP for funding a project to replace transmission lines and repair and recoat a storage tank (Project); and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Project is included as project #123 on the Priority List Effective November 2025 of water projects; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Recipient’s Project is ready to proceed; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	In connection with seeking a loan, the Recipient has submitted a written application to NDEP consistent with NAC 445A.67613; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has reviewed the application — including supporting materials — and has determined that the Recipient has the technical, managerial, and financial capability to manage a loan for the Project; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has taken all necessary and proper actions as required by regulations on loan applications adopted by the State Environmental Commission (NAC 445A.6751 to 445A.67644, inclusive); and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Board must give prior approval before NDEP may expend any money from the revolving fund account for the purposes set forth in NRS 445A.275.

**IT IS RESOLVED by the Board for Financing Water Projects of the State of Nevada:**

**Section 1:** This resolution shall be known as the “D10-0526 Esmeralda County – Goldfield Town Water Project Loan Commitment”

**Section 2:** The loan for the Project shall be negotiated between the Recipient and NDEP. The loan will include terms and conditions as outlined in the staff report dated May 20, 2026, and must comply with applicable provisions in the Nevada Drinking Water Intended Use Plan.

**Section 3:** Based on NDEP’s review of the application and recommendation to the Board concerning the Project, and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and 4 of this resolution, the Board approves a commitment of funds in the amount not to exceed \$2,230,562.27 from the revolving fund account consistent with NRS 445A.265(3).

**Section 4:** The Board further recommends that NDEP take all other necessary and appropriate actions to advance the provisions of this resolution consistent with NRS 445A.200 to 445A.295, inclusive, and with corresponding regulations.

**Section 5:** This resolution shall be effective on its passage and approval.

**PASSED, ADOPTED, AND SIGNED May 20, 2026**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Chair**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

**Loan Commitment from the  
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

May 2026

# Coyote Crossing Water Well Association

<b>Total Commitment</b> \$64,832.92	<b>Recommendation</b> The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) recommends that the Board for Financing Water Projects (Board) approve a loan commitment to Coyote Crossing Water Well Association for transmission line upgrades, engineering and permitting.	
<b>Amount</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Program and Terms</b>
\$64,832.92	D11-0526	DWSRF Principal Forgiveness

## Management and Structure

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**Loan Recipient and Structure** Coyote Crossing Water Well Association (Fort Apache Ann NE Water Association) is a privately owned public water system per NRS 445A.235.

**System Number** NV0000430

## System Information

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**County** Clark

**System Population** 25

**System Service Connections** 16

**System Infrastructure** The system is composed of one well, one booster pump with pressure tank, one storage tank, and a distribution system.

**System Compliance** This project is for compliance (redundancy).

## System Project for Funding

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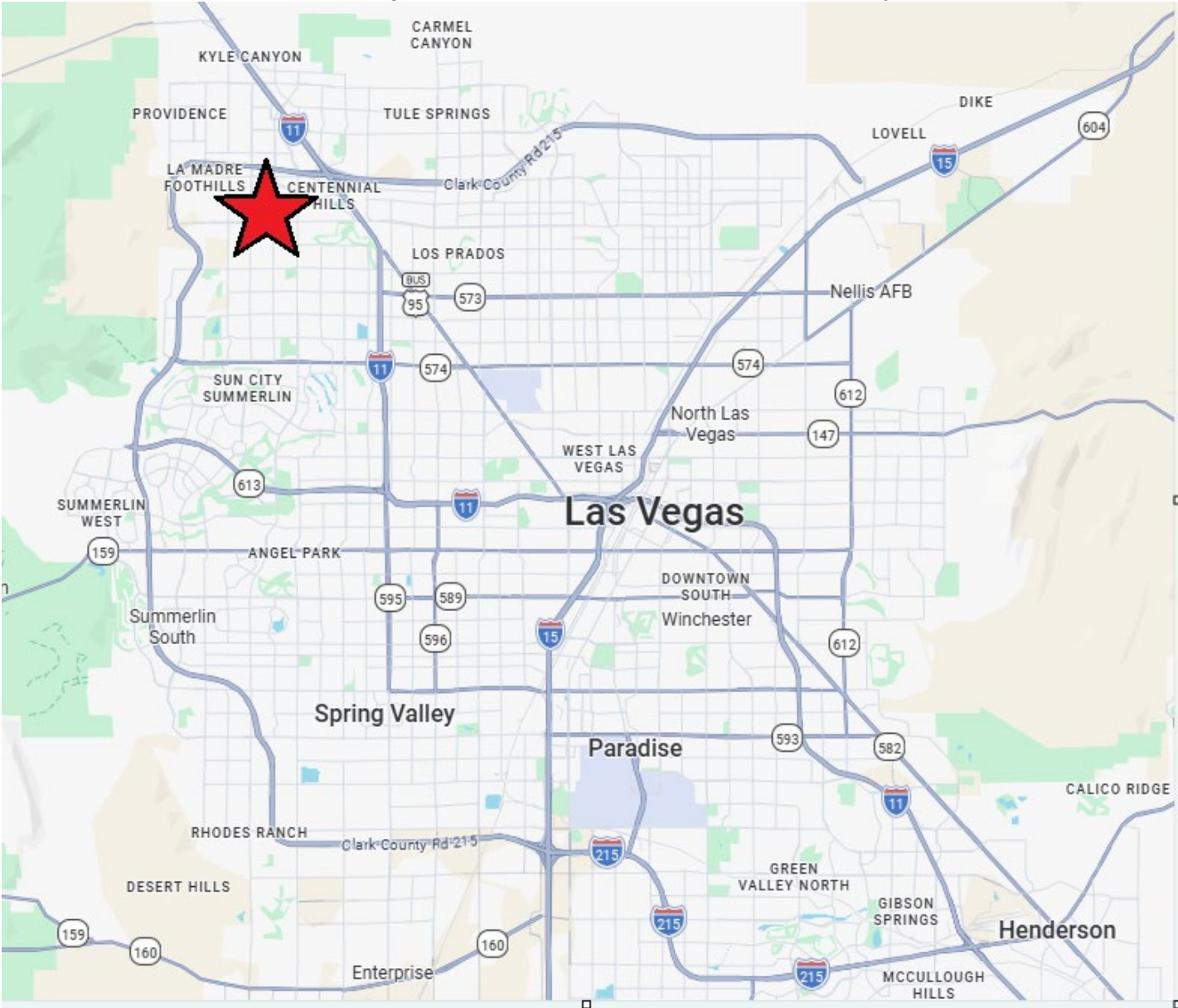
<b>DWSRF Priority List</b>	Priority #190 on the Drinking Water SRF Priority List Effective November 2025.
<b>System need for the project</b>	Fort Apache Ann NE Water Assoc is a “found” system that the Bureau of Safe Drinking Water is trying to permit. For this, the system must be brought to public water standards. Evaluation of the system has identified components that must be upgraded to meet state code requirements prior to being permitted.
<b>Project Narrative</b>	This project includes a Technical Memorandum explaining the proposed improvements. NAC 445A.66995 requires the addition of a redundant booster pump and replacement of the existing, non-NSF 61-certified booster pump. In addition, the project will upgrade the pressure tank, install a variable frequency drive, and replace existing galvanized piping.

<p><b>Project Alternatives Evaluated</b></p>	<p>The Technical Memorandum will identify and evaluate feasible alternatives for the system.</p>
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**Maps and Exhibits**

In accordance with NRS 239C.210 and Executive Order 2020-01 dated February 4, 2020, drawings, maps, plans, or records that reveal the locations of critical infrastructure, including primary buildings, facilities, and other structures used for storing, transporting, or transmitting water, are deemed confidential and not subject to subpoena or discovery, and therefore not subject to inspection by the general public.

NDEP is able to provide the following information for further clarification on the project location, need, or scope:





**Timeline**

**Loan Closing:** June 2026

**Design:** August 2026

**Construction Bid:** September 2026

**Construction Start:** October 2026

**Initiation of Operations:** November 2026

**Sources of Project Funding**

	<b>DWSRF</b>	<b>Local</b>	<b>Other Source</b>	<b>Total Costs</b>
Preplanning costs already incurred	\$0.00	\$562.15	\$0.00	<b>\$ 562.15</b>
Planning costs including PER and ER development	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$5,000.00</b>
Design and Engineering including inspection	\$23,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$23,500.00</b>
Capital asset materials and equipment	\$26,932.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$26,932.95</b>
Construction costs	\$7,700.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$7,700.00</b>
Construction contingency	\$1,700.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	<b>\$1,700.00</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$64,832.95</b>	<b>\$ 562.15</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$65,395.10</b>

## Environmental Review

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Coyote Crossings Water Well Association has submitted sufficient environmental documentation for the review process. NDEP is expected to issue a Categorical Exclusion for this project.

## Community Engagement

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The system, also known as Coyote Crossing Water Well Association, has a Board of Directors composed of three members. The Board met on 9/30/2025 to approve this project.

## Loan Recipient Information

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**Possibility for Consolidation** The Technical Memorandum will address consolidation as an option.

**Water Conservation Plan** No Water Conservation Plan exists for this system.

**Technical Capacity** “Technical capability” means the ability of a public water system to:

1. Obtain an adequate and reliable source of water that is necessary to provide the quantity and quality of water required by the system; and
2. Establish and maintain an adequate infrastructure for the treatment, storage and distribution of the quantity and quality of water required by the system; and
3. Employ operators who have the technical knowledge and ability to operate the system<sup>1</sup>.

Coyote Crossing Water Well Association has a certified operator Grade D1-T10 in current good standing.

Coyote Crossing Water Well Association has the technical capacity for NDEP to recommend funding support.

**Managerial Capacity** “Managerial capability” means the ability of a public water system to conduct its administrative affairs in a manner that ensures compliance with all applicable standards based on<sup>2</sup>:

1. The accountability, responsibility and authority of the owner or operator of the system; and
2. The personnel and organization of the system; and
3. The ability of the persons who manage the system to work with:
  - (a) Jurisdictional, regulatory and other governmental agencies; and
  - (b) Trade and industry organizations; and
  - (c) The persons served by the system.

Coyote Crossing Water Well Association has demonstrated managerial capacity for NDEP to recommend funding support.

**Financial Capacity** “Financial capability” means the ability of a public water system to:

1. Pay the costs related to maintenance, operations, depreciation and capital expenses; and
2. Maintain creditworthiness; and

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<sup>1</sup> NRS 445A.847

<sup>2</sup> NRS 445A.827

3. Establish and maintain adequate fiscal controls and accounting methods required for the operation of the system<sup>3</sup>.

<b>Financial Information as of:</b>	<b>December 31, 2024</b>
Financial information independently audited by:	Rich Wightman & Company
Unrestricted cash	\$39,251
Days cash on hand	406
Outstanding debt	None
Net Income before depreciation	(\$812) for FY24 Projected \$22,857 for FY25
Current ratio	38.90
Debt coverage	N/A

**User Water Rates** Water user rates were adopted on January 1, 2023:

- Residential is a flat rate per user per month: \$200.00

The water rates established sufficiently cover current operation, maintenance, debt service, and reserves of the system.

**Water Meters** The system is not individually metered. The well has a master meter and the expenses are shared for all 16 residential homes.

**Asset Management Plan** An Asset Management Plan will be required prior to completion of the project.

**Capital Replacement Reserve Account** Implementation of a Capital Replacement Reserve Account will be required prior to the completion of the project.

**DWSRF Principal Forgiveness Eligibility Criteria** Coyote Crossing Water Well Association will be utilizing DWSRF Additional Subsidy Principal Forgiveness for this project.

## System Previous Commitments and Studies

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None

<sup>3</sup> NRS 445A.817

## DWSRF Authority and Purpose

The 1996 amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) authorized the DWSRF. The DWSRF is a national program to assist public water systems in financing the cost of drinking water infrastructure projects needed to achieve or maintain compliance with the SDWA and to further the public health objectives of the SDWA. The SDWA authorizes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to award capitalization grants to states that have established DWSRF programs. The Nevada Legislature passed legislation that authorizes NDEP to administer the DWSRF under the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 445A.200 to 445A.295, inclusive. In addition to the authorizing statute, Nevada has adopted Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 445A.6751 to 445A.67644, inclusive, which describes the program requirements. Federal regulations for implementing the DWSRF are found in 40 CFR, part 35. Other program directives include the Operating Agreement between NDEP and EPA, the annual Intended Use Plan, EPA guidance and policies, and conditions of each grant award.

One of the requirements of the NRS pertaining to the DWSRF is that NDEP shall not “commit any money in the account for the revolving fund for expenditure ... without obtaining the prior approval of the board for financing water projects” (NRS 445A.265(3)).

## DWSRF Loan Conditions

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\$64,832.95      D11-0526      DWSRF principal forgiveness loan.

The above-referenced loan will contain the following conditions:

- 100% of the principal will be forgiven.
- Review user rates at least every three (3) years for the life of the loan.
- Develop and maintain an asset management plan that is reviewed by the governing board at least every five (5) years.
- The recipient agrees to draw funds available in this contract within three (3) years from the date of this contract. Funds will be subject to de-obligation and/or review after this time period by the Division.

## RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR THE DWSRF LOAN

I move to approve the resolution titled “D11-0526 Coyote Crossing Water Well Association Project Loan Commitment,” which is intended to finance certain projects in an amount not to exceed \$64,832.95. The loan will include terms and conditions as outlined in the resolution and staff report.

# RESOLUTION D11-0526

## *Coyote Crossing Water Well Association Project Loan Commitment*

<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Board for Financing Water Projects (Board) of the State of Nevada is authorized by Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) chapter 445A.265 to approve the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) prioritized lists of water projects and to commit loans from the revolving fund account to help community water systems and non-transient water systems pay for capital improvements and debt refinancing, both of which are required and made necessary under NRS 445A.800 to 445A.955, inclusive, by the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 300f et seq.), and by corresponding regulations; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has the responsibility of administering the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	On November 19, 2025, the Board, under NRS 445A.265(3), approved the Priority List Effective November 2025, which ranks water projects that are eligible for loans from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund account; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	Coyote Crossing Water Well Association (Recipient) owns and operates a public community water system in Nevada; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Recipient submitted a pre-application to NDEP for funding a project for transmission upgrades to include engineering and permitting (Project); and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Project is included as project #190 on the Priority List Effective November 2025 of water projects; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Recipient's Project is ready to proceed; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	In connection with seeking a loan, the Recipient has submitted a written application to NDEP consistent with NAC 445A.67613; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has reviewed the application — including supporting materials — and has determined that the Recipient has the technical, managerial, and financial capability to manage a loan for the Project; and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	NDEP has taken all necessary and proper actions as required by regulations on loan applications adopted by the State Environmental Commission (NAC 445A.6751 to 445A.67644, inclusive); and
<b>WHEREAS:</b>	The Board must give prior approval before NDEP may expend any money from the revolving fund account for the purposes set forth in NRS 445A.275.

**IT IS RESOLVED by the Board for Financing Water Projects of the State of Nevada:**

**Section 1:** This resolution shall be known as the “D11-0526 Coyote Crossing Water Well Association Project Loan Commitment”

**Section 2:** The loan for the Project shall be negotiated between the Recipient and NDEP. The loan will include terms and conditions as outlined in the staff report dated May 20, 2026, and must comply with applicable provisions in the Nevada Drinking Water Intended Use Plan.

**Section 3:** Based on NDEP’s review of the application and recommendation to the Board concerning the Project, and subject to the provisions of Section 2 and 4 of this resolution, the Board approves a commitment of funds in the amount not to exceed \$64,832.95 from the revolving fund account consistent with NRS 445A.265(3).

**Section 4:** The Board further recommends that NDEP take all other necessary and appropriate actions to advance the provisions of this resolution consistent with NRS 445A.200 to 445A.295, inclusive, and with corresponding regulations.

**Section 5:** This resolution shall be effective on its passage and approval.

**PASSED, ADOPTED, AND SIGNED May 20, 2026**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Chair**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

# Capital Improvement Grant Eligibility Scales

Board for Financing Water Projects

May 2026

## Capital Improvement Grant Eligibility Scales

### Recommendation

The Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) recommends that the Board for Financing Water Projects (Board) approve the Capital Improvement Grant Eligibility Scales.

**Background** The existing grant scales used to determine the amount of grant funding a project is eligible for under the Capital Improvement Grant Program are constructed in a way that makes it difficult for applicants to determine the percentage of their project that will qualify for grant funding. NDEP is proposing revised grant scales that are more transparent to the applicant.

**Discussion** NDEP is requesting approval of the attached capital improvement grant eligibility scales.

- The capital improvement grant eligibility scales have been updated so that the points awarded correspond to the percentage of grant funding the applicant is eligible for.
- The updates to the capital improvement grant eligibility scales did not result in a significant change to the percentage of grant funds that applicants would receive.
- NDEP held a workshop on May 12, 2026, to solicit public comment on the proposed changes.
  - No comments were received.

### Documents Attached

1. Capital Improvement Grant Eligibility Scales

## **Capital Improvement Grants Program Authority and Purpose**

Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 349.980 to 349.987 describes the Capital Improvements Grant Program and the powers and duties of the Board for Financing Water Projects (Board). NDEP administers the Capital Improvements Grant Program on behalf of the Board as per NRS 349.982 and NAC 349.430 to 349.574, inclusive. If the Board determines to provide a grant from the Capital Improvements Grant Program, one of the requirements of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) is that the Board will adopt a resolution that includes a statement of approval of the Board that sets forth its findings of fact (NAC 349.535, subsection 1).

### **RECOMMENDED MOTION FOR THE RESOLUTION**

I move to approve the resolution titled "G12-0526 Capital Improvement Grant Eligibility Scales."

# RESOLUTION G12-0526

## *Capital Improvement Grant Eligibility Scales*

- WHEREAS:** Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 349.980 to 349.987, establishes a program to provide grants of money to purveyors of water, eligible recipients, or local governments to pay for eligible capital improvement costs and water resource plans; and
- WHEREAS:** The Board for Financing Water Projects (Board) administers the program and establishes regulations for requirements to participate in the program in conformance with NRS 349.982.

**IT IS RESOLVED by the Board for Financing Water Projects of the State of Nevada:**

**Section 1:** This resolution shall be known as the “G12-0526 Capital Improvement Grant Eligibility Scales”

**Section 2:** Based on its review of the information and recommendation submitted to the Board concerning the Capital Improvement Grant Eligibility Scales, the Board hereby makes the following findings of fact in support of its determination to approve the language access plan:

- (a) NDEP has provided public notice of the Capital Improvement Grant Eligibility Scales.

**Section 3:** In accordance with the findings of fact set forth in Section 2 of this Resolution, the Board has determined, and does hereby declare, that it approves the Capital Improvement Grant Eligibility Scales.

**Section 4:** This resolution shall be effective on its passage and approval.

**PASSED, ADOPTED, AND SIGNED May 20, 2026**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Chair**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

**Advisor**  
Board for Financing Water Projects

**Capital Improvements Grant  
Scale to Determine Grant Amount**

Borrower	<b>NEW SCALE</b>	Project Cost	\$ 1,000,000.00
Date Form Submitted	PURVEYOR OF WATER		
Submitted By:			

Scale to Determine Grant Amount (Capital Improvements Grant Program) for **Purveyors of Water**

Project Need	NEW POINTS	Project Rank on Priority List	POINTS
DW SRF Priority List Ranking - CLASS I Acute Issue	25		
DW SRF Priority List Ranking - CLASS II Chronic Issue	22		
DW SRF Priority List Ranking - CLASS III Rehabilitation Issue	20	05-26 #100	20
<b>POINTS</b>			<b>20</b>

Community Need for State Assistance	NEW POINTS	State Mean	Calculations
State Mean Household Income/Public Water Supply <b>Mean</b> Household Income, recent income survey or most recent US census:	0 - 35	102,911.00	Mean Income
State Mean Income/Entity Mean Income = % % is rounded, max 35 point	Entity Points	21	\$ 85,000.00
<b>Percentage Below Median Household Income</b>		121.07%	<b>POINTS 21</b>

Adopted Sufficient Residential Water Rate	NEW POINTS		Calculations
Sufficient rate is above 2.0% of the communities <b>Median</b> Household Income	5	Monthly Rate	\$ 95.00
Sufficient rate is 1.5% to 2.0% of the communities <b>Median</b> Household Income	3	Annual Rate	\$ 1,140.00
Sufficient rate is below 1.5% of the communities <b>Median</b> Household Income	0	Median Income	\$ 68,500.00
<b>Median Household Income to Rate Ratio</b>		1.66%	<b>POINTS 3</b>

Persons Regularly Served per Bureau of Safe Drinking Water Information System	NEW POINTS		
Fewer than 500	5		
500 - 999	4	650	4
1000 - 1999	3		
2000 - 3999	2		
4000 - 5999	1		
6000 and above	0		
<b>Project Points</b>			<b>POINTS 4</b>

Other Factors	NEW POINTS	Last Updated	
Approved, up-to-date and compliant Operations and Maintenance Manuals, Cross-Connection Control Plans, and Emergency Response Plans	3	6/30/2024	3
Approved, up-to-date Water Conservation Plan	2	6/30/2024	2
Approved, up-to-date source water protection program in place	2	6/30/2024	2
Asset management plan in place and updated within the last five (5) years	8	6/30/2024	8
<b>Project Points</b>			<b>POINTS 15</b>

Deductions	NEW POINTS		
Applicant has not committed to adequately funding a capital replacement fund	-10		0
Second home/vacation homes account for >30% of connections	-20		0
Prior SRF projects did not demonstrate adequate project management and/or did not timely submit financial reports, draw request, and/or progress reports.	-10		0
<b>Project Points</b>			<b>POINTS 0</b>

Scale effective as of May 20, 2026

**Maximum Points are 85 (if below 25, no grant award)**

**Subtotal Project Points 63**

Grant % 63%

Eligible project costs \$ 1,000,000.00

Grant amount = Eligible project costs x Grant Scale \$ 630,000.00

Matching money required from other sources \$ 370,000.00

**Capital Improvements Grant  
Scale to Determine Grant Amount**

Borrower	<b>NEW SCALE</b>	Project Cost	\$ 1,000,000.00
Date Form Submitted	<b>ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS</b>		
Submitted By:			

Scale to Determine Grant Amount (Capital Improvements Grant Program) for **Eligible Recipients**

Project Need	NEW POINTS	Project Rank on Priority List	POINTS
CW SRF Priority List Ranking - CLASS A: benefits public health or environment	25		
CW SRF Priority List Ranking - CLASS B: increase reliability/sustainability	22		
CW SRF Priority List Ranking - CLASS C: Other projects	20	05-26 #100	20
<b>POINTS</b>			<b>20</b>

Community Need for State Assistance	NEW POINTS	State Mean	Calculations
State Mean Household Income/Public Water Supply <b>Mean</b> Household Income, recent income survey or most recent US census:	0 - 35	102,911.00	Mean Income
State Mean Income/Entity Mean Income = %    % is rounded, max 35 point	Entity Points	3	\$ 100,000.00
<b>Mean Household Income Ratio</b>		102.91%	<b>POINTS</b> <b>3</b>

Adopted Sufficient Sewer Rate	NEW POINTS		Calculations
Sufficient rate is above 2.0% of the communities <b>Median</b> Household Income	5	Monthly Rate	\$ 45.00
Sufficient rate is 1.5% to 2.0% of the communities <b>Median</b> Household Income	3	Annual Rate	\$ 540.00
Sufficient rate is below 1.5% of the communities <b>Median</b> Household Income	0	Median Income	\$ 85,000.00
<b>Median Household Income to Rate Ratio</b>		0.64%	<b>POINTS</b> <b>0</b>

Residential Connections Served by the System	NEW POINTS		
Fewer than 250	5		
250 – 499	4		
500 – 999	3		
1,000 – 2,999	2		
3,000 – 4,999	1		
5,000 and above	0	10,000	-
<b>Project Points</b>		<b>POINTS</b>	<b>0</b>

Other Factors	NEW POINTS	Last Updated	
Approved, up-to-date and compliant Operations and Maintenance Manuals	5	8/1/2024	5
Fiscal Sustainability plan in place and updated within the last five (5) years	10	6/30/2025	10
<b>Project Points</b>		<b>POINTS</b>	<b>15</b>

Deductions	NEW POINTS		
Applicant has not committed to adequately funding a capital replacement fund	-10		
Second home/vacation homes account for >30% of connections	-20		
Prior SRF projects did not demonstrate adequate project management and/or did not timely submit financial reports, draw request, and/or progress reports.	-10		
<b>Project Points</b>		<b>POINTS</b>	<b>0</b>

Scale effective as of May 20, 2026

**Maximum Points are 85 (if below 25, no grant award)**

**Subtotal Project Points    38**

Grant %    38%

Eligible project costs    \$ 1,000,000.00

Grant amount = Eligible project costs x Grant Scale    \$ 380,000.00

Matching money required from other sources    \$ 620,000.00

**Capital Improvements Grant  
Scale to Determine Grant Amount**

<b>Borrower</b>	<b>NEW SCALE</b>	Project Cost
<b>Date Form Submitted</b>	<b>IRRIGATION</b>	<b>\$ 1,000,000.00</b>
<b>Submitted By:</b>		

**Scale to Determine Grant Amount (Capital Improvements Grant Program) for Irrigation Recipients**

<b>Water Conservation</b>	<b>NEW POINTS</b>	<b>POINTS</b>
Project will improve the efficiency of the overall irrigation system through:		
Piping or lining or irrigation canals	5	5
Recovery or recycling of waterwater or tailwater	5	5
Measurement of metering of the use of water	5	5
Improvements in irrigation system operations	5	5
Project will conserve water and contribute to downstream uses and users:	5	5
Impact of the conservation project on groundwater recharge has been adequately	5	5
<b>POINTS</b>		<b>30</b>

<b>Finance and Plaining</b>	<b>NEW POINTS</b>	<b>Calculations</b>
Applicant has implemented a facility maintenance plan	5	5
Applicant has developed a long term capital improvement plan	5	-
User fees support a resonable capital reserve fund	10	10
<b>POINTS</b>		<b>15</b>

<b>System Capacity and Economic Benefit</b>	<b>NEW POINTS</b>	<b>Calculations</b>
System users		
More than 200	5	5
70 to 200	3	
10 to 70	1	
Irrigated acreage		
More than 20,000	5	
5,000 to 20,000	3	
less than 5,000	1	1
Storage capacity under control of the grantee		
More than 50,000 ac-ft	5	
10,000 to 50,000 ac-ft	3	3
less than 10,000 ac-ft	1	
Economic benift		
Project results in availability of new water resource	5	
Project restores irrigation storage and diversion system	3	3
Project maintains existing irrigation systems	1	
<b>POINTS</b>		<b>12</b>

<b>Other benefits of the system and/or project</b>	<b>NEW POINTS</b>	
Improves flood control for downstream population centers	10	10
Project provides public recreation oportunities and/or enhances tourism	5	5
<b>Project Points</b>	<b>POINTS</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>Deductions</b>	<b>NEW POINTS</b>	
Prior SRF projects did not demonstrate adequate project management and/or did not timely submit financial reports, draw request, and/or progress reports.	-10	
<b>Project Points</b>	<b>POINTS</b>	<b>0</b>

Scale effective as of May 20, 2026

**Maximum Points are 85 (if below 25, no grant award)**

**72**

72%

Eligible project costs **\$ 1,000,000.00**

Grant amount = Eligible project costs x Grant Scale **\$ 720,000.00**

Matching money required from other sources **\$ 280,000.00**