State Revolving Fund Loan Programs FACT SHEET



Drinking Water, Wastewater, Nonpoint Source

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What is the State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program?

The State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program provides low-interest loans to Indiana communities for projects that improve wastewater and drinking water infrastructure and for nonpoint source projects. The Indiana Finance Authority administers this program to protect public health and the environment.

Who is eligible?

- Cities, towns, counties, regional sewer/water districts, conservancy districts are eligible for wastewater, drinking water and nonpoint source SRF loans.
- In addition, private, not-for-profit and water authorities are eligible for drinking water SRF loans.

Where does the money come from?

• The State applies to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) annually for capitalization grants to fund its SRF Programs. To increase available funds, the State leverages its U.S. EPA capitalization grants in the municipal bond market. These funds are combined with the U.S. EPA required state match and are then made available to Indiana communities in the form of low interest loans.

What types of projects are eligible for funding?

Wastewater projects include:

- Treatment plant improvements,
- Sewer line extensions to existing or platted unsewered properties,
- Combined sewer overflow corrections,
- ♦ Infiltration/inflow projects, and
- Sewer/Pump Station Rehabilitation or Replacement.
- Projects defined in the Water Resources Reform and Development Act

Drinking water projects include:

- Drinking water wells and surface water intakes,
- **♦** Treatment plant improvements,
- Water line replacements and extensions to existing or platted un-served properties, and
- ♦ Water storage facilities.

Nonpoint source projects include:

- Wetland protection and restoration measures,
- Providing sewer service to properties served by on-site sewage disposal systems,
- Best Management Practices for agriculture and stormwater runoff,
- Brownfield Remediation,
- Riparian Buffers and Conservation Easements, and
- Wellhead and Source Water Protection measures.

What types of projects are not eligible for funding?

- Projects that are solely intended for economic development.
- Projects that are primarily for fire suppression.
- Stormwater projects that have no water quality benefits.

How does a community apply for an SRF loan?

- An eligible entity can submit an application at any time to the SRF Loan Program at 100 N. Senate Ave., Rm. 1275, Indianapolis, IN 46204
- Application forms are available on our Web site at http://www.srf.in.gov

What are the loan terms?

- The SRF loan is a fixed rate, 20-year loan. However, up to 35-year loan terms are available for qualifying projects.
- Interest rates reset quarterly and are at or below 90% of the average 20-year AAA-rated, general obligation bond Municipal Market Data. Rates are further discounted based on the applicant's median household income (gathered from census data) and local user rates.
- Interest rates can be further reduced by up to 0.5% if the project has Green Project Reserve components or nonpoint source features. In addition, interest rates may be reduced down to 0.0% for qualifying projects that include lead line replacement.

Where can I get more information about SRF loans?

For more information about SRF program administration and the SRF process, please contact the SRF Loan Program Administrator at (317) 232-4396 or visit our web page at http://www.srf.in.gov.