Gov. Daugaard Announces $702,000 for Wessington Springs Main Street Infrastructure Project

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard says the state Board of Water and Natural Resources has approved $702,000 to Wessington Springs for Main Street infrastructure improvements.

The funding package includes a $393,000 Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program loan and $50,000 Consolidated Water Facilities Construction Program grant for sanitary sewer lines, and a $259,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program loan and $50,000 Consolidated grant for water mains. Loan terms are 3 percent for 20 years for the Clean Water loan and 2.25 percent for 30 years for the Drinking Water loan.

The funds will be administered through the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

“I am pleased to announce that Wessington Springs will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Daugaard. “These funds will help the city make needed improvements to its Main Street infrastructure.”

The project involves replacing utilities, restoring the street surface and providing improved drainage on a three-block section of Main Street from Dakota Avenue to Blowers Avenue.

The loans will cover the estimated cost of the project.

The Consolidated Water Facilities Construction Program, funded in part by revenues from the sale of lotto tickets, provides grants and loans for water, wastewater and watershed projects. The Legislature appropriates Water and Environment Funds annually to the Consolidated program through the Governor’s Omnibus Water Funding Bill. The Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program provides low-interest loans for wastewater, storm water and nonpoint source projects. The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program provides low-interest loans for public drinking water system projects.

The board met Thursday and Friday in Pierre.

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