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Gov. Daugaard Announces \$575,000 for Pierre Regional Landfill Baler

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard says the state Board of Water and Natural Resources approved a \$575,000 funding package to Pierre to purchase a new solid waste baler for the Pierre Regional Landfill.

The funding package includes a \$330,000 grant and a \$245,000 loan from the Solid Waste Management Program. Loan terms are 2.25 percent for 10 years.

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

“I am pleased to announce that Pierre will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Daugaard. “This funding will help the city continue to bale municipal solid waste to extend the useful life of the regional landfill.”

In addition to replacing the existing baler, the city will also replace some concrete around the baler area and make improvements to the conveyor system.

The Solid Waste Management Program provides grants and loans for solid waste disposal, recycling and waste tire projects statewide. Revenues come from dedicated solid waste fees that are deposited in the state Water and Environment Fund. The Legislature appropriates Water and Environment Funds annually to the Solid Waste Management Program through the Governor’s Omnibus Water Funding Bill.

The board met Thursday in Pierre.