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**Gov. Daugaard Announces \$1.8 Million Minnehaha Community Water Corporation Project**

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard says the state Board of Water and Natural Resources has approved a \$1.8 million funding package to Minnehaha Community Water Corporation for a project to deliver water to Madison.

The funding package includes a \$900,000 Consolidated Water Facilities Construction Program grant and a \$900,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan. Loan terms are 3 percent for 20 years.

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

“I am pleased to announce that Minnehaha Community Water Corporation will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Daugaard. “This funding will help the system connect to the Big Sioux Community Water Corporation and provide much-needed water to Madison.”

This project is part of a larger effort to “wheel” water to the city of Madison. This funding enables Minnehaha Community Water Corporation to more effectively utilize its second connection to the Lewis & Clark Regional Water System. This frees up water from Minnehaha’s water treatment plants near Dell Rapids and allows it to sell up to 1 million gallons of water per day to Big Sioux Community Water System, which will then deliver water to Madison.

The funding package 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 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program provides low-interest loans for public drinking water system projects.

The board met Thursday and Friday in Pierre.