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Gov. Daugaard Announces \$1.78 Million for Waubay Wastewater Project

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard says the state Board of Water and Natural Resources has approved a \$1.78 million funding package to Waubay for wastewater treatment facility improvements.

The funding package includes a \$700,000 Consolidated Water Facility Construction Program grant and a \$1.08 million Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan, with \$500,000 in principal forgiveness. Loan terms are 3.25 percent for 30 years.

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

“I am pleased to announce that Waubay will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Daugaard. “This funding will help the city make much-needed improvements to the city’s wastewater treatment facility to protect the environment and better serve its residents.”

The project involves constructing additional ponds and wetlands to make Waubay’s wastewater treatment facility a total retention facility. A portion of the city’s treatment facility is unusable due to flooding in previous years. The new ponds and wetlands will bring the city into compliance with its discharge permit.

The estimated cost of the project is \$2.196 million.

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 and storm water projects. Principal forgiveness is a subsidy option that results in a reduced loan repayment amount for the borrower.

The board met Thursday and Friday in Pierre.