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Gov. Daugaard Announces \$17,500 for Hot Springs Wood Waste Processing Project

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard says the state Board of Water and Natural Resources has approved a \$17,500 grant for the city of Hot Springs to remove wood waste piles currently located at the city’s temporary storage facility.

The \$17,500 Solid Waste Management Program grant will be combined with \$52,500 in local funds to chip and haul the wood waste offsite for potential beneficial reuse.

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

“I am pleased to announce that the City of Hot Springs will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Daugaard. “The grant will help the city maintain compliance with its solid waste permit and recycle the wood waste into usable wood chips and compost material.”

The City of Hot Springs has a solid waste permit allowing them to accept trees, branches and untreated wood for temporary storage, recycling and composting. In the past, the city had burned the wood waste piles; however, with new development in the area burning is no longer an option.

The Solid Waste Management Program provides grants and loans for solid waste disposal, recycling and waste tire projects. The Legislature annually appropriates dedicated water and waste funding for the Consolidated and Solid Waste programs through the Governor’s Omnibus Water Funding Bill.

The board met today over the Digital Dakota Network.