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**Gov. Daugaard Announces an Additional \$348,000 in Loan for Crooks
Wastewater Projects**

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard says the state Board of Water and Natural Resources has approved an additional \$348,000 in loan funds for Crooks to complete sanitary and storm sewer system improvements in the Palmira neighborhood.

The board previously awarded a \$2.052 million Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan for the project in March 2018. The additional \$348,000 will cover additional project costs that have been identified. Loan terms are 2.5 percent for 30 years.

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

“I am pleased to announce that the Crooks will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Daugaard. “The additional funding will allow the city to complete the needed upgrades to its sanitary and storm sewer systems to better serve residents in the Palmira neighborhood.”

The sanitary sewer involves replacing 4,000 feet of PVC sanitary sewer main and manholes and construction 5,500 feet of storm sewer main. Televising performed in portions of the collection system indicated the existing PVC sanitary sewer in the Palmira neighborhood was structurally deficient and severely degraded. Storm sewer improvements are necessary to direct storm water away from the area to reduce issues of ponding and impacts to roadways.

The State of South Dakota and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency fund the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program, which provides low-interest loans for wastewater, storm water, water conservation, and nonpoint source projects.

The board met today over the Digital Dakota Network.