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**Gov. Noem Announces \$139,000 for Brown County Landfill to Purchase a
Landfill Compactor**

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Kristi Noem says the state Board of Water and Natural Resources has approved a \$139,000 grant from the Solid Waste Management Program to help finance the purchase of new landfill compactor.

“I am pleased to announce that the Brown County Landfill will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Noem. “Effective solid waste management is necessary to properly manage our waste stream and protect the environment. Having modern, reliable equipment helps our landfills meet this goal.”

The compactor is the most critical machine at a landfill and is used to force the air out of solid waste and garbage to minimize windblown debris. It is also used in the spreading, compacting and shredding of all types of waste. The Brown County Landfill currently operates a compactor with more than 10,000 hours of use that is reaching the end of its service life. The funding package will help the Brown County Landfill purchase a new landfill compactor to meet the long-term needs of the facility.

The grant combined with local funds will cover the estimated cost of the new compactor.

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.