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**Gov. Noem Announces \$2.185 Million for Clay Rural Water System
Improvements**

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Kristi Noem says the state Board of Water and Natural Resources has approved a \$2,185,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan for Clay Rural Water System to make drinking water system improvements.

The loan will be administered through the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. Loan terms are 2.125 percent for 30 years.

“I am pleased to announce that Clay Rural Water System will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Noem. “This funding will help the system complete needed upgrades to its water system to better serve its customers.”

The project includes installation of nine miles of 3- to 8-inch diameter pipeline and construction of a new booster station. In addition, due to its age, much of the systems supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) equipment is obsolete and can no longer be maintained. Planned SCADA improvements include replacing programmable logic controllers and existing radios to create a high speed, reliable communication system.

The loan will cover the total cost of the project.

The State of South Dakota and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency fund the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Program, which provides low-interest loans for public drinking water system projects.

The board met today via remote video connection.