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## **Gov. Noem Announces \$2.7 Million Loan for Tea to Make Water System Improvements**

PIERRE, S.D. – Today, Gov. Kristi Noem announced the Board of Water and Natural Resources has approved a \$2,700,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan for the City of Tea to construct a new elevated water storage tower.

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 Tea will receive this assistance,” said Gov. Noem. “The loan will allow the city to increase the storage capacity of its water system and better serve its customers.”

The project includes construction of an additional elevated storage tank and associated infrastructure located near Bakker Landing Avenue west of Interstate 29. The new 750,000-gallon tank is needed to provide adequate water pressure to customers in the area and meet the long term needs of the water system.

The loan will cover the estimated project cost.

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.