

WISCONSIN WATER & WASTEWATER FUNDING SOURCES & ASSISTANCE

Organization	DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR)
Program Title	Safe Drinking Water Loan Program (SDWLP)
Eligible Applicants	Any city, village, town, county, town sanitary district, public inland lake protection & rehabilitation district, or municipal water district.
Grant, Loan Or Other Type Of Program	Subsidized Loans
Eligible Project Type	Projects to construct or modify public water systems to comply with public health protection objectives of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA).
Funding Available Per Year Per Program	About \$35 million will be available for 2009 – 10; at least 15% of available funds must be allocated to public water systems serving less than 10,000 persons.
Maximum Grant/Loan	No applicant may receive more than 25% of the state subsidy each biennium.
Typical Application Cycle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant submits an "Intent to Apply" (ITA) form and "Priority Evaluation and Ranking Form" (PERF) to DNR by December 31. • DNR publishes a project priority list in Spring after processing ITAs and PERFs. • Applicant submits a loan application and plans and specifications to DNR by April 30. • DNR publishes a funding list after reviewing applications. • SDWLP loans must close by the April 30 of the following year.
Estimated Time To Prepare Application	Approximately 1-2 weeks
Major Application Criteria	<p>SDWLP loan funds are distributed on the basis of a competitive priority scoring system which includes the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most serious risk to human health. • Projects needed to ensure compliance with SDWA Amendments. • Financial need. <p>Applicants meeting the following criteria may receive a lower interest rate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Population < 10,000. • The applicant's adjusted Median Household Income (MHI) is 80% or less of the state's adjusted MHI.
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Additional Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interest Rates subject to change. • Maximum loan term of 20 years. • Bond counsel required for loans. • The applicant must provide the SDWLP with a tax exempt bond or note which can be a general obligation, revenue pledge, special assessment pledge, or a combination. • The applicant must make a good faith effort to utilize disadvantaged businesses. • Cannot refinance existing long-term project loans.