State Water Plan Application

Applicant:	Proposed Funding Package	
Deer Mountain Sanitary District		\$2,125,000
Address:	Projected State Funding	Ψ2,123,000
P.O. Box 195	Local Cash	
Lead, SD 57754	Other:	
Phone Number:	Other:	
(605) 591-9821	TOTAL	\$2,125,000

Project Title: New Public Water System

Description: (Include present monthly utility rate.)

Deer Mountain Sanitary District (DMSD), located near Lead, SD, is proposing to construct a new public water system to service approximately 125 users. The project will include the following improvements: 1) New water treatment building & equipment; 2) New 110,000 gallon reservoir; 3) Water meters; 4) Distribution system; and, 5) North booster station.

This area is currently serviced by a private water system, which is over 40 years old and in need of the same improvements included in the new water system design. The existing water system is currently for sale, along with other property and assets, but the current owners (Milan Investment Group) and DMSD have been unable to negotiate a sale. DMSD would like to provide users with a reliable and safe drinking water supply for residents and, therefore, is proposing to construct and operate their own independent water system.

DMSD does not currently operate a water system so there is no present monthly utility rate. Users of the existing private water system are currently being charged a flat rate of approx. \$125 per month by Milan Investment Group.

The Applicant Certifies That:

I declare and affirm under the penalties of perjury that this application has been examined by me and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, is in all things true and correct.

Osborne Enderby, President
Name & Title of Authorized Signatory
(Typed)

Signature

Professional Consultants

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State Water Plan Application Information

Infrastructure projects requesting placement on the State Water Facilities Plan must provide a completed preliminary engineering report with this application and should be ready for construction within two years. Additionally, for drinking water projects complete the Drinking Water Project Eligibility and Priority Point Self-Assessment sections.

Watershed projects requesting placement on the State Water Facilities Plan must provide a completed watershed assessment report with this application and should be ready for implementation within two years.

Projects that are large, costly water projects that are requesting significant state cost share participation may be recommended for placement on the State Water Resources Management System. These projects are necessary for the needs and general welfare of the people of South Dakota.

Drinking Water Project Eligibility and Priority Point Self-Assessment

El	igibility Assessment	YES	NO
1.	Is the project intended mainly for fire protection?		x
2.	Is the project primarily intended to serve future growth? Note: Providing service to existing homes or businesses not currently served is not considered future growth. Note: If the answer to either question is "YES" the project may not be eligible for an SRF loan. Contact the department for more information.		X
Pı	riority Point Assessment		
1.	If the water system has experienced either situation described below in the past three years, will this project correct the deficiency? If so, indicate which situation applies.		
	A. Occurrences of nitrates, fecal coliform, or E. coli bacteria that have exceeded the allowable limits as defined in ARSD 74:04:12.		
	B. Occurrences of chronic primary drinking water contaminants that have exceeded the allowable limits as defined in ARSD 74:04:12 or the system is in violation of a treatment technique.		
2.	Please provide the monthly user rate expected as a result of this project (based on 5,000 gallons for municipalities and sanitary districts and 7,000 gallons for other systems).	Tbd	
3.	If the project will consolidate facilities, indicate which of the following best describes the project:		,
	A. One or more community water systems will consolidate with another community water system and the consolidation is cost effective.		
	B. A community water system will receive water from another community water system but will continue to operate its water system in some capacity.		
4.	If the water system has experienced occurrences of secondary drinking water contaminants that have exceeded the guidelines in the past three years, will this project address the suspected cause of these occurrences? If so, indicate all contaminants that exceeded the maximum contaminant level below.		
	Chloride250 mg/L		
	Color15 color units		
	Fluoride2.0 mg/L		
	Foaming Agents0.5 mg/L		
	Iron		
	Manganese0.05 mg/L		
	Odor3 threshold odor number		
	pHrange: 6.5 to 8.5		
	Silver0.1 mg/L		
	Sulfate250 mg/L		
	Total Dissolved Solids500 mg/L		
	Zinc5 mg/L		

Pr	riority Point Assessment Continued	YES	NO
5.	In the past three years has the water system experienced occurrences of total coliform that have exceeded the allowable limits and will this project address the suspected cause of these occurrences?		
6.	The project is a rehabilitation of contaminated drinking water sources or development of new sources to replace contaminated sources.		x
7.	The project is needed to develop sources due to inadequate supply.		X
8.	If water meters are being installed:		
	A. The meters are being installed on services that were previously unmetered.	X	
	B. The meters are replacing existing meters.		X
9.	If the project is replacing transmission lines indicate all that apply:		
	A. Remove lead piping.		
	B. Decrease water loss volume by 10% or more.		
	C. Loop lines to improve water quality.		
	D. Lines are 50 years old or older.		
10	O. The project will construct storage for a system with capacity less than an average day's demand or is needed to address low pressure problems. Low pressure is defined as less than 20 pounds per square inch.		
11	The project will construct, upgrade, or replace a water treatment plant or its components to assure compliance with upcoming or existing regulations.	x	
12	2. For a project sponsored by a community or sanitary district, provide the population of the community as reported in the 2010 census. For regional systems, please provide the population of the area, based on the 2010 census, to benefit from the project.	App 6	

Additional Comments:

The proposed project to construct a new public water system is very similar in nature to alternative 4.3 (Public Ownership - System-Wide Improvements) in the DMSD Water System Study, with the exception of not acquiring the private water system from Milan Investment Club and making improvements to the existing, aging distribution infrastructure. Instead, new water distribution piping would be installed, along with all of the other same improvements listed in the cost estimate for this alternative. The project engineer, Dustin Dale, has verified that the cost to install new distribution piping will be approximately the same as upgrading all the old and, therefore, the cost estimate of \$2,125,000 for this alternative is still valid for the proposed project to construct a new public water system.

Alternatives 4.3 and 4.4 (Regionalization) in the Water System Study involve the purchase of either the existing water system from Milan Investment Club or already treated water from Power House Pass, respectively. While DMSD has attempted to pursue both of these alternatives, they have been unable to negotiate fair agreements for either at this time. However, DMSD has indicated these are both still viable alternatives that may be pursued further depending on future circumstances, but, at this time, DMSD intends to proceed with constructing a new public water system with the support of the local water users.