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Pete Ricketts. Governor

To: Nebraska Communities, Public Water Systems, Natural Resources Districts, Consultants, and Engineers

From: Lindsey Phillips, State Revolving Fund (SRF) Section Supervisor, NDEE

Date: October 2020

Re: Annual "Needs Survey" for Clean Water (Wastewater) and Drinking Water Projects, State Revolving Fund (SRF), and Water/ Wastewater Operator Questionnaire

Enclosed please find our annual "Needs Survey." We are asking you and every community in Nebraska about their Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure project needs. Filling out these surveys will help us present the best possible information on state and national funding needs to decision makers, including our state legislature, the U.S. Congress, and the Environmental Protection Agency.

Filling out the Needs Surveys in no way commits you to undertaking a project or signing an SRF loan. The information you supply on the Needs Surveys will be used to develop the Intended Use Plan (IUP) and to develop a list of eligible projects that may be interested in loans from the Nebraska SRF. We encourage you to seek assistance completing the surveys from your engineer or consultant.

In addition, you will find our "2020 Water/Wastewater Operator Questionnaire" enclosed. This questionnaire is intended to be completed by the water operator. As we strive to maintain a resilient drinking water and wastewater workforce in Nebraska, we are looking to those working in the water industry to help increase our ability to promote and advocate water industry jobs.

Please fill out the enclosed forms and ensure that they are postmarked by <u>December 31, 2020</u> to:

State Revolving Fund Section, NDEE P.O. Box 98922 Lincoln, NE 68509-8922

**Alternately, you may download the form from our web site. Once completed, please have a local representative sign the form and then either mail back to the address as shown above, or email it to: <a href="https://www.nbcq.scrip.com/nbcq.scrip.c

If you have any questions concerning the Drinking Water Annual Needs Survey please feel free to contact **Steve McNulty at: (402) 471-1006**.

If you have any questions regarding the Clean Water Annual Needs Survey or the Water/ Wastewater Operator questionnaire please contact **Sarah Frey at: (402) 471-4266.**

^{**}The Drinking Water Needs Survey form is available at http://dee.ne.gov/publica.nsf/Pubs_DWSRLF.xsp.

^{**}The Clean Water Needs Survey form is available at http://dee.ne.gov/publica.nsf/Pubs_CWSRLF.xsp