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The Honorable Patrick Leahy
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The Honorable Richard Shelby
Vice Chairman
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The Honorable Jeff Merkley
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The Honorable Lisa Murkowski
Ranking Member
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Dear Chairman Leahy, Vice Chairman Shelby, Chair Merkley, and Ranking Member Murkowski,

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2022 Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Sincerely,



Amy Klobuchar
United States Senator

**Klobuchar, Amy(D-MN) Interior and Environment
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
City of Appleton	The City has since began significant investments in its water infrastructure, such as issuing a \$6 million bond for the construction of a new water treatment facility through the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority. While progress has certainly been made, 9 of the small city's streets and their corresponding underground water and sewer utilities, sanitary sewer collection system, fresh water distribution systems, and drainage systems require repair or replacement.	Appleton MN	\$16,040
City of Aurora	2015 engineering and 2017 financial studies indicate that consolidation of three water treatment plants serving the East Mesabi cities of Biwabik, Hoyt Lakes and Aurora Minnesota into one plant plus the added treated water transmission piping would result in an overall cost savings over the cost to upgrade , maintain and operate the three existing plants. Today, the Aurora water treatment plant needs major renovation or replacement. At the same time, a new centralized raw water source was identified which will provide better quality raw water for the new treatment plant and customers.	Aurora MN	\$4,000
City of Austin	The City of Austin, MN requests \$28.5M for an Expansion Phosphorus Reduction Project for the municipal wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). The \$28.5M request represents 33.7% of the overall project costs. The proposed project is tailored around water quality improvements and expansion to accommodate community growth.	Austin MN	\$28,500
City of Babbitt	The project has and will include planning, design, and construction of a new preliminary treatment building, a new aeration, MBR filtration, and UV disinfection building, a new control building along with new sludge treatment, site work, demolition, electrical and will involve re-purposing of existing aeration tanks. The project also includes lining or replacement of old sewer collection system piping.The city has had to make costly repairs to the existing facility numerous times over the last several years.	Babbitt MN	\$1,000
City of Beaver Bay	Replace the entire water intake pipe from intake with HDPE pipe sections are fused together through a heat process that effectively joins the pipe into one section structure to pumping well. The complete replacement alternative has the advantage of eliminating risks of failure of aged piping. Anchoring into bedrock is a good solution. Boulders will need to be moved aside to expose the bedrock along the length of the pipe alignment. Vendors identified stainless steel bolt embedded at least a foot into rock with half pipe sleeve to protect piping. Anchoring every 20 feet should provide adequate anchorage while maintaining some flexibility for the piping. The main concern for the water intake piping is protection against wave forces. The force from waves dissipates exponentially with water depth. For example, the wave force at 8 feet depth is one fourth the wave force at 4 feet depth. As such, protection of the pipe from wave forces is critical in shallow water and can be reduced at depth. For the Beaver Bay intake piping it is recommended to protect the pipe to a water depth of about 15 feet Placing concrete mats over the pipe will protect the pipe from damage by boulders and will also allow the pipe to flex when needed. The concrete mats consist of small concrete blocks about 15" by 17"by 5 to 8 inches thick connected together with high strength polyester cables that are cast into the blocks. The technical term for the mats is articulating concrete block system. Open spaces between the blocks allow the mat to flex like a blanket. Open space can vary from 10 to 20% of the mat area. The mats range in sizes with a width of up to 8 feet and length of up to 40 feet. The articulating block mats would be laid over the installed pipe to provide protection from moving boulders. Although these mats are normally used for erosion control they have been used for marine applications. After the mats are laid over the pipe, boulders would be placed on the part of the mat that is laying on the lakebed, not on the pipe. The Minnesota Department of Health requires that water treatment facilities are designed in accordance with 10 State Standards (Recommended Standards for Waterworks). These standards include several basic requirements for water intake structures. Some of these are: Adequate protection against rupture by dragging anchors, ice, etc. Intake ports at sufficient depth to maintain submergence at low water levels. Withdrawal of water from more than one level if quality varies with depth. Design shall provide for occasional cleaning of intake p	Beaver Bay MN	\$1,018

City of Bemidji	The Wastewater Treatment Facility in the City of Bemidji is in dire need of rehabilitation and expansion to three clarifiers. Designed in 1985, the current system includes two only two clarifiers. When one is out (for regular maintenance or for repairs), the one remaining is inadequate. This project will correct three issues that are vital and urgent for the environment and safety of the community.	Bemidji MN	\$4,400
City of Biwabik	This project is intended to correct severe deficiencies in the sanitary sewer, water and storm sewer systems, as well as deteriorating streets and alleys. The project includes complete renovation of State highway 135, which is also Main Street. We also intend to improve a corridor that connects our industrial park with State and County Highways.	Biwabik MN	\$3,850
City of Boyd	This Congressionally Directed Spending Request would assist the City of Boyd in the predesign, design, and construction of upgrades to their aging and failing infrastructure system. Selected portions of the water distribution system would be replaced. This would include new water mains, gate valves, fire hydrants, and service laterals/curb stops. The storm sewer system needs replacement of approximately 3,500 LF of storm sewer pipe. Congressional funds would also assist the City of Boyd with street restoration that is required for all work within roadways.	Boyd MN	\$6,754
City of Brooten	The City of Brooten, MN needs funding for expanding their drinking water and wastewater services to all residents within city limits. This project would loop the water main to help alleviate problems with stagnant water, replace a suboptimal lift station, lower shallow sewer lines to allow for expansion, and construct a well and well house to provide the required capacity for city needs. Additionally, the expanding meat processing industry needs the infrastructure to support their operations.	Brooten MN	\$3,900
City of Buhl	In 2018 the City of Buhl began the process of identifying critical repairs needed to aging infrastructure along with planning for industrial expansion along the Highway 169 corridor. Total project costs which include water wastewater infrastructure, water tower replacement, industrial park water infrastructure expansion, and street reconstruction total \$9,781,708. The city began construction on this project in 2020 Additional funding is necessary to complete this project in its entirety by the end of 2022.	Buhl MN	\$4,371
City on Calumet	The City of Calumet is over 100 years old and some of its water mains are old cast iron with lead joints and lead house services and some areas restrict flows because of the smaller pipe sizes. Some water mains have experienced numerous breaks in the last several years and have many patches on them and continue to be a health and public safety problem. One water main break that was patched, drained our water tank a few years ago. The city is joined with the City of Marble for a waste water treatment plant that is over 30 years old and is in need of updates or replacement. Some of its streets need repair and tarring. The city hall building is almost 100 years old and needs some updates as well.	Calumet MN	\$2,000
Leech Lake Tribal College	In addition to the challenges brought on by COVID, the dormitory project is intended to address the challenges each winter brings with regards to severe weather conditions that make student commutes to classes extremely difficult or impossible. Leech Lake Tribal College is hoping to provide those students with a dependable and safe place regardless of weather throughout their college career.	Cass Lake MN	\$1,000
City of Clarkfield	The City of Clarkfield needs funding for replacement of existing drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and street infrastructure. Portions of the existing systems are in the process of being replaced in a project funded with \$17.6 million from the US Department of Agriculture Rural Development, MN Department of Employment and Economic Development, MN Water Infrastructure Fund, Minnesota Department of Transportation, and city funds. However, the remainder of the systems are in very poor condition. The existing drinking water is very hard, and while safe to drink, is considered by most residents to be unsatisfactory. The existing streets are in poor condition and require replacement along with underground piping.	Clarkfield MN	\$7,100
City of Climax and East Central Regional Water Dis	The City of Climax (City) has exceeded the EPA's Arsenic MCL max levels 10 times in the last 14 years. The proposed project would include bringing a pipeline from East Central Regional Water District, a rural water district located in North Dakota, to the City. The pipeline would be proposed to be large enough for the City to be able to decommission their existing water tower, water treatment plant and wells. The project would ultimately help the City in reducing operation and maintenance cost. The project would benefit the City, District 7, and the state of MN, by promoting regionalization and allowing communities in MN to have water sources that	Climax MN	\$1,500

	are not contaminated.		
Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa	The FDL Band currently operates a solid waste transfer station on Carlton County Road 5 (Co. Rd. 5). The 0.5-acre site includes a household hazardous waste shed, recycling shed, dumpsters for municipal solid waste and bulk items, a 560-gallon waste oil tank housed within an enclosure, a cardboard baler located in a garage stall, and a small shed used as an employee office. With the shortcomings of the existing facility's location, size and layout, FDL investigated four alternative options and sites to address facility efficiencies, promote the Band's food sovereignty initiatives, and prepare for an ever changing climate.	Cloquet MN	\$4,550
City of Coleraine	"Roosevelt Street (Corey Alley) pavement is crumbling and close to undrivable. The sewer lines beneath the street are leaking and need to be replaced. The water lines run right next to the sewer and are in danger of being compromised. We need to replace pavement, sewer lines and water lines. We have evaluations completed by our city Engineer, SEH and they gave given us estimations of cost to repair and just what we need to do. Corey alley was evaluated in early 2020 and Congdon Street was videoed in the fall of 2020 and preliminary results showed the top of the clay pipes are just gone. Completely open to the earth above. They are still evaluating additional filmage. We need to dig up the street, and replace sewer lines. Hopefully our water lines are good. We will know more once we open the ground."	Coleraine MN	\$1,500
City of Cook	The restoration of the ponds, dike grading and additional rip-rap is estimated to be 157,000. Additional structural repairs are needed, the lift station pumps must be replaced and the boat lift should be reconstructed.	Cook MN	\$278
City of Cook	Federal funds would be used to complete the engineering and construction costs to address the drainage problems on North River Street.	Cook MN	\$300
Crane Lake Water & Sanitary District	The federal funds would be used to pay down the total debt on the project of over \$1.5 million which has become unbearable for the small sewer district. Rates are sky high: \$130 per month. Property owners in the district pay increased taxes above the sewer rate to support the system and help pay the debt. This is based on 91 total accounts (83 residential, 8 business) in the township. Debt payments consume 50% of the CLWSD annual revenues. With no debt relief, sewer rates will go up \$50/month to \$180 per month. This amount is extremely high in Minnesota and way above the metropolitan rates of \$30-\$50/month. It is unsustainable in a small township with a small population based upon the tourism economy exclusively at the entrance point for Voyageurs National Park, the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness, and the Quetico Provincial Park. Additionally, the sewage treatment plant is now in need of over \$200,000 in repairs and deferred maintenance. With these burdensome debt payments, this investment is impossible to make by the CLWSD. The Voyageurs National Park Clean Water Joint Powers Board has worked since 2007 to clean up the waters of the National Park. Over \$30 million has been invested in providing modern sanitary systems for portions of the four entry communities to the National Park. Crane Lake is one of these four entrance communities. The solution is for the USDA to forgive the remaining debt of \$1.3 million by administrative action or Congress to authorize the relief.	Crane Lake MN	\$1,300
Widseth, on behalf of Dawson	Federal funds will be used to reconstruct the city roads, including bituminous covering, curb, gutter and drainage. The roads will include striping, ADA accessible street entrances and lighting for safety. The federal funding will be in combination with state of MN Public Facilities Authority (PFA) funding that will pay for water and wastewater infrastructure.	Dawson MN	\$522
Elizabeth	Federal funds will be used to fund the design and construction of replacement drinking water treatment and distribution and sanitary sewer collection. The entire water distribution system would be replaced using trenchless construction methods. New service connections would be made from the new mains to existing buildings. Several additional watermains would be installed with additional looping that would be incorporated into the system to provide increased reliability and enhanced water quality for the community. Gate valves would be added to the system along with more hydrants. New meters would also be installed. Proposed wastewater improvements include 2,600 LF of 8" sewer main, service connection point repairs, a new lift station, replacement of the rip rap on all three wastewater stabilization pond cells, improvements to the access road, and replacement of site fencing.	Elizabeth MN	\$4,465

City of Ely	Critical improvements to wastewater treatment infrastructure in order to remove mercury and protect the waters of Minnesota and the health of its citizens. This project will include infrastructure improvements to comply with new stringent environmental regulations (discharge standards to Waters of the State) as well as expansion of the WWTF flow capacity to manage peak flow events that require a new filtration system capable of meeting effluent permit requirements.	Ely MN	\$7,360
City of Ely	ISD 696 is currently undergoing a \$20,000,000 renovation and expansion project. As part of the project all of the internal plumbing in the buildings will be replaced and upgraded to current code. The cost to complete this work is \$325,000. The City of Ely and ISD 696 do not have funding for this necessary work.	Ely MN	\$245
Eveleth	The water system under Garfield Street found the existing water facilities to include: cast iron water main, cast iron water main, 39 lead service stubs, nine copper service stubs, nine double-disk main line gate valves, and three fire hydrants. According to City records, the water main was installed in 1910. A review of City maintenance records indicates ten water line breaks or leaks have occurred in the project area during the last 20 years.	Eveleth MN	\$1,586
City of Gilbert	The City of Gilbert needs to implement numerous wastewater collection system improvements that were identified in the City of Gilbert Infiltration and Inflow Elimination plan.	Gilbert MN	\$1,100
City of Gilman	Federal funds will be used to fund the design and construction of replacement sanitary sewer and stormwater collection infrastructure.	Gilman MN	\$5,770
Grand Rapids Economic Development Authority	The proposed redevelopment of the former Ainsworth OSB manufacturing site will address a long-standing community economic development objective and begin to reverse a two-decade long negative trend in manufacturing jobs in the Grand Rapids/Itasca County area. The requested support of \$1,150,600 to fund a portion of the cost to extend public sanitary sewer and water infrastructure will leverage the creation of an estimated 734 jobs and a private capital investment of \$69,125,000.	Grand Rapids MN	\$1,151
City of Hanley Falls	Federal funds will be used to fund the design and construction of replacement drinking water distribution, sanitary sewer collection, stormwater collection, and street infrastructure. Piping to be replaced includes approximately 2/3 of the drinking water distribution system, approximately 3/4 of the wastewater collection system, and approximately 1/2 of the storm sewer system.	Hanley Falls MN	\$10,700
City of Iron Junction	The project will upgrade an outdated water system.	Iron Junction MN	\$600
Lone Pine Township	The East Itasca Joint Sewer Board was organized in 2015 to address the regional wastewater treatment needs of the cities of Nashwauk and Keewatin, Minnesota, and Lone Pine Township. Phase 1 of the project represents connecting the City of Keewatin, whose existing system was aged and not in compliance with State MPCA standards, to the City of Nashwauk wastewater treatment facility. The Phase 1 project is fully funded and represents a \$10 million public infrastructure improvement project. Construction commenced in May of 2021. Lone Pine Township represents Phase 2 of the project. The project areas residential and commercial properties are currently served by Individual Sewage Treatment System's (ISTS).	Itasca County MN	\$6,000
North Country Trail Association Incorporated	The National Park Service (NPS) - North Country National Scenic Trail (NCT) proposes to construct approximately 18-miles of new hiking trail in Itasca County, Minnesota. The Proposed Action would be connected on each end to the existing NCT. It would be a natural surface footpath that would include NCT signage, structures for passage over wet ground or water, gravel parking lots, and primitive backcountry campsites. The purpose of the Proposed Action is to create new hiking trail that would meet the goals and purpose of the North Country National Scenic Trail Route Adjustment Act (HR 1216), the NCT, and the National Trails System.	Itasca County MN	\$100

Lake County	Split Rock Wilds Mountain Bike Trail is being built as a rugged trail. The trail includes view of waterfalls, cliffs, wooded valleys and the largest freshwater lake in the world, Lake Superior. The trails is located on mostly Lake County managed land within thousands acres of continuous forested land with only old logging roads and deer trails. The rocky terrain and Lake Superior views combined with a backcountry feel make this a unique trail experience not only regionally, but nationally. The new Split Rock Lighthouse State Park campground addition (Shipwreck Creek Campground) on the south end of the trail system will give riders a place to park or camp and refill water. Funds needed are to supply matching funds to a 2021 Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment as well as continue onto phase 3 of this project.	Lake County MN	\$1,000
City of Lake Henry	Federal funds will be used to fund the design and construction of replacement sanitary sewer collection and treatment infrastructure, and storm sewer conveyance infrastructure. Piping to be replaced includes 1/4 of the wastewater collection system and 1/3 of the existing stormwater conveyance system.	Lake Henry MN	\$1,611
City of Lake Lillian	Federal funds will be used for the design and construction or replacement of sanitary sewer, watermain, storm sewer, force main to wastewater ponds, inlet structure to wastewater ponds, water tower rehabilitation, and street infrastructure.	Lake Lillian MN	\$15,361
City of Lakefield	The City of Lakefield is currently in the middle of a massive project to improve its wastewater infrastructure. The total project will cost between \$20M and \$22M. For a City of only 1700 people, that is an incredible cost to bear. They are working with USDA-RD for funding the project. Most of the funding will be in the form of loans and cash contributions from the City. Part of this project also includes replacing sanitary sewer infrastructure under Minnesota State Highway 86. As part of the TH86 project, the city will be moving the electric utilities along the highway from overhead to underground to improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of the system as well as adding LED lighting to the Highway 86 corridor to improve driver and pedestrian safety and energy efficiency.	Lakefield MN	\$1,117
City of Lamberton	Federal Funds will be used to construct 13,000 feet of sewer and water service to meet industrial requirements of 10 industrial lots and one large industrial user.	Lamberton MN	\$6,461
City of McKinley	Federal funds will be used to fund 100% of project related construction costs. These costs include water main replacement, street reconstruction, installing a 10 inch casing to the water tower, and installation of a well cap.	McKinley MN	\$587
Native American Community Clinic	Native American Community Clinic is requesting federal appropriations funding to support the development of NACC's clinic footprint and operationalization expansion that will allow NACC to serve up to 10,000 patients annually. The clinic expansion project will allow NACC to double its impact, from serving 5,000 unique patients to nearly 10,000 yearly with augmented clinic and outreach health services.	Minneapolis MN	\$1,000
City of Mountain Iron	The funds will be used to install a 10 inch water main along Mineral Avenue from Slate Street to County Road 102.	Mountain Iron MN	\$335
City of Nashwauk	This project is the replacement of the sanitary sewer mains, water mains, and storm sewer system and restoration of the sidewalk, curb and gutter, and bituminous surface for six blocks of the street from Central Avenue to Fern Avenue.	Nashwauk MN	\$1,666
Bois Forte Band of Chippewa	Bois Forte Reservation maintains a concrete water control dam to regulate water to support production of wild rice, a cultural and economic natural resource of critical importance for the Band. The dam spans an 80-foot river reach and water level is regulated with two, manually operated flow control gates. This structure was constructed in 1987, is now in severe disrepair, and is anticipated to experience complete failure in the near future. No imminent flooding or other damage is anticipated to downstream residents, as this structure is located in a remote area without nearby residential districts or residences. However, failure would have catastrophic impact to wild rice production on Nett Lake.	Nett Lake MN	\$745
Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe	The Band's Project will connect approximately 85 Equivalent Dwelling Units (EDU's) near the intersection of Minnesota State Highways 27 and 47 east of Highway 169.	Onamia MN	\$4,245

Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe	The Band's proposal will contribute to combatting the opioid crisis in rural regions with multiple barrier to self-sufficiency and a healthy lifestyle. In developing rural treatment services, they will place special emphasis on the development of a chemical dependency treatment center that will focus on the co-occurring issues of substance abuse and mental health issues and incorporate cultural practices towards self-healing.	Onamia MN	\$5,200
City of Otsego	The project scope generally includes the infrastructure improvements to comply with stringent environmental regulations (discharge standards to Waters of the State) as well as expansion of the WWTF capacity from serving 6,000 people to 14,100 people.	Otsego MN	\$15,000
Kirkbride Preservation and Rehabilitation	The proposed use of federal funds would encompass the following in order to spur development of housing and associated reuse: Site Costs, Walks, drives, landscaping, visitor parking Parking - 3 units, 2 level structured for residents, as well as Building Infrastructure (Mechanical and electrical systems, elevators, life safety systems), Building Envelope (Roofs, masonry walls windows, doors Building Interior), general repair and upgrades, and restoration of key features.	Otter Tail County MN	\$39,000
City of Palisade	The project will repair infrastructure, develop green energy options, and improve water conservation efforts.	Palisade MN	\$1,000
City of Prinsburg	Federal funds will be used to fund the design and construction of replacement stormwater collection and street infrastructure. The proposed project will take the CSAH 1 stormwater flow and redirect it into Cedar Ave, bypassing an existing chokepoint in the system in Roseland Ave. This new line will eliminate the flooding issues along CSAH 1, Roseland, and around the school by adding a storm sewer line in Cedar Ave and allowing Roseland Ave to drain without additional CSAH 1 flow being directed through it.	Prinsburg MN	\$2,911
Rice County	The proposed Rice County centralized water infrastructure project would provide for the construction of a water tower in the northwest quadrant of the I35 and Rice County Road 1 intersection. This project would serve an area directly off of the I35 corridor that is currently not served by a centralized water system.	Rice County MN	\$1,500
City of Rochester	The City of Rochester seeks State and Tribal Assistance Grant funding for the effluent disinfection portion of the Water Reclamation Plant Phase 2 Liquid Treatment Upgrade, listed on Minnesota's 2022 Intended Use Plan. The project replaces 40-year-old unreliable equipment and provides treatment to meet new regulatory requirements. The proposed project will increase the efficiency of the existing wastewater system, add effluent flow metering, and incorporate reaeration prior to discharge to the receiving stream. This work will save \$31,000 in annual energy and chemical savings.	Rochester MN	\$935
City of Rochester	The City of Rochester seeks State and Private Forestry funding to expand the Conservation Corps program. Federal investment will support the planting of 3,000 more trees in the community.	Rochester MN	\$400
Rock County Rural Water	To help alleviate the water storage deficiency, the federal funds would be used to design and construct a recommended 300,000-gallon water tower in the system's northwest service area approximately 8 miles northwest of Luverne.	Rock County MN	\$2,007
City of Russell	Due to aging and deteriorating infrastructure, the City of Russell is planning a \$16,421,000 citywide utilities project including a new water tower, upgrades to its drinking water distribution, wastewater, and stormwater systems, along with corresponding street work.	Russell MN	\$5,653
City of Sacred Heart	Federal funds will be used to design and construct a Reverse Osmosis (RO) system to improve the drinking water treatment system while eliminating the environmental impact of disposing of approximately 356,000 lbs. of salt (containing chlorides) into the environment annually. The funds will also be used to rehabilitate the existing water tower to remove the lead paint and bring it up to current safety standards.	Sacred Heart MN	\$4,977
City of Shakopee	The investment and public benefit of the proposed project would not only protect the city's critical infrastructure, it would also improve the already impaired Minnesota River (for turbidity). Of notable significance, the riverbank area contains burial mounds of the ancestors of the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community (SMSC), which are threatened by the long-term increasing erosion.	Shakopee MN	\$12,465

Metropolitan Council Environmental Services	The Blue Lake Wastewater Treatment Plant Solids Processing Facilities has some infrastructure that needs to be rehabilitated in the next 1-2 years. These items include Regenerative Thermal Oxidizer (RTO), digester gas storage tank membrane, the mixing conveyor, waste activated sludge discharge valves, process piping and electrical support systems. Improvement of these systems will ensure the our facility can meet the needs of the community.	Shakopee MN	\$4,000
Metropolitan Council Environmental Services	The Blue Lake WWTP outfall pipe ends in the bank of the Minnesota River. The outfall point has been reinforced but the upstream and downstream banks are eroding. The banks need to be reshaped and stabilized.	Shakopee MN	\$1,500
City of Silver Bay	The funding will be for engineering and construction of city-owned public utility improvements to include the Water Treatment Facility and expansion of utility services for housing development within the City. Specifically, funding will be used for the following public utility improvements: replacement of the raw water pumps, valves actuators, filter media, chemical feed equipment, roofing and building supplies, electrical and control upgrades, a new booster station/distribution main. In addition, the city would expand water, sewer, install a new sanitary lift station/force main, storm sewer, and correlating street improvements for housing expansions.	Silver Bay MN	\$11,050
Town of Silver Creek (MN Township)	This Congressionally Directed Spending request would assist the Silver Creek community in the predesign, design, and construction of a publicly owned wastewater collection system to replace the outdated private septic systems along the shores of Lake Superior, from the Silver Creek Cliff tunnel to the Two Harbors city limits. The project is proposed to construct a grinder pump pressure system to service each individual user in combination with a regionalization connection to the City of Two Harbors for treatment. Each of the private septic systems will be removed from service. Due to underground bedrock formations, the required drilling needed for the collection system will add significant cost above and beyond typical construction costs.	Silver Creek MN	\$12,670
City of South Haven	Federal funds will be used to fund the design and construction of replacement drinking water distribution, sanitary sewer collection, stormwater collection, and street infrastructure. Piping to be replaced includes all of the drinking water distribution system including service lines and remote read water meters, and approximately 3/4 of the storm sewer system.	South Haven MN	\$8,500
Tower-Breitung Wastewater Board	Tower-Breitung Wastewater Boards completed a facility plan that focus on eliminating infiltration and inflow for the wastewater collection system in both the City of Tower and in Breitung Township. Four specific project components resulted for the completed facility plan.	St. Louis County MN	\$1,100
Stearns County	The request of \$1,490,000 would be used to acquire a 74-acre property, with 0.7 miles of shoreline along the world-renowned Mississippi River. The addition of this property will provide additional public access to the Mississippi River and increase outdoor recreational opportunities for local, regional, state, and national residents.	Stearns County MN	\$1,490
City of Swanville	The City of Swanville is seeking funding to replace a degraded and functionally obsolete water tower, construct a new city well and replace existing water meters throughout the City distribution system in order to provide adequate service to the residents as part of a plan to address the City overall water service infrastructure.	Swanville MN	\$1,300
City of Taconite	Any federal funds received will be used to help the City of Taconite with costs relating to erecting a new 50,000 gallon elevated tank on a new site and taking the current ground reservoir out of service. The funds will also be used to modify the pump house and well pumps to connect directly with the new water tower.	Taconite MN	\$873
City of Thief River Falls	Federal funded Ag practices along with the Fish and Wildlife management of the Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge has created challenging source water for the City Of Thief River Falls Water Treatment Plant to process safe drinking water for the citizens and businesses.	Thief River Falls MN	\$15,620

City of Two Harbors	Improvements to the wastewater treatment facility include construction of a new activated sludge biological treatment system and mercury removal improvements. This includes new aeration basins, final clarifiers, biosolids treatment units, mercury filter backwash supply tank, operations and controls building, and associated electrical and controls equipment. The total cost for these improvements is estimated at \$25.0M. Local funding for the project will be generated by increases in user rates.	Two Harbors MN	\$10,000
City of Watkins	The federal funds would be used to fund improvements to an aging waste water treatment system.	Watkins MN	\$2,000
City of West Union	Congressionally Directed Funds will be used to construct a new wastewater collection and treatment system for West Union. The wastewater collection system includes new sewer mains, manholes, cleanouts, and service laterals between the mains and the structure being serviced. The wastewater treatment system includes a 2-cell pond system, forcemain, and lift station. Federal Funds will also be used for street restoration within roadways and restoration of disturbed private properties up to the structure being serviced.	West Union MN	\$6,300
Willmar Municipal Utilities	WMU's proposed advanced biological treatment process will provide the City of Willmar with improved water quality, build water resiliency in response to climate change impacts, alleviate drought impacts in a water-short community and reduce chloride concentration to the water receiving stream at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) and move WMU closer to complying with MPCA's salty discharge requirement.	Willmar MN	\$16,000
City of Winton	The City of Winton has an original main sewer line section that has become compromised. The sewer main in this area is original clay pipe, approximately 66 years old. There are 4 residential connections in this section. The length of the replacement section is 300 feet. The City believes tree roots have created the break in this line. The trees have been removed that have overgrown in this area.	Winton MN	\$62
City of Wood Lake	Wood Lake began planning for a major citywide utility infrastructure improvements project in mid-2016 due to significant citywide utility concerns, including an outdated water main from 1927 with asbestos and lead issues and other significant defects.	Wood Lake MN	\$7,242
City of Zumbrota	The project will provide a critical watermain crossing of US Highway 52 and will protect existing local business from disruption due to a watermain failure. Currently only one aging watermain crossing exists under the highway which serves three large employers within the City of Zumbrota, MN. Included is the extension of watermain from Jefferson Drive to the western side of Highway 52 at Goodhue County Road 168.	Zumbrota MN	\$560