



FISCAL YEAR 2027 GRANT AND LOAN FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Grants and Low-cost
Loan Funding for
Idaho's Drinking Water
and Wastewater Needs

STATE REVOLVING FUND (SRF) **LOANS**

- Provide low-interest funding for up to 100% of project costs to design and construct new or improve existing drinking water and wastewater facilities.
- Offer below-market interest rates, with **average rates under 2%**.
- Keep repayment money in the state, which is used to fund more projects for Idaho's communities.

SRF's below-market interest rates can save communities money. In fiscal year (FY) 2026, DEQ's favorable loan terms saved Idaho communities over \$52 Million.



PLANNING **GRANTS**

- Provide funding for preparing facility planning documents to upgrade and improve existing drinking and wastewater systems or construct new systems.
- Cover 50% of eligible costs. Grant recipients providing the other half.
- Provide funding for environmental reviews if grantees plan on seeking federal funding.

SUPPLEMENTAL **FUNDING**

DEQ obligated Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funding for drinking water lead service lines and drinking water and clean water emerging contaminants. BIL funding grants and loans saved recipients \$35 million in FY26 compared to loans based on market rates.

DEQ offers additional funding opportunities, such as the Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Planning Grant (OSG).



APPLICATION PROCESS

1

DEQ invites communities to submit a letter of interest (LOI) detailing their need for funding mid-October. Completed **LOIs are due in January.**

2

DEQ rates responses and develops a ranked priority list for public comment and board approval.

3

The highest rated projects for which funding is available **July 1st** are invited to submit a grant or loan application.

Submit LOIs to
grants.loans@deq.idaho.gov
by **January 9, 2026.**



DEQ RESOURCES

DEQ Contractual Assistance

DEQ provides free technical assistance to small communities to meet the administrative requirements of grants and loans. Email grants.loans@deq.idaho.gov for technical assistance and advice.

LOI Training Opportunity

FY2027 LOI Training
November 4, 2025
2–3 p.m. MST
[Register Here](#)



Website

www.deq.idaho.gov/SRF

GRANT AND LOAN ELIGIBILITY

Drinking Water Systems:

Community water systems and nonprofit noncommunity water systems.

Wastewater Systems:

Government entities and nonprofit corporations that have authority to collect, treat, or dispose of sewage or industrial wastewater.

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HAVE QUESTIONS?

Call and discuss the issues facing your system with DEQ's regional office staff and/or your consulting engineer.

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