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13 Iowa Communities to save a total of \$619,525 through State Revolving Fund Interest Rate Reduction

Iowa Communities to Save through State Revolving Fund

DES MOINES – The Iowa Finance Authority and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources recently announced that 13 Iowa communities with current State Revolving Fund loans for water quality projects will save a total of \$619,525 in interest over the remaining life of their loans as a result of their interest rate being reduced from 3% to 1.75%.

The State Revolving Fund is one of Iowa's primary sources for financing projects designed to improve Iowa's water quality. Two funds, one for drinking water and one for wastewater and pollution control, have provided low-cost financing to projects in 600 Iowa communities as well as to farmers, watershed groups and others for water quality projects. The program is jointly administered by the Iowa Finance Authority and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

"The State Revolving Fund has saved Iowa communities more than \$16 million by reducing the interest rate for loans that are more than ten years old," said Iowa Finance Authority Executive Director Dave Jamison. "This savings is possible due to the success of the program and excellent financial management, which ultimately keeps millions of dollars in local economies all across the state."

"We've found the State Revolving Fund to be the most affordable option for completing our water quality projects and keeping rates low for Newton residents," said Matt Muckler, Newton City Administrator. "The recent interest rate reduction translates to over \$106,000 in proposed savings which will be reallocated to other priorities in the City's water pollution control system."

"The State Revolving Fund is a successful partnership between state and local governments and we are proud to play a role in assisting communities in completing vital water quality projects," said Iowa Department of Natural Resources Director Chuck Gipp.

Besides offering the low interest rates to finance water infrastructure projects, the State Revolving Fund offers other benefits to Iowa communities, such as lower up-front costs and no reserve requirement.

For more information on the State Revolving Loan program, visit IowaSRF.com.

The Iowa Legislature created the Iowa Finance Authority (IFA) in 1975. IFA administers the State Revolving Fund (SRF) in partnership with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources. The SRF assists communities with the costs of upgrading or constructing public wastewater and drinking water infrastructure projects.

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Communities with recent interest rate reductions:

Borrower	Savings	Contact
City of Baxter	\$10,012.50	Peg Kimberley: 641-227-3120
City of Dunlap	\$5,325.00	Nancy Baker: 712-643-5721
City of Farley	\$63,000.00	Ashley Jasper: 563-744-3475
Iowa American Water Company– Clinton	\$13,987.50	DD Duke: 563-242-9102
City of Keystone	\$30,637.50	Angie Hagen: 319-442-3246
City of Keystone	\$9,987.50	Angie Hagen: 319-442-3246
City of Lester	\$6,325.00	Christa Lee: 712-478-4362
City of Lockridge	\$10,037.50	Joyce LeDuc: 319-696-3311
City of Melcher-Dallas	\$11,600.00	Karen Anderson: 641-947-6501
City of Newton	\$106,487.50	Matt Muckler: 641-792-2787
Ottumwa Water Works	\$163,150.00	Mike Heffernan: 641-684-4606
City of Oxford Junction	\$155,850.00	Stacia Hansen: 319-828-4742
City of Storm Lake	\$27,362.50	James Patrick: 712-732-8000
City of Wadena	\$5,762.50	Gloria Aylsworth: 563-774-2875
	\$619,525.00	

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