



MUNICIPAL, RURAL AND INDUSTRIAL WATER SUPPLY PROGRAM

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Potential Grant Recipients and Other Parties of Interest

FROM: Federal Municipal, Rural, and Industrial Water Supply Program
North Dakota State Water Commission and Garrison Diversion Conservancy District

RE: **Request for Project Information - DEADLINE OF MAY 15, 2015**

DATE: March 20, 2015

The Federal Municipal, Rural, and Industrial Water Supply Program (MR&I) is accepting applications for financial assistance for drinking water projects for construction in 2016 and later years. The program offers grants to assist public water systems (excluding federally-owned and for-profit noncommunity systems) in financing the costs of these infrastructure projects. To be eligible for assistance, projects need to improve water supply quantity or quality problems and maintain compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act or protect public health. Estimated 2016 funding is six to seven million dollars.

The MR&I Program is currently developing the project list for 2016. Only projects that are on this list will be considered for MR&I assistance. To get on the list, an application must be completed and submitted to the MR&I Program. The types of projects that qualify for the MR&I program include improvements to ground water wells, pipelines, pumping plants, intake works, new or enlarged storage facilities, modifications and upgrades to water treatment plants, and enlargements or extensions of a regional water system. Program funds are not available for costs associated with operation, maintenance, and replacement of water supply or treatment systems or the costs associated with the preparation of a preliminary engineering report.

The information received will be used to make funding recommendations up to a 75 percent grant. The Garrison Diversion Conservancy District and the State Water Commission review and grant approval of MR&I funding. The MR&I program requires cost-share requests be approved prior to commencement of the project. The MR&I program is administered with Bureau of Reclamation oversight. Reclamation is involved in National Environmental Policy Act compliance, cultural resources investigations, feasibility studies, review of plans and specifications, and concurs on construction contracts and change orders. The funding process may include three months for initial approval, review of a project feasibility study, six to nine months for environmental process, and two months for design and bidding approval.

If these conditions are acceptable, please submit a request for federal MR&I funding for each water supply project for which you are interested in pursuing MR&I assistance. An application may be obtained from the State Water Commission web site at www.swc.nd.gov or Garrison Diversion Conservancy District web site at www.garrisondiv.org. For questions contact Jeffrey Mattern at (701) 328-2752.

The DEADLINE for RECEIPT of a completed MR&I program application is May 15, 2015. Applications received after this date will NOT be considered for 2016 and will be returned.

Please send the completed project applications to: MR&I Program, 900 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 770, Bismarck, ND 58505-0850 and Garrison Diversion Conservancy District, PO Box 140, Carrington, ND 58421.



**FEDERAL MUNICIPAL, RURAL, AND INDUSTRIAL WATER
SUPPLY PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR COST-SHARE**
NORTH DAKOTA STATE WATER COMMISSION
SFN 60796 (3/2015)

Submit application to Garrison Diversion Conservancy District and ND State Water Commission.

Project Sponsor			Date		
Contact Person Name			Title		
Address		City	State	ZIP Code	
Telephone Number		Email Address			
Engineering Firm Name					
Project Engineer Name			Telephone Number		
Email Address					
Project Name					
Project Needs, Objectives, & Benefits					
Area To Be Served					
Preliminary Engineering Report Included Yes No					
Project Funding	SOURCE	FEASIBILITY STUDY	DESIGN	CONSTRUCTION	TOTAL
	Federal	\$	\$	\$	\$
	State	\$	\$	\$	\$
	Local	\$	\$	\$	\$
	Other	\$	\$	\$	\$
	TOTAL	\$	\$	\$	\$
Describe Efforts To Secure Other Funding For Project					

		CURRENT	AFTER PROJECT	NOTE
Water Rate Schedule	Base Rate	\$	\$	
	Cost Per 1,000 Gallons	\$	\$	
	Gallons In Base Rate			
	Cost For 5,000 Gallons	\$	\$	
	Service Connections			
	Population			
	Feasibility Study	Start		End
Design	Start		End	
Construction	Start		End	