

"Assisting Communities, Businesses, and Individuals in Achieving their Highest Economic Potential"

## Director's Notes

-David Reiss, Executive Director

With COVID-19, the Central South Dakota Enhancement District has encountered challenges and opportunities to serve our members during trying times. The District was awarded a COVID-19 supplemental planning and capacity building grant from the federal Economic Development Administration in October, 2020 and with that grant comes a requisite Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) plan addendum focused on COVID-19 recovery and resiliency. As part of the District taking on this important work within the Central South Dakota region, we have contracted a consultant to assist us in conducting District-wide outreach to local governments, economic development contacts, and businesses within the area as well as facilitating local discussions to ascertain the strains that COVID-19 has imparted in our communities and develop recommendations to mitigate the threat of pandemic impacts in the future. The District will invite members new and old to the CSDED CEDS committee to provide input and guidance on this process and help us shape the final report to be provided to the EDA. CSDED staff and District consultant Buddy Seiner are available to our stakeholders to discuss COVID recovery efforts and resiliency needs locally. I invite each of you to reach out and discuss with us how the Coronavirus has impacted your work and how the pandemic has impacted your community.



The District staff appreciates all our member and stakeholder efforts to take part in this process intended to reduce further impact from the Coronavirus pandemic and we look forward to working collaboratively to improve the quality of life within our region.

-DR

## CSDED Economic Development

On January 21, 2021, the Central SD Enhancement District entered into an agreement with SD GOED to accept an Economic Development Partnership Program Grant. This grant is the first step that the District is taking in establishing a Revolving Loan Fund that will assist communities and individuals within the District. There is much work to be done to develop this program out for the District, but the project will assist with economic growth throughout Central SD.

SD DOT

July 15

Transportation Alternatives  
Application process begins with  
a letter of intent due.

SD DOT

April 15th

SD DOT's Industrial Parks Grant and  
Agri-Business Grant for the development and  
enhancement of community access and  
economic development applications due.

March 2021

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## Looking Ahead to Funding Deadlines:

March 31

REAP-RD

April 1<sup>st</sup>

CDBG – GOED

Drinking Water SRF – DENR

Clean Water SRF – DENR

April 9

Recreational Trails Program -SD GF&P

April 15<sup>th</sup>

Industrial Park Grant -SDDOT

Agri-Business Grant –SDDOT

April 30<sup>th</sup>

Land and Water Conservation Fund-SDGF&P

May 1<sup>st</sup>

Amendments to State Water Plan - DENR

June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Outside Deadwood Grant -SD Historical

July 1<sup>st</sup>

Drinking Water SRF –DENR

Clean Water SRF – DENR

July 15<sup>th</sup>

Industrial Parks Grant -SDDOT

Agri-Business Grant -SDDOT

Community Access Grant -SDDOT

Mid July

Transportation Alternatives Application

Process begins (letter of intent) -SDDOT

Anytime/revolving.

Community Facilities – RD

SEARCH –RD

Small Community Planning Grant –

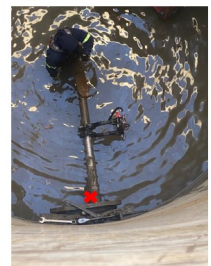
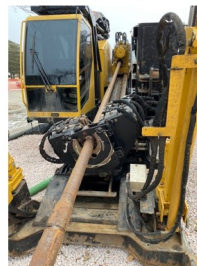
DENR

## Water Projects:



Pierre Drinking Water Treatment Plant  
Pictures courtesy of City of Pierre

At the treatment plant, forms will start to show up on the tops of the finished walls in preparation for the ground level slabs.



North of the bridge, The raw water line from the Caisson to the Water Treatment Structure.

Crews used a directional drill to create a horizontal pilot hole from the Ramkota Parking lot to the Caisson.

This is all in preparation for the 20" water line from the Intake Structure as it heads for the casing recently installed under the bridge.

In the middle photo, X marks the spot where the pilot hole needed to enter the Caisson. Success is shown in the third photo.

(The Caisson is typically filled with water at an elevation similar to the river but was temporarily pumped down for this work).



Lift station pipe.

Onida Phase 2 Waste Water Improvement Project  
Pictures courtesy of SPN & Associates



Lagoon inlet.



Lift station top.

## Governor’s House Guidelines and Price Changed

On December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 South Dakota Housing Development Authority made changes to the net worth guidelines within the Governor’s House Program. While a large part of the qualification process starts with an individual/couples household income, which did not change, many of our senior residents have had difficulties meeting the net worth guidelines in the past. This increase of the net worth guidelines will assist more people in qualifying for a new Governor House.

SDHDA Governors House Income Guidelines:

- Make \$54,460 or less in a one- or two-person household or \$62,240 or less in a household of three or more.
- Have net worth of less than \$125,000—or \$105,000 in liquid assets—for applicants age 61 or younger.
- Have net worth of less than \$250,000—or \$140,000 in liquid assets—for applicants age 62 or older.
- The home is their only residence.
- Place the home within South Dakota.



Starting on March 1, 2021, the cost of the Governor’s House 2-bedroom increased to \$57,700 and the 3-bedroom house increased to \$68,700. These prices are reflective of the increase in the price of building materials that has increased dramatically over the last few months.

If you know of an individual or family that would qualify or benefit from this program, please have them contact Malinda at 605-773-2780 or email [enhancement@csded.org](mailto:enhancement@csded.org).

## Outdoor Recreation Projects

The South Dakota Game Fish and Park’s Land and Water Conservation Fund is a very useful tool for our Local Governments to do a community development projects through acquisition and the development of outdoor recreation projects. These community development projects benefit our communities by providing great places to play and may even encourage visitors to stop and stay. The projects that are eligible for funding may be playgrounds, ballfields, picnic facilities, swimming pools, sports and play fields and more. Some of the most recent projects funded by the Land and Water Conservation Fund are playgrounds in Box Elder, Flandreau, and Madison, a ballpark in Sisseton, 6 pickleball courts in Spearfish and more. Applications for Land and Water Conservation Fund are due on April 30, 2021. Please contact CSDED for assistance with this application process.

### Land and Water Conservation Fund

**APRIL 30**

The SDGF&P Land and Water Conservation Fund provides up to 50% reimbursement finds for acquisition and development of parklands or outdoor recreation projects.

A Simple Breathing Exercise for  
Stress Relief

Clear your mind close your eyes and  
breath.

4 seconds inhale

4 seconds hold breath

4 seconds exhale

4 seconds hold breath

Repeat 4-5 times.

Job Opportunity

CSDED is seeking a COVID-19 Impact Research In-  
tern for the summer of 2021 to assist CSDED in  
completing its COVID-19 Response and Resiliency  
Plan. For details please go to:

<https://csded.org/employment>

This is a paid internship. Application material due at  
CSDED by March 15.

**CSDED Events:**

March

30<sup>th</sup> CSDED Board meeting  
(tentative)

April

2-5 Easter - Holiday- unknown days  
off

21<sup>st</sup> Administrative Professionals  
Day

May

31<sup>st</sup> Memorial Day -office closed

The CSDED newsletter pertains to items of interest to  
CSDED members and those we serve. This letter is  
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