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Henry, South Dakota C461277-01, C462277-01 DATE 8/9/24 CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT WITHIN THE CITY OF HENRY, SOUTH DAKOTA The South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources (DANR) conducted a review of a proposal from the city of Henry for a Wastewater & Water System Improvements project. The city of Henry is proposing to use the Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan to replace 4,000 feet of sanitary sewer, 1,120 feet of service lines, 16 manholes, 28 cleanouts, connections, and miscellaneous items necessary for updating the collection system, and the lift station. The city of Henry is proposing to use the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan and replacement of 5,600 feet of water main, 1,860 feet of service lines, and various appurtenances. The city of Henry was awarded a \$2,000,000 Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan with up to \$865,000 in principal forgiveness. The loan has a rate of 3.25 percent and a term of 30 years. Current residential sewer rates are a \$20 flat fee. Henry has pledged a project surcharge to repay the loan. The surcharge will be \$45 per user per month for wastewater. The city of Henry was awarded a \$2,000,000 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan with up to \$1,405,000 in principal forgiveness. The loan has a rate of 0.00 percent and a term of 30 years. Current residential water rates are \$21.67 per customer per month for 5,000 gallons usage. Henry has pledged a project surcharge to repay the loan. The surcharge will be \$15 per user per month for water. Listed below are the reasons for granting a categorical exclusion: 1. The project is for a community water system of less than 10,000 persons and is for minor upgrading or minor expansion of existing treatment works. 2. The project involves new distribution lines or storage facilities within the developed portion of the community. 3. The project is in a sewer community of less than 10,000 persons and is for minor upgrading or minor expansion of existing treatment works. 4. The project involves sanitary sewer or storm sewer within the developed portion of the community. 5. No comments requiring mitigative action were received from the South Dakota Historical Society, South Dakota Department of Game, Fish and Parks, United States Department of Interior, United States Army Corps of Engineers, Natural Resource Conservation Service, or through the public participation process. The proposed action does not involve any serious local objections, nor does it meet any of the criteria for not granting a categorical exclusion as specified in [Section 6.505(c) (i) through (iii) of 40 CFR Part 6, Subpart E]. The Henry Wastewater & Water System Improvements project will not affect any historical or archaeological resources. The project should have no direct or indirect adverse effects on plant life or wildlife. No other environmentally sensitive issues have been identified in the planning of this project. The review process did not indicate that significant environmental impacts would result from the proposed project. Consequently, a preliminary decision not to prepare an EIS has been made. This action is taken on the basis of a careful review of the engineering report, environmental information documents, correspondence with responsible governmental agencies and other supporting data which are on file at the Division of Financial and Technical Assistance, Environmental Funding Program, DANR, Pierre, South Dakota, and are available for public scrutiny at the Henry city office in Henry, South Dakota. Comments supporting or disagreeing with this decision may be submitted to [DANRMail@state.sd.us](mailto:DANRMail@state.sd.us) for consideration by DANR after publication of the Categorical Exclusion Determination. After evaluating the comments received, DANR will make a final decision. /s/ Tina McFarling Administrator Published August 9, 2024 at the total approximate cost of \$55.75 and may be viewed free of charge at [www.sdpublicnotices.com](http://www.sdpublicnotices.com)

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